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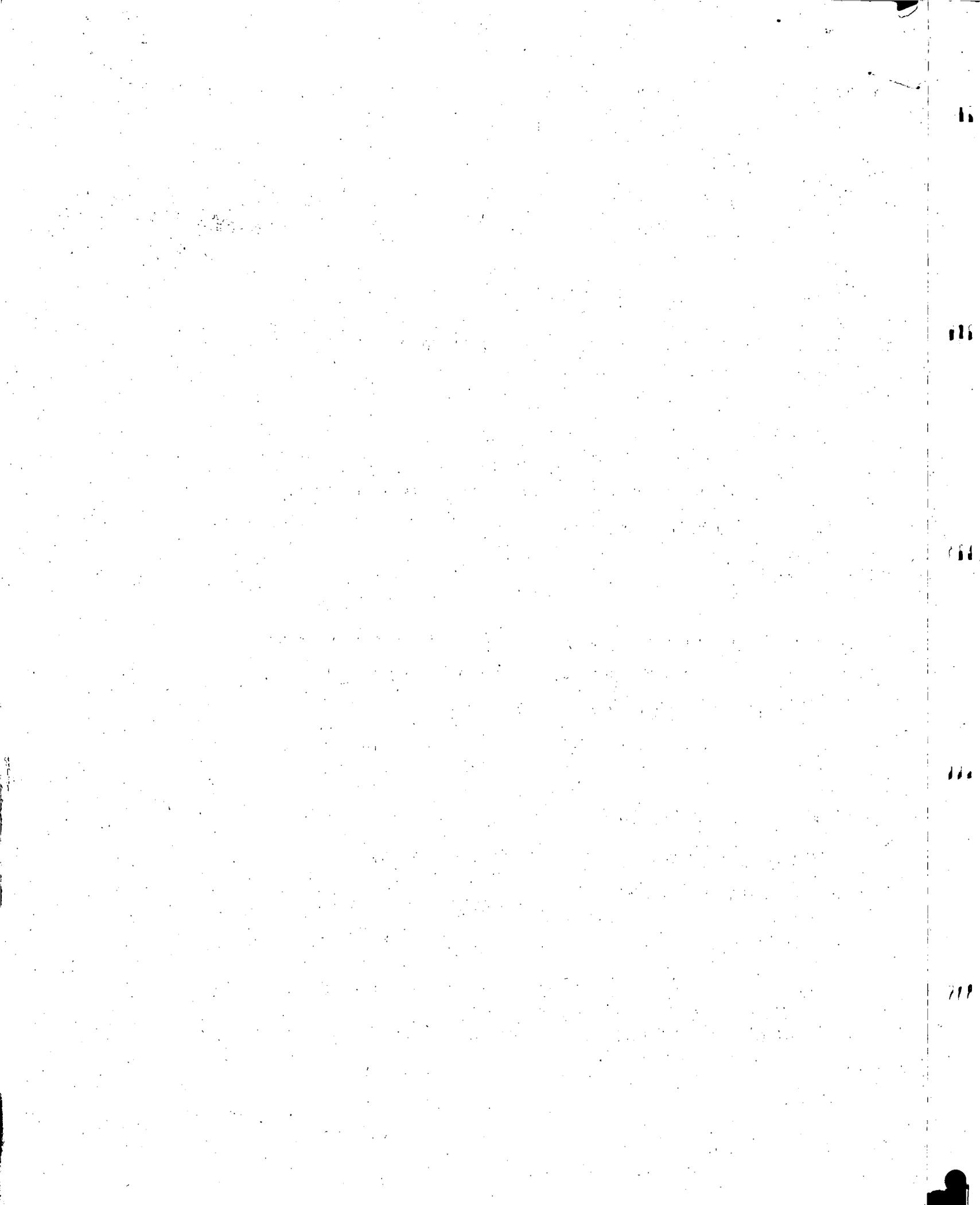
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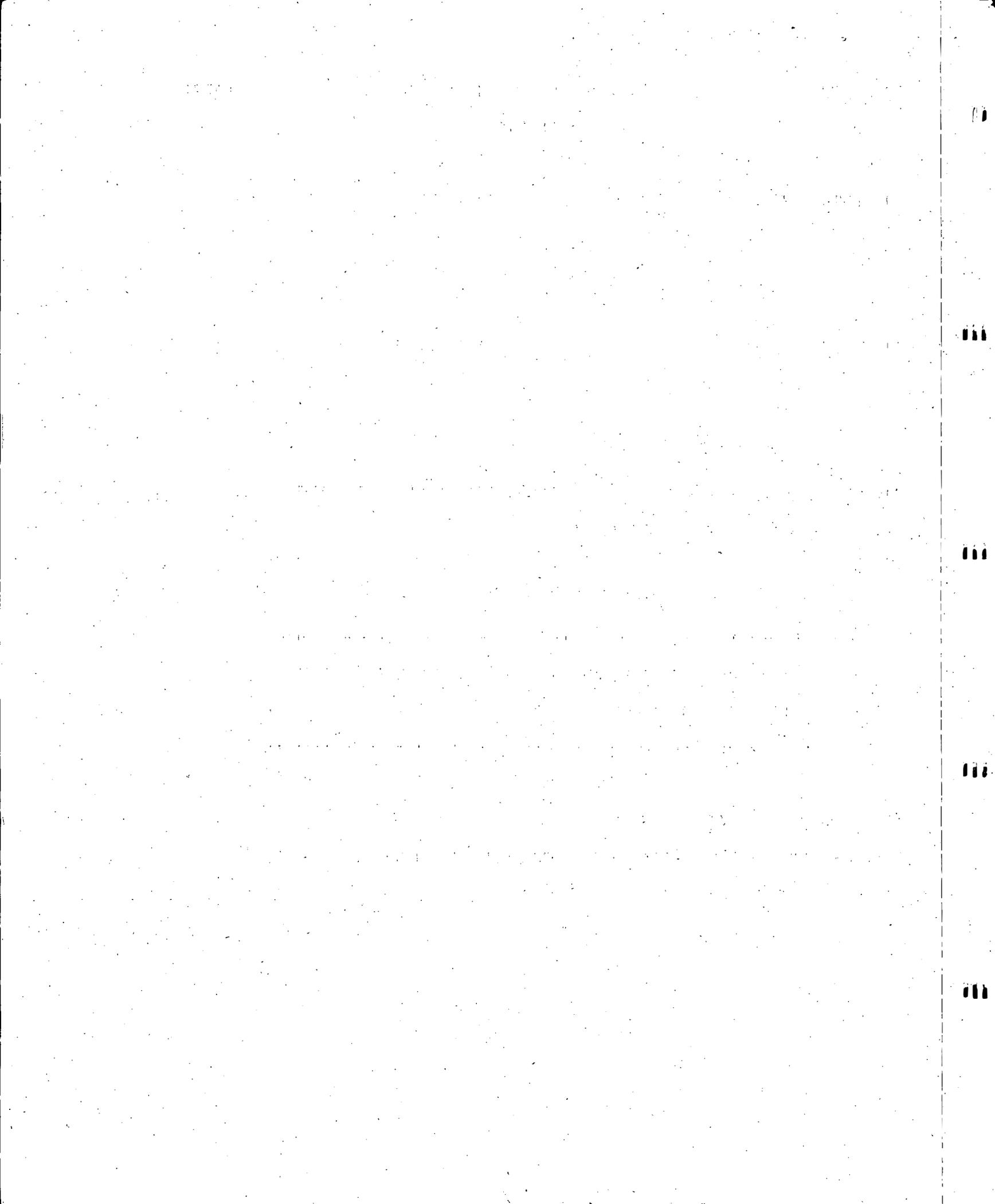
