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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

August 16, 2016

MR. JOHN GREENEWALD JR.
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

FOIPA Request No.: 1355738-000
Subject: CONEIN, LUCIEN EMILE

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

Records responsive to your request were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Enclosed is one CD containing 43 pages of previously processed documents and a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions. This release is being provided to you at no charge.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", followed by a stylized flourish.

David M. Hardy
Section Chief,
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
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LOU CONEIN
REGISTRATION ACT - ISRAEL
CONFLICT OF INTEREST
OO: WFO**

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Enclosed DOJ letter and its enclosure indicate that a [redacted] was contacted by the subjects to locate surplus tanks for the Israeli Government. According to the DOJ, such action could be in violation of the Foreign Agents Registration Act, the Munitions Control Act, and the Conflict of Interests Statute. DOJ requests FBI investigation in this matter. (U)

Both subjects are known to Atlanta and WFO from previous investigations, and with the exception of the enclosed St. Louis LHM, nothing is contained in FBI files not already known to both offices. (U)

Immediately submit an LHM, suitable for dissemination to the U. S. Civil Service Commission, containing the allegation in this case. Results of investigation should be submitted in report form. (U)

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Letter to WFO

Re: [redacted] Lucien E. Conein, aka
Lou Conein

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WFO should contact [redacted] and arrange to
interview [redacted] through [redacted] as
the initial steps in this investigation. Atlanta should
verify [redacted] employment as, according to previous in-
vestigation, the [redacted]

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[redacted] Upon completion of above WFO
leads, WFO should promptly furnish results to FBIHQ and Atlanta
so that Atlanta can give serious consideration to an early
interview of [redacted]. WFO should also consider an early
interview of Conein. (U)

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Letter to WFO

Re: [REDACTED] Lucien E. Conein, aka
Lou Conein

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NOTE CONTINUED:

Conein recently was the subject of an article in the Washington Post depicting him as a "soldier of fortune" type presently in charge of intelligence with DEA.

[REDACTED] appeared at FBIHQ in February, 1975. He indicated that he heard the FBI or some other agency was looking into his background because he was getting involved in police training in Venezuela, and he was concerned. He dropped names and tried to offer himself as a friend of the FBI. He has not been the subject of FBI investigation. He has been in contact with Legats in South America.

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This matter was coordinated with [REDACTED]
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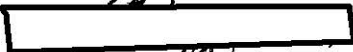
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For reasons known best to  he is not now amenable to interview and WFO, UACB, will make no further effort to interview him regarding the subjects. Referral/Direct

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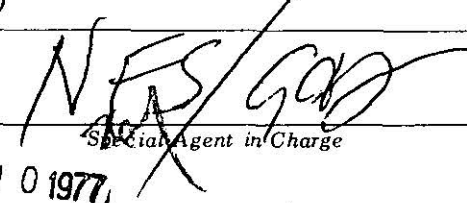
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In further consideration of this matter, WFO notes that [redacted] is not at this time carried as a subject in this investigation and no mention has been made of conflict of interest on his part by either [redacted] or the Department. Accordingly, UACB, [redacted] will be interviewed, if necessary with his attorney present, but he will not be placed under oath.

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Atlanta one copy of a LHM dated and captioned *Referral/Consult*

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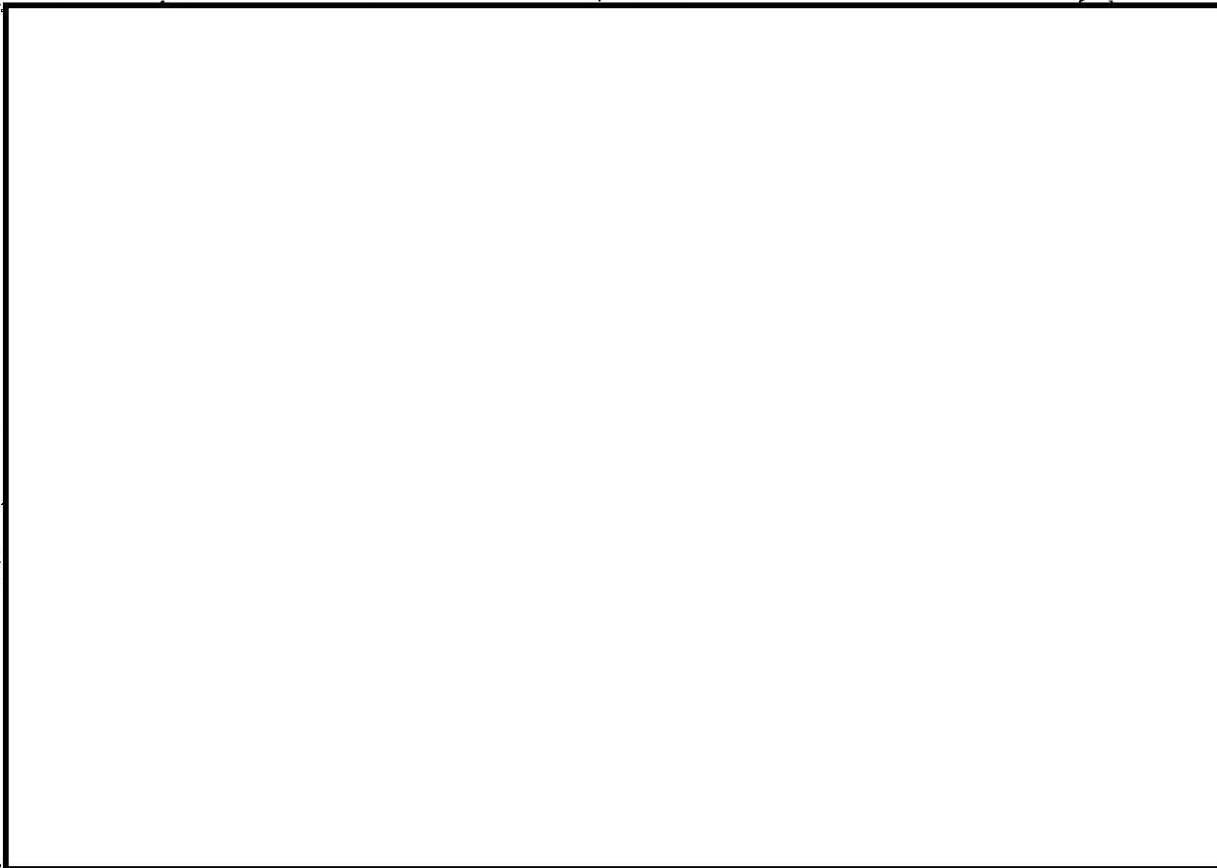
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known as [REDACTED] mentioned above has also been
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known as Lucien Emile Conein and Lou Conein.



