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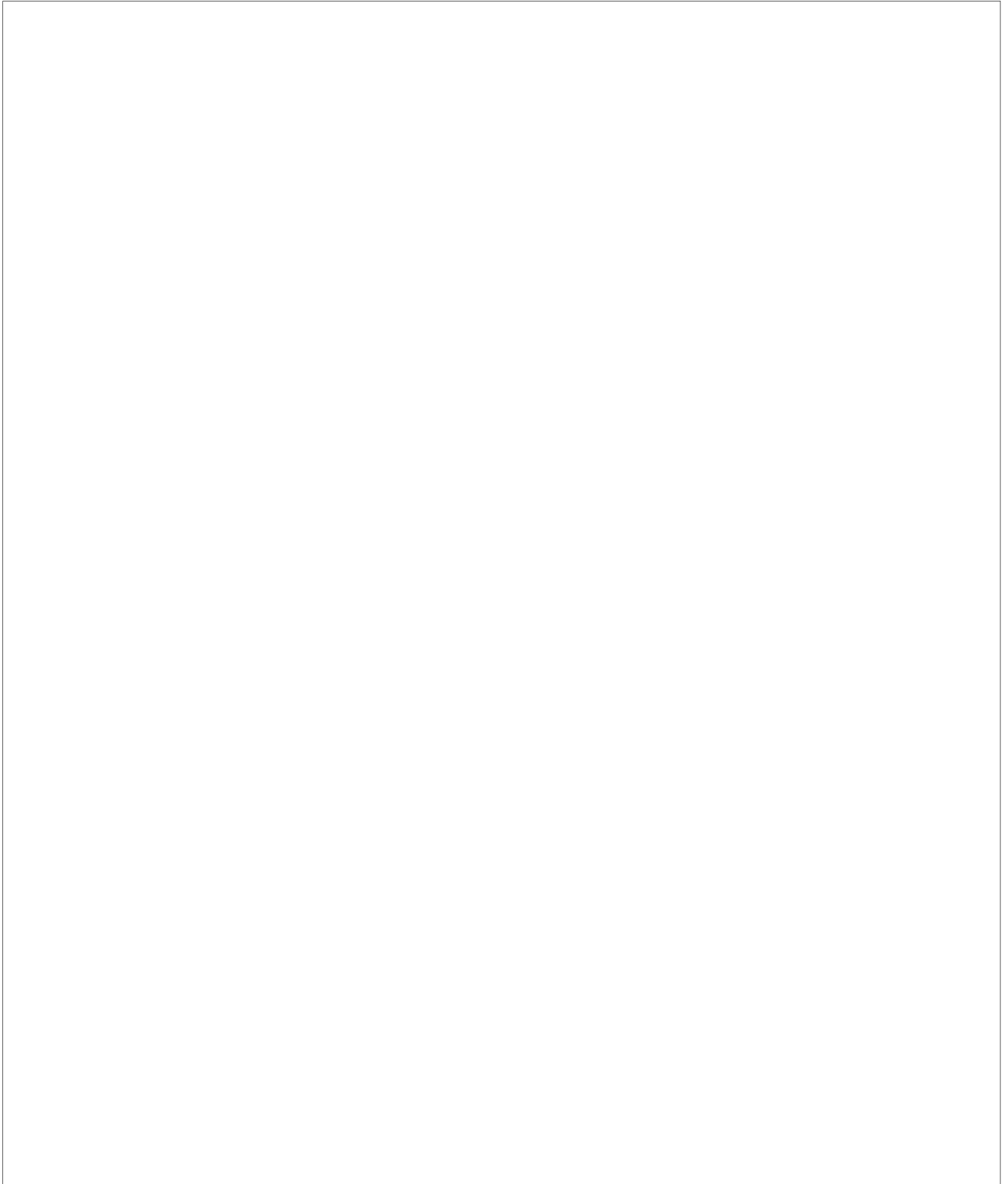
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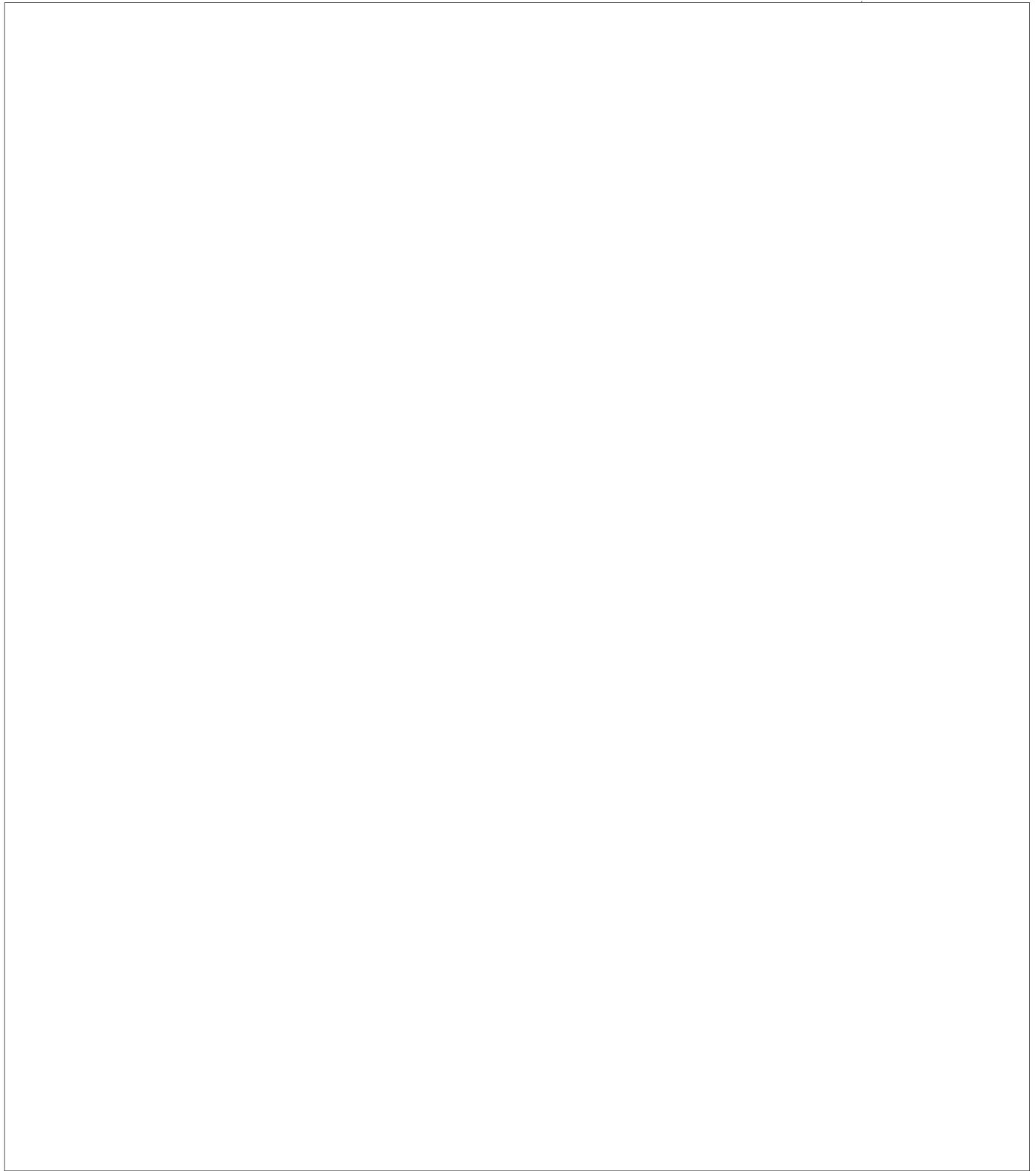
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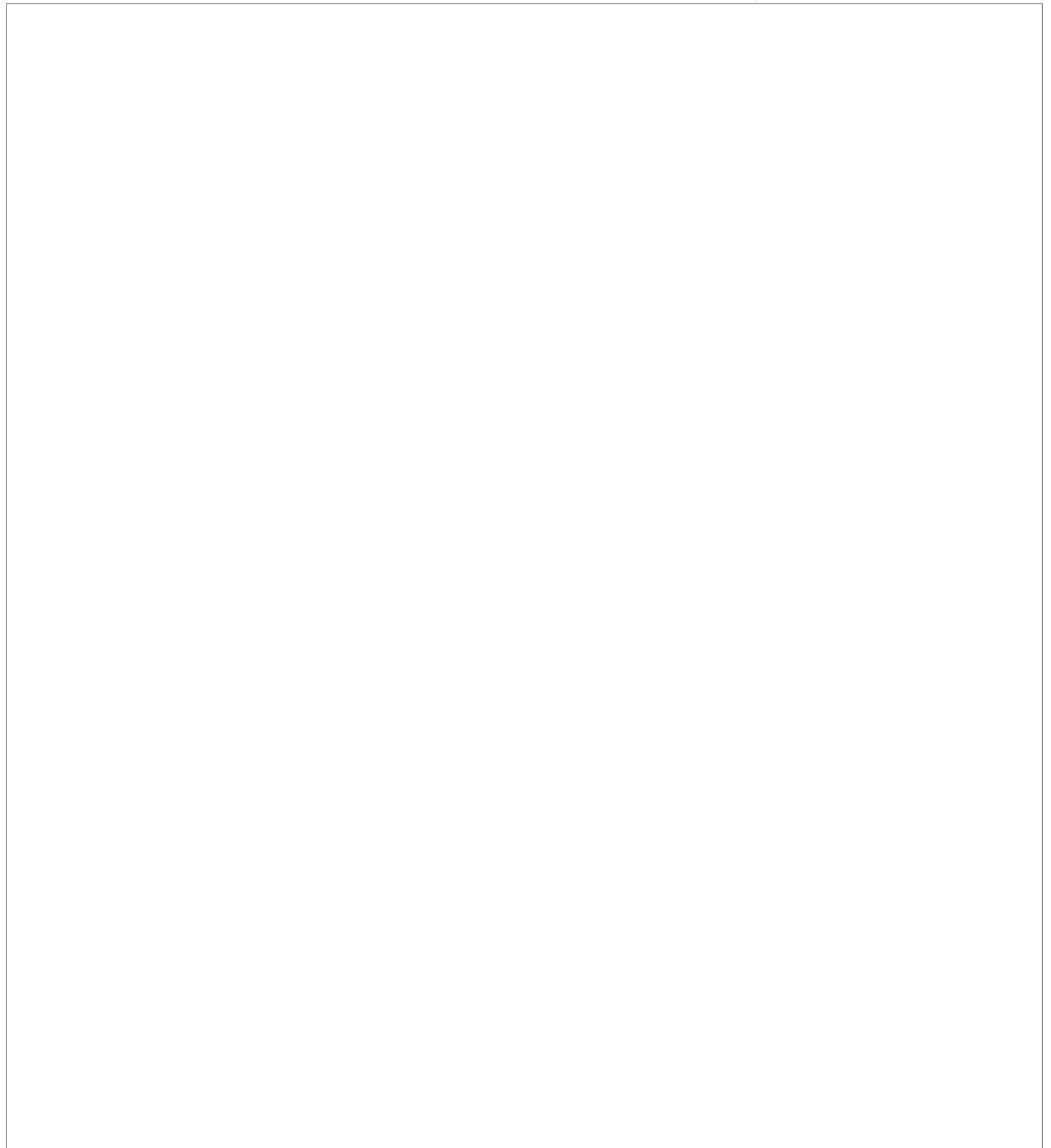
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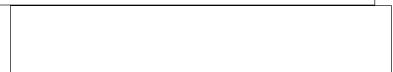
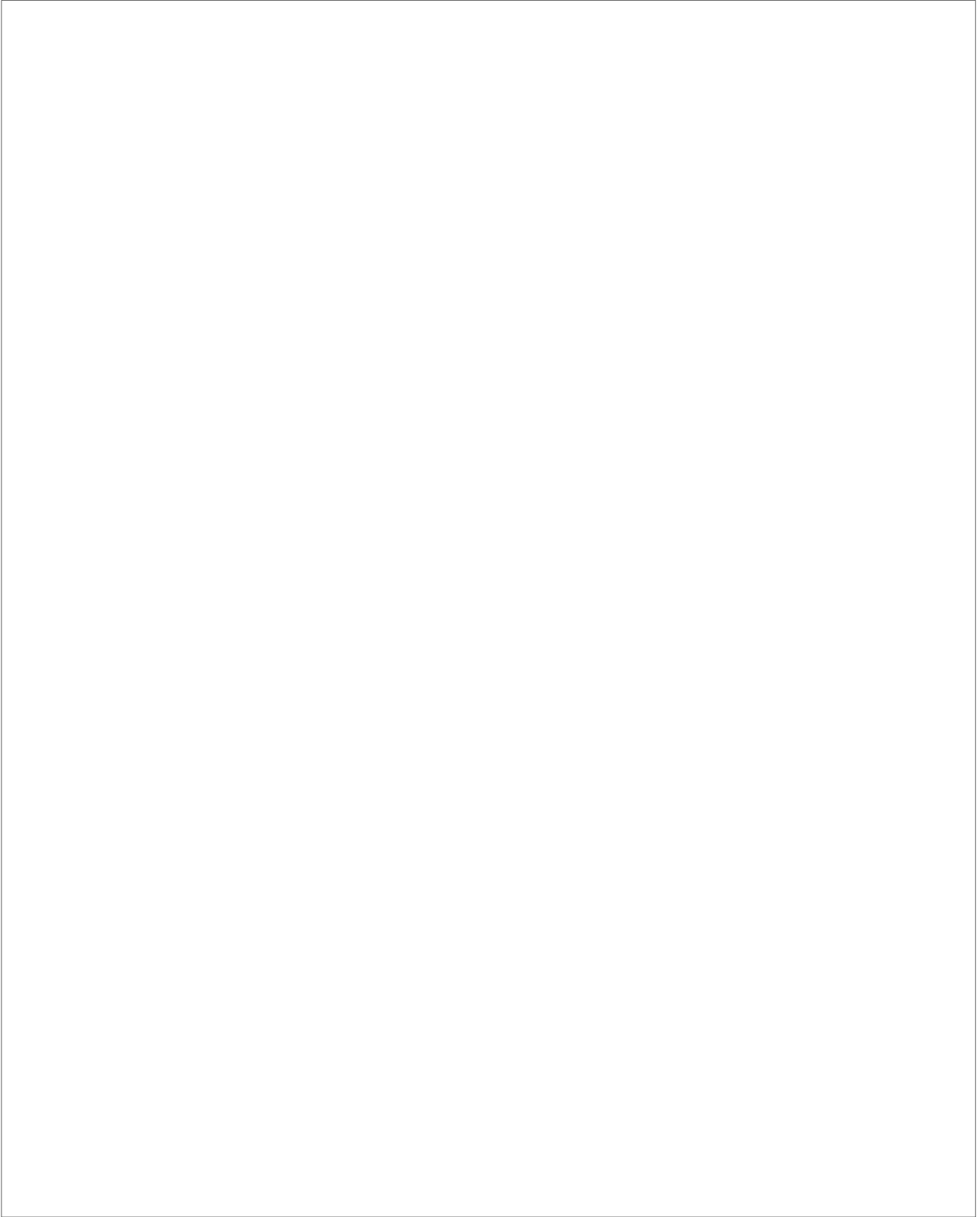


