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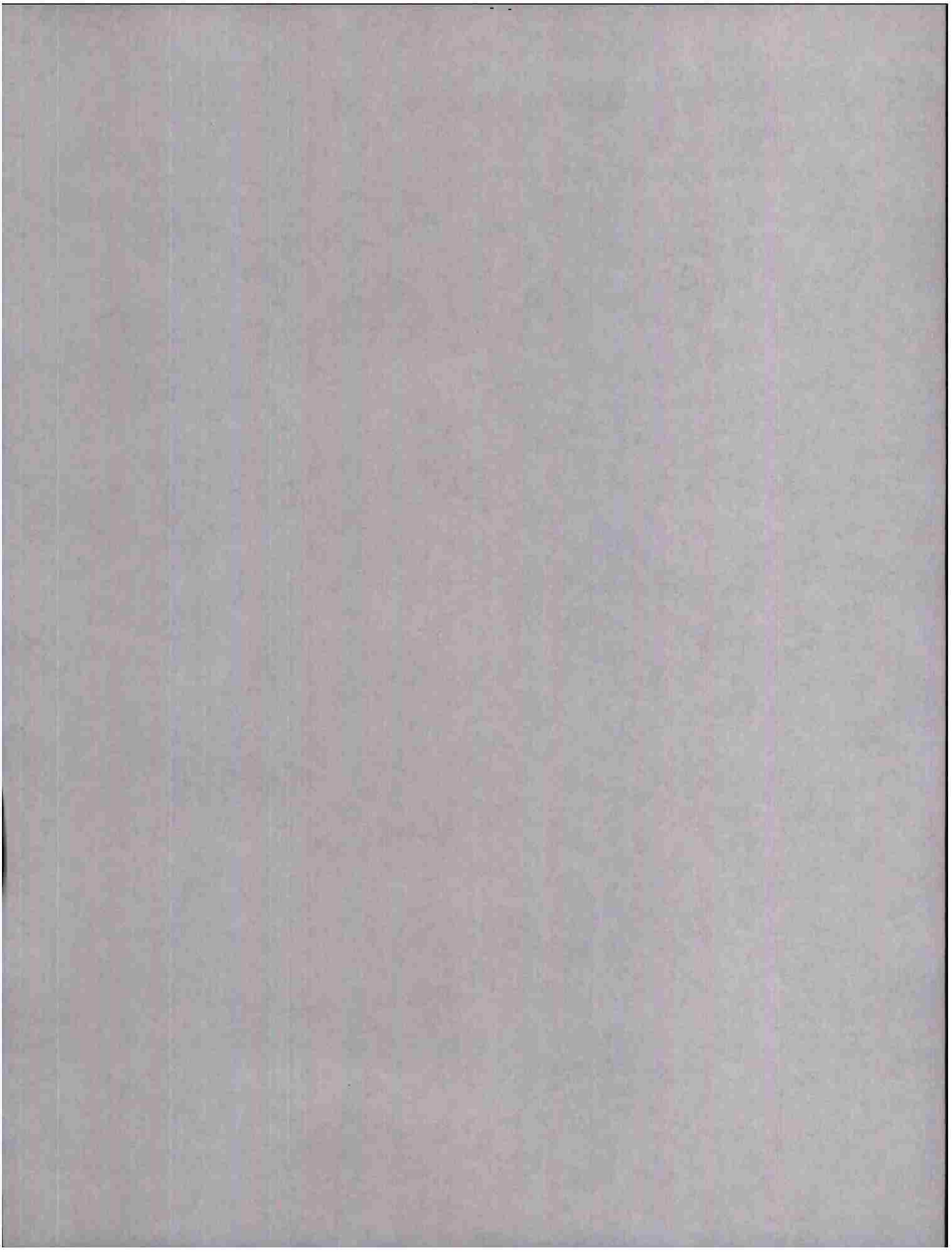

