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# ODJS SUMMARY SHEET

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- REMARKS
- A* [redacted] resulted in a requirement for JTF 1-79 to develop the funding for [redacted]
  - A* The proposed budget addresses the funding actions required to support the JTF through 15 Nov 80 [redacted]
  - A* The funding requirements are divided into three categories; communications, training/readiness, and intelligence.
  - A* The communications budget presents a range of options for providing [redacted] administrative support. The option costs range from [redacted] with the approved option being additive to the training/readiness budget.
  - A* The training/readiness budget provides for the operation of the JTF through 15 Nov 80 [redacted]
  - A* The intelligence funding provides FY-81 funds to support FY-80 approved projects.
  - A* The funding program is scheduled for presentation to the OPS DEPS on 17 Sep 80.
  - A* Copies have been provided to the OPS DEPS.

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ACTION OFFICER: [redacted]	COORDINATION/APPROVAL					
	OFFICE/	NAME	EXTENSION	OFFICE	NAME	EXTENSION
	[redacted]	[redacted]	55078	COB	Kredner	72650
	SOD	[redacted]				
	J-33 A	Burdick	72650			
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ENCLOSURE E

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

1. ~~(S)~~ As you know, funding for Operation Elite Guard terminates at the conclusion of FY 80. Beginning 1st qtr FY 81, it will be necessary to fund the SNOWBIRD Project and Operation Elegant Lady through its lifespan (1 Oct-15 Nov 1980) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The Operations Deputies have reviewed both requirements and determined that the funds requested are required. The total 1st qtr, FY 81 funds required are [REDACTED] A detailed breakout is at Enclosure A.

2. ~~(S)~~ Discussions with Army, Air Force, Navy and DOD personnel indicate that a memorandum substantially like that at Enclosure B would provide the Services with the authority needed to provide the required funding. A recommended procedure [REDACTED] will be provided later. Until then, disbursement will be handled by the respective Services as is now the case.

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For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

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Enclosure E



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31 July 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL VAUGHT

Subject: Cost Estimates

- 1. ~~(S)~~ Recognizing the heightening concern over funds, we have attempted to project the costs [Redacted] (See Enclosure).
- 2. ~~(S)~~ Computations are, in my opinion, conservative. Operations cost estimates were restricted to those now envisioned. We did not attempt to include contingency funds for unprogrammed activities. However, the establishment of a contingency fund would be prudent.
- 3. ~~(S)~~ It should also be noted that our figures do not address expenditures [Redacted]

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[Redacted] Colonel, USA

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Colonel [Redacted]

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1. ~~(S)~~ Estimated costs for equipment from Army sources:

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Class V  
 Weapons (MG's, M-16's)  
 [REDACTED]  
 NVG's  
 \*Radios (PRC 77's)  
 Medical gear  
 Misc gear (DLA) (TA 50, rations, etc.) [REDACTED] (est)

\* Does not include all communication equipment requirements.

2. ~~(S)~~ Operation/Training Cost Estimates: **(ALL COMING OUT OF THE PREVIOUSLY**

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a. ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

750  
1,375

(2) [REDACTED]

\$ 740

b. ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED]

(1) Personnel Training \$5,000

(2) Support Costs 5,000



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- (4) Schools 2,000
- (5) Support [REDACTED] 48,000
- (6) [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
- (7) Non-standard Equipment [REDACTED]
- (8) In-country Sustainment [REDACTED]
- (9) [REDACTED] Commo, Incidentals [REDACTED]

TOTAL: [REDACTED]

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31 July 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL JONES  
SECRETARY CLAYTOR

Subject: Request for Funding

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1. (TS) To assure an effective in-country support structure for the rescue force, I directed the formation of a small operation group [redacted] by various means, into Iran. This small, hand picked group is tasked to train, plan, and be prepared to conduct [redacted] a wide variety of operations to enhance mission success and permit the primary rescue force to focus on its primary mission rather than ancillary tasks.

2. (TS) The force has been assembled at a secure training site and is prepared to commence intensive training. However, the request for equipment, weapons, and ammunition submitted through Army channels has been deferred by the Army pending authorization of approximately [redacted] to fund the expenditure.

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3. [redacted]

4. (TS) Recommend that [redacted] be made available to the Army as a matter of urgency to permit training to commence.

*James B. Vaught*  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

1. <sup>(U)</sup> On 23 February, I spoke with you briefly concerning the notification of key Congressional staff members on 17 February of reprogramming actions taken to support the hostage rescue efforts. At that time, you asked that we prepare a more understandable spread sheet of the funding actions taken. A spread sheet with this data is at TAB A of the attached book.
2. <sup>(U)</sup> Since our discussion on 23 February, I have been informed by Mr. Graydon I. Lose, that Mr. Joel (Pete) Bonner, Staff Member, Senate Appropriations Committee, has requested that you discuss the operational aspects of the rescue attempt and the training and readiness actions taken after the 24 April 1980 effort with Senator Ted Stevens (Republican-Alaska), Chairman, Defense subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and Senator John C. Stennis (Democrat-Mississippi), Senior Minority Member, Senate Armed Services Committee. He requested that you meet privately with the two Senators to emphasize our continuing need for their support and to assure them that there is no yet-to-be-revealed "Hidden Agenda" with regard to the rescue effort or the preparations for a second rescue attempt. At this point, no commitment has been made for you to meet with the Senators, and no schedule has been suggested.
3. (U) Questions and answers for use in preparing for such a meeting are at TAB B of the attached book. Other backup material is tabbed as indicated at the index.
4. (U) I recommend that:

- You agree to meet privately with Senators Stevens and Stennis.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ See Me \_\_\_\_\_

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- If you do not meet with the Senators, that you ask  
LTG Pustay to do so.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ or, Send \_\_\_\_\_ instead.

Enclosure  
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<u>TAB</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
A	Project SNOWBIRD Funding Summary Spread Sheet ✓
B	Some Questions & Answers to Assist with Preparation ✓
C	Memo to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, 10 Feb 81 ✓
C-1	DEPSECDEF Response & Approval, 13 Feb 81 ✓
D	Funding Authorization Memoranda
D-1	Memo from Principal DUSD R&E, 6 June 1980 ✓
D-2	Memo from SECDEF (Special C-130 Project), 8 Aug 80 ✓
D-3	Memo from SecDef (Special Project Funding), 12 Aug 80 ✓
D-4	Memo from SecDef (Special Project Funding), 22 Sep 80 ✓
D-5	Memo from SecDef (Special Project Funding), 24 Dec 80 ✓
E	SNOWBIRD Fund Status as of 1 Feb 81 ✓
F	Impact on Services of Funding Project SNOWBIRD, FY 80-81
F-1	FY 80 Funding Tradeoffs Requiring Reprogramming ✓ (DD 1415)
F-2	FY 80 Funding Tradeoffs Not Requiring Reprogramming ✓
F-3	FY 81 Funding Tradeoffs Requiring Reprogramming ✓ (DD 1415)
F-4	FY 81 Funding Tradeoffs Not Requiring Reprogramming ✓
G	Letter to Senator Hollings of 21 May 80 outlining ✓ the cost of equipment lost at Desert One.
H	Memorandum for Record, 17 Feb 81, Outlining Notification ✓ to Key Congressional Staffers of Reprogramming (DD 1415) Actions

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

RICEBOWL/SNOWBIRD (U)

Question #

1 How much did the Iran rescue attempt (RICEBOWL) and subsequent force preparations (SNOWBIRD) cost?

Ans: Project RICEBOWL (14 NOV 1979 - 24 APR 1980) cost approximately \$198 M. Of that amount, about \$20 M was expended preparing the force for its mission. \$178 M represents the cost of airframes and equipment lost at Desert ONE. (RICEBOWL expenditures were explained in a ASD (COMPTROLLER) Memo to Senator Hollings in May 1980). Project SNOWBIRD (25 APR 1980 - 21 JAN 1981) has cost approximately \$112 M as of 1 FEB 1981.

- SHOW MEMO TAB G -

1-1 What did each service spend?

Ans: The expenditures for RICEBOWL/SNOWBIRD by Service are indicated below.

RICEBOWL

Army	\$ 235,389
Air Force	13,034,216
Navy	<u>6,506,000</u>
	\$19,775,605

SNOWBIRD

Army

Air Force

Navy



Question #

1-2 When will we know the total costs for RICEBOWL/SNOWBIRD (S)?

Ans: Although Project SNOWBIRD (S) was conclude on 21 January 1980, costs of training and support associated with the project will n be fully known until 31 March.

(S) 2 How was the SNOWBIRD (S) money spent?

Ans: The Army spent approximately half its funds for training support and half for aircraft modifications and hardware procurement. Due to the intensive use of the new production Blackhaw UH-60 helicopter, it was necessary for the Army to spend [redacted] for support of the Flying Hour Program (FHP). Additionally the Army purchased 25 Omega navigation systems for long range pinpoint navigation of helos, 30 internal fuel extension tanks for the Blackhawk helo force that extended their range from 420nm to a [redacted] and 16 CH-47 internal fuel extension tanks that extended their range from 225nm to [redacted]

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The Air Force expended approximately [redacted] of its funds in development of an enhanced STOL-capable MC-130 and [redacted] n procurement of spares for the Pave Low/HH-53 helos, Night Vision Goggles, and Flare and Chaff dispensers for the MC and AC-130 fleet. No additional funds were necessary to support the FHP to this point.

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The Navy expended \$1.56M toward the Flying Hour Program. All Services are supporting purchases of communications equipment for [redacted] as indicated below. [redacted]

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Army

Air Force

Navy

TOTAL

[redacted]

2-1 Why did the SNOWBIRD project cost so much more compared to RICEBOWL?

Ans: The scope of the second rescue mission required unique capabilities and precise coordination of a larger joint force. The requirement to move forces over great distances and through an essentially non-permissive environment contributed to high costs for this project. Procurement of new generation special equipment, modifications to aircraft, and development of a secure communications capability were particularly costly because they were accomplished on a priority basis. Additionally, SNOWBIRD forces consisted of elements of the 101st Aviation Group, Pave Low/HH-53C helo assets from the 1st SOW and [redacted] SNOWBIRD(S) training was intensive, requiring a faster expenditure of resources when compared to the routine training normally performed by the units assigned to the project. In short, we built a unique force from the ground up as fast as we could using all available resources. In doing so, we trained harder, flew at an increased tempo and consumed resources at a faster rate.

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3(u) What funding impact did SNOWBIRD have on the Services other programs?

Ans: The primary funding impact on the Army was within the Blackhawk helicopter program. Production line parts for the in-production helo were necessarily diverted to serve as spares and repair parts for the SNOWBIRD Blackhawk force. Additionally, funds were diverted from the Cobra Attack Helicopter program. The end result was that Blackhawk production fell and the Cobra program was decremented.

Within the Air Force, it was necessary to decrement the modification and production programs for the F-15, A-7, A-10 and C-130H aircraft. Additionally, there was a \$5M decrement of the Joint Surveillance System.

Naval programs decremented were; secure SATCOM installations within the Fleet Modernization Program, secure SATCOM installations for new construction warships and other minor communications programs throughout the Fleet.

- REFER TO REPROGRAMMING DATA AT TAB F -

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3-1 What actions have you taken to restore the areas affected?

Ans: All Services have requested FY 81 Supplemental appropriations to compensate for decremented programs. If approved, Supplemental funds will restore all decremented Service programs and provide for continued support of on-going Counterterrorist programs. Additionally, all the Services have provided for permanent supporting programs within the normal budgetary cycle.

4 How did you fund SNOWBIRD?

Ans: DUSD R&E and SECDEF authorized and directed the Services on five occasions to fund the SNOWBIRD ~~(S)~~ program. In each case the amounts authorized were determined by the Services based on the progress and requirements of mission preparations.

- REFER TO TABS A & D -

4-1 Why did you do it that way?

Ans: Since no stated requirement or program provision existed for these projects, SECDEF had to direct the Service expenditures to make the funding possible.

4-2 Why didn't you ask for Congressional assistance early on?

Ans: At the outset of SNOWBIRD ~~(S)~~ we determined that the operational security of our preparations was vitally important to both the success of a second rescue attempt and ongoing administration efforts to negotiate the hostages release. This single factor was the overriding concern in not requesting congressional support.

4-3 Why did you withhold the reprogramming actions (DD 1415)?

Ans: Former SECDEF Brown decided to withhold the DD 1415 reprogramming notifications until resolution of the hostage crisis for operational security reasons.

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4-3-1 Don't you trust us?

Ans: Certainly, I trust you. But, in view of the erratic and unpredictable course of negotiations with Iran, it appeared prudent to maintain the tightest security for our mission preparations. At my direction, the preparations were treated as a sensitive compartmented matter, and dissemination of information was allowed strictly on a need-to-know basis. Only mission-essential personnel were knowledgeable of the project, and they knew only those aspects which required their support.

4-4 Are the Services seeking to recover this money and if so how?

Ans: Yes, the Services have submitted FY 81 supplemental actions to recover FY 81 funds expended or anticipated for Project SNOWBIRD (S). [REDACTED]

4-5 What is the total supplemental being requested?

Ans: The total FY 81 Supplemental request to support SNOWBIRD (S) and [REDACTED] as indicated below:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Title</u>
A (S) Army	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Air Force	[REDACTED]	Elegant Lady
Navy	[REDACTED]	Joint Task For
TOTAL	[REDACTED]	

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~~(S)~~ 4-5-1 What items are covered in the supplemental?

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Ans: The Army Supplemental covers increased Flying Hour Programs, spares for the UH-60 and CH-47 helicopters, communications support and joint training [REDACTED]. The USAF Supplemental will provide for increased Flying Hours, aircraft modifications, communications equipment [REDACTED]. The Navy Supplemental will underwrite communications equipment and increased Flying Hours.

5 What did the initial rescue attempt cost?

Ans: Project RICEBOWL (~~(S)~~) cost approximately \$198M. Of the amount, about \$20M was expended preparing the force for its mission. \$178M represents the cost of airframes and equipment lost at Desert One. (RICEBOWL expenditures were explained in a ASD (Comptroller) memo to Senator Hollings in May 1980).

- SHOW MEMO AT TAB G -

5-1 How did the Services fund that project?

Ans: The Services funded RICEBOWL (~~(S)~~) by reallocating funds within their existing programs.

5-2 What programs suffered to make RICEBOWL possible?

Ans: The Services were not significantly effected by support of RICEBOWL (~~(S)~~) prior to execution. Post-mission readiness was most effected by the loss of helicopters and the EC-130 aircraft at Desert One.

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5-3 Why were there no reprogramming notifications (DD 1415)?

Ans: The Services reallocations didn't exceed the reprogramming thresholds and therefore didn't require DD-1415 reprogramming notification actions. The actual costs requiring reallocation were:

Training & Preparation (RICEBOWL)

Army	\$	190,762
Air Force		3,534,588
Navy		6,500,000
Total:		\$10,225,350

Airlift & Other Support (RICEBOWL)

Army	\$	144,627
Air Force		9,499,628
Navy		6,000
Total:	\$	9,550,255

Total reallocations: \$19,775,605

5-4 What was value of total equipment lost on RICEBOWL.

Ans: The value of equipment lost by Service was:

Army	\$	1,151,541
Navy		161,200,000
Air Force		15,806,319
TOTAL		\$178,157,860

5-4-1 Did USAF and USN procure replacements for aircraft lost during RICEBOWL?

Ans: No.

5-4-2 Why not?

Ans: Air Force felt the EC-130 loss, with some adjustment, could be accommodated. The Navy had insufficient funds at the time to procure new helicopters but is considering new procurement within the budgetary cycle. The Air Force is developing an accelerated MC-130 procurement program at this time.

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6 Why did SNOWBIRD ( ) cost more than RICEBOWL?

Ans: SNOWBIRD ( ) was more expensive than RICEBOWL ( ) because it involved more maneuver and support forces, a more intensive training program, and significantly improved equipment. In general terms, Project SNOWBIRD ( ) more than doubled the capability of the joint rescue force. Also, as previously mentioned, the priority basis on which these capabilities were developed required compressed training schedules and hence a more compressed rate of fund expenditures.

( ) 6-1 [REDACTED]

Ans: [REDACTED]

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Other units that supported and augmented the rescue mission have been returned to their former unified or specified commands.

( ) 6-2 [REDACTED]

Ans: [REDACTED]

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6-2-1 [REDACTED]

Ans: Before accurate cost estimates can be determined, it is necessary to evaluate the scope [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a prudent level.

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6-2-2 Are these capabilities consistent with other training?

Ans: Although the capabilities developed during SNOWBIRD are related to the inherent capabilities of the units involved,

[REDACTED]

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For instance, the 101st Aviation Group will require additional flying hours above their present programmed level to maintain the night, low-level flying skills developed during SNOWBIRD.

[REDACTED]

Ans:

[REDACTED]

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For reasons of operational security,

[REDACTED]

6-7-1 [REDACTED]

Ans:

[REDACTED]

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In the interim, communications support is being provided by the Services and the Joint Communications Support Element.

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Question #

~~(S)~~ - [REDACTED]

-- The Army component [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

-- The naval component [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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-- The Air Force component [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] are available.

This includes:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

~~(S)~~ 7-1-1 Who controls it?

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Ans: [REDACTED] through the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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Ans:

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Ans:

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Ans:

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However, since the issue relates to the authority of the Secretary, I must defer to the General Counsel of the Department of Defense for an authoritative opinion.

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[REDACTED]

Ans:

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Ans:

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Question # ~~1~~ *2*

*A* [REDACTED]

7-1-7 [REDACTED]

Ans: [REDACTED]

7-1-8 [REDACTED]

Ans: [REDACTED]

*1* 7-1-9 Has the safeguard procedure for separate review of operational concepts and plans by a senior review group as recommended in the Holloway Report been established?

Ans: Yes. The Operations Deputies act as an oversight review body for matters pertaining to [REDACTED]

*A* [REDACTED] Additionally, the Senior Officers Advisory Panel consisting of a board of retired and active duty General and Flag Officers periodically advises the Joint Staff [REDACTED] matters.

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~~(S)~~ 7-2 . How will you support [REDACTED]

Ans: [REDACTED]

or by other separate arrangements which may be required by the situation.

7-2-1 Do you have any problems in the support area?

Ans: One potential problem encountered to this point has been funding. We need your help for approval of the 81 Supplemental.

~~(S)~~ 7-3 [REDACTED]

Ans: Those forces [REDACTED] are fully funded by their respective service. Additionally, the [REDACTED]

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Question #

8/19 **A** What advantages, if any, are provided by a joint service organization ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ as compared to a single Service organization such as the USMC?

Ans: No single service organization could provide the wide range of forces and special capabilities necessary for an effective counterterrorist organization. The unit must be prepared to operate in a wide variety of scenarios utilizing a broad range of forces.

9 **C** What actions have been taken within DOD to improve the intelligence gathering system in support of counterterrorism operations?

Ans: ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ DOD has taken certain steps to improve its ability to support Counterterrorism operations. Among them are:

- ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~
- ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~
- Raising the priority within DOD for collection and analysis of C-T related intelligence.
- Integrating ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ within the DOD system.
- Upgrading of the ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ program.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Funding for Provisional Joint Task Force

1. (U) Planning and preparation for operations which may be conducted under the control of the provisional Joint Task Force have not been without expense. Expenses to date include payment for civilian manpower, aircraft flying hours, supplies and equipment, and TDY of JTF members. All expenses incurred to date have been unprogrammed; TDY expenses have been paid by the individuals performing the TDY. In order to reimburse the individuals performing the TDY, preclude undue hardship on individuals required to travel as a result of Task Force duties, and to allow Services to adequately track and recoup costs, request fund cite and project codes be provided for operation of the Task Force.
2. (U) There is presently no funding expertise among the members of the planning staff. Additional expenses will be incurred as the planning, preparation and rehearsals continue. It will also be necessary, at the conclusion of the mission, to provide an accounting for expenses by Service and appropriation. Request staff assistance be provided the planning staff in the aggregation of costs and administration of such funding codes as are provided.

*James B. Vaught*  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
JTF RICE BOWL

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Taken care of by  
having each service  
establish a fund source  
for TDY. Also by  
adding a Delta financed  
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Thom Hansen  
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THE JOINT STAFF

7 December 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR J-3

Subject: Fund Cites (U)

1. (U) (PS) A problem has arisen due to the lack of a fund cite for resupply of JP-4 for helicopters at the training site at Yuma.
2. (U) (PS) Previous arrangements for the Marine Air Station Yuma (MAS) to provide JP-4 was working satisfactorily until they requested a fund cite for reimbursement. The total required to date is approximately \$35K. Individuals on the ground have attempted to alleviate the situation; however, all possible solutions require reimbursement of fuel to MAS.
3. (U) (S) The best solution is to continue with MAS providing fuel by tankers to the Army airfield where the helicopters are located and providing a fund cite to MAS.
4. (U) (PS) The alternate solution would be for someone in authority to contact the appropriate person in the MAS chain of command and direct continued support keeping cost data for future submission at a later date.
5. (U) (PS) The lack of appropriate fund cites may continue to cause problems in day-to-day activities in procurement of supplies, rations, etc., as the exercise continues. We currently have a fund cite for small expenditures from the Task Force Comptroller for Delta housekeeping supplies.
6. (U) Request guidance in overcoming this situation.

Returned.

Fund cites handled  
by services on site.

Philip D. Shuster

*James B. Vaught*  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
JTF RICE BOWL

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### REMARKS

1. (U) DJS tasking\* to develop regular funding for [redacted] establishes 10 Feb as milestone for budget submission. [redacted] confirmed 10 Feb as realistic date for budget submission.

2. (U) Plan for staffing [redacted] (remainder FY 81, FY 82, and FY 83):

- Distribute to Services for staffing (11 Feb)
- AO meeting to identify, resolve budget issues (18 Feb)
- Present budgets to OPSDEPS (20 Feb, assuming no major conflicts)
- Service actions to program approved budgets (Mar 81)

-- prepare amendment or supplemental to FY 82 budget

-- POM actions for FY 83 and out years

3. (U) Per direction Col [redacted] attached message cancelling SNOWBIRD [redacted]

4. (U) Recommend DJS release of attached message.

### Reference:

\* DJSM-103-81, 15 Jan 81

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REASON: 5200.1R, Para 2-301c5&6

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DELIVER DURING NORMAL DUTY HOURS  
SUBJ: SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDING (U)

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2. [REDACTED]  
EFFECTIVE 21 JAN 1981 SNOWBIRD ~~(S)~~ IS CANCELLED.

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2. [REDACTED]  
A. AVOID FURTHER EXPENDITURES OF SNOWBIRD ~~(S)~~ JOINT  
TRAINING FUNDS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
SHOULD CONTINUE SERVICE-FUNDED UNIT TRAINING.

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[REDACTED] CDR, USN  
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B. IN CONJUNCTION WITH REF A TASKING, PREPARE AND SUBMIT  
A JOINT TRAINING PROGRAM TO JCS, J-3, BY 10 FEB.

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SUBJECT:  Update of [redacted] Funding Issue (S)	ACTION				
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REMARKS

1. Attached memo is provided to update MG Dyke on progress of [redacted]

2. (U) Update requested by Colonel [redacted] Spec Asst JT Matters, DJS.

3. (U) Recommend J-3 sign attached memo and dispatch to Vice Director, DJS.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL DYKE

*A* Subject: Update of Funding Support for the ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

1. (S) A memorandum establishing funding procedures ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ has been forwarded to the Services. Coordinated position has been agreed upon by the Air Force, Marine Corps, and Navy.
2. (U) Army input expected during the week of 5 January 1981.
3. (U) No problems anticipated in establishing coordinated position.

PHILIP C. GAST  
Lieutenant General, USAF  
Director for Operations

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

SUBJECT: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review

1. (U) References.

a. Memorandum for Director for Operations, Joint Staff, subject: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review, dated 23 Jun 81, (U) (Inclosure 1).

b. JTF Capability Review, dated 11 May 1981 (U).

c. Memorandum for ODCSOPS, subject: Joint Task Force Capability Review (11 May 82 Report by MG James B. Vaught, USA), dated 9 Jul 81.

2. (U) Per your Memorandum of 9 July 81, detailed Army comments on the subject review are provided as inclosure 2. Many of the recommendations have significant money implications that require further staffing, coordination and programming within the Army.

3. (U) In addition to the comments provided, the Army also makes the following recommendations:

a. ~~Information be made as to who is the keeper of the techniques and applications outlined in the Review and what can be imparted to conventional forces.~~ ~~that would be required to make the recommendations work, e.g., doctrine, funding of Revision goggles, etc.~~

b. ~~Information be made as to who is the keeper of the techniques and applications outlined in the Review and what can be imparted to conventional forces.~~

WILLIAM R. RICHARDSON  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Army Operations Deputy

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20 JUN 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, JOINT STAFF

SUBJECT: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review  
(11 May 1981 Report by MG James B. Vaught, USA) (U)

1. (U) Per your memorandum of 29 May 1981, detailed Army comments on the subject report will be provided after ARSTAF conducts a more thorough review which is now underway.

2. I believe it would be beneficial for Major General Vaught's report to be forwarded to the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Unified Commanders; CINCPAC, CINCSAC, and COMTAC for information. Additionally the SOAP [redacted] should provide a separate review. The [redacted]

[redacted] but should assist [redacted] in preparation of his review.

3. (U) My primary recommendations with respect to counterterrorism are as follows:

a. (U) The Joint Staff action on establishment of congressional committees for oversight of counterterrorism should be completed and considered as a matter of priority by the Operations Deputies.

b. (U) Action should be initiated by the Joint Staff concerning the US government counterterrorism crisis management structure and command and control-related issues. While we have made great strides

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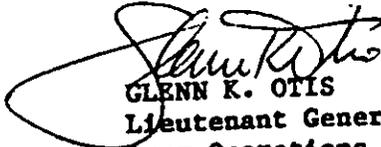
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in upgrading our military counterterrorist capabilities, I perceive a significant void at the highest governmental levels to accomplish the decision-making necessary for employment of these forces, particularly within CONUS.

4. (U) I am fully prepared to discuss these issues in more detail with you.

  
GLENN K. OTIS  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Army Operations Deputy

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Navigation

Item Number: A-2

1. Recommendation is valid.
2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation: Production of AN/AVS-6, Aviators Night Vision Imaging System, is scheduled to begin in FY 82.
3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: Continue program in existence and emphasize training in field units receiving this equipment.
4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: Fielding of devices begin in FY 84 and continues through FY 88. This should double our capability for night operations based on the ability to train under darker conditions to include periods of overcast.
- GG 5. Action Officer or POC: MAJ(P) [REDACTED] 48351.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Ground Operations

Item Number: B-1

1. Recommendations are valid.
2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A
3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: Items covered in helicopter operations topic are presently standard doctrine among the Army Special Operations Forces. The [REDACTED] and HQ's TAC and MAC subscribe to the techniques recommended and practice the same. [REDACTED] adopted the stated recommendations as doctrine. [REDACTED] hardware modifications that are on-going include strut lowering kits and blade folding kits on Army helicopters. The Army has adopted the [REDACTED] as the standard [REDACTED] for Special Operations.
4. Impact of implementation and time frame required: N/A
5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Ground Operations

Item Number: B-2

1. Recommendations are valid.

2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A

A ~~3~~ 3. Proposed method to act on recommendations: Department of the Army through the Intelligence Planning Group has made airfield intelligence a priority item of interest for Special Operations tasks. Army Special Operations Forces in [REDACTED] and USAF units have routinely trained on airfield seizure. All Special Operations Forces carry airfield seizure as a terminal training task.

4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A

A, G ~~5~~ 5. Action Officer and PCO: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700?

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Ground Operations

Item Number: B-3

(u)1. Recommendations are valid.

(u)2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A

*A* (S)3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: Department of the Army has extensively studied the problem of [REDACTED] Over the past FY, DA has purchased [REDACTED] that could be used for [REDACTED]. These vehicles are specially modified to meet the needs of the special operations community and are used extensively in training. Additionally, DA in cooperation with [REDACTED] and the Naval Weapons Systems Command has funded several [REDACTED].

(u)4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A

*AG* (S)5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Ground Operations

Item Number: B-4

- (u) 1. Recommendations are valid.
- (u) 2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A
- A** (u) 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: Department of the Army has developed a motorized Special Operations package of equipment and assigned it to each [REDACTED] forces with an outstanding ability to conduct rapid motorized operations under [REDACTED] conditions. The package, in addition to vehicles, has extensive increases in weapons, night vision devices and communications.
- (u) 4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A
- A G** (u) 5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Air Operations, Helicopter

Item Number: D-4

(u) 1. Recommendation is valid.

(u) 2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation: KY-28's are being replaced by KY-58 (Vinson). When sufficient assets are available, CH-47's will receive 2 KY-58's.

(u) 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: Already underway - awaiting sufficient KY-58's to implement.

(u) 4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: Sufficient assets to implement should be available late 1982/early 1983.

G(u) 5. Action Officer or POC: Mr. [REDACTED] DAMA-CSC, 41908.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW FORMAT

SUBJECT: Air Operations, Helicopter

ITEM NO. D-4

- (W) 1. Recommendation is valid.
- W 2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation. [REDACTED] testing for new secure equipment.
- W 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation. N/A
- W 4. Impact of implementation and time frame required. Funding (additional) is required for near term solution of the problem.
- G W 5. Action office and POC: DAMO-RQD, MAJ [REDACTED]

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Army Airlift

Item Number: D-9 thru D-14

- (u) 1. Recommendation items listed of concern are primarily modifications to Army aircraft. Modifications listed appear valid providing their operational necessity is validated by ODCSOPS. It is understood many of these modifications have already been accomplished for selected special operations units. Further extension to a wider range of conventional forces would require considerations of logistics impacts as a separate issue.
- (u) 2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation: As required.
- (u) 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: As required.
- (u) 4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: TBD.
- G (u) 5. Action Officer and POC: MAJ  DALO-AV, 70487.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW FORMAT

SUBJECT: Air Operations, Helicopter

ITEM NO. D-9

- (u) 1. Recommendation is valid.
- (u) 2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation. ELT(S)
- (S) 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation. Program is funded for [REDACTED]
- (u) 4. Impact of implementation and time frame required. N/A
- G (u) 5. Action office and POC: DAMO-RQD, MAJ [REDACTED]

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW FORMAT

SUBJECT: Air Operations, Helicopter

ITEM NO. D-9

- (u) 1. Recommendation is valid.
- (u) 2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation. ELT(S)
- (u) 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation. Programs are funded in FY 82 for: Forward Area Refueling System, NVE Cockpit Compalibility UH-60, CH-47 Avionics Enhancement Navigator Improvements.
- (u) 4. Impact of implementation and time frame required. N/A
- G/5. Action office and POC: DAMO-RQD, MAJ [REDACTED]

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW FORMAT

SUBJECT: Air Operations, Helicopter

ITEM NO: D-14

- (u) 1. Recommendation is valid.
- (u) 2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation. ELT
- ~~(u)~~ 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation. Program is funded in 63B  
[REDACTED]
- (u) 4. Impact of implementation and time frame required. N/A
- G 5. Action office and POC: DAMO-RQD, MAJ [REDACTED]

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Air Operations, General

Item Number: E-3

1. Recommendation is valid.

2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A

3. Proposed method to act on implementation: The total Airfield Seizure Terminal Training Task, as outlined in C-3, has not been practiced for over six months with all potential forces. This matter is of concern as overall force readiness in this critical task is rapidly declining.

4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A

5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Air Defense

Item Numbers: F 1-3

1. Recommendations are valid.
2. Army program applicable to recommendations: N/A
3. Proposed method to act on recommendations: The Army ~~is reacting to the JTF recommendations. However, [REDACTED] and are fully capable of using the equipment assigned by the [REDACTED]~~
4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A
5. Action Officer and POC: LTC ~~[REDACTED]~~ DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Air Defense

ITEM No. F-1

STINGER

~~REQUIREMENT:~~ Provide [redacted] surface air defense capability to clandestine forces.

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- (u) 1. Recommendation is valid.
  - (u) 2. The Army is now developing a requirement for a [redacted]
  - (u) 3. There is no need for additional methods or procedures. When the requirements document is developed, normal procurement will be followed.
  - (u) 4. The impact of the implementation will be to [redacted] to the STINGER system.
  - (u) 5. Action office is DAMO-RQA. POC is LTC [redacted] 53676. ?

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Air Defense

Item Number: F-2

VULCAN

REQUIREMENT: Provide [REDACTED] surface air defense capability to [REDACTED]

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- (W) 1. The requirement is valid with caveats.
  - (S) 2. The Army has no plans to provide Vulcan [REDACTED] since the Vulcan is planned to be phased out and replaced by the Lightweight Air Defense System (LADS) in light divisions and by DIVAD GUN in heavy divisions.
  - (W) 3. An interim capability could be provided as a special requirement for off-the-shelf procurement and fabrication on a limited scale until LADS is fielded.
  - (S) 4. The impact of implementing the requirement would be diversion of funds from other projects. Using off-the-shelf hardware [REDACTED] should be available within one year from release of funds. This action is currently under study within ODCSOPS.
  - (W) 5. Action office is DAMD-RQA. POC is LTC [REDACTED] 53676.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Air Defense

ITEM No. F-3

COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS (C<sup>3</sup>)

(~~C~~) REQUIREMENT: Provide C<sup>3</sup> for ground air defense forces during [REDACTED] operations.

1. The requirement is valid with caveats.
- (~~C~~) 2. The Army is now finalizing the requirements for a SHORAD C<sup>3</sup> system which will provide much of the capability desired. However the Army has not developed a requirement for a [REDACTED]. The applicable program is the SHORAD C<sup>3</sup> program.
- (~~C~~) 3. A requirement for [REDACTED] is being looked at by the USAADS. No special method or procedure is planned.
4. The impact of implementing the recommendation is to begin a minor program which is of high risk. When requirements documents are completed the Army will pursue both of these programs.
- G 5. Action office is DAMO-RQA. POCs are MAJ [REDACTED] and LTC [REDACTED] 53676.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Command Structure and Doctrine

Item Number: G-1

(S)

1. Recommendation is valid.

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2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A

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3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: Department of Army supports the command/control doctrine as written in G-1. However, it cannot be considered joint doctrine without JCS action. Within the Army Special Operations forces, the recommendation is considered operational doctrine.

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4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A

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5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Command Control and Communications

Item Number: G-2

1. Recommendation is valid.
2. Army program applicable to recommendation: N/A
- A 3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: [REDACTED] has designed a CP vehicle [REDACTED]
4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A
- A.G 5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DAMO-ODSO, 71700.

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SUBJECT: Replacement of Parkhill COMSEC Equipment

ITEM NO. G-40

1. Recommendation is valid.

2. No known Army program applicable to recommendation. NSA has joint responsibility for developing new equipment required. DCSOPS C4 should be ARSTAF-POC.

3. N/A

4. NSA must provide specifics. ARSTAF POC should be DCOSPS-C4.

G 5. RQI-LTC [REDACTED]

JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Equip the Force while Retaining OPSEC Item Number: H-2

1. Recommendation is valid.
2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation: All tactical operations.
3. Proposed method to act on recommendation:

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[REDACTED]

b. On a broader base, OACSI and MACOMs include within OPSEC guidance the alert that the logistics system may be the weak link in the OPSEC chain.

4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: Enhanced ability to equip the force while maintaining OPSEC. Continuing.

G 5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DALO-PLO, 78916.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Task Force Support To  
XVIII Corps; Provide  
Added Training

Item Number: H-4

1. Recommendation is valid.
2. Army program(s) applicable to recommendation: N/A
3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: It is understood this has already been accomplished.
4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required:
5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DALO-PLO, 78916.

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JTF CAPABILITY REVIEW

SUBJECT: Support while Deployed

Item Number H-6

A ~~(S)~~ 1. Recommendation is valid, however has been accomplished. [REDACTED] provided experience data concerning deployment and sustainment of the deployed force.

2. Army program applicable to recommendation: All force deployments, with emphasis to the RDF-A.

3. Proposed method to act on recommendation: FORSCOM, EDJTF, and AFOR commanders should receive a copy of this report to assist planning.

4. Impact of implementation and timeframe required: N/A

G 5. Action Officer and POC: LTC [REDACTED] DALO-PLO, 78916.

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Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Intelligence Historical Report  
J2, JTF 1-79

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REVIEW ON OADR

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SUBJECT: HUMINT Coordinating Committee

TIMEFRAME: March 1980 - December 1980

SUMMARY:

1. Early on in the November 79 planning phases the JTF/J2 was authorized by the Service ACSIs to establish direct coordination with the appropriate Service HUMINT organizations. Contact was handled on a service compartmented basis until March 1980 when the JTF/J2 requested DIA and the services provide representatives to a DoD HUMINT Coordinat Committee. The Group met four times prior to the April, 80 attempt and was reactivated <sup>AFTER the attempt</sup> when it became apparent that DoD had to make a special effort in the HUMINT field.

2. In August 1980, JTF again requested DIA and the Services provide representation to the HUMINT Coordinating Committee (Atch 1). [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The first HUMINT Coordinating Committee meeting in support of SNOWBIRD was held on 12 August 1980, chaired by JTF J-2.

3. On 25 August 1980, Secretary of Defense designated Department of the Army (DA) as Executive Agent for DOD

[REDACTED] activities in support of SNOWBIRD (Atch

3). ACSI, DA, representing Chief of Staff of the Army, in turn designated [REDACTED] as his executive agent for such intelligence activities. Commencing on

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2 September 1980, control of the HUMINT Coordinating Committee passed to [REDACTED]

A 4. (S) The Committee met on a weekly basis, first in JTF offices and later at [REDACTED] offices, and discussed the following types of subjects:

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- a. Iranian intelligence updates
  - b. Hostage location assessments
  - c. [REDACTED]
  - d. Active HUMINT operations
  - e. New leads and their assignment to appropriate agency for action
  - f. Status of lead assessments/recruitments
  - g. Status of source debriefings
  - h. New source tasking/new EEI
  - i. New environmental/OPS <sup>Data</sup> ~~Data~~ affecting HUMINT operations
  - j. [REDACTED]
  - k. [REDACTED]
  - l. [REDACTED]
  - m. [REDACTED] problems
  - n. [REDACTED] HUMINT support structure
  - o. [REDACTED]
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COMMENTS:

1. (U) The HUMINT Coordinating Committee served a key function, ~~in support of SNOWBIRD (due to its short life prior to May 1980, its impact on RICEBOWL was minimal)~~. The Committee provided a weekly forum in which problems could be

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resolved, questions answered, and confusion dispelled. It brought together DOD's diverse HUMINT organizations and provided them a coordinated and coherent framework in which to operate against Iran. It was a benefit to the HUMINT organizations and to the overall DOD HUMINT effort.

2. (S) The Committee recognized early that [redacted] in the weekly meetings would be extremely beneficial. Unfortunately, this did not occur. [redacted]

RECOMMENDATIONS:

2. (S) Every effort should be made to obtain [redacted] HUMINT Coordinating Committee.

1. (U) That a similar committee be organized early when a ~~terrorist~~ *Special Operations Contingency* situation involving the United States occurs.

HUMINT operations, by their nature, cannot react rapidly.. As much lead time as possible is required to energize the HUMINT system in support of a particular operation.

OTHER RELATED ITEMS:

J-2 PERSONNEL INVOLVED: LTC [redacted] (USAF);  
SOD, J-3, OJCS  
MAJ [redacted] (USA);  
ODCSOPS, DA

POINTS OF CONTACT:

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b. LTC [redacted] (USA); USA Operations Gp;  
tel: 8-923-2640

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c. CW2 [REDACTED] (USA); USA Operations Gp;  
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d. LTC [REDACTED] (USAF); 7602'd AINTELG;  
tel: 9-664-3234

e. Mr. [REDACTED] (USN); NIC-03; tel: 9-763-3622

f. LTC [REDACTED] (USA); OACSI, DA; tel: 8-225-6074

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 7 August 1980 memorandum from JTF establishing HUMINT  
Coordinating Committee.

2. [REDACTED]

3. 25 August 1980 SECDEF memorandum.

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7 August 1980

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Lieutenant General Tighe, USAF, Director,  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Major General Thompson, USA, ACS/Intelligence,  
USA  
Major General Marks, USAF, ACS/Intelligence,  
USAF  
Rear Admiral Shapiro, USN, Director of Naval  
Intelligence

Subject: HUMINT Support

1. (u) During the past nine months the services and DIA have been providing HUMINT support to this office on a case by case basis. Most contacts were handled on an individual basis [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This effort worked well; my office stated requirements, the service intelligence organizations vetted, trained, controlled, and debriefed the sources.

2. (u) In March, as the tempo of activity picked up and several special needs surfaced, a coordinating committee was formed in an effort to meet the new requirements. The effort was productive and continued until the end of April. Since that time, actions reverted to coordination on an one to one basis between this office and the sponsoring service. However, a recent increase in potential sources warrants the reactivation of the coordinating committee.

3. (u) The purpose of the committee will be to periodically review HUMINT requirements, evaluate source potential, coordinate support needs, including funding, and provide advice on HUMINT matters to this office. It is envisioned that the committee would consist of a designated representative from my staff and each of the following offices:

a. DIA/CC4

b. DIA/JSS1

c. USA/ACSI

d. USA/INSCOM [REDACTED]

e. USAF [REDACTED]

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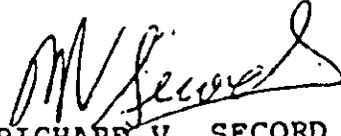
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4. ~~(S)~~ Request your designated representative attend the first meeting of the committee, which has been tentatively scheduled for 1030 Tuesday, 12 August 1980 in the Pentagon, Room 2C840.

5. ~~(S)~~ Designated representatives should contact my POC, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] at 55078 (Secure 2189) to confirm attendance.

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RICHARD V. SECORD  
Major General, USAF

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SUBJ: INTELLIGENCE COORDINATION

A) C 1. SNOWBIRD J2 HOSTS A MEETING OF HUMINT REPS FROM DOD INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATIONS EVERY TUESDAY AT 1030 IN JCS/J3/SOD SPACES. REPS INCLUDE DIA, USAF [REDACTED], USA (INSCOM), USN (NIC), AND SNOWBIRD

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25 AUG 1980

THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL VAUGHT

Subject: Intelligence Support for SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~<sup>(U)</sup> and Related Matters: ~~(TS)~~<sup>(U)</sup>

- Reference:
- \* Director, DIA memorandum, dated 7 August 1980, same subject ~~(TS)~~<sup>(U)</sup>
  - \*\* Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff memorandum, same subject ~~(TS)~~<sup>(U)</sup> (attached)
  - \*\*\* Secretary of Defense memorandum subject: Intelligence Support to SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~<sup>(U)</sup> (attached)

1. ~~(TS)~~ On 7 August 1980, Director, DIA proposed establishment of an Intelligence Policy Review Council\* to be composed of senior representatives of the national intelligence community. The purpose of this council would be to focus on external intelligence support requirements for SNOWBIRD (TS) and would review, for policy implications, new requests for intelligence, intelligence support, and related DOD [redacted] CJCS approved this concept in a memorandum to the Director, DIA\*\* and defined the functional aspects of the council in relationship to other organizational entities involved in SNOWBIRD (TS) support.

2. ~~(TS)~~ Additionally, the Secretary of Defense has appointed the Department of the Army as Executive Agent for DOD [redacted] support operations connected with SNOWBIRD.\*\*\*

3. ~~(TS)~~ SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~, [redacted] remains under COMITF but will respond to Executive Agency tasking for [redacted] support activities.

*Thor Hanson*

THOR HANSON  
Vice Admiral, USN  
Director, Joint Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Subject: Intelligence Support for SNOWBIRD (TS) and Related Matters

Reference: a. Director, DIA Memorandum, dated 7 August 1980, same subject  
b. DOD Directive 5105.29 dated 1 December 1979  
c. DOD Directive 5240.1R dated November 1979

1. (S) As recommended in paragraph four of reference a, you are authorized and requested to form and serve as chairman of an Intelligence Policy Review Council. The Council should be composed of senior representatives of DIA, [REDACTED] and will focus on national intelligence community support to SNOWBIRD (TS). The Council will review new requests for intelligence, intelligence support, and related [REDACTED] activities emanating from the SNOWBIRD (TS) staff, for policy implications and technical feasibility. Review by the Council of such requests will be accomplished prior to formal tasking or other implementing actions.

2. (S) Establishment of the Intelligence Policy Review Council under your Chairmanship will not alter currently existing arrangements in which liaison officers from DIA, [REDACTED] Services work directly with the SNOWBIRD (TS) staff.

3. (S) As a separate matter, the Secretary of Defense has signed the attached memorandum designating the Department of the Army as Executive Agent for all approved DOD [REDACTED]

operational support activities on behalf of SNOWBIRD (TS) in accordance with references b and c. Procedures for approval of such requested activities will be as follows:

- a. (U) COMJTF will approve new requirements for non-DOD assistance identified by the SNOWBIRD (TS) staff. Such requirements will be forwarded to the Intelligence Policy Review Council for validation. The Council will then provide a recommendation through the Operations Deputies (sitting as the Special Operations Oversight Group) to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In each instance, recommendations of the Council will address the technical feasibility of accomplishing the requirement and will identify organizational responsibility aspects bearing on the SNOWBIRD (TS) request. Additionally, the Council should address all other pertinent aspects of each proposal with emphasis on those with policy implications.

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(u)  
b. (u) If the Joint Chiefs concur in the proposed action and if the action is within their authority, it will be approved. If the action requires approval by the Secretary of Defense or other higher authority, it will be forwarded with an appropriate recommendation.

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4. (u) Also attached is a memorandum to COMJTF outlining the above procedures and providing copies of the appropriate correspondence relating to this matter.

*David C. Jones*  
DAVID C. JONES  
General, USAF  
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

25 August 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

SUBJECT: Intelligence Support to SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~ (U)

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1. ~~(S)~~ (TS) You are hereby designated Executive Agent for the Secretary of Defense in matters pertaining to all approved Department of Defense [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] operational support activities relating to Operation SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~.

2. (U) Provisions of DoD Directives 5105.29 dated 1 December 1978 and 5240.1R dated November 1979 apply.

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3. ~~(S)~~ (TS) The intent of this Executive Agencyship is to establish a single point of management within the Department of Defense for approved [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] intelligence support to SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~.

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4. ~~(S)~~ (TS) SNOWBIRD ~~(TS)~~ [REDACTED] will remain under COMJTF but will respond to Executive Agency tasking on clandestine support activities.

*W. Graham Claytor, Jr.*

W. Graham Claytor, Jr.  
Deputy Secretary of Defense

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SUBJ: INTELLIGENCE COORDINATION

1. A. JCS/SNOWBIRD/32 MSG, CITE 0311, DTG 031002Z 03 03, S-B

2. (S) INTELLIGENCE COORDINATION MEETINGS AS DESCRIBED IN REFERENCE HAVE BEEN HELD EVERY TUESDAY SINCE AUGUST IN THE JIC OFFICES. THE MEETING IS CHAIRED BY COL [REDACTED] AS DOD EXECUTIVE AGENT FOR DOD [REDACTED] IN SUPPORT OF SNOWBIRD.

3. (U) ALTHOUGH THESE MEETINGS ARE IN NO WAY THE SOLUTION TO THE NUMEROUS HUMINT INTELLIGENCE QUESTIONS RELATED TO PLANNING THE HOSTAGE RESCUE, THEY ARE OF VALUE. THEY REPRESENT A GOOD VEHICLE FOR DISCUSSING COLLECTION PROBLEMS, EXPRESSING NEW IDEAS, AND KEEPING KEY POC'S INFORMED OF THE

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SUBJECT: SNOWBIRD  
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- 1. REFERENCE YOUR [Redacted] AND SPECIFIC TASKS YOU ASSIGNED [Redacted] I UNDERSTAND MY TASKS AND INITIAL REQUIRED ACTIONS TO BE:
    - (A) A. DEVELOPMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE TRAINING TO BE CONDUCTED WITH [Redacted] TO INCLUDE AN EXERCISE OUT WEST. THE PROPOSED FIX TO BE TIED TO OUR TRAINING WITH [Redacted] SUPPORT OF SEC.
    - (B) B. EXAMINE AS MANY VIABLE MEANS OF CLANDESTINE ENTRY INTO IRAN AS POSSIBLE, ASSUMING ENTRY FROM [Redacted] AIR INFIL FROM ELSEWHERE, OR COMBINATIONS OF THESE.
    - (C) C. DETERMINE WHAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO SUPPORT PLANNING/PREPARATIONS FOR SUCH CLANDESTINE ENTRY.
    - (D) D. COORDINATE [Redacted] TO DETERMINE THE BEST MEANS OF PROVIDING ACTIVE AIR DEFENSE (RED EYE OR STINGER) TO BE EMPLOYED BY THE GROUND ELEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED OPERATION.
    - (E) E. DETERMINE ANY OTHER ACTIONS WHICH CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED TO ENHANCE OUR CAPABILITY TO CONDUCT A FUTURE RESCUE OPERATION.
- OBVIOUSLY, THE MOST ESSENTIAL ACTION MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED BEFORE ANY VIABLE RESCUE PLAN CAN BE DEVELOPED IS TO FULFILL BASIC, CRITICAL

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**[REDACTED]**

EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THE VALUE OF TRAINING AND DEVELOPING VIABLE  
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**[REDACTED]**

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Intelligence Historical Report

Subject: (U) Executive Summary For Weather Support to American Hostage Rescue Efforts.

Time Frame: (U) November 1979 - [December 1980]

Purpose: (U) The attached reports describe the scope of weather support provided to the Joint Task Force 1-79 and [REDACTED] concerned with the American hostages in Iran during this period. Each of the eight reports addresses a separate issue or portion of support relevant to the planning, exercises, rescue attempt and subsequent events. To gain a full appreciation of the depth of support and the problems encountered one needs to review the complete series of reports.

Recommendations: (U) Planners and operational personnel need to closely coordinate with their staff weather officer through all phases of the planning cycle, mission implementation, and post evaluation to enhance the probability of success. The key point to stress for future efforts is the absolute necessity of a resident staff weather officer dedicated to the support effort to be incorporated into the planning/operational staff in a full-time status.

Summary: (U) Weather played a key role in the planning and execution phases of the American Military Rescue Attempt on 24 April 1980 and subsequent efforts by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

J2 Personnel Involved: Majors [REDACTED] USAF/XOOOX, AV227-1638.

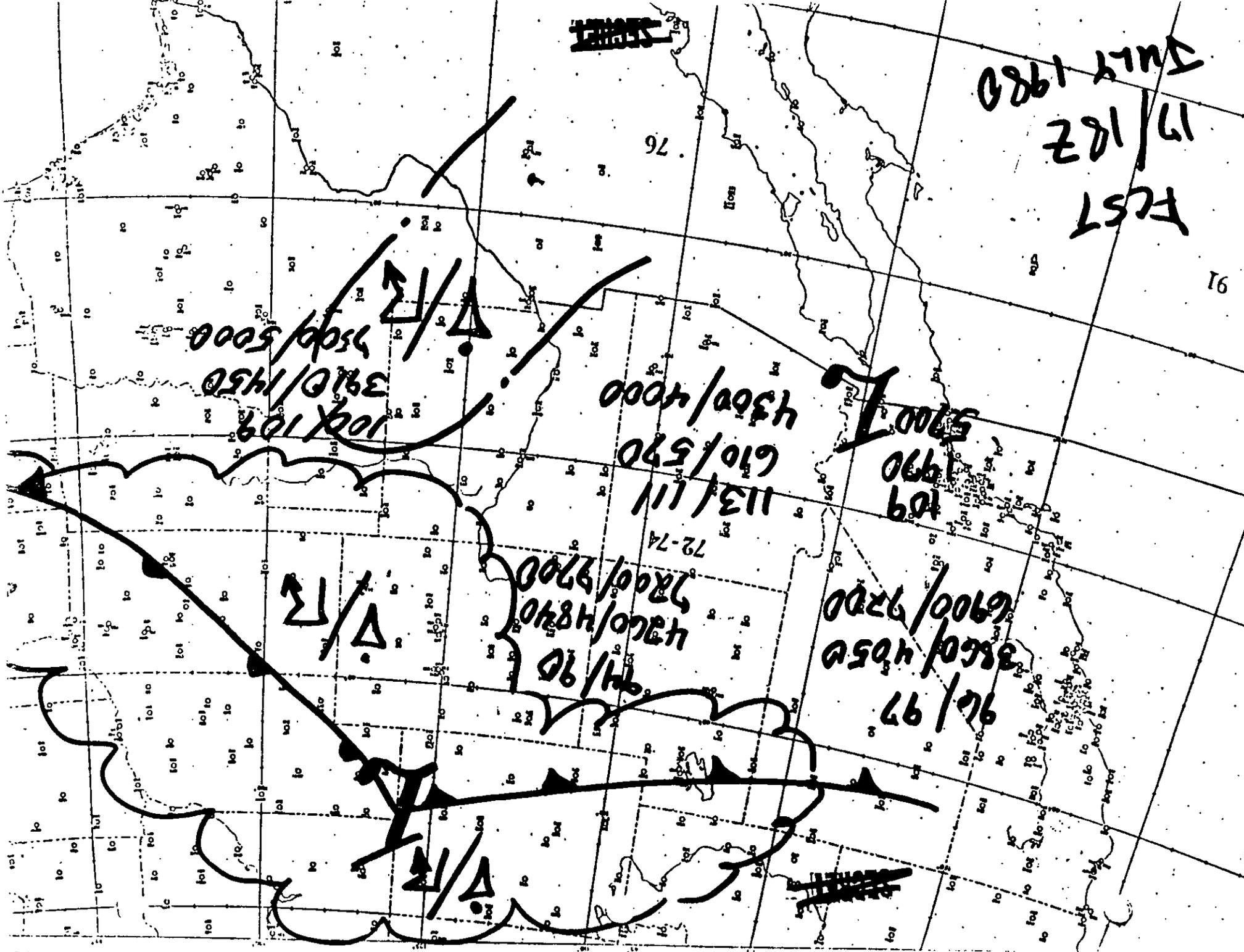
Attachments:

1. (U) Meteorological Support Package Development.
2. (U) Acquisition and Deployment of Meteorological Equipment to FOL.
3. (U) Exercise Weather Support, Pre Raid.
4. (U) Exercise Weather Support, Post Raid.
5. (U) Climatological Planning Data.
6. (U) Meteorological Satellite Shortfalls.
7. (U) Remote Tactical Weather Sensors.
8. (U) Meteorological Surface and Upper Air Data Shortfalls.

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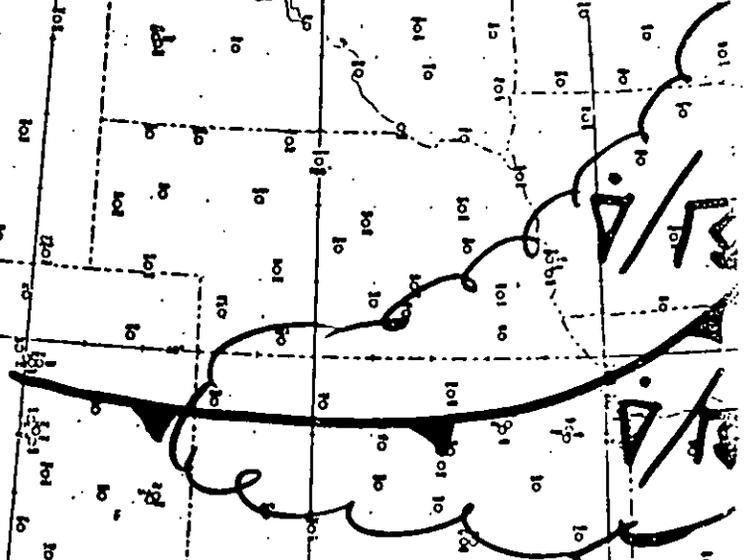
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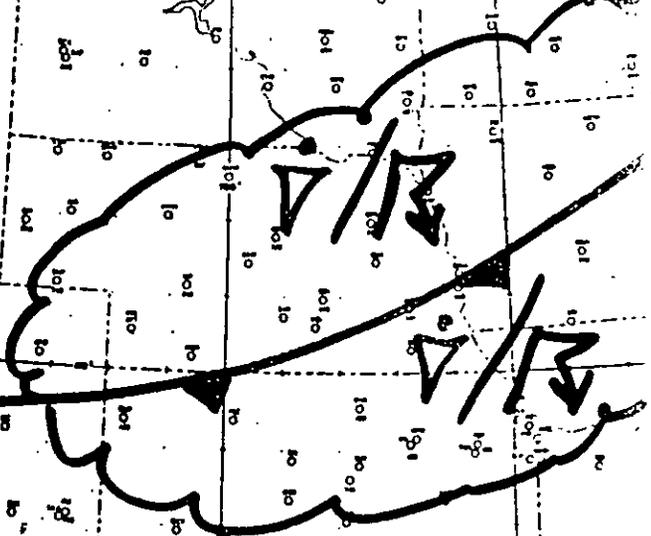
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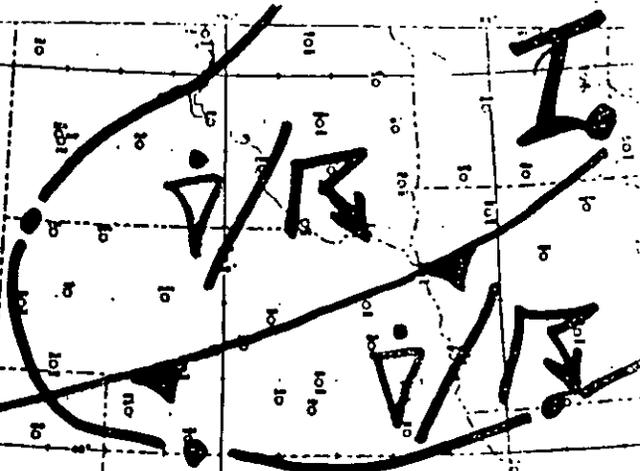
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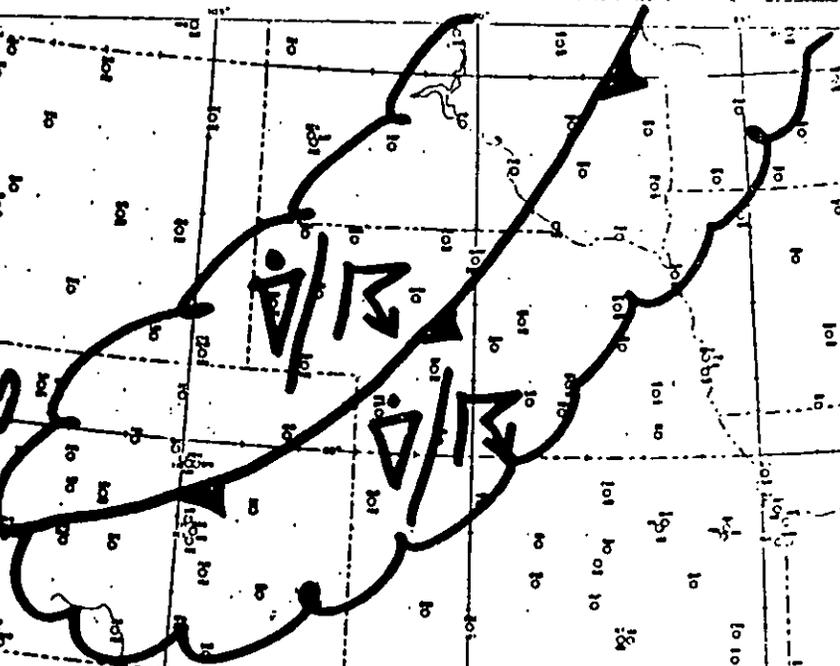
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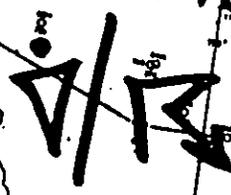