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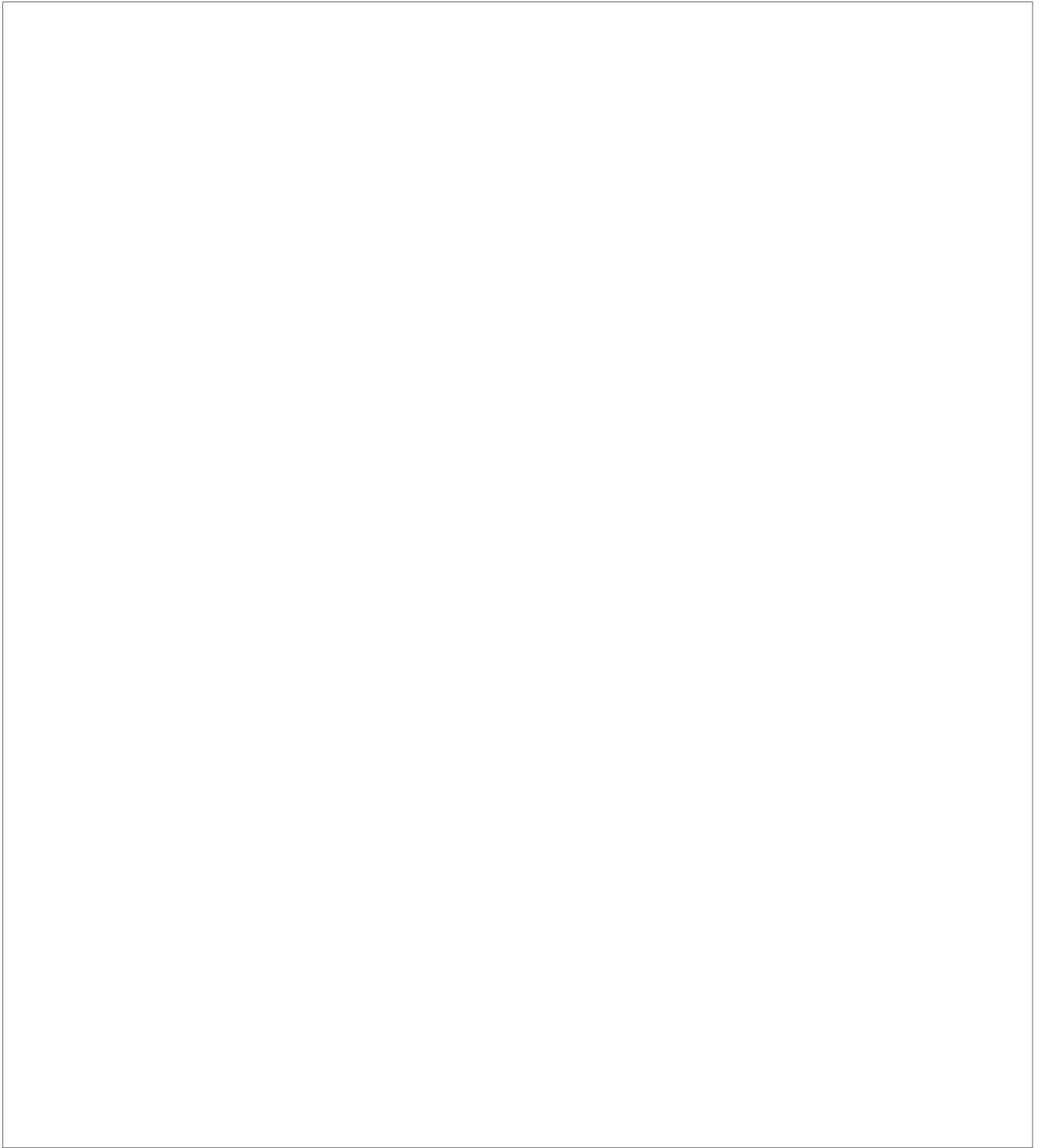


