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**Analysis of Photographic  
Image to Evaluate System  
Performance Mission 1009-2**

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**Summary of Microdensitometer Derived Image Quality Data Collected from Mission 1009-2**

**SECTION I: INTRODUCTION**

Microdensitometer tracing of scene edges has been used as an objective technique for evaluating photographic system performance. In this report, the evaluation data is presented as spread function width in microns and resolving power in lines per millimeter. A statistical summary of the edge data is presented in Section II, giving the arithmetic mean, standard deviation, coefficient of dispersion, and number of edges. Section III is a tabulation of the location, description, and image quality data for each edge. Frequency plots of the spread function and resolving power data are presented as Section IV, to show the distribution of values. Summary of all C/M/J Missions traced to date is presented in Section V. Section VI is included to show the sensitometric data for this mission. A diagram of the reference system used in describing the orientation of an edge and a temporary coordinate system used to locate the edges within a frame are presented as Appendix A.

The image quality data was obtained from sharp scene edges in the original negative by scanning with a Kodak Model 5 microdensitometer. A 1 x 80 micron slit was used. The data reduction consisted of the following steps:

- (a) hand smoothing of the microdensitometer strip chart recording,
- (b) key punching of chart (density) values at sample distance increments of 0.420 microns,
- (c) I.B.M. 1620 computer conversion of chart values to relative exposure values, and
- (d) computer conversion of exposure data to line spread function and modulation transfer function by numerical methods.

The edge resolving power was predicted graphically as the intersection of the MTF curve and the aerial image modulation curve for 4404 film at a test object contrast of 2:1. The spread function width was calculated from the first differences of relative exposure as the width at which the gradient became 50% of the maximum gradient.

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Resolution in lines/mm based on the aerial image modulation - 4404 curve from edge trace data reduced by computer techniques.

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| Arithmetic Mean           | 83.5 |
| Standard Deviation        | 26.3 |
| Coefficient of Dispersion | 31%  |
| Number of Edges           | 101  |

Spread function width at 50% amplitude in microns from edge trace data reduced by computer techniques.

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| Arithmetic Mean           | 13.4 |
| Standard Deviation        | 5.3  |
| Coefficient of Dispersion | 40%  |
| Number of Edges           | 101  |

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| Edge No. | Camera | Pass | Frame | Location | Orientation | Subject                   | 50% Amplitude Spread Function Width (Microns) | A.I.M. Resolution |
|----------|--------|------|-------|----------|-------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------|
|          |        |      |       |          |             |                           |   |                   |
| 1A       | Fwd    | D-53 | 133   | A-8      | 115         | Airfield                  | 8.7   | 102               |
| 2        | Aft    | D-53 | 137   | A-6      | 115         | Airfield                  | 16.2  | 126               |
| 3A       | Aft    | D-53 | 142   | A-8      | 030         | Dam                       | 12.4  | 69                |
| 4        | Aft    | D-52 | 144   | B-C-11   | 105         | Airfield                  | 14.9  | 76                |
| 4A       | Aft    | D-52 | 144   | B-C-11   | 105         | Airfield                  | 18.7  | 65                |
| 6        | Aft    | D-52 | 154   | C-10     | 170         | Buildings                 | 13.9  | 58                |
| 6A       | Aft    | D-52 | 154   | C-10     | 170         | Buildings                 | 10.4  | 84                |
| 7        | Aft    | D-52 | 170   | A-7      | 040         | Airfield                  | 12.7  | 90                |
| 7A       | Aft    | D-52 | 170   | A-7      | 040         | Airfield                  | 9.0   | 112               |
| 8        | Aft    | D-52 | 172   | B-6      | 038         | Airfield                  | 7.9   | 104               |
| 8A       | Aft    | D-52 | 172   | B-6      | 038         | Airfield                  | 10.0  | 106               |
| 9        | Aft    | D-52 | 180   | A-5      | 175         | Airfield                  | 12.3  | 75                |
| 9A       | Aft    | D-52 | 180   | A-5      | 175         | Airfield                  | 19.6  | 45                |
| 10       | Fwd    | D-52 | 139   | A-3      | 095         | Airfield                  | 19.2  | 76                |
| 11       | Fwd    | D-52 | 122   | A-9      | 130         | Airfield                  | 15.6  | 84                |
| 11A      | Fwd    | D-52 | 122   | A-9      | 130         | Airfield                  | 22.2  | 57                |
| 12       | Fwd    | D-52 | 175   | A-10     | 175         | Airfield                  | 6.9   | 126               |
| 12A      | Fwd    | D-52 | 175   | A-10     | 175         | Airfield                  | 10.5  | 83                |
| 14       | Aft    | D-61 | 014   | B-11     | 170         | Bridge                    | 19.0  | 72                |
| 15       | Aft    | D-61 | 015   | B-10     | 130         | Dock                      | 10.4  | 83                |
| 16       | Aft    | D-61 | 019   | C-7-8    | 030         | Airfield & 11.1 Buildings |   | 76                |

