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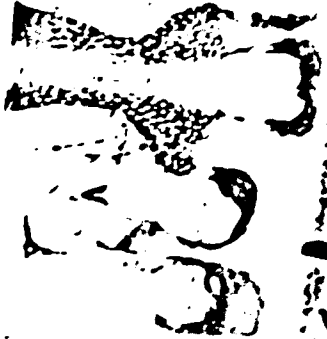


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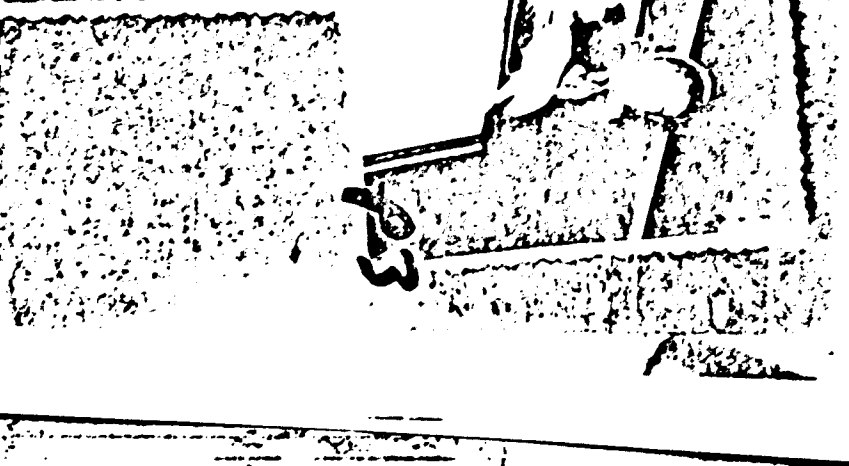
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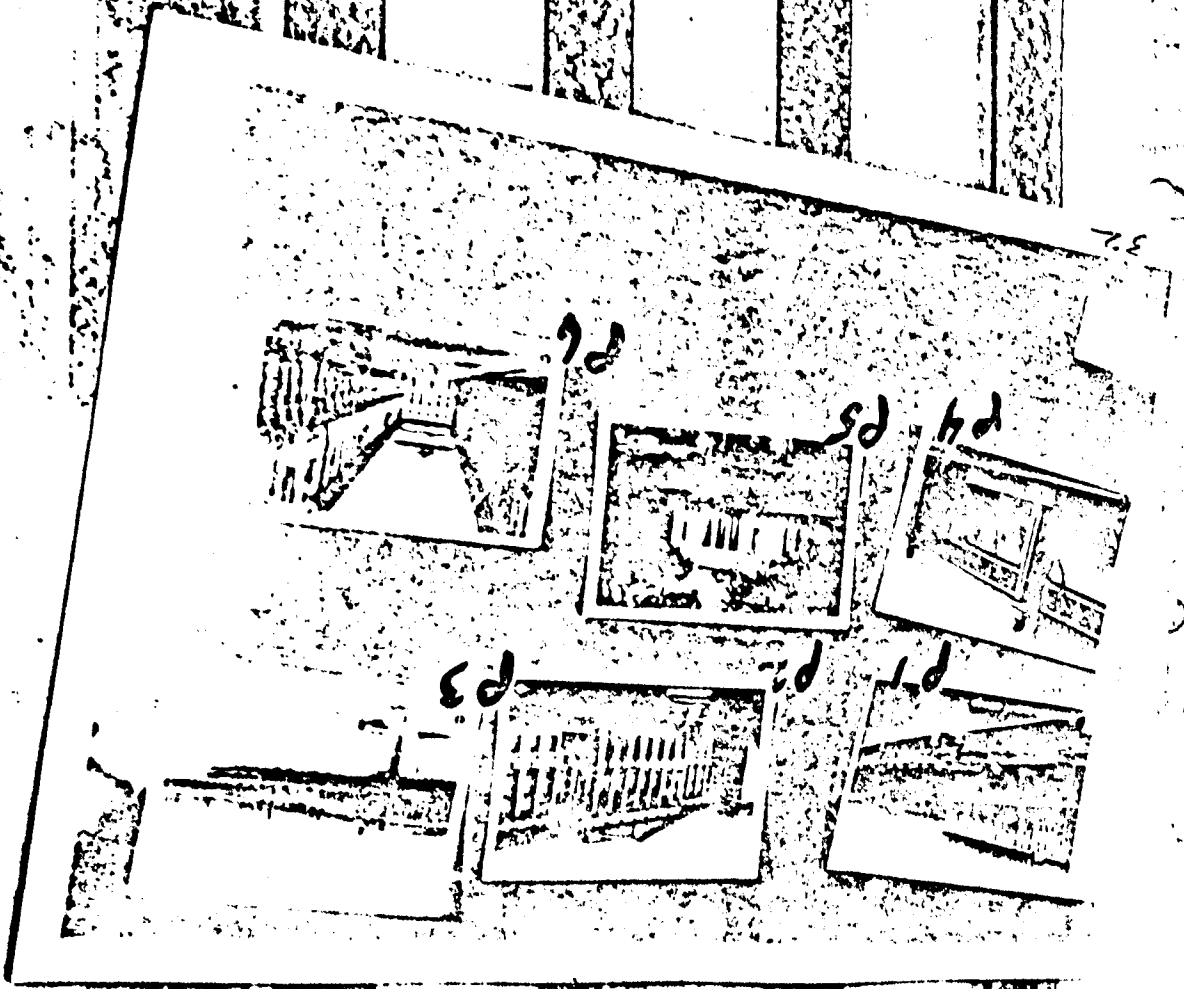
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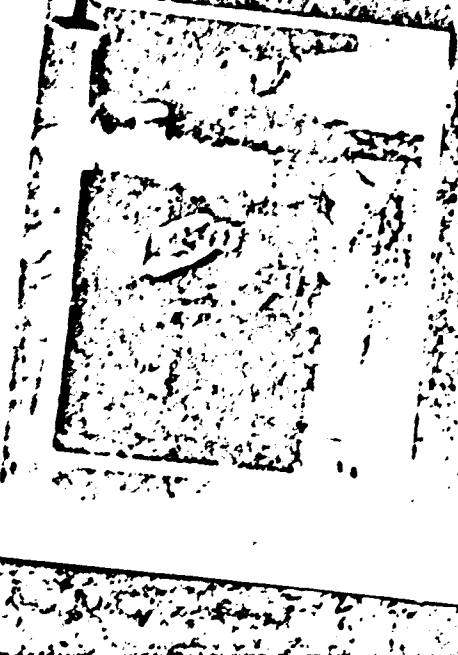
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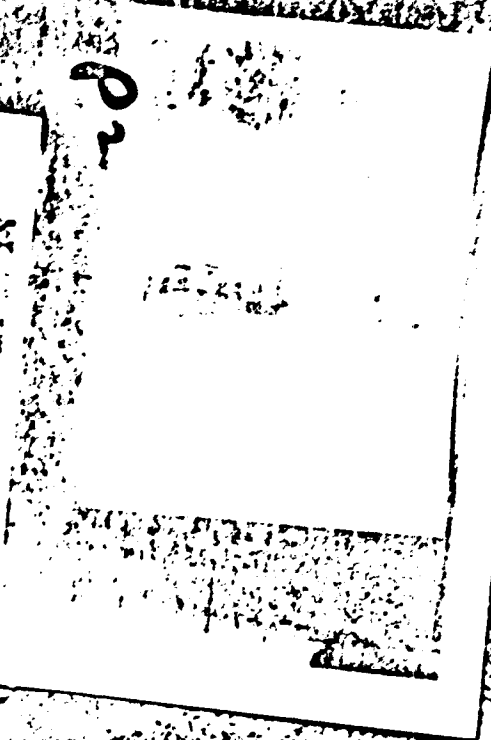
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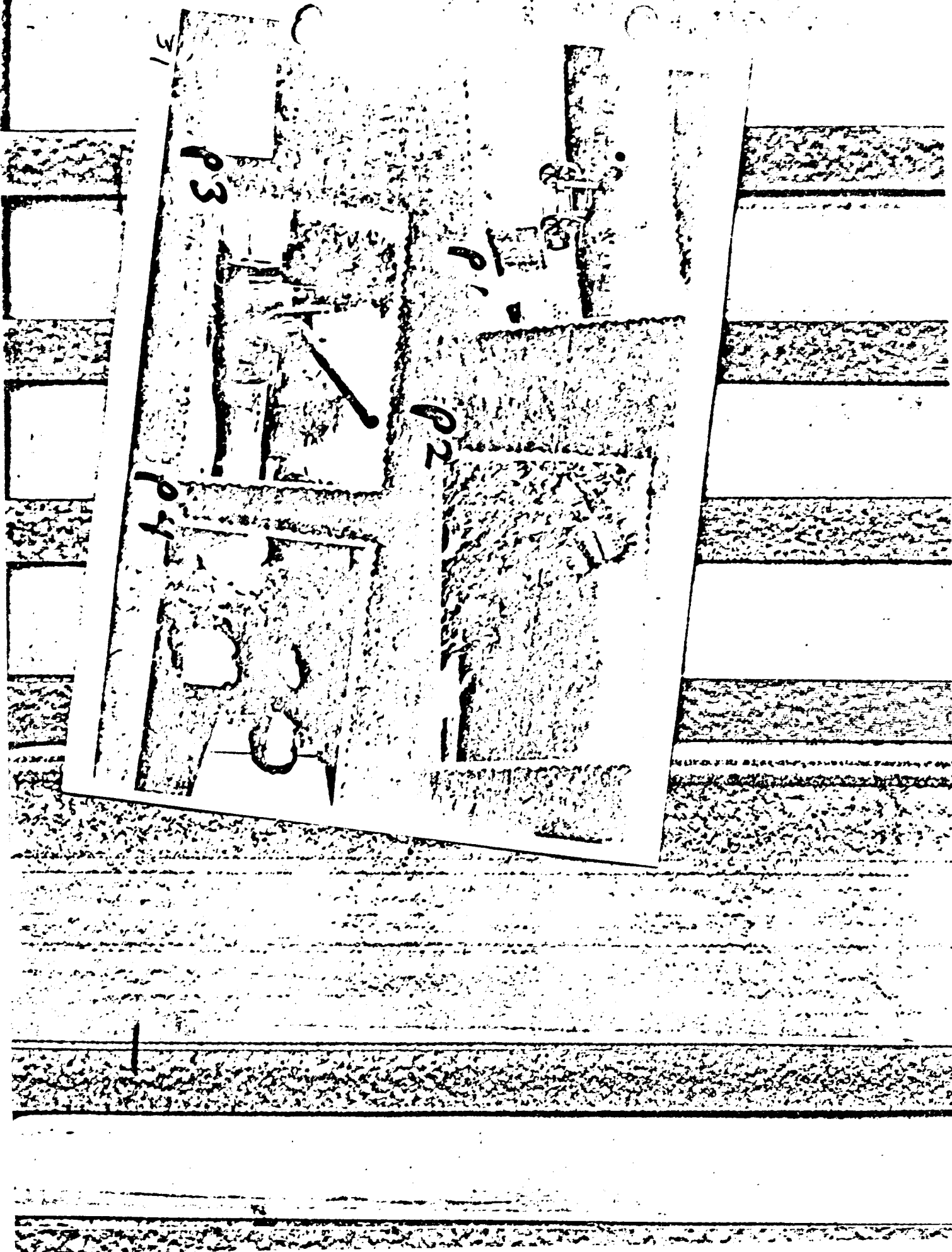
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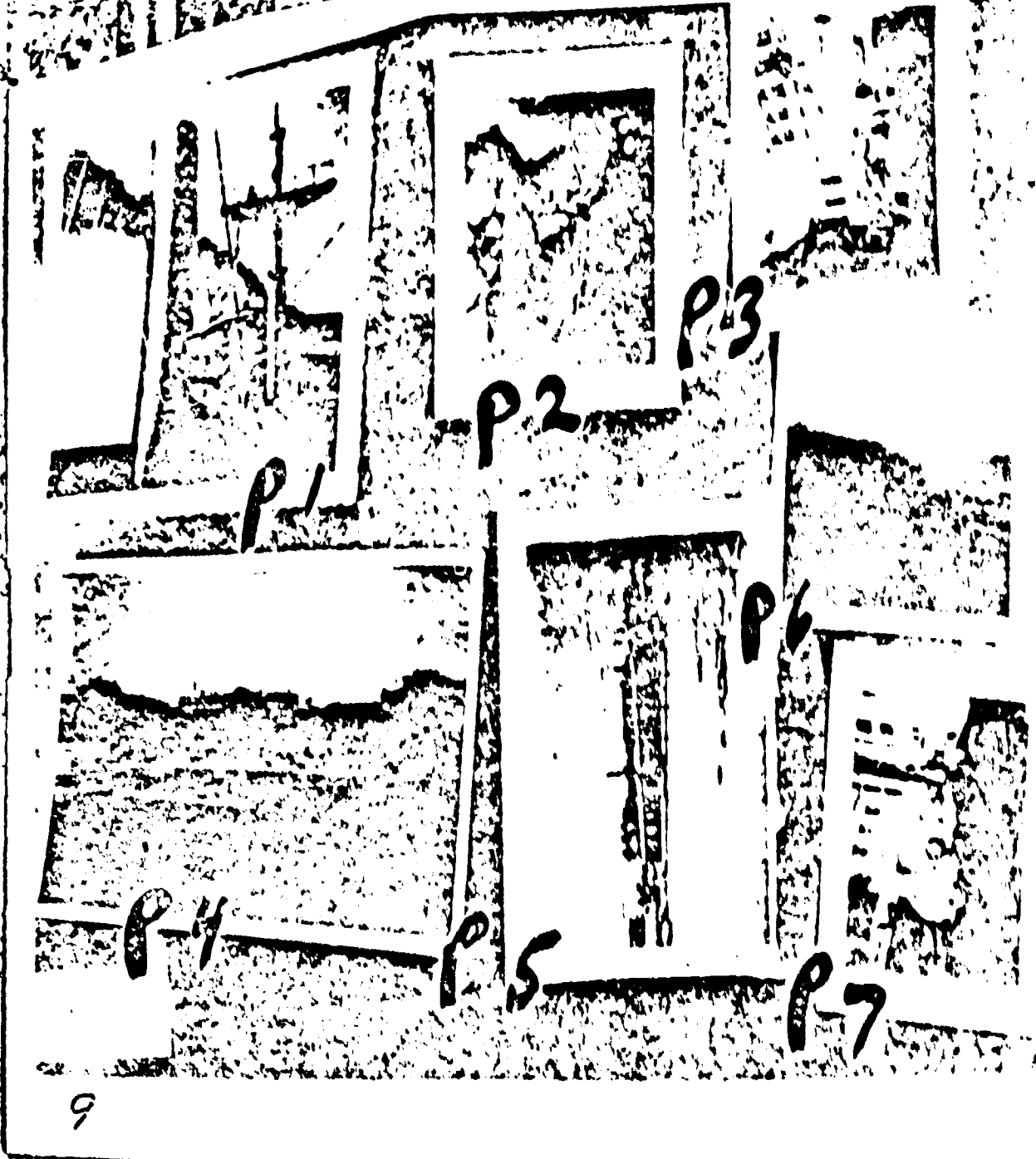
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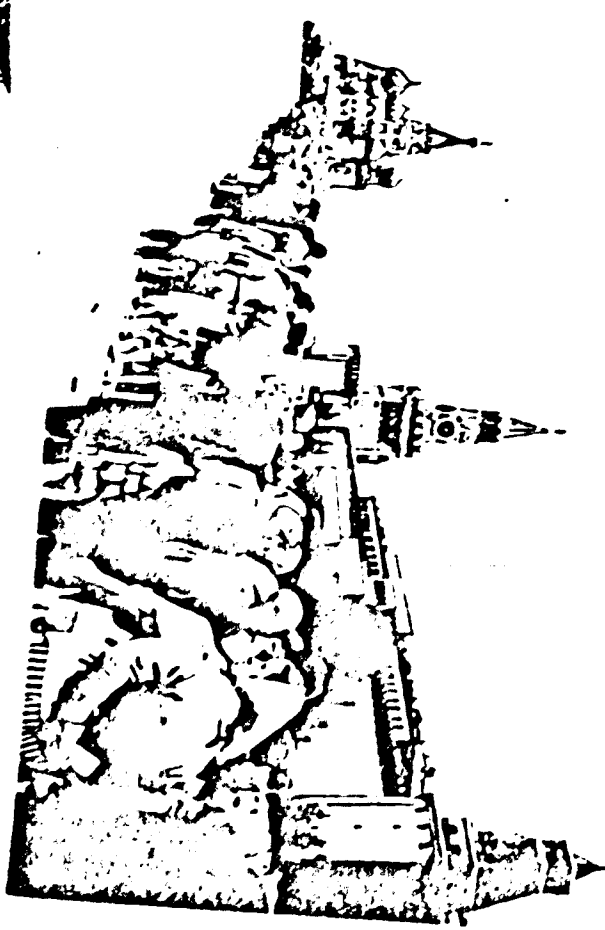




