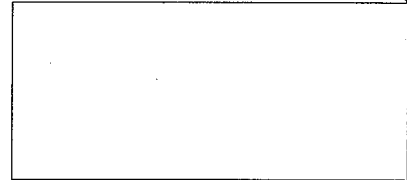




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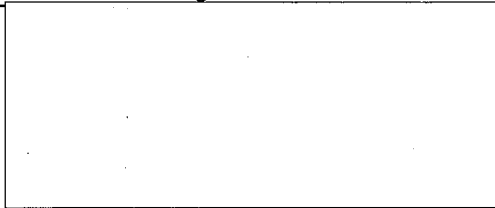
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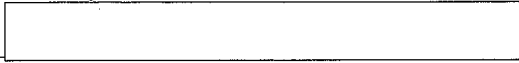
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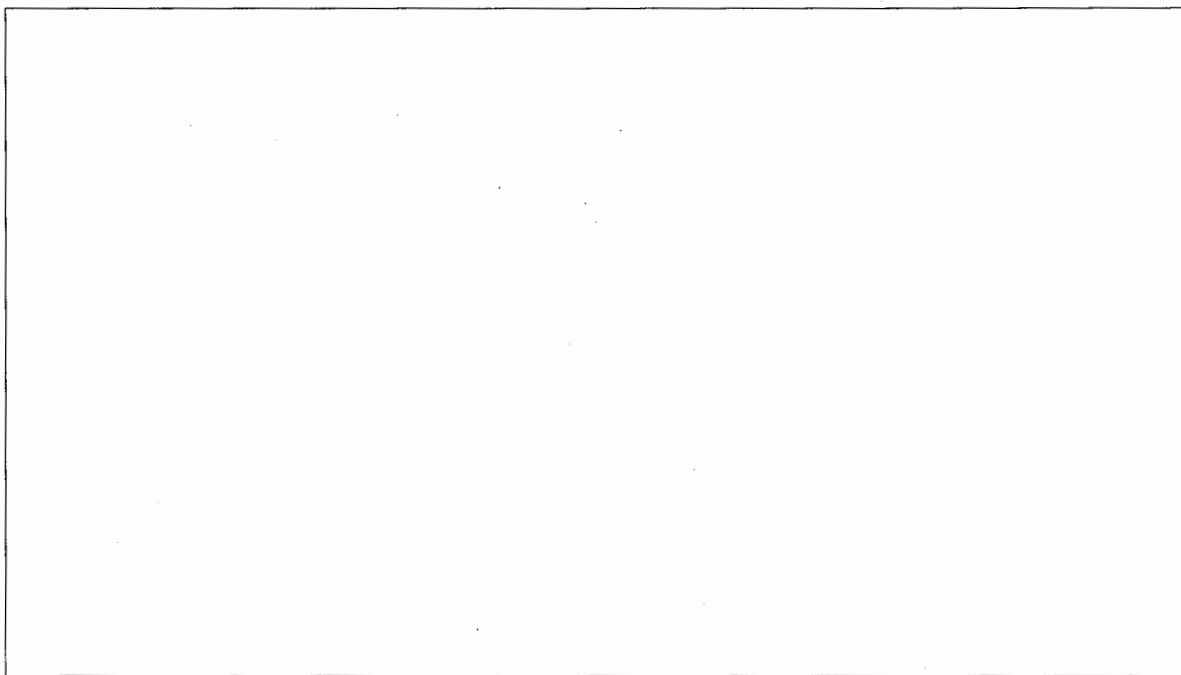
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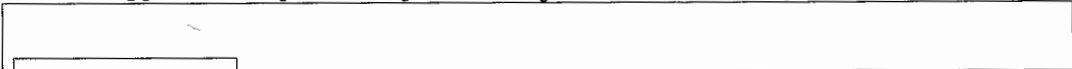
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CENTRAL AMERICA: Military Offensive in El Salvador

The armed forces in El Salvador are taking the military initiative in order to upset insurgent plans to disrupt the elections. Meanwhile, the Guatemalan Government appears headed for a showdown with opposition parties protesting the election of General Guevara.

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The Salvadoran Army has begun a large-scale offensive against a major insurgent base area in the central part of the country. Almost 2,000 troops are involved in the operation, which was launched with unusual security precautions to avoid tipping off the guerrillas.

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The base area is a key point in the distribution of insurgent supplies throughout El Salvador. It also is a potential staging area for an attack on one of the remaining bridges across the Lempa River.