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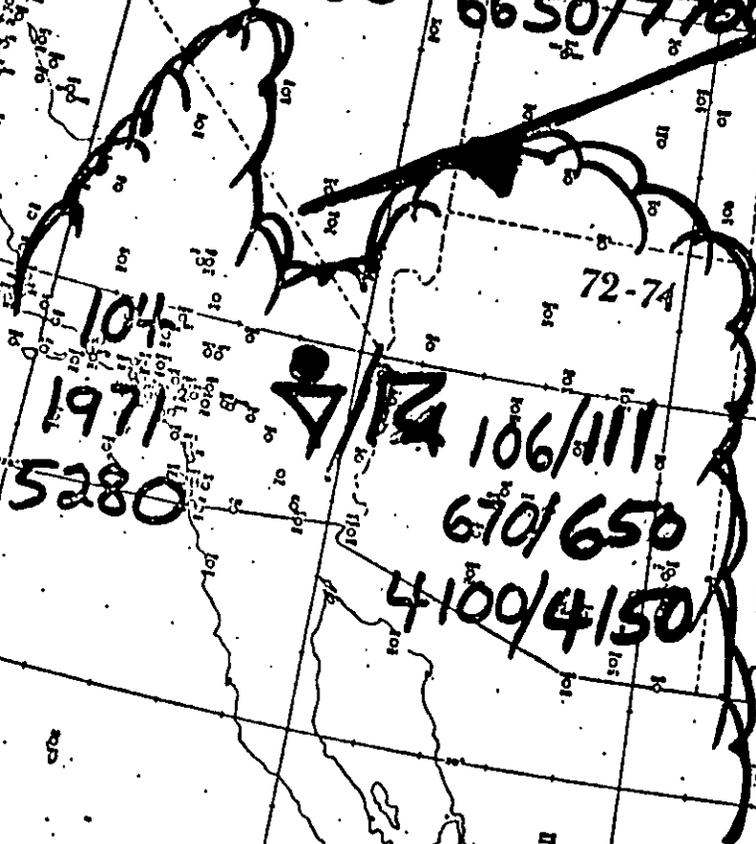
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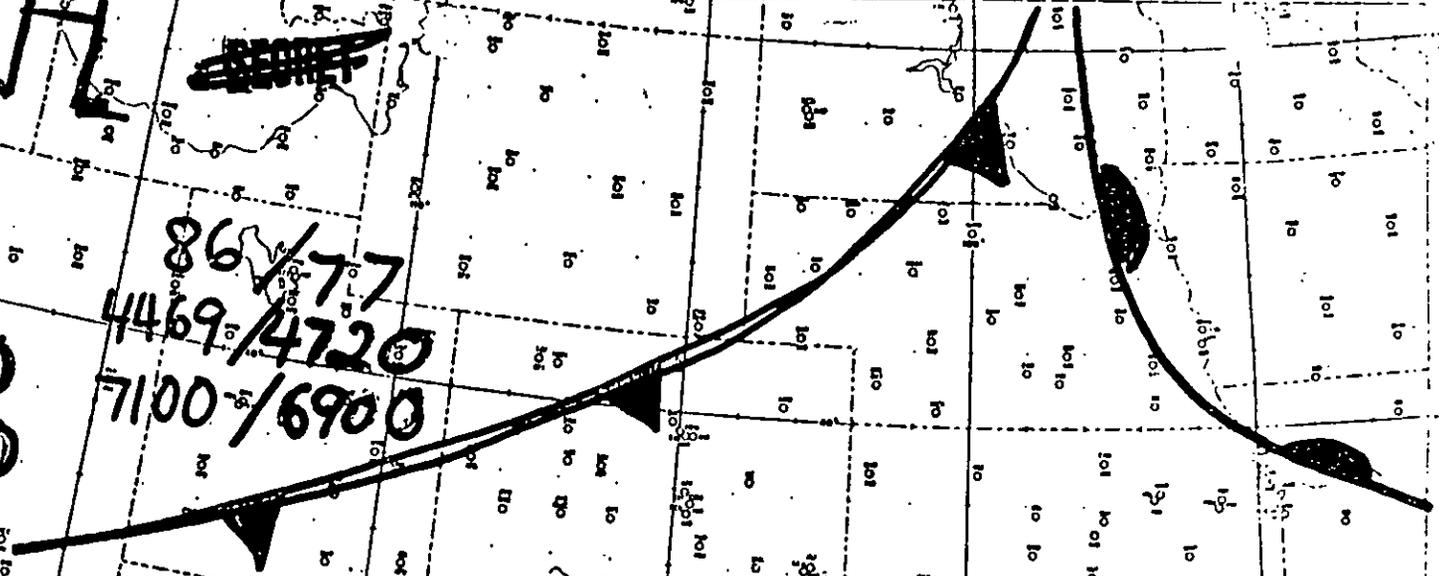
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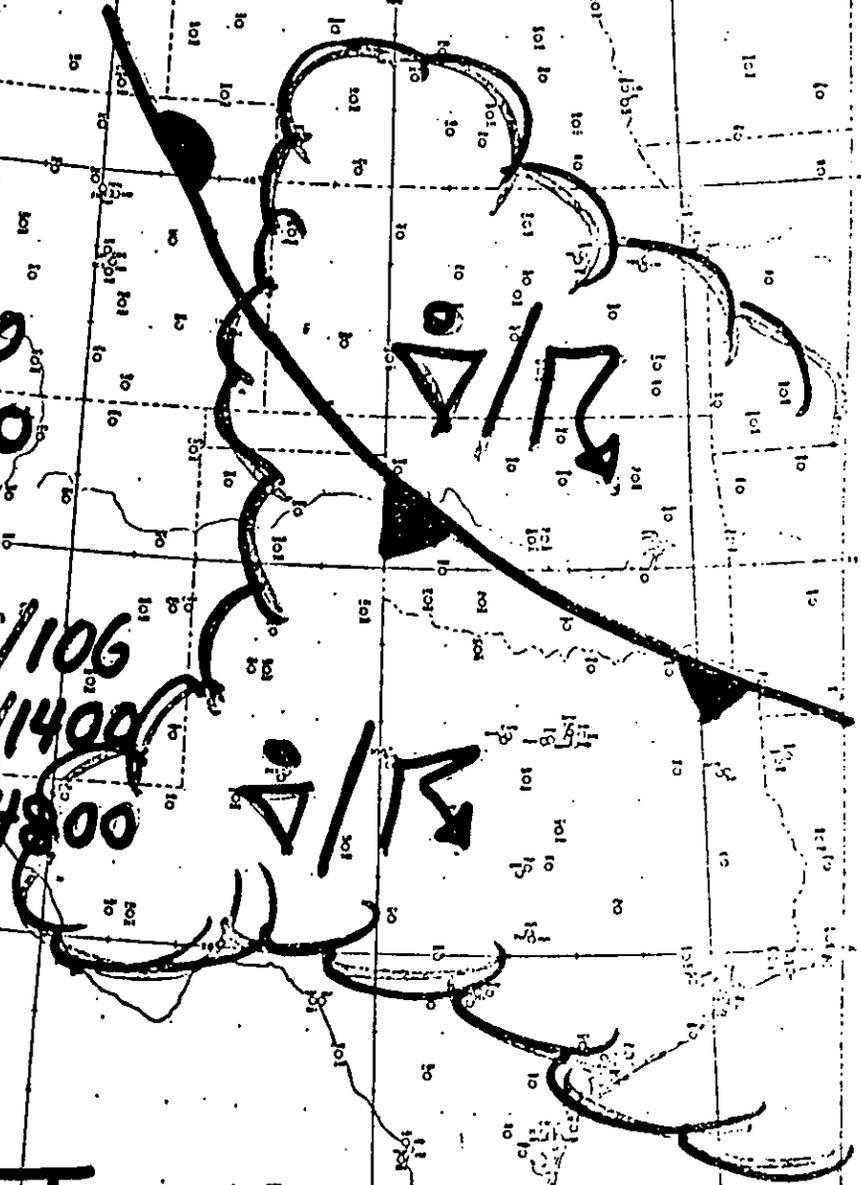
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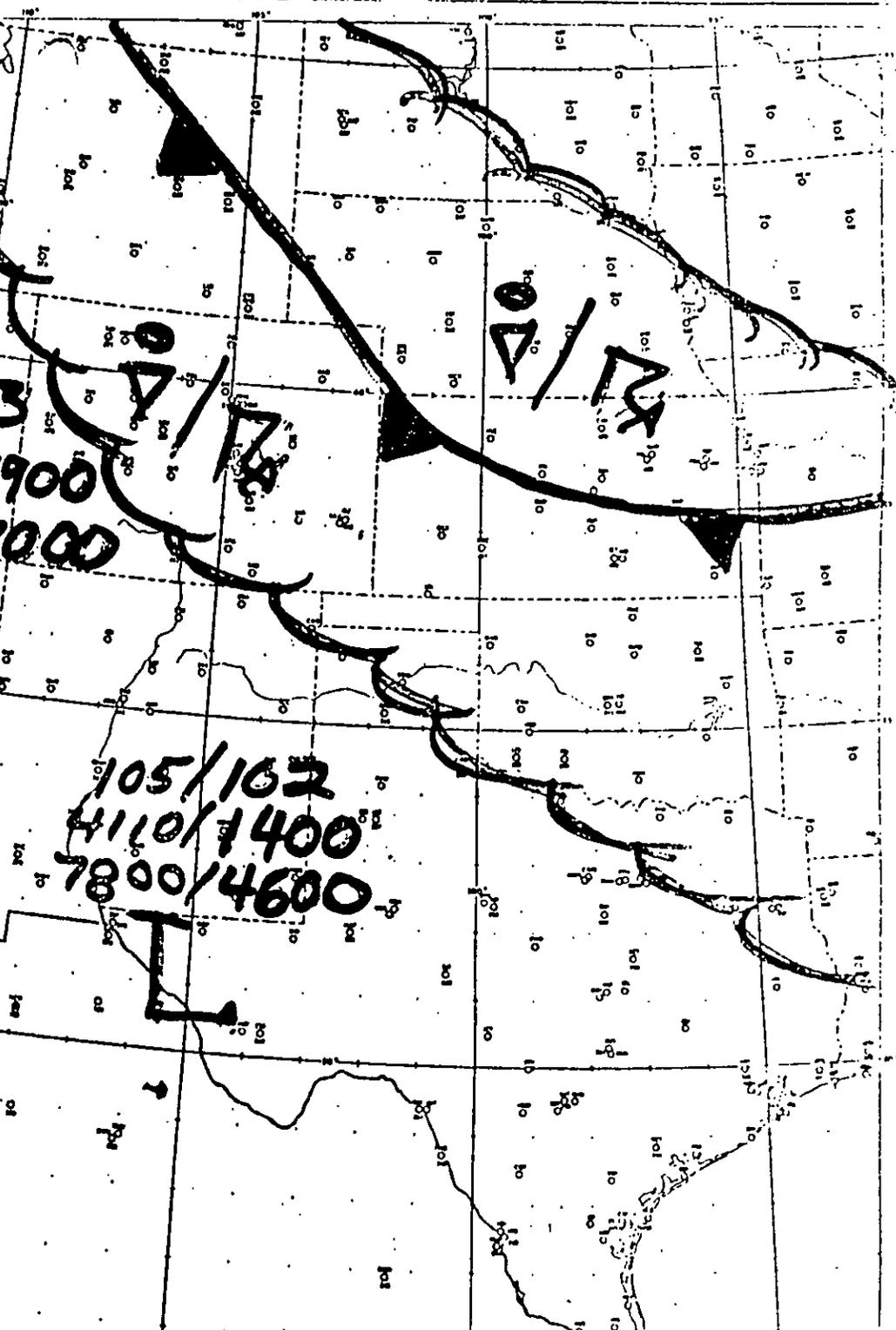
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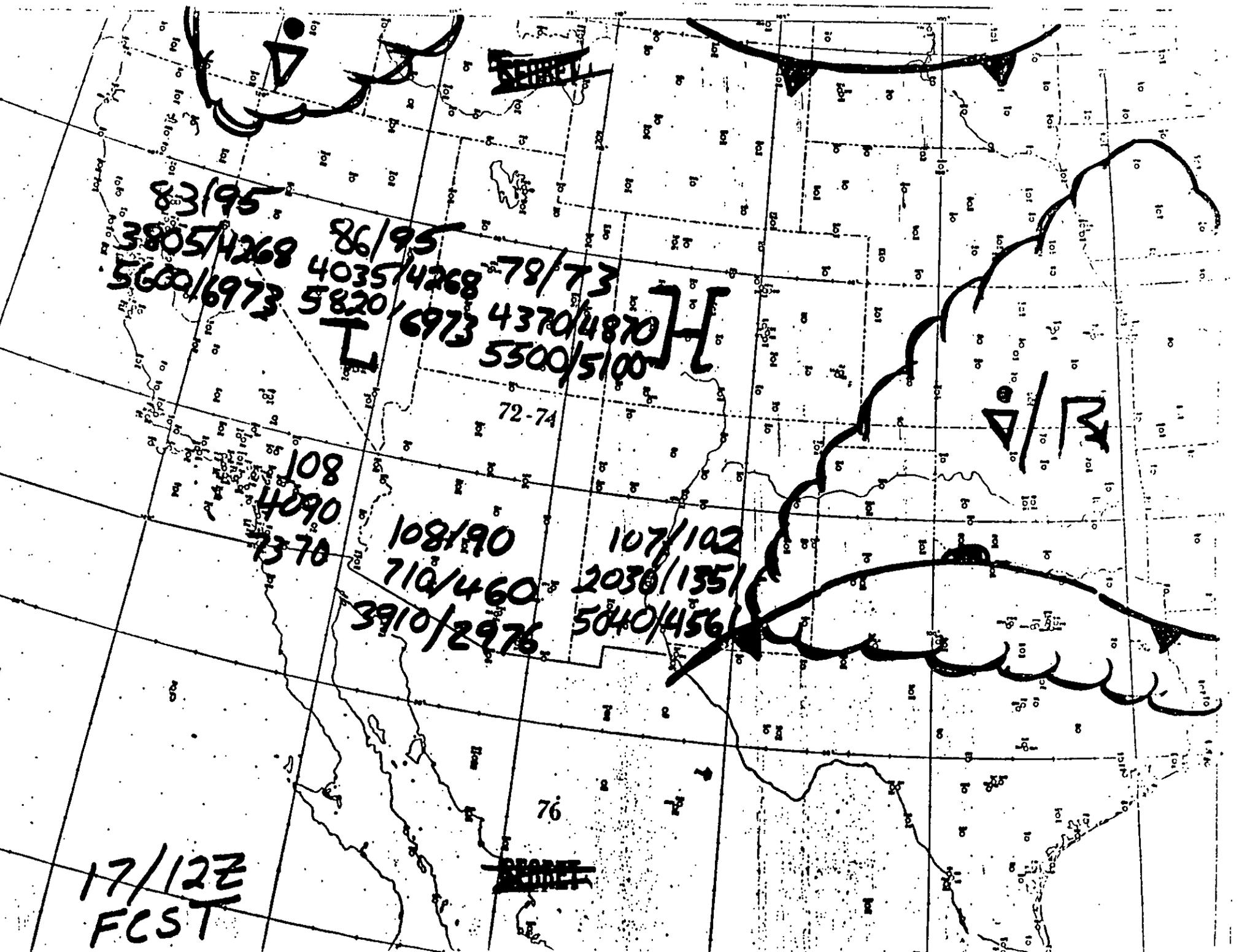
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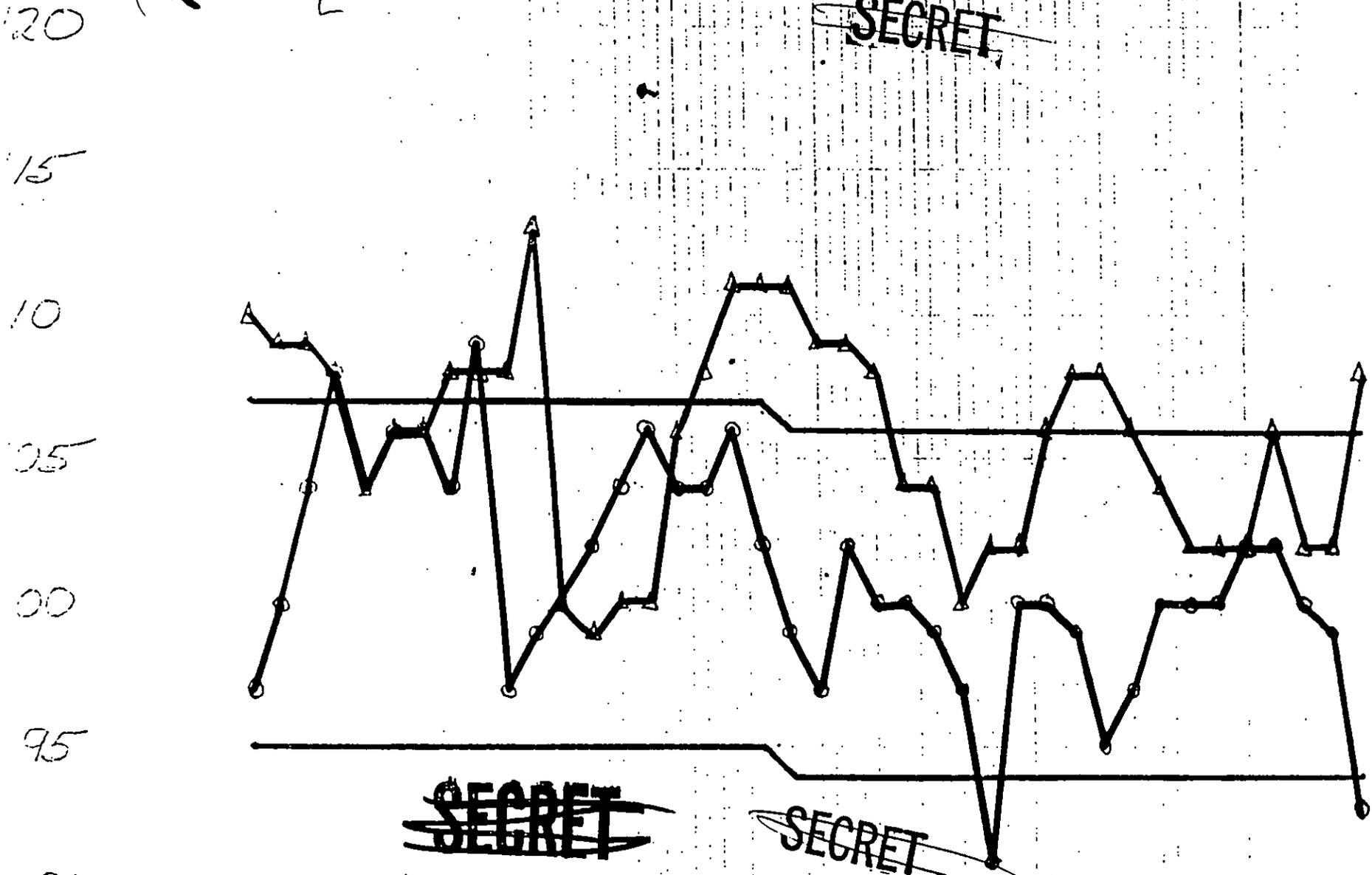
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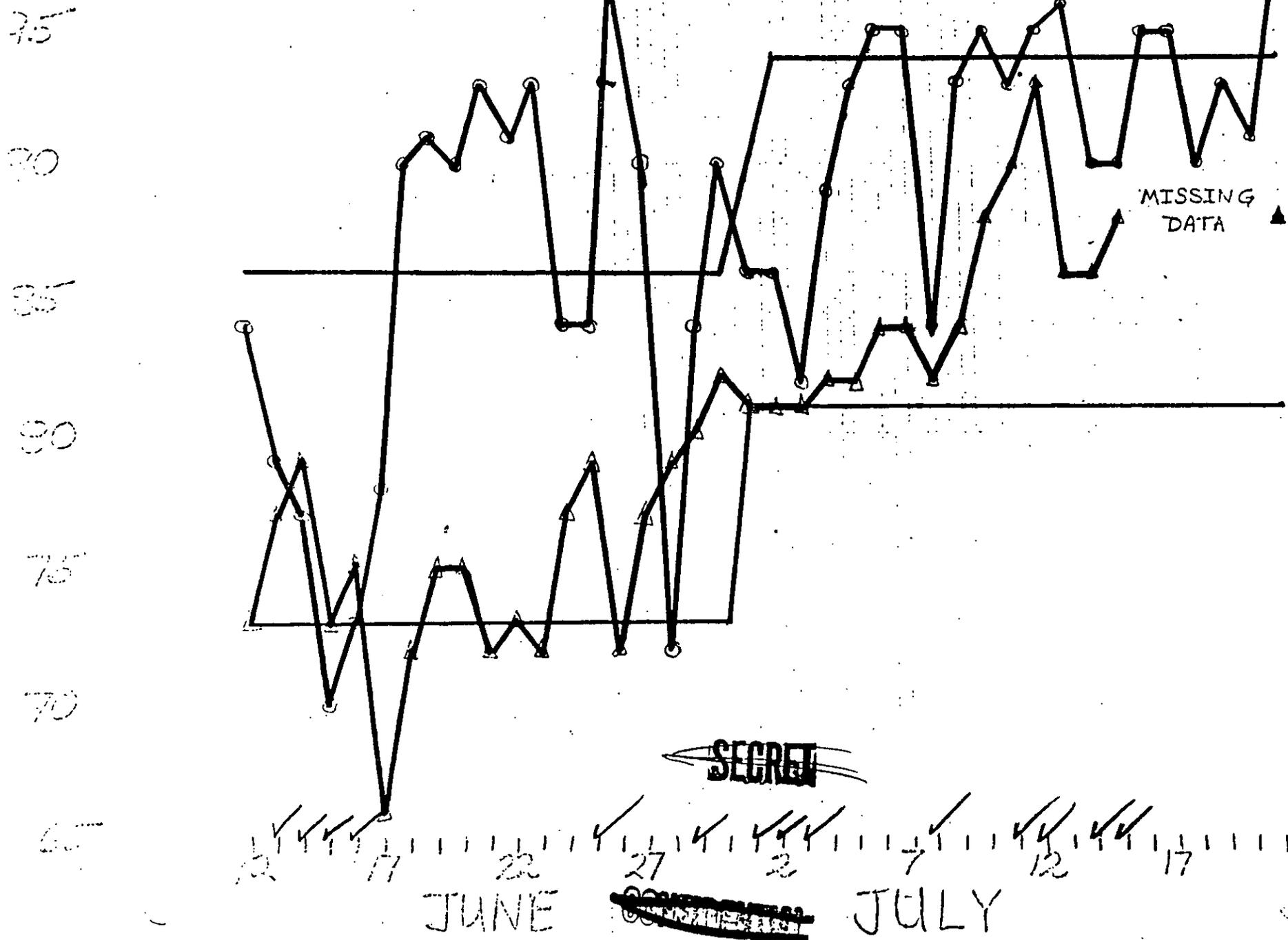
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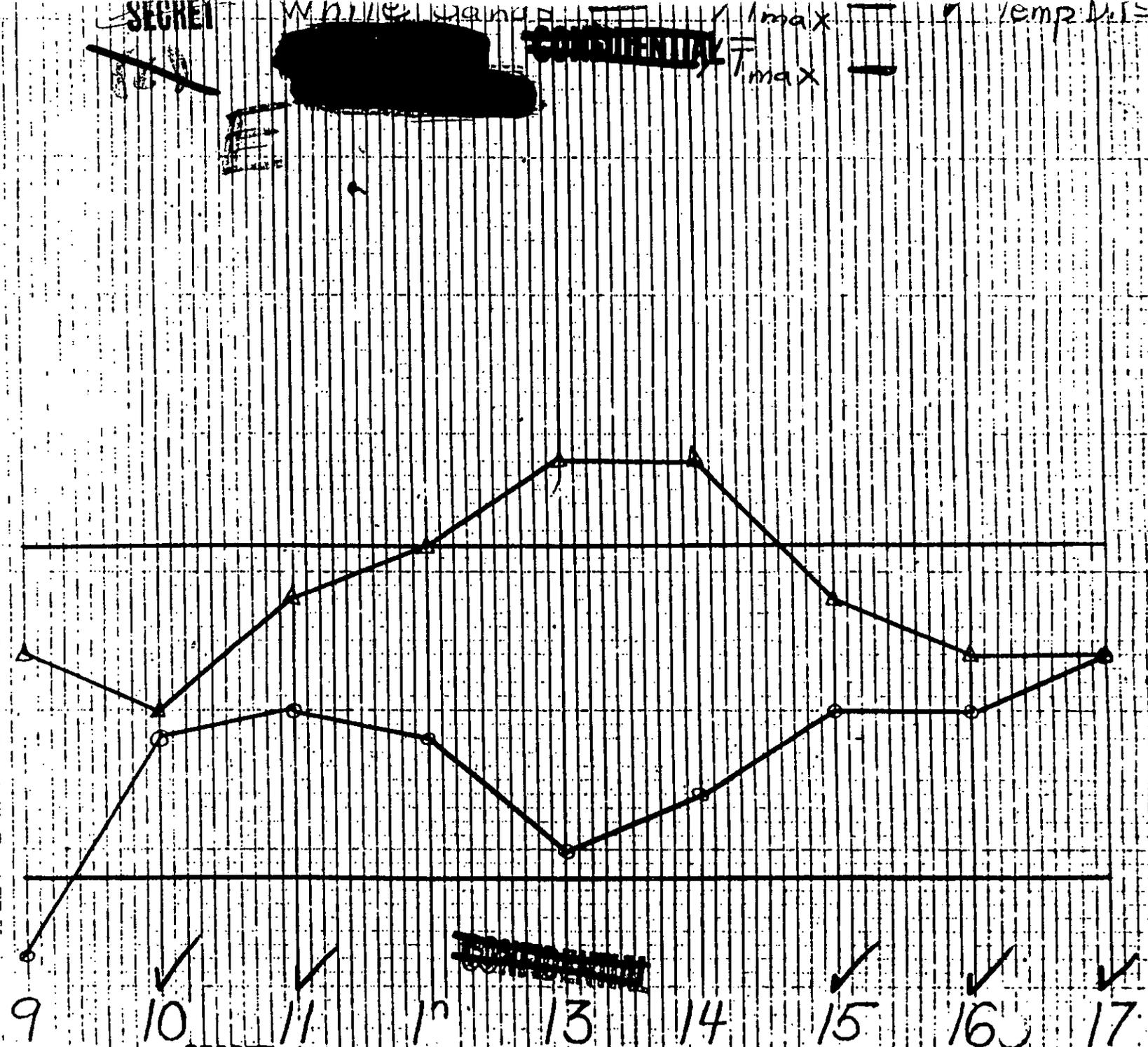
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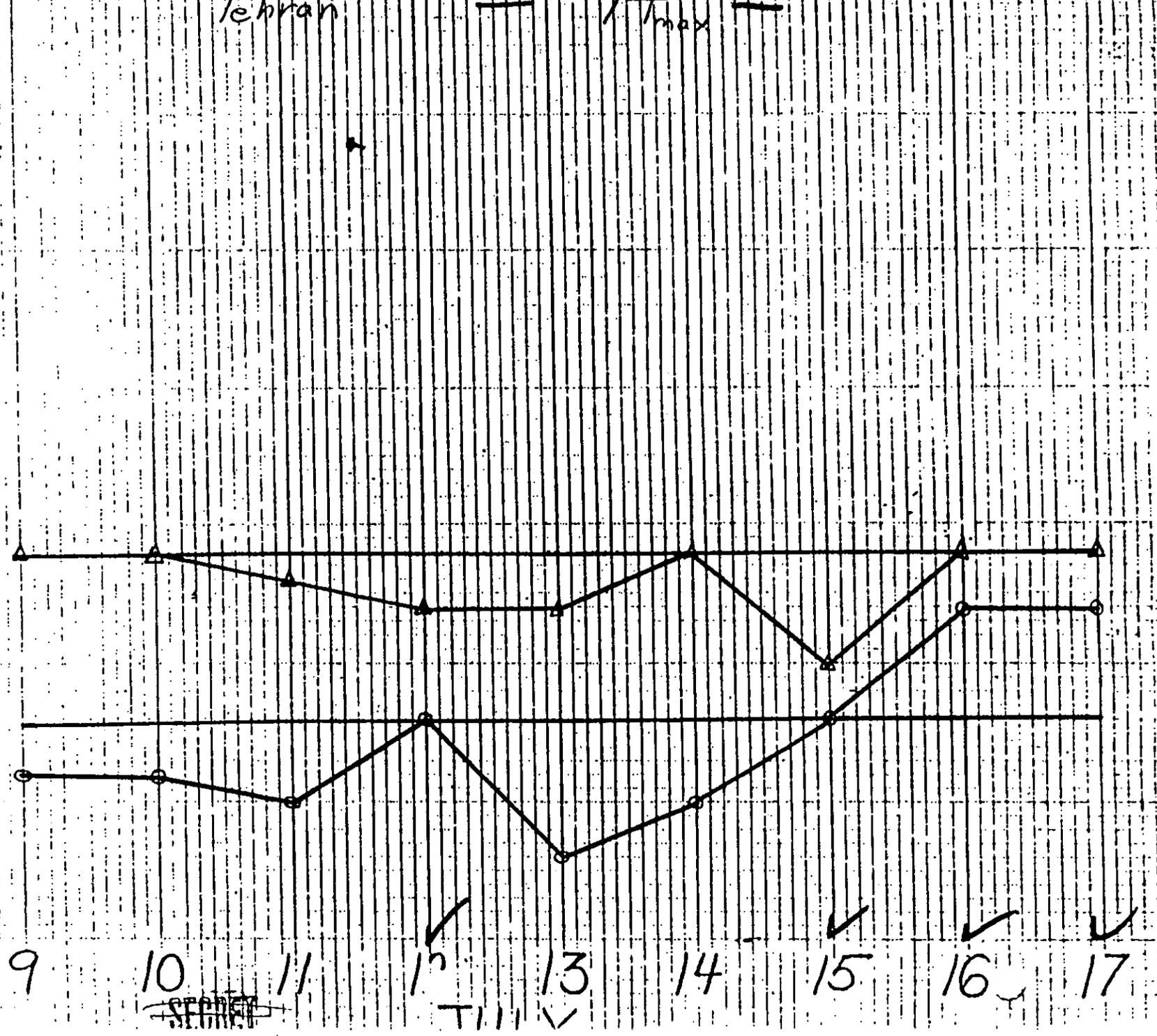
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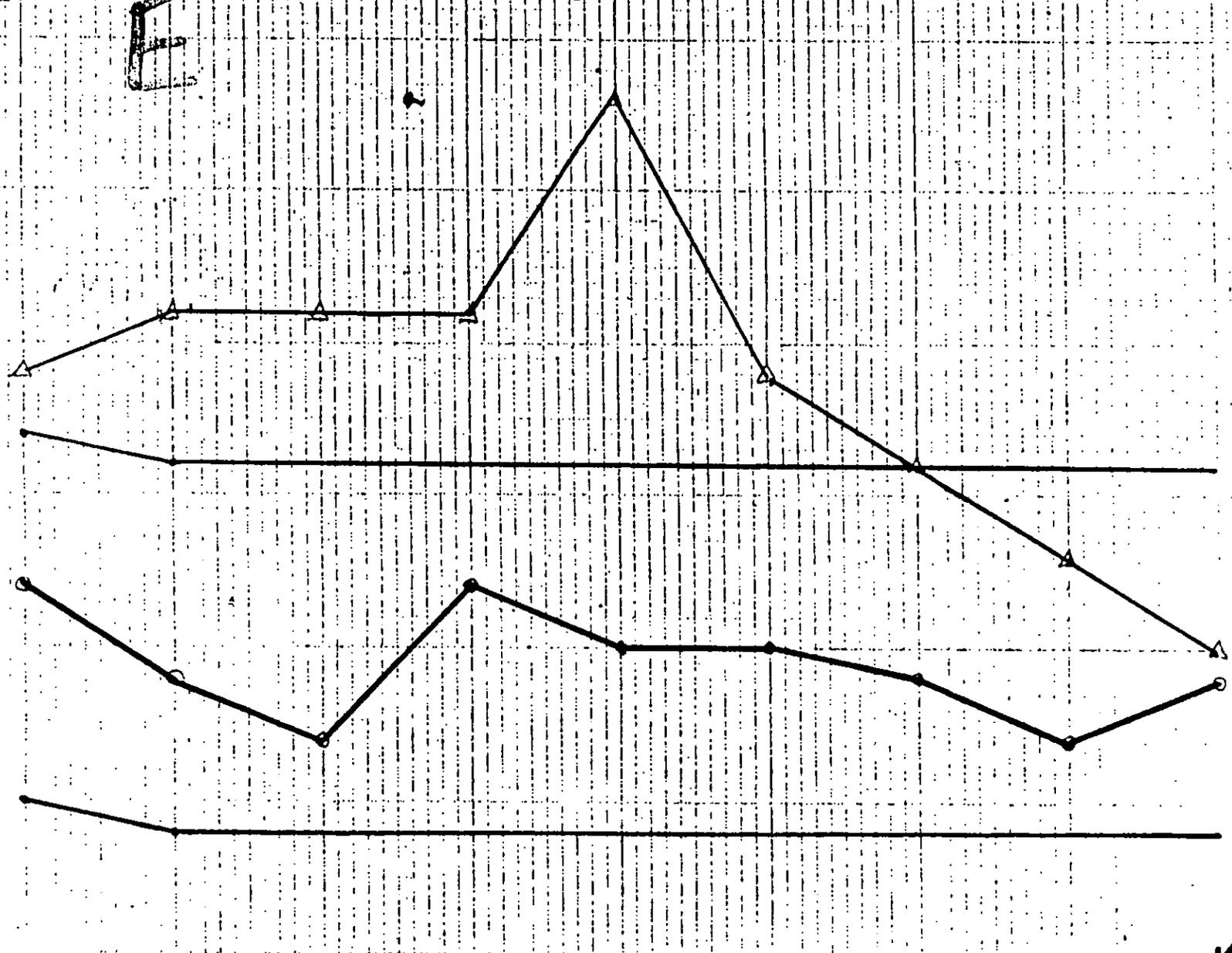
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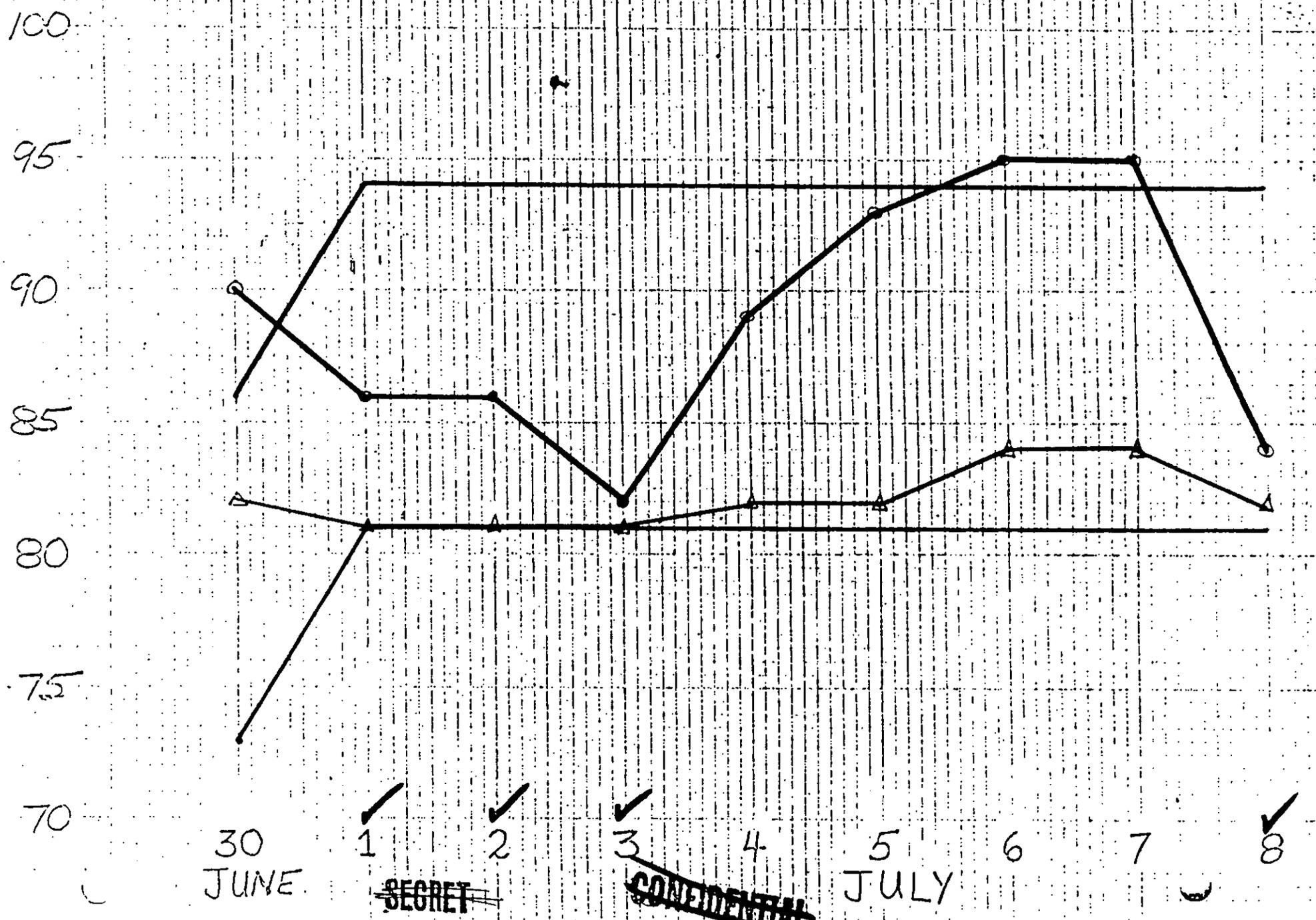
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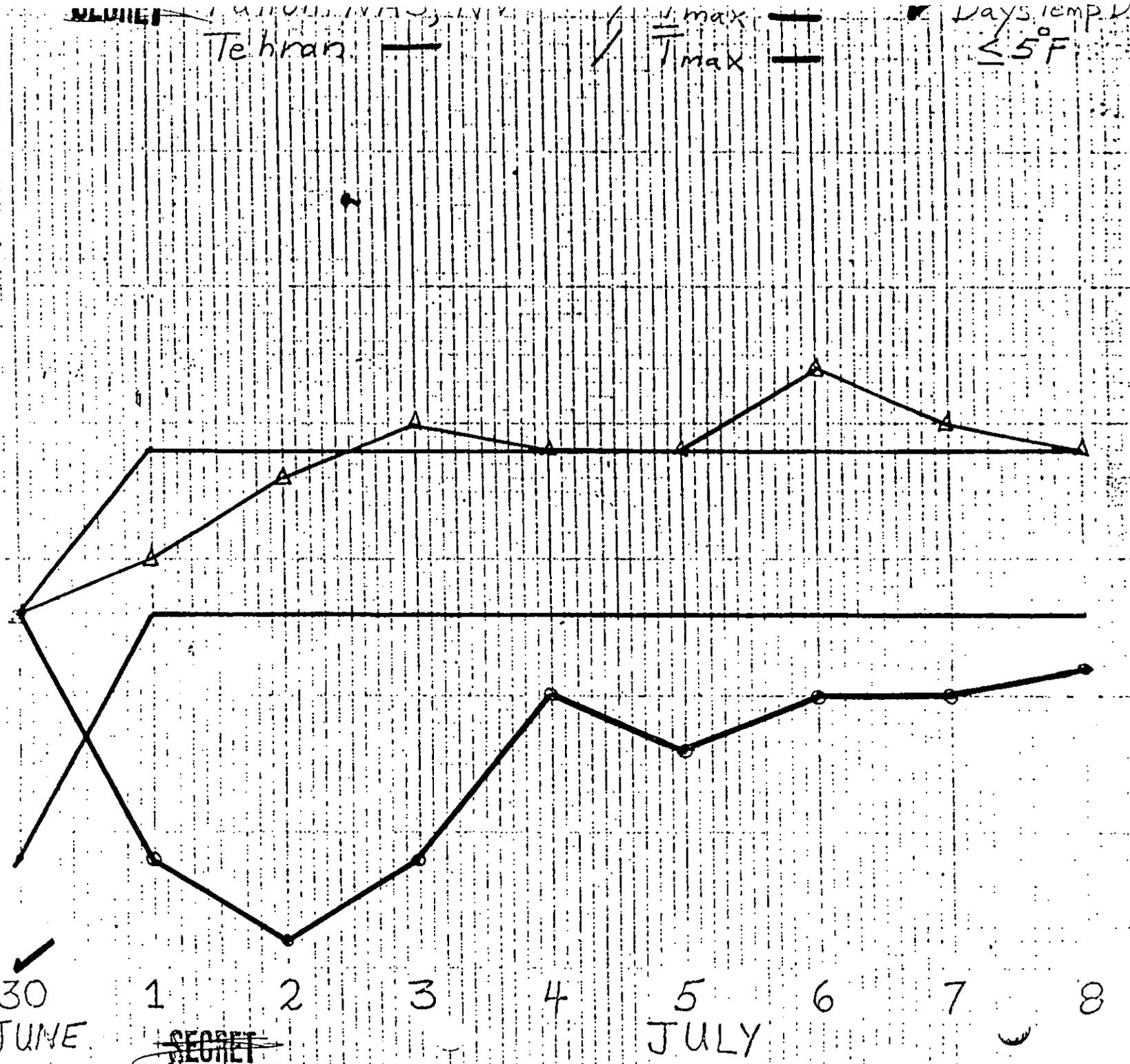
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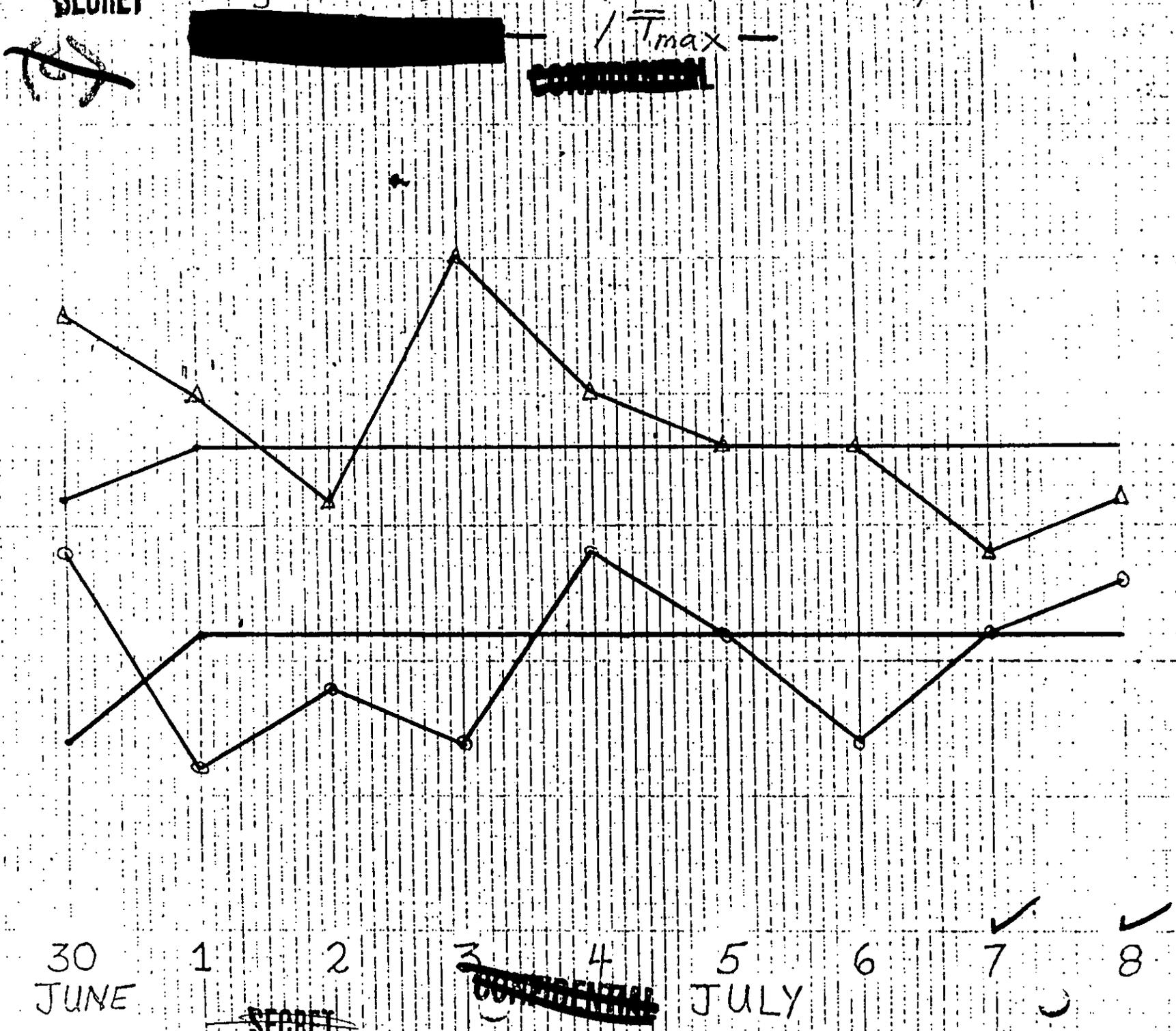
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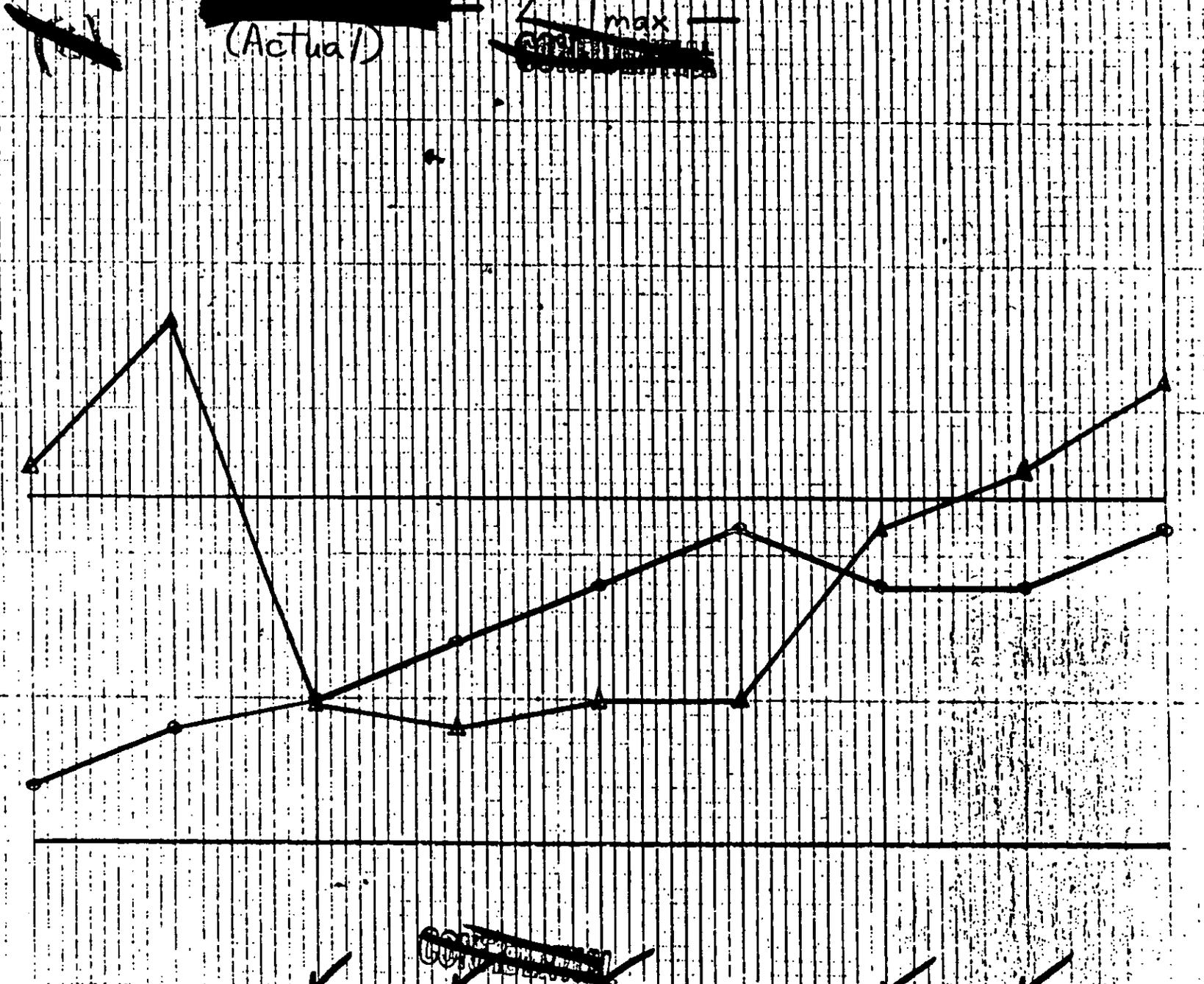
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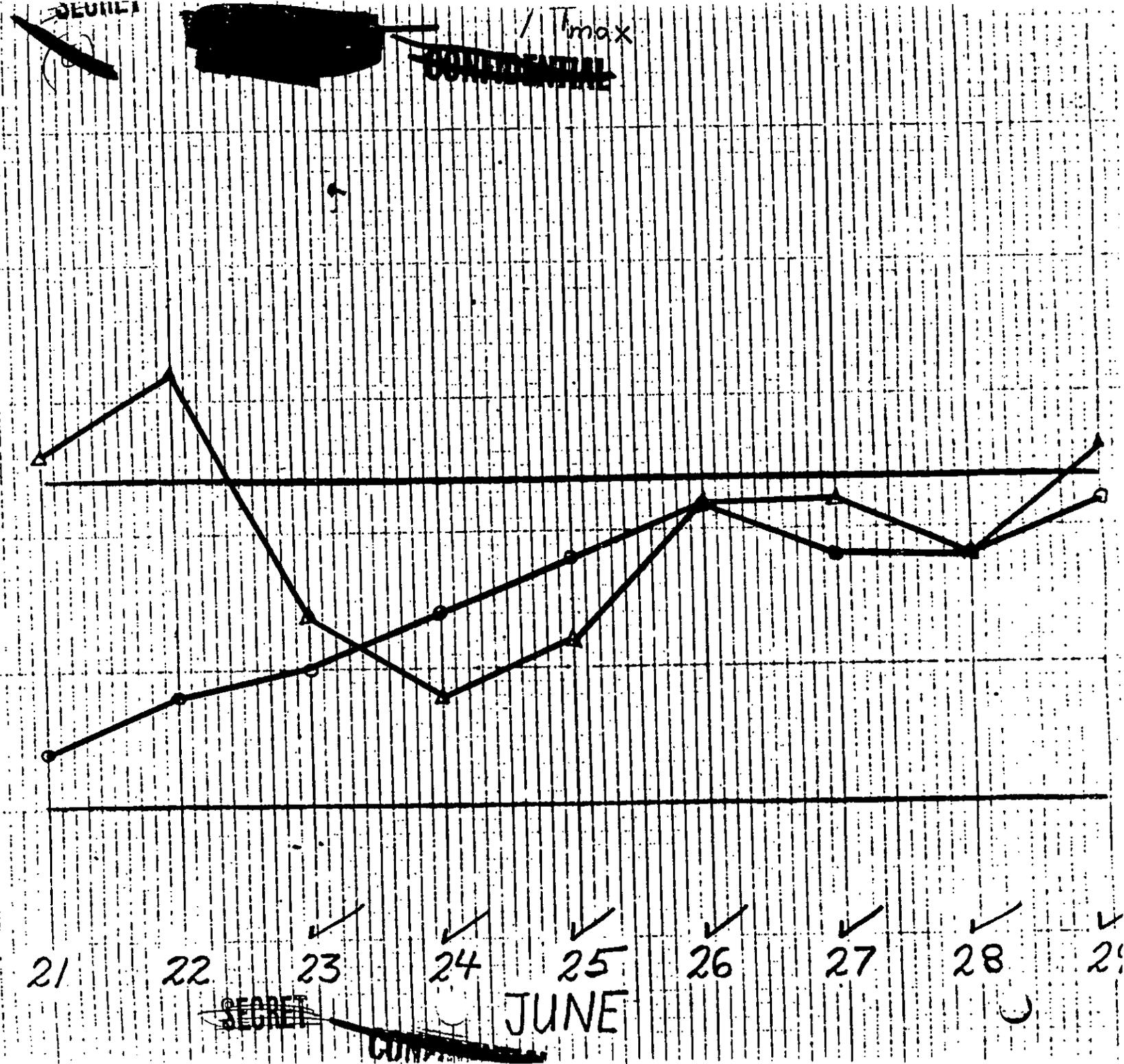
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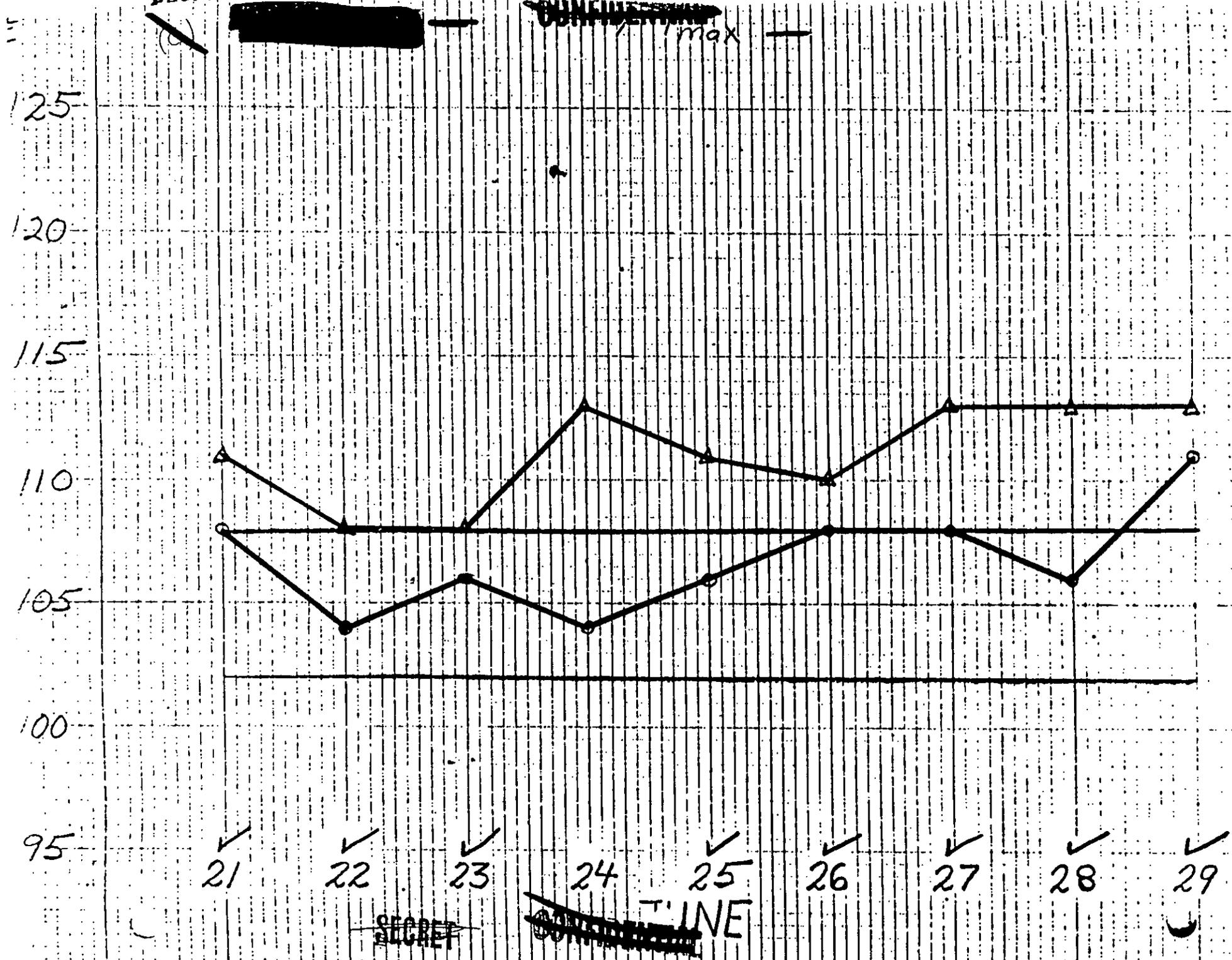
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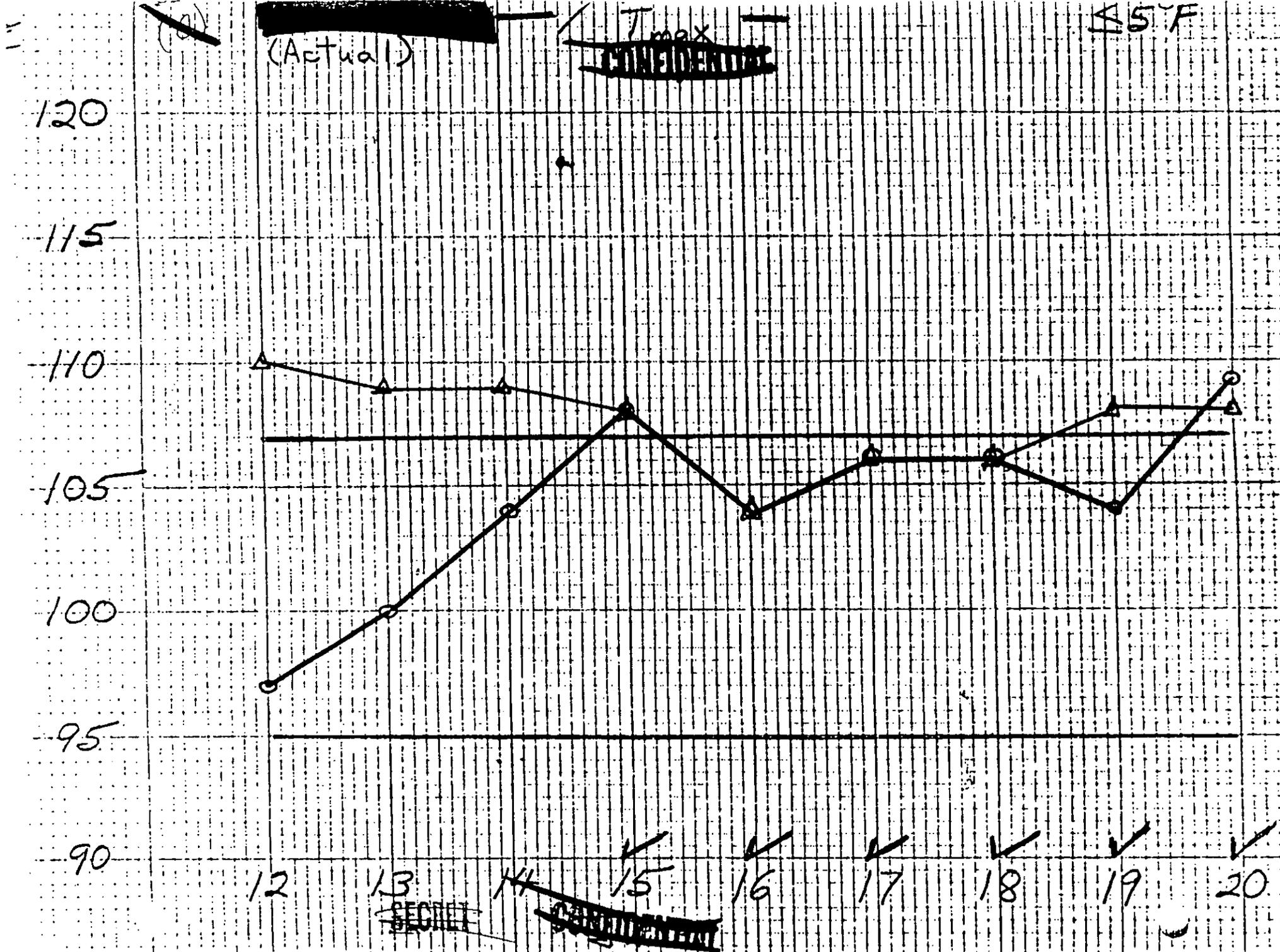
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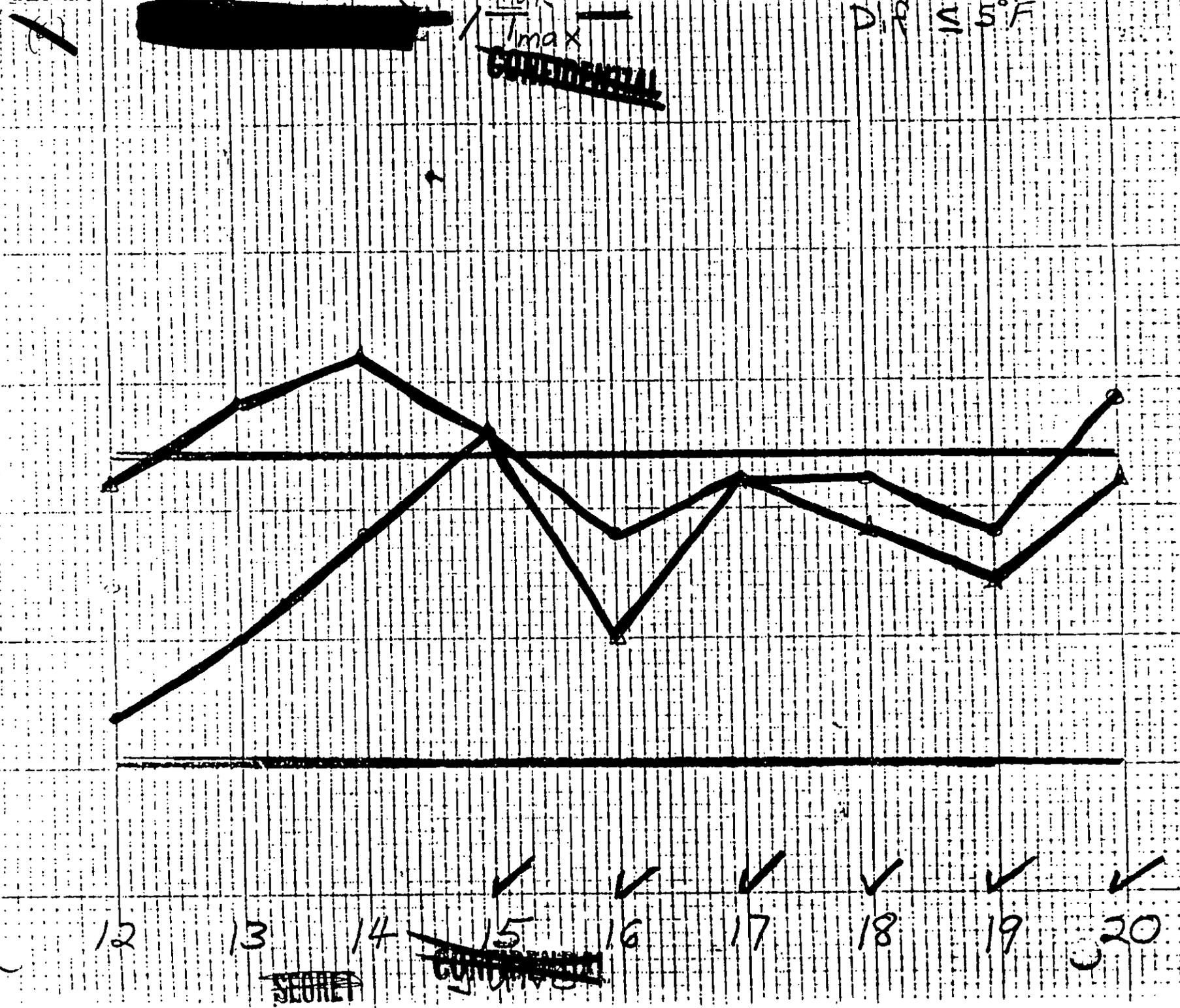
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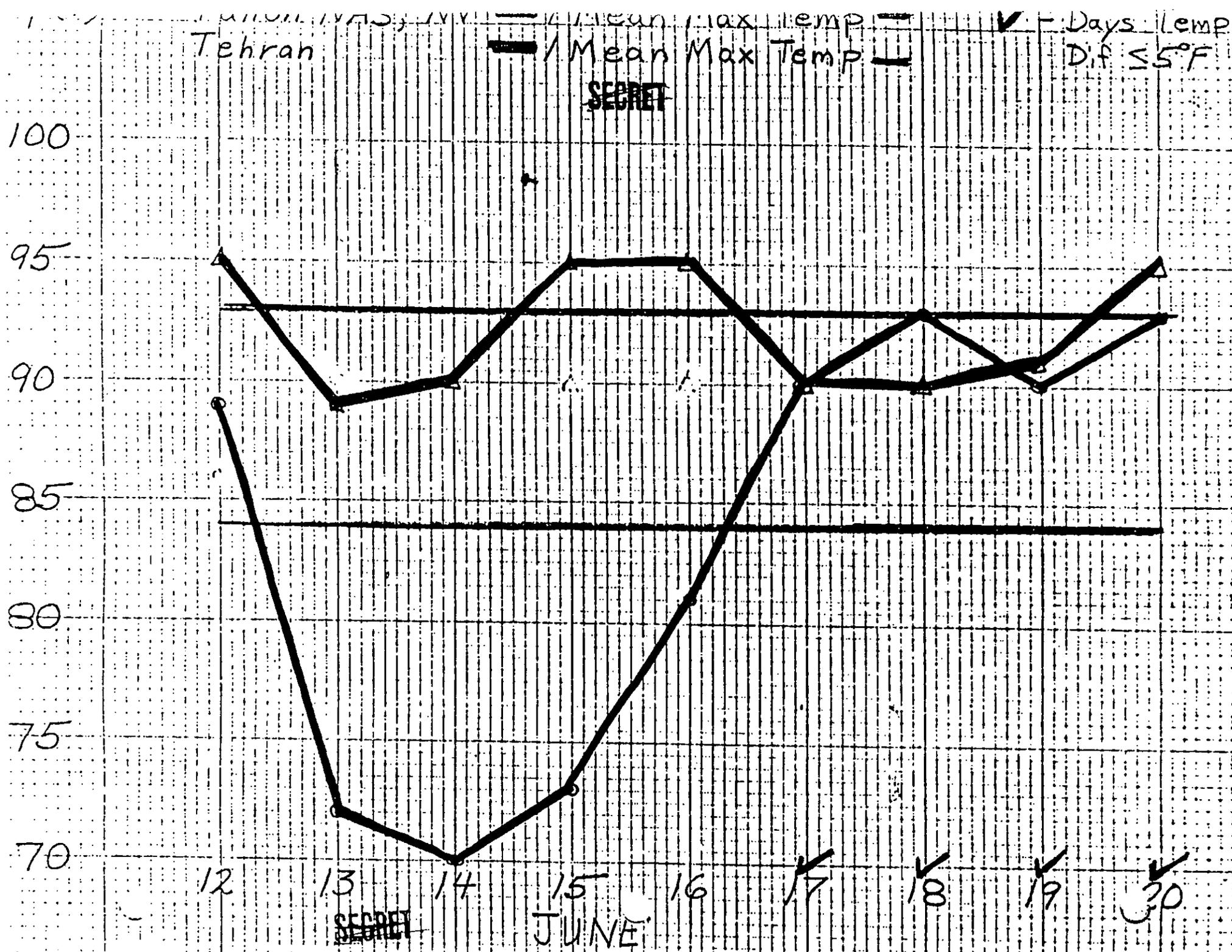
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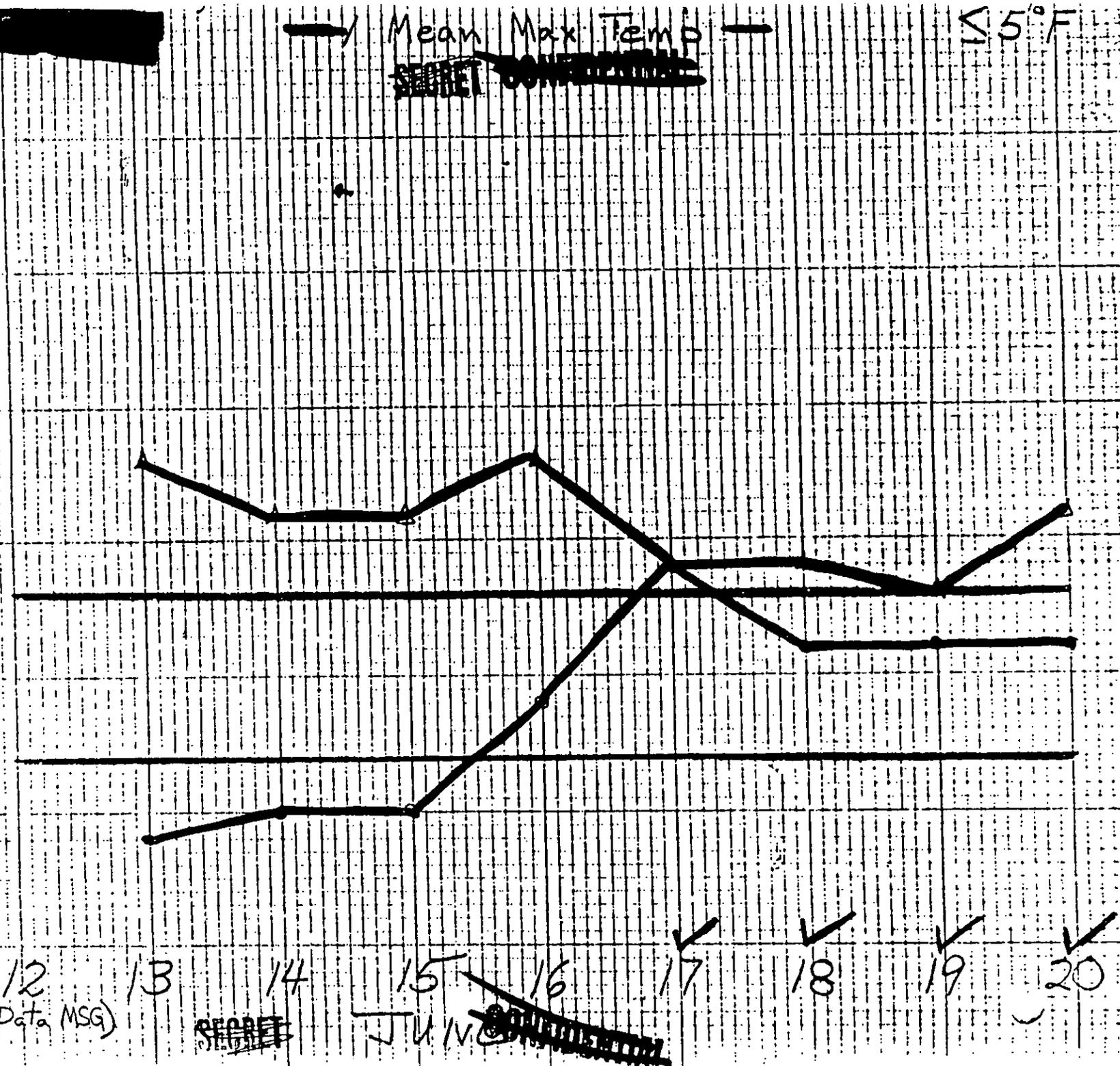
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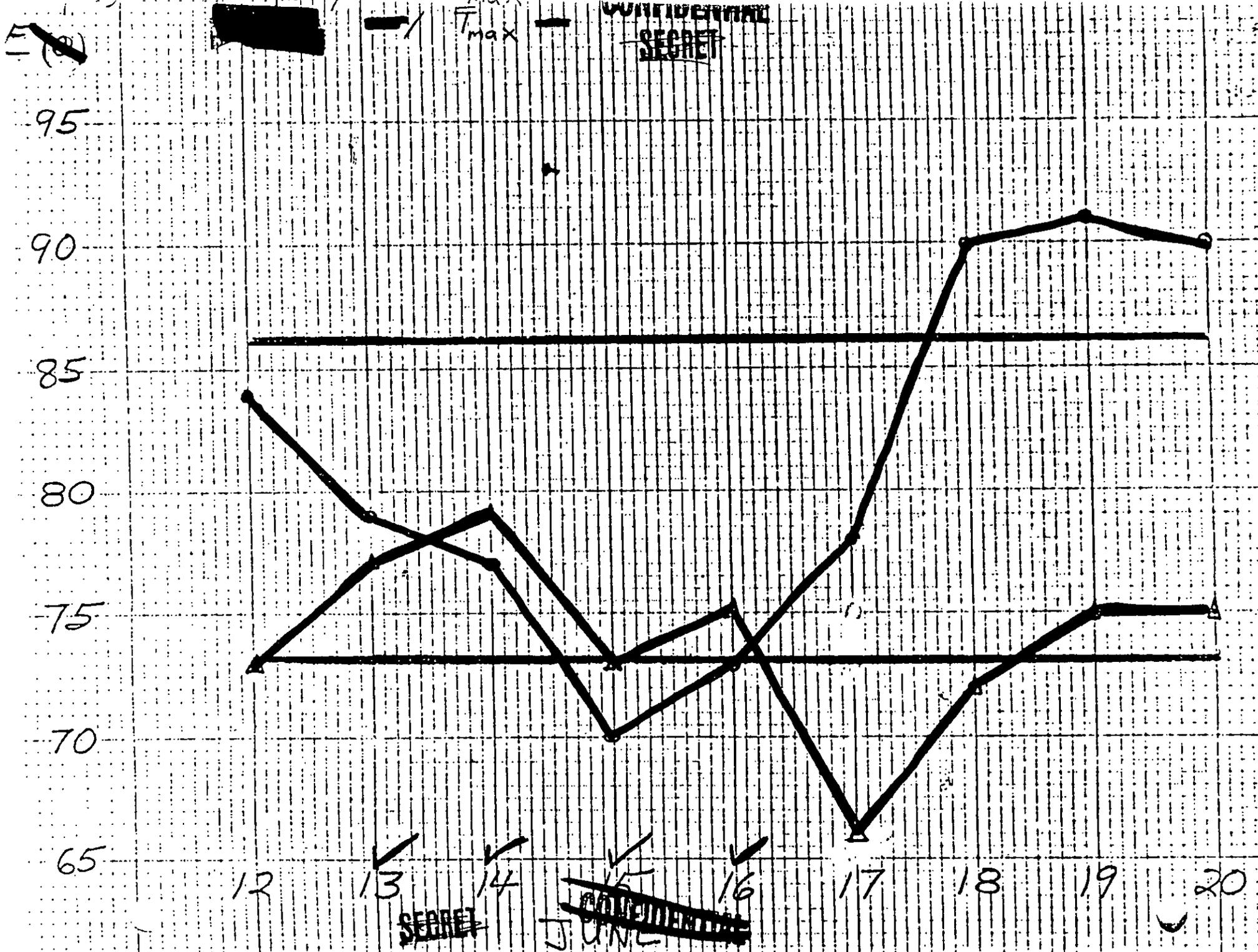
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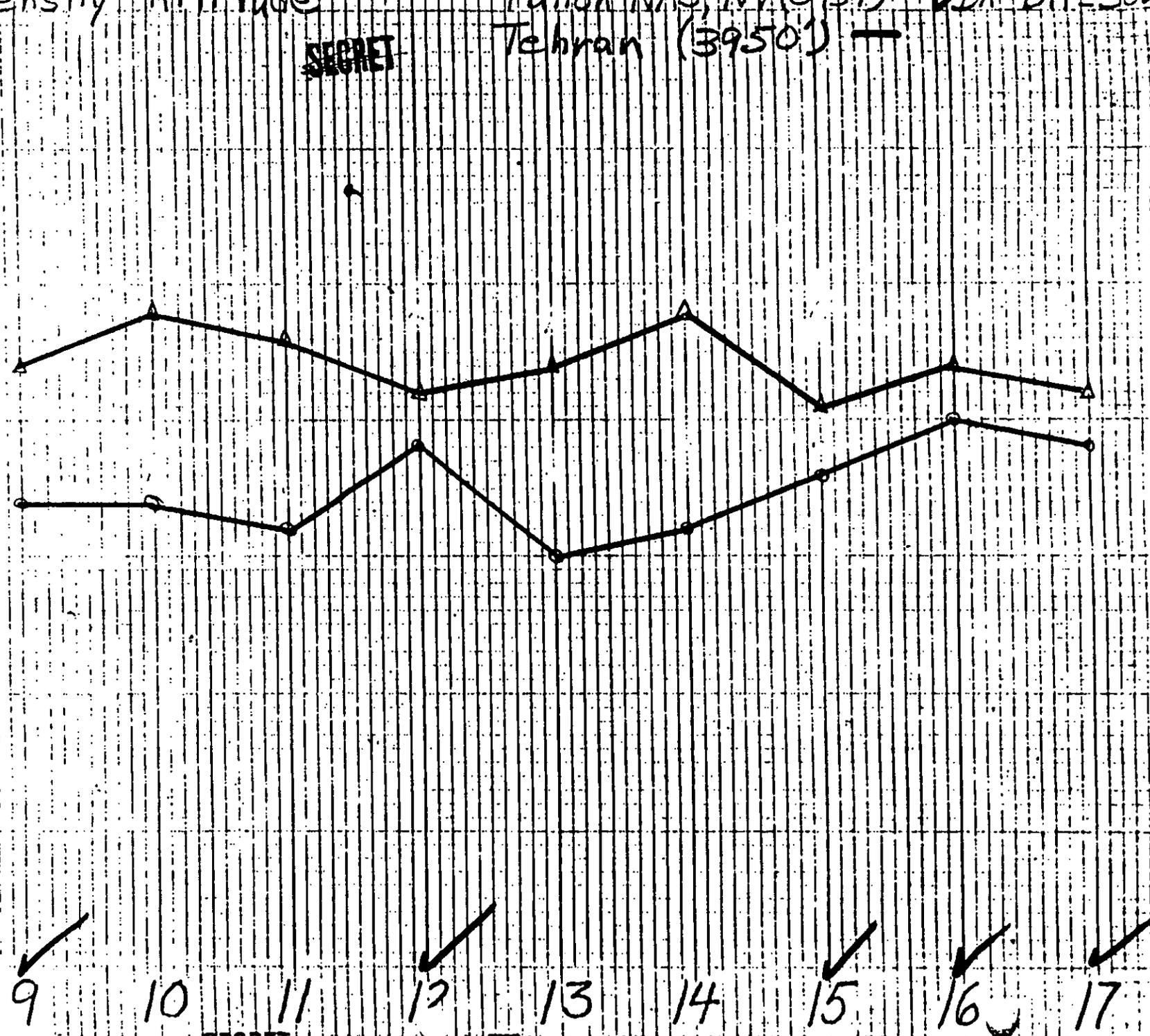
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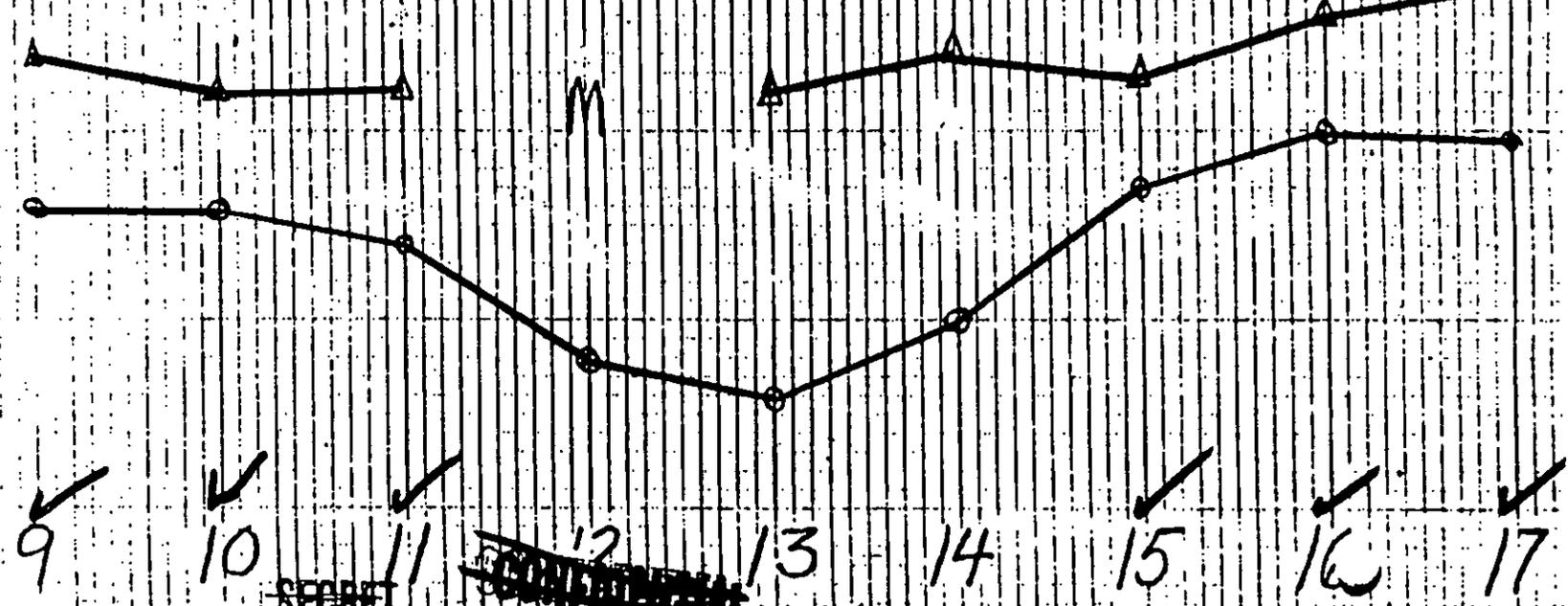
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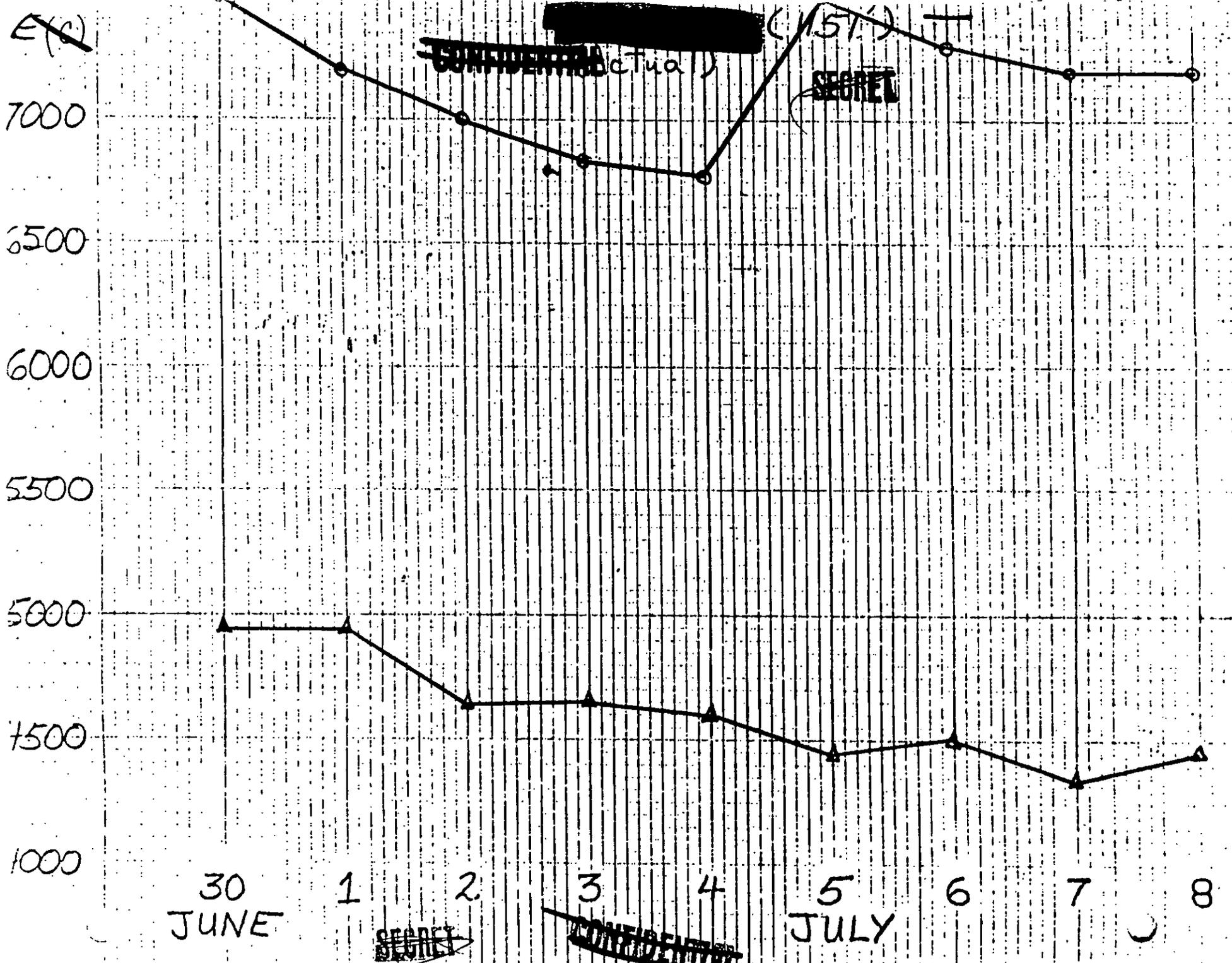
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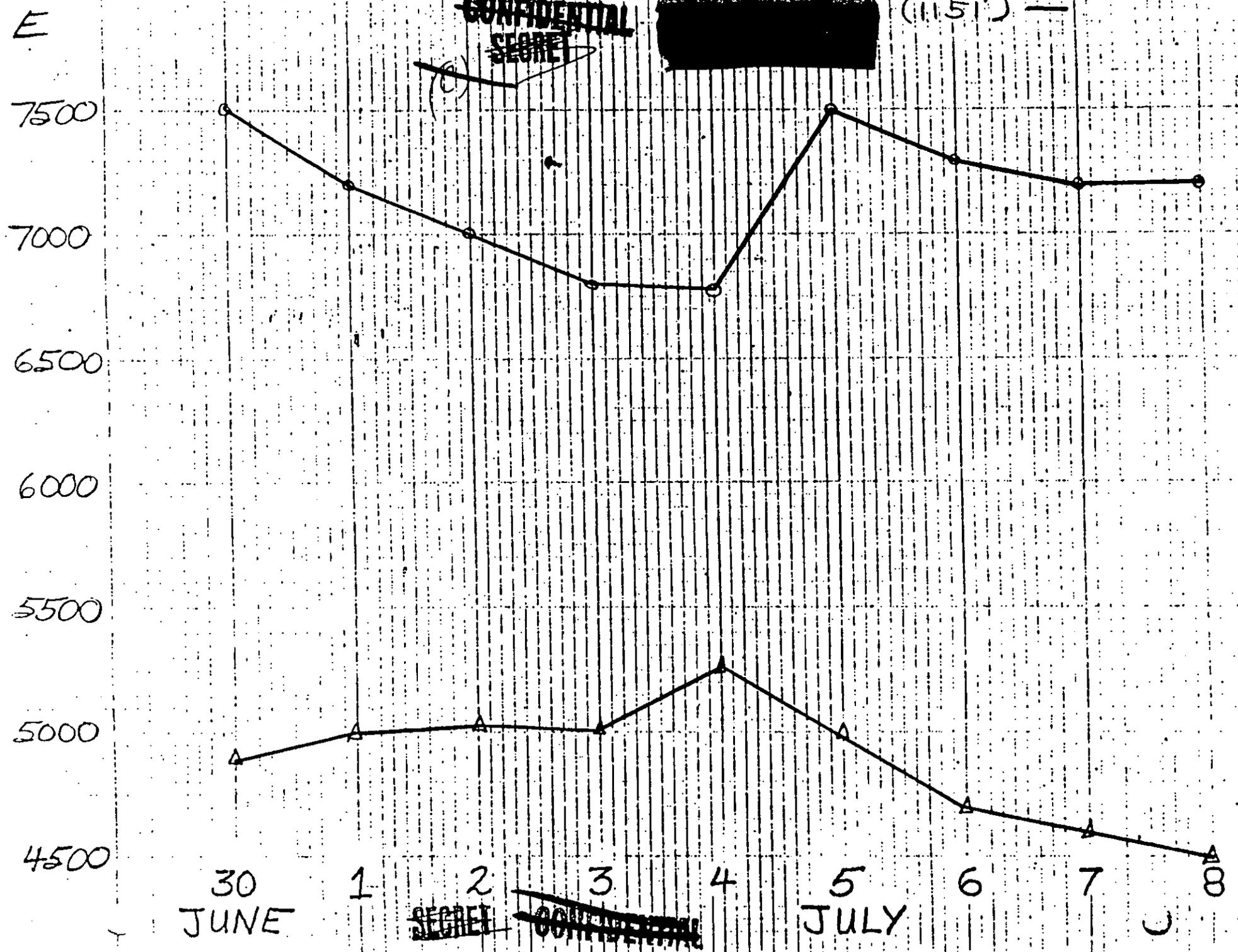