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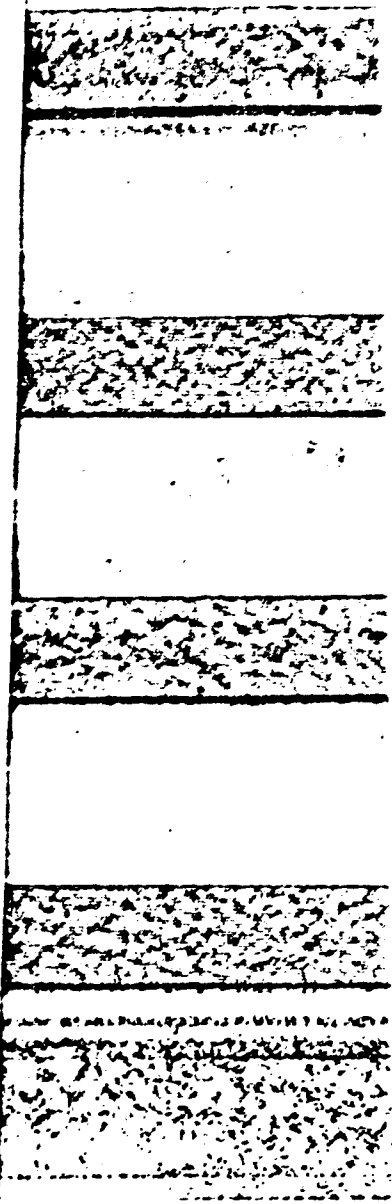
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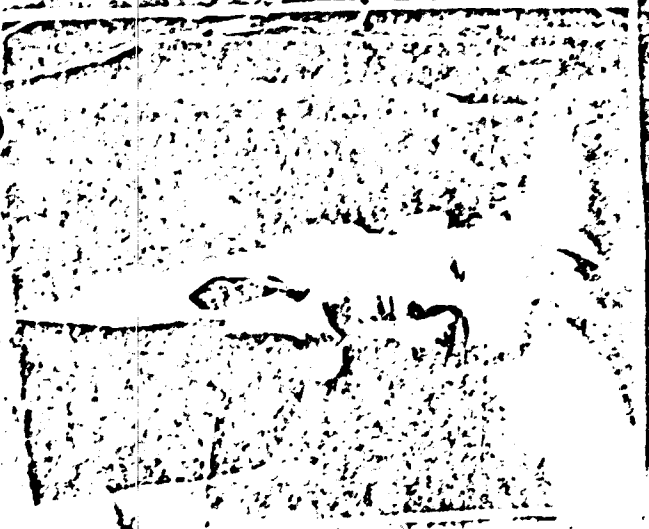


