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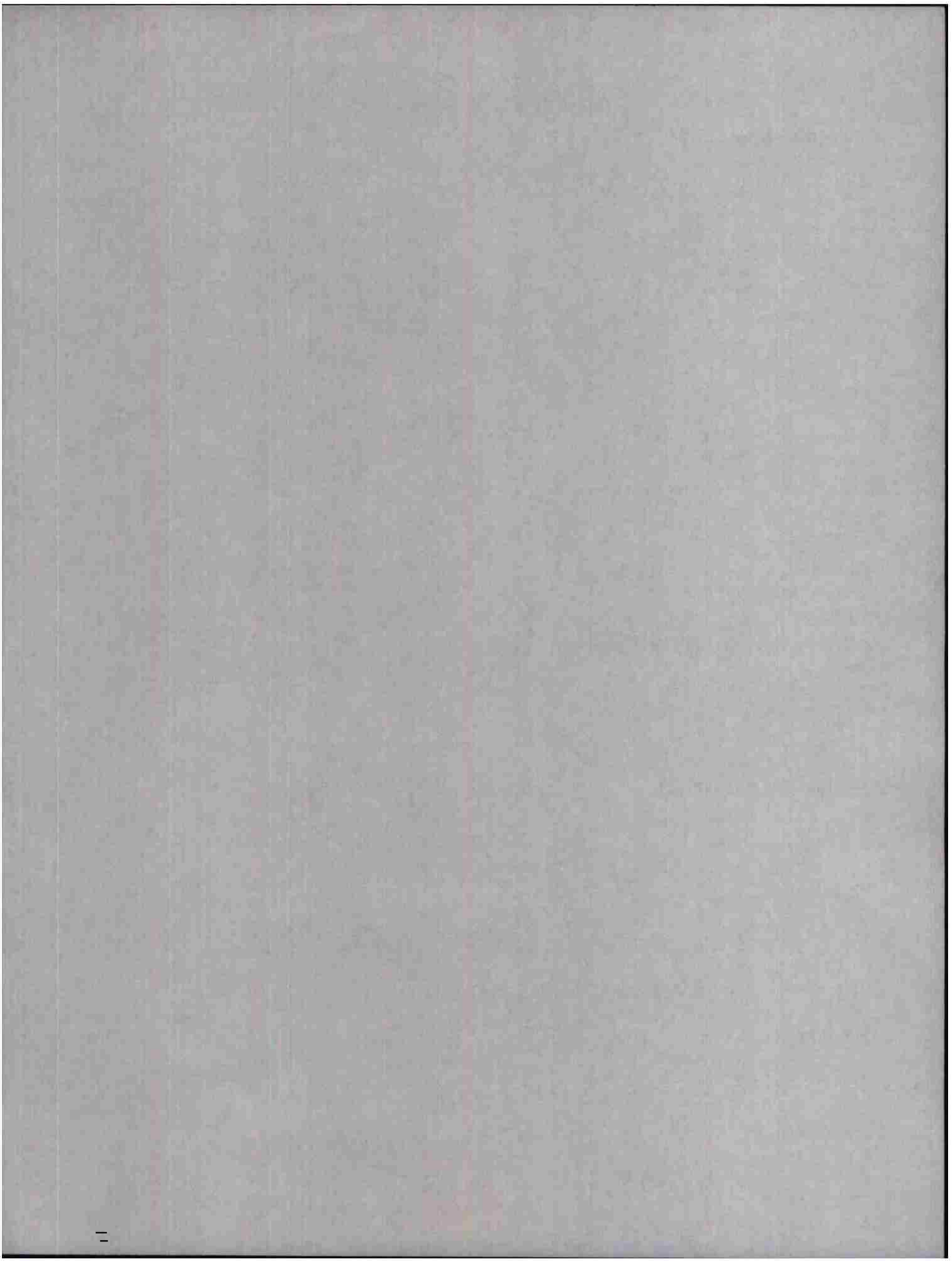
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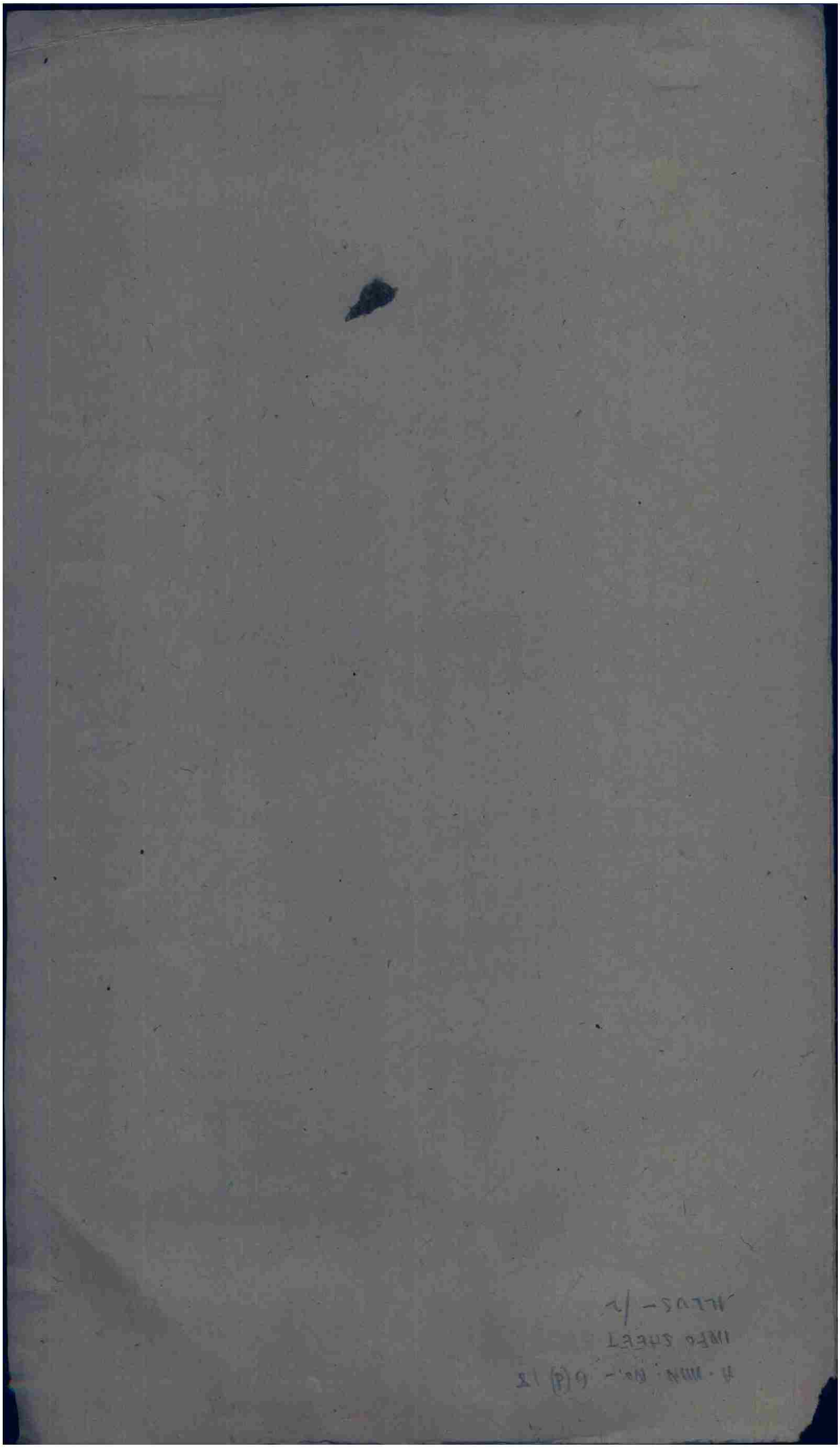
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416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

