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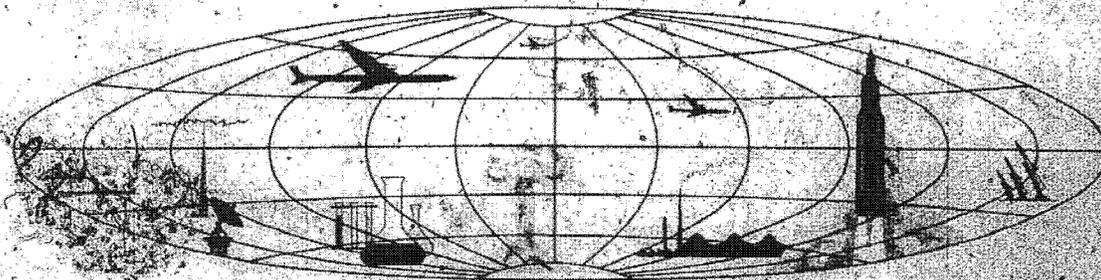
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SYNOPSIS

Mission 4008 was launched 19 May 1964. The camera system was operational through pass D16, completing ten photographic passes before initiation of the recovery command on pass D34. The decision to recover the payload capsule before the programmed mission duration was completed came about because of indications of control gas problems and vehicle instability on pass D16. The imagery on pass D16 photography was severely degraded by this vehicle instability.

Mission 4008 included successful orbit adjustments on two passes. The first orbit adjust was during pass D02. It was necessary because of high temperatures caused by the low perigee (57 nm) on pass D01. The orbit adjust increased the perigee to 84 nm. The second orbit adjust was on pass D11. This was a programmed adjustment which reduced the perigee to 70.2 nm and allowed more accurate coverage of programmed targets.

The best photography on this mission is equal to the best obtained from previous missions in the 4000 series. The payload consisted of 128 photographic frames (109 operational, 19 domestic) which covered 55 targets in the preliminary target readout. Mission 4008 obtained coverage of two Controlled Range Network (CORN) targets, and photographed for the first time the RB-47 "Blackbird". The main camera fiducial line, timing track, and timing track binary words were operational throughout the mission. Clouds obscured 40 percent of the mission. The stellar and index cameras were operational for 20 exposures before a circuitry malfunction occurred in the system. The 20 index camera exposures contained intermittent transverse bands of fog, dendritic static along both edges and vignettted corners. The stellar material was grossly overexposed, but to a lesser extent than in Mission 4007.

GENERAL FLIGHT DATA

Date of Launch: 19 May 1964 1921Z

Orbital Parameters

| Planned | Actual (revolution 3 preceded by orbit adjust on revolution 2) |
|---------------------------|--|
| Period: 89.9 Min | 89.87 Min |
| Perigee: 92 NM | 82.0 NM |
| Apogee: 210 NM | 222.2 NM |
| Eccentricity: 0.01730 | 0.0190992 |
| Inclination Angle: 101.0° | 113.971° |

PART I. CAMERA OPERATION

1. Main Camera No FM-8: The main camera was operational throughout the mission. Four fine minus density streaks occur parallel to the film edges throughout the mission. One streak is 2.26" from the timing track edge of the film,

and the center streak of the remaining closely aligned three is 3.75" from the same edge. Rows of small static discharges, associated with the group of streaks, are noticeable in the wrap-up of passes D10 and D14. A continuous scratch,

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with a plus density area bordering it, is present 0.42" from and parallel to the non-timing-track edge of the film. Transverse banding (parallel to the minor axis of the film) associated with looper loading action is present on long strip frames. Groups of emulsion digs, similar to those reported on Mission 4007, are noted occasionally along the non-timing-track edge of the format area. Dendritic static, emanating from the non-timing-track edge of the film, occurs on pass D05, frame 06.

2. Stellar Camera No D-32: The stellar camera was operational for only 20 exposures.* All 20 frames are grossly overexposed and contain no stellar imagery.

3. Index Camera No D-26: The index camera was operational for only 20 exposures.* All 20 frames are affected by a light leak which caused intermittent fogged transverse bands extending edge to edge. These plus density bands seem to be emanating from the side opposite the camera number. Both film edges have intermittent dendritic static discharges. Slight vignetting of the four format corners occurs on each frame.

4. Collateral Equipment: The fiducial line, timing track, and binary time track were well defined and operational throughout the mission.

*A light leak malfunction affected both stellar and index cameras and was the probable cause of the film being overexposed.

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FIGURE 1. DEGRADATIONS PRESENT ON INDEX CAMERA FRAMES.

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Dendritic static discharges and light leak de-
gradations on a typical index camera frame.

Pass: 1004

J frame: 08

Index: 09

Enlargement: 2x

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PART II. FILM

1. Film Processing: This section provides a descriptive evaluation of the exposure and processing, and comments on the exposure, density, processing, and the physical condition of the original negatives. Pertinent data were collected during various phases of the processing and again during the evaluation of the negatives. This is a standard procedure. The community is immediately informed by cable of any defects in the photography which seriously affect the PI suitability of the mission.

While the film was being prepared for processing, it was inspected for physical damages which could cause processing difficulties. During processing, data were recorded giving the processing conditions and film footage locations where processing changes occurred. Deviations from the normal course of processing which may affect the film quality were recorded. After processing, the original negatives were examined frame by frame for defects and damage.

Most of the film on this mission received adequate exposure. The solar elevation varied from 23.3° in pass D10 to 81.3° in pass D14.

Most of the film was exposed at high (above 50°) solar elevations. Eighty-nine percent of this mission was processed at the full development level and the remaining eleven percent was processed at the intermediate development level. This percentage includes transition periods. The gross fog density readings range from a minimum of 0.15 to a maximum of 0.22.

2. Film Degradations: This section lists the film degradations and the frames on which examples of each may be found.

Static

A dendritic static discharge is noted to originate at the non-timing-track edge of the film on pass D05 frame 006. Static discharges are noticeable in the wrap-up of pass D10 and D14.

Minus Density Streaks

Four continuous fine minus density streaks appear parallel to the film edges throughout the mission.

Scratch

A continuous scratch is noted 0.42" from and parallel to the non-timing-track edge of the film.

Plus Density Area

A plus density area borders the scratch, 0.42" from the non-timing track edge of the film.

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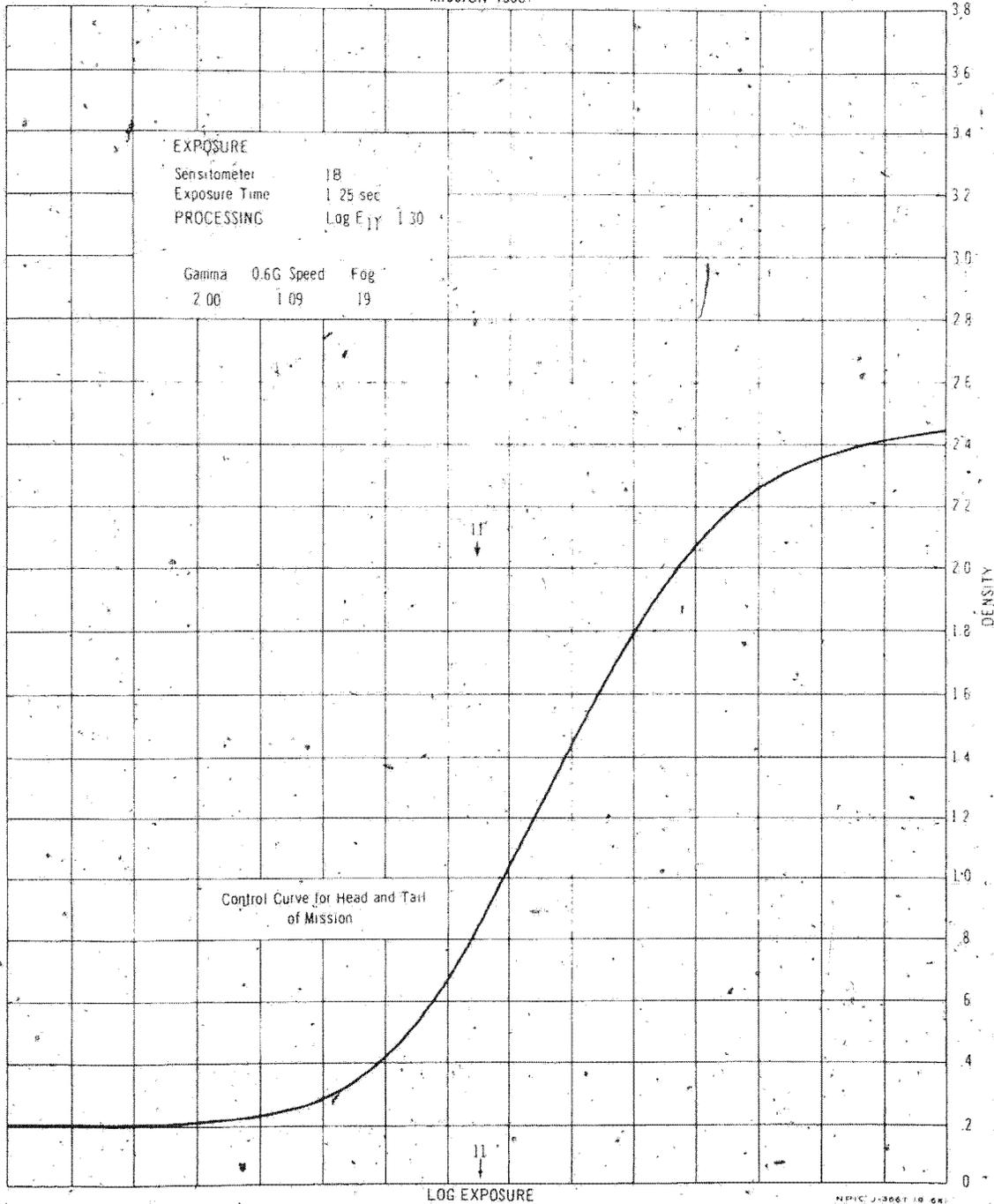
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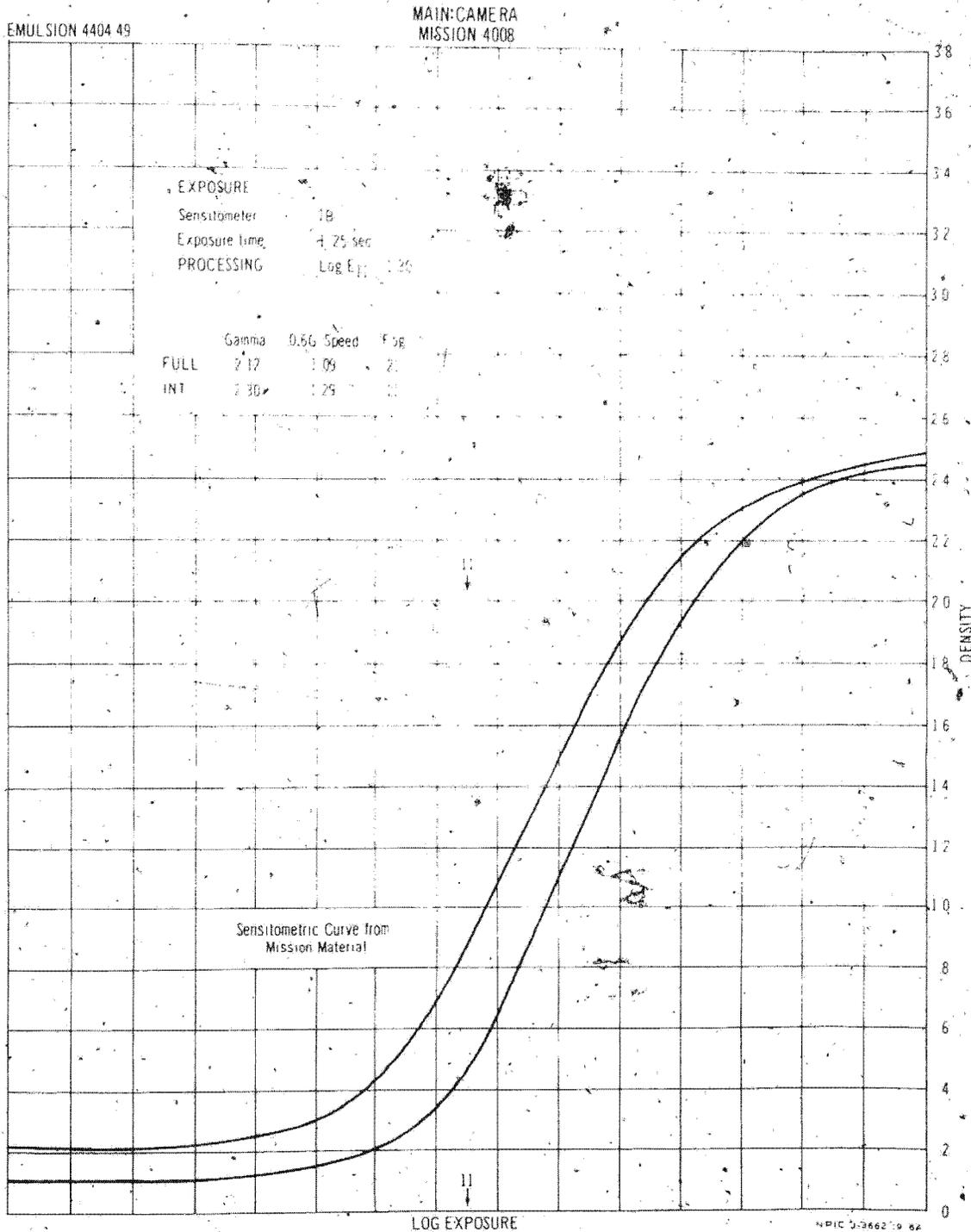
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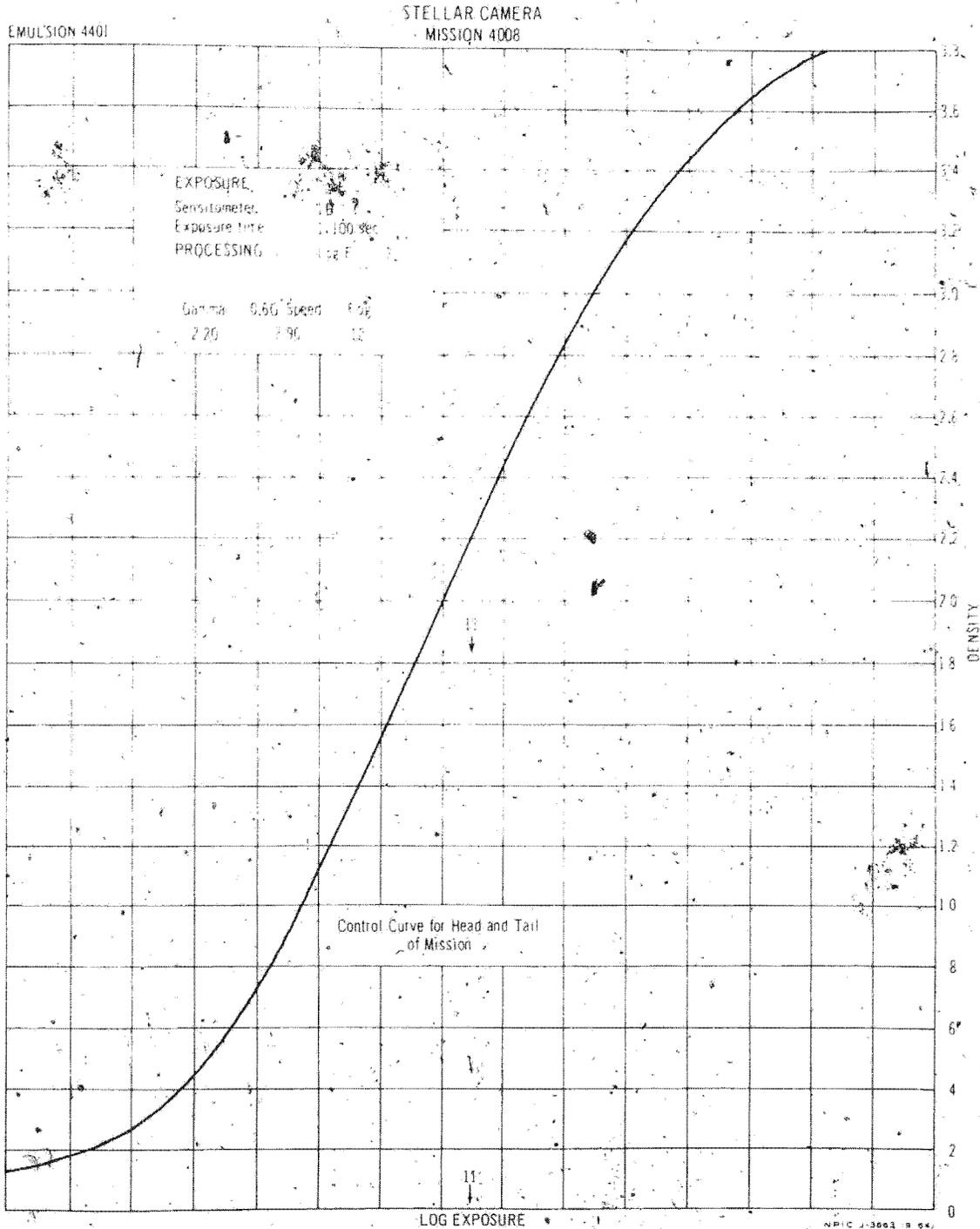
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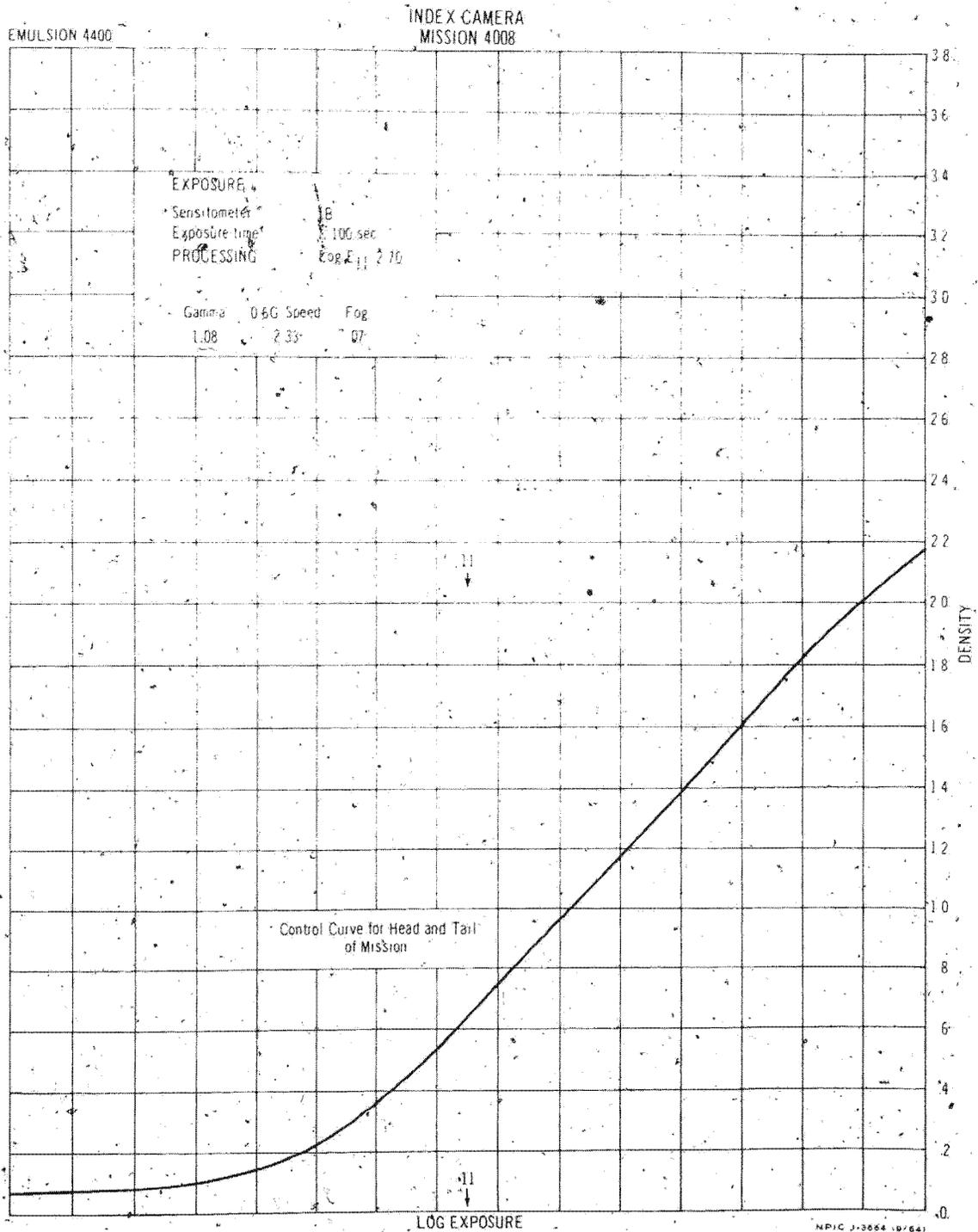
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PART III. IMAGE QUALITY

1. Photographic Interpretation (PI) Suitability:

This is an assessment of the information content of photographic reconnaissance material and its interpretability. A number of inter-related factors are involved, such as the quality of the photography, the extent of target coverage, scale, weather limitations, and similar considerations. However, the criteria for assigning a PI suitability rating may be reduced to (a) the scope of the photographic coverage and (b) the degree to which a photo interpreter may extract useful and reliable information from the material.

PI suitability ratings are categorized as Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor, and Unusable. These ratings refer to the overall interpretive value of the photography obtained from a particular reconnaissance mission. Individual targets may also be assigned PI suitability ratings if that is necessary or desirable. The standards that determine assignment of the various ratings are as follows:

Excellent: The photography is free of degradation by camera malfunctions or processing faults and weather conditions are favorable throughout. The imagery contains sharp, well-defined edges and corners, with no unusual distortions. Contrast is optimal and shadow details, as well as details in the highlight areas, are readily detectable. Observation of small objects and a high order of mensuration are made possible by the consistently good quality of the photography.

Good: The photography is relatively free of degradation or limiting atmospheric conditions. Edges and corners of objects are well-defined. No unusual distortions are present. Detection and accurate mensuration of small objects is feasible, but to a lesser degree than in material rated as "Excellent".