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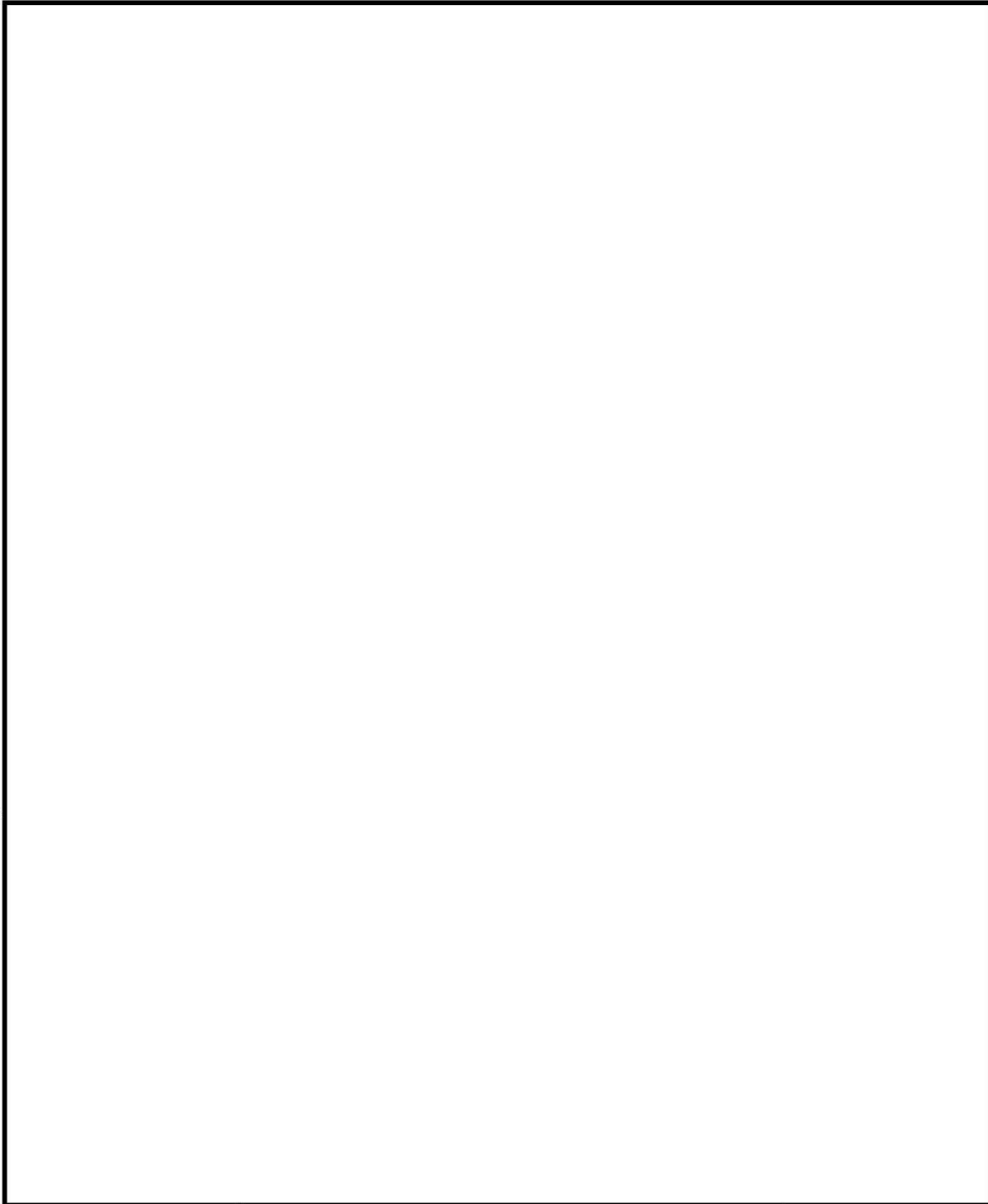
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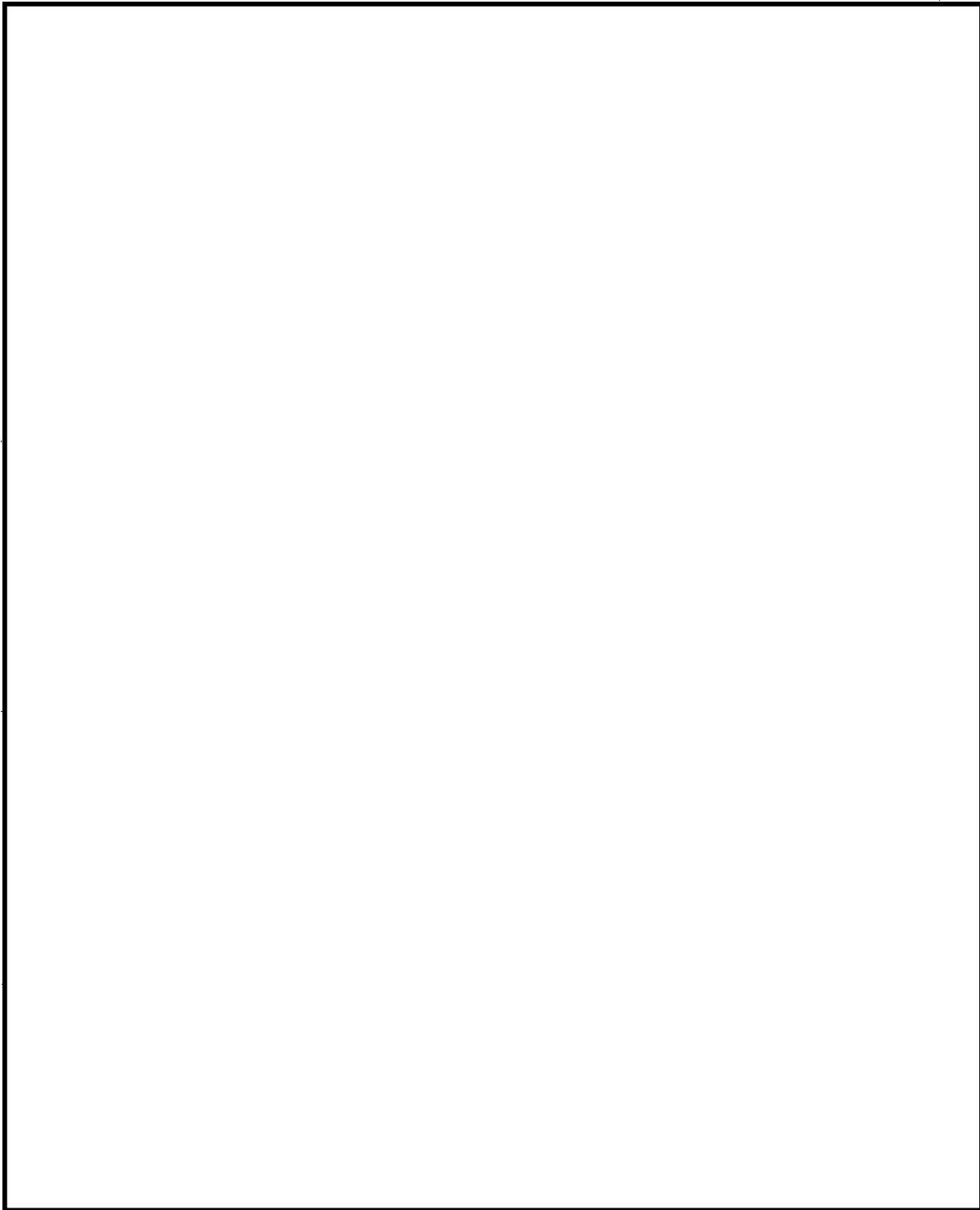
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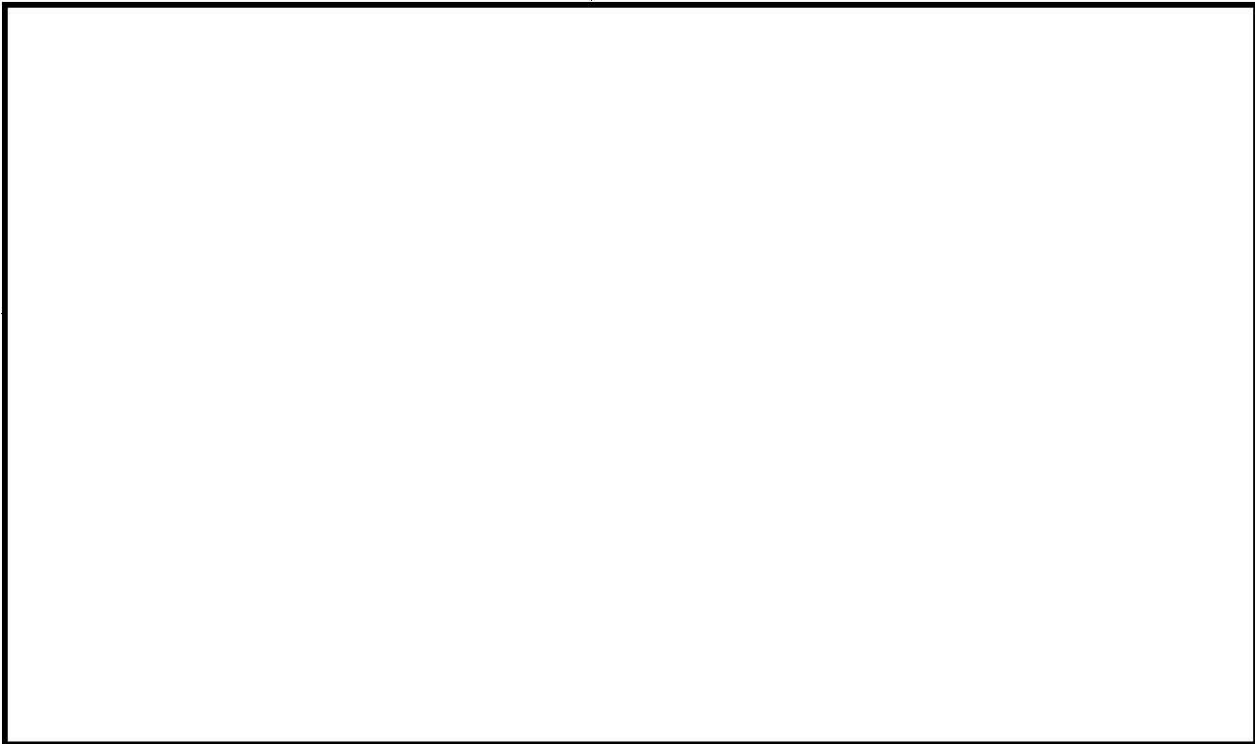
