

Wynants, John

From: Wynants, John
Sent: Wednesday, 17 July 2013 12:54 PM
To: Lewis, Robyn
Subject: RE: Manuka Childcare Centre

Robyn

I spoke with Damien McNamara at the Demand Analysis Group meeting last week. He was very interested in progressing a discussion where we embed the Manuka centre into a total development of both sites.

John W

From: Lewis, Robyn
Sent: Wednesday, 17 July 2013 12:16 PM
To: Stewart, Tracy (DET); Bray, Rodney
Cc: Wynants, John; Morton, Phillip
Subject: RE: Manuka Childcare Centre

Tracy and Rod

I have discussed this issue with EDD. They have advised me that this development is in its very early stages and that there will be many opportunities for ETD to comment on the proposed development.

John, I will flag your proposal to EDD for reaction.

Robyn

From: Stewart, Tracy (DET)
Sent: Thursday, 11 July 2013 8:56 AM
To: Bray, Rodney
Cc: Wynants, John; Lewis, Robyn; Johnston, Jayne
Subject: Re: Manuka Childcare Centre

I also think the meeting would be a good idea. Robyn is back next week, so she could organize it then.

Tracy

Sent from my iPad

On 10/07/2013, at 9:51 PM, "Bray, Rodney" <Rodney.Bray@act.gov.au> wrote:

Tracy,
I agree with John's concerns and proposal action.
However it is your decision whether you want the meeting between ETD and EDD.

Thanks,
Rod

From: Wynants, John
Sent: Wednesday, 10 July 2013 9:46 AM
To: Bray, Rodney; Stewart, Tracy (DET)
Cc: Lewis, Robyn; Morton, Phillip
Subject: Manuka Childcare Centre
Importance: High

Rod and Tracy

At the Pipeline Constraints and Supply Working Group meeting attended by Robyn Lewis and myself last Wednesday, 3 July, EDD had mentioned its preference to include a services club for the proposed release of block 5, section 41 Griffith. This site surrounds the Manuka Childcare Centre managed by ETD. I had expressed my concern at the inclusion of a club adjacent to a childcare centre, however EDD did not appear to acknowledge this concern.

The further issue for ETD is the fact that, despite the centre facing north, it is likely to be surrounded by multi-level buildings to the east, west and south. An option is to discuss with EDD the inclusion of block 2 (current childcare centre) as part of the development, with the construction of a new and larger childcare centre to be included and a permanent transfer of the childcare centre to ETD.

This would allow the total development to be larger and provide both a new and integrated childcare centre for the ACT Government.

I have attached the image of the existing centre and block plan. Note that the carparking is part of block 5 and would be removed and that there is no dedicated carparking for centre staff and parents (except short term street angle parking along Flinders Way).

I suggest that ETD (Rod, Tracy, Robyn and John W) meet with EDD (Greg Ellis and Damien McNamara) to discuss further.

John Wynants | Senior Manager

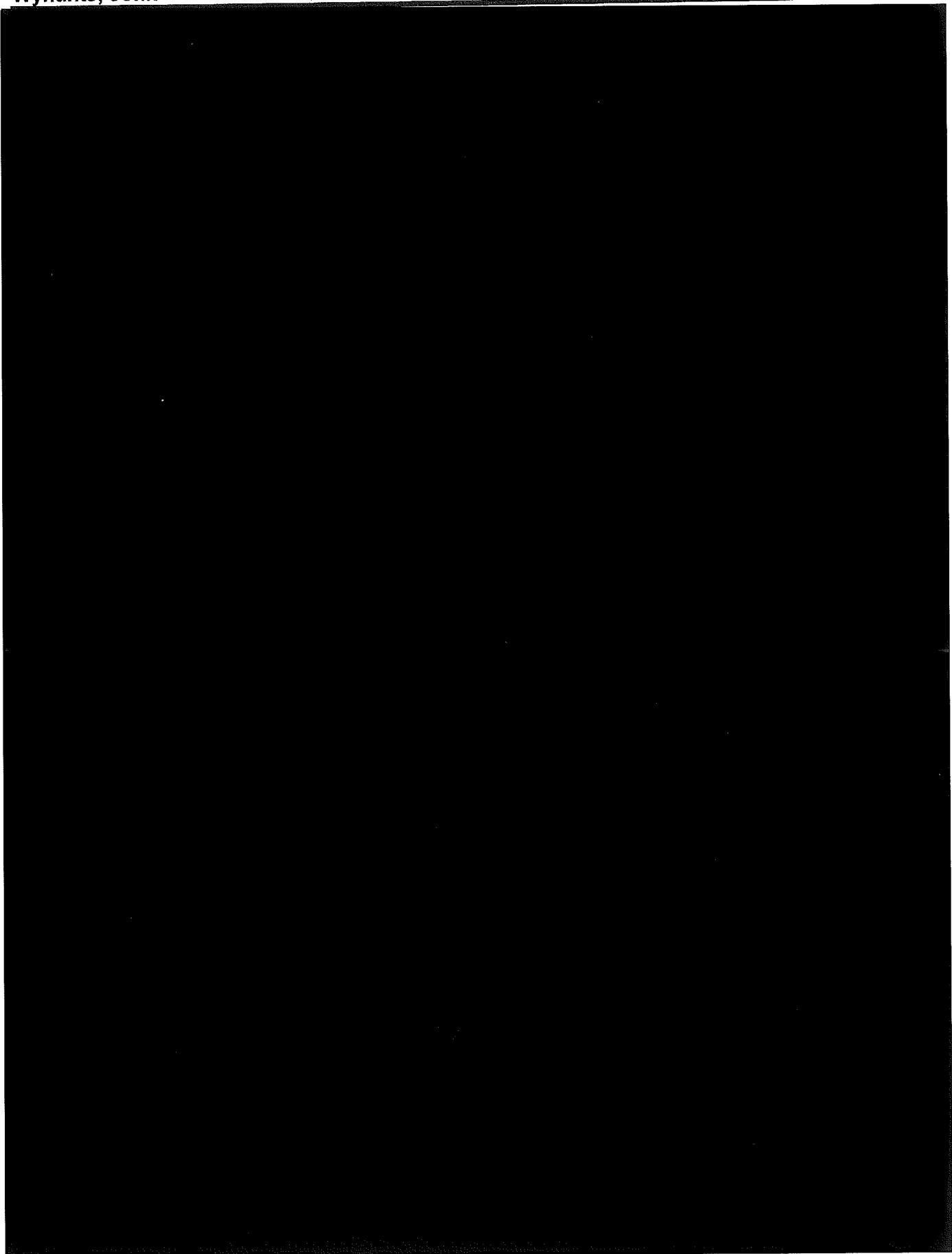
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From: Brighton, Meg
Sent: Monday, 19 May 2014 8:24 AM
To: Wynants, John; Bray, Rodney
Cc: Stewart, Tracy (DET); Jones, David; Lewis, Robyn
Subject: RE: Canberra Services Club: Relocation

Thanks John

We haven't heard anything further from EDD. [REDACTED]

Regards
Meg

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Subject: Canberra Services Club: Relocation

Meg, Rod and Tracy

There was an article in today's Canberra Times on the relocation of the Canberra Services Club to the land site adjacent to the Manuka childcare centre.

I have had conversations with EDD in the past and follow up conversations in recent weeks with ESDD on the implications for the childcare centre, namely:

1. A concern around the actual location of the services club and the entry to the childcare centre. A preference was presented to have the club away from the childcare centre.
2. An option to integrate a redevelopment of the childcare centre into the new development (ie combine the land sites) with a progressive development of the site. This would:
 - a. Increase the development capacity of the whole site
 - b. Provide a new childcare centre (integrated into a larger complex) for an existing aged facility
 - c. Avoid the need for the Territory to allocate (significant) funds to upgrade the existing centre to the current National Quality Standards

Until today's article in the Canberra Times, I had not received any feedback on ETD's issues/proposal.

In addition to the above, ICW has scheduled an immediate kitchen upgrade (around \$50,000) for the Manuka centre. If a decision is to amalgamate the blocks and integrate the childcare centre into the new development, ETD can re-direct the upgrade costs.

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Brighton, Meg

From: Brighton, Meg
Sent: Thursday, 13 November 2014 3:00 PM
To: McMahon, Zoe
Subject: Fwd: Meeting on Makuna childcare and Telopea

Categories: FOI [REDACTED]

Please action

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From: "Lopa, Liz" <Liz.Lopa@act.gov.au>
Date: 13 November 2014 1:39:23 pm AEDT
To: "Brighton, Meg" <Meg.Brighton@act.gov.au>
Cc: "Chen, Clara" <Clara.Chen@act.gov.au>
Subject: Meeting on Makuna childcare and Telopea

Hi Meg

Just wondering if I could organise a meeting with you regarding Teopea Park school and our need to relocate a childcare centre in Manuka. I believe Dan Stewart might have had some preliminary discussions with you?

Dan has asked me to follow up and to finalise options for a childcare site.

Next week would be great if you could fit me in.

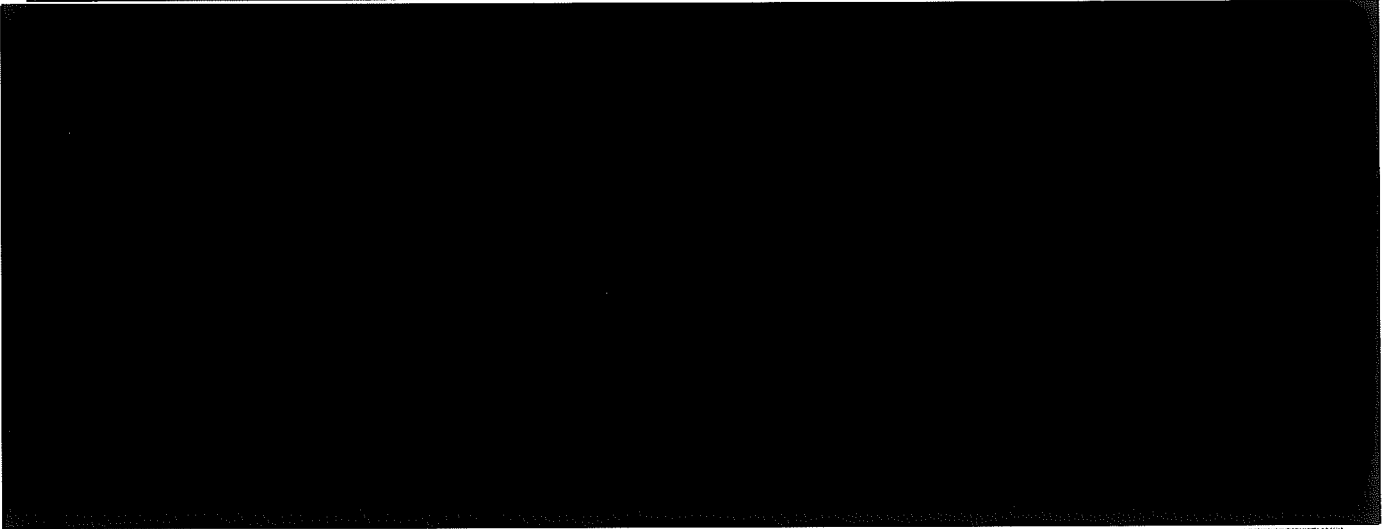
Clara Chen is my EA and can liaise with yours re: diary time. I am happy to come to you.

Thanks!

