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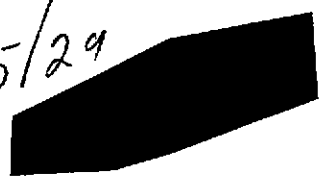
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[115]



JOHN ANDREW SMYTH

8/85/29



Further to your memorandum   
attached for your information are



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MINUTE PAPER

[REDACTED]

Subject: JOHN ANDREW SMYTH

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

1. You will no doubt recall your report on  
(reference C).

[REDACTED] There  
are apparently grounds for doubting his veracity and  
discretion.

2. A report of [REDACTED] is  
enclosed for your comments, please.

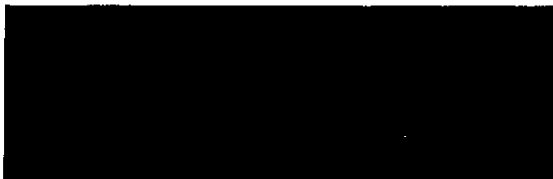
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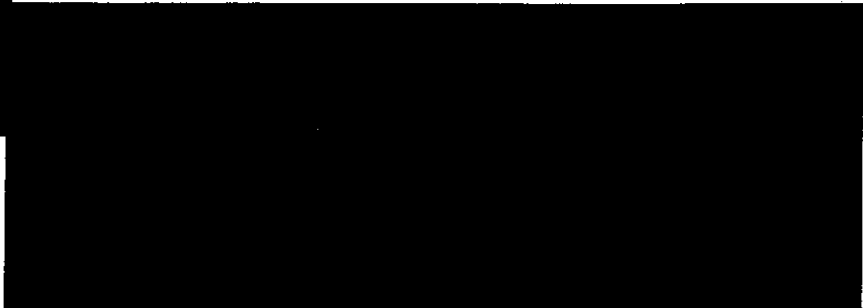
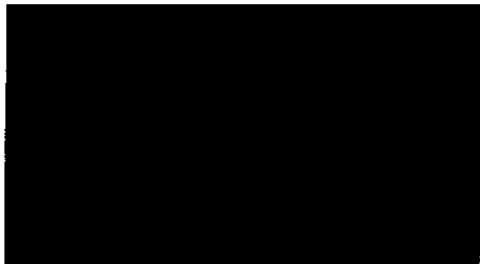
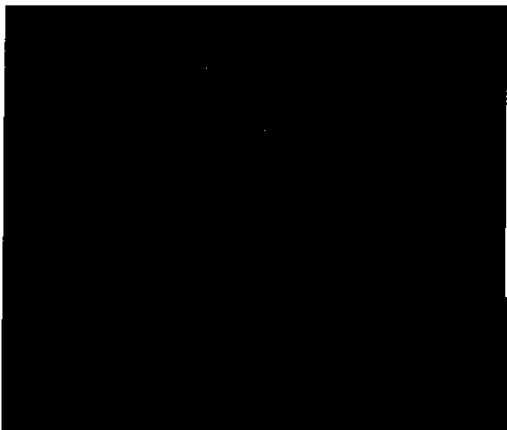
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Enclosed, as requested, is a response to the reference.



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1. Thank you for Reference B, parts of the Annex to which come as a surprise [redacted]

2. My major comment [redacted]

[redacted] incorrect in paragraph 15. With this as background I find it difficult to comment objectively, but will, as follows, for the record.

3. Paragraph 12. Information given in last three sentences incorrect [redacted] as reported in Reference A paragraphs 4 and 6.

4. Paragraph 14. [redacted]

5. Paragraph 15. First sentence [redacted] Third sentence [redacted]

Fourth sentence - quite incorrect, [redacted]

but, as in paragraph 6 of Reference A, [redacted]

Last sentence [redacted]

6. Paragraph 16. Third sentence [redacted]

[redacted] The suggestion is ludicrous!

[redacted]

11<sup>th</sup> March 1983

Regional Director  
VICTORIA

(Attention: E2(AA1))

Please refer to Headquarters memo [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED] relating to the above mentioned [REDACTED] a copy of which is forwarded to you for your information.

Please note that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent to you previously).

3. [REDACTED] was required for urgent discussion [REDACTED]

4. This memo should be read in context with [REDACTED] relating to [REDACTED] does not appear advisable at this stage.

5. [REDACTED] provides some information regarding [REDACTED]

2.

II

[REDACTED]

Your memo [REDACTED] refers, thank you.

2. You may wish to pass [REDACTED] for their information and comment. Can they assist with identification, particularly [REDACTED]

3. [REDACTED] provide further information that might assist identification?

[REDACTED]

*for*

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18<sup>th</sup> March 1983

Please refer to your memo

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2.

4. Unfortunately, further identifying particulars [redacted] are not known.

5. It is possible that [redacted]

6. We have also learnt that [redacted]

7. In view of [redacted] would you please advise [redacted] of the above information. We would be pleased to receive their comments and any additional information they may be able to provide. [redacted]

[redacted] resolve identification and obtain further information.

8. [redacted]

9. We cannot, of course, comment on whether there was any illegality in the method [redacted]

[redacted] The matter obviously requires further investigation, and any assistance [redacted] can provide would be appreciated.

