



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY SPACE AND MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND
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HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA 35807

May 12, 2023

Mr. John Greenewald Jr.
27305 W. Live Oak Rd
Suite #1203
Castaic, CA 91384
Sent via email: john@greenewald.com

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This letter constitutes a final response to your Freedom of Information Act request for all documents relating to the United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command's correspondence between Dr. Travis Taylor and Mr. John Stratton, including documentation provided to and correspondence with Dr. Taylor including the keywords "Unidentified Aerial" and/or "Unidentified Flying" and/or "UAP" and/or "UFO" and/or "Unidentified Spacecraft" and/or "Unidentified aircraft" And/or AAWSAP And/or "Advanced Aerospace" and/or Skinwalker, and includes attachments to emails found. The date range for this request is 1 January 2019 to 1 May 2021. You were previously notified that your request was assigned the following tracking number: SMDC FA-22-0005. You were also previously notified that certain records were referred to the Department of the Navy for FOIA processing as such records were not records of the Department of the Army.

In regard to the request for classified information related to the above request, certain information requested is denied in part as controlled information not subject to disclosure in accordance with Exemption 3 (5 U.S.C. Section 552 (b)(3)), which allows for the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by another federal statute. With respect to these withholdings, 10 U.S.C. Section 130 authorized the Secretary of Defense to withhold from public disclosure any technical data with military or space application in the possession of, or under the control of, the Department of Defense, if such data may not be exported lawfully outside the United States without an approval, authorization, or license under the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. Section 2751 et seq.).

Also, certain information is exempt from disclosure under Exemption 5 (5 U.S.C. Section 552 (b)(5)). This exemption protects inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than in litigation with the agency. Additionally, certain information is withheld under attorney work product, attorney client and deliberative process privileges.

Additionally, certain information which is exempt from the disclosure provisions of FOIA is being withheld. The names, grades, and other personally identifying information

of Department of Defense (DoD) personnel and persons referenced in DoD correspondence are withheld in accordance with FOIA Exemption 6 (5 U.S.C. Section 552(b)(6)). FOIA Exemption 6 protects personnel, medical and similar files when the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Withholding this information constitutes a partial denial of your request. You may appeal this determination, within sixty days of the date of this letter, through this office to the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, ATTN: SMDC-JA, P.O. Box 1500, Huntsville, AL 35807.

We are also informing you that certain records and your request have been referred to the Department of the Navy for FOIA processing and a direct response to you. To receive an update on the referral, please contact the Department of the Navy FOIA Office at:

Deputy Director, FOIA/Privacy
Information Specialist FOIA/PA
Department of the Navy
usn.ncr.dns.mbx.don-foia-pa@us.navy.mil


If you elect to file an appeal, it must be postmarked no later than 60 calendar days after the date of this initial denial letter and include a copy of this letter. In your appeal letter, you must provide a statement of the reasons why you believe this initial decision to be in error. The appeal envelope and letter must be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