Liz

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Wynants, John



From: Lopa, Liz
Sent: Monday, 24 November 2014 8:40 AM
To: Brighton, Meg; Wynants, John
Cc: Stewart, Tracy (DET); Bray, Rodney; Jones, David
Subject: RE: Manuka Occasional Care Centre

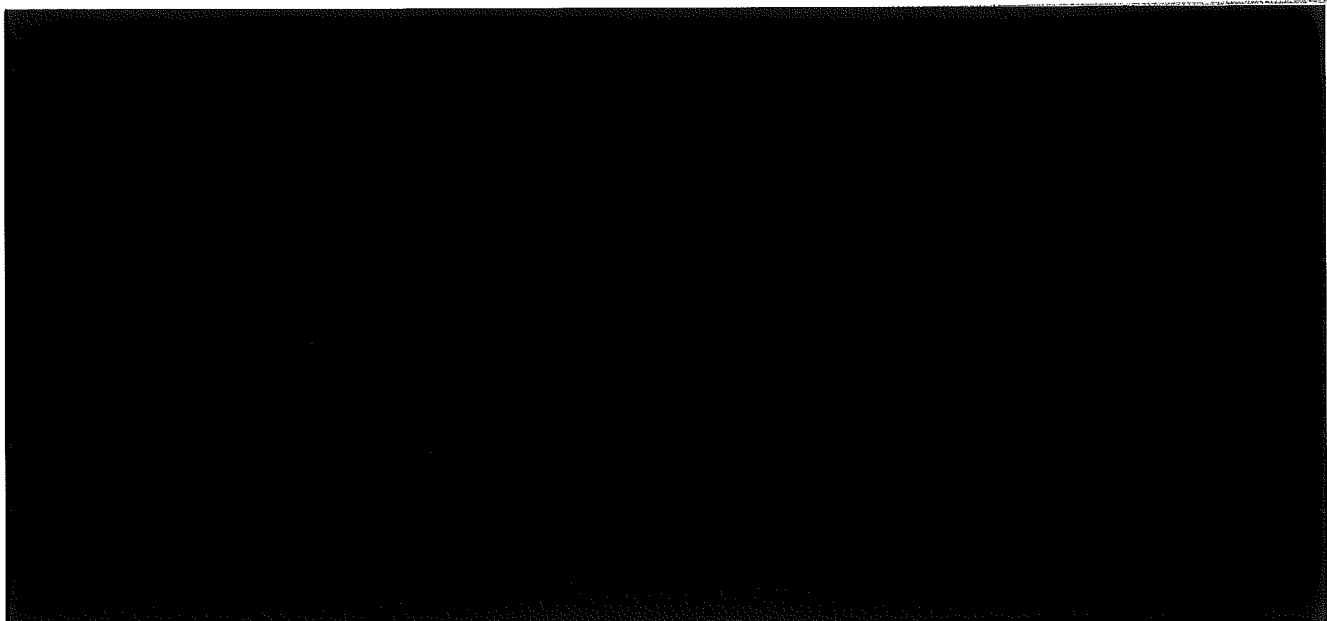
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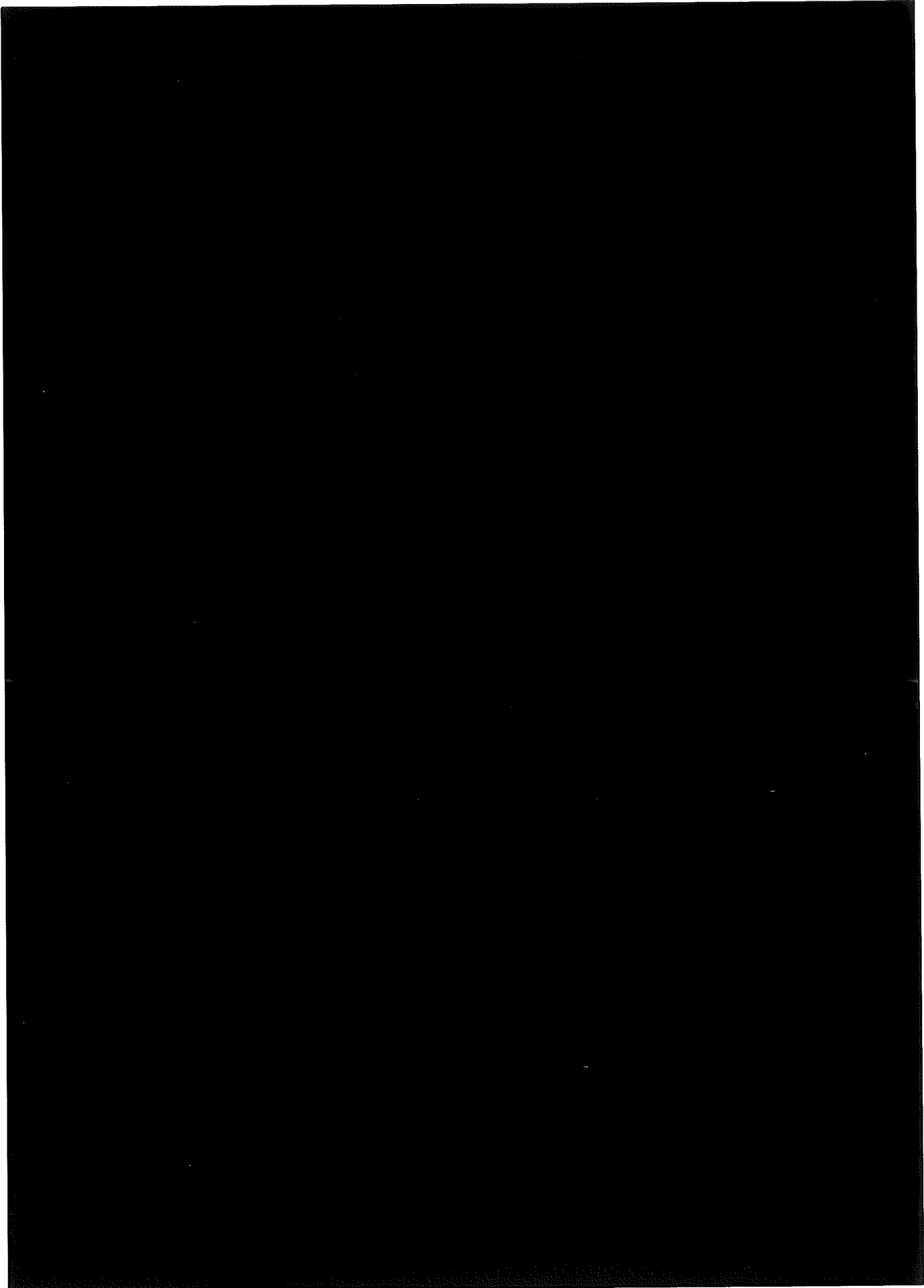
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Dear Liz

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Manuka Childcare relocation

Background

- The 77 place Manuka Occasional Care Centre operates out of a 50+ year old ACT Government building located on Flinders Way in Griffith. It is adjacent to the Manuka shopping precinct and the centre service is delivered by a parent body, the Manuka Occasional Care Centre Association (MOCCA).
- As part of the omnibus Territory Plan Variation (TPV), facilitated by the Environment and Planning Directorate, consideration had been given to the development of blocks 2 and 5, section 41 Griffith by the Canberra Services Club. This included the land currently occupied by MOCCA (block 2). In the absence of a suitable alternative site for MOCCA at the time, blocks 2 and 5, section 41 Griffith were withdrawn from the TPV.

Current status

- Over recent months, the Directorate and LDA have investigated a number of options for the relocation of MOCCA which have proved not suitable. Current discussions centre on the release of a site for the commercial development of a new 100 place childcare centre. A requirement of the sale and development of a commercial childcare centre will be that MOCCA has the opportunity to operate the centre, as a replacement for its current centre.
- In conjunction with the LDA, the Directorate is currently examining the potential development of a commercial childcare centre on the Telopea Park School Montgomery Oval tennis courts (Attachment A). As a replacement for any potential removal of this school asset, the Directorate and the LDA are examining how the tennis courts can be relocated onto the main school site, to free up the land for the childcare centre. The Directorate expects to know the viability of this option before the end of the year.



- An initial discussion was held with MOCCA to discuss a potential future move. Since the beginning of December, the Directorate (Tracy Stewart, Director Planning and Performance) has been in regular (weekly) phone contact with MOCCA to confirm progress, including that a move is not imminent, and that the Directorate continues to work with the LDA to identify a suitable future premise. Tracy Stewart is meeting with MOCCA on 16 December to broadly confirm future consideration of options.
- The Directorate will contact MOCCA with further information following completion of the Telopea Park School site assessment.
- In early 2015, responsibility for managing the current Education and Training Directorate (the Directorate) childcare facilities will be transferred to the ACT Property Group, under the ACT Government's new arrangements for management of ACT Government facilities.

Wynants, John

From: Robby McGarvey [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, 2 December 2014 3:10 PM
To: Wynants, John
Subject: Re: Future of Mocca

John, Thank-you for arranging a meeting before Xmas, we close on the 23rd of December so anytime before that will be excellent.

Yes it is disappointing that questions and speculation around the community have already surfaced which is causing myself and the management committee undue anxiety and of course frustration at not knowing more.

Should there not be firm options to present to Mocca before Xmas, myself and our Mocca President Paula Claudianos would still like to meet with you to discuss our communication plan and re clarify the future vision for Mocca.

I feel that having some communication and time to reflect on what has already been discussed will be a positive way to end the year amid changes foreseeable, but not firmly established.

Kind regards

Robby McGarvey

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On 2/12/14 2:32 PM, Wynants, John wrote:

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We did have a further meeting with EDD on 19 November regarding site options. At this time, we still do not have firm options from EDD to present to MOCCA. I will follow up with our planning area which is handling the discussions with EDD and arrange a meeting with you prior to Xmas to provide an update.

John Wynants

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Presently my committee and Staff are trying to ward off questions from parents who have

heard things in the Manuka community about the possible closure of Mocca.
Any information will be helpful.
If you could call me either on my mobile [REDACTED] or at the center 62956503
that would be much appreciated.
kind regards