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| <u>Edge No.</u> | <u>Camera</u> | <u>Pass</u> | <u>Frame</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Orientation</u> | <u>Subject</u>         | <u>50% Width (Microns)</u> | <u>A.I.M. Resolution</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 16A             | Aft           | D-61        | 019          | C-7-8           | 030                | Airfield & Buildings   | 14.7                       | 88                       |
| 17              | Aft           | D-61        | 022          | B-7             | 090                | Airfield               | 8.4                        | 110                      |
| 17A             | Aft           | D-61        | 022          | B-7             | 090                | Airfield               | 6.4                        | 135                      |
| 18              | Aft           | D-61        | 016          | C-10            | 010                | Bridge                 | 22.7                       | 54                       |
| 19              | Fwd           | D-61        | 007          | C-2             | 095                | Airfield               | 12.6                       | 111                      |
| 19A             | Fwd           | D-61        | 007          | C-2             | 095                | Airfield               | 7.2                        | 124                      |
| 21              | Fwd           | D-61        | 010          | B-4             | 010                | Bridge                 | 10.6                       | 86                       |
| 21A             | Fwd           | D-61        | 010          | B-4             | 010                | Bridge                 | 8.4                        | 123                      |
| 22              | Fwd           | D-61        | 013          | B-7             | 175                | Building near Airfield | 18.8                       | 49                       |
| 22A             | Fwd           | D-61        | 013          | B-7             | 175                | Building near Airfield | 9.7                        | 107                      |
| 23              | Fwd           | D-61        | 014          | B-12            | 160                | Bridge                 | 11.5                       | 72                       |
| 23A             | Fwd           | D-61        | 014          | B-12            | 160                | Bridge                 | 25.8                       | 55                       |
| 24              | Fwd           | D-61        | 016          | C-10            | 130                | Airfield               | 8.3                        | 103                      |
| 24A             | Fwd           | D-61        | 016          | C-10            | 130                | Airfield               | 6.4                        | 134                      |
| 25              | Fwd           | D-56        | 081          | A-7             | 080                | Airfield               | 10.7                       | 77                       |
| 25A             | Fwd           | D-56        | 081          | A-7             | 080                | Airfield               | 33.6                       | 48                       |
| 26              | Fwd           | D-56        | 099          | B-2             | 020                | Airfield               | 7.9                        | 100                      |
| 26A             | Fwd           | D-56        | 099          | B-2             | 020                | Airfield               | 17.1                       | 51                       |
| 27              | Fwd           | D-56        | 112          | C-8             | 018                | Airfield               | 19.2                       | 65                       |
| 27A             | Fwd           | D-56        | 112          | C-8             | 018                | Airfield               | 27.7                       | 30                       |