Command FOIA Officer

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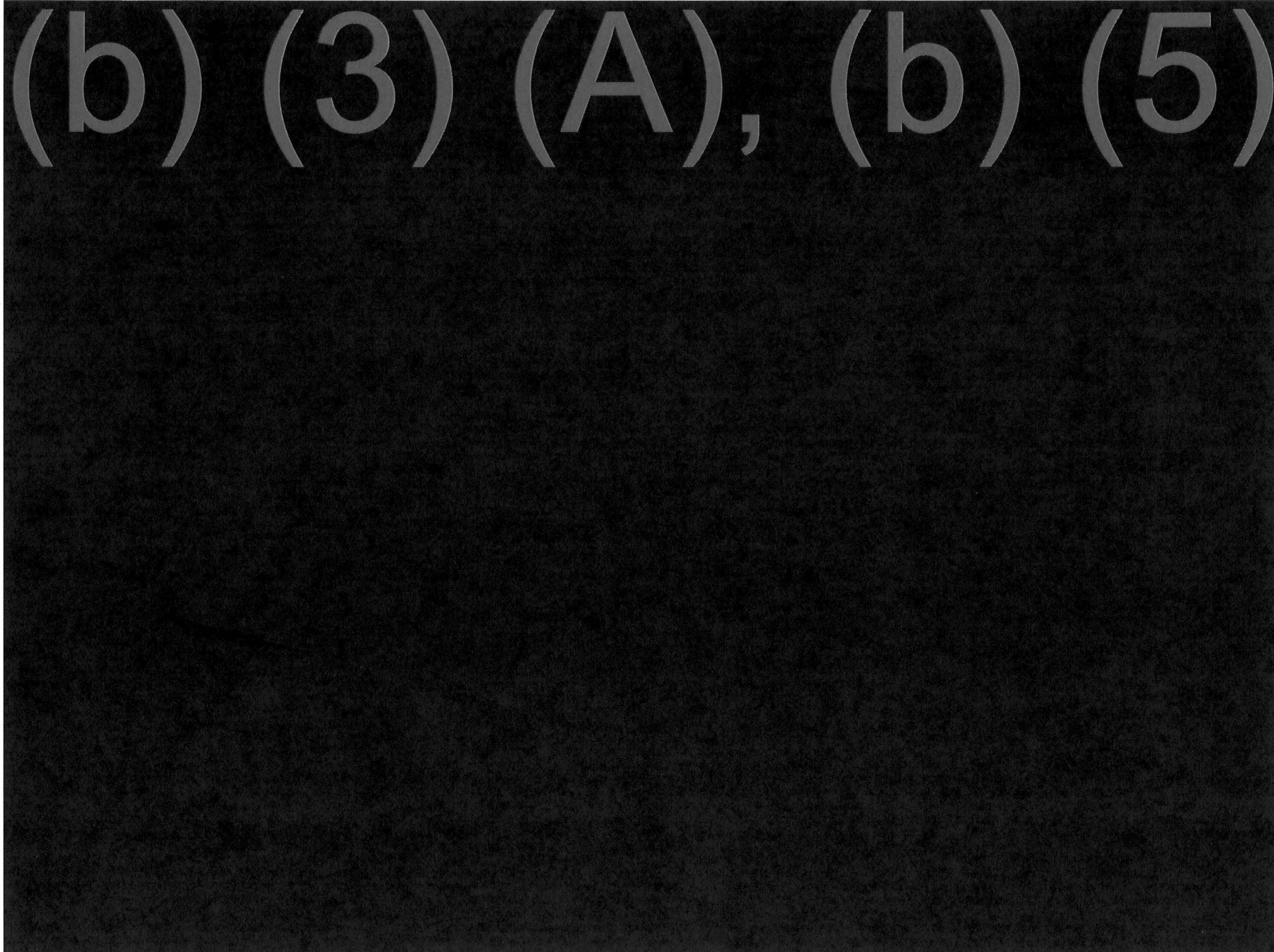
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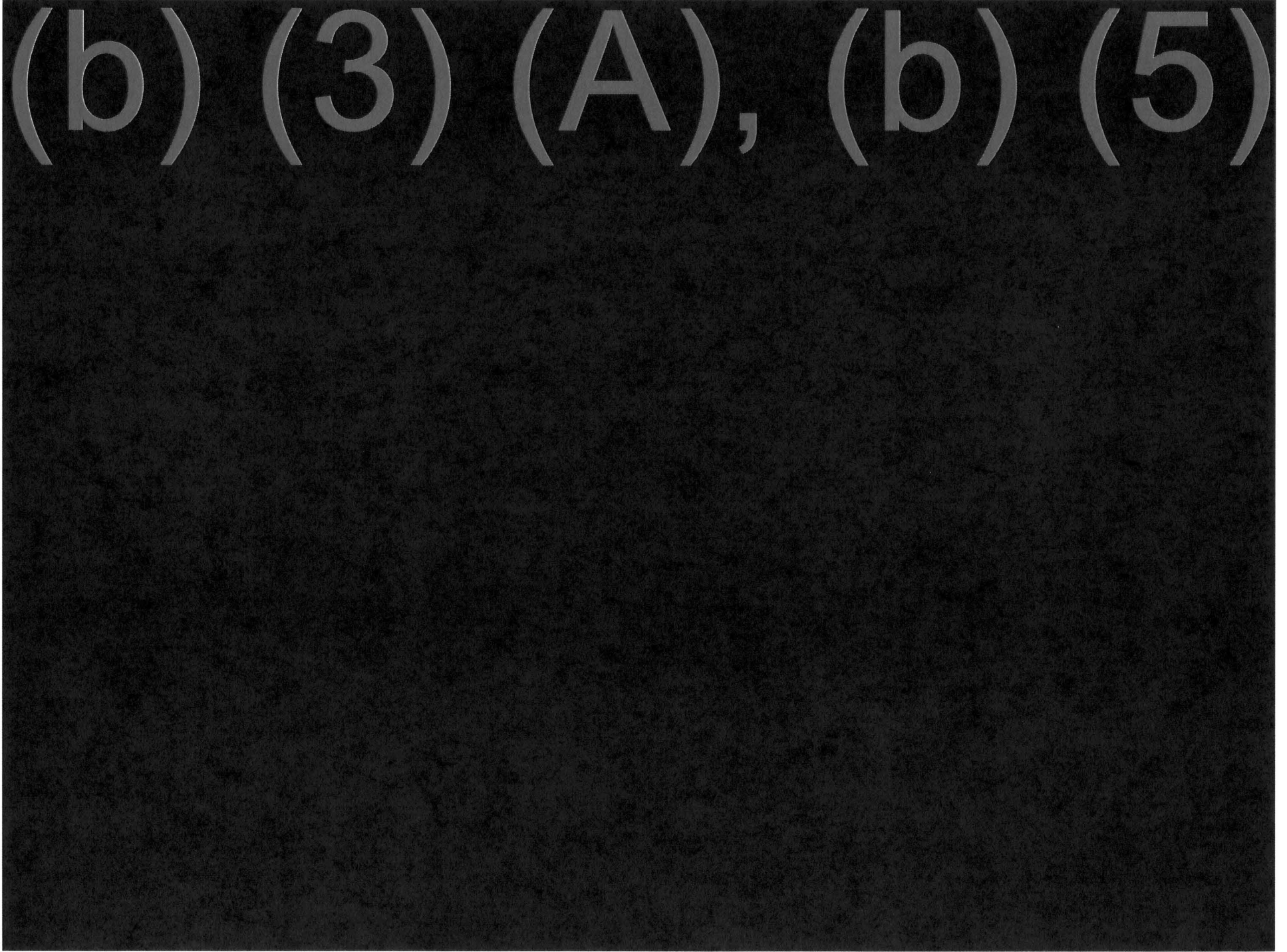
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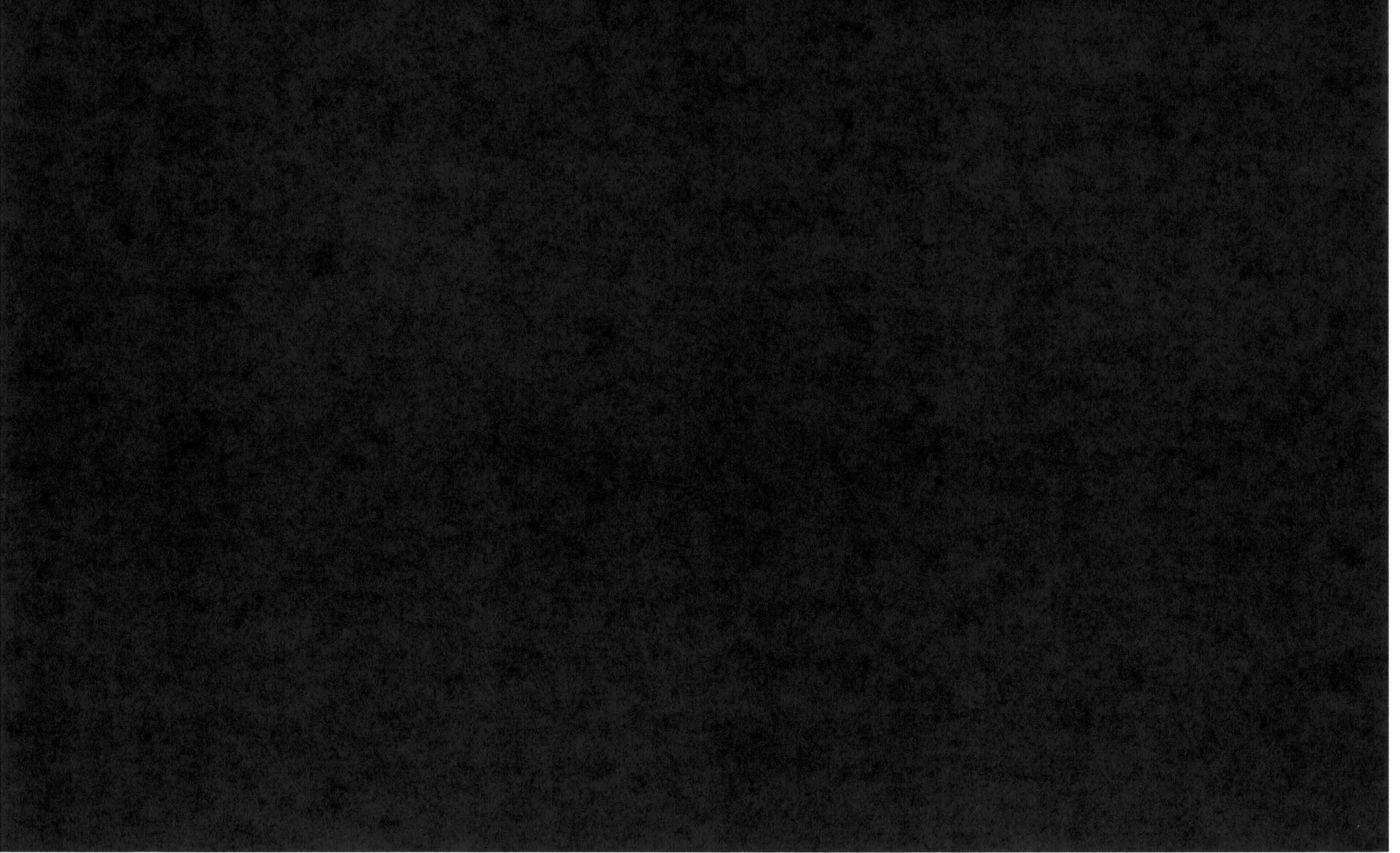