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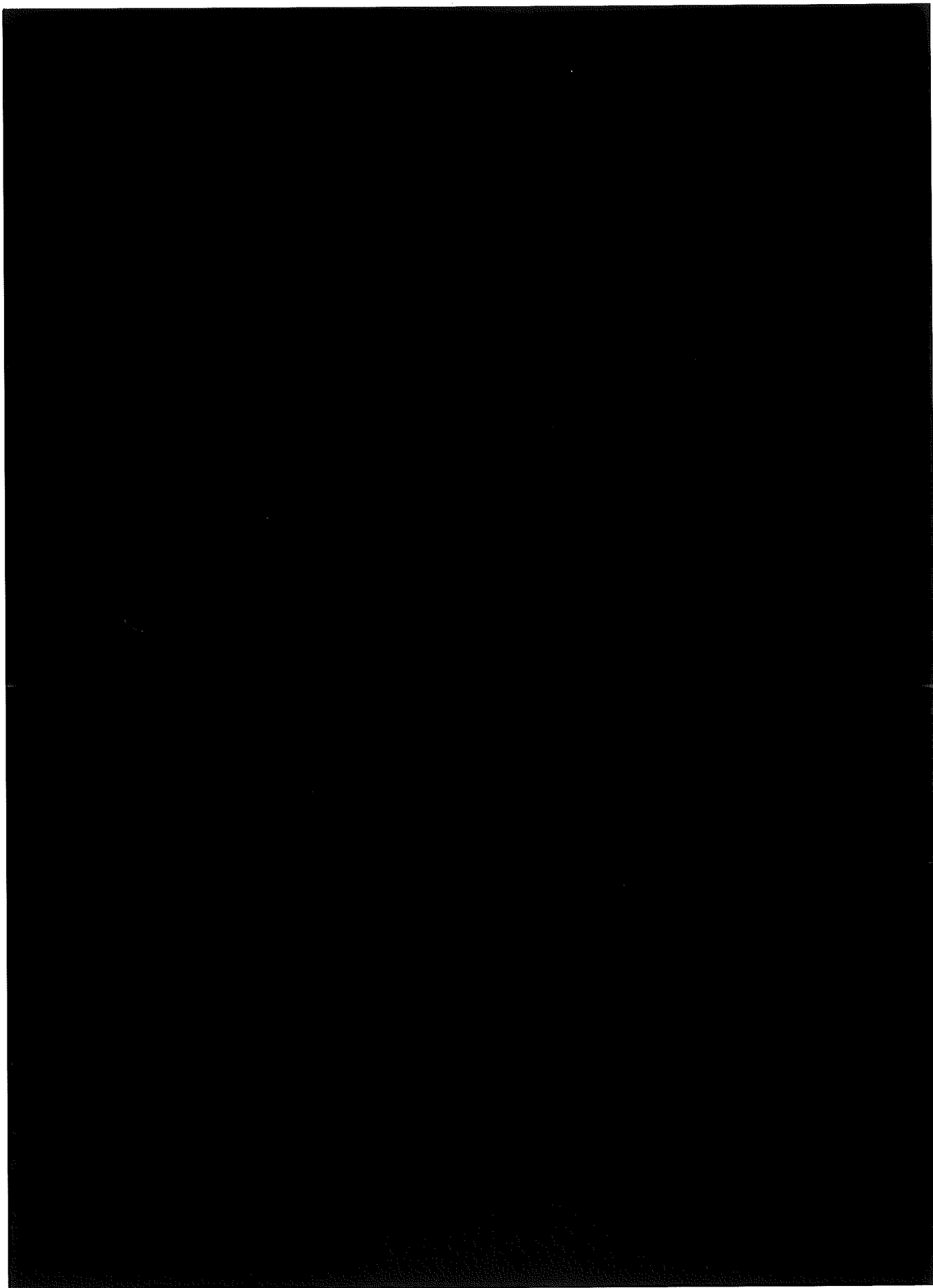
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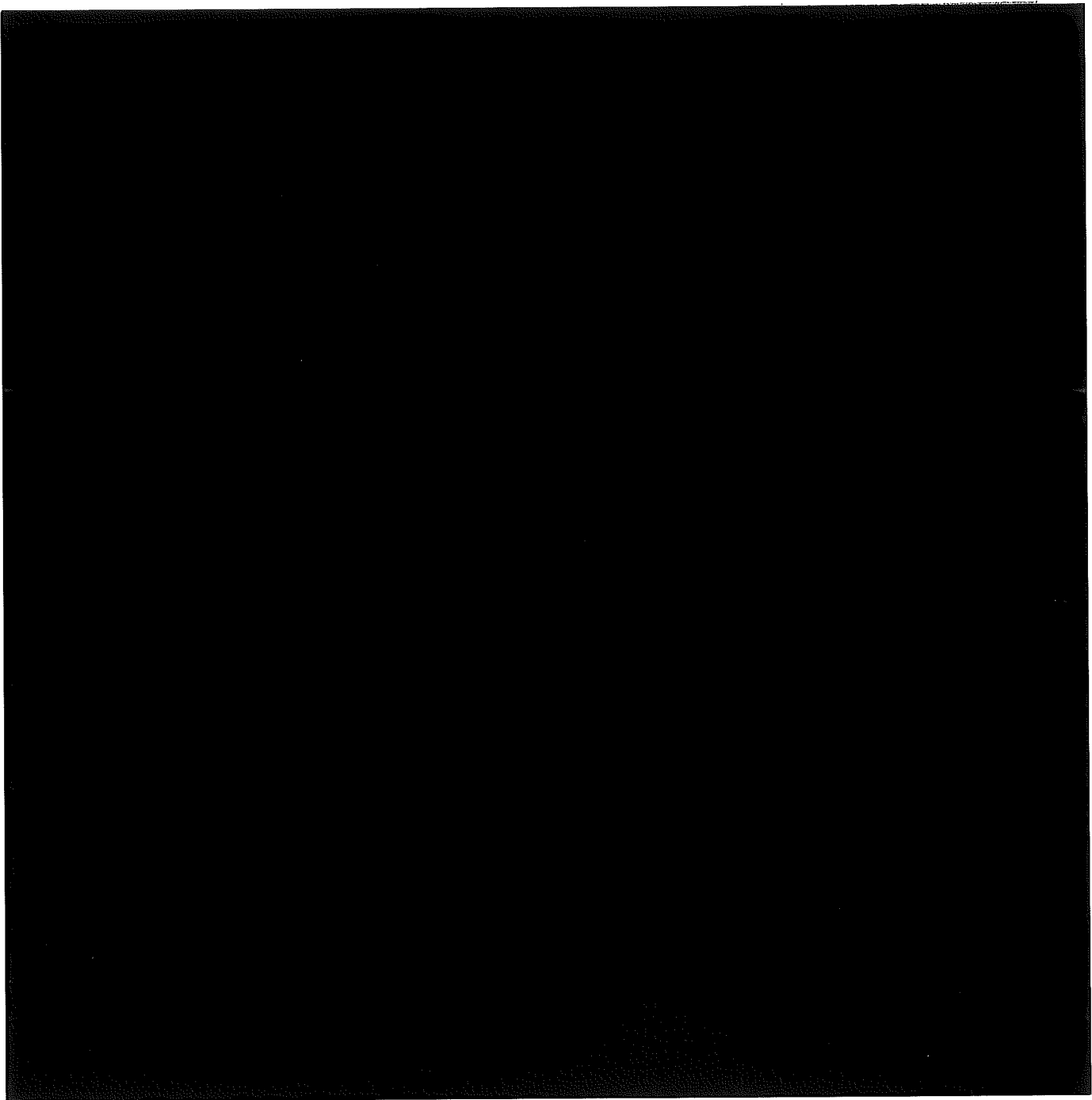


