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From: Air Ministry, A.D.I. (IR).  
To: Commanding General, Office of Strategic Services,  
Washington, D.C.

Copy to: Director of O.S.S. Mission, London.

Date: 22nd January, 1944.

Ref.: ADIPH/734/1/P.1/TMM

OBLIQUE PROJECTION

It is desired to express appreciation for the loan of Lt. N.N. JURAN U.S.N.R. of your organisation, who was sent to R.A.F. Station Medmenham to demonstrate the methods evolved by you for producing topographical relief models from oblique photographs.

2. Throughout his stay Lt. JURAN has been most helpful and has shown keenness and ability in developing the various applications of your methods which have evolved during his stay.
3. The original demonstration consisting of the production of a relief model from two oblique photographs, while interesting had little practical application in this theatre owing to the availability of vertical air photographs of all areas. It was seen at once, however, that the basic method could be used to solve a number of problems previously insoluble here.
4. Lt. JURAN has full details of these applications which he can make available to you. Details are not therefore given herewith. Briefly they covered the following:
  - (i) Measuring of ships photographed in convoy from obliques obtained during bombing and torpedo attacks to give sizes of ships, convoy layout, etc.
  - (ii) Production of silhouettes and deck plans of ships from oblique photographs.
  - (iii) Measuring of enemy installations, e.g. wireless stations obtained on oblique photographs.
  - (iv) Production of a simple viewing box for use in aircraft for determining the size of ships seen, using only the reading given by the aircraft's altimeter.
5. Some use has already been made here operationally of the principles demonstrated by Lt. JURAN. Details have also been passed to similar units overseas, where the applications are likely to be greater, particularly in India where for certain seasons of the year oblique photographs are the only ones that can be obtained.

T. Mangin *Mangin*

Assistant Director of Intelligence  
(Photographic)

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Memo to Comdr. Ford

25 January 1944

3. It is felt that additional work and experiments should be carried out by our office on the matter of determining underwater depths by oblique photography. For this purpose, it is suggested that Lieut. Juran be sent to a Pacific area where the proper environment for such experiments can be found. It is estimated that two or three months will be required to do this work. In the meantime, however, the data thus far developed on underwater depth determination should be turned over to the Bureau of Aeronautics so that they may make use of the information.

4. The Pilot's Scale Estimator is ready for use, and should be turned over to the Army and Navy Departments. A small amount of further work should be done to produce a very small model of the pilot's scale estimator which can fit into the palm of one hand and which will require only one hand to operate. For this purpose Lieut. Juran is making a trip to Rochester, New York, to consult with lens experts and as to the feasibility of the small size model.

**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C. 25**

25 January 1944

**From:** E. E. Juran, Lieut., USNR.  
**To:** Commander John Ford  
**Via:** Lt. E. R. Kellogg  
**Subject:** Iconography, Disposition of Material

The work which has been done and the developments brought forward in Iconography divide themselves up into four general units:

- (a) Iconography
- (b) Perspective Iconometer
- (c) Underwater Depth Determination
- (d) Pilot's Scale Estimator

In order to make the best use of these units and to get them into the field as quickly as possible, the following suggestions are made for their disposition.

1. The work of iconography divides itself into two uses, 1) an aid to photo interpretation, 2) an aid in landfall technique (model building). It is suggested that the work on iconography already accomplished be turned over to the Bureau of Aeronautics where they can put it to use both in the Photo Interpretation School at Anacostia under Commander Green, and in the Landfall School of the Bureau of Special Devices Division under Lieut. Vogelgesang. It is felt that these organizations with their superior equipment, space, and personnel allotment are in the best position to further the interests of and to make use of these innovations in iconography.

2. It is suggested that information on the perspective iconometer be made available to the Bureau of Aeronautics and the Office of Naval Intelligence as well as to the Army. This device will greatly facilitate making sketches in the field, and has marked application in the making of target maps. However, further work should be done by our office in order to develop the perspective iconometer along particular lines to make it of value to the Office of Strategic Services. It is felt that a small collapsible unit can be produced and issued to O.S.S. agents for the purpose of making quick and accurate sketches of anything they see in areas where the possession of a camera would be a serious danger to themselves.

In reply address per the sign of this  
letter, but "Commanding Officer, U. S.  
Naval Air Station, Anacostia, D. C."

**U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION  
ANACOSTIA, D. C.**

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20 January 1944

**From:** Officer-in-Charge,  
Photographic Interpretation Center,  
Brig. General W. J. Jurek, Director,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
35th and E Streets, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

**Via:** Lt. H.H. Kellogg, Field Photographic Branch.

**Subject:** Material Regarding Use of Oblique Photographs -  
Request for.

1. It is requested that this office be furnished with oblique photographs and descriptive matter gotten together by Lt. H.H. Jurek, USNR of your office.

2. The subject data includes:

- a. illustrations and examples of practical problems in oblique photo interpretation encountered at Washington and other photo interpretation units.
- b. pilot's scale estimator.
- c. target isonometer.
- d. underwater depth determination.

**RICHARD O. GREENE**  
Comdr., USN.

In reply address the slip of this  
letter, the "Commanding Officer, U. S.  
Naval Air Station, Anacostia, D.C."

**U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION  
ANACOSTIA, D. C.**

Reference to **CONFIDENTIAL**  
**EX-122/248**

**20 January 1944**

**From:** Officer-in-Charge,  
Photographic Interpretation Center,  
Naval Air Station, Anacostia,  
Office of Technical Services,  
NSA and N SSS, I. S.  
Washington, D. C.

**Via:** Lt. E. H. Killam, Field Photographic Branch.

**Subject:** Material Regarding Use of Oblique Photographs -  
Request Form.

1. It is requested that this office be furnished with oblique photographs and descriptive material gotten together by Lt. E. H. Killam, USNR of your office.

2. The subject data included:

- a. illustrations and examples of practical problems in oblique photo interpretation encountered at Washington and other photo interpretation units.
- b. photo scale estimator.
- c. target locometer.
- d. uniprotator depth determination.

**RICHARD G. GIBBS**  
Comd'g, USNR.

In reply address on the stamp of this  
letter, use "Commanding Officer, U. S.  
Naval Air Station, Anacostia, D. C."


**U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION**  
**ANACOSTIA, D. C.**

Reference to ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
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26 January 1944

**From:** Officer-in-Charge,  
Photographic Interpretation Center.  
**To :** Brig. General Wm. Donovan, Director,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
25th and E Streets, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.  
**Via :** Lt. E.R. Kellogg, Field Photographic Branch.  
**Subject:** Material Regarding Use of Oblique Photographs -  
Request for.

1. It is requested that this office be furnished with oblique photographs and descriptive matter gotten together by Lieut. N.H. Juran, USNR of your office.
2. The subject data includes:
  - a. illustrations and examples of practical problems in oblique photo interpretation encountered at Medmenham and other photo interpretation units.
  - b. pilots scale estimator.
  - c. target iconometer.
  - d. underwater depth determination.

  
RICHARD O. GREENE  
Comdr., USN.

In Reply Refer to Bureau  
and No.

Op-16-V-3-100  
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**NAVY DEPARTMENT**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS**

**WASHINGTON**

Serial: 0528016

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27 JAN 1944

**From:** Chief of Naval Operations.  
**To:** The Director, Office of Strategic Services.  
 Attn: Chief, Field Photographic Branch.

**Via:** Lieut. Comdr. D. Ravenal, Jr., U.S.N.R.,  
 Naval Liason Officer (CSS).

**SUBJECT:** Information and written instructions on the use  
 of Instruments and Devices pertaining to Ichno-  
 graphy - Request for.

1. It is requested that this office be supplied  
 with subject data for use in connection with a confidential  
 manual now being prepared for publication on the making of  
 Terrain Models.

2. It is requested that all subject data be made  
 available for inspection to Lieutenant Squire of Op-16-V  
 and that such material as he may select be sent to Services  
 Section (Op-16-V-3), Air Intelligence Group, Division of  
 Naval Intelligence, Room 1W-12, Navy Department, Washington,  
 D.C.

G. T. MUNDORFF, Jr.  
 By Direction

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**WASHINGTON, D. C.**

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29 January 1944.

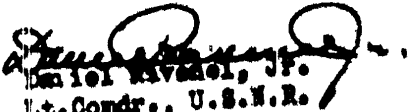
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MEMORANDUM for Lieut. E. R. Kellogg, U.S.N.R.

SUBJECT: Information and written instructions on the use of  
instruments and devices pertaining to Iconography -  
Request for.

Enclosure: (A) Op-16-V-S-BSS Conf. ltr. (SS) Serial: 0528016  
dated 27 January 1944.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for your information and action with  
the request that any and all action be made via this office.

  
Daniel Rivaroli, Jr.  
Lt. Condr., U.S.N.R.

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3 February 1954

Group Captain C.S.M. De Baulay  
British Joint Staff Mission  
Office of the Combined Chiefs of Staff  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Group Capt. De Baulay:

I wish to acknowledge with thanks your very kind note transmitting the appreciation of the work of Lt. W. N. Juran, USNR of the OSS.

The communication has been referred to the Director for the records of Lt. Juran.

Sincerely yours,

~~JOHN MARSHALL~~  
JOHN MARSHALL, ~~Brig. Gen.~~  
Deputy Director, OSS -- Intelligence Service

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February 15, 1944

Dear General Magruder,

The enclosed letter has been forwarded to me by the Air Ministry for onward transmission to you. It refers to the Air Ministry's appreciation of the work which is being carried out by Lieutenant H.M. Juran, U.S.A.R., of your organization.

You will note that a copy has been sent by the Air Ministry to the Director of the O.S.A. Mission in London.

Sincerely yours,

G.C.H. De Gaulle,  
Group Captain.

Brigadier General John Magruder,  
Officer of Strategic Services.

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**BRITISH JOINT STAFF MISSION  
OFFICES OF THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON**

**AIR STAFF**

**February 1st, 1944**

Dear General Magruder,

The enclosed letter has been forwarded to me by the Air Ministry for onward transmission to you. It refers to the Air Ministry's appreciation of the work which is being carried out by Lieutenant N.W. Juran, U.S.N.R. of your organization.

You will note that a copy has been sent by the Air Ministry to the Director of the O.S.S. Mission in London.

Sincerely yours,

*G. G. H. Du Boulay*  
G. G. H. Du Boulay,  
Group Captain.

Brigadier General John Magruder,  
Officer of Strategic Services.

**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**  
**MEMORANDUM**

2 February 1964

To: General W. Donovan  
Via: Secretariat  
From: Commander John Ford



The importance of this effort should be called to your attention and the requests from the various branches of the service more than bear this out.

I am convinced we should train at least four competent officers thoroughly in this work and dispatch them to the various commands as soon as possible. There is a great need for this work in the field and its worth is unmeasurable.

*John Ford*  
JOHN FORD  
Commander, USNR

Enclosure (4)

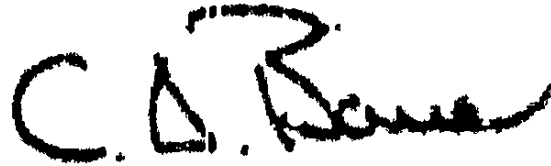
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Date \_\_\_\_\_

To: Col. BURTON.

With reference to the attached, it would seem that Comdr. Ford simply wishes to call to your attention the particular work being done by his branch in Iconography and to get your general views on the question of training 4 officers in the work for ultimate dispatch to the theater.

Comdr. Ford has informed us that the formal requests from U.S. Naval Air Station in Anacostia and from the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations for material and data relating to this work are being handled by Lt. Kellogg and Lieut. W. H. Juran, and that no action by the Director's office is necessary at this time.



C. A. Bane.

Office of the Secretariat

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3. **Target Information** - The system is designed to provide comprehensive information on enemy targets from any available source. It enables sustained operations to be carried in approximately 30 minutes between successive sketches which would require approximately 6 hours to complete. It is especially useful in the field in cooperation with aerial sketching. The same device enables the sketches to be projected as a drawing onto a large translucent screen.

4. **Studies in development** - This device is being developed under favorable conditions, to determine the combination of oblique and vertical photography and underwater depth of enemy beaches. Conditions are favorable for this method when they are unfavorable for the more interval method of underwater depth determination. The two methods therefore supplement each other.

Should you be interested, I hope that it will be possible to arrange for the demonstration in the relatively near future, since Lt. Juran will not be in Washington for long.

Sincerely yours,

G. Bernard Baxter  
Acting Director

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9 February 1944

Lieutenant General Leslie J. McNair  
 Commanding General  
 Army Ground Forces  
 2202 25, Army War College  
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General McNair:

Col. L. E. Juran, USNR, of our Field Reconnaissance Branch, has developed certain devices and methods in the field of Isopography which may be of interest to you. If you are interested, I shall be happy to have Col. Juran arrange a demonstration for you, or officers in your command, at a time and place convenient to you.

The developments are as follows:

1. Ship's Isopography. This is a portable device which a pilot may use with one hand while flying. It enables him to make a better guess than is otherwise possible as to the length of ships he sights, and as to the distance between the ship and the pilot. It is also usable for estimating length of runways, etc. in low level country.

2. Ship's Isopography. This principle is of use in connection with photo interpretation, particularly in the field where more complex devices may not be practicable. It requires the use of only a single oblique photo. This development may be used to determine silhouettes of enemy shipping, to pilot convoys, and to measure enemy ships, enemy military installations, sea walls, low level landing obstructions, tank traps and enemy beacon gradients.

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A PPFENDIX E ~~E~~

1. Iconography--Photo interpretation of oblique photographs.  
This development makes possible the interpretation of oblique photographs ~~in a manner not heretofore possible.~~ It ~~greatly~~ enhances the value of oblique photographs. It also makes possible ~~various~~ measurements of ~~various~~ objects which cannot be ~~measured by the interpretation~~ use of ~~vertical~~ photographs ~~alone~~, such as enemy military installations, sea walls, low level bombing obstructions, tank traps, enemy beach gradients, etc. The method requires ~~the use of oblique photographs.~~ A full description of this development is contained in the attached Annex E A, entitled "Iconography".

2. Underwater Depth Determination. This is an application ~~of the principle described in the preceding paragraph.~~ It is possible by this application of the principle described in the preceding paragraph to ~~determine~~ from a combination of oblique and vertical photographs taken at approximately the same time, underwater depths of ~~enemy beaches.~~ It requires favorable conditions, but conditions are favorable for this method when they are unfa-vorable for the wave interval method of underwater depth determination. The two methods therefore supplement each other. A full description of ~~this application~~ is contained in the attached Annex B, entitled "Under Water Depth Determination".