[redacted] RAL

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REF HQS

FOR E2 FROM E4-C

[REDACTED] HQS

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[REDACTED] NO

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(RC) 5/85/29 [99]

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RR TO: SYD

RR INFO: CAN

HQS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

(RC) 5/85/29



[REDACTED] WOULD LIKE TO [REDACTED] WOULD YOU, THEREFORE, PLS IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND IF PRACTICABLE ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN THE ADDITIONAL INFO SOUGHT [REDACTED]

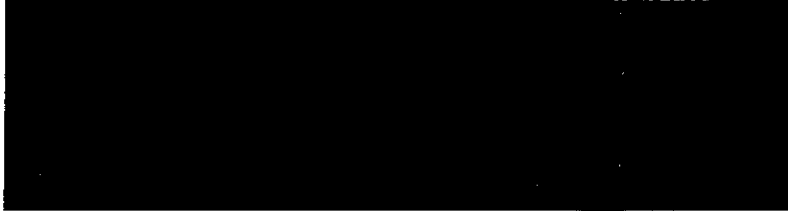
3. NOTE THAT [REDACTED]

THE OPPORTUNITY SHOULD BE TAKEN [REDACTED] TO FACILITATE IDENTIFICATION.

(RC) 8/85/29

Note For File

15 February 1983



Matters relating to [redacted] may be found on a  
minute dated 1 February 1983, held on [redacted]



B&C

*G.R./MATH-CRASS  
AR*

*Please refer to [redacted]  
Should you please arrange for [redacted]*

*to be record checked and indexed, (and  
X referenced if necessary to other files).  
Re. R/S E4-C in due course;*



*Etc.*

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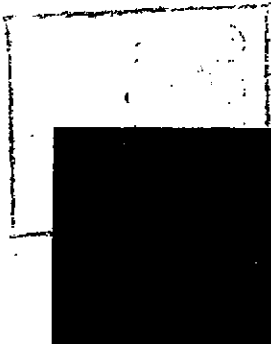
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HQS 1592 [REDACTED] 10.2.83



10.2.83

ETC

FOR E2 FROM E4-C

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FURTHER TO HQS 1322, [REDACTED]



JOHN SMYTH, SMYTH AND MCKENDRICK. (HQS 10219/11.8.82 REFERS)

3. FOR INFO.

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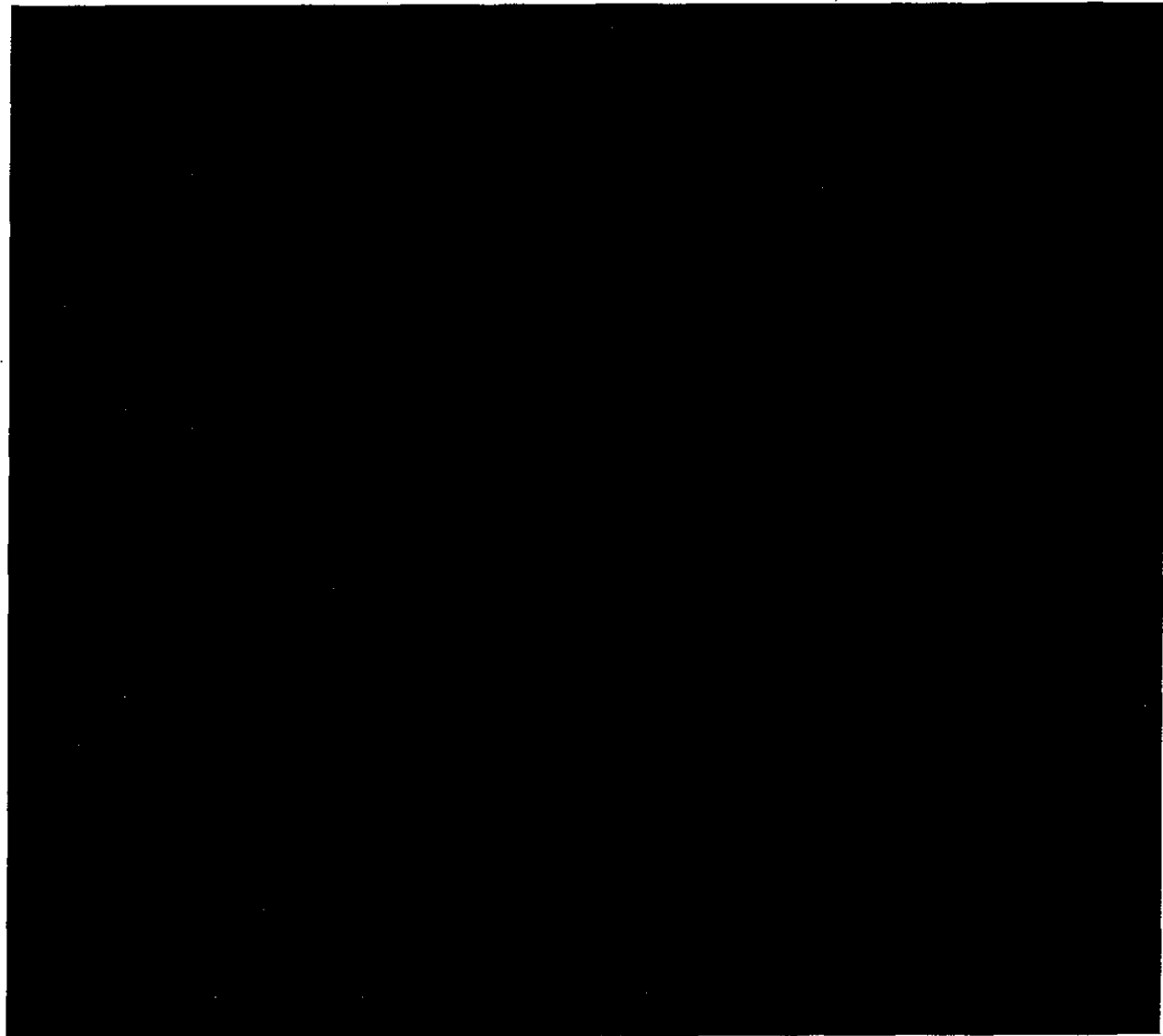
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3. Unfortunately, further identifying particulars [redacted] are not known.