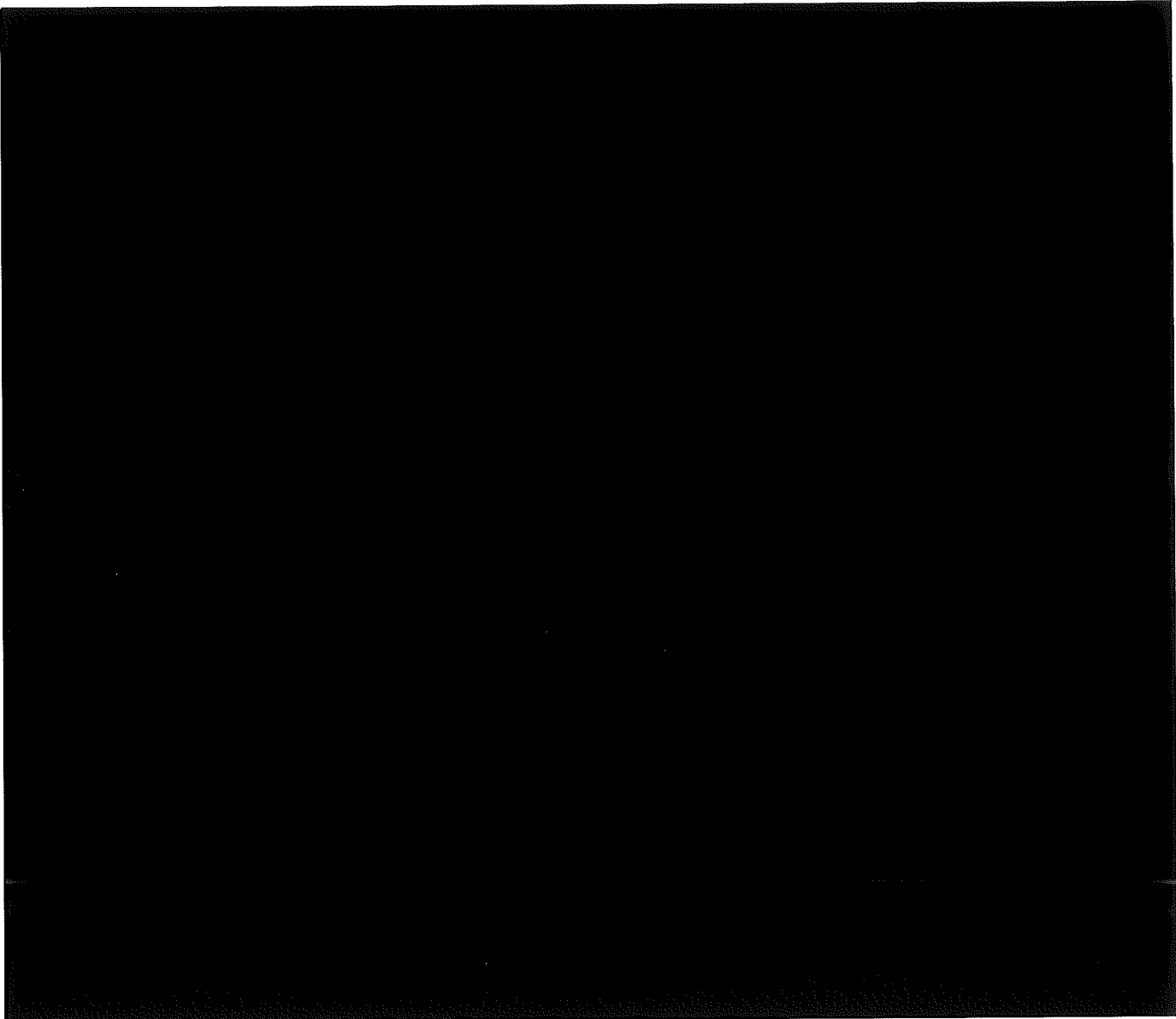
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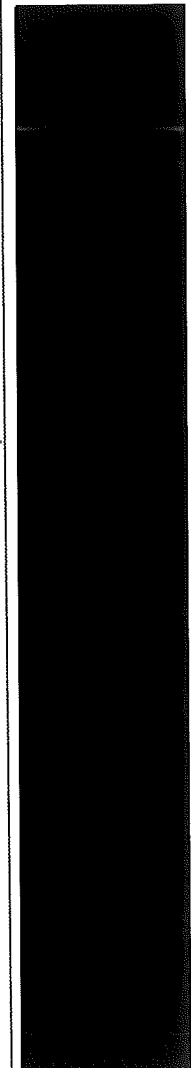
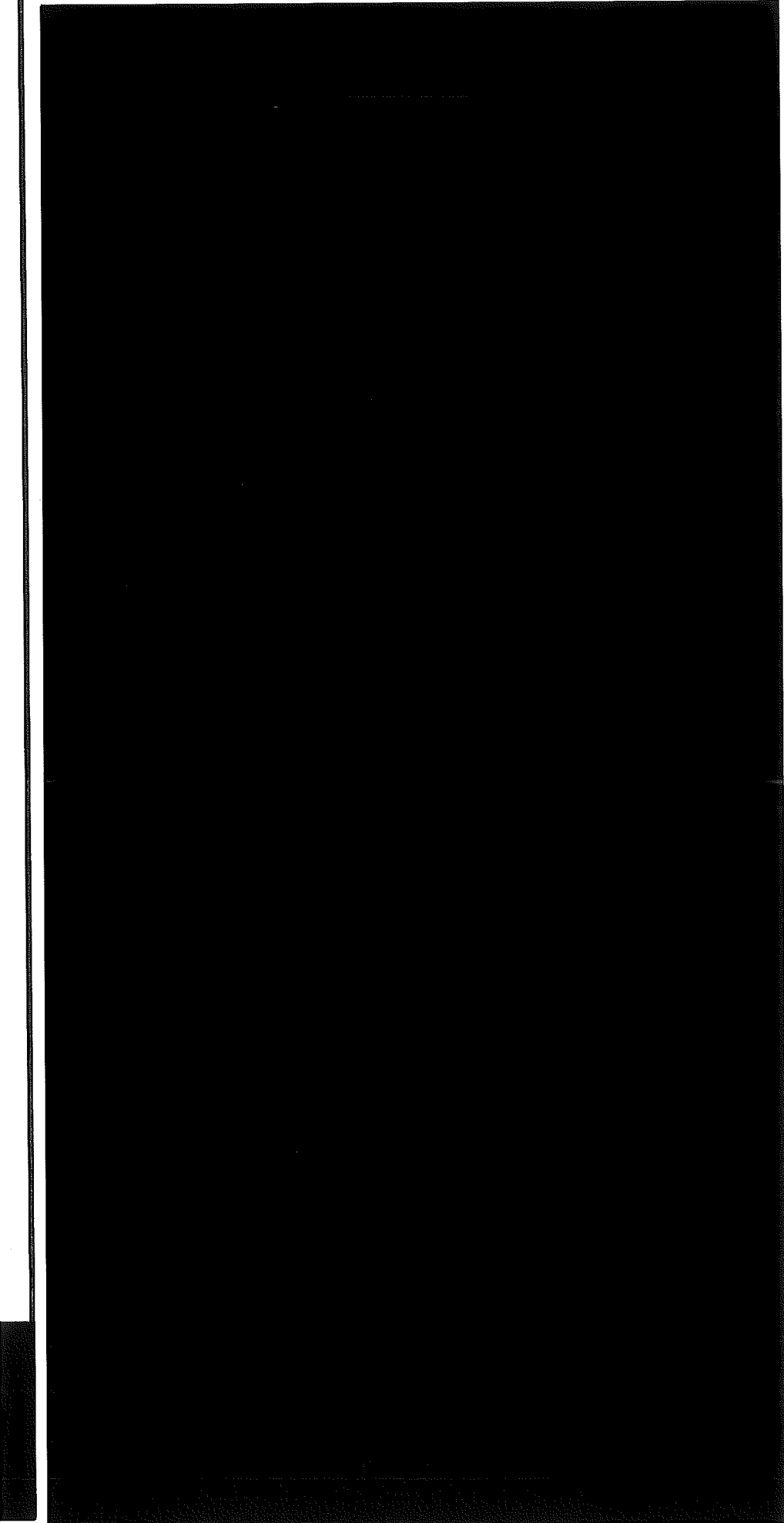
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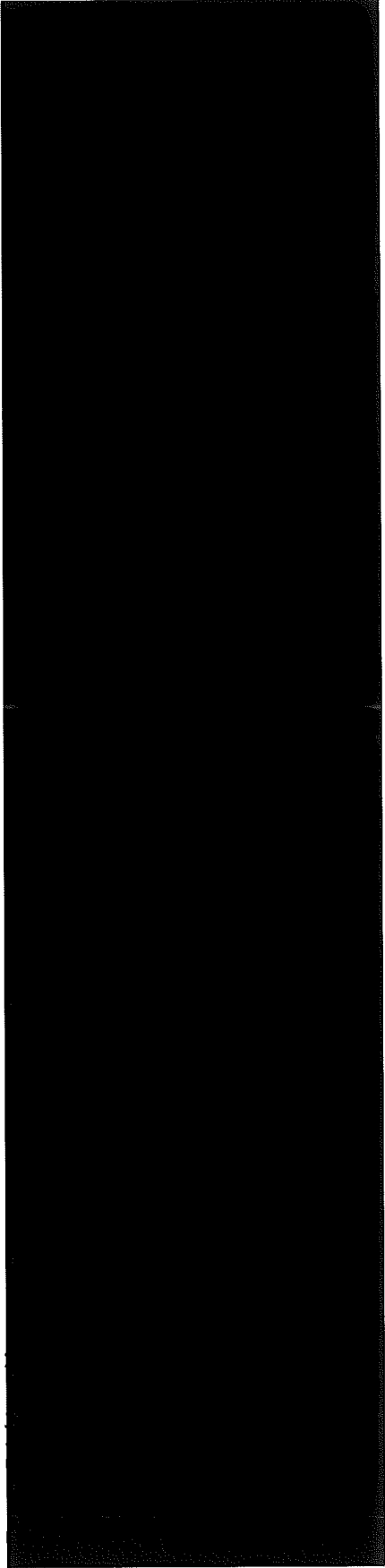
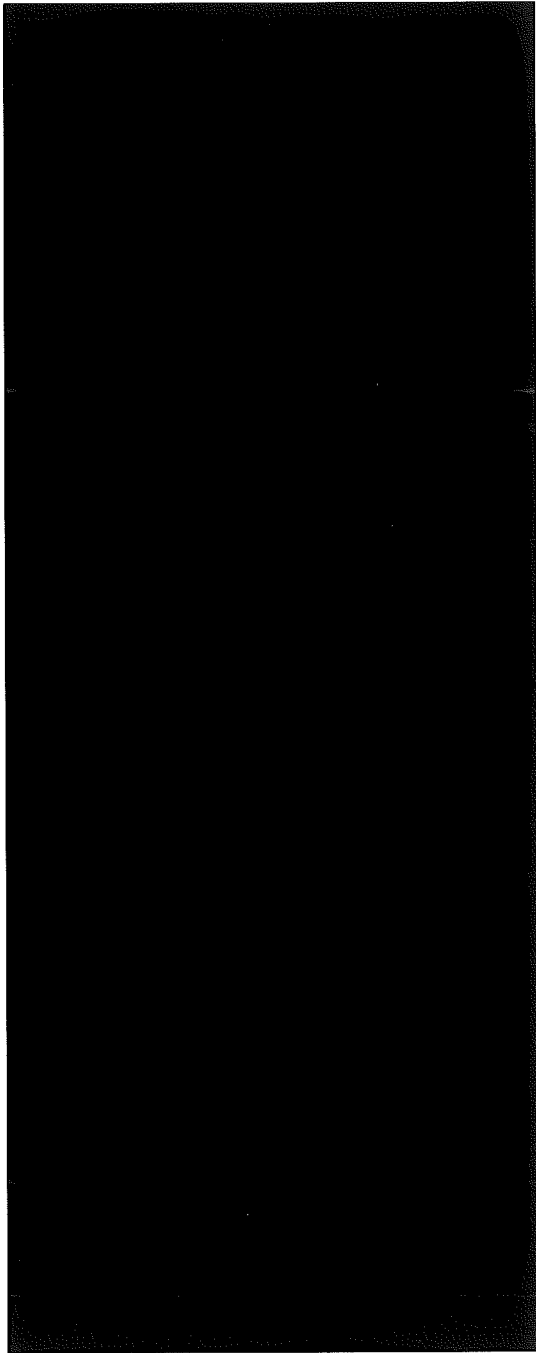


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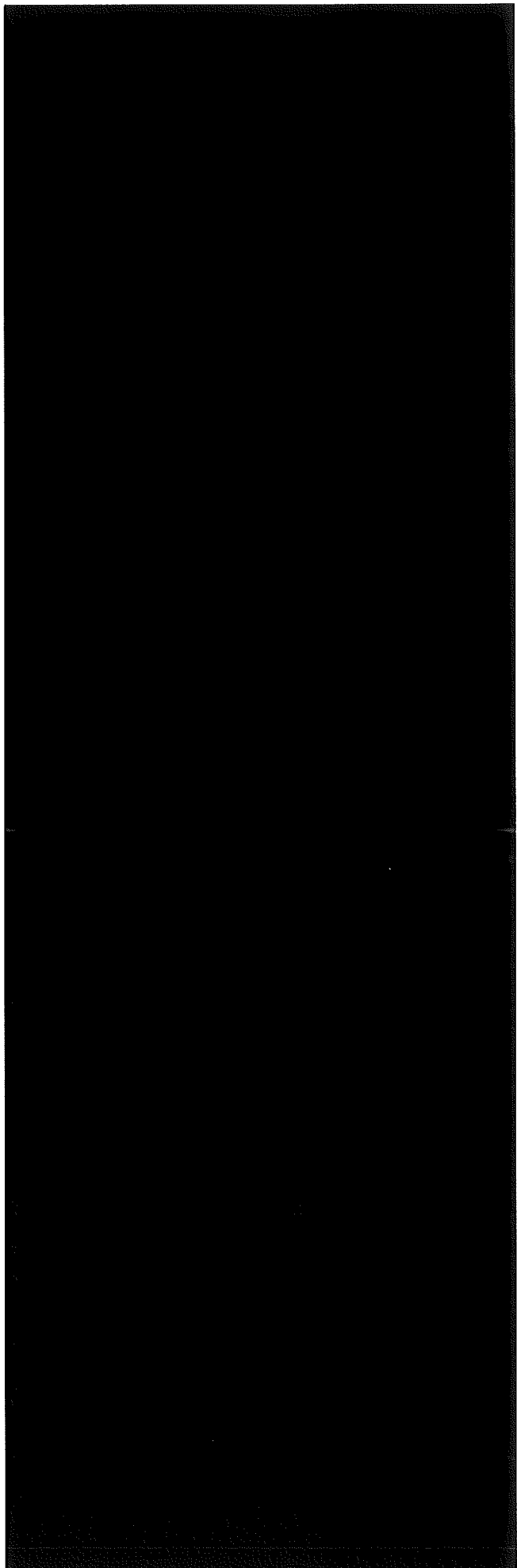
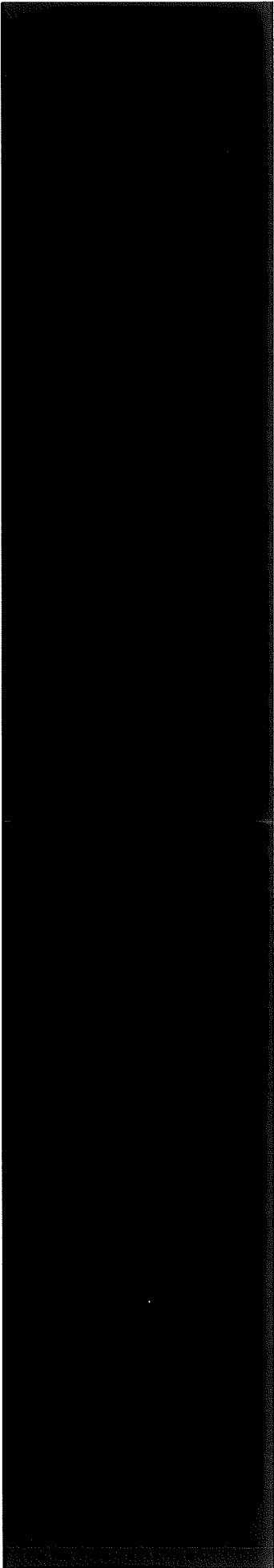