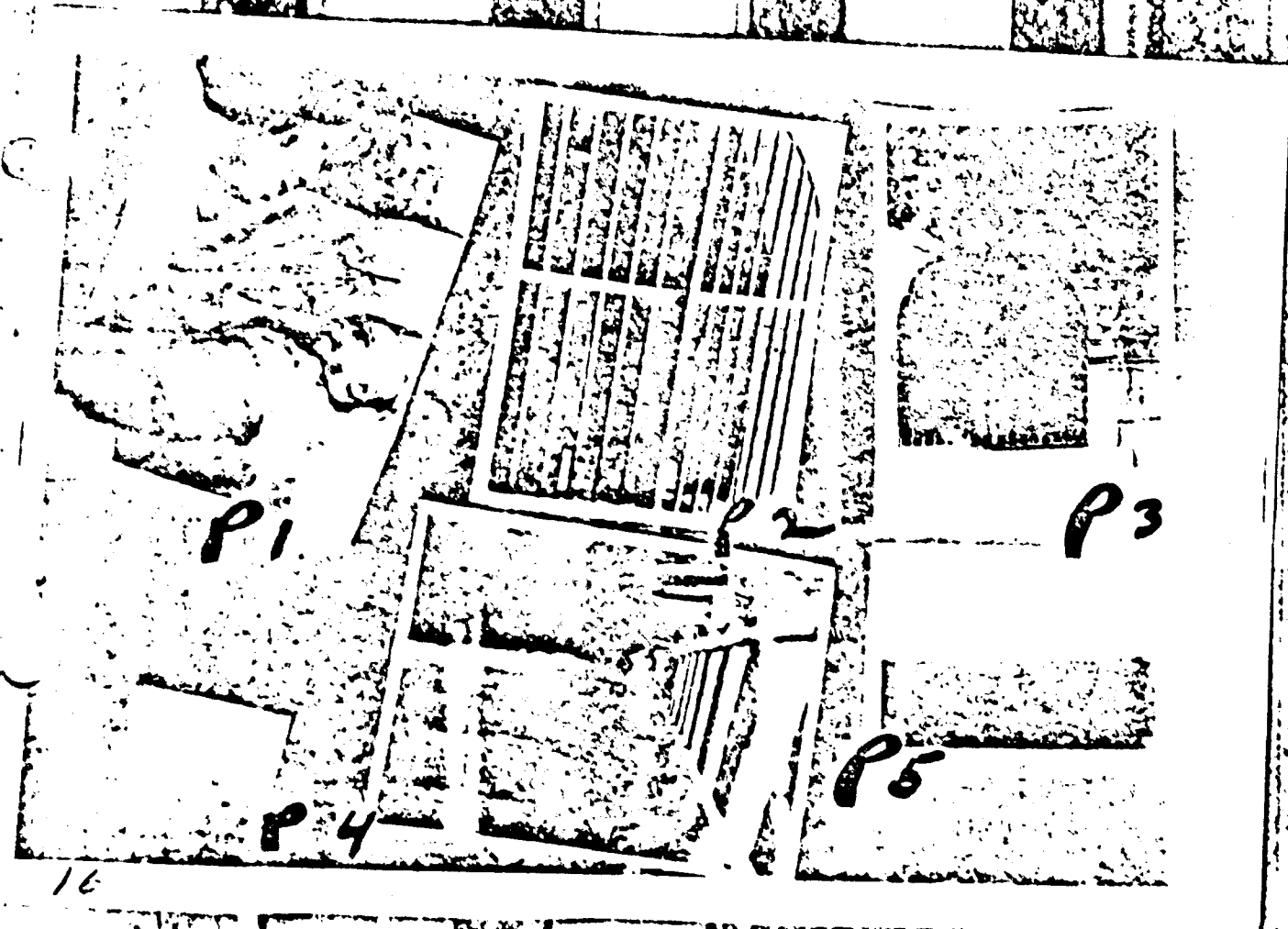
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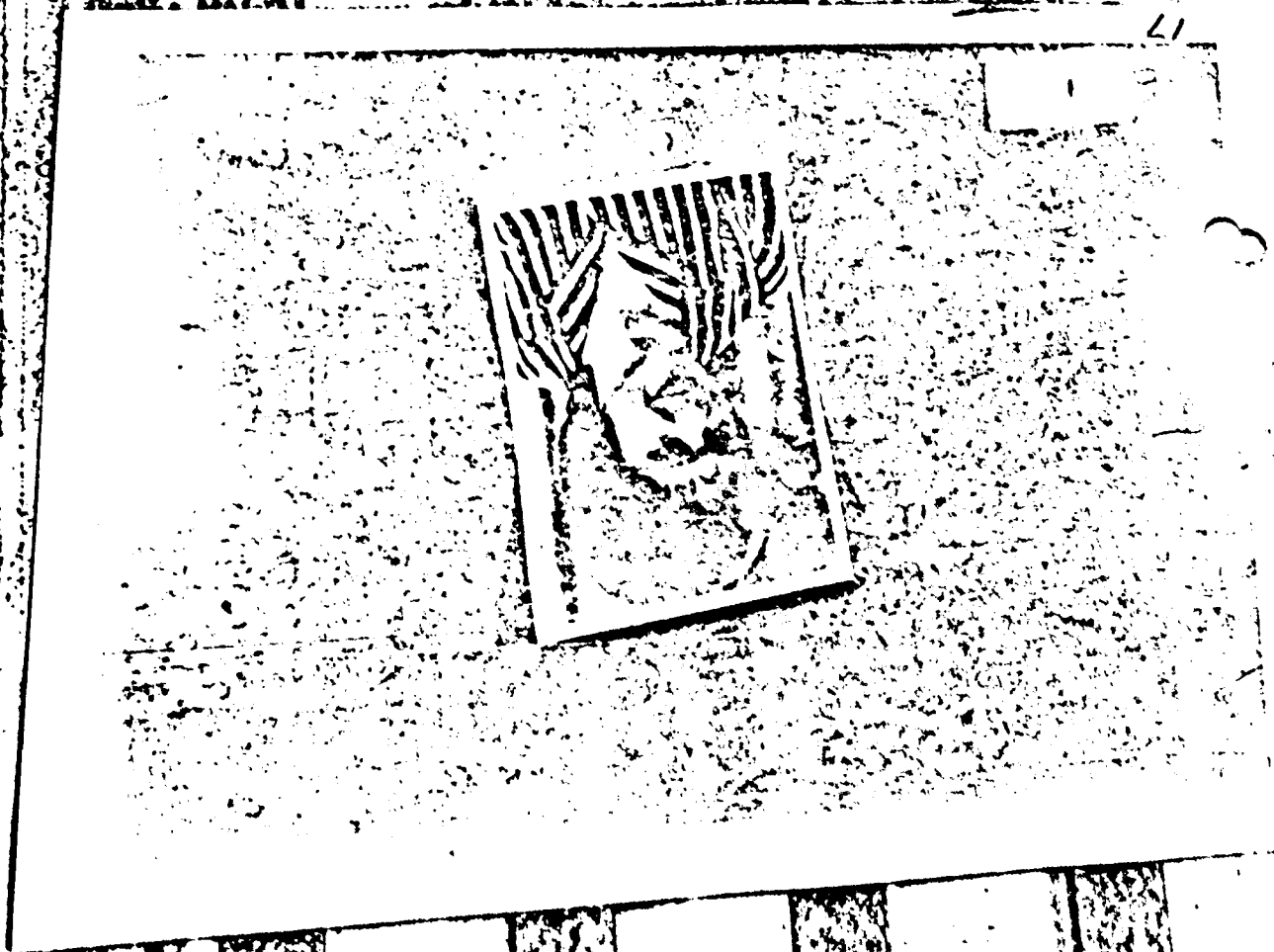