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4. It is possible that [REDACTED]

5. We have also learnt that [REDACTED]

6. Would you please pass on this information to [REDACTED] for their comments. We would be particularly interested to obtain further details [REDACTED] You may also wish to pass on the information to [REDACTED] and seek their advice as to [REDACTED]

7. [REDACTED] Please keep us closely advised of any further information relating to [REDACTED] that may come to your notice.

8. We cannot, of course, comment on whether there was any illegality in the method [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The matter obviously requires further investigation and [REDACTED] is requested to advise [REDACTED] of the matter.

*for* [REDACTED] RAL

C1-00059

13<sup>th</sup> January 1982

Regional Director  
NEW SOUTH WALES

Attention: S/E2 & [redacted]

JOHN ANDREW SMYTH  
[redacted]

Forwarded for your information are copies of reports recently received from [redacted] are still awaited.

2. Please note, that according to [redacted]

3. With reference to [redacted] it is believed that [redacted]

It is thought that [redacted]

and further comment may be expected from [redacted] on the matter. For your information, [redacted]

4. With regard to [redacted]

you advise on the practicality of [redacted]

Would ] s/efc



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12 January 1983



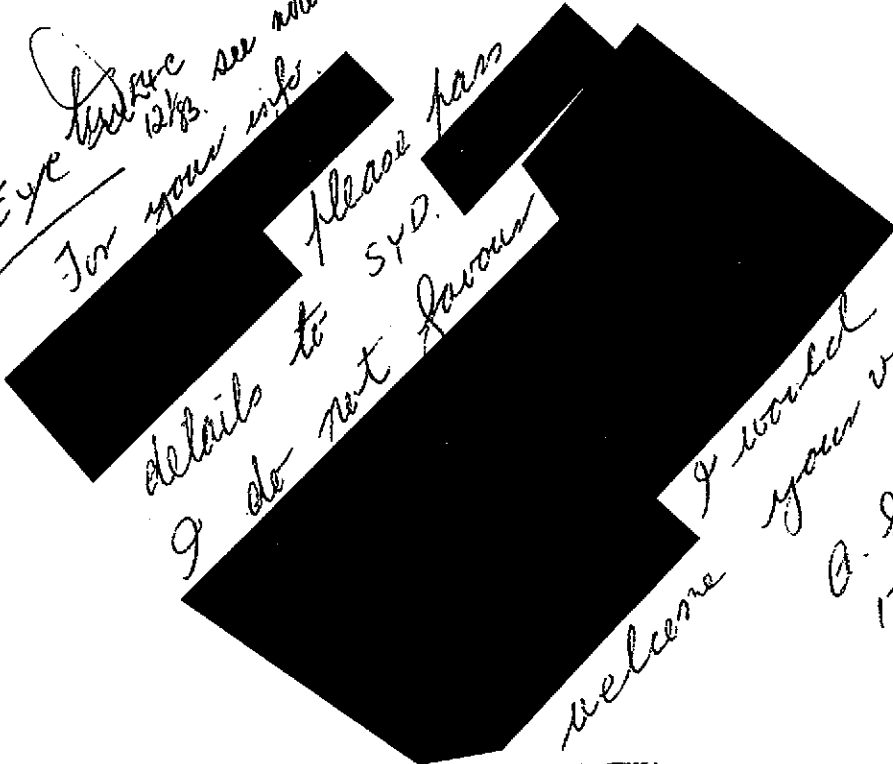
JOHN ANDREW SMYTH

It is reliably reported that [redacted] details of which were forwarded in memorandum [redacted]



*A. J. S.*  
DIRECTOR GENERAL

*Eye [unclear] 12/13. See note above.  
For your info.*



*details to please pass  
I do not favour*

*welcome I would  
your views  
A. S. B  
12/11/83*

[REDACTED]

10 January 1983

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Thank you for [REDACTED]

2. You may care to inform [REDACTED]

3. It would be appreciated if you would bring to our attention [REDACTED]

For your information only [REDACTED]

  
DIRECTOR GENERAL

MESSAGE NO. 7894 7.1.83

FROM SCORPION

TO [REDACTED]

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FROM S/E4

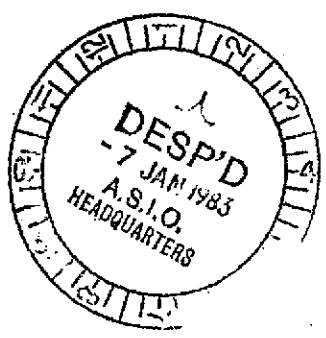
THANK YOU [REDACTED]

CONTENT MOST HELPFUL AND YOUR ONGOING INTEREST HAS BEEN NOTED. WE  
WILL PASS ANY FURTHER INFO RECEIVED.

WE PASSED COPY TO [REDACTED]  
WE DID NOT MAKE KNOWN TO YOU [REDACTED]  
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Memo [redacted] 4-1-83 [62]  
on RAS/85/29.