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| <u>Edge No.</u> | <u>Camera</u> | <u>Pass</u> | <u>Frame</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Orientation</u> | <u>Subject</u> | <u>50% Amplitude Spread Function Width (Microns)</u> | <u>A.I.M. Resolution</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|--|--------------------------|
| 28              | Aft           | D-56        | 118          | C-7             | 020                | Airfield       | 13.6   | 69                       |
| 28A             | Aft           | D-56        | 118          | C-7             | 020                | Airfield       | 20.9   | 41                       |
| 29              | Aft           | D-56        | 104          | A-12            | 020                | Airfield       | 18.5   | 47                       |
| 29A             | Aft           | D-56        | 104          | A-12            | 020                | Airfield       | 16.5   | 51                       |
| 30              | Aft           | D-56        | 086          | B-8             | 080                | Airfield       | 7.9  | 105                      |
| 30A             | Aft           | D-56        | 086          | B-8             | 080                | Airfield       | 6.6  | 130                      |
| 31              | Aft           | D-56        | 086          | A-9             | 170                | Dam            | 8.5  | 118                      |
| 31A             | Aft           | D-56        | 086          | A-9             | 170                | Dam            | 19.4   | 62                       |
| 32              | Aft           | D-56        | 085          | C-6             | 035                | Airfield       | 9.8  | 98                       |
| 32A             | Aft           | D-56        | 085          | C-6             | 035                | Airfield       | 13.8   | 86                       |
| 33              | Fwd           | D-72        | 029          | A-10            | 170                | Airfield       | 8.0  | 128                      |
| 33A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 029          | A-10            | 170                | Airfield       | 9.6  | 111                      |
| 34A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 041          | A-5             | 155                | Airfield       | 12.5   | 101                      |
| 35              | Fwd           | D-72        | 048          | B-3             | 065                | Airfield       | 17.0   | 70                       |
| 35A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 048          | B-3             | 065                | Airfield       | 18.3   | 83                       |
| 36              | Fwd           | D-72        | 050          | B-12            | 070                | Airfield       | 10.6   | 102                      |
| 36A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 050          | B-12            | 070                | Airfield       | 13.1   | 62                       |
| 37              | Fwd           | D-72        | 060          | C-5             | 170                | Airfield       | 14.6   | 71                       |
| 37A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 060          | C-5             | 170                | Airfield       | 18.4   | 75                       |
| 38              | Aft           | D-55        | 141          | A-9             | 170                | Airfield       | 13.4   | 71                       |
| 38A             | Aft           | D-55        | 141          | A-9             | 170                | Airfield       | 13.3   | 82                       |
| 39              | Fwd           | D-115       | 041          | B-1             | 170                | Airfield       | 12.6   | 87                       |
| 39A             | Fwd           | D-115       | 041          | B-1             | 170                | Airfield       | 21.7   | 58                       |

50%  
Amplitude  
Spread  
Function  
Width

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Resolution

| <u>Edge No.</u> | <u>Camera</u> | <u>Pass</u> | <u>Frame</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Orientation</u> | <u>Subject</u> | <u>Width (Microns)</u> | <u>A.I.M. Resolution</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 40              | Aft           | D-69        | 190          | A-4             | 090                | Airfield       | 6.8                    | 124                      |
| 40A             | Aft           | D-69        | 190          | A-4             | 090                | Airfield       | 7.7                    | 122                      |
| 41              | Aft           | D-72        | 066          | B-9             | 016                | Airfield       | 9.6                    | 109                      |
| 41A             | Aft           | D-72        | 066          | B-9             | 016                | Airfield       | 10.3                   | 92                       |
| 42              | Aft           | D-72        | 060          | B-9             | 050                | Dam            | 13.6                   | 71                       |
| 42A             | Aft           | D-72        | 060          | B-9             | 050                | Dam            | 17.8                   | 50                       |
| 43              | Aft           | D-72        | 056          | B-2             | 065                | Airfield       | 7.7                    | 129                      |
| 43A             | Aft           | D-72        | 056          | B-2             | 065                | Airfield       | 9.7                    | 100                      |
| 44              | Aft           | D-72        | 054          | C-11            | 085                | Airfield       | 15.2                   | 54                       |
| 44A             | Aft           | D-72        | 054          | C-11            | 085                | Airfield       | 16.8                   | 50                       |
| 45              | Aft           | D-72        | 052          | B-4             | 100                | Airfield       | 8.3                    | 93                       |
| 45A             | Aft           | D-72        | 052          | B-4             | 100                | Airfield       | 17.1                   | 48                       |
| 46              | Fwd           | D-56        | 080          | A-8             | 120                | Airfield       | 11.7                   | 71                       |
| 47              | Fwd           | D-56        | 079          | B-8             | 040                | Airfield       | 7.7                    | 99                       |
| 47A             | Fwd           | D-56        | 079          | B-8             | 040                | Airfield       | 13.8                   | 80                       |
| 48              | Fwd           | D-72        | 084          | A-3             | 055                | Airfield       | 8.4                    | 132                      |
| 48A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 084          | A-3             | 055                | Airfield       | 19.0                   | 47                       |
| 49              | Fwd           | D-72        | 083          | C-5             | 025                | Airfield       | 14.0                   | 57                       |
| 49A             | Fwd           | D-72        | 083          | C-5             | 025                | Airfield       | 13.2                   | 59                       |
| 50              | Fwd           | D-88        | 033          | B-C-7           | 110                | Airfield       | 12.7                   | 70                       |
| 50A             | Fwd           | D-88        | 033          | B-C-7           | 110                | Airfield       | 11.9                   | 80                       |
| 51              | Fwd           | D-99        | 042          | B-11            | 060                | Airfield       | 13.6                   | 67                       |
| 51A             | Fwd           | D-99        | 042          | B-11            | 060                | Airfield       | 15.8                   | 62                       |