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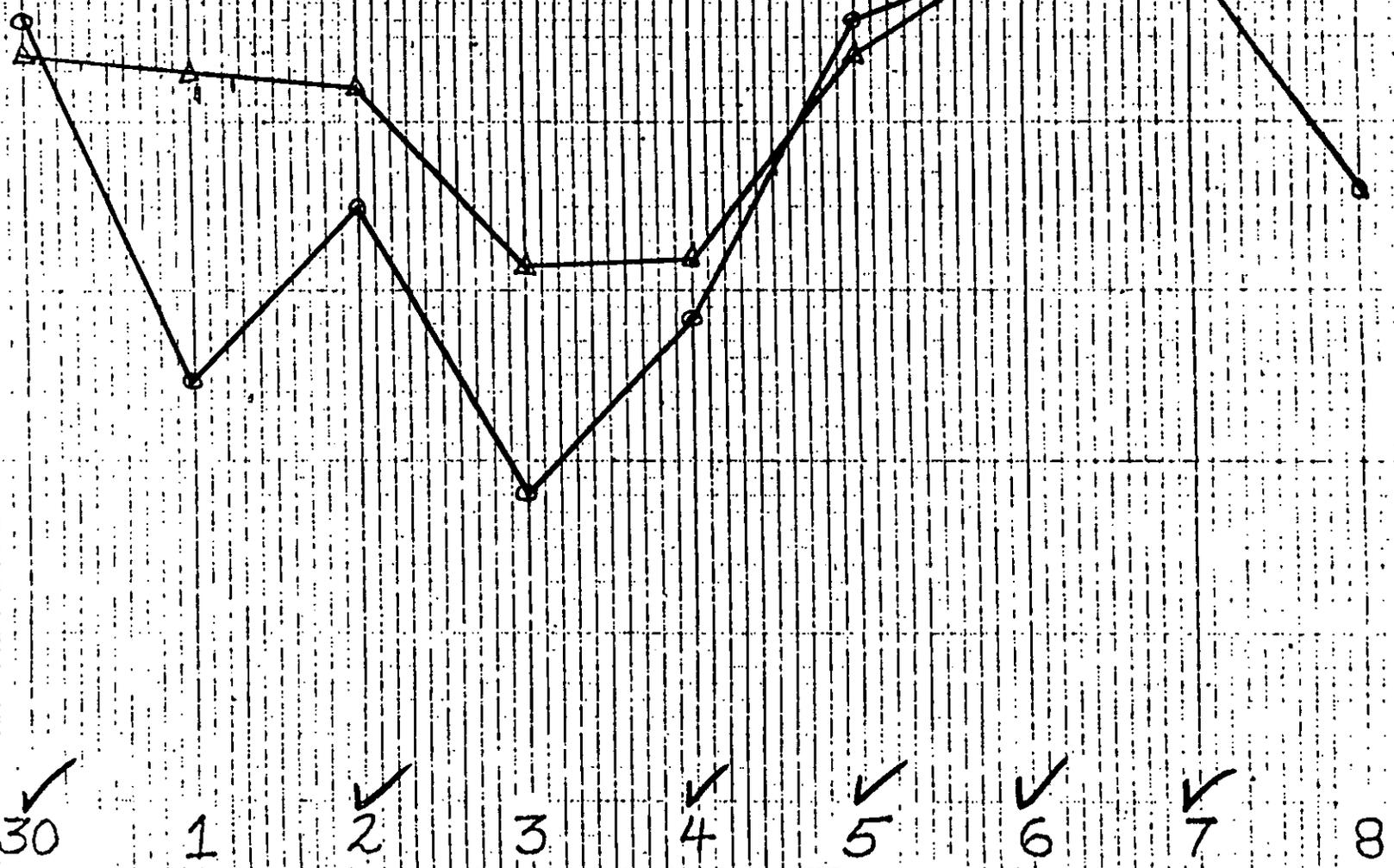
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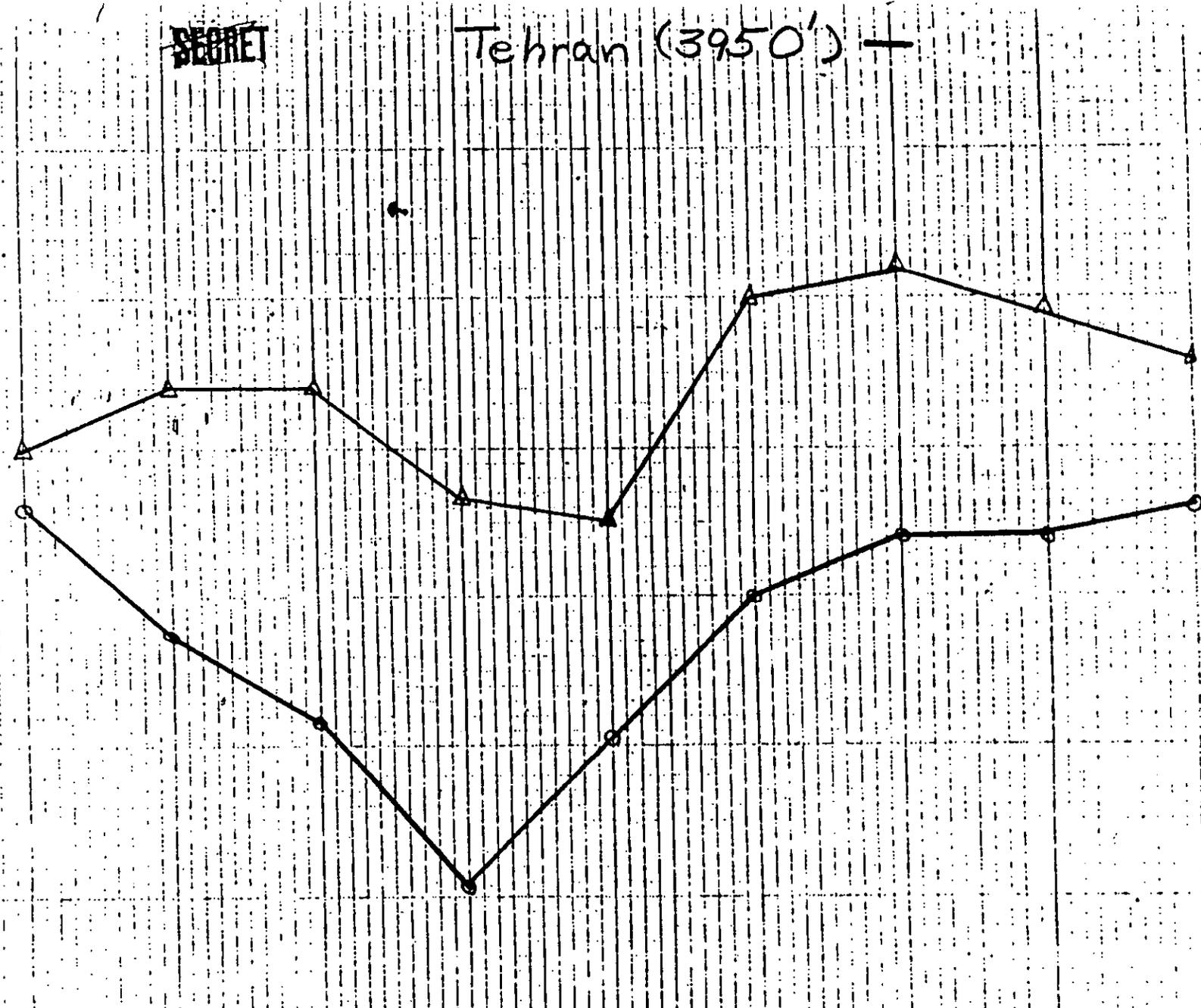
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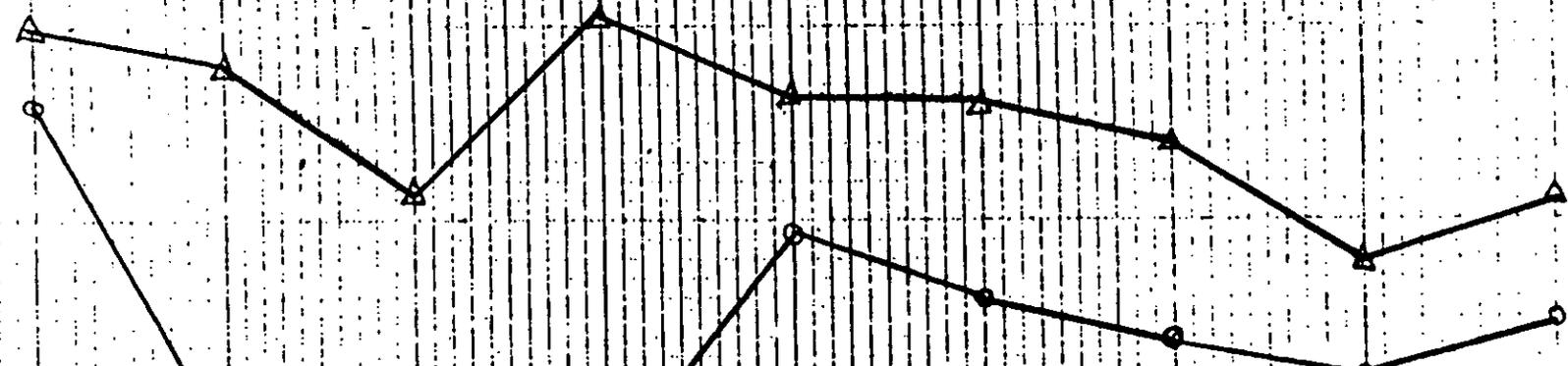
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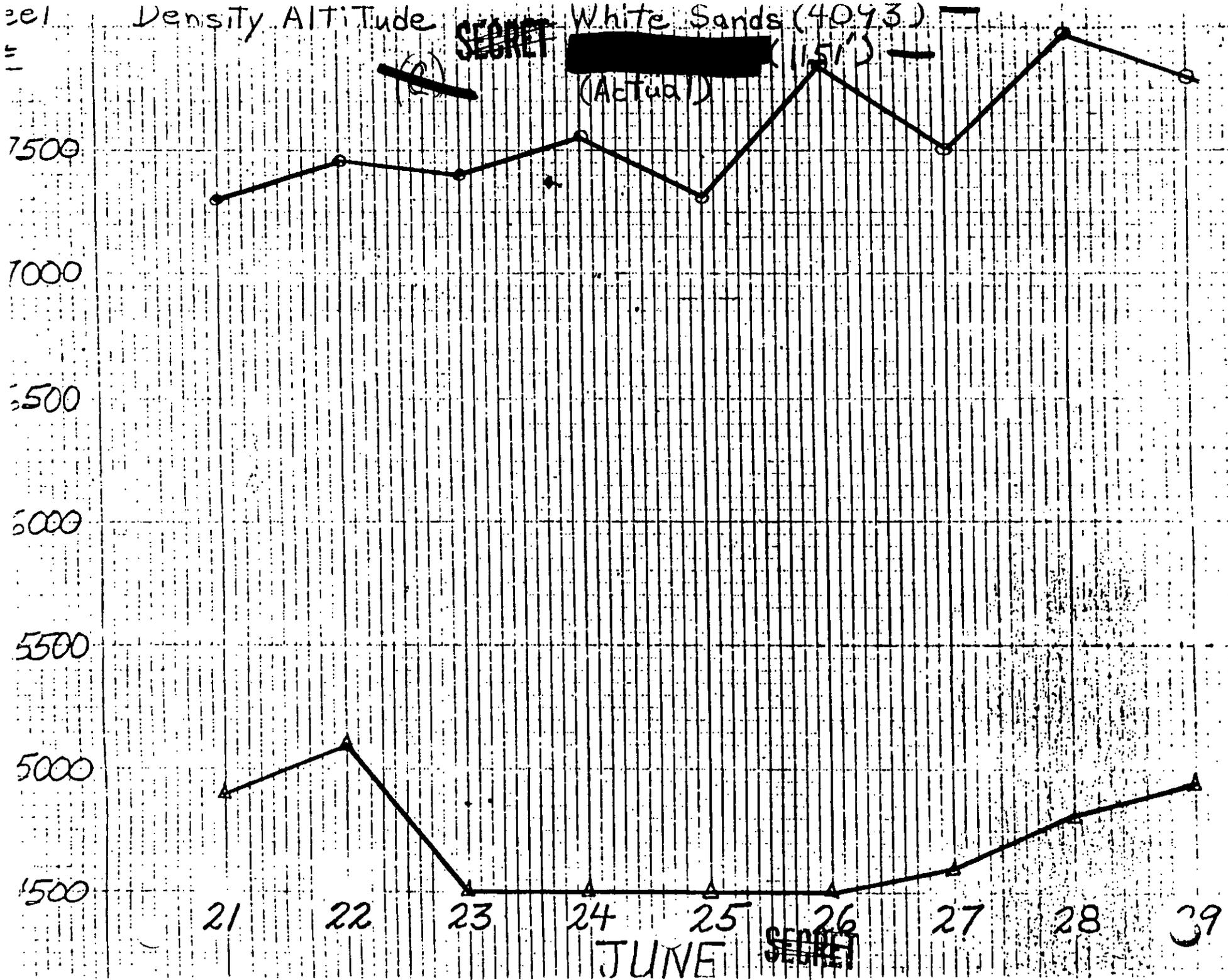
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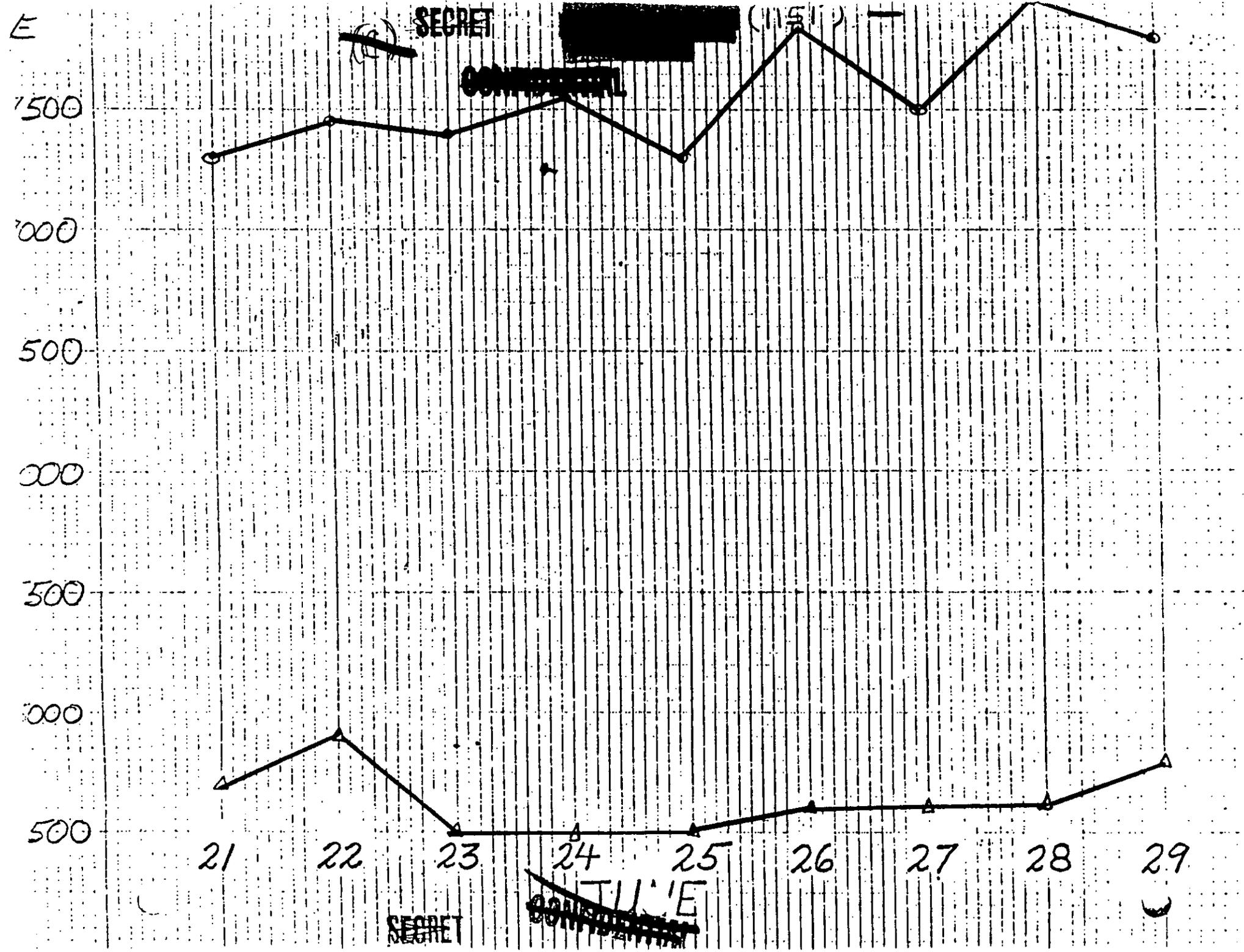
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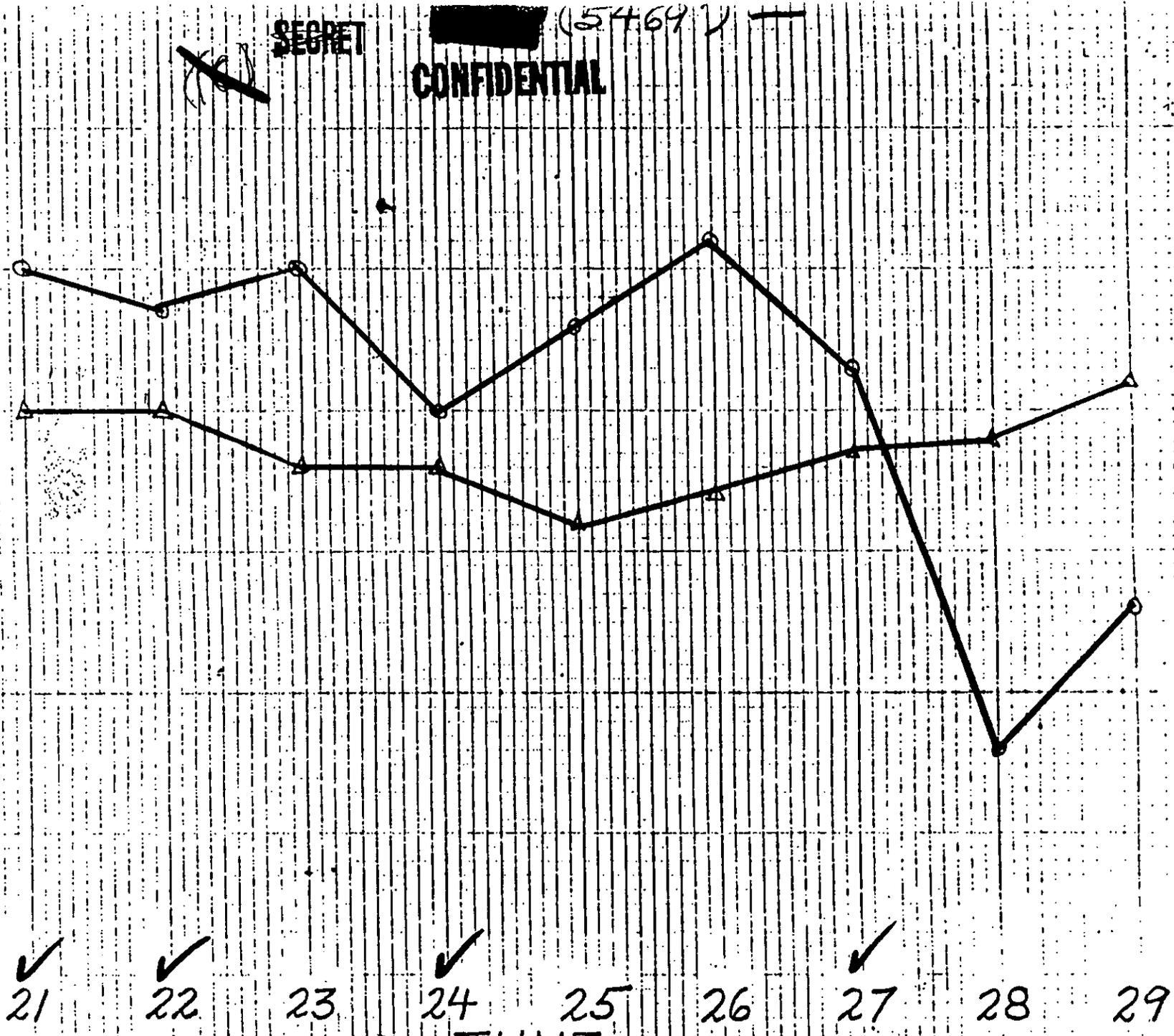
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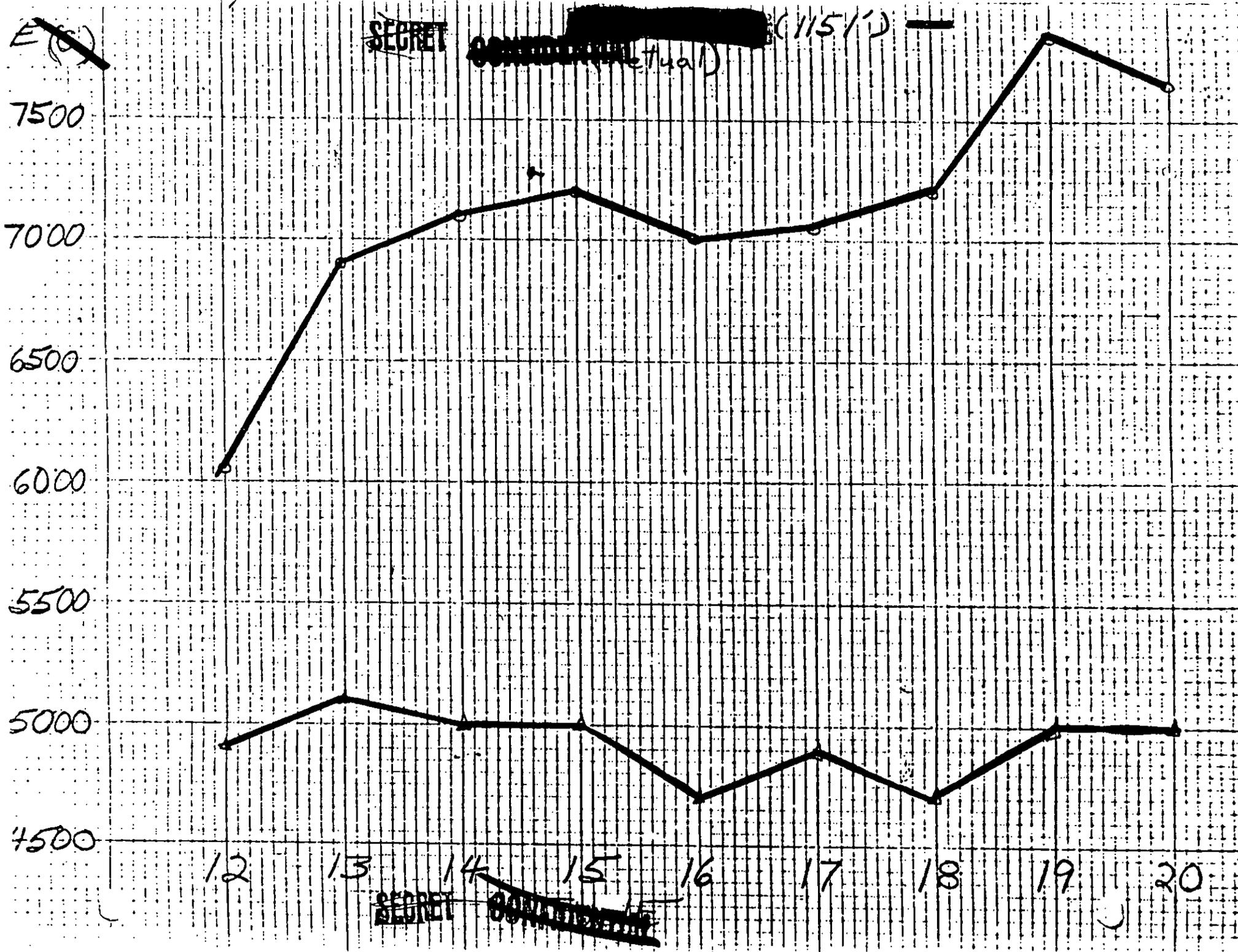
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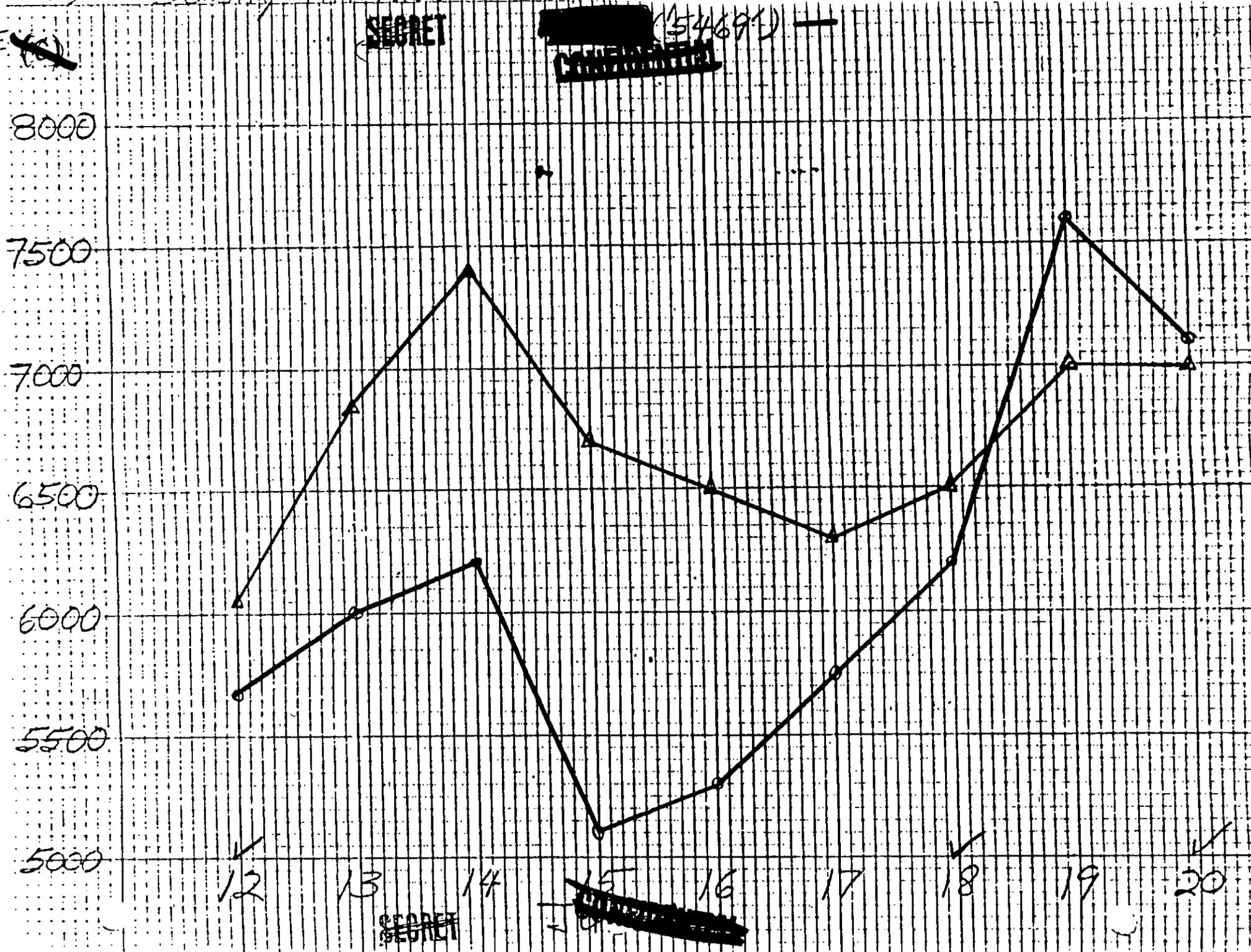
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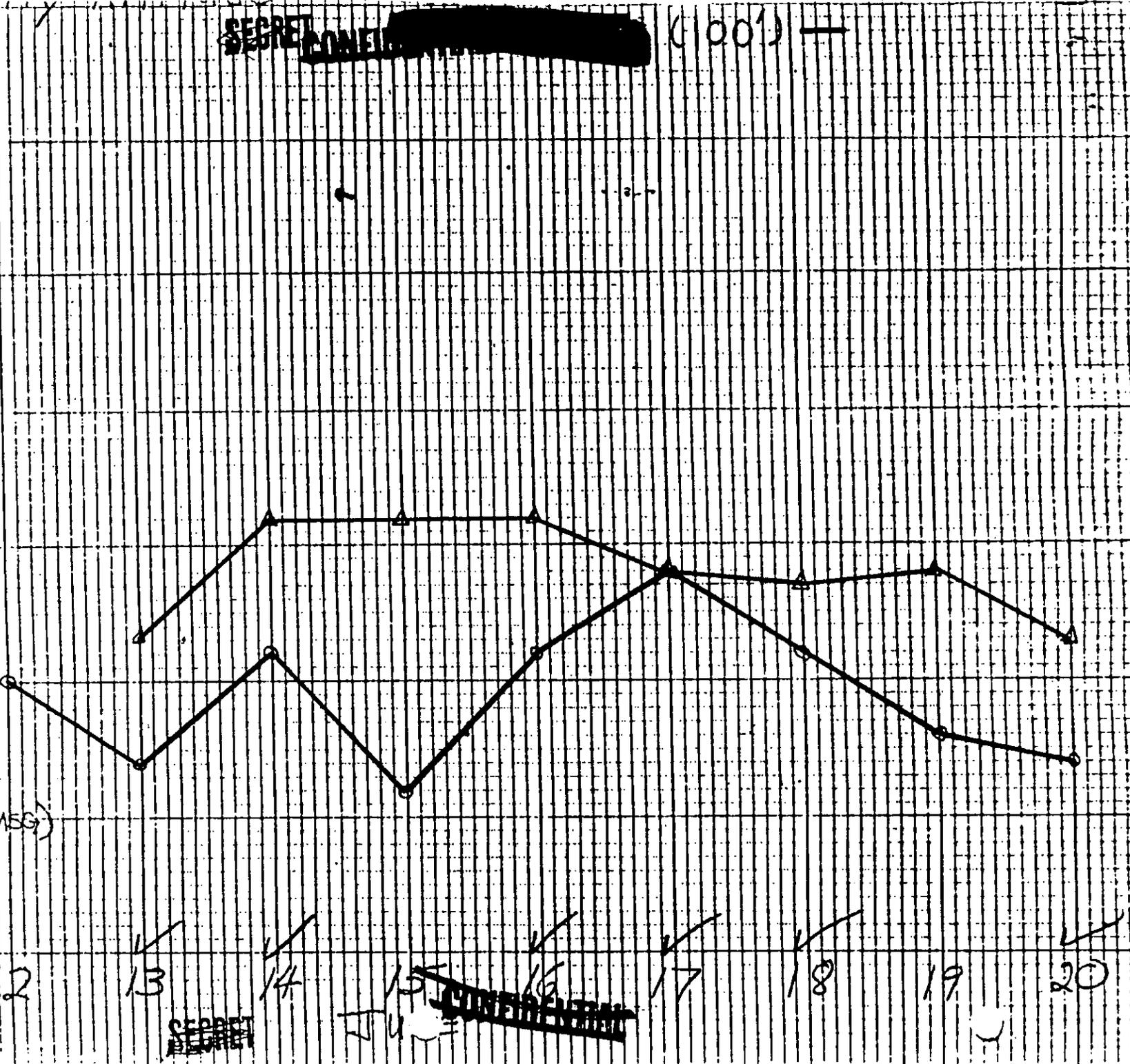
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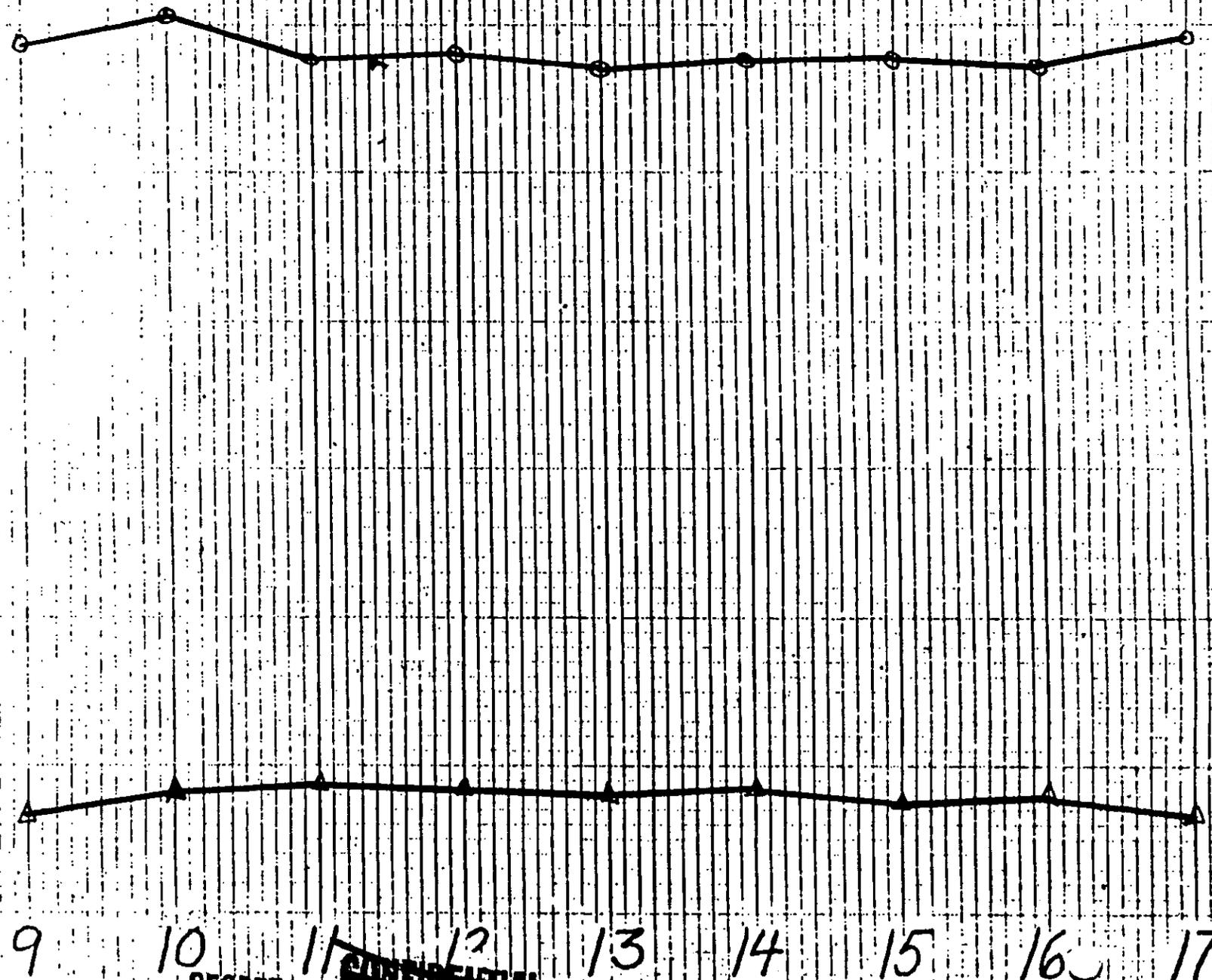
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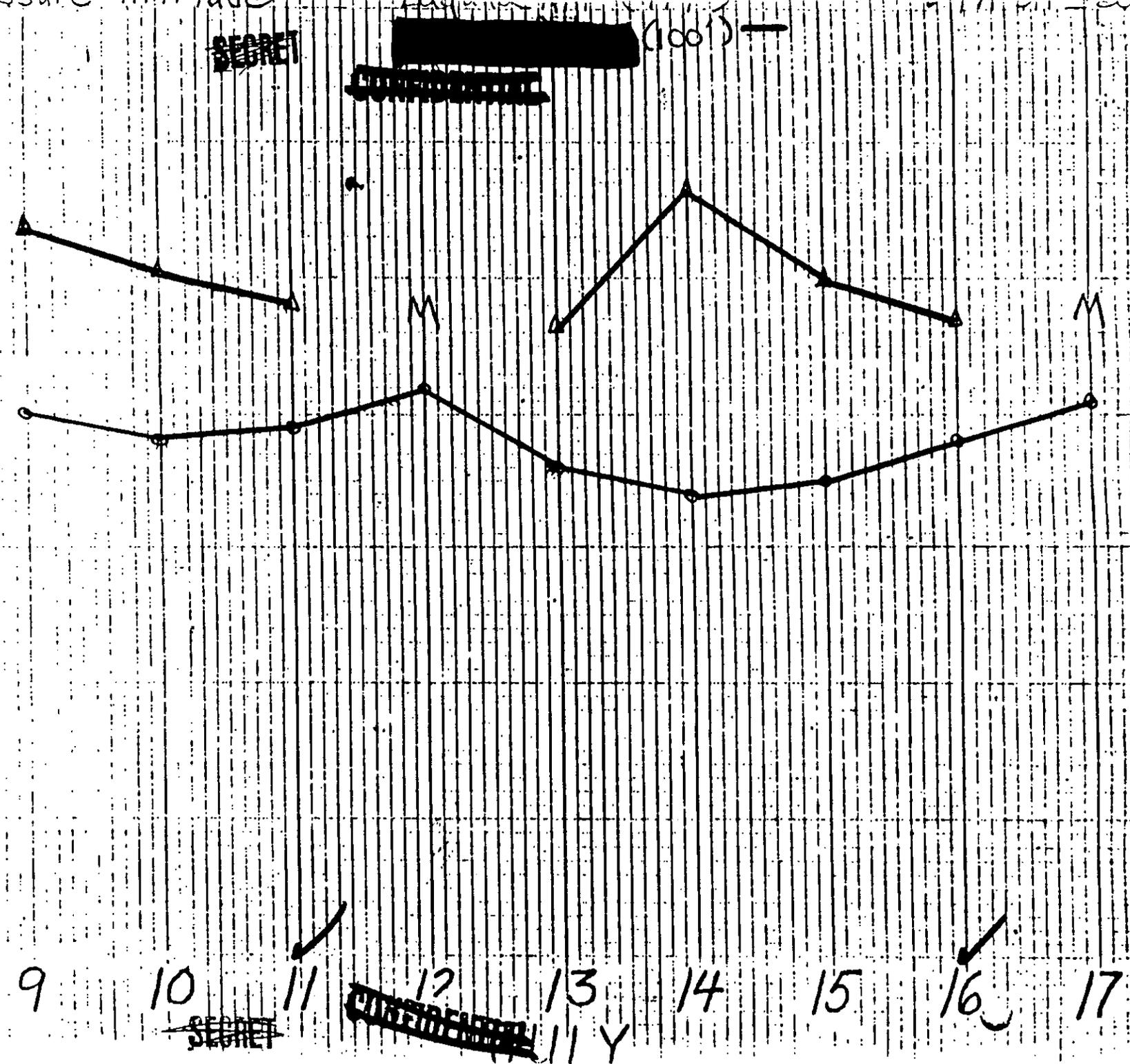


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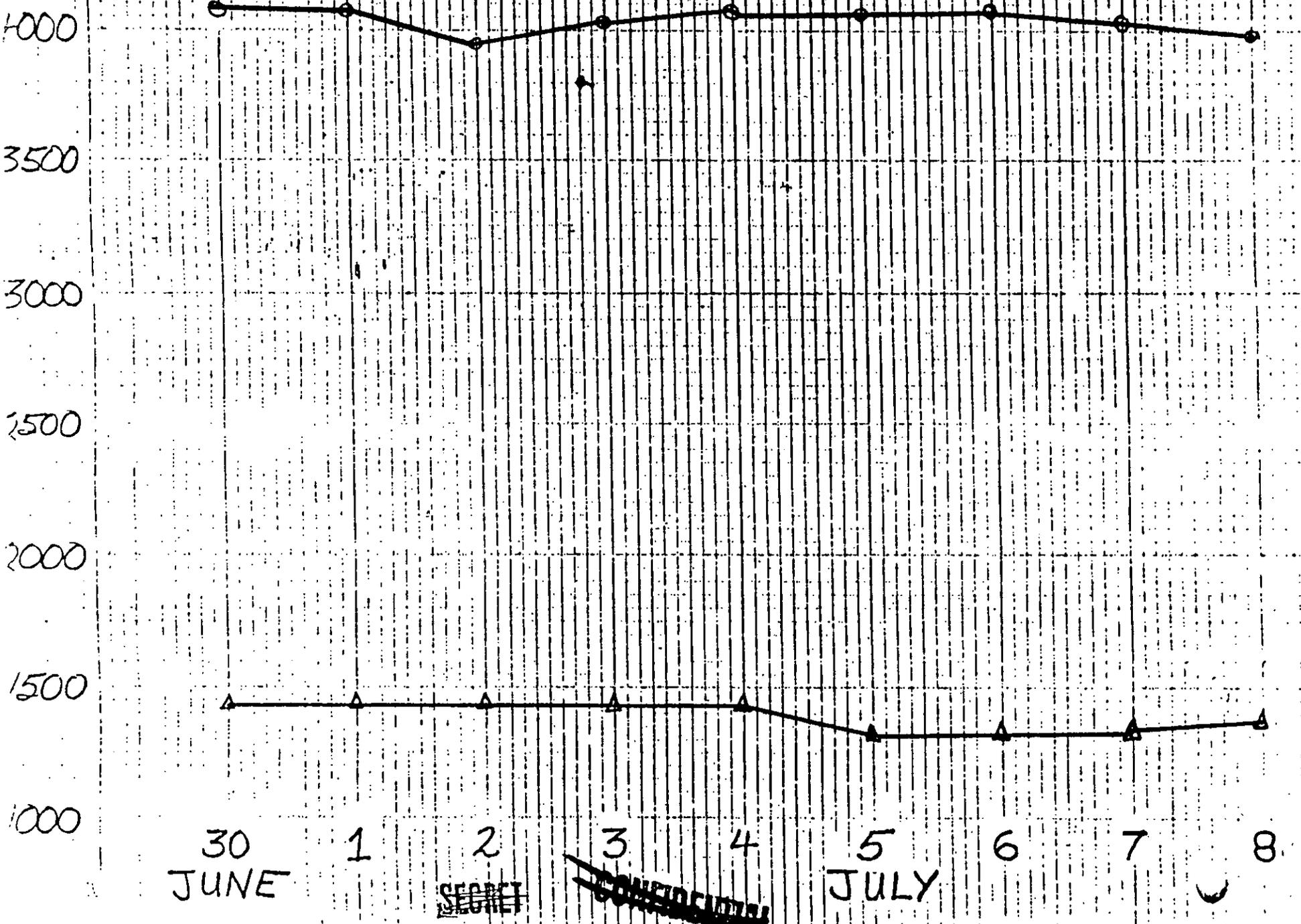
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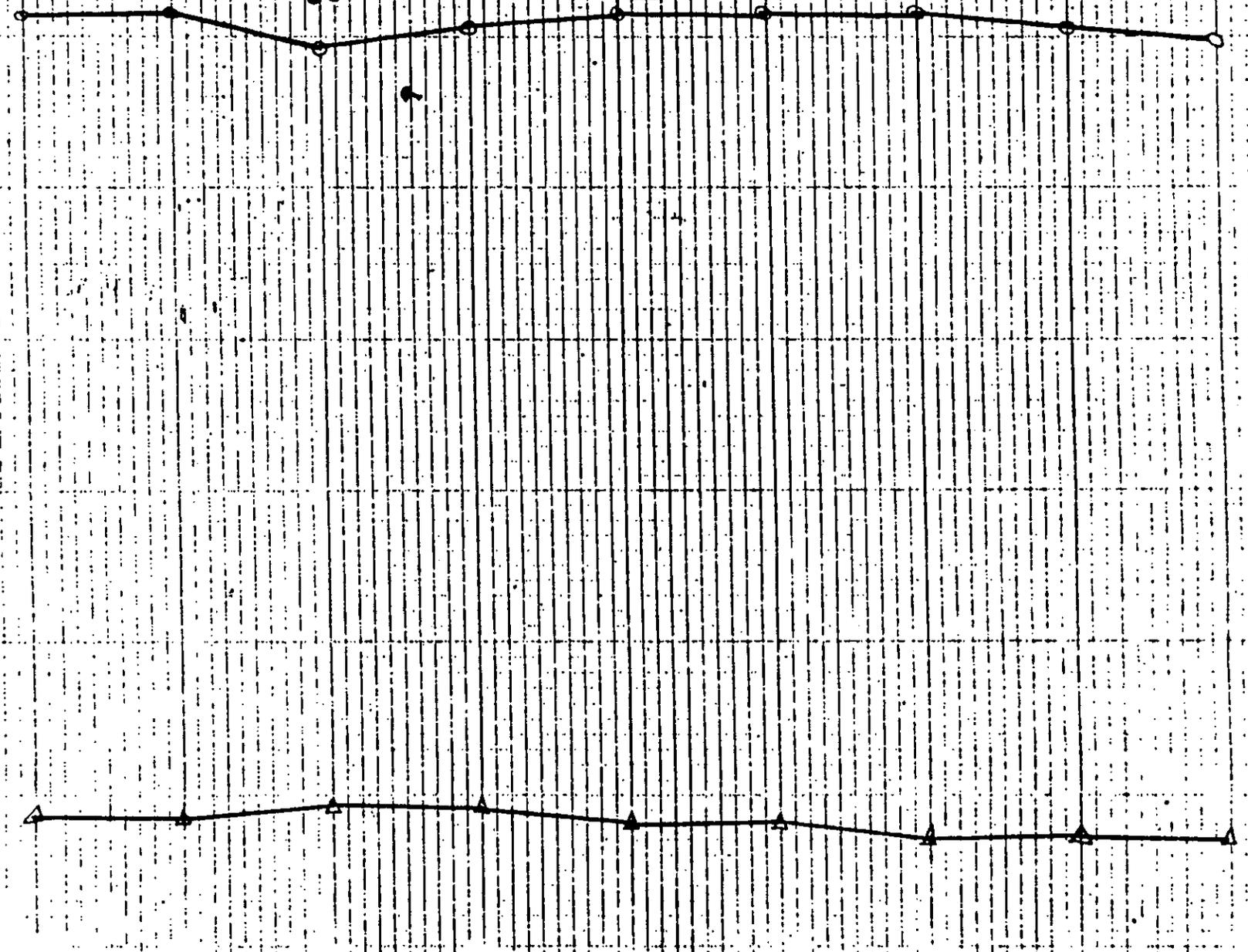
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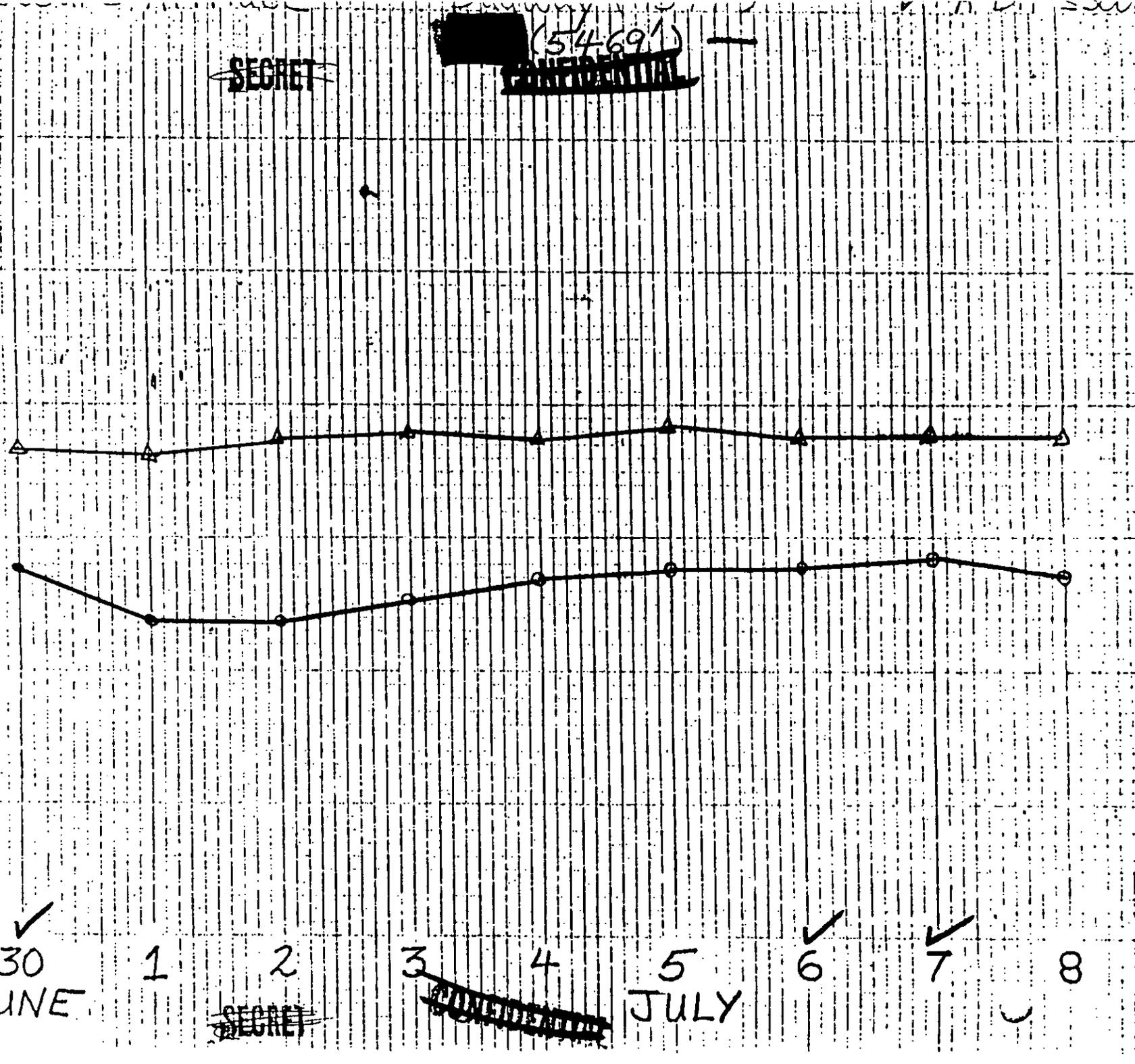
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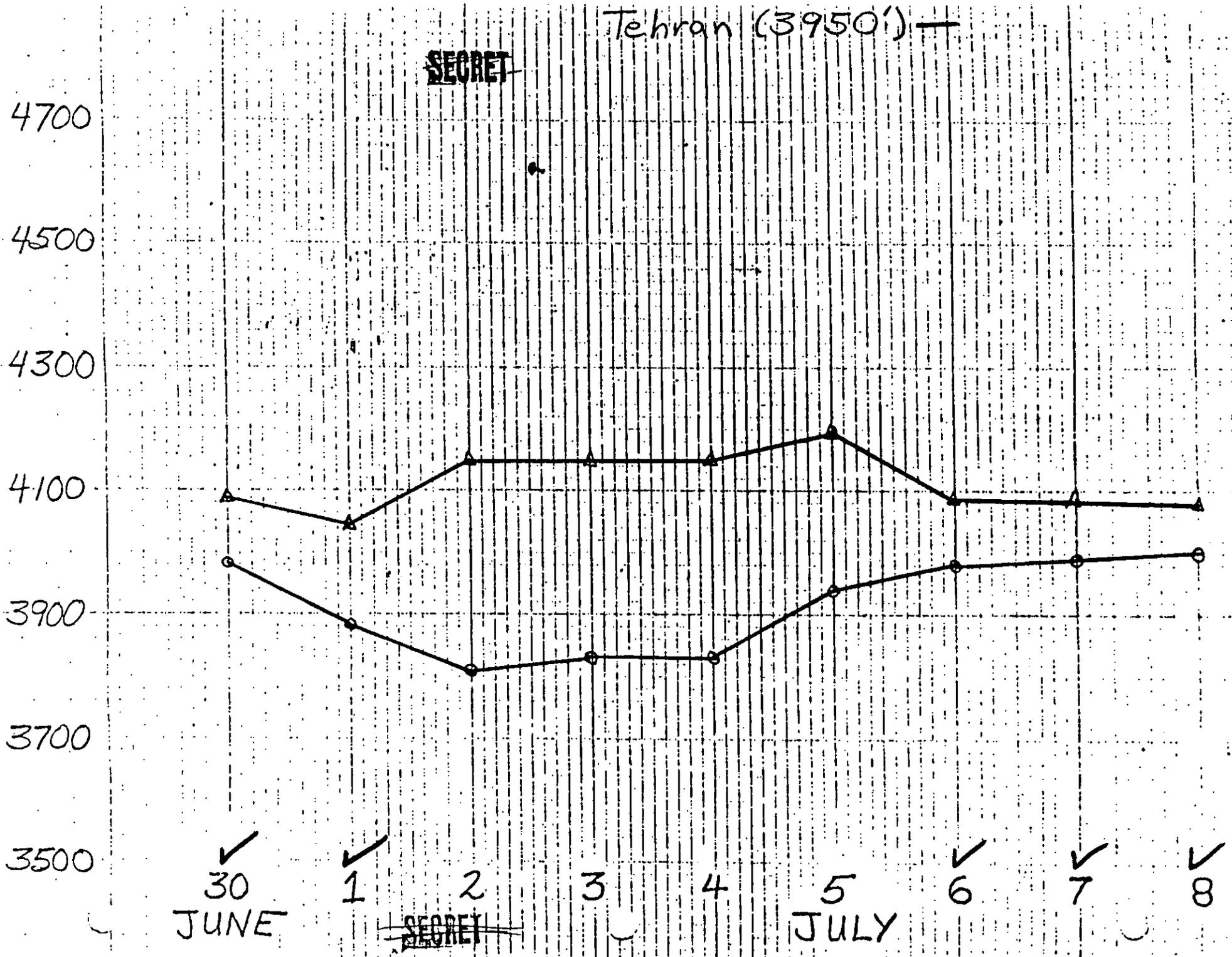
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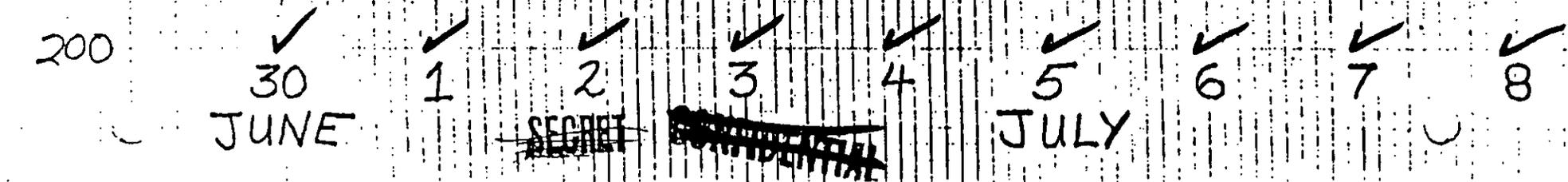
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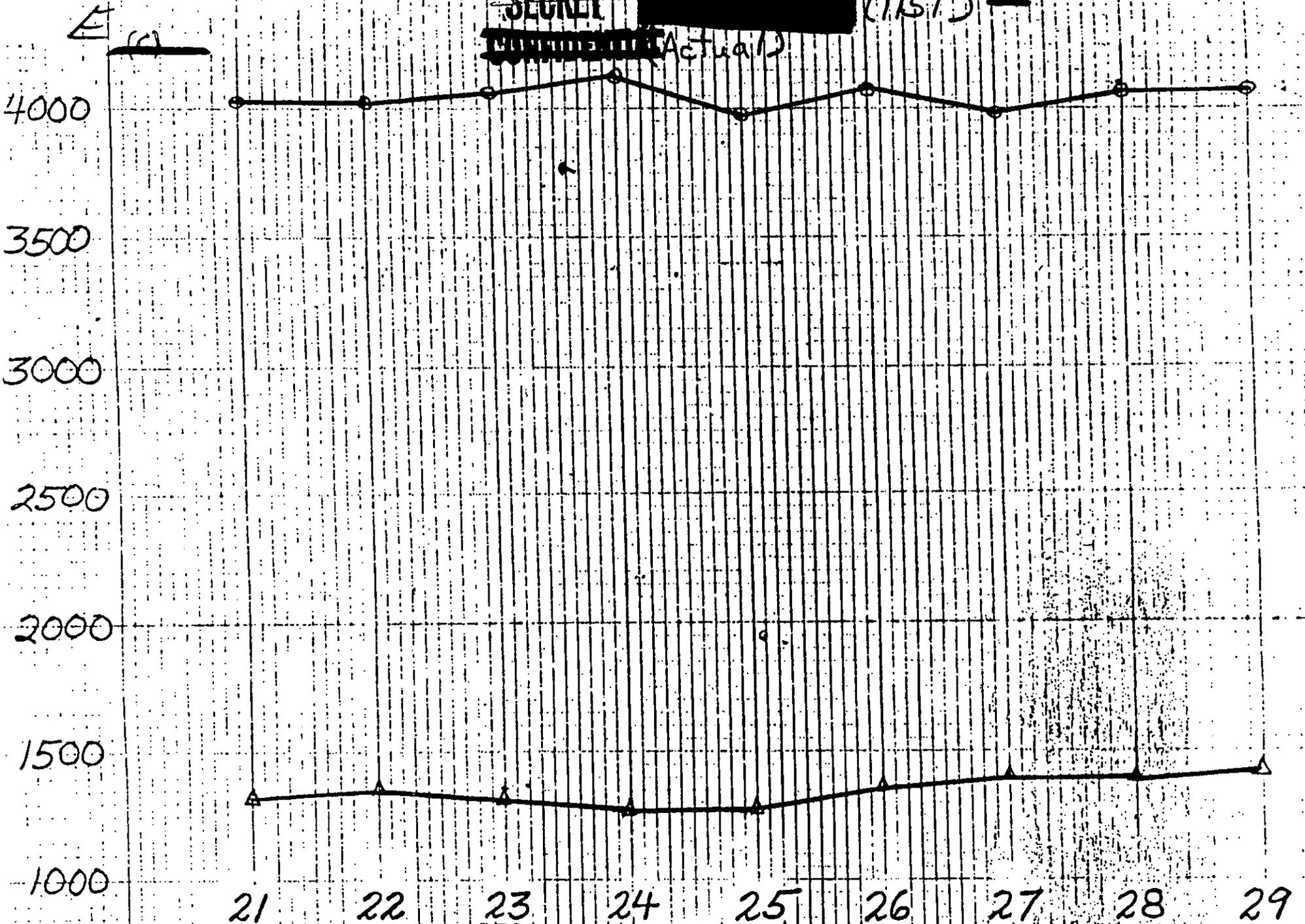
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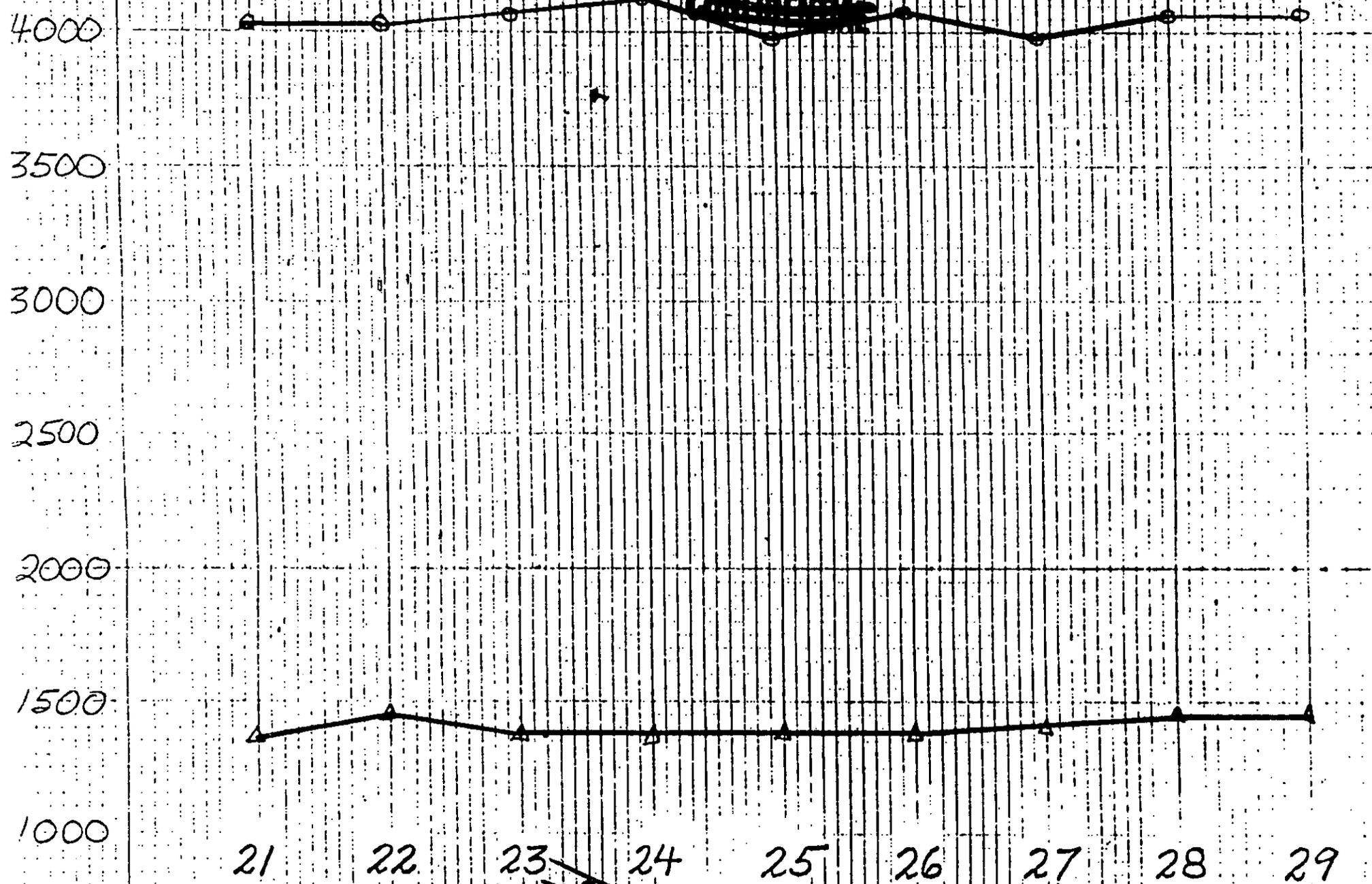
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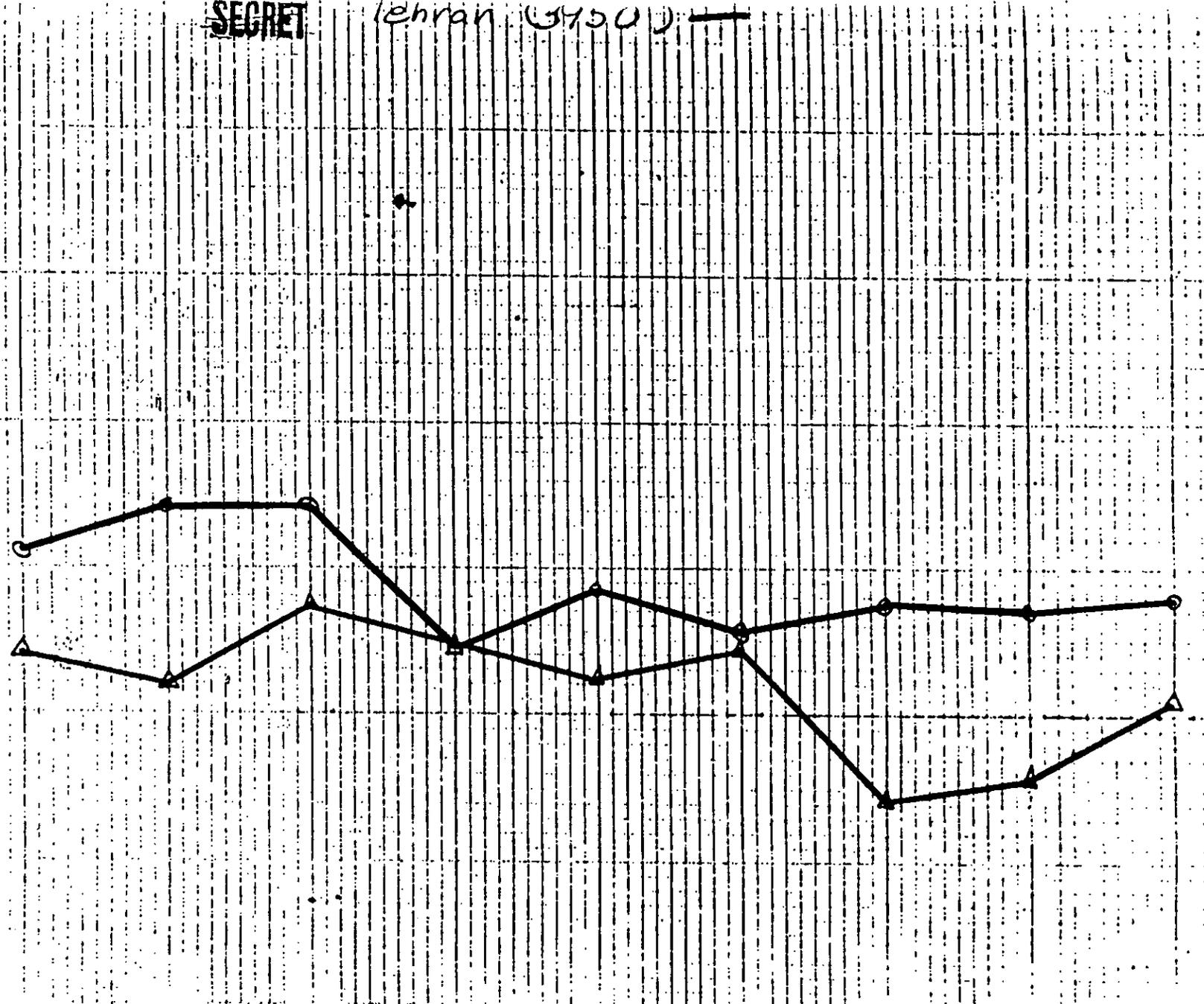
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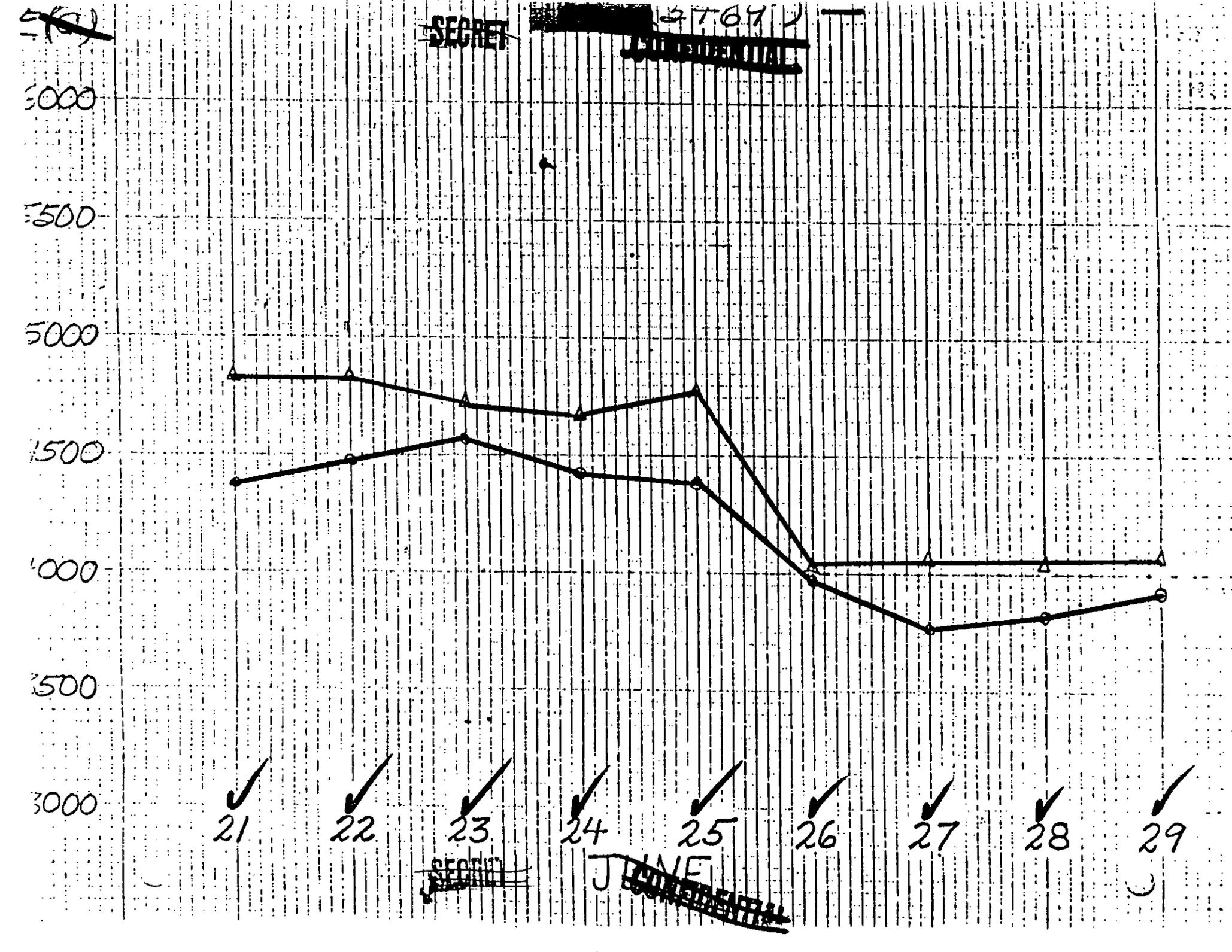
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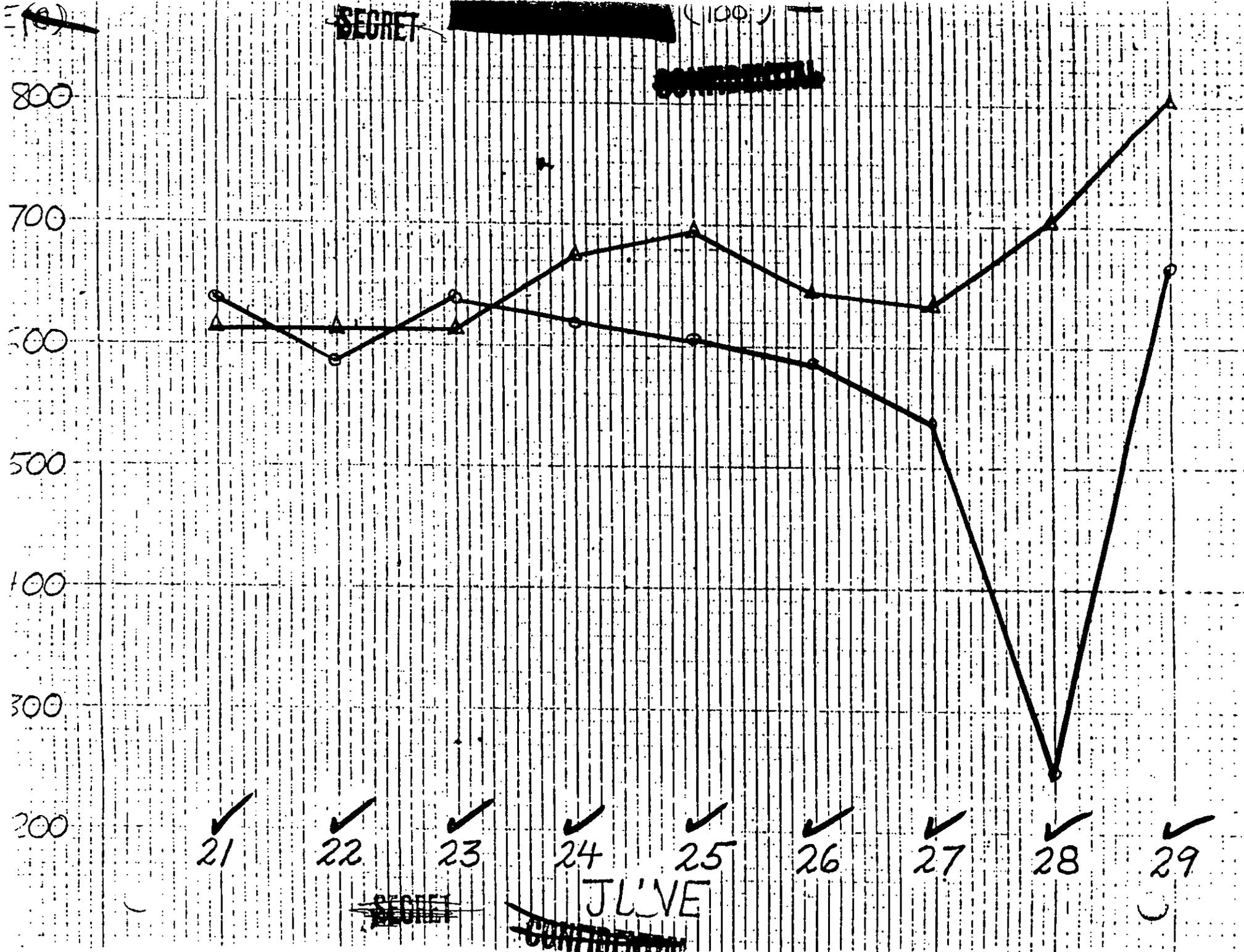
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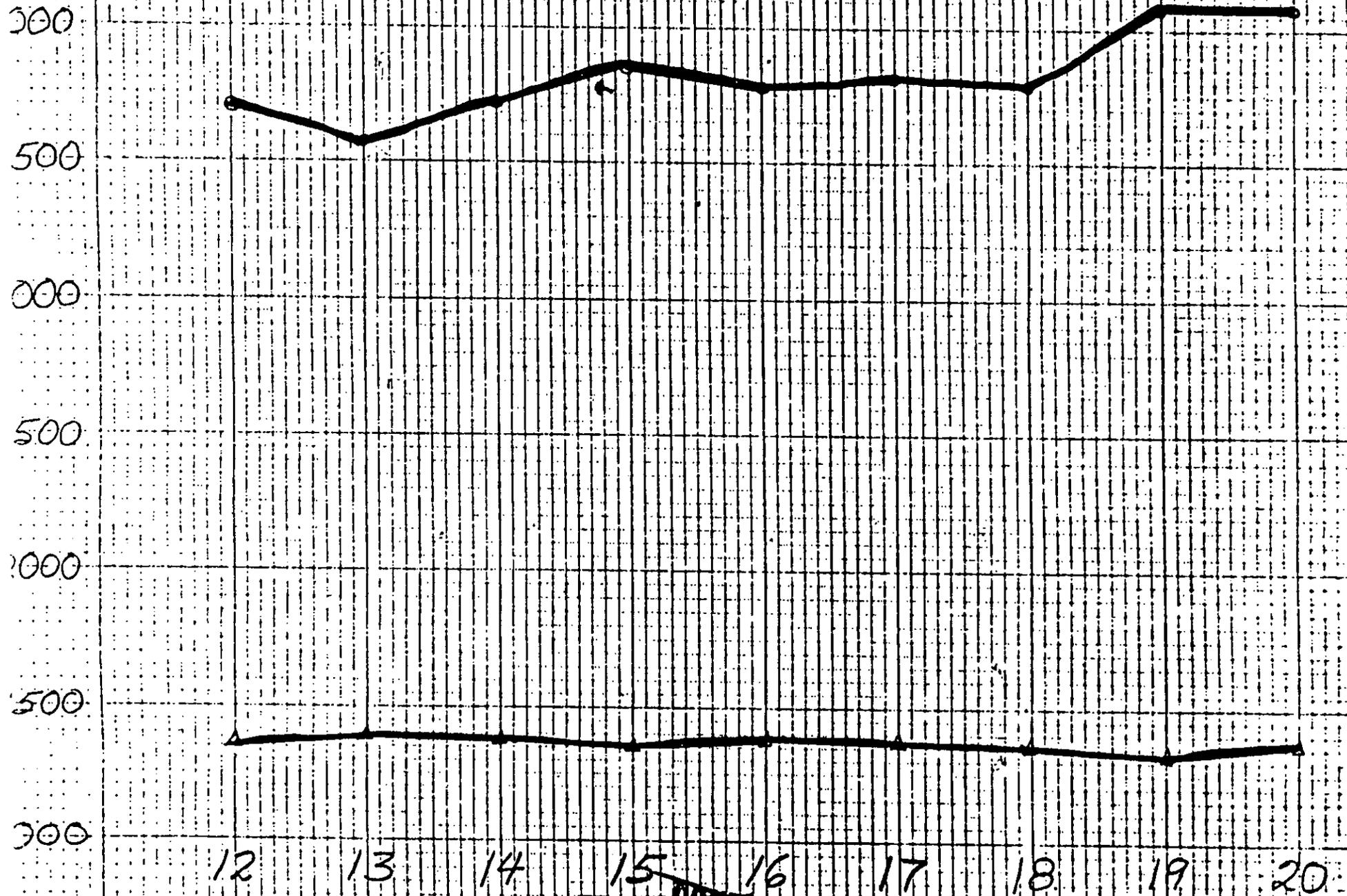
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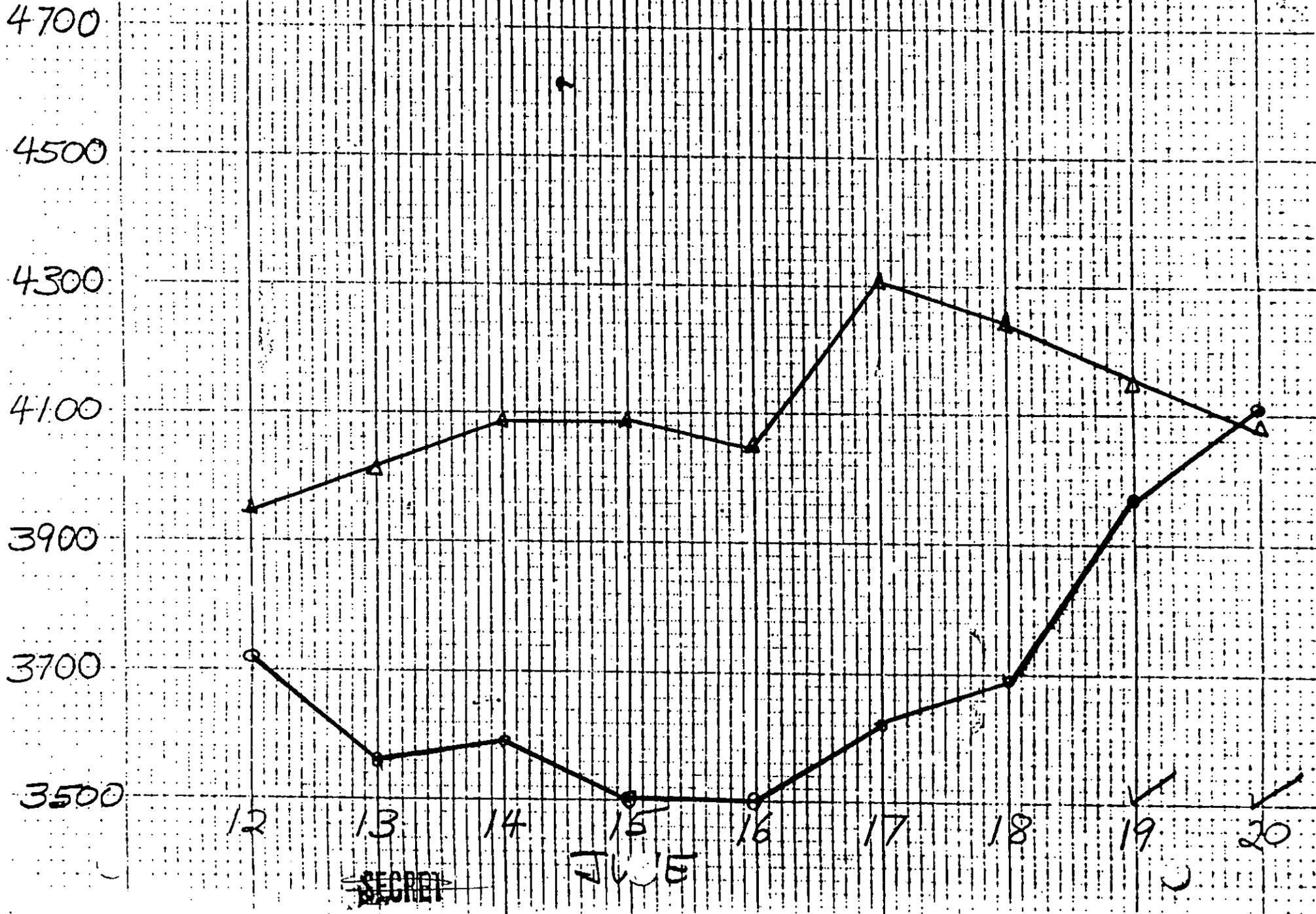
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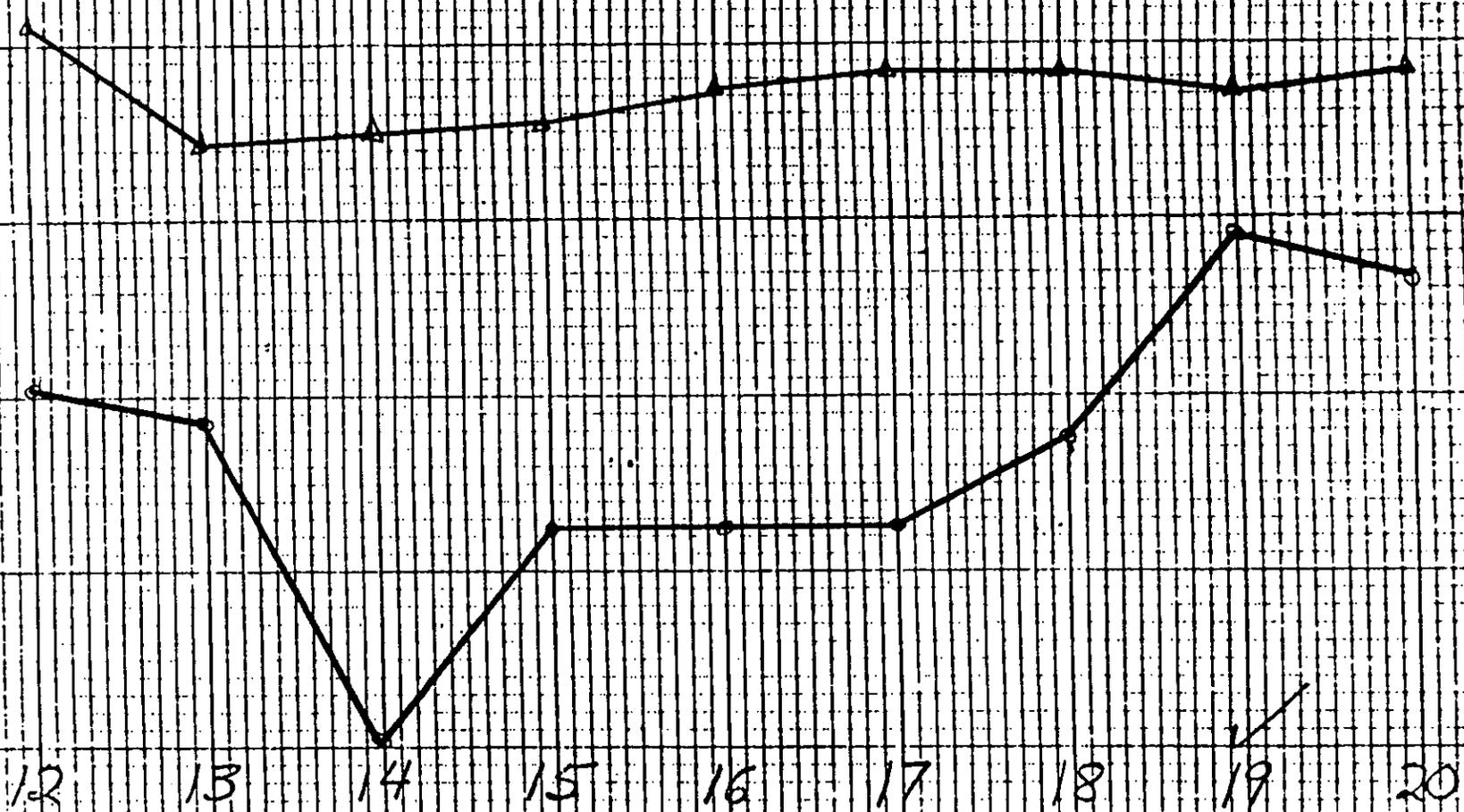
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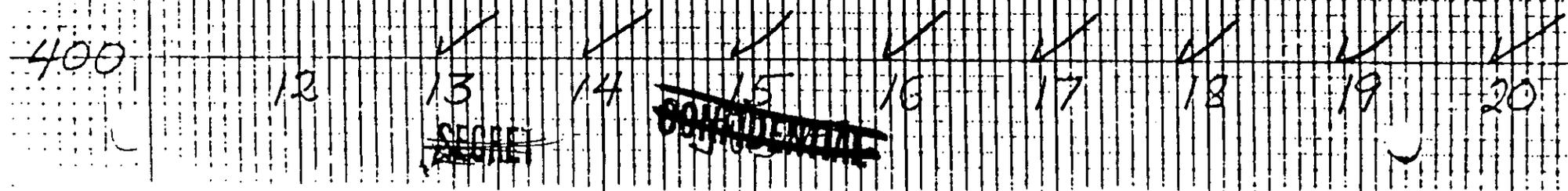
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# Climatological

## Precipitation Analysis For: Summer

<u>Cat.</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
Mean Precip Amt (Inches)	0.5	0.4
Max 24 Hr (Inches)	0.6	0.7
Greatest Monthly Precip Amt (Inches)	0.9	3.0

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### CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA SHEET

STATION: STATION COMPARISON

PERIOD OF RECORD:

DATA:

1 VS 9	AUG	AUG	SEP	SEP														
Mean Max Temp	102	97	96	90														
Mean PA	1000	4152	1889	3992														
Mean DA	4900	7200	4300	4600														
2 VS 9	(2)	(9)	(9)	(9)														
Mean Max Temp	89	97	79	90														
Mean PA	1332	4152	1229	3992														
Mean DA	7050	7200	2000	4600														
3 VS 9	(3)	(9)	(5)	(9)														
Mean Max Temp	98	97	91	90														
Mean PA	927	4152	918	3992														
Mean DA	3500	7200	2800	4600														
4 VS 10	(4)	(10)	(4)	(10)														
Mean Max Temp	92	97	86	90														
Mean PA	7830	4152	4035	3992														
Mean DA	8900	7200	7300	4600														
5 VS 11	(5)	(11)	(5)	(11)														104
Mean Max Temp	93	90	82	83														
Mean PA	4232	3450	4220	3300														
Mean DA	7200	6000	7000	5700														
6 VS 12	(6)	(12)	(6)	(12)														
Mean Max Temp	93	113	87	107														
Mean PA	385	524	963	380														
Mean DA	3400	7000	3650	3500														

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- REMARKS: Legend
- 1 - Nellis AFB
  - 5 - White Sands
  - 9 - Tehran
  - 13 - Režaiyeh
  - 2 - McConnell AFB
  - 6 - Ft. Hood
  - 10 - Manzariyeh
  - 14 - Semanan New
  - 3 - Mineral Wells
  - 7 - Dugway
  - 11 - Gonabad
  - 4 - Socorro
  - 8 - Cannon AFB
  - 12 - Basa Safaniya



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# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA SHEET

STATION: STATION COMPARISON

PERIOD OF RECORD:

DATA:

7 VS 13    7 AUG (13)    7 SEP (13)    7 SEP (13)

Mean Max Temp	92	90	82	84
Mean PA	4372	4617	4352	4493
Mean DA	7500	7800	7000	7200

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8 VS 14    8 (14)    8 (14)    8 (14)

Mean Max Temp	88	97	83	90
Mean PA	4297	4152	4280	3992
Mean DA	7050	7200	6750	6400

Mean Max Temp

Mean PA  
Mean DA

REMARKS: Legend

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|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1 - Nellis AFB    | 5 - White Sands | 9 - Tehran        | 13 - Rezaiyeh   |
| 2 - McConnell AFB | 6 - Ft. Hood    | 10 - Manzariyeh   | 14 - Semanan No |
| 3 - Mineral Wells | 7 - Dugway      | 11 - Gonabad      |                 |
| 4 - Socorro       | 8 - Cannon AFB  | 12 - Ras Safaniya |                 |

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## CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA SHEET

STATION: MCCONNELL AFB, KANSAS

PERIOD OF RECORD: JAN 1973 - DEC 1979

DATA:

TEMP	00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z	MEAN	
ABSOLUTE	104	94	82	85	83	85	82	105	105	A
95% WORST	20	41	56	82	78	82	46	100	96	U
90% WORST	35	47	64	80	77	81	44	79	44	G
MEAN	89	82	76	72	71	75	74	40	79	J
ABSOLUTE	100	88	82	82	78	84	94	102	102	S
95% WORST	95	85	80	77	73	79	91	97	89	E
90% WORST	91	81	79	75	72	77	87	93	85	P
MEAN	79	71	67	65	62	66	74	80	70	
PA										
ABSOLUTE	1400	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1600	A
95% WORST	700	1490	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	U
90% WORST	1450	1450	1400	1400	1400	1390	1350	1400	1400	G
MEAN	1450	1500	1300	1300	1300	1250	1250	1300	1300	
ABSOLUTE	1700	1600	1600	1600	1600	1600	1700	1700	1700	S
95% WORST	1600	1550	1550	1550	1550	1500	1500	1600	1550	E
90% WORST	1500	1450	1450	1450	1450	1400	1400	1500	1450	P
MEAN	1300	1300	1250	1300	1250	1200	1250	1300	1250	
DA										
ABSOLUTE	4300	4300	4200	3900	3700	3200	4500	4800	4900	A
95% WORST	3100	3950	3900	3900	3200	3400	4100	4200	4200	U
90% WORST	4300	3900	3500	3300	3100	3300	4000	4400	4000	G
MEAN	3200	3300	2900	2700	2600	2800	3450	3200	3100	
ABSOLUTE	4750	3850	3650	3550	3450	3850	4350	4950	4950	S
95% WORST	4200	3600	3400	3250	3000	3250	3900	4400	3900	E
90% WORST	4100	3500	3200	3000	2900	3050	3700	4100	3600	P
MEAN	3100	2650	2350	2200	2100	2200	2750	3100	2500	

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## CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA SHEET

STATION: LAREDO, TEXAS

PERIOD OF RECORD: JAN 1966 - DEC 1975

DATA:

TEMP	00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z	MEAN				
ABSOLUTE	100	99	90	85	84	87	95	104	102	A			
95% WORST	102	96	86	83	82	84	93	100	100	U			
90% WORST	100	73	85	82	80	83	92	99	98	G			
MEAN	94	88	81	78	76	80	82	93	86				
ABSOLUTE	104	96	86	84	82	84	96	104	104	S			
95% WORST	101	93	86	83	81	83	95	100	96	E			
90% WORST	99	91	85	83	80	82	92	99	93	P			
MEAN	89	83	79	77	75	77	86	90	81				
PA													
ABSOLUTE	850	800	750	750	750	700	700	800	800	A			
95% WORST	750	700	700	650	650	600	600	700	650	U			
90% WORST	700	650	600	600	600	550	550	650	600	G			
MEAN	500	500	500	500	500	450	450	500	500				
ABSOLUTE	900	900	900	900	900	800	800	900	900	S			
95% WORST	720	700	700	700	700	640	650	700	700	E			
90% WORST	700	640	600	600	600	580	600	620	600	P			
MEAN	550	500	500	500	500	450	450	550	500				
DA													
ABSOLUTE	4100	3400	3000	2800	2800	3100	3700	4100	4100	A			
95% WORST	2750	3250	2900	2650	2500	2850	3350	3750	3450	U			
90% WORST	2650	3150	2800	2500	2400	2750	3300	3650	3300	S			
MEAN	3250	2700	2450	2200	2050	2400	2700	3200	2600				
ABSOLUTE	3850	3250	2950	2750	2650	2950	3550	4050	4050	S			
95% WORST	3600	3100	2700	2600	2500	2800	3300	3600	3300	E			
90% WORST	3500	3000	2600	2500	2350	2700	3200	3500	3150	P			
MEAN	2700	2400	2200	2100	1900	2250	2700	2900	2350				

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**CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA SHEET**

STATION: FT HOOD, TEXAS

PERIOD OF RECORD: JAN 1966 - DEC 1977

DATA:

TEMP	00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z	MEAN					
ABSOLUTE	103	94	88	84	81	85	96	104	104	A				
95% WORST	92	92	86	81	79	82	92	98	96	U				
90% WORST	97	90	84	80	78	81	90	96	93	G				
MEAN	91	92	78	76	74	78	86	91	81					
ABSOLUTE	100	96	86	84	82	84	96	104	104	S				
95% WORST	95	93	86	83	81	83	95	100	96	E				
90% WORST	93	91	85	83	80	82	92	98	93	P				
MEAN	86	83	79	77	75	77	86	90	81					
PA														
ABSOLUTE	1700	1150	1200	1200	1150	1150	1150	1200	1200	A				
95% WORST	1150	1100	1050	1050	1050	1000	1050	1100	1050	U				
90% WORST	1100	1050	1000	1000	1000	950	1000	1050	1000	G				
MEAN	1000	950	900	900	900	900	900	900	950					
ABSOLUTE	1200	1200	1200	1300	1300	1400	1300	1200	1300	S				
95% WORST	1150	1100	1100	1150	1100	1100	1100	1150	1130	E				
90% WORST	1100	1050	1050	1100	1050	1050	1050	1100	1080	P				
MEAN	1000	950	950	950	900	950	900	950	940					
DA														
ABSOLUTE	4300	3800	3300	3200	2900	3500	4000	4200	4300	A				
95% WORST	3250	3500	3100	2850	2800	3150	3650	3800	3700	U				
90% WORST	3850	3400	3000	2800	2700	3100	3550	3700	3500	G				
MEAN	3400	2800	2550	2400	2300	2750	3200	3350	2800					
ABSOLUTE	4100	3650	3200	2750	2950	3250	3850	4200	4200	S				
95% WORST	3700	3200	3000	2700	2700	3250	3600	3800	3530	E				
90% WORST	3400	3100	2800	2700	2650	2950	3450	3700	3400	P				
MEAN	3150	2550	2400	2300	2200	2500	2950	3200	2550					

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STATION: DEL RIO, TEXAS

PERIOD OF RECORD: JAN 1966 - JUN 1977

DATA:

TEMP	00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z	MEAN				
ABSOLUTE	107	78	93	83	25	92	99	107	107	A			
95% WORST	102	76	90	82	32	86	96	101	92	U			
90% WORST	100	74	88	81	80	84	94	100	96	G			
MEAN	74	85	81	77	76	80	90	94	84				
ABSOLUTE	99	71	87	83	81	85	98	100	100	S			
95% WORST	94	88	84	82	78	82	90	95	92	E			
90% WORST	94	86	82	80	76	80	88	94	90	P			
MEAN	87	80	76	74	72	76	84	88	79				
PA													
ABSOLUTE	1350	1350	1250	1200	1350	1250	1250	1350	1350	A			
95% WORST	1250	1200	1100	1100	1150	1200	1200	1200	1150	U			
90% WORST	1200	1150	1050	1050	1100	1150	1100	1150	1100	G			
MEAN	1100	1050	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1050	1000				
ABSOLUTE	1350	1350	1250	1250	1300	1250	1250	1350	1350	S			
95% WORST	1250	1200	1150	1100	1200	1150	1150	1200	1200	E			
90% WORST	1200	1150	1100	1050	1150	1100	1100	1150	1150	P			
MEAN	1050	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1050	1000				
DA													
ABSOLUTE	4350	4150	3250	3250	3300	3650	4350	4800	4800	A			
95% WORST	4200	3750	3400	3100	3100	3350	3900	4300	3900	U			
90% WORST	4200	3750	3200	3000	3000	3200	3750	4150	3200	G			
MEAN	3700	3100	2800	2700	2500	2850	3300	3700	3000				
ABSOLUTE	4350	3750	3350	3250	3050	3300	4000	4400	4400	S			
95% WORST	3700	3400	3200	3100	2850	3050	3600	3900	3700	E			
90% WORST	3200	3250	3100	2900	2750	2950	3450	3800	3500	P			
MEAN	3300	2900	2600	2400	2400	2600	3050	3400	2800				

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PERIOD OF  
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1973-1974

DATA:

TEMPERATURES

		00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	17Z	21Z	MONTH
ABS. MAX.	A	75	85	70	98	104	100	114	86	114
95%	U	81	80	77	95	100	98	91	74	96
90%	G	77	78	76	84	99	96	86	72	74
MEAN		72	73	76	76	91	90	90	72	80
# OBS		140	92	177	103	181	127	144	64	1028
ABS. MAX.	S	76	74	86	92	94	92	84	76	81
95%	E	72	68	80	80	92	90	80	75	88
90%	P	70	64	77	77	90	88	72	74	85
MEAN		62	59	69	78	82	80	70	64	71
# OBS		140	89	180	116	180	111	132	67	1018
ABS. MAX.	D	65	62	74	82	71	92	74	61	82
95%	C	59	57	66	76	78	74	67	63	74
90%	T	58	56	64	74	76	73	66	61	72
MEAN		51	49	58	67	71	66	57	54	68
# OBS		133	86	182	102	181	92	145	70	994
ABS. MAX.	N	54	54	62	70	72	61	68	54	72
95%	O	45	47	55	63	65	60	55	50	60
90%	V	45	41	50	50	62	57	57	48	58
MEAN		35	32	42	51	54	48	48	39	43
# OBS		139	71	166	120	184	90	145	76	989
ABS. MAX.	D	50	40	41	54	52	62	82	50	72
95%	E	41	39	41	50	54	48	46	42	50
90%	C	37	37	39	47	55	44	42	40	46
MEAN		30	30	35	39	40	36	37	33	36
# OBS		129	62	151	118	171	95	116	68	827
ABS. MAX.										
95%										
90%										
MEAN										
# OBS										

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Pressure Altitude

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	002	032	062	092	122	152	182	212		MONTH
ABSOLUTE	—	5000	—	5000	—	5300	—	—		5200
95%	—	4950	—	4950	—	5100	—	—	A	5000
90%	—	4900	—	4900	—	4950	—	—	U	4950
MEAN	—	4700	—	4700	—	4700	—	—	G	4700
#OBS		13		12		20				66
ABSOLUTE	—	4800	4700	4800	4900	4200	4800	—	S	4800
95%	—	4700	4650	4750	4750	4750	4750	—	E	4750
90%	—	4650	4600	4700	4700	4700	4650	—	P	4700
MEAN	—	4550	4450	4500	4550	4550	4500	—	T	4500
#OBS		13	15	18	13	12	10			93
ABSOLUTE	4700	4700	4900	4700	4700	4200	4900	4700		4700
95%	4650	4650	4650	4650	4650	4700	4700	4650	O	4650
90%	4600	4600	4550	4600	4600	4600	4600	4600	C	4600
MEAN	4450	4400	4350	4450	4450	4400	4450	4450	T	4450
#OBS	20	16	30	26	29	22	25	13		184
ABSOLUTE	4800	4800	4800	4600	4850	4200	4900	4800		4850
95%	4750	4750	4700	4550	4900	4700	4700	4750	N	4700
90%	4700	4700	4500	4500	4700	4650	4500	4700	O	4600
MEAN	4300	4200	4200	4200	4300	4200	4200	4200	V	4250
#OBS	20	20	27	24	30	19	23	10		173
ABSOLUTE	4600	4600	4500	4600	4750	4500	4600	4600		4750
95%	4550	4550	4450	4500	4700	4450	4500	4500	D	4550
90%	4500	4500	4400	4400	4500	4400	4400	4450	E	4450
MEAN	4300	4300	4200	4300	4300	4250	4300	4300	C	4300
#OBS	21	20	27	27	28	12	22	16		174

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PERIOD OF RECORD:

DATA: Density ALTITUDE

00Z 03Z 06Z 09Z 12Z 15Z 18Z 21Z MONTHLY AVE

ABS MAX	H	—	7600	—	8400	8600	8400	8000	8000	8600		
95%	U	—	7400	—	8400	8400	8500	7900	7200	8280		
90%	G	—	7400	—	7900	8000	8300	7800	7000	8300		
MEAN		—	6500	—	7600	7800	7750	7200	6900	7400		
#OBS			13		12	2	20	3	7	58		
ABS MAX	S	6700	6400	7200	7700	7800	7800	6700	6800	7800		
95%	E	6600	6500	7200	7700	7800	7400	6600	6500	7700		
90%	P	6500	6470	7050	7600	7600	7200	6500	6500	7500		
MEAN	T	5900	6000	6200	6900	7100	6950	6150	6300	6500		
#OBS		6	13	15	18	13	12	9	4	91		
ABS MAX	O	5800	5700	6100	6900	6900	7500	6400	6200	7500		
95%	C	5800	5700	6100	6800	6850	6900	6400	6200	6700		
90%	T	5800	5540	6000	6600	6780	6800	6100	6000	6400		
MEAN		5300	5070	5400	6100	6200	5900	5400	5200	5600		
#OBS		20	16	29	26	29	22	24	13	182		
ABS MAX	N	5100	5500	5600	5900	6300	7300	5500	5500	7300		
95%	O	4900	5300	5200	5900	6100	6500	5200	5350	6200		
90%	V	—	5000	5100	5600	5900	5400	5100	5100	5500		
MEAN		4150	4180	4400	5060	5300	4800	4300	4100	4700		
#OBS		20	20	27	24	28	19	23	11	172		
ABS MAX	D	4400	4300	4200	4800	5000	4600	4600	4500	7600		
95%	E	4400	4200	4100	4500	5000	4500	4600	4500	4700		
90%	C	4300	4100	4000	4700	4800	4400	4500	4200	4550		
MEAN		3400	3400	3600	4300	4500	3900	3800	3700	3870		
#OBS		21	20	27	27	26	12	22	16	172		

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STATION: [REDACTED]

PERIOD OF JANUARY 1973 - DECEMBER 1979

DATA: MEAN, 90%, 95%, AND ABSOLUTE WORST PERCENTAGES OF DA, P.A. AND TEMP

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P.A.	02Z	08Z	14Z	20Z	12Z	18Z	21Z			
ABSOLUTE	550	450	550	400	550	550	500	500	P	
95%	500	350	350	350	400	400	400	400	R	C
90%	400	275	300	325	350	350	350	350	E	T
MEAN	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	S	
# OBS	63	56	68	58	102	75	56	58	S	
ABSOLUTE	400	400	400	300	400	300	300	500	U	
95%	250	250	200	250	250	250	200	300	R	H
90%	200	200	150	200	225	225	175	200	E	O
MEAN	150	100	100	100	150	150	125	100		V
# OBS	90	79	122	95	97	85	93	80	A	
ABSOLUTE	400	400	300	300	350	350	300	400	L	
95%	200	150	200	200	250	200	200	200	T	D
90%	175	125	150	150	200	150	150	150		E
MEAN	75	50	50	50	100	75	75	75		C
# OBS	121	108	134	126	130	115	115	111		
TEMP	(91)									
ABSOLUTE	93	95	92	104	104	97	101	97		
95%	82	80	89	102	103	95	90	85	T	O
90%	81	77	88	100	102	94	88	82	E	C
MEAN	74	72	82	92	94	87	82	76	M	T
# OBS	108	110	141	106	142	118	111	112	P	
ABSOLUTE	75	81	82	99	95	83	84	85	E	
95%	73	72	78	90	88	80	77	74	R	
90%	70	70	76	86	87	78	76	72	A	H
MEAN	61	60	66	78	78	72	68	62	T	O
# OBS	116	108	137	125	144	117	126	110	U	V
ABSOLUTE	68	74	77	81	90	74	76	70	R	
95%	65	64	69	74	75	70	70	68	E	D
90%	60	60	56	72	73	68	66	62		E
MEAN	52	50	56	62	66	61	58	55		C
# OBS	141	129	150	150	165	143	137	129		

REMARKS:

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STATION: [REDACTED] **EQ**

PERIOD OF RECORD: JANUARY 1978 - DECEMBER 1979

DATA: WIND, DIR, SPD, AND ASSOCIATE WINDS BEING BLAGES OF  $\text{km}^2$  PA, AND TIME.

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-----	2450	2650	2600	3250	3400	2950	2950	2750	D			
-----	2100	1800	2400	3200	3300	2800	2400	2700	E			
-----	1900	1700	2250	3150	3100	2700	2350	2100	N			
-----	1400	1200	1800	2500	2650	2250	1900	1500	S			
# OBS	106	109	136	106	142	110	109	108	I			
-----	1650	1450	1850	2600	2550	2050	1750	1700	T			
-----	1200	1250	1600	2200	2200	1750	1600	1350	Y			
-----	1100	1000	1300	1800	2050	1650	1350	1200				
-----	400	300	700	1500	1450	1100	800	450	A			
# OBS	109	99	133	123	142	109	118	100	L			
-----	950	950	1450	1600	1550	1250	1350	1450	T.			
-----	700	600	900	1250	1350	1100	1100	800				
-----	500	300	700	1050	1200	850	800	500				
-----	50	0	350	500	650	350	100	100				
# OBS	129	119	140	137	148	123	122	115				

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STATION: MESHAD, IRAN

PERIOD OF RECORD: JANUARY 1973 - DECEMBER 1979

DATA: MEAN, 90%, 95%, AND ABSOLUTE WORST PERCENTAGES OF DA, TA AND TEMP

	00%	03%	06%	09%	12%	15%	18%	21%			
ABSOLUTE	3450	3650	3450	3400	3500	3400	3450	3400		C	
95%	3400	3600	3400	3350	3400	3300	3400	3350	P	C	
90%	3300	3500	3250	3200	3350	3250	3300	3300	R	T	
MEAN	3150	3150	3100	3200	3200	3100	3150	3200	E		
#OBS	23	19	20	24	24	19	25	9	5		
ABSOLUTE	3500	3450	3350	3400	3500	3450	3550	3600	S		
95%	3400	3300	3300	3350	3400	3400	3400	3500	U	H	
90%	3350	3200	3200	3200	3300	3300	3300	3350	R	V	
MEAN	2900	2850	2850	2900	2950	2900	2900	2850	E		
#OBS	21	26	24	21	28	22	29	15			
ABSOLUTE	3350	3400	3400	3400	3550	3450	3450	3350	A		
95%	3325	3300	3350	3300	3500	3300	3400	3350	L	D	
90%	3300	3250	3200	3250	3300	3150	3300	3300	T	E	
MEAN	3050	3000	3000	3100	3100	3050	3000	3100		C	
#OBS	23	20	24	19	29	20	26	17			
ABSOLUTE	67	65	76	90	88	85	88	83			
95%	62	56	72	82	84	74	72	60	T	O	
90%	56	53	70	80	82	72	64	58	E	C	
MEAN	44	44	61	72	73	62	55	50	M	T	
#OBS	141	86	167	98	173	95	148	77	P		
ABSOLUTE	57	58	68	99	86	79	65	61	E		
95%	48	49	60	76	76	61	56	52	R	N	
90%	46	47	58	72	72	58	54	48	A	O	
MEAN	36	36	48	56	58	45	41	38	T	V	
#OBS	121	86	169	112	176	89	146	92	U		
ABSOLUTE	77	49	57	63	68	54	56	49	R		
95%	42	42	52	58	61	53	48	40	E	D	
90%	39	40	48	57	58	50	44	38		F	
MEAN	29	30	38	46	48	39	34	31		C	
#OBS	118	64	155	108	173	95	124	76			

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STATION: MESHAD, IRAN

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DATA: MEAN, 90%, 95%, AND ABSOLUTE MOST PERCENTAGES OF  $\bar{D}_N$ , PA, AND WTAP.

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	00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z			
ABSOLUTE	4700	3900	5300	6200	6100	5200	6100	5800		O	
95%	4650	3800	5200	6100	5900	5100	5200	5700		C	D
90%	4600	3500	4850	5600	5800	4900	4700	5650		T	E
MEAN	3400	3150	4450	5100	5300	4350	4500	3800			N
#OBS	23	19	20	24	24	19	25	9			S
ABSOLUTE	3800	3500	4600	5500	5600	5600	4800	4050		H	I
95%	3700	3150	4550	5450	5200	4500	3900	4000		O	T
90%	3150	3000	4050	5400	5000	4300	3900	3450		V	Y
MEAN	1650	1400	2750	3600	3800	2500	2250	1650			
#OBS	21	26	24	21	28	22	29	15			A
ABSOLUTE	3650	3700	3600	4000	4300	4000	3900	3400			L
95%	3200	3600	3500	3900	4200	3900	3500	3300		D	T.
90%	3100	2800	3200	3850	4000	3450	3400	3200		E	
MEAN	2150	1800	2800	3200	3450	2600	2250	2300		C	P
#OBS	23	20	24	19	29	20	25	17			

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PERIOD OF RECORD:

JAN 66 - DEC 77

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		00Z	05Z	07Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	17Z	21Z	MONTHLY
ABS. MAX.	A	78	72	86	91	92	89	83	80	92
95%	U	70	65	80	84	88	86	76	72	83
90%	G	68	64	78	82	86	84	74	70	81
MEAN		60	58	74	76	80	76	69	64	72
		342	331	352	334	346	342	339	345	5477
ABS. MAX	S	74	72	81	90	88	86	78	76	90
95%	E	63	62	74	78	80	78	70	65	77
90%	P	60	60	73	77	78	76	68	64	74
MEAN		54	52	67	72	74	70	60	56	62
		336	323	325	322	338	337	331	335	5351
ABS. MAX	O	62	63	70	76	75	72	65	64	76
95%	C	56	55	64	70	71	64	59	56	67
90%	T	54	53	62	68	69	62	56	54	64
MEAN		44	44	55	60	62	55	50	49	52
		334	338	348	336	353	335	346	342	5890
ABS. MAX	N	54	51	57	63	69	56	55	54	69
95%	O	46	44	50	56	58	52	48	47	54
90%	V	44	42	48	55	56	50	46	44	52
MEAN		36	36	40	50	50	42	38	37	41
		323	304	312	317	320	304	319	316	5538
ABS. MAX	D	50	48	54	54	55	50	50	48	55
95%	E	38	38	40	46	47	42	40	38	44
90%	C	37	37	38	44	44	40	38	36	42
MEAN		28	28	30	36	36	32	30	29	34
		291	284	278	289	302	280	297	288	4120
ABS. MAX										
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		00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z				
ABS MAX	H	7700	7700	8400	8600	8800	8900	9500	8100	8900			
95%	U	7550	7400	8100	8450	8650	8750	9200	7700	8500			
90%	G	7450	7300	8000	8300	8500	8600	9100	7700	8370			
MEAN		7700	7800	7650	8100	8250	8200	7700	7400	7800			
#OBS		112	108	112	127	129	135	132	105	1939			
ABS MAX	S	7800	7800	7400	8500	8800	8400	9100	7700	8000			
95%	E	7000	7000	7600	8000	8200	8150	7450	7200	8000			
90%	P	6900	6900	7450	7900	8100	8050	7400	7100	7800			
MEAN	T	6500	6400	6800	7400	7670	7500	6900	6600	6900			
#OBS		99	110	136	126	149	145	136	119	2059			
ABS MAX	O	6700	6700	7300	7400	7500	7600	7000	6900	7500			
95%	C	6450	6500	6600	7200	7400	7300	6800	6600	7100			
90%	T	6300	6400	6450	7100	7300	7200	6600	6400	6900			
MEAN		6700	6650	6600	6600	6700	6600	6600	6540	6650			
#OBS		126	160	150	154	154	179	159	162	2208			
ABS MAX	N	6000	6600	9300	6900	6800	6700	6600	6300	6700			
95%	O	5800	5900	6000	6600	6700	6500	6100	6100	6400			
90%	V	5700	5800	5900	6400	6600	6350	6000	5900	6300			
MEAN		5100	5100	5200	5900	6100	5900	5500	5640	5600			
#OBS		120	168	184	168	179	170	168	170	2538			
ABS MAX	D	6100	6100	6100	6500	6400	6200	6000	6000	6600			
95%	E	5600	5700	5600	6000	6000	5900	5700	5700	6000			
90%	C	5400	5500	5500	5800	5400	5700	5500	5500	5700			
MEAN		4700	4600	4600	5100	5240	4900	4900	4700	5000			
#OBS		115	150	146	160	154	155	158	145	1981			

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# Pressure Altitude

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	002	032	062	092	122	152	182	212		
ABSOLUTE	5800	5900	5800	5900	5800	5850	5800	5900		5900
95%	5750	5700	5700	5700	5750	5750	5750	5750	A	5750
90%	5700	5650	5650	5650	5700	5700	5700	5700	U	5700
MEAN	5550	5550	5500	5600	5600	5600	5600	5550	G	5550
# OBS	106	102	108	114	127	129	135	132		1941
ABSOLUTE	5700	5700	5700	5850	5800	5900	5700	5650	S	5850
95%	5600	5600	5650	5700	5700	5700	5650	5600	E	5650
90%	5550	5550	5600	5600	5600	5650	5600	5550	P	5600
MEAN	5400	5400	5450	5400	5500	5600	5350	5400	T	5450
# OBS	112	143	152	153	119	143	143	115		2180
ABSOLUTE	5900	5900	5900	5800	5900	5900	5700	5900		5900
95%	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	O	5600
90%	5550	5550	5500	5550	5550	5550	5550	5550	C	5550
MEAN	5350	5400	5400	5400	5400	5400	5400	5400	T	5400
# OBS	124	127	172	174	174	175	174	158		2643
ABSOLUTE	5700	5800	5800	5800	5800	5700	5750	5800		5800
95%	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600	N	5600
90%	5550	5500	5550	5550	5550	5550	5550	5550	O	5550
MEAN	5350	5350	5350	5350	5400	5400	5400	5400	V	5400
# OBS	117	163	164	143	172	167	169	138		2503
ABSOLUTE	6100	5900	6000	5900	6000	6000	6050	6050		6100
95%	5700	5700	5800	5750	5800	5700	5700	5700	D	5750
90%	5650	5650	5700	5700	5700	5650	5650	5650	E	5650
MEAN	5500	5400	5500	5450	5500	5500	5500	5400	C	5450
# OBS	126	118	150	162	165	157	154	156		2411

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		00Z	05Z	10Z	15Z <del>15Z</del>	20Z <del>20Z</del>	25Z <del>25Z</del>	30Z	35Z	40Z	45Z	50Z
ABS. MAX.	A	72	75	102	108	117	117	108	96			115
95%	U	55	58	82	105	110	112	97	92			107
90%	G	44	47	55	102	109	111	95	91			104
MEAN		79	74	107	97	104	104	90	85			71
		194	168	203	176	208	180	205	167			3705
ABS. MAX	S	90	70	75	108	112	108	106	95			110
95%	E	83	79	77	105	107	107	94	70			105
90%	P	81	76	77	100	107	105	92	87			103
MEAN		76	75	73	94	101	97	85	82			77
		185	155	190	179	190	173	187	166			3485
ABS. MAX	O	90	84	84	100	106	104	100	84			101
95%	C	77	75	75	97	104	97	89	84			77
90%	T	77	74	73	95	103	97	87	82			76
MEAN		77	74	75	91	95	91	80	75			77
		168	133	160	155	177	165	164	152			3261
ABS. MAX	N	82	74	80	90	98	90	70	90			98
95%	O	71	68	73	87	95	85	77	74			88
90%	V	69	63	71	85	91	87	77	73			75
MEAN		71	67	66	77	84	80	70	65			70
		181	151	177	170	193	161	196	156			3628
ABS. MAX	D	75	70	70	86	70	71	70	70			70
95%	E	77	70	70	85	74	77	70	64			77
90%	C	75	73	72	84	70	74	65	61			75
MEAN		70	70	73	82	74	70	65	65			77
		190	155	183	176	201	169	191	169			3734
ABS. MAX												
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	00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z		MONTH
ABSOLUTE	650	600	600	650	650	700	700	700		700
95%	600	550	550	600	600	600	600	600	A	600
90%	550	550	500	550	550	550	550	550	U	550
MEAN	500	450	450	450	500	500	500	500	G	500
# OBS	269	196	317	279	312	272	276	231		2774
ABSOLUTE	650	550	650	600	600	600	700	700	S	700
95%	600	500	500	500	550	550	600	500	E	550
90%	500	500	450	450	500	500	500	450	P	500
MEAN	400	400	400	400	450	450	450	400	T	400
# OBS	260	182	279	259	268	240	245	225		2681
ABSOLUTE	550	600	600	500	600	600	600	650		650
95%	500	500	450	450	500	500	500	500	O	500
90%	400	400	400	400	450	400	450	400	C	400
MEAN	350	350	300	300	350	350	350	350	T	350
# OBS	225	162	219	213	238	208	220	210		2445
ABSOLUTE	700	500	400	500	450	500	600	550		700
95%	400	350	350	350	400	400	400	400	N	400
90%	350	300	300	300	350	350	350	350	D	350
MEAN	250	250	250	250	300	300	300	250	V	250
# OBS	200	129	157	154	220	188	205	173		2013
ABSOLUTE	500	400	400	400	500	450	450	500		500
95%	400	350	300	300	350	400	400	350	D	350
90%	300	300	250	250	300	350	300	300	E	300
MEAN	250	250	200	200	250	250	250	250	C	250
# OBS	132	100	126	146	207	156	125	113		1566

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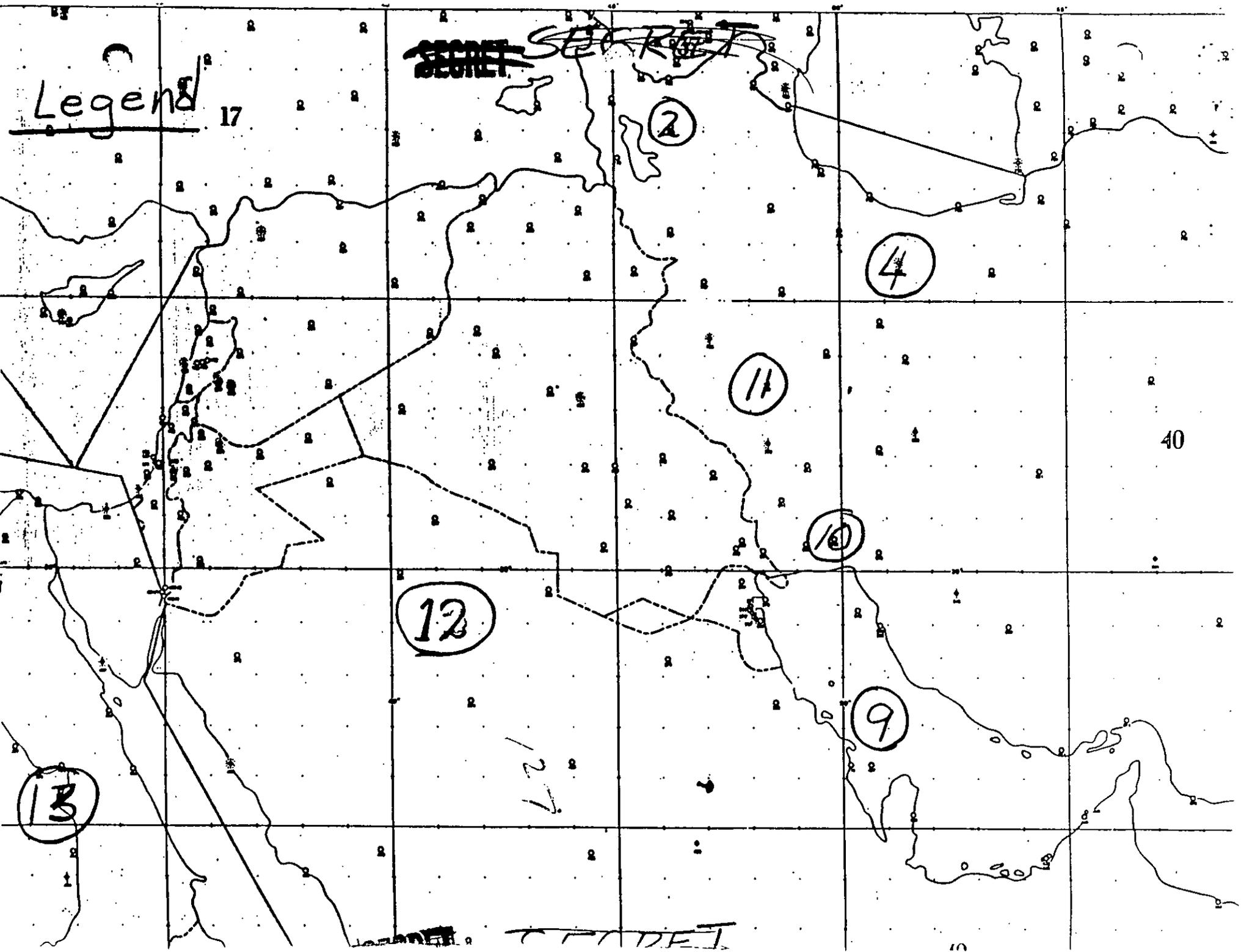
		00Z	03Z	06Z	09Z	12Z	15Z	18Z	21Z	MONTHLY AVE
ABS MAX	H	2800	3200	3500	3800	4200	4300	2800	3100	4200
95%	U	2440	2120	2810	3500	3910	3860	3200	2900	3700
90%	G	2410	2350	2750	3420	3750	3300	3100	2700	3600
MEAN	AVE	2100	1760	2500	3150	3490	3440	2740	2400	2760
# OBS		269	196	318	279	312	272	276	231	2775
ABS MAX	S	2500	2700	2700	2700	4100	4000	3000	2800	4100
95%	E	2250	2010	2500	2300	3300	2730	2490	2200	3500
90%	P	2120	1850	2430	2200	3150	2600	2850	2500	3400
MEAN	T	1860	1500	2200	2820	3250	3190	2400	2100	3400
# OBS		260	182	279	259	270	240	245	225	2684
ABS MAX	O	2100	2100	2900	3400	3500	3400	3200	2600	3700
95%	C	1950	1800	2500	2900	3200	3100	2500	2230	3100
90%	T	1900	1600	2300	2800	3000	2910	2400	2100	2900
MEAN		1290	980	1550	2400	2700	2620	1890	1550	1900
# OBS		226	161	225	220	239	208	221	211	2477
ABS MAX	N	2000	1700	2500	2800	3200	2800	2500	2500	3200
95%	O	1800	1600	2400	2800	3000	2500	1900	1500	2400
90%	V	1700	1500	2300	2700	2900	2400	1700	1400	2200
MEAN		1400	1200	2000	2400	2700	2500	1600	1300	1800
# OBS		220	144	226	222	236	202	231	194	2188
ABS MAX	D	1500	1100	1500	1800	2500	2000	2200	1300	2500
95%	E	1400	1000	1400	1800	2300	1800	1100	700	1850
90%	C	1300	900	1300	1700	2100	1700	700	500	1600
MEAN		800	600	1000	1200	1800	1650	600	400	850
# OBS		220	160	232	261	285	216	197	187	1567

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[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0218	0224	0231	0238	0248	0258	0310	0319	0325
Local = Z+3	SUNSET	1500	1444	1426	1411	1357	1350	1348	1351	1359
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0224	0231	0240	0249	0301	0312	0325	0334	
Local = Z+3	SUNSET	1512	1454	1434	1418	1402	1353	1350	1353	
TEHRAN 3545N 5120E Local = Z+4 1/2	SUNRISE	0200	0211	0223	0236	0252	0305	0320	0330	0336
	SUNSET	1509	1448	1424	1404	1346	1334	1328	1330	1338
TABRIZ 3810N 4615E Local = Z+4 1/2	SUNRISE	0217	0229	0244	0258	0315	0330	0346	0357	0403
	SUNSET	1532	1510	1444	1423	1402	1350	1343	1344	1352
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0228	0240	0255	0309	0327	0342	0358	0408	0414
Local = Z+3	SUNSET	1545	1523	1457	1435	1414	1402	1355	1355	1405
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0111	0103	0054	0047	0042	0041	0044	0049	
Local = Z+5	SUNSET	1310	1307	1305	1304	1305	1309	1316	1322	

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		1 Sep	15 Sep	1 Oct	15 Oct	1 Nov	15 Nov	1 Dec	15 Dec	1 Jan
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0324	0330	0337	0344	0355	0405	0416	0425	0431
Local = Z+2	SUNSET	1611	1555	1536	1521	1507	1500	1458	1501	1509
BAB EL MANDEB Southern Mouth of Red Sea 1230N 4300E Local =	SUNRISE	0257	0257	0257	0258	0301	0306	0314	0321	0329
	SUNSET	1519	1509	1457	1449	1442	1439	1440	1445	1453
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0147	0151	0155	0159	0207	0214	0225	0233	
Local = Z+4	SUNSET	1421	1408	1352	1340	1330	1324	1324	1327	
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0148	0152	0158	0204	0213	0221	0232	0241	
Local = Z+4	SUNSET	1425	1411	1354	1340	1329	1322	1320	1324	
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0137	0142	0149	0155	0205	0215	0226	0235	
Local = Z+4 1/2	SUNSET	1417	1401	1343	1329	1315	1309	1307	1309	
[REDACTED]	SUNRISE	0153	0159	0207	0214	0225	0235	0247	0256	
Local = Z+4 1/2	SUNSET	1436	1420	1401	1345	1332	1324	1321	1324	

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AUTHORITY: OADR  
REMARKS: Multiple Issues

Intelligence Historical Report  
J2, JTF 1-79

SUBJECT: Intelligence Communications Channels

TIMEFRAME: November 1979 - December 1980

SUMMARY:

1. (S) [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED] On \_\_\_\_\_ 1979, [REDACTED]

3. (S) [REDACTED] DIA and DMA also provided dedicated LNO's, but no communications circuits were installed between these agencies and HQ, JTF.

4. (U) J2 transmitted intelligence to the operational forces over secure dial-up teletype circuits. These circuits were not dedicated J2 circuits, but were used by all JTF staff sections.

5. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Intelligence from the JTF  
E Response Cell (Pentagon) was transmitted over a secure  
teletype circuit installed and operated by JCSE.

6. (✓) J2 at [REDACTED] provided intelligence support to  
operational forces at that location on a face-to-face as  
E needed basis. Intelligence for forces at [REDACTED] and aboard  
the USS Nimitz was transmitted by JCSE-operated teletype  
circuits.

COMMENTS:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

OTHER RELATED ITEMS:

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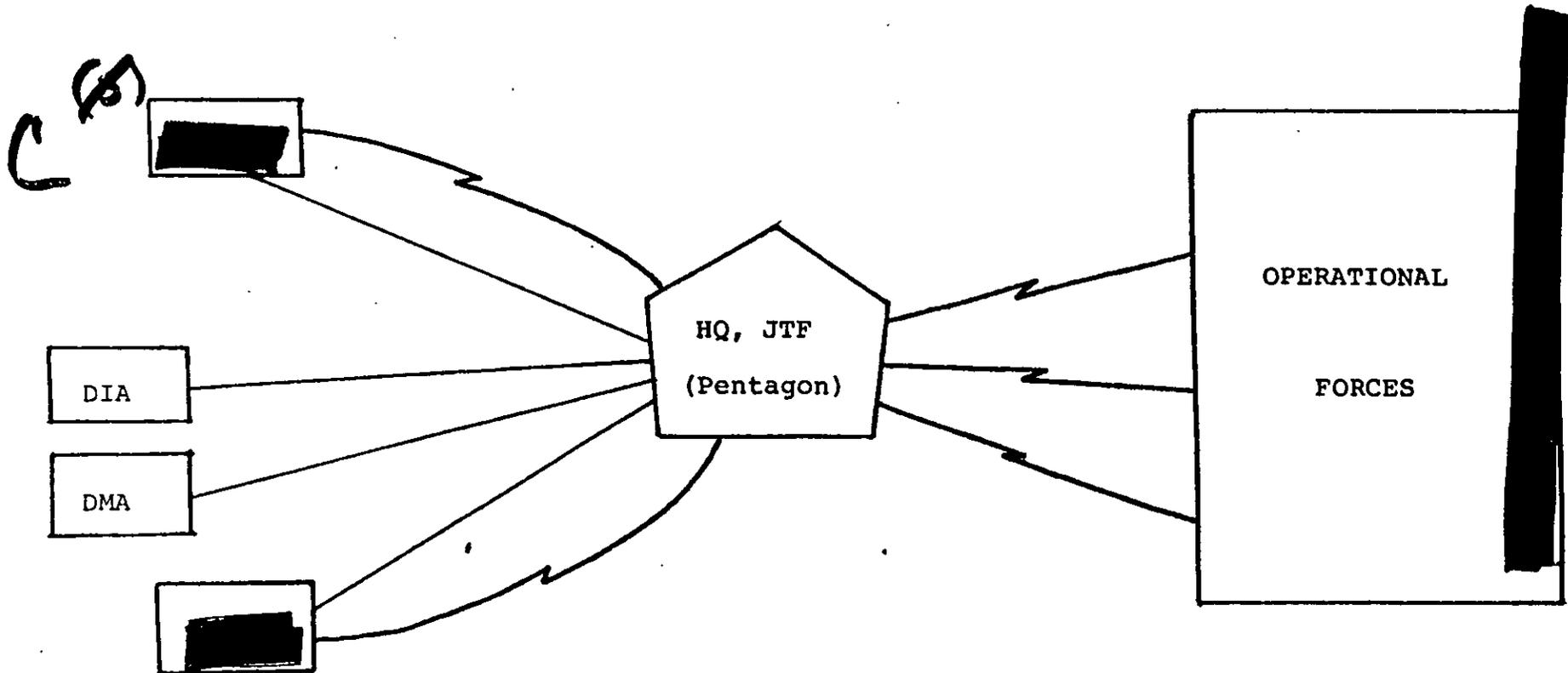
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1. Sketch: Intelligence Communications Channels, Planning  
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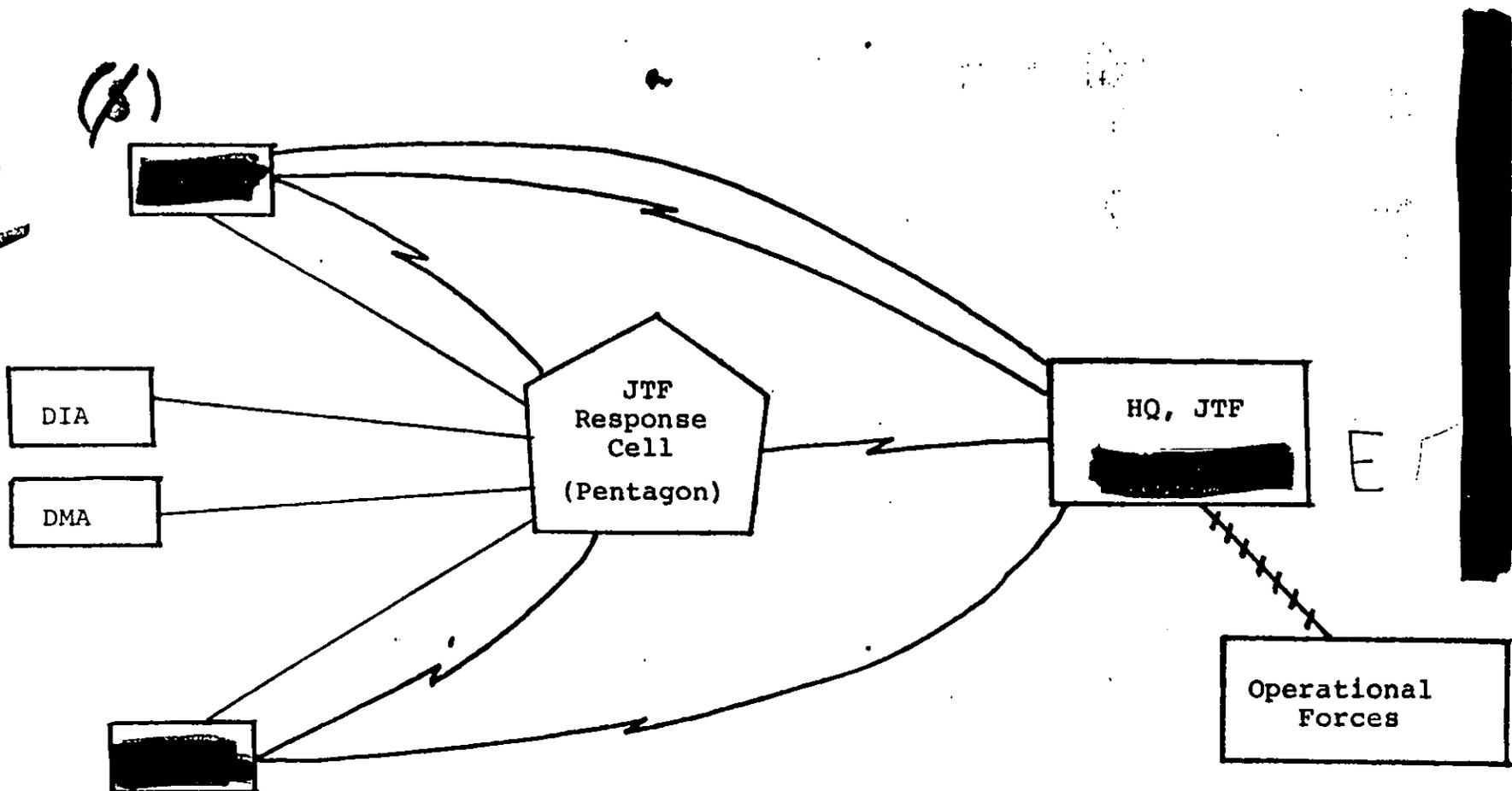
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Intelligence Historical Report  
J2, JTF 1-79

SUBJECT: Debriefs of Foreign Nationals *Pilot*

TIMEFRAME: August-September 1980

SUMMARY:

1. (P) J2 obtained the name of a source who could provide up-to-date information on [redacted] in Iran.
2. (S) J-2, [redacted] met with the sources' contact to arrange for a debrief. Debrief was conducted out of country by J-2. [redacted]

3. (P) J-2 made contact with [redacted] to conduct a subsequent debrief with a second source.

COMMENTS:

1. (U) Information obtained from both sources was pertinent and sources were willing and cooperative subjects.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. (U) Meetings of this type can easily compromise debriefer. All contact should be made under assumed name and in a place not traceable to the debriefer.
2. (P) Debriefers should keep complete records of the entire arrangement. Do not count on any other agency to cover for you. Arrange all your papers (if traveling under assumed name) well in advance. [redacted]

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- 4. (U) Attempt to keep track of sources changes of address.  
Do not assume that any other agency will do so.
- 5. (U) Make sure you have adequate traveling funds.

G (U) J2 PERSONNEL INVOLVED: Maj [REDACTED]

(U) POINTS OF CONTACT:

LtCol [REDACTED] [REDACTED] 664-3234

Maj [REDACTED] AFINTEL 45261

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. DEBRIEF

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: DEBRIEF OF [REDACTED]

DATE: 20 AUGUST 1980

PLACE: PARIS, FRANCE

SUMMARY: [REDACTED] AND I MET WITH [REDACTED] TO DEBRIEF HIM AND ATTEMPT TO INDUCE HIM TO RETURN TO IRAN AND CONTINUE [REDACTED] HE HAS REFUSED TO RETURN, CLAIMING THAT HE WOULD BE DISMISSED AS SOON AS HE RETURNS AND COULD EVEN BE SHOT. THE FOLLOWING ARE KEY POINTS OF HIS INTERVIEW:

1. [REDACTED] HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE WITH [REDACTED] [REDACTED] HE HAS [REDACTED] AND IS FAMILIAR WITH MOST MAJOR CITIES IN IRAN.
2. [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO HAVE BELONGED TO ONE OF MANY "TALK GROUPS" THAT ARE AGAINST THE REGIME. HE STATED HE WOULD CONTINUE HIS OPPOSITION TO THE REGIME AND WOULD BE WILLING TO HELP US IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE SHORT OF RETURNING TO IRAN AS [REDACTED]
3. HIS ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON THE POLITICAL ARENA AND THE HOSTAGE SITUATION WERE BASED GENERALLY ON RUMORS. ONE NOTABLE STATEMENT WAS ATTRIBUTED TO HIS COUSIN WHO CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE RESCUE ATTEMPT.
4. [REDACTED] KNOWLEDGE OF [REDACTED] WERE EXTREMELY HELPFUL, PROVIDING SOME INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY NOT KNOWN.

AFTER ACTION: [REDACTED] PROVIDED EXCELLENT INFORMATION AND SEEMED WILLING TO CONTINUE TO HELP. HE IS CURRENTLY [REDACTED] AND FURTHER CONTACT WILL BE MADE.

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DEBRIEF

20 August 1980

Name: [REDACTED]

Passport: [REDACTED] - Born in [REDACTED]

Name: Departure: Left Iran [REDACTED], started [REDACTED] upgrade on [REDACTED] finished [REDACTED] Will not return to Iran to [REDACTED]

Previous Address: [REDACTED], the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is currently rented out. He now resides at [REDACTED] Phone [REDACTED] with wife and two children. One child was born in the U.S. and has a U.S. passport.

Previous jobs: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]; [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Kharg Island, Bushehr, Abadan, Shiraz, Isfahan, Kermanshah, Mashad, Lavan Island. [REDACTED]

General Situation: [REDACTED] claims to have "had all I can stand of the terrible happenings in Iran." All attempts to get him to return and continue [REDACTED] failed. He seemed certain that his name was on a purge list and that he undoubtedly would be fired and probably

imprisoned or shot when (if) he returns. His wife and children are with him in [redacted] and he has repeatedly expressed a desire to join the rest of his family in the U.S.. His knowledge of [redacted] is very good and general knowledge of [redacted] is excellent. He was most willing to help in any way possible (except return to Iran as [redacted])

C ✓

Assessment: [redacted] knowledge of operating procedures is excellent. He has information which, up until this point, has been lacking. A further debrief [redacted] or [redacted] could be beneficial but may not prove to be as promising as first thought.

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Political:

Most of [redacted] political information is second hand or rumors, like the majority of other information on the hostages and government policy. However, it does point out there is an extensive rumor mill and there may be a kernel of truth in some of it.

[redacted] stated that most people do not like the current regime and are growing desperate for a change - as long as it is not the communists. Most of the people believe the rescue attempt was really a U. S. attempt to aid the Afghanistani rebels. The Russians saw the attempt by spy satellite and interdicted the helicopter staging area. Most people cannot believe we would "try something so stupid as to go into Tehran to try to free the hostages." The Iranians have apparently been watching too many James Bond movies.

[REDACTED] claims to have belonged to one of many groups that get together to talk against the regime. He feels there are many who would act strongly against the regime but there is currently no solid leader to fall in behind. [REDACTED] feels Oveisi has the best chance (as well as the Shah's son) to be the "leader the people need." The mullahs are destroying everything and are far greedier than anyone preceded them. The people are even saying that Carter has put the mullahs in because the Shah was unable to control the communists and the mullahs can.

GENERAL QUESTIONS

[REDACTED] No?

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Do you know what kind of aircraft Khalkhali used when he travelled to and from the crash site?: C-130. At times he will also use the F-27.

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[REDACTED]

No. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] claims his cousin, who works in [REDACTED], says [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a few days after the rescue attempt. Within a day or two of their arrival, automatic weapons fire was heard in the city (none has been heard in some time). Regardless of "reports" such as these, the majority of Iranians believe that the militants did not move the hostage out of Tehran.

[REDACTED]

A few are working with the company, but [REDACTED] did not know them personally. There are (probably) 2 British expatriots Portuguese [REDACTED] and many Swedish, Irish, British, Indian and Philippine

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Tabriz:

[REDACTED]

Mashad: Same as above.

[REDACTED]

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A/D guns are not new - have been in position for some time. The fences all the way around have Pasdar guards, but only sporatically along the fences. Pasdars are only on the

[REDACTED] The main Pasdar base is in the

[REDACTED] (See map for positions.) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Some have walkie-talkies that

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are linked to a roving white Ford which acts as a trouble-shooter. There are roughly 100 Pasdars in the [redacted] area. Most are "kids", poorly trained and macho-acting who would break at the first sign of trouble. No idea if there are any Pasdars on the [redacted]

[redacted]

None. The two big radars at [redacted] work only sporadically and are down most of the time. The [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] No. [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] There are no

[redacted]

[redacted] Yes.

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] No [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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C (10)

See map. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Each section at [REDACTED] has its own.

No central area. [REDACTED] has one, [REDACTED] has two, [REDACTED]

has (probably) Two. ?

[REDACTED]: [REDACTED] requests we ask [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Jeeps with antennas are constantly

moving around. There are undoubtedly portable radios at the [REDACTED] sites.

Armored Vehicle?: Vehicle did not appear like the one shown (BTR 60 PB), instead it was tracked with a large searchlight (IR?). Only 2-3 are seen at any one time and he believes they are always the same ones. No tube on the tracked vehicle.



C (c) [REDACTED] C  
[REDACTED] Roadblock/checkpoints are temporary and scattered, generally only at night. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Gendarmes concern themselves only with traffic control/violations and probably would not come to the aid of the Pasdars. The checkpoints are placed by vans from US Embassy. [REDACTED]

C (c) [REDACTED]

C (c) [REDACTED] AM (0700-1000) and PM (1500-1630) traffic is very heavy all over Tehran. Travel time [REDACTED] Embassy: [REDACTED] during rush hour and [REDACTED] at other times.

Acceptable dress for foreigners?: Western dress OK for men - women must dress "modestly".

C (c) [REDACTED]

C (c)

[REDACTED]

only 2-3

armored vehicles are working.

C (c)

[REDACTED]

are bright enough to be seen [REDACTED] (in the air).

C (c)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]: Does not have - construction is cement.

C (c)

[REDACTED] Probably would come from Army bases on either side of [REDACTED] No idea of reaction time.

C (c)

[REDACTED]

Believes everyone would stay at home. People are much more afraid now than they were under Shah's regime. There would be no "popular reaction" to rise against any invading force.

C (c)

[REDACTED] 24 hours. Appears to be an adequate amount of ammunition near each position.

C (c)

[REDACTED] Never anyone around the site. Sporadically there are a few vehicles there but not many or often. Has never seen [REDACTED]

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C (c) [redacted] : At Army base [redacted]

[redacted] Very narrow road leads to [redacted] Mullahs don't arm the fighters because they feel pilots/Air Force is unreliable and may attack.

C (c) [redacted]

Military is almost totally inactive.

C (c) [redacted]

[redacted] The others are probably unflyable.

Maintenance and spare parts continues to be a serious problem.

[redacted] are still flying, the rest are probably unflyable also.

C-130's are the most reliable and are flying a lot. IIAF and government depends on these aircraft almost exclusively.

[redacted]

C (c) Power browns out sporatically in the summer. Announcements of power outages are usually made a day or two before, but not always. No regular outages. Telephones are still the same--terrible.

Summary [redacted] knowledge of [redacted]

[redacted] is excellent. His capabilities could be a valuable asset and his presence in the U.S. desirable.

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REMARKS

1. ~~(S)~~ DJS memorandum requested\* J-3 analysis of subject review with a report to the Operation Deputies. Accordingly, the Services, DIA, and ~~██████████~~ have provided\*\* comments on the document, and a synopsis of those remarks is provided.

2. (U) The respondents concur that the review is an excellent reference document and should be preserved. However, the Services believe it is inappropriate at this time to provide comments on the status of the actions recommended by the review.

3. (U) Based upon the comments provided, the following actions are recommended:

a. (U) Due to the lack of specificity in the Service responses, the analysis should not be briefed to the OPSDEPS at this time. However, it is appropriate to request the Services provide a status report, by 1 November 1981, of actions taken in regard to pertinent portions of the review. Proposed memorandum is appended for approval and signature.

~~(S)~~ Copies of the document (sanitized to disconnect it from any specific actions associated with Iran) should be distributed to the Services, unified and specified commands, the RDJTF, ~~██████████~~ be further distributed to specific components, i.e.,

- Special Operations Units (SF, SEAL, AFSOF, as well as UW command and control organizations).

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THE JOINT STAFF

DJSM 901-81  
15 May 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS

Subject: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review (11 May 1981 Report by MG James B. Vaught, USA)

1. Request J-3 review an analysis of MG Vaught's paper, with a report to the Operations Deputies NLT 17 June 1981. The J-3 review and subsequent report to the Operations Deputies should:

- Identify status of all recommendations and proposals in MG Vaught's paper. Specifically, identify those which have been implemented, those which are being implemented now with an estimated completion date for each, those which require further study and analysis, and those which will not be implemented.
- Recommend distribution of the report.
- Provide recommendations with regard to further review by others. Specifically, should SOAP (or selected members of SOAP) provide a separate review? Should [redacted] provide independent reviews?
- Provide other recommendations to the Operations Deputies with regard to special operations and counterterrorist capabilities, procedures, and techniques.

2. Coordination within the Joint Staff should be through channels already established for special operations and counterterrorist actions.

3. The report to the Operations Deputies should be in the form of a briefing, with the written J-3 review and analysis of MG Vaught's paper retained in the Operations Directorate.

*Charles W. Dyke*

CHARLES W. DYKE  
Major General, USA  
Vice Director, Joint Staff

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20310

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, JOINT STAFF

SUBJECT: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review  
(11 May 1981 Report by MG James B. Vaught, USA) (U)

1. (U) Per your memorandum of 29 May 1981, detailed Army comments on the subject report will be provided after ARSTAF conducts a more thorough review which is now underway.

2. (U) I believe it would be beneficial for Major General Vaught's report to be forwarded to the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Unified Commanders, CINCPAC, CINCSAC, and COMTAC for information.

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ should not provide a separate review, but should assist ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

3. (U) My primary recommendations with respect to counterterrorism are as follows:

a. (U) The Joint Staff action on establishment of congressional committees for oversight of counterterrorism should be completed and considered as a matter of priority by the Operations Deputies.

b. (U) Action should be initiated by the Joint Staff concerning the US government counterterrorism crisis management structure and command and control related issues. While we have made great strides

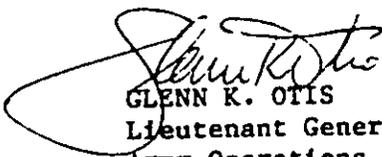
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in upgrading our military counterterrorist capabilities, I perceive a significant void at the highest governmental levels to accomplish the decision-making necessary for employment of these forces, particularly within CONUS.

4. (U) I am fully prepared to discuss these issues in more detail with you.

  
GLENN K. OTIS  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Army Operations Deputy

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, OJCS

Subj: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review (U)

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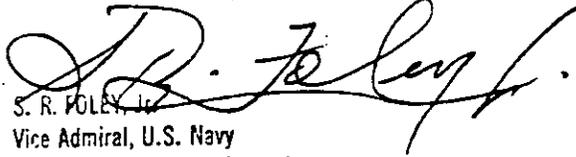
1. (S) As requested in reference (a), a review of subject report has been conducted. The study is a valuable source document for lessons learned, the primary value of which probably lies at the unified command level and with [REDACTED]

A [REDACTED] The document also has wide ranging implications for the Services regarding funding, tactics and operational assets. For this reason it would be premature, at this time, to treat the report as a joint document to be used as a basis for formulating a plan of action and milestones for the Services.

2. (C) A select review of the report by the SOAP, or selected members, is not deemed necessary at this time.

A (S) With the exigency of the Iranian hostage incident behind us, the unified commands and the [REDACTED] should be allowed to review the document and take appropriate action within established Service/JCS channels. Beyond that, the best way to retain the valuable expertise, gleaned from the Iranian hostage rescue experience, is by the [REDACTED] participation [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and frequent reinforcement of counterterrorist perishable skills by training conducted on a unit level.

  
S. R. FOLEY, Jr.  
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, OJCS

SUBJECT: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force  
Capability Review (Your Memo, 29 May 1981)

(U) The subject document has been reviewed with considerable interest. The JTF accomplishments and lessons learned represent the best compendium on this subject thus far compiled. It should serve as the base line from which the Services can enhance organization, equipment, tactics, and techniques to provide requisite Joint capability.

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(S) While Air Force does not intend to take issue with the recommendations, the document nevertheless is an unstaffed product compiled largely from unit or individual's inputs. [redacted] the Air Force operating commands have not reviewed and commented on the document in its entirety and, in particular, the Tactical Air Forces' senior staffs have not had access at all. Obviously, it would be premature to commit to implementation (with estimated completion dates) before internal Air Force evaluation. A coherent Air Force plan of action must be developed in coordination with the respective unified and specified commands [redacted]. For example, in connection with recent efforts concerning [redacted] we have been advised of aroused sensitivities due to lack of unified command direct involvement.

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(S) As you are aware, through my 25 March 1981 memorandum, Subject: Air Force [redacted], we have initiated an indepth study in coordination with the Joint Staff, unified and specified commands, [redacted] to determine actions required to fulfill [redacted] special operations requirements. The results of this study, when fully coordinated, will be compared with salient JTF findings to determine validated and feasible future courses of action.

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(S) With regard to distribution of the report, the unified and specified commands, [redacted] MAJCOMs should be included as a minimum. Selected review at unit level is also appropriate.

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In summary, Air Force will deliver whatever capability necessary, based on validated operational requirements, in order to accomplish the mission. The Air Force assigned top priority to this mission and intends to accommodate whatever improvements are necessary and fiscally prudent. We are very much interested in institutionalizing recent lessons in the joint area, while we proceed along a deliberate and fully coordinated path to organize, train, and equip forces.

*J. O'Malley*

JEROME F. O'MALLEY, Lt Gen, USAF  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
Plans and Operations

cc: Lt Gen Otis, USA  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, OJCS

Subj: Review and Analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review (11 May 1981 Report by MG James B. VAUGHT, USA) (U)

1. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ The Joint Task Force (JTF) Capabilities Review was forwarded to the J-3 by DJSM 901-81, 15 May 1981, for review and analysis, and preparation of a briefing for the Operations Deputies. Your Memorandum to the Service Operations Deputies, 29 May 1981, further forwarded portions of this tasking to the Services to assist in briefing preparation.

2. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ I am concerned that you may infer that the Services have thoroughly reviewed and concurred in this report. Such is not the case. There is a breadth and depth of material herein that must receive detailed evaluation. Many proposals and/or recommendations could result in changes or additions to tactics or doctrine, and could have significant fiscal impact on the Services. The report directly affects Service training and administrative responsibilities.

3. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ I am impressed with the document and feel that many of the advancements made by the JTF can provide valuable improvements in military capabilities, both in conventional as well as special operations applications. I am, however, concerned that the close hold nature of this report might stifle access to valuable lessons learned. In my view this report should be sanitized to remove its connection to the mission of the JTF, and then staffed to the responsible Joint Staff Directorates, and/or responsible Services, as appropriate for full review and initiation, by their own programming establishments, of those actions warranted.

4. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ I do not feel that this report, in its present form, should be considered for joint action as a joint document. Taskings that were given to the JTF under a nationally significant priority for a specific mission should not necessarily be continued with the same impetus once the mission has been resolved. Service responsibilities must be handled within established procedures.

5. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ It would be valuable to have ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ dependent review of this report to be retained as a reference. I do not feel that SOAP review is warranted.

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Review (11 May 1981 Report by MG James B. VAUGHT, USA) (U)

A 6. (S) It has been a [redacted] report to the CJCS. This briefing period could provide a good opportunity to update the Operations Deputies on the status, readiness, and [redacted] and the major problems yet awaiting resolution.

*J.H. Miller*  
J.H. MILLER

Lieutenant General, U. S. Marine Corps  
Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans, Policies and Operations

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DATE: 19 JUN 1981

REPLY TO  
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SUBJECT: JTF Capability Review (U)

TO: JSJ-1

Refs: a. JS Task #800-81, dated 9 June 1981, subject as above. (Enclosure)

b. J3M 2005-81, dated 8 June 1981, subject as above. (Enclosure)

1. (U) (C) In response to reference a., DB has reviewed Tab A of reference b. The following points should be considered with respect to DIA's support of this requirement.

a. (U) (C) DIA is not responsible for the preparation and maintenance of airfield layout data (ASSOTW) or maps. These products are the responsibility of DMA.

b. (U) (C) DIA can prepare airfield packages to cover all the points cited in Tab A, using available manual and automated data files. An airfield package would incorporate the latest information provided by the ASSOTW, imagery products, and order of battle files.

c. (C) The recommended action in Tab A has a global aspect and would require more resources for preparation and maintenance than are available in DIA. DIA's resources would be more effectively utilized and the customer better served if specific airfield packages are prepared on demand to meet specific operational requirements.

2. (U) Tabs B and C of reference b. are not within the purview of DB.

2 Enclosures

1. JS Task #800-81

(U) 1 cy

2. J3M 2005-81

(TS) 1 cy

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# memorandum

DATE: 23 June 1981

DT TSC 81-001

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: DT

SUBJECT: JTF Capability Review (U)

THRU: VP-A1 (Mr. Denk) <sup>RPO</sup>  
TO: JSJ (ATTN: JSJ-1)

- Refs:
- a. JS Task 800-81, 9 Jun 81, subject as above (encl 1)
  - b. J3M-2005-81, 8 Jun 81, subject as above (U) (encl 2)

- 1. (U) In response to reference a., DT has reviewed Tab C of reference b.
- 2. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ DT presently analyzes major western weapon systems within the framework of existing resources. The technical characteristics of these systems are usually published in the handbooks. The volumes most directly applicable to western air defense systems are:

- Missile Systems Handbook - Free World (DST-1000H-283-79)(U)
- Antiaircraft Gun Systems (Current and Projected) - Free World (DST-11405-021-76) (U)

3. ~~(S)~~ DT is also involved to some extent in the foreign military sales process via the assessment of the impact of technology transfer conducted for DoD.

- 2 Enclosures
- 1. Task 800-81 (U)
  - 2. J3M-2005-81 (TS/Sen)

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OJCS SUMMARY SHEET

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THRU:		DJSM NO.	ODJS SUSPENSE DATE
SUBJECT: Continued Funding (U)		DJSM DATE	X
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REMARKS

1. (S) DJSM-24466-80\* addressed funding for the [redacted] for the [redacted] training program. The proposed budget, with Service input, is enclosed. Service requirements are:

- ARMY: [redacted]
- USAF: [redacted]
- NAVY: [redacted]
- TOTAL: [redacted]

Per SecDef guidance, Services are preparing DD1415 documentation for re-programming as appropriate.

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12 May 1992

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	J-33	Brown	72656	SOD	James	7260
	J-31	Johnson	56243			
	EXEC	Clark	78863			
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A 2. ~~(S)~~ Included within this budget is ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ for support of the ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ and ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ for support of already approved intelligence projects. ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ is distributed equally by Service while the Army is providing all funds for intelligence projects.

3. (U) The budget is forwarded for presentation to the Service OpsDepts on 10 Dec 80. It is anticipated that implementing documentation will be given to SecDef on 16 Dec 80 for approval.

Reference:

\* DJSM-2466-80, 2 Dec 80, "Continued Funding (U)"

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DJSM-2466-80  
2 December 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, US Army  
Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Plans, Policy, and Operations), US Navy  
Deputy Chief of Staff Operations Plans and Readiness, US Air Force  
Deputy Chief of Staff Plans and Policy, US Marine Corps

Subject: Continued Funding (U)

1. ~~(S)~~ Referenced\* memorandums directed appropriate Services to fund the efforts of the [REDACTED]

A With the conclusion of the First Quarter FY 81, it will be necessary to address [REDACTED]

prior to 20 December 1980. It is anticipated that funding support will be similar to that used previously per references.

2. ~~(S)~~ Concurrently, it is necessary to identify those program increases subject to reprogramming procedures necessary to support [REDACTED] representatives will be providing Service POC's detailed information regarding these actions. POC is Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] extension 55805/55078.

*Charles W. Dyke*

CHARLES W. DYKE  
Major General, USA  
Vice Director, Joint Staff

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10 December 1980

THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Continued Funding (U)

1. <sup>(S)</sup> Enclosed is the recommended funding level to continue project SNOWBIRD <sup>(S)</sup> operations and the [REDACTED]

Recommend the following resources be provided to SNOWBIRD [REDACTED] as indicated below:

ARMY: [REDACTED]

USAF: [REDACTED]

NAVY: [REDACTED]

2. (U) Enclosure A is an Executive Summary of costs by Service.

3. <sup>(S)</sup> Enclosure B provides for continued funding of the [REDACTED] and other intelligence projects. These are not related to [REDACTED]

4. <sup>(S)</sup> Enclosure C is the funding recommendation [REDACTED] and for completion of the [REDACTED]

5. [REDACTED]

*James B. Vaught*  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

Attachments:

- A - Executive Summary
- B - Intelligence Funding
- C - Training
- D - Implementers

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ARMY COSTS BY ITEM

	2D QTR	3D QTR	4TH QTR
A <del>(S)</del> Support <del>(S)</del> (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Intelligence Projects (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Flying Hour Program (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
ASIF (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Travel	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Base Support (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Communications Support	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Procurement	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
O&M	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
R&D	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Miscellaneous	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Procurement	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
RDT&E	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
TOTAL	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
GRAND TOTAL	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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USAF COSTS BY ITEM

	2D QTR	3D QTR	4TH QTR
Flying Hour Program (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
ASIF (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Travel	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Base Support (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Air Superiority Mission (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Miscellaneous			
Modifications (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Procurement	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Communications Support			
Procurement	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
O&M	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
TOTAL	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
GRAND TOTAL		[REDACTED]	

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USN COSTS BY ITEM

	2D QTR	3D QTR	4TH QTR
Travel	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Base Support (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Air Superiority Mission (O&M)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Communications Support	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Procurement	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
O&M	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
R&D	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
TOTAL	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
GRAND TOTAL	[REDACTED]		

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INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS

(S) Funds indicated below will support already approved intelligence projects through FY 81 and the [REDACTED]. Army is funding [REDACTED] temporarily as an expedient only.

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2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr      TOTAL

Support of [REDACTED] (O&M)

[REDACTED]

Intelligence Projects O&M

Army

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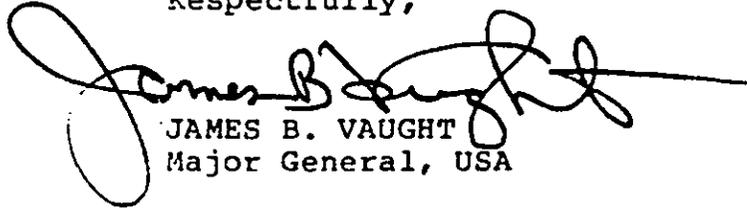
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

~~(S)~~ Subject: Second through Fourth Qtr Fiscal Year 81 Costs  
Associated With Project SNOWBIRD [REDACTED]

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~~(S)~~ Enclosed is the cost data associated with continuing  
the SNOWBIRD ~~(S)~~<sup>(U)</sup> program [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] for the remainder of FY 81. This  
program will maintain training readiness at its present  
level [REDACTED]

Respectfully,

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

Attachments:

- A - Training Cost Summary
- B - Force Structure
- C - Air Superiority Mission
- D - Base Support Cost
- E - Travel
- F - Airlift Costs
- G - Flying Hour Program
- H - Miscellaneous

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TRAINING COST SUMMARY

A 1. ~~(S)~~ GENERAL: The requirement to retain training readiness of ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ necessitates a training program through fourth quarter, FY 81. Cost data displayed depicts an exercise program with forces utilizing forward operating bases. Lacking definitive intelligence data for planning, training must include all forces presently available.

2. ~~(S)~~ DISCUSSION: Training program. The cost model for the training program was constructed on the following assumptions:

- a. Twenty-one exercise days per quarter.
- b. Use of a forward operating base each time.
- c. Scenarios 10 or 12 would be rehearsed.
- d. Some ongoing aircraft modifications reflected.
- e. Flying hours used during joint exercises ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~
- f. Units conduct home station training at own expense.

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FORCE STRUCTURE FOR PLANNING

USAF

(S) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

MAC

[REDACTED] C-141B  
[REDACTED] HC-130

SAC

[REDACTED] KC-135

TAC

2 E-3A

USN

4 F-14  
4 F-4  
2 A-6E  
3 KA-6D

USA

(S) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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BASE SUPPORT COSTS

(S) Below figures reflect the costs associated with supporting a JTX at a field location(s) each month. It is assumed that a single location would be [REDACTED] and a separate base used by the Naval Air Package (O&M)

	<u>2d Qtr</u>	<u>3d Qtr</u>	<u>4th Qtr</u>
USA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
USAF	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
USN	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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TRAVEL COSTS

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Figures below indicate estimated TDY costs of supporting  
[REDACTED] These funds would be utilized to  
support site recons by the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

	<u>2d Qtr</u>	<u>3d Qtr</u>	<u>4th Qtr</u>
USA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
USAF	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
USN	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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AIRLIFT COSTS

Figures are estimated ASIF costs associated with supporting 21 exercise days per qtr. The first qtr ASIF experience is used as a cost model.

	<u>2d Qtr</u>	<u>3d Qtr</u>	<u>4th Qtr</u>
USA	[REDACTED]		
USAF	[REDACTED]		

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FLYING HOUR PROGRAM

ARMY (S)

A (S) [REDACTED]  
Deploy [REDACTED] hours per qtr  
Train [REDACTED] hours  
Redeploy [REDACTED] hours  
[REDACTED]  
2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr  
[REDACTED]

A (S) [REDACTED]  
Deploy [REDACTED] hours per qtr  
Train [REDACTED] hours  
Redeploy [REDACTED] hours  
[REDACTED]  
2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr  
[REDACTED]

A (S) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr  
[REDACTED]

FLYING HOUR PROGRAM (continued)

AIR FORCE ~~(C)~~

Fixed Wing (SOW/MAC C-130 type aircraft) (23)

Deploy [redacted] hours per qtr  
Train [redacted] hours  
Redeploy [redacted] hours

[redacted]

2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr

[redacted]

C-141B (4)

Deploy [redacted] hours per qtr  
Train [redacted] hours  
Redeploy [redacted] hours

[redacted]

2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr

[redacted]

KC-135

2d Qtr      3d Qtr      4th Qtr  
1.2M      1.2M      1.2M

[redacted]

Deploy  
Train  
Redeploy

[redacted]

[redacted]

2d Qtr      3rd Qtr      4th Qtr

[redacted]

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AIR SUPERIORITY MISSION  
(SENTINEL SWORD)

Costs reflect four missions per quarter flown in support  
of joint training. (O&M FHP)

	2d Qtr	3d Qtr	4th Qtr
USAF			
USN			

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

1. ~~(S)~~ As you know, the Service funding authorization in support of project SNOWBIRD <sup>(U)</sup> [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] terminates on 31 Dec 80. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] mission related projects through the remainder of the FY. The Service Operations Deputies have reviewed the funding levels and determined that the funds requested are required. The remaining FY 81 funds required are [REDACTED] A detailed breakout is at Enclosure A.

2. <sup>(U)</sup> ~~(S)~~ A memorandum substantially like that at Enclosure B would provide the Services with the authority needed to provide the required funding. Concurrently, the Services have provided DD 1415's as appropriate to OSD comptroller to provide for reprogramming requirements.

DRAFT

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

~~(S)~~ [REDACTED]

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1. ~~(S)~~ Project SNOWBIRD ~~(S)~~ activity, [REDACTED] will be afforded a sufficiently high priority to ensure funding of [REDACTED] by the Services at the levels indicated below. For the purposes of these expenditures, provisions of DOD Directive 7250.5, dated 9 January 1980, and DOD Instruction 7250.10, dated 10 January 1980, are hereby waived.

2. (S) In addition to the [REDACTED] previously directed (references a, b, and c) for this project from the Army, Navy and Air Force, the following Service funding [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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- a. Army: [REDACTED]
- b. Air Force: [REDACTED]
- c. Navy: [REDACTED]



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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award <sup>1980</sup> Iranian Hostage Rescue attempt

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

(W) 1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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a. (U) Major [redacted] United States Army, [redacted]

b. (U) [redacted] Hunter Army Airfield, GA 31409.

c. (U) [redacted]

d. (U) February 1980 to 25 April 1980.

e. (U) Desired Date of Presentation: ASAP.

f. (U) No other recommendation for awards to this individual are pending, and no previous award has been made for the achievements described herein.

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g. (U) Previous Personal Decorations: [redacted]

G

2. (U) Major [redacted] distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service from 1 February 1980 to 15 December 1980 as a member of the Joint Task Force charged with the mission of rescuing the American citizens held in Iran.

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a. (U) As [redacted] Ranger [redacted] Major [redacted] acted as the principle staff planner for the security and follow-on forces. Joining the Battalion only two months prior to mission execution, Major [redacted] worked exceptionally hard to learn the intricacies of the mission as well as to materially contribute to force efficiency and capabilities. Major [redacted] developed a highly imaginative training scenario to tested all mission elements in the complex task of seizing an airfield and in-route support location.

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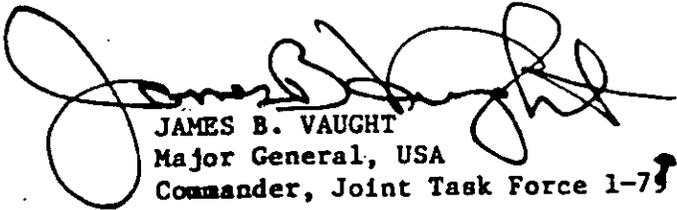
b. (U) Working with Marine and Naval helicopter pilots as well as USAF

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aviators [redacted] arrived at a mutually understandable series of techniques for [redacted]. He thoroughly briefed all non-Ranger personnel on the ground security plan, on and off-load requirements and necessary command/control techniques. Major [redacted] then supervised the actual field testing and personally oversaw the multi-service adjustments necessary for success.

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c. [redacted] In addition to the action indicated, Major [redacted] designed the Ranger OPSEC plan. As the key ingrediaent for mission success, the OPSEC plan had to be viable both within the Battalion and to the general military establishment. Major [redacted] personally developed a series of [redacted] and cutouts that preserved the true nature of the training to both the majority of the [redacted] and the public as a whole. Major [redacted] extraordinary dedication to duty, devotion to the task at hand and selfless sacrifice reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

Attachment  
Citation

Director, Joint Staff Action:

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Signature

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Date

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

(U) G [REDACTED]

Major [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement as a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the rescue of American citizens held in Iran. Major [REDACTED] extensive background in Ranger and Infantry operations coupled with his total dedication to mission accomplishment were key to the success achieved by his unit. As a result of Major [REDACTED] personal contributions, the special training required to assist mission accomplishment was accomplished at an exceptionally professional level. Major [REDACTED] meritorious achievements reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of directive referenced above, it is recommended the the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for Achievement:

a. (U) Captain [redacted] United States Army [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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d. (U) 4 November 1979 to 24 April 1980.

[redacted scribbles]

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[redacted] 313 [redacted]

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending, and no previous award has been made for the achievements described herein.

g. (U) Previous Personal Decorations: [redacted]

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2. (U) Captain [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service from 4 November 1979 to 24 April 1980 as a member of the Joint Task Force charged with the responsibility for rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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As Assistant [redacted] (Ranger) [redacted] Captain [redacted] was the primary intelligence planner for the Battalion. This required him to coordinate and plan with a myriad of intelligence planners and agencies at the national level. Though most of his contacts were considerably senior to him in terms of rank and age, Captain [redacted] quickly established himself as a driving force behind the complex intelligence plans and operations necessary to support such a sensitive national program. With no background or training other than in basic intelligence schooling, Captain [redacted] soon developed into a position of equality and respect among the many senior personalities with which he normally dealt.

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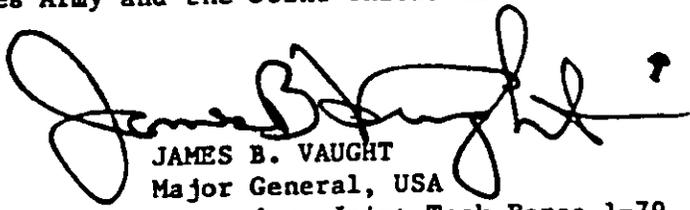
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b. (u) Once the raw intelligence data was assimilated, Captain [redacted] had to convert it into a realistic training scenario. Unlike usual peacetime training, Captain [redacted] accurate portrayal of enemy dispositions and reactions were critical to successful mission training. Captain [redacted] devoted an exceptional amount of time in briefing Ranger forces, and explained in the greatest detail the slightest nuances to the enemy dispositions so that the force had the highest degree of confidence in its ability. As part of this program, Captain [redacted] designed and built several very elaborate training aids that were used for briefings at Washington as well as at field training sites. These training aids were indispensable to the successful training effort.

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c. (S) Captain [redacted] also served as the primary [redacted] OPSEC officer. As such, he was tasked with implementing [redacted] supervising [redacted] programs and monitoring the OPSEC posture of the Battalion. In an exceptionally well-protected task force, the Ranger Battalion enjoyed the best OPSEC of all elements. This is in large measure due to his personal efforts. Captain [redacted] devotion to duty, high degree of professionalism and dedication to the mission reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

Attachment  
Citation

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL  
TO

[REDACTED]

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Captain [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement during a series of extremely complex and sensitive training missions. Captain [REDACTED] skills as an intelligence planner as well as a training officer were key to the success achieved by his unit. Captain [REDACTED] assignment brought him into close contact with the intelligence community at the Joint level and higher. Through every phase of the special training, he repeatedly demonstrated a competence one would expect only in much more senior intelligence officers. Captain [REDACTED] [REDACTED] dedication to duty and meritorious achievements reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of directive referenced above, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement:

- a. (U) Captain [redacted] United States Army, [redacted]
- b. [redacted]
- c. (U) [redacted]
- d. (U) 4 November 1979 to 20 March 1980.
- e. (U) Desired Dates of Presentation: ASAP.
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending, and no previous award has been made for the achievements described herein.
- g. (U) Previous Personal Decorations: ARCOM(2 olc), NDSM.

2. (U) Captain [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service during the period 4 November 1979 through 24 April 1980 as a member of the Joint Task Force charged with the responsibility of rescuing American citizens held in Iran.

(U) [redacted] Acting initially as [redacted] (Ranger) [redacted] Captain [redacted] was tasked to develop the groundwork for the plan to secure an in-route staging field and the final extraction airfield. This job, normally held by an officer more senior in rank and experience, was undertaken with superb professionalism by Captain [redacted]. Coordinating at Washington with many senior officials and officers from all the Services and several Federal agencies, Captain [redacted] quickly gained the rapport and respect of all who met him. The ground security plan developed by him

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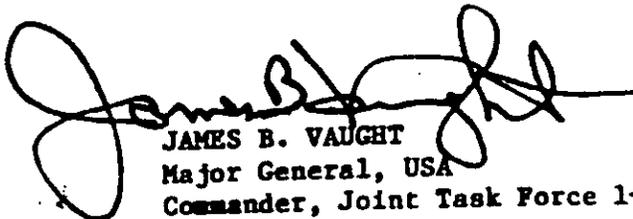
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G was easily understood, highly professional and fully integrated with all Service efforts. Captain [redacted] plan and its presentation was a model of the highest professional standard. This plan became the foundation for all subsequent planning efforts and was the concept adopted for mission execution.