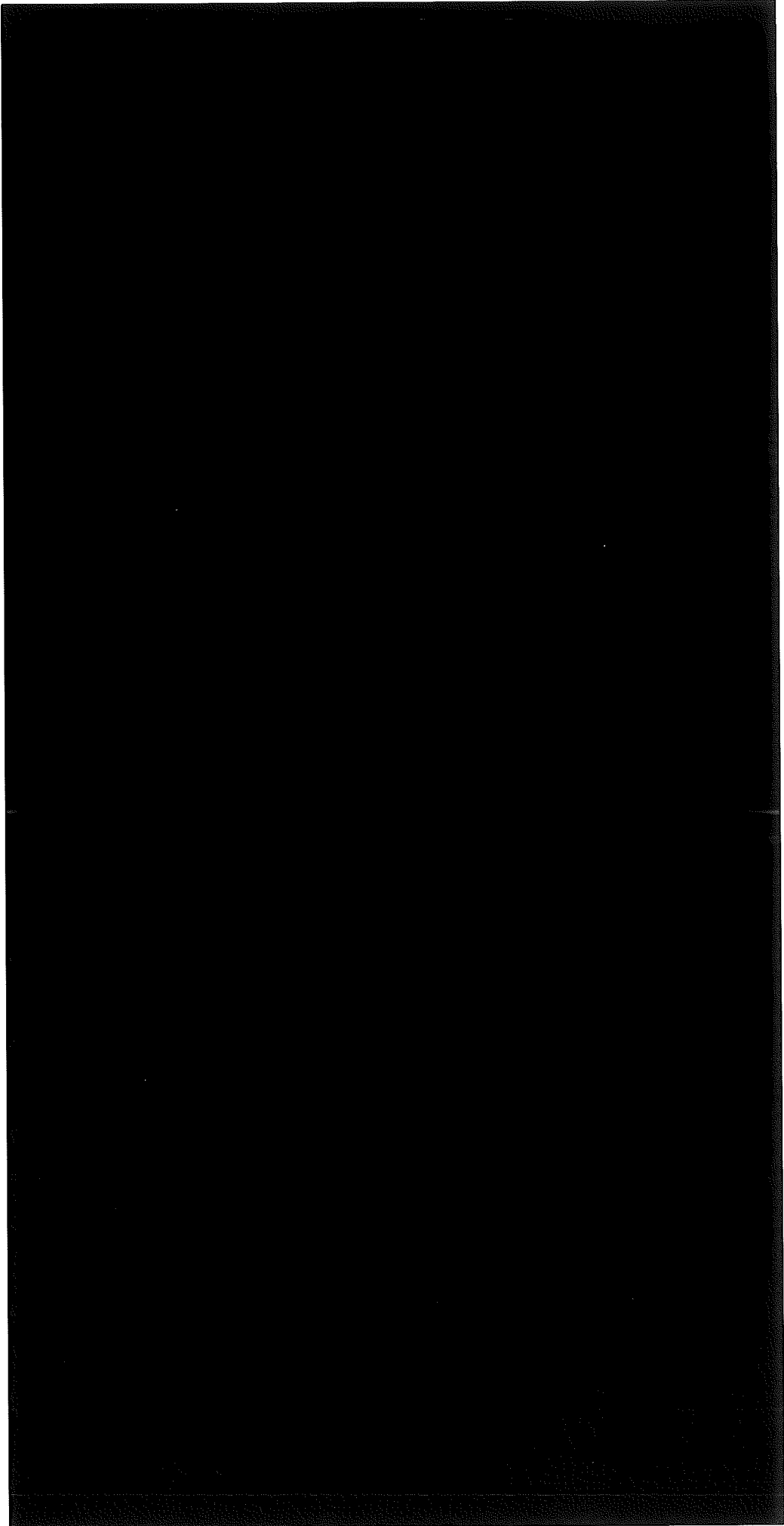
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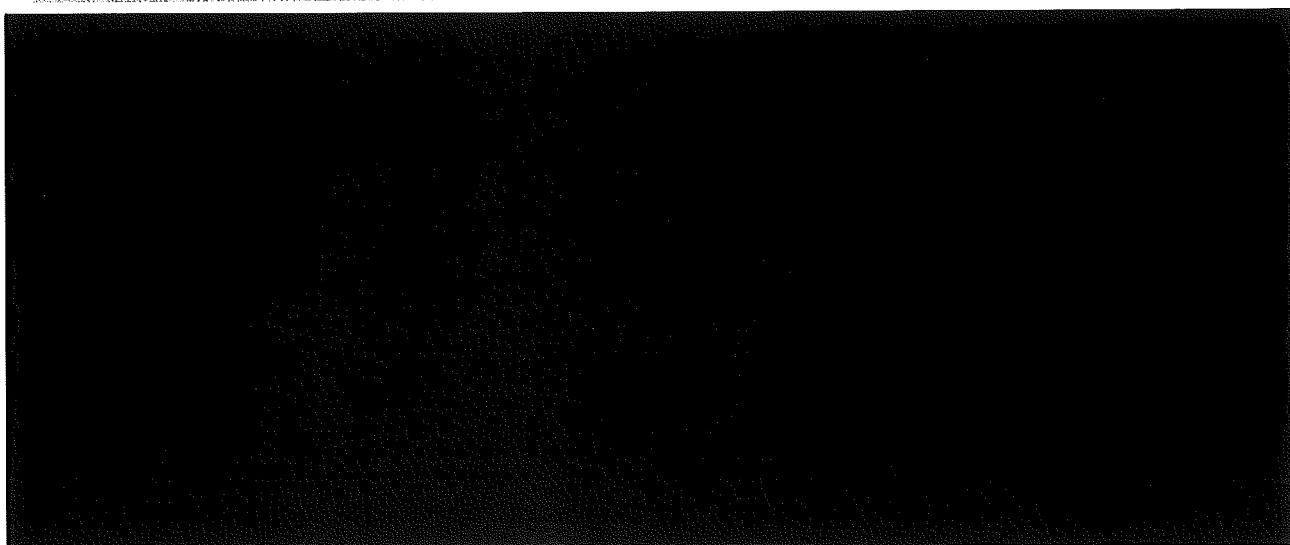
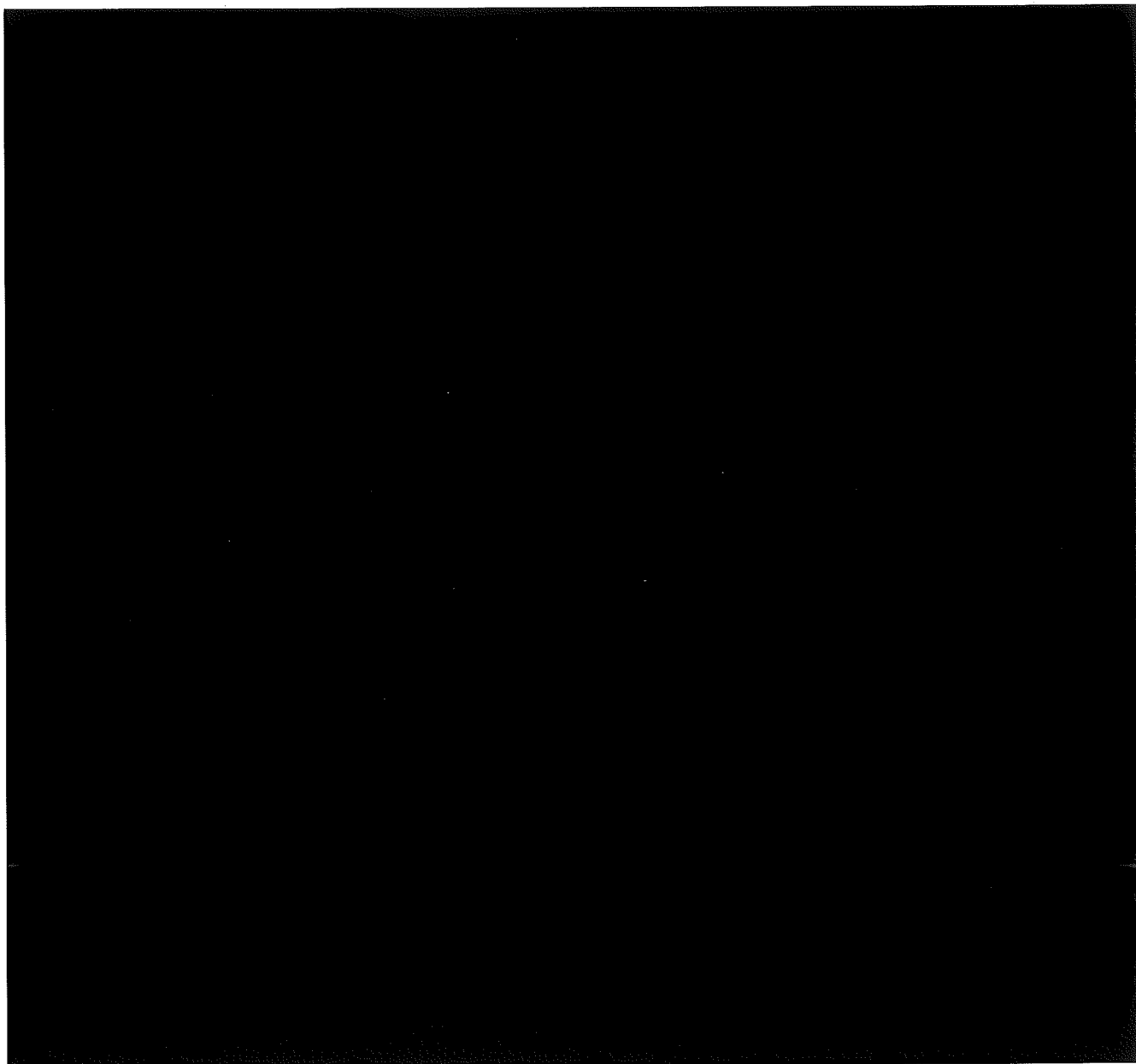
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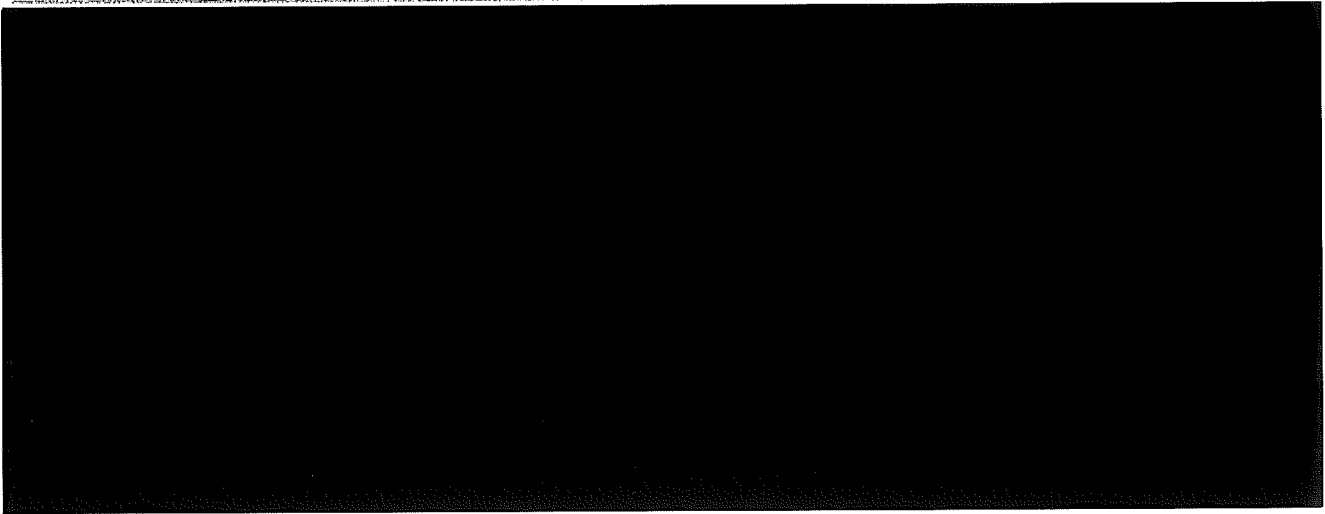
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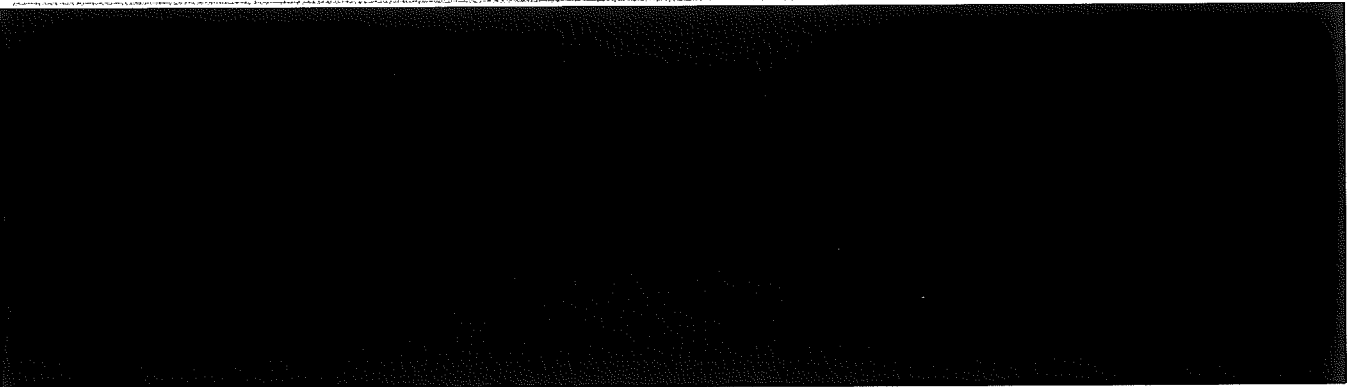