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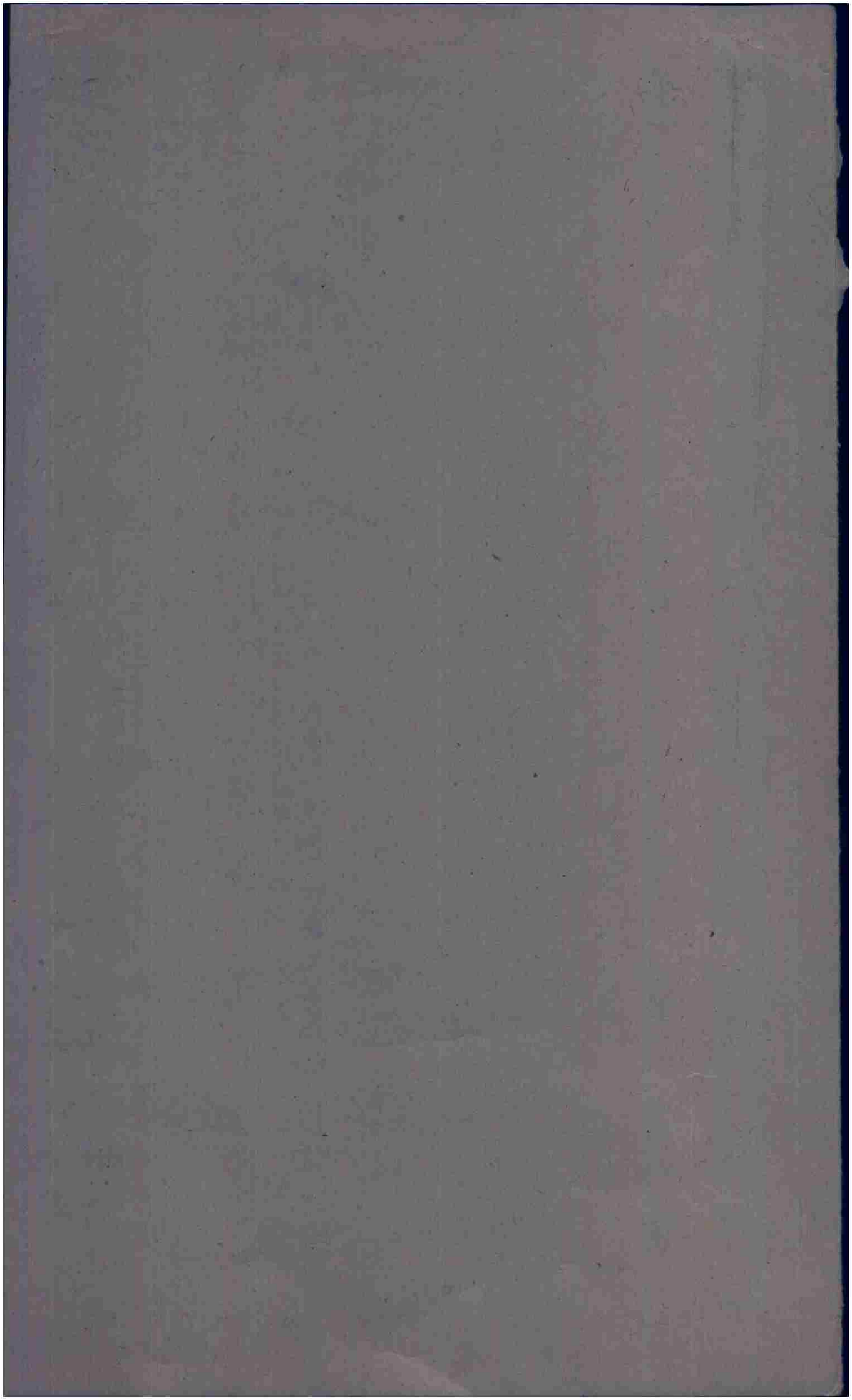

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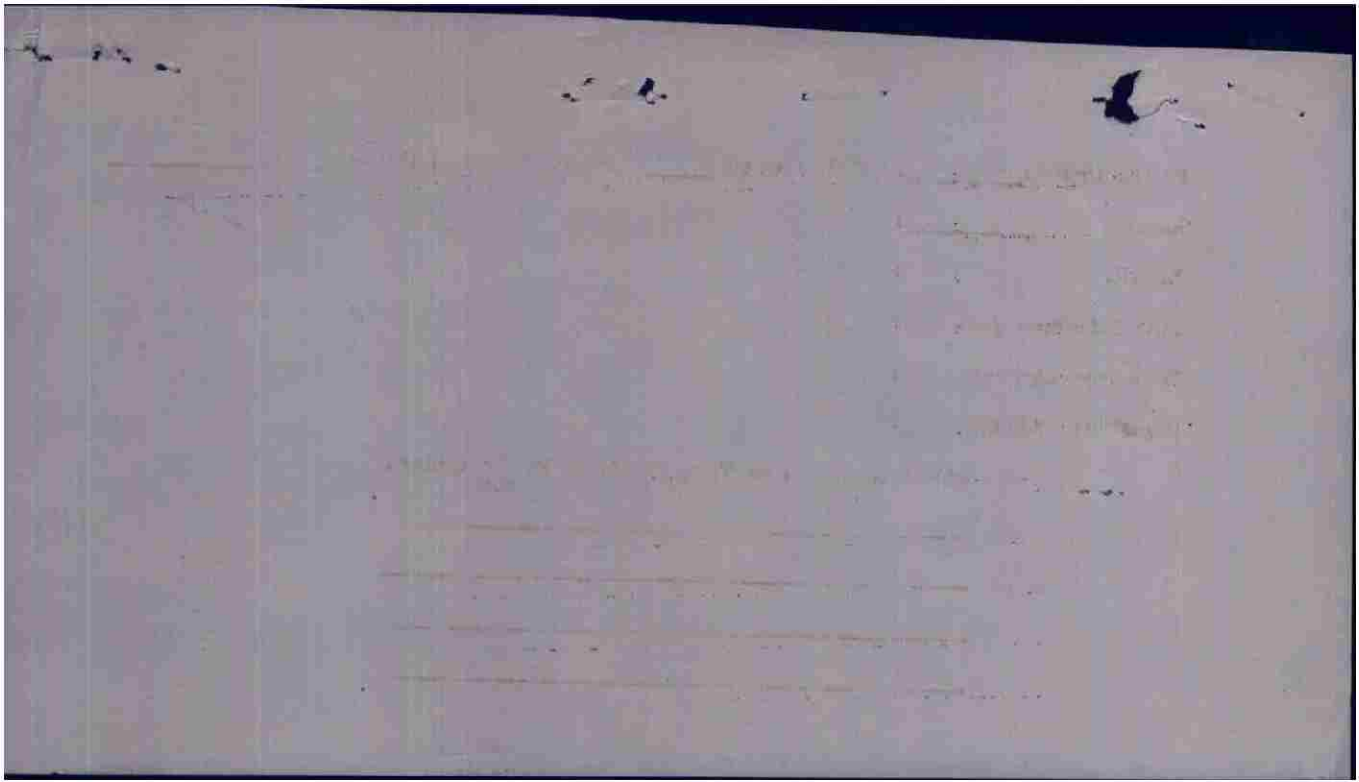