Fair: Degradation is minimal but the acuity of the photography is less than optimum. Edges and corners of objects are not crisply defined and there is loss of detail in shadow and/or highlight areas. Detection and identification of small objects is possible but accuracy of mensuration is reduced by the fall-off in image quality and the less-than-optimum contrast that prevails.

Poor: Camera-induced degradations and/or weather limitations severely reduce the quality of the photography. Definition of edges and corners is not sharp. Only gross terrain features and culture may be detected or identified and distortion of form may exist. Accurate mensuration of even large objects is doubtful.

Unusable: Degradation of the photography completely precludes detection, identification, and mensuration of cultural details.

2. PI Suitability for Mission 4008: The PI suitability of Mission 4008 ranges from good to very good. Pass D10, frames 10 and 11 yielded the best imagery yet obtained from satellite photography. Selected portions of these frames have been reproduced at 100X magnification. Photo interpreters reported on 55 targets in the preliminary target readout. Heavy clouds precluded full photo interpretation on two of these targets. Low solar elevation, haze, clouds, and cloud-shadow degraded several other targets but not to such a degree that they did not contain some information value. Target highlights include:

- a. Identification of a new surface-to-air missile site.
- b. A detailed interpretation of a surface-to-air missile site.
- c. Identification of a nuclear storage site with a conventional weapons storage site.
- d. Observation of an aircraft plant modifi-

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ication which suggests a change in the function of the facility.

No serious problems were encountered in the operation of the main camera. Those factors which degraded the imagery and could directly affect PI suitability are:

Photography Degraded by Improper IMC

Start-up - The time required for the film to achieve proper operational speed at the beginning of each camera operation produces a small area of error in IMC. This area, in any case, is not excessive and is within specifications. No targets are knowingly programmed for this area.

Slowdown - The time required for the film to coast to a stop after completion of each camera operation also causes an error in IMC. The film speed for each camera operation varies, causing the area of coast error to vary. This area is not excessive or beyond specifications and no programmed targets fell within this area.

Banding - An interruption of proper film speed, associated with looper loading action,

caused an error in IMC approximately every 12 inches on long monoscopic frames. This error appears as plus or minus transverse bands on the film and is most serious at the start-up and stopping of the looper loading action.

Image Streaking - PI suitability is poor on pass 1016 when vehicle instability caused extreme image streaking.

Other Minor Degradations - A scratch and four fine minus density streaks, which degrade the imagery to a lesser degree, occur parallel to the film edges throughout the mission.

Atmospherics

Forty percent of the photography on Mission 4008 is degraded by clouds or haze.

Solar Elevation - Low solar elevation affects the PI suitability in varying degrees depending upon the terrain reflectivity and the bearing of the solar azimuth from the principal ray. In most cases, the higher the solar elevation, the better the quality of the photography.

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GOOD IMAGERY, MAIN CAMERA

Figures 2 through 12 are examples of good photographic imagery, suitable for photo interpretation. These examples include monoscopic and stereo prints in various roll angle positions.

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FIGURE 2. GOOD QUALITY STEREO PHOTOGRAPHY.

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Pass: D15
Frame: 04
Index: 11 (73.2-21.7)
Enlargement: 40X
Solar Elevation: 64.8°
Solar Azimuth: 171°
Solar Bearing: 273°
Roll Angle: -32.61°

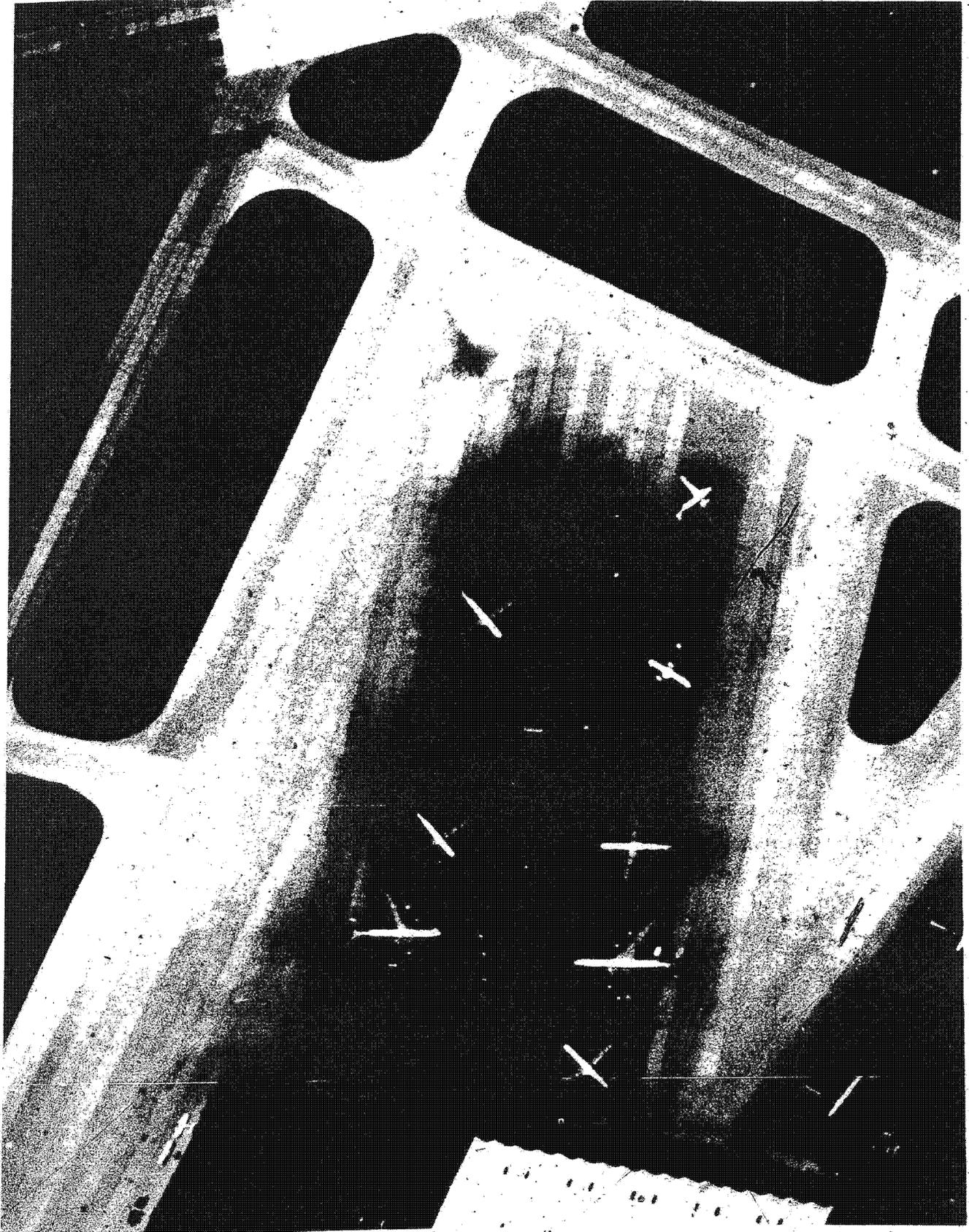
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FIGURE 3. GOOD QUALITY STEREO PHOTOGRAPHY.

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Pass: D15
Frame: 05
Index: 13 (71.2-19.9)
Enlargement: 40X
Solar Elevation: 64.8°
Solar Azimuth: 171°
Solar Bearing: 218°
Roll Angle: -31.90°

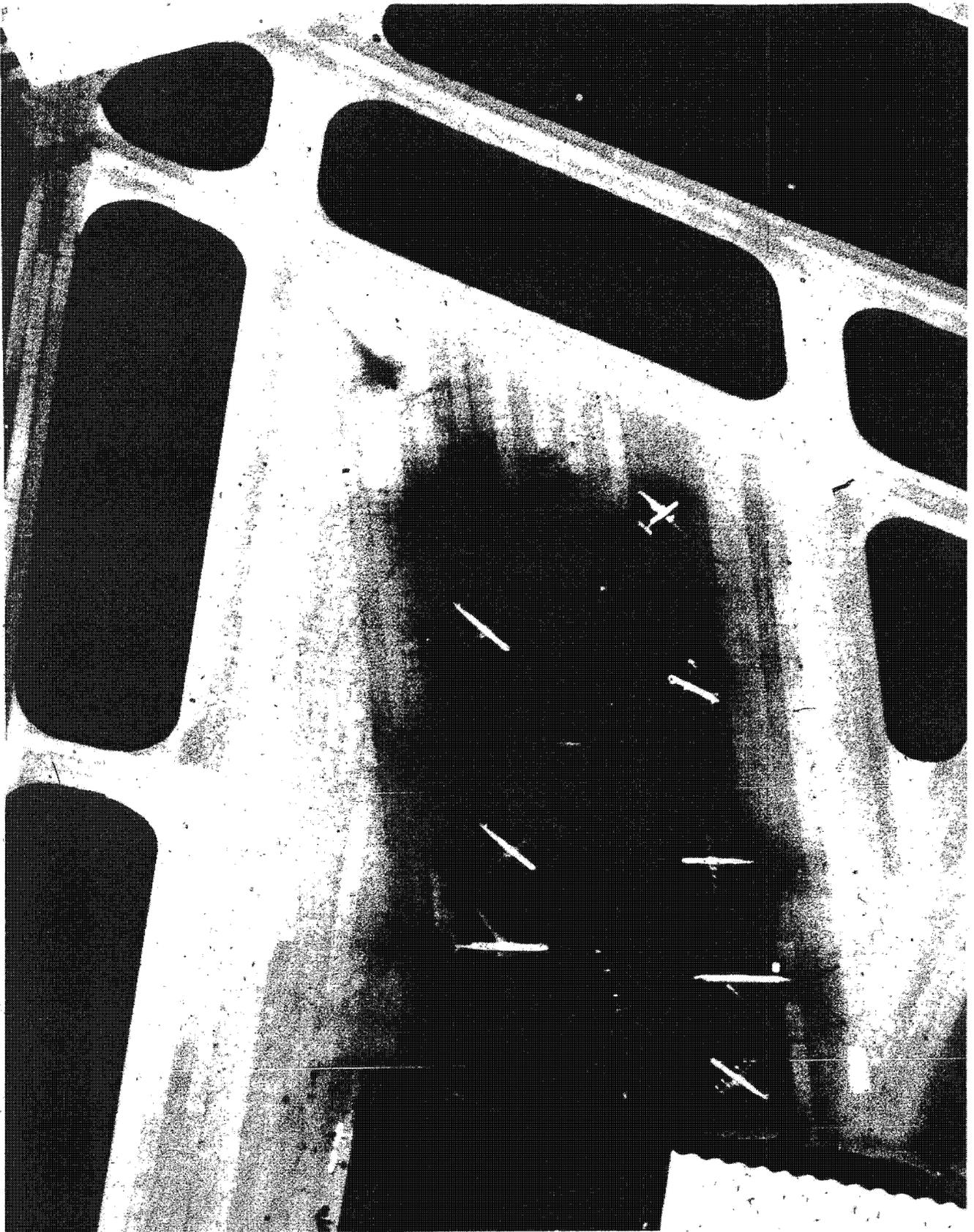
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FIGURE 4. GOOD QUALITY STEREO PHOTOGRAPHY.

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Pass: D10
Frame: 10
Index: 20 59.0 - 9.7
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 49.0
Solar Azimuth: 188
Solar Bearing: 337
Roll Angle: -3.54

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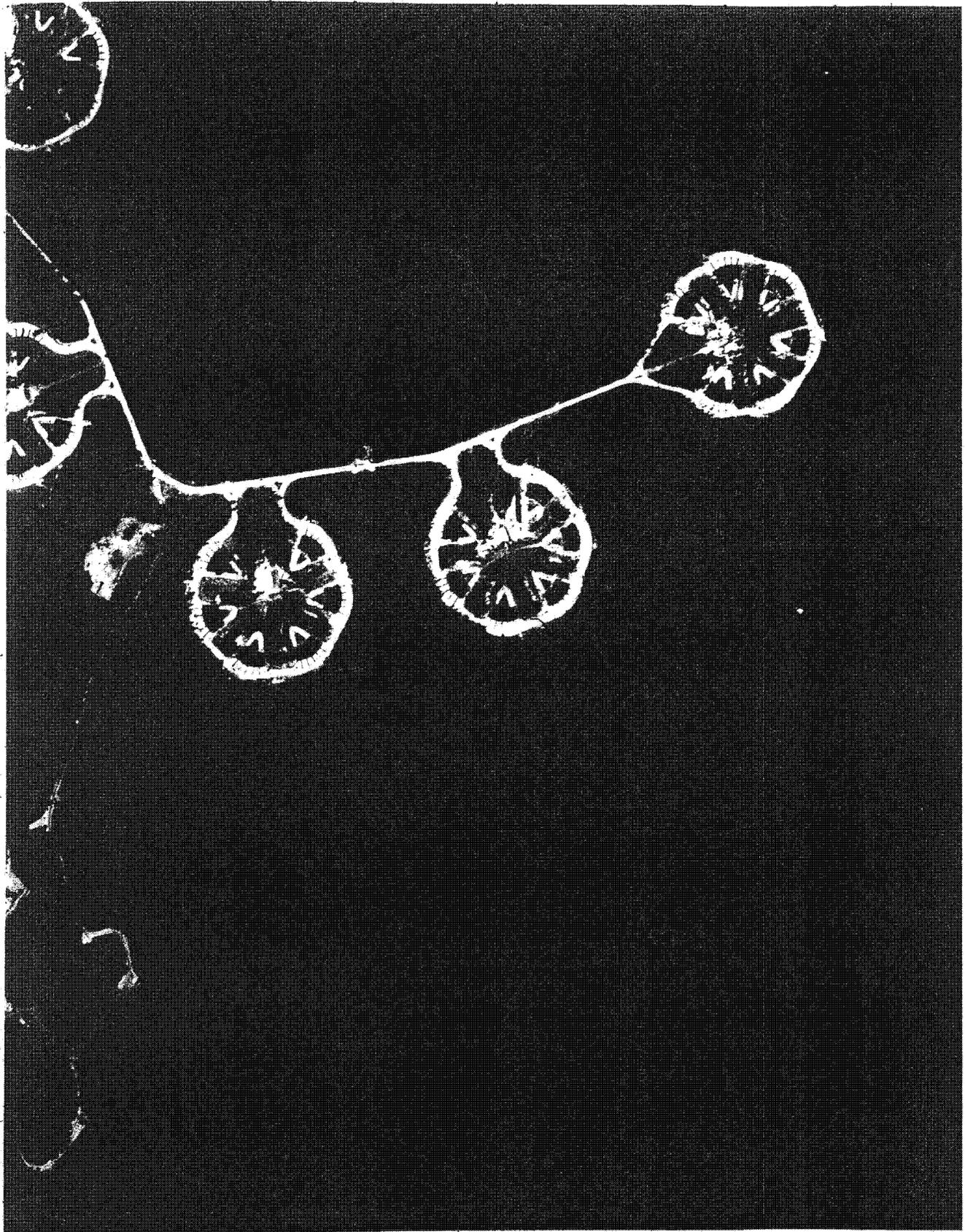
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FIGURE 5. GOOD QUALITY STEREO PHOTOGRAPHY.

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Pass: D10
Frame: 11
Index: 22 (52.8 - 8.2)
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Solar Bearing: 173°
Roll Angle: -3.54°

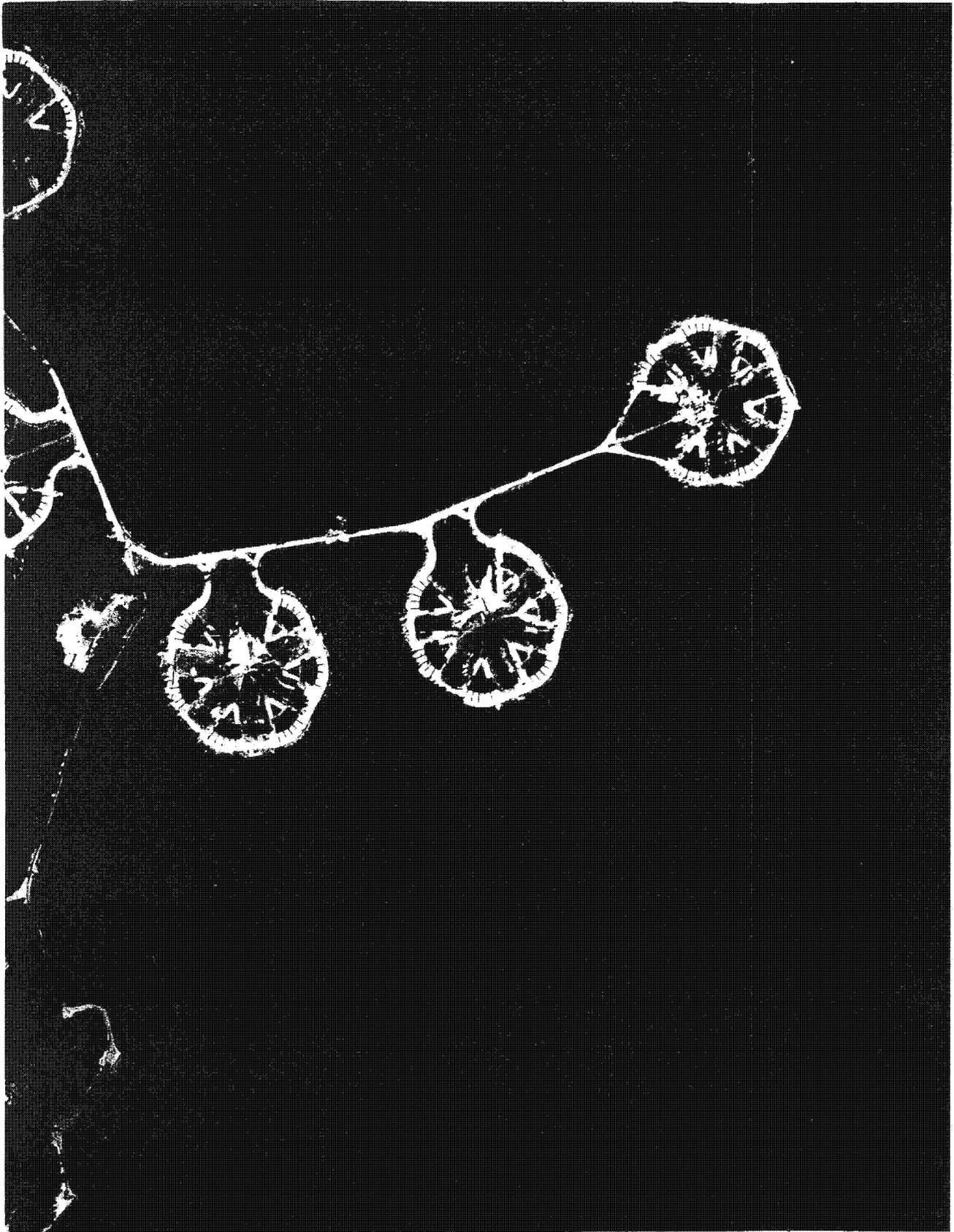
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Pass: D10
Frame: 22
Index: 45 (59.2 - 11.2)
Enlargement: 20X
Solar Elevation: 62.2
Solar Azimuth: 177
Solar Bearing: 70
Roll Angle: 9.93

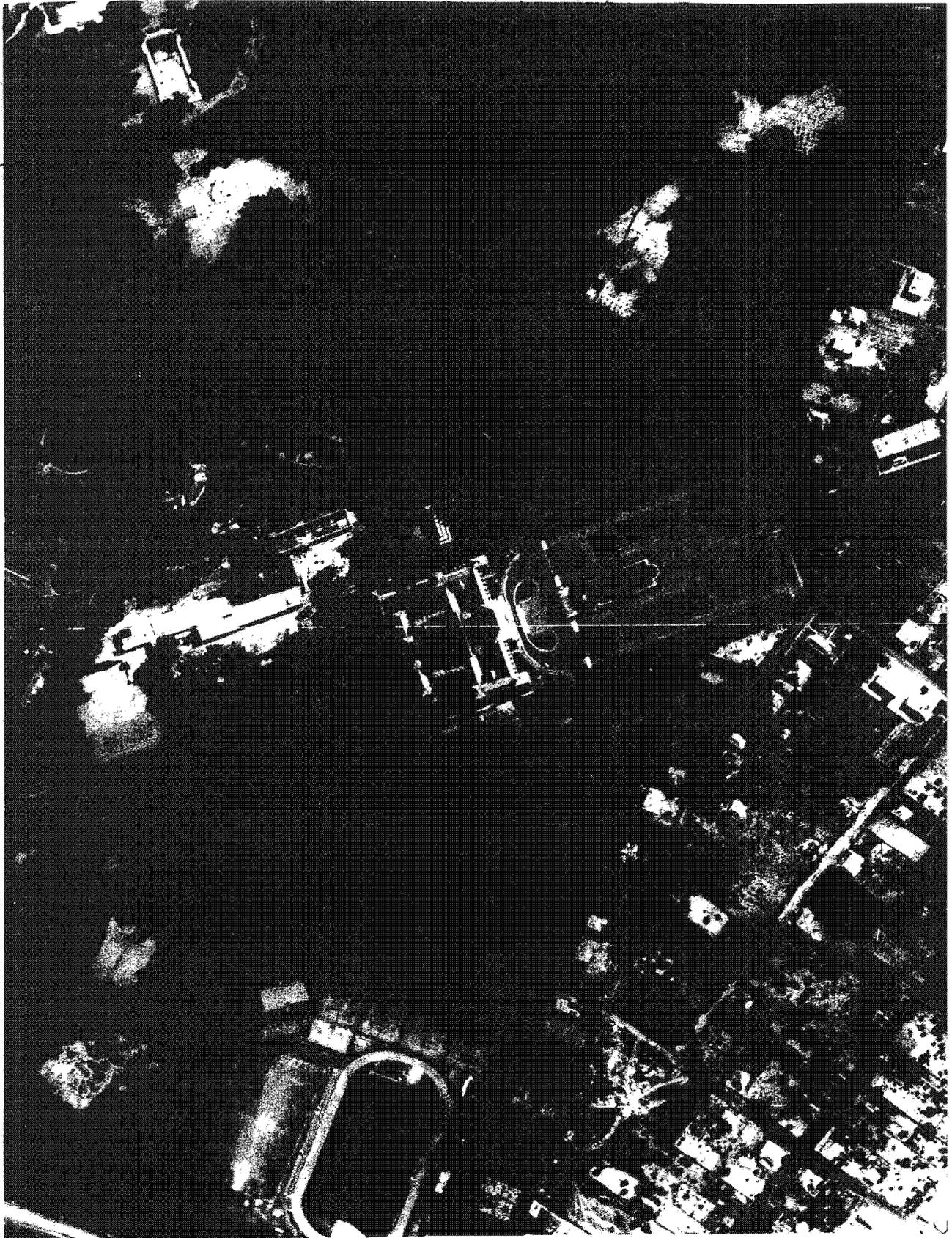
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FIGURE 7: GOOD QUALITY PHCTOGRAPHY.