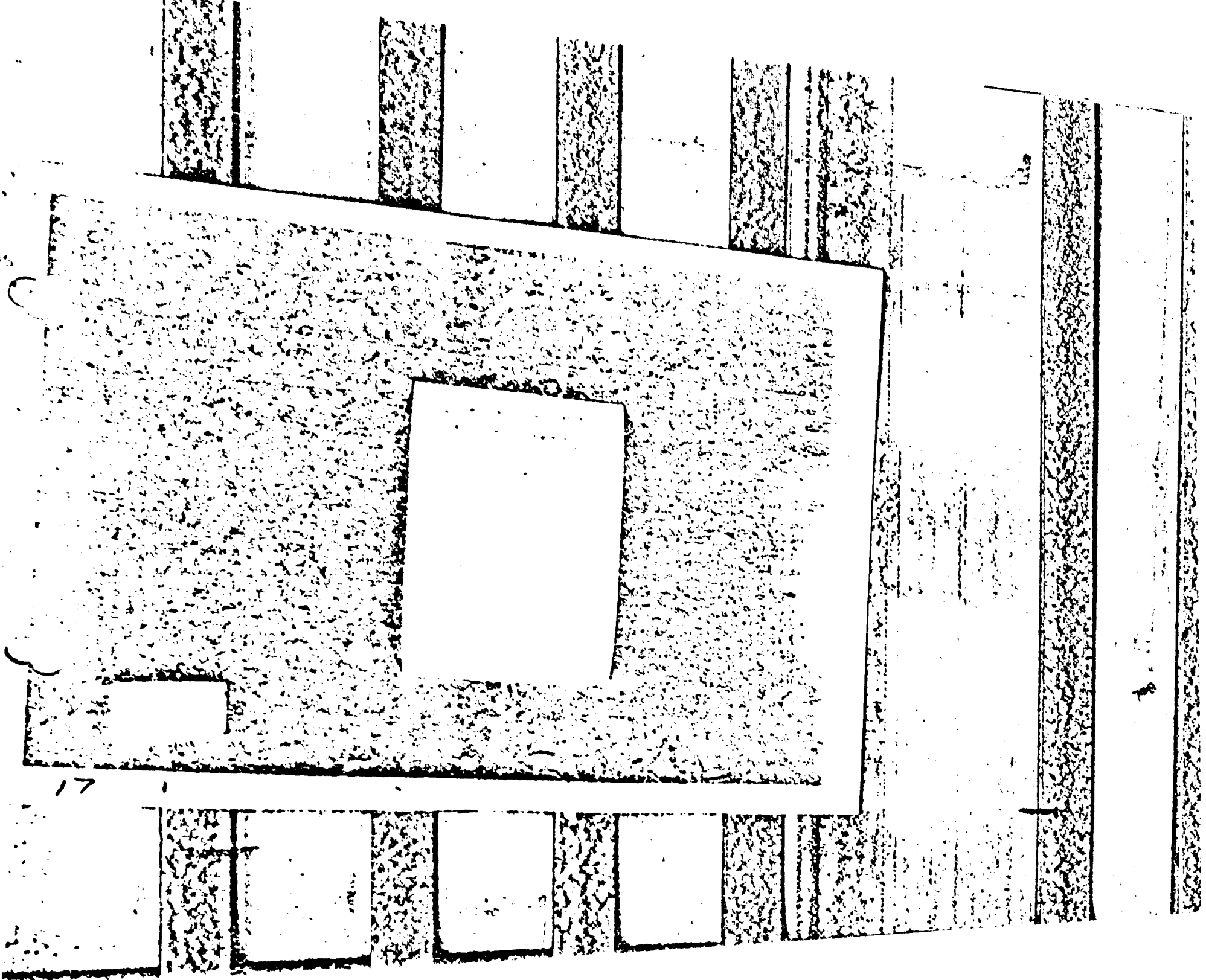
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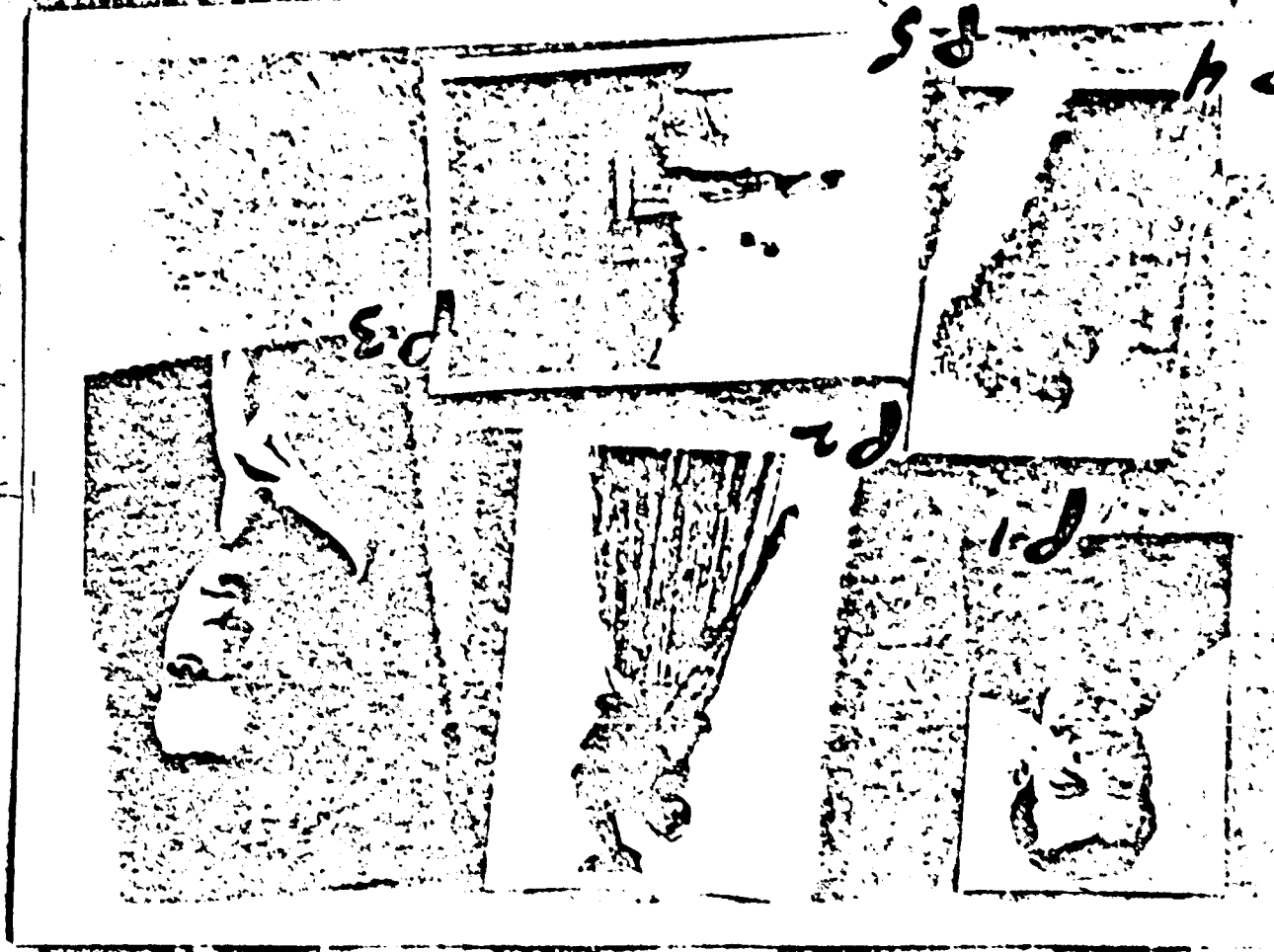


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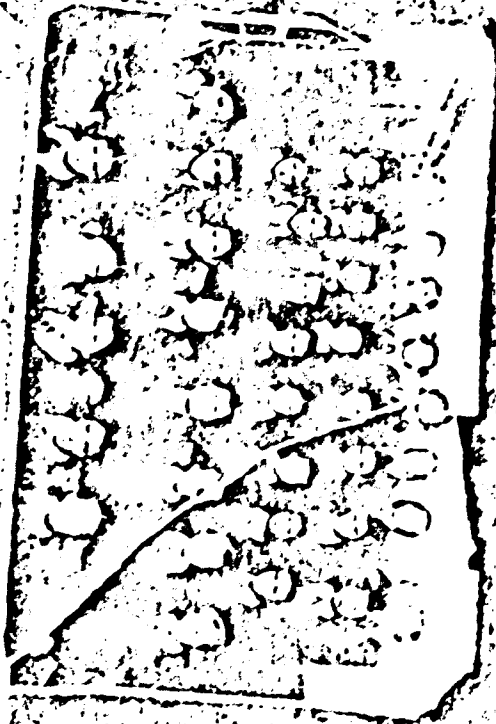
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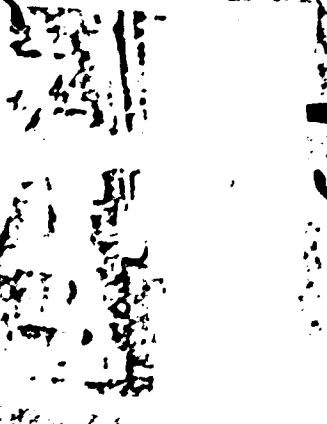