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Amplitude  
Spread  
Function

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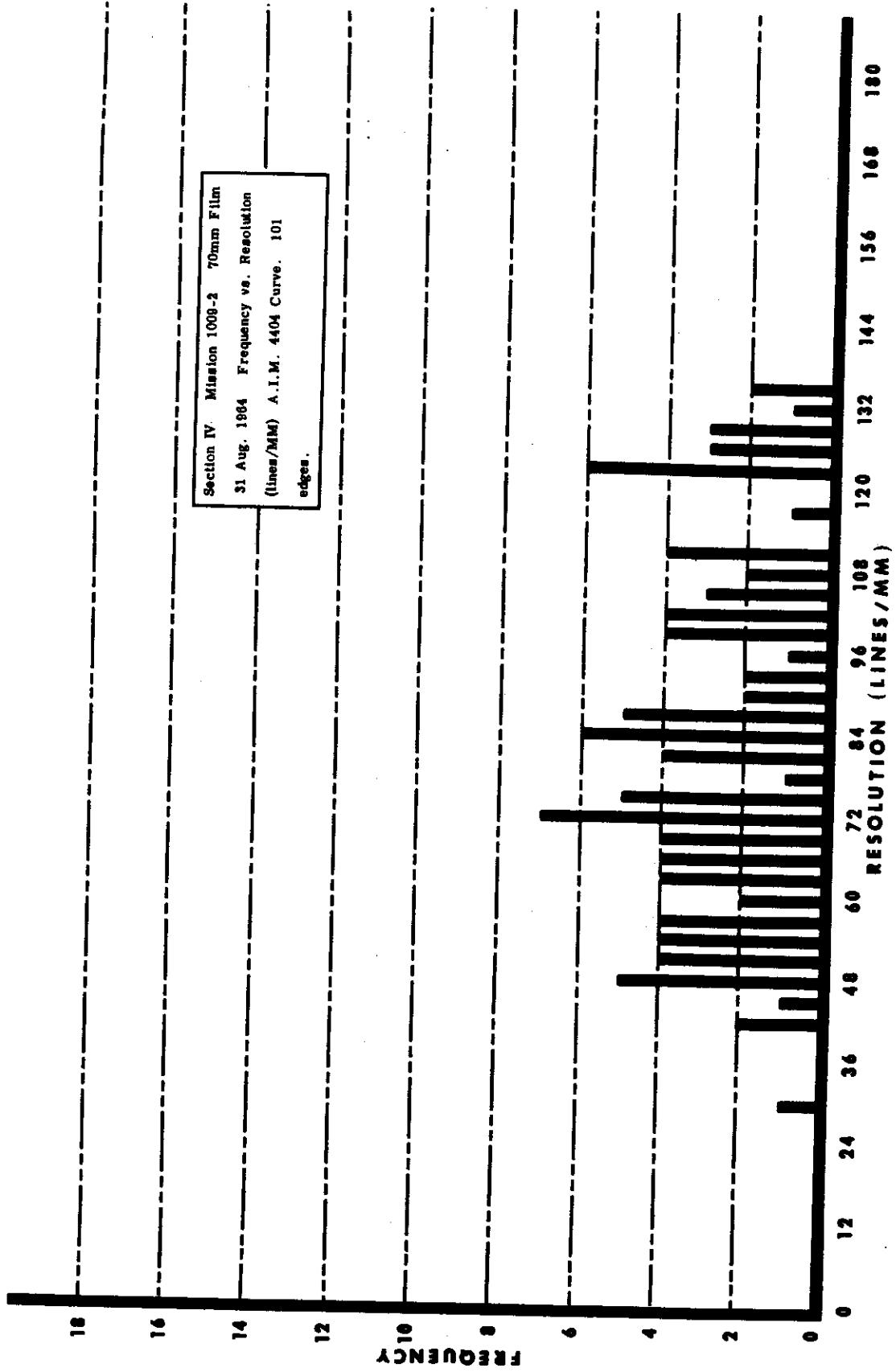
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Resolution