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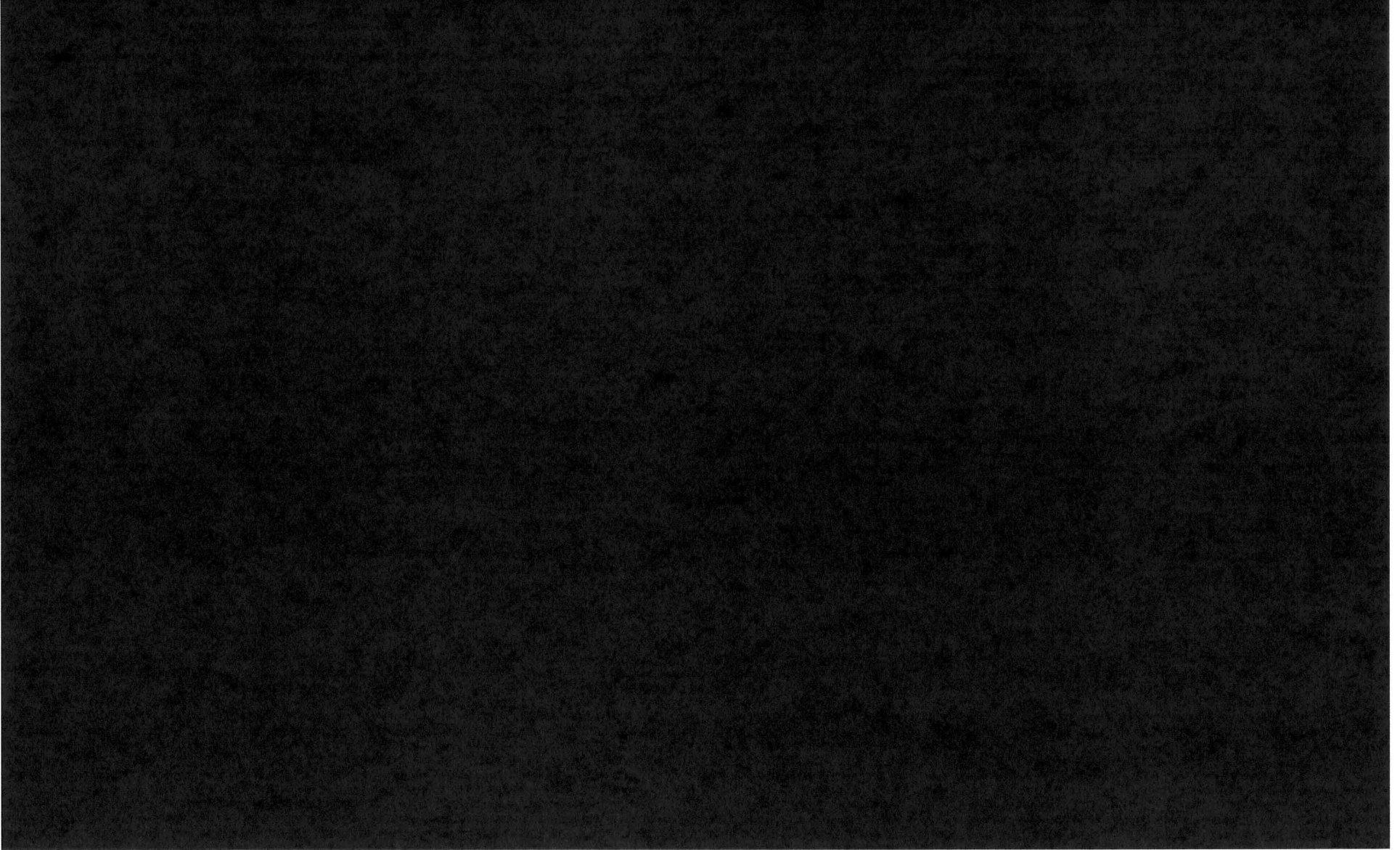
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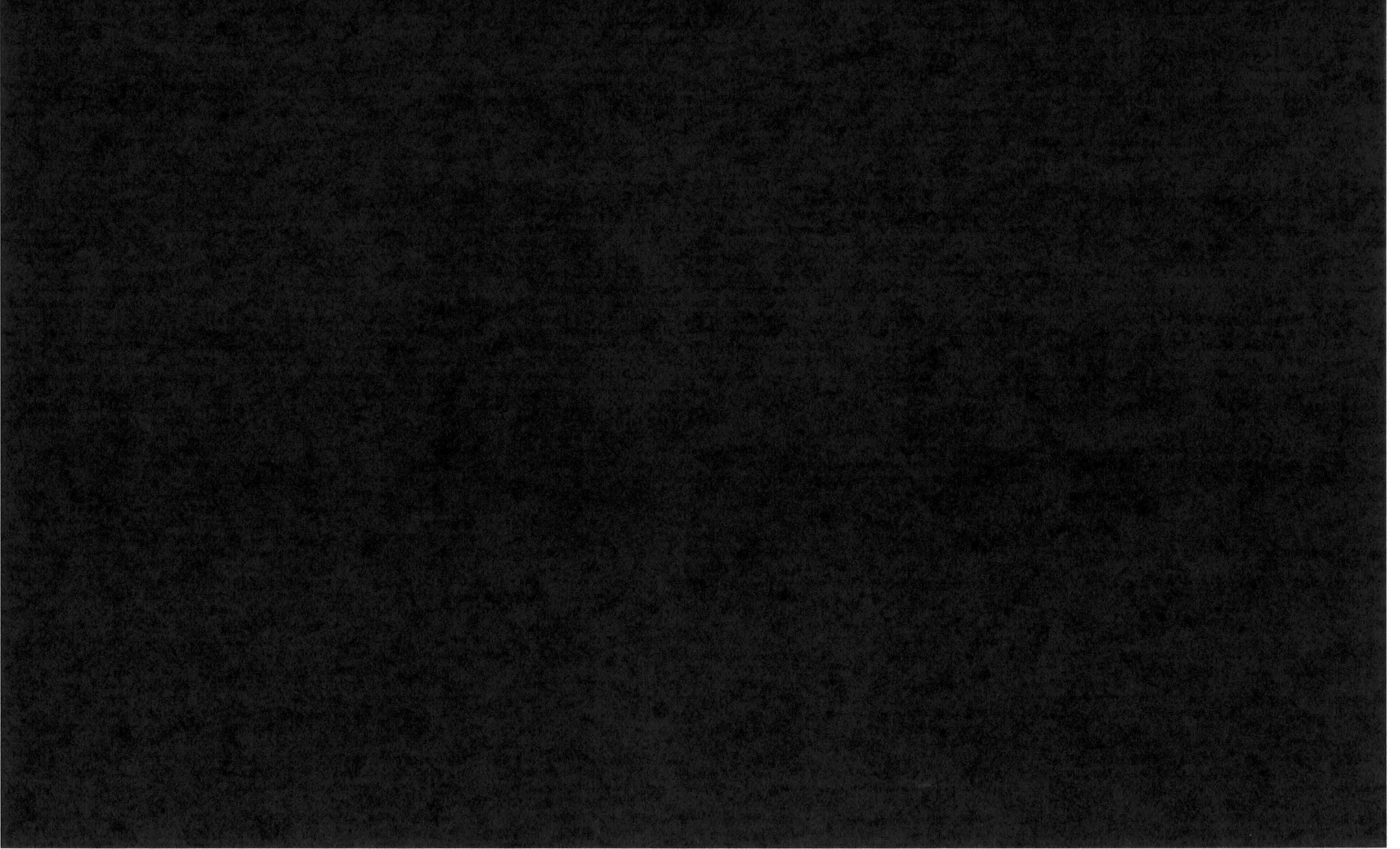
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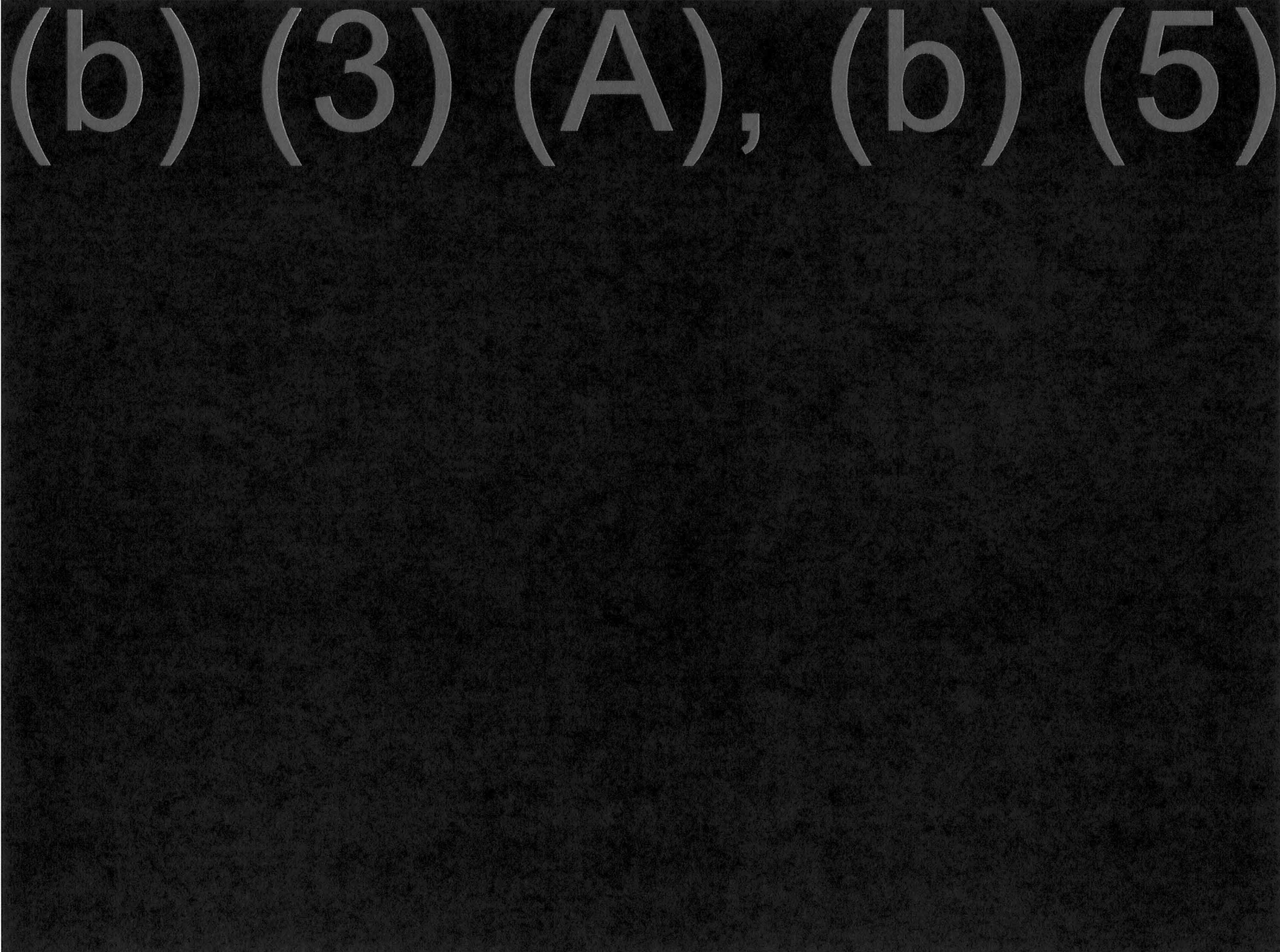
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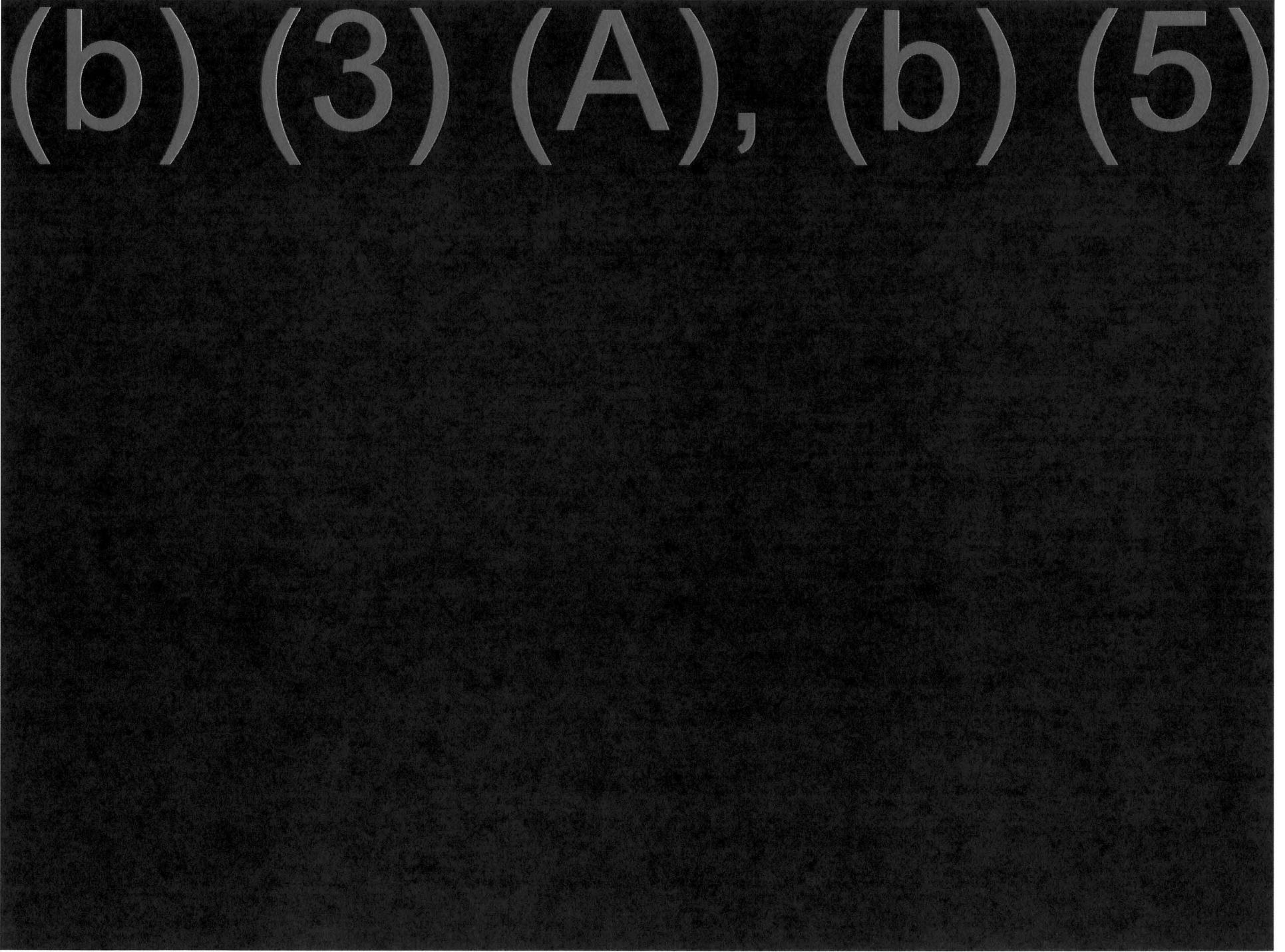