G b. (u) Captain [redacted] also served as the primary staff officer and coordinator for the training phase of the Joint Task Force security force. He visited several potential training sites, coordinated with other Service representatives and conducted all basic planning for the Ranger Battalion. As training coordinator, he insured that all Ranger training objectives were fully coordinated with and supported by the USAF elements that would carry the force. Concurrently, Captain [redacted] worked closely with the helicopter assault force assisting them in refuel planning, ground coordination and transload procedures. These acts were vital to the full integration of the task force into a smooth efficient assault team.

G c. (u) With the arrival of a Field Grade Officer, Captain [redacted] assumed command of a Ranger rifle company tasked with a portion of the security mission he devised. Captain [redacted] developed some exceptionally realistic and practical training scenarios that insured a high standard of readiness within the assault force. With his personal attention to detail, soldierly qualities and devotion to the task at hand, Captain [redacted] quickly molded a superb fighting force. Though personally reduced in stature due to his job reassignment, Captain [redacted] produced a 110% effort in all areas and materially assisted the entire Battalion in gaining a mission-ready posture. Captain [redacted] devotion to duty, high degree of professional competence and unswerving allegiance to the mission reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

~~C~~ Captain [REDACTED] distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement during a series of complex and sensitive training missions. Captain [REDACTED] extensive background in ranger and infantry operations coupled with his total dedication to mission accomplishment were key to the success achieved by his unit. As a result of Captain [REDACTED] personal contributions, the special training resulted in usable tactical concepts being added to the standard capabilities of ranger units. Captain [REDACTED] meritorious achievements reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. ~~(U)~~ Under provisions of reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. Colonel [redacted] United States Army.

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b. [redacted]

c. [redacted]

d. 15 November 1979 through 30 April 1980.

e. ASAP.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. Previous US decorations: [redacted]

2. ~~(S)~~ Colonel [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while serving as the medical advisor to the Commander Joint Task Force 1-79. In this capacity, Colonel [redacted] was responsible for all medical planning and inter-Service coordinations relative to the Special Operations effort in April 1980 to rescue American citizens held hostage in Iran.

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a. (S) The operations plan to accomplish this mission was very sophisticated and extremely complex. The medical support plan to this operation was equally complex. In a short period of time, and working under extreme security discipline, Colonel [redacted] developed a medical support concept and refined it to a plan executable by the medical assets of DELTA, [redacted]

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Ranger BN, and the Military Airlift Command. Medical personnel capable of performing life saving resuscitation had to be taken in and out with the Commando Force. There were no medical treatment facilities in the vicinity of the operation area and thus a very thorough and efficient air evacuation system was developed by Colonel [REDACTED]

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b. (U) Although an actual rescue attempt was initiated in April 1980, all phases of the operation were not completed and during the recovery of some forces an accident occurred injuring seven members of the Task Force. Colonel [REDACTED] deployed with this operation and from a Forward Staging Base, orchestrated the flawless evacuation and enroute treatment of these injured personnel.

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3. Colonel [REDACTED] outstanding performance reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

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Colonel [REDACTED] distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while serving as the Medical Advisor to the CDR, JTF 1-79 during the period 15 November 1979 through 30 April 1980. Colonel [REDACTED] displayed an uncommon degree of skill, judgement, and personal drive. He developed a medical support plan which made a significant contribution to the Joint Task Force mission. The plan included such diverse actions as close support medical teams to commando forces, physician teams embarked on USAF recovery aircraft, whole blood supply and a unique evacuation network to insure the very best medical support to the hostages and Task Force members. Working within CONUS and in an austere forward location overseas, Colonel [REDACTED] continually produced superior results. The distinctive accomplishment of Colonel [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

16 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

a. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army,

b. [redacted] Hunter Army Airfield, GA 31409.

c. [redacted] Hunter Army Airfield, GA 31409.

d. 4 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.

e. ASAP.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. Previous US decorations: [redacted]

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2. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior service during the conceptual planning and conduct of Operation Rice Bowl, a joint military operation which attempted to free 53 American hostages held in Iran.

When the Joint Task Force (JTF) was established, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was designated as the unit responsible for [redacted] immediately upon receipt of his mission, he formed a three-man planning cell under his personal direction to begin developing the concepts and techniques that would eventually be included in the Rice Bowl Plan:

[redacted] training with experts from the Air Force's [redacted] Special Operations [redacted] the Army's Special Forces Operational Detachment [redacted]

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(Delta), and Navy and Marine Corps rotary wing aviation assets, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] literally "rewrote the book" on airfield seizure. He developed and refined "state-of-the-art" procedures for [redacted]

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[redacted] he pushed the techniques for air/ground communications to new levels of precision permitting better command and control of combat forces and more accurate close support fires from 1 SOW aircraft.

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c. From within his own battalion, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] designed ground force packages capable of conducting this very specialized type of operation with anything from a Ranger company to multiple companies.

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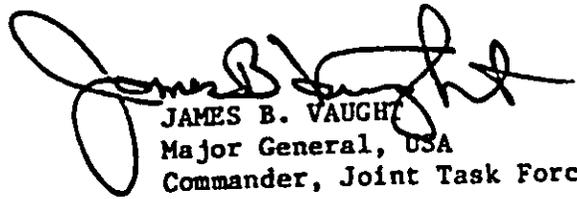
d. Using his vast knowledge of weaponry, communication equipment, and night vision devices, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] tailored the equipment requirements necessary for his force giving his unit a non-standard equipment inventory that was far in excess of what was authorized by MTOE. Lieutenant [redacted] then trained his men to standards of proficiency never before achieved in a Ranger battalion.

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e. Lieutenant [redacted] ingenuity and personal sacrifice were instrumental in the achievement of total readiness by the [redacted]. Moreover, the product of his efforts has been adopted as standard operating procedure by the [redacted] and replicated in the [redacted] Ranger Battalion.

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The professionalism and dedication displayed by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] during the entire Rice Bowl project are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rangers and the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself exceptionally superior service during the period 4 November 1979 to 15 December 1980, while serving as part of the Joint Task Force assigned the responsibility of recovering the US hostages held in Iran. As Commander, [REDACTED] (Airborne), Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] formed the initial planning cell and organized the mission assault forces. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personally designed and directed the security force tactics, bringing into fruition numerous new concepts and capabilities not previously thought possible. As a commander, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personal example, drive, enthusiasm and tactical knowledge inspired his troops to extraordinarily high levels of proficiency. He accomplished this under conditions of great austerity, personal risk and without consideration for his own well-being. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personal drive and charisma, in-depth professional knowledge and dedication to the mission reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) [REDACTED]

b. (U) HQ, Department of the Army, Office of The Surgeon General, Washington, DC.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 14 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.

e. (U) ASAP.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

2. Major [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement and professional competence while serving as the Medical Plans and Operations Officer to the Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79. In this role, Major [REDACTED] was responsible for the design, development and integrated training of the unique medical package in support of the special operations effort to rescue 52 US citizens held hostage in the country of Iran.

(u) ~~(S)~~ The Task Force OPLANS involved a large and diverse force list of ground commando, heliborne, and airborne forces. Major [REDACTED] was tasked to develop, organize and train the medical support package to the JTF OPLAN. He accomplished this mission with superb dispatch and in an outstanding manner. Major [REDACTED] personally coordinated a very complex medical support scenario with each JTF element commander. The scenario required time sensitive and incremental support to the commando force

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assaulting multiple target areas, as well as support to Ranger Forces and USAF personnel establishing launch, refuel and recovery sites at additional and more remote locations. A mission of this complexity was unprecedented, and to cover all facets of the operation with an austere and limited medical package was a formidable challenge. Major [redacted] met this challenge with tactfulness, determination, and intense devotion.

b. ~~(S)~~ The medical support concept included the [redacted] Med close support resuscitation teams, helicopter and fixed wing evacuation kits and personnel, whole blood supply, and specially tailored intermediate level surgical units. One of the most noteworthy innovations developed by Major [redacted] was a unique backup surgery module built from a portion of an Army combat support hospital. The surgical module, to be airlifted to a forward staging base, was a 50-man 85,000 lb surgical suite tailored from assets of the 44th Med Bde at Ft Bragg, NC.

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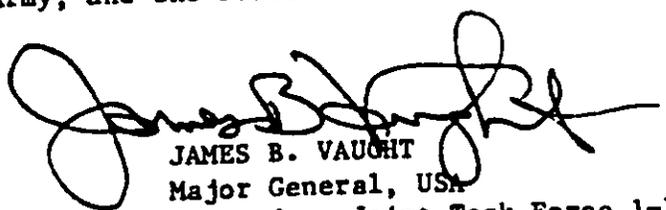
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The skill by which this medical capability was developed by Major [redacted] while operating under the strictest of security discipline is indicative of his professional competence and superb diplomacy.

c. ~~(U)~~ The innovative efforts of Major [redacted] while assigned to JTF 1-79 have resulted in the development of an integrated service medical capability that had never before been assembled in support of special operations. Many of the medical force designs, like the GSH surgical module, and other operational improvements developed by Major [redacted] have since been accepted as standard operating procedures by the newly formed Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC). Major [redacted] outstanding commitment to duty, exceptional competence and knowledge of field medical operations were instrumental in preparing JFT 1-79 for this complex mission of the highest national interest.

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3. (U) Major [redacted] distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.



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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

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Major [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while serving as the medical plans and operations officer to a highly select joint task force responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. He displayed a unique degree of skill, diplomacy, and personal drive. Working under the strictest of operational security requirements, Major [REDACTED] was responsible for the development of an integrated joint service medical capability that had never before been assembled in support of a joint special operations mission. Major [REDACTED] dedication, professional competence, and superb knowledge of field medical operations greatly enhanced the capability of the Joint Task Force and reflects great credit on himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ~~DIRECTOR~~, JOINT STAFF.

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

- a. Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, [REDACTED]
- b. Joint Task Force 1-79.
- c. [REDACTED]
- d. 21 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.
- e. Not applicable.
- f. Logistics Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- h. Previous US decorations: Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster).

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2. (S) Colonel [REDACTED] distinguished himself by exceptionally superior meritorious achievement from 21 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 while serving as the senior Logistics Coordinator assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

(G) a. (S) Colonel [REDACTED] was responsible for coordinating the procurement, assembly, and transshipment of a wide variety of equipment and support material ranging across the full spectrum of ground and airborne operations as well as helicopter and fixed wing air operations. Colonel [REDACTED] outstanding dedication to duty and his keenly developed sense of responsibility were instrumental in the satisfaction of the multitude of logistics requirements generated by the numerous operational techniques and capabilities that had to be fully developed, refined and tested under field conditions before they could be accepted for planning consideration. The requirements ranged from procurement of standard military stock items from twelve different service depots and included such divergent items as survival vests and radios, desert and snow camouflage clothing and netting, a wide variety of reflective and absorbant paints, mobile POL bladders capable of sustaining an airdrop, specially ruggedized dirt bikes, advanced night vision goggles and specially calibrated and laminated navigation aids and [REDACTED]

A (S) b. (U) Acquisition of the necessary equipment often meant dealing with the supply systems and knowing the procurement procedures of all four services and the U.S. Coast Guard. Satisfaction of many mission or climatological unique requirements involved canvassing commercial sources and soliciting their cooperation in design and fabrication or modification of existing R&D prototypes that held promise as being mission supportive.

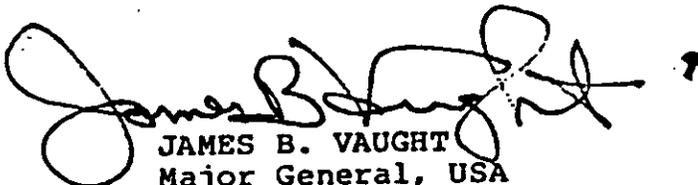
(G) c. (U) Due to the continual time compression that mission planners and field training elements were under, Colonel [REDACTED] small two man staff routinely worked fifteen hour days, six to seven days a week throughout the entire period. In the midst of the numerous procurement actions that were continually ongoing, Colonel [REDACTED] served as the coordinator for all Army and Air Force airlift movement between military and civilian supply points and the six geographically separated mission field elements. Colonel [REDACTED] was also the principal airlift coordinator for the field exercises and several foreign area deployments.

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6 d. (U) All of this activity takes on a special significance when it becomes known that due to stringent operational security requirements all of the procurement, design, fabrication and airlift movement had to be accomplished without attracting any special notice or PAO inquiries. Much to the credit of Colonel [redacted] never throughout the entire period did any of the more than 300 logistics actions ever attract any undue attention or precipitate an OPSEC or COMSEC violation.

6 e. (U) Colonel [redacted] extensive knowledge of service and joint logistics procedures, his positive orientation and intense professional commitment to mission satisfaction, coupled with complete personal selflessness, were key factors in overcoming many of the procurement and acquisition problems faced in outfitting the various task force elements and warrant special recognition.

6 3. (U) By his exemplary performance of duty, Colonel [redacted] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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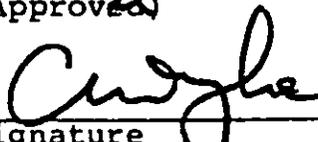
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DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

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Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 21 November 1979 to 15 December 1980, while serving as the senior Logistics Coordinator assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of national importance. Colonel [REDACTED] was responsible for coordinating the procurement, assembly, and transshipment of a wide variety of equipment and support material ranging across the full spectrum of ground, airborne, helicopter, and fixed wing operations. Acquisition of the necessary equipment often meant being intimately familiar with the supply systems of all military services. Satisfaction of many mission or climatological unique requirements involved Colonel [REDACTED] canvassing of commercial sources and soliciting their cooperation in the design and fabrication or modification of existing R&D prototypes. In the midst of the numerous procurement actions, he served as the coordinator for all Army and Air Force airlift movement between military and civilian supply points and six geographically separate mission field elements as well as for field exercises and several foreign area deployments. Colonel [REDACTED] performance takes on special significance when viewed within the extremely stringent operational security requirements that were levied on this project, when during the hundreds of ongoing logistics actions never was there any undue attention generated. Colonel [REDACTED] extensive knowledge of service and joint logistics procedures, his positive orientation and intense professional commitment to mission satisfaction were key factors in the conduct of the task force mission and will have a lasting impact on the Special Operations Community. Colonel [REDACTED] distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

*By Asst to Sec Def*

10 JUN 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ~~DIRECTOR~~, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) (S) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

- a. (U) Colonel Charlie A. Beckwith, United States Army, [REDACTED]
- b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.
- c. (U) 7 Adams Street, Fort Bragg, NC 28307.
- d. (U) 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.
- e. (U) Not applicable.
- f. (U) Joint Special Operations Command, Ft Bragg, NC 28307.
- g. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- h. (U) Previous US decorations: Silver Star (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Legion of Merit (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters).

2. (U) (S) Colonel Charlie A. Beckwith, United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the principal Ground Force Commander assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

- a. (U) (S) As commander of the ground component of the Task Force, Colonel Beckwith applied his vast experience in clandestine operations to the rescue planning and preparation and was in fact the principal architect of the ground assault plan. Due to the dynamics of the hostage situation, the plan became an evolutionary process requiring frequent modifications, each of which Colonel Beckwith adjusted to with ease.

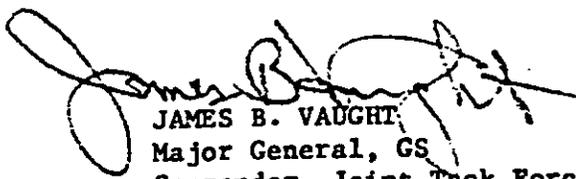
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b. (u) (S) Colonel Beckwith was the driving force behind the strenuous training program that was established and was considered an essential foundation to the effectiveness of the ground force. The training program was both unique and extremely demanding in that it covered the broad spectrum of special ground and air operations, and as such involved members of all uniformed services who were to fulfill various direct support roles in the operational area.

c. (u) (S) Colonel Beckwith's command presence proved highly valuable many times during the months of preparations, particularly during the repeated night rehearsals of a variety of highly dangerous tactics and maneuvers which were critical to mission success. His abilities proved invaluable during the emergency retrograde from Desert One. His efforts and position of respect within the force, contributed to the maintenance of order and the preservation of life during the transfer of personnel from the burning aircraft and the immobilized helicopters.

d. (u) (S) Colonel Beckwith's overall contributions, many of which remain highly compartmented, weighed heavily upon the development of an extremely important capability, and one that will continue to enhance the Special Operations Community in years to come.

3. By his exemplary performance of duty, Colonel Beckwith has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

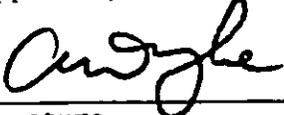
  
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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL  
TO  
CHARLIE A. BECKWITH

Colonel Charlie A. Beckwith, United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the principal Ground Force Commander assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Colonel Beckwith was the principal architect of the ground assault plan. As such he was the the driving force behind the strenuous training program that was unique and extremely demanding in that it covered the broad spectrum of special ground and air operations, and involved members of all the uniformed services.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ~~DIRECTOR~~, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (S) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. Colonel [redacted] United States Army, [redacted]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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c. [redacted]

d. 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980.

e. Individual reassigned on 31 March 1981.

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g. No previous award has been made for the service described herein, however, a recommendation for the award of the Defense Superior Service Medal as an end of tour award is pending.

h. Previous US decorations: Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

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2. ~~(S)~~ Colonel ██████████ United States Army, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980, while serving in a succession of demanding positions in the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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a. ~~(S)~~ During the early and turbulent days of the embassy takeover, Colonel ██████████ served as the OJCS Focal Point for all planning and investigative evaluation of a wide variety of operational concepts that held any potential for feasible resolution. The demands on Colonel ██████████ were tremendous, as he carried this full responsibility supported only by a small three man planning team. Often working 18-20 hours a day under intense psychological and physical pressure, Colonel ██████████ consistently performed in an outstanding and exceptionally competent manner. As the complexity, political sensitivity and protracted nature of the situation became apparent the planning effort took on new dimensions and a joint task force was established. The planning team led by Colonel ██████████ became the nucleus of the joint task force staff with Colonel ██████████ selected to serve as the Chief of Staff. With this position change, Colonel ██████████ responsibilities were formalized and expanded to cover a variety of specialized forces. He drew heavily on his knowledge of the area, his wide experience in Joint Special Operations as well as his understanding and appreciation of interrelationships of the political considerations and restraints associated with conducting a mission into that portion of the world.

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b. ~~(S)~~ Colonel ██████████ realizing that several voids existed in the spectrum of US military response capability, outlined these voids, proposed specific procedures and techniques to overcome these limitations and to meet the unique force requirements. These innovative developments covered the broad spectrum of ground and air operations including both helicopter and fixed wing aircraft. Beginning with basic skill improvement, he personally monitored the evolutionary progress until the culmination and interrelation resulted in the final force capability. Colonel ██████████ doggedly pursued these proposals through the senior approval process, knowing that the improvements were essential to proper mission preparation.

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c. ~~(S)~~ During the course of developing feasible options two were considered most promising. The preferred option required locating and validating the suitability of an unimproved remote landing site capable of supporting fixed wing air operations. It was anticipated that it would take at least six weeks to locate, and validate such a site. Possible delays were anticipated at the onset and an emergency alternative had to be prepared,



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Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980, while serving initially as the Chief of Staff and subsequently as a special project officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. He developed initial mission concepts and through his expertise and relentless pursuit of a solution analyzed these and other options until a final plan was formulated. Colonel [REDACTED] realizing that several voids existed in the spectrum of military response capability, proposed specific procedures and techniques to overcome these shortcomings and meet the unique force requirements. A skilled organizer, he combined his in-depth tactical expertise with dynamic leadership to motivate and solicit the utmost in performance and dedication from members of the joint task force. Colonel [REDACTED] contributions not only impacted heavily on the planning and execution of the mission but have also begun to have long-term positive effects on the operational capabilities of the Special Operations Community. Colonel [REDACTED] distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (S) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army, [redacted]

b. [redacted]

c. [redacted]

d. 4 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.

e. ASAP.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. Previous US decorations: SS(1 olc), BSV(4 olc), AM, PH(2 olc), MSM(1 olc), ACMV(4 olc), GCM.

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2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior service during the conceptual planning and conduct of Operation Rice Bowl, a joint military operation which attempted to free 53 American hostages held in Iran.

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a. (S) When the Joint Task Force (JTF) was established, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] battalion was designated as the unit responsible for [redacted]. Immediately upon receipt of his mission, he formed a three-man planning cell under his personal direction to begin developing the concepts and techniques that would eventually be included in the Rice Bowl plan.

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b. (S) Dealing with experts from the Air Force's 1st Special Operations Wing (1 SOW), the Army's Special Forces Operational Detachment- Delta [redacted]

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(Delta), and Navy and Marine Corps rotary wing aviation assets, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] literally "rewrote the book" on airfield seizure. He developed and refined "state-of-the-art" procedures for [redacted]

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[redacted] He pushed the techniques for air/ground communications to new levels of precision permitting better command and control of combat forces and more accurate close support fires from F-50W aircraft.

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c. [redacted] From within his own battalion, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] designed ground force packages capable of conducting this very specialized type of operation with anything from a Ranger company (minus) to multiple companies.

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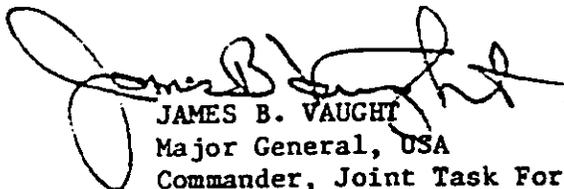
d. [redacted] Using his vast knowledge of weaponry, communication equipment, and night vision devices, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] tailored the equipment requirements necessary for his force giving his unit a non-standard equipment inventory that was far in excess of what was authorized by MTOE. Lieutenant [redacted] then trained his men to standards of proficiency never before achieved in a Ranger battalion.

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e. [redacted] Lieutenant [redacted] ingenuity and personal sacrifice were instrumental in the achievement of total readiness by the airfield security force. Moreover, the product of his efforts has been adopted as standard operating procedure by the [redacted] and replicated in the [redacted] Ranger Battalion.

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3. [redacted] The professionalism and dedication displayed by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] during the entire Rice Bowl project are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rangers and the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
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TO

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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself exceptionally superior service during the period 4 November 1979 to 15 December 1980, while serving as part of the Joint Task Force assigned the responsibility of recovering the US hostages held in Iran. As

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Commander, [REDACTED] (Ranger), [REDACTED] Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] formed the initial planning cell and organized the mission assault forces. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personally designed and directed the security force tactics, bringing into fruition numerous new concepts and capabilities not previously thought possible. As a

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commander, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personal example, drive, enthusiasm and tactical knowledge inspired his troops to extraordinarily high levels of proficiency. He accomplished this under conditions of great austerity, personal risk and without consideration for his own well-being. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personal drive and charisma, in-depth professional knowledge and dedication to the mission reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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planning factors and profile parameters that greatly eased pilot procedures and insured a high degree of assurance that the force could navigate the course with minimal risk of detection. Additionally, Colonel Dutton personally designed and put together the pilot mission book that was a critical tool on the actual mission.

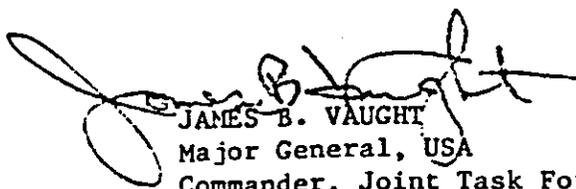
c. (U) (S) Participating in all training phases, Colonel Dutton provided exceptionally valuable advice and recommendations to the task force. Drawing upon his long experience in special operations, he was able to initiate several key adjustments to flight training and support that significantly enhanced task force readiness.

d. (U) (S) During the actual rescue mission, Colonel Dutton, as Task Force J3, was responsible for the conduct of the Tactical Operations Center within the Pentagon. As such, he smoothly managed a large number of people, a myriad of communications equipment and an extraordinary diversity of tasks. During periods of exceptional stress and sensitivity, Colonel Dutton consistently remained calm and professional and was of immeasurable assistance to the many very senior officers and civilians present.

e. (U) (S) Upon task force recovery, Colonel Dutton designed the redeployment plan and the initial reconstitution training program. These were essential elements in the ability of the force to gain mission-ready status in a very short period of time.

f. (U) (S) Throughout the period of this recommendation, Colonel Dutton presented briefings of an exceptionally high standard. Colonel Dutton routinely presented briefings to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Joint Chiefs, Operations Deputies and numerous civilians in positions of great responsibility. His briefings were always of the highest quality and significantly contributed toward the decision-making process.

3. (U) Colonel Dutton's distinguished performance of duty throughout his service reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
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TO

ROBERT C. DUTTON

Colonel Robert C. Dutton, United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior service during the period 17 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 as a key member of the staff of the Joint Task Force charged with the responsibility for recovery of the US citizens held in Iran. Colonel Dutton, serving as Special Assistant to the Commander and then as Task Force J3, provided exceptionally valuable advice and assistance to National Command Authorities and the Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79. Colonel Dutton developed mission profile pilot books, training techniques and other mission tools to both fixed and rotary wing forces. His incisive knowledge of internal Iranian conditions was invaluable in mission planning. As an extraordinarily talented briefer, Colonel Dutton's presentations to senior leaders were key factors in the very sensitive decision making required. Colonel Dutton's distinguished performance of duty reflects great credit on himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

- a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, [redacted]
- b. [redacted] Hurlburt Field, FL.
- c. [redacted]
- d. (U) 10 December 1979 to 15 June 1980.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

f. (U) DFC, MSM(1), AM(7), AFCM.

2. (U) (S) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service from 10 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) (S) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] directed the training of aircrews, the development and refinement of tactics, the modification of aircraft and the use of new equipment uniquely suited for the Joint Task Force mission.

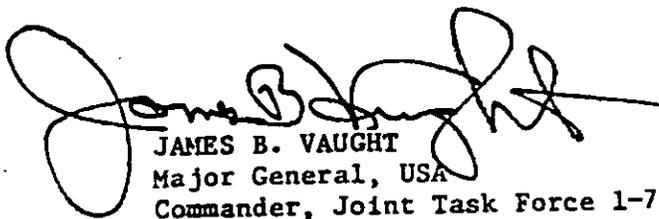
b. (U) (S) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] used his considerable engineering and operational test and evaluation background to manage the development and testing of infrared lighting systems, helicopter refueling systems, and other unique hardware used on the rescue mission.

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- c. (U) (S) During a two-month period, as the acting mission commander, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] effectively managed the equipment development efforts, coordinated the myriad details associated with three full-scale dress rehearsals and several minor training exercises, and still kept his squadron on an even keel. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] flew to the Desert One landing site.
- d. (U) (S) The singularly distinctive performance of the C-130 element on the rescue mission culminated several turbulent months of intense training guided by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted]
- e. (U) (S) Following the mission, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was handpicked to testify before the United States Senate, House of Representatives, and the Holloway Board.
- f. (U) (S) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] drafted the 1st SOW inputs to the rescue after action report, handling all tasks with the utmost competence and professionalism.

3. (U) In this position of significant responsibility, under hazardous conditions, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] performed with extraordinary professionalism competence. The singularly superior and distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

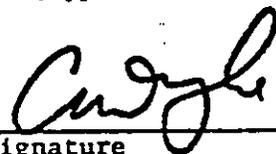
  
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DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the United States as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, Florida, from 10 December 1979 to 15 June 1980. During this period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed his squadron's training, preparation and participation in the Joint Task Force attempt to rescue American hostages held captive in Iran. His superior leadership, sound judgment and exemplary professional competence under adverse conditions were instrumental factors in the resolution of many complex problems, and in the development of unique tactics, new procedures and special modifications crucial to the conduct of this mission. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. ~~(S)~~ Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, [redacted]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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c. [redacted]

d. 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Air Force Commendation Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster).

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2. (S) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally, superior meritorious achievement and dedication to duty from 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980, while serving as the senior Intelligence Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with the rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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a. Throughout the entire period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] continuously demonstrated an exceptionally high degree of professional competence, management ability and dynamic leadership. As the principal intelligence advisor to the Commander of the task force, he served as the focal point for virtually the entire intelligence effort. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] due to his wide intelligence and operational background, was able to anticipate most of the requirements necessary to support both the mission planners and the deployed combat and combat support. He integrated the efforts of the Department of Defense, with the national intelligence community and consistently obtained high quality support.

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b. Under Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] guidance a highly secure and reliable privacy teletype network was established which [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Defense Intelligence Agency and the Joint Task Force together and was netted to a companion structure linking the field units and the Joint Task Force Headquarters. This permitted direct receipt of field requirements, coordinated tasking of the national agencies by the Joint Task Force, and provided rapid integrated responses. This system was highly effective and in a short time became the most effective and most secure means to satisfy, not only intelligence but also operations, logistics and communications actions.

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c. (S) The intelligence staff under Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] guidance continued to improve the quality of support by investigating, testing, refining, and implementing new collection techniques, production and presentation means, faster and simpler reporting procedures and possibly most significant, continually worked to devise new analytical correlation techniques in an effort to improve the reliability of the planning data. Many of the efforts pioneered or improved by Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] staff have been adopted as milestones in the effort of the national intelligence community to support contingency response planning.

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d. ~~(S)~~ An equal number of the intelligence measures developed at the initiative of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] are being used today to reduce some of the information voids normally faced in certain contingencies. Through the efforts of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] a whole new family of contingency planning materials was developed and is being used today. This family of situation prepared products combines the mapping and technical capabilities of agencies such as the Defense Mapping Agency Aeronautical, Topographic or Hydrographic Centers with the photointelligence skills of the Defense Intelligence Agency, and in some cases [redacted] and data [redacted] to provide integrated planning products designed to suit the needs of the air, sea or ground contingency planners, as well as the actual maneuver elements.

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e. ~~(S)~~ It was through the persistence and foresight of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] that several technical collection innovations were taken from concept stage to "in being - on the shelf" where they are now readily available to support contingency collection requirements. It was also through his efforts that not only were improvements and innovations made but some inherent limitations in collection and analysis were recognized and action taken to make intelligence managers and analysts aware of these while efforts are underway to reduce or offset their impact.

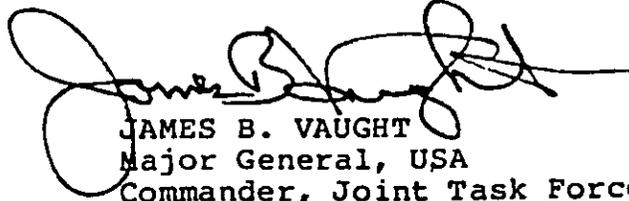
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f. ~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] contributions to mission preparedness and security throughout the period of the task force's existence, as well as the long term benefits accrued to the intelligence community and contingency planners, as a result of his efforts, mark him as one of a handful from among hundreds who warrants special recognition for his superior service in a position of significant responsibility.

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3. ~~18~~ The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

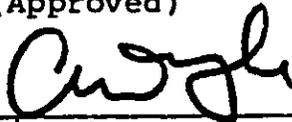
  
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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980, while serving as the senior Intelligence Officer assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of national importance. Throughout the entire period Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] continuously demonstrated an exceptionally high degree of professional competence, management ability and dynamic leadership. As the focal point for virtually the entire intelligence effort, he integrated the efforts of the Department of Defense with the national intelligence community. Under his guidance a highly secure and reliable privacy teletype network was established linking all units of the joint task force, to provide a real time flow of data. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] provided the initiative for the marked improvement of intelligence collection techniques, reporting procedures, and most significantly the improvement in the reliability of planning data. Many of the efforts pioneered or improved by Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] and his staff have been adopted as milestones in the effort of the national intelligence community to support contingency response planning. Through his efforts a new family of contingency planning materials was developed and is currently in use. Through the persistence and foresight of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] several technical collection innovations were taken from concept stage to "in being - on the shelf" and are readily available to support contingency collection requirements. His contributions to mission preparedness and security will accrue longterm benefits to the intelligence community and contingency planners. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ~~DIRECTOR~~, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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- a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] USAF, [redacted]
- b. [redacted]
- c. (U) APO 96274.
- d. (U) 11 November 1979 to 29 April 1980.
- e. [redacted]
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted], United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 1 December 1979 to 15 December 1979 to 15 December 1981 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible to the recovery of American hostages held in Iran.

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a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was responsible for training of [redacted] crews to perform the rescue mission. Due to the physical location of the [redacted] all guidance and directives concerning training were received AUTOSEVOCOM by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted]. Training of aircrews was actually performed [redacted] on telephone guidance given Lieutenant Colonel [redacted]. On two occasions he commanded deployment of PACAF forces to CONUS to participate in three major exercises and two minor exercises in preparation for the rescue mission. Deployments were flawless and met all

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in-place, dates and times. Under Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] direction, during pre-mission exercises, all [redacted] trained crews performed superbly with 100 percent mission launch and effectiveness achieved.

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b. (U) Upon mission execution, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] commanded deployment of three MC-130E aircraft to [redacted] on 48-hour notice in preparation for the mission. Deployment included obtaining [redacted] diplomatic clearance and mobilization of all equipment for the bare base operation at Forward Operating Location Bravo. Deployment required two in-flight, night refuelings per aircraft. All three aircraft departed "on the hock" and closed [redacted] plus or minus 10 minutes of estimated time of arrival [redacted]. He further commanded deployment of PACAF-based forces from [redacted] to Bravo and commanded establishment of the operating location.

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c. (U) Serving as the single point of contact between US Forces at Bravo and foreign nationals in charge of the physical location, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] flew as first pilot on Night One operations.

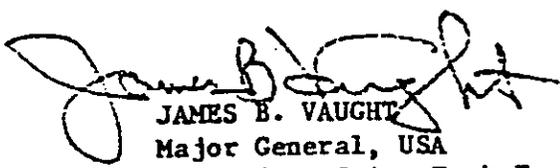
d. (U) Following the emergency evacuation, he served as medical assistant upon arrival of casualty victims at Bravo. All burned victims were prepared for onward movement by C-141 aircraft within one hour of their arrival at Bravo.

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e. (U) He commanded redeployment of all PACAF forces from Bravo to [redacted] and subsequently to home base. Redeployment again required two in-flight refuelings on the 15.7 hour flight.

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3. (U) In this position of significant responsibility, under hazardous conditions, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] performed with extraordinary professional competence. The singularly superior and distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force,  
distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance  
of outstanding services to the United States as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] from 11 November 1979 to 29 April 1980. During this period,  
Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed the training and participation of  
Pacific Air Force elements in Department of Defense, Joint Task Force exercises.  
under adverse conditions were instrumental factors in the resolution of many  
complex problems in the conduct of these missions. The singularly distinc-  
tive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit  
upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

a. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted], United States Air Force, [redacted]

b. [redacted] Hurlburt Field, FL 32544.

c. [redacted]

d. 13 November 1979 to 28 April 1980.

e. [redacted] Hurlburt Field, FL 32544.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) [redacted]

2. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service during the period 13 November 1979 to 23 April 1980 as a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran.

a. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] directed the training of aircrews, the development of new tactics, the modifications of aircraft and the use of equipment uniquely suited for the Joint Task Force mission to rescue American hostages held captive in Iran. Many of these special capabilities were practiced on arduous and hazardous missions, while the [redacted] between November 1979 and March 1980.

b. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] coordinated operations with the Navy on original planning from [redacted]. He deployed on two separate occasions to work [redacted]. He coordinated with Pentagon officials to plan for future contingencies that would employ the special

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capabilities of the AC-130H Gunship. As a result of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] efforts, the capabilities of the AC-130 Gunship were significantly expanded with multiple new tactics developed and trained. Among the singular accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel White can be included:

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(A) - First employment of AC-130 in-flight refueling

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- First man [redacted]

- Implementation of [redacted] techniques

- Implementation of AC-130 [redacted]

- Implementation of long range secure voice AC-130 operations

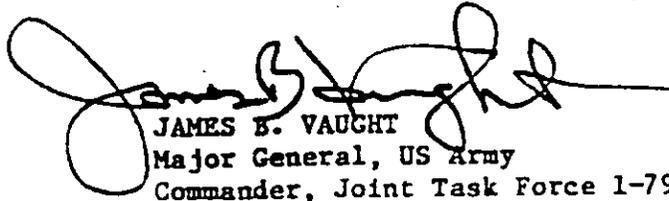
- New techniques for [redacted]

- Developed [redacted]

[redacted]

3. (A) In his position of significant responsibility, under arduous conditions, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] performed extraordinary professional competence. The singularly superior and distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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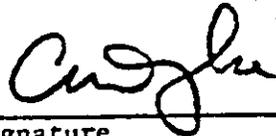
  
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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the United States as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, Florida, from 13 November 1979 to 28 April 1980. During this period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed his squadron's training, preparation and participation in missions directed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His superior leadership, sound judgment and exemplary professional competence under adverse conditions were instrumental factors in the resolution of many complex problems, and in the development of unique tactics, new procedures and special modifications crucial to the conduct of these missions. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, ~~JOINT STAFF~~

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

a. Lieutenant Colonel Edward R. Seiffert, United States Marine Corps, [redacted]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. [redacted]

d. 9 December 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, (OP506EI), Washington, DC 20350.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (with numerals 41), and the Navy Commendation Medal (with one star).

2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel Edward R. Seiffert, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 9 December 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as the Helicopter Force Commander assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) During this period, Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert, as the Helicopter Force Commander, demonstrated truly outstanding leadership and aviation expertise in the establishment, training and ultimately employment of a unique helicopter force. The mission profile dictated the development, integration and application of totally new techniques in low-level, long-range night flying techniques. The mission difficulty was further com-

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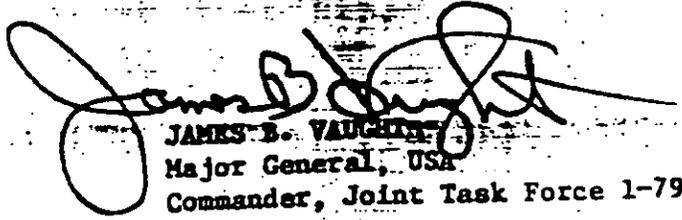
pounded by the extremely stringent operational security requirements and the very short period of time allotted for the achievement of force capability.

b. (U) In order to fulfill the mission generated taskings, Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert applied his intimate knowledge of both the H-53 helicopter and the helicopter community in the final selection and training of the joint service crews. Realizing that totally realistic training was a prerequisite to mission success, he outlined an in-depth training program which incorporated a variety of techniques, many of which had been accomplished individually but not collectively. He established a methodical training program based on the development of individual skills which led to crew and force confidence. New techniques were developed in low-level night flying, long-range night navigation, tactical refueling operations, blacked out landings and ground control techniques.

c. (U) Throughout the preparation period, intelligence inputs were constantly changing which required continuous modifications to the helicopter mission and the flight profile. Through Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's flexible leadership, he was able to incorporate the required modifications into the training program while still maintaining the confidence and positive morale within the helicopter force. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert demonstrated his abilities and confidence in the helicopter and mission by flying the lead aircraft in all training phases, as well as the flight from the USS Nimitz to Desert One.

d. (U) The new helicopter techniques that were developed and tested under totally realistic and demanding conditions have opened a new era of helicopter operations and have filled a long standing void in tactical employment capability. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's helicopter expertise and remarkable leadership weighed heavily on this achievement.

3. (U) By his exemplary performance of duty, Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHN  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

EDWARD R. SEIFFERT

Lieutenant Colonel Edward R. Seiffert, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 9 December 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Helicopter Force Commander assigned to a highly selected joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. He demonstrated truly outstanding leadership and aviation expertise in the establishment, training and ultimately, employment of this unique helicopter force. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert was instrumental in developing an in-depth realistic training program, incorporating a variety of new techniques, to fulfill the extremely demanding mission requirements. Through his flexible leadership, he was able to remain abreast of the constantly changing mission requirements, incorporate modifications into the training program while still maintaining confidence and positive morale within the helicopter force. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's efforts produced direct results in the task force as well as opening a new era of helicopter employment capabilities. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. (U) Major [redacted] United States Army, [redacted]
- b. (U) [redacted] Hunter Army Airfield, GA 31409.
- c. (U) [redacted]
- d. (U) 4 November 1979 to 24 April 1980.
- e. (U) Desired Date of Presentation: ASAP.

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f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending, and no previous award has been made for the achievements described herein.

g. (U) Previous personal decorations: [redacted]

2. (U) [redacted] distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service from 14 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 while a member of the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing American citizens held in Iran.

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a. (U) As Commander, [redacted] Ranger [redacted] Major Grange was responsible for the primary security of the [redacted] and the secondary airfield required for in-route operations. As a member of the initial Ranger planning cell, Major [redacted] was required to collate the vast intelligence input and planning data into a coherent concept that could be executed by a [redacted] force under conditions of extreme duress and time sensitivity. Major [redacted] designed a unique airfield seizure plan and concomitant command/control techniques that served as the foundation for all future operations of that nature. His doctrine and

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techniques are now accepted as the standard for all future operations and are now in use by other similar organizations. Additionally, Major [redacted] personally devised several night blackout techniques for vehicles and personnel that materially contributed to the success of the [redacted]. These methods have also been incorporated into standard doctrine and technology for counterterrorism forces.

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b. Major [redacted] was tasked with the complex responsibility of devising a fail-safe personnel accountability technique at the [redacted]. This problem involved several services, forces and the hostages themselves. Major [redacted] invented several unique methods, examined them in training and finally adapted a solution that worked without fail in numerous tests. This method is now adopted as a standard practice by all US counterterrorist forces. In addition, Major [redacted] developed the cross-loading system with the Air Force that provided a high degree of assurance that necessary security and key personnel assets would be at the proper place regardless of problems enroute.

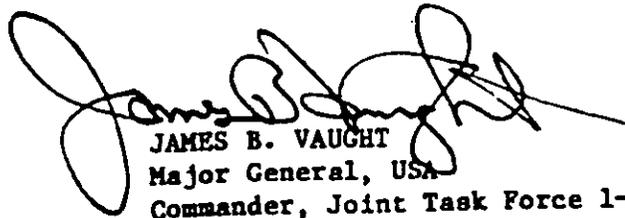
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c. As the [redacted] commander, Major [redacted] was required to lead and train his troops in the plans that he devised. Handicapped by OPSEC requirements, Major [redacted] was still able to devise a highly imaginative training program that permitted him to develop a highly efficient force in specialized tasks without revealing to his Company or the rest of the Battalion the true purpose of the training.

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3. (U) Major [redacted] great enthusiasm, high degree of professionalism and will to succeed reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Major [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement during the period 4 November 1979 to 24 April 1980 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran. Major [REDACTED] as a key member of the initial planning cell, was the primary architect for several key planning concepts. As the Commander of the Security Team, Major [REDACTED] developed the capability of that force to a high degree of mission readiness. Much of what Major [REDACTED] accomplished as both a planner and commander is now incorporated as Army special operations doctrine. Major [REDACTED] meritorious achievements reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

MEMORANDUM

Date 16 July 81

To: LTG Gast

Subject: Awards Update

1. All recommendations for awards submitted by MG Vaught to the Board, were either endorsed or approved:

- All 10 DSSMs were endorsed by the OPSDEPs and the CJCS, and submitted to SECDEF for approval.
- 49 DMSMs/JSCMs were approved by VDJS and are being prepared for presentation.

2. Humanitarian Service Award (HSM):

- MG Dyke has requested ASD(MR&L) to extend the criteria for HSM to cover all JTF personnel who were forward deployed on 24-25 Apr 80.
- This is in addition to those who crossed the Iran air space and were approved previously.

3. Awards for COL [redacted] and MAJ [redacted] (LNO) were approved and presented by CINCEUR.

S.D. OLYNYK  
LTC 73455

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# OJCS SUMMARY SHEET

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TO: CJCS	CLASSIFICATION <del>CONFIDENTIAL</del>	FOR USE BY ORIGINATING DIRECTORATE <del>CONFIDENTIAL</del>		
FROM: <i>C. G. ...</i> <i>15 Jul 81</i>	DJSM NO.	ODJS SUSPENSE DATE		
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SUBJECT: Recommendations for Awards to Personnel Involved in the Iran Hostage Rescue Attempt (U)	ACTION			
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**REMARKS**

1. On 2 July 1981, a special Awards Review Board, established under the JCS approved Guidelines for Awards\*, reviewed recommendations for awards to selected personnel involved in the Iran hostage rescue attempt. These recommendations were submitted to the Board by the former Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79 (COMJTF 1-79, MG Vaught).
2. A total of 59 award recommendations were submitted to the Board as follows: DSSM-10; DMSM-36; and JSCM-13.
  - The DSSMs require approval by the Secretary of Defense.
3. The Board has recommended approval of all ten recommendations for DSSM.
4. By attached memorandum, SECDEF will be requested to approve recommendations for DSSM.
5. Recommend signature of attached memorandum.

**Reference:**

\* JCSM-118-81, 10 April 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel"

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**ACTION OFFICER**

S.D. Olynyk  
LtCol, USA  
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TO: MG Dyke

Subject: DSSMS: Approval & Processing

1. Normally, all recommendations for DSSM awards go to OSD Military Personnel Division.

- Chief, Mil Pers Div, (COL R.T. Lambert) submits them to OSD Awards Board.
- All DSSM awards (except for General Off) are approved by the Special Asst to SECDEF, Mr. John H. Rixie.
- After approval, OSD Mil Pers Div prepares the awards for presentation (citation, medal, etc) and returns them to originating agency for presentation.

2. Based on my discussion with COL Lambert, he indicated that we have the option of -

Submitting DSSM recommendations directly to Spec Asst to SECDEF.

-- He may approve them outright or board them first.

— Submit them to COL Lambert who will -

- Board the recommendations
- Submit to Spec Asst for approval
- Prepare approved awards (citation, medals, etc) for presentation.
- Return approved awards to JCS for presentation.

3. COL Lambert recommended that the awards be submitted to him first.

-- He will insure expeditious approval and processing. Estimate Time: One week for approval; 2 additional weeks for processing.

LTC S. Olynyk

COL R.T. Lambert  
Chief, Military Personnel Div  
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# OJCS SUMMARY SHEET

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TO: DJS	CLASSIFICATION <del>SECRET</del>	FOR USE BY ORIGINATING DIRECTORATE	
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- A total of 59 award recommendations were submitted to the Board as follows: DSSM-10; DMSM-36; and JSCM-13.
- The Board has recommended approval of all award recommendations submitted by COMJTF 1-79.
  - Recommendations for DSSM will be submitted under separate cover to OJCS for endorsement and referral to the SECDEF for approval.
  - Recommendations for DMSM and JSCM are submitted to DJS for approval (Tab A)
- By attached memorandums:
  - COMJTF 1-79 will be informed of DJS endorsement of the Board action (Enclosure A);
  - DAS, OJCS, will be requested to process approved awards (Enclosure B).

Recommend approval and signature of attached memorandums.

Reference: JCSM-118-81, 10 April 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel"

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<b>ACTION OFFICER</b> S. D. Olynyk, SEC. COL., USA SOD, J-3/wac EXT. 73455	<b>COORDINATION/APPROVAL</b>					
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ENCLOSURE  
LIST OF APPROVED AWARDS

The following is a list of approved awards to recognize individuals who participated in the Iran hostage rescue attempt:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AWARD</u>
(A) [REDACTED]	JTF Staff LTC	USA	DMSM
[REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DMSM
[REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DMSM
[REDACTED]	MAJ	USA	DMSM
[REDACTED]	CPT	USA	DMSM
[REDACTED]	CAPT	USN	DMSM
[REDACTED]	YNC	USN	DMSM
[REDACTED]	COL	USAF	DMSM
[REDACTED]	LTC	USAF	DMSM
[REDACTED]	COL	USA	JSCM
OLYNYK, S. D.	LTC	USA	JSCM
WILLIAMSON, C. A.	LTC	USA	JSCM
[REDACTED]	LTC	USMC	JSCM

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Enclosure



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NAME

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SERVICE

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AWARD

Helicopter Personnel

PITMAN, C. H.

COL

USMC

DMSM

LTC

USMC

DMSM

CPT

USMC

DMSM

CWO

USMC

JSCM

PO2

USN

JSCM

SGT

USMC

JSCM

LCPL

USMC

JSCM

JCSE Personnel

MAJ

USA

DMSM

SSGT

USA

DMSM

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USAF

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MSGT

USAF

DMSM

MSGT

USAF

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SSGT

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel (P) P. M. Dawkins, US  
Rear Admiral A. S. Moreau, Jr., USN  
Brigadier General P. M. Smith, USAF  
Major General B. E. Trainor, USMC

Subject: Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel

1. Reference our discussion during the meeting of the special Awards Review Board on 25 June 1981, attached are three lists of approved awards for actions related to the release of US hostages:

a. Approved Awards to Hostage Rescue personnel (TAB A): These awards included classified awards, posthumous awards, and awards presented to personnel aiding burned victims at Desert ONE. The recipients of these awards were members of the JTF 1-79, and their actions, for which recognized, were directly related to the hostage rescue attempt.

b. Approved Awards to "Operations Planning Group (Iran)" (TAB B): Members of this group participated in the development of a variety of punitive and other measures related indirectly to the hostage situation. The recipients of these awards were NOT members of the JTF 1-79, and their actions, for which recognized, related only indirectly to the hostage rescue attempt. Some personnel did serve on one or more of the Operations Planning Group cells and with JTF 1-79.

c. Awards presented to US military personnel who served as escorts to six military members of the hostage group (TAB C).

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2. Also enclosed for your information (TAB D) is an Army information paper on awards approved for participants in other rescue operations (e.g., Song Tay Raid, Mayaguez Rescue Operation).

3. Major General Vaught, as JTF 1-79 Commander, has received 789 recommendations for awards. Of this number, he has, in accordance with the approved Guidelines on Awards, delegated authority to approve 230 recommendations. He has submitted to the Awards Review Board 59 recommendations, and 500 recommendations are being held in abeyance pending the resolution of the Humanitarian Service Award issue.

4. This information is provided to you solely for the purpose of establishing a framework of award actions already taken which relate to the awards now being considered by the Awards Review Board.



CHARLES W. DYKE  
Major General, USA  
Vice Director, Joint Staff

Attachments  
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TAB A

APPROVED AWARDS TO HOSTAGE RESCUE PERSONNEL

		<u>AWARDED</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
<b>DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL</b>			
(E) Col James Kyle	USAF	No	Desert One Commander
[REDACTED]	USAF	Yes	[REDACTED]
AG [REDACTED]	USA	No	Desert One Classified
[REDACTED]	USA	Yes	Classified
[REDACTED]	USAF	Yes	Classified

**DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL**

Capt Richard Bakke	USAF	Yes	Killed in Action
Capt Harold Lewis	USAF	Yes	Killed in Action
Capt Lynn McIntosh	USAF	Yes	Killed in Action
Capt Charles McMilan II	USAF	Yes	Killed in Action
TSgt Joel Mayo	USAF	Yes	Killed in Action
SSgt Dewey Johnson	USMC	Yes	Killed in Action
Sgt John D. Harvey	USMC	Yes	Killed in Action
Cpl George Holmes, Jr.	USMC	Yes	Killed in Action

**SOLDIER'S MEDAL**

AG [REDACTED]	USA	No	Aid to burn victims
[REDACTED]	USA	No	Aid to burn victims

**AIRMAN'S MEDAL**

AG [REDACTED]	USAF	No	Aid to burn victims
[REDACTED]	USAF	No	Aid to burn victims
[REDACTED]	USAF	No	Aid to burn victims
[REDACTED]	USAF	No	Aid to burn victims

**HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL**

Approved for award to certain selected individuals who participated in the attempted rescue of United States hostages held in Iran.

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APPROVED AWARDS TO "OPERATIONS PLANNING GROUP (IRAN)"

NAME/ORGANIZATION	RECOGNITION/ AWARD	AUTHORITY/ SIGNATURE
AWARDS		
Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	DMSM	DJS
Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	DMSM	DJS
Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] USMC	DMSM	DJS
Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] USA	DMSM	DJS
Major [REDACTED] USAF	DMSM	DJS
Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Commander [REDACTED] USN	JSCM	DJS
Major [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Major [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Major [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Major [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
AOC [REDACTED] USN	JSCM	DJS
Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Major [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
Captain [REDACTED] USAF	JSCM	DJS
<b>LETTERS</b>		
[REDACTED] USAF	LC	OJCS
Det 4, 2762d LS(S)	LC	OJCS
Hill Air Force Base	LC	OJCS
2nd MAW/MAG 14/VMA 224	LC	OJCS
[REDACTED], HQ USAF/RDQ	LA	OJCS
NATC, Patuxent River	LA	OJCS
HSL 31	LA	OJCS
HSL 32	LA	OJCS
COMASWINGPAC	LA	OJCS
COMATWINGPAC/VA-65	LA	OJCS
Captain [REDACTED] JCMPO	ILC	OSD/OUSDRE
Mr. [REDACTED] NSWC	ILC	OSD/OUSDRE
[REDACTED] NRL	ILC	OSD/OUSDRE
Mr. [REDACTED] NSWC	ILC	OSD/OUSDRE
Mr. [REDACTED] NSWC	ILC	OSD/OUSDRE
Mr. [REDACTED] AFSC/ADTC	ILC	OSD/OUSDRE
Messrs. [REDACTED] NRL	LC	OSD/OUSDRE
Messrs. [REDACTED] NSWC	LC	OSD/OUSDRE
Messrs. [REDACTED] BRL	LC	OSD/OUSDRE
FESA	LC	OSD/OUSDRE
Naval Supply Systems Command	LC	OSD/OUSDRE
Colonel [REDACTED] USAF, DMA	ILA	OSD/OUSDRE
RADM Lewis, NAVMAT	LA	OSD/OUSDRE
DOE	LA	OSD/OUSDRE
RADM [REDACTED] JCMPO	LA	OSD/OUSDRE

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[REDACTED] ANSWC [REDACTED] DIA  
Dugway Proving Ground

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- \* DMSM - Defense Meritorious Service Medal
- JSCM - Joint Service Commendation Medal
- ILC - Individual Letter of Commendation
- LC - Letter of Commendation (Unit, individuals cited)
- ILA - Individual Letter of Appreciation
- LA - Letter of Appreciation (Unit, individuals cited)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award of the Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individuals be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement as an exception to policy. These individuals augmented the Operations Planning Group (Iran), Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

- a. Col [redacted] USAF HQ USAF/XOOT
- Col [redacted] USAF HQ USAF/AFXOX
- LTC [redacted] SMG HQ USAF/AFXOX
- LTC [redacted] USA HQ DARCOM
- Maj [redacted] USAF USAF [redacted]

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- b. Operations Planning Group, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- c. Staff Officers, Operations Planning Group (Iran).
- d. 5 December 1979 to 25 April 1980.
- e. No other recommendations for awards to these individuals are pending and no previous awards have been made for the service described here.

2. [redacted]

distinguished themselves by outstanding meritorious achievement during the period 5 December 1979 to 25 April 1980, while serving as Staff Officers attached to the Operations Planning Group (Iran), Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

a. [redacted] et al, directed the efforts of a team which conceived, developed, tested (at [redacted] locations), and deployed three complete weapons systems within 70 days of initial tasking. This effort involved 28 government organizations and 8 contractors and was successfully accomplished only under the most stringent security arrangements.

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G b. Col [REDACTED] et al, were central to the success of this project. The demands were extraordinary. Security precautions isolated them from many experts usually available to support such efforts. All aspects of the project were exceptionally time sensitive.

G c. Their ability to integrate operational expertise and research and development talents was superb. Throughout the project, Col [REDACTED] et al, defined the thrust of key decision papers and responded to all queries in an authoritative manner. Their complete mastery of a myriad of technical and operational details was clearly evident and facilitated decisionmaking. Presentations to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff and other flag/general officers were consistently outstanding.

G d. Through the efforts of Col [REDACTED] et al, three weapons systems were conceived and deployed that might assist in the US reponse to the situation in Iran. Throughout this period of intense activity, they demonstrated selfless dedication and the highest professional standards. Under the pressure of time sensitive requirements and working with highly compartmented information, they rendered valuable assistance to the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for which the Defense Meritorious Service Medal is appropriate recognition.

G 3. By their exemplary performance of duty, Col [REDACTED] et al, have reflected great credit upon themselves, their Services, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

Philip D. Shuter

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20301



THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award of the Joint Service Commendation Medal

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individuals be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal for achievement. This recommendation is submitted on individuals who, as requested by the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, augmented the Operations Planning Group (Iran), Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

- a. Col [REDACTED] USAF
- Col [REDACTED] USAF
- LtCol [REDACTED] USAF
- [REDACTED] USAF
- LtCol [REDACTED] USAF
- LtCol [REDACTED] USAF
- LtCol [REDACTED] USAF
- Maj [REDACTED] USAF
- Capt [REDACTED] USAF

b. Operations Planning Group, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

c. USAF Joint Staff Operations Officer, Operations Planning Group (Iran).

d. 5 November 1979 to 28 May 1980

e. No other recommendations for awards to these individuals are pending and no previous awards have been made for the service described here.

[REDACTED]

distinguished themselves by outstanding achievement from 5 November 1979 through 28 May 1980, while serving as Joint Operations Staff Officers attached to the Operations Planning Group (Iran), Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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G a. During the period Col [REDACTED] et al, through conscientious and dedicated efforts contributed significantly to the overall effectiveness of the Operations Planning Group (Iran), participating tirelessly in the preparation of plans, operations orders, and briefings to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the National Command Authorities. These actions required a wide range of detailed knowledge of their Air Force specialty, joint activities and sensitive special operations.

G b. Throughout the performance of their duties and exercise of broad responsibilities these officers demonstrated an outstanding ability to respond rapidly and accurately, and to initiate actions that reflected mature and sound judgment. Under the pressure of time-sensitive requirements and working with highly compartmented need-to-know planning information, Col [REDACTED] et al, rendered invaluable and accurate assistance to the Joint Staff.

G 3. Col [REDACTED] et al, consistently demonstrated the highest caliber of professionalism, mature judgment, and devotion to duty. Through their efforts, detailed planning and complex operations were prepared in the attempt to respond to the capture of US hostages in Iran. Throughout this lengthy period of intense activity, they demonstrated selfless dedication to duty and professional competence which exemplify the highest standards.

G 4. By their exemplary performance of duty, Col [REDACTED] et al, have reflected great credit upon themselves, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

Philip D. Shuttles

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# OJCS SUMMARY SHEET

TO: J-3	CLASSIFICATION <del>CONFIDENTIAL</del>	FOR USE BY ORIGINATING DIRECTOR/TATE			
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		DJSM DATE			
SUBJECT:  Awards for Hostage Rescue Personnel	ACTION				
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**REMARKS**

1. PURPOSE. To provide information on the current status of awards processing for personnel involved in the Iran hostage rescue attempt.

2. CURRENT STATUS.

- A special Awards Review Board, established by the JCS approved "Guidelines for Awards,"\* will convene on 23 June 1981 to consider recommendations for recognizing selected personnel (on exceptional basis).
- MG Vaught has informed former JTF 1-79 component commanders of the JCS approved "Guidelines for Awards" and solicited nominations for recognizing their personnel.
- Responses have been received from all except the helicopter detachment commander.
- The approximate number of recommendations which will be submitted for consideration by the Board is currently estimated at 30.
- The award nominations requiring Board action are to be submitted to the Board by 10 June 1981.

**Reference:**  
\* JCSM-118-81, 10 April 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel"

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ACTION OFFICER  S.D. Olynyk LTC, USAR SOD, J3  EXT 73455	COORDINATION/APPROVAL					
	OFFICE	NAME	EXTENSION	OFFICE	NAME	EXTENSION
	SOD		55814			
	J33	<i>Brudvig</i>	<i>72656</i>			
	J31	<i>John S...</i>				
EXEC	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>58865</i>		<i>Disclassified by DDO, NMCC 12 May 99</i>		
DATE OF PREPARATION 21 May 1981						

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3. It is anticipated this procedure will enable the Board to complete its action expeditiously while providing the award-approving authorities maximum necessary information on all recommendations.

4. The Secretary of the Board is: LTC S.D. Olynyk, USA, OJCS, Ext 73455/75279.



CHARLES W. DYKE  
Major General, USA  
Vice Director, Joint Staff

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Reference:  
\* JCSM-118-81, 10 April 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel" ?

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4. (U) Awards Review Board

a. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> A special Awards Review Board (ARB) for this purpose only is established effective this date to consider recommendations for awards to recognize personnel involved in the Iran hostage rescue attempt.

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c. (U) The ARB will review all recommendations for awards within the purview of these guidelines; will act in advisory capacity to the Director, Joint Staff, on matters relating to the awards; and will be guided by decorations and award standards contained in respective DOD and JCS directives.

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a. (U) The following two categories of personnel involved in the Iran hostage rescue attempt (24-25 April 1980) will be recognized for a Defense or Joint award (see para 6 below):

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d. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Personnel involved in follow-on planning and preparation for the Iran hostage rescue (after 25 April 1980) will be recognized by their respective Services as deemed appropriate in accordance with applicable Service regulations and directives on awards and decorations.

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(2) (U) All recommendations will be submitted to respective Service OPSDEPs for screening to insure administrative accuracy of the recommendation and continued eligibility of the nominee.

AWARDS GUIDELINES SUMMARY

<u>NO.</u>	<u>AWARD</u>	<u>CATEGORY OF PERSONNEL</u>	<u>RECOMMENDING OFFICIAL</u>	<u>ACTION BY THE SERVICES</u>	<u>ACTION BY AWARDS REVIEW BOARD</u>	<u>AWARDING OFFICIAL</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
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3.	Joint Service Commendation Medal (JSCM)	a. Those present on DESERT ONE on 24 April 1980 (to be considered on individual basis)  b. Other members of JTF 1-79 on an EXCEPTIONAL basis	a. COMJTF 1-79 to OPSDEPS  b. COMJTF 1-79 thru OPSDEPS to ARB	a. OPSDEPS to screen nominations and submit to COMJTF 1-79 for approval  a. OPSDEPS to screen nominations and submit to ARB	a. NONE  b. Review and recommend to DJS	a. COMJTF 1-79  b. DJS	

Abbreviations: ARB - Award Review Board; COMJTF - Commander, Joint Task Force;  
DJS - Director, Joint Staff; IAW - In accordance with

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Instructions for Unit Personnel Officers

RICEBOWL AWARDS

1. Enclosed are the formats for and guidelines for preparation of the RICEBOWL awards. In sum, if a member of your unit was on the ground at Desert One or penetrated Iranian airspace, he is eligible for a joint award to the DMSM level. Other personnel, or higher joint awards, will be handled on an EXCEPTION basis and reviewed by an Awards Review Board.
2. If the recognition is within MG Vaught's authority to award, the recommending document should be addressed to Commanding General, Joint Task Force. If the Joint award is not within his authority, it should be addressed through MG Vaught to the Director, Joint Staff.
3. No nominating action is required for the Humanitarian Service Medal. However, units are requested to submit a full name line roster of eligible personnel to DAMO-ODSO ASAP. This office will insure that credit is provided to the respective Service MILPO.
4. All nominations will be classified SECRET. An unclassified citation will accompany the original submission.

SNOWBIRD

1. SNOWBIRD awards will be retained by each Service. No joint awards are authorized. However, all nominations for unilateral Service awards will be processed by this office.
2. Army and USAF have jointly agreed to process and award all submissions at Service level. MG Vaught, as JTF Commander, will have the authority to award Service awards up to and including the Meritorious Service Medal equivalent. For awards of a higher category, a special board will be convened in Washington. Each Service will review field nominations for accuracy and records check prior to MG Vaught's completing his review. In this manner, the JTF Commander can insure equity throughout his force.
3. Personnel who participated in both RICEBOWL and SNOWBIRD may be submitted for two separate awards not covering the same time frame.
4. Units making SNOWBIRD recommendations should forward their nominations in accordance with appropriate Service guidelines to this office. For awards within the MSM and below level, MG Vaught will be the approving authority. For higher level awards, MG Vaught will be the recommending authority.
5. It is suggested that the Commander of the next higher unit be provided an opportunity to review the Service submissions if deemed appropriate.

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DO YOU, LTC OLYNYK, SOLEMNLY SWEAR OR AFFIRM THAT YOU WILL FAITHFULLY, AND WITHOUT PREJUDICE OR FAVOR, PERFORM THE DUTIES IMPOSED UPON YOU AS SECRETARY OF THE AWARDS REVIEW BOARD, AND THAT YOU WILL NOT DIVULGE THE INFORMATION CONSIDERED BY THIS BOARD, THE BOARD PROCEEDINGS OR RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE BOARD, EXCEPT TO PROPER AUTHORITY?

REPLY: I DO.

~~BE SEATED, PLEASE.~~

DO YOU, MG DYKE, ADM MOREAU, BG SMITH, MG TRAINOR, AND COL DAWKINS, SOLEMNLY SWEAR OR AFFIRM THAT YOU WILL FAITHFULLY, AND WITHOUT PREJUDICE OR FAVOR, PERFORM THE DUTIES IMPOSED UPON YOU AS MEMBERS OF THE AWARDS REVIEW BOARD, AND THAT YOU WILL NOT DIVULGE THE INFORMATION CONSIDERED BY THIS BOARD, THE BOARD PROCEEDINGS OR RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE BOARD, EXCEPT TO PROPER AUTHORITY.?

REPLY: I DO.

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3. The Joint Staff point of contact for awards to personnel who participated in the hostage rescue attempt is: LTC S. D. Olynyk, USA, Ext 73455/75279.

4. A report will be provided to you upon completion of the panel action.



CHARLES W. DYKE  
Major General, USA  
Vice Director, Joint Staff

Copy to:  
MG Vaught

Reference:

- \* JCSM-118-81, 10 April 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel"

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# OJCS SUMMARY SHEET

TO: VDJS	CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED	FOR USE BY ORIGINATING DIRECTORATE			
IRU		DJSM NO.	ODJS SUSPENSE DATE		
		DJSM DATE			
SUBJECT:  Status Report on the Administration of Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel	ACTION				
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REMARKS

1. Reference verbal request by the Vice Director, Joint Staff, of 22 April 1981 for a status report on the awards action.
2. By attached memorandum, the OPSDEPS will be provided with an interim report on the status of administering the awards for selected individuals involved in the Iran hostage rescue attempt.
3. Recommend approval and signature.

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ACTION OFFICER  S. D. OLYNYK LTC, USA SOD, J-3  Ext 73455	COORDINATION/APPROVAL					
	OFFICE	NAME & DATE	EXTENSION	OFFICE	NAME & DATE	EXTENSION
	SOD	<i>Stearns</i>	55814			
	MILSEC	<i>Phillips</i>	57532			
	J-33 EXEC	<i>Stearns</i>	72608 78863			
J-31	<i>Johnson</i>	56243				
DATE OF PREPARATION 23 Apr 81	CLASSIFICATION <del>CONFIDENTIAL</del>					



THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON D C 20301

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14 April 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Subject: Confirmation of the Appointment of the Commander,  
Joint Task Force 1-79 ~~Act~~ (U)

Pursuant to verbal orders of 12 November 1979, the appointment of Major General James B. Vaught, USA, 449-64-3161, as the Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79, for the period from 12 November 1979 through 21 December 1980 is confirmed.



DAVID C. JONES, General, USAF  
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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TO: CJCS	CLASSIFICATION <del>SECRET</del>	FOR USE BY ORIGINATING DIRECTORATE		
THRU: DJS		DJSM NO.	ODJS SUSPENSE DATE	
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SUBJECT: Confirmation of Designation of COMJTF 1-79 <del>(S)</del> (U)	ACTION			
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**REMARKS**

1. ~~(S)~~ On 12 November 1979, the JTF 1-79 was established to plan the rescue of US hostages in Iran and MG Vaught, USA, was designated by verbal orders as the JTF commander.
2. ~~(S)~~ For reasons of operational security, written confirmation of the designation was not issued during the period of US hostage captivity in Iran.
3. ~~(S)~~ Now that the hostages have been released, it is considered appropriate to obtain a written confirmation of the designation of COMJTF 1-79. This will:
  - Facilitate the completion of remaining administrative and personnel actions related to the Iran hostage rescue attempt.
  - Document the appointment of COMJTF 1-79 for military historical purposes.
4. (U) Recommend approval and signature of attached memorandum for record.

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<b>ACTION OFFICER</b> S.D. Olynyk LTC, USA SOD, J-3 EXT 73455	<b>COORDINATION/APPROVAL</b>					
	OFFICE	NAME & DATE	EXTENSION	OFFICE	NAME & DATE	EXTENSION
	SOD	<i>Stearns</i>	55814	USA	<i>COL Woolley</i>	72014
	MilSec	<i>Joan Heger</i>	54532	USM	<i>Capt Randall</i>	55687
	J-33 Exec	<i>Swadlow</i>	72486	USAF	<i>COL Boyd</i>	75424
J-31	<i>Johnson</i>	56243	USMC	<i>LTC Van Riper</i>	44221	
DATE OF PREPARATION 23 March 1981		CLASSIFICATION <del>SECRET</del>				

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DJS	DJSM DATE			
SUBJECT: Confirmation of Designation of COMJTF 1-79 (U)	<b>ACTION</b>			
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<b>ACTION OFFICER</b> S.D. Olynyk/jeo LTC, USA SOD, J-3  EXT 73455	<b>COORDINATION/APPROVAL</b>					
	OFFICE	NAME & DATE	EXTENSION	OFFICE	NAME & DATE	EXTENSION
	J-3	<i>Jeo</i>	73782	ARMY	COL Wooley	72014
				NAVY	Capt Randall	55687
				USAF	COL Boyd	75424
			USMC	LTC Van Riper	44221	
DATE OF PREPARATION 24 March 1981	CLASSIFICATION <del>SECRET</del>					

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3.	Joint Service Commendation Medal (JSCM)	a. Those present on DESERT ONE on 24 April 1980 (to be considered on individual basis)  b. Other members of JTF 1-79 on an EXCEPTIONAL basis	a. COMJTF 1-79 to OPSDEPS  b. COMJTF 1-79 thru OPSDEPS to ARB	a. OPSDEPS to screen nominations and submit to COMJTF 1-79 for approval  a. OPSDEPS to screen nominations and submit to ARB	a. NONE  b. Review and recommend to DJS	a. COMJTF 1-79  b. DJS	

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(U)  
f. 25 Mar 81: By memorandum to OPSDEPs\*\*\*, LTG Gast forwarded revised guidelines, reflecting guidance received from OPSDEPs in executive session on 18 March 1981. The memorandum with enclosures was forwarded by J-3 MILSEC through joint distribution channels.



S. D. OLYNYK  
LTC, USAR  
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References:

- \* J3M-447-81, 6 March 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel (U)"
- \*\* J3M-512-81, 17 March 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel (U)"
- \*\*\* J3M-579-81, 25 March 1981, "Guidelines for Awards to Hostage Rescue Personnel (U)"

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
Alternative  
MEMORANDUM

Date 25 March 1981

To: LTG Gast

Subject: Awards Guidelines to JTF Personnel

1. Attached is a revised text of the guidelines based on your conversation with LTG Otis. It provides for (blue marker) -

- MG Vaught making all recommendations.
- Screening by Service OPSDEPs of all nominations.
- MG Vaught, by delegated authority, to approve DMSM and JSCM for personnel at Desert One only.
- DJS, after Board review, to approve DMSMs and JSCMs to personnel NOT at Desert One on exceptional basis.

2. Attached (Tab 2) is also a 2d alternative, which is basically the same as above, except it would give MG Vaught approving authority for all awards (DMSM & JSCM), EXCEPT DMSM for personnel not at Desert 1 "on exceptional basis." The latter would be reviewed by the Board and approved by DJS.

3. Recommend approval of 2d alternative and signature of cover memo to OPSDEPs.

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LTC S. D. OLYNYK

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FACT SHEET

SUBJECT: Awards for Hostage Rescue Personnel (U)

BACKGROUND

1. (U) JTF policy on awards to hostage rescue participants subsequent to the aborted attempt has been to defer all action pending the release of all hostages.

- Exceptions were:

a. (U) Posthumus awards presented to families of members killed in action.

b. ~~(S)~~<sup>(U)</sup> Selected classified awards.

c. (U) Awards for aid to burn victims at Desert One.

2. (U) On 27 June 1980, the Director, Joint Staff, approved Defense/Joint awards to twenty individuals who augmented the Operations Planning Group (Iran) during December 79 - April 80 in support of the Iran hostage rescue mission. This group was not an integral part of the JTF-79 planning staff.

3. (U) The Services have submitted to CDR JTF-79 a number of recommendations for awards, but these have been held in abeyance (USAF: 716 awards; other Services: unknown).

4. (U) On 29 July 1980, SECDEF approved award of the Humanitarian Service Medal (HSM) to certain selected individuals who participated in the hostage rescue mission.

- Category of personnel was NOT defined.

- Provisional definition is provided in proposed JCS guidelines. (See para 5 below.)

5. ~~(S)~~<sup>(U)</sup> On 14 Feb 1980, CDR JTF requested the CJCS to:

- Obtain approval from SECDEF to expand the HSM award to include all JTF personnel deployed to support the hostage rescue attempt or those subsequently on follow-on operations.

-- Estimated number of participants: 750.

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- Approve the award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (AFEM) to JTF 1-79 personnel who penetrated the Iranian border and those forward deployed for planned penetration on Day Two.

- Obtain authority to award DMS and JCSM to JTF and JTD members at the discretion of the CDR JTF.

CURRENT STATUS

6. (U) At the request of the Director, J-3, draft guidelines for awards to hostage rescue personnel were developed to be issued by the Director, Joint Staff.

a. (U) The proposed guidelines provide policy guidance, establish an interim Awards Review Board, outline procedures for processing recommendations, and define categories of personnel to be recognized and types of awards deemed appropriate for recognition.

b. (U) The guidelines were staffed with the Service points of contact and CDR JTF (MG Vaught).

c. (U) On 6 March 1981, after incorporating some Service comments, the guidelines were submitted to OPSDEPS for review. (Summary of Service comments in Enclosure.)

- Director, J-3, proposed that the guidelines be discussed in Executive Session with the OPSDEPS.

7. (U) The proposed guidelines provide for three categories of personnel to be considered for recognition:

a. <sup>(U)</sup> Personnel who penetrated the Iran air space in support of hostage rescue mission would be awarded HSM.

b. <sup>(U)</sup> Personnel, who were on Desert One would be considered for either DMS or JCSM, as appropriate, on a case-by-case basis as determined by the Awards Review Board.

c. <sup>(U)</sup> Personnel other than those cited above on an exceptional basis.

Attachment  
a/s

Prepared by: S. D. Olynyk, LTC, USA,  
Special Operations Division  
Ext 73455  
17 March 1981

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# OJCS SUMMARY SHEET

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Awards for Hostage Rescue Personnel		X	X

**REMARKS**

1. Following the Iran hostage rescue attempt, there have been a number of initiatives taken to provide a fitting recognition for individuals involved in the hostage rescue attempt. With the exception of the posthumous awards and selected classified awards, the JTF policy has been to defer all action until the hostages were returned home.
2. Since the release of the hostages, it is the desire of all concerned to address this matter again.
3. In order to insure uniformity and equity in application of award policy with respect to this special category of awards, the Director, Joint Staff, has requested that general policy guidelines be developed.

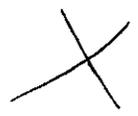
The proposed guidelines provide policy guidance, establish an interim Awards Review Board, outline procedures for processing recommendations, and define categories of personnel to be recognized and types of awards deemed appropriate for recognition.

5. By attached memorandum, the Director, Joint Staff, will provide OPSDEPS with appropriate guidelines on recognizing participants in the hostage rescue attempt.
6. Recommend signature of the memorandum and approval of the guidelines.

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	MILSEC	<i>Kelly</i>	54532	USN	RADM Moreau	55620
	J-33	<i>Budwig</i>	72656	USAF	Informed	
	EXEC			USMC	Informed	
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THE JOINT STAFF

14 FEB 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

Subject: Joint Task Force 1-79 Awards (U)

1. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Purpose:

- a. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> To obtain approval to award the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (AFEM) to those JTF 1-79 personnel penetrating the Iranian border during activities relating to the hostage rescue attempt and to those personnel forward deployed for penetration on Day Two.
- b. (U) To obtain authority to award the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (DMSM) and the Joint Service Commendation Medal (JSCM) to those members of the JTF deserving of such recognition.

2. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Discussion:

- a. (U) In consonance with OJCS policy for appropriate recognition of those individuals whose meritorious service and achievements are of such a magnitude that clearly place such individuals well above their associates in the performance of duty, the efforts of JTF 1-79 should be acknowledged. To that effect, guidelines have been developed and approved providing for the issuance of awards to include the AFEM, DMSM, and JSCM. Issuance of these awards will provide fitting recognition to the many members of the various Services who distinguished themselves during the long and difficult operations in pursuit of the rescue of the Americans held in Iran.
- b. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> The criteria of DOD Directive 1348.11, 31 Aug 76 (AFEM); 1348.14, 7 Feb 77 (JSCM); and 1348.26, 16 Feb 78 (DMSM) have been met. Applicable time period for the AFEM is 20 Mar 80 - 25 Apr 80.
- c. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Appropriate awards will be classified Secret to protect individuals/units involved and further similar operations.

3. (U) Recommendation:

- a. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Approve the award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (AFEM) to those JTF 1-79 personnel penetrating the Iranian border during activities relating to the hostage rescue attempt and to those personnel forward deployed for penetration on Day Two.
- b. (U) Delegate authority to the Commander, JTF, to award the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (DMSM) and the Joint Service Commendation Medal (JSCM) to those members of the JTF deserving of such recognition.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
JTF Commander

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IS: 12 Feb 2001  
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JTF AWARD SUMMARY

1. JTF policy with regard to awards had been to defer all action until the hostages returned home. There have been some necessary exceptions to this (Attached summary):

- Posthumous awards were presented to the families of those killed in action.
- A few other awards were approved and awarded on a special case basis. (Our desires are to release all subsequent awards at the same time.)

2. Some recommendations were submitted for consideration in July, have been held in abeyance. Breakout is as follows:

United States Air Force

1 SOW:                    Defense Superior Service Medal                    3  
                              Defense Meritorious Service Medal                137  
                              Joint Service Commendation Medal                286

Units Directly Supporting 1SOW:

                             Defense Superior Service Medal                    1  
                              Defense Meritorious Service Medal                51  
                              Joint Service Commendation Medal                75

MAC

                             Defense Superior Service Medal                    1  
                              Defense Meritorious Service Medal                27  
                              Joint Service Commendation Medal                45

United States Army

                             Defense Superior Service Medal                    1  
                              Defense Meritorious Service Medal                2  
                              Joint Service Commendation Medal                7

(No submissions from the Navy/Marine Corps.)

3. Future action. Proposed guidelines, upon approval, will be provided to JTF component commanders for submission of additional award recommendations as necessary.

4. Timing. Finalization and issuance of JTF guidelines is expected by 20 Feb. Return paperwork could be reasonably expected within 30 days. All action on the matter could be concluded by 1 May.

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JTF AWARDS APPROVED

Awarded

Remarks

DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

Col James Kyle

**[REDACTED]**

USAF No  
USAF Yes  
USA No  
USA Yes  
USAF Yes

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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Capt Richard Bakke USAF Yes  
Capt Harold Lewis USAF Yes  
Capt Lynn McIntosh USAF Yes  
Capt Charles McMilan II USAF Yes  
TSgt Joel Mayo USAF Yes  
SSgt Dewey Johnson USMC Yes  
Cpl George Holmes, Jr. USMC Yes

Killed in Action  
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SOLDIER'S MEDAL

**[REDACTED]**

USA No  
USA No

Aid to burn victims  
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AIRMAN'S MEDAL

**[REDACTED]**

USAF No  
USAF No  
USAF No  
USAF No

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HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL

Approved for award to all JTF forces participating in Operation Ricebowl. Award has not been presented.