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COG 97TH CBW V YAA YAA 13/13 OP

FROM YAA

TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

CONFIDENTIAL BT

P-277-D

REF:

OP FLASH NO 7 FOR 13 APRIL 1944

A, (I) 1 BOX A/39 1 BOX A/62
(II) FIRST BOX A/39
SECOND BOX A/62

B. (I) 416 BG
(II) FIRST BOX 18 A/C - 39
SECOND BOX 19A/C - 62
(III) NONE

(IV) FIRST BOX 18 ON PRIMARY
SECOND BOX 19 ON PRIMARY

C. (I) 0843
(II) FIRST BOX 1000 1/2 SECOND BOX 1001
(III) 1131

D. (I) FIRST BOX 14 FLAK DAMAGE CATEGORY A
SECOND BOX 14 FLAK DAMAGE CATEGORY A
(II) 0-0-0 BOTH BOXES
(III) 0-0-0 BOTH BOXES

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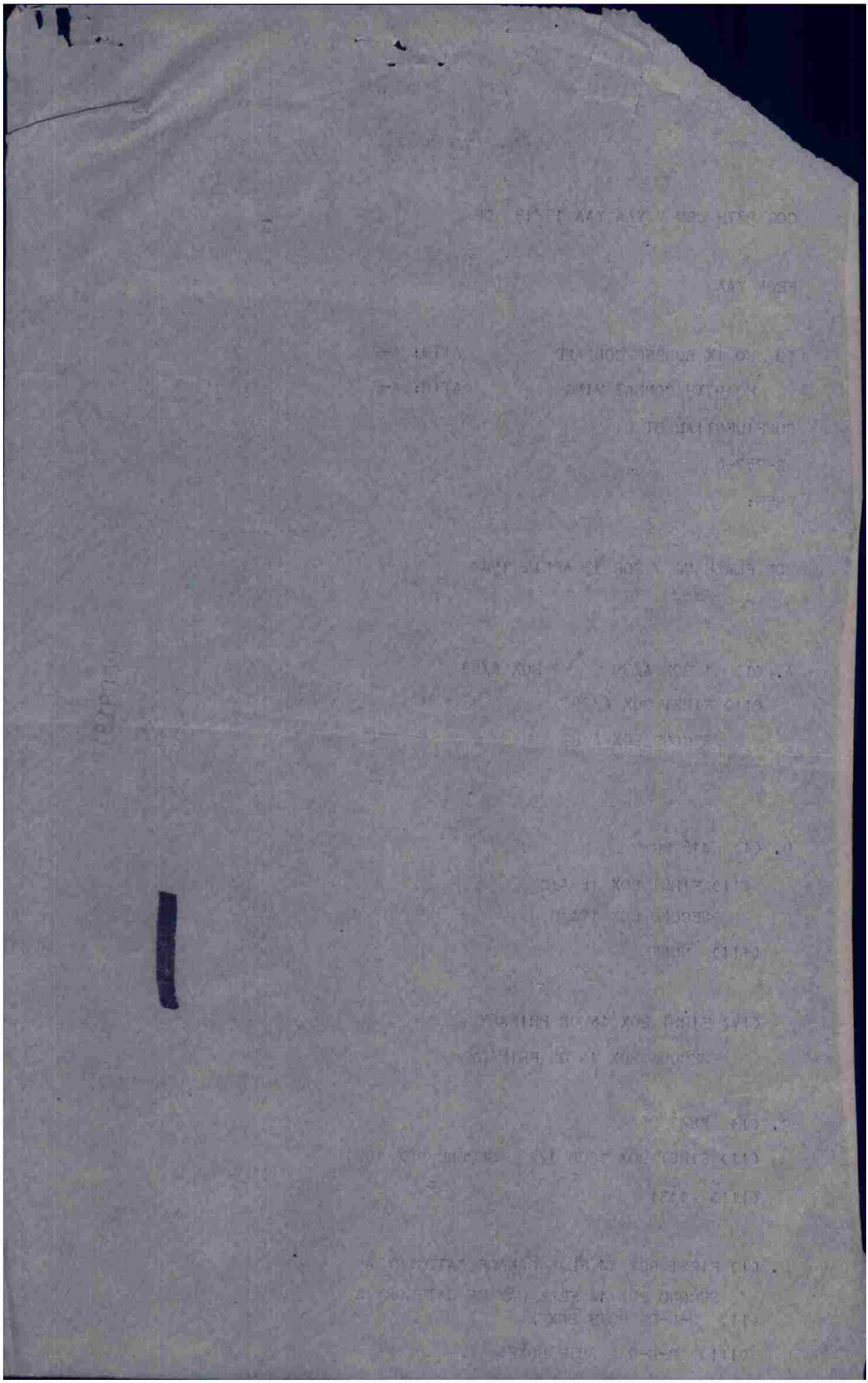