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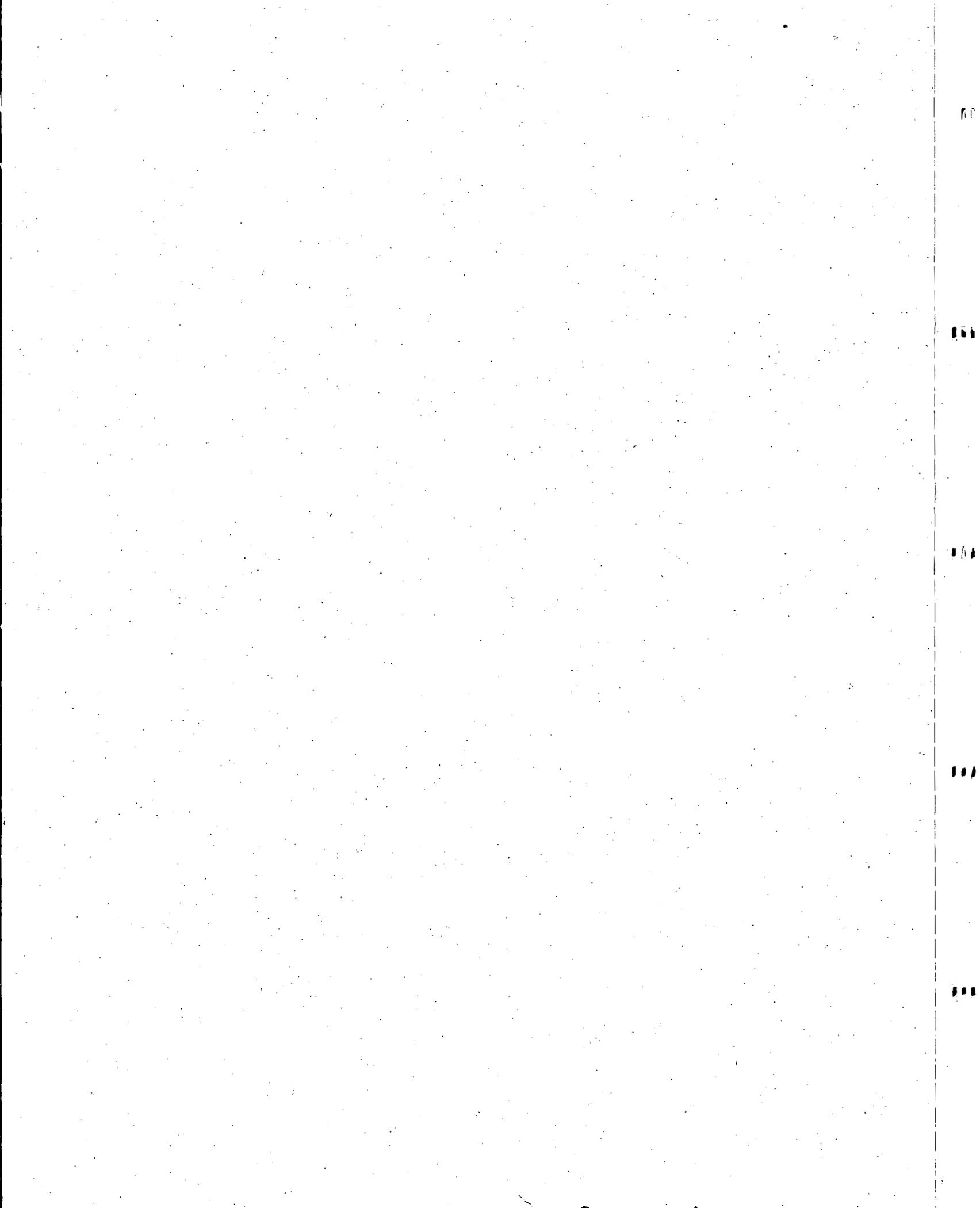
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November 20, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: STU EIZENSTAT *Stu*
HENRY OWEN *HO*