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APO 140
18 April 1944

SUBJECT: Flak Report - Operations of 18 April 1944, F.O. 270.

TO : IX Bomber Command, Att: A-2.

Target : M/Y, CHARLEROI-SUR-SAMBRE.

Time : 1834.

Height : 12,000 feet.

P.R.C.

Weather : CAVU.

Damage : None.

Flak Experienced by this Group : None.

Other Flak : A burst of four was seen fired at 409th Bomb Group two miles E of NIEUPORT on route out. Believed to be XHI.

No Flak Overlay has been prepared in view of negative report.

Route flown as ordered.

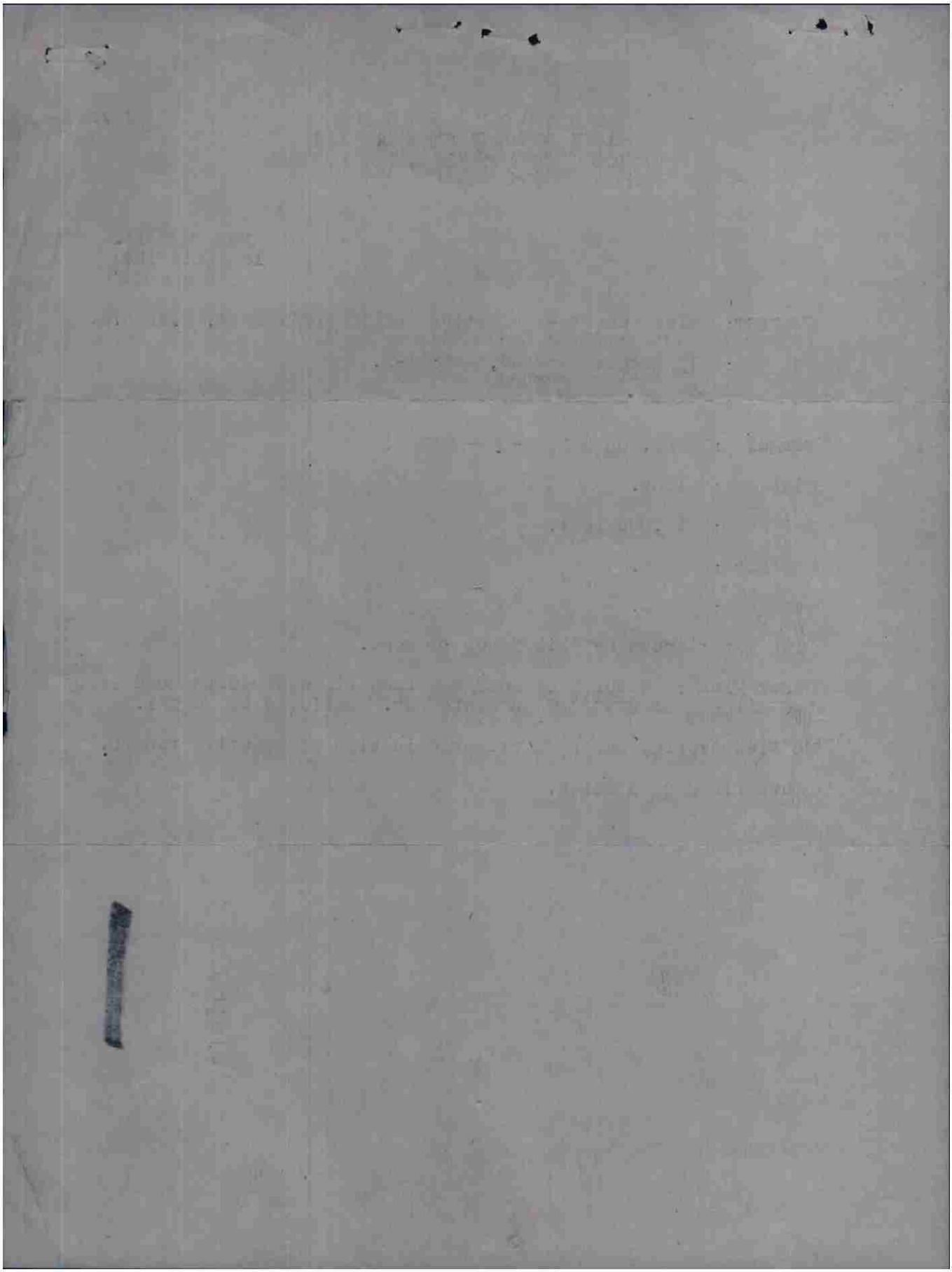
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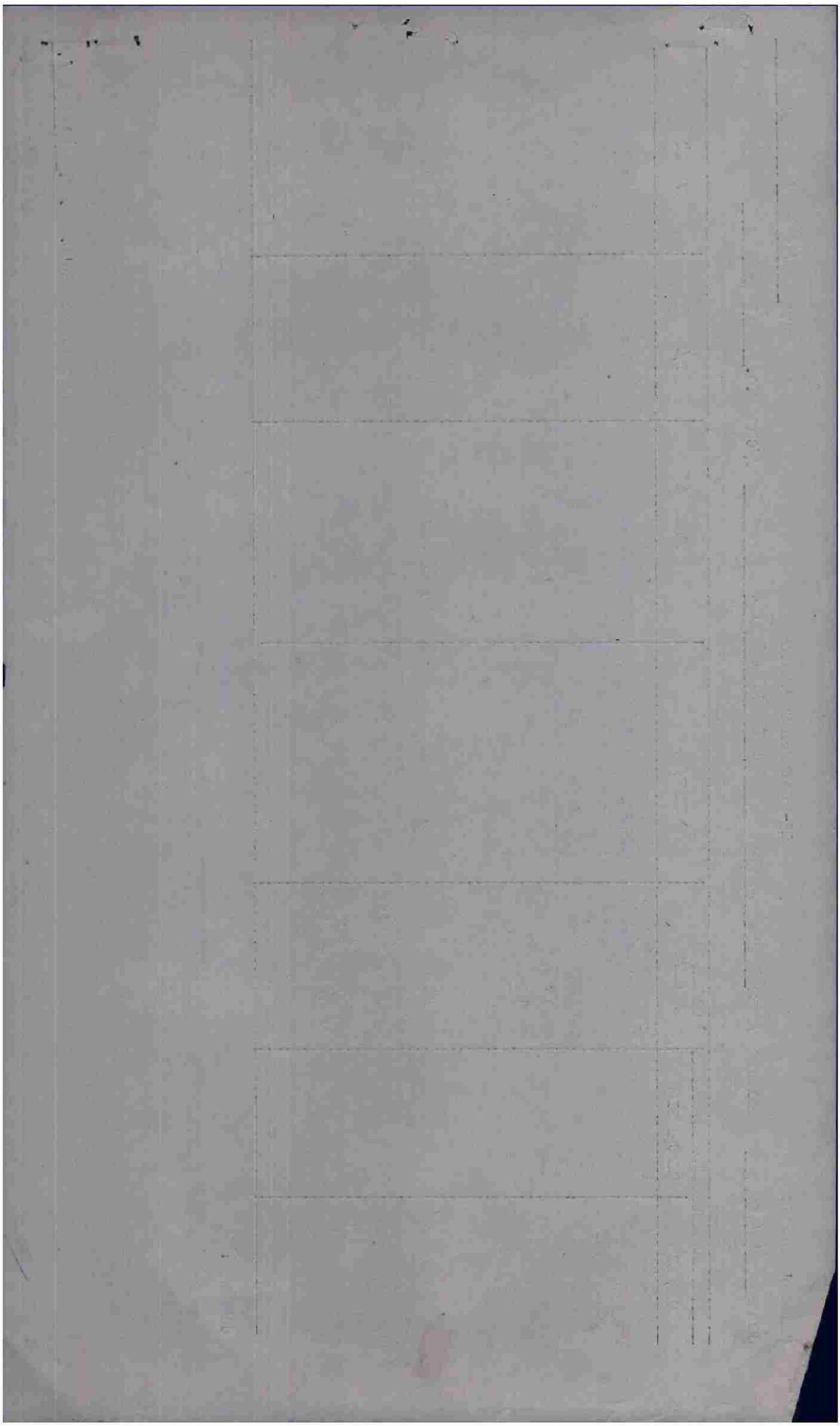
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TARGET	DESCRIPTION					
Primary by 1st box		Bombs went over target. Malfunction of bomb fuse on board rem.	at Target 12mi visby, Enroute - clear	none	nil	none
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GENERAL'S OFFICE 446 — 15-MINUTE FLASH REPORT — DATE 18-4-44