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E. FIRST BOX : MP1 APPRIXIMATELY 350 FEET OVER TARGET FOUR BURSTS IN TARGET AREA

~~RESULTS UNOBSERVED~~

SECOND BOX: GOOD CONCENTRATION ON TARGET

~~RESULTS UNOBSERVED~~

F. (I) (A) NIL

(B) NIL

(II) (A) WEAK INNACCURATE HFF IN SORREL AREA MODERATE ACCURATE HFF IN NEUILLY AREA

G. SHIPS-THREE, POSSIBLE TRAWLER TYPE, 6 MILES OFF FRENCH COAST AT ST, QUENTIN, HEADED NORTH TOWARD WHITE OBJECT WHICH MIGHT BE BOUY OR LIGHTSHIP MARKER

~~TARAINS- SMALL TRAIN MOVING TOWARD POIX AIRDROME~~

~~TRAIN MOVING SE , 15 MILES SE OF ABBEVILLE~~

~~TEN TO 12 CARS STANDING ON SINGLE TRACK SIDING JUST NORTH OF ABBEVILLE~~

~~LONG TTAIN(30 CARS) MOVING FROM BERTEANCOURT TO FLIXECOURT (12 MILES E OF ABBEVILLE.)~~

TRUCKS- THREE TARPAULIN CAMOUFLAGED TRUCKS ON COASTAL ROAD AT TOCQUEVILLE , HEADED SOUTH

AIRCRAFT-ONE B17 CRASH LANDED SOUTH OF THAMES AT 1037 HOURS

INSTALLATIONS-CONCRETEX~~XX~~ OBLONG PARAPETS 200 FEET LONG, LYING SE TO NW IN WOODS S OF CRECY

COASTAL- TWO BLACK INSTALLATIONS~~XXXXX~~ APPROXIMATELY 8 BY 12 FEET LOCATED 100 FEET APART FACING SEA AT TIP OF LAND ON SOUTH BANK OF MOUTH OF AUTHIE RIVER EQUIPPED WITH UPSWINGING DOORS, OPENING ON THE SEA SIDE OF INSTALLATION

BARBED ~~XXX~~ WIRE AND POSTS ALONG COAST AT EXIT POINT (ST. QUENTIN.)

SMOKE-WHITE COLUMN FROM FOREST 49 DEGREES, 53 MINUTES N-1X~~XXXXXX~~ DEGREE, 34 MINUTESE SEEN TO REACH ABOUT 2000 FEET.