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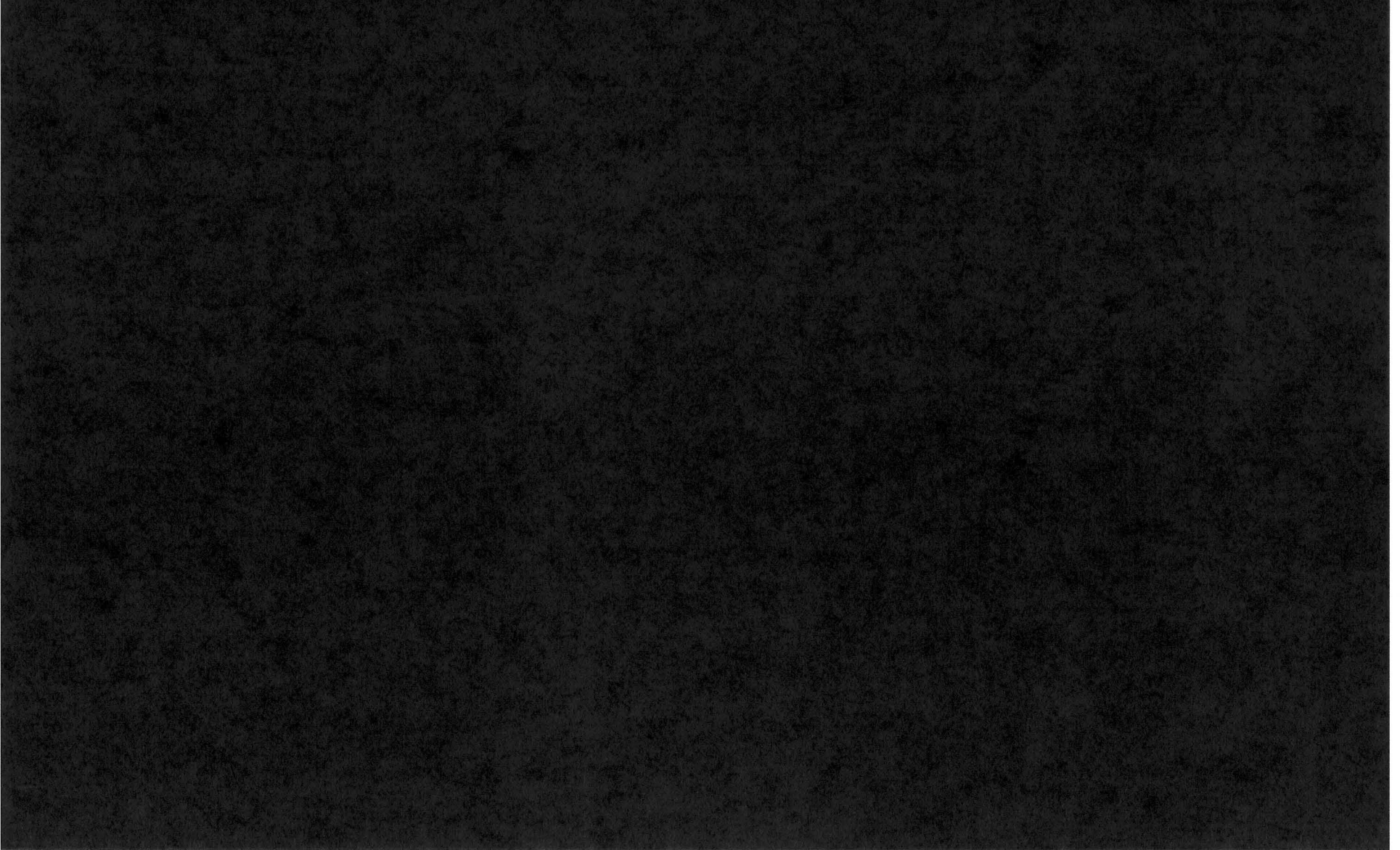
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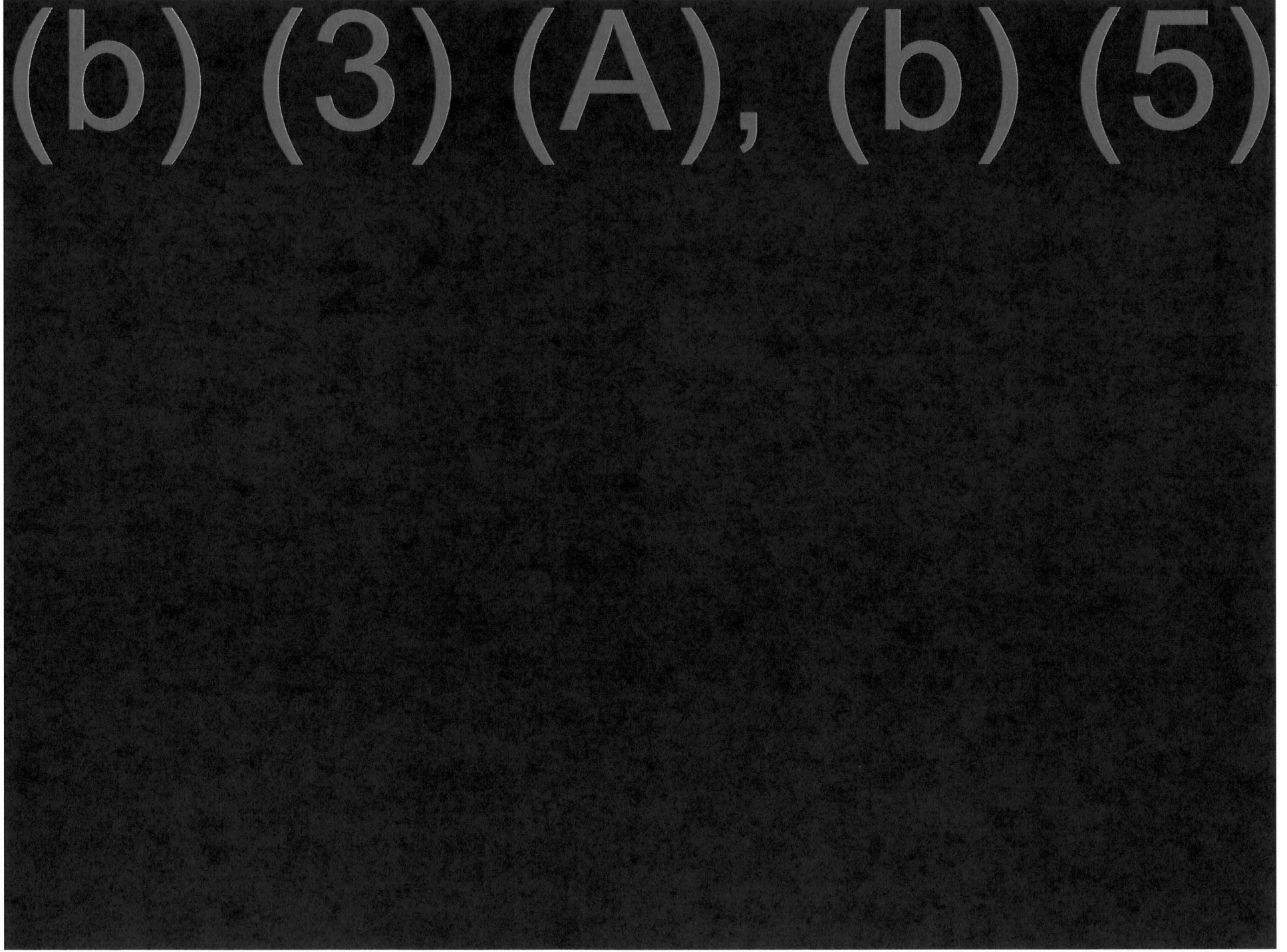
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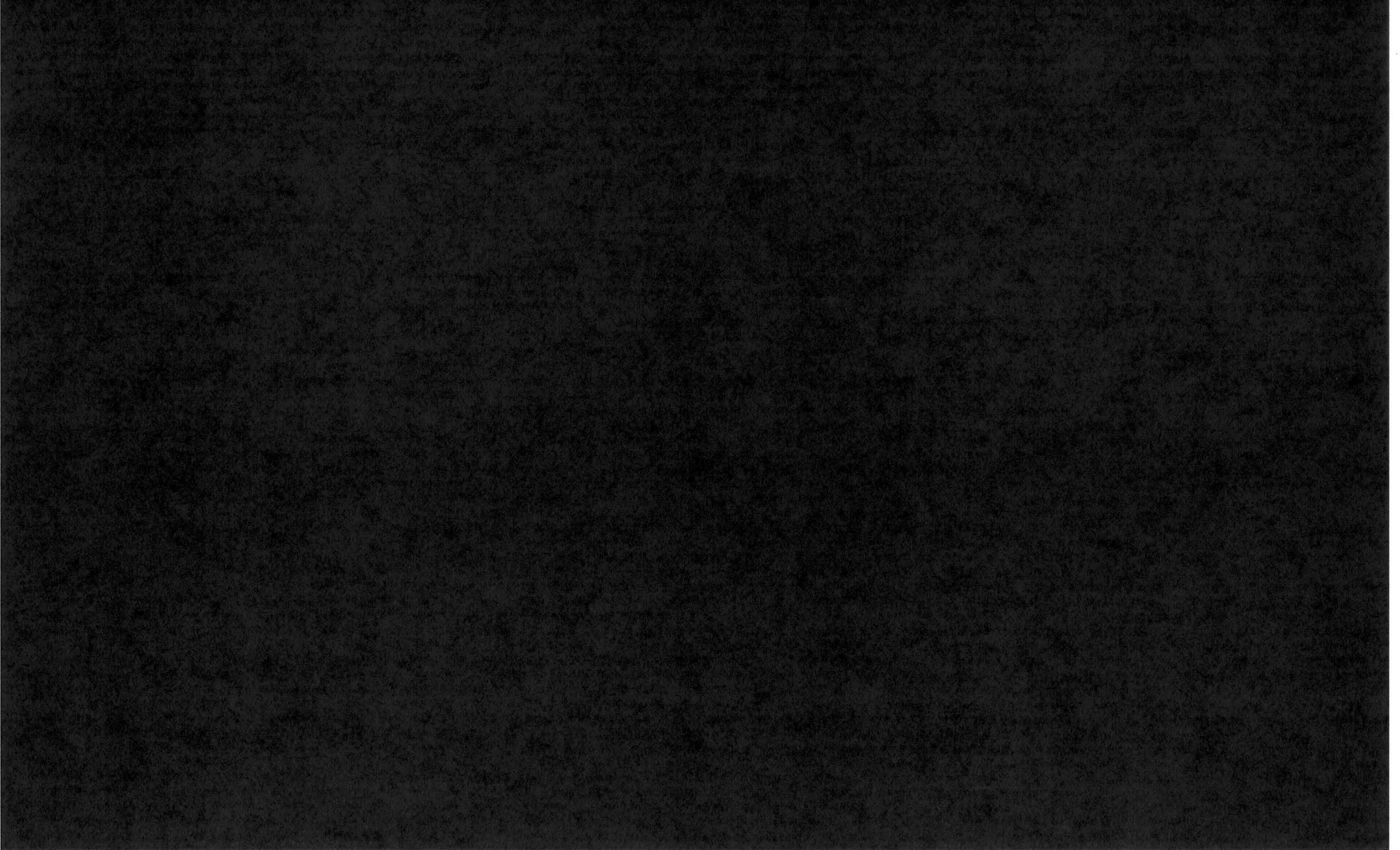