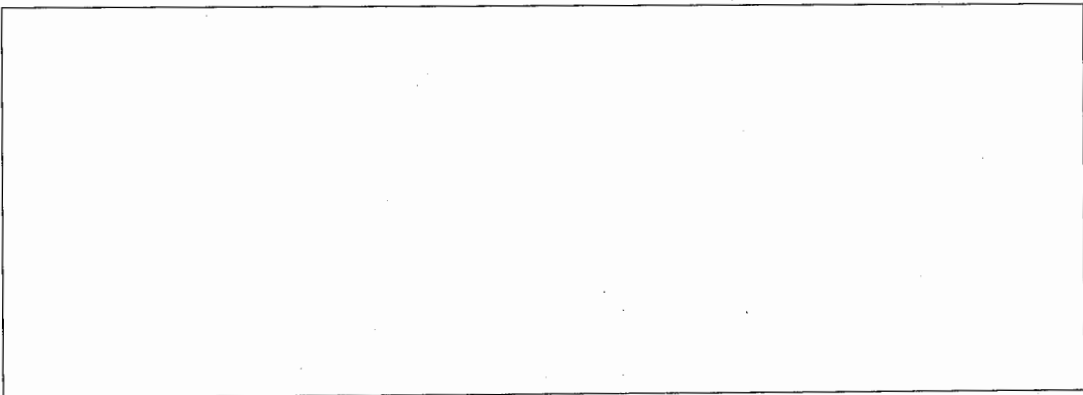
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The insurgents, meanwhile, have reopened overland supply routes between Nicaragua and