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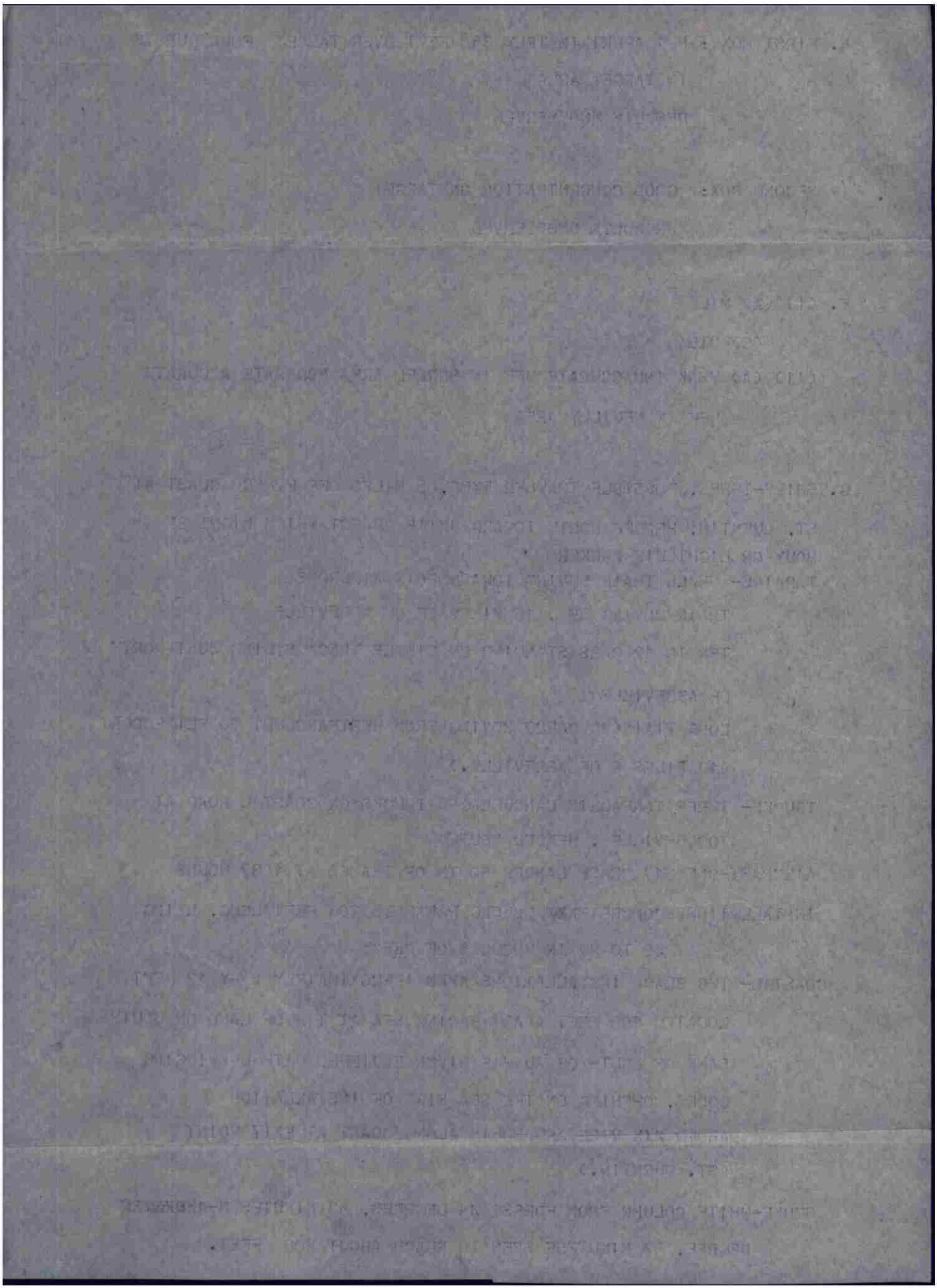

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H. SLIGHT HAZE 4 TO 5 MILES VISIBILITY

I. 70 X 500GP ON A/39
2 X 500GP RETURNED (FØRST BOX)
73 X 500GP ON A /62
2 X 500GP FELL OUT ON BOMB RUN (A/72)

MACE COBOMGR 416

BT 1500B
GRL AR
97TH CBW R.....'13/1535B JMB AR
COG R.....'''131536 B AMB AR
TIC I HAVE ONE MORE FOR U ARE YOU STILL THERE COG