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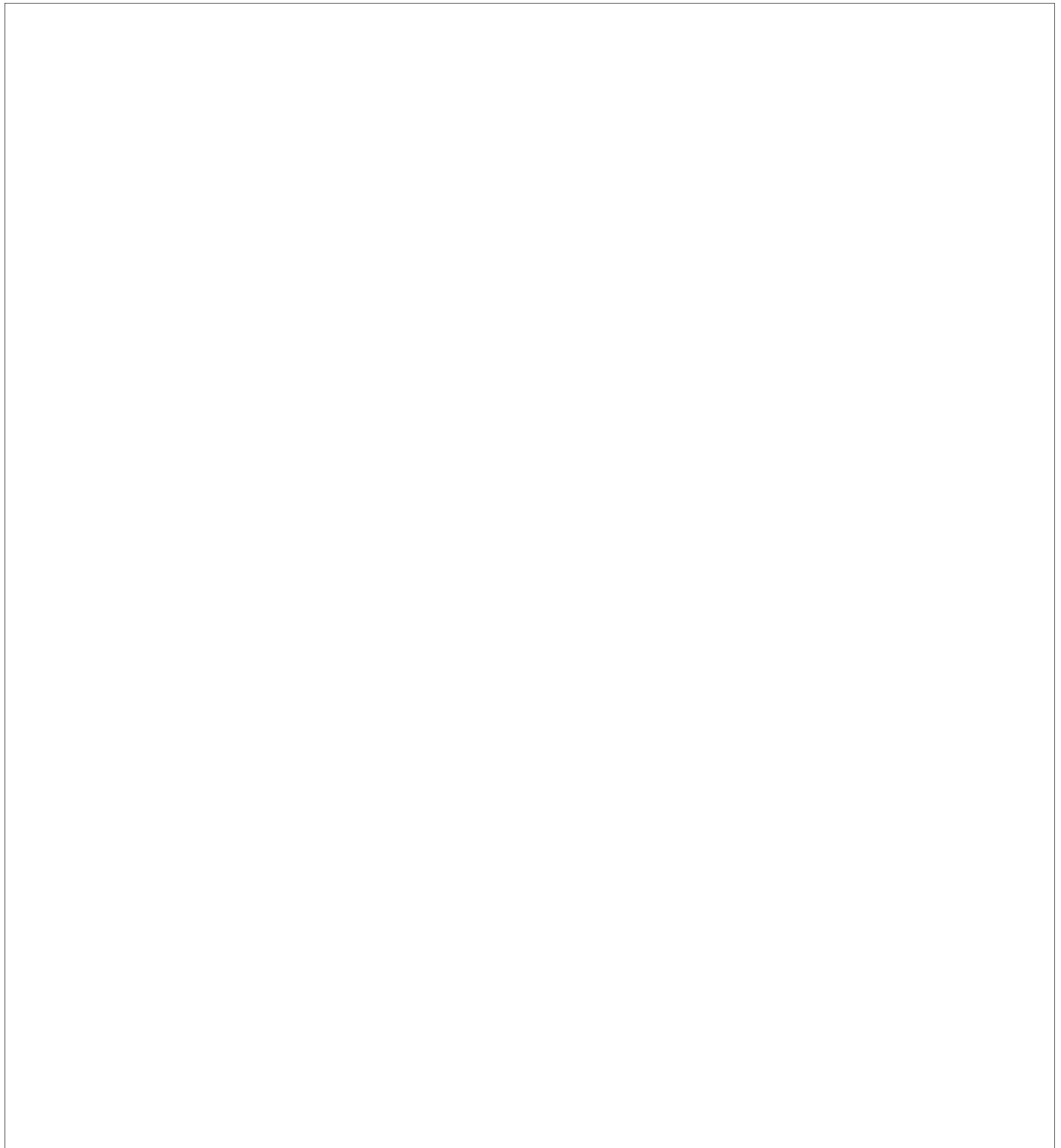