El Salvador through Honduras. Vehicles carrying money, small arms, and explosives are en route to insurgent units north of the capital.

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Comment: The Army's most recent offensive apparently upset insurgent plans to attack San Salvador, and this operation may disrupt guerrilla raids on cities in the country's central and eastern regions.

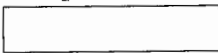
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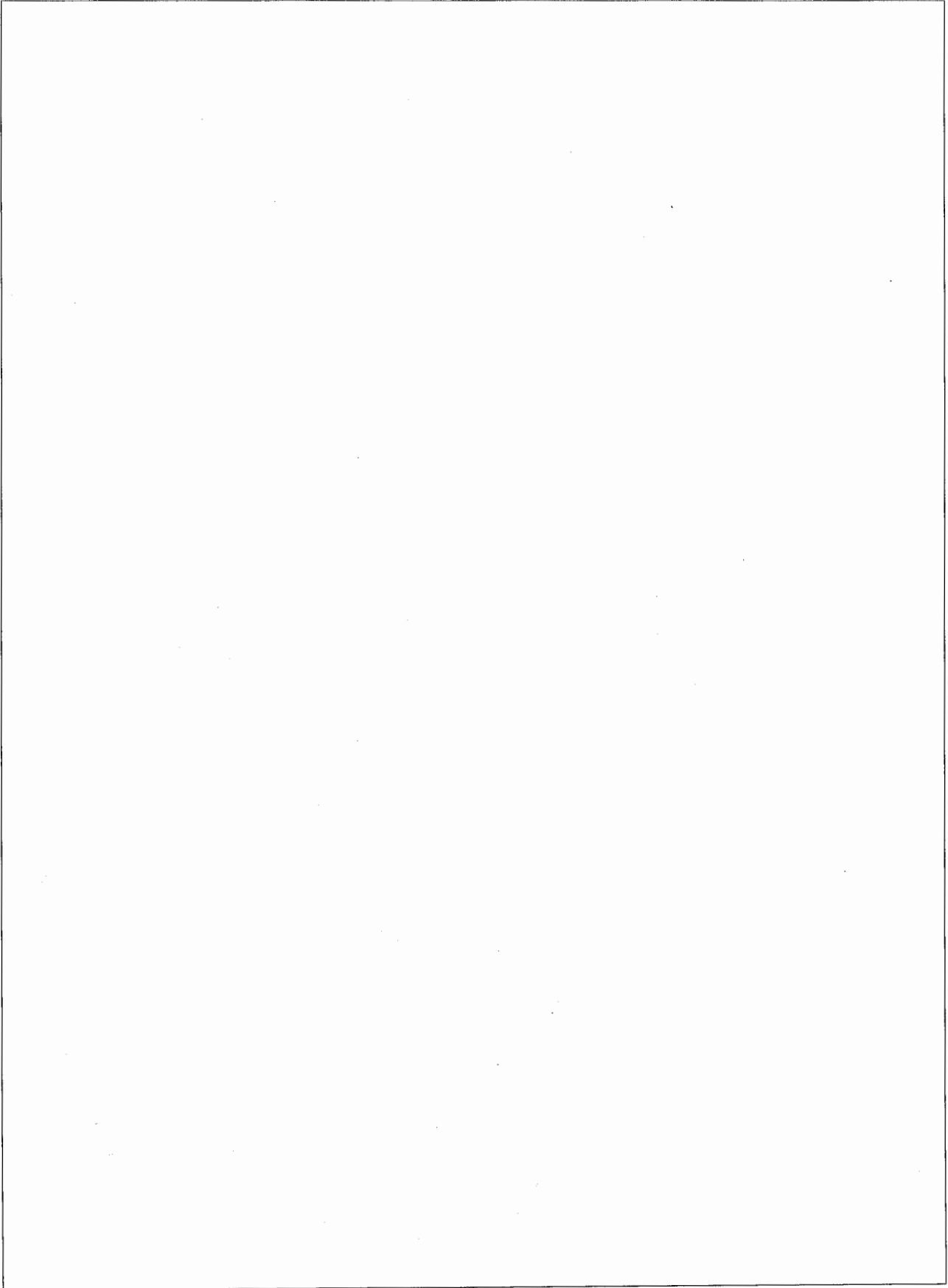