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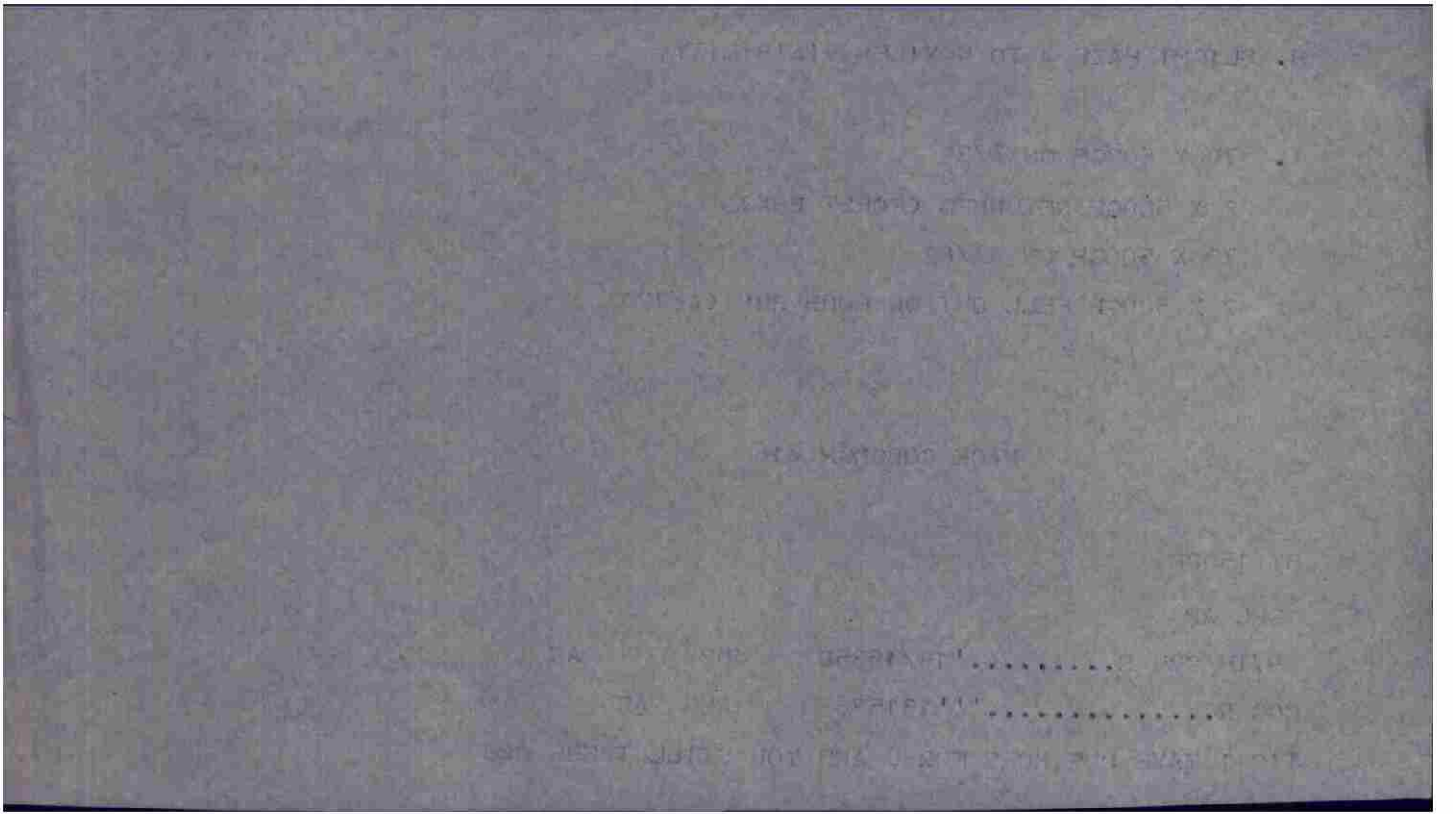

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DETACHMENT "B"
21st WEATHER SQUADRON
USAAF STATION 160

1155 hours.

13 April, 1944.

FLASH REPORT: 416 ~~4th~~ Bomb Group TARGET: 3028-3140 TIME: 1155

Base Conditions: Vsby 3 miles. Nil low, 5-6/10 cirrus well above 20,000 ft.

Route Out: Same to Thames except 2-3/10 alto-stratus, tops 8000 ft, 500-1000 ft thick. At Beachy Head cloud thicker, 4-5/10, tops 10-11,000 ft in a patch extending 4-5 miles into channel. 2-3/10 low over continent, tops estimated 6000 ft layer thin cirrus (very high) over all areas. Vsby 4-5 miles, slightly hazy.

Target: 1000 hours. Layer cirrus, nil low. Vsby 4-5 miles.

Route Back and Bases: Same except patch of cloud at Beachy Head broken or moved out. From Thames E, haze layer. Vsby 2-4 miles.

Winds: O.K.

Did Weather Affect Bombing? No.