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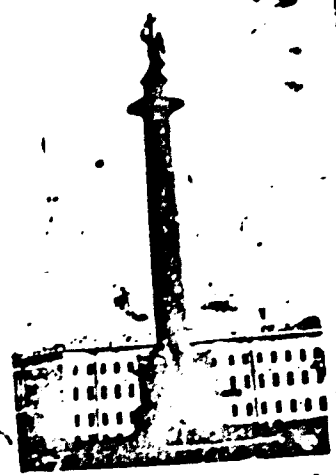


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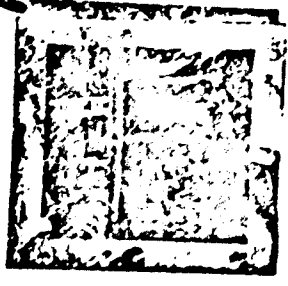
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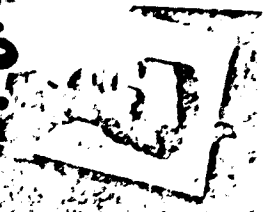




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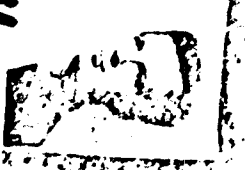
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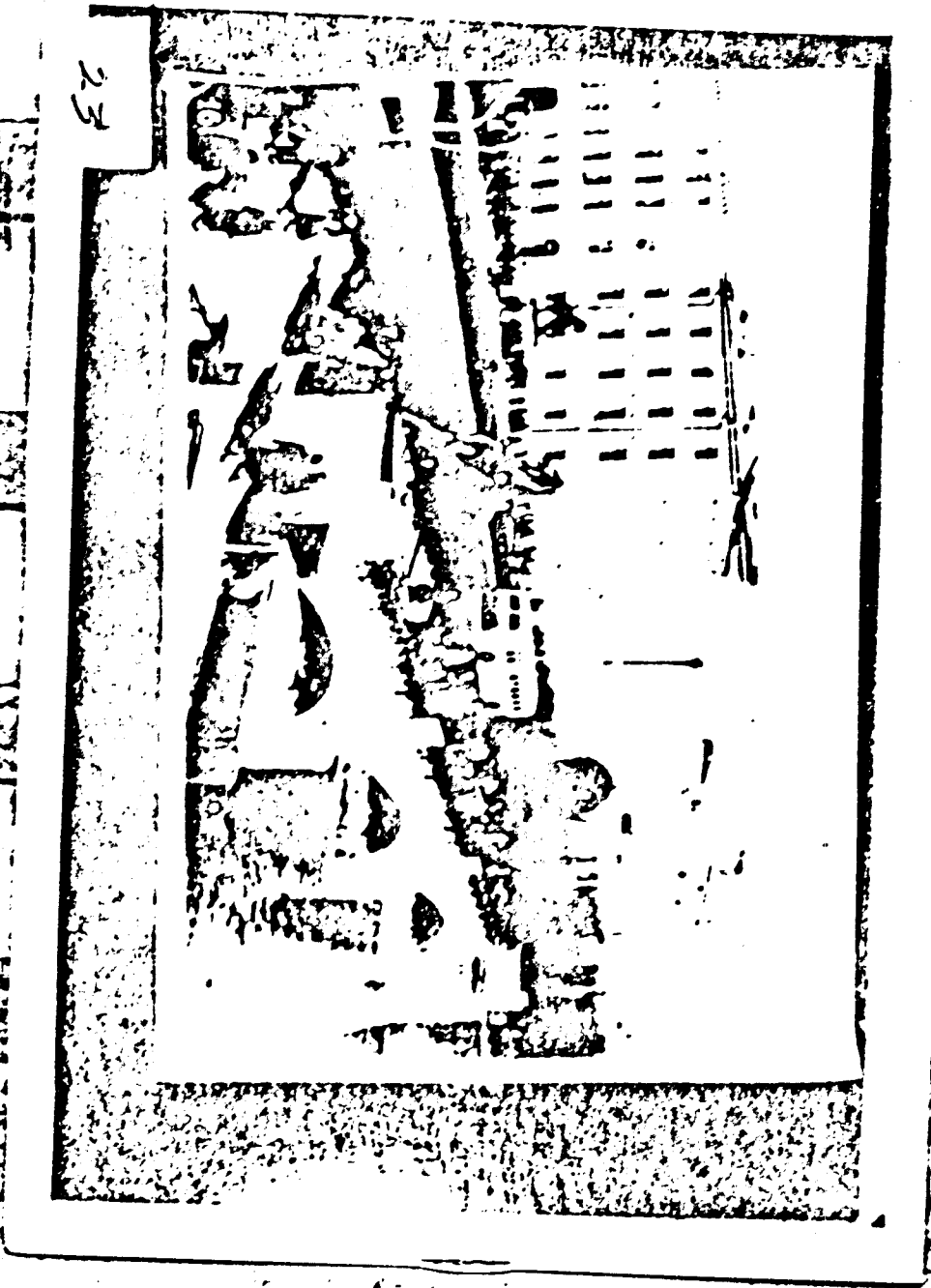


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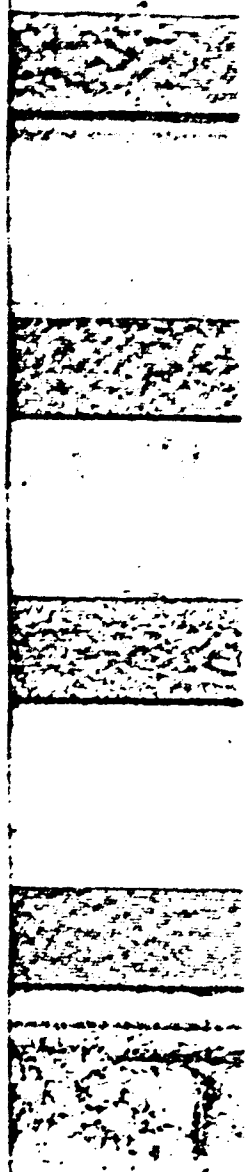
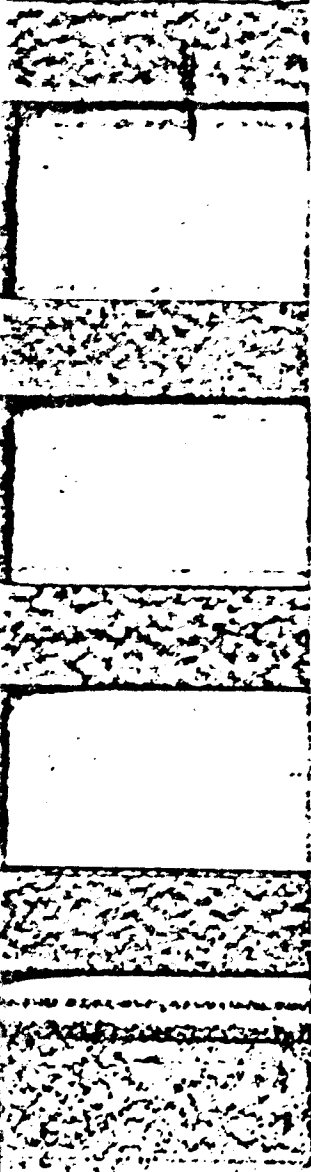
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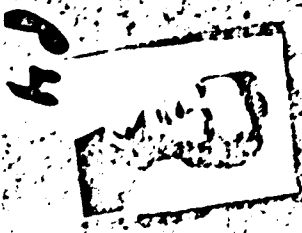
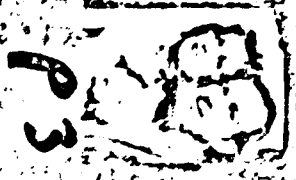


