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As the only remaining major military installation in Western New York, Niagara Falls has been key to military recruitment The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Please, overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

Carol Licata 7/31/

[A concerned Citizen] (date)

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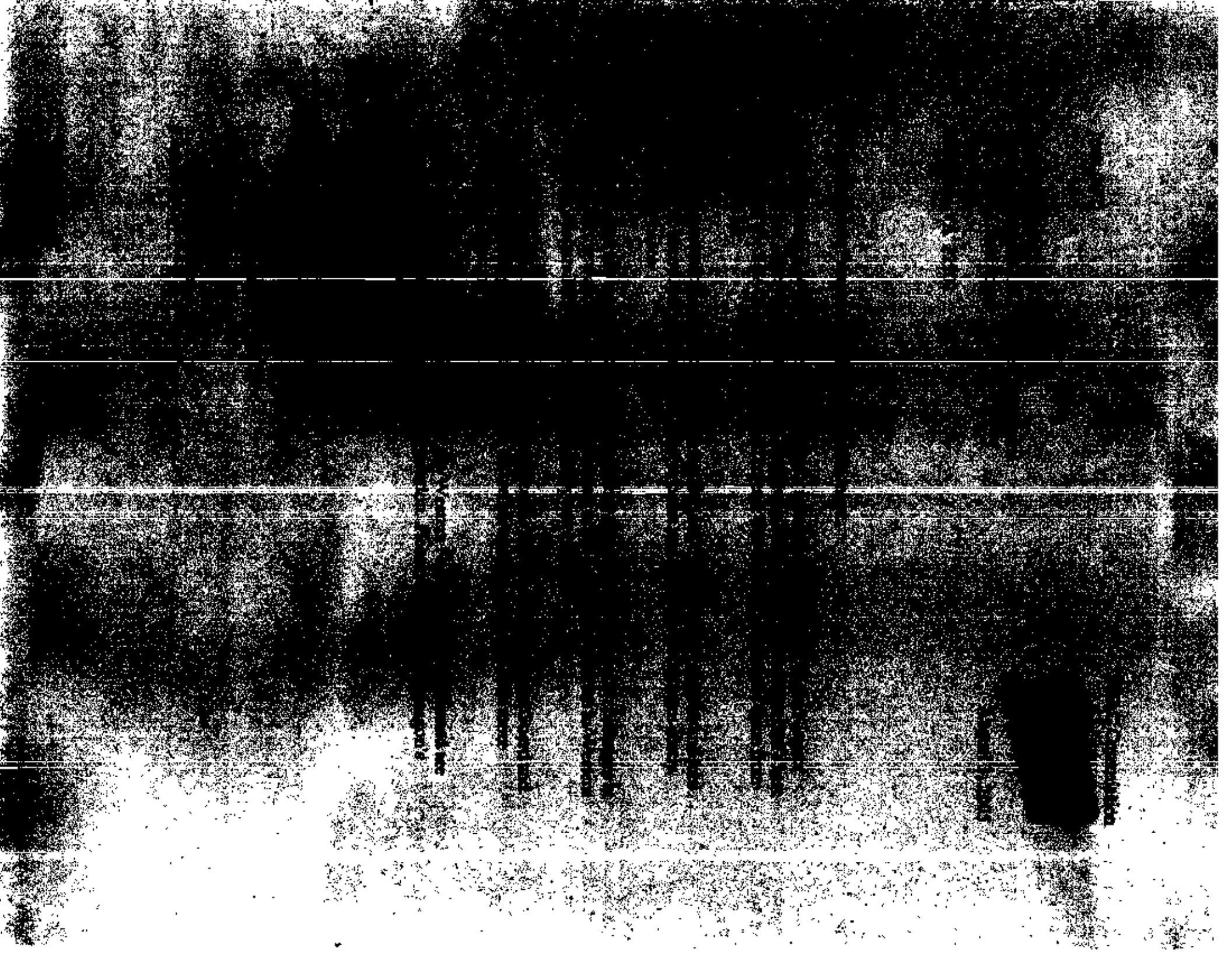

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Sincerely,

Nicole A. Grace
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Kenmore, NY 14217
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Phyllis L. Wilson 7/22/05
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Thomas Box 7/26/05
[A concerned Citizen] (date)

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[illegible] NY [illegible]
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Russell E. Fisso

(A concerned Citizen) (date)

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ROGER GASTERBROOK 7/22/05
[A concerned Citizen] [date]

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[A concerned Citizen] (date)

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Benito A. Monte 7/23/05
[A concerned Citizen] [date]

9849 Shore Cliff Rd.
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[illegible] 7/23/05

[A concerned Citizen] (date)

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Suzanne Pat Padalino 7/23/05
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Truman Wall Jr. 7/22/05
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Sincerely,

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[A concerned Citizen] [date]

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Donald Hughes 7/22/05

(A concerned Citizen) [date]

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Albert Buget 07/22/05
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143 Walden Ave.
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Arthur J Smith 7/22/05
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Sincerely,

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As the only remaining major military installation in Western New York, Niagara Falls has been key to military recruitment. The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Please, overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

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Harry W. Muha 7/23/05

[A concerned Citizen] [date]

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[Address]