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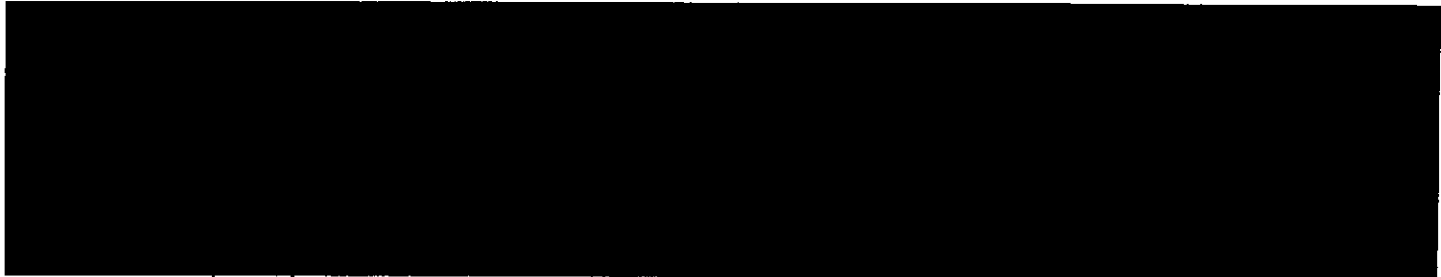
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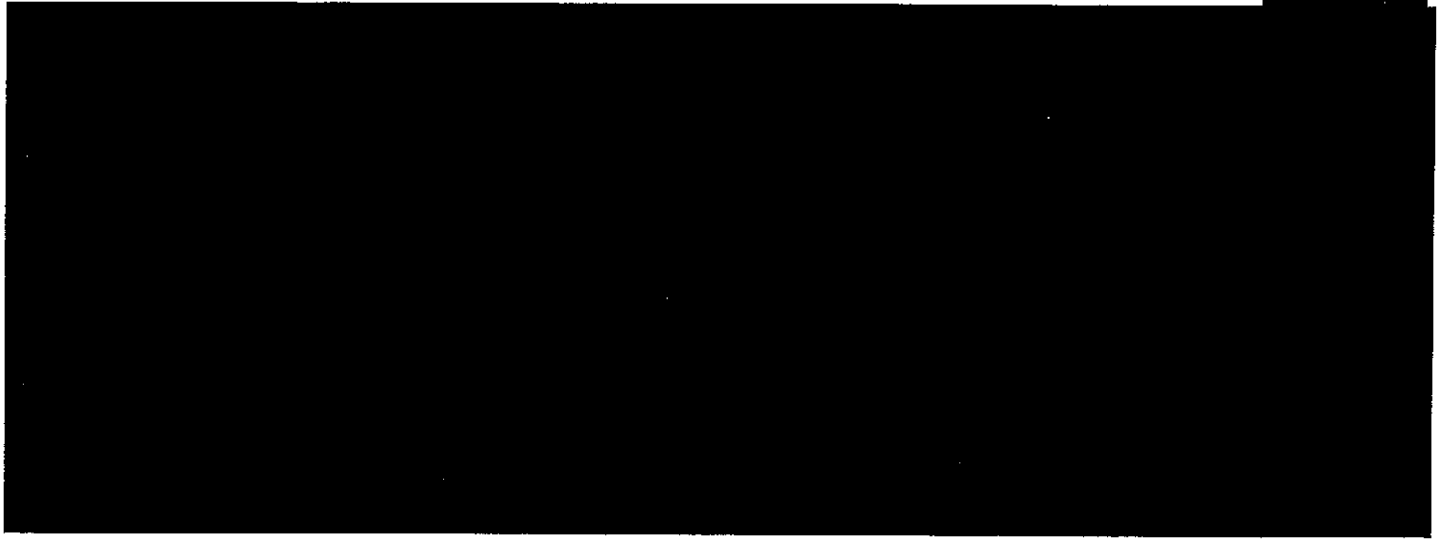
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It is requested that the index entry, and file be indexed as follows.  
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(RE) S/85/29

BOX 5224 G.P.O.  
SYDNEY, N.S.W. 2001

3984

December 1982

Headquarters A.S.I.O. ✓

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CL  
[Redacted]

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1) S/85/29 (P-8)

(P-8) Attached please find reports by Mr [Redacted] (E2 NSW) which provide details [Redacted]

[Redacted]

As pointed out previously,

2) S/85/29 the activities of John Andrew SMYTH.

[Redacted]


[Redacted]

for REGIONAL DIRECTOR NSW

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ASIO.

MINUTE PAPER

Subject:

30. November 1982  
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

to Supervisor E

(Ref NSW Memo

2. Following our discussions concerning SMYTH the opportunity was taken

ASIO had a responsibility with regard to

[REDACTED]

that [REDACTED] There is no doubt [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] however, it is not felt that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Enquiries are now in hand through