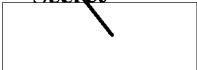
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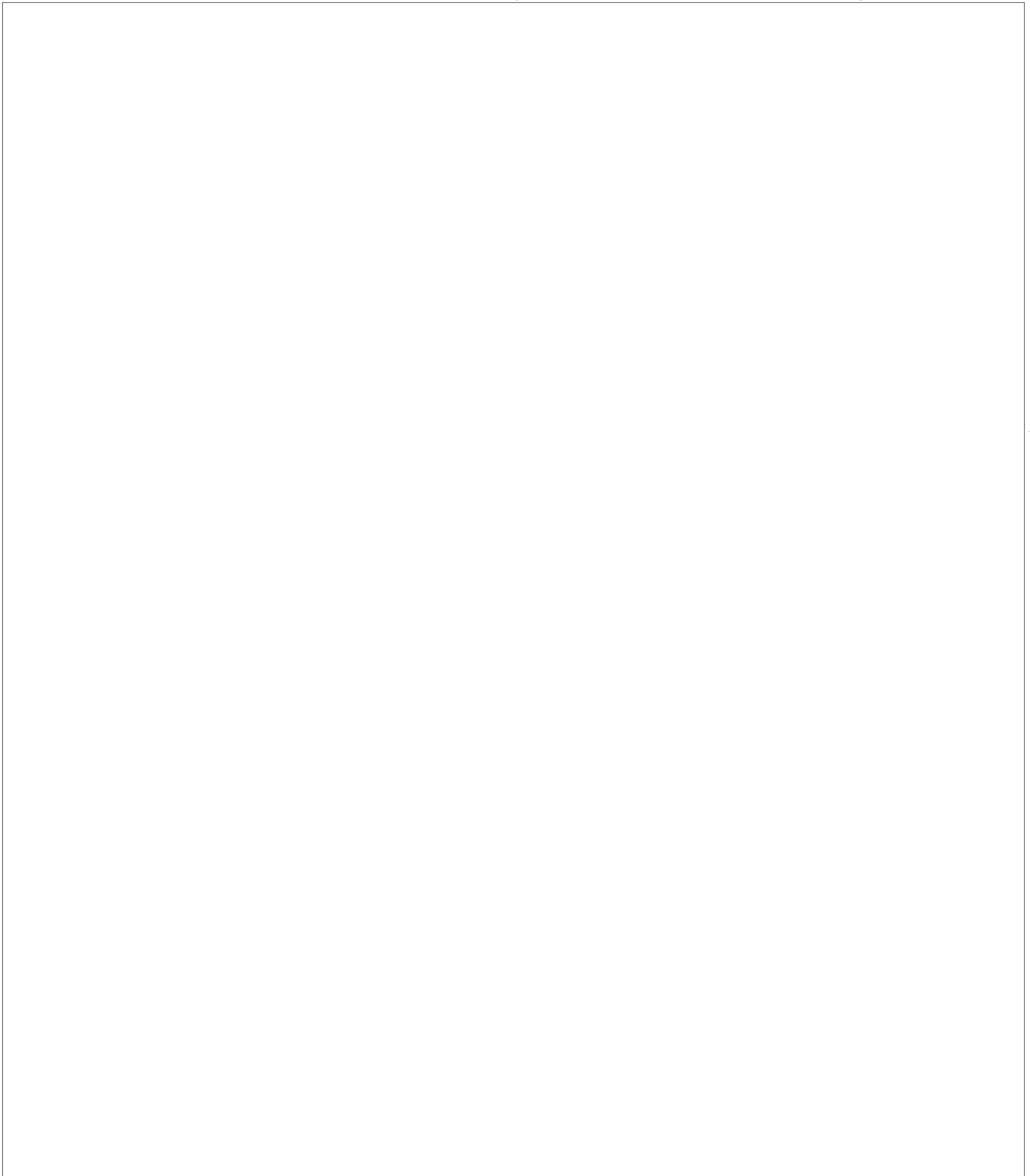
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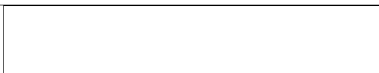
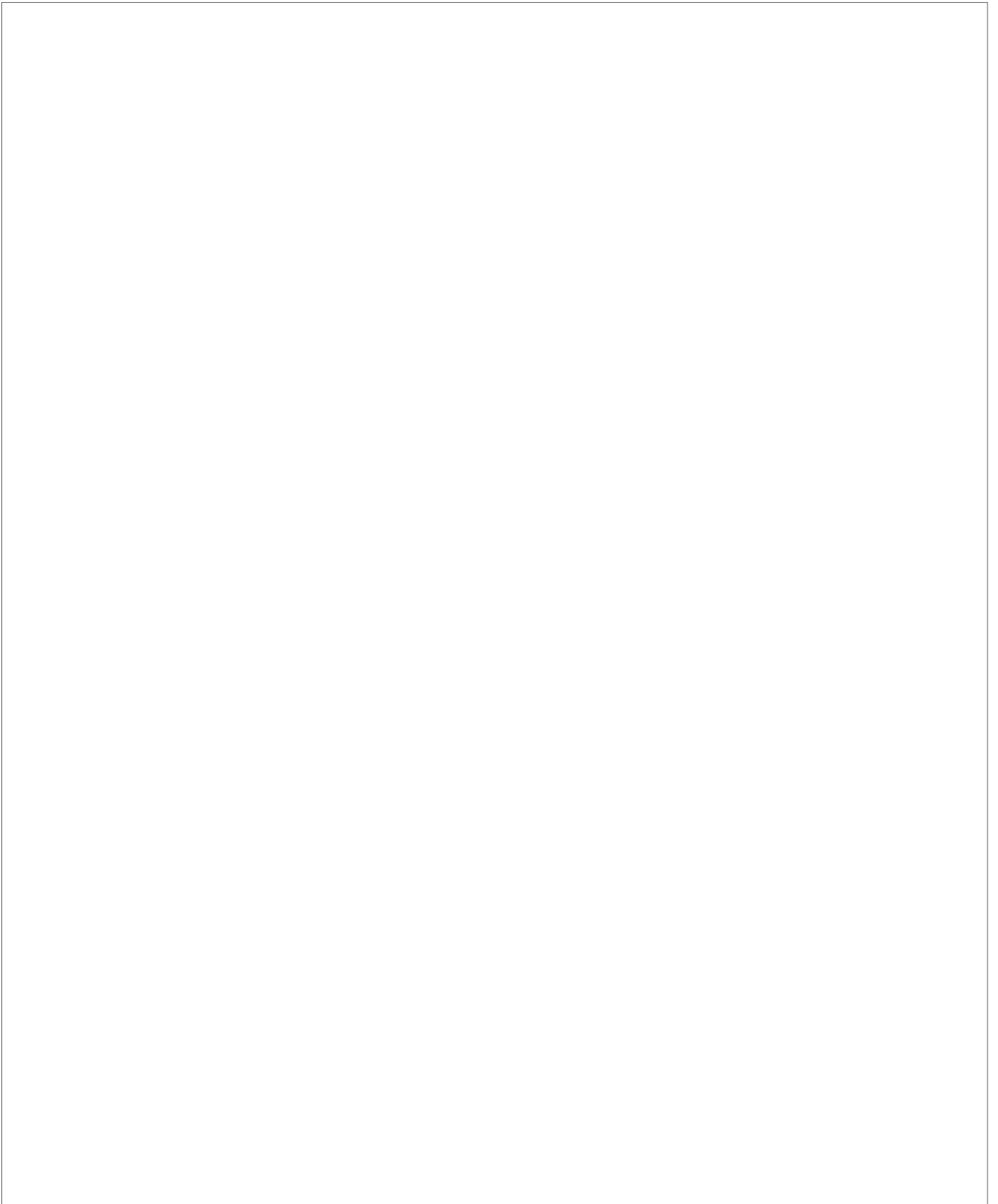
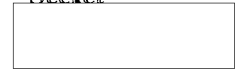
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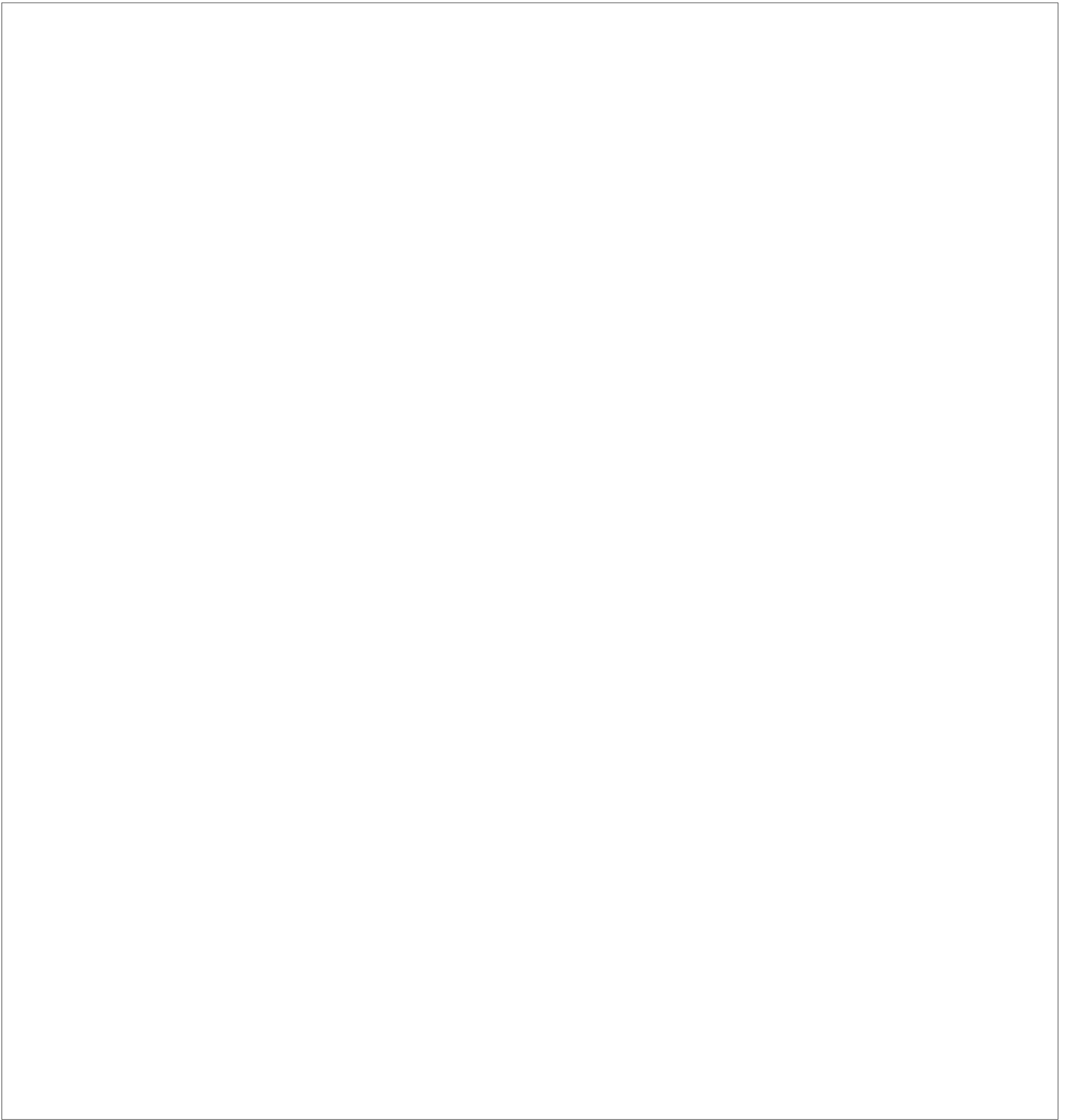