~~various~~ 3. Perspective Jariscopes. This is a device which ~~enables~~, ~~as described in paragraph 1,~~ by an application of ~~the principle described in paragraph 1,~~ makes possible the production of perspective drawings of target maps from any desired viewpoint. It enables untrained personnel to produce

~~The principle may also be used to determine silhouettes of enemy shipping, plot convoys and measure the length of unknown ships.~~

~~in less than 30 minutes accurate perspectives which would otherwise require six hours to complete. It is especially useful in the field in connection with panoramic field sketching, and is therefore of ~~special~~ special interest to the Army.~~

4. Pilot's Iconometer. This is a simple, portable device which a pilot may use while flying. It enables him to make a better estimate than is otherwise possible as to the length of ships he sights, and as to the distance between the ship and pilot. It is also usable for estimating lengths of runways and ground distances.

This office has initiated a number of scientific developments in the field of topography. They include:

- 1. Oblique angle camera
- 2. Pilot's altimeter
- 3. Target indicator
- 4. Studies in underwater depth determination.

There are included in utmost a display of these developments as they have advanced.

Oblique projections, developed by a number of this organization in England, have been used to determine altitudes of many mountains and valleys, to measure enemy ships, to measure enemy military installations, to measure low level bombing altitudes, tank traps, and to measure many other features.

The pilot's altimeter is a device which will enable a pilot during enemy ship to estimate its length as well as the distance between the ship and the pilot. It can be used to calculate the length of runways, distances, etc. on land as well as at sea.

The target indicator is designed to produce perspective drawings of enemy targets from any desired viewpoint. With it, untrained personnel can produce in approximately 30 minutes, accurate perspective which would require trained personnel 2 hours to complete. This device can be used directly by the army, and should revolutionize the present method of field sketches. A collapsible unit has been designed for use by unskilled agents in the field in areas where the possession of a camera would be too dangerous. These sketches can, by using the same instrument with which they were drawn, be projected on a drawing board into true plans.

Studies in underwater depth determination have been made which will be of great value. By a combination of oblique and vertical photos the determination of underwater depths of enemy beaches is possible under favorable conditions are favorable for this method when they are impractical for the more normal method of underwater depth determination. It is also possible, that these two methods will supplement each other. Further studies have been carried out in the field, and further studies will be made by this office.

**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**

*Iconography 11, 0462*  
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*Submitted by*  
*Lt. J. J.*

This office has initiated a number of scientific developments in the field of iconography. They include:

- a. Oblique Projections
  - b. Pilot's Estimator
  - c. Target Iconometer
- and d. Studies in underwater depth determination.

You are invited to attend a display of these developments at your convenience.

1. Oblique projections, developed by a member of this organization at Reddham, England, have been used to determine silhouettes of enemy shipping, to plot convoys, to measure enemy ships, to measure enemy military installations, sea walls, low level bombing obstructions, tank traps; and to measure enemy beach gradients.

2. The pilot's estimator is a device which will enable a pilot seeing an enemy ship to estimate its length as well as the distance between the ship and the pilot. It can be used to calculate the length of runways, distances, etc. on land as well as at sea.

3. The Target Iconometer is designed to produce perspective drawings of enemy targets from any desired viewpoint. With it, untrained personnel can produce in approximately 30 minutes, accurate perspectives which would require trained personnel 6 hours to complete. This device can be used in the field by the Army, and should revolutionize the present method of field sketching. A collapsible unit has been designed for use by undercover agents for sketching in areas where the possession of a camera would be too dangerous. These sketches can, by using the same instrument with which they were drawn, be later projected on a drawing board into true plan.

4. Studies in underwater depth determination have been made which will be of interest. By a combination of oblique and vertical photos the determination of underwater depths of enemy beaches is possible - under favorable conditions. Conditions are favorable for this method when they are unfavorable for the wave interval method of underwater depth determination. It is felt, therefore, that these two methods will supplement each other. Photographic experiments have been carried out in the field, and further studies are being made by this office.

10 February 1944

Mr. S. Edward Barton,  
Acting Director,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Barton:

Thank for your letter of 4 February 1944 in which  
you offering to have Lieutenant G. J. Smith, USA, demonstrate  
certain devices and vehicles in the field of Paratrooper.

Although it will be impossible for General Hodge to  
be witness these demonstrations, he wishes to inform you that  
officers of the Army Ground Force have also seen the equipment  
described in your letter. Several other representatives from this  
headquarters will view the equipment this week in order to determine  
the extent to which it may be useful to the Army Ground Force.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

(Signed) J. G. CHRISTIANSEN  
J. G. CHRISTIANSEN  
Brig. Gen., G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff



HEADQUARTERS  
ARMY GROUND FORCES  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF  
ARMY WAR COLLEGE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

*Iconography, etc.  
Juran, Lt. Gen.  
Field Staff, General*

16 February 1944

Mr. G. Edward Buxton,  
Acting Director,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Buxton:

Thanks for your letter of 8 February 1944 to General  
McNair offering to have Lieutenant H. H. Juran, USMC, demonstrate  
certain devices and methods in the field of Iconography.

Although it will be impossible for General McNair, himself,  
to witness these demonstrations, he wishes to inform you that certain  
officers of the Army Ground Forces have already seen the devices  
described in your letter. Several other representatives from this  
headquarters will view the equipment this week in order to determine  
the extent to which it may be useful to the Army Ground Forces.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

*J. O. Christiansen*

J. O. CHRISTIANSEN  
Brig. Gen., G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

*Copy sent to Juran*



Office of Strategic Services  
 Report on Investigations in the Field of Instruments  
 Appendix - Part I

### 1. JERICOPY

The Jeriscopy is a device which makes possible the projection of perspective drawings of target objects from any desired viewpoint. It enables untrained personnel to produce in less than thirty minutes accurate perspectives which would otherwise take trained personnel more than six hours to complete and which, under field conditions, might not be possible at all. It is especially useful in the field in connection with preliminary field sketching and is therefore of special interest to the Army. A description of the Jeriscopy is contained in the attached Annex "A" entitled "Perspective Through Jeriscopy".

### 2. PILOT'S INSTRUMENT

This is a simple, portable device which a pilot may use while flying. It enables him to make a better estimate than is otherwise possible as to the length of ships he sights and the distance between pilot and ship. It is also useful for estimating lengths of runways and ground distances. It is fully described in the attached Annex "B" entitled "Pilot's Instrument".

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**REPORT OF SPECIAL SERVICES  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**

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1. **Introduction** - This introduction of the...  
This development makes possible the...  
analysis photographs in a manner not heretofore possible and  
thus widens the field of usefulness of oblique photographs  
for intelligence purposes. It also makes possible measurements  
of objects such as enemy military installations, and water, land  
level, horizontal constructions, tank traps, enemy tank positions,  
etc., directly from a single oblique photograph. The principle  
may also be used to determine silhouettes of enemy ships, to  
determine the length of unknown ships. A full  
description is contained in the attached Annex "A" entitled  
"Introduction".

**2. Horizontal Tank Determination**

It is possible by this application of the principle described  
in the preceding paragraph to determine unknown depth of  
enemy tanks from a combination of oblique and vertical photo-  
graphs taken at approximately the same time. It requires favorable  
conditions, but conditions are favorable for this method when they  
are unfavorable for the more interval method of unknown depth  
determination. The two methods, therefore, supplement each other.  
Further work is being done on this problem. A full description  
is contained in the attached Annex "B" entitled "Under Water  
Depth Determination".

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Memorandum for the Secretary,  
John W. H. Chief of Staff

13 February 1954  
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4. Since these developments are of interest to all branches of the Armed Services, they have been made available to the Army Ground Forces, the Army Air Forces and the Navy. Lt. Juran is presently devoting his full time to the demonstration of his developments to representatives of these services and to the preparation of material for instructional purposes.

William J. Donovan  
Director

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27 February 1944

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** The Secretary,  
Joint C. I. Chiefs of Staff

**SUBJECT:** Report on Developments in the Field  
of Ictography

1. Developments which we believe to be of importance in the field of Ictography have been made by Lt. F. H. Juran, USNB, of our Field Photographic Branch.
2. The principles developed by Lt. Juran are of particular value in the field of photographic interpretation. Further adaptations of these principles provide a new method of underwater depth determination, a means for accurate estimates by an aircraft pilot of the size of ships, runways, and the like, and a new method of producing panoramic field sketches and perspective target maps in a fraction of the time formerly necessary for the purpose. Brief summaries of the foregoing are contained in the attached Appendix.
3. Lt. Juran has been working for over a year on the development of these principles and their application. During this time he worked in England for an extended period with the Central Photo Interpretation Unit, which is the photo intelligence center for all British Armed Services. He also worked with the North African Photo Reconnaissance Wing at Tunis and the Middle East Interpretation Unit, a branch of the British Central Interpretation Unit, at Cairo.

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Office of Aeronautics Services  
Report on Developments in the Field of Reconnaissance  
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**1. JERICHO**

The Jericho is a device which makes possible the observation of perspective drawings of targets from any desired viewpoint. It enables untrained personnel to produce in less than thirty minutes accurate perspective views which otherwise take trained personnel more than six hours to complete and which, under field conditions, might not be possible at all. It is especially useful in the field in connection with personnel's field sketching and is therefore of special interest to the Army. A description of the Jericho is contained in the attached Annex "A" entitled "Perspective Through Jericho".

**2. Pilot's Indicator**

This is a simple, portable device which a pilot may use while flying. It enables him to make a better estimate than is otherwise possible as to the length of ships he sights and the distance between pilot and ship. It is also useful for orientating lengths of runways and ground distances. It is fully described in the attached Annex "B" entitled "Pilot's Indicator".

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**Office of Strategic Services  
Report on Developments in the Field of Photography**

**CONTENTS**

**1. Interpretation of Oblique Photographs**

This development makes possible the interpretation of oblique photographs in a manner not heretofore possible and thus broadens the field of usefulness of oblique photographs for intelligence purposes. It also makes possible measurement of objects such as enemy military installations, sea walls, low level banking obstructions, tank traps, enemy beach defenses, etc., directly from a single oblique photograph. The principle may also be used to determine silhouettes of enemy shipping, to plot convoys and to measure the length of unknown ships. A full description is contained in the attached Annex "A" entitled "Xenography".

**2. Underwater Depth Determination**

It is possible by this application of the principle described in the preceding paragraph to determine underwater depths of enemy beaches from a combination of oblique and vertical photographs taken at approximately the same time. It requires favorable conditions, but conditions are favorable for this method when they are unfavorable for the more interval method of underwater depth determination. The two methods, therefore, complement each other. Further work is being done on this problem. A full description is contained in the attached Annex "B" entitled "Under Water Depth Determination".

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Responsible for the investigation  
Joint F. is Chief of Staff

is currently

Since these investigations are of national  
importance of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, they are  
able to the Army Ground Force, the Army Air Force and the  
Navy. It is presently operating in full scale in the  
demobilization of its development to support operations of these  
services and to the protection of material for national  
defense.

William F. Hoover  
Director

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23 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR  
Chief of Staff  
Report on Developments in the Field  
of Isonography

1. Developments which we believe to be of importance in the field of Isonography have been made by Lt. E. S. Juran, USMC, of our Field Photographic Branch.
2. The principles developed by Lt. Juran are of particular value in the field of photographic interpretation. Further adaptations of these principles provide a new method of waterator depth determination, a means for accurate estimates by an aircraft pilot of the size of ships, runways, and the like, and a new method of producing panoramic field sketches and perspective target maps in a fraction of the time formerly necessary for the purpose. Brief summaries of the foregoing are contained in the attached appendix.
3. Lt. Juran has been working for over a year on the development of these principles and their application. During this time he worked in England for an extended period with the Central Photo Interpretation Unit, which is the photo intelligence center for all British Army Services. He also worked with the North African Photo Reconnaissance Wing at Tunis and the Middle East Interpretation Unit, a branch of the British Central Interpretation Unit, at Cairo.

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### 3. Jeriscopes

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### 4. Pilot's Instrument

This is a simple, portable device which a pilot may use while flying. It enables him to make a better estimate than is otherwise possible as to the length of ships he sights and the distance between pilot and ship. It is also usable for estimating lengths of runways and ground distances. It is fully described in the attached Annex "D" entitled "Pilot's Instrument".

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**Office of Strategic Services**  
**Report on Developments in the Field of Photography**

**ANNEX**

1. **Intermittent Photo Interpretation of Aerial Photographs**

This development makes possible the interpretation of oblique photographs in a manner not heretofore possible and thus broadens the field of usefulness of oblique photographs for intelligence purposes. It also makes possible measurement of objects such as enemy military installations, sea walls, low level bombing obstructions, tank traps, enemy beach gun emplacements, etc., directly from a single oblique photograph. The principle may also be used to determine silhouettes of enemy shipping, to plot courses and to measure the length of unknown ships. A full description is contained in the attached Annex "A" entitled "Intermittent Photo Interpretation".

2. **Underwater Depth Determination**

It is possible by this application of the principle described in the preceding paragraph to determine underwater depths of enemy beaches from a combination of oblique and vertical photographs taken at approximately the same time. It requires favorable conditions, but conditions are favorable for this method when they are unfavorable for the wave interval method of underwater depth determination. The two methods, therefore, supplement each other. Further work is being done on this problem. A full description is contained in the attached Annex "B" entitled "Under Water Depth Determination".

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**Memorandum for the Secretary,  
Joint E. R. Chiefs of Staff**

**10 August 1954**

1. Since these developments are of interest to all branches of the Armed Services, they have been made available to the Army Ground Force, the Army Air Force and the Navy. Mr. Jones is presently awaiting the full view to the dissemination of his developments to representatives of these services and to the preparation of material for informational purposes.

**William J. Donovan  
Director**

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15 February 1944

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** The Secretary,  
Joint U. S. Chiefs of Staff

**SUBJECT:** Report on Developments in the Field  
of Ictography

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**20 FEB 1944**

Mr. H. Stuart Benton  
Acting Director  
Office of Strategic Services  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Benton:

Intensive arrangements have been made to send you a  
Field Photographic Branch for a completely qualified representative  
from this Headquarters to assist in your photographic and  
topographic duties.