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TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: 015
Frame: 10
Index: 26 (87.0 - 15.0)
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 75.0
Solar Azimuth: 155
Solar Bearing: 235
Roll Angle: -4.96

- 10n -

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~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

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FIGURE 8. GOOD QUALITY PHOTOGRAPHY.

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
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TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: D10
Frame: 22
Index: 45-50.9 - 9.2
Enlargement: 20X
Solar Elevation: 62.2°
Solar Azimuth: 177°
Solar Bearing: 70°
Roll Angle: 9.93

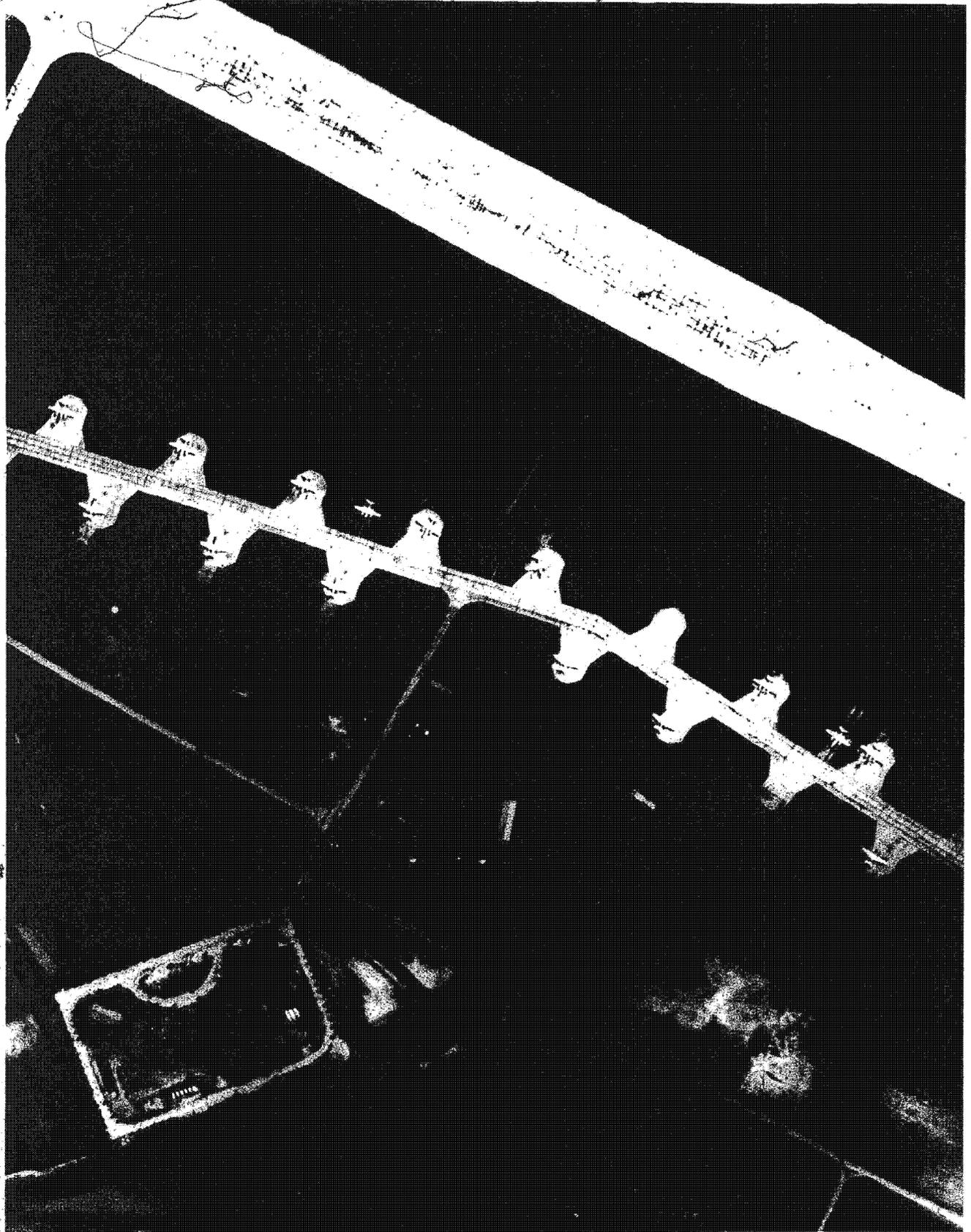
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FIGURE 9. OBLIQUE STEREO.

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

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TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: D15
Frame: 04
Index: 11 779.9 - 16.4
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 64.8°
Solar Azimuth: -171°
Solar Bearing: 273°
Roll Angle: -32.61°

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FIGURE 10. OBLIQUE STEREO.

- 10s -

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

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~~TALENT-KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: 1015
Frame: 05
Index: 1379.9 - 14.2
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 64.8
Solar Azimuth: 171
Solar Bearing: 218
Roll Angle: 31.90°

- 10t -

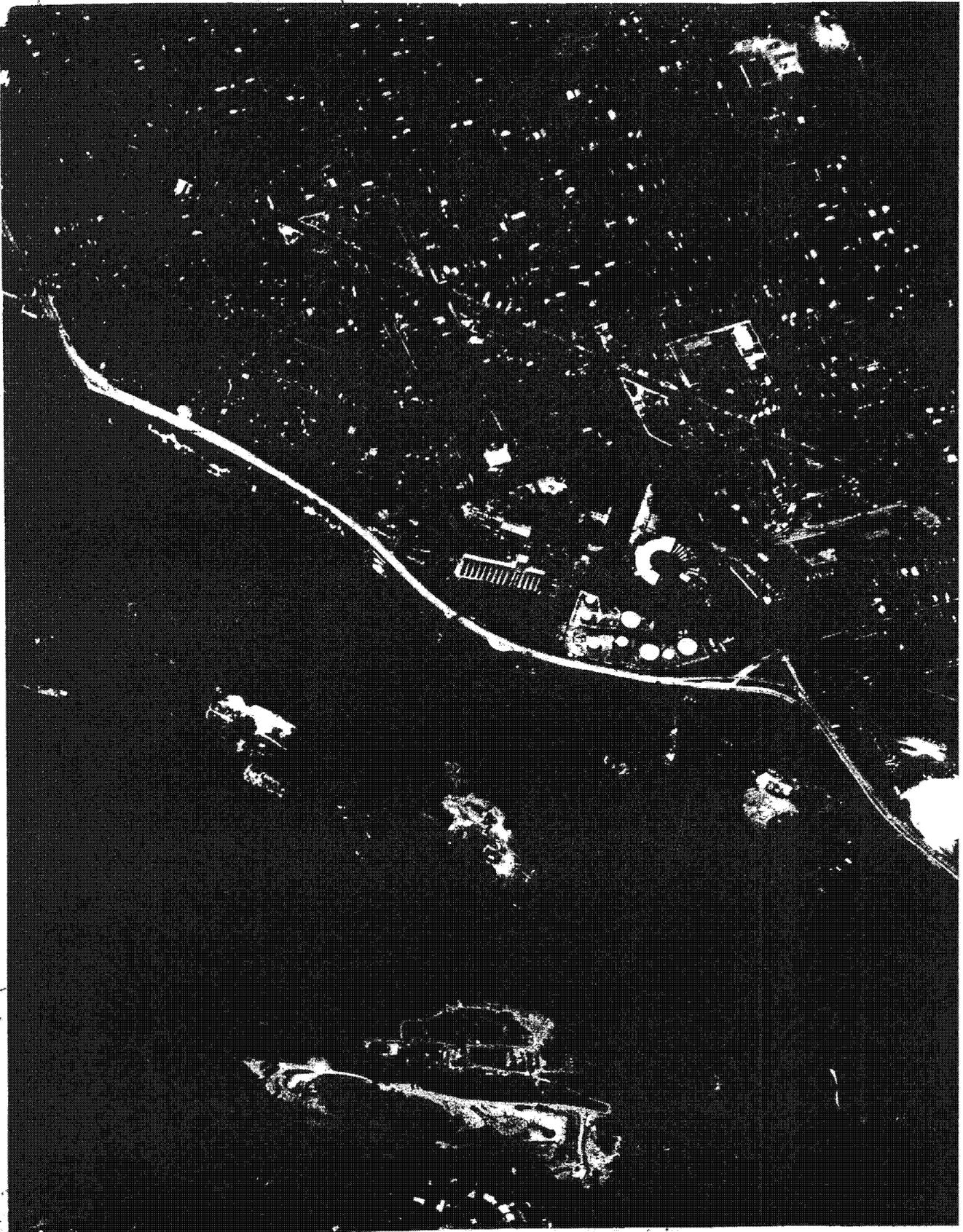
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TCS-7879 64
NPIC/TP-22.64

Pass: 005
Frame: 05
Index: 13 79.9 - 11.2
Enlargement: 10x
Solar Elevation: 04.5
Solar Azimuth: 171
Solar Bearing: 218
Roll Angle: -31.80

10r

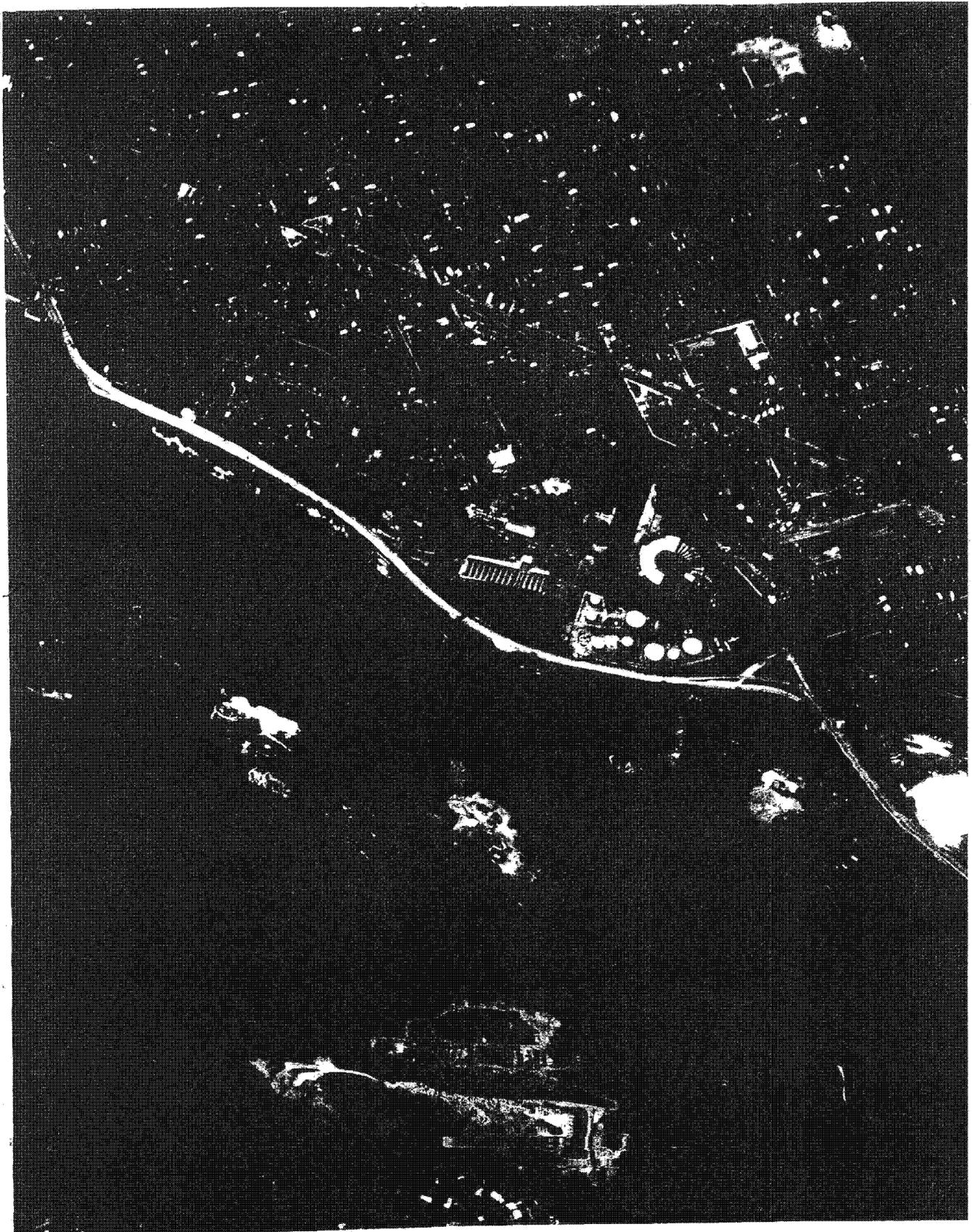
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NPIC/TP-22/64

FIGURE 11. OBLIQUE STEREO.

- 10u -

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

TCS-7879-64
NPIC: TP-22-64

Pass: 015
Frame: 02
Index: 07 -61.0 - 8.0
Enlargement: 20X
Solar Elevation: 62.9
Solar Azimuth: 174
Solar Bearing: 276
Roll Angle: -31.90

- 10v -

~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~
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NPIC/TP-22/64

FIGURE 12. OBLIQUE STEREO.

NPIC/TP-22/64

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~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22 64

Pass: 015
Frame: 03
Index: 09 60.7 - 50.0
Enlargement: 20X
Solar Elevation: 62.9
Solar Azimuth: 174
Solar Bearing: 221
Roll Angle: -31.90

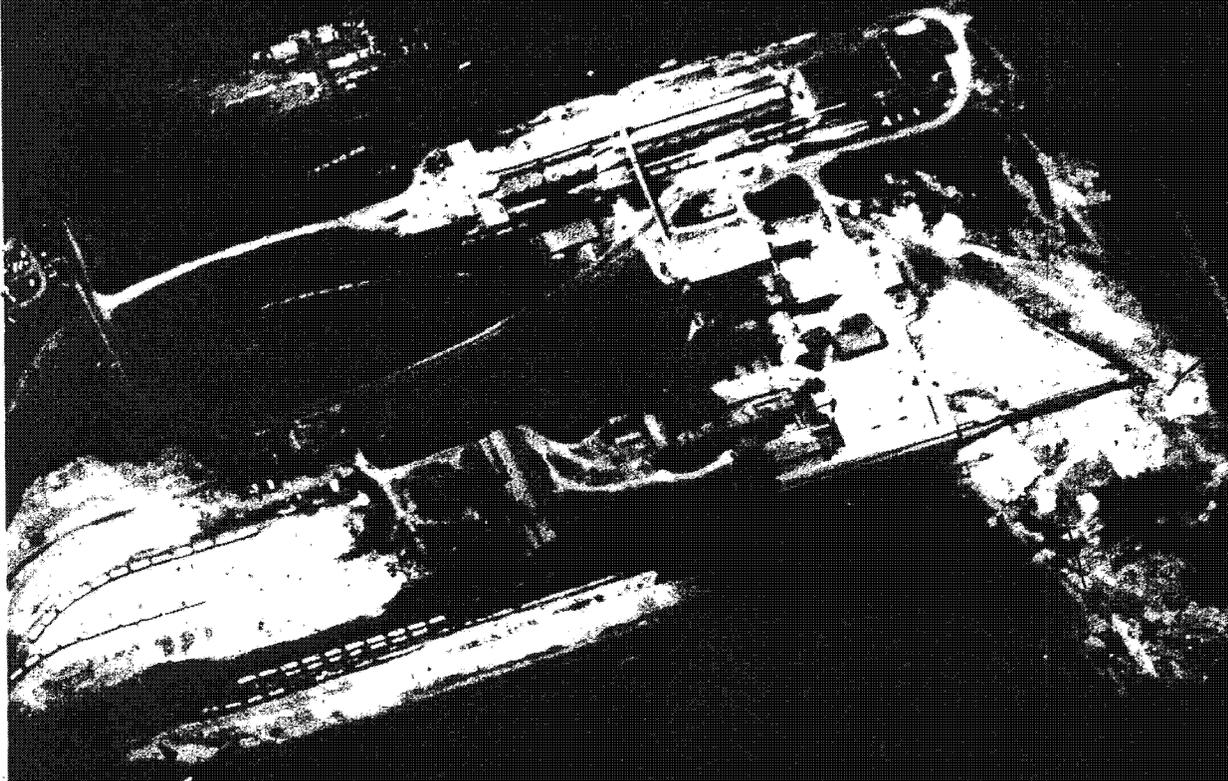
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~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~



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NPIC/TP-22 64

3. Mensuration Study: Mensuration of images on Mission-4008, was confined to passes D8, D10, D14, and D15. All other passes were largely cloud covered or off the target path. The early passes (D4, D5, and D6) were slightly off the target path due to the early orbit adjust. After telemetry check on pass D7, the track was updated for proper pointing of the camera. The orbit adjust for lower perigee was accomplished on pass D11. The lower altitude on the later passes gave the best imagery to date.

The mensuration of the CORN targets and other imagery on passes D14 and D15 revealed resolution of approximately 2.2 feet. This agrees very well with the design specifications for the instrument and shows that the camera was operating at its maximum effectiveness before the attitude problem on pass D16.

All measurements in this study were accomplished with a one micron Mann comparator and the average of all measurements shows less than a 0.5 of one percent error when all parameters are available. The accuracy of the mensuration of the imagery was verified on domestic areas where relative orientation to

known dimensions was available.

Stellar camera images are used in attitude determination, and since pitch, roll, and yaw data are essential for accurate mensuration, the loss of the Stellar camera after only 20 frames caused considerable mensuration difficulty.

Small objects when measured do not fall within the 0.5 of one percent error because of the resolution of the system. An approximate error range for all measurements is plus or minus 1.1 feet; therefore, for most small objects the percent error is large and for large objects the percent error is small.

Table 1. Accuracy of the Stellar Camera Measurements

| Object | Actual Size | Measured Size | Error |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Building | 150 by 24 | 179 by 80 | 0.06 |
| Roadway | 1500 by 200 | 1500 by 200 | 0.05 and 0.6 |
| Building | 60 by 60 | 60 by 59 | 0.0 and 1.7 |
| Road Distance | 3.280 | 3.250 | 0.17 |
| | 3.280 | 3.200 | 0.02 |
| | 3.280 | 3.284 | 0.11 |
| | 2.640 | 2.642 | 0.08 |
| | 2.640 | 2.645 | 0.20 |

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FIGURE 13: CORN TARGET.

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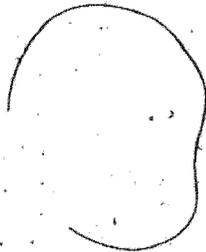
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Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
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NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: D15
Frame: 08
Index: 19 (55.3 - 11.7)
Enlargement: 20X
Solar Elevation: 72.0
Solar Azimuth: 163
Solar Bearing: 241
Roll Angle: -6.38



- 12b -

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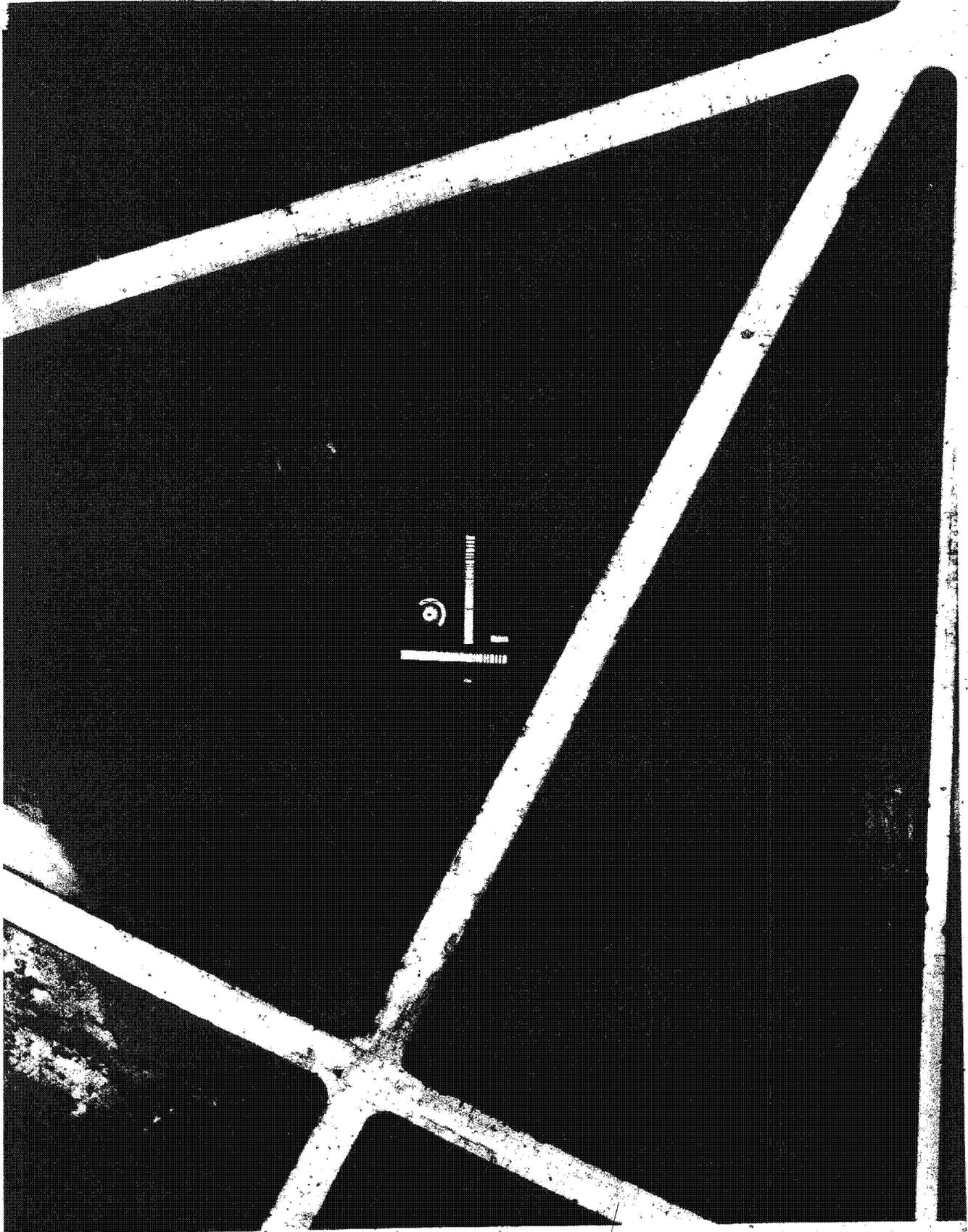
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Control System Only

~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

NO FOREIGN DISSEM

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FIGURE 14. RB-47 "BLACKBIRD" TARGET.