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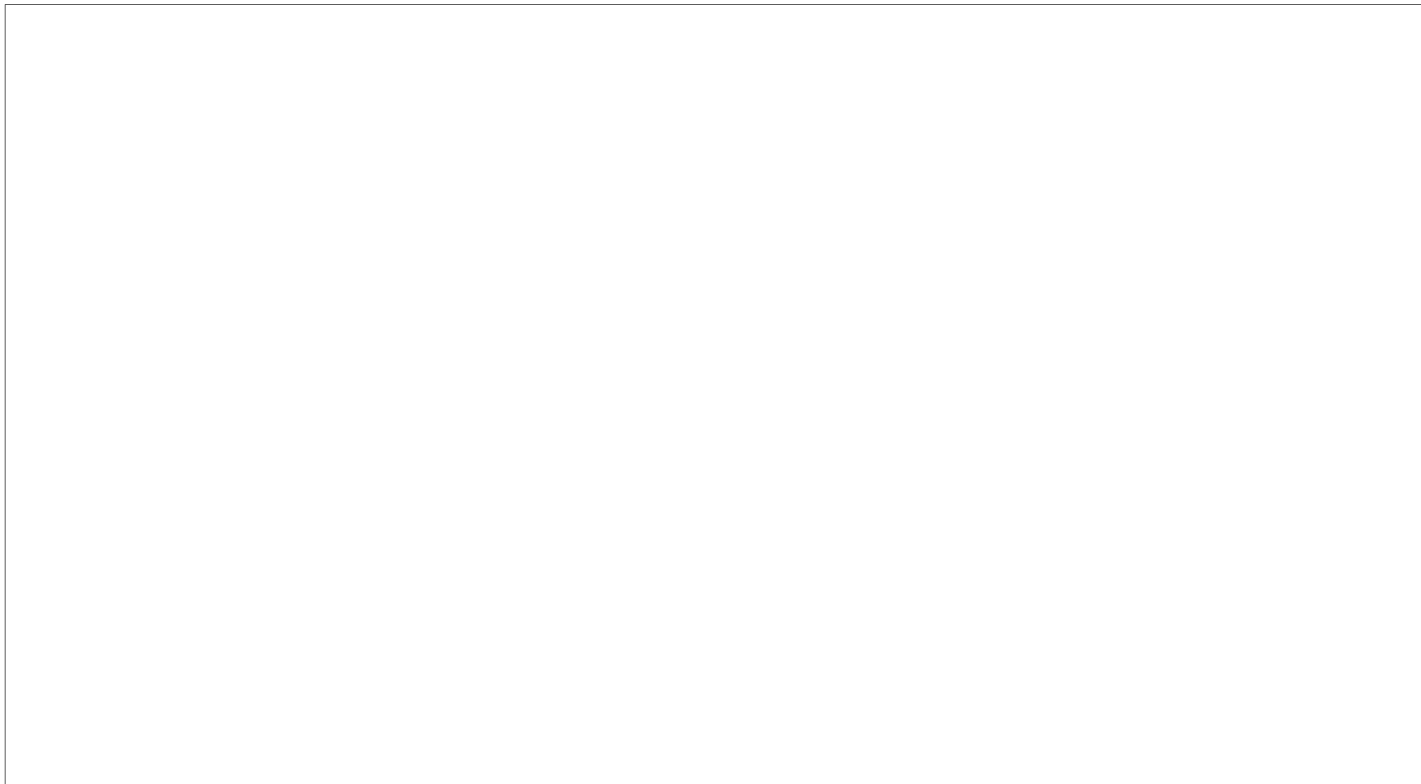
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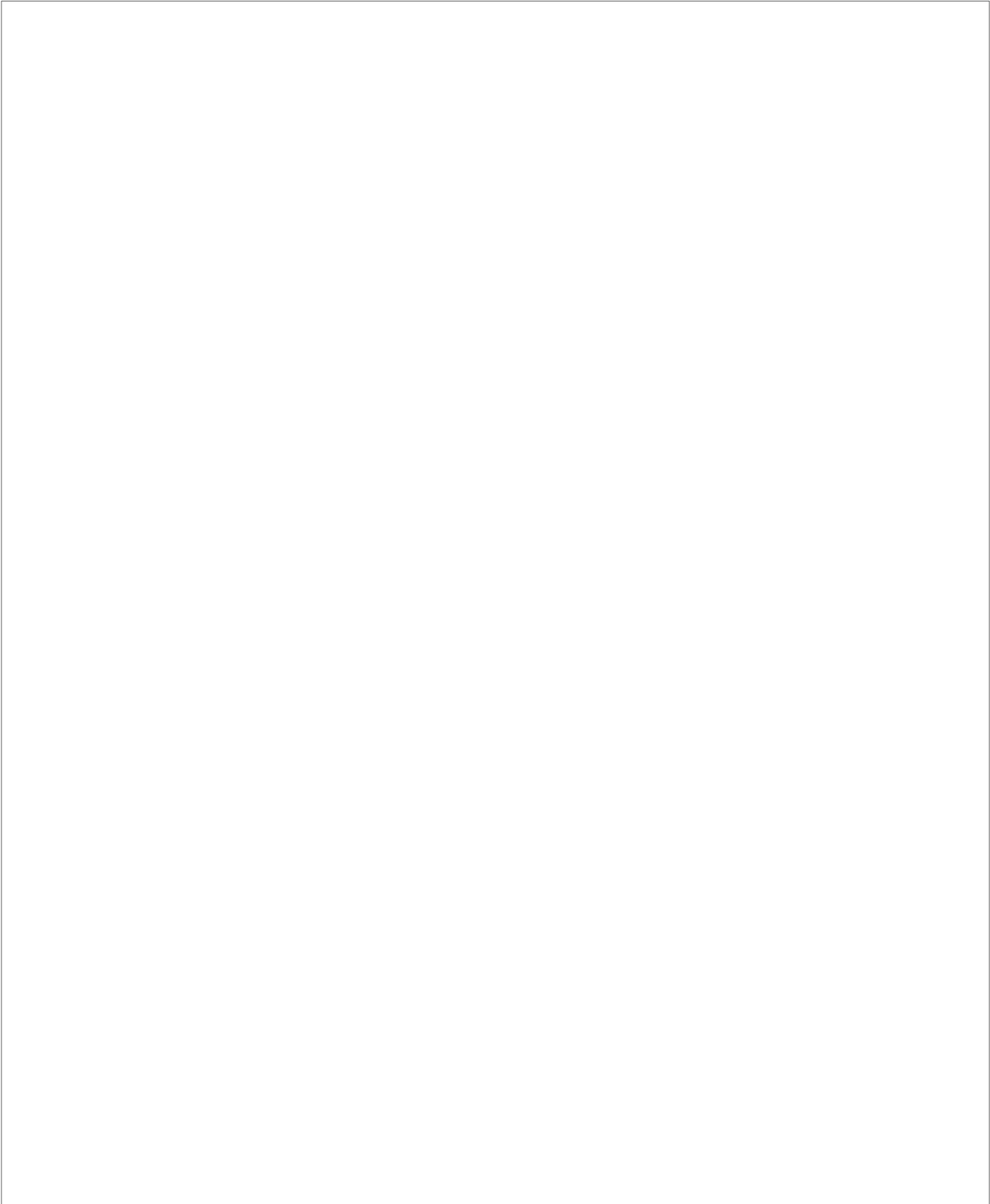


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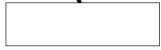
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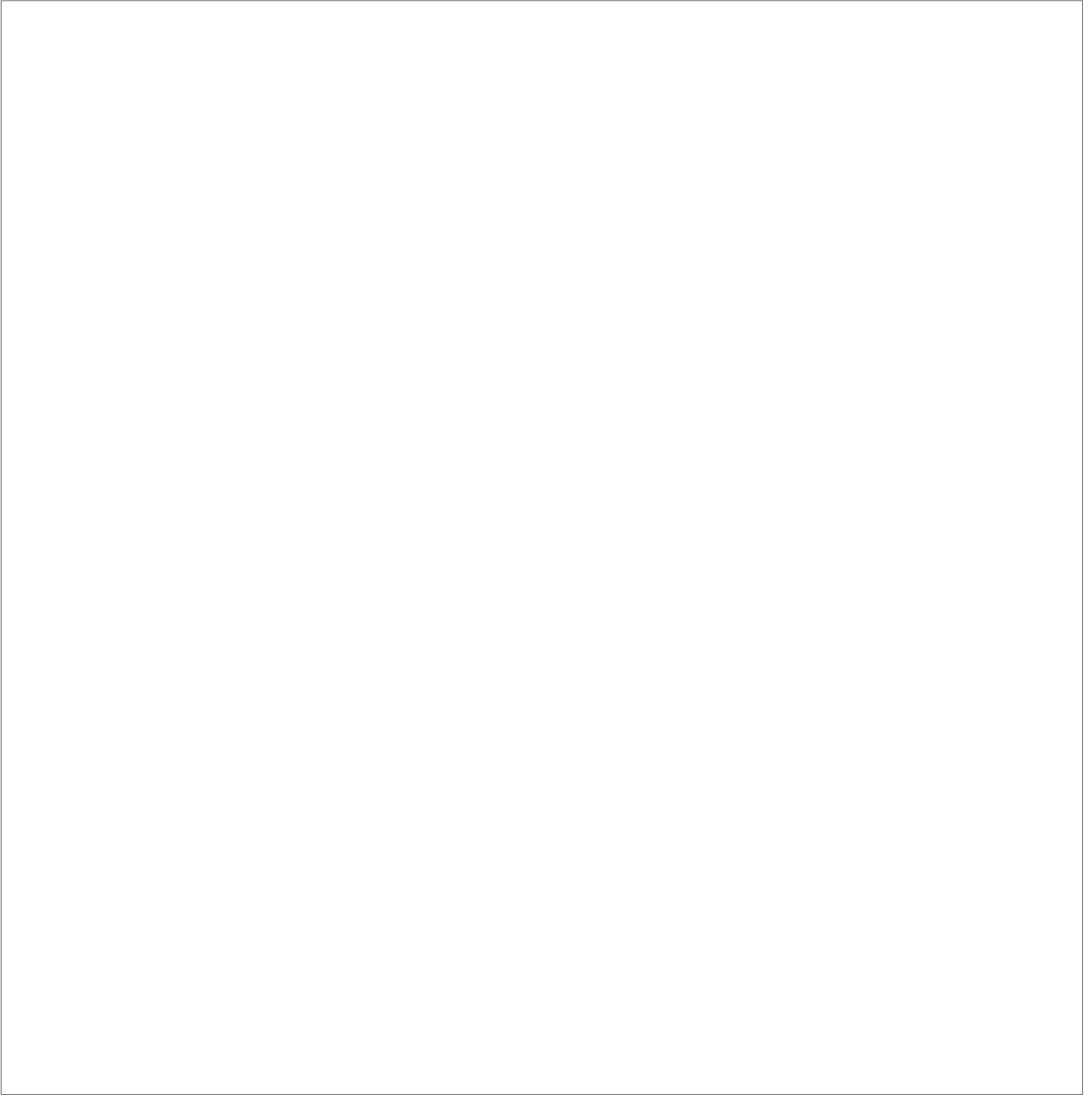
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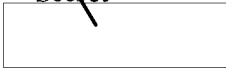