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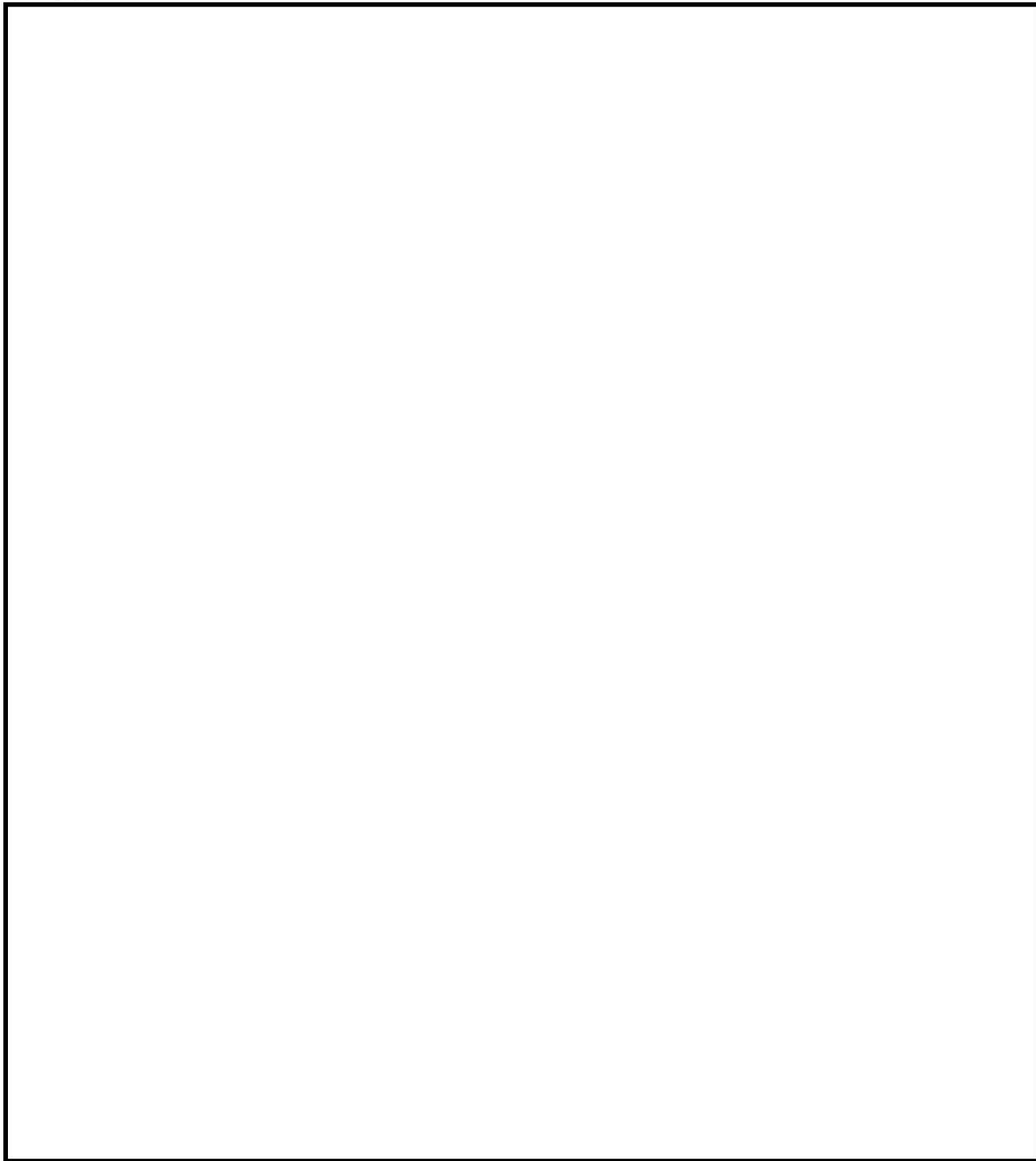
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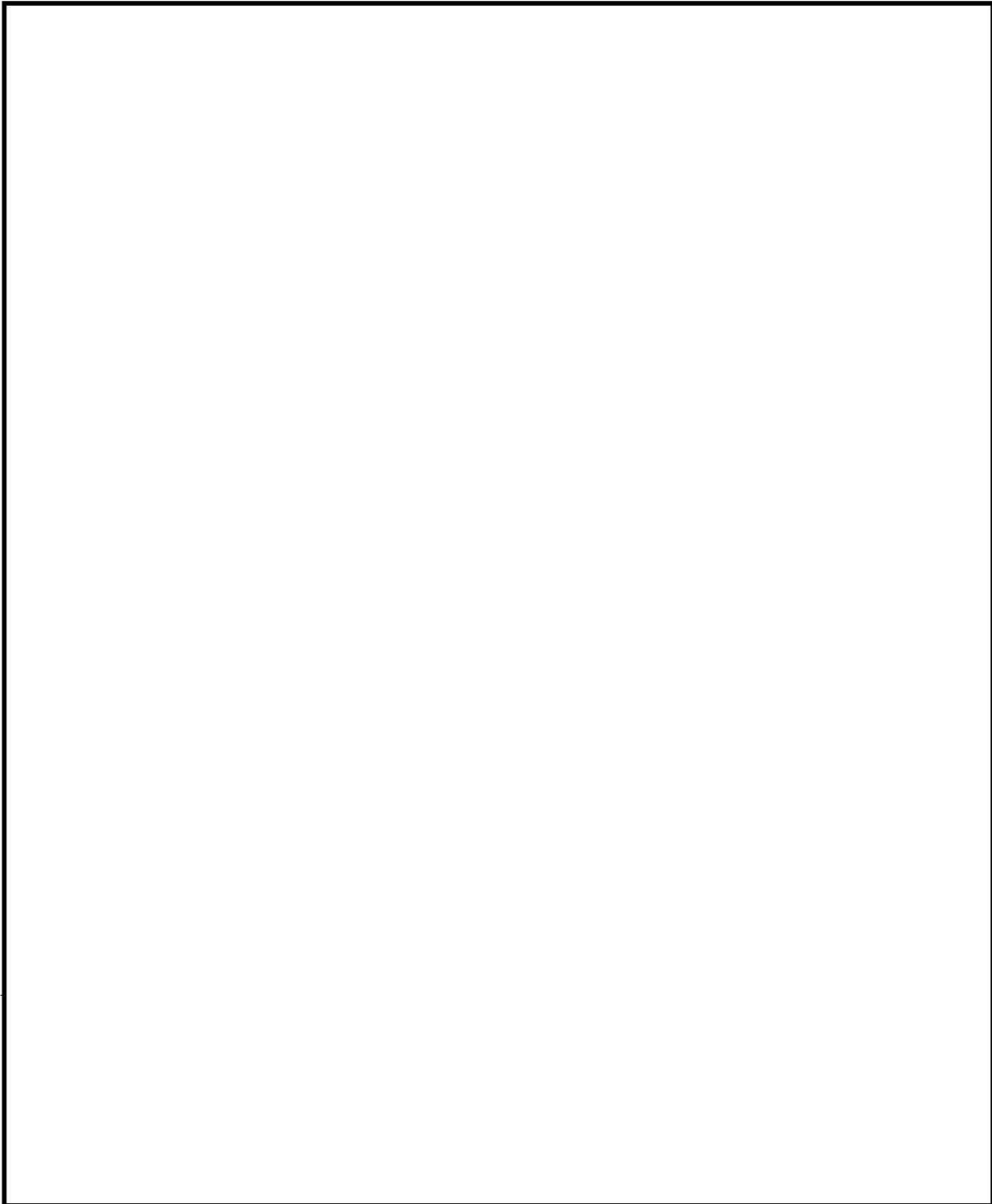