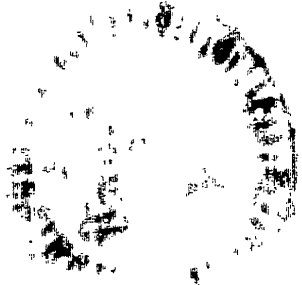
Should the equipment and technical work of value to the Army  
Air Forces, arrangements will be made with your office for the  
adoption of the device to meet our requirements.

Your interest in bringing this equipment to our attention  
is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Gen. H. H. Arnold

General, U. S. Army,  
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.



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GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Juran Lt. Col. H.  
Field Photo Br.*

**WAR DEPARTMENT  
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

**24 FEB 1942**

**Mr. G. Edward Duxton  
Acting Director  
Office of Strategic Services  
Washington, D. C.**

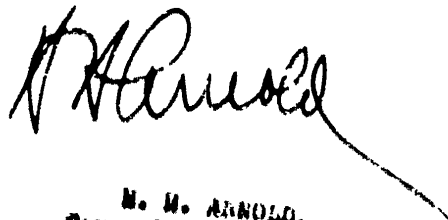
**Dear Mr. Duxton:**

Tentative arrangements have been verbally made with your Field Photographic Branch for a technically qualified representative from this Headquarters to examine Lt. Juran's Photogrammetric and Iconographic device.

Should the equipment and methods prove of value to the Army Air Forces, arrangements will be made with your office for the adaptation of the device to meet our requirements.

Your interest in bringing this equipment to our attention is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



**M. W. ARNOLD,  
General, U. S. ARMY,  
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.**

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**WASHINGTON**

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*PS 3964*

24 February 1944

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC SERVICES:**

**Subject: Report on Developments in the Field of  
Iconography**

1. Your memorandum of 23 February 1944 on the above subject together with appendix and attached Annexes A, B, C, and D, has been received and examined.
2. It is desired to express appreciation of the extensive research in this field by Lt. N. H. Juran, USNM, and for his pioneering in the field of photographic interpretation.
3. It is noted with interest and approval that his work already has been made available to interested agencies and all branches of the armed services, as also is the fact that Lt. Juran is presently devoting his time to demonstration, further developments, and preparation of instructional material in the field of Iconography.

*Forrest B. Royal*  
**FORREST B. ROYAL,**  
Captain, U.S. Navy.  
Secretary.



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WASHINGTON**

*Handwritten notes:*  
Approved by JCS  
15 June 67  
JCS

- 1. The Committee of the Chiefs of Staff shall be composed of the following members:
  - a. The Chairman, to be designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
  - b. The Vice Chairman, to be designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
  - c. The Chief of Staff, to be designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
  - d. The Chief of Staff, to be designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
  - e. The Chief of Staff, to be designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**APR 19 1967**



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Date \_\_\_\_\_

To MRS O'Donnell

Gen. D: Are the  
originals. Suggest photo...  
copies be sent to  
Comdo. Ford and  
Lt. Jura.

I think this  
has been done

Office of the Executive Officer

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

*Iconography 11046B  
X Juran, Lt. N. H.  
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TO: General Donovan

DATE: 25 February 1944

FROM: Robert Thrun

SUBJECT: LT. JURAN'S ICONOGRAPHY DEVELOPMENTS

1. The booklets prepared by Lt. Juran explaining his developments will be in print within two weeks. It is therefore suggested that the letter to the President on this subject be deferred until the printed booklets are available.

RT  
Robert Thrun

*OK  
wgd/p*

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27 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR COMADMEN BRUCE J. BRIDGES  
Joint U. S. Chiefs of Staff  
Public Affairs Building  
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Report on Developments in the Field  
of Ichnography

I attach the four booklets about  
which I spoke with you on the telephone today.  
They are to replace the annexes to the 23 Febru-  
ary 1944 memorandum on this subject. They  
contain the same material.

Robert Thrun  
Assistant to the  
Executive Officer

Attachments - 4

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**CONFIDENTIAL****3. Jeriscopes**

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## ANNEX

### 1. Isotography - State Determination of Oblique Photographs

This development makes possible the interpretation of oblique photographs in a manner not heretofore possible and thus extends the field of usefulness of oblique photographs for intelligence purposes. It also makes possible measurement of objects such as enemy military installations, sea walls, low level banking of airfields, bank tops, enemy beach positions, etc., directly from a single oblique photograph. The principle may also be used to determine silhouettes of enemy ships, to plot courses and to measure the length of unknown ships. A full description is contained in the attached Annex "A" entitled "Isotography".

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William J. Donovan  
Director

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27 March 1946

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X person  
X Field Photo

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT**

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**CONFIDENTIAL****a. Jeriescope**

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2. Underwater Depth Determination

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William J. Donovan  
Director

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WASHINGTON, D. C. (25)

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27 March 1944

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**THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON 25**

**MEMORANDUM**

Date: 29 March 1944

*Handwritten notes and signatures at top right of page.*

To: Mr Robert Truax, Asst to the Executive Officer  
Subject: Developments in the Field of Iconography

Many thanks for the four booklets reporting on developments in the field of Iconography which arrived this morning.

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*Signature of George J. Gridley*  
**GEORGE J. GRIDLEY  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Assistant Secretary.**

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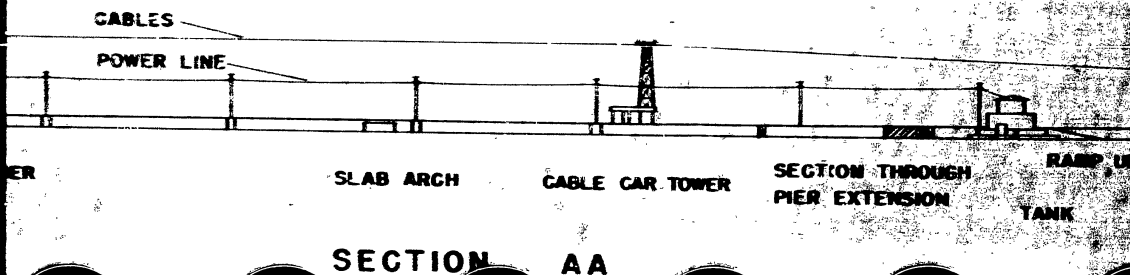


PLAN OF PIER INSTALLATION PROJECTED FROM A  
SINGLE OBLIQUE PHOTOGRAPH USING OFFICE OF  
STRATEGIC SERVICES' ICONOSCOPE.

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### NOTES -

1. PIER OBSTRUCTED WITH PILE OF BAUXITE IN ORE STORAGE BUILDING.
2. HEIGHT OF PIER IS 6' 0" ABOVE WATER LINE OBSERVED 30 MARCH 1944, 1200 (-11 ZONE).
3. MAIN PIER 20' 0" WIDE, MONOLITHIC CONCRETE ON FILL, WITH TWO OPENINGS SPANNED BY SLAB ARCH SECTIONS.



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SINGLE OBLIQUE PHOTOGRAPH  
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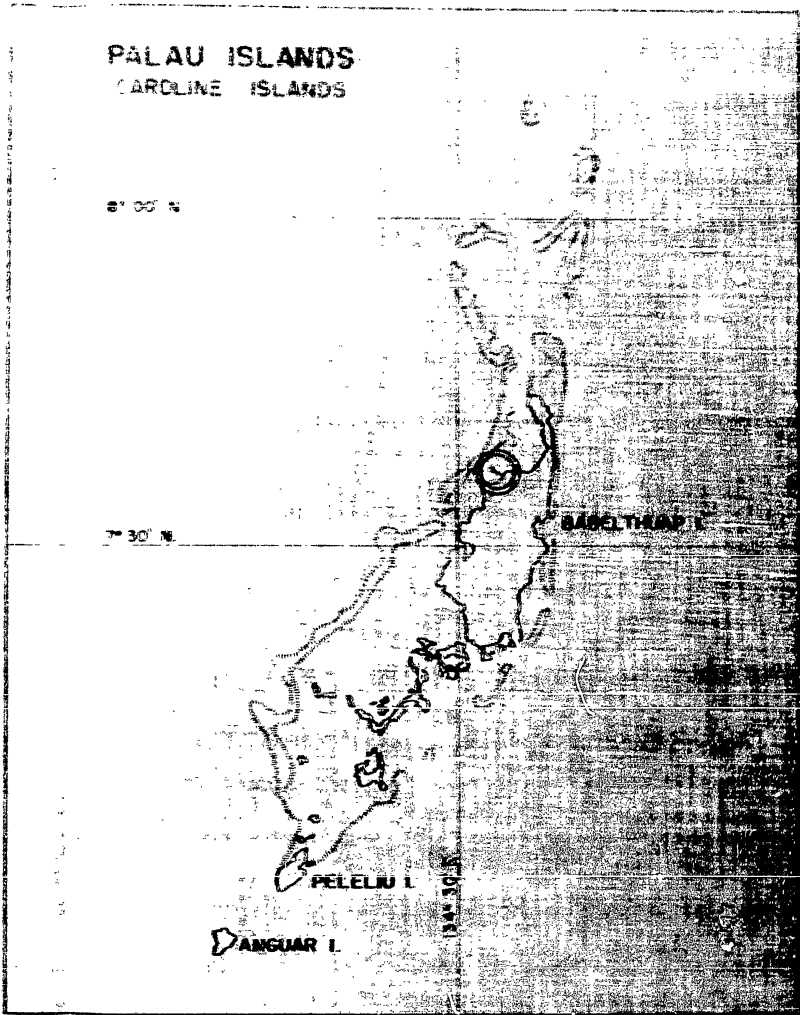
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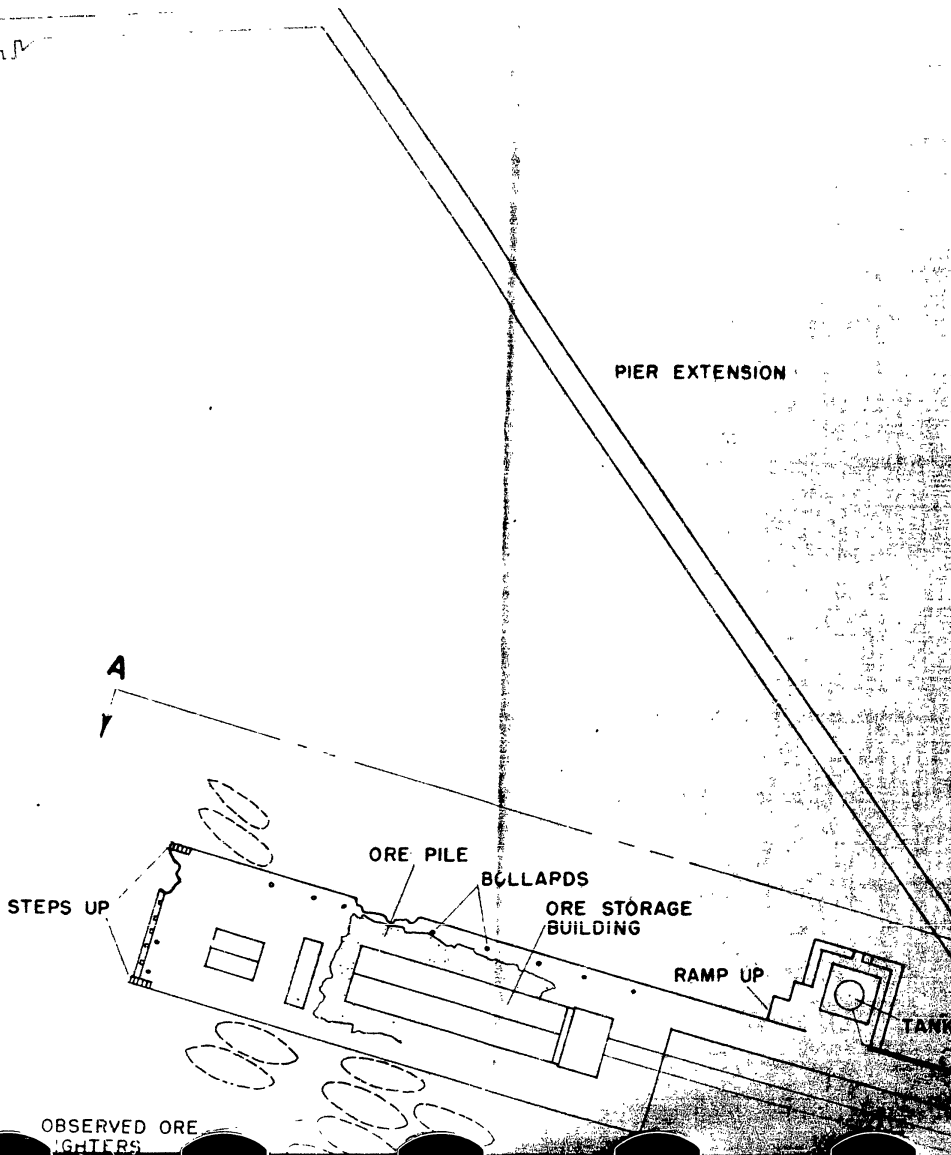
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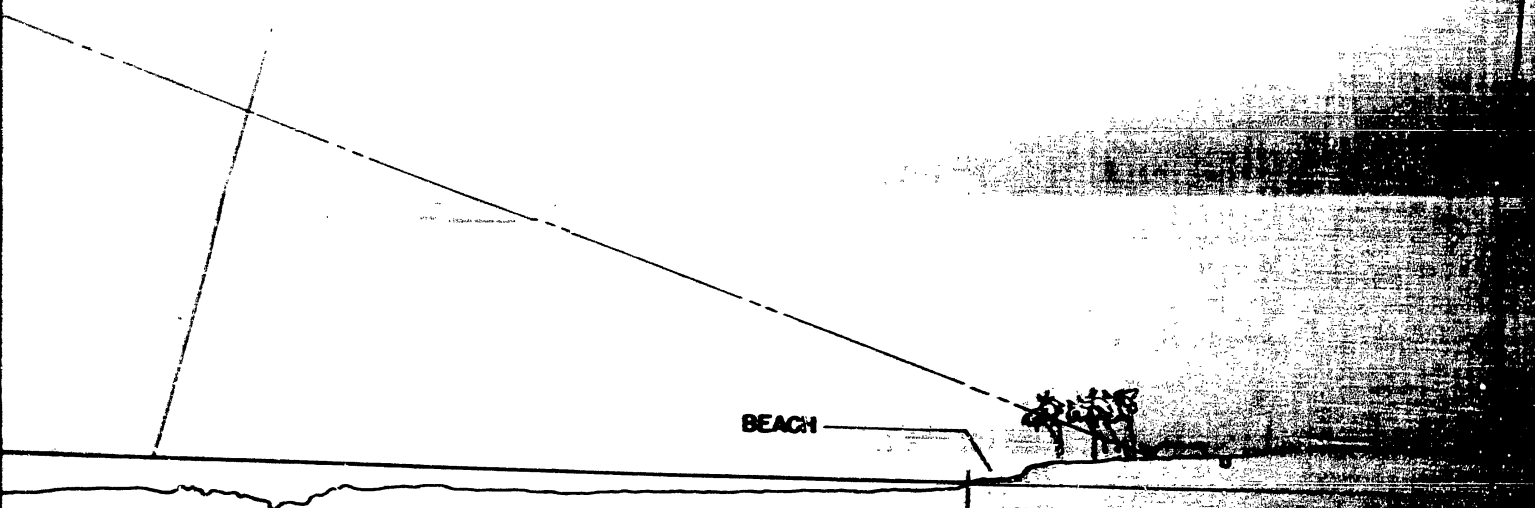
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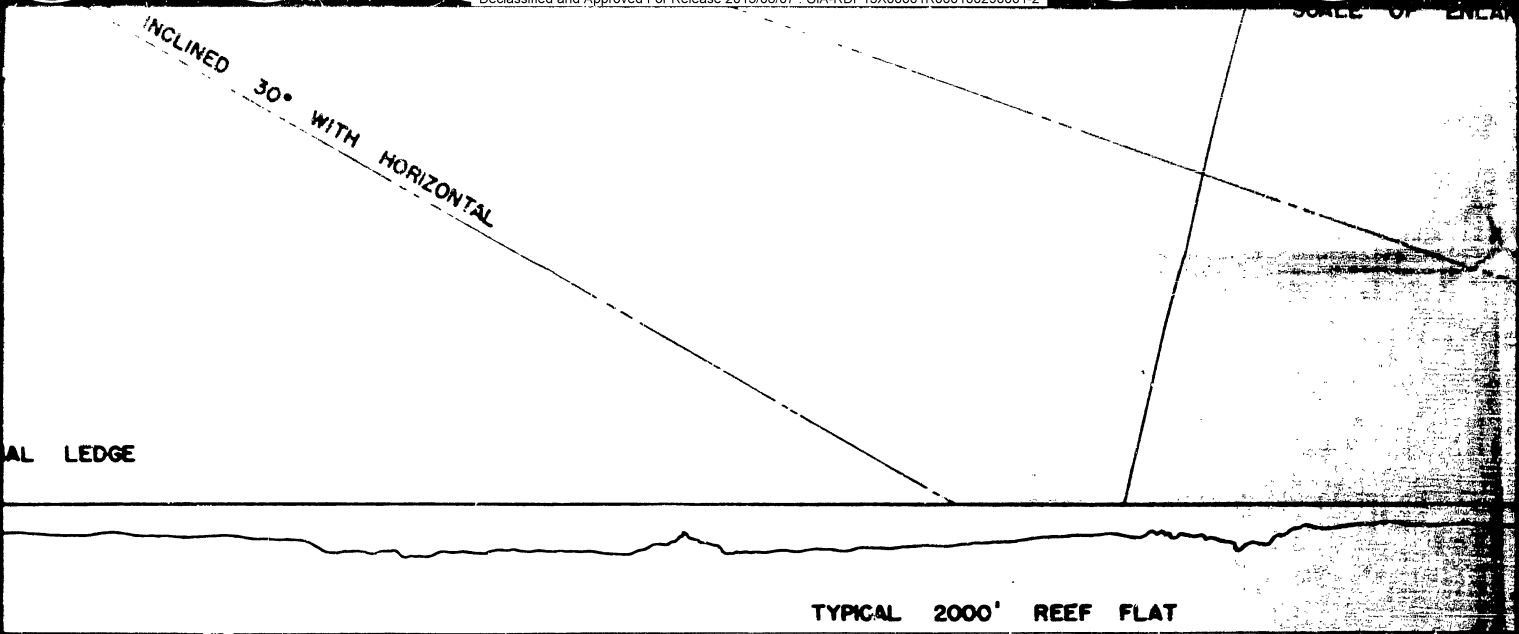
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CAMERA - AND  
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RECOMMENDED PHOTOGRAPHY FOR  
UNDERWATER DEPTH DETERMINATION  
BY OFFICE OF NAUTICAL SURVEILLANCE  
WASHINGTON, DC