GROUP _____ BRIEFED TARGET Chateau St Martin M/4 A/C ON F.C. 36

BOMB RESULTS TARGET	BOMB RESULTS DESCRIPTION	OBSERVED RESULTS	WEATHER	FLAK	E/A	LOSSES
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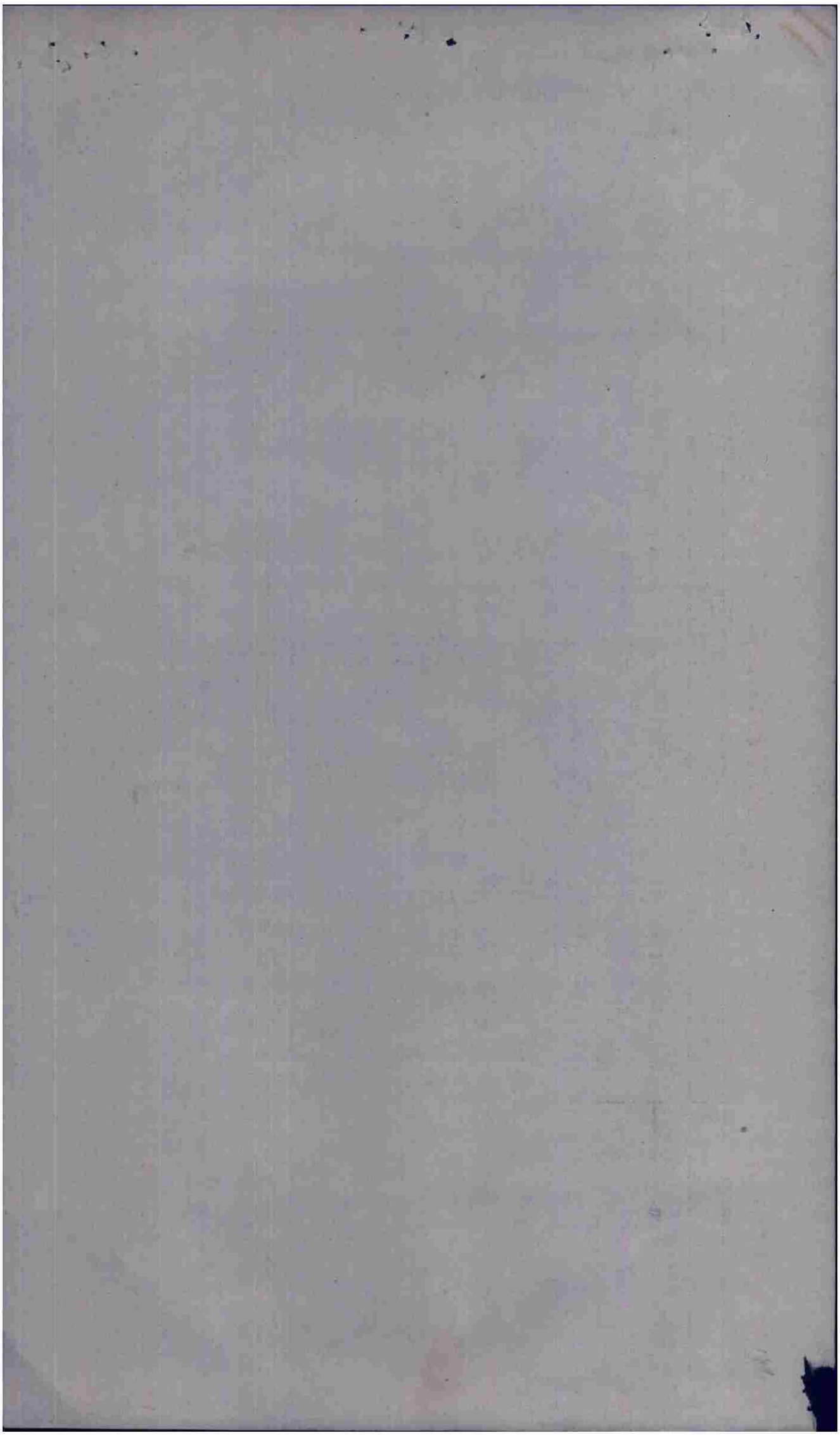
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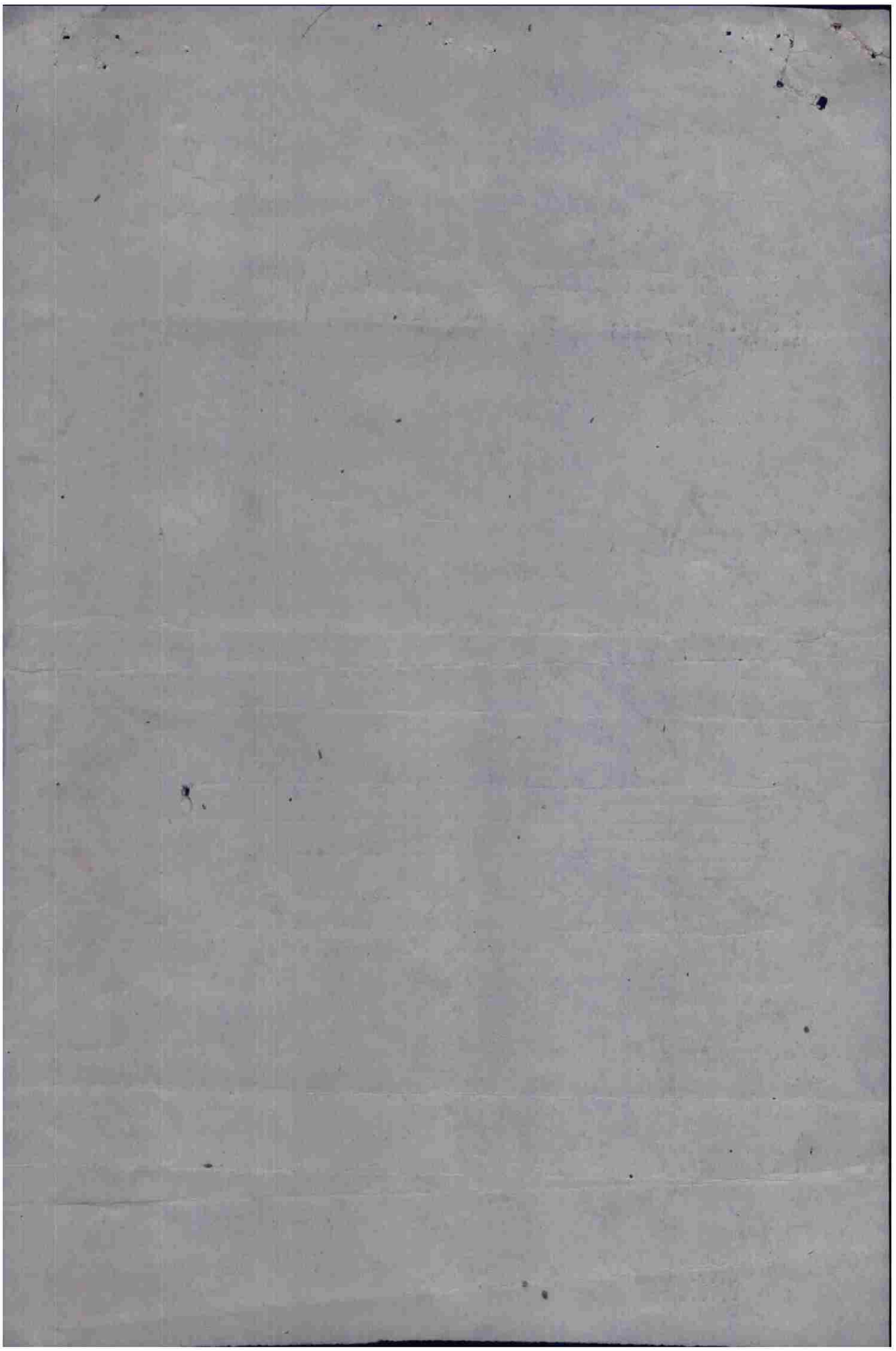
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(II) MONCEAU- SUR- ~~SOMBRE~~ SOMBRE Charleroi / St. Martin
B. (I) 416 GP
(II) 38 A-20'S
(III)
19 II BOX LEAD BOMBARDIER DID NOT IDENTIFY TARGET IN TIME TO MAKE BOMBING RUN. NO ATTEMPT TO MAKE SECOND RUN.
(IV) PRIMARY 19
SECONDARY NONE
OTHER NONE
C. (I) 1656
(II) 1834
(III) 2001
D. (I) NONE
NONE
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1834