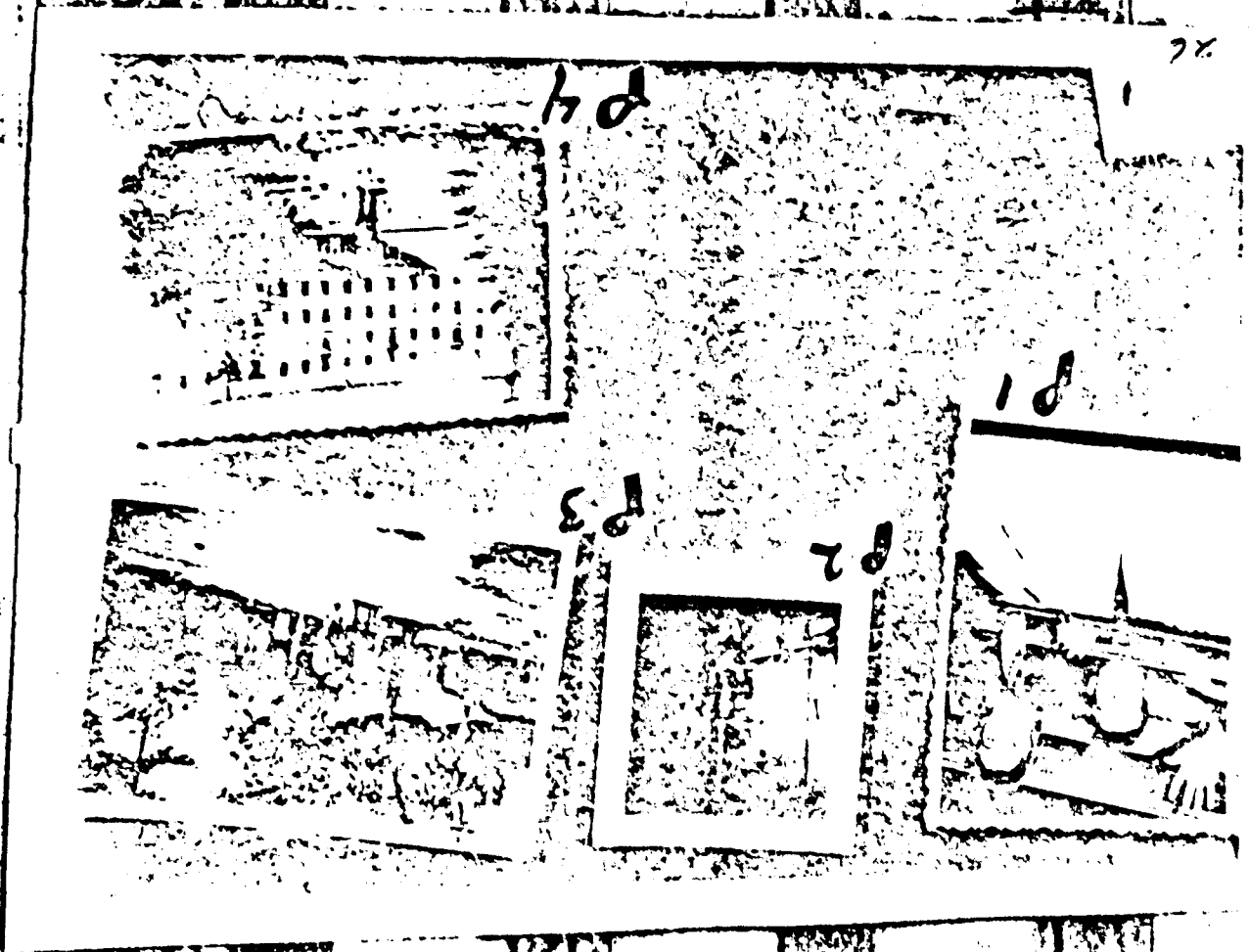
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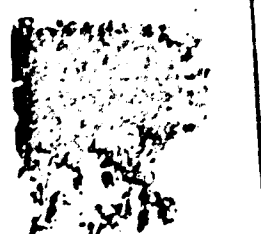
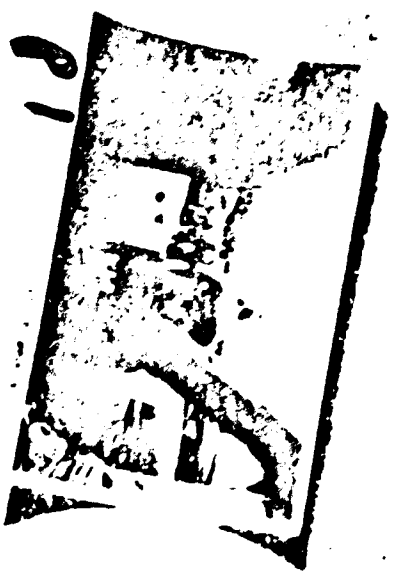
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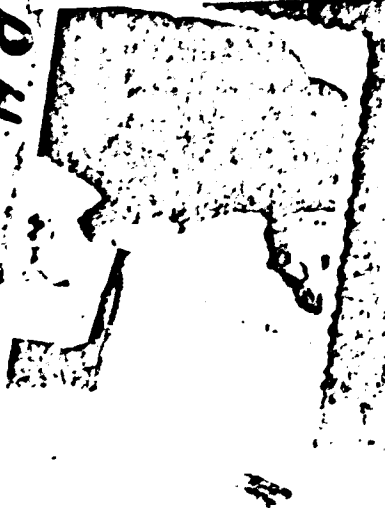
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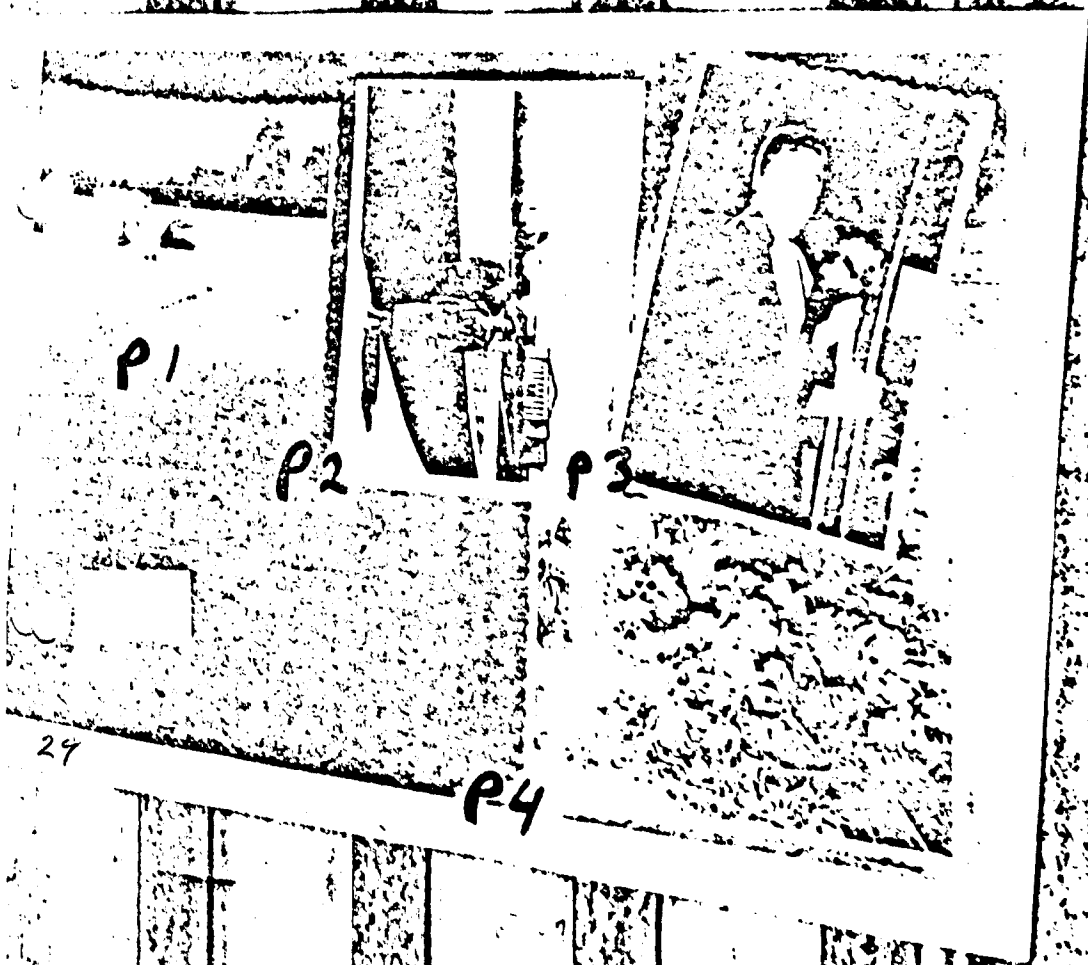
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S. Robert Kennedy  
Ministre of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir

I am an ancien communist leader who repudiated the communism, stayreg en portugal, under the protection of the authorities, helhus thew on communism repression.

I know all the communism organisation at U.S.A. source has foundation outill the present, as the F.B.I. doesu't know.

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"OSWALD DIDN'T KILLED KENNEDY BRET, YES, ...???"

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Yours respect fully

*General Protero*  
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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: January 28, 1964

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. Lenihan

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

The office of the Attorney General made available to the Bureau for any action deemed desirable a copy of a letter that was sent to the Attorney General from one General Protero, Apartado, Number 20, Amadora, Portugal. In this letter General Protero identifies himself as a former communist leader who repudiated communism and is residing in Portugal under protection of authorities. He indicated he is writing an article entitled "Oswald Didn't Killed Kennedy Bret, Yes, ..???" "The Yellow Danger," Protero requested he be furnished the name of an American book publisher who would publish his book. Protero's letter to the Attorney General was in the English language.

A check of Bureau files disclosed that we received a request from J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel of the Commission, dated 1/6/64 forwarding a letter in the Spanish language to the Bureau for its translation. This letter was from General Protero of the same address as above and contents of the letter were almost identical to the letter Protero wrote to the Attorney General. A translation of this letter was sent to Mr. Rankin by letter dated 1/8/64 in order that the Commission could evaluate its contents in accordance with Mr. Rankin's request.