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[signature] 7/23/05
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175 Willowgrove S
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Fon NY 14150
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Karen Shaver
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Buffalo, NY 14214
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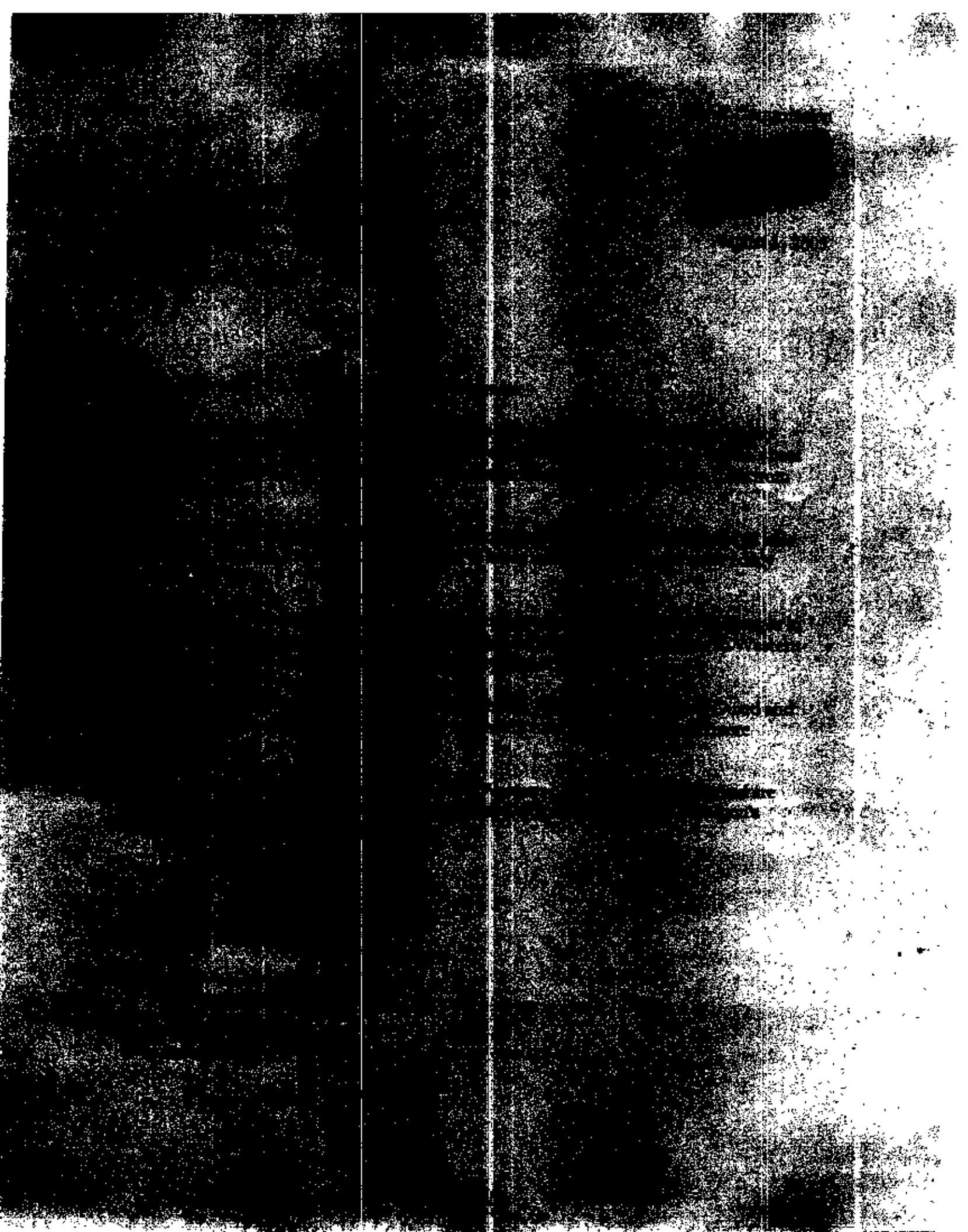