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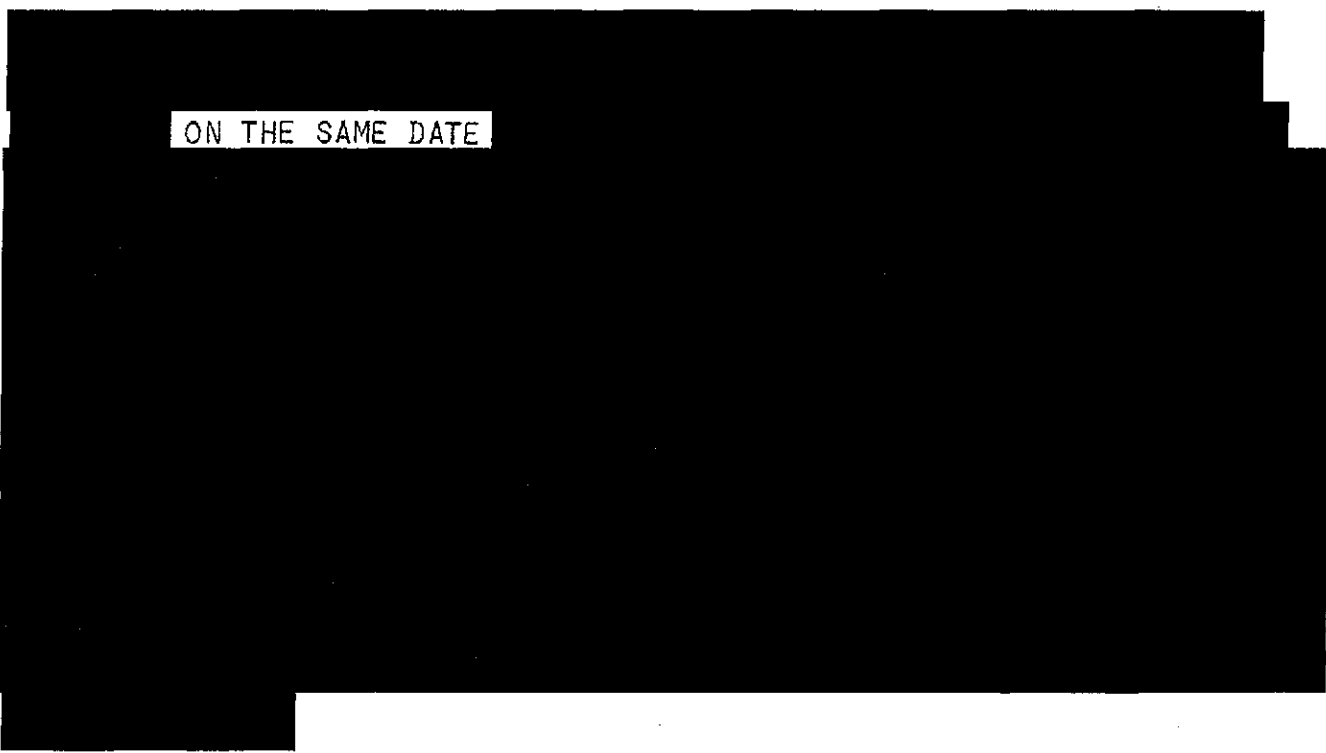
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SYD [redacted] 16.11.82

FOR E4-C FROM [redacted]

REFERENCE [redacted] (RC) S/85/29 OF 29.10.82.



ON THE SAME DATE

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12 November 1982

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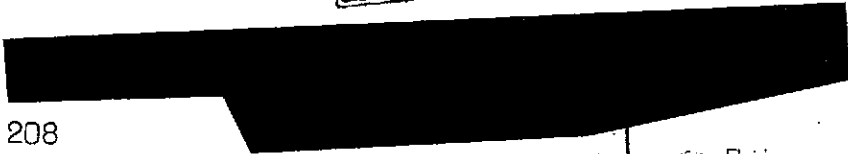
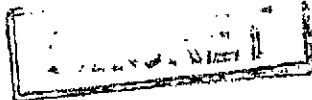
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[REDACTED]

... Attached please find a brief note [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Included is a breakdown of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] which itself [REDACTED]  
In view of [REDACTED] you may care  
to pass a copy to [REDACTED] we have separately passed a copy to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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HQS 14211 (RC) S/85/29 5.11.82



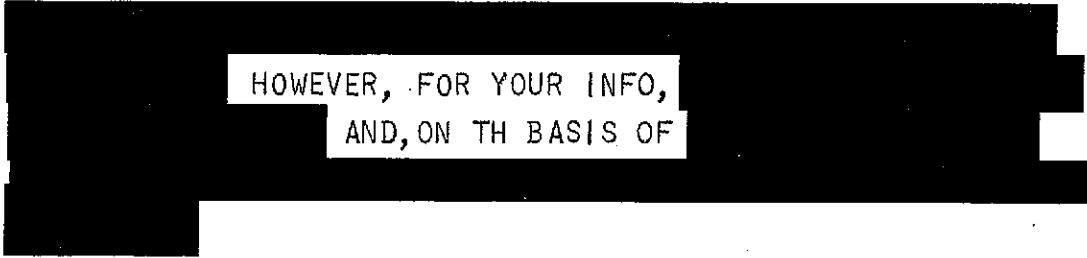
FOR HLG [redacted] FROM C/AA

JOHN ANDREW SMYTH

REF CAN 6926 HLG [redacted] 4.11.82.

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WE DO NOT WISH [redacted] BECAUSE OF OUR ASSESSMENT OF HIM AS AN INDIVIDUAL AND BECAUSE WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE AND VERY LITTLE LIKELIHOOD



HOWEVER, FOR YOUR INFO,  
AND, ON TH BASIS OF

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 HQS 13955 (RC) S/85/29 29.10.82

FOR [REDACTED] FROM E4-C

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SYD 6940/27.10.82.

2. SUPPORT YOUR [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] AND ADVISE  
 THAT YOU [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED]

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RR HQ

SYD 6940 (RC)SE:82787833 27.10.82

[REDACTED]

(AL) 5/85/29

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FOR E4-C FROM

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[REDACTED]

THEN UNAVAILABLE, AND REQUESTED

[REDACTED]

AND COULD NOT SEE HIS WAY CLEAR

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

ENQUIRIES WERE CONTINUING

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A.S.I.O.  
MINUTE/FILE NOTE

FOLIO NO: [43]

FILE NO: (RC) S/85/29

OFFICE: E4-C

DATE: 22/9/82

TO: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: J. A. SMYTH [REDACTED]

*Indexed  
ATM 28/10/82*

Please refer to E4-C's Minute dated 14.10.82, Annex

"C"

2. Grateful if you would arrange to index  
to this report [REDACTED] contained on the  
[REDACTED] wherever appropriate.