| <u>Edge No.</u> | <u>Camera</u> | <u>Pass</u> | <u>Frame</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Orientation</u> | <u>Subject</u> | <u>50%<br/>Amplitude<br/>Spread<br/>Function</u><br>Width<br>(Microns) | <u>A.I.M.<br/>Resolution</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|--|------------------------------|
| 52              | Fwd           | D-99        | 029          | B-2             | 050                | Airfield       | 14.4   | 64                           |
| 52A             | Fwd           | D-99        | 029          | B-2             | 050                | Airfield       | 9.1  | 91                           |
| 53              | Fwd           | D-99        | 028          | B-1             | 070                | Airfield       | 30.6   | 43                           |
| 53A             | Fwd           | D-99        | 028          | B-1             | 070                | Airfield       | 17.5   | 71                           |
| 54              | Fwd           | D-116       | 069          | C-10            | 115                | Airfield       | 7.9  | 125                          |
| 54A             | Fwd           | D-116       | 069          | C-10            | 115                | Airfield       | 9.5  | 88                           |
| 55              | Fwd           | D-100       | 076          | C-7             | 045                | Airfield       | 7.8  | 122                          |
| 55A             | Fwd           | D-100       | 076          | C-7             | 045                | Airfield       | 8.4  | 122                          |
| 56              | Aft           | D-99        | 048          | B-3             | 045                | Airfield       | 18.2   | 55                           |
| 56A             | Aft           | D-99        | 048          | B-3             | 045                | Airfield       | 8.5  | 95                           |
| 57              | Aft           | D-99        | 035          | B-13            | 090                | Airfield       | 11.9   | 80                           |
| 57A             | Aft           | D-99        | 035          | B-13            | 090                | Airfield       | 12.8   | 65                           |
| 58              | Aft           | D-99        | 034          | B-13            | 085                | Airfield       | 13.7   | 60                           |
| 58A             | Aft           | D-99        | 034          | B-13            | 085                | Airfield       | 9.8  | 85                           |

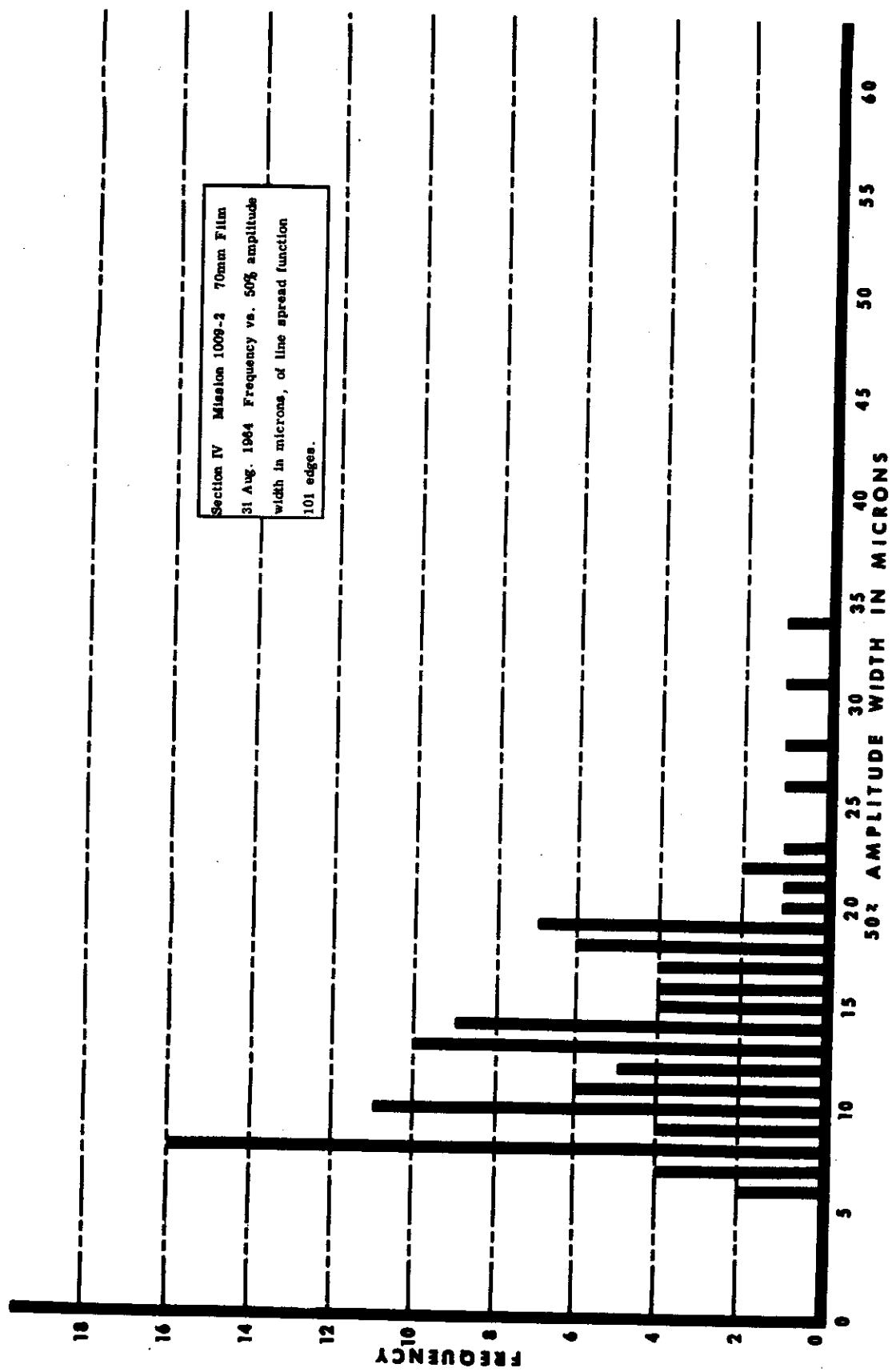
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SECTION V  
Summary of all C/M/J Missions Traced to Date