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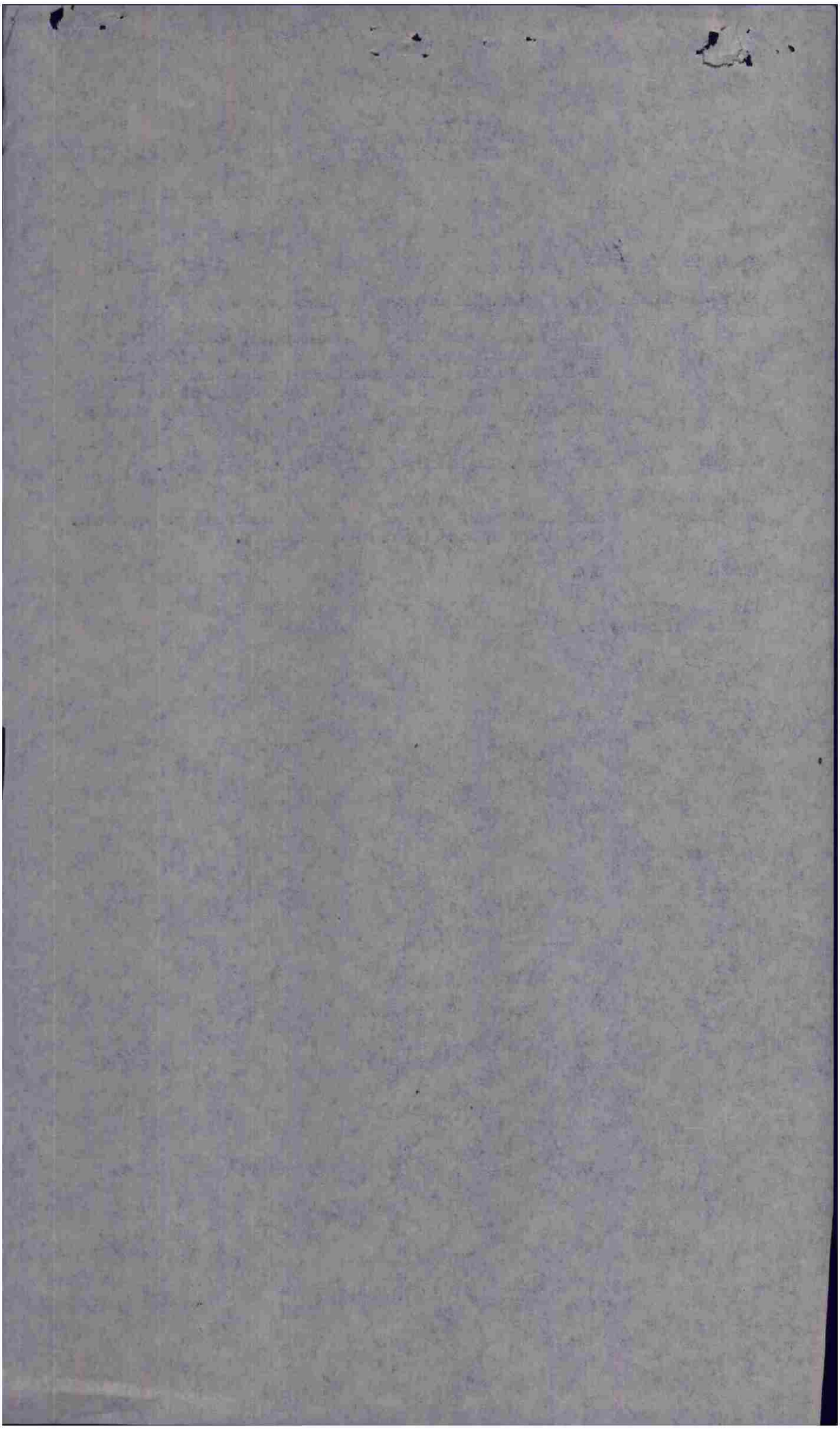

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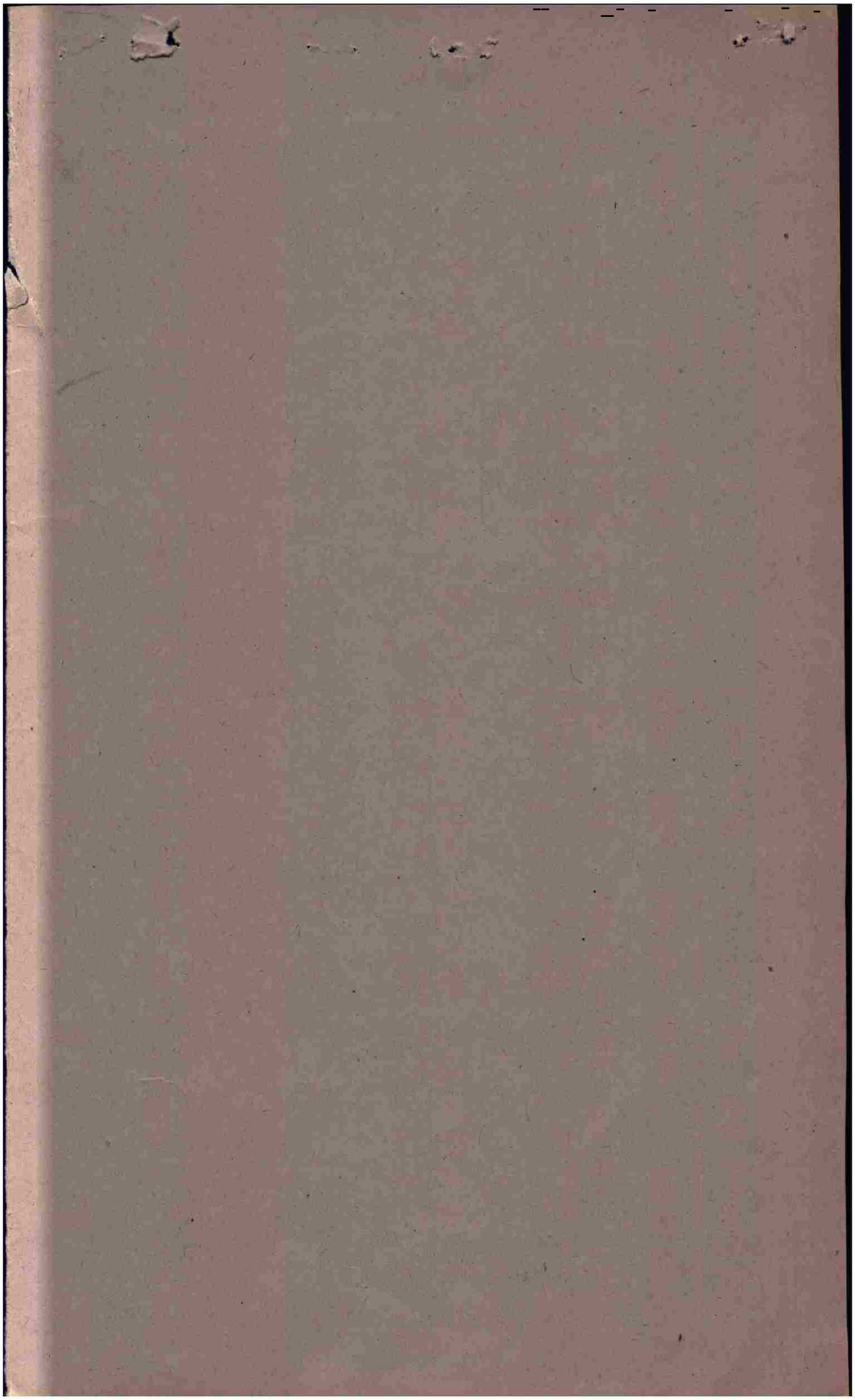