*E4-C*

(SIGNATURE)

012645

2/ October 1982

Regional Director  
NEW SOUTH WALES

John Andrew SMYTH

... Further to your memorandum [redacted] 1054 of 29 September 1982, attached  
for information please find a copy of a report by [redacted]  
... [redacted] Also attached is a  
record of [redacted]

2. It will be noted that [redacted]  
[redacted] and in view of his paragraph 6 it would appear that  
[redacted]

3. We have passed to [redacted]  
[redacted] has been written  
up separately and will be included in checks with [redacted]  
[redacted] Thank you for your efforts.

*A.J.D.*  
DIRECTOR GENERAL

*A.J.D.*  
*21/10/82.*

*Thanks*  
*JAT*

[redacted]  
*E.B.B.*  
*21/10/82*

*SE 3.*  
*you may care*  
*see final*  
*comes precedence this*  
*matter.*

*A.S.A.*  
*21/10/82.*

[REDACTED]

21 October 1982

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

... Attached please find a brief note [REDACTED]

Included is a breakdown  
which itself [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] might be of interest  
separately written to [REDACTED]

it occurs that [REDACTED]

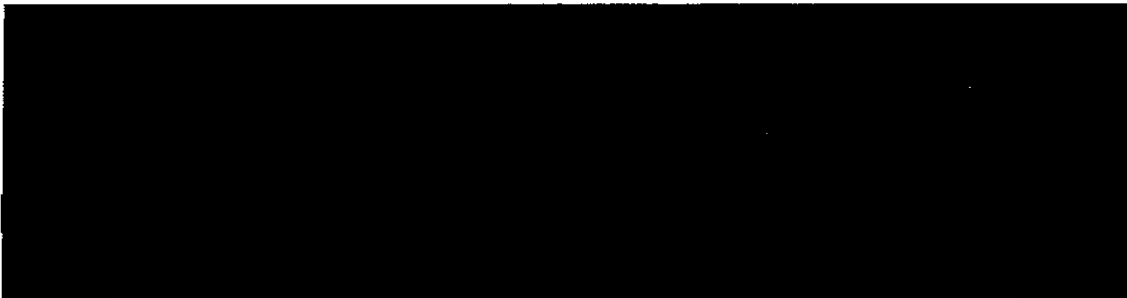
We have [REDACTED]

*A. J. B.*  
p DIRECTOR-GENERAL





An Australian mining engineer has been a regular traveller to the PRC since 1981 because of his commercial dealings with a number of mining manufacturing companies in Kunming and, more recently, in Beijing; the engineer is the Australian agent for China National Machinery Import/Export Corporation (CMECY).



according to the information obtained,

are attached.

4. It is significant, that



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2/10 October 1982

... Attached please find a brief note

Included is a breakdown  
which itself

it would be  
appreciated if you could pass copies of the attachment

  
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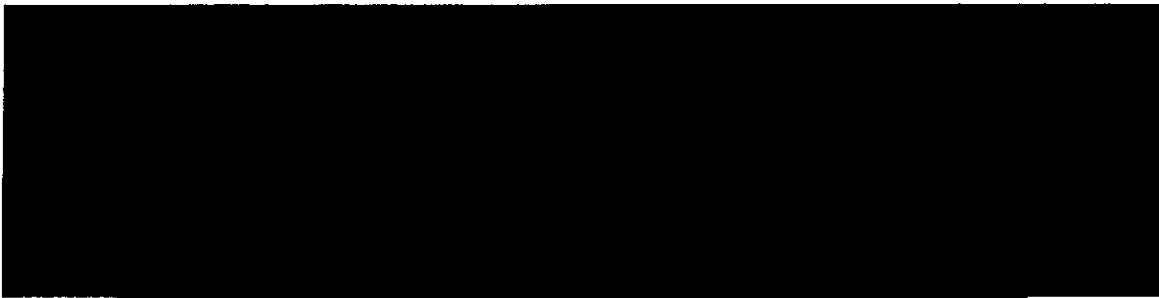
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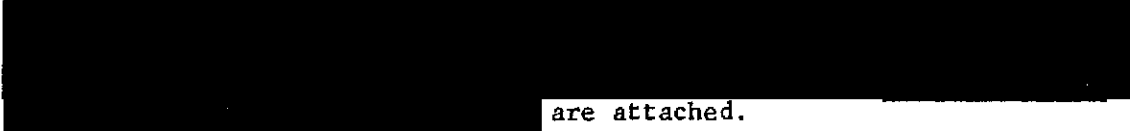
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are attached.

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21 October 1982

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Please refer to the Deputy Director General's record of conversation of 12 May 1982, relating to [REDACTED] Copy forwarded to you on 10 August 1982.

2. At paragraph two, reference is made to [REDACTED]

... find a brief note [REDACTED]

Attached please

Included is a breakdown [REDACTED]

which itself [REDACTED]

3. It will be noted that [REDACTED] and as such the attachment may be of interest to [REDACTED] their observations as to [REDACTED]

we would appreciate [REDACTED]

*A. J. L.*  
P. DIRECTOR GENERAL

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

21 October 1982

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

...

