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Therefore, we are directing you to the aforementioned website, where you will find copies of all 135 issues of *Cryptolog*. Some portions were redacted from the documents, as they were found to be currently and properly classified in accordance with E. O. 13526. The information denied meets the criteria for classification set forth in Section 1.4 subparagraphs (c) and (d), and remains classified TOP SECRET, SECRET, and CONFIDENTIAL as provided in Section 1.2 of E.O. 13526. The withheld information is exempt from automatic declassification in accordance with Section 3.3 (b) 3 of the Executive Order.

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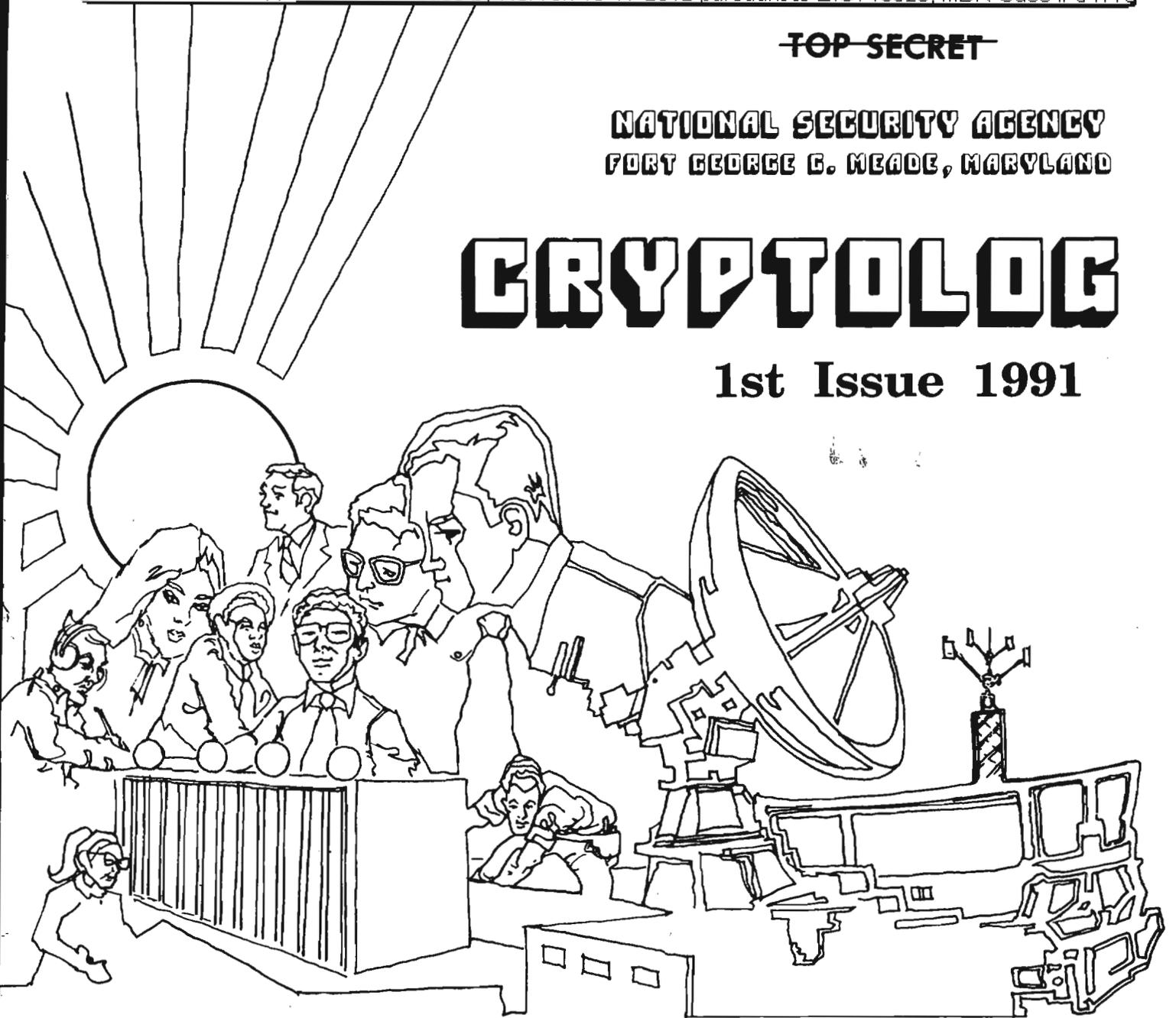
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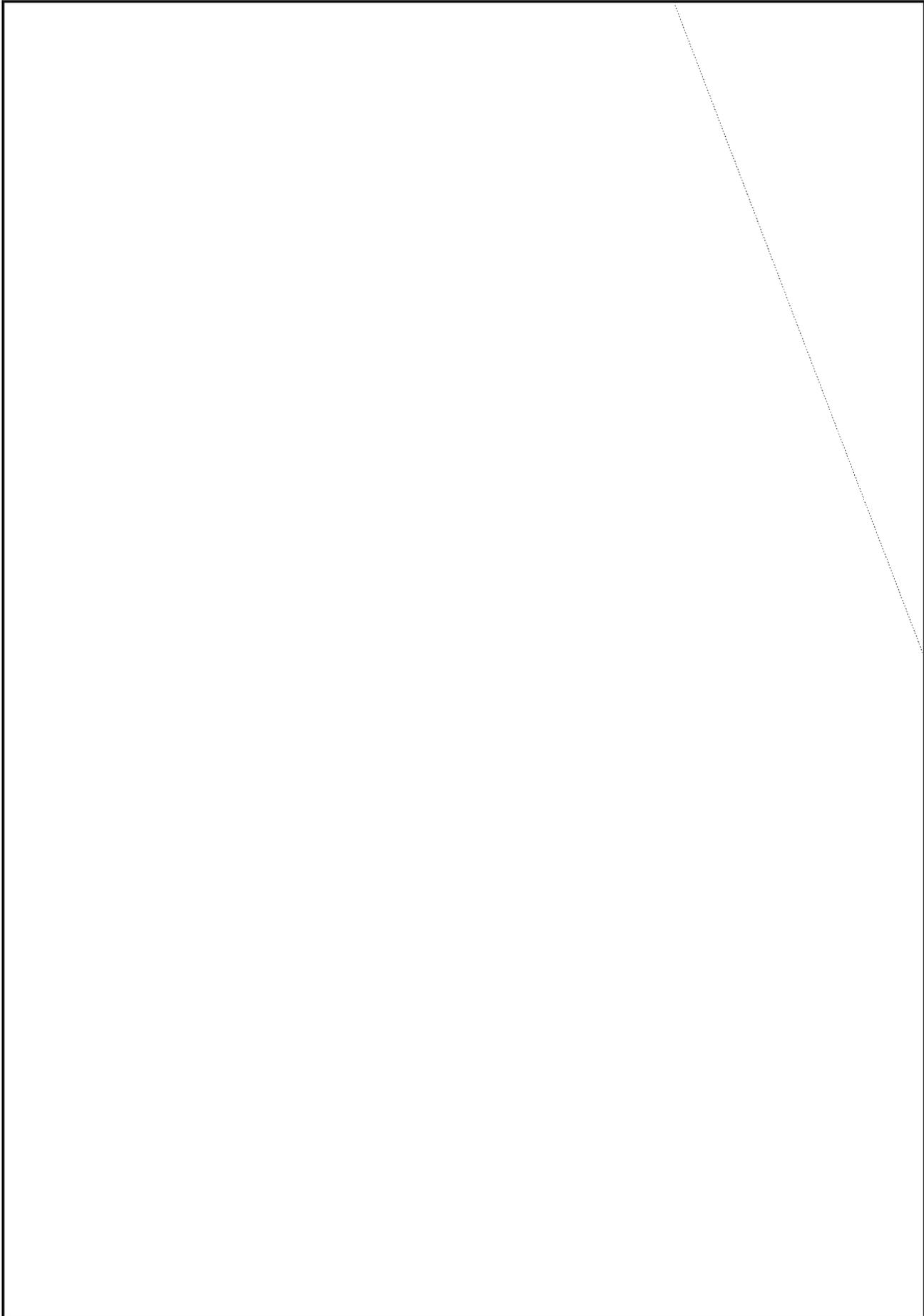
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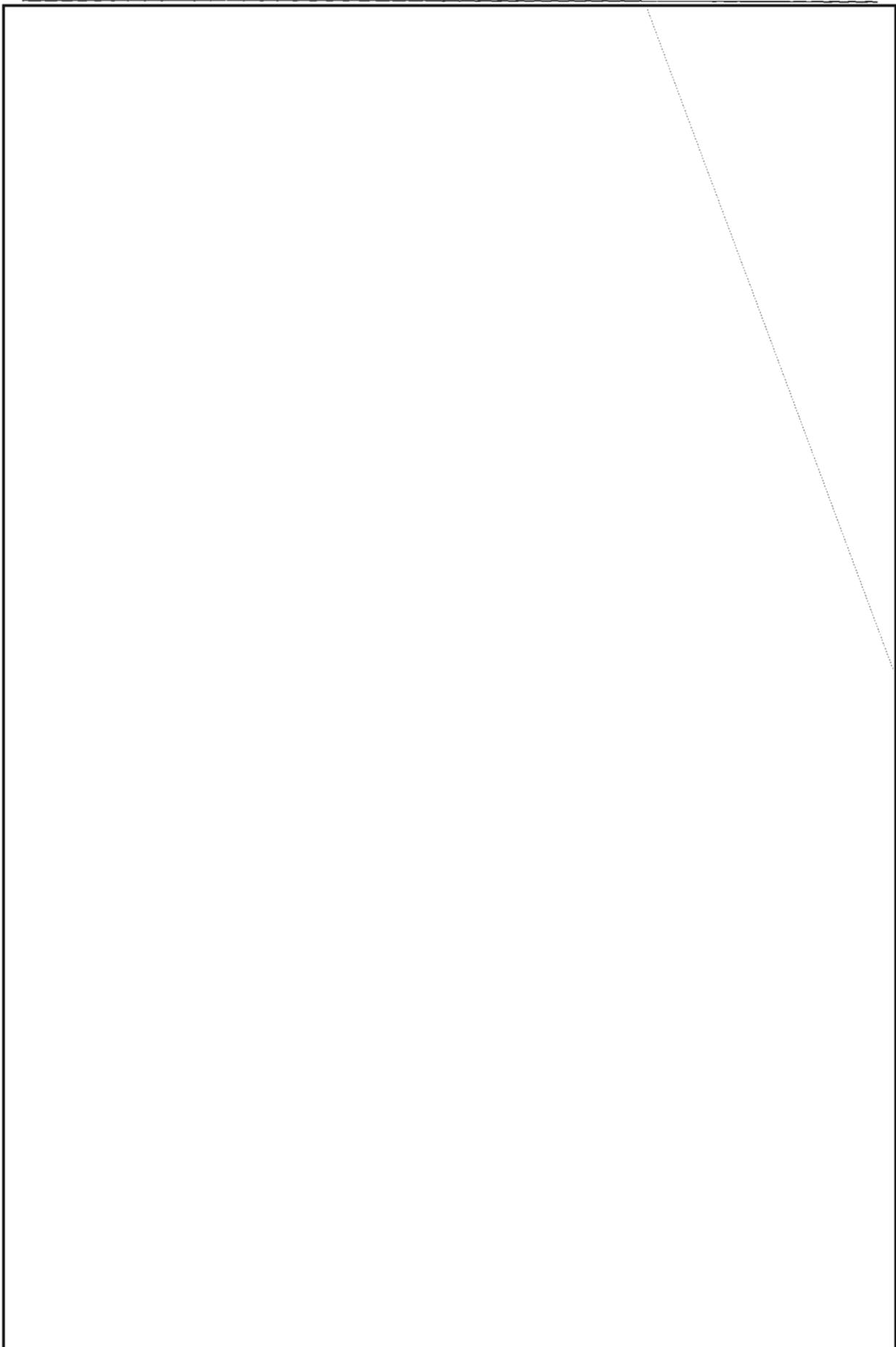
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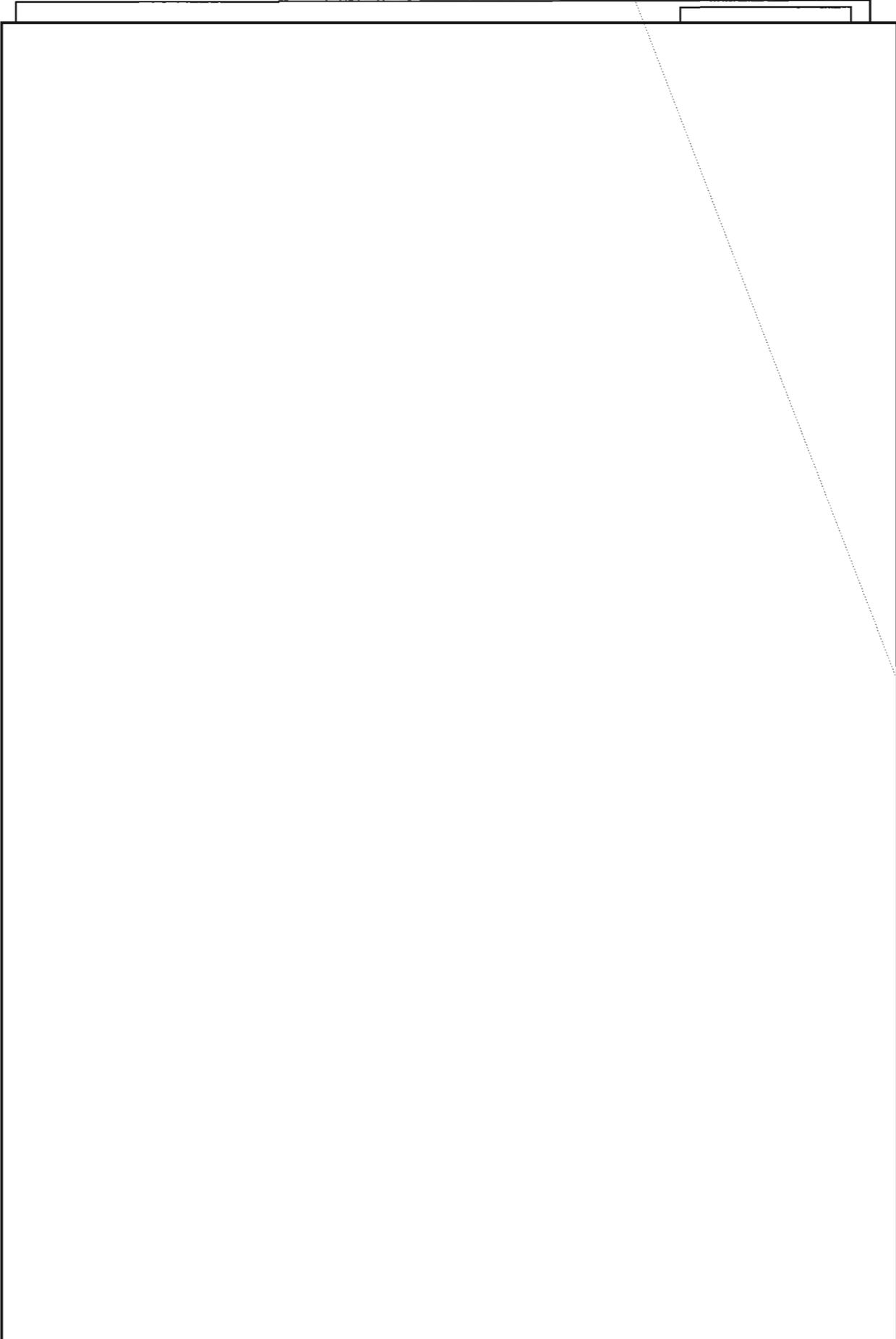