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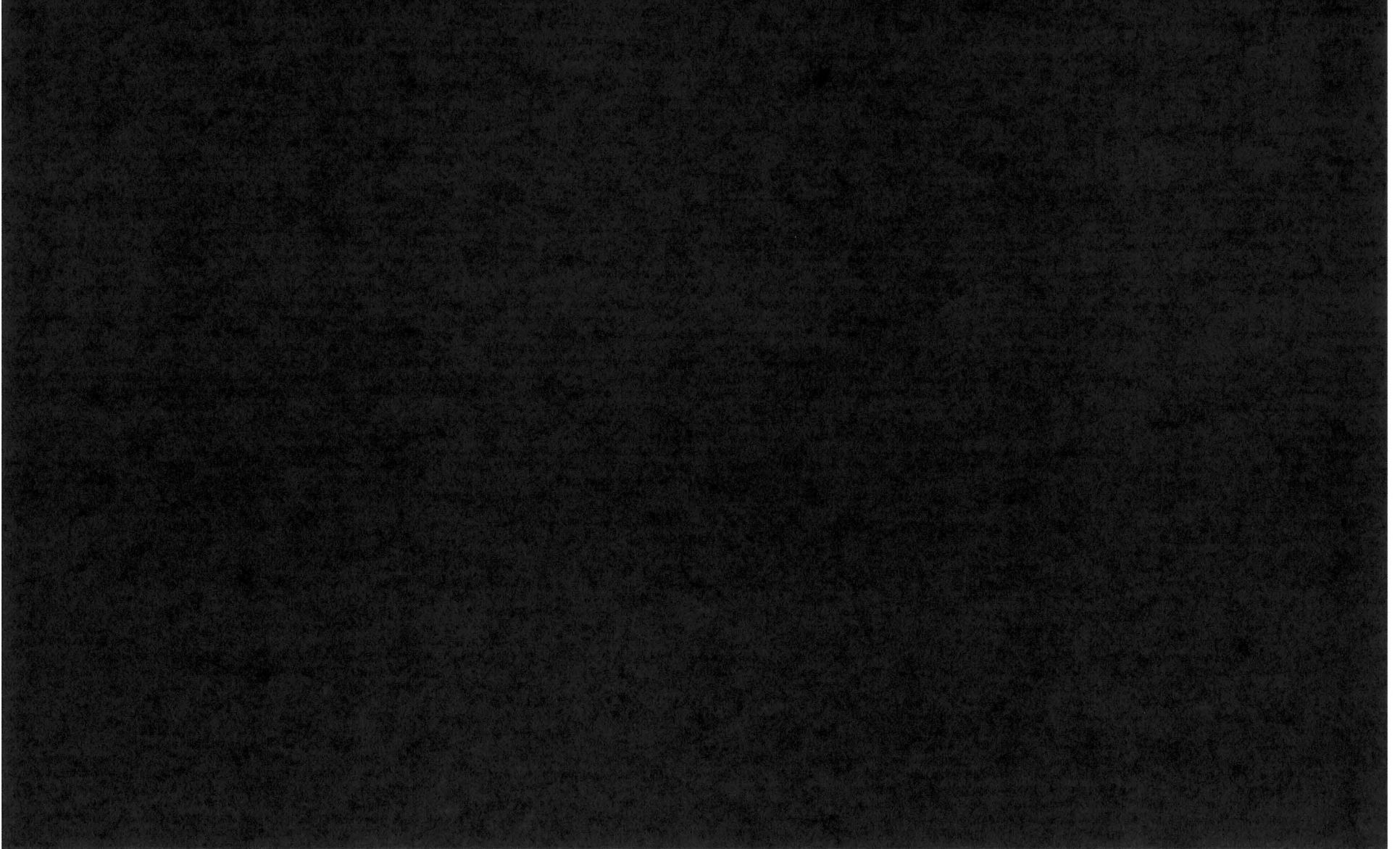
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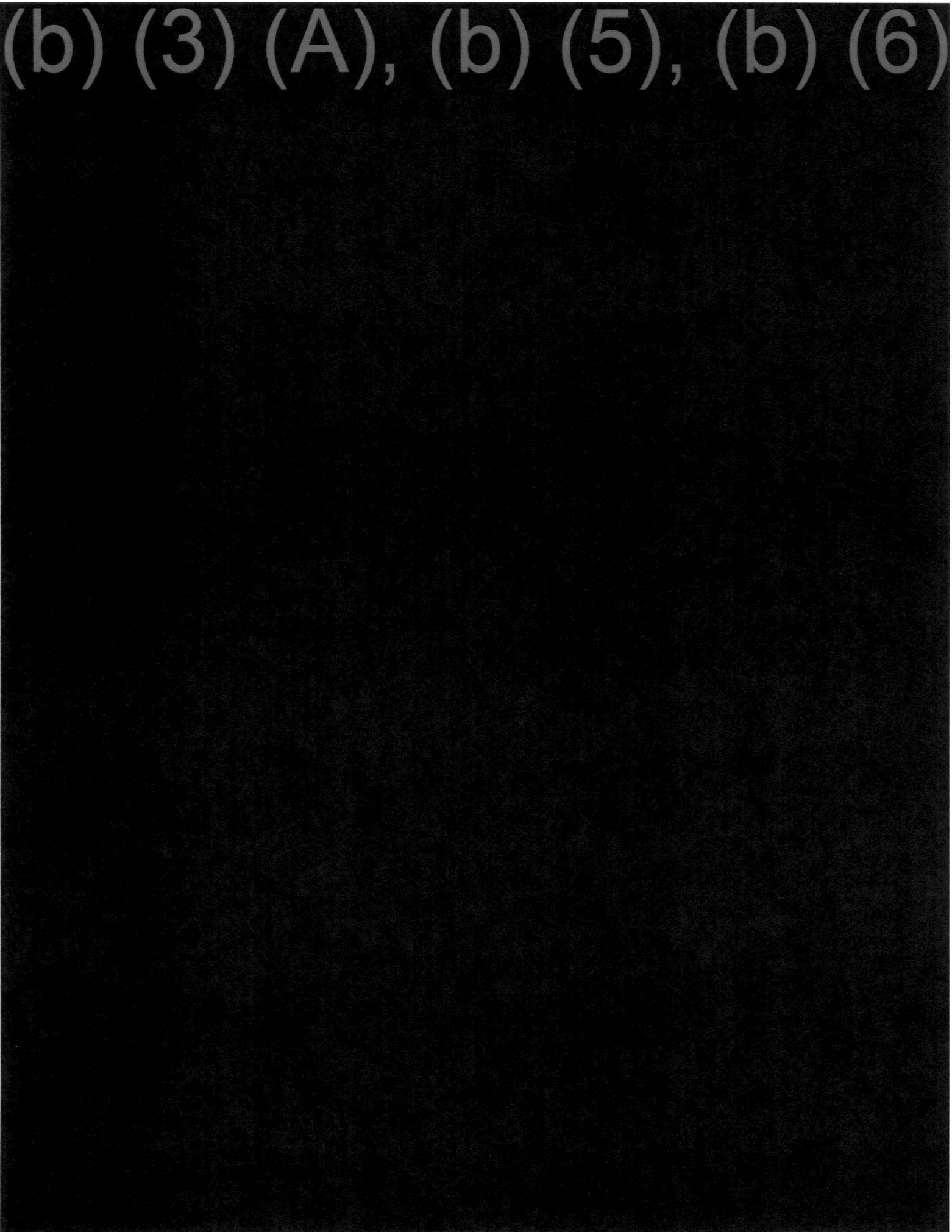
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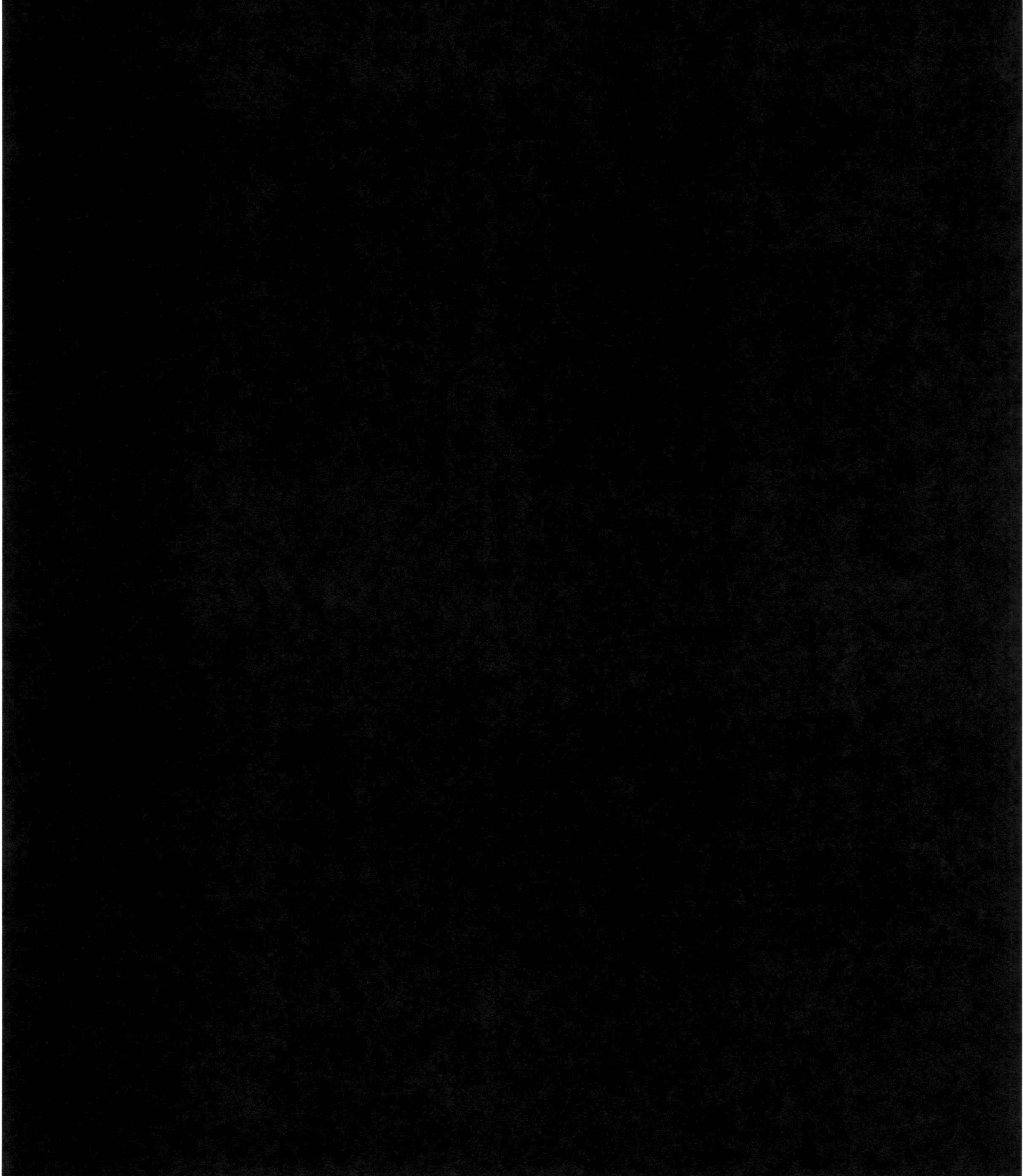
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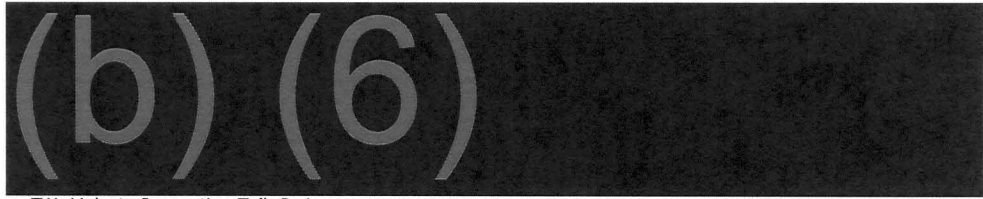