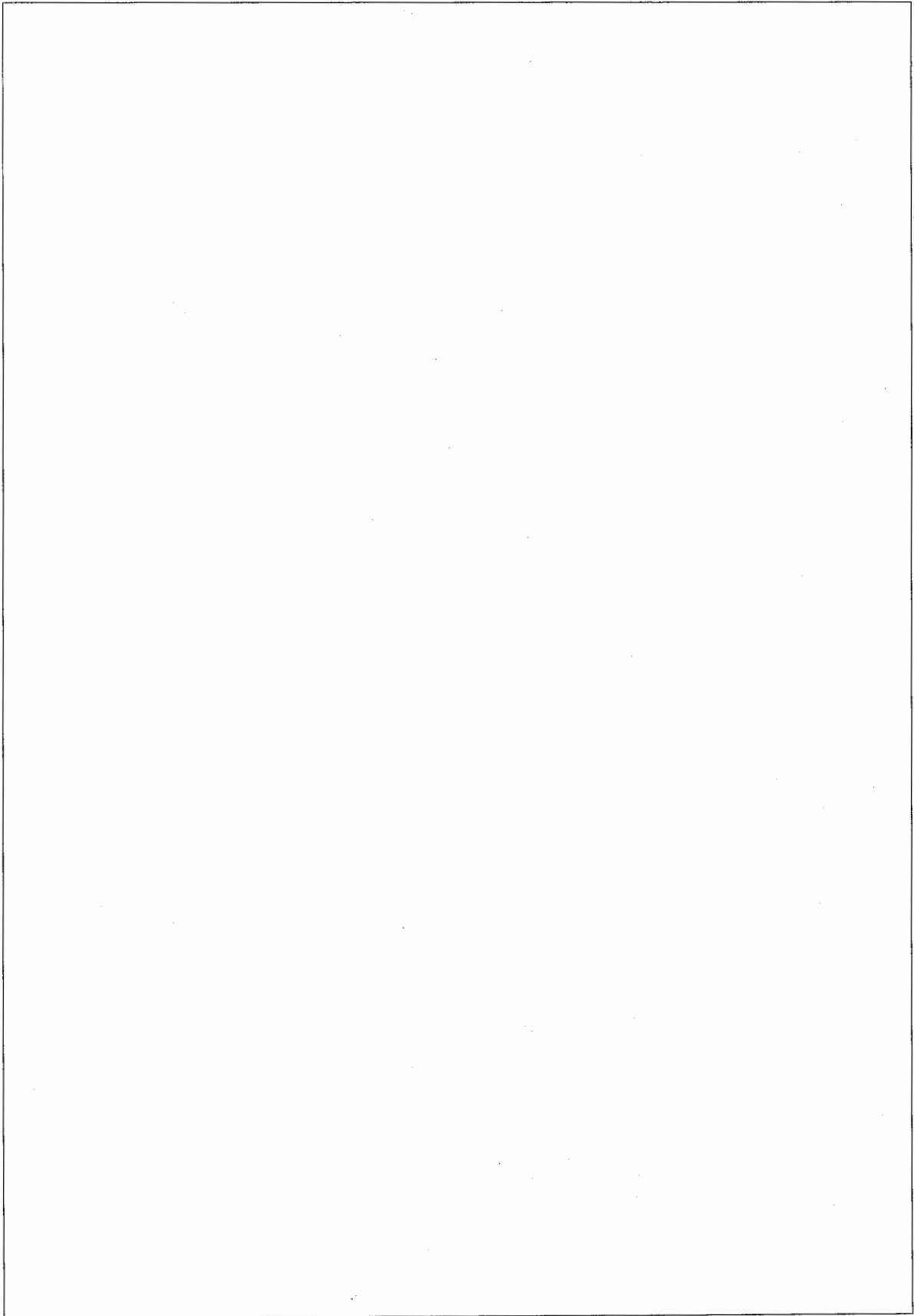
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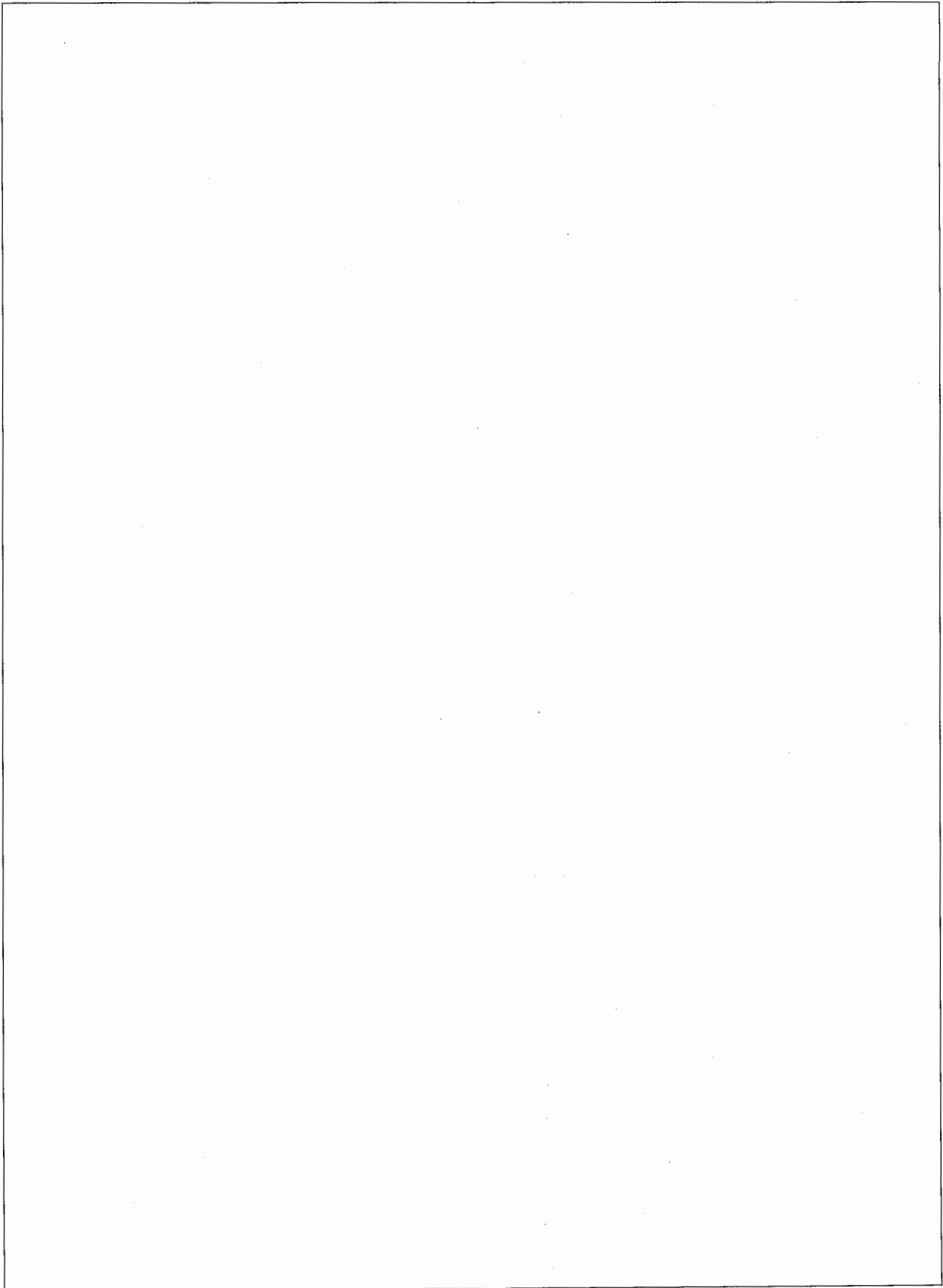


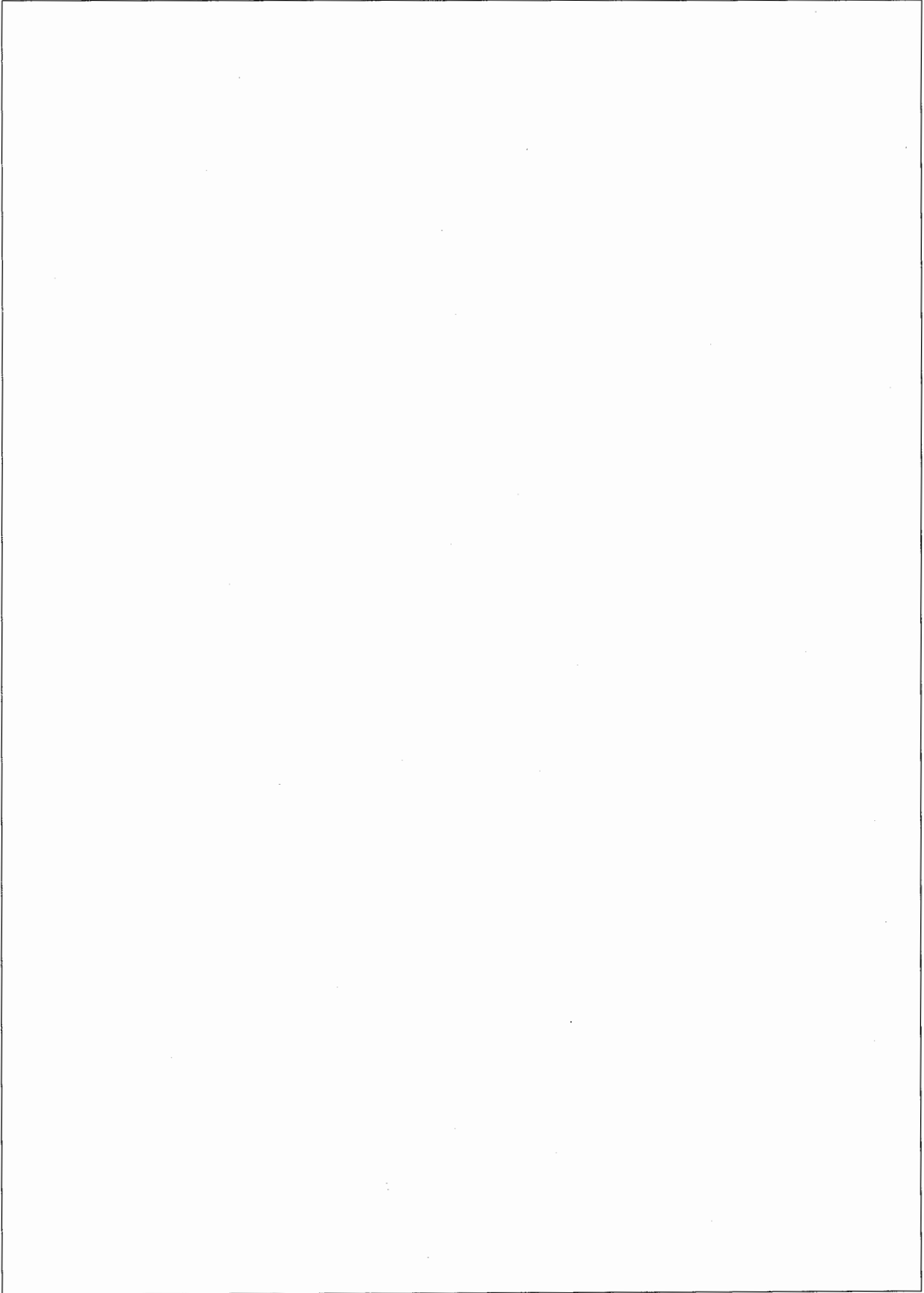