Attached please find a brief note on

[REDACTED]

Included is a breakdown

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*R. G. B.*

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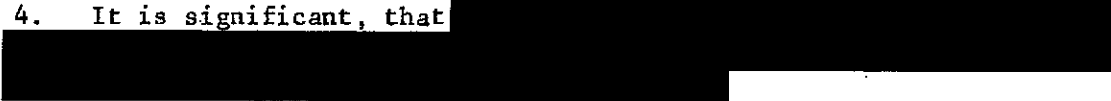
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[REDACTED]


[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

John Andrew SMYTH

Thank you for your memorandum [REDACTED]

- ... 2. [REDACTED] attached please find a summary [REDACTED] together with a breakdown [REDACTED] which was apparently of interest to [REDACTED] information [REDACTED]
- 3. [REDACTED] information which indicates that Mr. SMYTH [REDACTED] [REDACTED] doubt his veracity and discretion, [REDACTED]
- 4. You may care to [REDACTED]

  
DIRECTOR-GENERAL of SECURITY

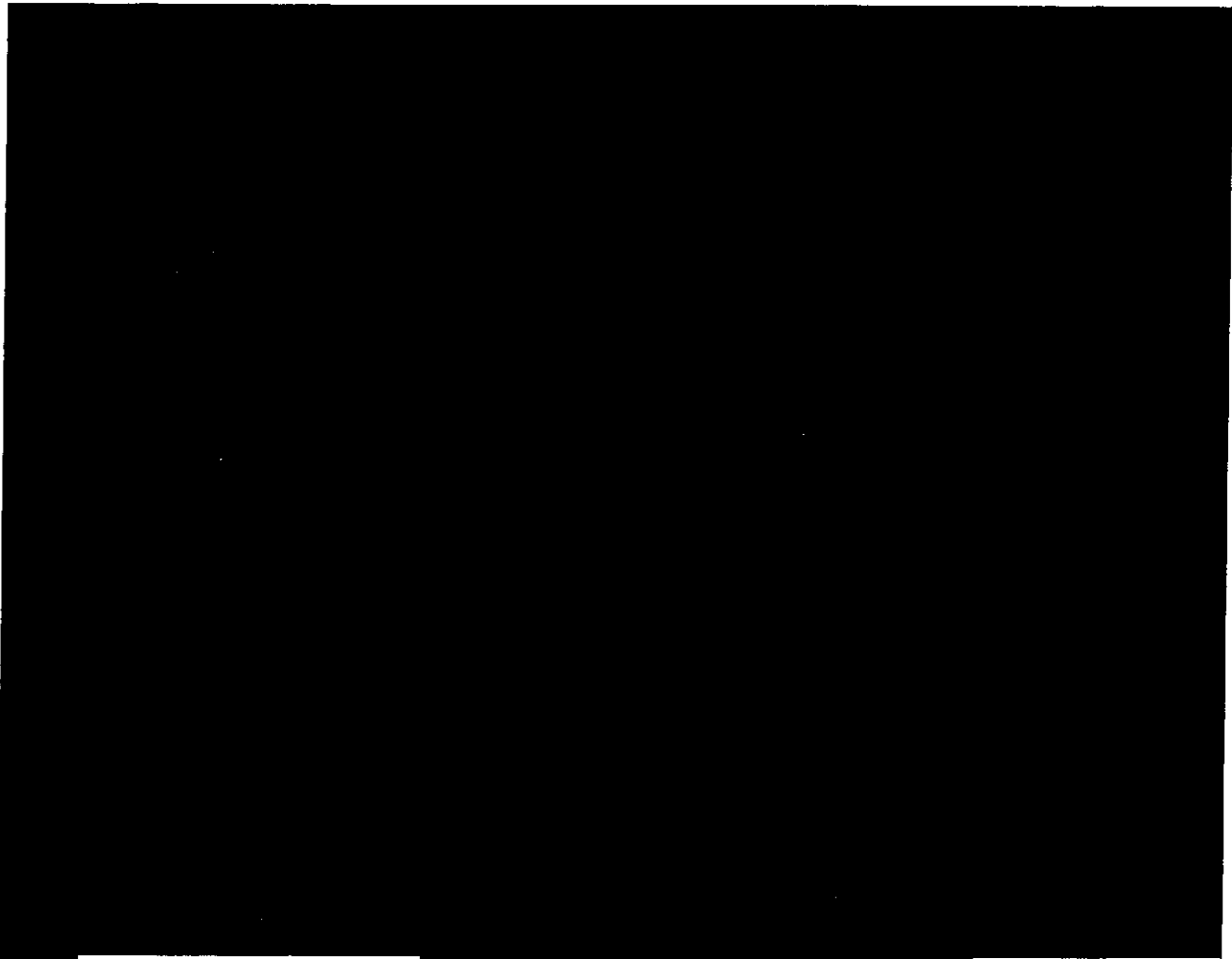
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NOTE FOR FILE

*BH* October 1982



Additional information  
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J.A. SMYTH

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**MINUTE PAPER**

Subject: JOHN ANDREW SMYTH [REDACTED]

14<sup>th</sup> October 1982  
HEADQUARTERS

To S/24

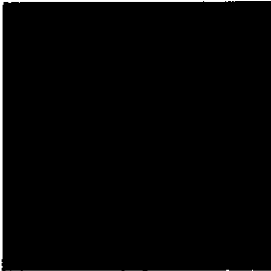
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As requested, [REDACTED] has been completed (Annex A) and incorporates [REDACTED] is also attached (Annex B) [REDACTED] This information contained in these reports may [REDACTED] as they do not contain reference [REDACTED]