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Pass: D15
Frame: 08
Index: 20 (69.1-11.7)
Enlargement: 40X
Solar Elevation: 72.0°
Solar Azimuth: 163°
Solar Bearing: 241°
Roll Angle: -6.38°

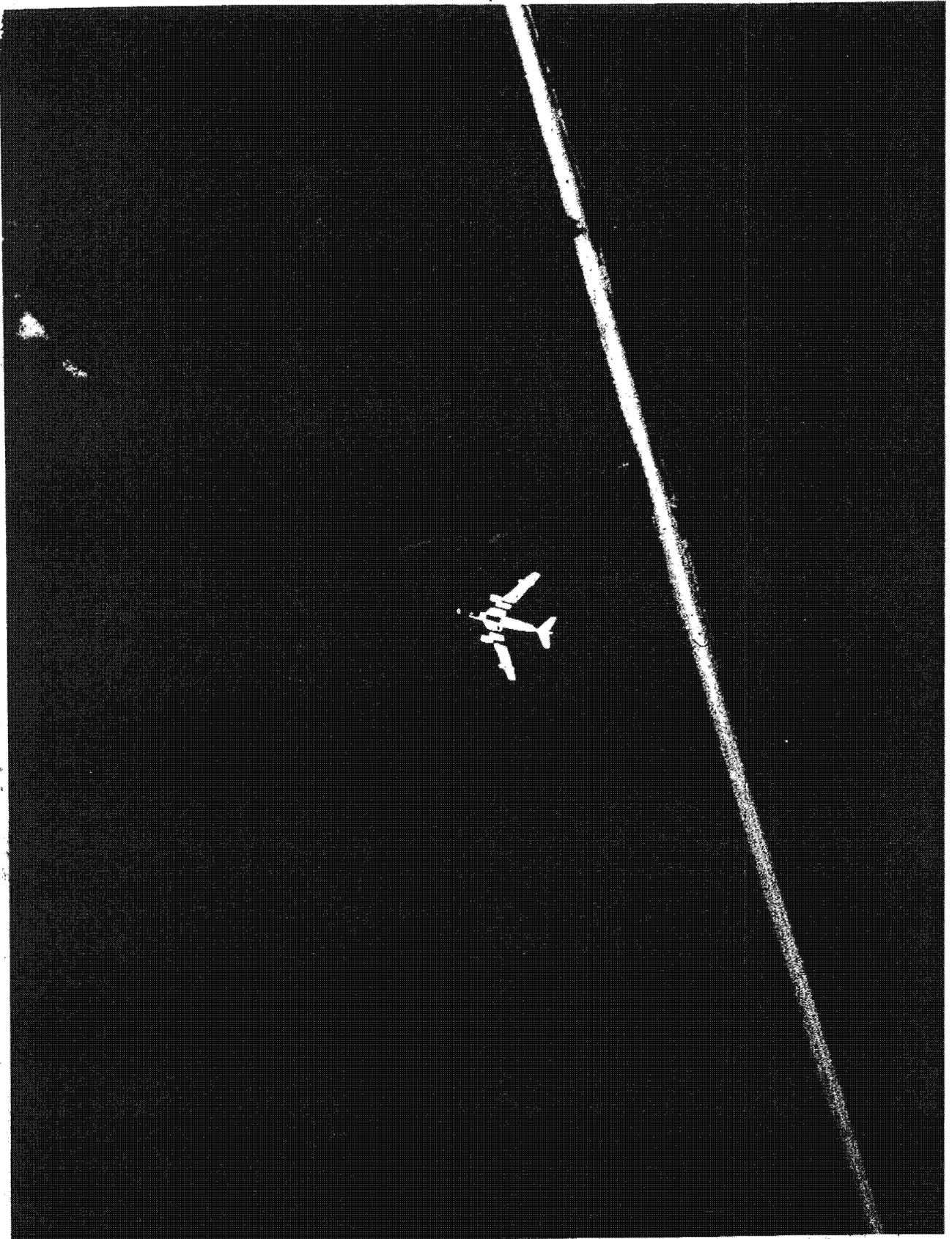
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DEGRADATIONS, MAIN CAMERA

Figures 15 through 23 are examples of the image degradations encountered during the mission.

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FIGURE 15. AIRFIELD PHOTOGRAPHED WITH CORRECT IMC

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: 1015
Frame: 06
Index: 15 8327 1240
Enlargement: 3X
Solar Elevation: 68.1
Solar Azimuth: 369
Solar Bearings: 315
Roll Angle: -7.80

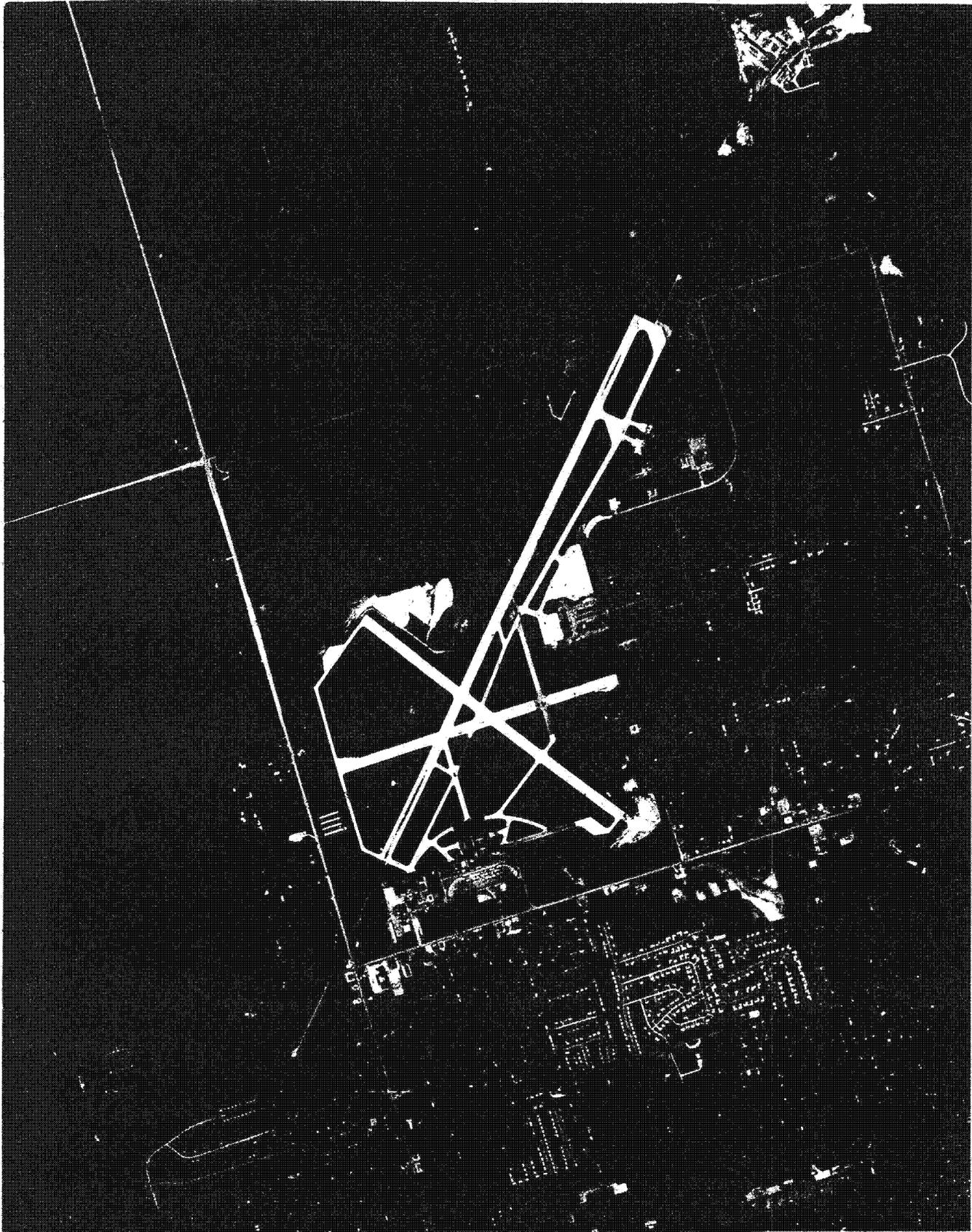
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FIGURE 16. AIRFIELD PHOTOGRAPHED WITH INCORRECT IMC AT START-UP.

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: D15
Frame: 07
Index: 16 (50.0-9.0)
Enlargement: 3X
Solar Elevation: 68.1
Solar Azimuth: 169
Solar Bearing: 174
Roll Angle: -7.80

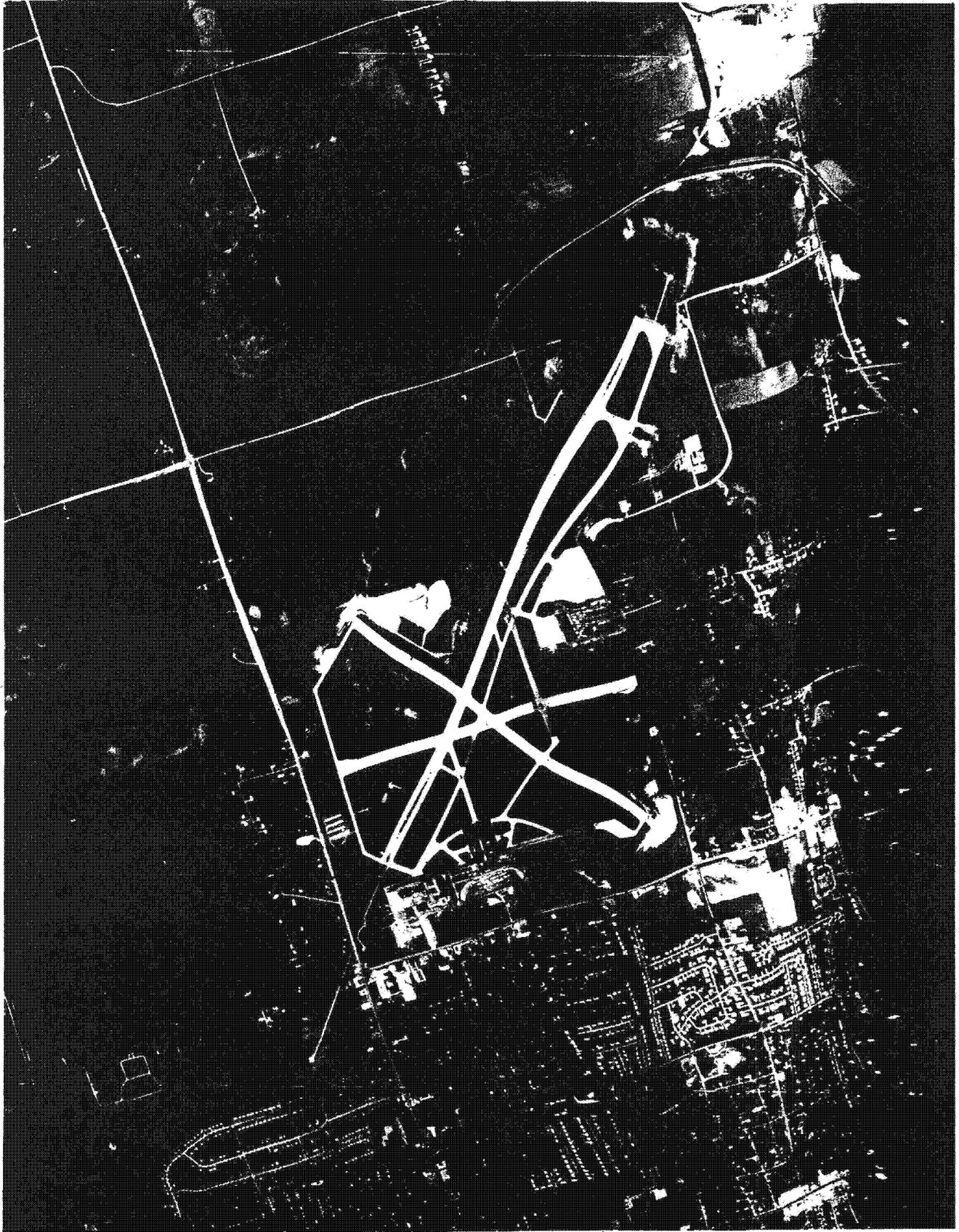
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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

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~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~
~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~



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FIGURE 17. START-UP ERROR IN IMC.

- 12k -

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~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: D10
Frame: 11
Index: 21 (51.9 - 9.9)
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 48.9°
Solar Azimuth: 188°
Solar Bearing: 173
Roll Angle: -3.54°

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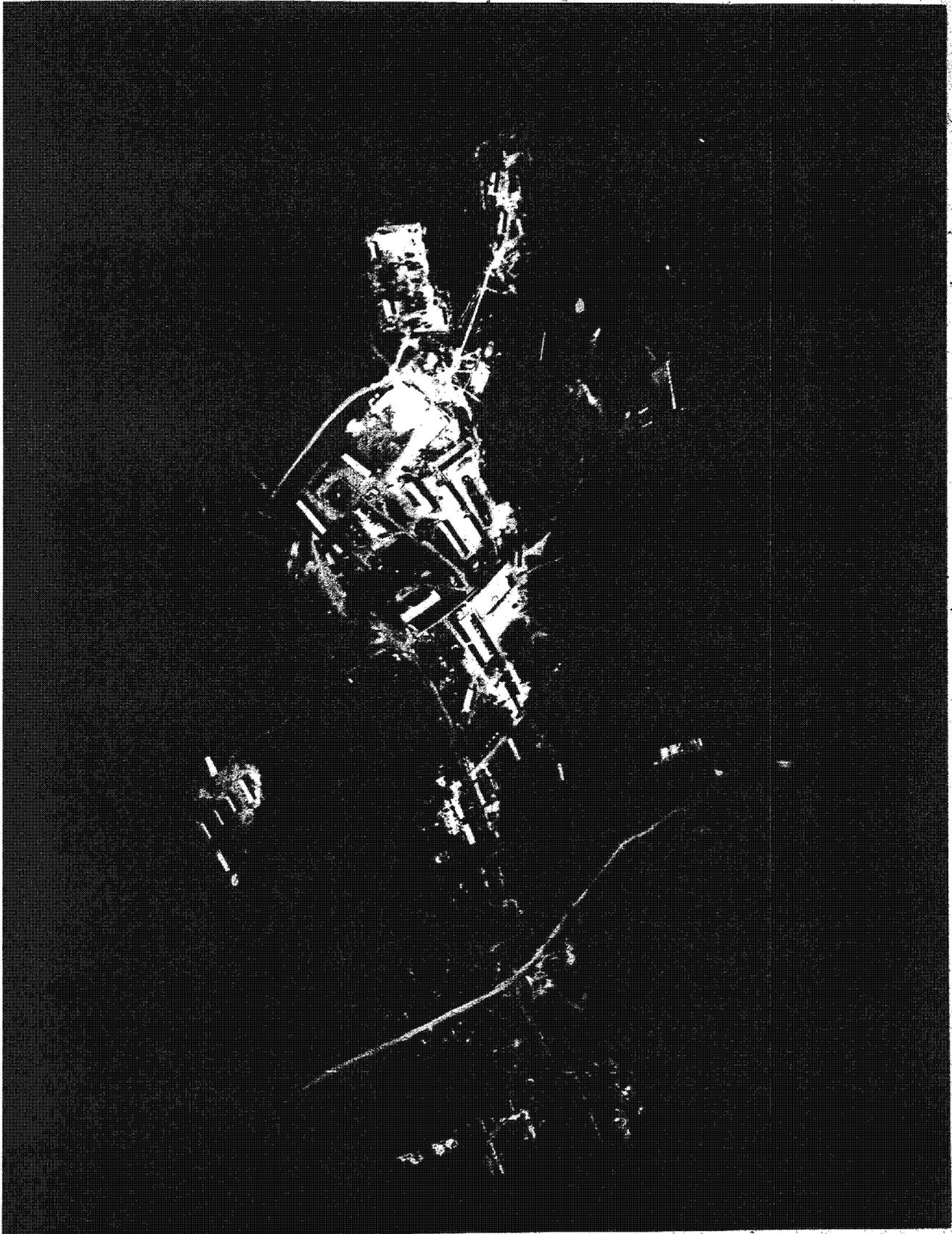
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Control System Only

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FIGURE 18. LOOPER-LOADING ACTION, INCORRECT IMC.

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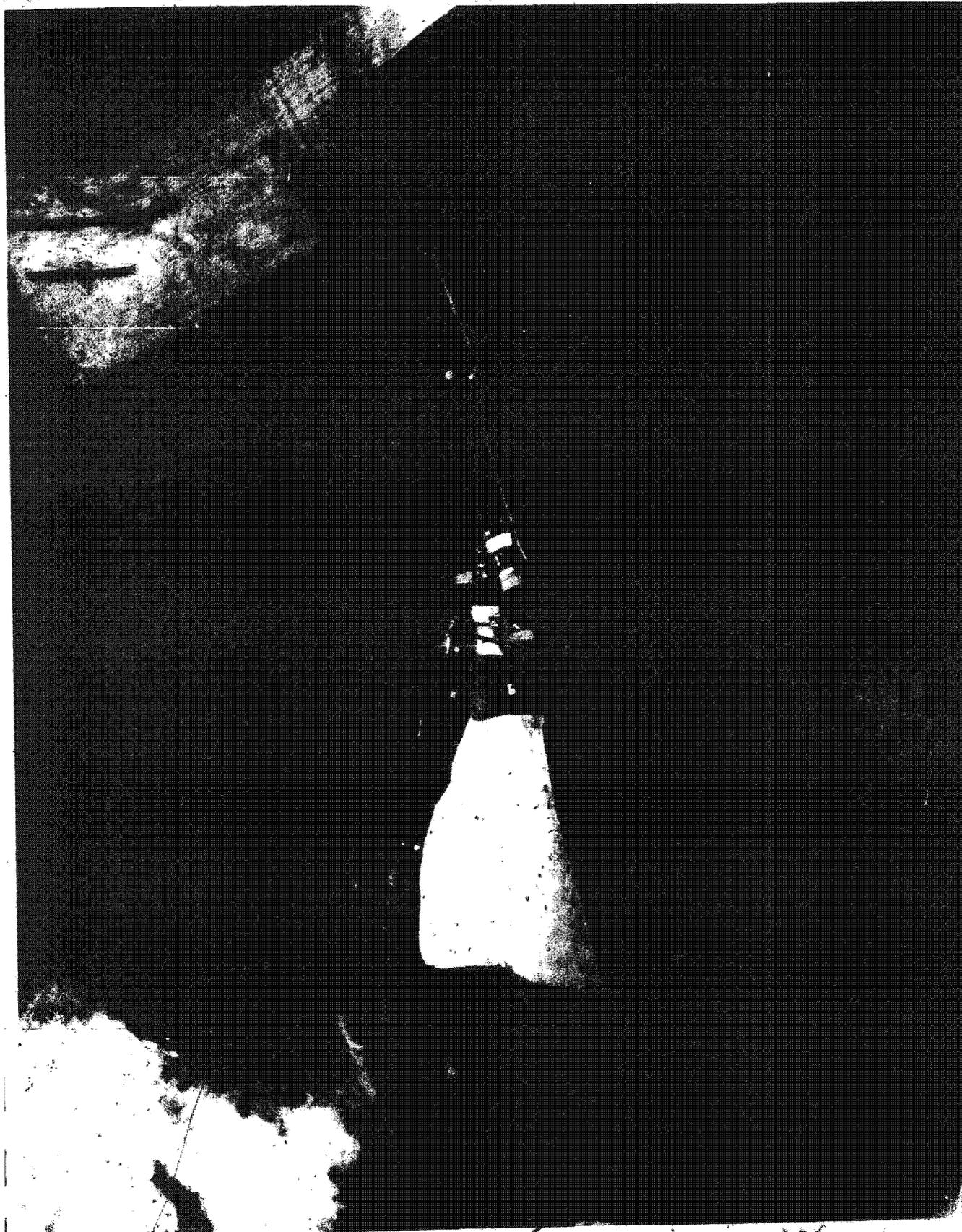
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NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: D10
Frame: 12
Index: 25, 53, 25, 5, 3
Enlargement: 10X

12n

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FIGURE 19. IMAGE DEGRADATION CAUSED BY VEHICLE INSTABILITY.

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NO FOREIGN DISSEM

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Pass: D16
Frame: 03
Index: 10 (75.0 - 12.0)
Enlargement: 1X

- 12p -

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FIGURE 20. IMAGE DEGRADATION CAUSED BY VEHICLE INSTABILITY.