DIAGRAMMATIC LAYOUT OF OPTIMUM RELATIONSHIP  
OF AIRCRAFT POSITION - TYPE OF CAMERA - AND  
SET-UP OF ICONOSCOPE FOR DETERMINATION OF  
UNDERWATER DEPTHS AND BEACH GRADIENTS

ALTITUDE OF AIRCRAFT  
HEIGHT OF ICONOSCOPE

FOOT OF CAMERA AND ICONOSCOPE

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OPTIMUM  
FOR UNDERWATER  
AND BEACH

60°

OF CAMERA INCLINED 30° WITH

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AIRCRAFT 600' OFFSHORE OF REEF

DIAGRAM  
OF AIRCRAFT  
SET-UP FOR  
UNDERWATER

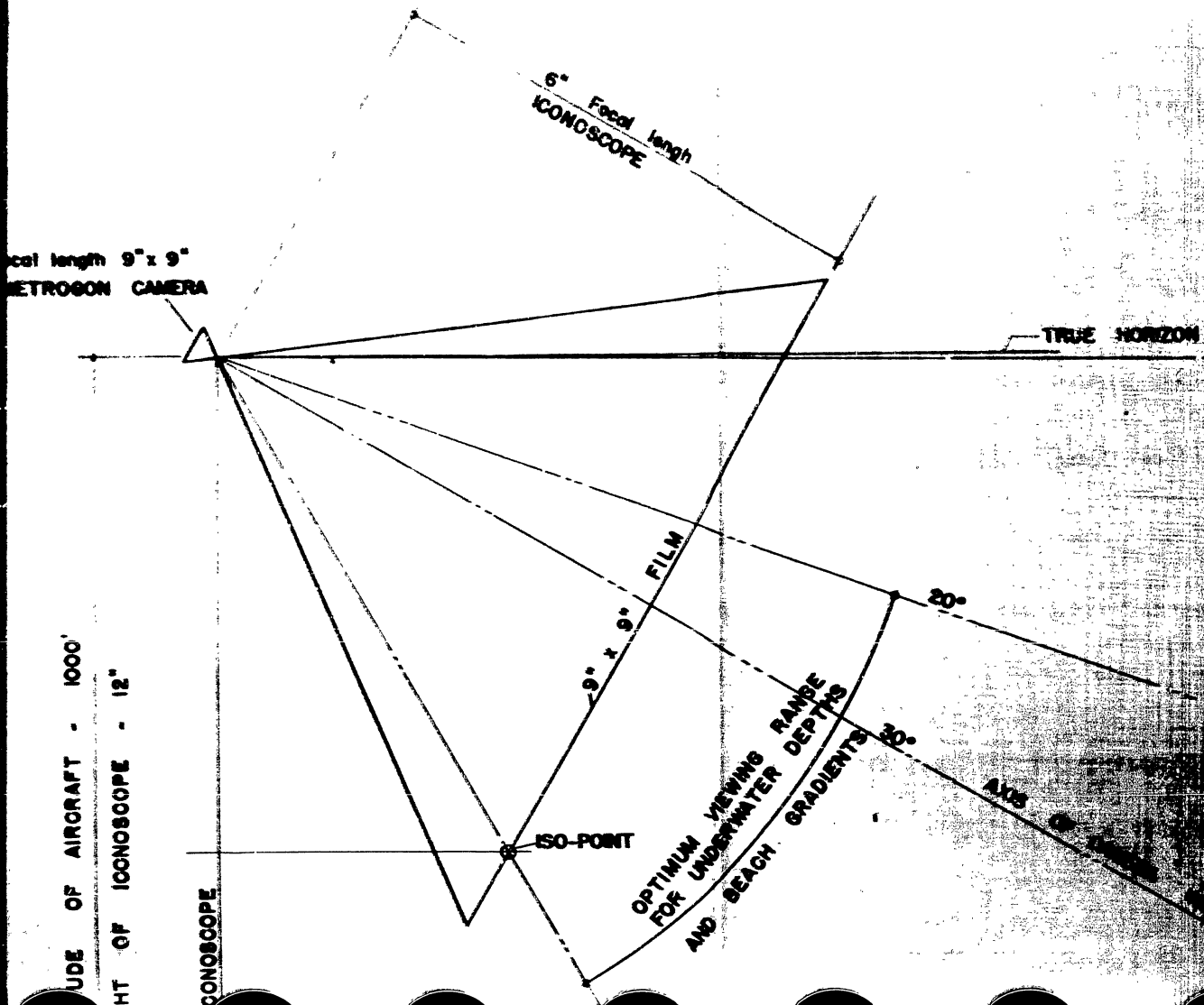
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**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA**

**HONOLULU, T. H.**

16 May 1944.

**FROM: Lt. N. W. Juran, USNR**  
**Iconography Section, Field Photographic Branch**  
**Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.**

**TO: N. D. Malliwell, Comdr., USNR**  
**Office of Strategic Services**  
**Central Pacific Area**  
**Honolulu, T. H.**

**SUBJECT: BABELTHAUP ISLAND**  
**PALAU GROUP**

**SECRET**

**PLANS & ELEVATION OF BAUKITE PIER**  
**(from single oblique photograph)**

**ENCLOSURES: (A) Oblique photograph, exposure 14 sortie Mt 6.**  
**(B) Plan of Baukite Pier, Babelthaupt Island.**

1. The height and true plan of the subject pier was requested by Photographic Reconnaissance and Interpretation Section Intelligence Center (PRISIC). Only oblique photo coverage was available.
2. Oblique photo, enclosure (A), was traced on an acetate sheet and placed in the Iconoscope. This tracing was then projected on to the drawing board, and an accurate rectified plan produced. (The Iconoscope was oriented using "lines of position").
3. A number of scale estimates were made, and the average estimated scale was applied to measure the height of the pier.
4. Time required for entire solution - 1 man, 3 hours.

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**ENCLOSURE 2**  
(Continued)

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Point No.	Protractor Reading	Refraction Factor	F.E. Distance 1/1000 Ft.	Depth 1/1000 Ft.	(Feet) Actual Depth
50	25°	1.074	.012	.012	22.2
51	25°	1.074	.01	.0107	18.4
52	25°	1.074	.0088	.009	15.8
53	25°	1.074	.01	.0107	18.4
54	25°	1.074	.012	.012	22.2
55	25°	1.0207	.01	.0102	18.7
57	25°	1.0207	.008	.009	15.8
58	25°	1.024	.01	.0102	18.7
59	25°	1.074	.009	.0097	16.7
60	25°	1.0207	.0085	.009	15.8
61	25°	1.074	.0085	.009	15.8
62	25°	1.074	.01	.0107	18.4
63	25°	1.074	.008	.009	15.8
64	25°	1.074	.009	.01	17.1
65	25°	1.074	.008	.0086	14.8
66	25°	1.074	.01	.0107	18.4
67	25°	1.074	.01	.0107	18.4
71	24°	1.0281	.012	.014	24.0
72	23°	1.0431	.01	.0104	18.0
73	23°	1.0431	.0035	.0037	6.4
74	22°	1.0283	.0035	.0036	6.2
75	22°	1.0283	.007	.0072	18.4
76	22°	1.0283	.0095	.01	17.8
77	22°	1.0283	.008	.008	15.8
78	22°	1.0283	.007	.0072	18.4
79	22°	1.0283	.0085	.01	17.8
80	21°	1.0146	.0075	.008	15.8
81	23°	1.0431	.01	.0104	17.9
82	21°	1.0146	.0035	.0036	6.2
83	21°	1.0146	.005	.005	8.6
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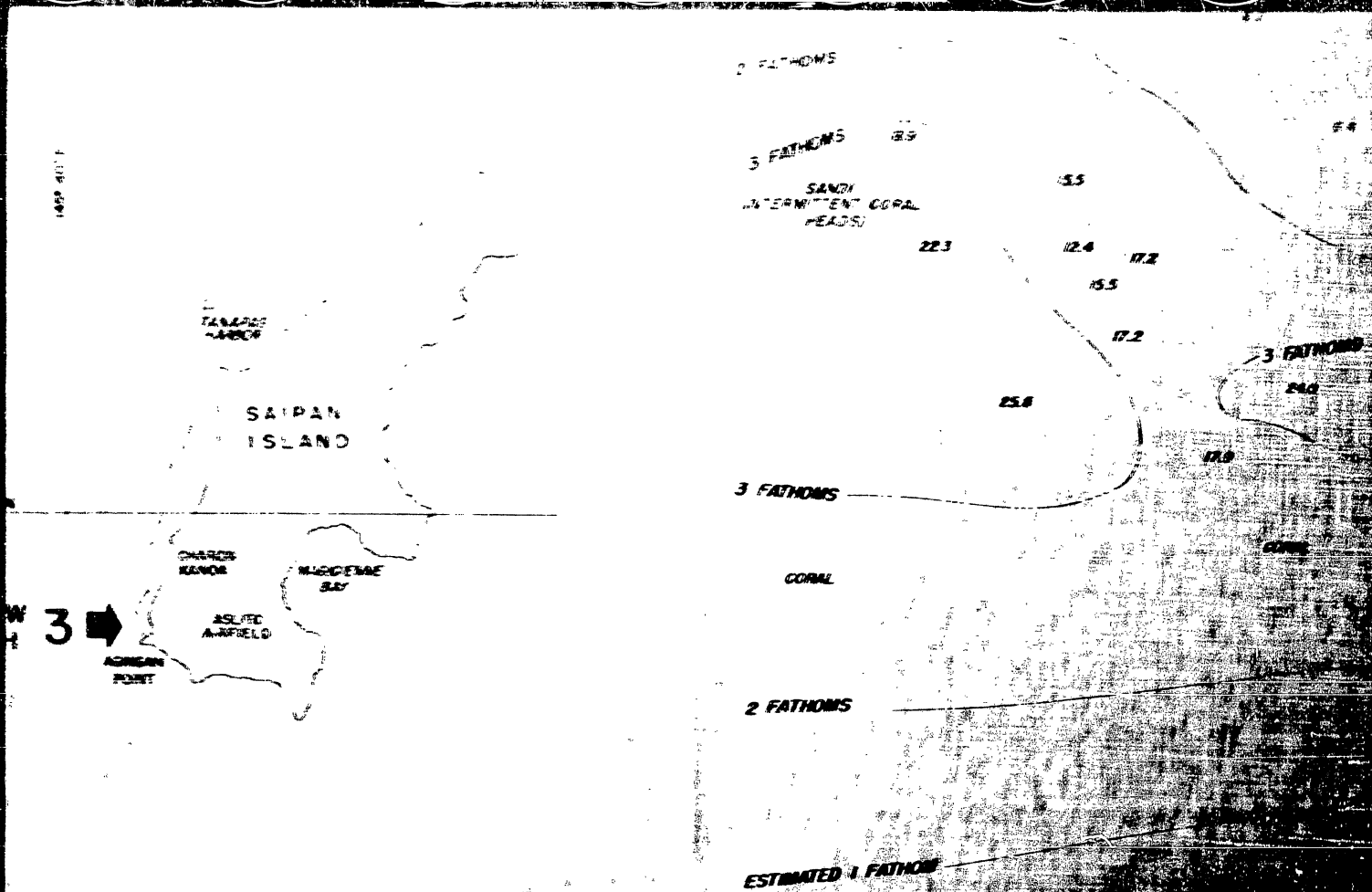
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**SECRET****DEPTH DETERMINATIONS****TABLE Y-100-5**