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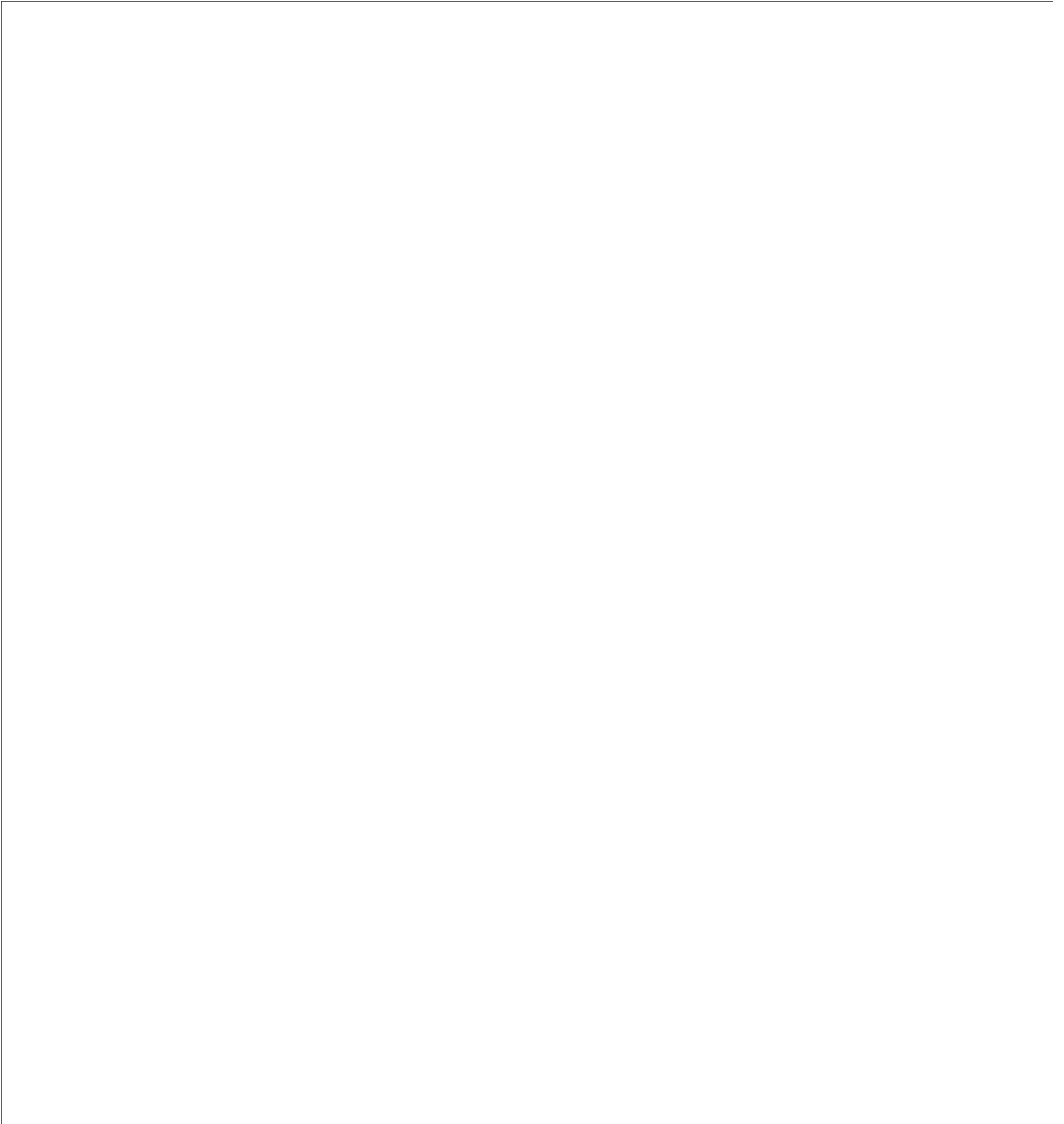
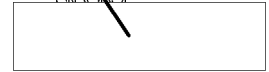


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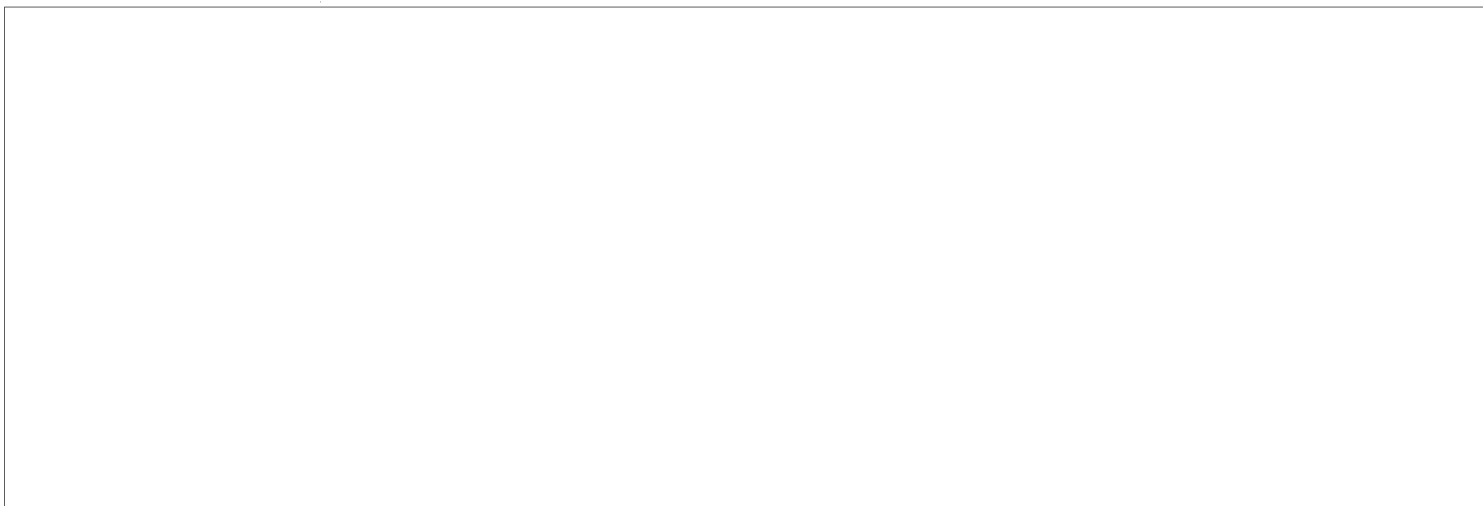


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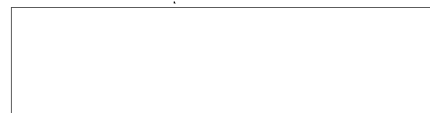




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The Terrorism Diary for September-October 2000

Below is a compendium of September and October dates of known or conceivable significance to terrorists around the world. Inclusion of a date or event does not suggest that we anticipate a commemorative terrorist event.

- 1 September 1939** *West Germany, Europe.* Antiwar Day (anniversary of Nazi invasion of Poland).
- 1 September 1969** *Libya.* Qadhafi seizes power.
- September 1970** *Palestinians.* The Jordanian Army drives Palestinian guerrillas out of the country because of their attacks against Israel from Jordanian soil; in response Fatah establishes the Black September Organization, best known for its attack on Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympics.
- 3 September 1971** *Qatar.* Independence Day.
- 3 September 1982** *Peru.* Death of Sendero Luminoso (SL) leader Edith Lagos.
- 8 September 1982** *India.* Death of Shaykh Mohammad Abdullah, the "Lion of Kashmir."
- 10 September 1922** *Turkey.* Founding of Turkish Communist Party.
- 11 September 1973** *Chile.* Coup in which leftist President Salvador Allende was killed and military junta led by General Augusto Pinochet took power.
- 12 September 1992** *Peru.* Arrest of Sendero Luminoso founder Abimael Guzman.
- 14 September 1982** *Lebanon.* Assassination of Phalangist leader and Lebanese President-elect Bashir Gemayel.
- 15 September 1982** *Lebanon.* Israeli invasion of Muslim West Beirut.
- 17 September 1978** *United States, Israel, Egypt.* Signing of Camp David accords.
- 17 September 1982** *Lebanon.* Massacre in Shatila and Sabra refugee camps (17 September Organization takes its name from this event).
- 17 September 1992** *Iran, Germany.* Iranian Kurdish oppositionists murdered in Mykonos restaurant (Berlin).
- 19 September 1989** *Niger.* UTA Flight 772 bombing, killing all on board. Libyans suspected responsible.