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~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

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NPIC/TP-22/64

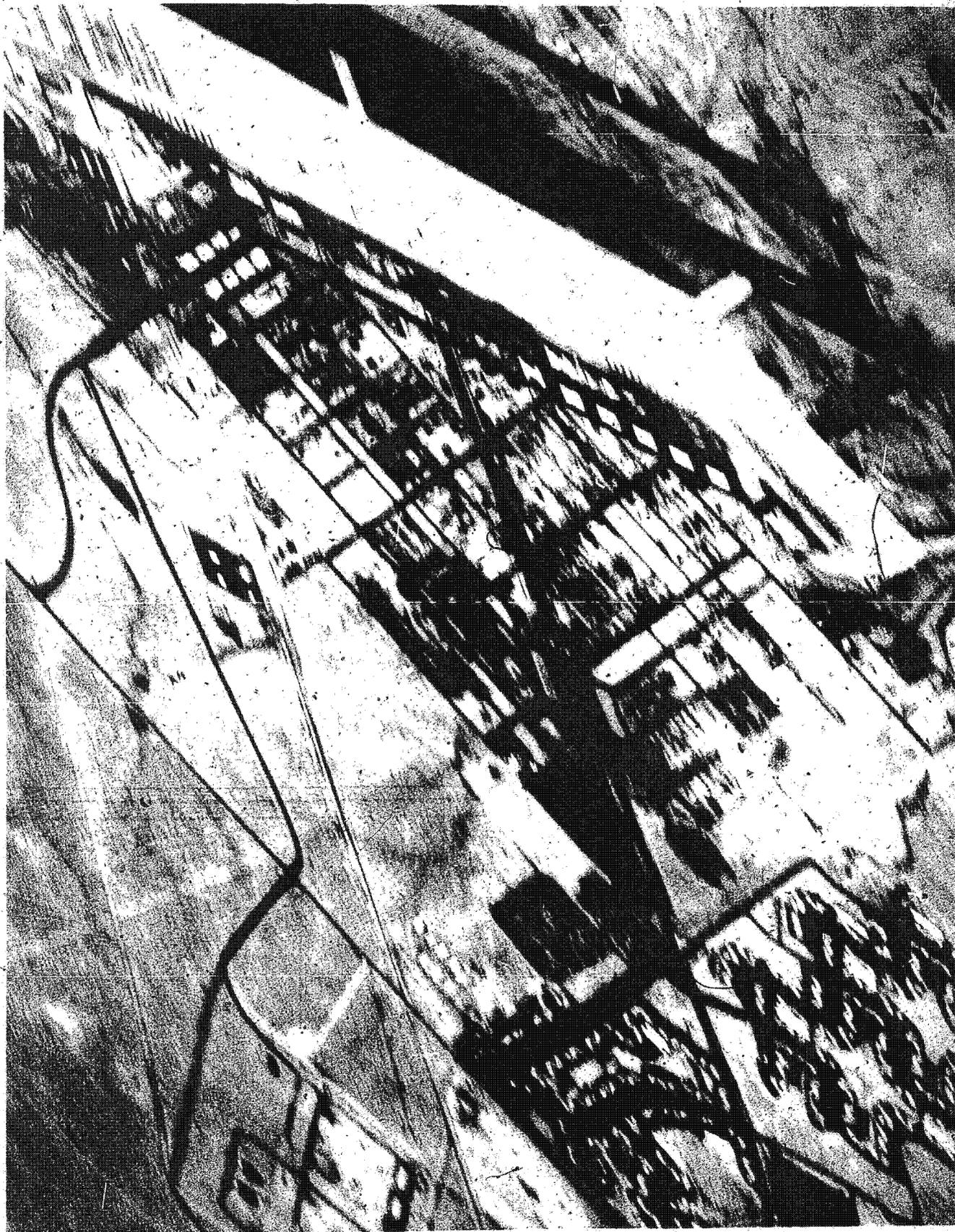
Pass: D16
Frame: 04
Index: 15 (86.0-10.0)
Enlargement: 7X

- 12r -

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Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~



~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

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NPIC/TP-22/64

FIGURE 21. CONTINUOUS SCRATCH WITH ADJACENT PLUS DENSITY AREA.

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Handle Via
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Control System Only

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NPIC/TP-22/64

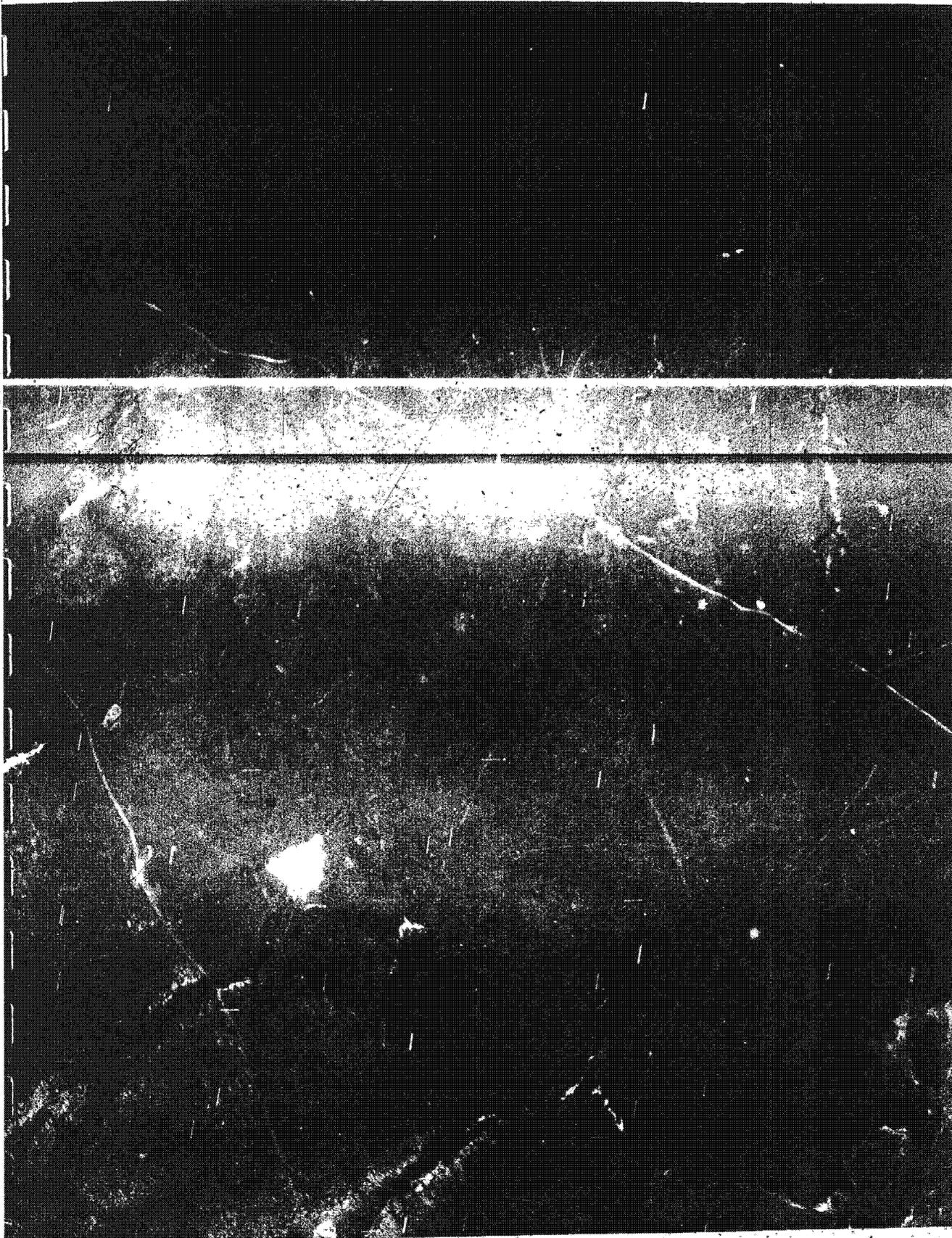
Disc: 115
Frame: 08
Index: 20,62,0 - 22,6
Enlargement: 10X

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~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via
~~TALENT-KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

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Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

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FIGURE 22. MINUS DENSITY STREAKS AND EFFECTS OF ATMOSPHERICS.



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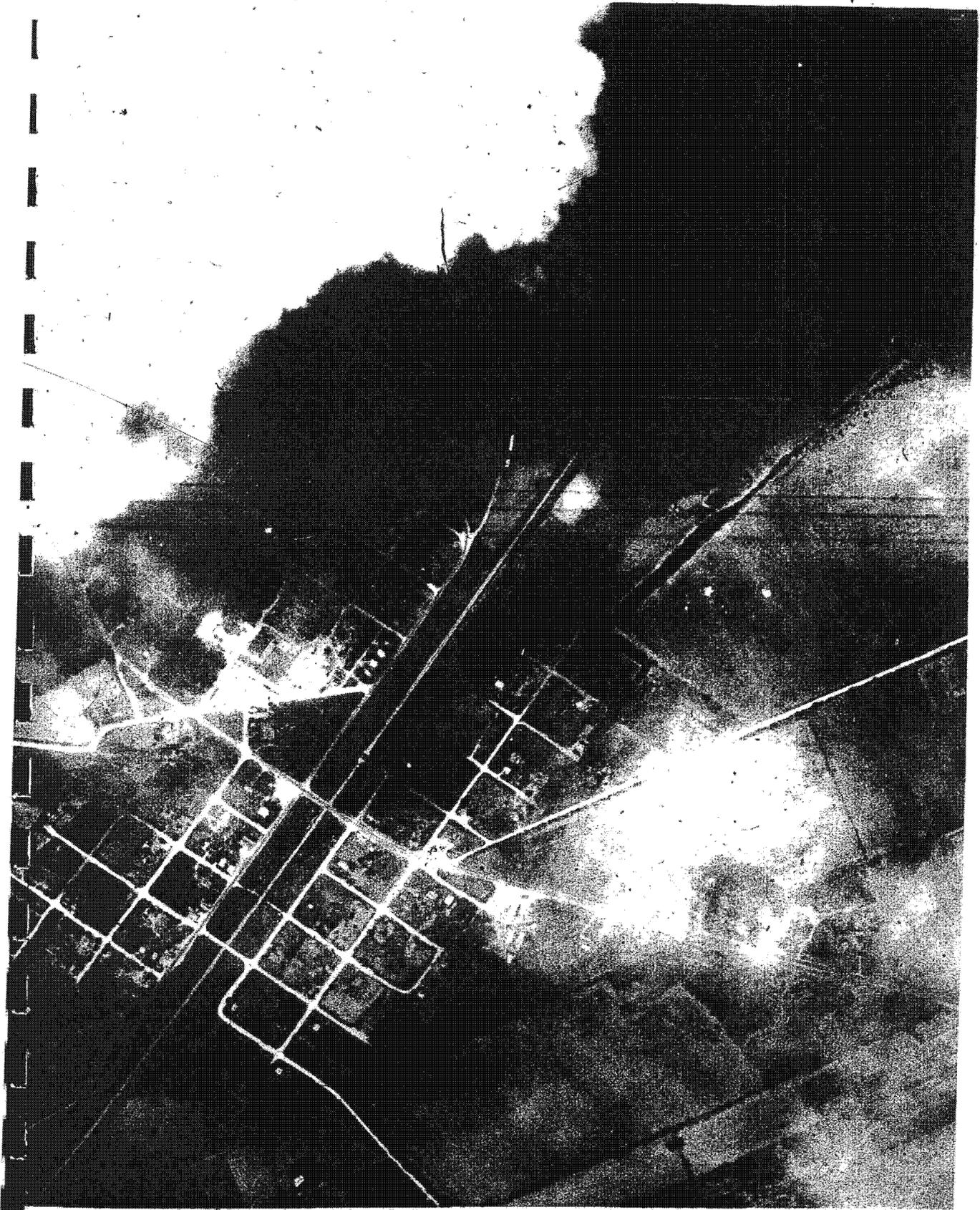
TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22/64

Pass: 015
Frame: 13
Index: 33 (63.7 - 9.2)
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 78.1
Solar Azimuth: 155
Solar Bearing: 235
Roll Angle: -4.96

Handle Via
~~TALENT-KEYHOLE~~
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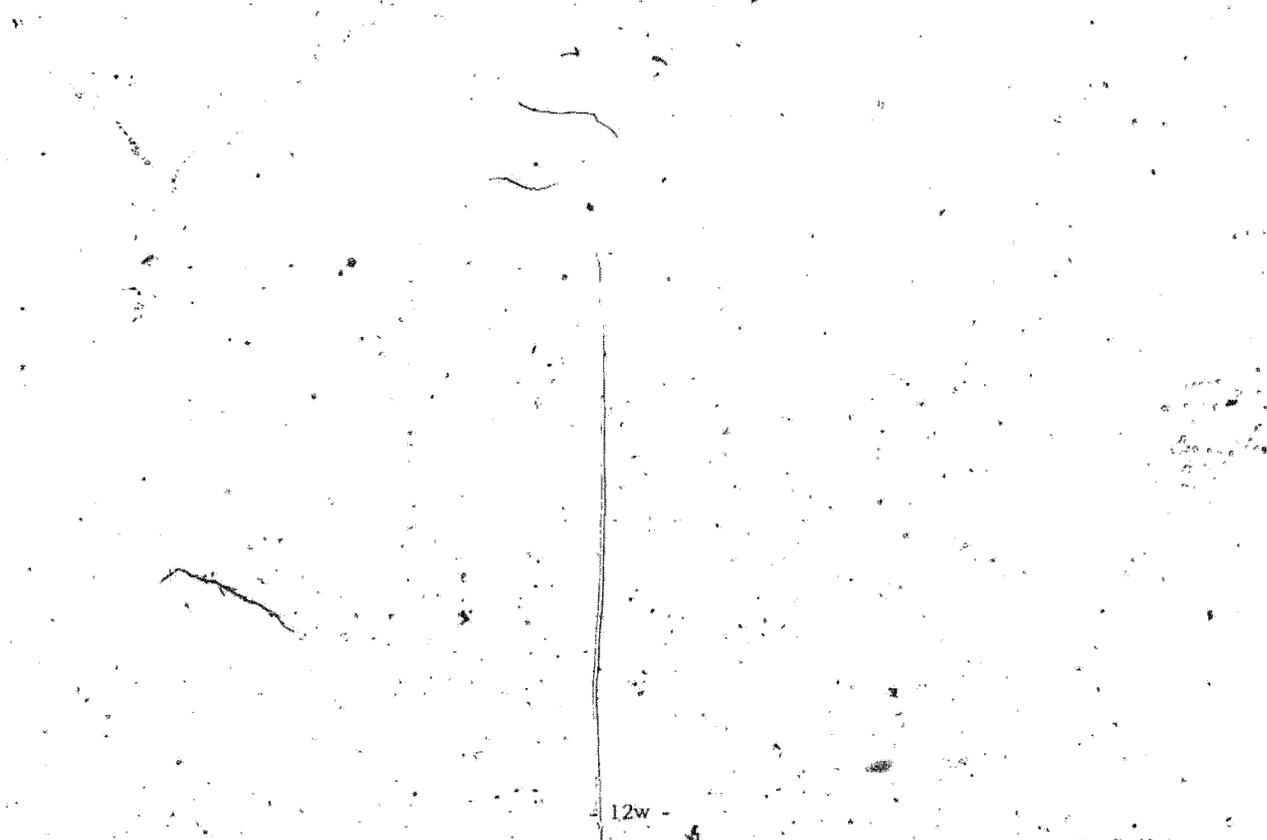
~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

Handle Via. ~~TALENT-RETROLE~~
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NPIC/TP-22/64

FIGURE 23. MINUS DENSITY STREAK AND EFFECTS OF ATMOSPHERICS.



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Handle Via
~~TALENT-RETROLE~~
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~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~

~~TOP SECRET RUFF~~

NO FOREIGN DISSEM

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

TCS-7879/64
NPIC/TP-22,64

Pass: 1915
Frame: 14
Index: 35 (54.2 - 5.4)
Enlargement: 10X
Solar Elevation: 78.0
Solar Azimuth: 140
Solar Bearing: 178
Roll Angle: -21.27

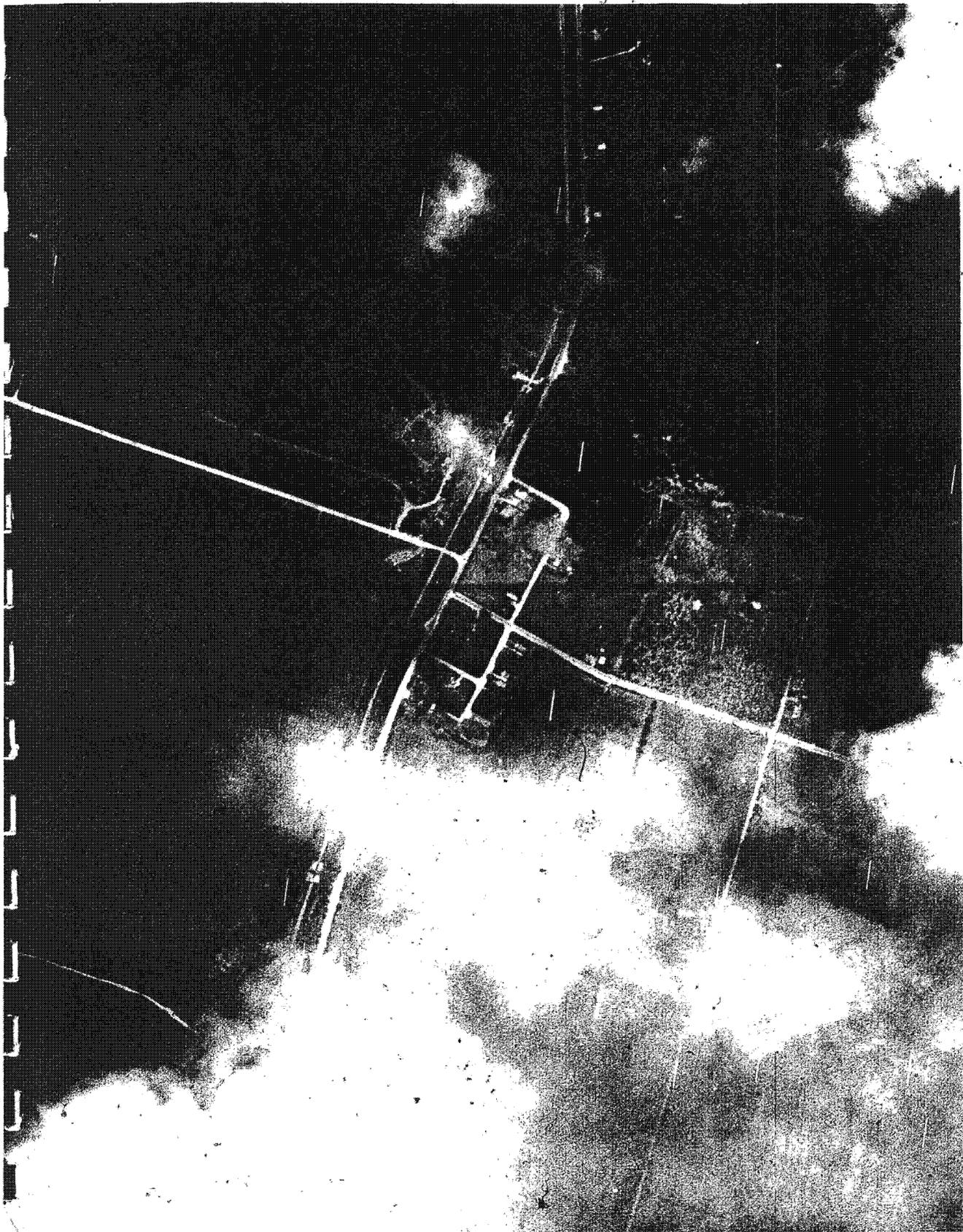
- 12x -

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NO FOREIGN DISSEM

Handle Via
~~TALENT KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

~~NO FOREIGN DISSEM~~



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Handle Via
~~TALENT-KEYHOLE~~
Control System Only

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NPIC/TP-22/64

4. Yaw analysis. The yaw separation was measured in both yaw slits on pass D15 during 4. The computations for the separations are shown below.

| | Major | Minor |
|----------------|-------|-------|
| Yaw Slit No. 1 | 0000 | 0000 |
| Yaw Slit No. 2 | 0000 | 0000 |

Computation for the Oblique Angles

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$$

$$427.2 = 427.2 \text{ (at oblique)} \quad 02720 \text{ Degrees of Minutes}$$

Computation for the Yaw Angles

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$$

$$02880 = 02880 \text{ (at yaw)} \quad 02880 \text{ Degrees of Minutes}$$

Note: all measurements are in arc minutes

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FIGURE 18. X-RAY STUDY

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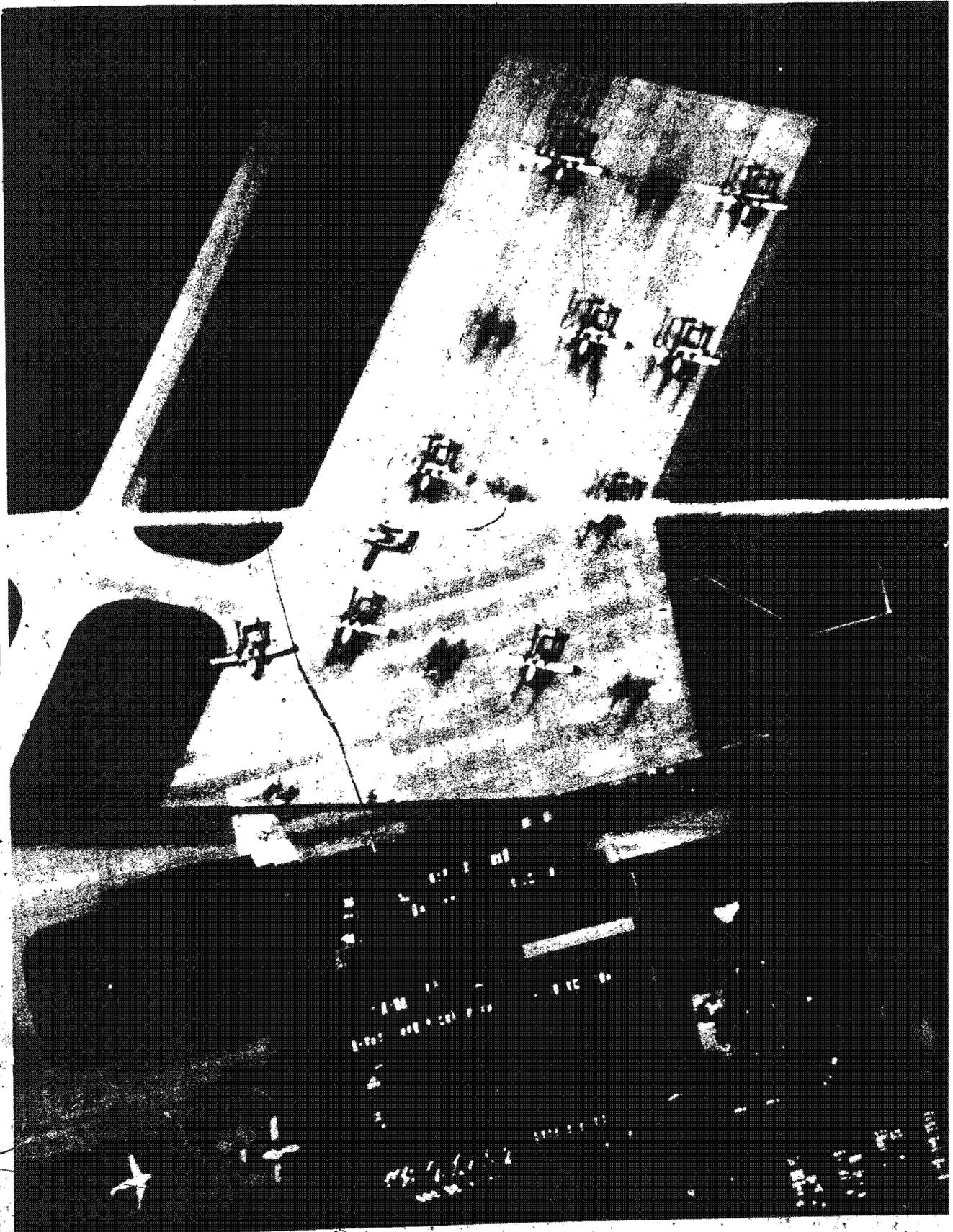
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5. Film Velocity Measurements: The film velocity for this mission was within the design specifications (plus or minus 0.5 of one percent) on almost all frames. The few frames that were outside the specifications were the first frames after long shutdown periods.