| Mission Number | Number of Edges | Spread Function Width at 50% Amplitude in Microns, Computer Calculations |                    |                           | Resolution in lines/mm from A.I.M. 4404 Curve, Computer Calculations |                    |                           |
|----------------|-----------------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|
|                |                 | Arithmetic Mean  | Standard Deviation | Coefficient of Dispersion | Arithmetic Mean  | Standard Deviation | Coefficient of Dispersion |
| 9054           | 12              | 14.3   | 4.6                | 32%                       | 81.7   | 27.9               | 34%                       |
| 9057           | 35              | 12.0   | 4.1                | 34%                       | 81.3   | 30.2               | 37%                       |
| 9062           | 69              | 12.0   | 4.5                | 37%                       | 89.4   | 30.3               | 34%                       |
| 1001           | 117             | 25.6   | 11.3               | 44%                       | 45.9   | 16.8               | 37%                       |
| 1004-1         | 60              | 10.1   | 5.6                | 56%                       | 115.7  | 38.8               | 34%                       |
| 1004-2         | 69              | 12.6   | 4.9                | 39%                       | 84.6   | 31.3               | 37%                       |
| 1006-1         | 93              | 12.0   | 4.3                | 36%                       | 85.3   | 26.4               | 31%                       |
| 1006-2         | 109             | 11.4   | 3.3                | 29%                       | 85.5   | 22.1               | 26%                       |
| 1007-1         | 107             | 11.9   | 3.6                | 30%                       | 89.7   | 22.2               | 25%                       |
| 1007-2         | 106             | 12.3   | 3.9                | 31%                       | 85.8   | 25.1               | 29%                       |
| 1008-1         | 95              | 10.8   | 3.1                | 29%                       | 96.3   | 25.4               | 26%                       |
| 1008-2         | 114             | 10.5   | 3.8                | 36%                       | 97.7   | 24.8               | 25%                       |
| 1009-1*        | 74              | 11.5   | 3.5                | 30%                       | 92.2   | 25.2               | 27%                       |
| 1009-2*        | 101             | 13.4   | 5.3                | 40%                       | 83.5   | 26.3               | 31%                       |

\* A 1 x 80 micron slit was used.

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Sensitometric Data

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Film Manufacturer: Eastman Kodak Company

Exposure Date: May 26, 1964

Emulsion No.: 4404-42

Lamp No.: 1903

Exposure Time: 1/25 second

Wedge No.: 711-15

Filter: Daylight

Development Conditions:

Primary: P-693, 2' 15", 74°F

Intermediate: Primary Development Plus 12DX90, 25", 67°F

Full: Primary Development Plus 12DX90, 1' 41", 67°F

Absolute Log E 11th Step: 1.30 M.C.S.