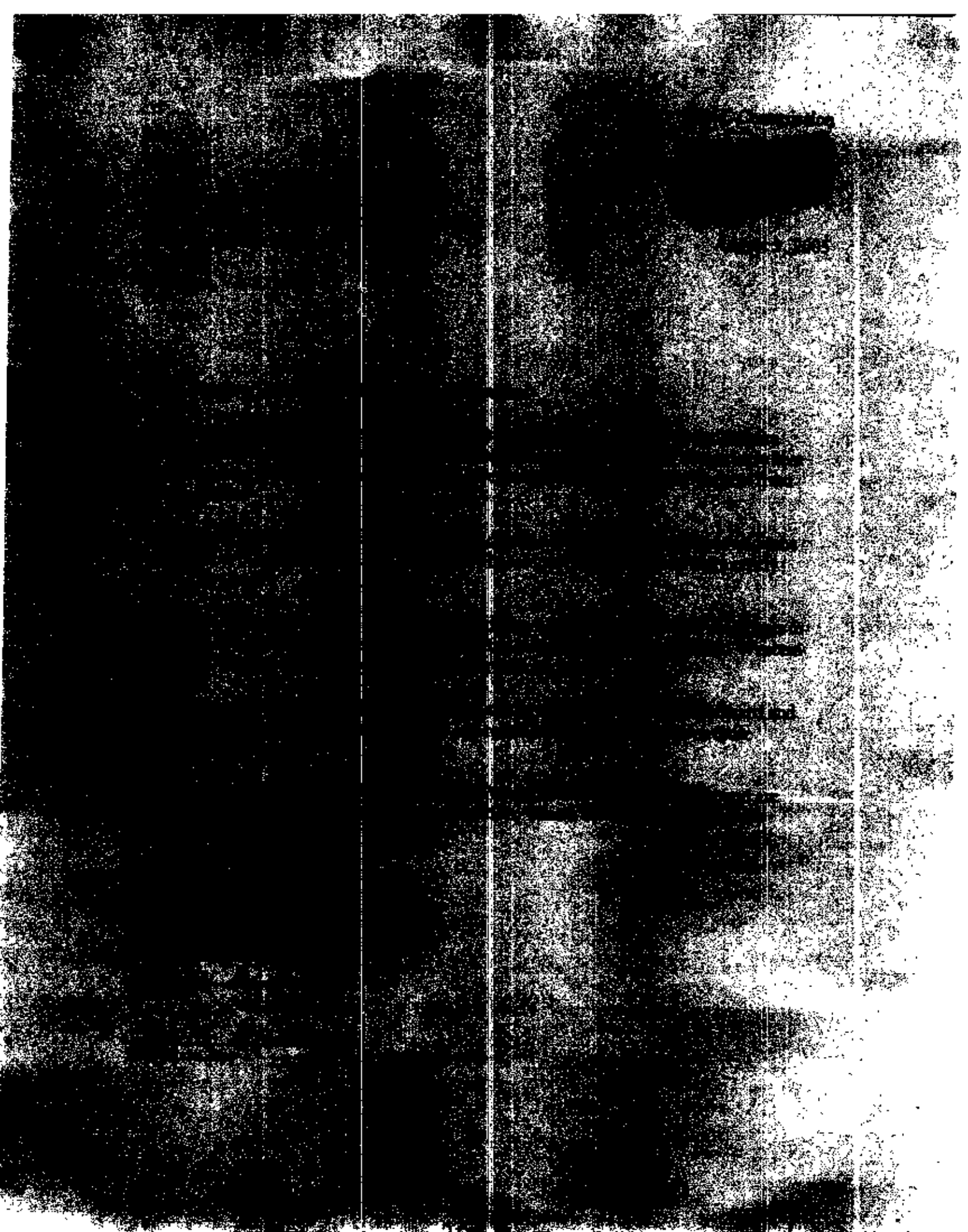

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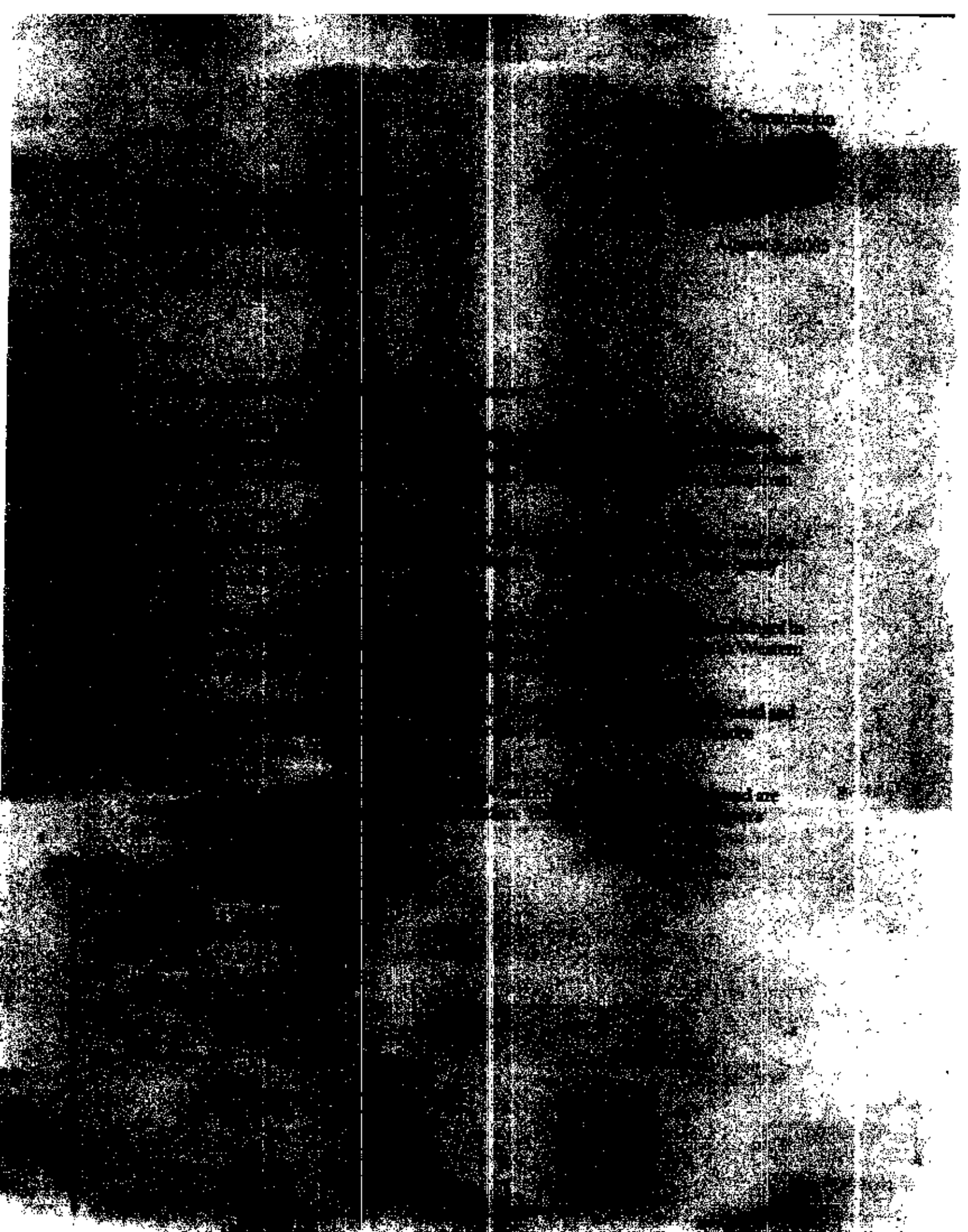