20 September 1984 *Lebanon.* Truck bomb destroys US Embassy Annex in Beirut. Twenty-three die, including two US citizens. Islamic Jihad claims responsibility.

21 September 1989 *Saudi Arabia.* Execution of 16 Kuwaiti shias for hajj bombings that sparked anti-Saudi retaliatory attacks.

22 September 1980 *Iran, Iraq.* Iraq invaded Iran, bombed Iranian military installations and economic targets along their mutual border, precipitating the Iran-Iraq war, which lasted until 1988.

23 September 1932 *Saudi Arabia.* Unification of the kingdom.

23 September 1964 *Saudi Arabia.* National Day.

25 September 1984 *Egypt, Jordan.* Resumption of diplomatic relations.

25 September 1997 *Jordan, Israel.* Assassination attempt on HAMAS political bureau chief Khalid Mish'al.

27 September *Spain.* Basque National Party Day.

28 September 1970 *Egypt.* Death of Jamal 'Abd al-Nasir.

1 October 1985 *Tunisia, Israel, Palestinians.* Israeli bombing of PLO headquarters in Tunis.

3 October 1990 *Germany.* German Unity Day, official date of unification of West Germany and East Germany.

6 October 1973 *Israel, Arab World.* Arab-Israeli war begins.

Egypt. Armed Forces Day (commemorates October War with Israel).

7 October 1930 *Peru.* Founding of the Communist Party of Peru, from which Sendero Luminoso evolved.

8 October 1967 *Cuba.* Heroic Guerrilla Day (death of Che Guevara in Bolivia).

9 October 2000 *Israel, Jewish World.* Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement). Anniversary of 1973 Arab-Israeli war, according to the Jewish calendar.

23 October 1983 *Lebanon.* Bombing of the US Marine barracks in Beirut.

26 October 1995 *Israel, Palestinians.* Palestine Islamic Jihad leader Fathi al-Shiqaqi killed on Malta by Israeli agents.

28 October *Cyprus.* Greek National Day (observed by Greek Cypriot community).

29 October 1923 *Turkey.* Independence Day (proclamation of republic).

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29 October 1973

Cyprus. Turkish Republic Day (observed by Turkish Cypriot community).

31 October 1984

India. Assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi by Sikh bodyguards, triggering anti-Sikh riots throughout northern India.

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Chronology of International Terrorism—May-July 2000

The following incidents have met the criteria for the Intelligence Community's Incident Review Panel since publication of the previous issue of the Terrorism Review. These incidents are the basis for the State Department's Patterns of Global Terrorism, published annually as the US Government's official record of international terrorism

Africa

15 June

Somalia: In Merca, a grenade exploded at a nongovernmental organization (NGO) funded school, causing undetermined damage but no injuries.

The Council Who is probably responsible

30 June

Sierra Leone: In Masiak, press accounts reported suspected Revolutionary United Front (RUF) militants fired upon Jordanian United Nations Assistance Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL) peacekeeping troops, killing one soldier and wounding three others. No one claimed responsibility.

9 July

Democratic Republic of the Congo: Near the Rwandan border, Rwandan Inter-hamwe militiamen attacked a refugee camp, killing 30 persons and kidnapping four others, according to press accounts

15 July

Sierra Leone: Near Kailahun, suspected RUF militants attacked UNAMSIL troops, killing one Indian soldier and wounding one other Indian soldier, according to press accounts

Asia

9 June

Pakistan: In Islamabad, armed militants kidnapped the son of a Libyan diplomat working for the government-run Libyan Islamic Al-Da'Wah Organization,

No one claimed responsibility

27 June

Sri Lanka: In Colombo, unidentified assailants threw a grenade into the Save the Children compound, causing no injuries or damage, according to press reports. The office is sponsored jointly by Norway and Great Britain. No one claimed responsibility.

28 June

India: In Srinagar, militants fired rifle grenades toward the Civil Secretariat building, according to press reports. The Chief Minister was in his office at the time but was unharmed in the attack, which injured four civilians and damaged two vehicles nearby. The Jaish-I-Mohammad claimed responsibility

30 June

India: In Srinagar, a landmine exploded, killing one person, injuring three military personnel and five civilians, damaging several vehicles, and shattering the windows in several nearby hotels, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.

2 July

Japan: In Yokota, unidentified assailants fired two missiles at the US military base On 8 July, a group calling itself the Revolutionary Army (Katumeigun) claimed responsibility in messages mailed to the news media.

Philippines: In Jolo, unidentified militants kidnapped a German journalist working for Der Spiegel magazine The Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG) claimed responsibility. On 27 July, the journalist was released unharmed.

- 10 July** *Afghanistan: In Kabul, press accounts reported a bomb exploded at the Pakistani Embassy, causing major damage but no injuries.* No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]
- Philippines: In Jolo, armed militants kidnapped two journalists from the France-2 television station, according to press reports.* The ASG claimed responsibility [redacted]
- 13 July** *India: In Leh, armed militants killed three Buddhist monks, according to press reports.* No one claimed responsibility [redacted]
- 14 July** *India: In the Himalaya Mountains, press accounts reported armed militants attacked two German hikers, killing one and injuring the other.* No one claimed responsibility [redacted]
- Philippines: In Parang, according to press reports, authorities defused a bomb placed near the US-owned Petron Corporation fuel depot, causing no injuries or damage.* The Moro Islamic Liberation Front probably is responsible [redacted]
- 15 July** *India: In Tangmarg, armed militants killed one Indian soldier and one civilian, according to press reports.* No one claimed responsibility [redacted]
- India: In Doda, armed militants killed the Doda National Conference district president and his bodyguard, according to press reports.* No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]
- 16 July** *Pakistan: In Hyderabad, according to press reports, a bomb that had been placed under a train seat exploded, killing nine persons and injuring 35 others.* Authorities arrested three members of The Research and Analysis Wing who confessed their involvement [redacted]
- 17 July** *Afghanistan: In Kabul, a bomb exploded outside the Pakistani Ambassador's residential compound, causing minimal damage but no injuries, according to press reports.* No one claimed responsibility [redacted]
- Eurasia**
- 28 June** *Serbia: In Gnjilane, [redacted] unidentified individuals threw a grenade at a UN checkpoint, injuring slightly one US KFOR soldier.* No one claimed responsibility [redacted]
- 13 July** *Russia: In St. Petersburg, press accounts reported unidentified assailants threw a Molotov cocktail at the Latvian Consulate, causing minor damage but no injuries.* No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]
- 16 July** *Tajikistan: In Dushanbe, press accounts reported unidentified individuals threw a bomb at a vehicle bearing the European Union's ECHO Humanitarian Bureau seal, injuring four children nearby.* No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Europe

15 June

Germany: In Frankfurt, [redacted] unidentified individuals bombed and destroyed a vehicle belonging to an Iranian Consulate employee. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

19 June

Greece: In Athens, [redacted] unidentified individuals set fire to a vehicle belonging to a UN employee. A telephone caller to a local newspaper claimed responsibility on behalf of the Black Star organization [redacted]

26 June

France: In Paris, press accounts reported bomb disposal experts defused an explosive device discovered outside the International Conference Center. The conference center hosted a panel of international government officials earlier in the day. On 27 June, the Corsican National Liberation Front claimed responsibility. [redacted]

5 July

Greece: On Rhodes island, press accounts reported unidentified assailants hurled a firebomb at the Turkish Consulate, causing minor damage but no injuries. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Latin America

15 June

Ecuador: In Guayaquil, according to press reports, a bomb exploded at the central offices of Citibank, causing no injuries or damage. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Middle East

29 May

Iran: In Tehran, press accounts reported unidentified individuals fired mortar shots at a recreation facility, causing no injuries or damage. A group calling itself the Monafeqin (linked to Mujahedin-e Khalq) claimed responsibility [redacted]

Summary of Indigenous Terrorism—July 2000

The incidents listed below provide an overview of indigenous terrorism worldwide.

Africa

Angola

On 14 July in Huambo, unidentified armed militants attacked a children's hostel, killing one child, injuring four, and kidnapping 21 others, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.

On 18 July in Benguela, press accounts reported the *National Union for the Total Independence for Angola (UNITA)* militants kidnapped 14 clergy members from the Dunge Catholic Mission. On 25 July all hostages were released unharmed.

On 20 July in Kavungo, press accounts reported suspected *UNITA* militants kidnapped four persons from their residence. Two hostages were killed later, and one other was injured. No one claimed responsibility.

Burundi

On 5 July in Gatwaro, armed militants ambushed a vehicle, killing three persons and setting the vehicle on fire, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.