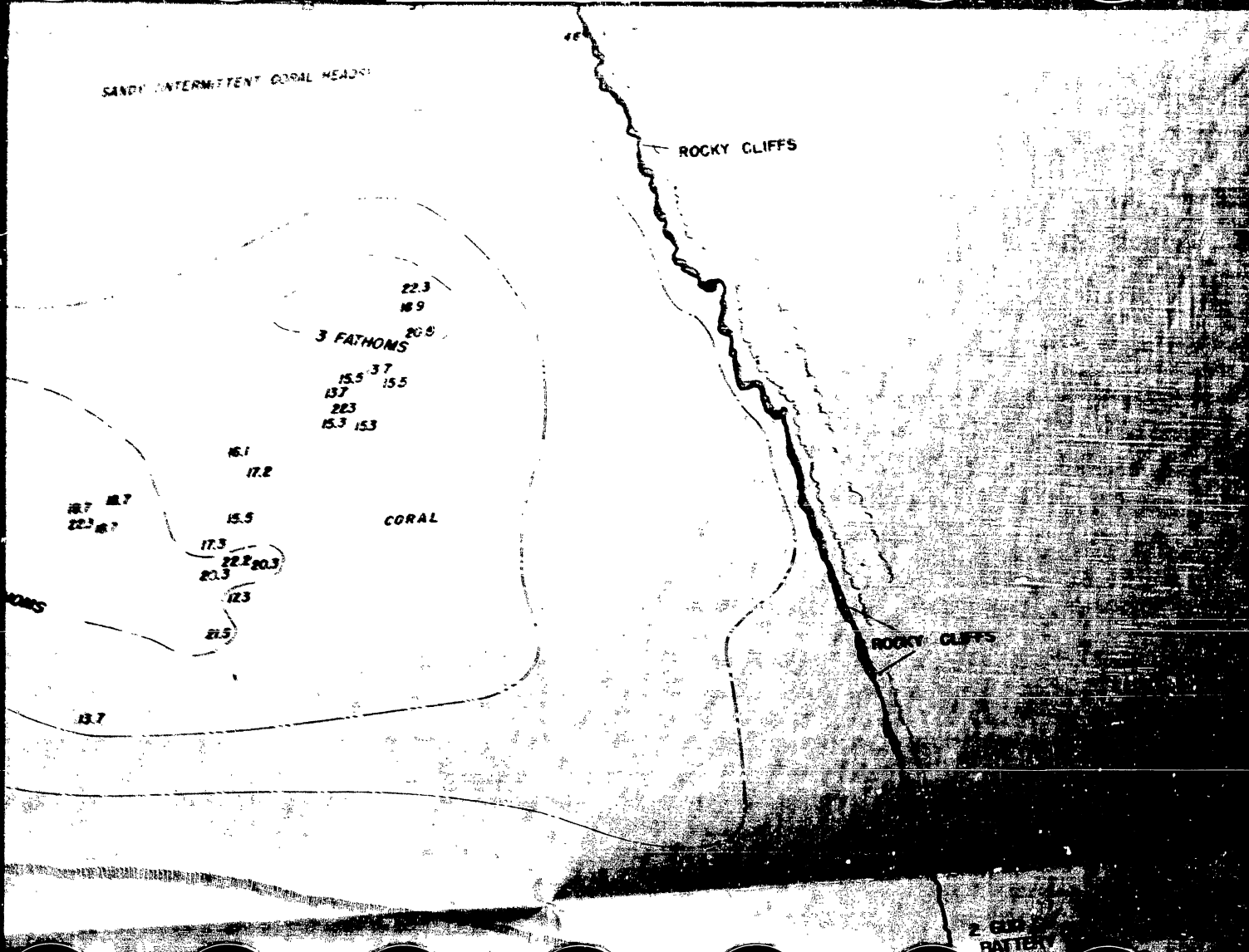
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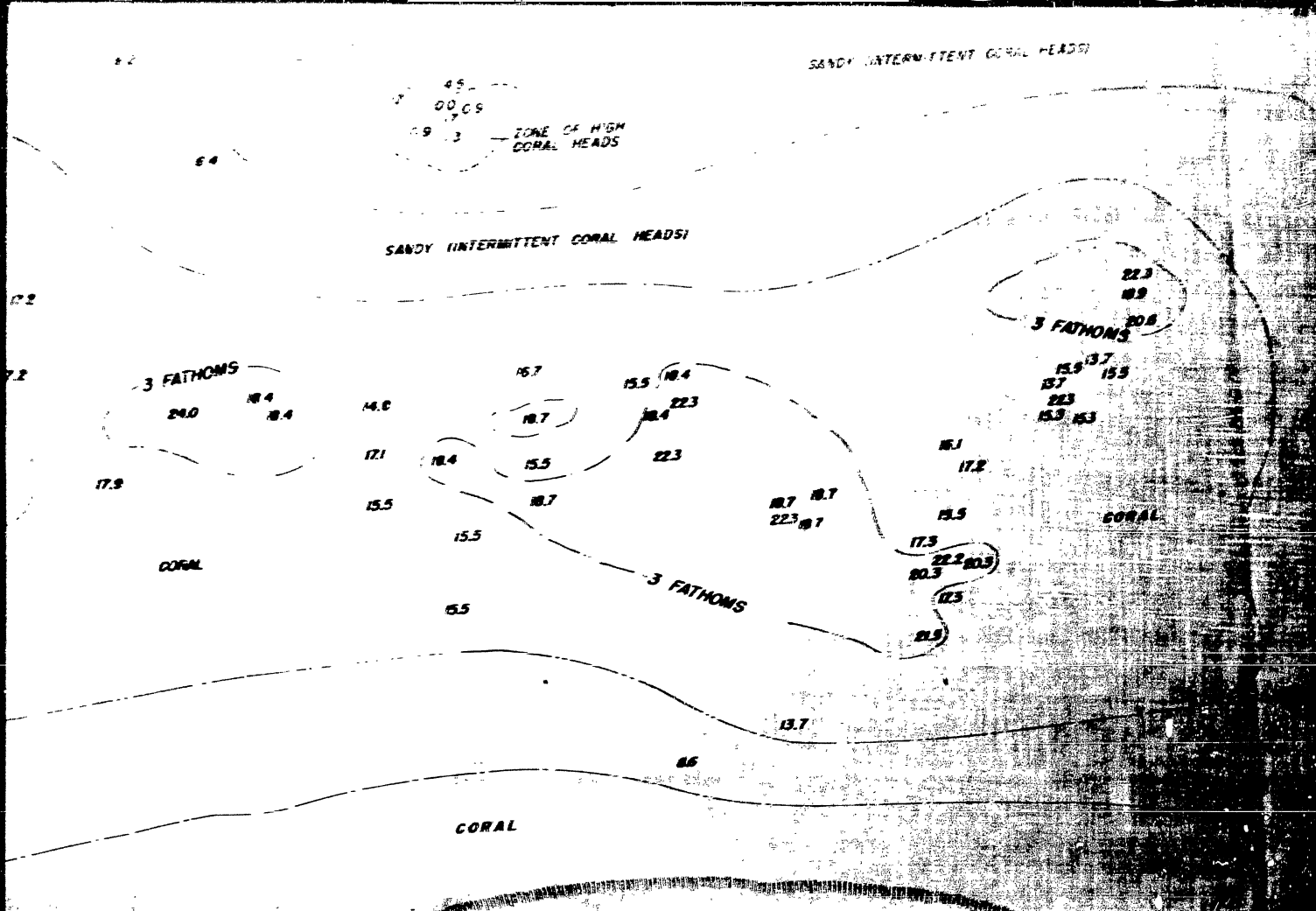
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7	27°	1.108	.008	.01	17.8
8	25°	1.1284	.008	.008	15.8
9	25°	1.1284	.0108	.0118	20.3
10	25°	1.1284	.0115	.0129	22.2
11	25°	1.1284	.008	.0101	17.3
12	27°	1.1084	.0108	.0118	20.3
13	25°	1.1284	.008	.0101	17.3
14	25°	1.1284	.01	.01264	21.8
15	25°	1.0907	.01	.0109	18.7
16	25°	1.0907	.01	.0109	18.7
17	25°	1.0907	.012	.013	22.0
18	25°	1.0907	.01	.0109	18.7
19	23°	1.0431	.0085	.0086	4.8
21	23°	1.0431	.0005	.0005	.9
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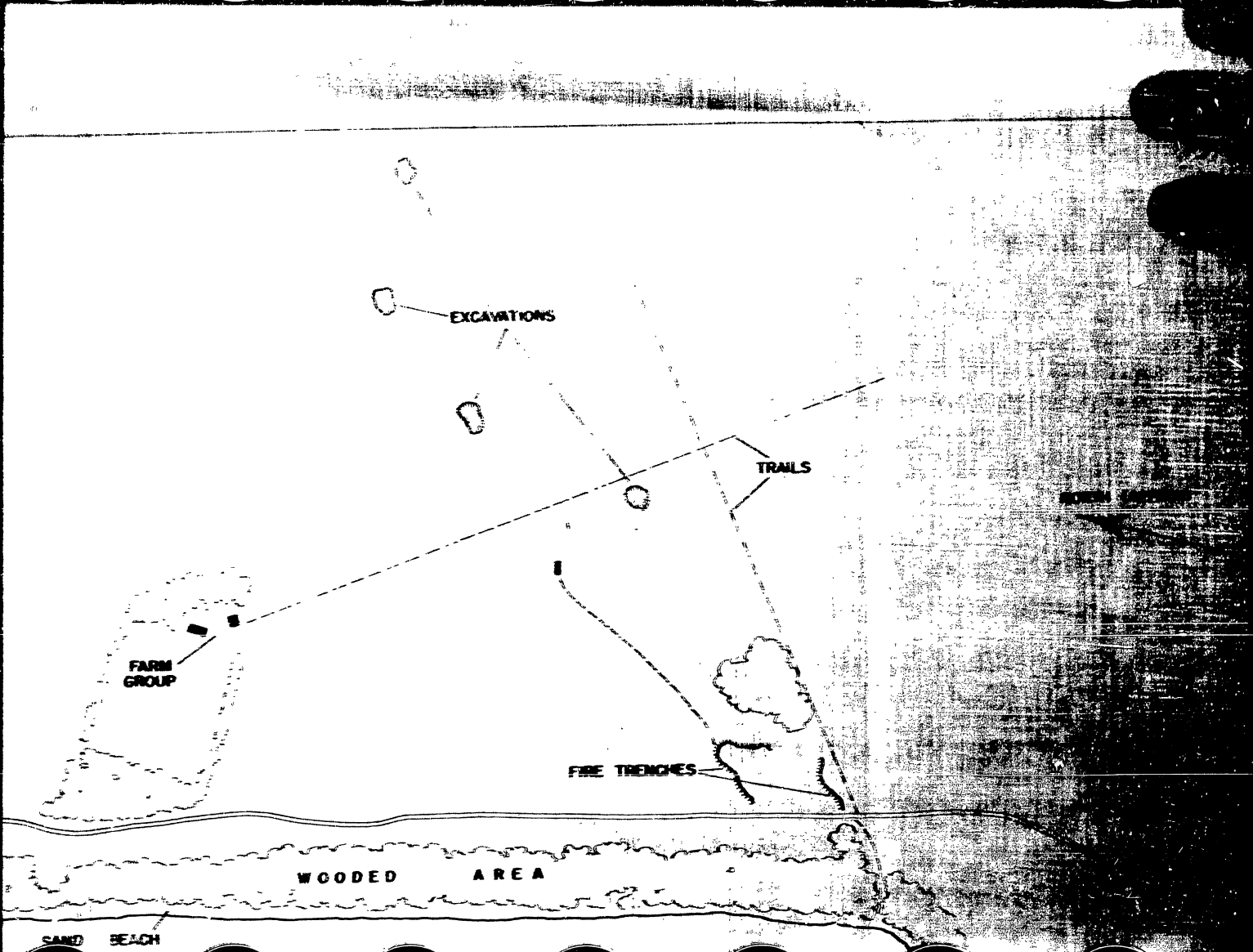
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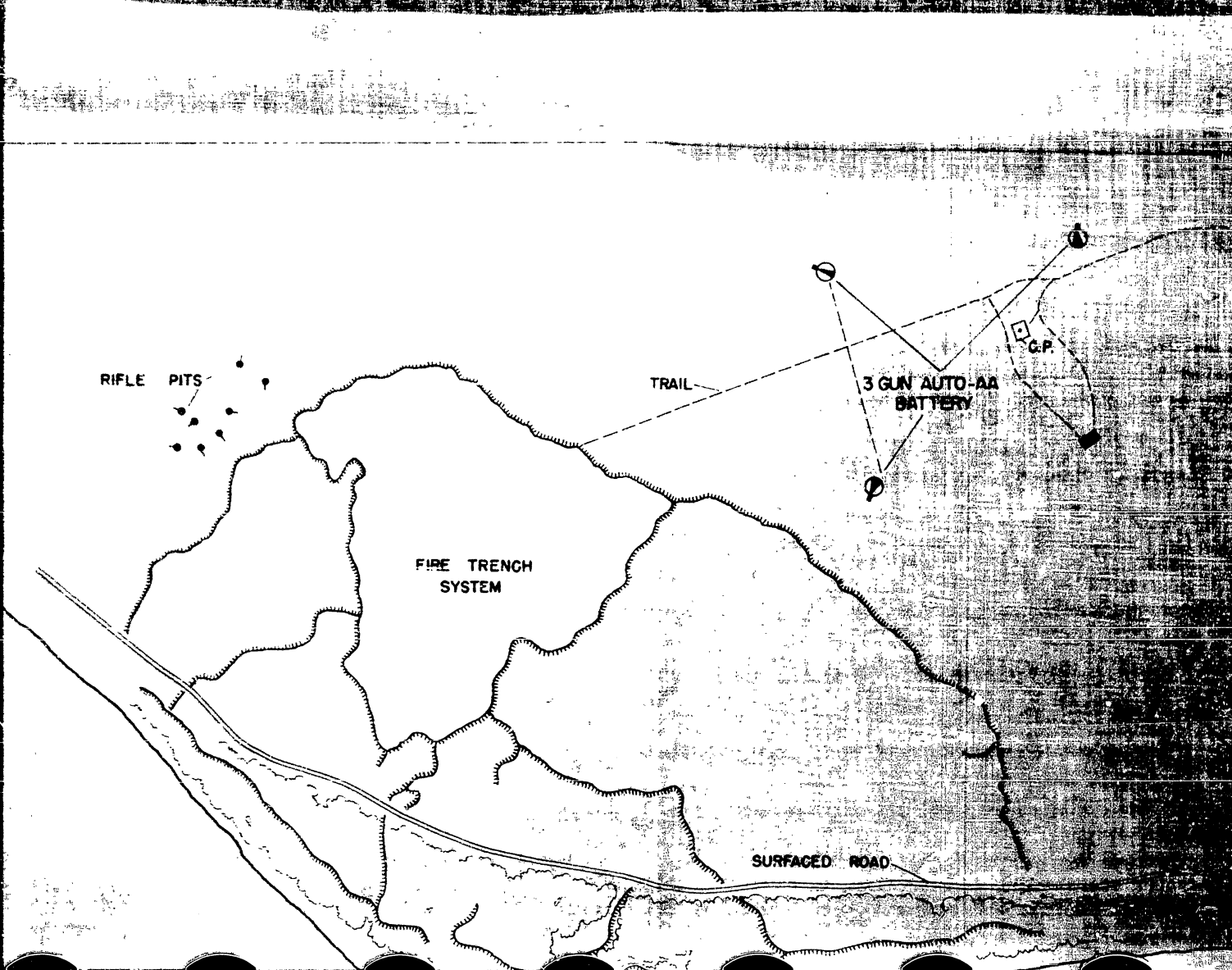