OBSERVATIONS:

Ordinarily upon receipt of a letter such as this from the Department, we would instruct the Legat in Paris to identify General Protero through sources available to him and to interview Protero for any information latter might possess bearing on the assassination of President Kennedy. However, inasmuch as the Commission already has received such data for evaluation, it appears the Commission may have requested the Central Intelligence Agency or another Government agency to run out the necessary investigation abroad. In view of this it is felt Inspector Malley should contact Mr. Rankin and ascertain if the Commission desires this Bureau to conduct any further investigation regarding the information furnished by General Protero.

ACTION:

Inspector Malley should contact Rankin in line with the above observation.

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Mr. Belmont

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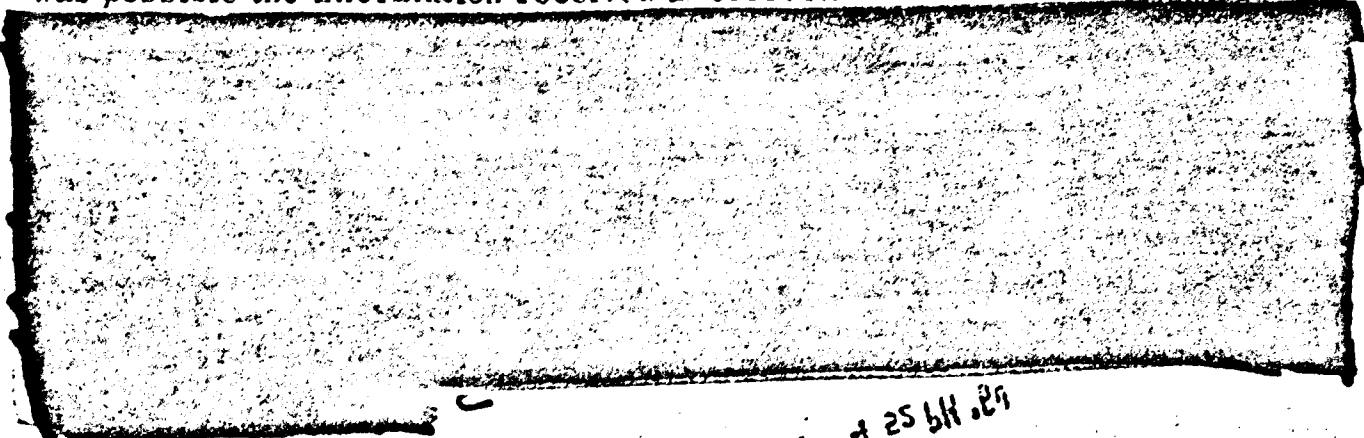
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*Lee Oswald*

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In response to a request from Mr. J. Lee Rankin, Malley attended a meeting which was scheduled at the offices of the President's Commission at 4:00 p. m., today. The meeting actually commenced about 4:35 p. m., and those present consisted of Chief Justice Earl Warren, Richard Helms of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), Tom Bellem of the Treasury Department, Inspector Tom Kelly of the Secret Service and Mr. Rankin. U

Chief Justice Warren stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider information now available as a result of investigation relating to Oswald's activities in foreign countries to determine if there was any way to prove or disprove the information now available. Chief Justice Warren stated that he had in mind that there might be some way of talking to individuals that had lived in some of these countries or any other sources that would know whether or not it was possible the information received is correct. U



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At this point the members present were told that the FBI <sup>Chairman</sup> desired to cooperate in every way possible with this investigation. In any instance where information had been developed by the Bureau which would be of value in a particular situation, we would like to be advised so that we could look it over. U

Helms stated at this point that it would not be necessary to necessarily turn over any written record for examination, but that in many instances it could probably be accomplished by merely furnishing some facts, without identifying the sources to these individuals, to see if a verification could be obtained. U

The group was again told that the FBI would be glad to assist in any way possible, and as soon as a specific instance was made known to us it would be checked. U

Following this discussion, Mr. Rankin stated that he believed that all the agencies represented were more than desirous of cooperating



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RE: PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION

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to the fullest extent and that he would have members of the Commission staff select that information which he believed offered possibilities along the lines desired, and would then have the respective agencies contacted for the determination of the best procedure to follow.

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RECOMMENDATION:

No. That is Henkin's  
problem. Not ours. I think  
there is a lot of nonsense  
to it but I don't want  
stuff in making any obstacles  
let them have every thing & do  
it promptly so CIA can't blame  
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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 1/31/64

FROM : A. Rosen *ARM*

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA

Memorandum of 1/28/64 from Branigan to Sullivan set forth information concerning a letter directed to the Attorney General from one General Protero, Apartado, Number 20, Amadora, Portugal.

This matter was discussed with Mr. Howard P. Willens of the President's Commission staff in the absence of Mr. Rankin. Mr. Willens advised that a more recent letter had been received from General Protero wherein he made a request of the Commission to take certain action in connection with the United Nations. He advised that the Commission had taken no action to have any further check made on this matter and that the Commission did not intend to initiate any investigation in this matter. Mr. Willens advised the Commission would leave it to the judgment of the Bureau as to whether or not any further action should be taken.

ACTION:

Inasmuch as there is some investigation which can be done concerning this matter, appropriate inquiry should be made in order that it can be completely resolved. Appropriate inquiry should therefore be made through Legat in Paris to handle this matter.

- 1 - Mr. Evans
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ADDENDUM: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION: AJD:icb - 1/31/64

By cablegram dated 1/31/64 Legal Attache, Paris, instructed to immediately identify Protero through its sources in Portugal, have Protero interviewed by the sources concerning any information he might possess bearing on the assassination of President Kennedy. Legal Attache instructed to submit his reply by cablegram.

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Protero to  
Beckman*

January 31, 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. BELMONT  
MR. MOHR  
MR. SULLIVAN  
MR. ROSEN  
MR. MALLEY  
MR. DE LOACH

On January 29, 1964, Mr. J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel of the Presidential Commission headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren, called to see me. He stated that the Commission had asked him to personally see me relative to a matter in which the Commission members were extremely interested.

He stated that there had appeared before the Commission, Mr. Henry M. Wade, a former Special Agent of the Bureau and who is now State District Attorney at Dallas, Texas. He stated Wade advised the Commission that he had left the Bureau with a good record and that, in fact, the Bureau had endeavored to dissuade him from leaving. (The summary on Wade, dated January 29, 1964, which is attached, does not substantiate this last statement of Wade as it will be noted that a few months after leaving the Bureau, he sought reinstatement, stating he had made a mistake in resigning, but his request for reinstatement was refused since the Bureau's request for his deferment under the Selective Service Act had already been withdrawn.)

Mr. Rankin stated that Mr. Wade indicated he had left the Bureau with an excellent record and there was no indication of any differences which he might have had with the Bureau.

Mr. Rankin stated that Mr. Wade had advised the Commission that a reporter by the name of Lonnie Hudkins of the Houston Post, Houston, Texas, had printed an article to the effect that Lee Harvey Oswald was a confidential informant or undercover agent for the FBI.

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Mr. Wade further advised the Commission that Lee Harvey Oswald bore the designation of "173" as an informant of the FBI and was paid \$200 a month. Apparently the Commission questioned Mr. Wade at some length about this and Mr. Wade further advised the Commission that he, Mr. Wade, while in the Bureau worked in South America for the FBI. I note from the summary attached on Wade that he had an SIS assignment at Quito, Ecuador, during 1942 and 1943. I note further that he was placed on leave without pay on June 1, 1942, and departed from Washington for Quito, Ecuador, on July 23, 1942, arriving in Quito in August, 1942. Effective September 1, 1942, he was placed on the confidential rolls. On May 20, 1943, he submitted his resignation with active duty ceasing at the close of business May 20, 1943.

Mr. Rankin stated that Wade informed the Commission that he was supplied from time to time with various sums of money by the FBI for which he did not have to account nor obtain any receipt from the person or persons to whom he disbursed the money. Mr. Wade stated to the Commission that there was no record of how such funds were spent nor for what purposes they were used by the employee of the FBI to whom the money was given. The Commission, according to Mr. Rankin, concluded that there would be no record of expenditures at Washington, D. C., or any other place in the FBI showing who were employed as confidential informants or the amount paid to them.

Mr. Rankin stated that the Commission was concerned as to how this matter could be resolved, and it was for this reason that they had asked him to see me. He stated the Commission did not desire to initiate an investigation on the outside, such as the calling of Mr. Maddins, who was the originator of the story and from whom apparently Wade gained his first information as it might appear the Commission was investigating the FBI.

I told Mr. Rankin that I thought the Commission should immediately call Mr. Maddins before it, place him under oath, and demand of him the source of his information. I stated that I doubted he would give it to them and would either take the position he could not recall from where he obtained it or resort to the claim that a newspaper reporter's sources are privileged.

I told Mr. Rankin further that insofar as Mr. Wade's statements were concerned as to how monies were disbursed within the Bureau, off hand I could not speak authoritatively upon the disbursement of funds during the

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operation of our SIS, but I did not believe that there was any such loose administration of our funds as had been indicated. I told Mr. Rankin that I most certainly could state that at least for the last twenty years I know Mr. Wade's statements would not hold water.