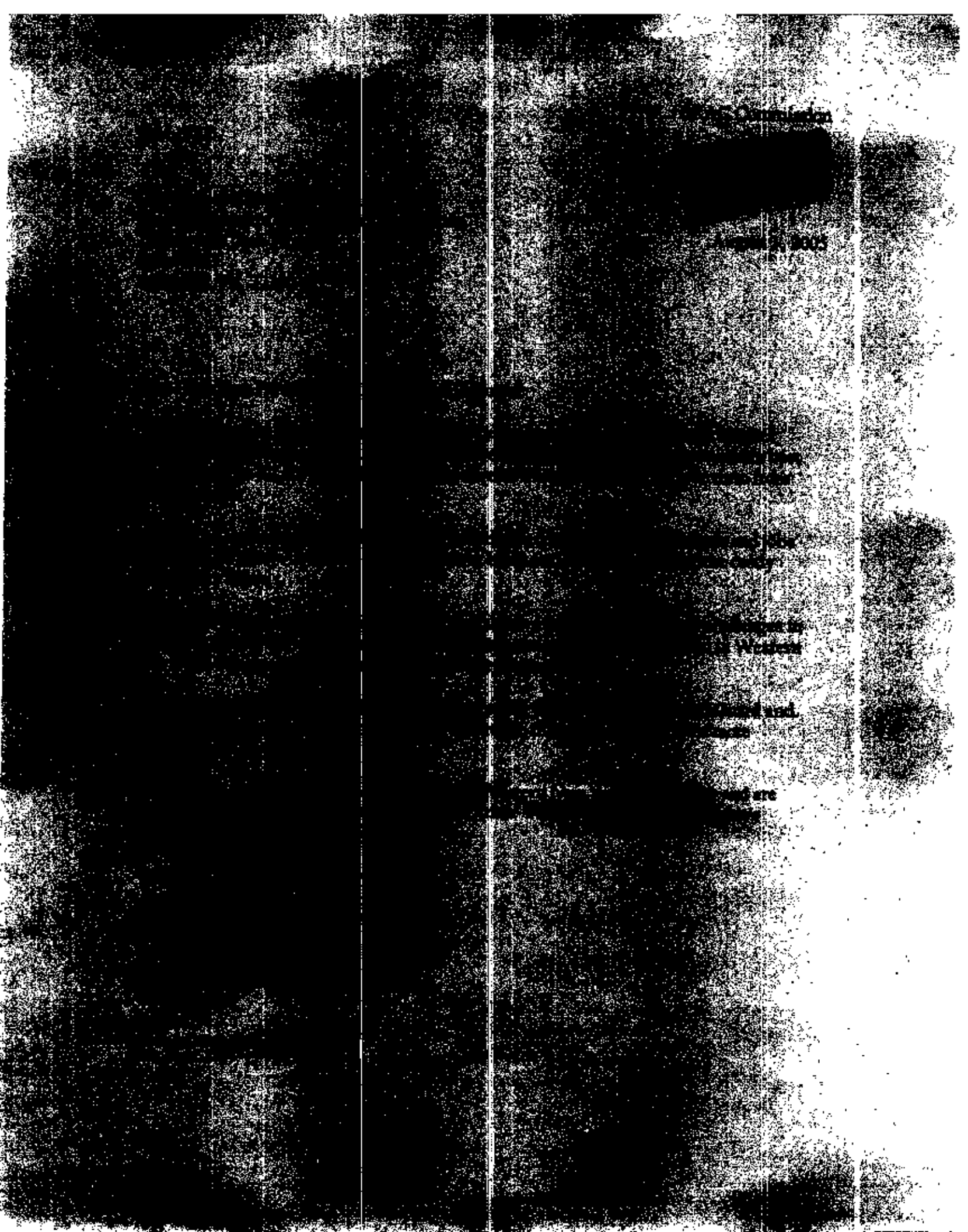

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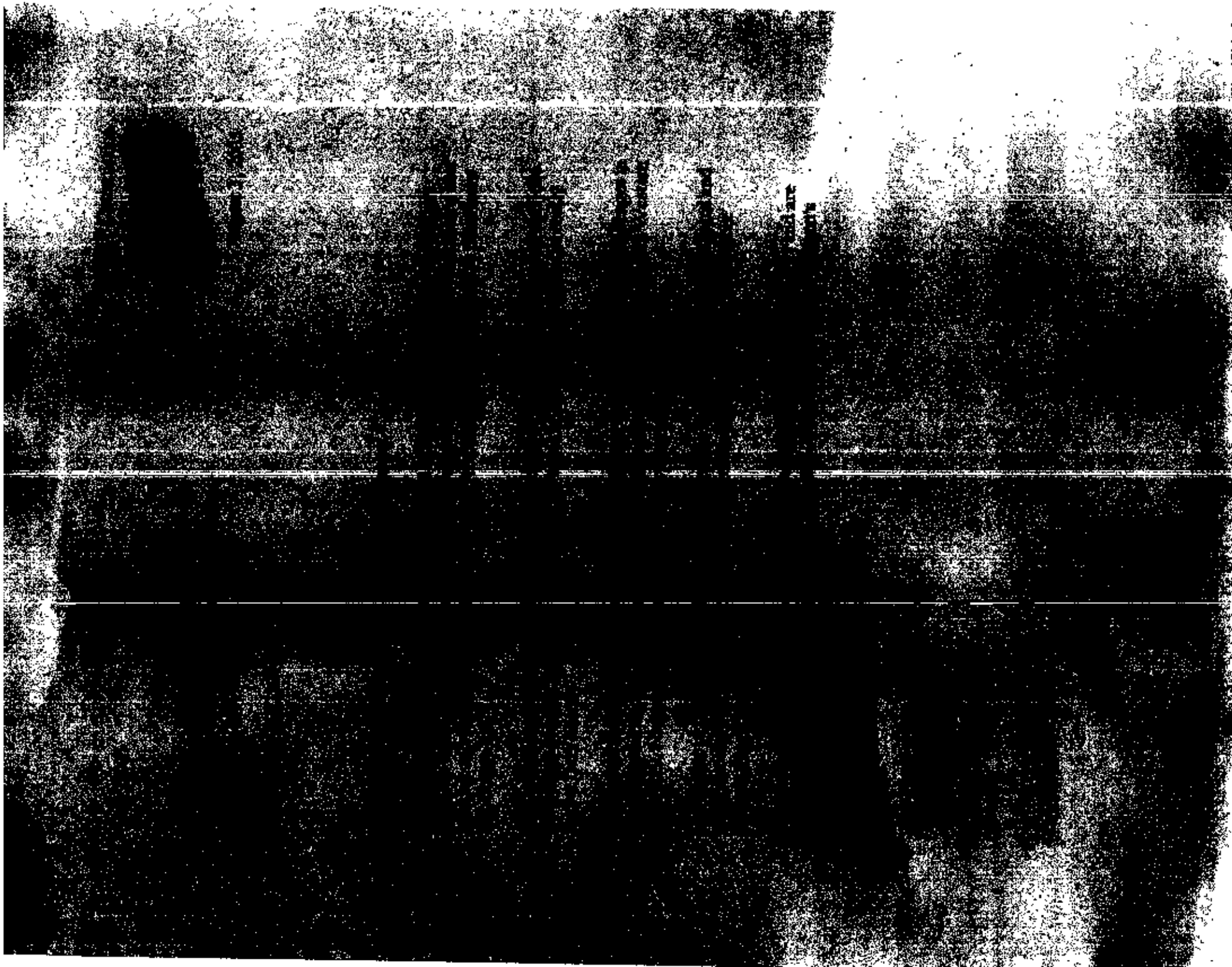

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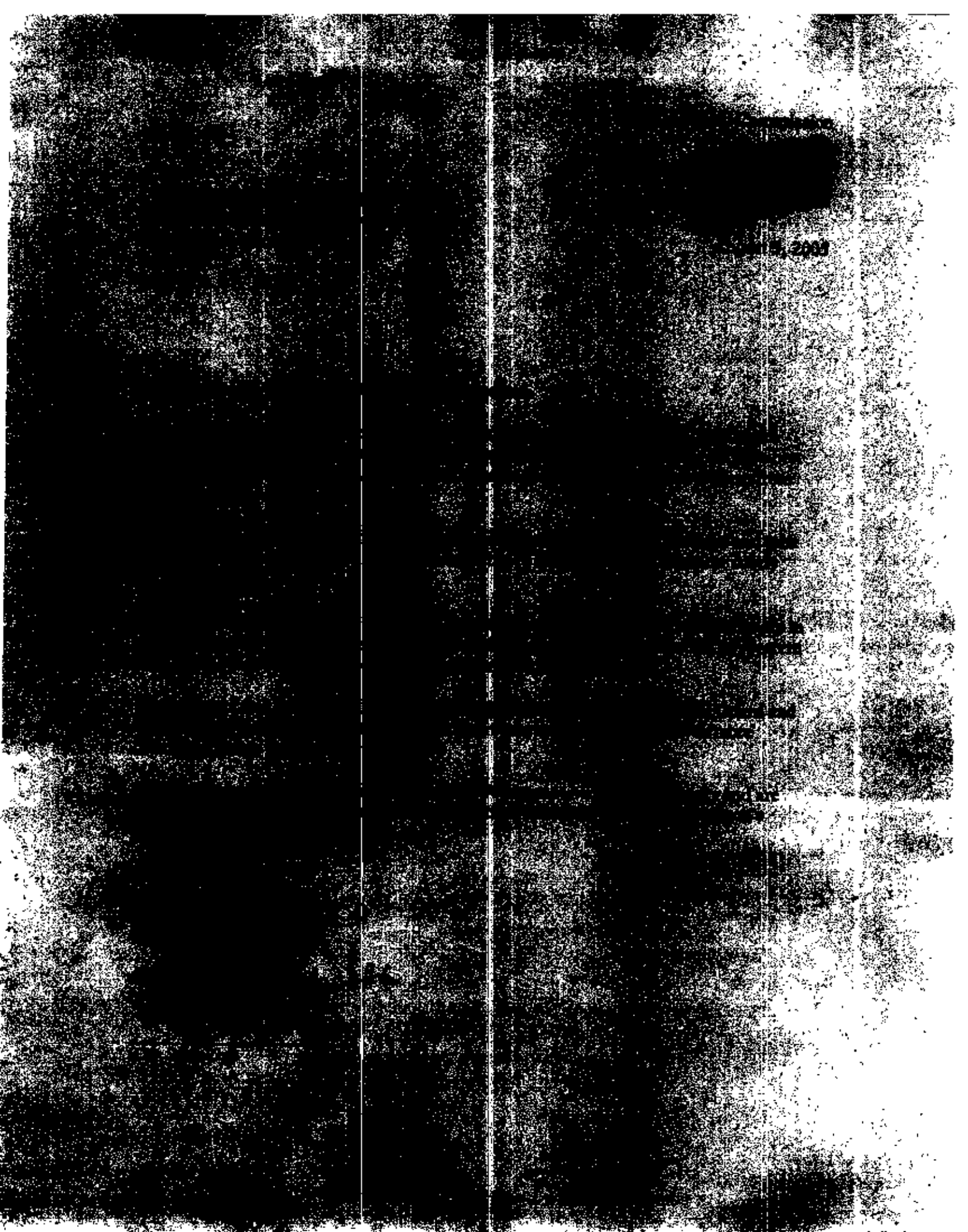