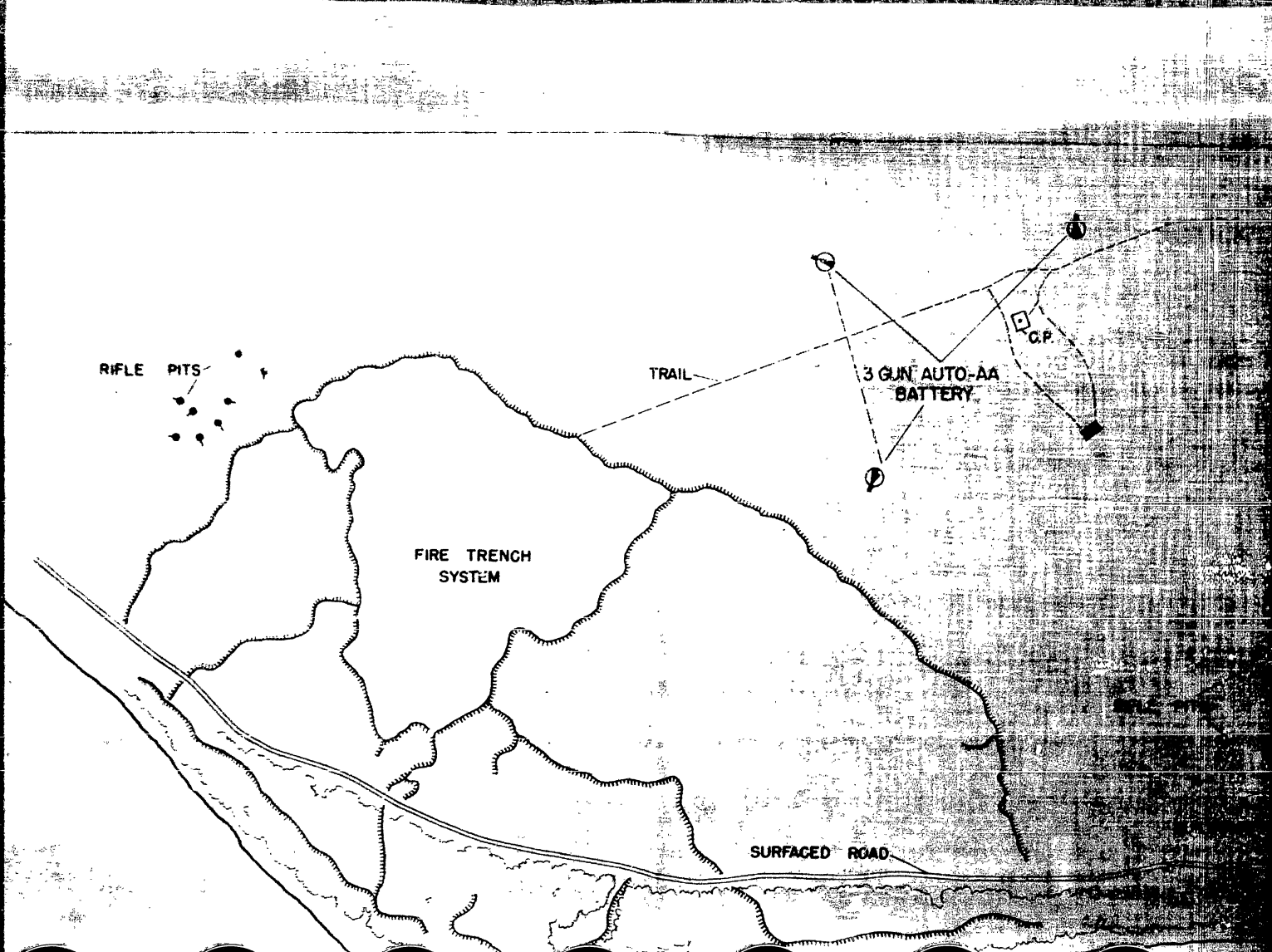
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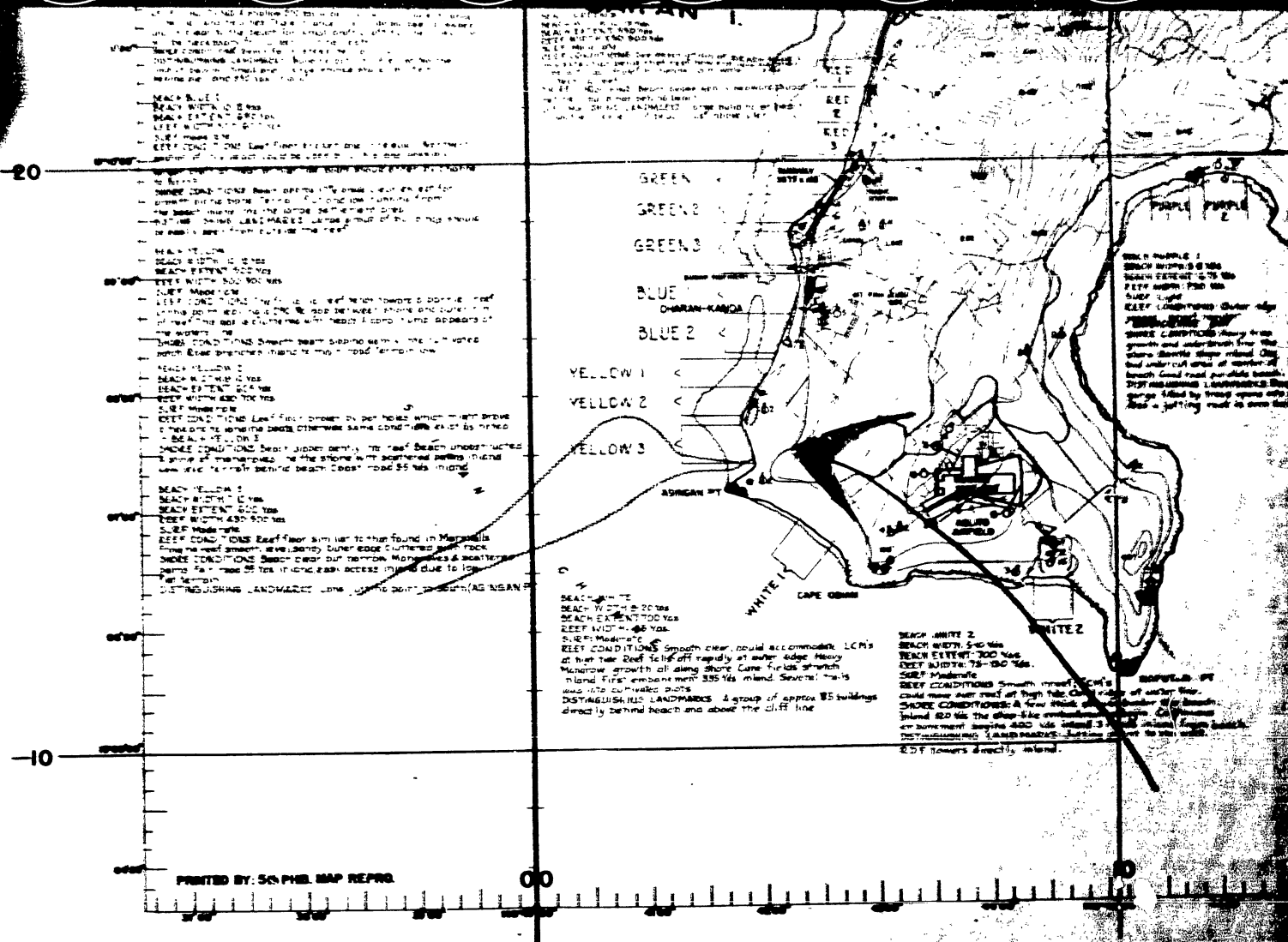
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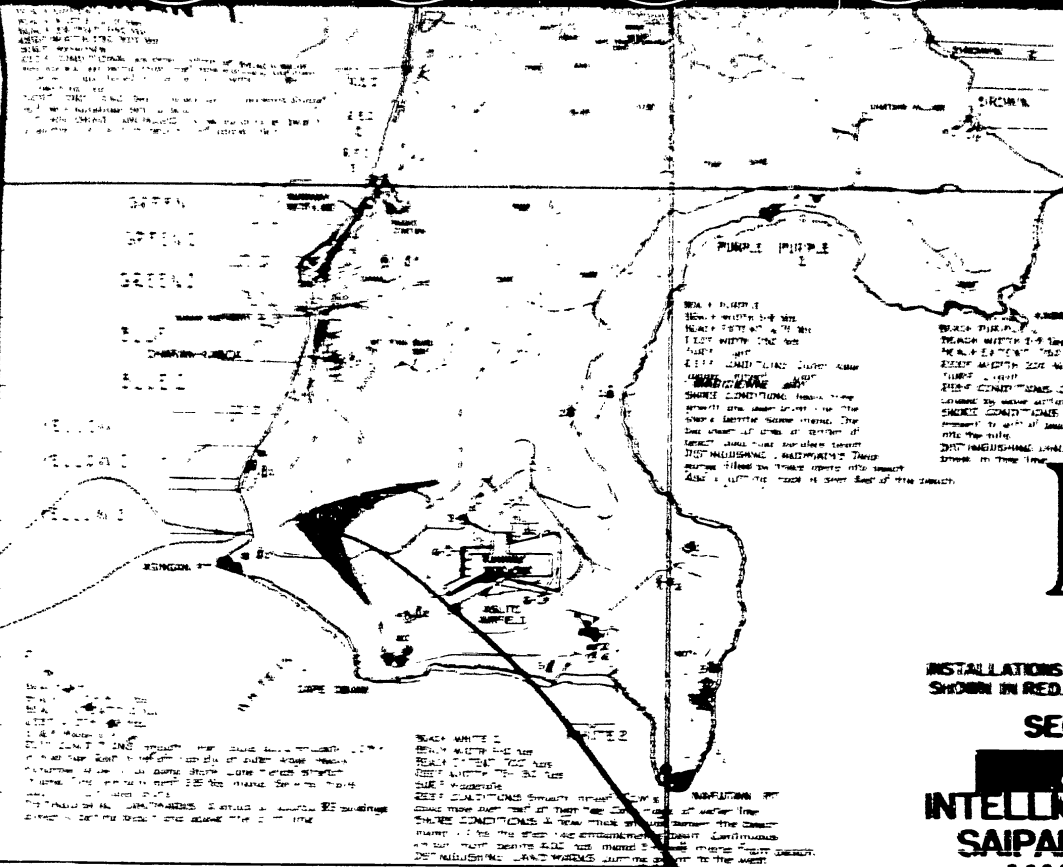
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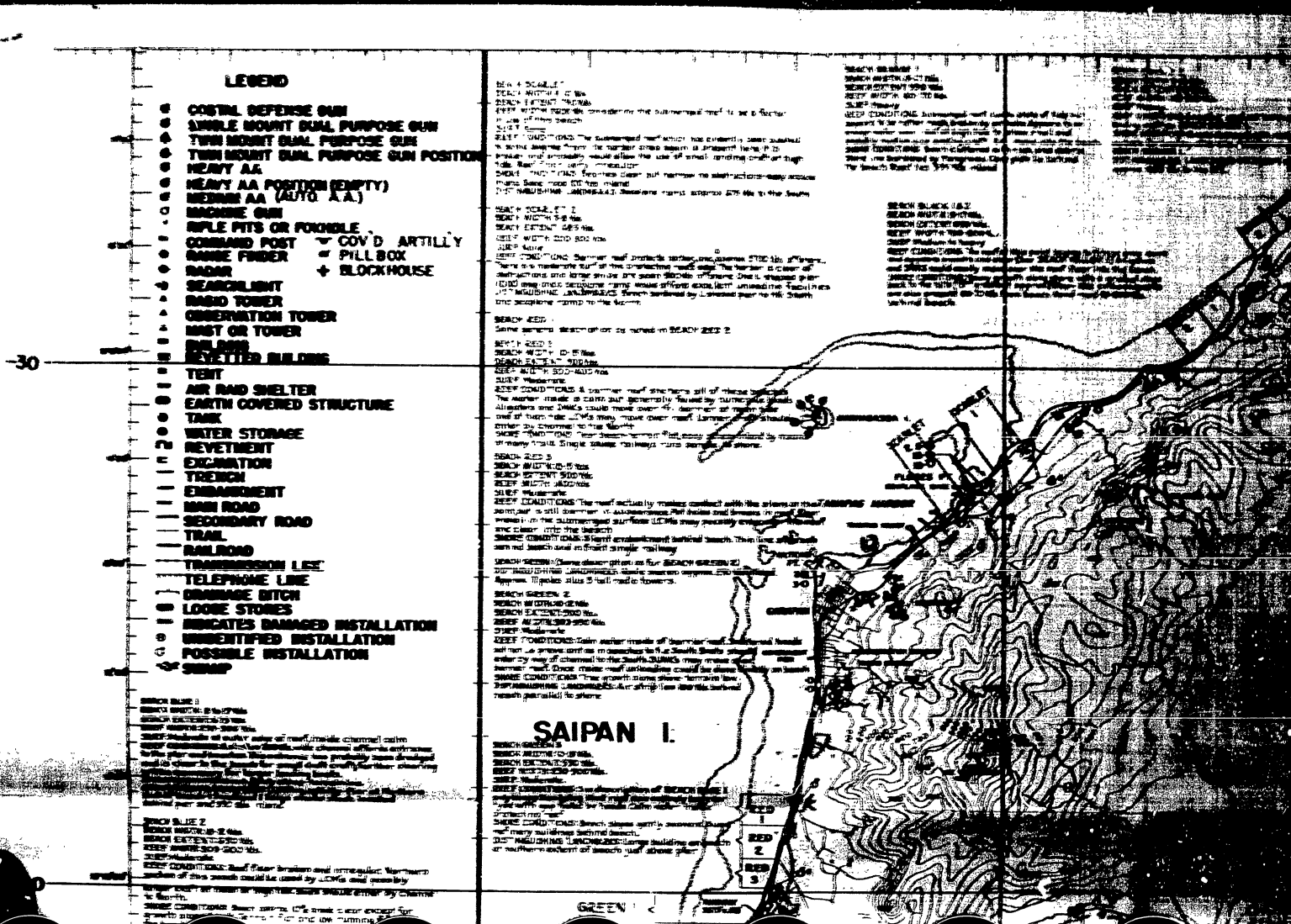