SUBJECT: Rescheduling of the White House Conference
on Coal Exports

We believe it is important that you carry out your publicly announced intention of convening a White House Conference on Coal Exports. Abandonment of the idea now would cast doubt on your Administration's seriousness about expanding our coal exports, a key element of the international energy strategy adopted at the Venice Summit. The meeting has been widely publicized in the coal business, at home and abroad, and is eagerly anticipated.

The conference would be scheduled for two or three hours in mid-December, and your participation could be limited to a brief opening address. It would be held in the East Room and attended by about 150 carefully selected senior representatives of foreign customers, US coal companies, transportation companies, port authorities, mining and maritime labor, environmental groups, and interested governors and members of Congress. Senator Byrd and Governor Rockefeller have expressed interest in attending; one of them might make a closing address.

The meeting would be organized to obtain positive suggestions on strengthening our coal export campaign. Secretary Duncan would preside, outline the main findings and tentative recommendations of the Interagency Task Force on Coal Exports, and invite comments. The Task Force must make its final report to you in January.

Presidential announcements to be made at this meeting will not be as prominent as originally planned, because some of them have been made by other spokesmen or overtaken by other events. Nonetheless, we believe that your proceeding with this event will be noticed even more favorably now than it would have been before the election, as evidence of a non-political commitment to the objective of worldwide substitution of US coal for OPEC oil.

Carl Bagge, President of the National Coal Association, assures us that the conference will be well attended by chief executive officers of relevant coal companies. He believes (although he is a staunch Republican) that it will be a considerable period before the next Administration is in a position to host a comparable event. Representatives of coal importing countries abroad, both in Europe and Japan, have expressed a desire to attend.

Your record in energy policy, including the promotion of coal exports, is one we can be proud of and should seek to publicize. The coal conference would help to do this.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you authorize announcement that the White House Conference on Coal Exports will be held in the East Room in mid-December at a date convenient to you, and that the invitations indicate your intention to speak at the meeting.

Approve _____ Date _____

Disapprove _____