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From:
To:



Cc:
Subject: FW: Links to Innovation Talk Series:
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2020 10:19:21 AM
Attachments: (b) (6)
[Innovation Speaker Series Graphic.jpg](#)

All, this talk will be Part I today of my USSF S&T inputs. The talk is via teams (link attached) at 330 CDT. Please disseminate to whomever might be interested.

(b) (6)
Principal Investigator
Quantum Entanglement and Space Technologies Lab
Space and Missile Defense Technical Center,
US Army Space and Missile Defense Command
(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2020 10:27 AM
To: (b) (6)
Subject: RE: Links to Innovation Talk Series:

PLEASE DISSEMINATE TO ALL MEMBERS

Invitation: Innovation Talk series with (b) (6) in two parts - 16 + 23 July 2020

To kick off the U.S. Space Force Innovation Talk Series, (b) (6), Researcher in advanced technologies at US Army Space and Missile Defense Command, and tech TV celebrity (National Geographic Channel's Rocket City Rednecks), will be giving two talks on upcoming and future space technologies that will change how humans interact with space.

Please join us on 16 & 23 Jul to hear (b) (6) two-part innovation talk on the future of space technology. To accommodate the most participants, the presentation will be hosted via CVR/MS Teams Live Events; please see the links for the respective days below. Chrome or MS Edge are the recommended browsers to participate in these forums for attendees on NIPR; access via VPN is not recommended.

Office of the Chief Scientist

United States Space Force

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 11:47 AM
To: (b) (6)
Subject: Links to Innovation Talk Series:

(b) (6)

Please see the links to the webinars for your leadership and any gov members that might be interested in joining.

Innovation Talk series with (b) (6) Part I - 16th July at 1430 MT

Audience link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MjEwOGM3ZjItNjI0Mi00NTAyLTlmYzgtODc1MmJhNTQ4OGIx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%221acfbb3-32be-4715-9025-1e2f015cbbe9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22100344b9-6408-4715-976d-907ca6130c04%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atru%7d

Innovation Talk series with (b) (6) Part II - 23rd July at 1200 MT

Audience link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MTU4YzEzZjktZDNhZS00NmU3LWEzMWItMzM1YjNhNzZIMTR1%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%221acfbb3-32be-4715-9025-1e2f015cbbe9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22100344b9-6408-4715-976d-907ca6130c04%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atru%7d

Very respectfully

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CREATIVE THINKERS
WORLDS OF BUSINESS, INDUSTRY,
AND GOVERNMENT LABORATORIES

DR. MOZER AND MAJ GEN CRIDER
DR. TRAVIS TAYLOR

"FUTURE: NEW SERVICE NEW PARADIGM
OR SAME SAME OLD STUFF?"

AT 1430 (MT) / PT.2, JULY 23RD AT 1200 (MT)