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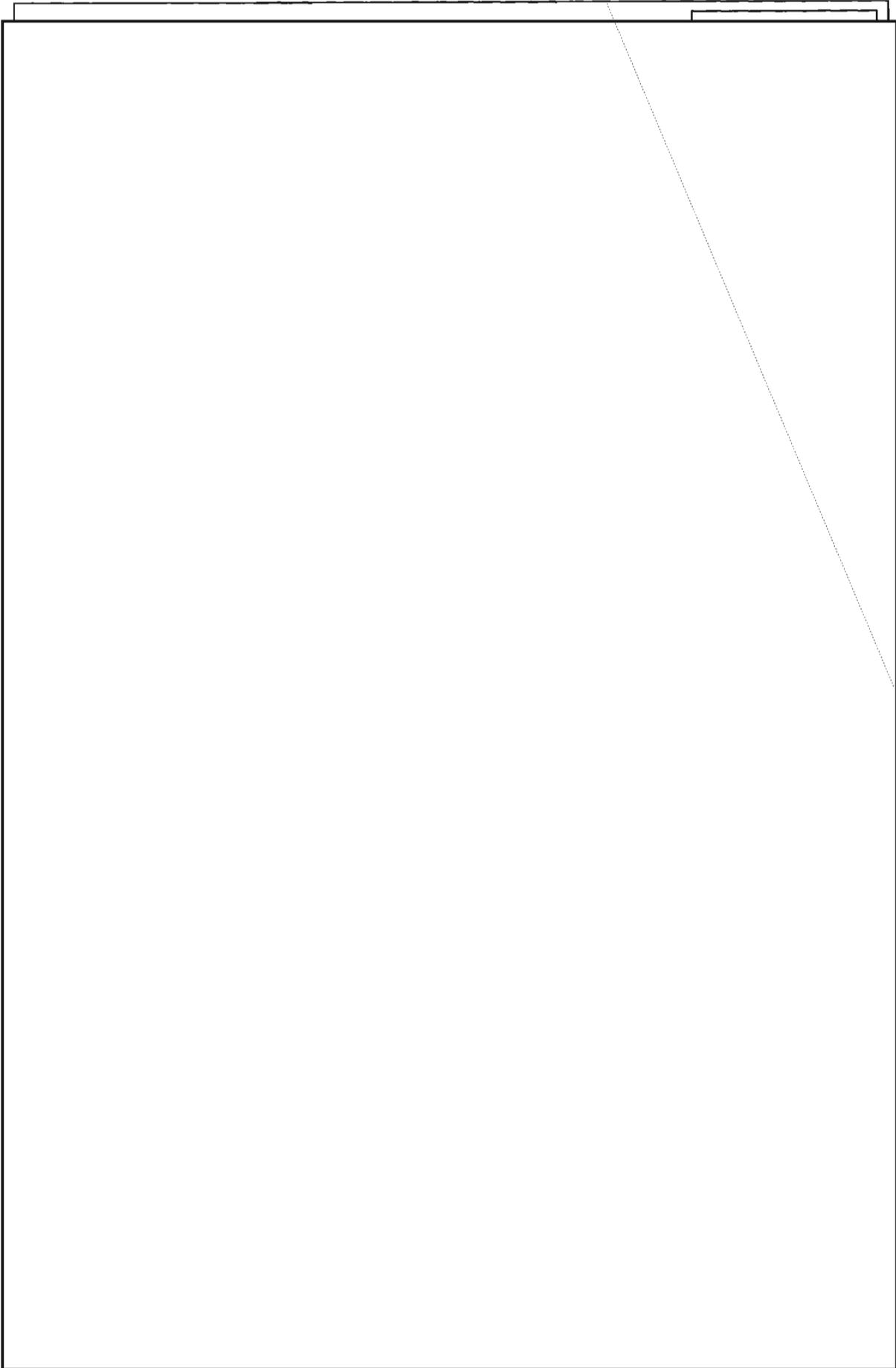
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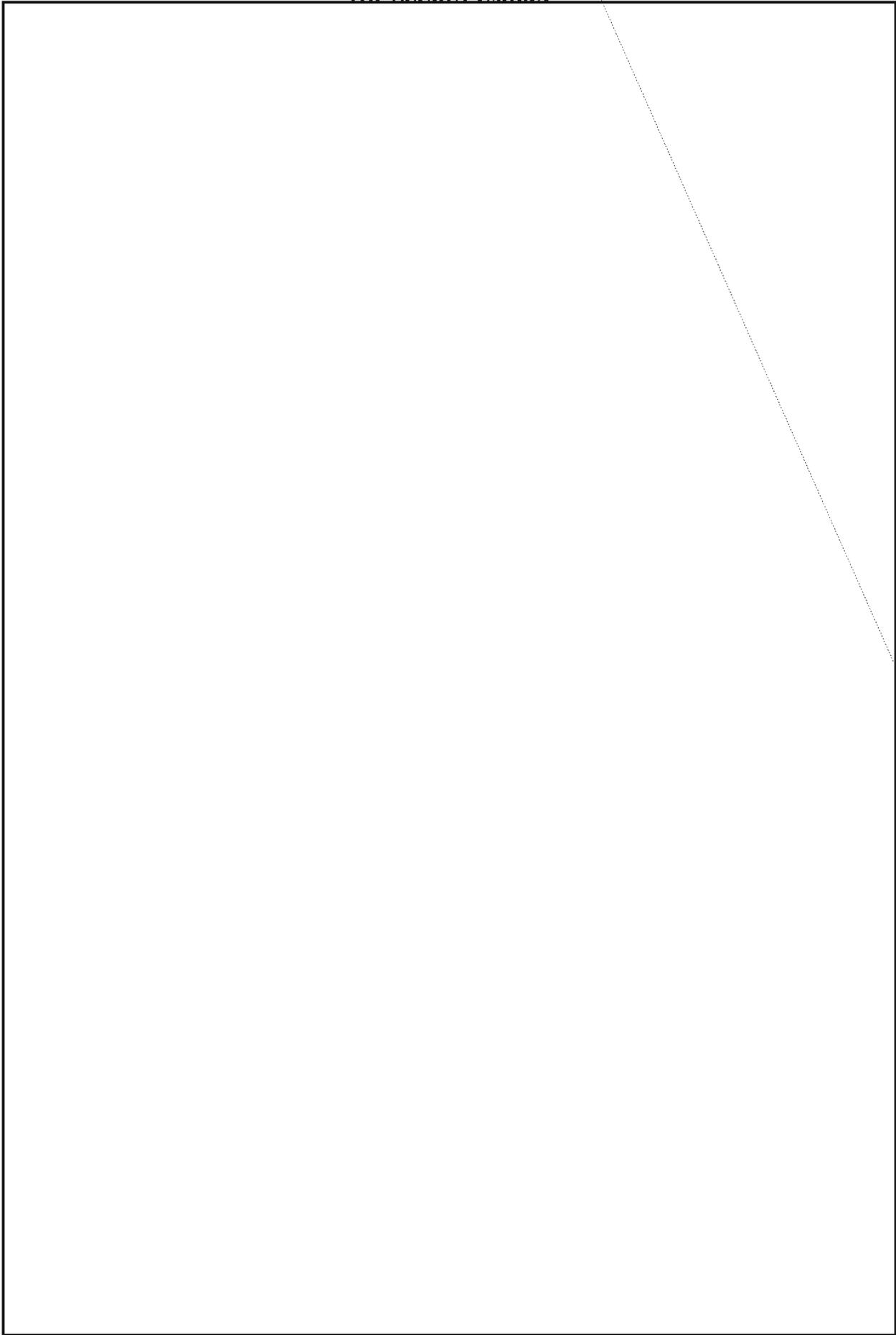
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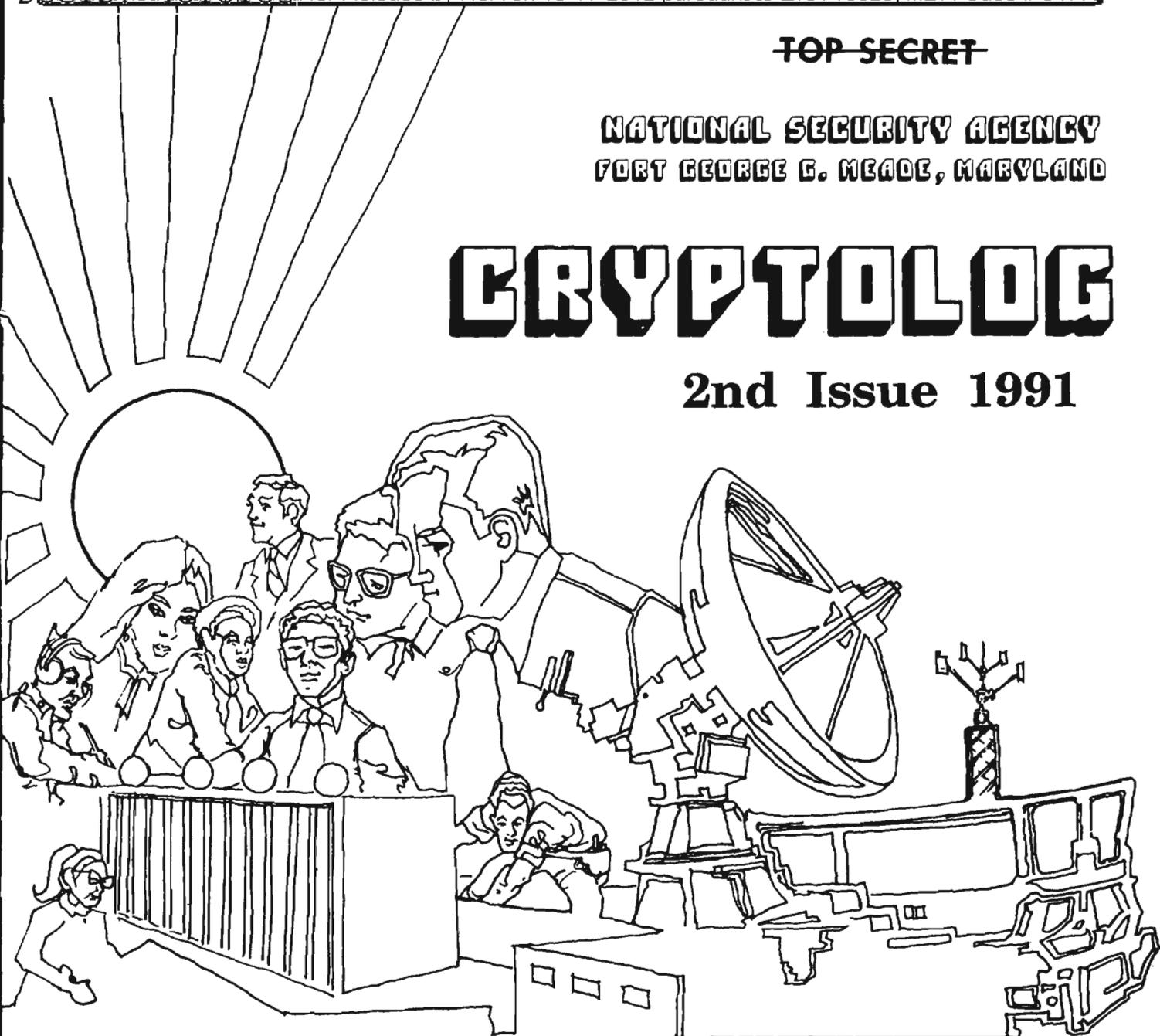
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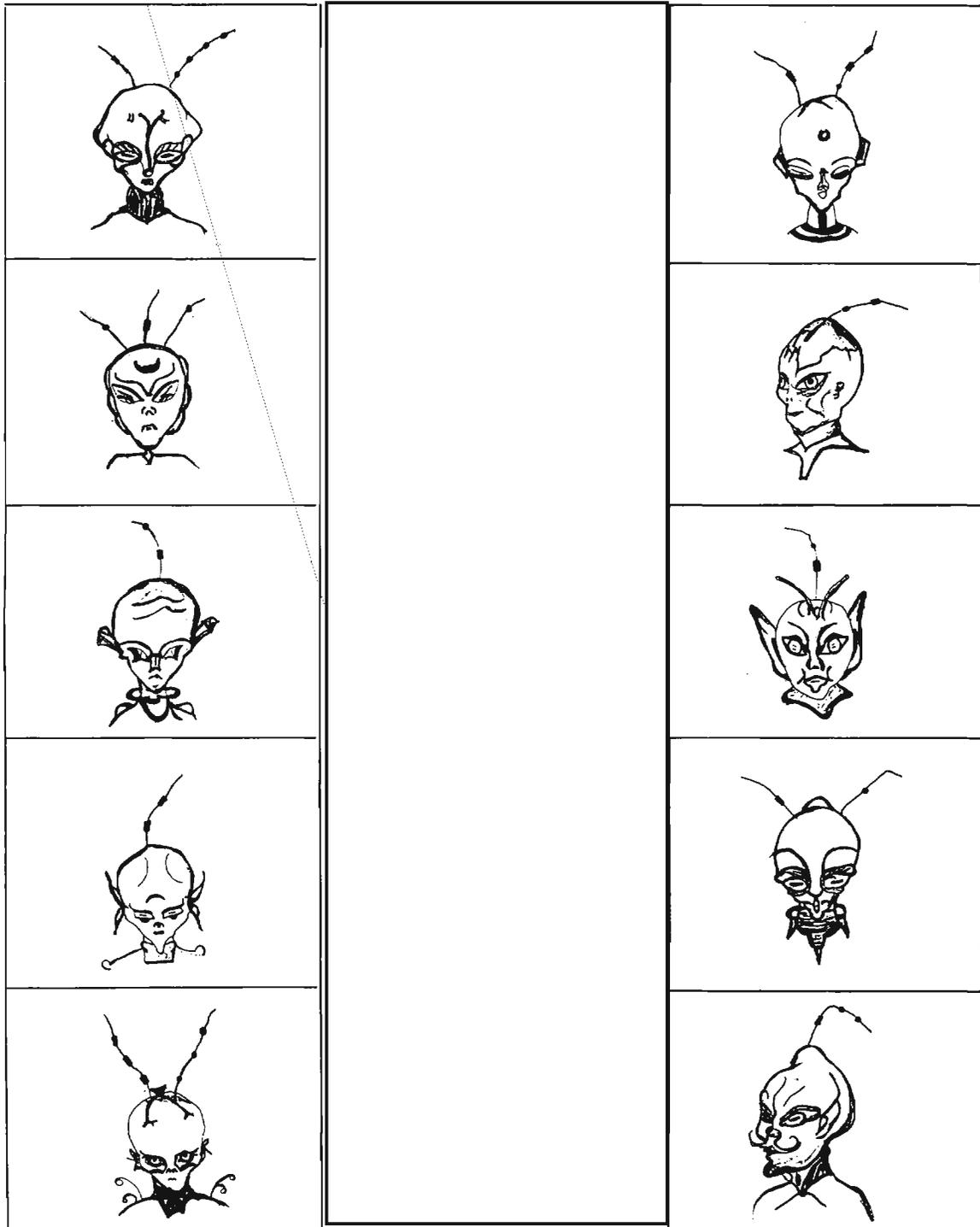