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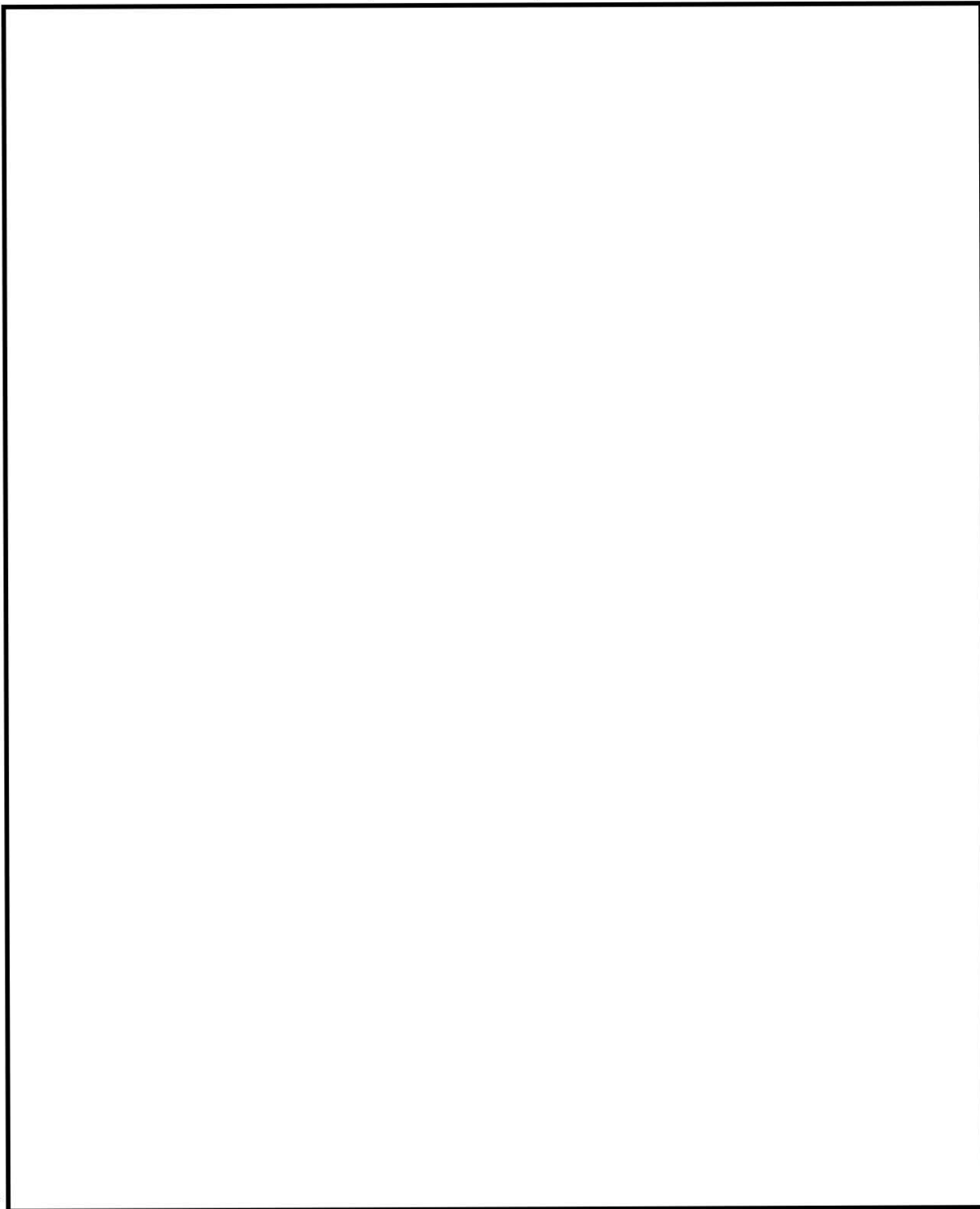
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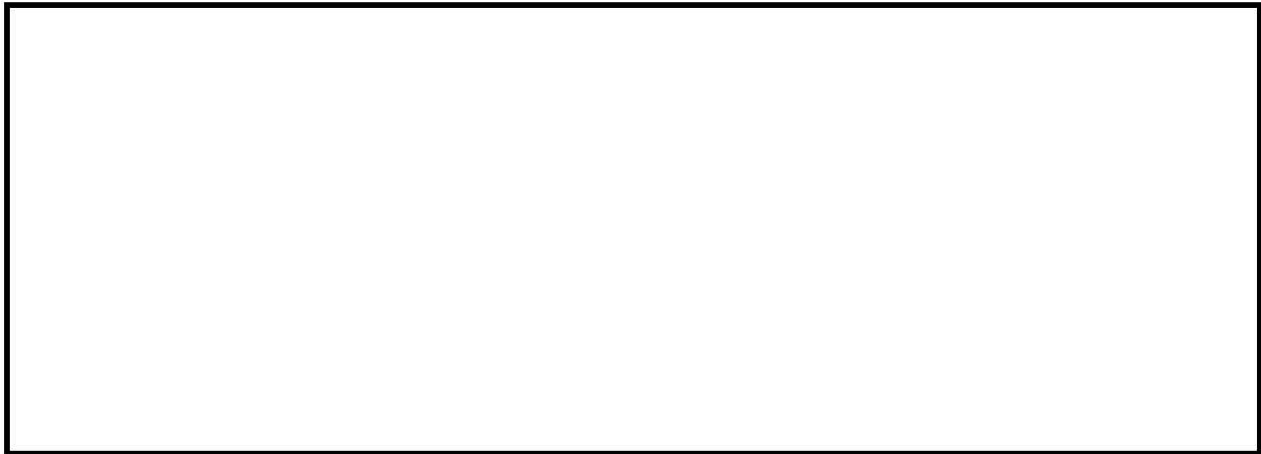
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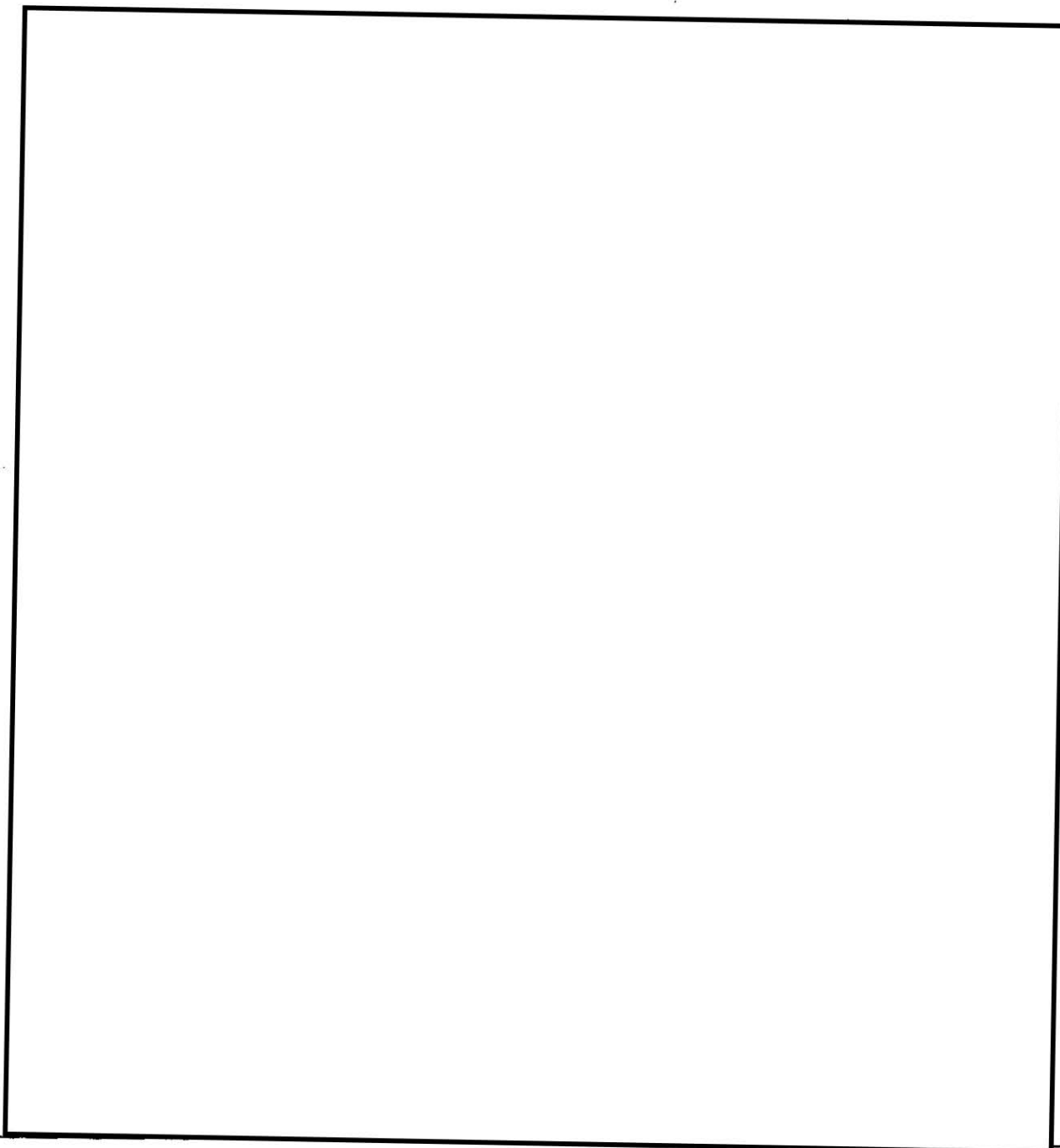