I then outlined to Mr. Rankin generally the procedures that are followed, namely, that every cent is strictly accounted for and the identity of every informant is known to and a record maintained of at the Washington headquarters of the Bureau with indications of the amount of money that is paid to him.

Mr. Rankin inquired of me as to how I would suggest this aspect be developed. I told Mr. Rankin I would be very willing to make an affidavit covering these matters or to appear in person and testify under oath as to what the facts were.

I told Mr. Rankin that Lee Harvey Oswald was never at any time a confidential informant, an undercover agent, or even a source of information for the FBI, and I would like to see that clearly stated on the record of the Commission and I would be willing to so state under oath.

I asked for and received from Mr. Belmont a memorandum as to the handling of funds within the Bureau and it does show that there has been strict accounting of our monies disbursed by the Bureau under SIS as well as subsequent to our withdrawal from SIS operations.

I would like to now have a further analysis of exactly how Wade operated and how monies were paid to him as well as a listing of the funds supplied him and what disposition he made of them. Wade has certainly grossly misinterpreted to the Presidential Commission the manner in which the Bureau operates its informants and it is the desire of the Commission and most certainly that of myself to have this clarified and the record set straight.

Mr. Rankin took occasion while he was here to express appreciation of the cooperation which has been extended by the Bureau to the Presidential Commission and how helpful the Bureau has been to it. I commented to him.

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that I had not appreciated the what I interpreted as carping criticism of the Chief Justice when he referred to the Bureau's report originally submitted to the Commission as being a "skeleton" report and his more recent comment that the Commission was engaged in filling in the "gaps" in the investigation. I stated that the report as originally prepared at the direction of the President was intended to be released as promptly as finished by the White House in order to put an end to the many rumors already in circulation which had no basis in fact and that, therefore, the report was in a narrative form unlike the usual reports which are prepared for use in prosecutions. I stated that as he well knew, we had now supplied to the Commission the so-called "raw material" which was the language of the Chief Justice and that these reports totaled over 10,000 pages and that he no doubt would receive some thousand more as the investigation was still continuing.

As soon as I receive the memorandum which I have requested above, I will want them to have the first memorandum which Mr. Belmont has admitted to me combined with such pertinent material as the memorandum which I have now requested into an affidavit which I may sign and have with me when I am called before the Presidential Commission and which I will ask the Commission to make a part of the record in addition to any statement which they request me to make or any answers to questions which they may propound.

Very truly yours,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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# Memorandum

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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: February 1, 1964

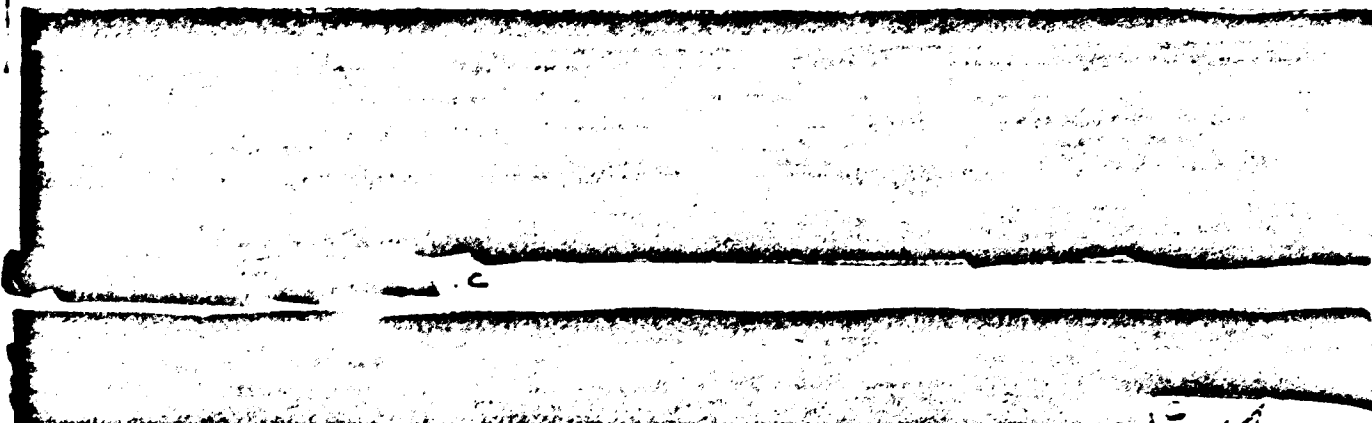
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SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
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At 6:55 a.m. 2/1/64 Assistant Legat Attache Pete Winter-Paris called E. T. Turner, the Agent on duty in Domestic Intelligence Division, and referred to Bureau cable 1/31/64 requesting that General Protero, who has written the Attorney General and the President's Commission from Portugal, be located and interviewed. U



Winter will confirm this call by cable, Monday 2/3/64. U

ACTION:

On receipt of the cable from Paris, letters will be sent to the Attorney General and Mr. Lee Rankin, Counsel of the President's Commission, informing them concerning "General Protero." U

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Rerep SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, Dallas, 1/22/64.

Bureau and New Orleans are requested to change the word "Mexico" to "Moscow" in Line 5, Paragraph 3, Page 217, of rerep.

Dallas copies have been corrected.

*Let Rankin  
2-6-64  
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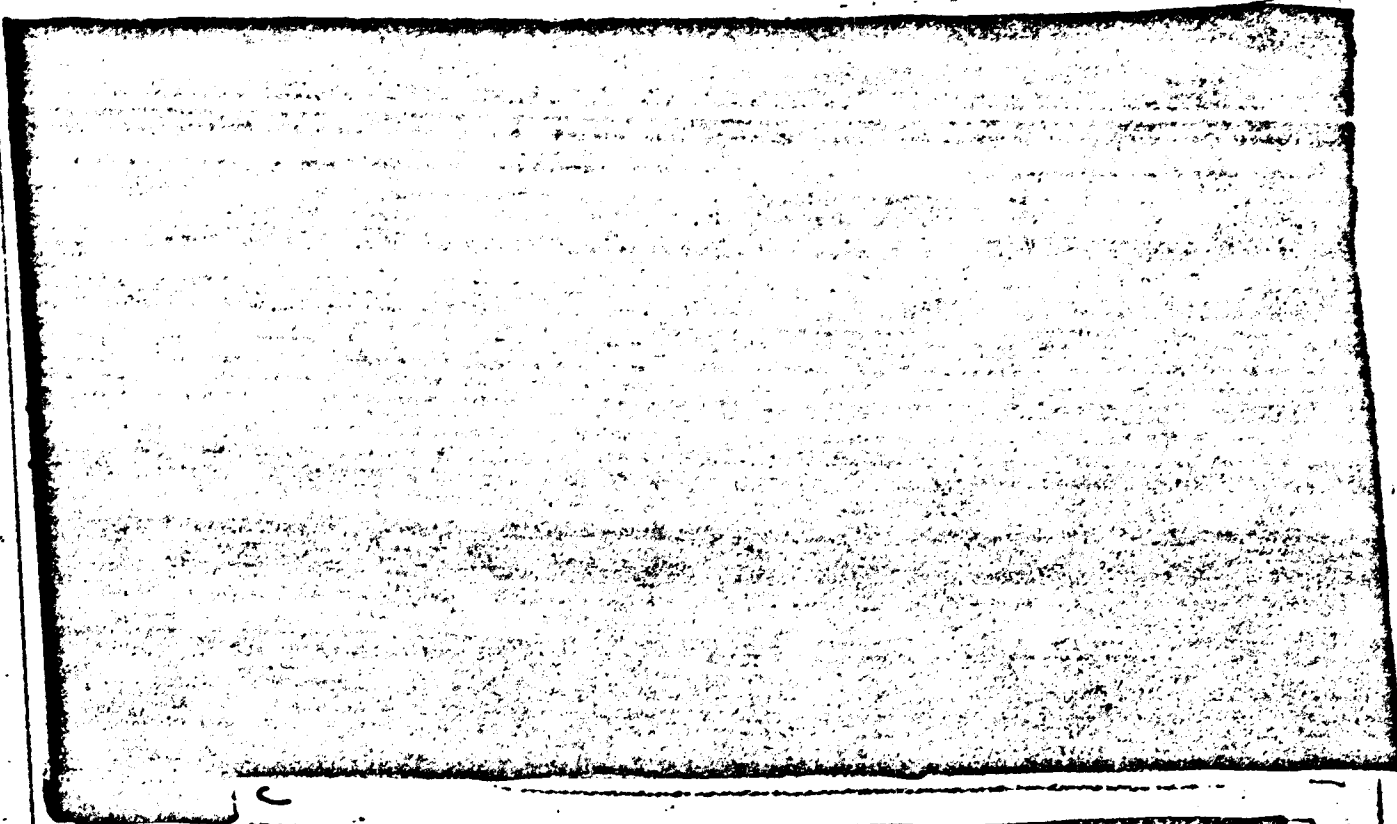
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LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-C.

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*Call to Paris 7/31/77*  
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 NORMAN W. PHILCOX

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 2:10 PM NCC *[Signature]*

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