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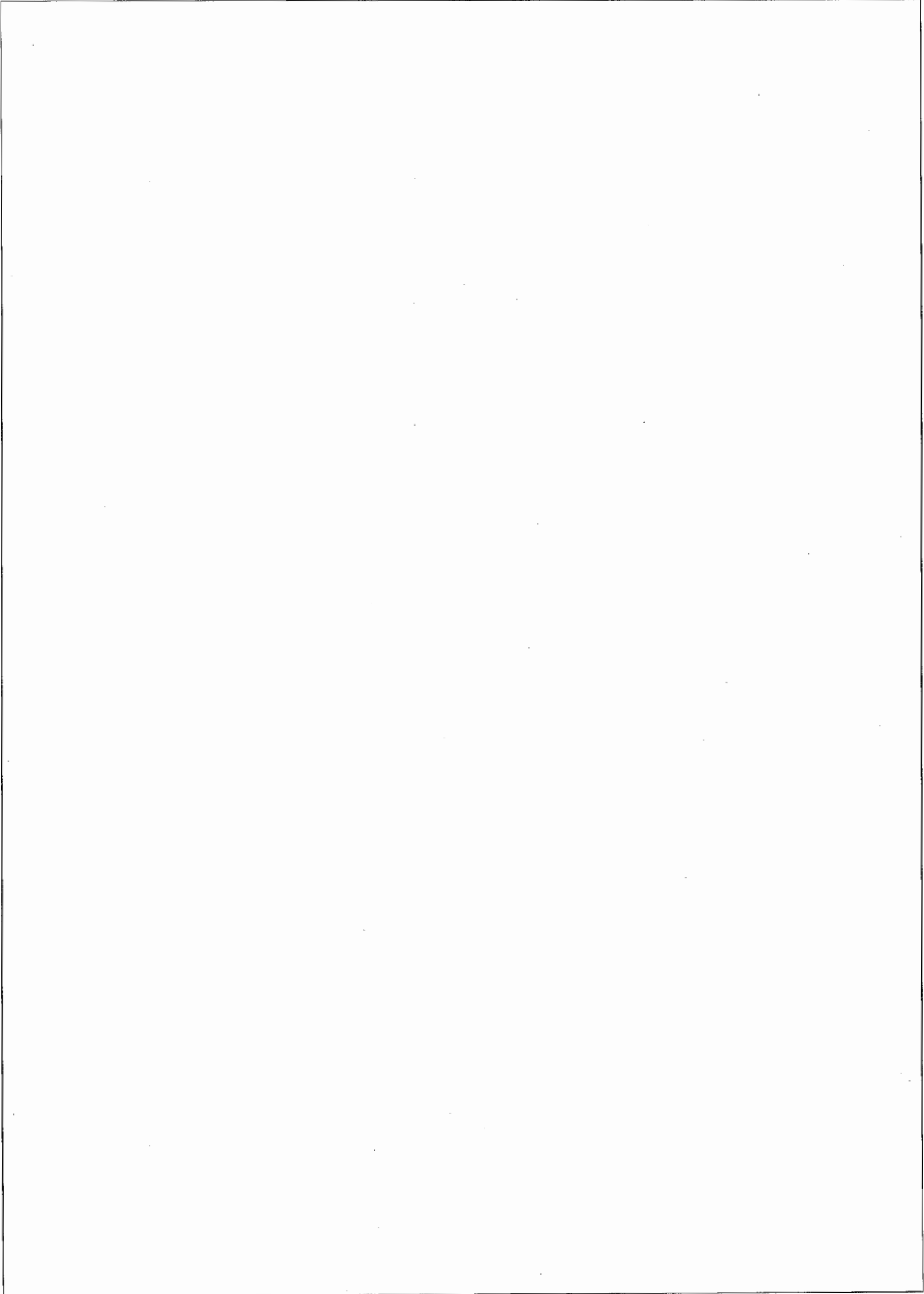
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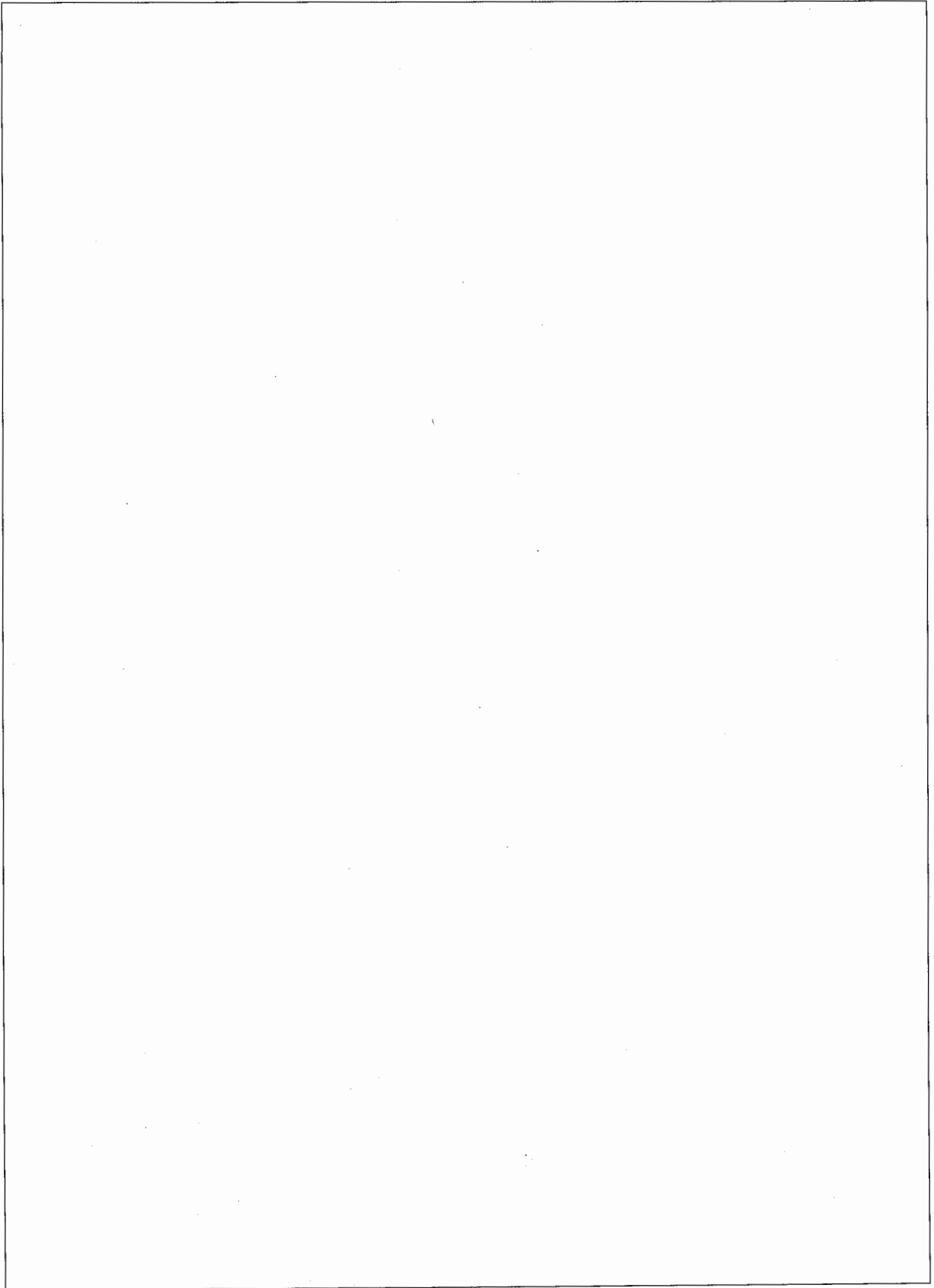