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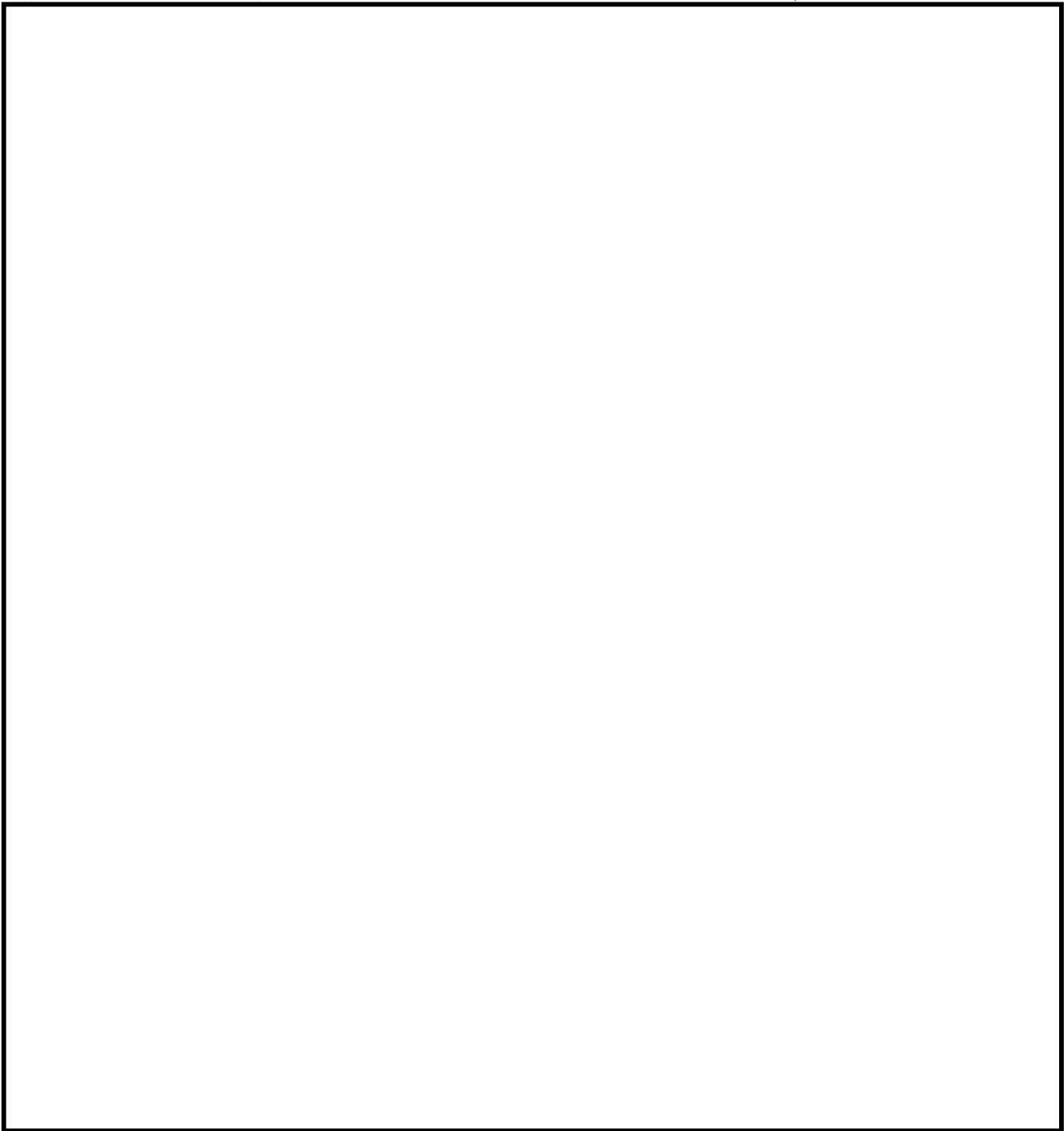
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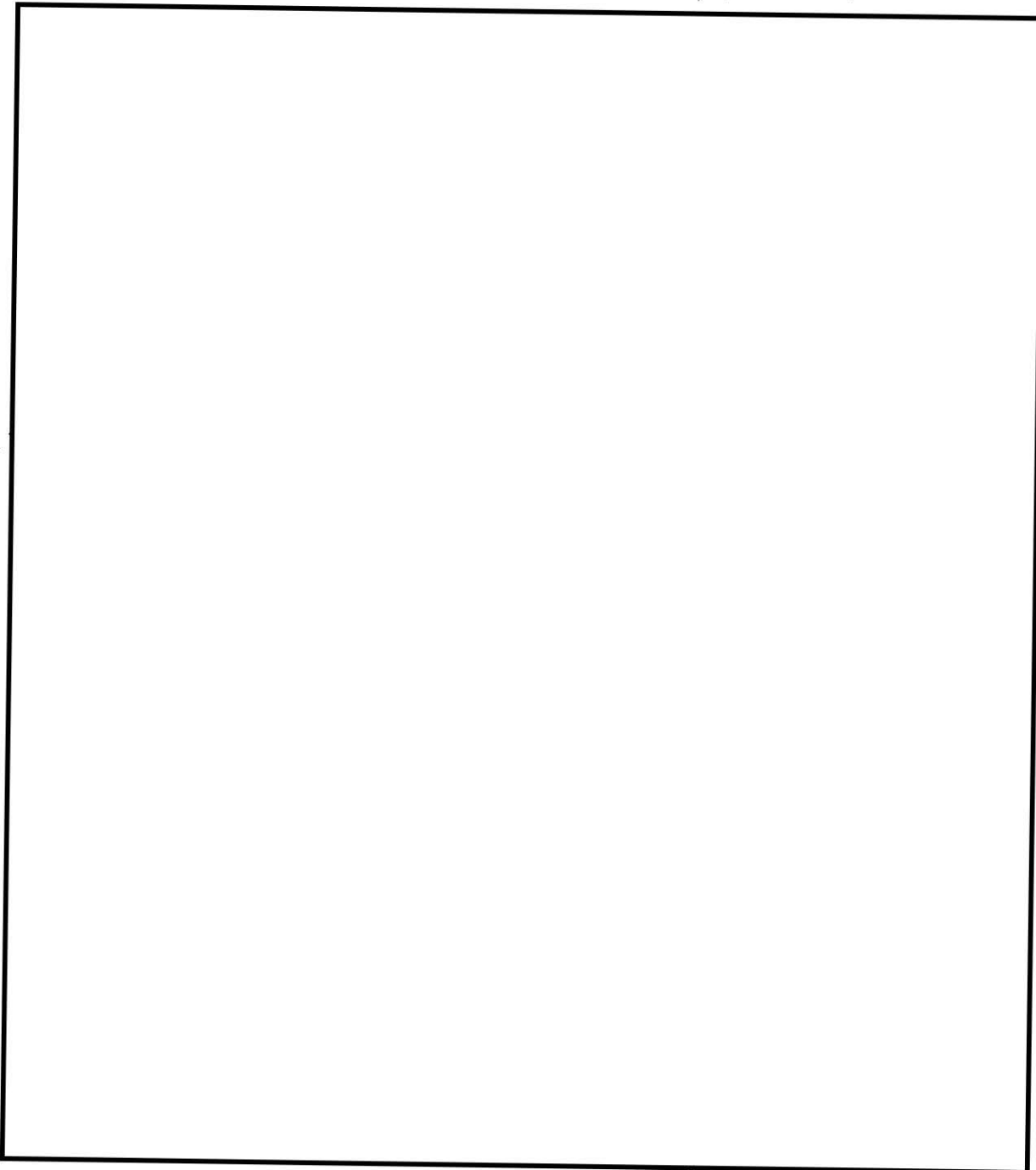