The film velocities were measured on a one micron comparator and all measurements were made on the 1/20th second time track. The graph showing the variations in speed was made from these time track readings and depicts the early variations due to the starting motion of the platen and film feed system. This start-up transient is about 0.5 second. After this the speed is relatively constant with a maximum excursion of about one percent. The nominal film speed and the one percent variation lines are shown on the graph. The variation is usually within 0.5 of one percent of the nominal line.

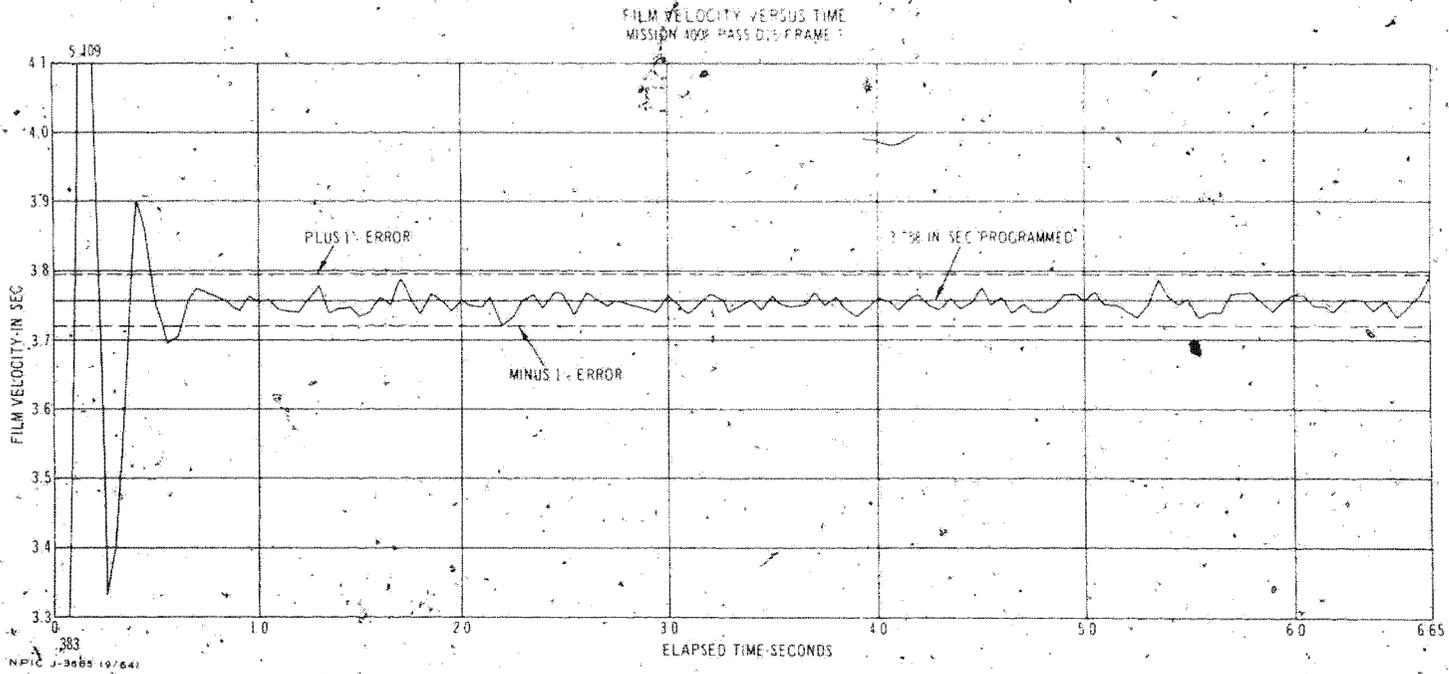
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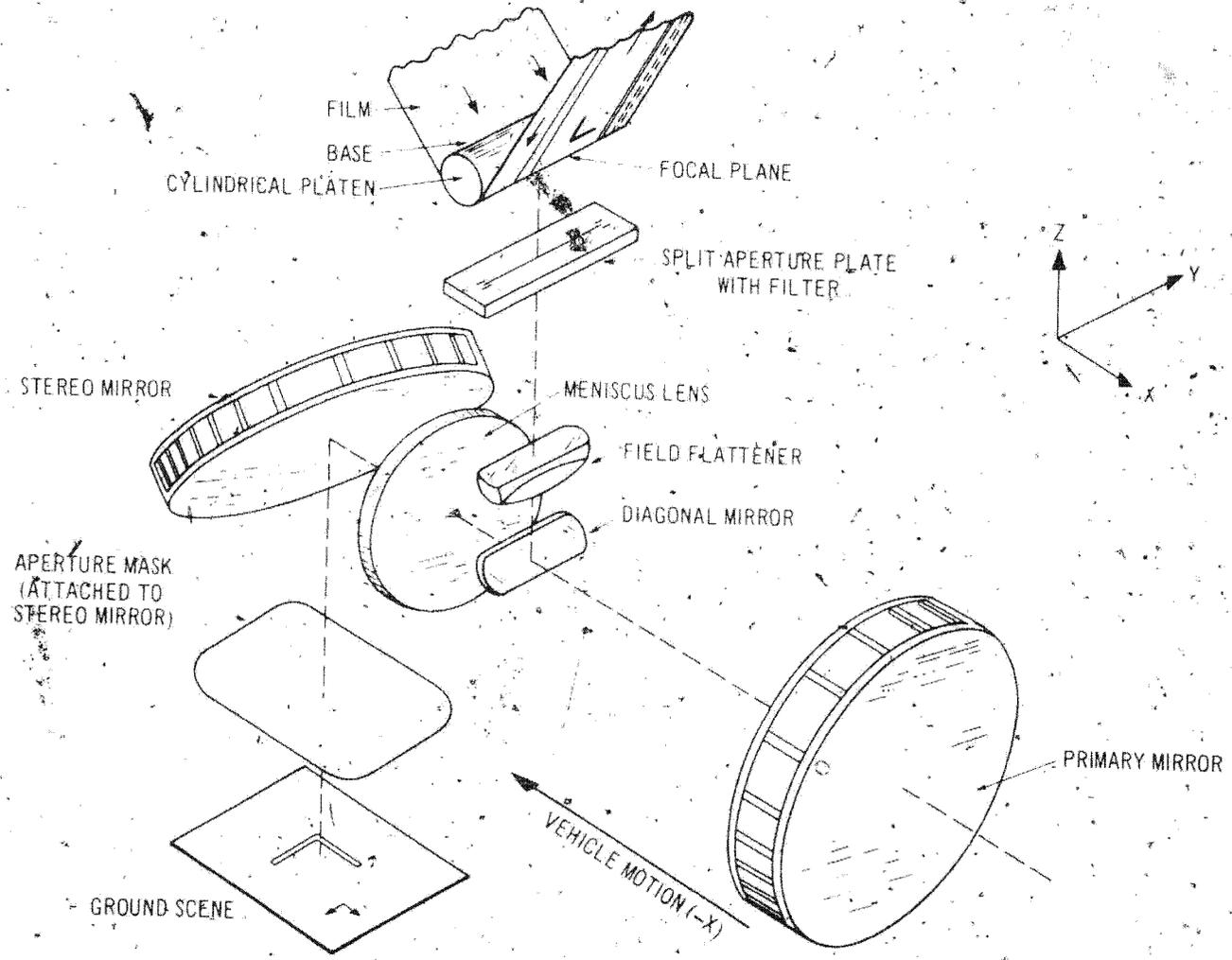
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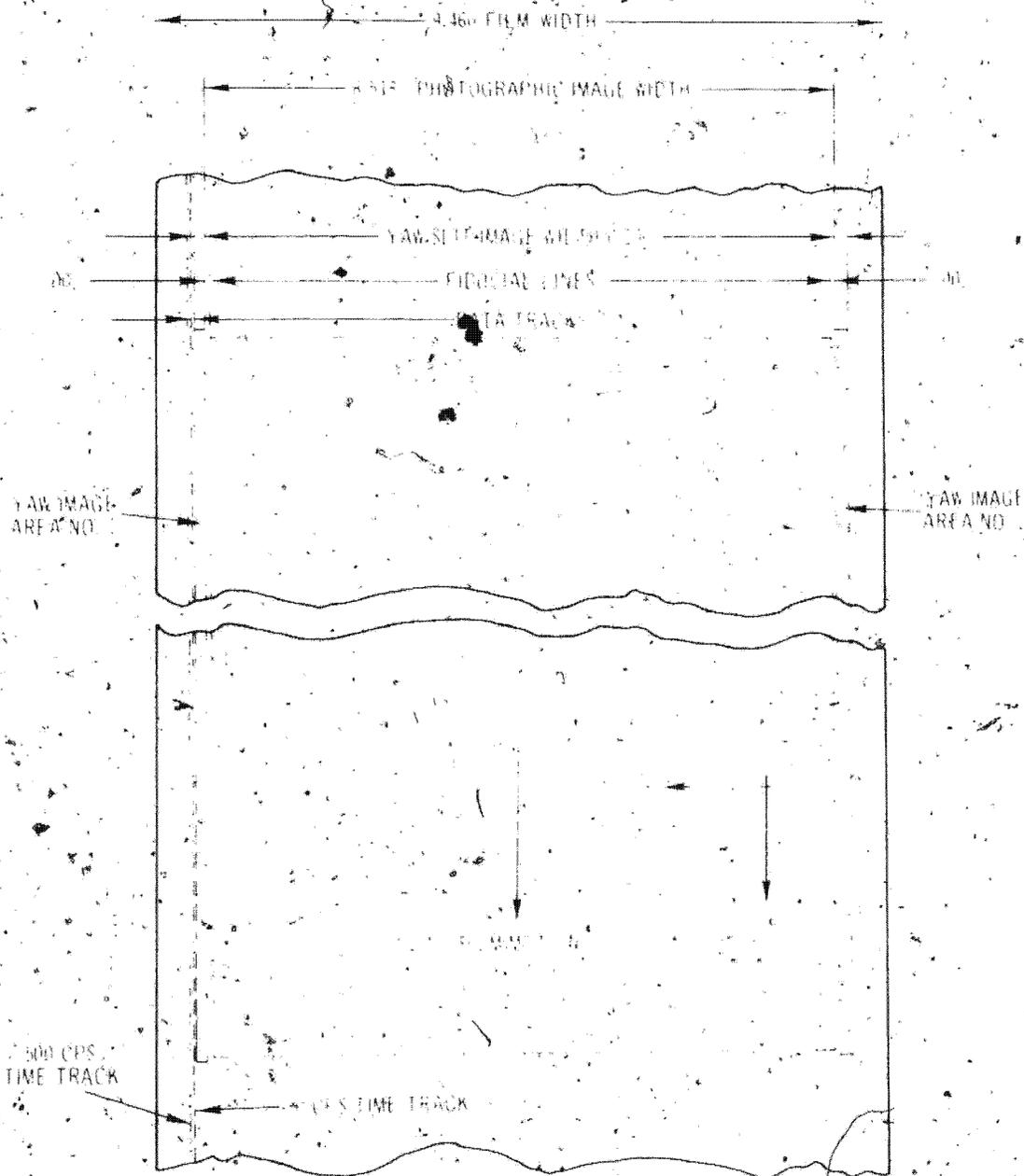
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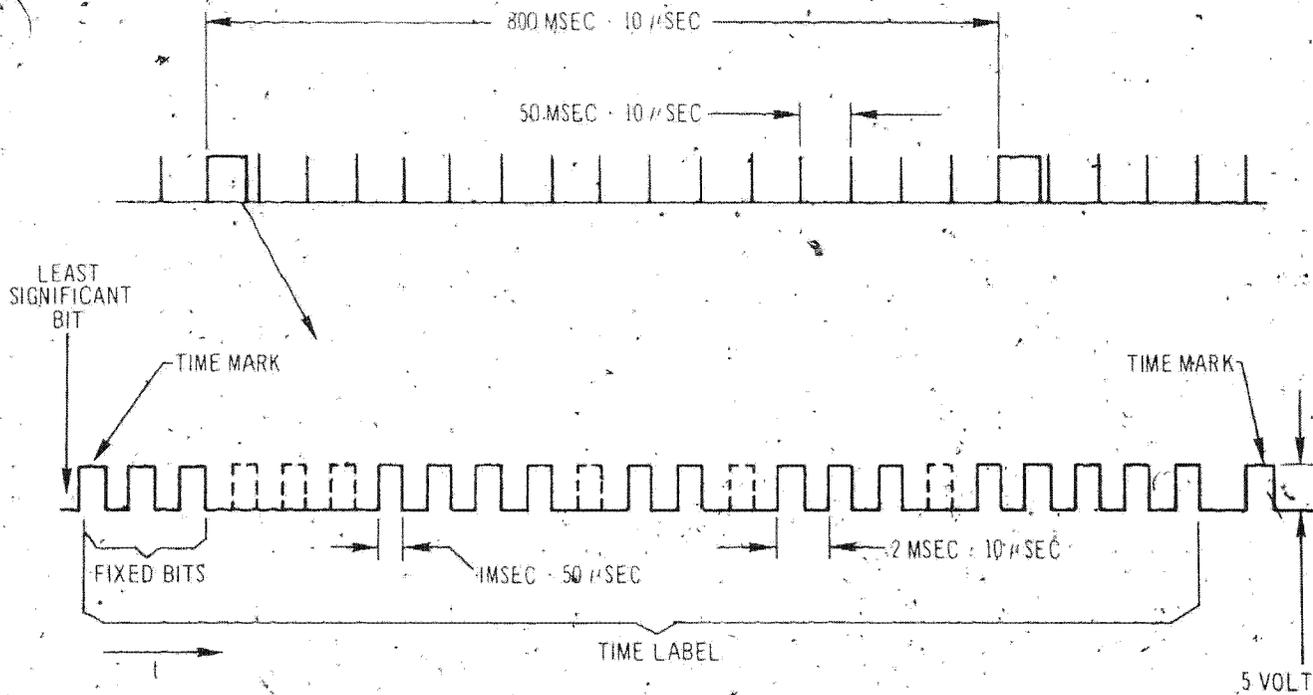
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TIME-TRACK FORMAT

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from highly reflective surfaces.)
Limiting Dmin: The least dense area within the format that can be detected with an aperture of 0.5 mm in a Mabeth Quantalog Densitometer Model EP 1000. Usually surfaces of low reflectivity in cloud shadows.
Limiting Delta: The arithmetical difference between the most dense and least dense area in the format.
Terrain Dmax: The most dense area of a topographical feature (discounting glare from water surfaces) that can be detected in the format.

Usually beaches, roof tops, fields of crops, etc.
Terrain Dmin: The least dense area of a topographical feature (discounting cloud shadows) that can be detected in the format—usually forest areas, black-top roads, shadows of buildings, etc.
Terrain Delta: The arithmetical difference between the most dense and least dense topographical feature of the frame.
Cross Fog: The base plus fog density read outside the format along the non-titled edge. Usually indicative of the level of processing.

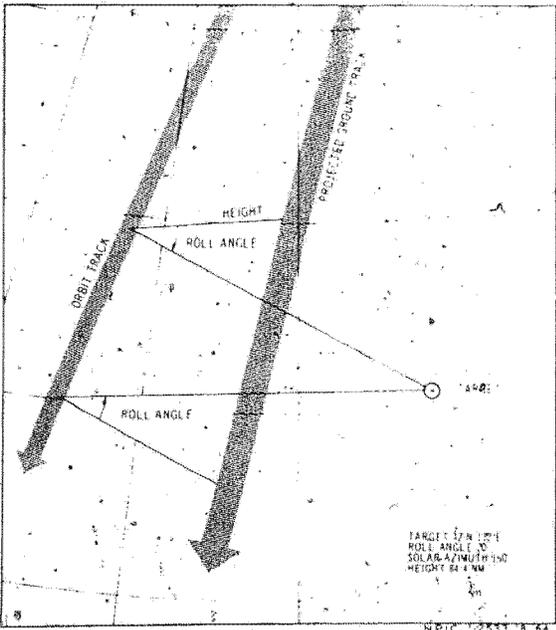


FIGURE 1. RELATIVE ORBITAL TRACK AND THE PROJECTED GROUND TRACK AT 20° RIGHT WING DOWN ROLL, AND AT THE CONVERGENCE ANGLE FOR STEREOGRAPHIC COVERAGE OF A TARGET.

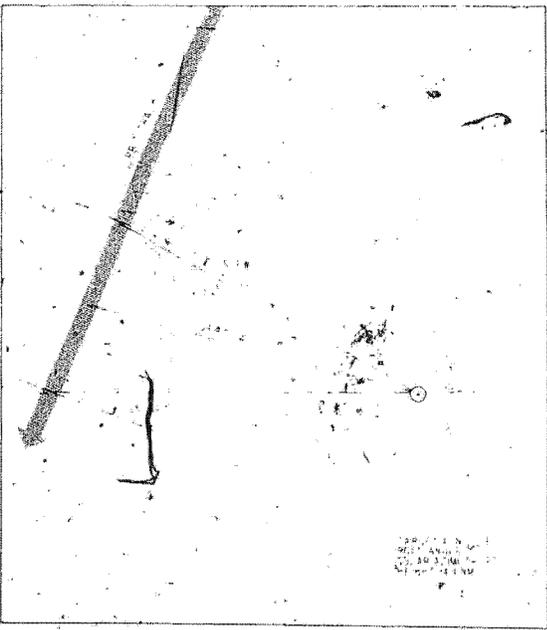


FIGURE 2. MIRROR POSITIONS OF THE STEREO MIRROR RELATIVE TO THE VEHICLE AND THE TARGET.

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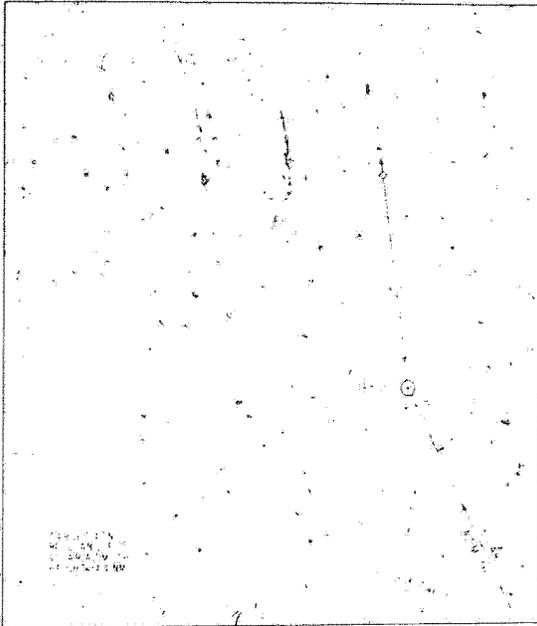


FIGURE 3. RELATIVE POSITIONS OF THE SOLAR AZIMUTH, TRUE NORTH AND THE TARGET.

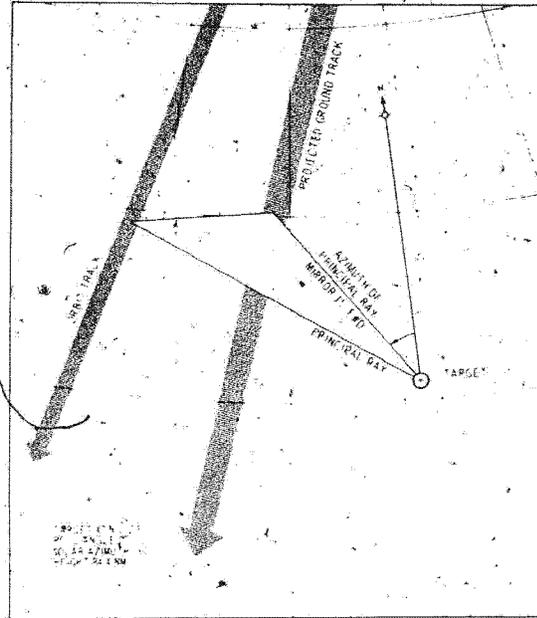


FIGURE 4. RELATIVE LOCATION OF THE PRINCIPAL RAY AND THE AZIMUTH OF THE PRINCIPAL RAY WITH THE MIRROR IN THE 15° FWD POSITION.