On 10 July in Bujumbura, press accounts reported armed militants attacked the town with automatic weapons and handgrenades, killing three persons and wounding two others. No one claimed responsibility.

Democratic Republic of the Congo

On 10 July in Kamuanza, unidentified militants set fire to 46 houses, killing 24 persons, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.

Kenya

On 5 July in Eldanaba, press accounts reported heavily armed militants attacked a trading center, killing 16 persons and injuring six others. No one claimed responsibility.

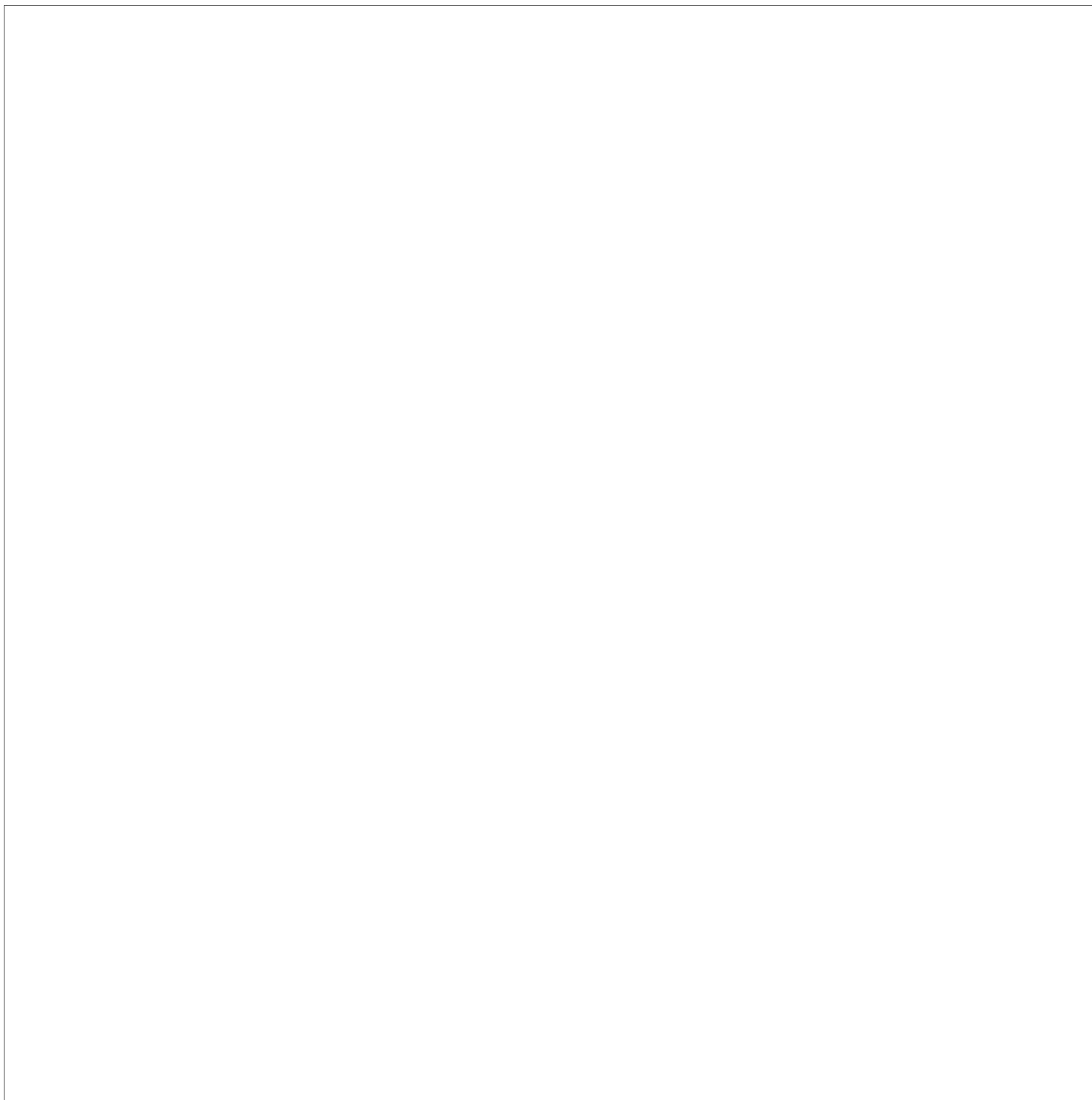
Senegal

On 10 July near Ziguinchor, a landmine exploded, killing three persons and injuring 20 others, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility, but the *Movement of Democratic Forces of Casamance* is suspected.

Uganda

On 6 July in Gulu, press accounts reported suspected *Lord's Resistance Army* militants kidnapped 25 persons. No one claimed responsibility.

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Asia

Bangladesh

On 14 July in Thana, a bomb exploded at an Islami Jalsha (Islamic ceremony), killing one person and injuring 11 others, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Cambodia

On 10 July in Phnom Penh, local press reported a grenade exploded, killing two persons and injuring 15 others. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

India

On 24 July in Ballen village, Punjab, a bomb exploded on a private bus, killing six persons and injuring 10 others, according to press reports. Pakistani-supported Kashmiris or *Sikhs* may be responsible [redacted]

Philippines

On 16 July in Cotabato, a bomb exploded in a busy public market, killing two persons and injuring 33 others, according to press reports. The *Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF)* is probably responsible [redacted]

On 22 July in Mitudong, according to press reports, armed militants killed two persons and kidnapped four others. The *MILF* is probably responsible [redacted]

On 23 July in Pindulonan, Balabagan, Lanao Del Sur, militants fired upon a truck carrying farm workers, killing 14 persons and injuring 14 others, according to press reports. The *MILF* is probably responsible [redacted]

Eurasia

Russia

On 5 July in Makhachkala, press accounts reported a car bomb exploded, killing two persons and injuring two others. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

On 7 July in Dagestan, according to press reports, a device exploded inside a vehicle, killing two security officers and injuring one other. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

In Vladikavkazskiy on 9 July, a bomb exploded in a marketplace, killing six persons and injuring 16 others, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Tajikistan

On 12 July in Dushanbe, [redacted] a car bomb exploded, killing two police officers and injuring one civilian. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Europe

Italy

On 6 July in Milan, press accounts reported bomb disposal experts defused two bombs discovered outside the Italian Confederation of Trade Unions office. An unidentified individual claimed responsibility on behalf of the *Revolutionary Proletarian Nucleus* [redacted]

Northern Ireland

On 8 July in Newtonabbey, press accounts reported unidentified gunmen shot two men in an apparent "punishment" attack. The attack bears the hallmark of a Northern Ireland paramilitary group [redacted]

In Stewardstown on 9 July, according to press reports, a vehicle bomb exploded outside a police station, injuring one police officer and causing minor damage to the station and several nearby residences. Police suspect the *Irish Republican Army* [redacted]

On 12 July in Belfast, press accounts reported unidentified assailants killed a man in a paramilitary-style shooting. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Spain

On 12 July in Madrid, press accounts reported a vehicle exploded in the center of the city, injuring 10 persons and causing extensive damage to retail shops and businesses nearby. The *Basque Fatherland and Liberty (ETA)* claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 15 July in Malaga, suspected *ETA* militants killed a Popular Party member in an armed attack outside his residence, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

In Agreda on 16 July, according to press reports, a vehicle bomb exploded outside a civil guard barracks, slightly injuring one person and causing minor damage. The attack bears the *ETA* hallmark [redacted]

On 24 July in Getxo, press accounts reported a vehicle bomb exploded outside a Popular Party member's residence, injuring one police officer and three civilians and causing major damage to surrounding buildings. The attack bears the hallmark of the *ETA*. [redacted]

Turkey

On 18 July in Istanbul, press accounts reported 15 masked assailants firebombed a bus after evacuating all passengers, causing major damage but no injuries. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

In Sisli on 22 July, according to press reports, two bombs exploded simultaneously at two separate banks, injuring one person and causing major damage. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

Latin America

Colombia

On 1 July in Bogota, press accounts reported armed militants killed one police officer and five civilians at a fake roadblock. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

On 4 July in Bogota, *Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia* rebels kidnapped three businessmen, according to press reports. Several hours later, police rescued the hostages unharmed [redacted]

Peru

On 8 July in Quempiri, press accounts reported unidentified armed militants kidnapped 12 persons. Six persons from a civilian rescue patrol were injured in the rescue effort. The Shining Path claimed responsibility [redacted]

Middle East

Algeria

On 8 July in Haouch Jordane, press accounts reported suspected *Armed Islamic Group (GIA)* militants slit the throats of eight persons and burned three others alive while in their vehicle. No one claimed responsibility [redacted]

On 9 July in Nazaouet Oua Ouahrane, press accounts reported unidentified individuals slit the throats of three shepherds and kidnapped seven others. The attack bears the hallmark of the *GIA* [redacted]

On 16 July near Algiers, unidentified militants killed nine persons at a fake roadblock, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility but the *Salafist Group for the Preaching and Combat* is suspected. [redacted]