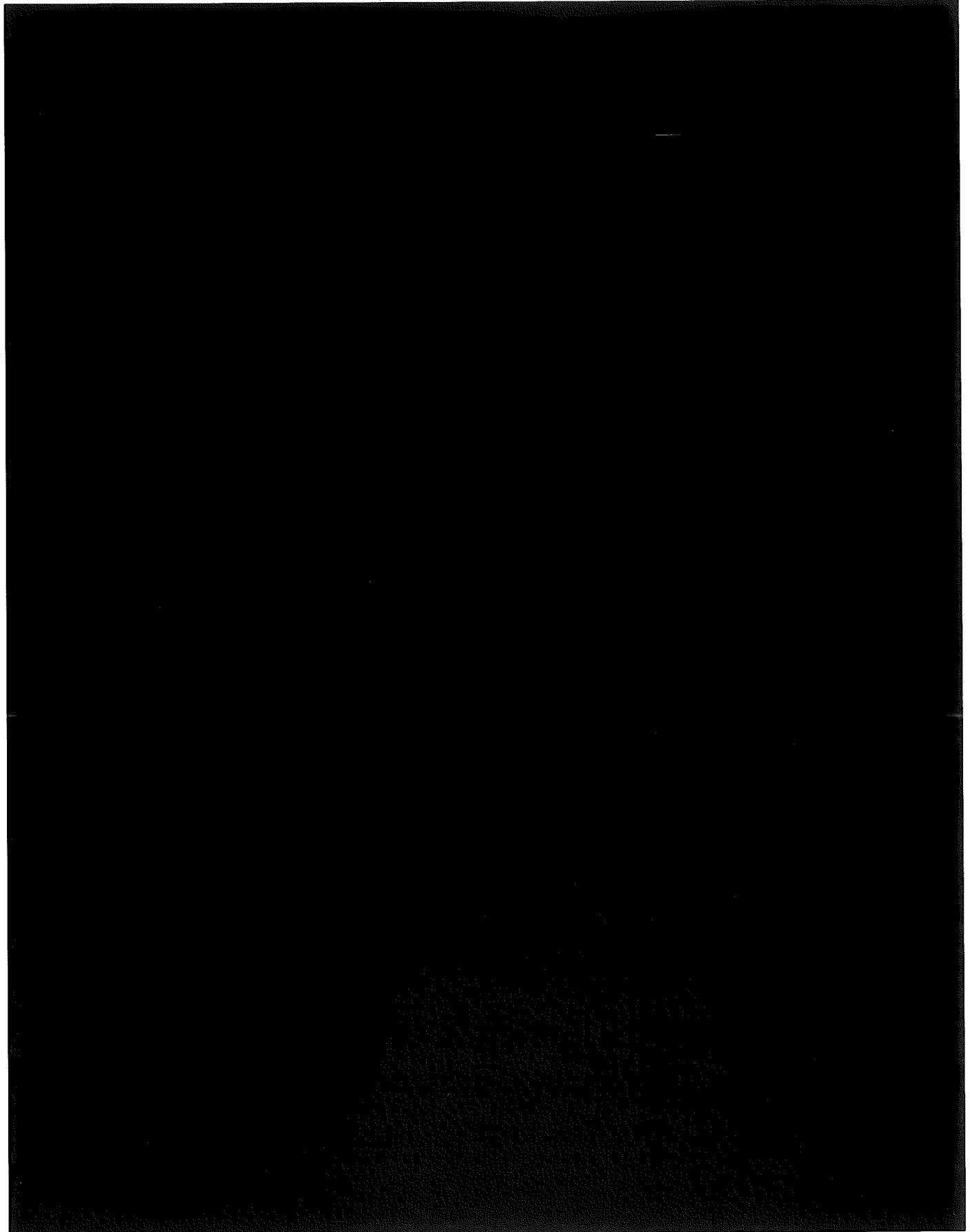
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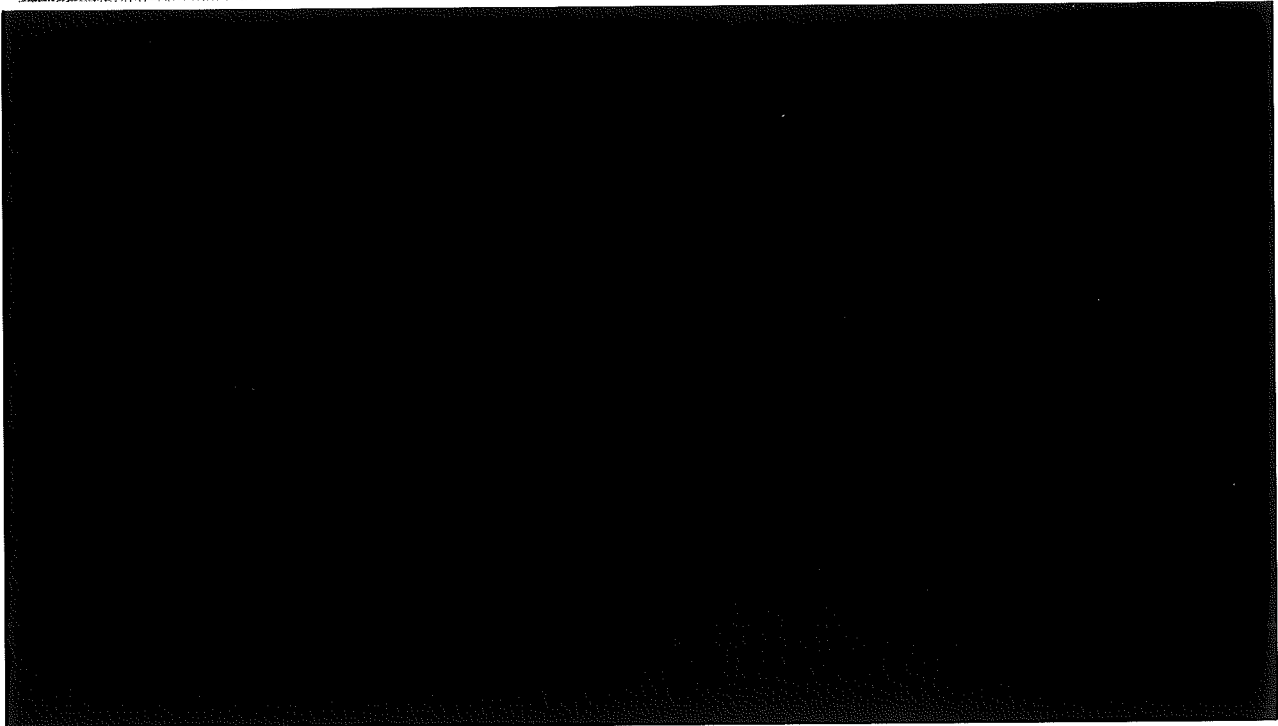
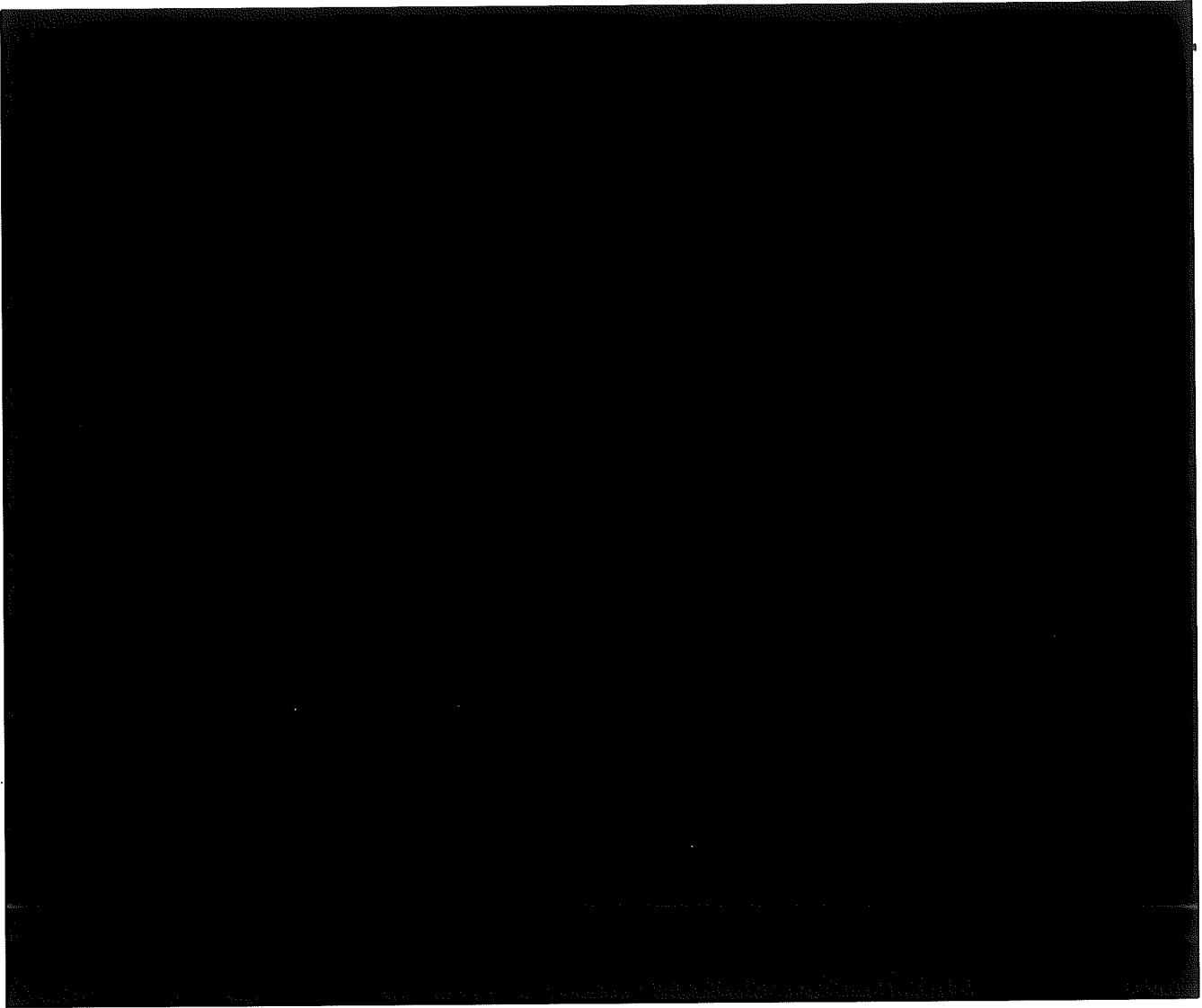
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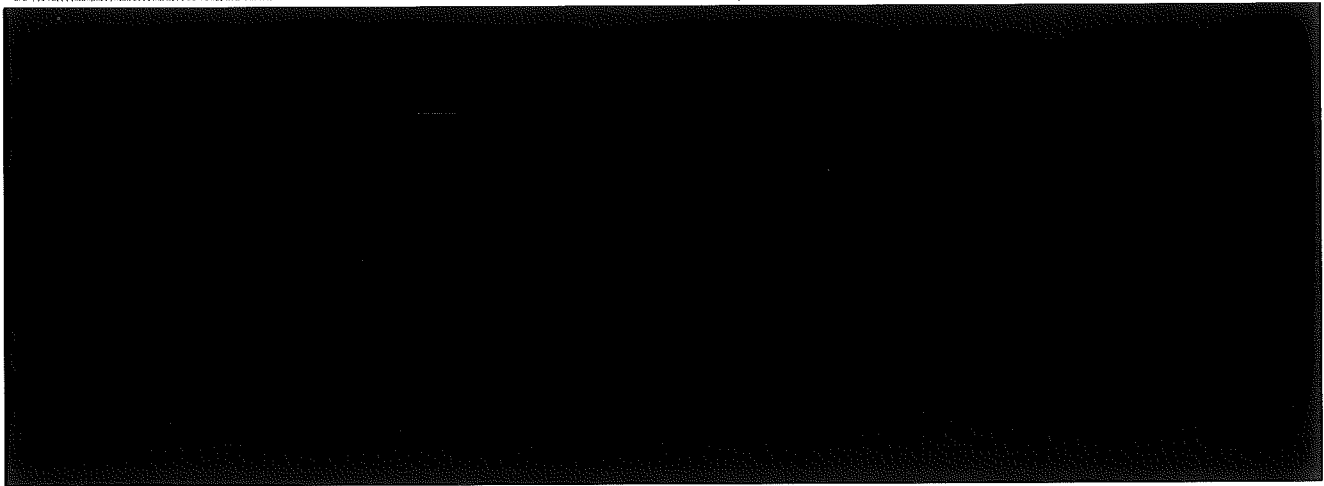
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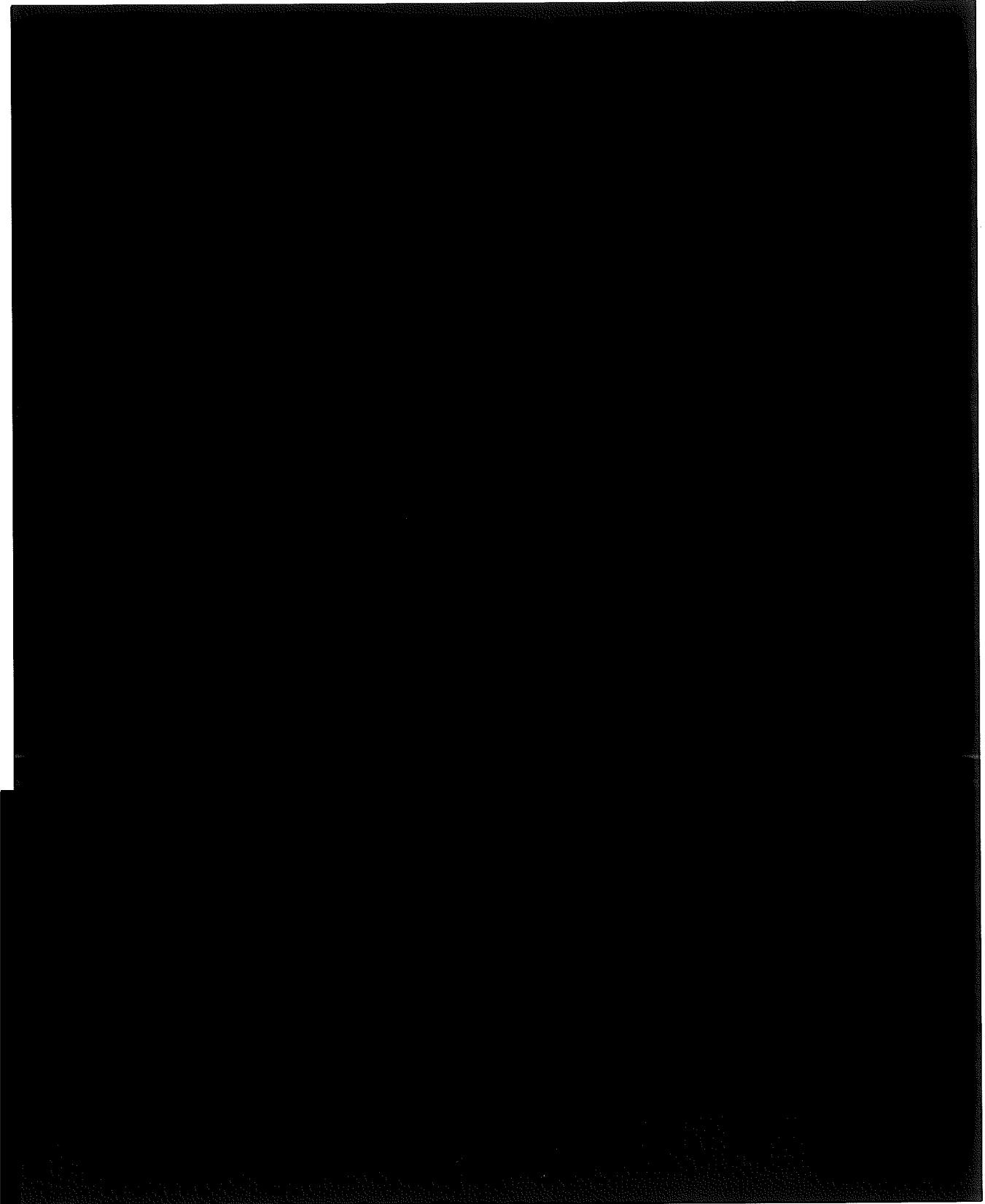