DETACHMENT "B"
21st WEATHER SQUADRON
USAAF STATION 160

18 April, 1944

FLASH REPORT: 416th Bomb Group TARGET: ZE116B TIME: 2025

Base Conditions: 1656 5/10 strato-cumulus, base 3000 ft, tops 5000 ft. Vsby 7 miles.

Route Out: 6-8/10 strato-cumulus over English coast. Vsby 5-6 miles. Clouds broke over channel to 2-3/10. Clear over France. Vsby 10-20 miles.

Target: Clear. Vsby 10-20 miles.

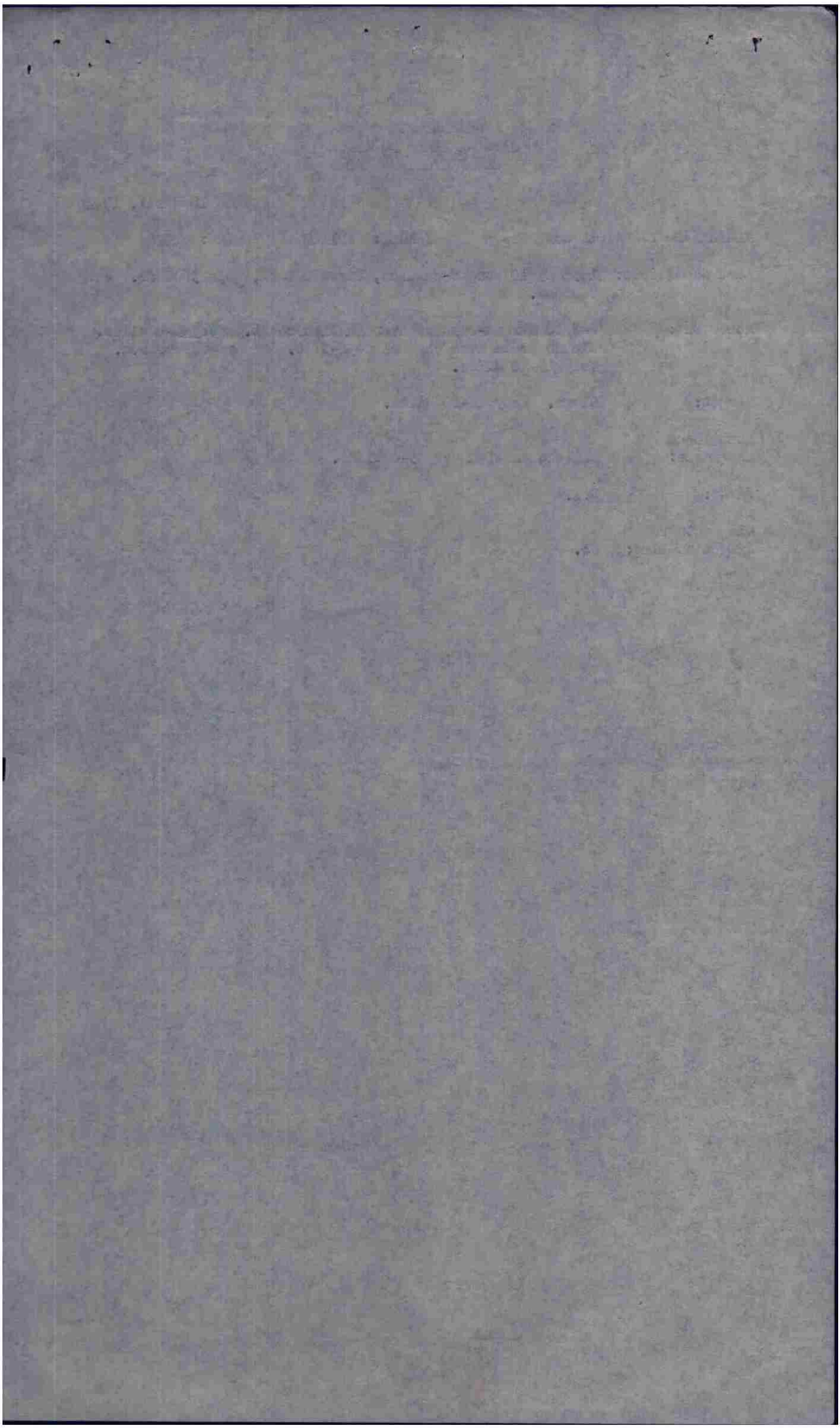
Route Back and Bases: Nil clouds with vsby 5-6 miles.