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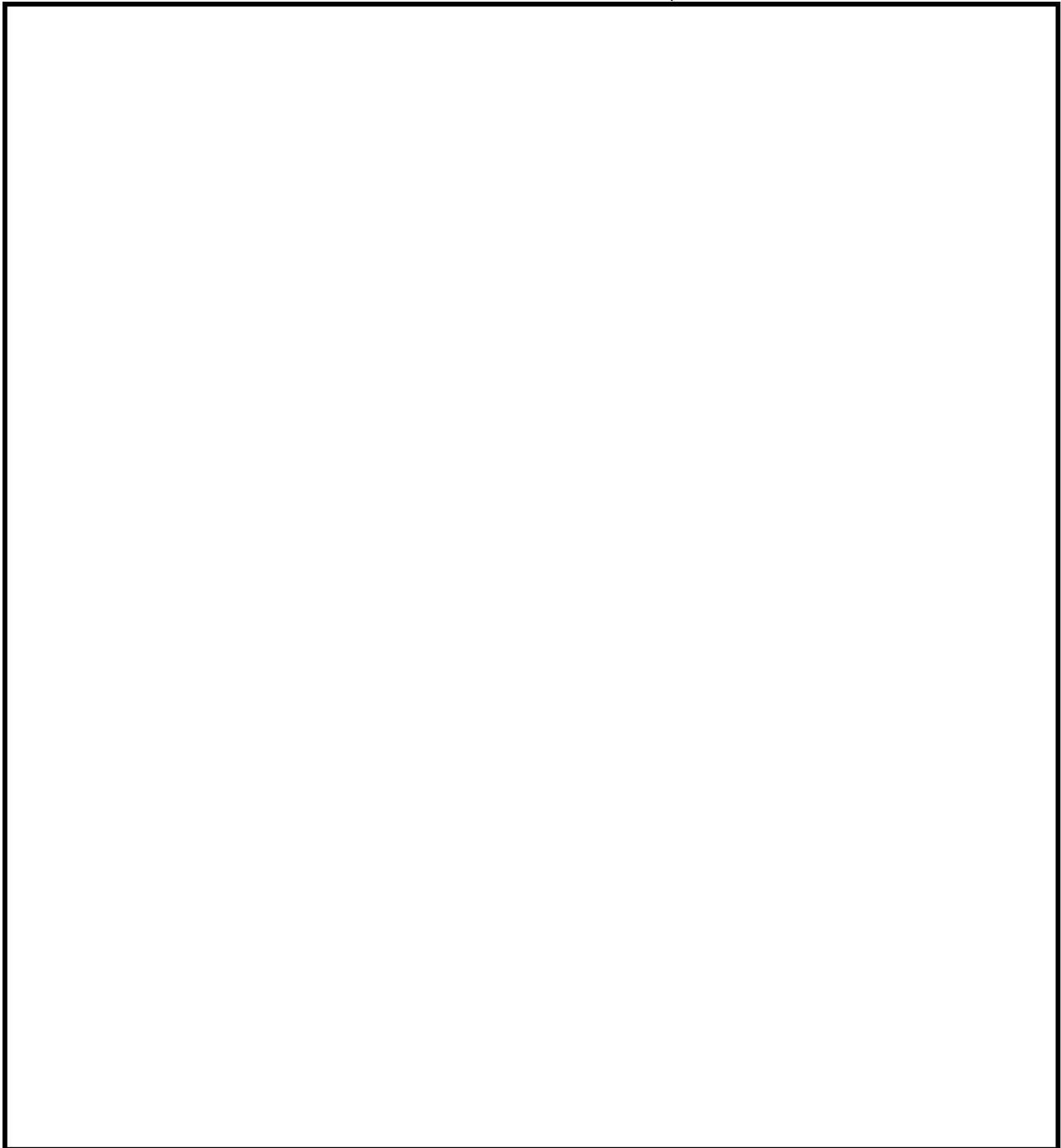
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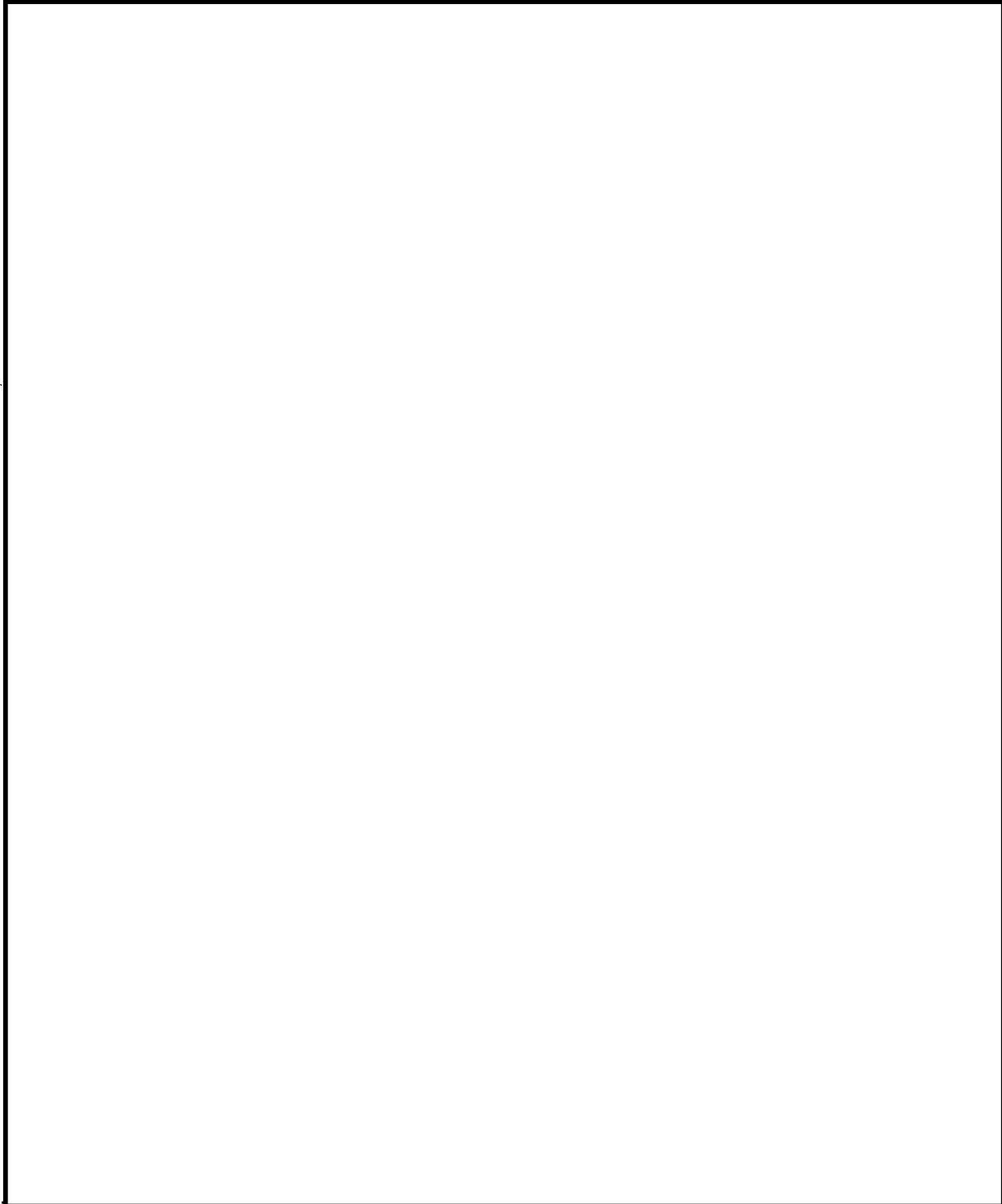
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