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OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR JTF ACTIVITY, OPERATION RICEBOWL

1. The following paragraphs contain guidelines for JTF activities and are intended to provide a general guideline and are not intended to limit the component commander's discretion for awarding medals or decorations for his/her personnel. Furthermore, it is not intended that previously established award criteria be automatically re-evaluated. For example, the award criteria for the Iran Hostage Crisis, 4 Nov 79 - 20 Jan 81, is considered a single campaign. (This criteria is for award guidelines only and does not apply to hostile fire pay or other combat related benefits as under control by their officers.)

A. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

- (u) 1) Award to all JTF personnel penetrating the Iranian border in support of the hostage rescue attempt.
- 2) Award to those JTF personnel forward deployed for penetration on Day Two.

B. Humanitarian Service Medal Award to the entire JTF as recommended by the JTF commander. For guideline purposes the JTF will be defined as:

- 1) Those personnel who deployed from COMUS or their overseas home base in support of Ricebowl.
- 2) Those personnel who deployed from home base on post-Ricebowl.
- 3) The JTF Staff.

C. Joint Service Commendation Medal

- (u) 1) Award to those personnel not being recommended for the DSM who penetrated Iranian airspace in the execution of Ricebowl.
- 2) Award to members of the JTF Staff as per the attached list.

D. Defense Meritorious Service Medal

- (u) 1) Award to JTF component commanders and above, Operations Officers and aircrew members who penetrated Iranian airspace in the execution of Operation Ricebowl.
- 2) Award to those component commanders forward deployed for penetration on Day Two.
- 3) Award to members of the JTF Staff as per the attached list.

E. Defense Superior Service Medal

(u) At the discretion of the JTF Commander, award to those members of the JTF exhibiting superior meritorious service in a position of significant responsibility.

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ADCOM PACOM LNO

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FACILITIES

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NAVY LNO

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AVIATION

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Legend:

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- DMSM 21
- JSCM 28

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MEMORANDUM FOR Assistant Secretary of the Army (MGRA)  
Assistant Secretary of the Navy (MNAEL)  
Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (MNAEI)

SUBJECT: Humanitarian Service Medal

The Secretary of Defense has approved award of the Humanitarian Service Medal for certain select individuals who participated in the attempted rescue of United States hostages being held in Iran.

Inasmuch as this operation was under the direct control of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the OJCS Military Personnel Branch will be in direct contact with the Military Services for appropriate administrative inclusion of the award approval in the records of affected personnel.

Signed

R. Dean Tice  
Major General, USA  
Deputy Assistant Secretary

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cc: JCS/J-3 Spec Ops (Attn: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~)  
Chief, Mil Pers. Br, OJCS, Room 1A724 (Attn: Maj Johnson)

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23 May 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

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Subject: Recommendation for Award of the Humanitarian Service Medal--Decision Memorandum

1. Purpose: To obtain approval for the award of the Humanitarian Service Medal (HSM) to all Joint Task Force Personnel who penetrated Iranian airspace on the night of 24-25 April 1980.

2. Discussion:

a. The JTF Commander recommends that the HSM be approved for all JTF personnel who were in Iran the night of 24-25 April 1980. This is in keeping with the President's stated humanitarian aspects of the operation.

b. The criteria of DOD Directive 1348.25, 23 June 1977 have been met:

Operation: Attempted rescue of U.S. hostages in Iran  
Period: The night of 24-25 April 1980  
Humanitarian Aspects: Support provided to the National Command Authorities to obtain the release of American hostages from Iranian control.

Unit Participating: Joint Task Force 1-79  
Number of Participants: Estimated 200  
Request for assistance: The President directed a humanitarian mission to rescue U.S. hostages in Iran

c. All awards will be classified Secret to protect the individuals, units involved and future operations.

3. Recommendation: That the attempted rescue of American hostages be approved as qualifying for the award of the Humanitarian Service Medal.

*James B. Vaught*  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
JTF Commander

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*P.B. Hambrick*  
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HELICOPTER DET PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN THE RESCUE EFFORT

NAME	RANK	SSN	CURRENT DUTY STATION	FLEW MISSION	SERVICE	K/WIA	DATES IN INDIAN OCEAN AREA	
PITMAN, C. H.	COL		JCS (JTF/SOD)	YES	USMC		22-25 JAN	20-26 APR
REIFFERT, E. R.	LTCOL		HQMC	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	MAJ		HMX-1, MCDEC	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	MAJ		MAG26, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
PETTY, L. H.	MAJ		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC	WIA		20-26 APR
SCHAEFER, J. H.	MAJ		MAWTS-1, YUMA	YES	USMC	WIA	29 MAR-6 APR	20-26 APR
	MAJ		MAG36, 1st MAW	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CAPT		MAG26, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CAPT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CAPT		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CAPT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CAPT		MAWTS-1, YUMA	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CAPT		MAWTS-1, YUMA	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CWO2		WES-27, 2D MAW	NO	USMC			20-26 APR
	GYSGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	GYSGT		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	GYSGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	GYSGT		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	GYSGT		MAG16, TUSTIN	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	SSGT		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
JOHNSON, D. L.	SSGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC	KIA		20-26 APR
	SSGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	SSGT		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	SSGT		MAG16, TUSTIN	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	SSGT		MAG16, TUSTIN	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	SGT		MAG16, 3dMAW	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	SGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC	KIA		20-26 APR
	SGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
WILSON, J. D.	CPL		MAG46, N. RIVER	YES	USMC	KIA		20-26 APR
HOLMES, G. N.	CPL		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CPL		WES-27, CHERRY PT	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CPL		HMT-204, N. RIVER	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CPL		MAG16, 3dMAW	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	CPL		MAG16, 3dMAW	YES	USMC			20-26 APR
	LTCOL		CNO (AIR WARFARE)	NO	USMC		23 NOV-1 DEC	20-26 APR
	LTCOL		HQMC (APW)	NO	USMC			20-26 APR
	LTCOL		HQMC (ADM)	NO	USMC			20-26 APR
	MAJ		HQMC (INTF)	NO	USMC			20-26 APR
	MAJ		HQMC (LMW)	NO	USMC			20-26 APR
	MAJ		MAG39, CAMP DEN	NO	USMC		22-28 JAN	20-26 APR
	CAPT		MAG46, N. RIVER	NO	USMC		29 MAR-6 APR	20-26 APR
	1STLT		MAG39, CHERRY PT	NO	USMC			X
	CWO4		FMFLANT	NO	USMC		22-28 JAN	X
	CWO2		2D MAW, MWIS	NO	USMC			20-26 APR
	GYSGT		WRAT 101, YUMA	NO	USMC			X
	GYSGT		HMC YUMA	NO	USMC			X
	SSGT		HMC 2, 1st MAW	NO	USMC			X
	SGT		MAG16, 3d MAW	NO	USMC			X
	SGT		HWP 101, 1st MAW	NO	USMC			X
	SGT		MAG39, CAMP DEN	NO	USMC			X
	SGT		MAG46, N. RIVER	NO	USMC			X
	CPL		WES-27, 2dMAW	NO	USMC			X
	1CPL		MAG16, 3dMAW	NO	USMC			X
	1PC		WES-27, 2dMAW	NO	USMC			X

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CAPT	[REDACTED]	602ND TAIRCW BERG AFB	YES	USAF	20-26 APR
SSGT	[REDACTED]	JCSE, McDill AFB	NO	USAF	20-28 APR
COL	[REDACTED]	CINCPAC (J3)	NO	USAF	20-26 APR
SSGT	[REDACTED]	SFOD FT. BRAGG	YES	USA	20-26 APR
SGT	[REDACTED]	SFOD FT. BRAGG.	YES	USA	20-26 APR
SSGT	[REDACTED]	SFOD FT. BRAGG	NO	USA	20-28 APR
SSGT	[REDACTED]	SFOD FT. BRAGG	NO	USA	20-28 APR
CDR	[REDACTED]	OPNAV 941	NO	USN	29 MAR-6 APR 20-28 APR
LT	[REDACTED]	VF-26, NAS MIRAMAR	NO	USN	20-28 APR
LCDR	[REDACTED]	HM-12, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
LCDR	[REDACTED]	HM-12, NORFOLK	NO	USN	20-20 APR
LCDR	[REDACTED]	HM-14, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
LT (JG)	[REDACTED]	HM-16, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
AMM1	[REDACTED]	HM-16, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
AT2	[REDACTED]	HM-16, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
PO2	[REDACTED]	HM-14, NORFOLK	NO	USN	20-28 APR
AT2	[REDACTED]	HM-16, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
AT2	[REDACTED]	HM-14, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR
AT2	[REDACTED]	HM-14, NORFOLK	YES	USN	20-26 APR

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28 MAY 1981

THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL VAUGHT

Subject: Recommendations for Awards

1. On <sup>(V)</sup>17 April 1981, CDR 1SOW submitted to OJCS a recommendation for awards (JSCM) for 18 servicemen (attached).

- Administratively, they were attached to RADM Fuller's special projects team in OPG, OJCS.
- Physically, they operated in the field conducting tests on special weapons.

2. These recommendations were held in abeyance pending the approval of JCS Guidelines on Awards to personnel participating in the hostage rescue attempt.

- The approved Guidelines do not specifically address RADM Fuller's team.
  - 20 members of that team, operating in OPG, received awards on 27 June 1980, and were processed through regular JCS Awards Board.
  - There is nothing in the approved Guidelines which would preclude consideration of the 18 nominations with other recommendations submitted to COMJTF 1-79.

3. The following are two alternative ways to consider these 18 recommendations:

- Include the 18 names with other nominations and submit them to the special Awards Review Board "on exceptional basis" (Guidelines, para 5b).
- Return nominations to DAS, OJCS to be processed through normal JCS awards procedures.
  - The latter would require prior coordination with LTG Gast and/or MG Dyke.
- Refer nominations to respective Services for Service awards.

4. I will be glad to be of any assistance on this matter, if required.

*Stephen D. Olynik*

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LTC, USA  
J-3, SOD

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LIST OF AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

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NAME	TAB	NAME	TAB
[REDACTED]	22	[REDACTED]	57
[REDACTED]	1	[REDACTED]	7
[REDACTED]	35	OLYNYK	15
BECKWITH	54	[REDACTED]	33
[REDACTED]	53	PITMAN	40
[REDACTED]	9	[REDACTED]	12
[REDACTED]	11	[REDACTED]	26
[REDACTED]	50	[REDACTED]	14
[REDACTED]	5	[REDACTED]	49
DUTTON	3	[REDACTED]	52
[REDACTED]	18	[REDACTED]	51
[REDACTED]	8	SEIFFERT	39
[REDACTED]	32	[REDACTED]	20
[REDACTED]	46	[REDACTED]	42
[REDACTED]	47	[REDACTED]	19
[REDACTED]	56	[REDACTED]	30
GUIDRY	29	[REDACTED]	38
[REDACTED]	44	[REDACTED]	33 28
[REDACTED]	37	[REDACTED]	59
[REDACTED]	43	[REDACTED]	34
[REDACTED]	13	[REDACTED]	10
[REDACTED]	36	[REDACTED]	31
[REDACTED]	23	[REDACTED]	55
[REDACTED]	25	WILLIAMSON	16
[REDACTED]	2	[REDACTED]	48
[REDACTED]	21	[REDACTED]	45
[REDACTED]	24		
[REDACTED]	27		
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[REDACTED]	41		
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Through: Personnel Division, DAS

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. Under the provisions of DOD Directive 1348-24, 2 July 1976, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. Colonel [redacted] United States Army, [redacted]

b. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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c. [redacted]

d. 15 August 1977 to 30 March 1981.

e. Individual was reassigned on 31 March 1981.

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[redacted]  
Arlington Hall Station, Virginia 22212.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

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2. Colonel ██████████ United States Army, distinguished himself by superior meritorious service from 15 August 1977 to 30 March 1981 while serving initially as a member of the Special Plans Branch and then as Chief, Unconventional Warfare Branch, Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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a. During this period, Colonel ██████████ demonstrated continuing outstanding performance while serving at the highest military organizational level for special planning, unconventional warfare programs and special operations. His in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations and his broad understanding of the sensitivities of politico-military affairs as well as the intricacies of the interface between agencies and departments of the Executive Branch of government allowed him to direct sensitive actions of great import which have had profound impact on the national posture for conduct of special operations.

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b. Colonel ██████████ as a senior special planner within the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, revitalized the special plans program within the Department of Defense and at the national level and thus enhanced a sensitive effort with major implications for national security. He proceeded with dedication and persistence to many quarters, building interest and proving the potential and worth of special plans programs until he succeeded in stimulating interest at the highest levels within the Department of Defense and ultimately within the interdepartmental forum. This led to unprecedented recognition of the value and opportunities for shoring up US security through special plans activities. His endeavors in this regard resulted in the ultimate formulation of a multi-agency structure and system for management of special planning operations which are functional today at the national level.

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c. Colonel ██████████ had particular far-reaching impact on national and theater strategy, and preparedness to respond to any level of conflict through his masterful management of key portions of the Joint Planning System. As a principal war planner within the Special Operations Division, he had primary responsibility for processing of countless Joint Staff planning actions. Typical of these actions was his consistently outstanding performance as the primary manager of Annex K, Deception, Joint Strategic Capabilities Plan, through which he provided planning guidance and tasking to the unified and specified commands and the Services. He further excelled and provided pertinent guidance and revisions as the reviewer of JCS plans and all special planning portions of unified and specified command concept plans and operation plans.

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d. Colonel [redacted] excelled as he personally directed key Joint Staff special planning efforts. He was the primary planner and supervisor for several extremely sensitive, compartmented planning ventures which are active and which have profound significance for the nation. Further, Colonel [redacted] improved the status of special planning capabilities by initiating and continuing exercises in Joint Training Exercises which served as excellent training vehicles for special planners of the Services and the unified and specified commands, and the Joint Staff.

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e. Colonel [redacted] contributed significantly to worldwide management of special planning through his excellent management of a special plans focal point communication system for the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In this capacity, he insured that accessible, responsive, secure, compartmented communications with the unified and specified commands and the Services were available.

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f. Upon assignment as [redacted] Warfare Branch, Colonel [redacted] served with distinction as he continued to be involved in the Joint Planning System with emphasis on national and theater strategies and policies for the conduct of unconventional warfare and special operations. He was the primary Joint Staff officer for unconventional warfare matters and accordingly was involved with the successful processing of hundreds of joint staff actions. He was an outstanding organizer and manager who directed all actions and projects to fruition. Typical of the many actions which he handled masterfully were the annual publication of Annex E, Unconventional Warfare, Joint Strategic Capabilities Plan; publication of a draft publication for Survival, Evasion, Resistance, Escape and Recovery, and the origination of an organizational concept for rapid deployment forces.

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g. Colonel [redacted] was a superb planner and had primary responsibility for the development of both operational concepts and plans for special operations. He also authored select portions of OJCS contingency plans. During the first Iranian crisis he supervised the Special Operations Center and directed planning efforts for the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff in consonance with planners from the European Command.

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h. Colonel [redacted] as [redacted] Unconventional Warfare Branch, excelled as the central manager for all focal point communication systems for the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In this area of responsibility, he insured that accessible, responsive, secure, compartmented communications with the unified and specified commands and the Services were available both during daily operations and crises.

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i. Colonel [REDACTED] was an accomplished lecturer, briefer and instructor. He served as a primary briefer for special operations matters and actions and accordingly, frequently briefed concepts and plans to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Secretary of Defense and other key government figures. He presented highly professional lectures to planning groups and members of military courses of instruction. During the OJCS Special Operations Symposium at Fort Bragg, NC, he gave an extremely fine presentation on Special Operations Planning to 300 symposium attendees.

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j. Colonel [REDACTED] performance was distinctively outstanding while he supervised an OJCS study group in response to a Secretary of Defense directed study of "Special Operations Forces in Europe." During this endeavor, he excelled as he rapidly coordinated the efforts of representatives from EUCOM and the Services, developed a study plan, conducted a literature search, developed a milestone schedule, supervised study efforts and analysis, collated inputs and prepared a study briefing as well as a final written report. The study report accurately portrayed missions, roles, and capabilities of forces in the European environment and served as a basis for upgrading the special operations force structure in response to mission requirements.

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k. Colonel [REDACTED] was selected, because of extensive special operations experience and his unique organizational and leadership talents, to develop the initial concepts and subsequently to serve as [REDACTED] of the Joint Task Force Headquarters for Iranian hostage rescue planning. He excelled in all facets of this assignment. He is an innovative, thorough planner who developed logical, executable plans and briefed them clearly and flawlessly to representatives of the highest levels of US Government. He is a tough-minded, incisive, considerate leader who tenaciously sought mission accomplishment while concomitantly looking out for the interests and welfare of subordinates. He is adept at translating broad, general guidance into detailed, high-quality plans and did so frequently. He is an organizer, with few equals, who was able to weld an informally structured provisional group of personnel into a staff with formidable qualifications which produced consistently outstanding products. He is a skilled trainer who combined in-depth tactical expertise with charismatic leadership qualities and was able to evaluate, and improve unit capabilities. He evidenced repeatedly that he is calm, unruffled and capable of reasoned, logical decisions during the most challenging high-stress situations.

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1. During the latter phase of Colonel ██████ assignment, he was tasked to quickly recruit, organize, field and train an ad hoc unit to execute a highly sensitive special operation in support of a national-level undertaking. Beginning with nothing more than a concept, he recruited a staff and operational personnel; acquired a secure training site; procured the required weapons, equipment and rations; and launched a demanding training program. Within 90 days of receiving his initial tasking, Colonel ██████ launched his first operation. Problems that would have completely stymied most officers were managed routinely by this innovative and imaginative officer.

m. Colonel ██████ was a uniquely successful action officer and ██████ and an outstanding member of the Joint Staff. He trained and guided subordinates and insured that they attained the highest levels of efficiency and productivity. He displayed a unique ability to direct and coordinate complex staff actions and to produce quality staff products to include key plans and important publications. His genuine professionalism, complete dedication to duty, and personal standards of excellence have resulted in extensive contributions to the Joint Staff mission which will have lasting significance to the nation.

3. The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel ██████ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by superior meritorious service from August 1977 to March 1981, while serving as an action officer and as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Colonel [REDACTED] excelled in the highest level Joint Staff positions for unconventional warfare operations and special operations. He successfully directed sensitive programs, joint special planning activities, publication actions, studies, and compartmented communications which had profound impact on the national posture for conduct of special planning and unconventional warfare activities. He served with distinction as the Chief of Staff of the Joint Task Force Headquarters for Iranian hostage rescue planning during which time he developed logical, executable plans and improved special operations unit capabilities. He recruited, organized, and trained a unit for a national-level special operation. He was a brilliant staff officer, an innovative planner and an assertive leader who attained highest levels of efficiency and productivity which yielded extensive contributions to the Joint Staff mission and accordingly to the nation. Colonel [REDACTED] distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. Colonel Robert C. Dutton, United States Air Force, [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79, OJCS.

c. [REDACTED]

d. 19 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.

e. HQUSAF/XOXJ, Pentagon.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. Previous US decorations: DFC(2 olc), DMSM, AM(10 olc), MSM, AFCM(1. olc).

2. (U) Colonel Robert C. Dutton, United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior service as Special Assistant to the Commander and J3 during the period of 19 November 1979 to 15 December 1980, while assigned to the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of US hostages held in Iran.

a. (S) Initially assigned as Special Assistant to the Commander, Colonel Dutton provided exceptionally incisive and accurate analysis of Iranian conditions due to his personal knowledge of in-country conditions. Colonel Dutton provided a breadth of political information, personality insight and definitive military information that was of extraordinary value to task force planners.

b. (U) Colonel Dutton next assisted in the development of mission flight profiles for both fixed and rotary wing assets. Colonel Dutton developed

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planning factors and profile parameters that greatly eased pilot procedures and insured a high degree of assurance that the force could navigate the course with minimal risk of detection. Additionally, Colonel Dutton personally designed and put together the pilot mission book that was a critical tool on the actual mission.

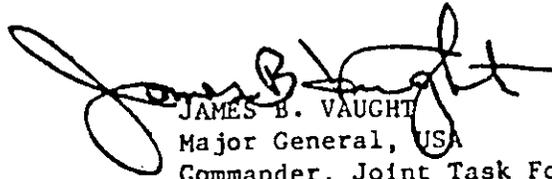
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c. (U) (S) Participating in all training phases, Colonel Dutton provided exceptionally valuable advice and recommendations to the task force. Drawing upon his long experience in special operations, he was able to initiate several key adjustments to flight training and support that significantly enhanced task force readiness.

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d. (U) (S) During the actual rescue mission, Colonel Dutton, as Task Force J3, was responsible for the conduct of the Tactical Operations Center within the Pentagon. As such, he smoothly managed a large number of people, a myriad of communications equipment and an extraordinary diversity of tasks. During periods of exceptional stress and sensitivity, Colonel Dutton consistently remained calm and professional and was of immeasurable assistance to the many very senior officers and civilians present.

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e. (U) (S) Upon task force recovery, Colonel Dutton designed the redeployment plan and the initial reconstitution training program. These were essential elements in the ability of the force to gain mission-ready status in a very short period of time.

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f. (U) (S) Throughout the period of this recommendation, Colonel Dutton presented briefings of an exceptionally high standard. Colonel Dutton routinely presented briefings to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Joint Chiefs, Operations Deputies and numerous civilians in positions of great responsibility. His briefings were always of the highest quality and significantly contributed toward the decision-making process.

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3. (U) Colonel Dutton's distinguished performance of duty throughout his service reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

ROBERT C. DUTTON

Colonel Robert C. Dutton, United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior service during the period 17 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 as a key member of the staff of the Joint Task Force charged with the responsibility for recovery of the US citizens held in Iran. Colonel Dutton, serving as Special Assistant to the Commander and then as Task Force J3, provided exceptionally valuable advice and assistance to National Command Authorities and the Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79. Colonel Dutton developed mission profile pilot books, training techniques and other mission tools to both fixed and rotary wing forces. His incisive knowledge of internal Iranian conditions was invaluable in mission planning. As an extraordinarily talented briefer, Colonel Dutton's presentations to senior leaders were key factors in the very sensitive decision making required. Colonel Dutton's distinguished performance of duty reflects great credit on himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

A/G a. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, [redacted]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

G c. [redacted]

d. 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

A/G h. Previous US decorations: [redacted]

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2. (S) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally, superior meritorious achievement and dedication to duty from 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980, while serving as the senior Intelligence Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with the rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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a. Throughout the entire period, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] continuously demonstrated an exceptionally high degree of professional competence, management ability and dynamic leadership. As the principal intelligence advisor to the Commander of the task force, he served as the focal point for virtually the entire intelligence effort. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] due to his wide intelligence and operational background, was able to anticipate most of the requirements necessary to support both the mission planners and the deployed combat and combat support. He integrated the efforts of the Department of Defense, with the national intelligence community and consistently obtained high quality support.

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b. Under Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] guidance a highly secure and reliable privacy teletype network was established which [redacted] Defense, Intelligence Agency and the Joint Task Force together and was netted to a companion structure linking the field units and the Joint Task Force Headquarters. This permitted direct receipt of field requirements, coordinated tasking of the national agencies by the Joint Task Force, and provided rapid integrated responses. This system was highly effective and in a short time became the most effective and most secure means to satisfy, not only intelligence but also operations, logistics and communications actions.

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c. The intelligence staff under Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] guidance continued to improve the quality of support by investigating, testing, refining, and implementing new collection techniques, production and presentation means, faster and simpler reporting procedures and possibly most significant, continually worked to devise new analytical correlation techniques in an effort to improve the reliability of the planning data. Many of the efforts pioneered or improved by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] staff have been adopted as milestones in the effort of the national intelligence community to support contingency response planning.

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d. An equal number of the intelligence measures developed at the initiative of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] are being used today to reduce some of the information voids normally faced in certain contingencies. Through the efforts of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] a whole new family of contingency planning materials was developed and is being used today. This family of situation prepared products combines the mapping and technical capabilities of agencies such as the Defense Mapping Agency Aeronautical, Topographic or Hydrographic Centers with the photointelligence skills of the Defense Intelligence Agency, and in some cases the [redacted] and data [redacted] to provide integrated planning products designed to suit the needs of the air, sea or ground contingency planners, as well as the actual maneuver elements.

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e. It was through the persistence and foresight of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] that several technical collection innovations were taken from concept stage to "in being - on the shelf" where they are now readily available to support contingency collection requirements. It was also through his efforts that not only were improvements and innovations made but some inherent limitations in collection and analysis were recognized and action taken to make intelligence managers and analysts aware of these while efforts are underway to reduce or offset their impact.

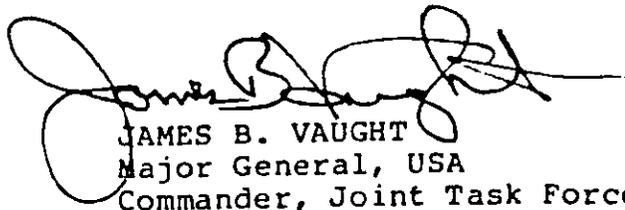
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f. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] contributions to mission preparedness and security throughout the period of the task force's existence, as well as the long term benefits accrued to the intelligence community and contingency planners, as a result of his efforts, mark him as one of a handful from among hundreds who warrants special recognition for his superior service in a position of significant responsibility.

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3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 21 December 1980, while serving as the senior Intelligence Officer assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of national importance. Throughout the entire period Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] continuously demonstrated an exceptionally high degree of professional competence, management ability and dynamic leadership. As the focal point for virtually the entire intelligence effort, he integrated the efforts of the Department of Defense with the national intelligence community. Under his guidance a highly secure and reliable privacy teletype network was established linking all units of the joint task force, to provide a real time flow of data. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] provided the initiative for the marked improvement of intelligence collection techniques, reporting procedures, and most significantly the improvement in the reliability of planning data. Many of the efforts pioneered or improved by Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] and his staff have been adopted as milestones in the effort of the national intelligence community to support contingency response planning. Through his efforts a new family of contingency planning materials was developed and is currently in use. Through the persistence and foresight of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] several technical collection innovations were taken from concept stage to "in being - on the shelf" and are readily available to support contingency collection requirements. His contributions to mission preparedness and security will accrue longterm benefits to the intelligence community and contingency planners. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel Lenahan reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) (S) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army,

b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. (U) [redacted]

d. (U) 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. (U) Individual was reassigned on [redacted]

f. (U) J-6, United States Readiness Command, MacDill AFB, FL 33608.

g. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described therein.

h. (U) Previous US decorations: [redacted]

[redacted] Army Commendation Medal.

2. (U) (S) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as the principal Tactical Communications staff officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran. In his role as Tactical Communication Advisor to the Commander, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was responsible for designing and field testing a multichannel four echelon, secure tactical air to ground, air to air and ground to ground system that had a 95 percent reliability. Working with a host of service communication entities and the military telecommunications research and development community, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was able to put together a redundant system that met the demanding needs of the mission

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planners as well as the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine operational elements that were involved in the field tests.

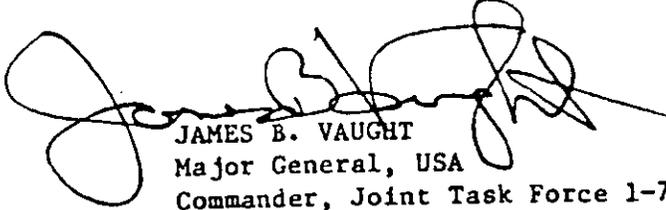
a. (U) (S) The various components of the system often required compatibility redesign and fabrication at a military depot, R&D facility or civilian engineering laboratory. Due to Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] wide practical experience and tremendous grasp of the technical complexities of the constantly evolving commercial state of the art, he was highly successful in obtaining the professional cooperation and personal dedication of many of the leading innovators from this wide spectrum of the electronic communications community. Because of his dedication and ability to solicit this type of support he was able to arrange for RCA and Magnavox engineers to work together with General Electric transistor designers to develop and perfect a system that combined the best attributes of each.

b. (U) (S) A major area of concern was the need to design an antenna which was compatible with the existing radio wiring networks of different Army, Air Force, and Marine helicopters, as well as being hatch mountable and compatible with several models of the C-130 and C-141 aircraft. Working with a composite team of aircraft crew chiefs and radio men, as well as air flow turbulence engineers, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was able to coordinate the design and fabrication of an antenna that was compatible to all the air frames desired and exceeded the range and fidelity thresholds essential to both the strategic planners and tactical users.

c. (U) (S) The consummate proof of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] accomplishments was repeatedly validated in a series of intentionally demanding field tests and the faultless performance of the tactical strategic interface network during several foreign area deployments in support of the task force.

d. (U) (S) Many of the capabilities developed or upgraded through the efforts of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] have since been fully accepted and incorporated into the communication IUs of many of the Special Operations and Quick Reaction Forces of the Army, Air Force, and Marines with a significant spinoff also being adopted by the Strategic Air Command to provide a secure voice link between the bombers and tankers of its newly constituted strategic reaction force. The results of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] effort will continue to have a beneficial impact on the tactical communications community for many years to come.

3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel ██████ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

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[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the principal Tactical Communications Staff Officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff engaged in an extremely sensitive project of national importance. He was responsible for designing and field testing a multi-channel, four echelon, redundant tactical communications system which permitted secure communications in the air to ground, air to air, and ground to ground modes. Due to Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] wide practical experience and tremendous grasp of the technical complexities of the constantly evolving commercial state of the art, he was highly successful in obtaining the professional cooperation and personal cooperation of many of the leading innovators from the electronic communications community. He was instrumental in designing and fabricating an antenna which was compatible with existing radio wiring networks of various service helicopters as well as C-130 and C-141 aircraft. The antenna exceeded both the range and fidelity thresholds essential to both the strategic planners and tactical users. Many of the capabilities developed or upgraded through the efforts of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] have since been fully accepted and incorporated into the communications equipment of many Special Operations and Quick Reaction Forces. The results of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] effort will continue to have a beneficial impact on the tactical communications community for years to come. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

References: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

A, G a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [Redacted]

b. (U) HQ, DA, DCSOPS, Washington, D.C. 20310.

G c. [Redacted]

d. (U) 10 November 1979 - 1 May 1980.

e. (U) ASAP.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

C, G g. (U) [Redacted] Parachutist Badge.

2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [Redacted], then a Major, United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service as Assistant J-3 Joint Task Force 1-79 from 10 November 1979 to 1 May 1980. Lieutenant Colonel Nightingale, as a member of the Joint Task Force charged with the responsibility for planning and conducting a rescue of the American citizens held in Iran, was a key member of the planning staff.

A, C, G a. (U) Initially tasked to develop a ground infiltration plan, Lieutenant Colonel [Redacted] assembled representatives from contributing intelligence agencies and ground elements, and gathered key data on the problem. He personally assembled a complete pictorial display of the infiltration route, identified key problem areas [Redacted] used. His in depth examination of this task created a viable alternative plan and [Redacted]

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b. ~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] significantly assisted in the development of the control techniques for the helicopter and fixed wing penetration in conjunction with the refueling and laager phases. Faced with no clear means to insure that the aviation assets and fuel supplies come together with assured success, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] worked with the USAF CCT element, helo pilots and USAF aviators to design an infiltration concept that was ultimately used on the actual mission. This concept was critical in that it provided a high degree of confidence for the Task Force that it could navigate to the refuel point, transload fuel and move to the laager site within the constraints of fuel and darkness.

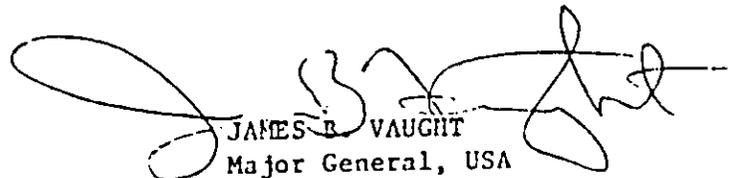
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c. ~~(S)~~ As field liaison officer for the JTF, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was responsible for training site selection, coordination of base support and liaison with separate Services. As such, he made numerous field trips to potential sites and made recommendations to the Task Force Commander critical to Force training and OPSEC. Upon final site selection, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] moved to the training area and acted as principal task force support agent. This required him to coordinate for all logistic support as well as for normal training coordination. As the force was composed of helicopter, fixed wing and ground elements, the requirements were diverse and complex. His personal attention to detail and disregard for personal concerns in large measure accounted for the successful training of the force.

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d. ~~(S)~~ In addition to the duties discussed above, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] served as a primary briefing officer for the Task Force. He assembled highly complex briefings with exceptional graphic aids on very short notice to a myriad of distinguished senior decision makers both uniformed and civilian. His presentations were very cogent, highly professional and very valuable in the overall decision-making process. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] distinguished performance of duty reflects credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

~~(S)~~ LIEUTENANT COLONEL [REDACTED]

~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) [REDACTED] United States Army,  
distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 14 November 1979 to 1 May 1980, while serving as Assistant J3 on the Joint Task Force assigned the mission to rescue American hostages held in Iran. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was responsible for designing several operational concepts that materially contributed to mission readiness. Additionally, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] served as primary field training representative for the Joint Task Force which required him to coordinate across Service lines at numerous exercise locations. The superb support received by the Task Force, its commendable OPSEC record and smoothly integrated teamwork was in large measure due to Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] personal efforts. The high degree of professionalism and mission dedication displayed by Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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a. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army,  
[REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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d. 26 March 1980 - [REDACTED] 1981.

e. Individual reassigned on 16 January 1981.

f. Headquarters, DA, DCSLOG, Washington, DC.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Commendation Medal.

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G 2. ~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 26 March 1980 to 15 January 1981, while serving as the Assistant Logistics Coordinator for the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

AG a. ~~(S)~~ During the period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was instrumental in sourcing, procuring and shipping a wide selection of both standard and nonstandard military equipment and support material valued in the multimillion dollar range, in response to the numerous requirements generated by the varied tasks of assigned forces.

AG b. ~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] tasks included not only providing material, but also in many situations required his totally dedicated efforts to insure proper techniques and capabilities were developed and tested under actual conditions. Material requirements were fulfilled from numerous sources, both government and civilian, and included such varied items as highly sophisticated satellite capable radios, survival type radios, weapons, munitions, night vision gear, specially ruggedized dirt bikes, and navigation aids.

AG c. ~~(S)~~ Faced with compressed timeframes, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] always acquired the necessary material, and at no time were activities delayed due to a lack of logistics support. This accomplishment is even more significant when viewed in light of extremely stringent operational security requirements under which the mission had to operate.

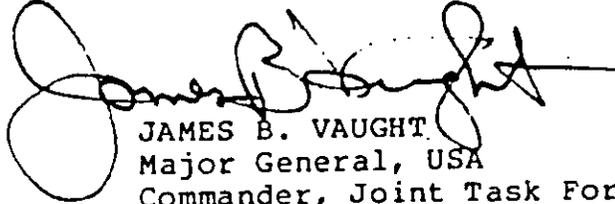
G d. ~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was additionally responsible for coordinating Army and Air Force movement of material between supply sources and assigned forces to include deployments and redeployments for both training and execution phases.

AG e. ~~(S)~~ Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] extensive knowledge of logistics, outstanding dedication and sense of responsibility, coupled with his exceptional professionalism, impacted heavily on the mission preparation and will have for reaching positive effects on the Special Operations Community.

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3. ~~3.4~~ The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army,  
distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 26  
March 1980 to 15 January 1981, while serving as Assistant  
Logistics Coordinator assigned to a highly select joint task  
force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of high  
national importance. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] displayed  
exceptional knowledge, judgment and imagination in solving a  
variety of difficult and complex logistics related issues in  
equipping a tri-service force. He was instrumental in  
providing a wide range of standard and nonstandard military  
equipment in response to numerous requirements generated by  
the varied tasks of assigned forces. Support was precise as  
was timing which was especially significant in view of the  
stringent operational security requirements levied on the  
mission. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was especially effective  
in his coordination of airlift support missions for both  
forces and material during all phases of the mission. The  
distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED]  
reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army,  
the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (S) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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a. [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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d. 23 November 1979 through 15 January 1981.

e. Individual reassigned on [REDACTED]

f. ODCS/OPS, DA, Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

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2. (S) Major [REDACTED] distinguished himself throughout the period while serving as the senior Army intelligence officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Major [REDACTED] consistently displayed an uncommon degree of professional skill, mature judgment and personal dedication. He developed a series of analytical and management procedures which made a significant contribution to the project. These included the handling and evaluation of a wide range of Human Intelligence Sources, and the effective use of the other intelligence disciplines to develop the most accurate assessments possible. Major [REDACTED] thoroughness, enthusiasm, and reliability combined to mark the results of all his efforts as excellent. Working under extreme stress often in austere and demanding circumstances, Major

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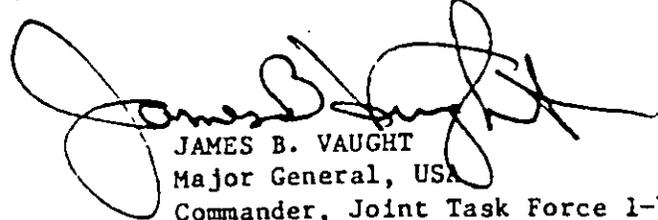
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██████████ consistently demonstrated the highest degree of professional dedication and competence substantially enhancing the intelligence and operational capabilities of the staff. Major ██████████ contributions to the Joint Task Force and the DOD Intelligence Community's ability to effectively respond to the many planning and operational requirements were numerous and their impact wide ranging. Major ██████████ consistently put mission accomplishment and the need for absolutely high quality intelligence ahead of personal concerns. He maintained professional composure and continued to excel even in periods of extreme psychological and physical pressure. During one particular foreign area bare base mission deployment, Major ██████████ served as the Senior Intelligence Officer and in the face of intense pressure and new, yet short fused requirements, was credited by the General Officer in charge as doing a tremendously professional job worthy of special recognition.

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TO ACOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

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✓ Major ~~████████████████████~~ United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 23 November 1979 to 15 January 1981, while serving as the senior Army intelligence officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Major ~~████████████████████~~ consistently displayed an uncommon degree of professional skill, mature judgment and personal dedication. He developed a series of analytical and management procedures which made a significant contribution to the project. These included the handling and evaluation of a wide range of Human Intelligence Sources, and the effective use of the other intelligence disciplines to develop the most accurate assessments possible. Major ~~████████████████████~~ thoroughness, enthusiasm, and reliability combined to mark the results of all his efforts as excellent. Working under extreme stress often in austere and demanding circumstances, Major ~~████████████████████~~ consistently demonstrated the highest degree of professional dedication and competence substantially enhancing the intelligence and operational capabilities of the staff. The distinctive accomplishments of Major ~~████████████████████~~ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. ~~(b)~~ Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. Captain [REDACTED] United States Army, [REDACTED]
- b. Joint Task Force 1-79.
- c. [REDACTED]
- d. 15 November 1979 to 30 June 1980.
- e. Individual released from active duty on 30 June 1980.
- f. Not applicable.
- g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- h. Previous US decorations: Not available.

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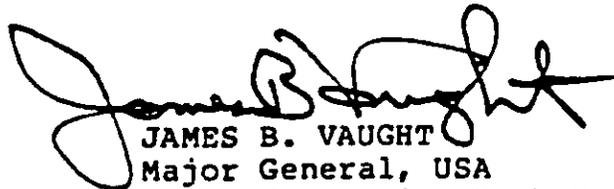
AG 2. (S) Captain [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 15 November 1979 through 30 June 1980 while serving as a Tactical Intelligence Officer in support of the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

AG a. (S) During this period, Captain [redacted] demonstrated outstanding performance in the planning and execution of an extremely unique mission that required extensive tactical intelligence analysis of an extremely detailed nature. Captain [redacted] always working under a tight suspense and on requirements that did not permit a margin of error, repeatedly displayed an uncommon degree of professional skill and mature judgment.

AG b. (S) Captain [redacted] developed a series of analytical actions which made a significant contribution to mission planning. These included such diverse actions as specialized [redacted] and evaluation, photographic intelligence, and the correlation of information derived by both open and clandestine collection methods.

AG c. (S) Captain [redacted] drive, enthusiasm and competence enabled him to consistently produce results which far exceeded the norm. Working both within CONUS and in an austere forward location overseas, he continually produced superior results. By his zeal, dedication, and scholarly objectivity, Captain [redacted] significantly enhanced the intelligence posture of the Joint Task Force and ultimately, the Special Operations Community.

AG 3. (S) The distinctive accomplishments of Captain [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

(4) [REDACTED]  
Captain [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 15 November 1979 to 30 June 1980, while serving as a member of a highly select intelligence staff engaged in an extremely sensitive project of national importance. Captain [REDACTED] immediately displayed an uncommon degree of skill, judgment and personal drive. He developed a series of collection and analytical actions which made a significant contribution to the project. These included such diverse actions as specialized

1,6,6 [REDACTED] and evaluation, photographic intelligence, and collection methods. Captain [REDACTED] drive, enthusiasm, and skills enabled him to consistently produce results which exceeded expectations. Working both within CONUS and in an austere forward location overseas, he continually produced superior results. By his zeal, dedication, and scholarly objectivity, he significantly enhanced the intelligence posture of his organization. Captain [REDACTED] distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. ~~Under~~ Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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a. [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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d. 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, (OP 372G), Washington, DC 20350.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED] (with one star).

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2. ~~(S)~~ Captain Maynard R. ██████████ United States Navy, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement during the period 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the J-3 assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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a. ~~(S)~~ During the period, Captain ██████████ displayed outstanding performance and total dedication while applying his in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations to the planning, training and conduct of the rescue mission. As one of the three original planners, Captain ██████████ remained with the Joint Task Force from its inception, deployed with the command headquarters and monitored redeployment of forces after mission execution.

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b. ~~(S)~~ As the Joint Task Force J-3, Captain ██████████ was responsible for the analysis of historical, as well as constantly changing current data, the formulation of mission options and plans, and the development of training scenarios and schedules to accomplish the rescue mission. Initially, confronted with what appeared to be a virtually impossible situation, Captain ██████████ drew upon his total working knowledge and control of a full range of both ground and airborne operations, plus helicopter and fixed wing air operations, to analyze potential actions. He translated a myriad of proposals into logically stated options which were analyzed in detail and presented in a manner easily understood by individual unit commanders. He was faced with the unenviable task of coordinating the interface between units at a minimum of three separate locations spread over thousands of miles. His training exercises brought hundreds of personnel over these long distances to meet in rehearsals that revolved around timing measured in seconds.

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c. ~~(S)~~ Throughout the entire endeavor, Captain ██████████ professionally handled the multitude of diverse requirements generated by the numerous operational techniques and capabilities which arose on an almost daily basis. His ability to prioritize daily requirements proved tremendously beneficial to the orderly flow of mission planning.

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d. ~~(S)~~ Captain ██████████ not one to levy requirements without follow up, spent a considerable portion of his time in the field with the training units, where he evaluated training techniques, unit progress and provided real time feedback. His positive, professional conduct instilled confidence in individual units and provided a stability to both the staff and individual units during the rapidly changing environment.

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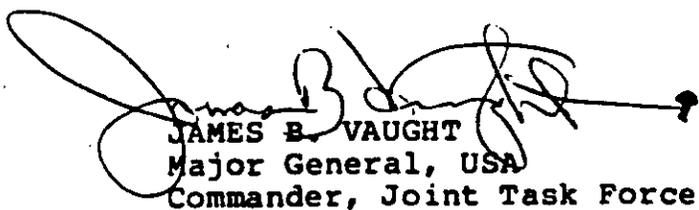
e. ~~(S)~~ During the forward deployment, Captain [redacted] virtually worked around the clock to insure that mission elements received the most current requirements at the deployed sites. He also provided the critical link to the Joint Task Force Headquarters (Rear) and thus to the highest Defense Department officials.

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f. ~~(S)~~ Captain [redacted] contributions had an extremely significant effect on the mission training and execution, and even more importantly will have a profound effect on future operational capabilities of the Special Operations Community.

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3. ~~(S)~~ The distinctive accomplishments of Captain [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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Captain ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ United States Navy, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the J-3 assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of high national importance. Captain ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ displayed outstanding performance and total dedication while applying his in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations to the planning, training and conduct of the mission. He was confronted with analyzing a myriad of constantly changing data from which he formulated mission options and plans then developed training scenarios and schedules to accomplish necessary objectives. Not one to simply levy requirements, Captain ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ spent many long hours in the field with the training units where he evaluated training techniques, unit progress and provided real time feedback. His positive, professional conduct instilled confidence in individual units and provided stability to both the staff and units which were operating daily in a rapidly changing environment. Captain ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ contributions had an extremely significant effect on the mission and future capabilities of the Special Operations Community. The distinctive accomplishments of Captain ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. ~~1.~~ Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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a. Chief Petty Officer [redacted] United States Navy, [redacted]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. [redacted]

d. 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

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Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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h. Previous US Decorations: Good Conduct Medal [redacted]  
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2. Chief Petty Officer [redacted] United States Navy, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 4 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Senior Operations Petty Officer and Administrative Assistant for the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran:

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a. [redacted] During this period, Chief [redacted] demonstrated total dedication and outstanding, unselfish performance through the application of his superb operational and administrative skills and outstanding personal contribution in support of the Commander and the entire Joint Task Force staff. This support covered all facets of the mission, and transcended all possible requirements normally expected of one individual.

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b. [redacted] Initially tasked to provide basic administrative support to a small staff, Chief [redacted] immediately established a system, to include office supply support, which provided superb clerical and typing support to this group. As the tempo of operations and the size of the staff increased, to eventually include three General/Flag officers, he soon began to fill a myriad of tasks. Being a thorough, imaginative, responsive professional who anticipates requirements, Chief [redacted] foresaw the need for an independent administrative control system for the Joint Task Force. He then established and maintained such a system which provided for the control, filing and rapid retrieval of numerous, extremely sensitive papers and documents, many of which were to become vital reference items in the rapidly changing planning and training environment. Throughout the period he additionally filled the positions of receptionist and security monitor. Realizing the sensitivity of the mission required a means of access control, Chief [redacted] exhibited his initiative by devising a badge control system which readily identified properly cleared personnel. He additionally provided a daily updated roster to ensure proper access control.

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c. [redacted] In association with operational duties, Chief [redacted] spent long hours laboring over the preparation of maps, charts, plans, orders, messages and data books, while being frequently plagued with last minute changes. On a routine basis he assisted with briefings for the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Secretary of Defense and other key civilian dignitaries within the U.S. Government. As the senior enlisted member of the Joint Task Force, Chief [redacted] also served with distinction as the supervisor, trainer and counsellor for other enlisted operations personnel.

d. ~~37~~ During the force forward deployment, Chief ██████████ continued to provide superb operational and administrative support, continuity, and a sense of order as he had previously done during the complex, rapidly changing, high stress situations. Being intimately familiar with the inner workings and personalities within the task force staff he provided a vital link in the control and dissemination of information within the forward deployed staff and dispersed elements. This was vividly evident during the operation, when Chief ██████████ insisted that a precisely accurate roster of all personnel be completed for all forward operating personnel; an action which proved most beneficial during the first few hours following the mission abort.

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e. ~~37~~ Chief ██████████ unselfish attitude was vividly demonstrated when, during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, knowing that the work requirements precluded the Joint Task Force staff personnel from having holiday meals with their families, he, with the support of his wife, brought complete multi-course meals into the work area. The tremendously positive impact on morale need not be reiterated.

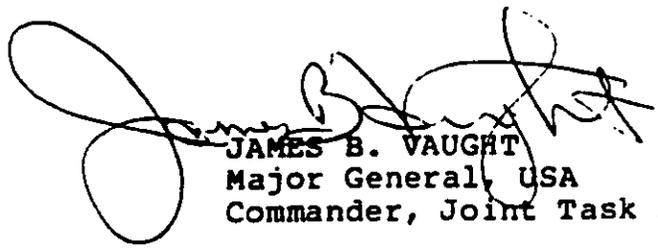
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f. Chief ██████████ without fail provided that behind the scene support that became so vital to mission fulfillment. The frequency of the phrase "Ask the Chief" became a hallmark of his long hours of effective and productive efforts.

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3. ~~37~~ The distinctive accomplishments of Chief Petty Officer ██████████ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
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Chief Petty Officer ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ United States Navy, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Senior Operations Petty Officer and Administrative Assistant assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of high national importance. Chief ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ demonstrated total dedication and outstanding performance through his singular operational and administrative support to the Commander and entire joint task force staff. This support covered all facets of the mission and transcended all possible requirements normally expected of one individual. He established and maintained an independent administrative control system for the task force which provided control, filing and rapid retrieval of numerous, extremely sensitive papers and documents, many of which were vital reference items. He effectively supervised other assigned enlisted personnel. He filled the positions of receptionist and security monitor; devising a badge control system to permit proper access control. He assisted in the preparation and presentation of numerous briefings to key military and civilian dignitaries. During the force forward deployment, Chief ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ provided a vital link in the control and dissemination of information between the staff and dispersed elements. Chief ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ provided a behind the scene support so vital to mission fulfillment. The frequency of the phrase "Ask the Chief," became a hallmark of his long hours of effective, productive efforts. The distinctive accomplishments of Chief Petty Officer ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. <sup>(U)</sup> Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. [REDACTED]

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b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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d. 14 November 1979 to 28 August 1980.

e. Individual was reassigned on 29 August 1980.

f. Headquarters, 1st Aerospace Communications Group (AFCC), Offutt AFB, NEB 68113.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations:

[REDACTED] and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

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2. (S) Colonel ██████████ United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 14 November 1979 to 28 August 1980, while serving as the senior Communications Advisor to the Commander of the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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a. (S) In his role as senior Communications Officer, Colonel ██████████ was responsible for designing, developing and ultimately deploying a strategic-tactical communications interface structure that linked the National Command Authorities with forward command elements of the deployed Joint Task Force. Working with communications managers in the National Security Agency, Defense Communications Agency and the Strategic Air Command, Colonel ██████████ developed a series of redundant secure means of communicating long haul between fixed base stations, airborne mission aircraft and field deployed mobil ground elements that were extremely difficult for hostile communications/electronic interception sites to detect and monitor. The system was subjected to numerous field tests in various adverse weather conditions as well as remote and intensely urban electronic environments.

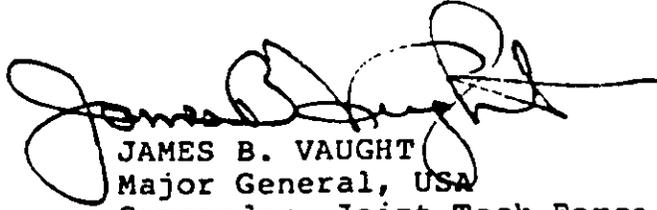
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b. (U) In the process of designing the system it was necessary to investigate the capabilities of a large number of electronic components and a wide variety of antenna configurations that could overcome some of the propagation problems that were known or suspected to exist in potential operating areas. This required an extensive coordination and research effort which Colonel ██████████ tackled with a "can do" spirit and technical competence that became a hallmark of all his efforts. Often modifications had to be engineered at the factory to make an Air Force receiver compatible with a Marine or Army tactical radio. It also required procuring civilian state of the art commercial components and working with the manufacturer to militarize these items to allow them to operate reliably under austere field conditions.

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c. (U) The proof of Colonel ██████████ skills and professional competence was repeatedly borne out in field tests and in two foreign deployments involving elements of the Joint Task Force, during which strategic communications were extremely effective. Many of the innovations, modifications and improvements which resulted from Colonel ██████████ efforts have been incorporated into many of the command and control nodes used in both Army and Air Force aviation.

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3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

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Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 14 November 1979 to 28 August 1980, while serving as the senior Communications Advisor to the commander of a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Colonel [REDACTED] was responsible for designing, developing and ultimately deploying a strategic-tactical communications interface structure that linked the National Command Authorities with forward command elements of the deployed joint task force. He coordinated the efforts and interface of the communications managers of several government agencies with commercial sources to achieve the final product. Colonel [REDACTED] investigated the capabilities of numerous electronic components and a wide variety of antenna configurations to overcome some of the known or anticipated propagation problems in the potential operating areas. This major undertaking required an extensive coordination and research effort which Colonel [REDACTED] tackled with a "can do" spirit and technical competence that became a hallmark of all his efforts. Many of the innovations, modifications and improvements which resulted from Colonel [REDACTED] efforts were proven during field tests and have since been incorporated into many of the command and control nodes used in aviation. The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. <sup>(U)</sup> Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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[REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

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[REDACTED]

d. 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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h. Previous US decorations:

[REDACTED]

Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster).

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2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Air Operations Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) During the period Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ displayed outstanding, dedicated performance while applying his in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations, and more specifically air operations, to the development, planning and training for the rescue mission.

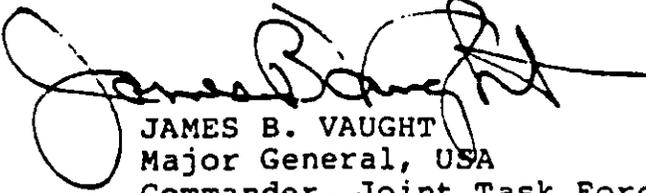
b. (U) The mission scenario was totally dependent on movement and positioning of aviation assets, and as such Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ personally became a key figure. He developed flow schedules, movement diagrams and charts outlining the flow of mission and airlift support aircraft into the forward deployed bases. Since timing was an extremely critical factor, Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ developed detailed procedures which facilitated timing control. The resultant charts, maps and books, which were tools of the control mechanism, became invaluable aids for the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff in his briefings to the highest United States government officials. Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ updated these aids on at least a daily basis in order to remain abreast of the dynamic training and mission environment.

c. (U) During the deployment and mission conduct, Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ became a key figure in the Joint Task Force (Rear) due to his intimate knowledge of the overall mission. This was evidenced when during the force deployment, a forward operating location was changed which resulted in diverting aircraft, rescheduling aircraft and adjusting logistics support. In his normal, methodical, calm manner, Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ remained in firm control of the situation, with the end result being a smooth, orderly adjustment to the initial schedule.

d. (U) Lieutenant Colonel ██████████ was a totally unselfish contributor during the several months of involvement, routinely working extremely long hours, virtually seven days a week in order to provide current, accurate information to the deployed elements of the task force. His contributions have resulted in notable improvements within the Special Operations Community.

3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Air Operations Officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] applied his in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations to the development, planning and training requirements of this unique mission. He developed flow schedules, movement diagrams and charts outlining the flow of mission and airlift support aircraft which were vital to the mission execution. These control mechanisms became invaluable aids for the briefings of the highest officials in the United States government. Due to his intimate knowledge of the overall mission, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was a key figure in the task force (rear) which was evidenced during force deployment when a forward operating location was changed resulting in diverting, rescheduling aircraft and adjusting vital logistics support. He remained in firm control of the situation, which resulted in a smooth, orderly adjustment to the initial schedule. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was a totally unselfish professional who made significant contributions to the mission and to the Special Operations Community. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. ~~(U)~~ Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

[REDACTED]

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b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

[REDACTED]

d. 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED] and the Army Commendation Medal.

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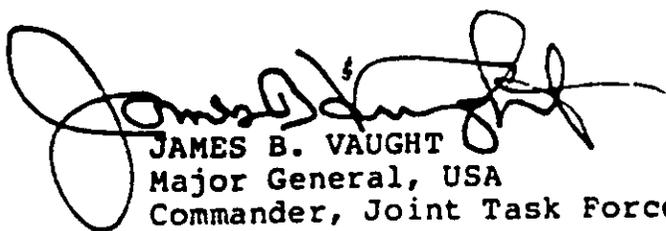
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2. (U) Colonel [redacted] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Psychological Operations Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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a. (U) During this period, Colonel [redacted] demonstrated outstanding and dedicated performance while applying his in-depth knowledge and experience in many facets of special operations to the development of the unique mission support capability. Colonel [redacted] during the initial planning period acted as the logistics coordinator, while simultaneously assisting in the development of [redacted] for potential force movements. These early developed plans proved most effective and did in fact [redacted] and training for the operation, and the operation itself.

b. (U) Colonel [redacted] expertise in the interface and operations between agencies became quite evident and beneficial while working on several mission support techniques which remain highly compartmented. Through his personal liaison and guidance these unique capabilities were conceptualized and developed resulting in a notable improvement in the task force capability and also in the options and techniques available to Special Operations Forces.

3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL  
TO

[REDACTED]

Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Psychological Operations Officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Colonel [REDACTED] demonstrated outstanding performance and in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations in the development of unique mission support capabilities. Through his personal liaison with various agencies and individual guidance these several mission support techniques were conceptualized and developed while remaining highly compartmented. These developments resulted in notable improvements in the mission capability and in the options and techniques available to Special Operations Forces. Colonel [REDACTED] additionally provided assistance with the complex logistic support function as well as lending his wide expertise [REDACTED] [REDACTED] extremely beneficial to the mission conduct. The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

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a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel Stephen D. Olynyk, United States Army Reserve, [REDACTED]

b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. [REDACTED]

d. (U) 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. (U) Not applicable.

f. (U) Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. (U) Previous US decorations: Joint Service Commendation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel Stephen D. Olynyk, United States Army Reserve, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Special Project Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) During the period, Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk demonstrated outstanding and dedicated performance while performing a variety of tasks

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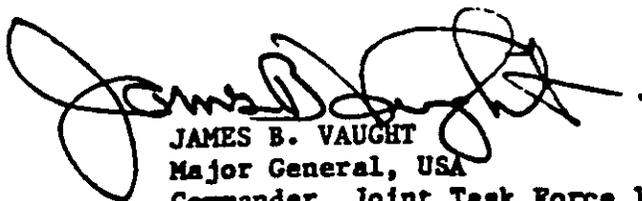
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associated with the planning and execution of the rescue mission. He applied his wealth of expertise in the psychological operations field and his extensive background in foreign relations to the overall mission. Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk assisted in the development of special mission support techniques and procedures which remain compartmented due to their current benefit to Special Operations Forces.

b. <sup>(U)</sup> Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk, as a Special Project duty officer, filled a critical position; one which the joint task force staff relied heavily upon. Due to the widely scattered task force elements and mission support units, a single point of contact during after duty hours in the task force headquarters was a vital link. Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk, in his normal, thorough manner remained abreast of ongoing activity and provided a stabilizing connection between the Commander, key staff and subordinate elements.

c. <sup>(U)</sup> Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk fulfilled an extremely critical function when during the hours immediately following the aborted mission, a critical accounting of all mission personnel was required. He accepted this monumental tasking during this most sensitive and emotional period and through his diligence and perseverance, a complete accounting was accomplished in minimum time, thus alleviating undue pressure and strain on a variety of personnel.

3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL  
TO  
STEPHEN D. OLYNYK

Lieutenant Colonel Stephen D. Olynyk, United States Army Reserve, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 16 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Special Project Officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk applied his wealth of expertise in the psychological operations field and his extensive background in foreign relations to the overall mission. He assisted in the development of specialized support techniques and procedures which remain compartmented due to their current benefit to Special Operations Forces. Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk, as a special project duty officer, provided a vital continuity link between the task force staff and deployed elements and support units. In this capacity, he provided the personal contact found to be so important to the widely dispersed task force elements. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel Olynyk reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. <sup>(U)</sup> Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

a. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79. [REDACTED]

d. 28 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

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2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 28 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Psychological Operations Officer in support of the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

G a. (U) During this period, LtCol [redacted] demonstrated outstanding, dedicated performance while applying his in-depth knowledge and experience in special operations as well as the intricacies of the interface between agencies and departments of government. Through application of this expertise, LtCol [redacted] personally completed taskings which were extremely critical and essential to the task force mission.

A, G b. (U) When confronted with a requirement for an improved means of entry into buildings, LtCol [redacted] design concept to actual production, doing so in an extremely short period of time. This item of equipment was found to be extremely effective and has subsequently been adopted for use by selected military organizations.

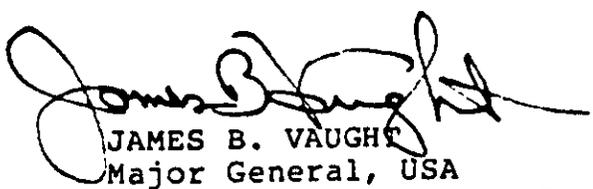
A, G c. (U) When later tasked, LtCol [redacted] applied his broad understanding of the politico-military affairs within Iran, and personally wrote and coordinated the printing, rigging and packing of a leaflet for dissemination over Tehran. [redacted]

G d. (U) During the rescue operation, LtCol [redacted] served as the Joint Task Force (Rear) operations officer during which time he established a format for and maintained documentation of all essential elements of information which proved invaluable for future reference.

G e. (U) LtCol [redacted] contributions not only assisted in the mission conduct, but even more importantly will have the long term effect of enhancing the operational capabilities of Special Operations Forces.

3. (U) By his exemplary performance of duty, LtCol [REDACTED] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 28 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Psychological Operations Officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern.

G Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was personally responsible for the development and production of a unique item of equipment essential to the mission. He additionally produced and prepared for delivery, including delivery techniques, an informational leaflet which was a key factor in the mission concept. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] technical expertise and his quiet but thorough, persistent manner enabled him to fully discharge his responsibilities in the minimum time and with total professionalism. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. <sup>(U)</sup> Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

[REDACTED]

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b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

[REDACTED]

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d. 12 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Special Operations Division, Operations Directorate, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations:

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G 2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 12 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Special Project Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) During this period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] demonstrated a high degree of professional competence in several capacities. During the initial planning phase, he assisted in the development of several plans [REDACTED]

AG [REDACTED] that were implemented were exceptionally effective in covering a wide variety of activity from the [REDACTED] and additionally provided the basis for continued [REDACTED]. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] based on his familiarity with this type of planning, provided valuable specific ideas and direction to [REDACTED].

G b. (U) As the task force activity rapidly accelerated into an around the clock operation with geographically dispersed training and operational requirements, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] filled the billet of project duty officer. In this capacity he provided a vital continuity link between the commander and staff at the task force headquarters and the deployed elements, as well as supporting elements of the force. By remaining abreast of the rapidly moving situation, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] gained the confidence of the individual task force participants and in so doing initiated resolution of many after hours requirements that arose.

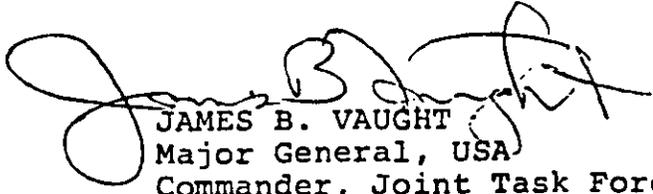
G c. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] additionally provided assistance with the security control for the task force headquarters which became increasingly critical as force numbers increased. The success of the security control program was evident by the lack of exposure to the force existence over the several months of activity.

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3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 12 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Special Project Officer assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of high national importance. During this period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] demonstrated a high degree of professional competence and knowledge while developing a subset of plans which were extremely critical to continued task force activity. The plans were implemented with effective results while establishing a base for subsequent planning. As a project duty officer, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] provided a vital continuity link between the task force headquarters and deployed elements, which resulted in a smooth flow of after hours requirements. Due to his efforts, many of the behind the scenes requirements were fulfilled. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT FORCE

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. (U) Colonel [REDACTED]
- b. (U) [REDACTED] USAQMS, Fort Lee, VA 23801.
- c. [REDACTED]
- d. (U) 14 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.
- e. (U) Upon approval of award.
- f. (U) No other recommendation of award for this individual is pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- g. (U) Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (U) Colonel William R. [REDACTED] distinguished himself by exceptional meritorious service during the period 14 November 1979 through 15 December 1980 in support of the Joint Task Force charged with the responsibility to recover the American hostages in Iran. Working directly for the Task Force Commander, Colonel [REDACTED] was tasked with developing a multitude of aerial delivery techniques for fuel supplies. This was one of the most critical aspects of the planning process as the refueling methodology drove the concept of penetration and movement of the aviation elements.

- a. (U) Without any precedent for assistance and with minimal established doctrine, Colonel [REDACTED] developed a wide variety of delivery techniques to meet the Task Force needs. Airborne delivery of fuel in the quantities

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required and under constraints on airframes and ground handling equipment, Colonel [redacted] required several new and innovative approaches to the problem. He personally designed a new parachute deployment device that permitted the extremely heavy weights involved to deploy the parachutes in a staged manner that provided almost 100% assurance of success. Additionally, he designed a ramp extraction device that allowed the POL containers to slide out of the MC 130 aircraft without obstruction to the ramp or damage to the aircraft. This work was absolutely critical to the ability of the Task Force to refuel itself in the desert if an airlanding site could not be found.

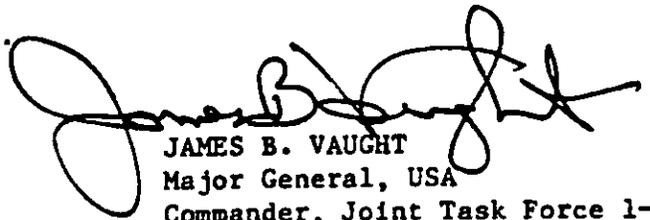
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b. <sup>(U)</sup> Learning that ground handling of POL items was very cumbersome and could cause critical time loss for the assault force, Colonel [redacted] designed special ground handling equipment and personally tested it. His procedures were adopted by the assault force and became standard for the mission.

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c. <sup>(U)</sup> In addition to aerial delivery of fuel, Colonel [redacted] also developed several ground refuel methods. Working with Marine and Air Force fuel personnel, Colonel [redacted] formed a joint fuels team that invented a ground refuel capability. The mix of Marine helos, USAF fuel bladders and Army filter systems provided a complex task in insuring a totally compatible delivery means. Colonel [redacted] working with the Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, modified the key items of each Services' equipment to where it would work faultlessly. His ultimate design was that employed on the actual mission. Colonel [redacted] distinguished performance of duty reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service from 14 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran. Colonel [REDACTED] was tasked with the responsibility for aerial delivery of fuel for the assault force. Working under severe constraints of weight and altitude, Colonel [REDACTED] personally designed several highly effective delivery techniques with almost 100% assurance of success. Additionally, working with a multi-service team, Colonel [REDACTED] designed a ground refuel system for helicopters that was adopted by the Task Force. Colonel [REDACTED] distinguished performance reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of DOD Directive 1348.26, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for noncombatant meritorious achievement in a position of significant responsibility.

a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel (Major during term of service) [REDACTED]

b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.

d. (U) November 1979 to 5 May 1980.

e. (U) Individual released from J3, OJCS, and returned to Army staff on 6 May 1980.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) [REDACTED]

2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by extremely meritorious achievement as Special Assistant to the Commander of Joint Task Force 1-79 during the period 8 November 1979 to 5 May 1980. Due to Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] high degree of expertise in counterterrorism, he initially provided assistance to the Joint Staff in preparing options to rescue the Americans held hostage in Iran.

a. (U) Upon formation of the Joint Task Force headquarters, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was assigned to the staff in order to accomplish a number of extremely sensitive actions related to manning, equipping and training

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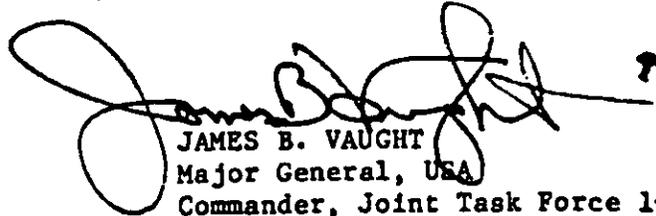
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G the rescue force. He was directly responsible for attaining qualified Army linguists, procurement of specialized equipment from numerous research, development and civilian agencies and personally arranged for use of training sites belonging to non-DOD federal agencies. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] ability to handle highly sensitive operational requirements in a timely manner while maintaining strict operations security permitted the highest possible degree of support for this National effort.

G b. (U) Based on Lieutenant's detailed knowledge of the plan and demonstrated ability to accomplish critical tasks, the Joint Task Force Commander personally selected Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] to deploy with the rescue force and perform a series of mission essential requirements in the objective area. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] selfless support of this project was instrumental in the development of force capabilities required for the conduct of this mission and for future special operations missions.

G 3. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] distinguished performance of duty, ability to perform the most difficult tasks under conditions of high stress and absolute loyalty to the Joint Task Force Commander throughout this period of service reflect the highest degree of credit upon Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] Jr., United States Army, distinguished himself by extremely meritorious achievement from 8 November 1979 to 6 May 1980, while serving as the Executive Assistant and aide-de-camp to a joint task force commander who was responsible for planning and executing a sensitive military operation of the highest national importance.

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Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was directly responsible to the joint task force for accomplishing a number of time sensitive and highly classified tasks related to national level coordination for training, logistics support and operations of the task force. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] broad grasp of operational requirements, military capabilities and the complexities of national level decision-making enabled him to fully discharge his responsibilities with the highest degree of competence and precision under conditions of high stress and rapidly changing circumstances. His demonstrated selflessness, distinguished performance of duty and truly professional accomplishment of all assigned missions reflect the greatest credit upon Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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a. [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

[REDACTED]

d. 24 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

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f. [REDACTED] USS TRIPPE (FS 1075) Charleston, SC.  
29408.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

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2. (U) Commander ██████████, United States Navy, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 24 November 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as a Communications Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

G (U) a. (U) Commander ██████████ demonstrated his technical ingenuity and dedication by assuming the challenge and accepting the responsibility for designing, installing, testing and refining a secure and reliable privacy voice and teletype network for use by National Command Authorities and the elements of the special mission task force. The force eventually was deployed and communicated successfully from five geographically separated foreign area locations, spread over 2000 miles with distances averaging 700 miles between sites. All sites, including those embarked on naval vessels, combined the flexibility and simplicity of tactical communications and the reliability, speed, and security associated with strategic systems. This system of interconnecting and overlapping links and relays had to be developed from initial design, components assembled, installations engineered, frequency paths researched and isolated, satellite relay angles and fidelity calibrated and validated.

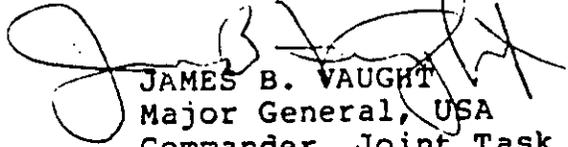
G (U) b. (U) The system that Commander ██████████ was so instrumental in developing was operational to varying degrees for a period in excess of a year and proved itself repeatedly on an almost daily basis throughout the entire period. On more than a dozen occasions, when all elements of the task force were deployed throughout the United States to test and perfect tactical procedures and timing plans under extremely austere conditions, the system capability exceeded that anticipated in view of the mission area.

G (U) c. (U) The establishment and maintenance of this network and its alternate routing system required the professional and technical cooperation of communicators throughout the Department of Defense and included such entities as the Air Force Communication Service, the Army Strategic Communication Command, both Military Airlift Command and Strategic Air Command and the National Security Agency, as well as Naval elements deployed throughout the Pacific. Additionally, coordination had to be affected with both EUCOM and PACOM and the Defense Communications Agency. It was largely through the technical competence, dynamic leadership and diplomatic management skills and personal dedication of Commander ██████████ that this gigantic effort was accomplished in days and weeks vice the months and years it would have taken under normal circumstances. Commander ██████████ efforts, personal service, professional competence and total mission dedication enhanced the posture of the joint task force and of the communications community.

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3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Commander [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Commander [REDACTED] United States Navy, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 24 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as a Communications Officer assigned to a highly select joint task force engaged in an extremely sensitive project of national importance. Commander [REDACTED] was responsible for designing, installing, testing and refining a secure privacy voice and teletype network for use by National Command Authorities and deployed elements of the task force. The system proved reliable when operating from five geographically separated foreign area locations. The system that Commander [REDACTED] was so instrumental in developing was operational to varying degrees for a period in excess of a year and proved itself on several occasions when task force elements were deployed throughout the United States. The establishment and maintenance of the system required extensive cooperation of communicators throughout the entire Department of Defense, a task which Commander [REDACTED] handled admirably. His efforts, personal service, professional competence and total mission dedication enhanced the posture of the joint task force and of the communications community. Commander [REDACTED] distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. <sup>(U)</sup> Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. [REDACTED]

d. 12 November 1979 to 20 January 1981.

e. Not applicable.

f. Commander in Chief, Pacific Staff, [REDACTED] Camp Smith, HI 96861.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending, and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

2. <sup>(U)</sup> Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 12 November 1979 to 20 January 1981 while serving as the Pacific Command Liaison Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with being prepared to secure the release of the Americans held hostage in Iran. Throughout the 15 months of the hostage detention, Colonel [REDACTED] was the principal point of contact with CINCPAC and in this key position was responsible for coordinating all force training, logistics transfers, naval prepositioning, and carrier-based combat in air cover.

a. <sup>(U)</sup> During the first hectic six weeks of the crisis, Colonel [REDACTED] was intensely involved in coordinating the undetected movement of the CONUS-based CINGLANT RH-53 helicopters to a CINCPAC aircraft carrier underway in

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the Indian Ocean. Shortly, thereafter, Colonel [redacted] deployed to the CVA as the CINCPAC/JTF representative remaining on board for the next 30 days during which time the helicopters were transferred to a relieving CVA.

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b. [redacted] Colonel [redacted] was also intimately involved in coordinating and [redacted] that took place between November 1979 and January 1980. He was also involved in the need for an open ocean long-range USAF surveillance presence to support ongoing US Naval operations in the Indian Ocean where they were subject to investigation by Soviet units in the area.

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c. (U) Colonel [redacted] acting in the dual role of JTF liaison and CINCPAC representative to the 7th Fleet, coordinated with the Military Airlift Command, EUCOM and the 7th Fleet and arranged the undetected movement of the helicopter crews from the Western United States through Europe to the Middle East land fall point with subsequent transfer to the CVA which was underway several hundred miles at sea.

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d. [redacted] Colonel [redacted] was also extremely involved in developing the [redacted] the helicopters undetected by Soviet and Iranian surveillance. The versatility and professional competence of Colonel [redacted] warrant recognition.

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3. (U) By his exemplary performance of duty, Colonel [redacted] has reflected great credit upon himself, the Pacific Command, the United States Air Force, and the Department of Defense

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Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 12 November 1979 to 20 December 1980, while serving as the Pacific Command Liaison Officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Colonel [REDACTED] was the principal point of contact with the Commander in Chief, Pacific, and as such was responsible for coordinating all force training, logistics transfers, naval prepositioning and carrier-based combat air cover. He was intimately involved in the low visibility movement of forces from the United States into the Pacific theater, an action which required extensive coordination. By his personal involvement and dedication, Colonel [REDACTED] provided a critical link in the task force mission which will ultimately have a positive impact on the Special Operations Community. The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the Pacific Command, the United States Air Force, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) [REDACTED]

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b. (U) 437th MAW, Charleston AFB, SC 29401.

[REDACTED]

d. (U) 1 January 1980 - 30 April 1980.

e. (U) Individual reassigned to 39th ARW, Eglin, AFB.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) [REDACTED]

2. (U) Colonel [REDACTED] distinguished himself by noncombat meritorious achievement from 1 January 1980 to 30 April 1980, while serving as [REDACTED] Airlift Forces, for a Special Joint Task Force. This Joint Task Force was assigned a sensitive mission of top national priority and international consequence. Colonel [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] of Airlift Forces, was a key figure whose performance was critical to the outcome of the mission. He fulfilled his duties flawlessly, with superior initiative and imagination, developing, demonstrating, and employing unique capabilities with the forces assigned to him. He provided timely, highly responsive airlift in an extremely time sensitive environment. Specific, classified details of Colonel [REDACTED] performance are maintained in HQ MAC/DOO. By his exemplary perfor-

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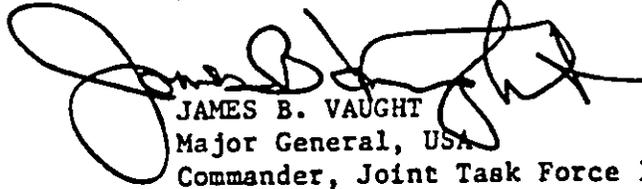
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mance of duty, Colonel [REDACTED] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL  
TO

[REDACTED]

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Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by noncombat meritorious achievement from 1 January 1980 to 30 April 1980, while serving as [REDACTED] Airlift Forces, for a Special Joint Task Force. This task force was assigned a sensitive mission of top national priority. Colonel [REDACTED] imaginative leadership provided unique capabilities and highly responsive airlift, in a critically time sensitive environment, which were crucial to the outcome of the mission and enabled flawless performance by the Military Airlift Command. By his exemplary performance of duty, Colonel [REDACTED] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. [REDACTED]
- b. HQ, MAC/DOOMS, Scott AFB, IL 62225.
- c. [REDACTED]
- d. 1 December 1979 to 30 April 1980.
- e. HQ, MAC/DOOMS, Scott AFB, IL 62225.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (U) Captain [REDACTED] distinguished himself by noncombat meritorious achievement as a member of a special team formed to guide Military Airlift Command (MAC) support to the Joint Task Force (JTF) charged with the rescue of the American hostages held at the American Embassy, Tehran, Iran.

a. (U) In a period when time was of the essence, Captain [REDACTED] was totally responsible for MAC aircraft use to support all involved operating locations. Through his ceaseless efforts, forces were brought together from various commands and DOD agencies.

b. (U) To enhance security, the number of crews actually flying into FOLs Alpha and Bravo were held to a minimum. Transshipment from USAF installations required the utmost in professional dedication and skill.

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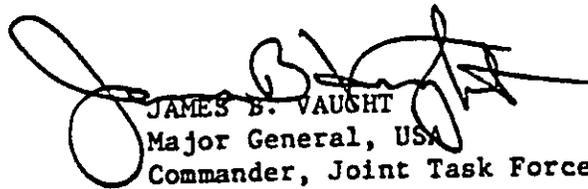
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c. ~~(U)~~ He and his team resolved myriad complex problems in real time. His knowledge of the airlift/logistic function made possible the rescue attempt. His efforts brought together all the support equipment and personnel required.

G d. ~~(U)~~ Any error or mismanagement by Captain [REDACTED] could have caused mission abort and placed numerous American lives in grave danger.

G 3. (U) Captain [REDACTED]'s flawless management of airlift was exemplary. In this position of responsibility, Captain [REDACTED] performed with extreme professional skill and competence. This distinguished duty performance of Captain [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

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Captain [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious service while assigned as a member of a special planning team assigned the task of guiding Military Airlift Command support to a special Joint Task Force, from 1 December 1979 to 30 April 1980. The imagination, initiative, and superior performance of Captain [REDACTED] enabled flawless Military Airlift Command support to a military operation of top national priority and resulted in new dimensions being added to airlift capability. Captain [REDACTED] distinguished performance of duty throughout this period reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. (U) Captain [REDACTED]
- b. (U) HQ MACOS/XOZS, Scott AFB, IL 62225.
- c. (U) [REDACTED]
- d. (U) 1 December 1979 to 30 April 1980.
- e. (U) HQ MACOS/XOZS, Scott AFB, IL 62225.

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f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. (U) [REDACTED]

2. (U) Captain [REDACTED] distinguished himself by noncombat meritorious achievement as a member of a special team formed to guide Military Airlift Command (MAC) support to the Joint Task Force (JTF) assigned a unique mission to rescue the American hostages held at the American Embassy, Tehran, Iran.

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a. (U) In a time sensitive period where each decision was critical to mission success, he used imagination and extreme personal initiative to prepare for and begin the execution of vital airlift to support the hostage rescue attempt.

b. (U) Captain [REDACTED] was responsible for the concept planning for airlift support to Alpha, Bravo, and connecting airlift flights from CONUS to USAFE bases.

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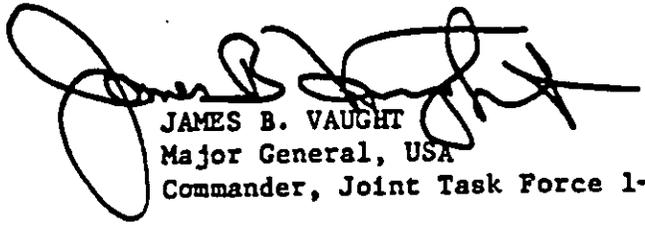
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c. (U) He and his team resolved a myriad of complex problems that had any one gone unsolved could have resulted in mission aborts and placed American lives in grave danger.