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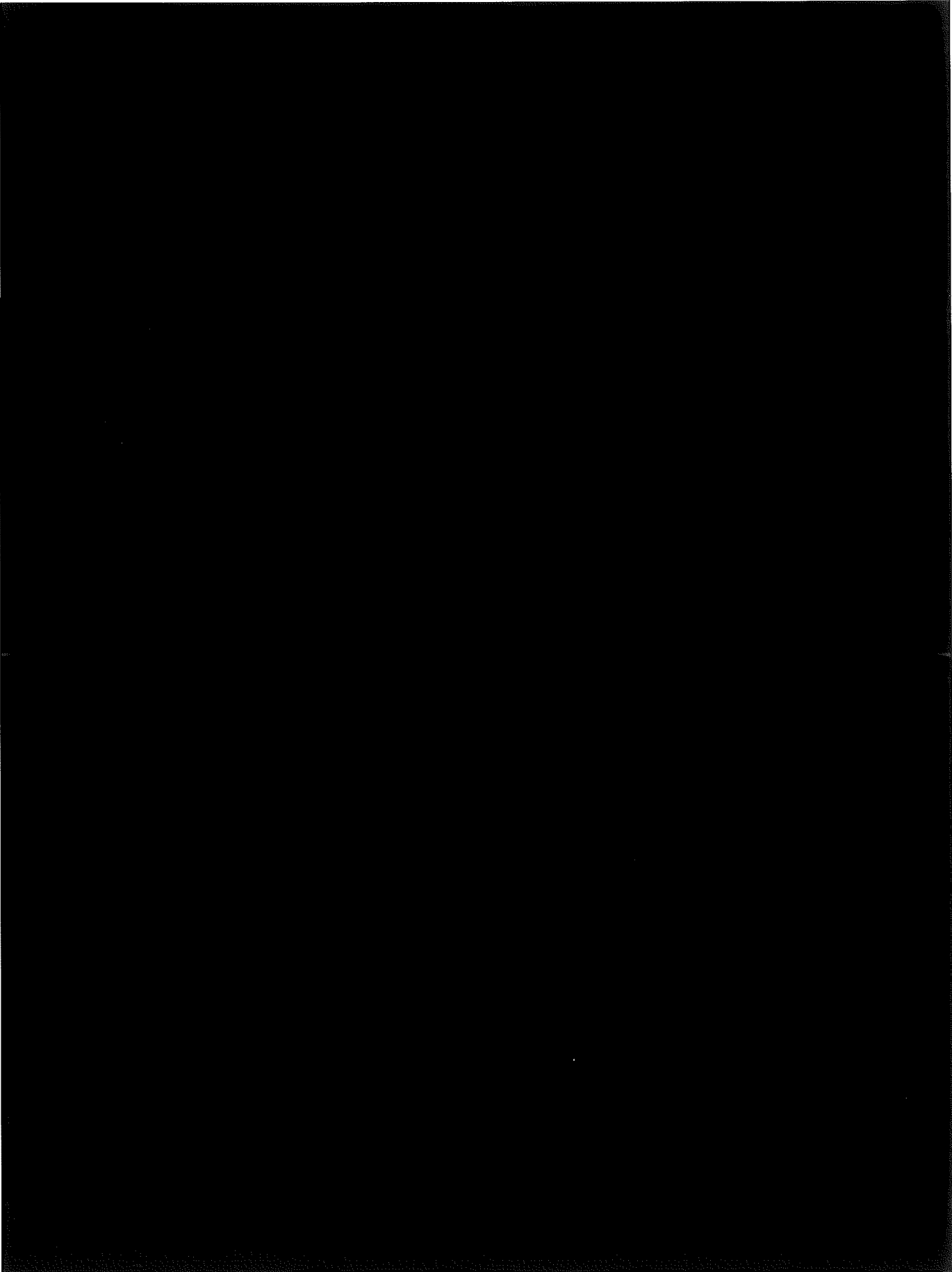
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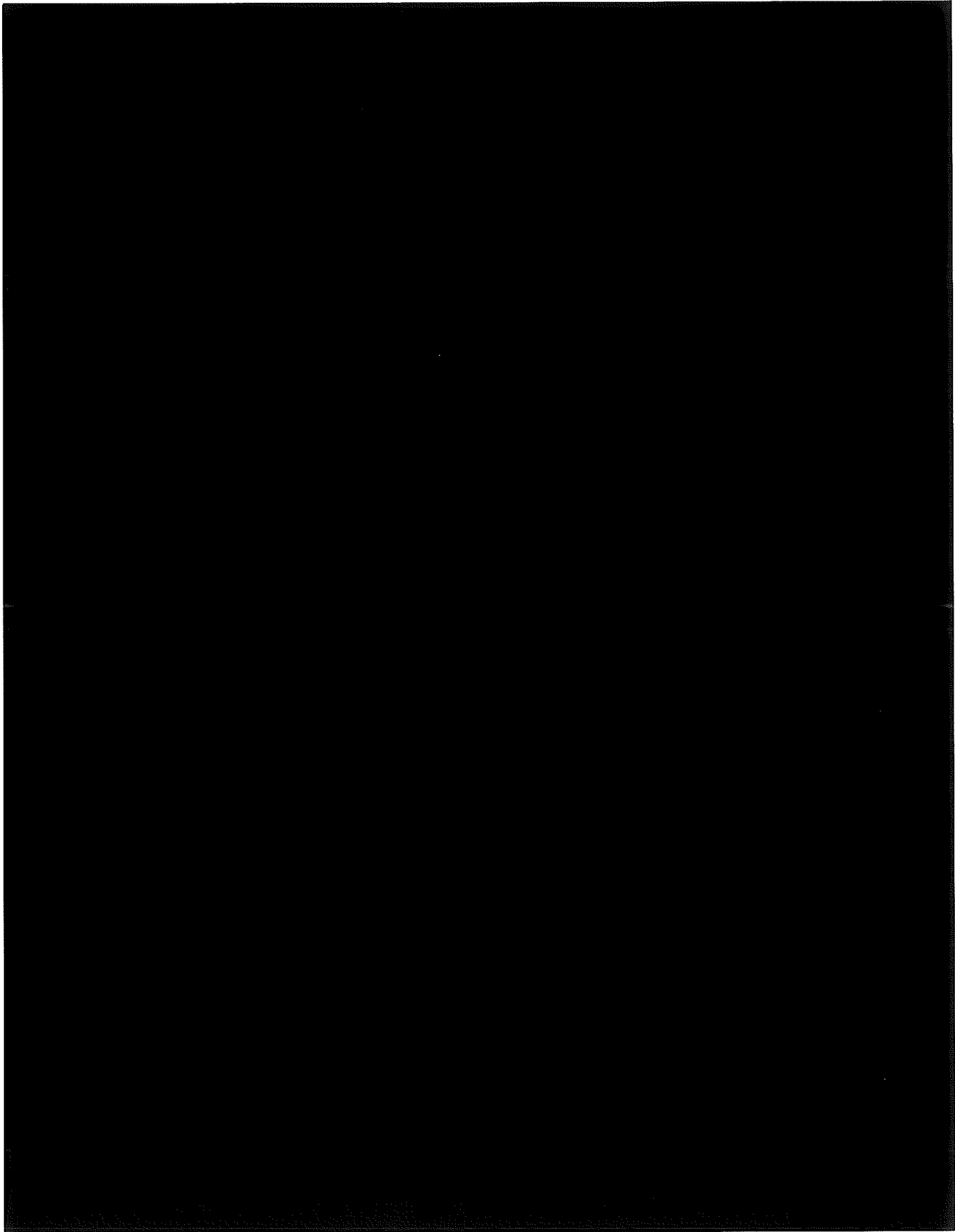
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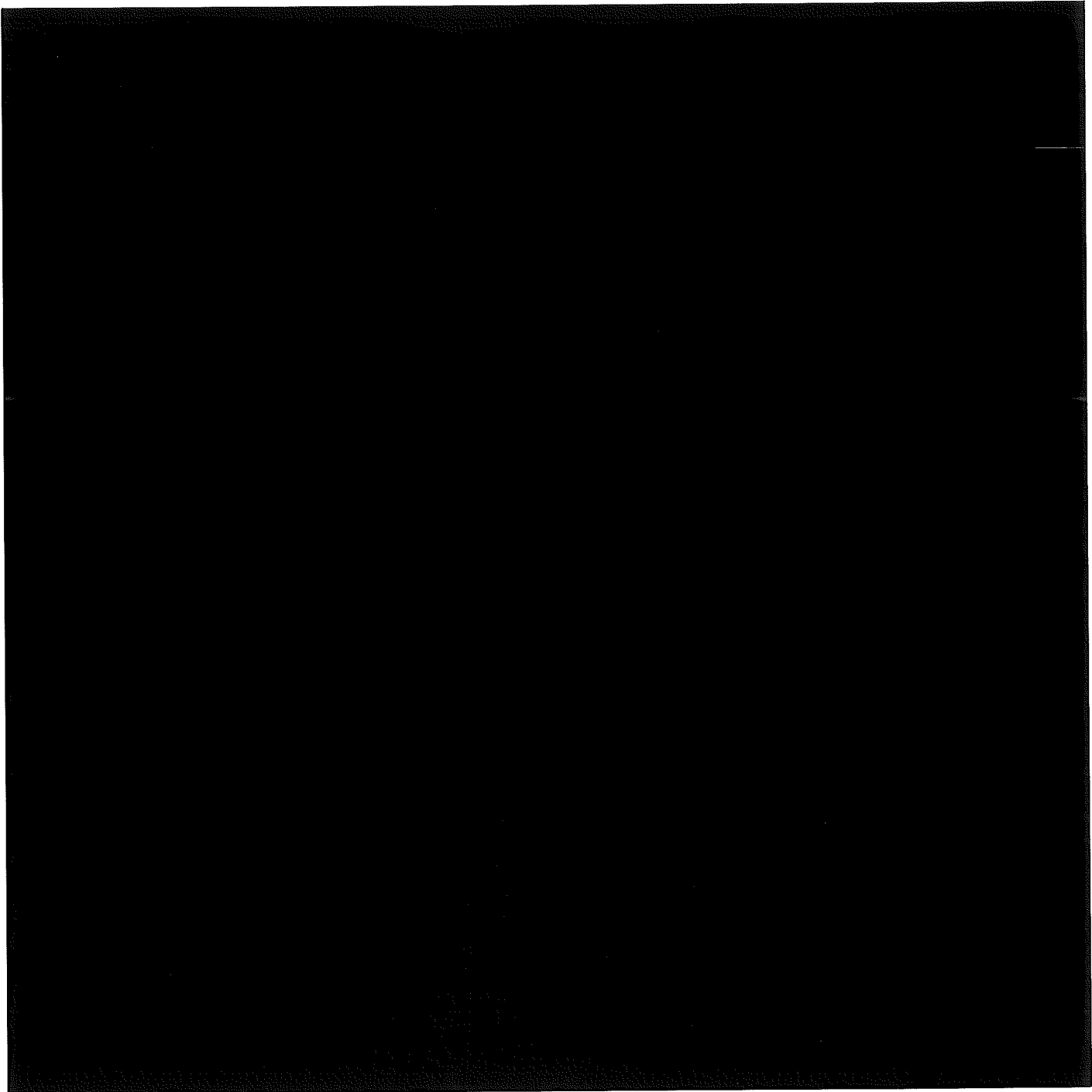
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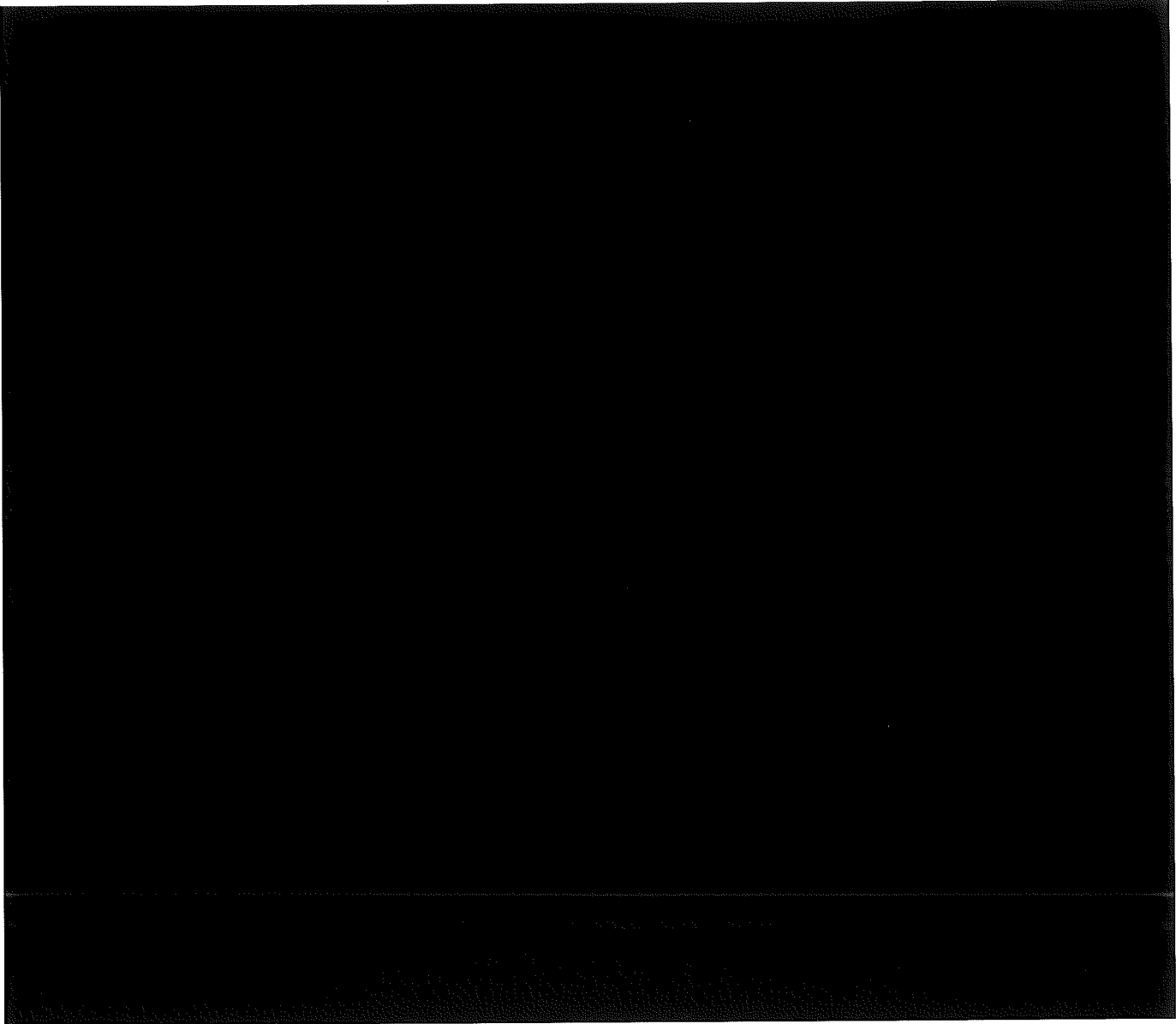
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Sent: Monday, 15 December 2014 9:15 AM
To: Wynants, John
Cc: Feldner, Jason; Podnar, Peter
Subject: Re: FW: Manuka Occasional Care Centre - Future Options

Hi John,
Yes- Thanks we are looking forward to the meeting tomorrow at 10.30.

Kind regards

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On 15/12/14 8:20 AM, Wynants, John wrote:

Robby

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