Winds: O.K.

Did Weather Affect Bombing: No.

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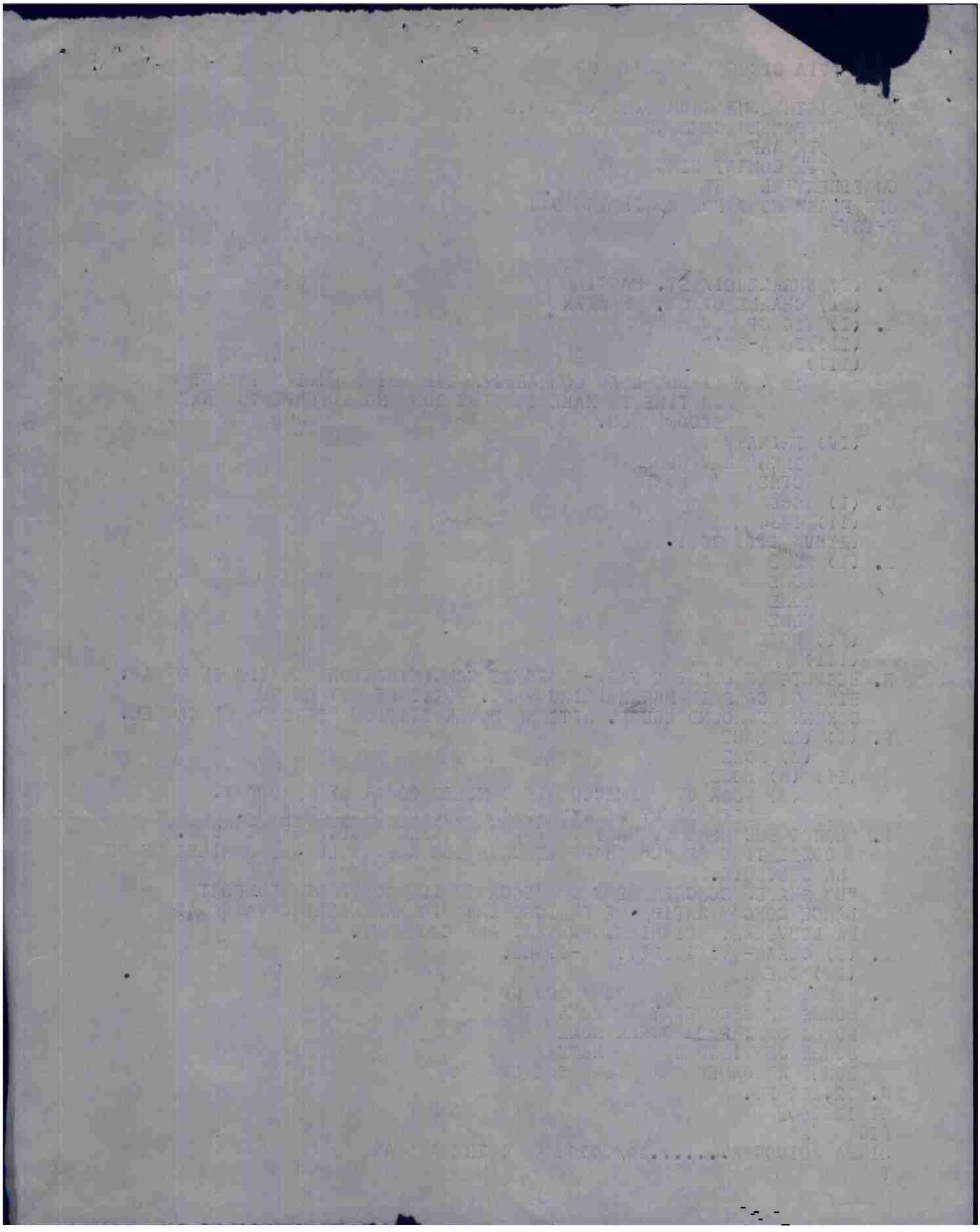