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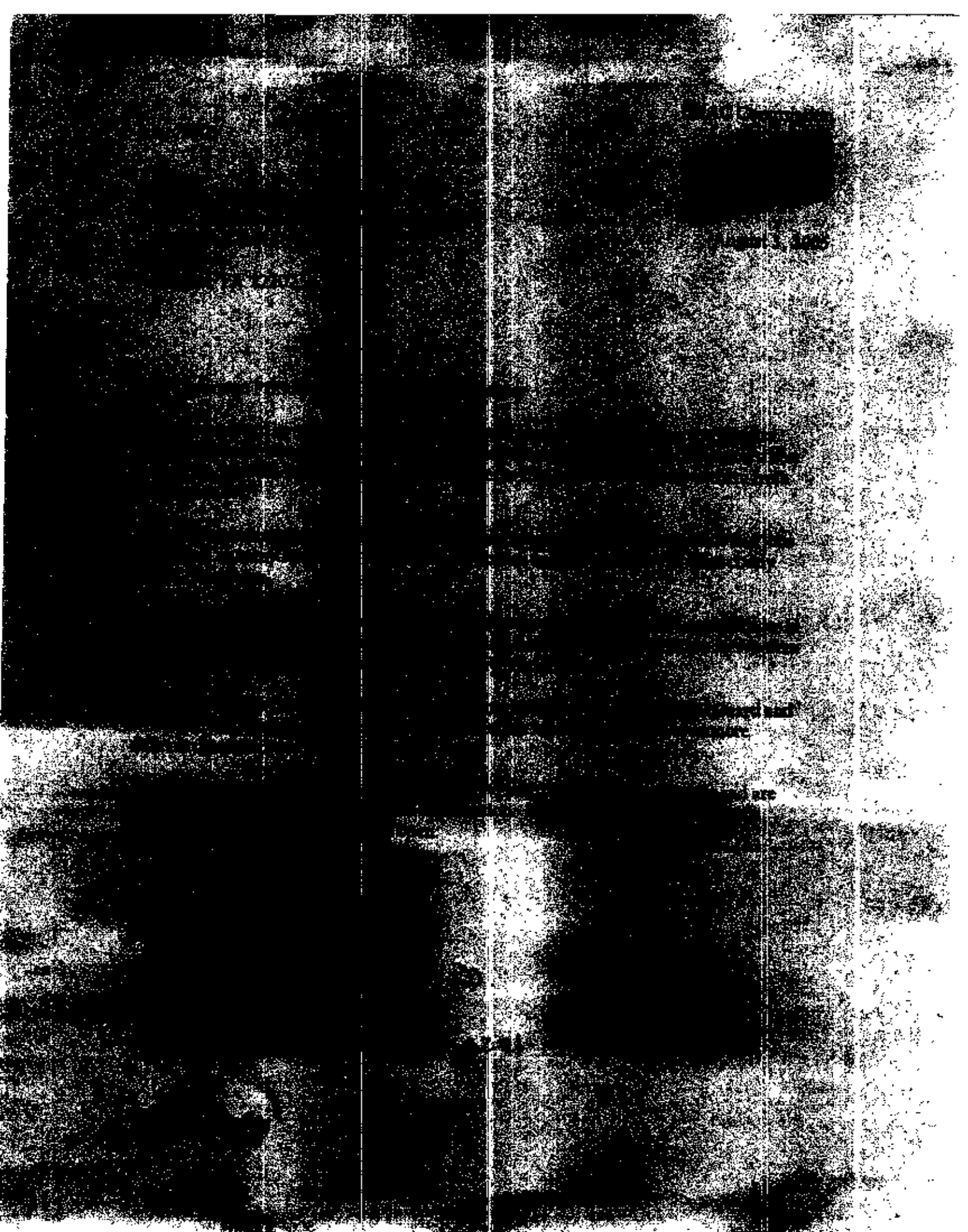