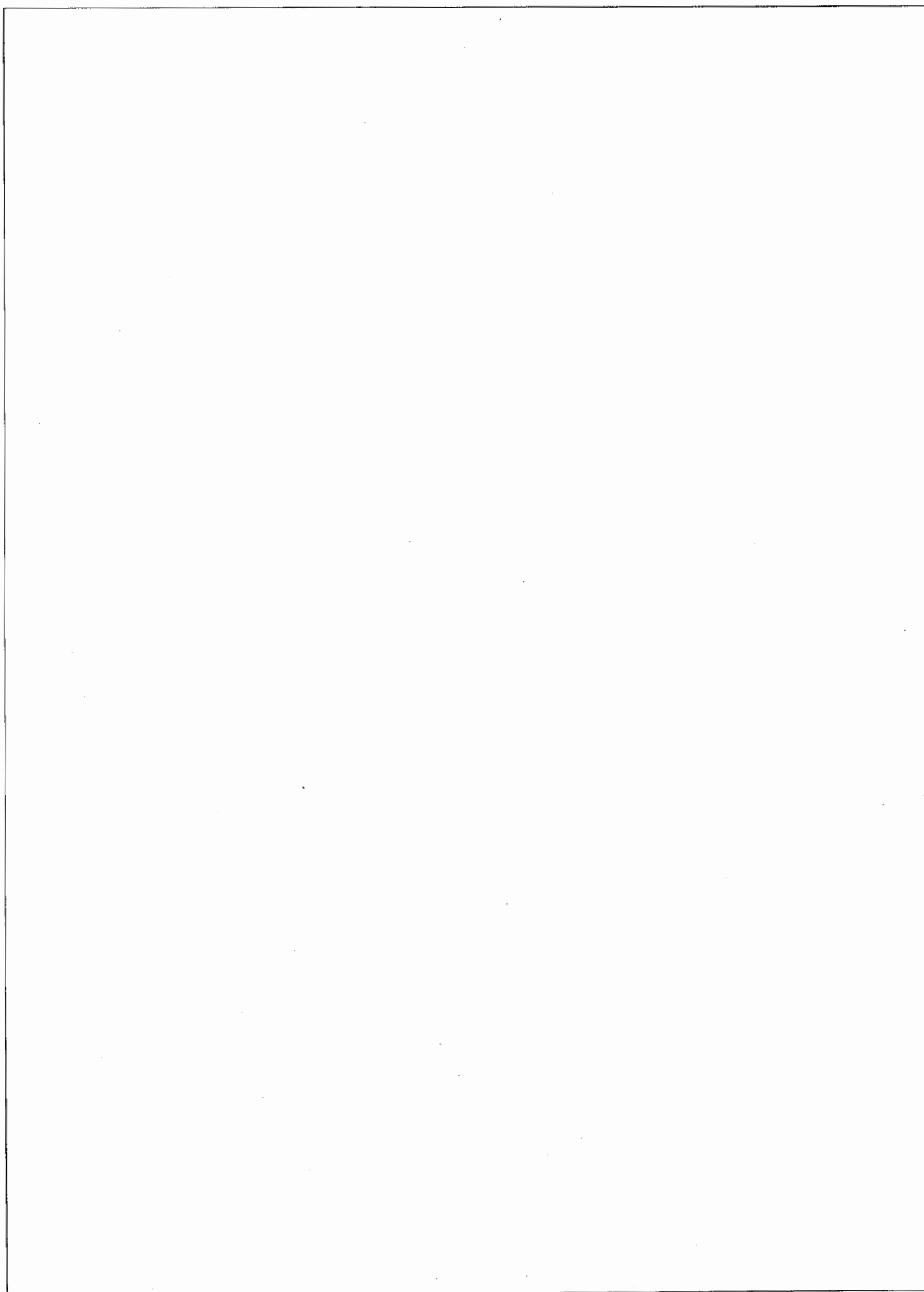


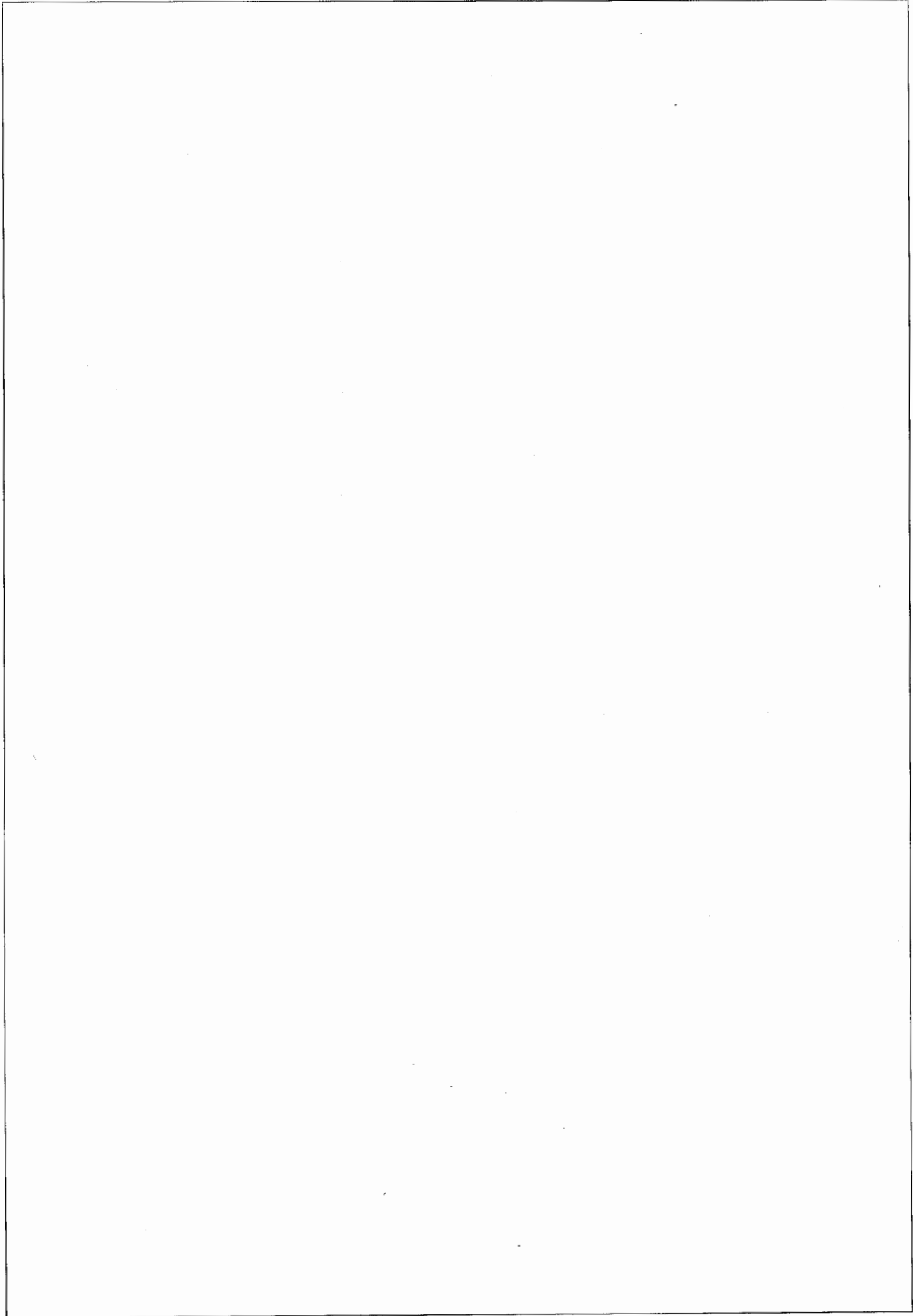


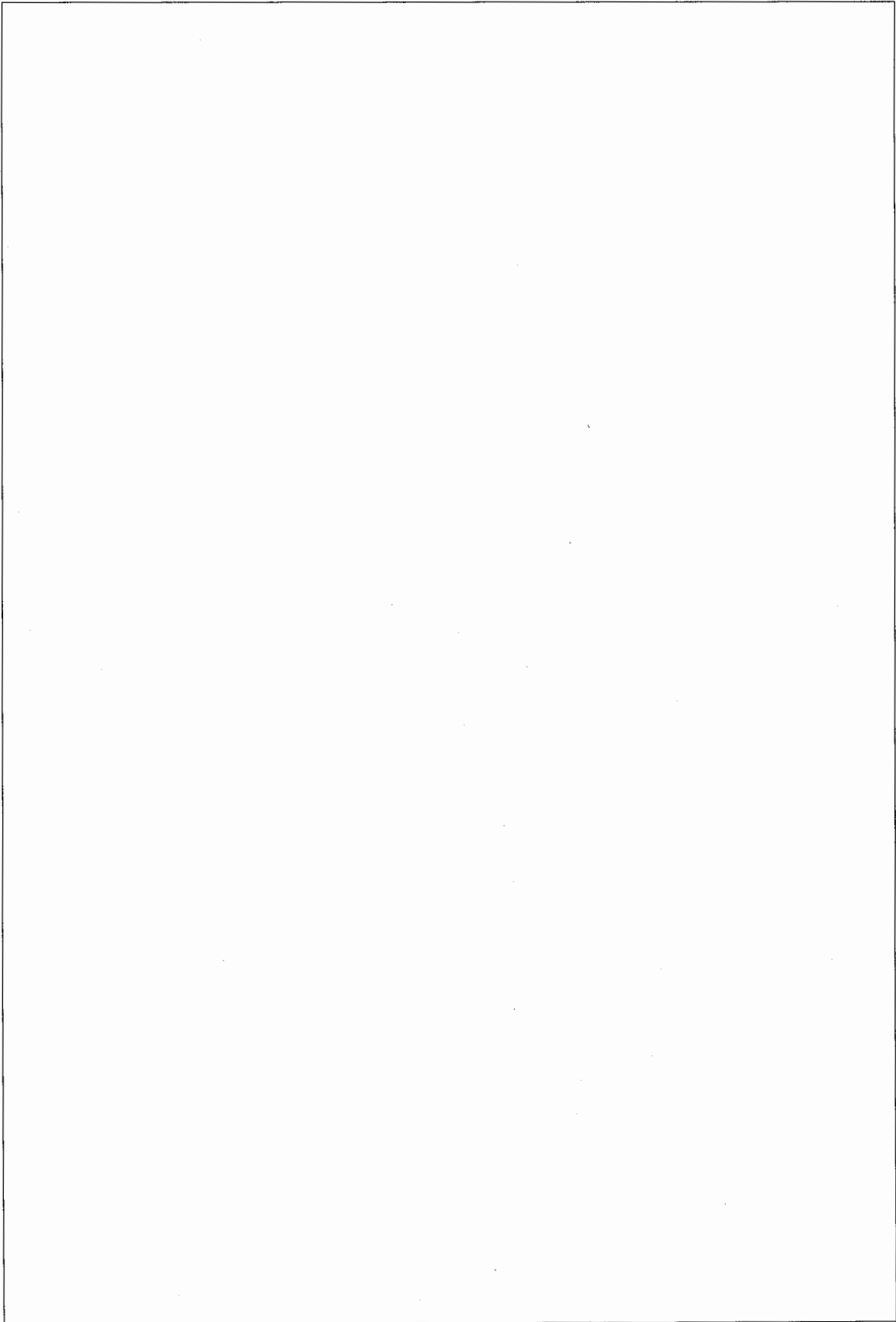












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