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INTELLIGENCE MAP  
SAIPAN ISLAND  
MARIANAS  
11 APRIL 1944

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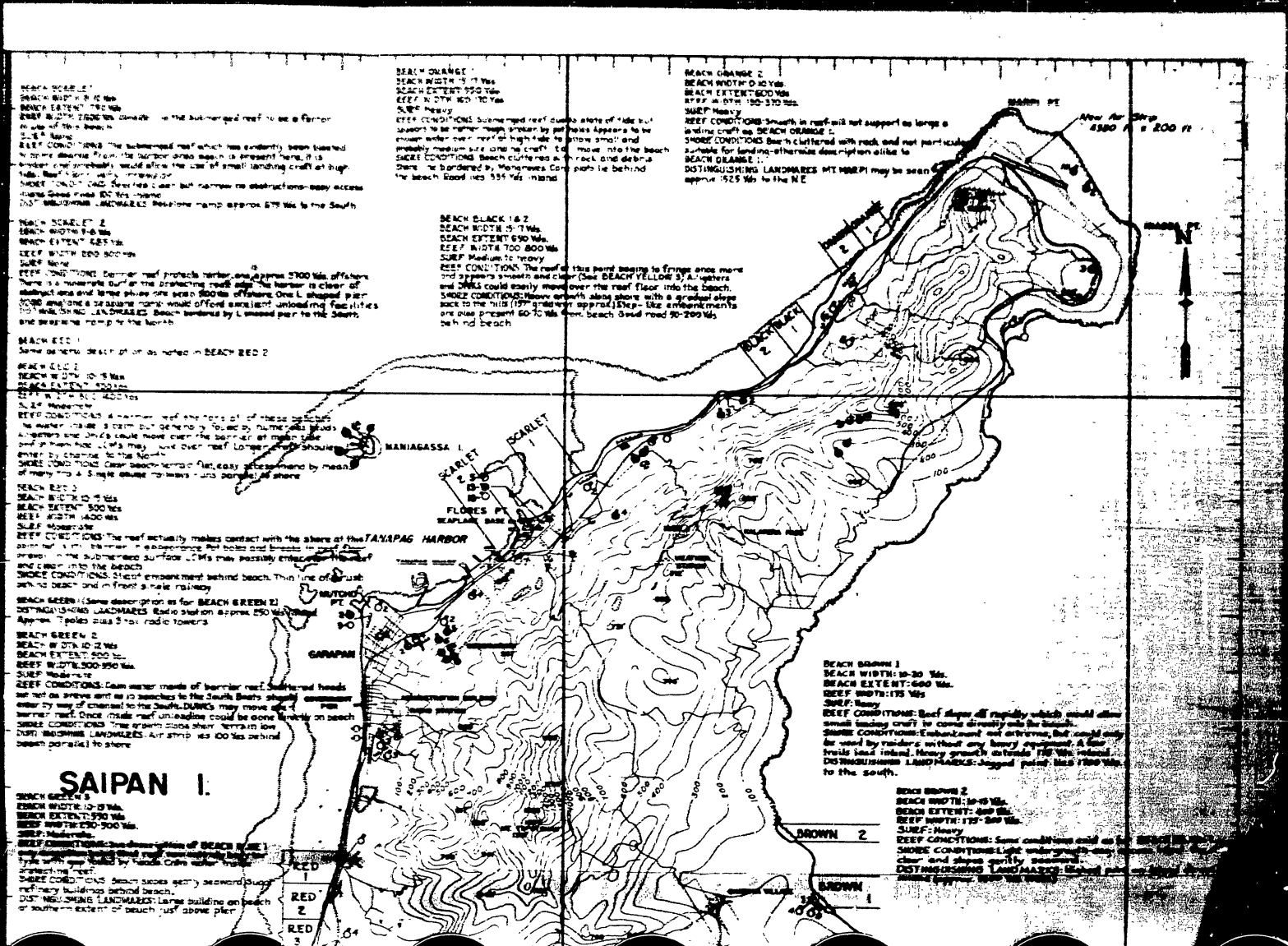
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- SEARCHLIGHT
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- EXCAVATION
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- EMBANKMENT
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- (g) All under-water points were then projected through the Iconoscope and their positions on the vertical enlargement marked.
- (h) From the center of the vertical photograph, radial lines were drawn through each of the selected points on the vertical enlargement.
- (i) From the plumb-point of the Iconoscope, radial lines were drawn through each of the projected points on the vertical enlargement.
- (j) The intersection of each pair of radial lines was noted, and the distance from each intersection point to its corresponding projected point was measured (FE value).
- (k) A chart was prepared (encl.(D)), and the FE value of each point recorded.
- (l) By means of a protractor, placed at each projected point, the angle of each sight line from the Iconoscope to the projected point was read. (Protractor reading.) Each of these readings was recorded on the chart.
- (m) From page 18 of the Office of Strategic Services' booklet on Underwater Depth Determination, the refraction factor for each point was noted on the chart in accordance with its corresponding protractor reading.
- (n) The FE value of each point was multiplied by its corresponding refraction factor, giving the depth of the water in thousandths of a foot. These values were marked on the chart.
- (o) The depth of the water in thousandths of a foot was then multiplied by the scale of the enlargement, 1/1717, giving the actual under-water depth of each point in feet. (See encl.(D).)

### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

For best results of under-water depth determination and beach gradient of many beaches, particularly where no ground control is available, the following recommendation is offered:

**VERTICAL PHOTOGRAPHY** should be simultaneous with the oblique photography (within one half hour), using a 24" focal length, 9" x 18", camera at 30,000' altitude. The vertical photos, particularly in the absence of ground control, should be flown very true, with a minimum of tilt, and should be flown directly over the reef area.

**OBLIQUE PHOTOGRAPHY** should be simultaneous with the vertical photography (within one half hour), using a 6" focal length, 9" x 9" (Trimetrogon), camera at 1000' altitude. The angle of depression of the oblique camera with the horizontal should be 30°. This will insure the inclusion of the horizon on the photograph which will be an aid in orientation of the oblique whenever sufficient orientation control is not available in the photo itself. The oblique flight should be made 600' offshore of the breakers at the marginal ledge of the reef. This will insure the reef area and the beach area being on the oblique photo. An Aero 8 haze filter should be used on the oblique camera to give a sharper definition to the horizon line. Further recommendations will be made for experimental flights in an effort to produce oblique which will produce the most accurate results in computing under-water depths.

See enclosure (E) for sketch of photographic scheme.

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4. **RESULTS** were obtained on Yellow B Beach at Agincourt Point, Saipan. While not optimum, the photos of this beach were sufficient for providing orientation and the required under-water detail. Under-water depths determined in this beach area are listed on the enclosed Table of Under-water Depths (encl.(D)). These depths have been charted on the enclosed chart, (encl.(C)).
5. **TIME REQUIRED** for completing an average landing beach study is estimated at one day for two men.
6. **ACCURACY** of results depends on factors found in the photos themselves. Results on Yellow B Beach of Saipan are within 1.7' of the true depths. With optimum photographic coverage, readings within 1' of the true depths can be provided.
7. **PROCEDURE** for determining under-water depths by Iconography is described in the Office of Strategic Services' booklets on "Iconography" and "Underwater Depth Determination". An outline of the procedure followed in this problem is described.
- (a) A pair of oblique and vertical photos was selected (See enclosures (A) and (B)).
  - (b) Orientation points along the beach at the water's level were selected and identified on both photos.
  - (c) An area was marked off on the vertical photo containing these orientation points, the principal point of the vertical photo, and all of the under-water portion of which the depths were required. This area was then enlarged photographically so that the scale of the enlargement became 1/1717'. The enlargement was mounted on a 3'x8' table.
  - (d) The oblique photo (54" focal length) was reduced to exactly half size so that a 18" focal length Iconoscope could be used. This reduced print was taped to a drawing board and a thin stiff sheet of acetate taped over it. The selected orientation points were then pricked on the acetate and the collimation lines scratched on the acetate. All under-water points recognizable as being common to both the vertical and oblique photo were then pricked both on the acetate sheet and on the vertical enlargement. Corresponding points were designated with corresponding numbers.
  - (e) The pin pricks in the acetate were filled with black ink so that the acetate sheet showed very tiny black specks with the corresponding number at each speck for identification. The corresponding points on the vertical enlargement were also numbered with the corresponding numbers. The acetate sheet was then mounted into the face of the Iconoscope so that the collimation scratches lined up with the marked centers of the sides of the Iconoscope.
  - (f) The Iconoscope was then oriented to the vertical enlargement by making the orientation points of the acetate sheet coincide with the corresponding points on the vertical enlargement when viewed through the Iconoscope. Settings of the Iconoscope were noted as:  
 Vertical post reading - 18.78"  
 Tip - 0-00' - 00"  
 Tilt - 20 - 00' - 50"

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**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA**  
**HONOLULU, T. H.**

16 May 1944

**FROM:** Lt. W. H. Juran, USNR  
Iconography Section, Field Photographic Branch  
Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.

**TO :** R. Davis Halliwell, Commander, USNR  
Office of Strategic Services  
Central Pacific Area  
Honolulu, T. H.

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**SUBJECT:** SAIPAN ISLAND  
UNDER WATER DEPTH DETERMINATION  
OF DESIGNATED LANDING BEACHES

**ENCLOSURES:** (A) OBLIQUE PHOTO. AREA YELLOW 3  
(B) VERTICAL PHOTO. AREA YELLOW 3  
(C) CHART OF UNDERWATER DEPTHS. AREA YELLOW 3  
(D) TABLE OF UNDERWATER WATER DEPTHS. AREA YELLOW 3  
(E) DIAGRAM FOR RECOMMENDED PHOTOGRAPHY. AREA YELLOW 3.

1. THIS REPORT is on the solution of an under-water depth determination problem posed to the Office of Strategic Services by Brigadier General Joseph Twitty of the Joint Intelligence Center, Pacific Ocean Area. Under-water depths were requested of twenty designated landing beaches on Saipan Island.

2. PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE supplied showed a number of usable pairs of vertical and oblique photographs, only one pair of which was on a designated landing beach area. (YELLOW #3 BEACH.)

Other photographic coverage on designated beach areas was either lacking in sufficient orientation information, or, as in some cases, critical areas were cloud covered.

An attempt was made to determine the under-water depths of Blue 1 Beach, but lack of orientation data in the oblique photo made it impossible to get accurate readings.

3. PHOTOGRAPHS USED in the study of Yellow 3 Beach were oblique photo 21 (GR 9C 25 February 1944 0230 GGT 24°20'00" Saipan (conf) Pristic. (See encl. (A)) and vertical photo 43 (P43B-VD-3) Saipan 15 April 1944 24°20'00" 0043 GGT West. (See encl. (B)).

The oblique photo was taken approximately 3000' from shore. This is somewhat too distant for best results. (See recommendations at end of report.) The vertical and oblique photos were not simultaneous (as recommended) but were taken two months apart. This omission made it difficult to identify as many points common to both photos as would be desirable.

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Subject: ICONOGRAPHY - Its application to specific problems.

5. It is desired to make acknowledgment of the cooperative assistance of Major LEVIST, EMANIS PRISIC, and the officers whom he detailed to work with Lt. Juran.