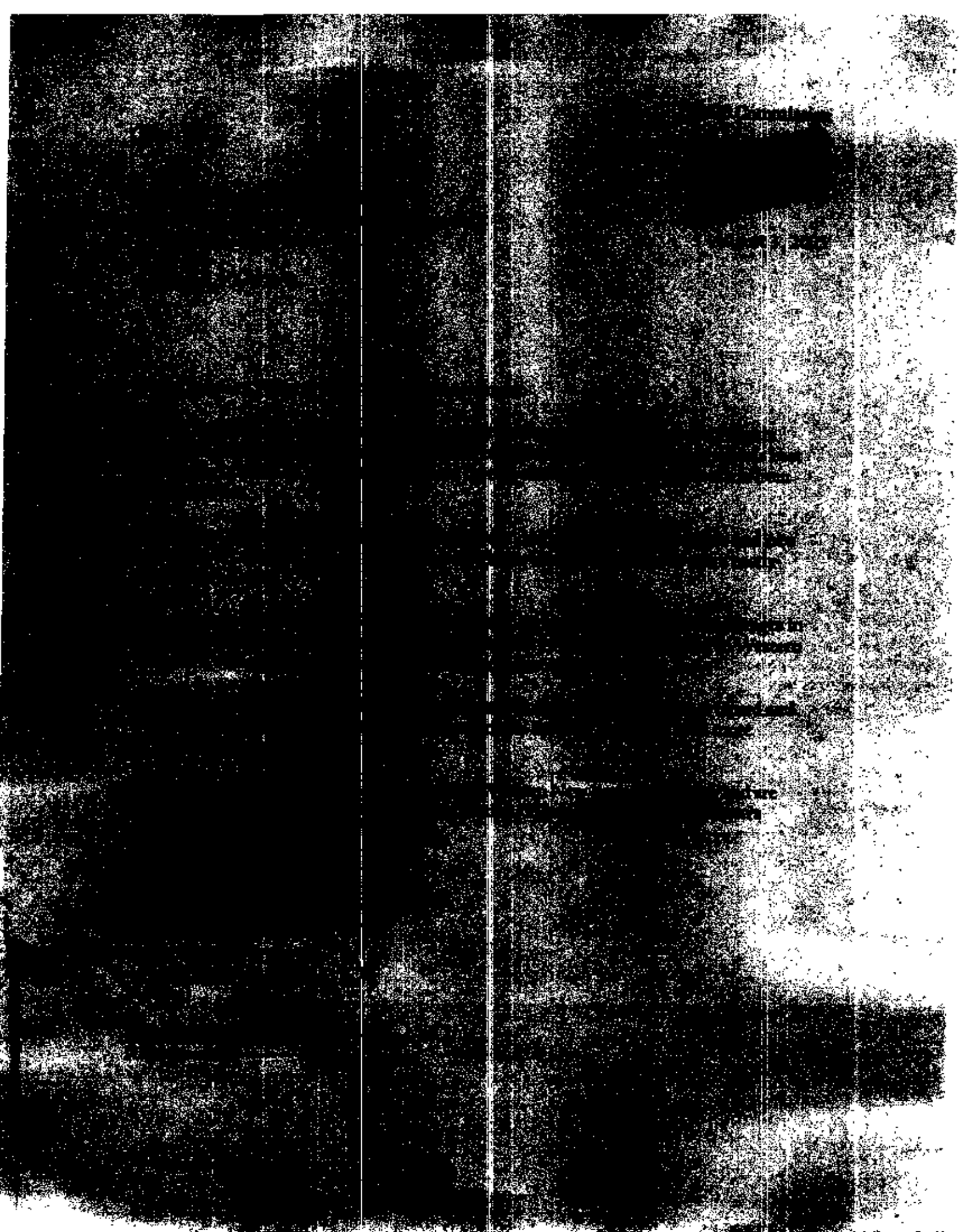

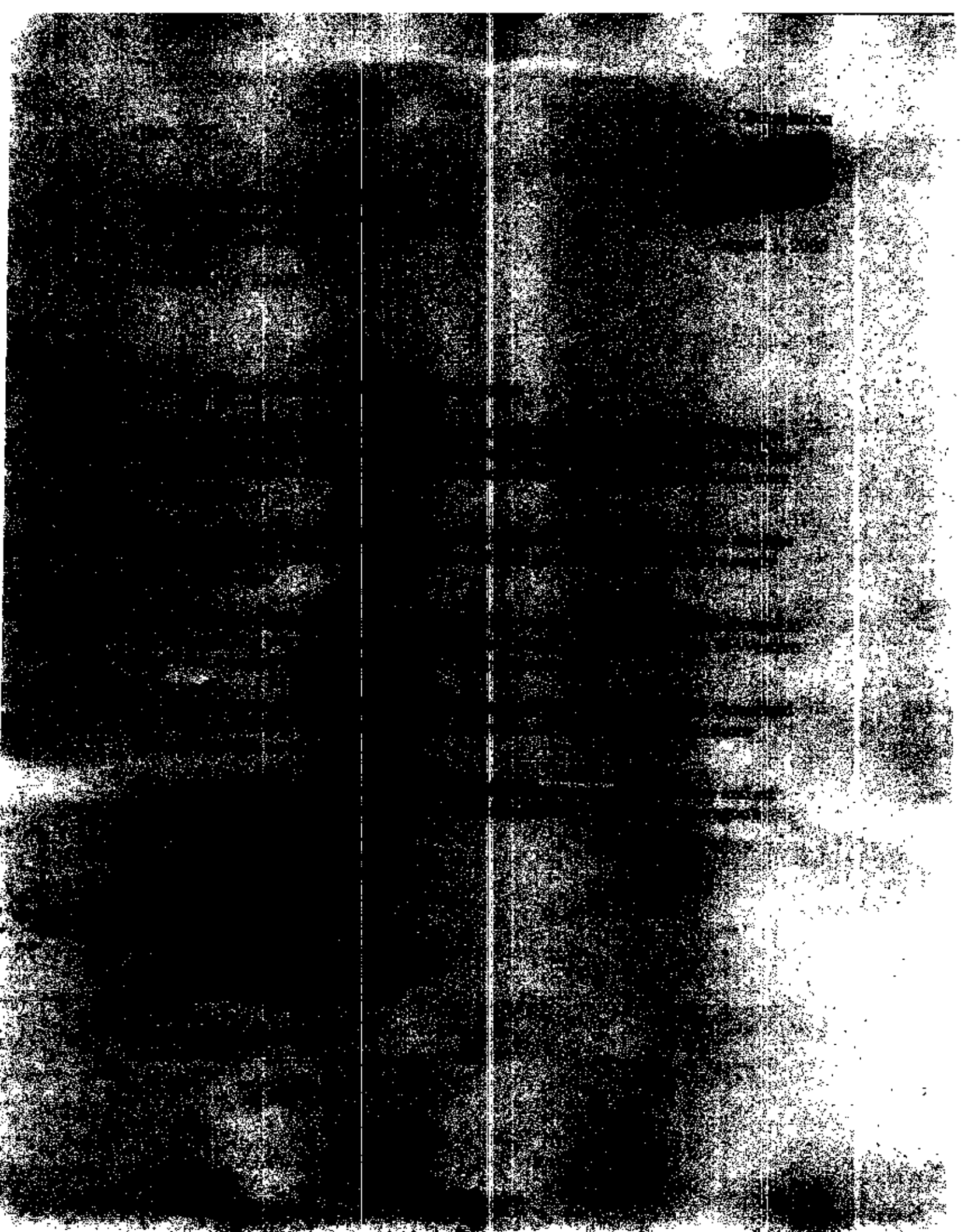

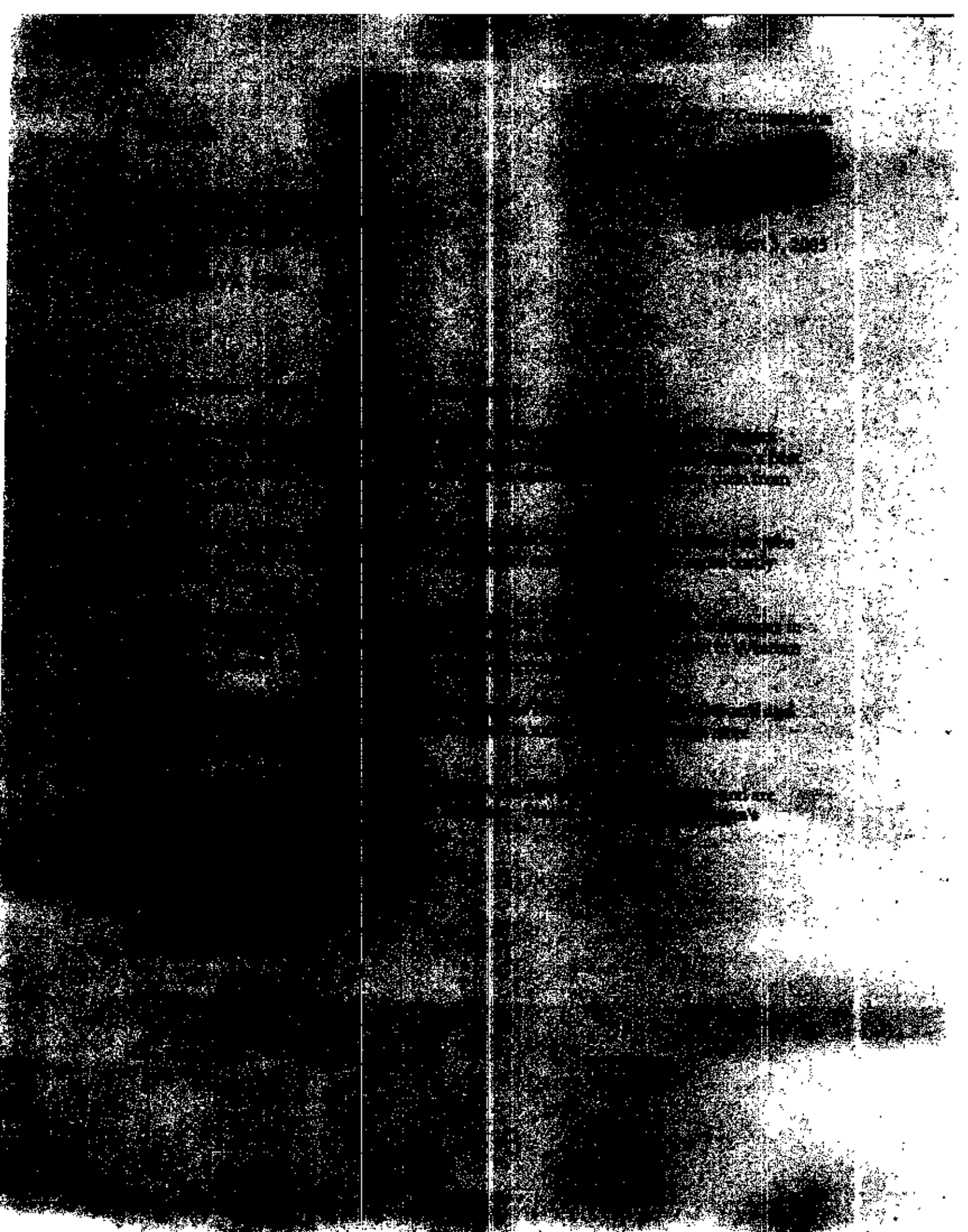