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Sensitometric Data

| Fog        | Process Control Standard |      |      | Start Up               |      |      |
|------------|--------------------------|------|------|------------------------|------|------|
|            | Primary Intermed. Full   |      |      | Primary Intermed. Full |      |      |
|            | .08                      | .10  | .19  | .08                    | .11  | .19  |
| 1          |                          |      |      |                        |      |      |
| 2          |                          |      |      |                        |      |      |
| 3          |                          |      |      |                        |      |      |
| 4          |                          |      |      |                        |      |      |
| 5          |                          |      | .19  |                        |      | .19  |
| 6          |                          | .10  | .20  |                        | .08  | .11  |
| 7          | .08                      | .12  | .23  |                        | .09  | .12  |
| 8          | .10                      | .14  | .27  |                        | .10  | .14  |
| 9          | .12                      | .18  | .34  |                        | .12  | .18  |
| 10         | .16                      | .26  | .50  |                        | .16  | .26  |
| 11         | .24                      | .42  | .79  |                        | .24  | .40  |
| 12         | .38                      | .67  | 1.10 |                        | .38  | .65  |
| 13         | .62                      | 1.03 | 1.43 |                        | .61  | .98  |
| 14         | .93                      | 1.40 | 1.72 |                        | .90  | 1.36 |
| 15         | 1.26                     | 1.71 | 1.95 |                        | 1.25 | 1.68 |
| 16         | 1.55                     | 1.95 | 2.13 |                        | 1.56 | 1.92 |
| 17         | 1.83                     | 2.10 | 2.24 |                        | 1.83 | 2.10 |
| 18         | 2.04                     | 2.22 | 2.30 |                        | 2.01 | 2.22 |
| 19         | 2.17                     | 2.29 | 2.35 |                        | 2.15 | 2.28 |
| 20         | 2.25                     | 2.34 | 2.39 |                        | 2.24 | 2.34 |
| 21         | 2.30                     | 2.37 | 2.43 |                        | 2.28 | 2.36 |
| 2          | 2.15                     | 2.38 | 2.20 |                        | 2.22 | 2.30 |
| 0.6G/Speed | 1.48                     | 1.30 | 1.13 |                        | 1.48 | 1.32 |
|            |                          |      |      |                        |      | 1.14 |

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| Head and Tail  |      | Head and Tail |      |
|----------------|------|---------------|------|
| Forward Camera |      | Aft Camera    |      |
|                | Head | Tail          | Head |
| Fog            | .18  | .19           | .17  |
| 1              |      |               | .18  |
| 2              |      |               | .19  |
| 3              |      |               | .17  |
| 4              |      | .19           | .18  |
| 5              | .18  | .20           | .19  |
| 6              | .20  | .21           | .20  |
| 7              | .22  | .23           | .22  |
| 8              | .26  | .26           | .26  |
| 9              | .34  | .35           | .33  |
| 10             | .50  | .52           | .48  |
| 11             | .76  | .78           | .72  |
| 12             | 1.07 | 1.11          | 1.04 |
| 13             | 1.42 | 1.45          | 1.40 |
| 14             | 1.71 | 1.74          | 1.69 |
| 15             | 1.94 | 1.97          | 1.95 |
| 16             | 2.11 | 2.13          | 2.11 |
| 17             | 2.24 | 2.26          | 2.24 |
| 18             | 2.32 | 2.34          | 2.33 |
| 19             | 2.37 | 2.38          | 2.38 |
| 20             | 2.40 | 2.41          | 2.41 |
| 21             | 2.42 | 2.43          | 2.42 |
| S              | 2.22 | 2.25          | 2.16 |
| 0.6G-Speed     | 1.14 | 1.16          | 1.14 |