2. A supplementary report is at Annex C [REDACTED] You may wish to send this shortened and sanitized version [REDACTED]

3. Annex D contains a list of outstanding matters which at this point in time, are not resolved.

4. [REDACTED] To say the least, he seems to have an over active imagination and silvery tongue. Not content to kiss the "blarney stone", [REDACTED]



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JOHN ANDREW SMYTH:

[REDACTED]

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ANNEX C

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ANNEX D

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[REDACTED]

LIST OF OUTSTANDING MATTERS

[REDACTED]

Our limited knowledge of SMYTH

[REDACTED]

2. For posterity, if for nothing else, a number of these outstanding matters are penned below:

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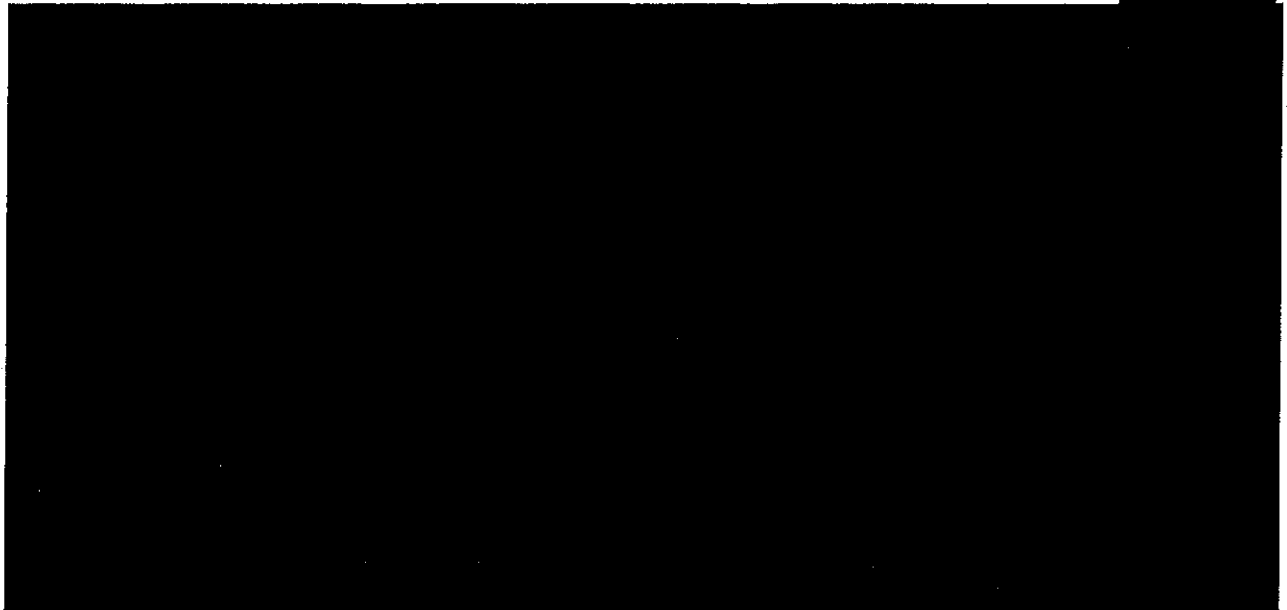
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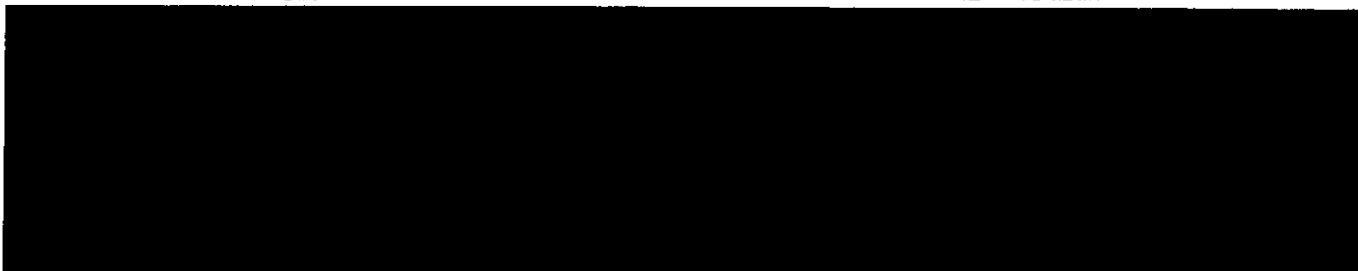
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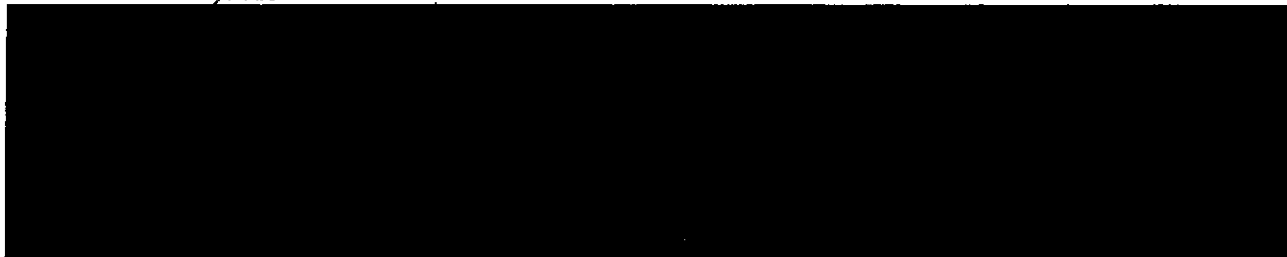
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