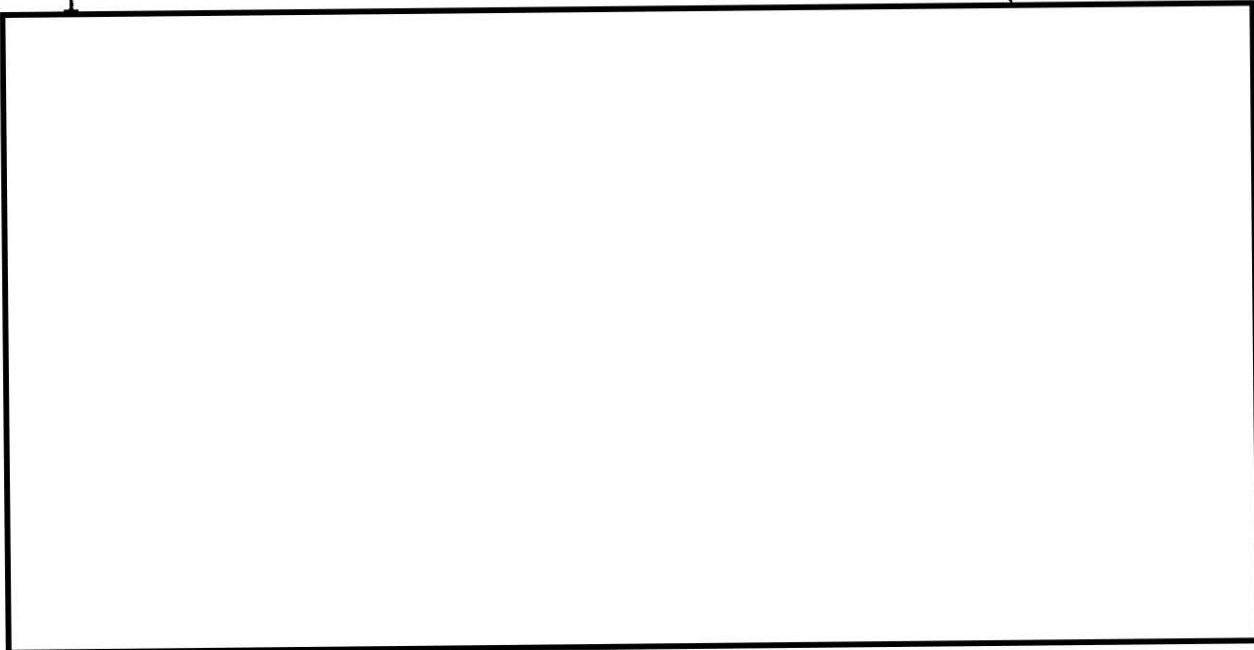
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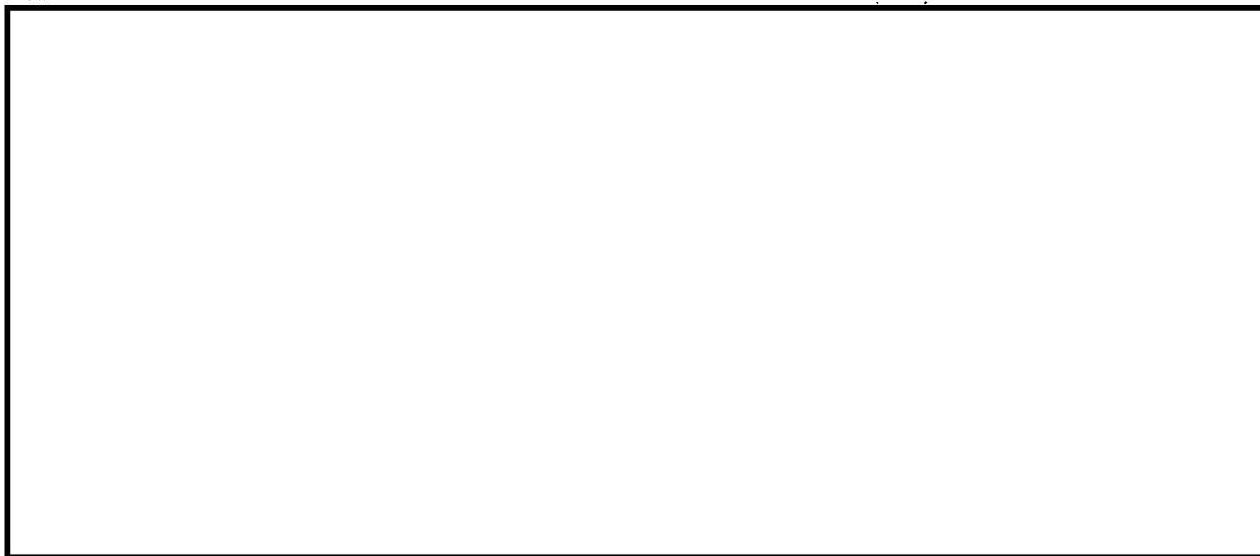
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Date 9/24/77