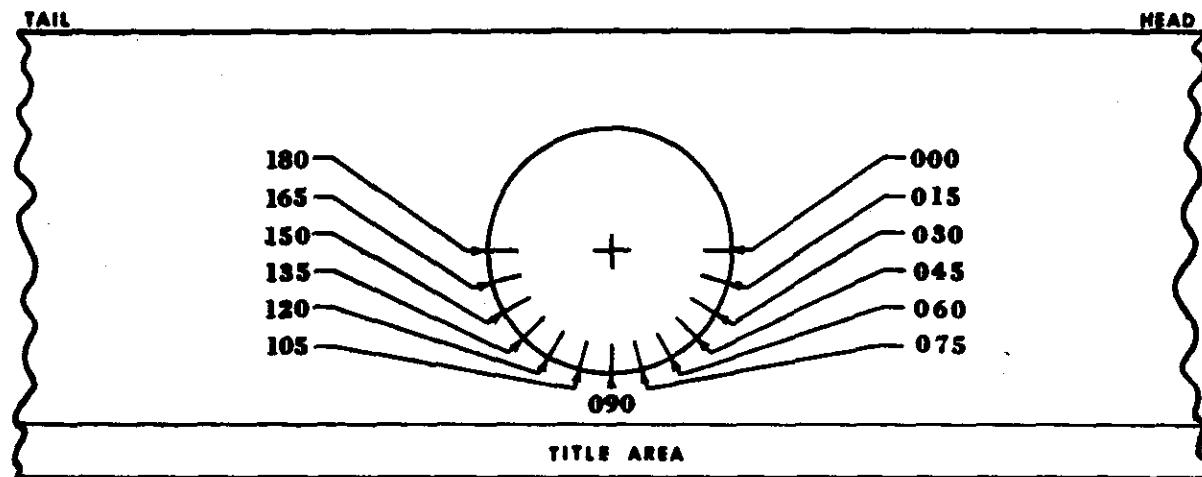
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**APPENDIX "A"**

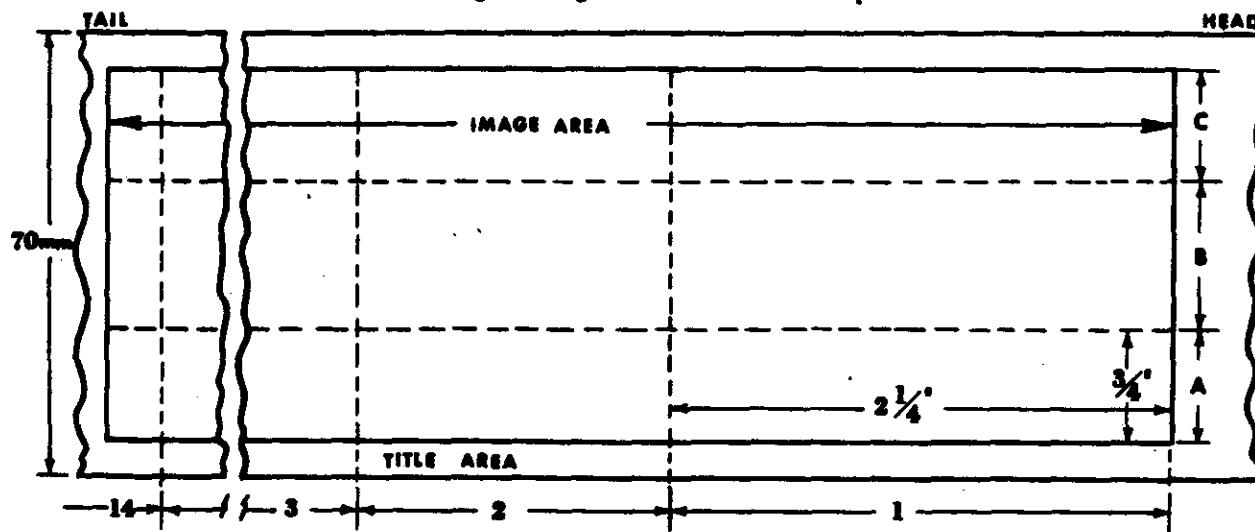
**Reference System For Orientation Of C/M/J Mission Edges**

original negative -- emulsion up



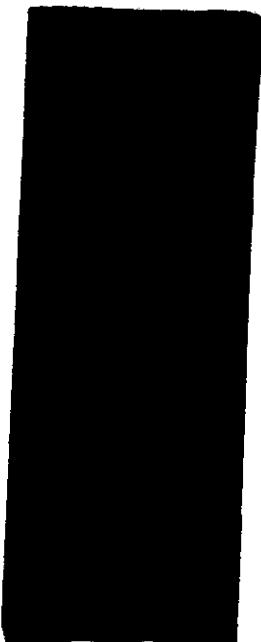
**Grid For Position Of C/M/J Mission Edges**

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