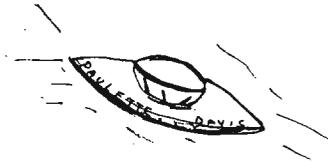
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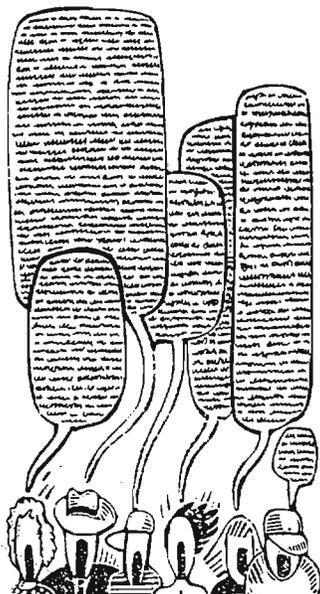


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Comment on GISTER



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(FOUO) The article on the GISTER program (CRYPTOLOG, 1st issue 1991 pp 1-7, by [Redacted] G52), was intriguing.

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(U) The spreadsheets that can perform these tasks are: Lotus 1-2-3 Release 2.2 for IBM machines; Lotus 1-2-3 Release 3.1 for IBM and Unix machines; Wingz and Excel for Macintosh machines. There are ways to enter the GISTER text files from the DOS machines to the Macintosh machines to use these spreadsheets. I would be glad to give a demonstration of the technique to anyone interested.

(U) I am happy that [Redacted] a linguist, has written such a useful and impressive program on his own, which could have cost the Agency a tidy sum were it contracted out.

(U) It is also nice to have a publication like CRYPTOLOG handy that allows feedback on the articles written. I would never have known about Jim's work, because I am not involved in language problems, and my technique mentioned above, if useful to anyone, would not have been published.

Update on
GISTER

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