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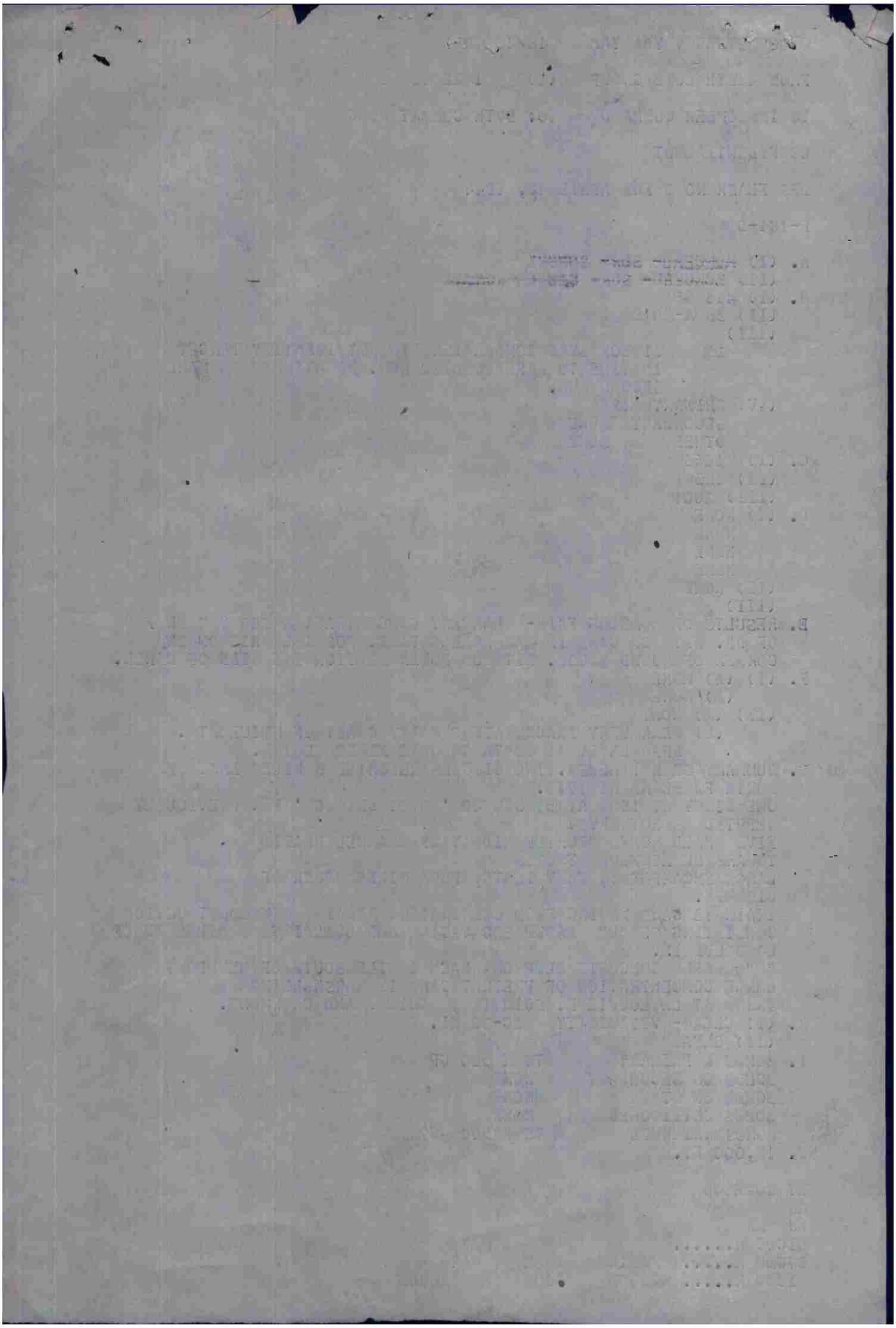
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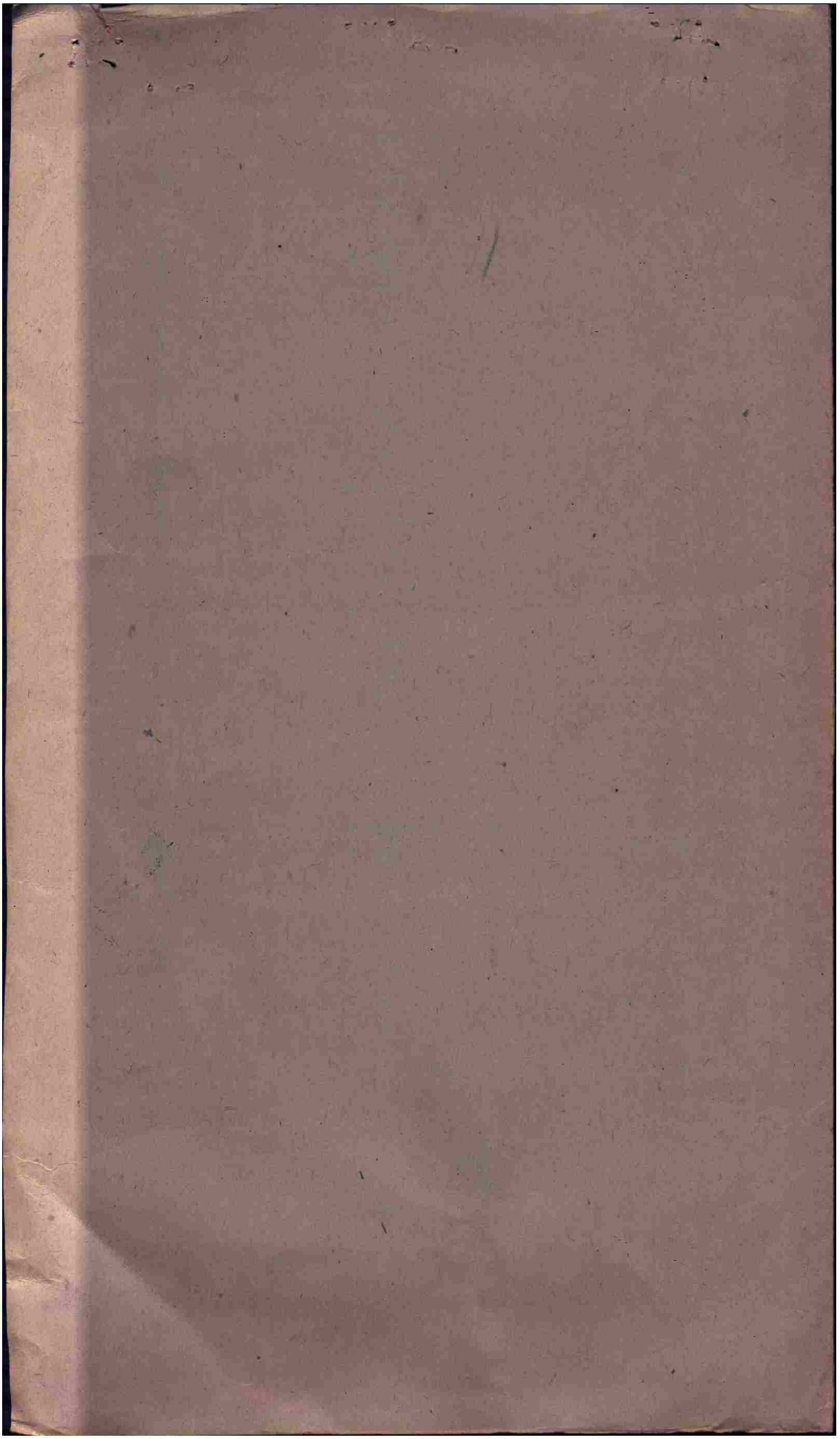