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3. (U) Captain [redacted] flawless planning and execution were exemplary. In this position of responsibility, Captain [redacted] performed with extreme professional competence. The distinguished duty performance throughout this period by Captain [redacted] reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

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Captain [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious service while assigned as a member of a special planning team assigned the task of guiding Military Airlift Command support to a special Joint Task Force, from 1 December 1979 to 30 April 1980. The imagination, initiative, and superior performance of Captain [REDACTED] enabled flawless Military Airlift Command support to a military operation of top national priority and resulted in new dimensions being added to airlift capability. Captain [REDACTED] distinguished performance of duty throughout this period reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

a. (U) [REDACTED]

b. (U) [REDACTED] USA

Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, VA 23801.

c. [REDACTED]

d. (U) 14 November 1979 to 15 December 1980.

e. (U) Upon approval of award.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (U) Chief Warrant Officer [REDACTED] distinguished himself by exceptional meritorious service during the period 14 November 1979 through 15 December 1980 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the rescue of American citizens held in Iran. Mrs. [REDACTED] was the primary specialist for airborne/aerial delivery techniques. Mr. [REDACTED] was directly responsible to the J4 for insuring proper delivery of aerial resupply items. His primary assignment was to assure the force of a highly reliable means to deliver fuel and attendant equipment to a variety of locations throughout Iran. Additionally, he was tasked with the responsibility of developing a safe and reliable refuel system for helicopters. He performed both tasks in superb fashion.

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G a. (u) Initially, the Task Force had no reliable means to deliver fuel to the Helo Force after the initial long penetration by the rescue force. Mr. [redacted] designed a fuel system and delivery technique to solve this problem using existing items from three separate services. Without benefit of previous doctrine or techniques, Mr. [redacted] developed a highly reliable fuel system and airborne delivery method. His equipment configuration and delivery mode was adopted by the Task Force and proved highly successful in field trials. During the airborne delivery phase, initial rigging techniques proved inadequate. Under great stress, working at night, with USAF crews, Mr. [redacted] handmade a stress release system that permitted a staged delivery of POL to the helicopter force. This action was vital to the overall training program and permitted a rapid completion of a crucial training phase.

G b. (u) Mr. [redacted] upon deployment to the forward staging base, assumed the role of logistics manager for the Task Force when the volume of traffic at that base became unwieldy to efficiently handle. Mr. [redacted] took on great responsibilities in terms of managing USAF lift schedules, off-load techniques and pre-positioning of supplies for most efficient mission utilization. This action would have been vital for success had the rescue mission gone beyond Desert One. Mr. [redacted] devotion to duty and highest demonstrated capability reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

CW03 [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 14 November 1979 to 15 December 1980, while serving as aerial delivery specialist to the Joint Task Force charged with the recovery of American hostages held in Iran. Mr. [REDACTED] was responsible for developing several aerial delivery techniques of fuel and for a ground refueling system of helicopters. His innovative ideas, personal example and technical expertise were significant contributions to Force efficiency. The distinctive accomplishments of CW03 [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Army, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

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~~(S)~~ Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

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b. [REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, FL 32544.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 16 November 1979 to 25 April 1980.

[REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, FL 32544.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

8. [REDACTED]  
2. Major [REDACTED] distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement as MC-130 Mission Planner and Chief Navigator from 16 November 1979 to 25 April 1980. In this capacity, supporting a force employed to accomplish an extremely sensitive mission of top National priority and broad international significance, Major [REDACTED] served as one of three original MC-130 Combat Talon planners selected by the JTF to assist in initial planning for the effort.

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a. (U) He worked directly with members of the JTF, the JCS and other government agencies throughout the formulation phase of the operation. He was directly involved in formulating and coordinating training scenarios and techniques with specially selected KC-135, C-141 and heli-

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copter aircrews as well as Air Force Combat Control Team members during training phases of the JTF mission.

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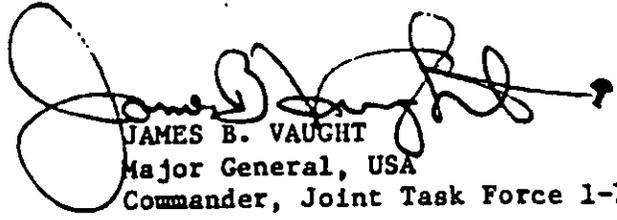
Major [redacted] provided operational inputs and assisted in establishment of operations/intelligence interface to include: escape and evasion matters, chart and special photo requirements, and use of accurate geographic coordinates for specific objective areas.

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Major [redacted] was totally responsible for planning of all MC-130 deployment routing, from CONUS and PACOM areas to forward operating locations. He developed all MC-130 deployment as well as actual mission aerial refueling tracks, fuel offload requirements and special flight filing procedures, coordinating final mission preparations and briefings from Location Alpha.

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3. (U) These specific achievements clearly demonstrate Major [redacted] outstanding professional skill, extensive knowledge, initiative dedication and exemplary performance. Major [redacted] distinguished performance of duty throughout his period of service reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

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Major ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~, United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of his duty as MC-130 mission planner for Joint Task Force 1-79 from 16 November 1979 to 25 April 1980. During this period, Major ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ was responsible for all MC-130 planning as part of the force formed to rescue American hostages held in Iran. His sound judgment, superior professional knowledge and calm demeanor materially contributed to force efficiency and capability. Major ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ developed a variety of techniques and planning concepts that were instrumental in gaining a high degree of confidence by the force. Major ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ accomplishments and distinguished performance of duty reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force,

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[redacted] Hurlburt Field, FL.

c. (U) [redacted]

d. (U) 10 December 1979 to 15 June 1980.

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e. [redacted]

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

f. (U) DFC, MSM(1), AM(7), AFCM.

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2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service from 10 November 1979 to 15 December 1980 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran.

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a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] as squadron commander, directed the training of aircrews, the development and refinement of tactics, the modification of aircraft and the use of new equipment uniquely suited for the Joint Task Force mission.

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b. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] used his considerable engineering and operational test and evaluation background to manage the development and testing of infrared lighting systems, helicopter refueling systems, and other unique hardware used on the rescue mission.

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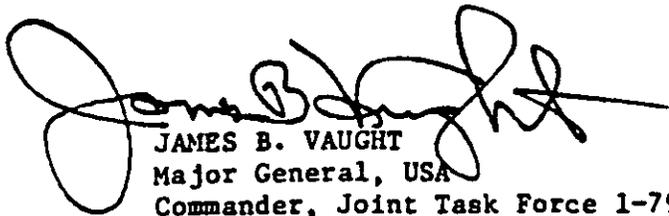
c. (U) During a two-month period, as the acting mission commander, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] effectively managed the equipment development efforts, coordinated the myriad details associated with three full-scale dress rehearsals and several minor training exercises, and still kept his squadron on an even keel. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] flew to the Desert One landing site.

d. (U) The singularly distinctive performance of the C-130 element on the rescue mission culminated several turbulent months of intense training guided by Lieutenant Colonel [redacted]

e. (U) Following the mission, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was handpicked to testify before the United States Senate, House of Representatives, and the Holloway Board.

f. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] drafted the 1st SOW inputs to the rescue after action report, handling all tasks with the utmost competence and professionalism.

3. (U) In this position of significant responsibility, under hazardous conditions, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] performed with extraordinary professionalism competence. The singularly superior and distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
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( ) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the United States [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, Florida, from 10 December 1979 to 15 June 1980. During this period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed his squadron's training, preparation and participation in the Joint Task Force attempt to rescue American hostages held captive in Iran. His superior leadership, sound judgment and exemplary professional competence under adverse conditions were instrumental factors in the resolution of many complex problems, and in the development of unique tactics, new procedures and special modifications crucial to the conduct of this mission. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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- a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] USAF, [REDACTED]
- b. [REDACTED]
- c. (U) APO 96274.
- d. (U) 11 November 1979 to 29 April 1980.
- e. [REDACTED]
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. (U) [REDACTED]

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2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 1 December 1979 to 15 December 1979 to 15 December 1981 while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible to the recovery of American hostages held in Iran.

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a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was responsible for training of Pacific Air Force (PACAF) crews to perform the rescue mission. Due to the physical location of the [REDACTED] all guidance and directives concerning training were received AUTOSEVOCOM by Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED]. Training of aircrews was actually performed [REDACTED] telephone guidance given Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED]. On two occasions he commanded deployment of PACAF forces to CONUS to participate in three major exercises and two minor exercises in preparation for the rescue mission. Deployments were flawless and met all

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in-place, dates and times. Under Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] direction, during pre-mission exercises, all PACAF-trained crews performed superbly with 100 percent mission launch and effectiveness achieved.

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b. Upon mission execution, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] commanded deployment of three MC-130E aircraft to [redacted] on 48-hour notice in preparation for the mission. Deployment included obtaining [redacted] diplomatic clearance and mobilization of all equipment for the base base operation at Forward Operating Location Bravo. Deployment required two in-flight, night refuelings per aircraft. All three aircraft departed "on the hock" and closed [redacted] plus or minus 10 minutes of estimated time of arrival [redacted]. He further commanded deployment of PACAF-based forces from [redacted] to Bravo and commanded establishment of the operating location.

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c. Serving as the single point of contact between US Forces at Bravo and foreign nationals in charge of the physical location, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] flew as first pilot on Night One operations.

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d. Following the emergency evacuation, he served as medical assistant upon arrival of casualty victims at Bravo. All burned victims were prepared for onward movement by C-141 aircraft within one hour of their arrival at Bravo.

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e. He commanded redeployment of all PACAF forces from Bravo to [redacted] and subsequently to home base. Redeployment [redacted] hour flight.

3. (U) In this position of significant responsibility, under hazardous conditions, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] performed with extraordinary professional competence. The singularly superior and distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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CITATION

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DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

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(S) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force,  
distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance  
of outstanding services to the United States as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] from 11 November 1979 to 29 April 1980. During this period,  
AG Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed the training and participation of  
Pacific Air Force elements in Department of Defense, Joint Task Force exercises.  
under adverse conditions were instrumental factors in the resolution of many  
complex problems in the conduct of these missions. The singularly distinc-  
tive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit  
upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, FL 32544.

c. [REDACTED]

d. (U) 13 November 1979 to 28 April 1980.

e. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, FL 32544.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) [REDACTED]

2. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service during the period 13 November 1979 to 23 April 1980 as a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran.

a. [REDACTED] Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed the training of aircrews, the development of new tactics, the modifications of aircraft and the use of equipment uniquely suited for the Joint Task Force mission to rescue American hostages held captive in Iran. Many of these special capabilities were practiced on arduous and hazardous missions, while the [REDACTED] between November 1979 and March 1980.

b. [REDACTED] Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] coordinated operations with the Navy on original planning from [REDACTED]. He deployed on two separate occasions [REDACTED]. He coordinated with Pentagon officials to plan for future contingencies that would employ the special

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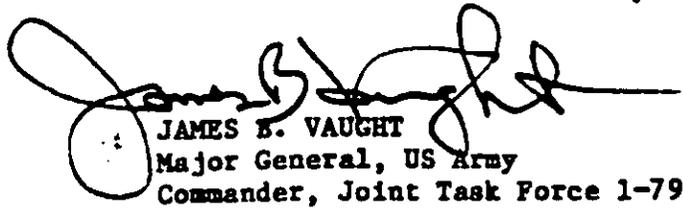
capabilities of the AC-130H Gunship. As a result of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] efforts, the capabilities of the AC-130 Gunship were significantly expanded with multiple new tactics developed and trained. Among the singular accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] be included:

- First employment of AC-130 in-flight refueling
- First man [redacted]
- Implementation of [redacted] techniques
- Implementation of AC-130 [redacted]
- Implementation of long range secure voice AC-130 operations
- New techniques for [redacted]
- Developed [redacted]

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3. (U) In his position of significant responsibility, under arduous conditions, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] performed extraordinary professional competence. The singularly superior and distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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CITATION

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DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

(1) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the United States as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Hurlburt Field, Florida, from 13 November 1979 to 28 April 1980. During this period, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] directed his squadron's training, preparation and participation in missions directed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His superior leadership, sound judgment and exemplary professional competence under adverse conditions were instrumental factors in the resolution of many complex problems, and in the development of unique tactics, new procedures and special modifications crucial to the conduct of these missions. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) [REDACTED] United States Air Force,

[REDACTED] Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, FL.

d. (U) 13 November 1979 to 28 April 1980.

e. [REDACTED]

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous US decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (S) Lieutenant Colonel John A. [REDACTED] distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service as [REDACTED] AC-130 Aircraft Commander, [REDACTED] during the development and employment of an extremely sensitive mission of top national priority.

a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] and then to a forward operating location just short of the target country in the first non-training employment of the inflight refueling capability of the AC-130. He worked closely with Strategic Air Command on refueling techniques instrumental

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in the development and demonstration of a full array of tactics necessary for his forces to provide required support for the delicate mission

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b. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] as Operations Officer, personally contributed to the achievement of a 100 percent launch rate during the deployment of his forces. While deployed to the forward operating location, Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] contributed to the outstanding performance of duties by all his air crews in spite of austere living conditions compounded by extreme heat and frequent sandstorms. These specific achievements clearly demonstrate his outstanding professional skill, extensive knowledge, initiative, dedication and exemplary performance.

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3. (U) The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service as Operations Officer and Aircraft Commander, [REDACTED] from 13 November 1979 to 28 April 1980, while a member of the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American hostages held in Iran. As part of a specially selected force consisting of Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps elements, he participated in numerous Joint Task Force exercises at great risk to gain a high state of mission readiness. His outstanding professional skill exhibited under arduous conditions, combined with his extensive knowledge, initiative, dedication and exemplary performance resulted in the development of unique tactics, new procedures and special modifications that were crucial to the conduct of these very complex missions. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

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1. (u) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

a. Master Sergeant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Holloman Air Force Base, NM.

[REDACTED] Holloman AFB, NM 88300.

d. 26 January 1980 to 24 March 1980.

e. 49th Services Squadron, Holloman AFB, NM.

f. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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2. (u) Master Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious service from 26 January 1980 to 24 April 1980 while serving as Food Service Supervisor for the Joint Task Force deployed in support of the effort to rescue the American hostages being held in Iran.

a. (u) Despite the lack of normally available messing facilities, food service personnel, under Master Sergeant [REDACTED] direction, maintained the healthful nutrition of all personnel assigned from a kitchen and dining hall located in a primitive bunker. After rebuilding the interior of the facility; adding and restoring most of the stoves, ovens and other equipment; Master Sergeant [REDACTED] and his men averaged 18-hour work days while maintaining a high quality food service for the deployed personnel. This included working through the heat of the day in the desert, cooking in an enclosed area without the benefit of air conditioning or adequate ventilation.

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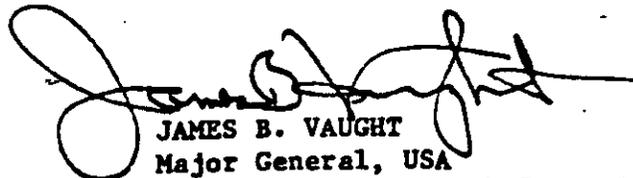
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b. <sup>(U)</sup> With no running water available, they handcarried all water used for cooking, cleaning and sanitation, They constantly monitored health conditions, successfully preventing outbreak of any food-borne disease common to similar remote areas and circumstances.

c. <sup>(U)</sup> Due to the limited availability of certain items, Master Sergeant <sup>(U)</sup> developed a wide variety of menus and recipes with those foodstuffs available so that a wide variety of foods and well-balanced diets were always available.

3. <sup>(U)</sup> The excellent food service provided under the supervision of Master Sergeant <sup>(U)</sup> contributed greatly to a high level of morale among the personnel involved in the operation. Master Sergeant <sup>(U)</sup> specific achievements clearly demonstrate outstanding professional skill, extensive knowledge, dedication to duty and exemplary performance.



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DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Master Sergeant [REDACTED] distinguished himself by meritorious service from 26 January 1980 to 24 April 1980 while serving as Food Service Supervisor in support of a force employed to accomplish an extremely sensitive mission of top National priority and broad international significance. Despite the lack of normally available messing facilities, food service personnel, under Master Sergeant [REDACTED] direction, maintained the healthful nutrition of all personnel assigned from a kitchen and dining hall located in a primitive bunker, maintaining a high quality food service. With no running water available they handcarried all water used for cooking, cleaning and sanitation, constantly monitoring health conditions and successfully preventing any outbreak of any food-borne disease common to similar remote areas and circumstances. Due to the limited availability of certain items, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] developed a wide variety of menus and recipes with those foodstuffs available so that a wide variety of foods and well-balanced diets were always available. The excellent food service provided under the supervision of Master Sergeant [REDACTED] contributed greatly to a high level of morale among the personnel involved in the operation. By his exemplary performance of duty, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) Second Lieutenant [redacted] United States Air Force, [redacted]

b. (U) 7th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Keesler AFB, MS.

c. [redacted]

d. (U) 14 April 1980 to 1 May 1980.

e. (U) 7th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Keesler AFB, MS.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous US decorations: [redacted]

2. (U) Second Lieutenant [redacted] distinguished himself by meritorious service as Officer in Charge of the 7th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi, a component of the Joint Task Force developed to effect the rescue of the American hostages being held in Iran.

a. (U) Serving in this capacity from 14 April 1980 to 1 May 1980, Second Lieutenant [redacted] performed his duties in an exemplary manner, providing the quality of maintenance and endurance expected from a Tactical Air Command mobility deployment group twice the size of his team.

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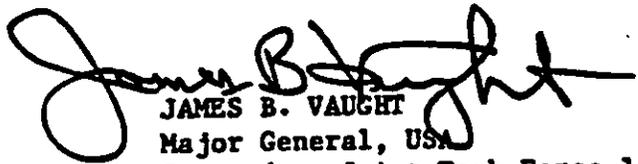
b. (U) During the first phase of the operation, Second Lieutenant [redacted] was tasked with deconfiguring and reconfiguring three EC-130 aircraft for mission requirements. Demanding 14-hour days, this task was accomplished in record time and in an excellent manner.

c. (U) During pre-mission training, Second Lieutenant [redacted] maintenance personnel launched and recovered multiple sorties each day, all on time. The quality of maintenance was lauded by all the 1st Special Operations Wing aircrews he supported.

d. (U) Upon deployment, Second Lieutenant [redacted] provided vital enroute maintenance support crucial to execution timetables, performing in an exceptional manner at Operating Location Alpha despite long working hours, drastic changes in eating habits, arduous climatic factors and other adverse living conditions. With extraordinary proficiency, under even more austere living and working conditions at location Bravo, Second Lieutenant [redacted] accomplished an engine change absolutely essential to the successful launch of all mission C-130 aircraft.

e. (U) Following the incident at Desert One, Second Lieutenant [redacted] provided vital assistance to the wounded personnel and assisted in their evacuation.

3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Second Lieutenant [redacted] under austere conditions clearly demonstrates his outstanding leadership and personal devotion to duty, reflecting great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.



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JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

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Second Lieutenant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious service from 14 April 1980 to 1 May 1980, while assigned to the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American citizens held in Iran. Second Lieutenant [REDACTED] was responsible for base support and maintenance within his unit. As such, he consistently provided mission-ready aircraft on-time under the most austere conditions. As an outstanding professional, Second Lieutenant [REDACTED] routinely provided exceptional support during periods of constant training, deployment and mission execution. The continuously high availability rate of mission aircraft is a direct reflection of Second Lieutenant [REDACTED] professional ability and brings great credit to himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

1st Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field, FL.

1st Special Operations Wing/MA, Hurlburt Field, FL.

d. (U) 13 November 1979 to 29 April 1980.

e. (U) 1st Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field, FL.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) [REDACTED]

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2. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED] distinguished himself by meritorious service as NCOIC of Maintenance, 1st Special Operations Wing, from 13 November 1979 to 29 April 1980. In this capacity in support of the force attempting to rescue the hostages being held in Iran, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] performed his duties in an exemplary manner. Supervising the entire maintenance contingency for the operation, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] performed innumerable vital functions toward the successful launch of Joint Task Force aircraft, accomplishing remarkable in-commission and sortie rate achievements.

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a. (U) Upon deployment, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] personnel, under his able leadership, performed exceptional aircraft maintenance despite long working hours, drastic changes in eating habits, arduous climatic factors and other unique living conditions. The performance of the

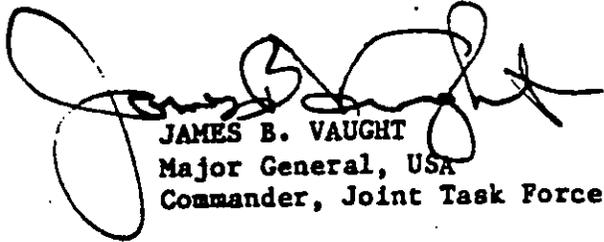
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C-130 aspects of the mission was flawless, with a 100 percent mission ready rate at all the critical junctures. The leadership and mission orientation displayed by Master Sergeant [REDACTED] was instrumental in that achievement.

b. (U) His achievements clearly demonstrate outstanding professional skill, extensive knowledge, dedication to duty and exemplary performance. The distinctive accomplishments of Master Sergeant [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.



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Master Sergeant [REDACTED] distinguished himself by meritorious service as NCOIC of Maintenance, 1st Special Operations Wing, from 13 November 1979 to 29 April 1980. In this capacity in support of a force employed to accomplish an extremely sensitive mission of top National priority and broad international significance, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] performed his duties in an exemplary manner. Supervising the entire maintenance contingency for the operation, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] performed innumerable vital functions toward the successful launch of aircraft, accomplishing remarkable in-commission and sortie rate achievements. Upon deployment, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] personnel, under his able leadership, performed exceptional aircraft maintenance despite long working hours, drastic changes in eating habits, arduous climatic factors and other unique living conditions. The performance of the aircraft assigned to Master Sergeant [REDACTED] mission was flawless, with a 100 percent mission ready rate at all the critical junctures. The leadership and mission orientation displayed by Master Sergeant [REDACTED] was instrumental in that achievement. By his exemplary performance of duty, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED], United States Air Force,

b. (U) [REDACTED]

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 24 December 1979 to 29 April 1980.

e. (U) Reassigned to 33 Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous US decorations:

2. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievement as NCOIC of Maintenance, [REDACTED] from 24 December 1979 to 29 April 1980. In this capacity supporting a force employed to accomplish an extremely sensitive mission of top National priority and broad international significance, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] led his maintenance force as they efficiently deployed and provided superior support during short-notice rapid deployments from [REDACTED] to the CONUS and to Forward Operating Location Bravo.

3. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED] force provided 100 percent launch reliability during six weeks of mission exercises in the CONUS and extraordinary support under extremely austere living and working

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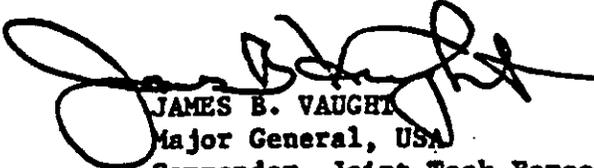
conditions at location Bravo, again providing 100 percent launch reliability for 21 consecutive sorties, while operating out of location Bravo.

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b. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Master Sergeant and his team were the first maintenance personnel to arrive at Location Bravo where they established Site One, forward operating Location Bravo from a bare base situation. Master Sergeant [redacted] supervised and performed all logistics functions at Bravo.

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c. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> At Location Bravo, Master Sergeant [redacted] effectively performed lengthy and in-depth inspections of MC-130 aircraft to ensure their airworthiness, consistently spending 12 to 14 hours per day deconfiguring and reconfiguring [redacted] at Location Bravo for their eventual mission requirements.

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d. ~~(S)~~ <sup>(U)</sup> Master Sergeant [redacted] directed installation of specially modified taxi and landing lights and specially modified the terrain following radar to support higher gross weights on all MC-130 aircraft. These specific achievements clearly demonstrate outstanding professional skill, extensive knowledge, dedication and exemplary performance.

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3. (U) Master Sergeant [redacted] distinguished performance of duty throughout his period of service reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHN  
Major General, USA

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Master Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service during the period 24 December 1979 to 29 April 1980, while a member of the Joint Task Force assigned the responsibility to recover the US hostages held in Iran. As senior non-commissioned officer responsible for maintenance of the rescue mission United States Air Force aircraft, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] consistently provided near 100 percent launch reliability. This was conducted under conditions of extreme personal hardship, austere basing and minimal support. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] personally designed and built several crucial modifications to aircraft that were critical to mission accomplishment. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] personal supervision of mission aircraft, constant attention to detail and selfless devotion to the mission reflects great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

a. (U) Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] United States Air Force,

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(S) (U) [redacted]  
(S) (U) [redacted]

d. (U) 16 April 1980 to 2 May 1980.

e. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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f. (U) Previous US decorations: [redacted]

2. (U) Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious service as First Sergeant, Joint Task Force Deployed, from 16 April 1980 to 2 May 1980. In this capacity in support of the force attempting to rescue the American hostages being held in Iran, Senior Master Sergeant Hodgeson performed his duties in an exemplary manner.

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a. (U) In charge of the advanced echelon to a bare base environment, he supervised the preparation of the base for [redacted] squadrons in less than 12 hours. He established separate troop areas with over 250 cots, messing facilities, sanitation requirements, including latrines, showers, and maintenance and supply areas. In addition, Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] provided drinking water and transportation as well as morale and welfare necessities:

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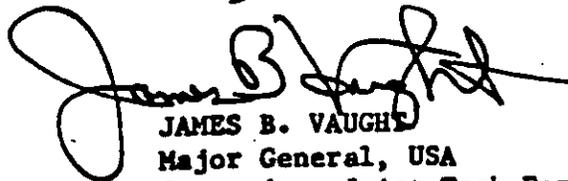
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b. (u) Following the establishment of the base, Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] supervised the support of all flight crews, conducting transportation, billeting, feeding and sanitation of each in isolation.

c. (u) Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] a brilliant organizer under the most adverse conditions, was completely mission oriented regardless of the cost to his own personal health and welfare. He maintained a delicate balance between the squadrons in light of the limited logistics, fusing the entire TDY contingency into a highly motivated, mission-oriented team.

d. (u) Following the action Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] supervised the withdrawal, insuring a sanitary close-down and a complete clean-up. He returned all billeting areas to satisfactory standards, exceeding those of the host nation. He clearly demonstrated superior leadership throughout his period of service.

3. (u) Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] achievements as First Sergeant clearly reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHN  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY TO AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] distinguished himself by meritorious service as First Sergeant, Joint Task Force Deployed, from 16 April 1980 to 2 May 1980. In this capacity in support of a force employed to accomplish an extremely sensitive mission of top National priority and broad international significance, Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] performed his duties in an exemplary manner. In charge of the advanced echelon to a bare base environment, he supervised the preparation of the base in less than 12 hours. He established separate troop areas with cots, messing facilities, showers, and maintenance and supply areas. In addition, he provided drinking water and transportation as well as morale and welfare necessities. Following the establishment of the base, Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] supervised the support of all flight crews, conducting transportation, billeting, feeding and sanitation of each. Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] a brilliant organizer under the most adverse conditions, was completely mission oriented regardless of the cost to his own personal health and welfare, fusing the entire TDY contingency into a highly motivated, mission-oriented team. By his exemplary performance of duty, Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, recommend that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

- G a. (U) Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] United States Air Force, [redacted]
- G b. (U) [redacted]
- c. (U) APO [redacted]
- d. (U) 14 April 1980 to 1 May 1980.
- G e. (U) Individual has been reassigned [redacted]
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- g. (U) Previous US decorations: MSM, AFM(1).

G 2. (U) Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] distinguished himself by meritorious service as Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the 7th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Kessler AFB, Mississippi, component of the Joint Task Force developed to effect the rescue of the American hostages being held in Iran.

G a. (U) Serving in this capacity from 14 April 1980 to 1 May 1980, Senior Master Sergeant [redacted] performed his duties in an exemplary manner, providing the quality of maintenance and endurance expected from a Tactical Air Command mobility deployment group twice the size of his team. During the first phase of the operation, the group was tasked with deconfiguring and reconfiguring three EC-130 aircraft for mission requirements. Demanding 14-hour days, this task was accomplished in record time and in an excellent manner.

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious service from 14 April 1980 to 1 May 1980, while assigned to the Joint Task Force responsible for the recovery of American citizens held in Iran. Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] was responsible for base support and maintenance within his unit. As such, he consistently provided mission-ready aircraft on-time under the most austere conditions. As an outstanding professional, Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] routinely provided exceptional support during periods of constant training, deployment and mission execution. The continuously high availability rate of mission aircraft is a direct reflection of Senior Master Sergeant [REDACTED] professional ability and brings great credit to himself, the United States Air Force, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. <sup>(U)</sup> Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

a. Lieutenant Colonel Edward R. Seiffert, United States Marine Corps, [REDACTED]

b. Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. [REDACTED]

d. 9 December 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. Not applicable.

f. Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, (OP506E1), Washington, DC 20350.

g. No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. Previous US decorations: Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (with numerals 41), and the Navy Commendation Medal (with one star).

2. <sup>(U)</sup> Lieutenant Colonel Edward R. Seiffert, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 9 December 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as the Helicopter Force Commander assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. <sup>(U)</sup> During this period, Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert, as the Helicopter Force Commander, demonstrated truly outstanding leadership and aviation expertise in the establishment, training and ultimately employment of a unique helicopter force. The mission profile dictated the development, integration and application of totally new techniques in low-level, long-range night flying techniques. The mission difficulty was further com-

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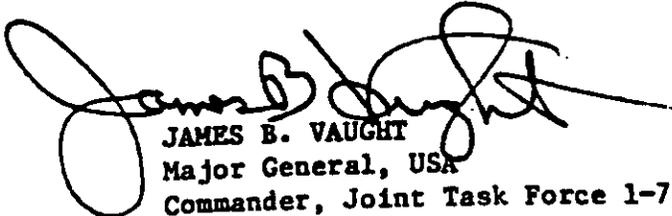
pounded by the extremely stringent operational security requirements and the very short period of time allotted for the achievement of force capability.

b. (u) In order to fulfill the mission generated taskings, Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert applied his intimate knowledge of both the H-53 helicopter and the helicopter community in the final selection and training of the joint service crews. Realizing that totally realistic training was a prerequisite to mission success, he outlined an in-depth training program which incorporated a variety of techniques, many of which had been accomplished individually but not collectively. He established a methodical training program based on the development of individual skills which led to crew and force confidence. New techniques were developed in low-level night flying, long-range night navigation, tactical refueling operations, blacked out landings and ground control techniques.

c. (u) Throughout the preparation period, intelligence inputs were constantly changing which required continuous modifications to the helicopter mission and the flight profile. Through Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's flexible leadership, he was able to incorporate the required modifications into the training program while still maintaining the confidence and positive morale within the helicopter force. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert demonstrated his abilities and confidence in the helicopter and mission by flying the lead aircraft in all training phases, as well as the flight from the USS Nimitz to Desert One.

d. (u) The new helicopter techniques that were developed and tested under totally realistic and demanding conditions have opened a new era of helicopter operations and have filled a long standing void in tactical employment capability. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's helicopter expertise and remarkable leadership weighed heavily on this achievement.

3. (U) By his exemplary performance of duty, Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

TO

EDWARD R. SEIFFERT

Lieutenant Colonel Edward R. Seiffert, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by superior meritorious achievement from 9 December 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Helicopter Force Commander assigned to a highly selected joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. He demonstrated truly outstanding leadership and aviation expertise in the establishment, training and ultimately, employment of this unique helicopter force. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert was instrumental in developing an in-depth realistic training program, incorporating a variety of new techniques, to fulfill the extremely demanding mission requirements. Through his flexible leadership, he was able to remain abreast of the constantly changing mission requirements, incorporate modifications into the training program while still maintaining confidence and positive morale within the helicopter force. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's efforts produced direct results in the task force as well as opening a new era of helicopter employment capabilities. Lieutenant Colonel Seiffert's distinctive accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

a. (U) Colonel Charles H. Pitman, United States Marine Corps,  
[REDACTED]

b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 10 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. (U) Not applicable.

f. (U) Office of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

g. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described therein.

h. (U) Previous US decorations: Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross (with 3 gold stars), Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal (with numerals 65) and the Navy Commendation Medal.

2. (U) Colonel Charles H. Pitman, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 10 November 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as the senior Marine and Helicopter Advisor to the Commander of the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) During this period, Colonel Pitman was confronted with the formidable task of assembling, training, and deploying a specialized RH-53 helicopter force capable of flying a mission profile under conditions never before attempted or foreseen. This required developing totally new techniques in low-level night flying, long-range night navigation, tactical refueling operations, missed air landings and ground control techniques. This capability had

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to be built in an extremely short period of time, without attracting attention, utilizing personnel from throughout the US military forces and without benefit of an existing command or support structure. Colonel Pitman, drawing upon his wealth of operational helicopter expertise, and his unique leadership ability was able to channel the efforts of this group of individuals to achieve a singleness of purpose and to develop a unique force capability.

b. ~~(U)~~ Faced with a difficult and heretofore untried task, Colonel Pitman conducted a mission analysis and then, based on numerous factors, recommended the type helicopter necessary for mission accomplishment. Realizing that realistic training was a necessity, Colonel Pitman personally participated in the selection of an adequate training site and development of the detailed training objectives.

c. ~~(U)~~ Colonel Pitman, acting as the Chief Project Officer for COMJTF, personally developed, briefed and supervised every phase of the helicopter program. He outlined a thorough and demanding training program based on the development of crewmember skills and individual confidence building toward group performance and overall mission confidence. Participating as a pilot or observer in every training phase, he conducted extensive analysis of each pilot's capability prior to mission execution. Aware of his responsibility, when it became apparent after the first week that pilot progress was slower than anticipated, Colonel Pitman, even in view of time constraints, strongly pushed for and received several crew changes, obtaining more thoroughly screened pilots and crewmen.

d. ~~(U)~~ In conjunction with appropriate agencies, Colonel Pitman supervised development of the detailed mission profile. The overall mission required a compilation of difficult techniques, many of which, while they had been accomplished individually or for limited periods, had not been combined or accomplished over long distances or periods of time. Moreover, throughout the training and preparation phase, intelligence inputs were continually updated leading to significant force modifications and mission adjustments. Colonel Pitman taking these changes in stride, accommodated these and several other significant modifications to lessen fuel consumption and improve operational security. His flexible, responsive leadership, stemming from the classical leader operating from an "up front" position, lent stability and confidence to the situation.

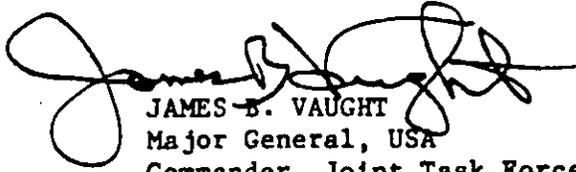
e. ~~(U)~~ As the helicopter mission leader, Colonel Pitman personally supervised all phases of helicopter flight operations up to and including deployment to the USS Nimitz and subsequently to Desert One.

f. ~~(U)~~ The new helicopter techniques developed and tested under these most demanding, real world conditions opened a new era of helicopter operations and provided a much needed tactical employment capability. It was Colonel Pitman's enthusiastic, professional approach that provided the catalyst for this action.

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3. (U) By his exemplary performance of duty Colonel Pitman has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

CHARLES H. PITMAN

Colonel Charles H. Pitman, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 10 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the senior Marine and helicopter advisor to the commander of a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Colonel Pitman was responsible for accomplishing the formidable task of assembling, training, and deploying a specialized helicopter force capable of flying a mission profile under conditions never before attempted or foreseen. The mission required development of totally new operational techniques while utilizing personnel from throughout the United States military forces and without the benefit of an existing command or support structure. Colonel Pitman personally developed, briefed and supervised every phase of the helicopter program, to include selection of an adequate training site and his participation as a pilot or observer in each training phase, in order to complete a thorough analysis of each pilot's capabilities. He supervised the development of the detailed mission profile in conjunction with appropriate agencies, to include continually updated requirements and inputs. Colonel Pitman's enthusiastic, professional approach and responsive leadership provided the catalyst which resulted in a new era of helicopter operations and provided a much needed tactical employment capability. The distinctive accomplishments of Colonel Pitman reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. (U) Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Marine Corps, [redacted]
- b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.
- c. (U) [redacted]
- d. (U) 1 December 1979 to 15 July 1980.
- e. (U) Individual reassigned on 16 July 1980.
- f. [redacted] Central Intelligence Agency, Headquarters, Langley, VA 20505.
- g. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- h. (U) Previous US decorations: [redacted]

2. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 1 December 1979 to 15 July 1980, while serving as the senior Marine Intelligence Officer assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was solely responsible for insuring that all rotary wing forces operating with the task force received the very best intelligence and navigational assistance. He accomplished this task by developing an extremely reliable technique for selecting flight routes which all but guaranteed the aircraft to complete their mission undetected.

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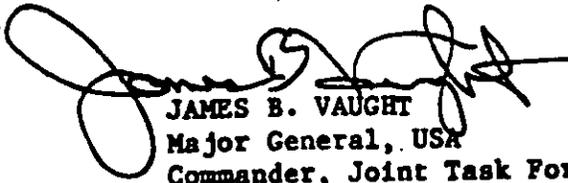
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G This technique was proven during subsequent flight operations. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] broad grasp of international politics and the capabilities/limitations of the national intelligence collection means enabled him to fully discharge his responsibilities with the quiet competence of a true professional. Because of his wide language and foreign area knowledge, Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] was often entrusted with establishing liaison with and debriefing cooperative foreign nationals who possessed knowledge regarding events and the security environment in several critical overseas areas. It was often Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] diplomatic skills and recognition of various cultural and religious differences that made it possible to obtain forthright objective assessments of ongoing events and their potential meaning. Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] contributions combine to warrant special recognition of his efforts and accomplishments.

G 3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
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Lt Colonel [REDACTED] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 1 December 1979 through 15 July 1980, while serving as the senior Marine intelligence officer assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of highest national concern. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] was solely responsible for insuring that all rotary wing forces operating with the project received the very best intelligence and navigational assistance. He accomplished this task by developing an extremely reliable technique for selecting flight routes which all but guaranteed the aircraft to complete their mission undetected. This technique was proven out during actual mission flight operations. Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] broad grasp of international politics and the capabilities/limitations of the national intelligence collection means enabled him to fully discharge his responsibilities with the quiet competence of a true professional. The distinctive accomplishments of Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal:

- a. (U) Captain [redacted] United States Marine Corps,
- b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79
- c. (U) [redacted]
- d. (U) 21 November 1979 to 27 April 1980
- e. (U) HMX-1, MCAS Quantico, Quantico, VA
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- g. (U) Previous U.S. decorations: [redacted]

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2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service rendered:

a. (U) Captain [redacted] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 21 November 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as the Aircraft Maintenance Officer to the Joint Task Force Helicopter Detachment of the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

b. (U) During this period, Captain [redacted] was confronted with the arduous task of organizing the total maintenance effort for the Joint Task Force Helicopter Detachment. Because of the sensitivity of the mission, many restrictions were placed on Captain [redacted] that had to be accommodated and still train for the mission. He was personally involved in the selection and organization of all crewmembers. Captain [redacted] was responsible for, and succeeded at, training specialists into totally trained crewmembers.

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(U) With a limited number of personnel, no more than forty, Captain [redacted] managed the readiness of up to ten H-53 series aircraft for over four months at an average daily availability of nearly 100%. For aircraft maintenance matters, he was the single point of contact to the outside world, which frequently required workdays in excess of twenty hours, six to seven days a week. Captain [redacted] did this on an off duty runway working out of three vans in the isolated western United States and supported nearly 1400 hours of flight training, 90% of which was at night, with the same forty crewmembers.

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d. (U) Time constrained, without attracting attention, working with major commands throughout the U.S. military forces, and without benefit of an existing command and support structure, Captain [redacted] drew on his unique leadership capability and was able to direct the efforts of this group toward a singleness of purpose rarely achieved.

e. (U) Captain [redacted] was required to travel worldwide on occasion to evaluate RH-53 readiness. His evaluation and knowledge of requirements were invaluable in determining what was needed to insure 100% availability on these selected aircraft. He personally acquired these items and carried them on deployment, supervised their installation and insured a totally ready force.

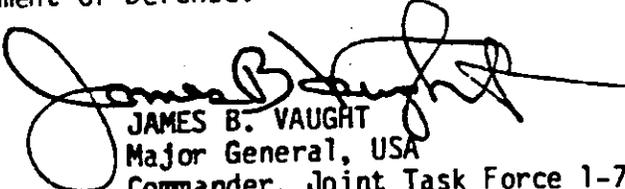
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f. (U) Captain [redacted] was uniquely successful as a maintenance officer under very austere circumstances. He trained and guided subordinates to insure they attained the highest levels of efficiency and productivity. He displayed a unique capacity for coordinating a multifaceted maintenance operation and sustaining an unheard of level of readiness.

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3. (U) The distinctive accomplishments of Captain [redacted] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Naval Service, the organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

CAPTAIN [REDACTED] UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

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Captain [REDACTED] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious service from 21 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Aircraft Maintenance Officer, Joint Helicopter Detachment of the Joint Task Force responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Captain [REDACTED] was responsible for the organization, training and availability of a specialized helicopter force capable of flying a mission profile under conditions never before attempted or foreseen. The mission required unique application of skills while utilizing personnel from throughout the United States military forces and without the benefit of an established support structure. Captain [REDACTED] personally supervised every aspect of the helicopter maintenance program, to include selection of crews and execution of supply support activities. He analyzed each crewmember's capabilities and skills to utilize them most effectively. Captain [REDACTED] enthusiastic, professional approach and positive leadership provided a small number of highly skilled men with the desire and willingness to accomplish a seemingly impossible task. The distinctive accomplishments of Captain [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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10 JUN 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

- a. (U) Chief Warrant Officer [redacted] United States Marine Corps, [redacted]
- G b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79
- c. (U) [redacted] MCAS Cherry Point, Cherry Pt, N.C.
- d. (U) 4 January 1980 to 27 April 1980
- G e. (U) [redacted] MCAS Cherry Pt, Cherry Pt, N.C.
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- G g. (U) Previous U.S. decorations: [redacted]

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service rendered:

a. (U) Chief Warrant Officer [redacted] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself with meritorious service from 4 January 1980 to 27 April 1980 while serving as the Administrative Officer for the Joint Helicopter Detachment assigned to the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

b. (U) During this period, Warrant Officer [redacted] was confronted with the task of administratively organizing an ad hoc unit which had individuals joining from all the major services. Records had to be obtained covertly from major commands throughout the United States. This was done in a remarkably expeditious manner without causing any disclosure of the highly classified nature of his unit's mission.

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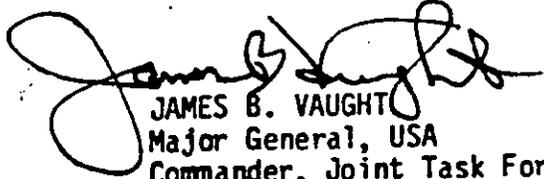
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c. (S) He was confronted with the extremely difficult task of performing all the administrative tasks for the unit while keeping the identities of the individuals unknown. Warrant Officer [redacted] was able to get unit members paid, fed, examined/inoculated, manifested and moved all over the world without one security violation. He was able to accomplish all this and have each member cared for in a timely manner to retain a feeling of normalcy so that outside curiosity about the unit would not be aroused.

d. (S) When confronted with deaths and injuries within the unit, Warrant Officer [redacted] demonstrated that his knowledge and execution of casualty assistance procedures is unsurpassed.

3. (U) By his exemplary performance, Warrant Officer [redacted] has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Naval Service, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense.



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Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 179

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER [REDACTED] UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Chief Warrant Officer [REDACTED] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 4 January 1980 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the Administrative Officer to a Joint Service Unit responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Warrant Officer [REDACTED] was responsible for all administrative duties in conjunction with organizing a Joint Helicopter Unit. He supervised and executed the movements of his unit in a most professional manner, overcoming all obstacles. Warrant Officer [REDACTED] personally conducted single-point liaison with major commands throughout the armed forces of the United States, for all members of his unit, and continually kept all parties informed without jeopardizing the unit mission. Warrant Officer [REDACTED] enthusiastic, professional approach and leadership by example provided a critical entity without which the unit could not have executed its mission. The distinctive accomplishments of Warrant Officer [REDACTED] reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

- a. (U) Petty Officer Second Class [redacted] United States Navy, [redacted]
- b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79
- c. (U) [redacted]
- d. (U) 4 January 1980 to 27 April 1980
- e. (U) Not applicable
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- g. (U) Previous U.S. decorations:

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service rendered:

a. (U) Petty Officer Second Class [redacted] United States Navy, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 4 January 1980 to 27 April 1980 while serving as a helicopter crewmember with the Joint Helicopter Detachment on the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

b. (U) Because of a need not only for operational security but to practice in the desert environment, the unit was located at an obscure location in the Western United States. The facilities there were less than adequate, requiring Petty Officer [redacted] to care for his aircraft on an off-duty runway with only three small vans available as maintenance shelters. Even under these adverse conditions, Petty Officer [redacted] and his fellow aircrewmen maintained their aircraft in near perfect condition providing close to 100% availability for the entire period.

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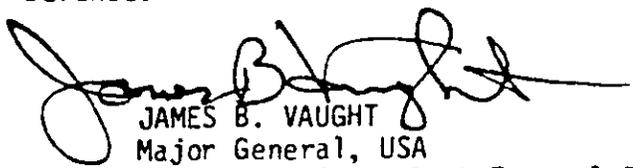
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c. (U) This availability was a necessity as the detachment had only a short time to develop an entirely new capability, to fly a great distance low level at night utilizing night vision goggles. In developing this capability, it became evident that the crewmembers, including Petty Officer [redacted] would have to assume new responsibilities, becoming more integral to the conduct of the flight. Pilots were heavily taxed with flying formation, navigating, and operating inertial and Omega navigation systems without illuminated instrument panels. Crewmembers became responsible for monitoring all cockpit instruments, transferring fuel from internal and external tanks and accounting for fuel consumption following the planned flight profile. They also had to memorize the location of light switches, rheostats and numerous circuit breakers to aid pilots in case of emergency.

d. (U) The crewmembers also provided invaluable assistance to the pilots in navigation. Since the night vision goggles provided a decreased field of view, they contributed by locating or verifying key terrain features from the cabin area.

e. (U) Finally, Petty Officer [redacted] assumed added responsibility during the landing phase. The requirement to set down in the desert without illumination was a hazardous task. The downwash from the helicopter rotor system greatly decreased the visual reference available to the pilots. Consequently, the pilots became greatly dependent on information, including obstacles, altitude and drift, transmitted by the crewmembers. Petty Officer [redacted] ability to remain calm during this taxing flight regime, while providing accurate and timely information, provided the confidence factor needed for safe landings. Petty Officer [redacted] professional expertise, dedication and courage during this period greatly facilitated development of the crew coordination needed to fly the rescue mission. His personal resourcefulness allowed him to adapt to austere conditions and to deal with the mental demands of clandestine operations. He thus contributed significantly to the detachment's preparedness to attempt the mission in April 1980.

3. (U) The display of exemplary performance during this ordeal and the instantaneous adaptability demonstrated by Petty Officer [redacted] contributed greatly to the safe conduct of all operations. Petty Officer [redacted] performance during the entire period of training up to and including the conduct of the mission was in the highest tradition of the Naval Service, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL  
TO

PETTY OFFICER SECOND CLASS [REDACTED] UNITED STATES NAVY

For meritorious achievement in aerial flight from 4 January 1980 to 27 April 1980 while serving as an aircrewman with the special helicopter detachment tasked with developing the capability, and ultimately attempting to rescue the American hostages in Iran.

During the period when the mission capability was developed, Petty Officer [REDACTED] exhibited the adaptability and aircrew talent to assume a completely unique and more integral role in the conduct of low level tactical night flight. The aircraft cockpit was without lights because of the use of night vision goggles and Petty Officer [REDACTED] was required to know the location of all light switches, rheostats and selected circuit breakers to assist the pilots in case of an in-flight emergency.

The decreased field of view of the goggles necessitated that Petty Officer [REDACTED] aid the pilots in navigation by providing accurate descriptions of key terrain features.

Finally, Petty Officer [REDACTED] provided accurate and timely obstacle, altitude and drift information to pilots on final approach to landing. These approaches made without illumination to the dusty desert floor would have been impossible without the information provided by the aircrewmen.

Petty Officer [REDACTED] performed these added responsibilities in a calm, confident and professional manner, thus contributing significantly to the rapid development of the crew coordination concepts utilized during the mission.

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Petty Officer [REDACTED] confident and courageous performance during the ordeal and his ability to adjust calmly to the dangerous circumstances involved contributed significantly to the safe arrival of his aircraft during all operations. Petty Officer [REDACTED] distinctive performance while attempting to rescue his fellow countrymen, and his outstanding, dedicated performance during the entire period reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

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- a. (U) Sergeant [Redacted] United States Marine Corps, [Redacted]
- b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79
- c. (U) [Redacted]
- d. (U) 9 January 1980 to 27 April 1980
- e. (U) Not applicable
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- g. (U) Previous U.S. decorations: [Redacted] Medal.

[Redacted]

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service rendered:

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a. (U) Sergeant [Redacted] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 9 January 1980 to 27 April 1980 while serving as a helicopter crewmember with the Joint Helicopter Detachment on the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

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b. (U) Because of a need not only for operational security but to practice in the desert environment, the unit was located at an obscure location in the Western United States. The facilities there were less than adequate, requiring Sergeant [Redacted] to care for his aircraft on an off-duty runway with only three small vans available as maintenance shelters. Even under these adverse conditions, Sergeant [Redacted] and his fellow aircrewmen maintained their aircraft in near perfect condition providing close to 100% availability for the entire period.

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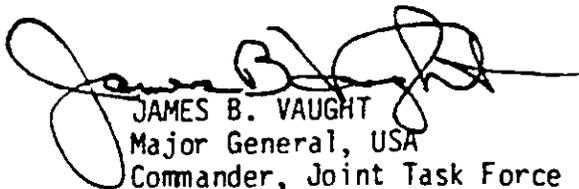
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c. This availability was a necessity as the detachment had only a short time to develop an entirely new capability, to fly a great distance low level at night utilizing night vision goggles. In developing this capability, it became evident that the crewmembers, including Sergeant [Redacted] would have to assume new responsibilities, becoming more integral to the conduct of the flight. Pilots were heavily taxed with flying formation, navigating, and operating inertial and Omega navigation systems without illuminated instrument panels. Crewmembers became responsible for monitoring all cockpit instruments, transferring fuel from internal and external tanks and accounting for fuel consumption following the planned flight profile. They also had to memorize the location of light switches, rheostats and numerous circuit breakers to aid pilots in case of emergency.

d. The crewmembers also provided invaluable assistance to the pilots in navigation. Since the night vision goggles provided a decreased field of view, they contributed by locating or verifying key terrain features from the cabin area.

e. Finally, Sergeant [Redacted] assumed added responsibility during the landing phase. The requirement to set down in the desert without illumination was a hazardous task. The downwash from the helicopter rotor system greatly decreased the visual reference available to the pilots. Consequently, the pilots became greatly dependent on information, including obstacles, altitude and drift, transmitted by the crewmembers. Sergeant [Redacted] ability to remain calm during this taxing flight regime, while providing accurate and timely information, provided the confidence factor needed for safe landings. Sergeant [Redacted] professional expertise, dedication and courage during this period greatly facilitated development of the crew coordination needed to fly the rescue mission. His personal resourcefulness allowed him to adapt to austere conditions and to deal with the mental demands of clandestine operations. He thus contributed significantly to the detachment's preparedness to attempt the mission in April 1980.

3. (U) The display of exemplary performance during this ordeal and the instantaneous adaptability demonstrated by Sergeant [Redacted] contributed greatly to the safe conduct of all operations. Sergeant [Redacted] performance during the entire period of training up to and including the conduct of the mission was in the highest tradition of the Naval Service, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
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Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION

TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

SERGEANT [REDACTED] UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

For meritorious achievement in aerial flight from 9 January 1980 to 27 April 1980 while serving as an aircrewman with the special helicopter detachment tasked with developing the capability, and ultimately attempting to rescue the American hostages in Iran.

During the period when the mission capability was developed, Sergeant [REDACTED] exhibited the adaptability and aircrew talent to assume a completely unique and more integral role in the conduct of low level tactical night flight. The aircraft cockpit was without lights because of the use of night vision goggles and Sergeant [REDACTED] was required to know the location of all light switches, rheostats and selected circuit breakers to assist the pilots in case of an in-flight emergency.

The decreased field of view of the goggles necessitated that Sergeant [REDACTED] aid the pilots in navigation by providing accurate descriptions of key terrain features.

Finally, Sergeant [REDACTED] provided accurate and timely obstacle, altitude and drift information to pilots on final approach to landing. These approaches made without illumination to the dusty desert floor would have been impossible without the information provided by the aircrewmen.

Sergeant [REDACTED] performed these added responsibilities in a calm, confident and professional manner, thus contributing significantly to the rapid development of the crew coordination concepts utilized during the mission.

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Sergeant [REDACTED] confident and courageous performance during the ordeal and his ability to adjust calmly to the dangerous circumstances involved contributed significantly to the safe arrival of his aircraft during all operations. Sergeant [REDACTED] distinctive performance while attempting to rescue his fellow countrymen, and his outstanding, dedicated performance during the entire period reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal:

a. (U) Lance Corporal [redacted] United States Marine Corps,

b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. (U) [redacted]

d. (U) 11 December 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. (U) Not applicable.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous US decorations: Good Conduct Medal.

2. (U) Lance Corporal [redacted] United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement during the period 11 December 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as a helicopter crewmember with the Joint Helicopter Detachment on the Joint Task Force assigned the mission of rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) Because of a need not only for operational security but to practice in the desert environment, the unit was located at an obscure location in the Western United States. The facilities there were less than adequate, requiring Lance Corporal [redacted] to care for his aircraft on an off-duty runway with only three small vans available as maintenance shelters. Even under these adverse conditions, Lance Corporal [redacted] and his fellow aircrewmen maintained their aircraft in near perfect condition providing close to 100% availability for the entire period.

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b. <sup>(U)</sup> This availability was a necessity as the detachment had only a short time to develop an entirely new capability, to fly a great distance low level at night utilizing night vision goggles. In developing this capability, it became evident that the crewmembers, including Lance Corporal [redacted] would have to assume new responsibilities, becoming more integral to the conduct of the flight. Pilots were heavily taxed with flying formation, navigating, and operating inertial and Omega navigation systems without illuminated instrument panels. Crewmembers became responsible for monitoring all cockpit instruments, transferring fuel from internal and external tanks and accounting for fuel consumption following the planned flight profile. They also had to memorize the location of light switches, rheostats and numerous circuit breakers to aid pilots in case of emergency.

c. <sup>(U)</sup> The crewmembers also provided invaluable assistance to the pilots in navigation. Since the night vision goggles provided a decreased field of view, they contributed by locating or verifying key terrain features from the cabin area.

d. <sup>(U)</sup> Finally, Lance Corporal [redacted] assumed added responsibility during the landing phase. The requirement to set down in the desert without illumination was a hazardous task. The downwash from the helicopter rotor system greatly decreased the visual reference available to the pilots. Consequently, the pilots became greatly dependent on information, including obstacles, altitude and drift, transmitted by the crewmembers. Lance Corporal [redacted] ability to remain calm during this taxing flight regime, while providing accurate and timely information, provided the confidence factor needed for safe landings. Lance Corporal [redacted] professional expertise, dedication and courage during this period greatly facilitated development of the crew coordination needed to fly the rescue mission. His personal resourcefulness allowed him to adapt to austere conditions and to deal with the mental demands of clandestine operations. He thus contributed significantly to the detachment's preparedness to attempt the mission in April 1980.

3. (U) The display of exemplary performance during this ordeal and the instantaneous adaptability demonstrated by Lance Corporal [redacted] contributed greatly to the safe conduct of all operations. Lance Corporal [redacted] performance during the entire period of training up to and including the conduct of the mission was in the highest tradition of the Naval Service, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE  
JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

For meritorious achievement in aerial flight from 11 December 1979 to 27 April 1980 while serving as an aircrewman with the special helicopter detachment tasked with developing the capability, and ultimately attempting to rescue the American hostages in Iran. During the period when the mission capability was developed, Lance Corporal [REDACTED] exhibited the adaptability and aircrew talent to assume a completely unique and more integral role in the conduct of low level tactical night flight. The aircraft cockpit was without lights because of the use of night vision goggles and Lance Corporal Gates was required to know the location of all light switches, rheostats and selected circuit breakers to assist the pilots in case of an inflight emergency. The decreased field of view of the goggles necessitated that Lance Corporal [REDACTED] aid the pilots in navigation by providing accurate descriptions of key terrain features. Finally, Lance Corporal [REDACTED] provided accurate and timely obstacle, altitude and drift information to pilots on final approach to landing. These approaches made without illumination to the dusty desert floor would have been impossible without the information provided by the aircrewmen. Lance Corporal [REDACTED] performed these added responsibilities in a calm, confident and professional manner; thus contributing significantly to the rapid development of the crew coordination concepts utilized during the mission. Lance Corporal [REDACTED] confident and courageous performance during the ordeal and his ability to adjust calmly to the dangerous circumstances involved contributed significantly to the safe arrival of his aircraft during all operations. Lance Corporal

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**G** [redacted] distinctive performance while attempting to rescue his fellow countrymen, and his outstanding, dedicated performance during the entire period reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement.

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- a. (U) Major [REDACTED] USA, [REDACTED]
- b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.
- c. (U) [REDACTED]
- d. (U) 30 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.
- e. (U) Presentation is desired on 30 June 1981.
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. (U) Previous decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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(U) a. Major [REDACTED] U.S. Army, distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as Officer in Charge of all communications provided by the Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE), in support of the American Hostage relief effort which occurred between 30 November 1979 and 27 April 1980.

(U) b. There were four major phases supporting the American Hostage release. Major [REDACTED] played an integral part in all four of these phases. He personally worked 12 to 16 hours a day, 6 and sometimes 7 days a week, throughout this complete time frame. He was deployed on numerous long term TDYs to extremely austere locations with little or no notice, spending months away from his family. His personal efforts during each phase contributed directly to the outstanding communications support provided during the actual extraction effort.

(U) c. Major [REDACTED] spent hundreds of hours working with the planning staff determining the exact amount of communications required and the personnel needed to operate and maintain this communications. His planning techniques were outstanding and quickly recognized as an important asset by the Joint Task Force Commander. On numerous occasions he analyzed and resolved difficult problem areas, always developing an excellent solution to the problem. He also managed the testing of the various new types of communications equipment and procedures which were utilized during Operation RICE BOWL. Some examples include the SB-3614 Tactical Switchboard, the KY-70 secure voice encryption device, the PT-25 man-pack portable satellite, and a new system which would allow a secured satellite radio net on aircraft while they were airborne. All of these new systems worked outstandingly under Major [REDACTED] auspices.

(U) d. Major [REDACTED] personally led the initial communications team to SITE ALPHA. When Major [REDACTED] arrived, he and his people lived under the most austere conditions imaginable and endured hardship and isolation rarely experienced in today's military due to the lack of facilities and the nature of the operations security measures undertaken to protect the operation. He and those personnel working for him performed in an absolutely outstanding manner totally succeeding in providing the necessary communications allowing the complete success of this important phase of the mission.

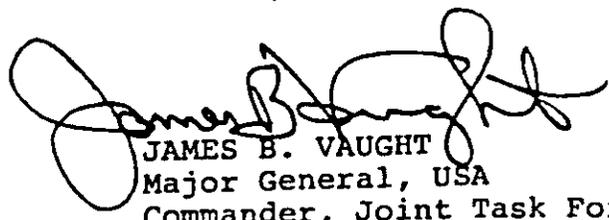
e. <sup>(u)</sup> The Desert One phase was the actual extraction attempt. During this phase, Major [redacted] was again at SITE ALPHA managing all of the JCSE communications which were scattered in numerous locations. The communications he was charged with providing permitted instantaneous secure voice and teletypewriter communications between the rescue party and the National Command Authorities and CONUS intelligence support activities. These communications were so effective and worked so well they earned plaudits from the President, the Secretary of Defense and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. During this time frame, Major [redacted] regularly worked up to 20 hours a day for a month preparing both the actual communications used during the rescue attempt and a back-up communications package which was being prepared for another possible contingency operation.

f. <sup>(u)</sup> During that period of time, Major [redacted] as the Chief of Operations for JCSE, was also required to maintain full support to USREDCOM for other scheduled exercises. The JCSE support to Joint Task Force 79-1 was not dedicated, therefore, the organization had to continue to support three major Joint Readiness Exercises (JRX). Major [redacted] played an integral part in the preparation for and execution of all exercises, in addition to providing outstanding support to the staff of Joint Task Force 79-1. He deployed to SITE ALPHA on three separate occasions. Major [redacted] was the first communications officer to arrive at SITE ALPHA as part of the AWACS deployment in support of USAFE. When he returned to CONUS, Major [redacted] debriefed Joint Task Force 79-1 communications staff officers on all aspects of the site. He constructed comprehensive diagrams of all facilities and assisted staff members in site layout for communications equipment, providing an on-scene experience factor which was invaluable to the communications staff. The second trip to SITE ALPHA was to install all required systems and circuits to support the operation. Major [redacted] and members of his team deployed from the field exercises, through home station, immediately upon termination of the JRX GALLANT EAGLE. He finalized deployment plans with members of the Joint Task Force staff while participating in this month long JRX. He returned to CONUS to make final preparation for the actual operation, leaving a small cadre of personnel to operate joint and all intelligence support circuits. It is significant to note that all deployments occurred with no loss of OPBEC even though very few USREDCOM staff officers were aware of Joint Task Force 79-1 activities.

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g. (U) During all phases of the hostage release effort, Major [redacted] was intimately involved with providing personnel, equipment, and planning expertise. The successful communications enjoyed during all of these phases were a direct result of the long, hard hours Major [redacted] contributed. His outstanding achievements truly contributed to the security and international prestige of the United States. The exemplary performance of duty of Major [redacted] brought great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Army, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Major [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 30 November 1979 to 27 April 1980 as Mission Officer in Charge during the deployment and operation of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Major [REDACTED] dedication while performing assigned duties under extremely austere conditions demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. His tireless efforts resulted in the complete success of the communications support mission. Major [REDACTED] conscientious attitude insured that the invaluable command and control communications links between the National Command Authorities and the Joint Task Force operational elements were fully available at all times during this critical mission, demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend our citizens and interests. The exemplary performance of duty of Major [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Army, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement.

- G a. (U) Staff Sergeant (P) [REDACTED] USA,
- b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.
- c. (U) MacDill AFB, FL 33608.
- d. (U) 20 March 1980 to 26 April 1980.
- e. (U) Presentation is desired on 30 June 1981.
- f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.
- G g. (U) Previous decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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a. (U) Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] U. S. Army, distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as the Primary Mission Site Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, SITE ALPHA, Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE) while deployed in support of Operation RICE BOWL during the period 20 March 1980 to 26 April 1980.

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b. (U) Operation RICE BOWL was the deployment, installation and operation of JCSE personnel and equipment in support of operational units attempting the rescue of American hostages held in Tehran, Iran. During the period of this mission, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] outstanding performance directly contributed to JCSE's highly successful support effort. This outstanding performance occurred in the most challenging environment possible short of actual combat; isolated in a strange land, at a completely remote location and living and operating under the most austere conditions, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] worked 12 to 14 hours daily, 7 days a week, on this operation described later by the President of the United States as a "...most vital mission... demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend...(our)...national interests." The JCSE's efforts permitted instantaneous secure voice and teletypewriter communications between the rescue party and the National Command Authorities earning plaudits from the President, Secretary of Defense and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] was a key factor in the success of this most critical support operation.

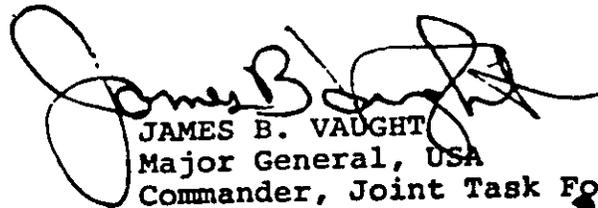
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c. (U) As the Mission Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] demonstrated a degree of maturity and resourcefulness far exceeding the level normally found in a soldier of his age and experience. Faced with an extremely short-fused deployment window, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] quickly identified logistics and air-flow requirements, analyzed mission requirements and selected the appropriate team personnel and equipment to deploy. Upon arrival at the operational location, he immediately set upon the tremendous tasks of site preparation which included power installation, system and circuit layouts and provided for the health and welfare of the deployed team members. Working virtually non-stop for days, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] was able to build, from a totally bare based environment, the cohesive smooth running communications complex that satisfied and in some instances exceeded the requirements of the Joint Task Force. The secure voice and teletypewriter systems, so vital to the support effort, were so well engineered and installed

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under his direction that the reliability rates attained drew special praise from the on-scene commander all the way up to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Staff Sergeant ~~██████████~~ individual determination, technical competence and devotion to duty resulted in an outstanding communications network being provided from the operational area to the highest of command authorities.

d. (U) Staff Sergeant ~~██████████~~ outstanding achievement truly contributed to the security and international prestige of the United States. The exemplary performance of duty of Staff Sergeant ~~██████████~~ reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Army, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.



JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

Attachment  
Citation

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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 20 March 1980 to 26 April 1980 as the Primary Mission Site Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Joint Communications Support Element, during the deployment and operation of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] dedication while performing assigned duties under extremely austere conditions demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. His tireless efforts resulted in the complete success of the communications support mission. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] conscientious attitude insured that the invaluable command and control communications links between the National Command Authorities and an operational element were fully available at all times during this critical mission, demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend our citizens and interests. The exemplary performance of duty of Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Army, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement.

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a. (U) Captain [REDACTED] USAF, [REDACTED]

b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 30 November 1979 to 26 April 1980.

e. (U) Presentation is desired on 31 July 1981.

~~[REDACTED]~~

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. (U) Previous decorations: [REDACTED]

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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a. (U) Captain [REDACTED] U.S. Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement as Mission Officer in Charge, Operation RICE BOWL, and as the Mission Officer in Charge, Alternate Operations Site, Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE), while deployed in support of Operation RICE BOWL, from 30 November 1979 to 26 April 1980.

b. (U) Operation RICE BOWL was the deployment, installation and operation of JCSE personnel and equipment in support of operational units attempting the rescue of American hostages held in Tehran, Iran. During the period of this mission, Captain [REDACTED] outstanding performance directly contributed to JCSE's highly successful support effort. This outstanding performance occurred in the most challenging environment possible short of actual combat; isolated in a strange land, at a completely remote location and living and operating under the most austere conditions. Captain [REDACTED] worked 12 to 14 hours daily, 7 days a week, on this operation described later by the President of the United States as a "...most vital mission...demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend...(our)... national interests." The JCSE's efforts permitted instantaneous secure voice and teletypewriter communications between the rescue party and the National Command Authorities earning plaudits from the President, Secretary of Defense and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Captain [REDACTED] was a key factor in the success of this most critical support operation.

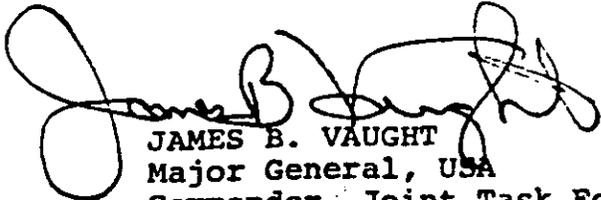
c. (U) As the Mission Officer in Charge at this politically sensitive location, Captain [REDACTED] demonstrated a maturity and resourcefulness seldom found in an officer of his grade and experience. Faced with an extremely short-fused deployment window and working under the most stringent operational security measures, Captain [REDACTED] quickly identified the logistics and air flow requirements, analyzed the mission communications requirements and identified the equipment and personnel requirement for the support effort. Under extremely pressure laden circumstances, Captain [REDACTED] transformed a completely bare base operational area into a cohesive, smooth running communications complex that drew special praise from the on-scene element commander and throughout the entire mission arena. In spite of the overwhelming work load, difficult working conditions and many hours without rest, Captain [REDACTED] determination, technical competence and devotion to duty resulted in a superior communications effort supporting this most critical national undertaking.

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d. (S) Captain [redacted] also took an integral part in the planning of the rescue attempt. Working 18-hour days, 7 days a week, in an austere desert environment, he worked directly with the planning staff in developing the tactics and procedures for the equipment being used. Obtaining the right communications for the mission resulted in hours of testing new equipment, plus the managing of numerous ingenious ideas. For example, extensive testing of airborne satellite systems under Captain [redacted] resulted in an effective combination of equipment, cabling, and antennas to support the mission. The man pack PT-25 portable satellite system was also tested for the first time. The KY-70 secure encryption device was procured and installed for the first time supporting tactical operations, as was the SB-3614 portable switchboard. All of these efforts resulted in an absolutely outstanding communications package which earned the plaudits of all the users.

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e. (U) Captain [redacted] outstanding achievements truly contributed to the security and international prestige of the United States. The exemplary performance of duty of Captain [redacted] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.



JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

Attachment  
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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

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Captain [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 30 November 1979 to 26 April 1980 as Mission Officer in Charge during the deployment and operation of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Captain [REDACTED] dedication while performing assigned duties under extremely austere conditions demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. His tireless efforts resulted in the complete success of the communications support mission. Captain [REDACTED] conscientious attitude insured that the invaluable command and control communications links between the National Command Authorities and an operational element was fully available at all times during this critical mission, demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend our citizens and interests. The exemplary performance of duty of Captain [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
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THE JOINT STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement.

a. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED] USAF,

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b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 20 March 1980 to 26 April 1980.

e. (U) Presentation is desired on 31 July 1981.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. (U) Previous decorations: [REDACTED] (OLC).

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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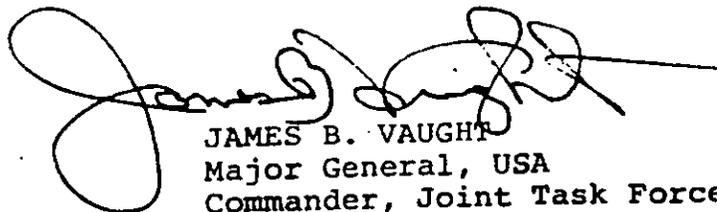
G (U) a. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] U. S. Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement as Alternate Mission Site Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE) while deployed in support of Operation RICE BOWL during the period 20 March 1980 to 26 April 1980.

G (U) b. Operation RICE BOWL was the deployment, installation and operation of JCSE personnel and equipment in support of operational units attempting the rescue of American hostages held in Tehran, Iran. During the period of this mission, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] outstanding performance directly contributed to JCSE's highly successful support effort. This outstanding performance occurred in the most challenging environment possible short of actual combat; isolated in a strange land, in a confined location, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] worked 12 to 14 hours daily, 7 days a week, on this operation later described by the President of the United States as a "...most vital mission...demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend...(our)...national interests." The JCSE's efforts permitted instantaneous secure voice and teletypewriter communications between the rescue party and the National Command Authorities earning plaudits from the President, Secretary of Defense and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] was a key factor in the success of this most critical support operation.

G (U) c. He was the Mission Noncommissioned Officer in Charge at a politically sensitive location. On arrival at this operational location, he immediately set upon the tremendous tasks of site preparation which included power installation, system and circuit layouts and provided for the health and welfare of the deployed team members. Working virtually non-stop for days, Master Sergeant [REDACTED] was able to build, from a totally bare based environment, a cohesive smooth running communications complex that satisfied and in some instances exceeded the requirements of the staff he was supporting. The secure voice and teletypewriter systems, so vital to the support effort, were so well engineered and installed under his supervision that the reliability rates attained brought special praise from the on-scene element to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] individual determination and technical abilities provided superior communications from this operational area to the highest of command authorities.

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G d. (U) Master Sergeant ~~██████████~~ outstanding achievement truly contributed to the security and international prestige of the United States. The exemplary performance of duty of Master Sergeant ~~██████████~~ reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.



JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Master Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 20 March 1980 to 26 April 1980 as the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Joint Communications Support Element, during the deployment and operation of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] dedication while performing assigned duties under extremely austere conditions demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. His tireless efforts resulted in the complete success of the communications support mission. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] conscientious attitude insured that the invaluable command and control communications links between the National Command Authorities and an operational element were fully available at all times during this critical mission, demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend our citizens and interests. The exemplary performance of duty of Master Sergeant [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
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THE JOINT STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement.

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a. (U) Master Sergeant [REDACTED] USAF,

b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 29 November 1979 to 30 March 1980.

e. (U) Presentation is desired on 31 July 1981.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

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g. (U) Previous decorations: [REDACTED] (1 OLC).

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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a. (U) Master Sergeant [redacted] U. S. Air Force, distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of the Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE) taskings in support of Joint Task Force 79-1 during the period 29 November 1979 to 30 March 1980.

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b. (U) Master Sergeant [redacted] was the primary noncommissioned officer responsible for development of the command and control communications architecture to support Operation RICE BOWL. In this capacity, he worked directly with the Joint Task Force 79-1 communications staff in the development of primary and back-up radio systems, adequate circuitry for critical reporting, and alternate routing capability to insure all vital C3 requirements were met. He was instrumental in designing proper interfaces to insure total interoperability of all facilities from the National Command Authorities to the deployed forces. Once the systems were designed and responsibilities designated, Master Sergeant [redacted] deployed on numerous rehearsal exercises to insure all systems met the needs of the supported units in a totally efficient manner. He directly supervised the installation and operation of a myriad of highly sophisticated communications equipment. Master Sergeant [redacted] tireless efforts, coupled with communications expertise, caused the activation of a highly reliable communications network in an extremely short period of time. While working in this pressure-packed environment, he refined critical interfaces which were paramount in the overall success of the mission. Master Sergeant [redacted] exceptional operational ability, combined with his sound recommendations for development and implementation of new techniques and more productive methods, aided the Joint Task Force 79-1 communications staff immeasurably.

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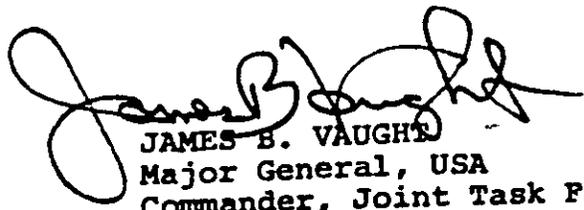
c. (U) Master Sergeant [redacted] had the additional duty of Telecommunications Center Supervisor. As such, he was responsible for transmission and receipt of all teletypewriter record copy messages originated by or sent to the element he was supporting and insuring that required files and related documentation were completed. The very nature of this operation required the upmost in accuracy, security and speed for the interchange of critical messages. Throughout the mission, Master Sergeant [redacted] was faced with a constant flow of high precedence, extremely sensitive messages which had to be processed expeditiously, yet error free. He accomplished this most difficult task, under the most trying conditions, in an

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admirable fashion. The volume of message traffic passed, and the speed of service attained equaled or surpassed the communications center objectives required of highly sophisticated fixed station facilities. This outstanding accomplishment can only be attributed to Master Sergeant [redacted] individual determination, technical competence, supervisory techniques and devotion to duty.

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d. (U) Master Sergeant [redacted] outstanding achievement truly contributed to the security and international prestige of the United States. The exemplary performance of duty of Master Sergeant [redacted] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHN  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Master Sergeant [REDACTED], United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 29 November 1979 to 30 March 1980 as the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of Joint Communications Support Element taskings during the deployment of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] dedication while performing assigned duties under extremely austere conditions demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. His tireless efforts resulted in the complete success of the communications support mission. Master Sergeant [REDACTED] conscientious attitude insured that the invaluable command and control communications links between the National Command Authorities and operational elements were fully operational at all times during this critical mission, demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend our citizens and interests. The exemplary performance of duty of Master Sergeant [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.26

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for achievement.

a. (U) Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] USAF,

b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 30 November 1979 to 24 April 1980.

e. (U) Presentation is desired on 31 July 1981.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous decorations: JCSM.

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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a. (U) Staff Sergeant [redacted] U. S. Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement as Mission Team Chief and Mission Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE) while deployed in support of Operation RICE BOWL during the period 30 November 1979 to 24 April 1980.

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b. (U) Operation RICE BOWL was the deployment, installation and operation of JCSE personnel and equipment in support of the planning and rehearsals of the operational units who eventually attempted the rescue of American hostages held in Tehran, Iran. Staff Sergeant [redacted] was the Senior Noncommissioned officer during this planning and rehearsal phase. Arriving at a totally bare base location and under very austere conditions, Staff Sergeant [redacted] immediately set upon the tremendous tasks of site preparation which included power installation, system and circuit layouts, coordinating phone lines, and providing for the health and welfare of the deployed team members. Working virtually non-stop for days, Staff Sergeant [redacted] was able to build, from a totally bare based environment, the cohesive, smooth running communications complex that exceeded the requirements of the planning staff he was supporting. The secure voice and teletypewriter systems, so vital to the support effort, were so well engineered and installed under his direction that the reliability rates attained drew special praise from the on-scene element commander to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Staff Sergeant [redacted] qualities of leadership were demonstrated in all areas of an important mission requiring the highest degree of professionalism, understanding and judgment.

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c. (U) As NCOIC, Staff Sergeant [redacted] was also responsible for the personal requirements of those personnel who worked for him. The location where they were at had no accommodations for supporting troops. The personnel either lived in tents or slept under the stars, subsisting on C-Rations. There was no running water, mail service, or telephone. Staff Sergeant [redacted] provided those essential elements necessary so that his personnel could subsist during this tough period.

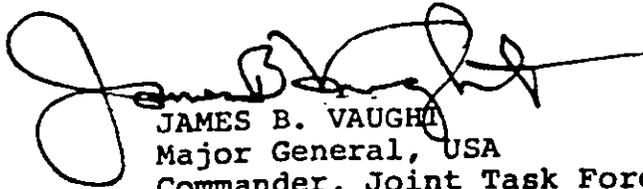
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d. (U) Staff Sergeant [redacted] greatest contribution was his assistance in the planning of the operation. He would work 16 to 20 hours a day, 7 days a week, in this very challenging environment. Many of the concepts and procedures that Staff Sergeant [redacted] developed were tested and implemented by the staff, and used

during the actual hostage release attempt. Through all this he was able to impress upon his personnel the great requirement to maintain operations security of the whole project, and he played a major part in insuring that the practices and rehearsals were never compromised.

e. (U) During the actual attempt to rescue American hostages, Staff Sergeant [redacted] performed an extremely critical mission. He was responsible for all communications left in place at the rehearsal areas. This crucial OPSEC mission maintained electronic signature in CONUS while forces moved to their respective staging sites to make final preparation for the rescue attempt. Staff Sergeant [redacted] effort maintained the secrecy of this highly sensitive mission and permitted forces to be introduced to Iran undetected.

f. (U) Staff Sergeant [redacted] management, leadership, and planning capability were a major contributor to the outstanding communications experienced during these rehearsals and the actual release attempt. The exemplary performance of duty of Staff Sergeant [redacted] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

  
JAMES B. VAUGHN  
Major General, USA  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 20 November 1979 to 24 April 1980 as Mission Team Chief during the deployment and operation of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] devotion to duty while performing assigned tasks under extremely high pressure demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and fervor. His aggressive leadership resulted in the complete and timely success of the communications support for the mission. Through Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] zealous efforts, communications links between Joint Task Force Forward, Pentagon, and the other units were fully operational at all times. The exemplary performance of duty of Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDER, JOINT TASK FORCE

10 JUN 1981

Subject: Recommendation for Award (U)

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.14

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal for achievement.

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a. (U) Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] USAF,

b. (U) Joint Communications Support Element.

c. (U) [REDACTED]

d. (U) 30 November 1979 to 26 April 1980.

e. (U) Presentation is desired on 31 July 1981.

f. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

g. (U) Previous decorations: None.

2. (U) The following is a narrative description of service/achievement rendered:

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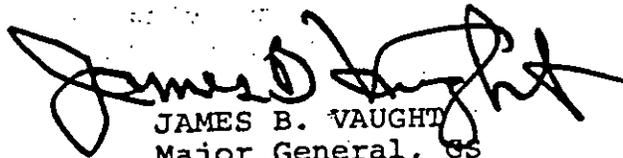
~~(S)~~ a. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] U. S. Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement as a Tactical Satellite Terminal Repair Technician, Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE). while deployed in support of Operation RICE BOWL during the period 30 November 1979 to 26 April 1980.