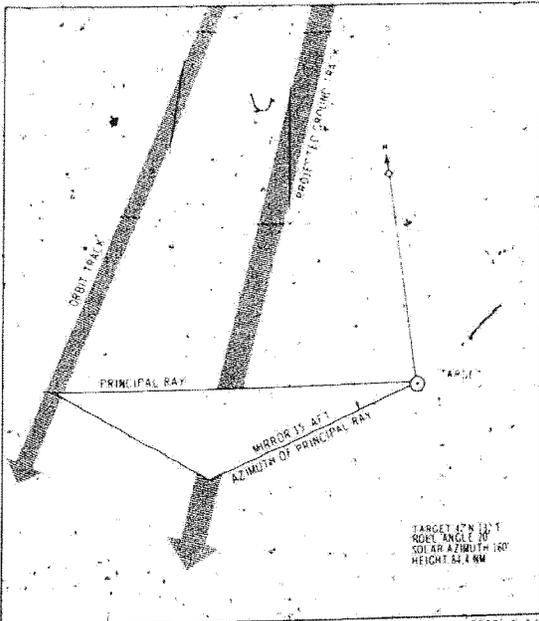


FIGURE 5. RELATIVE LOCATION OF THE PRINCIPAL RAY AND THE AZIMUTH OF THE PRINCIPAL RAY WITH THE STEREO MIRROR IN THE 15° AFT POSITION.

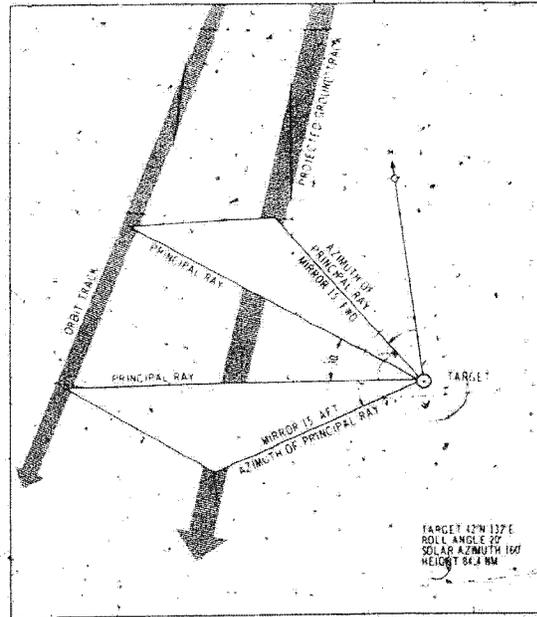


FIGURE 6. ALTHOUGH THE CONVERGENCE OF THE TWO PRINCIPAL RAYS ALWAYS FORMS A 30° ANGLE, THE CONVERGENCE OF THE AZIMUTHS OF THESE PRINCIPAL RAYS FORMS AN ANGLE THAT IS A FACTOR OF THE VEHICLE ATTITUDE AND ALTITUDE.

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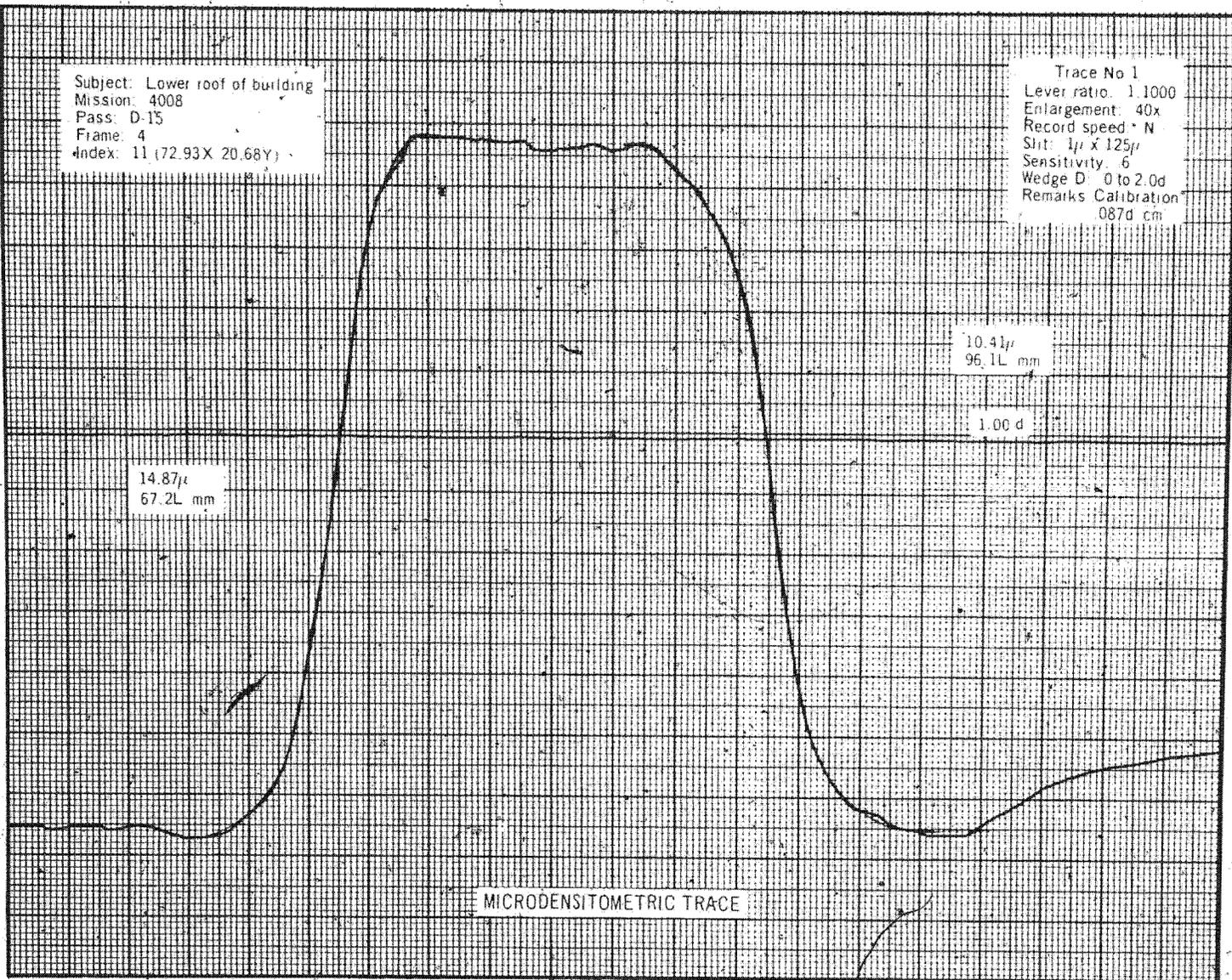
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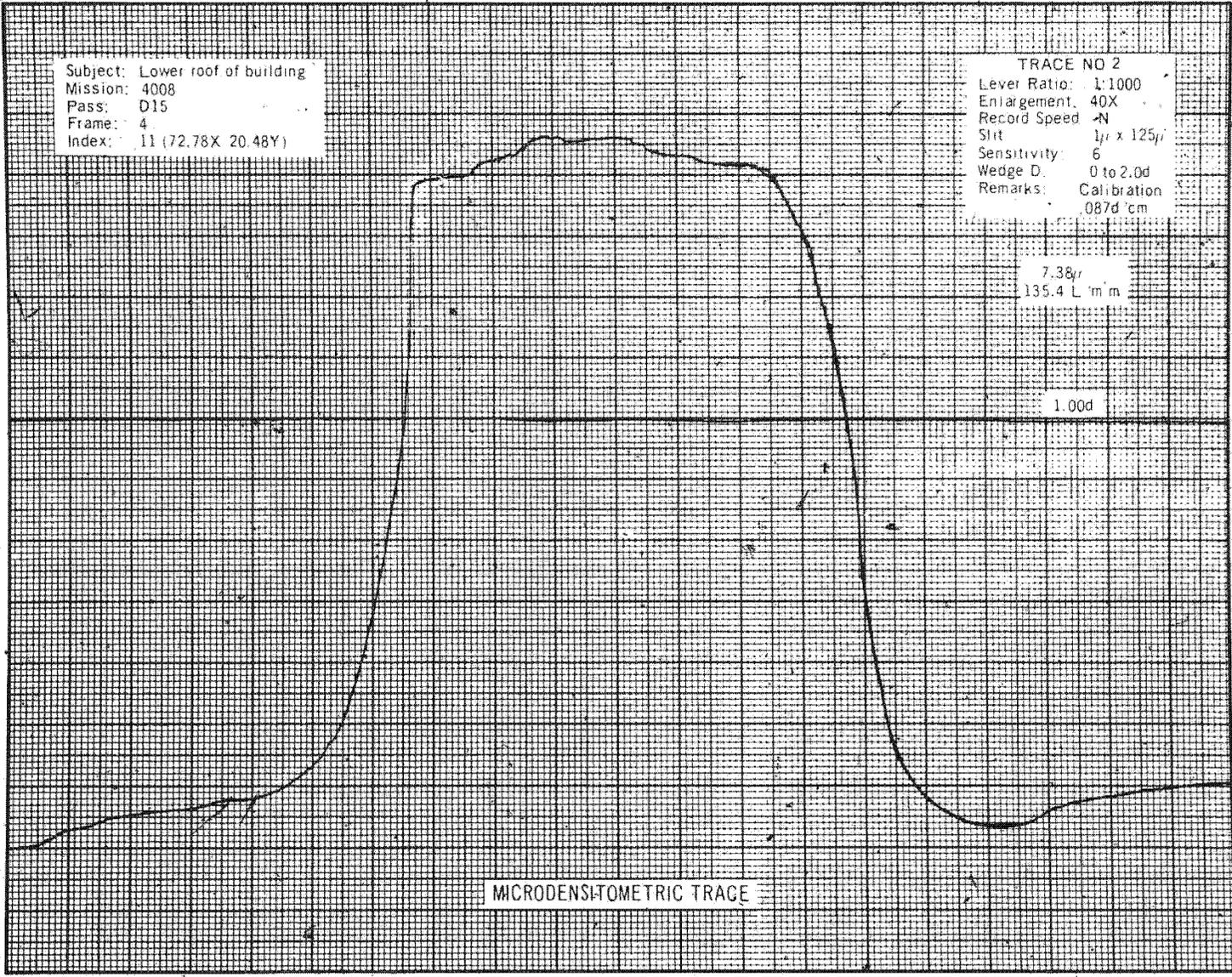
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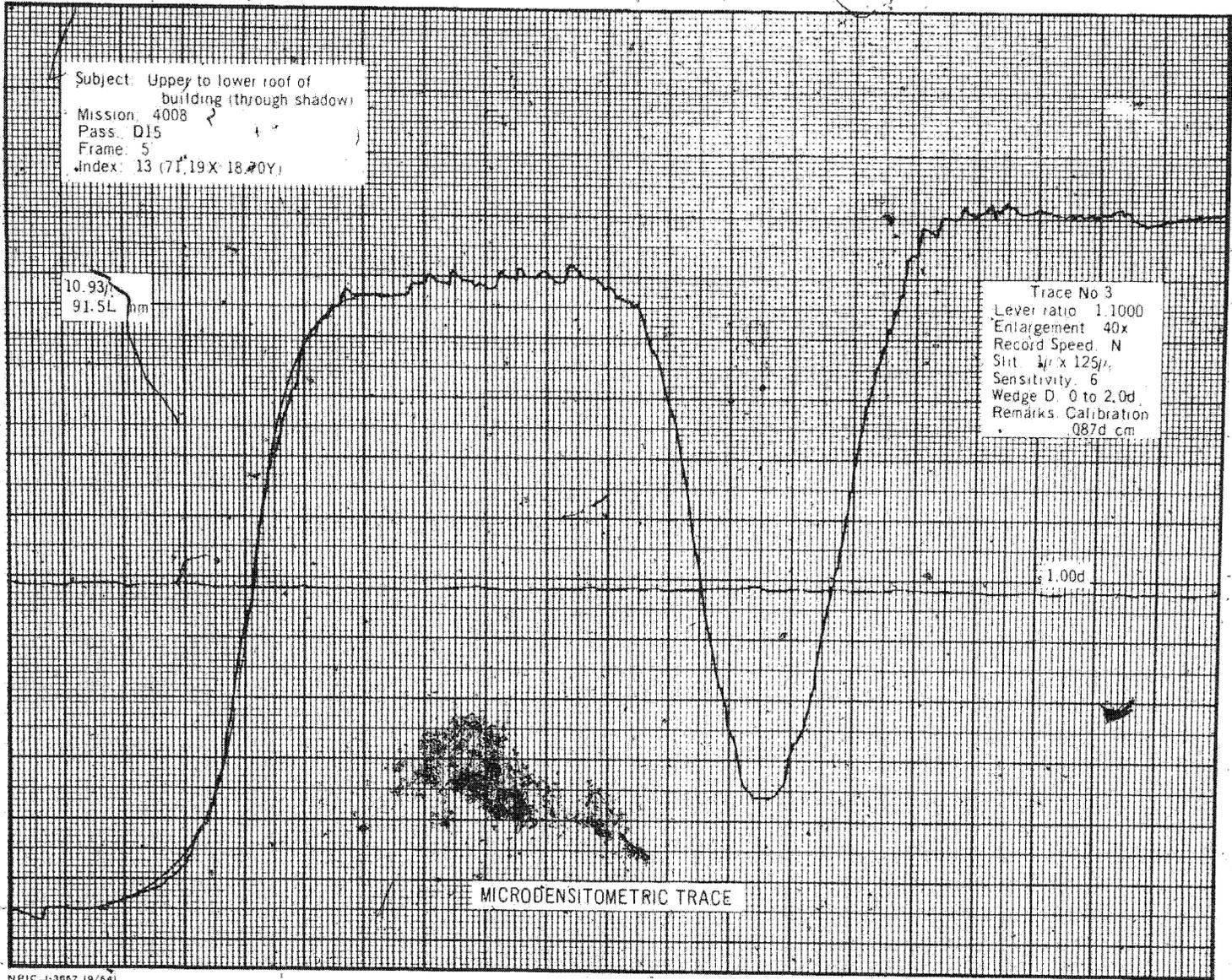
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FIGURE 25 LOCATION OF MICRODENSITOMETRIC TRACE NO 1

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Solar Azimuth: 171
Solar Bearing: 273
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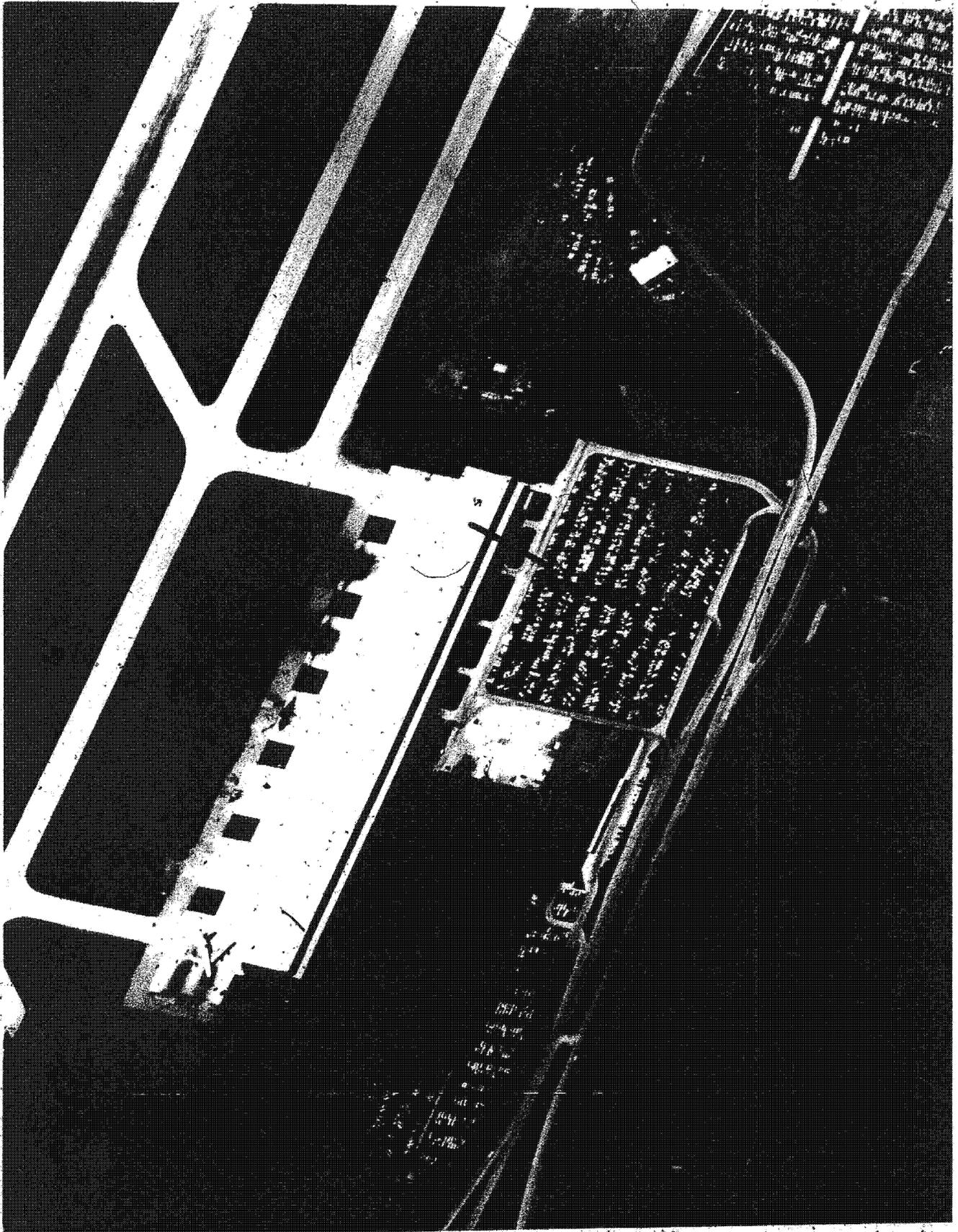
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FIGURE 26. LOCATION OF MICRODENSITOMETRIC TRACE NO 2.

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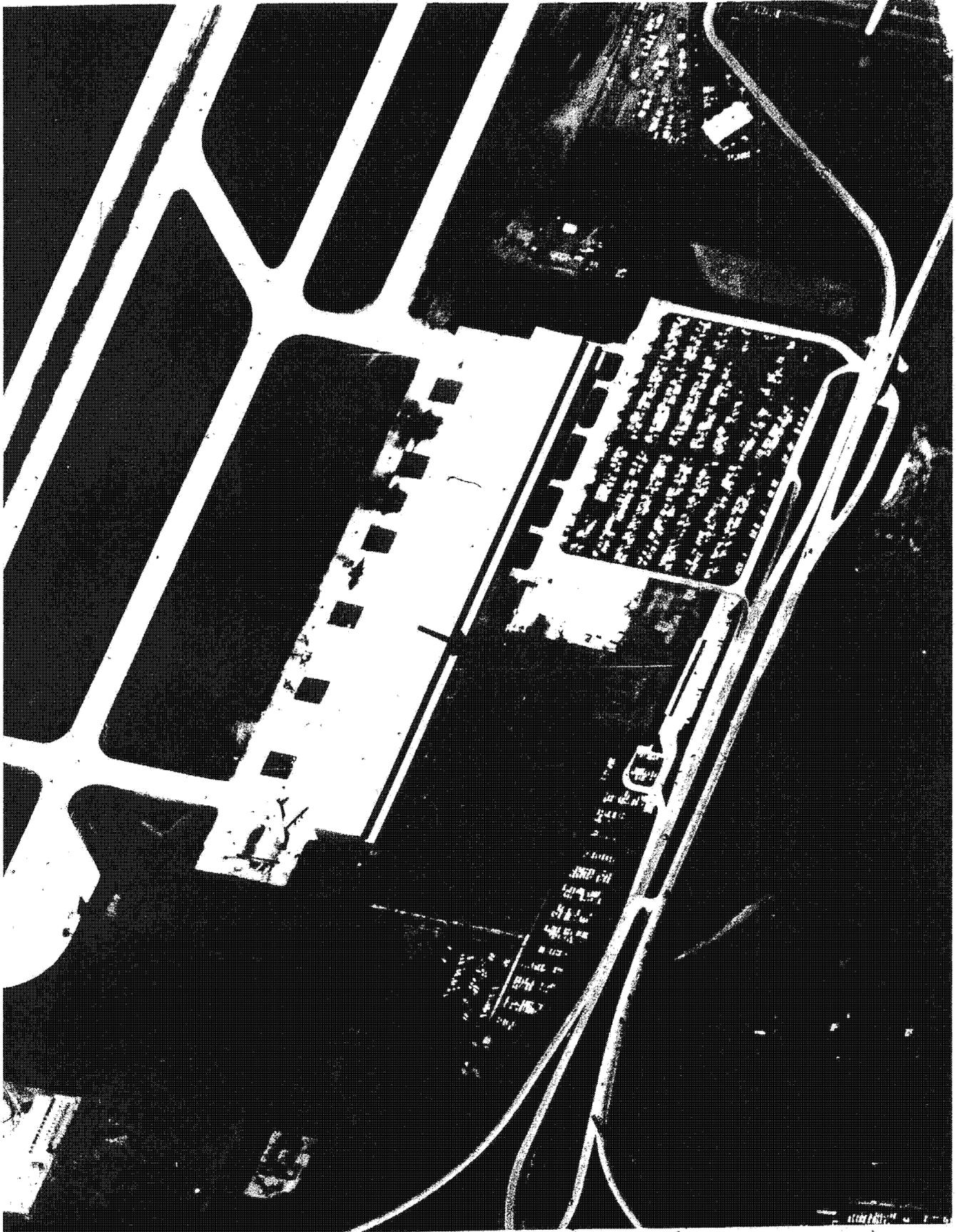
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Solar Bearing: 273
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FIGURE 27. LOCATION OF MICRODENSITOMETRIC TRACE NO 3.