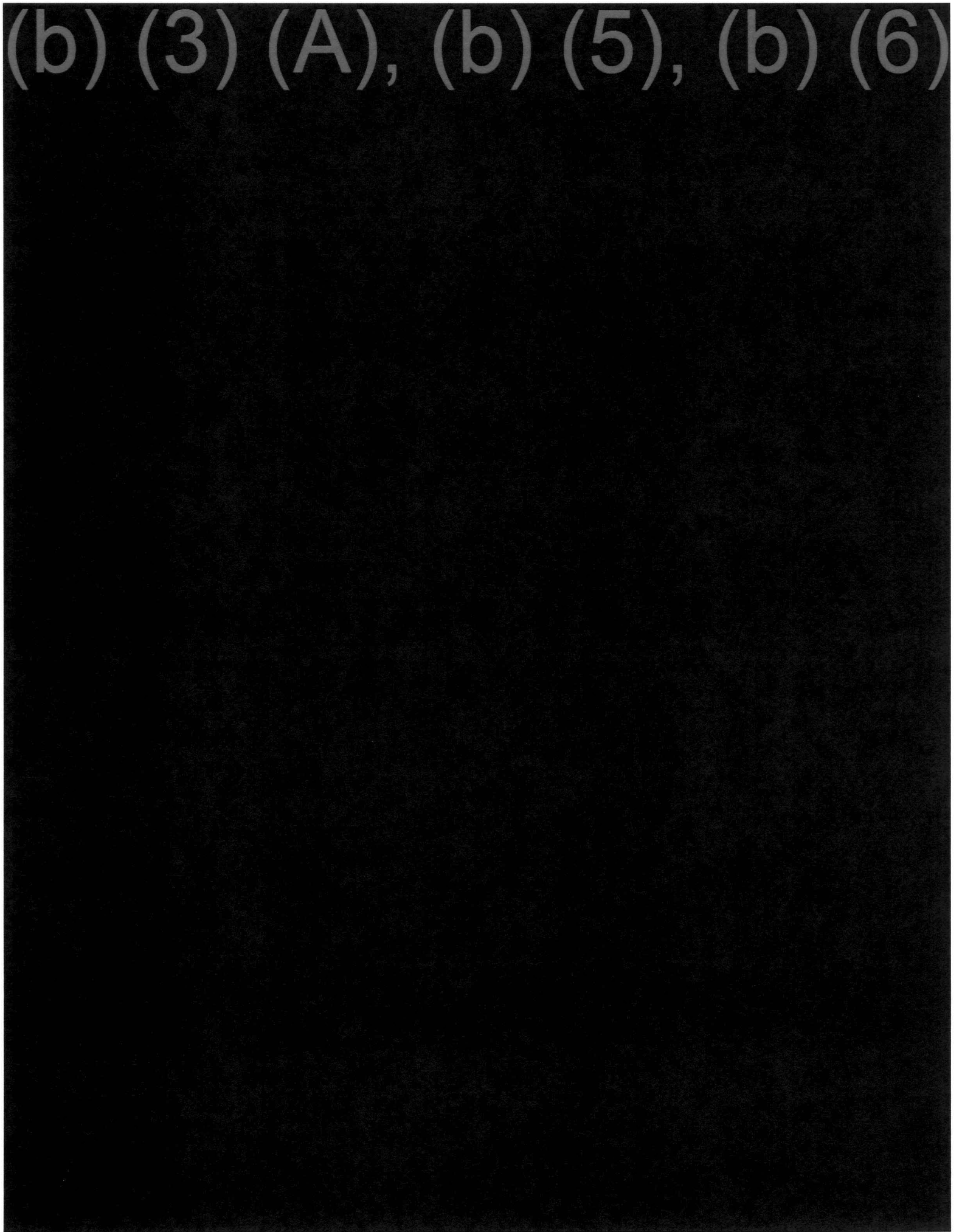
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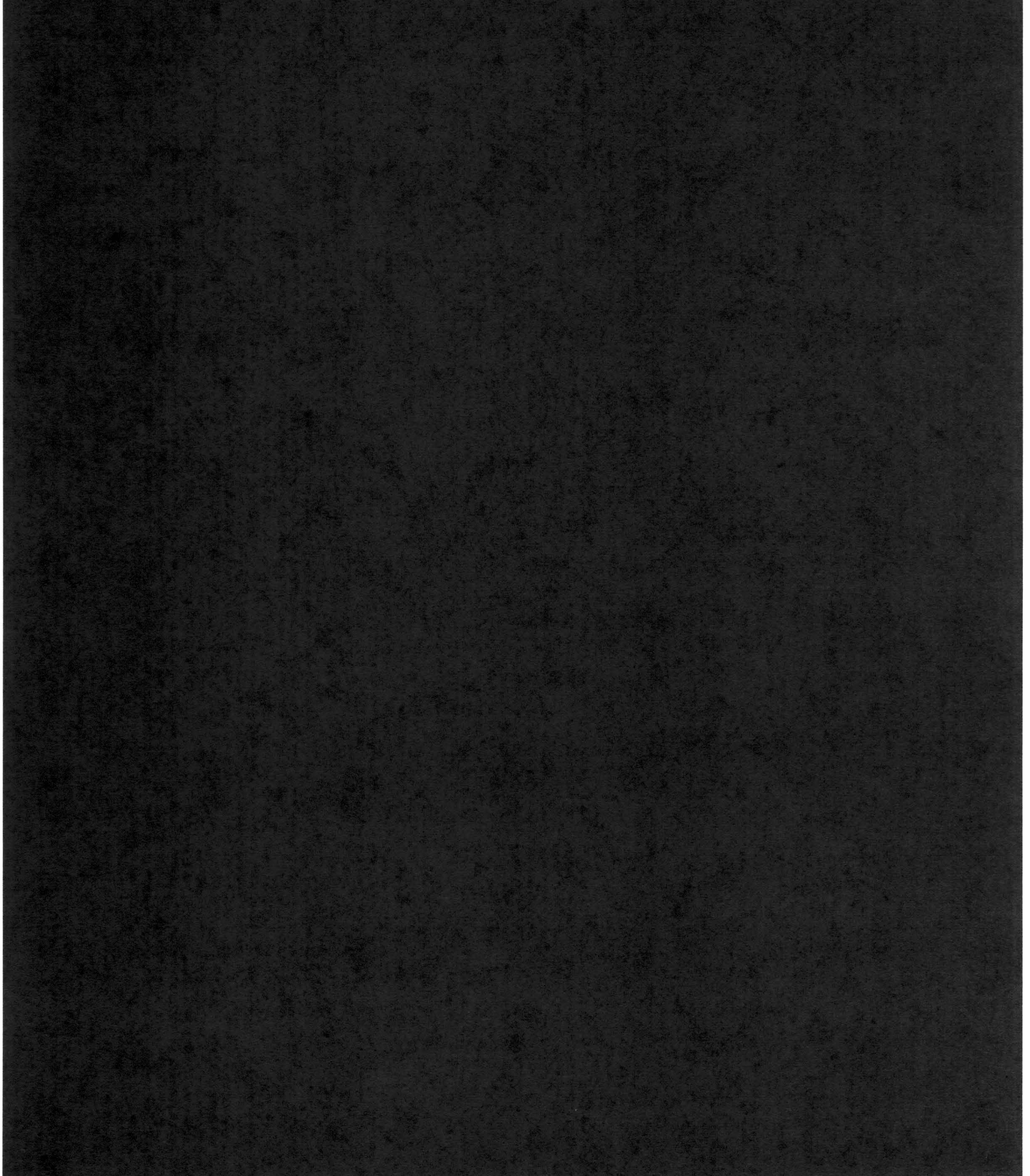
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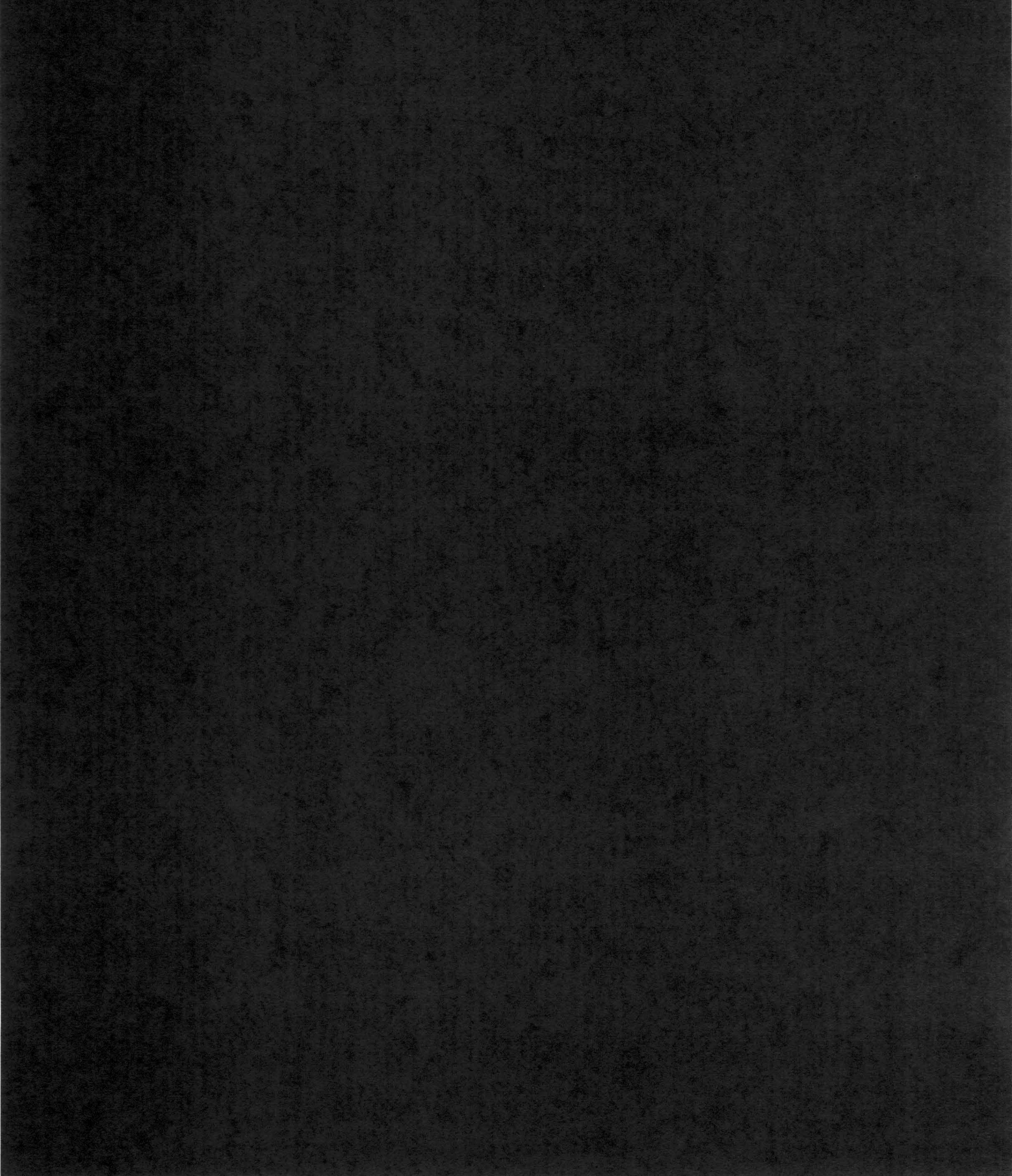
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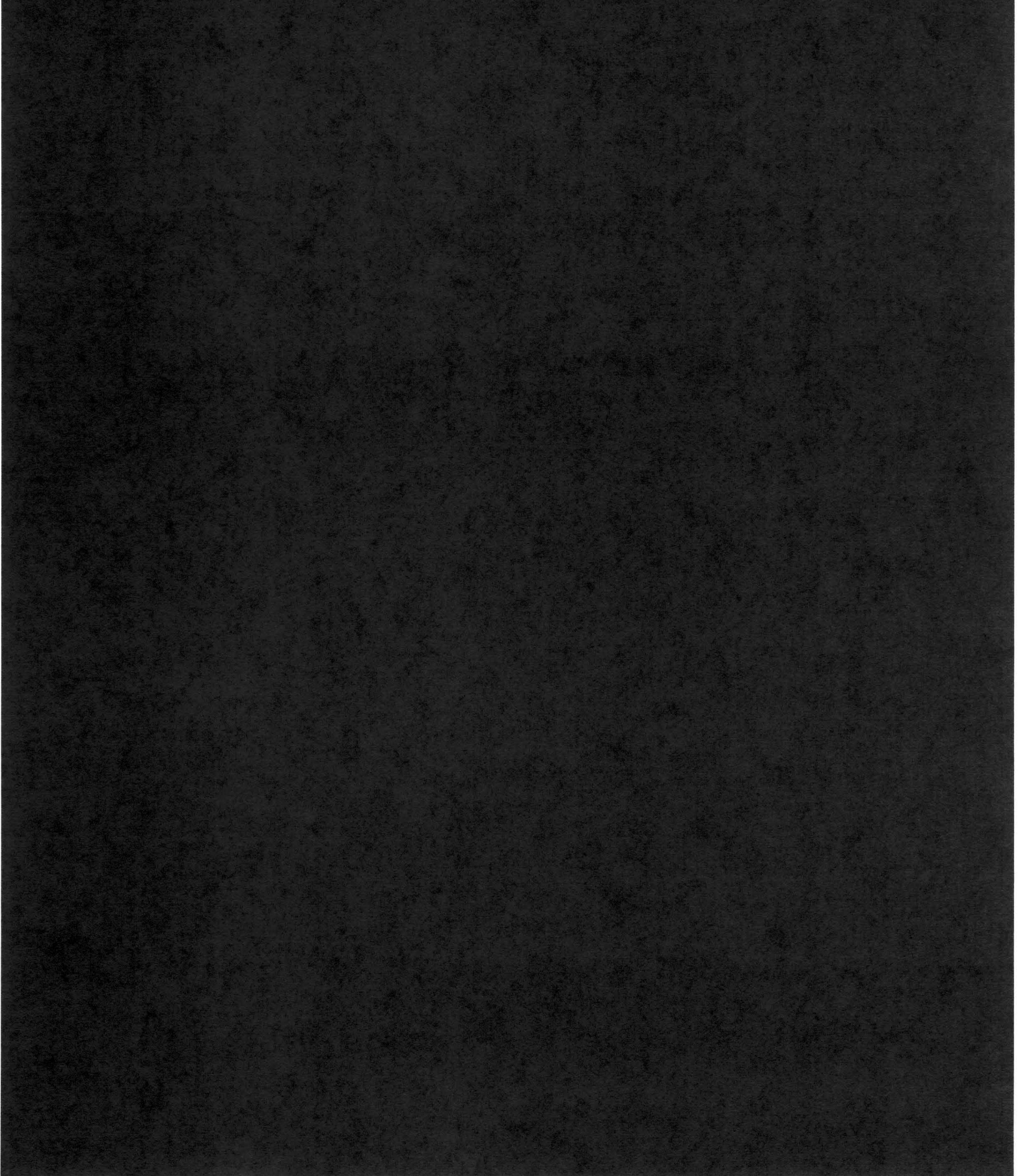
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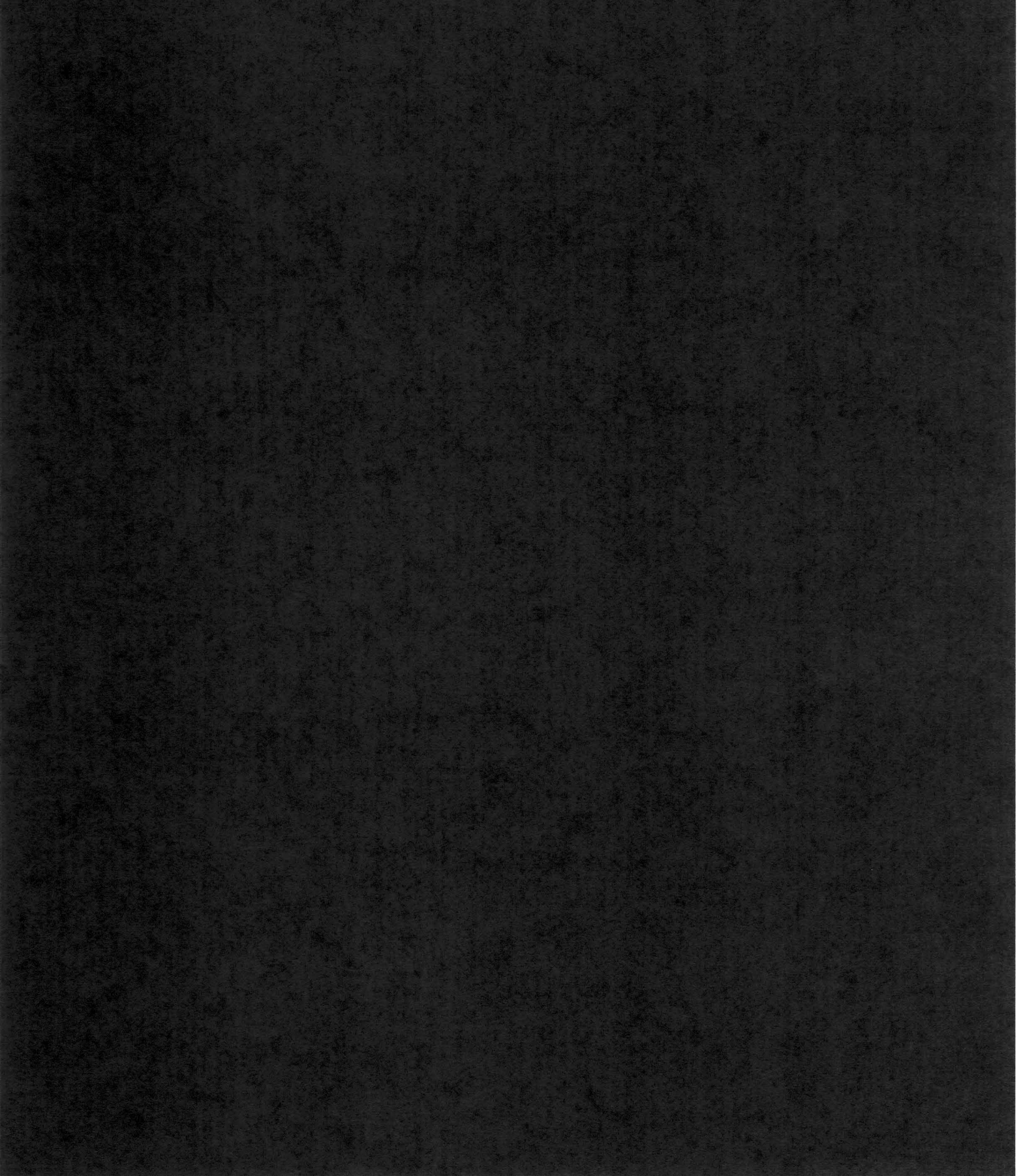
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(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 2:12 PM
To: (b) (6)
Subject: RE: email intro