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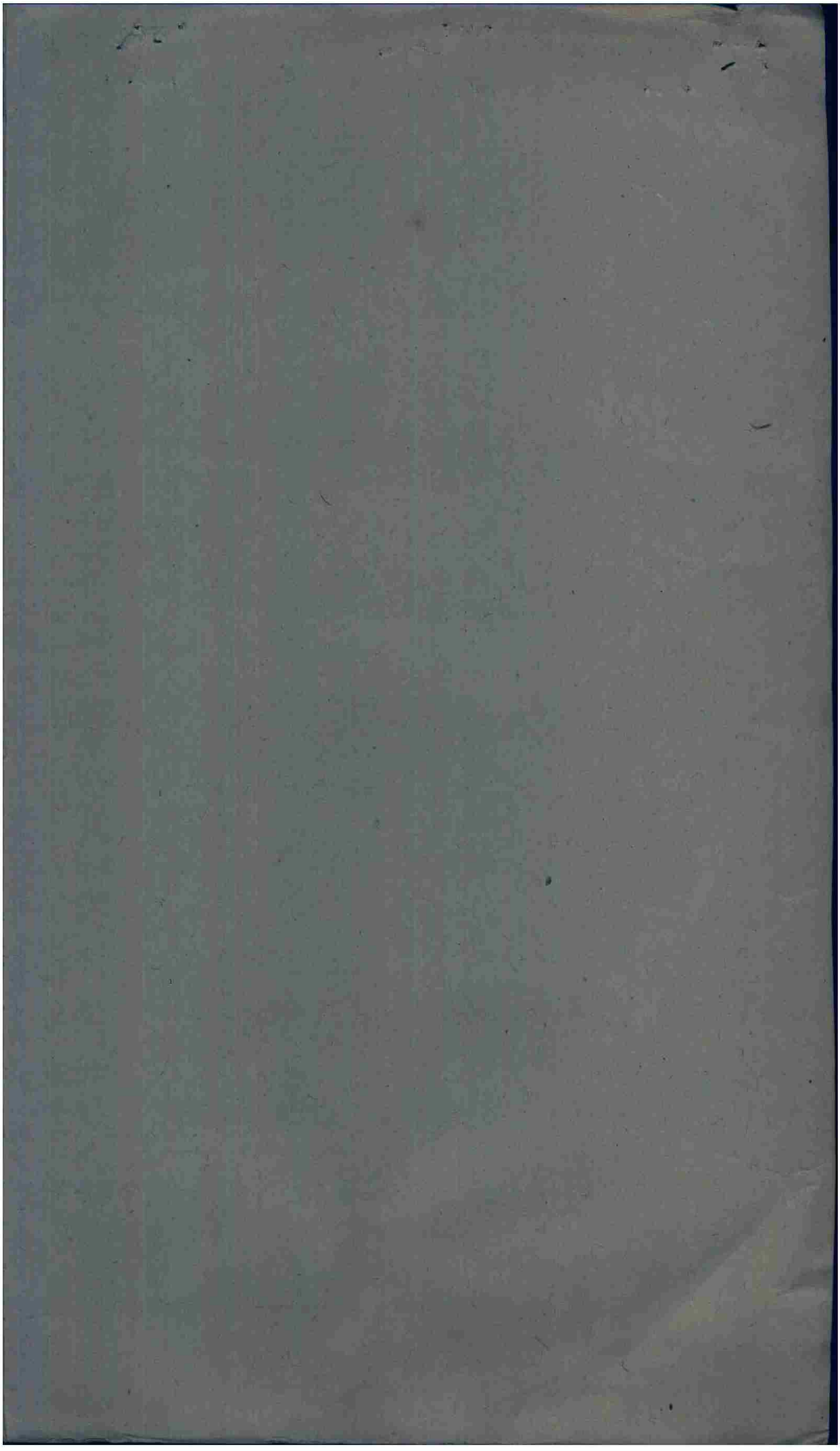
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