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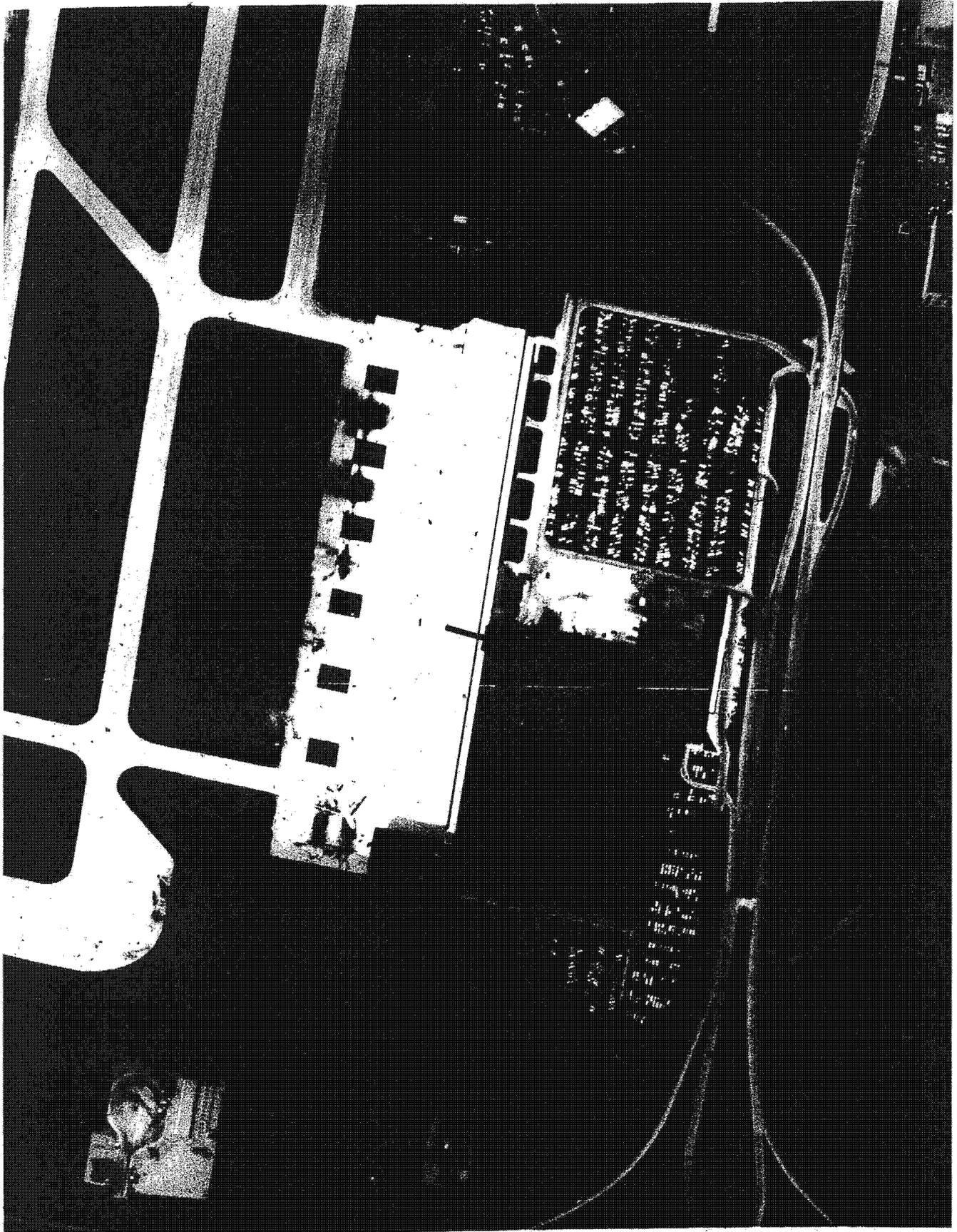
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MICRODENSITOMETRICALLY DERIVED IMAGE QUALITY DATA

This is an extract of data derived from microdensitometric image traces performed by the film processing contractor. The data are presented as spread function width in microns and resolving power in lines per millimeter 1/mm. A statistical summary of the edge data is included, giving the arithmetic mean, standard deviation, coefficient of dispersion, and number of edges. Also included is a summary of all 4000 series missions traced to date, and two frequency plots of the spread function and resolving power data for Mission 4008.

The image quality data were obtained from sharp scene edges in the original negative by scanning with a Kodak Model 5 microdensitometer. A 1 x .320 micron slit was used. The data reduction consisted of the following steps:

- hand smoothing of the microdensitometer strip chart recording
- key punching of chart (density) values at sample distance increments of 0.35 microns
- IBM 1620 computer conversion of chart values to relative exposure values
- 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.

Resolution in 1/mm based on the aerial image modulation - 4404 curve from edge trace data reduced by computer techniques.

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Arithmetic Mean | 100.6 |
| Standard Deviation | 28.1 |
| Coefficient of Dispersion | 28% |
| Number of Edges | 32 |

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

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|---------------------------|-----|
| Arithmetic Mean | 9.5 |
| Standard Deviation | 2.7 |
| Coefficient of Dispersion | 29% |
| Number of Edges | 32 |

Trace Summary

| 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 |
| 4001 | 15 | 16.5 | 5.1 | 31% | 73.5 | 27.3 | 37% |
| 4002 | 30 | 14.2 | 5.7 | 40% | 74.7 | 26.1 | 35% |
| 4003 | 82 | 12.3 | 2.9 | 24% | 64.8 | 18.1 | 21% |
| 4005 | 16 | 64.4 | 32.7 | 51% | 19.3 | 8.5 | 44% |
| 4006 | 106 | 13.6 | 6.1 | 45% | 85.4 | 28.8 | 34% |
| 4007 | 106 | 14.4 | 4.7 | 33% | 70.5 | 21.0 | 30% |
| 4008 | 32 | 9.5 | 2.7 | 29% | 100.6 | 28.1 | 28% |

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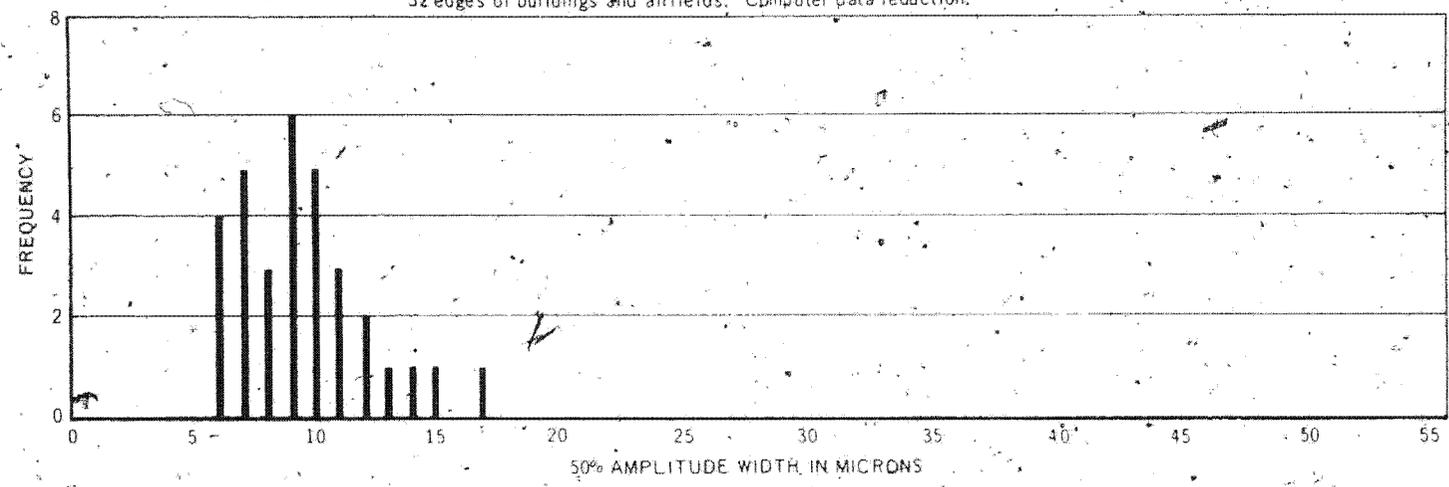
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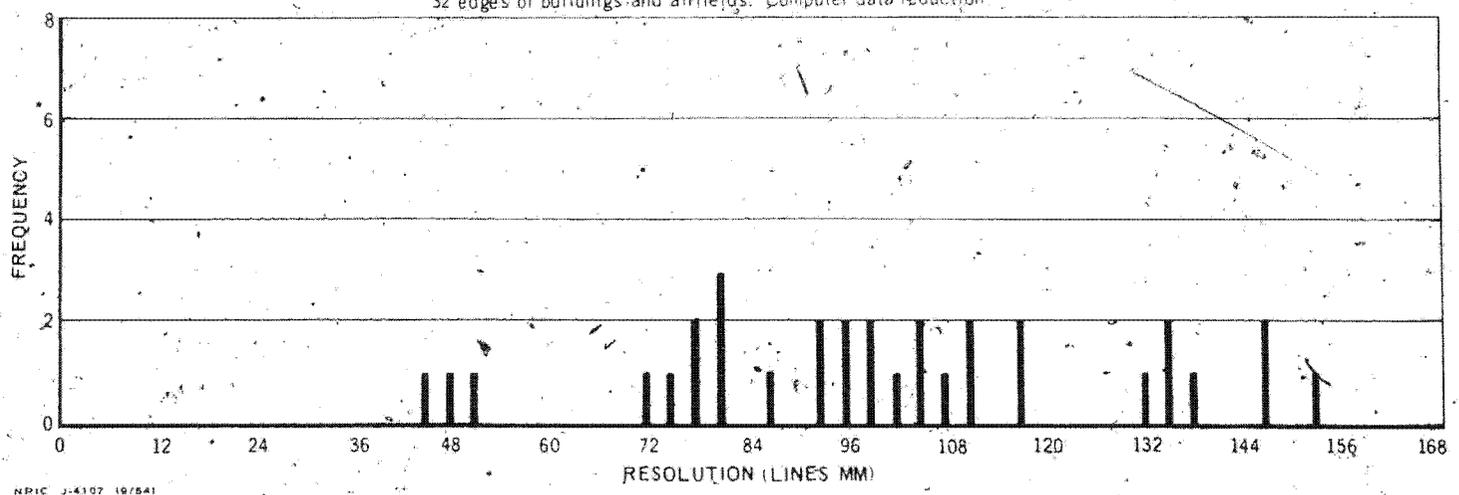
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Frequency vs. 50% amplitude width in microns, of line spread function.
32 edges of buildings and airfields. Computer data reduction.



Frequency vs Resolution (lines MM) A.I.M. 4404 Curve.
32 edges of buildings and airfields. Computer data reduction.



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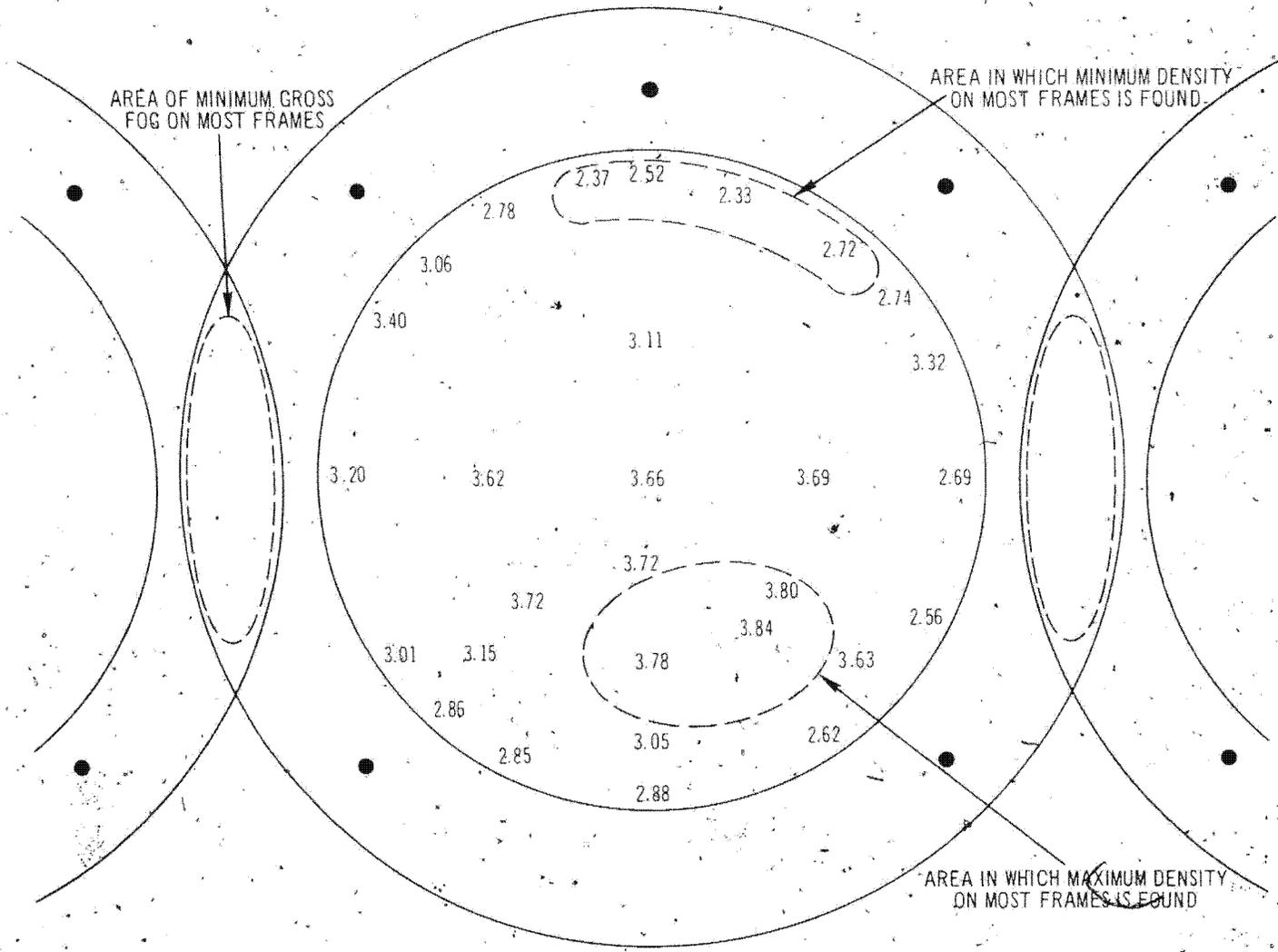
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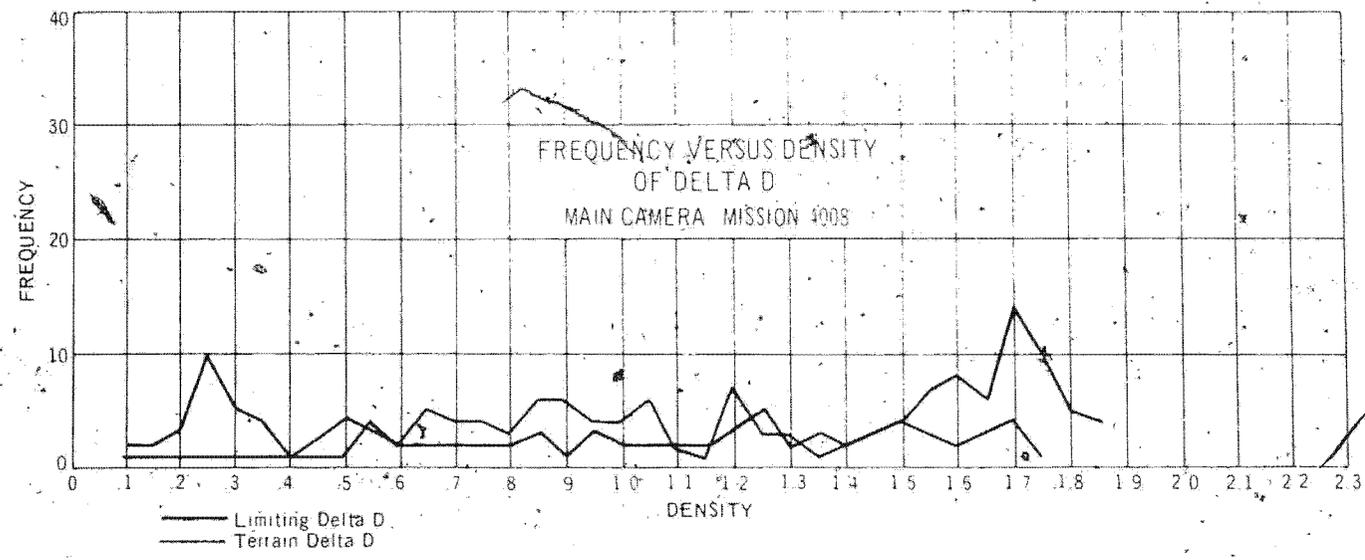
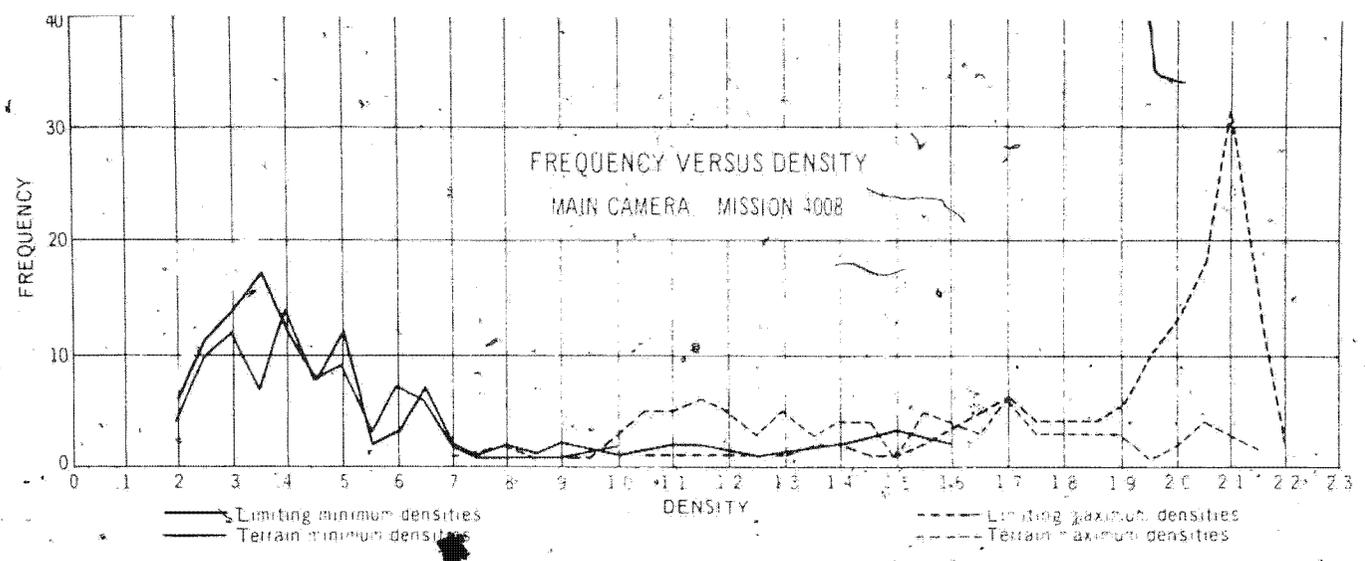
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APPENDIX E. DENSITY CHARTS

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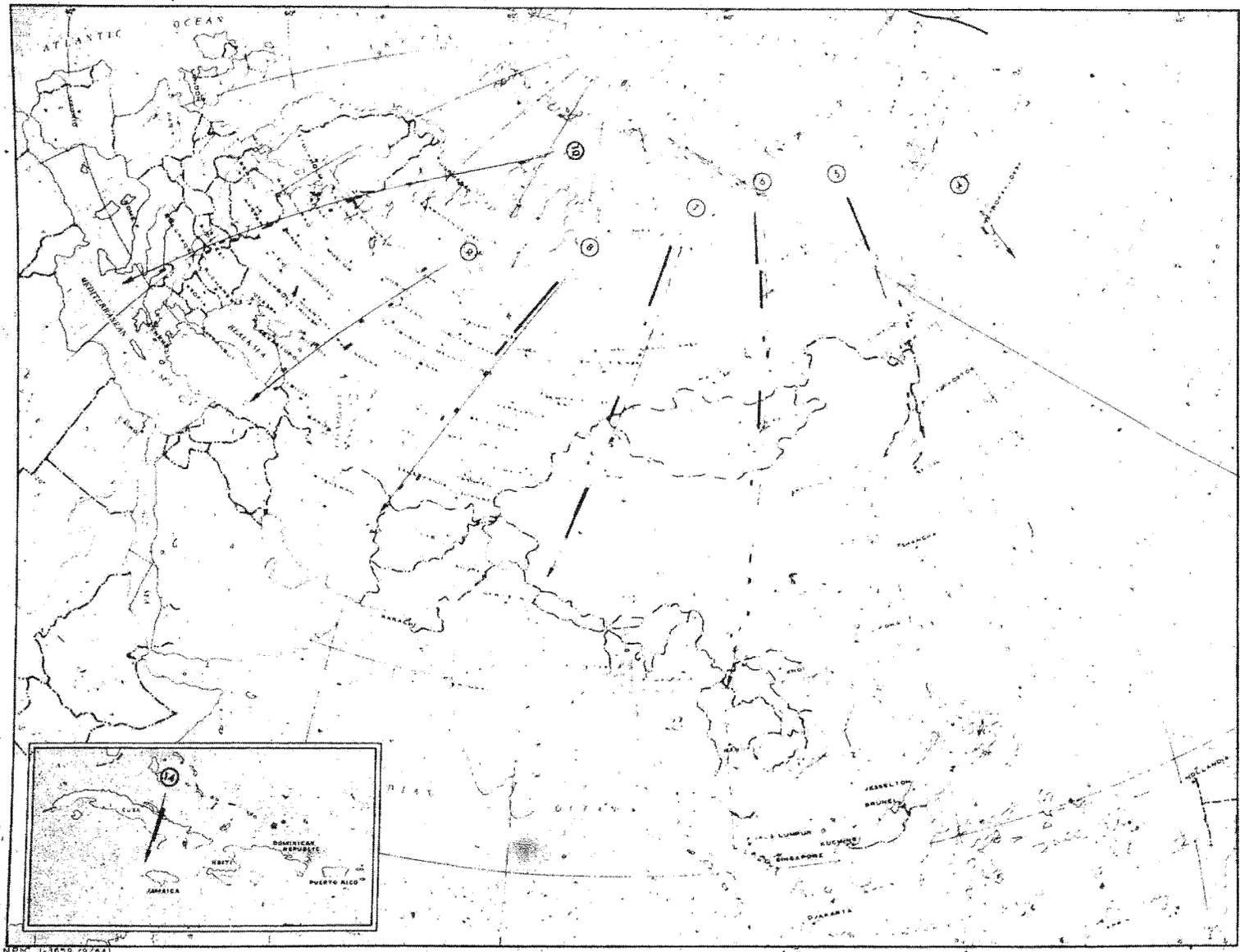
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FIGURE 28. PLOTTABLE PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE.

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