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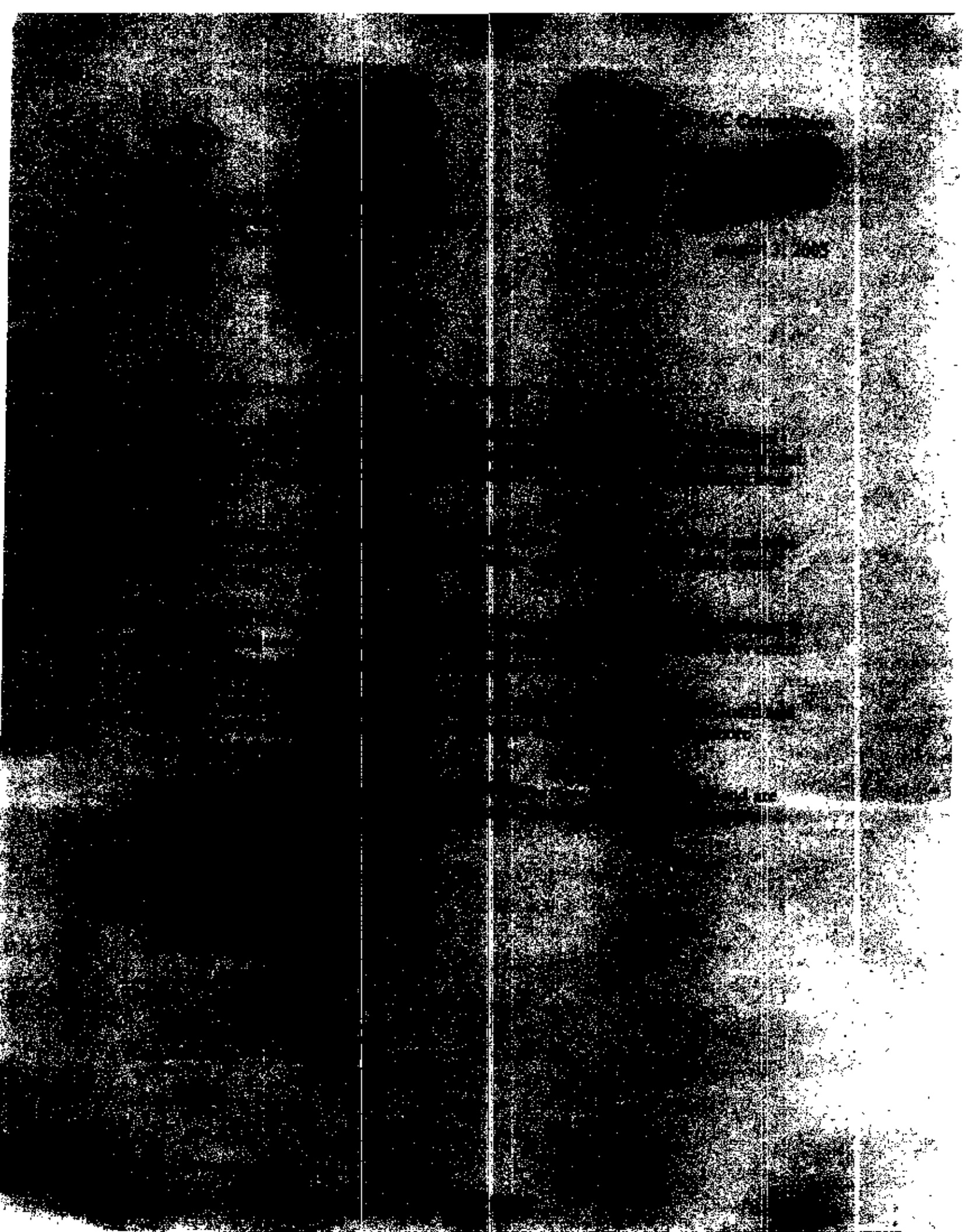