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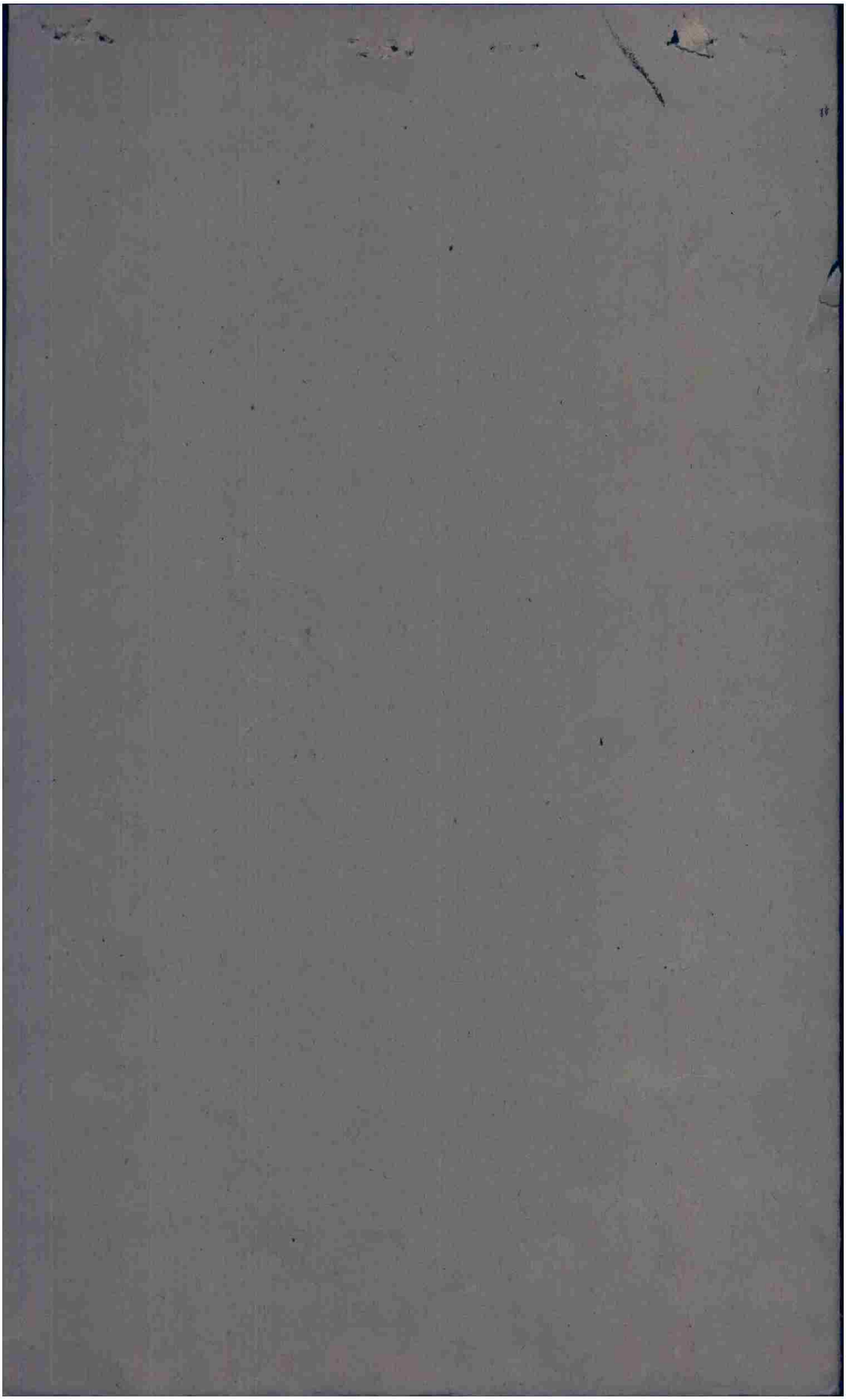

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