(b) (6),

Do you want to do a separate Tandberg?

V/r, (b) (6)

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b) (6)
(b) (6)
Date: Tuesday, Sep 22, 2020, 11:11 AM
To: (b) (6)
Subject: email intro

Hey (b) (6),

You met my new boss (b) (6) on our last Tandberg. Wanted to link you together in case I haven't before.

Also, (b) (6) and I have been discussing my duty details assuming things go according to plans in Oct. He'd like to be able to open a discussion with you about how we handle that officially.

Intro made, I'm stepping out of the loop now.

Regards,

(b) (6), P.E.,
Principal Investigator
Quantum Entanglement and Space Technologies Lab Space and Missile Defense Technical Center, US Army Space and
Missile Defense Command
(b) (6)

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(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 1:17 PM
To: (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: RE: POC info for ITF (UNCLASSIFIED)

(b) (6), Perfect. Thanks.

R,
(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 1:59 PM
To: (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: RE: POC info for ITF (UNCLASSIFIED)

(b) (6)

We haven't briefed seniors with the Army yet but will in the near future.

There's a memo coming down from the DEPSECDEF to each of the service secretaries directing support to the ITF. Once the Secretary of the Army receives it I am sure we will be there to brief the staff. The Deputy G2 may have been in a meeting where the topic came up but we have not briefed him yet. The Army's Service Intel Center NGIC is aware and reviews all finished intelligence prior to publication.

I've also tried to reach LTG Daly but haven't made it onto his schedule yet. As soon as I lock in more of the Army leadership I'll let you know ahead of time.

V/r, (b) (6)

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From: (b) (6)
Date: Monday, Jun 29, 2020, 2:50 PM
To: (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6)
(b) (6)
Subject: RE: POC info for ITF (UNCLASSIFIED)

(b) (6)

Thanks for the note. We are happy to support anyway we can.

Can you tell me what information has been shared at the Senior Army level? I want to ensure our Army leadership is aware of any Army support to this ITF.

Thanks,

(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)

Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 1:35 PM

To: (b) (6)

Subject: RE: POC info for ITF (UNCLASSIFIED)

Gents,

Just a quick note to first and foremost thank you for allowing (b) (6)'s continued support the Interagency Task Force (ITF). We absolutely wouldn't be where we are without his insights and understanding of a variety of scientific and technical disciplines. As you may be aware, I had a highly successful and well-received testimony to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence last week. The Committee Chair Senator Rubio and the Vice Chairman Senator Warner are both very supportive of this effort. This is a bipartisan issue that is viewed positively by both sides of the aisle. I expect an authorization and hopefully an appropriation, depending on the "color" of money, my plan is to park it all in (b) (6) PE with the full understanding that SMDC will tax it. This shows good faith to your organization for the support so far and I am relying on (b) (6) ties to University of Alabama Huntsville and other resources around the Arsenal for analytical support. With this I have asked my Legislative Affairs to work to get me in front of Senator Shelby. I can tell a great story about all the support we are getting from Huntsville.

In order to shorten the chain of command, I have been elevated up to Navy Staff, working on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy and reporting to the Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence within the office of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare (OPNAV N2N6). I am leading the ITF 100% of my time now.

I consider and refer to (b) (6) as the ITF Chief Scientist. He's a key member of the team and will help us make a mark on history.

V/r (b) (6)

Director, ITF

OPNAV N2N6I/Naval Intelligence Activity Pentagon

From: (b) (6)

Date: Thursday, Jun 25, 2020, 11:13 AM

To: (b) (6)

(b) (6)

Subject: POC info for ITF (UNCLASSIFIED)

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(b) (6)

I wanted to make certain that you had the emails for my direct management chain of command.

My supervisor is (b) (6) and then (b) (6) whom you've briefed.

Regards,

(b) (6) P.E.,

Principal Investigator

Quantum Entanglement and Space Technologies Lab

Space and Missile Defense Technical Center,

US Army Space and Missile Defense Command

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(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, October 30, 2020 11:08 AM
To: (b) (6)
Subject: (b) (6) Travel

(b) (6),

I hope all is well!

I am writing to ask if it would be ok to have (b) (6) travel up to DC for a couple days in mid-November. We are coordinating on several initiatives and it would be excellent to have him here in person to meet key folks at our sister agencies. I'd also love for him to go through our data holdings and provide his perspective. As of yet I don't have an electronic means of doing that...

We are still awaiting news of funding/resources. My first priority is getting some money down to SMDC either via a congressional add or internal DoD funding. I appreciate all the support!!

V/r, (b) (6)

(b) (6)

Director, UAPTF

OPNAV N2N6I/ Naval Intelligence Activity

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