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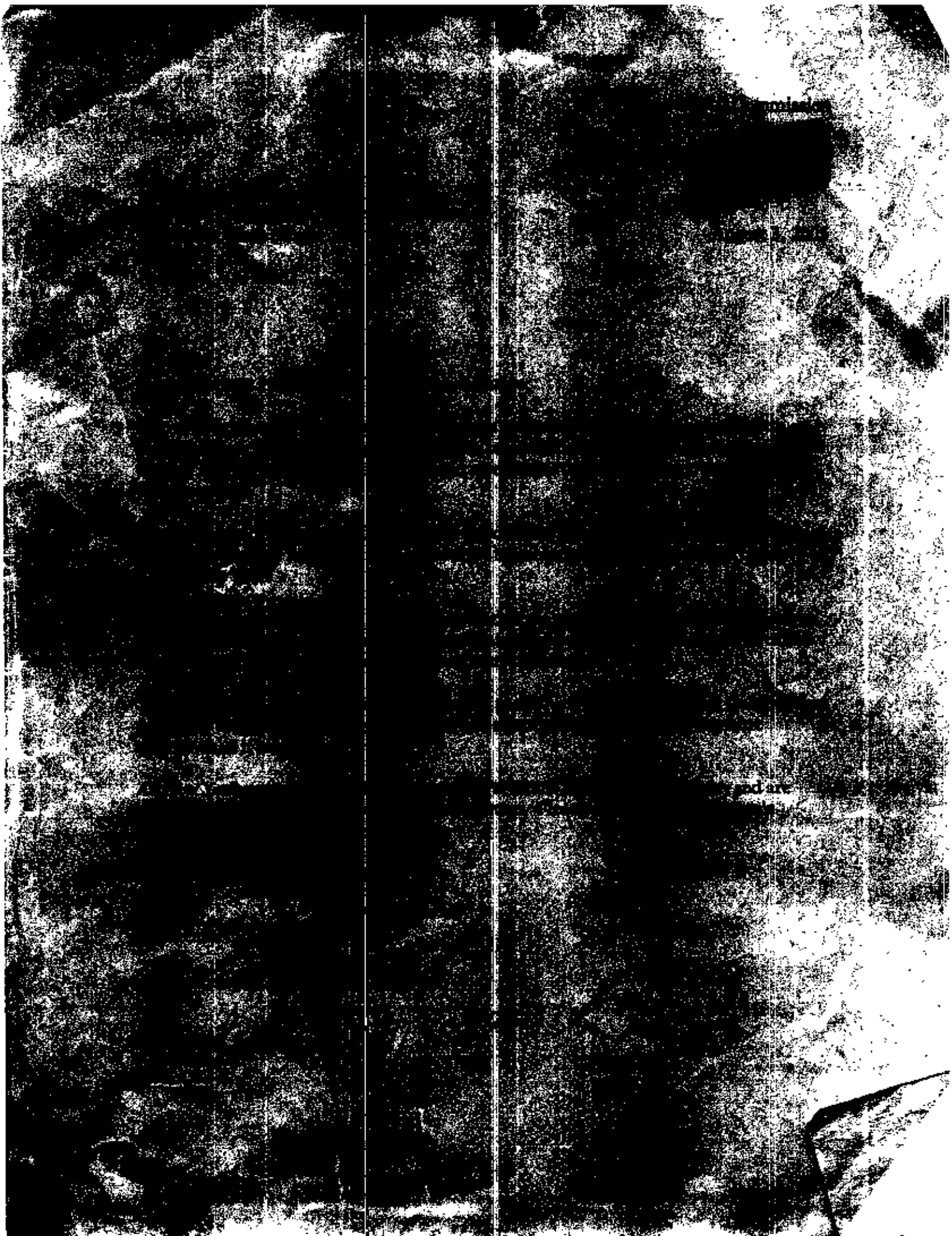

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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2. Base Operations Support costs have been reduced more than 33% (to include a 25% reduction in utilities) to make the base one of the most cost-efficient facilities in the Air Force Reserve Command.
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Brian Ryan

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All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

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Closure of Niagara Falls Air Base would reduce the Air Force presence in NY by 40%, and eliminate the last Federal Air Force flying mission in the State. These units served honorably in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. The 914th Airlift Squadron maintained a 98% on-time flight ratio while flying 24/7 missions. The 914th is also the lead night vision C-130 unit in the entire Air Force Reserves.

Since 1995, Niagara has been modernized with $35M in new facilities and lengthened runways which have improved the operational effectiveness of both the 914th and 107th. We have also reduced our Base Operations Support costs by not less than 33% (to include a 25% reduction in utilities) to make the base one of the most cost-efficient facilities in the Air Force Reserve Command. The infrastructure at Niagara can accommodate 8 additional C-130H aircraft without any military construction.

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I urge the Commission to remove Niagara Falls ARS from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures.

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The Pentagon has recommended to the BRAC that the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station in Niagara Falls, New York be closed. As Niagara County's second largest employer with over 3,000 full and part-time workers, this would deliver yet another devastating blow to our region's economy. In addition to the financial concerns, the community pride for our past and present military contributions can not be understated.
The base site lies within close proximity to four major border crossings between the U.S. and Canada, along with the New York State Power Authority's Hydropower Complex which supplies substantial power to the Northeast United States Power Grid. The size and location of the base would also allow it to be used for responses to natural disasters or terror attacks in the Northeast United States. While the base serves as a logistical backbone for the War on Terror, it is also strategically placed and fully expandable. It should be expanded rather than closed.

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According to the Buffalo News article on May 25, 2005:
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A lobbyist for New York State on the issue, John M. Simmons, said the Air Force's response proves that the base-closure recommendations followed "a judgmental, and not an analytical, process." The Pentagon was supposed to judge each base primarily on its military value - yet in this case the Air Force bypassed the tool it created for judging military value. "The Air Force in

their response acknowledge that they themselves ignored the results of a key analytical tool . . . created for the BRAC process," Simmons said. "They simply took the position that their judgment trumped the analysis."

Considering these facts and figures; I am writing to remind you, our elected representative, of your obligation to use all means necessary in order to persuade the BRAC to reconsider the recommendation to close the station. The fine men and women of the 914th Airlift Wing and the 107th Air Refueling Wing have been instrumental in securing the home front and fighting the war on terror overseas and these highly-decorated units have served their country and represented our State and local communities well.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this most important matter.

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