~~(S)~~ b. Operation RICE BOWL was the deployment, installation and operation of JCSE personnel and equipment in support of operational units attempting the rescue of American hostages held in Tehran, Iran. During the period of this mission, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] outstanding performance directly contributed to JCSE's highly successful support effort. This outstanding performance occurred in the most challenging environment possible short of actual combat; isolated in a strange land, at a completely remote location, living and operating under the most austere conditions, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] worked 12 to 14 hours daily, 7 days a week, on this operation described later by the President of the United States as a "...most vital mission... demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend...(our)...national interests." The JCSE's efforts permitted instantaneous secure voice and teletypewriter communications between the rescue party and the National Command Authorities earning plaudits from the President, Secretary of Defense and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] was a key factor in the success of this most critical support operation.

~~(S)~~ c. As a Tactical Satellite Terminal Repair Technician, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] installed, operated and maintained an Ultra High Frequency satellite terminal in an airborne configuration to support the mission. Confronted with the unique task of installing this equipment on board aircraft not designed for this type of operation, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] quickly surveyed the situation, made the necessary power and antenna modifications, and in a short time had the terminal in full operation providing a most vital secure communications link. Though assigned as a repairman, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] voluntarily manned the satellite terminal in the lead aircraft that landed at Desert One in Iran, during the rescue attempt. Throughout the operation he repeatedly performed tasks well beyond the scope of his training and career field. In spite of the tremendous workload, many hours without rest, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] individual determination, technical

competence and devotion to duty resulted in an outstanding communications network being provided from the operational area to the highest of command authorities.

G 3. (U) Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] outstanding achievement truly contributed to the security and international prestige of the United States, and further enhanced the reputation of the Joint Communications Support Element. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] accomplishments and contributions brought great credit to himself, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.



JAMES B. VAUGHN  
Major General, GS  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

[REDACTED]

Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement from 30 November 1979 to 26 April 1980 as Satellite Maintenance Technician during the deployment and operation of critical command and control communications in support of a classified operation. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] dedication while performing assigned duties under extremely austere conditions demonstrated his high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. His tireless effort resulted in the complete and success of the communications support mission. Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] conscientious attitude insured that the invaluable command and control links between National Command Authorities and subordinate units were fully operational at all times during this critical mission, thus demonstrating to our allies and the world our national resolve to protect and defend our citizens and interests. The exemplary performance of duty of Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] reflects great credit upon himself, the Joint Communications Support Element, the United States Readiness Command, the United States Air Force, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Recommendation for Award

Reference: DOD Directive 1348.24

1. (U) Under the provisions of the reference, it is recommended that the following individual be awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal:

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a. (U) Colonel Charlie A. Beckwith, United States Army, [REDACTED]

b. (U) Joint Task Force 1-79.

c. (U) 7 Adams Street, Fort Bragg, NC 28307.

d. (U) 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980.

e. (U) Not applicable.

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f. (U) [REDACTED] Ft Bragg, NC 28307.

g. (U) No other recommendations for awards to this individual are pending and no previous award has been made for the service described herein.

h. (U) Previous US decorations: Silver Star (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Legion of Merit (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters).

2. (U) Colonel Charlie A. Beckwith, United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the principal Ground Force Commander assigned to the Joint Task Force charged with rescuing the American hostages held in Iran.

a. (U) As commander of the ground component of the Task Force, Colonel Beckwith applied his vast experience in clandestine operations to the rescue planning and preparation and was in fact the principal architect of the ground assault plan. Due to the dynamics of the hostage situation, the plan became an evolutionary process requiring frequent modifications, each of which Colonel Beckwith adjusted to with ease.

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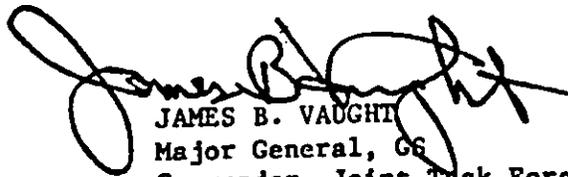
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b. (U) Colonel Beckwith was the driving force behind the strenuous training program that was established and was considered an essential foundation to the effectiveness of the ground force. The training program was both unique and extremely demanding in that it covered the broad spectrum of special ground and air operations, and as such involved members of all uniformed services who were to fulfill various direct support roles in the operational area.

c. (U) Colonel Beckwith's command presence proved highly valuable many times during the months of preparations, particularly during the repeated night rehearsals of a variety of highly dangerous tactics and maneuvers which were critical to mission success. His abilities proved invaluable during the emergency retrograde from Desert One. His efforts and position of respect within the force, contributed to the maintenance of order and the preservation of life during the transfer of personnel from the burning aircraft and the immobilized helicopters.

d. (U) Colonel Beckwith's overall contributions, many of which remain highly compartmented, weighed heavily upon the development of an extremely important capability, and one that will continue to enhance the Special Operations Community in years to come.

3. By his exemplary performance of duty, Colonel Beckwith has reflected great credit upon himself, the United States Army, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense.



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Major General, GS  
Commander, Joint Task Force 1-79

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CITATION  
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL  
TO  
CHARLIE A. BECKWITH

Colonel Charlie A. Beckwith, United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior meritorious achievement from 5 November 1979 to 27 April 1980, while serving as the principal Ground Force Commander assigned to a highly select joint service staff responsible for developing and executing a sensitive military operation of high national concern. Colonel Beckwith was the principal architect of the ground assault plan. As such he was the the driving force beind the strenuous training program that was unique and extremely demanding in that it covered the broad spectrum of special ground and air operations, and involved members of all the uniformed services.

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# OCS SUMMARY SHEET

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SUBJECT: Review of Special Operations Techniques and Capabilities (U)	ACTION		
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**REMARKS**

1. (S) DJS tasked\* the J-3 to provide a review and analysis of the Joint Task Force Capability Review, a report prepared by MG James B. Vaught, USA. In reply to that tasking, J-3 proposed\*\* that copies of the document, "sanitized" to disassociate it from any specific actions associated with the rescue attempt in Iran, be distributed to the Services, certain unified and specified commands, the RDJTF [REDACTED] to be further distributed to selected components.
2. (U) The attached document has been sanitized and memorandums of promulgation have been prepared.
3. (U) Recommend release of the sanitized document and signing of the proposed memorandums.

**References:**

- \* DJSM 901-81, 15 May 1981
- \*\* J3M 2188-81, 7 July 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

1. (S) As you know, funding for Operation Elite Guard terminates at the conclusion of FY 80. Beginning 1st qtr FY 81, it will be necessary to fund the SNOWBIRD (S) Project and Operation Elegant Lady through its lifespan (1 Oct-15 Nov 1980).

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The Operations Deputies have reviewed both requirements and determined that the funds requested are required. The total 1st qtr, FY 81 funds required are [redacted]. A detailed breakout is at Enclosure A.

2. (S) Discussions with Army, Air Force, Navy and DOD personnel indicate that a memorandum substantially like that at Enclosure B would provide the Services with the authority needed to provide the required funding. A recommended procedure for [redacted] will be provided later. Until then, disbursement will be handled by the respective Services as is now the case.

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For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

*Thor Hanson*

THOR HANSON  
Vice Admiral, USN  
Director, Joint Staff

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LtGen Schwenk, USMC  
LTG Otis, USA  
VADM Foley, USN  
Lt Gen O'Malley, USAF

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ENCLOSURE A

TRANSITION FUNDING PROGRAM

A ~~(S)~~ The First Quarter FY-81 [redacted] of the SNOWBIRD (TS) (U) Project [redacted] will require funding by the Services as indicated below. Costs [redacted] are being handled separately by the Army as Executive Agency for this purpose.

	<u>Army</u>	<u>Air Force</u>	<u>Navy</u>
Intelligence Support	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Training & Readiness	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
O&M Procurement	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Communications *	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
O&M Procurement R&D	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
SUBTOTAL	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
TOTAL:	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
TOTAL FIRST QUARTER COSTS BY TYPE:			
O&M	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Procurement	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
R&D	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Intelligence Support	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]

A ~~(S)~~ \* Communications funding divided equally among three Services. All FY-81 Communication procurement authorized in First Quarter to provide [redacted]

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ENCLOSURE B

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

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1. ~~(S)~~ Project SNOWBIRD (TS) activity, Operation Elegant Lady [REDACTED] will be afforded a sufficiently high priority to insure funding of [REDACTED] by the Services at the levels indicated below. For the purposes of these expenditures, provisions of DoD Directive 7250.5, dated 9 January 1980, and DoD Instruction 7250.10, dated 10 January 1980, are hereby waived.

2. ~~(S)~~ In addition to the [REDACTED] previously directed (references a and b) for this project from the Army, Navy and Air Force, the following Service funding through 1st qtr, FY 81 is required and directed.

a. Army: [REDACTED]

b. Air Force: [REDACTED]

c. Navy: [REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

A Subject: [REDACTED] ( [REDACTED], JS)

A 1. ~~(S)~~ Enclosed is the recommended funding level to [REDACTED] and to provide [REDACTED] for the headquarters will be addressed separately by the Army.

2. (U) Enclosure A is an Executive Summary of costs by Service.

A 3. ~~(S)~~ Enclosure B provides for continued funding of intelligence programs. These costs are separate from direct funding of the [REDACTED]

A 4. ~~(S)~~ Enclosure C, Funding Policy, is the JTF recommendation for handling [REDACTED]. These recommendations are based on JTF experience and discussions with Service comptrollers.

A 5. ~~(S)~~ Enclosure D outlines the JTF recommendation for a [REDACTED]. This budget provides a notional training program [REDACTED]

6. ~~(S)~~ TAB A to Enclosure D, the Communications portion of the budget, is addressed as a separate issue.

7. (U) Enclosure E provides draft implementing documentation.

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for *[Signature]*  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

- Attachments:
- A - Executive Summary
  - B - Intelligence Funding
  - C - Funding Policy
  - D - Training/Readiness
  - E - Implementers

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ENCLOSURE A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The First Quarter FY-81 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] will require funding by the Services as indicated below. Costs associated [REDACTED] are being handled separately by the Army as Executive Agency for this purpose.

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Army

Air Force

Navy

Intelligence Support [REDACTED]

Training & Readiness [REDACTED]

O&M  
Procurement [REDACTED]

Communications \*

O&M  
Procurement \*\*\*  
R&D [REDACTED]

SUBTOTAL [REDACTED]

TOTAL: [REDACTED]

TOTAL FIRST QUARTER COSTS BY TYPE:

O&M  
Procurement  
R&D  
Intelligence Support [REDACTED]

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- \* Communications funding divided equally among three Services.
- \*\* Reflects highest cost options (I & III). Option II is [REDACTED] per Service.
- \*\*\* All FY-81 Communication procurement [allocated] in First Quarter.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

Subject: Continued Intelligence Project Funding (U)

A Over the course of FY 80, several intelligence actions required funding; specifically, [redacted] for support [redacted] and [redacted] for Technical Intelligence Projects. The conclusion of the FY requires that FY 81 funds be provided to support these projects. Accordingly, it is requested that FY 81 funds in the amount indicated be provided.

A Support [redacted]  
Technical Intelligence [redacted]

Respectfully,

*for*  MG  
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

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ENCLOSURE C  
FUNDING POLICY

1. (S) The JTF experience indicates that funding requirements fall into four broad categories:

- a. Intelligence Programs
- b. Training/Organizational Costs
- c. Research/Development & Procurement
- d. Subordinate Unit Sustaining Costs

A The [REDACTED]

A 2. (S) The following recommendations are provided to assist the Services [REDACTED]

A a. (S) Intelligence Costs. Presently, these funds are recommended for approval by the OPSDEPS on a fenced project basis and forwarded to OSD for action. Funds are then provided through appropriate methods to the required agency. These requirements will continuously arise as new missions [REDACTED] It is recommended [REDACTED]

A b. (S) Training/Organizational Costs. [REDACTED]

A [REDACTED] Presently, these funds are approved on a monthly basis and disbursed by each Service as appropriate. JTF travel funds are provided by OSD. It is recommended that these funds, primarily Service O&M be provided [REDACTED] and disbursed by comptroller [REDACTED]

A c. (S) Research/Development and Procurement. Requirements will continue to be generated as each mission is analyzed. Presently, Service OPSDEPS review each R&D requirement on a project basis. Approved projects are funded by each Service or OSD as appropriate. This should not change. Procurement funds are more complex in that they involve both special project purchases [REDACTED] and sustaining items (winter clothing). It is recommended that each Service be prepared to absorb short notice R&D requirements of several million dollars as missions dictate. Specific requirements to be approved as required.

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A d. (U) Component Unit Sustaining Costs. At this time, each Service fully funds the operational costs [REDACTED] In that each Service is responsible for the readiness of its contribution, this approach should not change.

A e. (U) Joint Exercise Costs. [REDACTED] as its [REDACTED] Funding methodology for this program should be addressed at the conclusion of the SNOWBIRD mission.

A [REDACTED] anticipated budgetary requirements. It is recommended that in addition to the present O-5 position, an O-3, GS-13 and clerk-typist be added.

A g. (U) JTF experience strongly indicates that each Service must have a POC within Service HO capable of handling technical funding matters with [REDACTED] Additionally, [REDACTED] must have qualified personnel assigned who are competent to manage internal budget matters. It is recommended that a system such as exists within the ARSTAF be considered.

h. (U) It is essential that a clearly stated, Service-approved funding policy be developed. It is recommended that such a policy be presented for OPSDEPS consideration prior to 2d qtr, FY 81.

3. (U) Finally, it is recommended that present funding procedures initially be utilized for 1st qtr, FY 81. Upon approval of actions in h above, unobligated funds would be dispersed per Service agreement.

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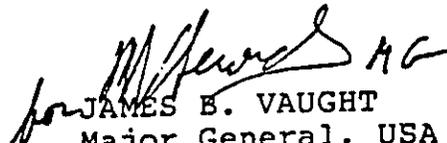
*A* ~~(S)~~ Subject: First Quarter Fiscal Year 81 Costs Associated With  
Project SNOWBIRD (P8) [REDACTED]

*A* 1. ~~(S)~~ Enclosed is the cost data associated with continuing  
the Elite Guard program [REDACTED]. This program will  
maintain training readiness at its present level [REDACTED].

2. ~~(S)~~ Recommend the following first quarter resources be  
provided to SNOWBIRD [REDACTED] as indicated below:

ARMY: [REDACTED]  
USAF: [REDACTED]  
Navy: [REDACTED]

Respectfully,

*for*   
JAMES B. VAUGHT  
Major General, USA

Attachments:

- A - Training Cost Summary
- B - Force Structure
- C - Communications Package
- D - Equipment Purchases
- E - Air Superiority Mission
- F - Base Support Cost
- G - Travel
- H - Airlift Costs
- I - Flying Hour Program
- J - Ship Compatibility Test

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ENCLOSURE A

TRAINING COST SUMMARY

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1. ~~(S)~~ GENERAL: The requirement to retain training readiness of EC 1-79 and its [redacted] necessitates a training program through first quarter, FY 81. Cost data displayed depicts a minimum exercise program with forces utilizing forward operating bases. Lacking definitive intelligence data for planning, JTF [redacted] must include all forces presently available.

2. ~~(S)~~ DISCUSSION: Training program. The cost model for the training program was constructed on the following assumptions:

- a. Seven day exercise each month.
- b. Use of a forward operating base each time.
- c. Scenarios IX and X would be rehearsed.
- d. USAF modifications would be completed.
- e. JTF flying hour program (FHP) requirements for the 101st and [redacted] are costed against the JTF.
- f. Units conduct home station training at own expense.

[redacted] will be approved.

TRAINING COST SUMMARY

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USN

FHP (O&M) ~~(S)~~

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Contingency Fund Recommendation:  
(Service O&M set aside - excluded from basic budget)

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USA ~~(S)~~

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1. ~~(S)~~ General: The JCS terms of reference for the [redacted] provided for a J-6 staff element and specified that a [redacted]

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[redacted] requirements and interfacing with the Defense Communications System (DCS). Experience indicates the need for both an in-garrison communications capability and a deployable capability to support the [redacted] people are assigned to the [redacted] trained and ready to perform assigned tasks, the Joint Communications Support Element (JCSE) will support and give first priority [redacted]. Multi-channel satellite communications equipments are scarce and are needed to support other high priority missions such as JCS crisis management, RDJTF deployments, and the Unified Commands. New equipment could be obtained in 18 to 24 months. The JCS terms of reference regarding the DCS interface can be satisfied by various means. JTF 1-79 is now provided this support by CINCEUR. Three options for meeting the terms of reference are offered. [redacted]

and 50% from the Services to minimize mission capability and training turbulence. The Services should expedite manning [redacted] shared equally by the military departments. This enclosure outlines a two-phased approach to achieve the option selected.

A a. ~~(S)~~ Phase I - A continuation of the capability established for JTF 1-79 on an ad hoc basis plus items needed to satisfy [redacted]

b. (U) Phase II - A follow-on capability to replace the ad hoc system and "borrowed" equipment that belongs to the JCSE and the Services.

2. (U) Phase I:

a. (U) In-garrison

A (1) ~~(S)~~ Existing communications capability at the Pentagon (JTF 1-79), and at [redacted] must remain in place. In addition, the following communications support must be operational for the [redacted] no later [redacted]

(a) ~~(S)~~ KW-7 secured 75 baud teletype (fully redundant) via dial-up AUTOVON circuits.

(b) ~~(S)~~ KW-7 secured 75 baud (ASCII) teletype (fully redundant) [redacted]

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C (c) ~~(S)~~ Two voice grade circuits (C2 conditioned to provide bulk encrypted secure voice ~~██████████~~ a 300 baud teletype channel and an order wire to the Pentagon Technical Control ~~██████████~~)

(d) ~~(S)~~ Two KY-70 terminals.

(e) ~~(S)~~ Parkhill with wire line adapter for secure voice via AUTOVON dial-up.

(f) ~~(S)~~ Two single-channel UHF SATCOM terminals with remote Parkhills.

(g) ~~(S)~~ Two HF radios with antennas and Parkhill (Sunair 900 DX or equivalent).

(h) ~~(S)~~ Telephone connectivity to the ~~██████████~~ telephone switch with direct dial access to AUTOVON and commercial telephone lines.

(i) ~~(S)~~ Four wire AUTOVON terminal in ~~██████████~~ center for dial-up teletype capability.

(j) ~~(S)~~ Three KY-3 terminals connected to the ~~██████████~~

(3) ~~(S)~~ Costs for Phase I leased circuits and AUTOVON service is estimated to be ~~██████████~~

A b. ~~(S)~~ Deployable. Deployable command and control communications resources are required to extend the dedicated, compartmented, secure voice and record communications links from the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the supporting command and control and intelligence agencies, to deployed ~~██████████~~. A listing of deployable resources required ~~██████████~~ is attached at Appendix A.

3. (U) Phase II:

A, C a. ~~(S)~~ In-garrison. The in-garrison communications capability that has been established for JTF 1-79 on an ad hoc basis provides limited support. This capability is highly visible from an operations security standpoint, is not readily expandable in times of crisis, and is largely a single-thread system. The ability to overcome these shortfalls exists. ~~██████████~~ can take advantage of the existing extensive communications linkages of the Pentagon ~~██████████~~ to insure that linkages with ~~██████████~~

~~██████████~~ communications networks can be exploited without alerting communications personnel not knowingly directly involved in the operation. The communications linkage available to the DOS ~~██████████~~ is significant and likely to be the only early-on ~~██████████~~

available, in-place communications, in many parts of the world which can be exploited in support of actual operations. Thus, it is essential that [redacted] take advantage of that capability. The principal features of such an enhanced system are discussed in Appendix C. A detailed description of the proposed system is available at OJCS/TC3S, Crisis Communications Division.

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b. (U) Deployable:

(1) (U) Deployable assets "borrowed" from other sources should be returned eventually either directly or by purchasing replacement items. A listing of items that should be procured for pay back to the JCSE and the Services is attached at Appendix B. Cost in FY 81 is estimated to be about \$5.3 million to 8.3 million depending upon the option selected.

(2) (U) As new capabilities currently under development are fielded, [redacted] should acquire them. A planning [redacted] for procurement of new equipment is included for POM/Budget consideration beginning in FY 82 and beyond.

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(3) (U) A limited amount of funds are needed for research and development (R&D) of new equipment/capability [redacted]. Experience gained by JTF 1-79 shows that the normally long R&D cycle can be shortened by adapting off-the-shelf or commercially available equipment to support [redacted]. A nominal fund for R&D should be provided. \$200,000 per year is recommended.

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(4) (U) When the Phase II in-garrison communications capability is fielded, a similar deployable capability should be fielded [redacted].

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4. (U) First Quarter FY 81 [redacted] Communications Personnel, R&D, Procurement and O&M Costs:

[redacted] is based upon experience of JTF 1-79. The [redacted] shall require [redacted] people to support the mission of the [redacted] Enlisted (See detailed listing at Appendix B). [redacted] If a determination is made to leave the DCS interface terminal equipment within the JCSE, the manpower package [redacted] be reduced by 29 spaces.

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b. ~~(S)~~ Procurement Costs:

[REDACTED]

c. ~~(S)~~ O&M Cost:

[REDACTED]

d. ~~(S)~~ R&D:

[REDACTED]

SUMMARY

\$ IN MILLIONS OPTIONS 1 AND 3

	FY 81	82	83	84	85	86	87
R&D	[REDACTED]						
PROCUREMENT	[REDACTED]						
O&M	[REDACTED]						

SUMMARY

\$ IN MILLIONS OPTIONS 2

	FY 81	82	83	84	85	86	87
R&D	[REDACTED]						
PROCUREMENT	[REDACTED]						
O&M	[REDACTED]						

APPENDIX A

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PROPOSED EQUIPMENT LISTING

UHF SAT	FLY-AWAY A/C TERMINALS	3 WSC-3+6 MX-850 TMLS
UHF SAT	WSC-3 TMLS (3 trans- ceivers each)	6 EA (1 JTF Rear, 1 Emb, 2 ISBs, 1 JTF Fwd and 1 SOD)
SHF SAT	TSC-85 TML	1 EA
SHF MUX	TCC-65 TMLS	2 EA
SHF SAT	TSC-93 TML	1 EA
HF RADIO	JACC/CP	1 EA
TCF	TSQ-84	1 EA
SWBD	TTC-41	1 EA
COMCEN	DCSTYC-5	1 EA
COMCEN	TSC-73	1 EA
COMCEN	MSG PREP	1 EA
COMCEN	SECURE FAX	3 EA
COMCEN	WEATHER CENTRAL	1 EA
FREQ ANALYZER	TRQ-35	1 EA
GENS (JTF)	60KW 60HZ	3 EA
GENS (WSC-3)	10KW 60HZ	5 SETS
GENS (SHF)	10KW 60HZ	2 SETS
GENS (HF)	60KW 400HZ	1 SET
VEHICLES	2 1/2 TON M-35	15 EA
VEHICLES	1 1/4 TON M-884	16 EA
VEHICLES	1 1/4 TON W-300	2 EA
VEHICLES	1/4 TON M-151	1 EA

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SHELTERS	M4 EXPANDO (MAINT/OPNS SUPPLY/CC)	4 EA
SHELTERS	S-250 OR EQUIV	10 EA
SHELTERS	S-280 OR EQUIV	4 EA
SHELTERS	JACC/CP	4 EA
MOBILIZERS	VARIOUS	12 EA
TRAILERS	1 1/2 TON M-105	7 EA
TRAILERS	3/4 TON M-103	18 EA (ANT/GEN/CARGO)
TRAILERS	1/4 TON M-101	1 EA
CABLE	26 PR	20,000 FT
CABLE	SP4	12 MI
CABLE	PCM	2 MI
WIRE	WD-1	12 MILES
WIRE	WD-16	12 MILES
WIRE	JK	30,000 FT
TELEPHONES	TA-838	125 EA
CRYPTO	KY-65	35 EA
CRYPTO	KY-57	8 EA
CRYPTO	KY-70	4 EA
CRYPTO	KG-27	12 EA
CRYPTO	KW-7	40 EA
CRYPTO	KG-36	6 EA
CRYPTO	KY-58	2 EA
TTY	UGC 129	50 EA
SECURE VOICE	CV-3333	2 EA
WX FAX		3 EA
WX FAX CONVERTER DOVETRON		3 EA

APPENDIX B

REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT  
TO BE PROCURED FOR JCSE AND SERVICES

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNIT COST IN THOUSANDS</u>	<u>ESTIMATED TOTAL COST IN THOUSANDS</u>
UHF SAT TERMINAL WSC-3	21	\$ 40	\$ 840
WSC-3 ANTENNAS	13	4	52
UHF SAT TERMINAL MX-850	6	34	204
SHF SAT TERMINAL TSC-85	1	1035	1035
SHF MUX TCC-65	2	53	106
SHF MUX TSC-93	1	1079	1079
TCF TSQ-84	1	125	125
SWBD TTC-41	1	120	120
COMCEN TSC-73	1	150	150
COMCEN MSG PREP	1	25	25
COMCEN SECURE FAX	3	15	45
FREQ ANALYZER TRQ-35	1	450	450
GEN (JTF) 60KW 60HZ	3	16	48
GEN (WSC-3) 10KW 60HZ	5	10	50
GEN (SHF) 10KW 60HZ	2	11	22
VEHICLE 2 1/2 TON M-35	15	23	345
VEHCILE 1 1/4 TON M-884	16	6	96
VEHICLE 1 1/4 TON W-300	2	12	24
VEHICLE 1/4 TON M-151	1	6	6
SHELTER M4 EXPANDO	4	25	100
SHELTER S-250 OR EQUIV	10	2	20
SHELTER S-280 OR EQUIV	4	5	20

TRAILERS	1 1/2 TON M-105	7	2	
TRAILERS	3/4 TON M-103	18	2	
CABLE	1/4 TON M-101	1	2	
CABLE	26 PR	20,000 FT	N/A	
CABLE	SP 4	12 MILES	N/A	
TELEPHONES	PCM	2 MILES	N/A	
CRYPTO	TA-838	125	.6	
CRYPTO	KY-65	35	7	
CRYPTO	KY-57	8	2	
CRYPTO	KG-27	12	4	
CRYPTO	KW-7	40	2	
TELETYPE	KG-36	6	10	
SECURE VOICE	UGC-129	50	12	
RADIO	CV-3333	2	42	
RADIO	PRC-66	4	15	
RADIO	PRC-68	25	4	
RADIO	PRC-77	4	4	
RADIO	PRC-104	5	14	
RADIO	PRT-250	6	35	
RADIO	SUNAIRE 900DX			
RADIO	OR EQUIV	7	7	
REQ CONV	VRC-46	2	5	
	TH-22	25	.6	

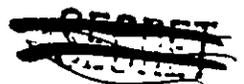
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\$ 8237\*

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20% OF ABOVE

ARE PARTS  
TOOLS & TEST  
EQUIPMENT

Option 2 cost is approx \$3M less than Options 1 & 3  
Option 2 = \$5304K)



APPENDIX C

PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF THE PHASE II  
IN-GARRISON COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

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1. ~~(S)~~ Must be in place and operating on 24-hour/7-day schedule  
[REDACTED]
  2. ~~(S)~~ Must be redundant, both in links and terminal equipment, such that a single failure will not isolate any participant from the network.
  3. ~~(U)~~ Must have sufficient capacity such that high quality voice, graphics and data can be exchanged rapidly.
  - C 4. ~~(S)~~ Must provide for interface between the DCS backbone network and the principal communications nodes of the Pentagon [REDACTED]
  5. ~~(S)~~ Circuit activation/testing etc., for a special operation must not alert foreign intelligence elements.  
[REDACTED]
  - C [REDACTED] The extension of the backbone network via communications preempted for the operation may require the use of extraordinarily sensitive remote locations, [REDACTED]
  - B [REDACTED] carefully orchestrating communications support for operations of this nature with the DOS and intelligence community communications elements.
  6. ~~(S)~~ Must have two independently routed secure links (approx 50 KBAUD) from each of the principal locations likely to be involved in the predeployment or garrison phase of an actual operation. Each link to be red multiplexed with provision for two each 16 KBAUD CVSD voice channels and one each 9.6 KBAUD facsimile channel. The remaining capacity would be subdivided into 75 BAUD OPSCOMM or message traffic channels as required.
  7. ~~(S)~~ Provision for super encryption and second level multiplexing would need to be included such that extensions into any communications path could be accomplished without detection by outside elements.
  8. ~~(S)~~ The termination should be manned and approved for any classification up to and including TS [REDACTED]. The termination should be segregated and staffed by [REDACTED] cleared personnel carefully chosen for maturity in judgement and discretion as well as high technical and operational competence. To minimize the

security risk raised in any activity linking sensitive locations  
would act as the cut out. A system diagram is attached at  
Annex A and a typical station/central mode interconnect is  
shown at Annex B.

9. Links to the DCS AUTOSEVCCOM secure voice system will  
also be required. Wideband secure voice trunks will be required  
to the Pentagon and to the

10. per year. (See Annex C) NSA will provide an installation team.  
An area of approximately 20 x 20 feet would be required to house  
the equipment.

11. communications personnel will obtain OJT on  
limited maintenance/trouble-shooting from NSA. This will be  
a fully redundant system which mitigates immediacy of repair.  
NSA will act as a depot to swap-out reparable end-items.

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1.544 MB/s via WANS (AN/FCC-98 on diverse routes)

Commercial lease 50/56KB circuits

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STATE

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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PTC  
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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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interconnect

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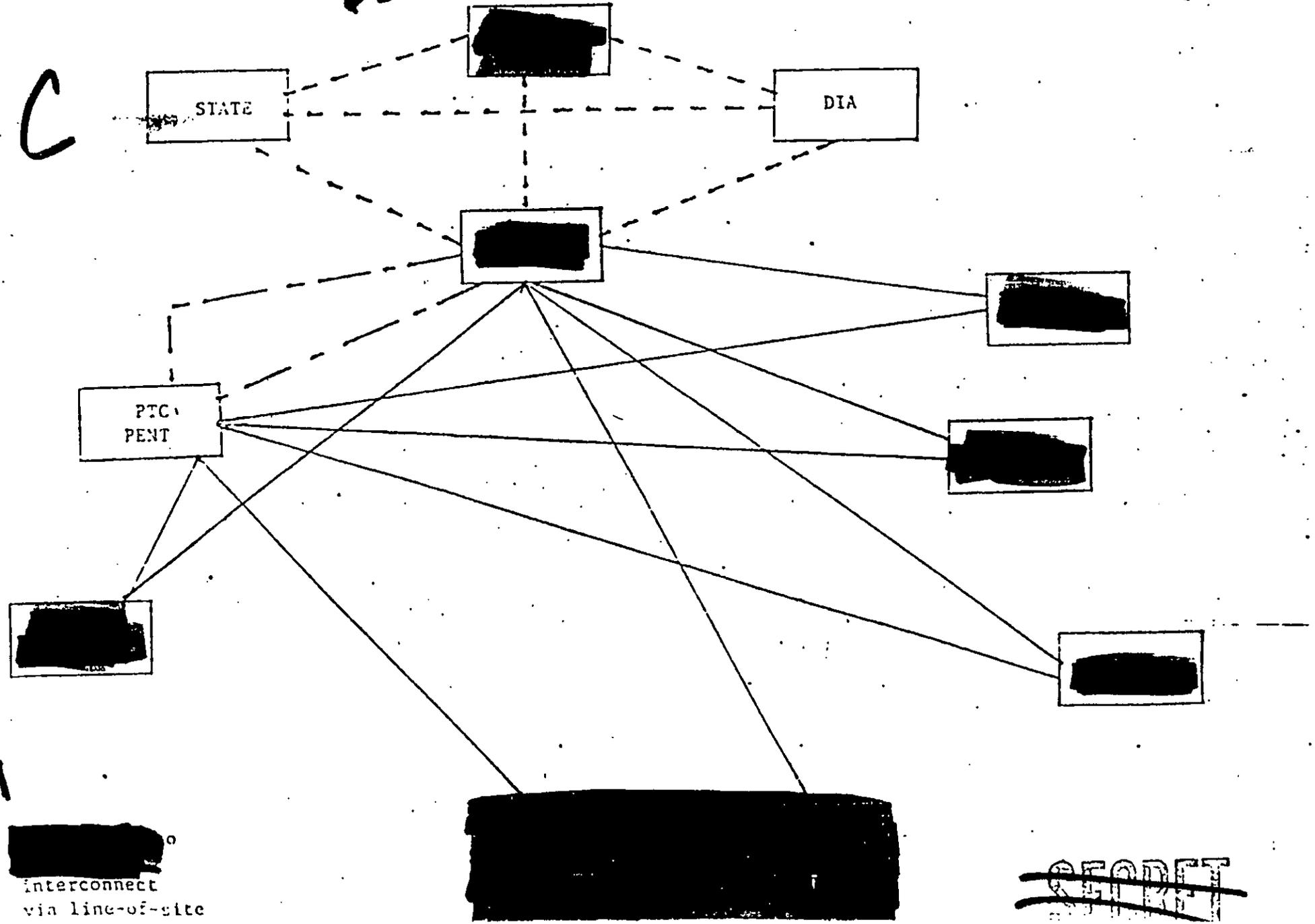
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Commercial lease 50/56KB circuits

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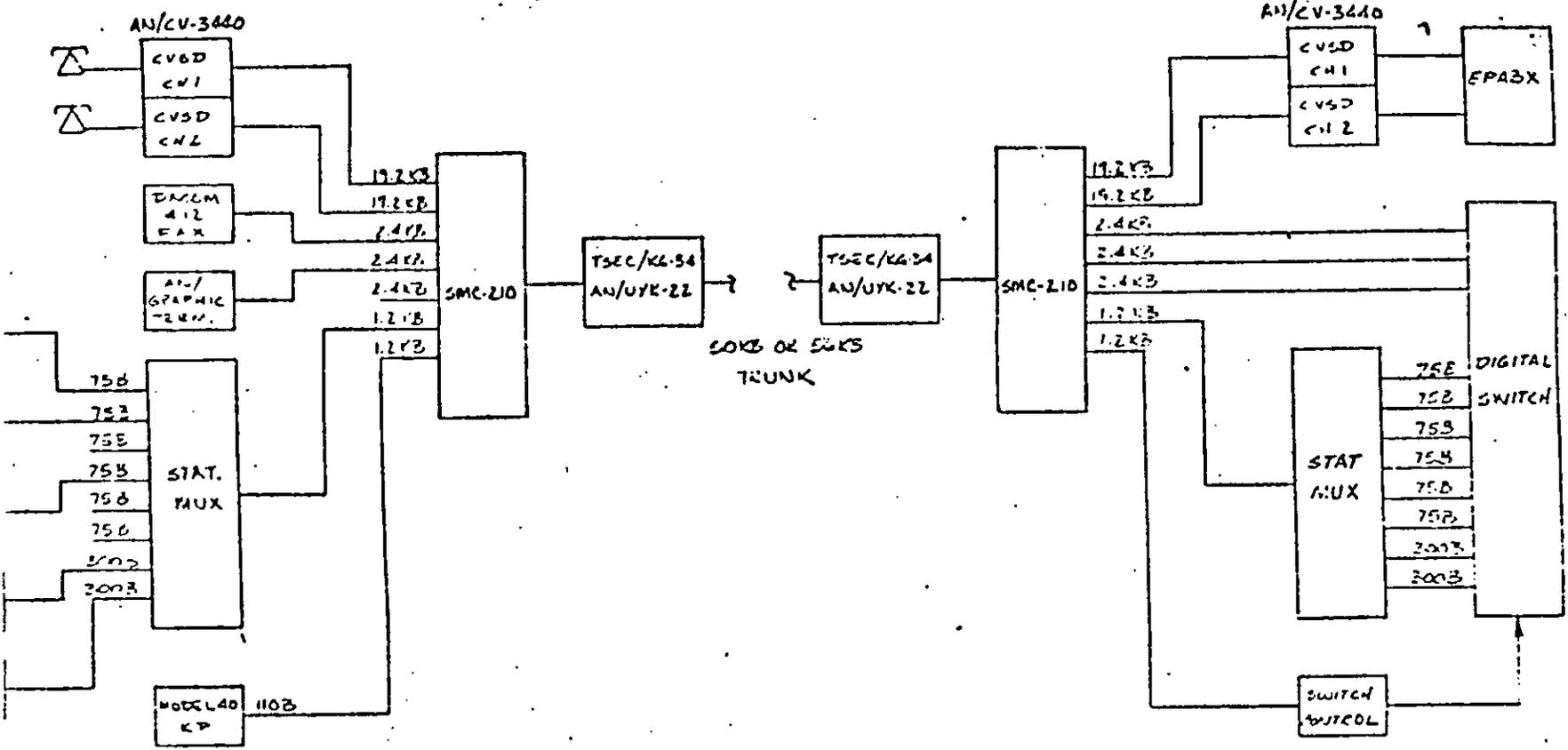
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interconnect  
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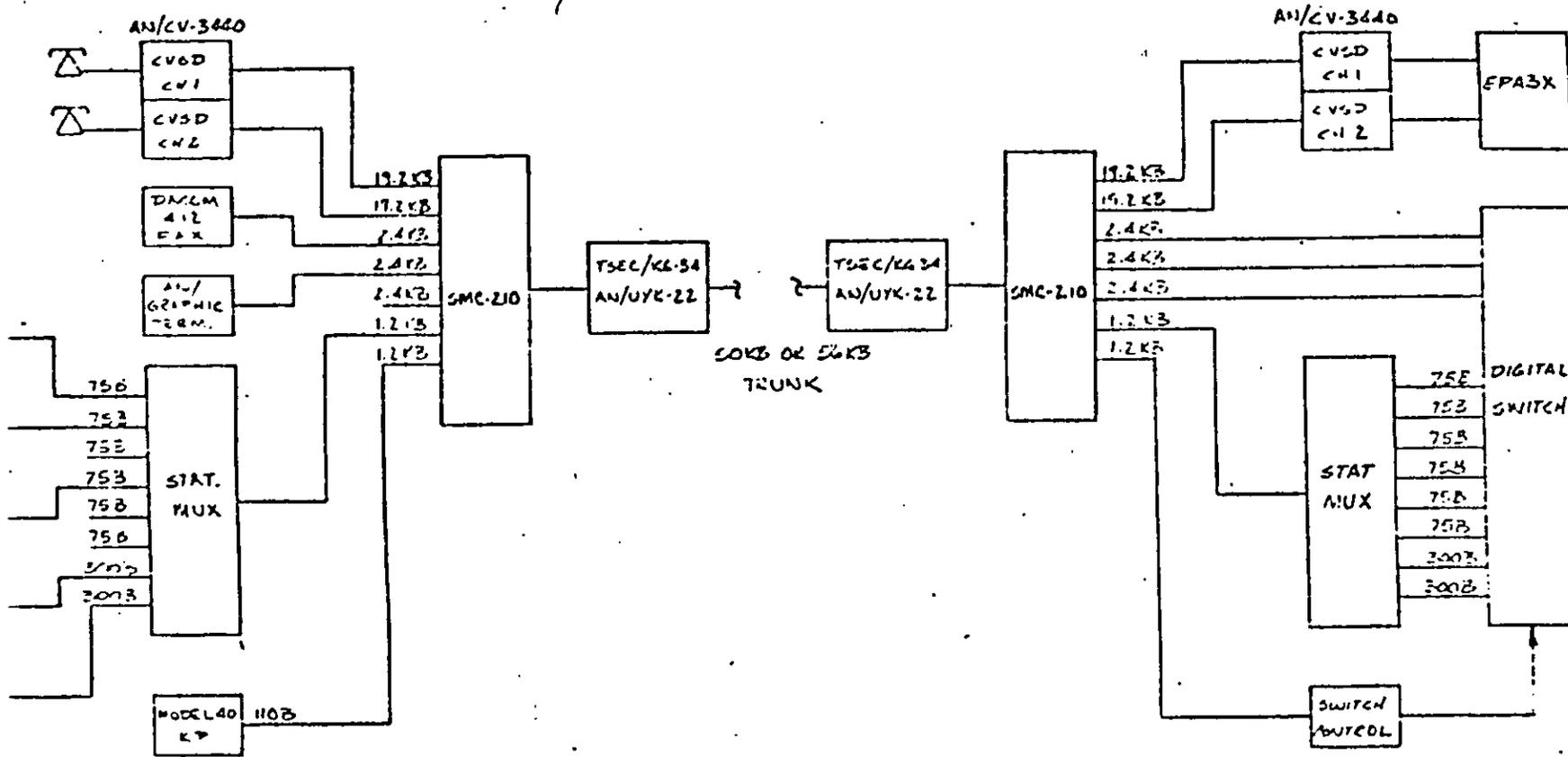


ASCII KEYBOARD/PRINTER TO SWITCH OUT-OF-BAND CORDERWIRE (OPERATES 110B INTO 1200B CHANNEL)

TYPICAL STATION/CENTRAL NODE INTERCONNECT

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ASCII KEYBOARD/PRINTER TO SWITCH OUT-OF-BAND ORDERWIRE (OPERATES 110B INTO 1200B CHANNEL)

TYPICAL STATION/CENTRAL NODE INTERCONNECT

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APPENDIX D

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PROPOSED PERSONNEL

The following is a detailed listing of personnel required

	HQS	<u>OPTIONS 1 AND 3</u>	<u>OPTION 2</u>
1. COMMANDER		1 OFF	1
2. SERGEANT MAJOR		<u>1</u> EM	<u>1</u>
	SUBTOTAL	2	2
ADMIN/TRAINING			
1. ADMIN NCOIC		1 EM	1
2. TRAINING NCOIC		1 EM	1
3. ADMIN SPEC		<u>3</u> EM	<u>2</u>
	SUBTOTAL	5	4
TASK FORCE SUPPORT			
1. TECHNICAL CONTROL		6 EM	3
2. COMMUNICATIONS CENTER		17 EM	14
3. CABLE/TELEPHONE/INSTALLATION		<u>8</u> EM	<u>8</u>
	SUBTOTAL	31	25
COMSEC ACCOUNTING/SECURITY			
1. COMSEC/SECURITY		1 OFF (WARRANT)	1
2. COMMUNICATIONS CENTER SPEC		<u>2</u> EM	<u>2</u>
	SUBTOTAL	3	3
FORWARD SUPPORT DET			
1. WSC-3 OPERATORS (6 TMLS)		17 EM	17
2. QRE (2-4 MAN TEAMS)		<u>8</u> EM	<u>8</u>
	SUBTOTAL	25	25

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SUPPLY/MAINTENANCE

1. SUPPLY/MAINT OIC	1 OFF	1
2. SUPPLY NCOIC	1 EM	1
3. MAINT NCOIC	1 EM	1
4. SUPPLY SPEC	5 EM	4
5. TTY MAINT	6 EM	6
6. HF RADIO. OPRS/MAINT/WX MAINT	13 EM (9 EA FOR JACC/CP)	4
7. SHF SATELLITE MAINT	11 EM	0
8. UHF SATELLITE MAINT	6 EM	6
9. CRYPTO MAINT	6 EM	6
10. SWBD MAINT	<u>1</u> EM	<u>1</u>
	SUBTOTAL	51
		30

SPT MAINT SECTION

1. MOTOR MAINT	6 EM	5
2. GENERATOR MAINT	6 EM	6
3. REEFER MAINT	<u>2</u> EM	<u>2</u>
	SUBTOTAL	14
		13

TOTAL 131 (OFF 2, WO 1, EM 128) OPTIONS 1 & 3

TOTAL 102 (OFF 2, WO 1, EM 99) OPTION 2

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ENCLOSURE D

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

1. Below are listed the projected procurement costs associated with [redacted] programs through 1st Qtr FY 81. Items indicated are derived from known needs of the present force to execute a rescue attempt in the winter quarter. Two items, the [redacted] are essential [redacted] the present mission.

ITEM	QUANTITY	COST
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Camouflage nets	200	120K
Net support system	200	41K
Desert uniform	500	100K
Overwhites	750	38K
Night vision goggles	100	700K
Ammunition	various	100K
IR paper	roll	10K
[redacted] weapons	20	15K
[redacted] magazines	160	3K
Body armor	100	20K
Survival kits	100	23K
Black sweaters	750	6K
Watch caps	750	1.5K
Hostage clothing	52	6K
Dust goggles	1,500	6K
American Flag patches	1000	1K
[redacted]	250	1K
Total		\$1,388,500.00

Per month: \$462,000.00

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ENCLOSURE E

AIR SUPERIORITY MISSION (SENTINEL SWORD) ~~(S)~~

<u>USAF</u>				
<u>ACFT</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>CPH</u>	<u>HRS</u>	<u>COST</u>
F-4	4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
KC-135	6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
E-3A	1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

<u>USN</u>				
<u>ACFT</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>CPH</u>	<u>HRS</u>	<u>COST</u>
F-14	4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
A-6	2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
KA-60	3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

COST PER MONTH PER SERVICE

	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>
USN	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
USAF	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

NOTE: USN base support of \$18K is additive.

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ENCLOSURE F

BASE SUPPORT COSTS

HONEYBADGER Experience - Ft Bliss, 21 Days

POL	\$ 26.0K	
ADMIN SPT	17.5	
MAINTENANCE	4.1	
ENGINEER SUPPORT	68.1	
TRANSPORTATION	23.4	
TDY	<u>1.3</u>	
	\$140.4K	DAILY COST \$6.68K

2 Base locations, 7 days each location

2 x \$6.68 x 7 = \$93.5K per month - Army

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TRAVEL

HONEY BADGER Experience

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	<u>60 DAYS</u>	<u>DAILY AVG</u>
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
ARMY	435K	7,250.00
USAF	149K	2,483.00

Travel Costs to Support Training

	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
ARMY	50.8K	50.8K	50.8K
USAF	17.4K	17.4K	17.4K

NOTE: Army travel costs under HONEY BADGER were in large measure due to civilian techrep support toward the BLACKHAWK/CH-47R modifications. Actual field TDY costs for Army personnel will probably be significantly lower than depicted. [REDACTED] USAF costs probably will not significantly change.

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ENCLOSURE H.

AIRLIFT COSTS  
(HONEY BADGER EXPERIENCE)

OCT

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~~A~~ ARMY

USAF

[REDACTED]

COST MODEL

DEPLOY - REDEPLOY

~~A~~ 101st AVN

\$3.30M

[REDACTED]

JCSE

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JTF HQ

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[REDACTED]

NOTE: Costs are derived from historical data on JTF unit moves. Army costs have been reduced to reflect smaller force package vice HONEY BADGER forces.

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ENCLOSURE I

FLYING HOUR PROGRAM

ARMY

OCT

NOV

DEC

UH60-(26)

DEPLOY

hours

TRAIN

hours

REDEPLOY

hours

hours

CH-47R-(12)

DEPLOY

hours

TRAIN

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REDEPLOY

hours

hours

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USAF

OCT      NOV      DEC

(S) HH53-(14) (1st SOW)

DEPLOY	[REDACTED]	hours
TRAIN	[REDACTED]	hours
REDEPLOY	[REDACTED]	hours
	[REDACTED]	hours

[REDACTED]

(S) FIXED WING (1st SOW)-(21)

DEPLOY	[REDACTED]	hours
TRAIN	[REDACTED]	hours
REDEPLOY	[REDACTED]	hours

[REDACTED]

(S) C141B-(6) (MAC)

DEPLOY	[REDACTED]	hours
TRAIN	[REDACTED]	hours
REDEPLOY	[REDACTED]	hours

[REDACTED]

TOTAL

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Enclosure I

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SHIPBOARD COMPATIBILITY TEST

1. ~~(S)~~ Funds would permit ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ to undergo compatibility tests ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~. This is in support of Option VIII and would be conducted in October, contingent upon test approval.

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2. ~~(S)~~ Forces involved:

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ UH-60A  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ CH-47R  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ HH-53H

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3. ~~(S)~~ Costs:

Army

USAF

TOTAL

O&M

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ENCLOSURE B

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

Subject: Special Project Funding (U)

Ref: a. DUSD R & E memo dtd 6 June 1980  
b. SECDEF memo dtd 12 August 1980

1. ~~(S)~~ Project SNOWBIRD activity, Operation Elegant Lady, ~~(S)~~ will be afforded a sufficiently high priority to insure funding of ~~(S)~~ by the Services at the levels indicated below. For the purposes of these expenditures, provisions of DoD Directive 7250.5, dated 9 January 1980, and DoD Instruction 7250.10, dated 10 January 1980, are hereby waived.

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2. ~~(S)~~ In addition to the ~~(S)~~ previously directed (references a and b) for this project from the Army, Navy and Air Force, the following Service funding through 1st qtr, FY 81 is required and directed.

- a. Army: ~~(S)~~
- b. Air Force: ~~(S)~~
- c. Navy: ~~(S)~~

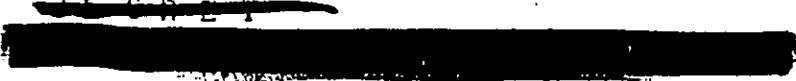
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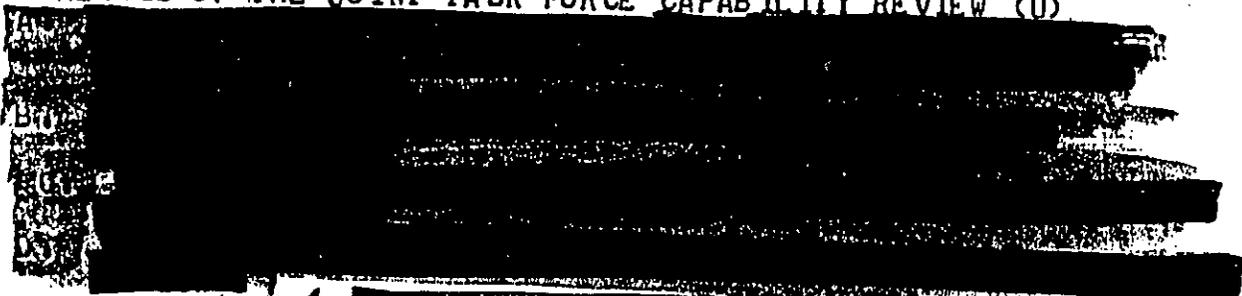
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SUBJ: ANALYSIS OF THE JOINT TASK FORCE CAPABILITY REVIEW (U)

REFS:

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WE HAVE THOROUGHLY STUDIED THE DOCUMENT AND OFFER THE COMMENTS BELOW WHICH PERTAIN TO THOSE ITEMS WE FEEL ARE CRITICAL

A. (S) ITEM - FORWARD P. 11 PAR 9: COMMENT: CONCUR WITH THE STATEMENT THAT THE SMALL NUMBER OF (REFUELABLE) MC-130 AIRCRAFT IN EXISTENCE HAS PROVEN TO BE A MAJOR PROBLEM ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO SUPPORT OF CONTINUATION TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR

THE IMPENDING TRANSFER OF ONE MC-130 FROM TAC (130W) TO PACAF WILL ONLY FURTHER EXACERBATE THE SHORTAGE. THE REFUELING EQUIPPAGE PROBLEM WILL SLOWLY DISAPPEAR AS ALL MC-130'S ARE RETROFITTED WITH INFLIGHT REFUELING CAPABILITY DURING PROGRAMMED DEPOT MAINTENANCE. IN REF A PAR 7 (C) (1) WE IDENTIFIED A REQUIREMENT FOR A TOTAL OF 26 MC-130 COMBAT TALON, A PORTION OF WHICH MAY BE AIR REFUELABLE C-130'S. HIGHLY RECOMMEND SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED BUY OF TWELVE ADDITIONAL COMBAT TALONS ("C PLUS") AS AN INTERIM FIX WITH EVENTUAL PROCUREMENT OF ADDITIONAL AIRFRAMES AS FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE.

B. (S) (U) ITEM A-2: NIGHT VISION DEVICES. COMMENT: THE MUCH GREATER CAPABILITY AVAILABLE FROM 3RD GENERATION NVGS (AN/AVS 6) WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE OUR CAPABILITY TO OPERATE UNDER MINIMUM/ZERO ILLUMINATION CONDITIONS. THIS NEED WAS IDENTIFIED IN REF A PARA 20. FURTHER WE OBTAINED THE TEMPORARY LOAN OF ONE PAIR FOR THE 130W 1-10 JUN 81. THE USERS WERE EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH AN/AVS-6 PERFORMANCE. THE LIMITED QUANTITY OF PRE-PRODUCTION GOGGLES AND THE COMPREHENSIVE TEST/EVALUATION PROGRAMS USE OF THESE DEVICES DO NOT PERMIT EXTENSIVE EVALUATION BY THE USERS. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL SETS FOR OUR FORCES AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

C. (S) ITEM A-9: LOADING COMPATIBILITY. COMMENT: IN THE COURSE OF PLANNING FOR PREVIOUS CONTINGENCIES AND ANTICIPATION FOR FUTURE APPLICATION TO THE MILITARY HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE CONSIDERED TO EFFECTIVELY UTILIZE THE HH-53H (PAVE LOW) NEEDS TO BE MODIFIED WITH A FOLDING MAIN ROTOR. THE US NAVY IS PRESENTLY PURCHASING A NEW HIGHLY RELIABLE ELASTOMERIC MAIN ROTOR HEAD FOR ITS H-53. INCORPORATION OF FOLDING ELASTOMERIC ROTOR HEADS WILL PERMIT USE OF AND GREATLY REDUCE MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS ON HH-53. REF A PARA 8A(2) AND REF B IDENTIFIED THIS REQUIREMENT TO THE AIR STAFF. NO FORMAL ACTION HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE.

D. (S) ITEM A-10: IMPROVEMENT TO FULTON RECOVERY SYSTEM. COMMENT: CONCUR WITH THE NEED FOR A SHORT TERM IMPROVEMENT TO THE EXISTING FULTON RECOVERY SYSTEM. RECOMMEND IMMEDIATE REPLENISHMENT OF CURRENTLY LOW STOCK LEVELS OF FULTON EQUIPMENT. ADDITIONALLY, AS IDENTIFIED IN REF A PAR 8C(4), WE ENVISION THE NEED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A FOLLOW-ON SYSTEM CAPABLE OF EXTRACTING UP TO 12 PERSONNEL PER RECOVERY PASS. EVENTUAL ACQUISITION OF LONG-RANGE VIOL/TILT ROTOR AIRCRAFT, CAPABLE OF DEEP PENETRATION OF HOSTILE AIRSPACE, AS RECOMMENDED IN REF A PAR 8A(2) MAY NEGATE THE NEED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A FOLLOW-ON FULTON SYSTEM.

COMMENTS: HAS SUCCESS IN PART OF REF ITEM WE HIGHLY CONCUR WITH THE NEED FOR AN IMPROVED LONG RANGE PRECISION NAVIGATION SYSTEM FOR THE COMBAT TALON TO ENHANCE ENROUTE NAVIGATION ACCURACY AND OPTIMIZE AIRBORNE RADAR APPROACH (ARA) PROCEDURES INTO AN OBJECTIVE AREA, ESPECIALLY DURING [REDACTED] OPERATIONS. AS RECOMMENDED IN REF A PAR 6C(1), INSTALLATION OF A DUAL, REDUNDANT, HIGH ACCURACY, RELIABLE, INERTIAL NAVIGATION SYSTEM SUCH AS THE AN/ASB-136 SPN GEAS SHOULD BE PURSUED. REF C PAR 5 STATED THAT MEMBERS OF THE COMBAT TALON COMMUNITY RECOMMENDED THE ABOVE SYSTEM AS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE AGING LN-15J (SINGLE) INS CURRENTLY ON THE COMBAT TALON, AND STATED THAT STRONG SUPPORT FROM USAF MAJCOMS IS REQUIRED IF EFFORTS TO OBTAIN FUNDS FOR THIS MODIFICATION ARE TO BE SUCCESSFUL. (NOTE: ITEM E-3 PAR 4E ADDRESSES THE ABOVE REQUIREMENT AND PROVIDES ADDITIONAL RATIONALE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE AN/ASB-136 SPN GEAS). RECOMMEND PURCHASE OF THESE SYSTEMS FOR WORLDWIDE COMBAT TALON FLEET.

F. (3) ITEM C-4: COMBAT CONTROL TEAM OPERATIONS. COMMENTS: SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE MAC COMBAT CONTROL TEAM, [REDACTED] MANY OF THE DEFICIENCIES IDENTIFIED IN THIS ITEM HAVE BEEN RECTIFIED OR ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING WORKED. FOR EXAMPLE. . .

SUB ITEM 2C(1) (A)5 - RADIOS: A PROGRAM TO PURCHASE AN INTER TEAM RADIO (MOTOROLA 300 S) FOR CCT IS ONGOING. IT IS ANTICIPATED SUBJECT RADIOS WILL BE RECEIVED BY DEC 81.

SUB ITEM 2D(3) (A) - PERSONAL WEAPONS: [REDACTED] WEAPONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BEEN PLACED ON ORDER.

SUB ITEM 2D(3) (B) - CLOTHING: SUBJECT EQUIPMENT IS CURRENTLY ON HAND.

SUB ITEM 2D(3) (C) - UNIFORMS FOR GEOGRAPHIC AREAS: UNIFORMS FOR SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREAS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

SUB ITEM 2E - MANNING: MANPOWER STUDIES ARE CURRENTLY ONGOING TO DETERMINE THE SIZE CCT FORCE NECESSARY [REDACTED] OPERATIONS.

G. (2) (3) ITEM C-5: LANDING ZONE (LZ) ACQUISITION & LIGHTING TEST. COMMENT: SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO TYPE OF LIGHTING AND PATTERN CONFIGURATION THAT RESULTED FROM THE ABOVE TEST ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED AS A STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) BY THIS HEADQUARTERS. WE HAVE RECENTLY EXPANDED TESTING OF THE [REDACTED] PATTERN WITH ACCOMPANYING CENTERLINE WHITE STROBE [REDACTED]

H. (3) ITEM D-6: TACTICAL CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT.

SUB ITEM 2A(3): TRAINING. COMMENT: [REDACTED] TO JOINTLY EMPLOY THE [REDACTED] AIR EXERCISE SCENARIOS. FURTHER INDIVIDUAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS ON [REDACTED] CREWS STRESS THE CAPABILITIES DEVELOPED DURING NIGHT DROGGER, POINT CHARGE AND SUBSEQUENT TRAINING EXERCISES.

SUB ITEM 2A(3): PAVE LOW RADAR. COMMENT: THE RELIABILITY OF THE AN/ASB-136 RADAR INSTALLED IN THE PAVE LOW HAS BEEN LESS THAN DESIRED, PARTICULARLY WHEN OPERATING UNDER EXTREMELY DUSTY CONDITIONS. AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND IS PRESENTLY TESTING A POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT RADAR SET ON ONE OF THE PAVE LOW HELICOPTERS. UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THIS EVALUATION, RECOMMEND INSTALLATION IN THE ENTIRE PAVE LOW FLEET AS THE SYSTEM BECOMES AVAILABLE.

SUB ITEM 2D: HEAVY WEIGHT OPERATIONS. COMMENT REF A RECOMMENDED THAT THE MH-53A BE MODIFIED TO INCLUDE STRENGTHENED LANDING GEAR AND TAIL PYLON TO ACCOMMODATE INCREASED GROSS WEIGHTS OF UP TO 50,000 POUNDS. THESE WEIGHTS ARE NECESSARY TO PROVIDE THE LONG RANGE CAPABILITY [REDACTED] IN ADDITION TO THE FORMAL TESTING AND MODIFICATION PROGRAM, PERFORMANCE CHARTS IN AIR FORCE PUBLICATIONS NEED TO BE CHANGED TO REFLECT INCREASED POWER REQUIREMENTS, FUEL CONSUMPTION, ETC.

I. (3) ITEM D-9: MODIFICATIONS.

SUB ITEM F- THIRD PILOT/NAVIGATOR POSITION WITH OMEGA. COMMENT: WE AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE PRECISION NAVIGATION SYSTEM BE INTEGRATED INTO EXISTING PILOT DISPLAYS. [REDACTED] AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN CONFIGURED WITH OMEGA NAVIGATION SETS. OUR EXPERIENCE WITH UH-60 AND PALLETIZED INERTIAL NAVIGATION SYSTEMS (PINS) INDICATES THAT A MUCH HIGHER DEGREE OF ACCURACY CAN BE OBTAINED WITH PINS. PINS WILL PROVIDE THE FURTHER ADVANTAGE OF BEING TOTALLY SELF-CONTAINED AND NOT DEPENDENT UPON EXTERNAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION OR VULNERABLE TO ATMOSPHERIC DISTURBANCES AND ENERGY HEADING. RECOMMEND PURCHASE OF SUFFICIENT PINS IN LIEU OF OMEGA, TO PROVIDE THIS PRECISION CAPABILITY TO SELECTED UH-60, AND CH-47 HELICOPTERS. THE PREFERRED SOLUTION WOULD MODIFY ALL SPECIAL OPERATIONS UH-60 AND CH-47 WITH THE WIRING TO RAPIDLY ACCEPT PINS AND PROVIDE THE FLEXIBILITY TO DRAW MISSION AIRCRAFT FROM THE ENTIRE TASK FORCE.

K. (X) ITEM E-3: (MODIFICATIONS) HC-130 COMBAT TALON.  
COMMENT: SUB PAR 4B - DUAL RAIL/EWO EQUIPMENT RACK MODIFICATION.  
THE BARRIAN EXPERIENCE AND RECENT [REDACTED]  
HIGHLIGHTED THE NEED FOR ENHANCING/MODIFYING THE CARGO COMPARTMENT  
IN THE HC-130 COMBAT TALON TO ACCOMMODATE THE NECESSARY FORCES TO  
ACCOMPLISH [REDACTED] MISSION. REF C PAR 4C SURFACED A  
PROPOSAL TO EXPAND CARGO COMPARTMENT CAPACITY BY  
REMOVING/REARRANGING THE EWO CONSOLE AND/OR THE ELECTRONIC  
EQUIPMENT RACK AND EXTENDING THE DUAL RAILS. A MINIMUM OF ONE  
ADDITIONAL CARGO PALLET COULD THUS BE ACCOMMODATED. IN LIGHT OF THE  
SCARCE TALON RESOURCES AVAILABLE, AND THE NEED TO MAXIMIZE THE  
ASSAULT FORCES AVAILABLE IN AN AIRFIELD SEIZURE SCENARIO,  
RECOMMEND IMMEDIATE PURSUIT OF THIS PROPOSED MODIFICATION. REF A  
PAR 6C(1) FURTHER IDENTIFIES THIS REQUIREMENT.

L. (X) ITEM E-4: (AC-130 OPERATIONS) [REDACTED]  
COMMENT: THE AC-130 GUNSHIP REQUIRES INS MODERNIZATION FOR THE  
SAME REASONS AS DOES THE HC-130 COMBAT TALON AS DISCUSSED IN ITEM  
E-3.

ADDITIONALLY, AS IDENTIFIED [REDACTED], RECOMMEND THE INSTAL  
LATION OF A TF/TA RADAR IN THE GUNSHIP (SIMILAR TO THAT USED IN THE COM  
BAT TALON).

[REDACTED]

RECOMMEND AN IMMEDIATE ENGINEERING STUDY BE  
INITIATED TO EQUIP THE GUNSHIP AS STATED ABOVE.

M. ITEM E-9: (MODIFICATION) AC-130 SPECTRE GUNSHIPS.  
COMMENT: AS STATED IN REF A PAR 6B(1), SURVIVABILITY ENHANCEMENTS  
PERTAINING TO THE AC-130 WEAPON SYSTEM SHOULD BE GIVEN HIGHEST  
PRIORITY. CONCUR WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO INSTALL STATE-OF-THE-ART  
EQUIPMENT IN THE AIRCRAFT TO INCLUDE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

N. (X) ITEM E-14: (MODIFICATIONS) HC-130 TANKERS.  
COMMENT: THE CAPABILITY OF SELECTED HC-130 AIRCRAFT AND CREWS TO  
PERFORM SPECIAL OPERATIONS HAS INCREASED DRAMATICALLY SINCE THE  
BEGINNING DEVELOPMENTS IN HONEY BADGER. THIS CAPABILITY NEEDS TO  
BE FURTHER EXPANDED BY INCORPORATION OF A TF/TA RADAR TO PERMIT  
LOW LEVEL ADVERSE WEATHER PENETRATION OF HOSTILE AIRSPACE. IN THE  
BARRIAN SCENARIO, [REDACTED]

PROVIDE LOW LEVEL REFUELING TO HH-53'S, IT WOULD HAVE  
REDUCED THE REQUIREMENT TO HAUL FUEL BLIVETS IN-COUNTRY AND FURTHER  
REDUCED MISSION FORCE EXPOSURE TO HOSTILE FIRE/MISSION COMPROMISE.

(SIC) SUB ITEM 2D: CAPABILITY TO RECEIVE FUEL INFLIGHT.  
COMMENT: WE HAVE INFORMALLY PROPOSED TO MAC RESCUE THAT SEVERAL,  
IF NOT ALL, HC-130S BE MODIFIED WITH IN-FLIGHT REFUELING (IFR).  
THE RESPONSE WAS WELL RECEIVED DUE TO THE EXTREME WORLD WIDE  
SHORTAGE OF HELICOPTER TANKERS. RECOMMEND SELECTED HC-130 BE SENT  
TO LOCKHEED AIR SERVICE WHEN HC-130 AND AC-130 FLEET HAVE  
COMPLETED THE IFR MOD OR AS SPACE ON THE MODIFICATION LINE  
PERMITS.

O. (X) ITEM G-2: FORWARD COMMAND POST. COMMENT: WE AGREE  
WITH THE NEED FOR "COMMAND POST" COMMUNICATIONS VEHICLES TAILORED  
TO OUR SPECIFIC NEEDS AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH VEHICLES IS A MAJOR  
ON-GOING PROJECT. FOR FIELD USE WE HAVE DEVELOPED AND TESTED AN  
M-151A1 JEEP EQUIPED WITH TWO PRT-250 VINSON OR PARKHILL SECURE  
UHF SATCOM RADIOS AND A PARKHILL SECURE HF RADIO. WE ARE  
DEVELOPING A [REDACTED]

EQUIPED WITH TACTICAL AND HF RADIOS PLUS UHF SATCOM  
SECURE VOICE, TELETYPE AND FACSIMILE. THIS PROTOTYPE SHOULD BE  
COMPLETED BY 15 JULY 1961.

P. (C) ITEM G-4: CEOI. COMMENT: [REDACTED] USING A CEOI  
FORMAT SIMILAR IN NATURE TO THAT USED BY JTF, BUT GREATLY  
SIMPLIFIED AND STANDARDIZED. WE ARE WORKING WITH NSA AND  
ASSIGNED/ATTACHED FORCES TO DEVELOP A PERMANENT AUTOMATED CEOI IN-  
[REDACTED] WE HAVE

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DEPLOYMENT AND UNIT SUPPORT. (S) ITEM 1-2: ACCESS CONTROL. COMMENT: DEVELOPING A STANDARDIZED PROJECT ACCESS GUIDE FOR USE [REDACTED] ONE VERSION WAS USED IN RECENT PLANNING EXERCISE. APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR ACCESS WAS VESTED IN PROJECT OFFICER WITH PERIODIC ROSTER VERIFICATIONS ATTEMPTED. THE GUIDE WAS A BIG STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THE SUBORDINATE UNIT ACCESS WAS VERIFIED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. HOWEVER, [REDACTED] TO CONFIRM OR VERIFY KNOWLEDGEABILITY WITHIN STAFFS AND HEADQUARTERS BEYOND OUR SPAN OF CONTROL.

GG. (S) ITEM 1-3: DOCUMENT SECURITY. COMMENT: RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ADOPTED FOR RECENT PLANNING EXERCISE WITH SOME SUCCESS. CONCUR THAT VIABILITY OF SECURITY PROGRAM IS DEPENDENT ON EARLY DISSEMINATION OF SECURITY GUIDELINES APPLICABLE TO, AND UNDERSTOOD BY, ALL PARTICIPANTS. ONE HEADQUARTERS OR ORGANIZATION MUST BE "IN CHARGE" TO FACILITATE CONTROL.

HH. (S) ITEM 1-4: ACCESS CONTROL. COMMENT: CONCUR WITH RECOMMENDATIONS IN PRINCIPLE. HOWEVER, FURTHER STUDY IS REQUIRED VIS A VIS THE APPLICABILITY OF [REDACTED]

II. (S) ITEM 1-5: PLANNING CONFERENCE SECURITY. COMMENT: RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE ADOPTED [REDACTED]

JJ. (S) ITEM 1-6: PRE-DEPLOYMENT SECURITY. COMMENT: DEDICATED SECURE COMM IS NOW AVAILABLE AMONG [REDACTED] VIA DIAL-UP AND SATCOM CIRCUITS. THIS "LASH UP" WILL BE REPLACED BY INTERIM [REDACTED] IN AUGUST 81 AND FINAL [REDACTED] BY END FY-82.

KK. (U) ITEM 1-7: - RADIO FREQUENCIES. COMMENT: FREQUENCY CHANGES ARE ALWAYS PASSED BY SECURE MEANS. [REDACTED]

LL. (C) ITEM 1-9: CODES. COMMENTS: J-6 (COMSEC) PROVIDES NSA PRODUCED OPS CODES FOR [REDACTED]. UPLAN/OPORDER PRESCRIBED CODEWORDS AND/OR CALL SIGNS ARE CONTROLLED BY J-6 AND PROVIDED FROM NSA FURNISHED LISTS.

MM. (C) ITEM 1-11: TRAFFIC ANALYTIC PROBLEMS. COMMENT: CONCUR. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF CONVERTING [REDACTED] SATCOM TO VINSON VICE PARKHILL. WE ARE NO LONGER USING PARKHILL ON VOICE SATELLITE CIRCUITS AND WE SHOULD HAVE IT OFF OF OUR RECORD CIRCUITS IN 90-120 DAYS.

NN. (U) (S) ITEM 1-14: MEDIA. COMMENT:

- (1) (S) RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTED:
  - (A) (S)(C) [REDACTED]
  - (B) (S)(U) TIGHTLY CONTROL PUBLIC AFFAIRS EXCHANGES
  - (C) (S)(U) RESPOND RAPIDLY TO INQUIRIES
  - (D) (S)(C) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(G) (S)(U) HEADQUARTERS/SUBORDINATE UNITS MUST BE AWARE OF POTENTIAL SECURITY DANGERS IN PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

(H) (S)(U) BEFORE ANY ACTION IS TAKEN, SECURITY IMPACT OF PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED

(I) (S)(U) [REDACTED]

(2) (S) RECOMMENDATION TO BE COMPLETED: (A)(C)(U) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(B) (S)(U) ADMINISTRATIVE/PERSONNEL SOPS SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED. ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE: AUG 81 (CURRENTLY BEING WRITTEN BY J-1).

(C) (S)(U) ORDERS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE ON SHORT NOTICE. ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE: JULY 81 (J-3 CURRENTLY WRITING TACTICAL OPERATIONS STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE WHICH WILL ADDRESS SHORT NOTICE DEPLOYMENT).

[REDACTED]

(4) (S)(U) RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED: NONE

(5) (S)(U) GENERAL COMMENTS ON SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS LISTED ABOVE ARE: (S) [REDACTED]

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(E) (S) TIGHT CONTROL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS EXCHANGES HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE IMPLEMENTED. SPECIFIC DETAILED GUIDANCE IS GIVEN CONCERNING WHAT INFORMATION MAY BE DIVULGED IN THE EVENT OF AN ACCIDENT. ALL OTHER MEDIA INQUIRIES ARE REFERRED TO PUBLIC AFFAIRS CHANNELS.

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(D) (S) RAPID RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES IS RECOGNIZED AS AN ESSENTIAL FACTOR [REDACTED] BEEN IN A POSITION TO ANSWER MEDIA INQUIRIES DURING AN OPERATION BUT WE HAVE INCLUDED PROVISIONS FOR RAPID RESPONSE TO MEDIA INQUIRIES BY PRIOR COORDINATION THROUGH JCS WITH OASD/PA. PARTICIPATING UNITS HAVE BEEN BRIEFED TO REFER ALL INQUIRIES TO PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICERS WHO ARE INSTRUCTED TO ANSWER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ONLY. QUESTIONS ASKED WHICH CANNOT BE ANSWERED WITH THE EXISTING GUIDANCE ARE ACCEPTED AND FORWARDED TO OASD/PA. QUESTIONS REQUIRING AN IMMEDIATE RESPONSE ARE TO BE REFERRED DIRECTLY TO OASD/PA.

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[REDACTED]

THESE SOURCES INCLUDE DIA, [REDACTED] SUPPORT IS ALSO REQUESTED FROM SUPPORTING ASSETS, INCLUDING THE SERVICES, TO ASSIST IN REDUCING AND/OR ELIMINATING VULNERABILITIES THROUGH COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY SUPPORT.

(F) (S) IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT HEADQUARTERS AND SUBORDINATE UNITS BE AWARE OF POTENTIAL SECURITY DANGERS IN PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS. OPERATIONAL PLANNING HAS INCLUDED THE PROVISIONS FOR PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION. ALTHOUGH NOT YET ACTUALLY EXPERIENCED DURING AN OPERATION, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING AND OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT HAVE BEEN LOOKED AT. DEFINITIVE GUIDELINES WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE OPLAN/OPORDERS FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

(G) (S) (4) ADMINISTRATIVE AND PERSONNEL SOPS ARE CURRENTLY BEING WRITTEN AND WILL BE PROMULGATED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. OPSEC/SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS HAVE BEEN INCLUDED.

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(I) (S) (4) THE FACT THAT ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE ON SHORT NOTICE IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF RAPIDLY DEPLOYING AN ADVON/SURVEY TEAM.

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[REDACTED]

2. (S) THE CAPABILITIES, LIMITATIONS AND PROBLEM FIXES OUTLINED IN THIS COMPREHENSIVE DOCUMENT ARE BEING WORKED AND CAN BE RESOLVED BY JCS, SERVICE STAFFS, NSA AND DIA, TO WHOM DISTRIBUTION ALREADY MADE.

THEREFORE WE FEEL DISSEMINATION TO OTHER PARTIES IS UNNECESSARY. THROUGHOUT THIS MESSAGE, WE HAVE PROVIDED THE STATUS OF ON-GOING ACTIONS [REDACTED] BOTH WHERE WE CONCUR AND WHERE WE DISAGREE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THIS STUDY. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE PROVIDED SEVERAL OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE FEEL ARE RELATIVE TO IMPROVEMENT OF [REDACTED] AND THEIR CAPABILITIES.

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1 [REDACTED]	COL	USA	DSSM																		Senior Log Coordinator	
2 [REDACTED]	COL	USA	DSSM				X							X	X							At different phases
3 DUTTON, R. C.	COL	USAF	DSSM				X			X			X									J-3 (JTF Rear); briefer (USAF)
4 [REDACTED]	LTC	USAF	DSSM						X													Senior Intelligence Officer
5 [REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DSSM							X												Tactical Commo Off/Advisor
6 [REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DSSM					X				X		X								Asst J-3; Field LNO (Tng)
7 [REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DSSM							X												Asst LOG Coordinator
8 [REDACTED]	MAJ	USA	DSSM							X												Senior Army Intel Off
9 [REDACTED]	CPT	USA	DSSM							X												TACINTEL Off
10 [REDACTED]	CAPT	USN	DSSM					X														J-3 (JTF HQ & Fwd)
11 [REDACTED]	YNC	USN	DSSM						X													Senior Ops PO; Admin
12 [REDACTED]	COL	USAF	DSSM								X											Senior Commo Adviser
13 [REDACTED]	LTC	USAF	DSSM						X													Air Ops Off
14 [REDACTED]	COL	USA	JSCM							X		X		X								LOG Initially; LNO w/agencies
15 OLANYK, S. D.	LTC	USA	JSCM											X								Spec Proj; DDO
16 WILLIAMSON, C. A.	LTC	USA	JSCM					X					X	X								OPS Off (JTF Rear)
17 [REDACTED]	LTC	USMC	JSCM											X								Spec Projects O; Spec Plans; DDO

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					YES	NO	OTHER																
	[REDACTED]	COL	USA	DMSM												X						Aerial fuel delivery Refueling Systems	
19	[REDACTED]	COL	USA	DMSM													X						
	[REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DMSM							X											Exec Asst to COMJTF	
21	[REDACTED]	MAJ	USA	DMSM													X					Med Plans/Ops Off	
22	[REDACTED]	CDR	USN	DMSM							X												
23	[REDACTED]	COL	USAF	DMSM								X										PACOM LNO	
24	[REDACTED]	COL	USAF	DMSM												X						Airlift Forces	
25	[REDACTED]	CPT	USAF	DMSM								X										MAC Support	
26	[REDACTED]	CPT	USAF	DMSM								X										MAC Support	
27	[REDACTED]	CWO-3	USA	JSCM						X						X						Aerial Fuel Delivery	
28	[REDACTED]	MSGT	USAF	JSCM												X						Food Service Spt	
29	GUDRY, R.D.	LTC	USAF	DSSM														X				MC-130 Sq CDR	
30	[REDACTED]	LTC	USAF	DSSM														X				Training Off (1st SOS) MC-130 CDR	
31	[REDACTED]	LTC	USAF	DSSM														X				[REDACTED]	
32	[REDACTED]	LTC	USAF	DMSM					X									X				Lead MC-130 [REDACTED]	
33	[REDACTED]	MAJ	USAF	DMSM					X									X				MC-130 Plan & Chief Navigation Off	

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					YES	NO	OTHER																
5	[REDACTED]	2/LT	USAF	DMSM														X				C-130 Base Spt & Maint Off	
30	[REDACTED]	MSFT	USAF	DMSM														X				Maint, [REDACTED] 1 SOW	
36	[REDACTED]	MSGT	USAF	DMSM														X				Maint, [REDACTED]	
7	[REDACTED]	SMSGT	USAF	JSCM														X				1/SGT, JTF (Fwd)	
8	[REDACTED]	SMSGT	USAF	JSCM														X				Maint, [REDACTED] 7 ACCS	
19	SEIFFERT, E. R.	LTC	USMC	DSSM															X			Helo Det CDR Sr MC & Helo Advisor	
10	PITMAN, C. H.	COL	USMC	DMSM							X								X			MC Intel Off	
1	[REDACTED]	LTC	USMC	DMSM					X											X		AC Maint Off	
2	[REDACTED]	CPT	USMC	DMSM																X		Admin Off	
3	[REDACTED]	CPT	USMC	JSCM																X		Crew Mbr	
4	[REDACTED]	PO2	USN	JSCM																X		Crew Mbr	
5	[REDACTED]	SGT	USMC	JSCM																X		Crew Mbr	
6	[REDACTED]	LCPL	USMC	JSCM																X		Crew Mbr	

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					YES	NO	OTHER																
47	[REDACTED]	MAJ	USA	DMSM																		JCSE OIC Mission Officer	
48	[REDACTED]	SSGT	USA	DMSM																		Mission Site NCO	
49	[REDACTED]	CPT	USAF	DMSM																		Mission OIC (Alt Site)	
50	[REDACTED]	MSGT	USAF	DMSM																		Mission NCOIC (Alt Site)	
51	[REDACTED]	MSGT	USAF	DMSM																		Mission NCOIC	
52	[REDACTED]	SSGT	USAF	DMSM																		Mission NCOIC	
53	[REDACTED]	SSGT	USAF	JSCM																		Satellite Maint Tech	
54	BECKWITH, C.A.	COL	USA	DSSM																		X Ground F CDR	
55	[REDACTED]	LTC	USA	DSSM																		X [REDACTED] CDR	
56	[REDACTED]	MAJ	USA	DMSM																		X [REDACTED] CDR	
57	[REDACTED]	MAJ	USA	DMSM																		X [REDACTED] CDR	
58	[REDACTED]	CPT	USA	DMSM																		X S-3	
59	[REDACTED]	CPT	USA	DMSM																		X S-2	
																						X [REDACTED] CDR	

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