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (97-102) (P)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

LUCIEN E. CONEIN, aka
Lou Conein
REGISTRATION ACT - ISRAEL
CONFLICT OF INTEREST
(OO: WFO)

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Re WFO report of SA [REDACTED] dated 8/3/77.

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Attempts to locate and interview [REDACTED] at
[REDACTED] Inter-American Consultants, 1 Perimeter Way, N.W.,
Atlanta or [REDACTED]
on 9/5/77, 9/8/77, and 9/16/77, met with negative results.

[REDACTED] was located on 9/22/77, at
the Inter-American Consultants office, at which time she
advised that [REDACTED] would be "out of the country" until
10/10/77.

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Atlanta will interview [REDACTED] upon his return
to the U.S.

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REPORTING OFFICE ATLANTA	OFFICE OF ORIGIN WFO	DATE 11/21/77	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 9/5/77 - 11/11/77
TITLE OF CASE LUCIEN E. CONEIN, aka Lou Conein		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY bw
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REFERENCE: WFO report of SA [REDACTED] 8/3/77.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

A review of Atlanta indices on captioned subjects revealed the following information:

AT file 105-5082 reveals an LHM captioned [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] dated 8/9/74. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised the Atlanta Office of the FBI that [REDACTED]

private investigation firm, told [REDACTED] that the [REDACTED]

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							PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
							PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED [Signature] SPECIAL AGENT
IN CHARGE

COPIES MADE:

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were involved in a movement to gain independence for Abaco, which is a territory in the Bahamas.

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AT file [] is captioned []
[] IS-ABACO, NM-ABACO".

AT file [] contains a letter dated [] captioned, [] MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING (CI-3 SECTION)" from FBIHQ to Atlanta which reveals that [] contacted FBIHQ and requested to be interviewed by FBIHQ officials. He was subsequently interviewed by a Deputy Assistant Director and a Special Agent from FBIHQ. [] stated that he learned that the FBI was investigating his involvement [] He tried to impress the interviewing Special Agents of his acquaintance with FBI Legal Attaches, foreign and domestic government and police officials and other influential individuals.

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[] claimed to regret that he had associated himself with []

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[] indicated that []

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He further claimed that he was often in contact with the Atlanta FBI and cited previous information that he had furnished.

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There was no indication in this letter that [] had any specific information to offer to the interviewing special agents or that he wished to register any form of complaint. His apparent intention was to impress these interviewing SAs.

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AT file 105-5082-152, a newspaper article from the 1/14/76 edition of the Atlanta Gazette, titled []

The article revealed that Colonel LUCEIN CONEIN,

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a retired CIA Agent and at that time Head of the Special Operations Branch of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), was a long time friend of [REDACTED]. A network of DEA Agents, acting undercover, conducted an 8 month investigation of [REDACTED] alleged drug trafficking, which resulted in a January, 1976, federal indictment of [REDACTED] and others in Miami, Florida for conspiracy to smuggle approximately 10 vans of Columbian marijuana into the United States.

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AT file 139-196, (7/12/74), captioned "ALLEGED TAPPING OF U. S. SENATOR HOWARD BAKER, WASHINGTON, D.C., INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS, OO: WFO", revealed that

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] which at that time had a branch office in WDC known as Security Consultants International (SCI). Some of that office space in WDC was sub-leased by LUCIEN CONEIN. SCI was run by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] suspected that CONEIN was actually a covert CIA Agent and had been operating a wire tap out of the SCI space on Senator HOWARD BAKER on behalf of the CIA. [REDACTED] VAN CLEAVE told GIBSON that he overheard, upon visiting SCI offices, a conversation involving "tapes". Supposedly the CIA was interested in Senator BAKER because he was a supporter of former President NIXON and was cooperating with NIXON to blame the CIA for the Watergate scandal. [REDACTED] then terminated his relationship with [REDACTED]. He and [REDACTED] were thinking of starting a private investigative agency together in Atlanta.

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The above information was furnished to the FBI by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on 7/16/74 in [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

GA.

Neither of these individuals had information regarding a CIA wire tap on Senator BAKER or any information the CIA was interested in BAKER. The information originally given to the FBI by [REDACTED] was based on misrepresentation of [REDACTED] remarks to [REDACTED]

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During this interview, [REDACTED] advised that he had recently conferred with LUCIEN CONEIN at CONEIN's office, Room 1032, DEAHQ, 1405 I Street, WDC, at which time [REDACTED] suspected that CONEIN was engaged in a covert CIA operation against Senator BAKER.

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Neither [] nor [] had any specific information concerning the allegations.

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AT file 166-697, captioned []:
[] UNKNOWN VICTIMS, ITAR-PROSTITUTION,
OO: ATLANTA", revealed that on 4/24/70, while being interviewed
by the FBI on another matter, [] advised that

[]
[] said that the meeting was to help the newspaper reporter in preparing a series of articles dealing with problems in local law enforcement.

AT file 66-1949 sub A (Criminal Intelligence Program, Atlanta Division) contains a memo dated [] from then-SAC LEO E. CONROY, indicating that [] visited the FBI office. [] said that []

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[] from SAC CONROY attesting to [] good reputation and substantial commercial interests in the U. S. SAC CONROY advised [] that neither he nor any other FBI representative could provide such a letter of recommendation.

AT file 163-221, captioned, [] FOREIGN POLICE CORPORATION", revealed that in 1/74, [] arrived in Hong Kong, British Crown Colony, in transit from San Francisco to Bangkok, Thailand []

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[] He was eventually denied permission to land in Bangkok and was believed to have gone to Saigon. [] a firm called BBRW (not further identified), an American company selling arms abroad and stated that the company had an office in Bangkok and also that LUCIEN CONEIN was vice president of BBRW.

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AT file [] contains an LHM, dated []
and captioned [] that reveals []
[] The
BATF, Atlanta, advised that [] had been []
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[] The BATF further advised that [] had filed
for bankruptcy in June, 1976 []
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Concerning (FNU) [] who is mentioned in the
details of this report, [] said that [] told him
that on one occasion several years ago, []
[]
[]

[] that he
was an international businessman who was trusted by all
governments and that he declined their request.

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Copy to:

Report of:
Date:

SA [REDACTED]

11/21/77

Office: ATLANTA

Field Office File #: 97-102

Bureau File #:

Title:

[REDACTED]
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REGISTRATION ACT - ISRAEL
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Synopsis:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was interviewed 11/11/77 at Atlanta, Ga. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was contacted in early 1976 by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]b6
b7C[REDACTED] According to [REDACTED] sale of these tanks to a
foreign buyer was subject to approval by the U. S. Government.
[REDACTED][REDACTED] and also contacted LOU CONEIN, a U.S.
Government employee, Washington, D.C., to ask CONEIN if
he could determine if these battle tanks in fact existed.

[REDACTED] doubted the existence of these tanks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He has had
no additional contact with [REDACTED] or CONEIN.b6
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DETAILS:

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIAAttempts to locate and interview [REDACTED]
at his office, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] or his residence [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on September 5, 8, & 16, 1977, and October 11 & 14,
1977 met with negative results.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was contacted at his office on November 11, 1977. He was advised of the official identity of the interviewing agent, the nature of the inquiry, and his rights as shown on an executed "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" form. He provided the following information:

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b7CHe is [redacted]
[redacted]

He is a citizen of the United States by birth.

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Sometime early in 1976, he was telephonically contacted by [redacted] who he described as a local

[redacted]

[redacted]

Interviewed on 11/11/77 at Atlanta, Georgia File # AT 97-102b6
b7Cby SA [redacted] /bw Date dictated 11/17/77

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[redacted] has had no additional contact with
CONEIN or (first name unknown) [redacted] or [redacted] concerning
the tanks.

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[redacted] full name is [redacted] (initial only)
[redacted] he was born [redacted]
and currently resides with his wife at [redacted]
[redacted]

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Memorandum

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DATE 11-13-2006 BY
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/2/77

FROM : SAC, WFO (97-2128) (C)

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
LUCIEN E. CONEIN, aka
Lou Conein
REGISTRATION ACT - ISRAEL
CONFLICT OF INTEREST
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Re Atlanta report of SA [REDACTED]
dated 11/21/77.

Based upon results of Atlanta's interview with
subject [REDACTED] it does not appear that a violation
of the Registration Act exists.

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WFO taking no further action unless specifically
requested to do so by the Department.

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