6. Please advise me of your further desires in respect to the application of iconography in this area.

R. Davis Halliwell

enclosures: Original and one copy of this ltr  
Original Iconography Report 14 May 1944  
Original Iconography Report 15 May 1944

Copies to: Director, OSS Washington  
Field Photographic Branch OSS Washington  
L. J. Pope, Capt. USN, Chief Photographer BuAir  
File 8 File 9

(Revised Copy)

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WASHINGTON, D. C.



10 May 1954

Mr. Louis Halliwell, Comdr. USMC  
Office of Strategic Services  
Central Pacific Area

Mr. B. Will, Capt. USN. OIICPAA

For information and forwarding to Command Joseph J. Kelly, USAF  
HIC-61

**RECOMMENDATION** - Its application to specific problems designated by  
General Order (JICFOA) and the solution of these problems from  
aerial photographs as were available at FAISCA.

On 7 May at your suggestion the writer and Lt. W. H. Juran,  
officer of the Field Photographic Branch of DSC called on  
you and offered to be of assistance in making his organization  
use of the results which could be derived from the study and various  
uses of Ierography to the problems of underwater depth determina-  
tion of accurate charts, maps, photographic reconnaissance, etc.,  
as described in the four booklets of this subject issued recently  
to various commands and agencies.

Command Kelly in the short conversation stated that while the  
Ierography and the techniques already proven in the field might  
be of assistance, his immediate interest was in having Lt. Juran attempt  
underwater depth determinations on proposed landing beaches on the  
islands. He stated that aerial photographs of these beaches were  
available and requested that Lt. Juran see what could be done. He  
stated that there were only ten days available before the results

The results of Lt's study are attached herewith - photographs  
of the purpose would have, of course, permitted complete

It is requested that the recommendations in Lt. Juran's  
report be such that the completion of these recommendations will lead  
to the realization that they may be proven substantially feasible and pro-  
cedure to be used as a standard photographic procedure.

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UNITED STATES  
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

19 June 1944

From : **Office of the Judge Advocate General**  
To : **L. Davis McIlwain, Capt., USA - Col.**

1. Permission is granted to this man to forward report  
of Internography dated 16 May 1944, to Washington, D. C.

Joe. J. Nitty  
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.

*Handwritten signature/initials*

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The Director, OSS Washington

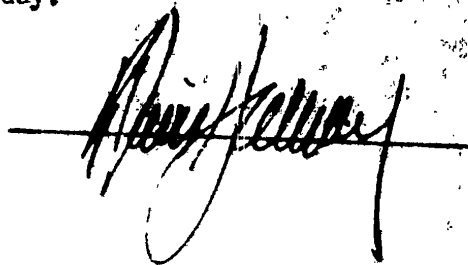
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4. In addition to your copy, an additional one is provided for the Field Photographic Branch and it is requested that Capt. L. A. Pope, USN, Chief Photographer BuAir, receive a copy in order that he may be aware that this system is being used in this area and was used in the current operation.

5. Probably a copy should be shown to Dr. Stanley Lovell, as we are advised in your cable No. 184 that the NDRC & OSRD relationship will be carried out by him.

6. Further reports will follow after the receipt of the Iconoscopes, ordered by Capt. Hill about 25 May, about which we have cabled Mr. Kellogg today.



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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
HONOLULU 1, T. H.



## INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: The Director, OSS Washington

FROM: Mr. Gavin Halliwell, Comdr., OSS

SUBJECT: ICONOGRAPHY

DATE: 22 June 1944

Enclosures: 3 Copies Report of the writer to Capt. Hill,  
USN - CINCPAC, for transmission to  
General Twitty, USA - JICPOA,  
16 May 1944

Each containing covering letter  
Mr. Juran's report to RHD, 16 May 44  
PRISIC Photos - York 9C  
VDS-P43B

PRISIC Chart O-40517-1  
Diagram - recommended photography technique  
Mr. Juran's report to RDH, 15 May 44  
PRISIC Photo 699-56  
PRISIC Chart O-40516-1

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FBI's memo to General Twitty, 19 June 44  
Reply from above, 19 June 44  
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1. Under date of 17 June, addressed to Mr. Putzell, we forwarded an interim report on the subject of ICONOGRAPHY and Mr. Juran's activities. We also reported on the status of this matter with General Richardson and his staff.

2. As will be observed from our report to you under date of 2 June 44, we were unable to secure permission to release the original iconography report to Capt. Hill and General Twitty due to its TOP SECRET nature.

3. However, the SIPAN operation now being conducted has permitted the reclassification of this material which is now being forwarded.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
HONOLULU, T. H.



INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: The Director, OSS, Washington  
FROM: Mr. Levin Halliwell, Comdr., USSA  
SUBJECT: Iconography - Japan

DATE: 25 June 1944

Reference: 5th Amphibious Force  
Intelligence Map, HQ  
11 April 44

1. The attached chart will show you the area covered by the underwater depth determination made by Mr. Juran in his report, 18 May 44, enclosed in this pouch.

2. "Yellow 3", as indicated, is the position. It is understood this was the area of the first group of major landings.

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ing general would like an  
approximation made of this  
material by someone who  
knows the subject.

A. E. Z.

~~For the Director~~

to ~~Director's Office~~  
Director's Office

(3008)

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Handwritten notes and signatures, including "Approved for release" and "Director's Office".



JOINT INTELLIGENCE CENTER  
PACIFIC OCEAN AREA  
Commandant, 745 300  
A/ Fleet Post Office  
San Francisco, Calif.

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11 June 1964

To : R. Davis Halliwell, Commander, USNR  
Office of Strategic Services, OPA

From: Officer-in-Charge, Joint Intelligence Center  
Pacific Ocean Area

Subj: Iconography and Correlative Developments

1. Reference is made to your interoffice memorandum, dated 31 May 1964, addressed to Captain Hill.

2. It is suggested that Lt. Juran remain in Honolulu until the two iconoscopes ordered from Washington have been delivered and personnel from JIOPOA have been instructed in their use.

3. Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

(Signed)  
J. J. TUITT,  
Brig Gen, CIO.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
HONOLULU I. T. H.

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: E. J. Purcell, Jr. Lt. (j.g.) USNR  
FROM: J. David Rollinsall Comdr. USNR  
SUBJECT: Memorandum, 10 June 1944  
RE: JAPAN

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1. Thank you for the above dispatch. The services of Mr. Juran were reportedly being offered to General Richardson's staff, both orally and in writing, ever since Juran has been here but they far exceed the help that would be accomplished in the distribution, than the General's staff, of the materials which were requested in our letter of May 4th to Field Photograph Section. (Incidentally I requested twenty copies of such and only five were made.) It is possible that a bloodhound on the trail of the missing photographs

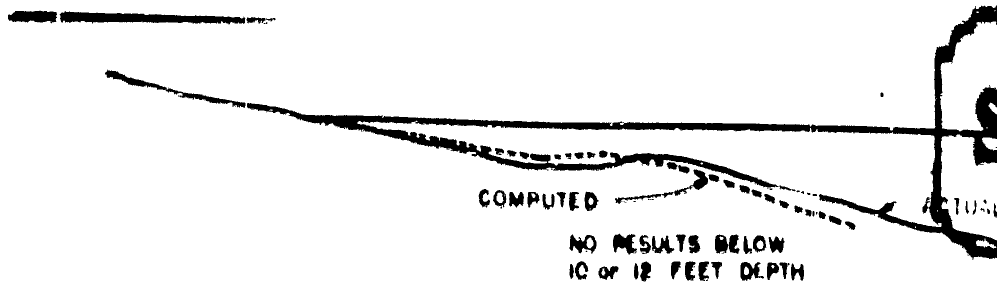
2. Juran is now running a class in Iconography for a short time in the office of the JICFOA - PACIFIC staff as a result of General Tully's letter of 11 June 1944, a copy of which is attached in order that the General's staff might be kept advised. You will observe that this reply supplements my letter to the Chief of Staff of 1 June 1944 and also that to Capt. Hill of 31 May 1944.

3. It is hoped that the Army will feel free to use Mr. Juran when he has completed his work with JICFOA, but it must be remembered that the situation here is rather delicate and Mr. Juran's orders read for him to report to the 11th Naval District and I rather suspect that in spite of the "strategic services" notation on these orders it is considered inadvisable to stir up the waters.

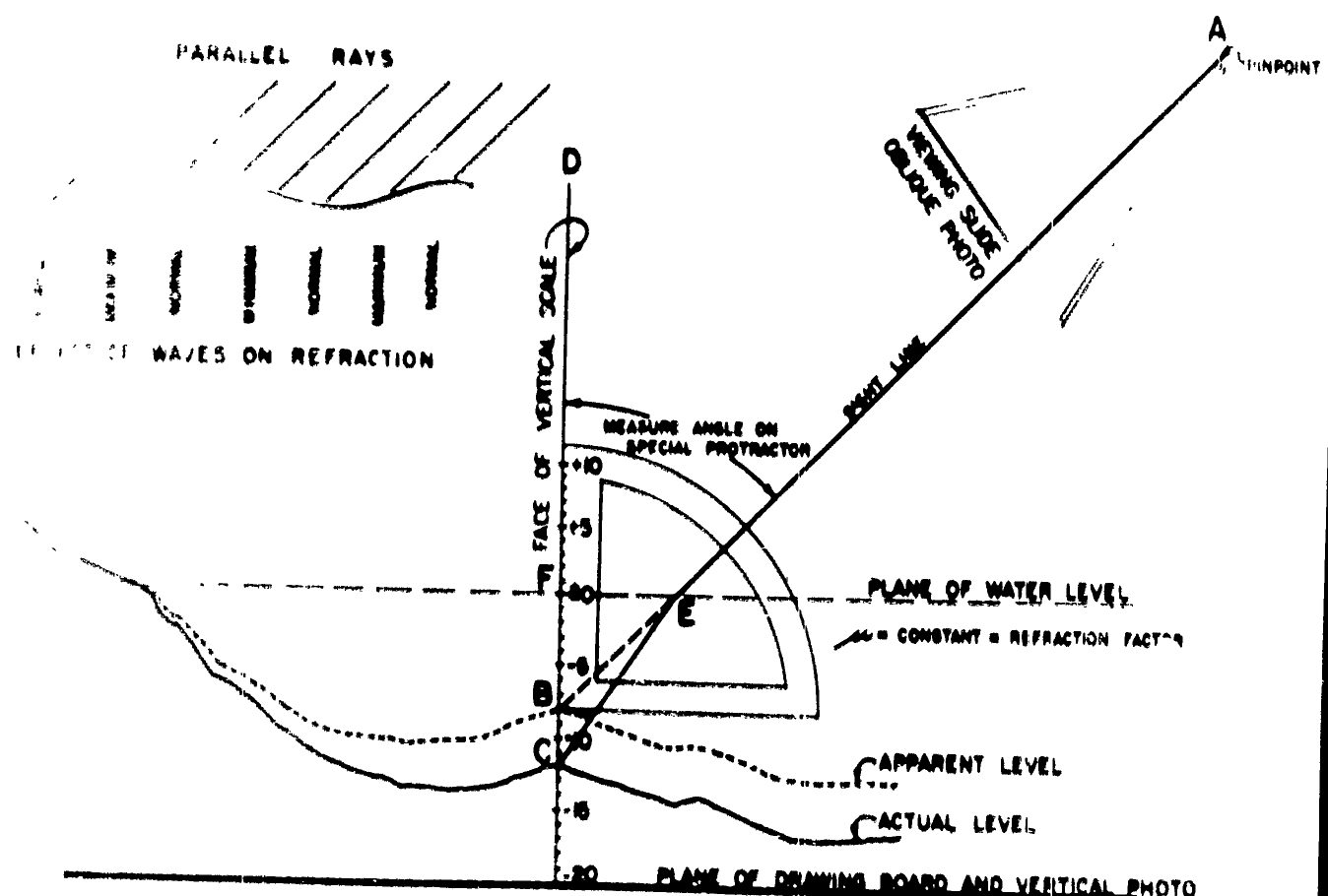
4. This memo is being sent in duplicate in the event you see the need for a copy on the Iconography section of Field Photographs. Please advise the Bureau's seeing a copy.



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**WAVE INTERVAL METHOD**



**OBlique PROJECTION METHOD**

$\sin \angle ABE = \frac{AD}{AE}$        $\sin \angle DCE = \frac{AD}{CD}$        $\angle ABE < \angle DCE$   
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 WITH  $\angle DCE$  AND  $AE$  KNOWN, SOLVE FOR  $EC$   
 ALL PERCENT RATIOS WILL BE NECESSARY AFTER CHARTS ARE PREPARED

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the depth below water is required. Place the vertical scale of this point on the vertical enlargement and look through the pinhole to see where the corresponding point of the oblique photo falls upon the vertical scale. The result will be a negative reading giving the apparent depth of the point below water level.

True depth  $\times \mu$  = visible depth.

where  $\mu$  = index of refraction.

Other required points can be solved in the same manner.

It is hoped that further research and practical applications along the lines of this report will simplify the procedure somewhat and make it practical for use in both the laboratory and in the field.

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Flight tests showed that good results were obtainable in **SECRET** underwater detail in sunshine between 1100 and 1600 hours when the sun is high. Best results are obtained when the azimuth of the sun is within the 180° arc behind the camera. A 7" focal lens camera was used in a P-50 reconnaissance ship and pictures were taken at 1/900 of a second at an air speed of 350 miles per hour at about 150 feet altitude above the water level.

#### Procedure

Select a suitable oblique and vertical photo of the beach area. Make a photographic enlargement of the vertical photo, and mount it on a drawing board. Make a diapositive of the oblique photo, and mount it in a viewing box, the length of which is equal to the focal length of the camera used to take the oblique picture. Provide a viewing pinhole in the viewing box opposite the diapositive. Select three points on the diapositive which correspond to three points identifiable on the vertical photo. These three points should lie in the same horizontal plane, and be so taken that a triangle drawn between them will contain as large an area of the oblique photo as possible. Draw a vertical line over each of the three points selected on the vertical enlargement and make a zero mark on these vertical lines at 20 feet (at the scale of the vertical enlargement) above the surface of the vertical enlargement. Fix the viewing box in position over the vertical enlargement so that when viewing through the pinhole the three points on the oblique photo will be in coincidence with the corresponding three points marked on the vertical lines above the vertical enlargement. Make a vertical scale, the calibrations of which correspond to the scale **OF THE VERTICAL ENLARGEMENT, WITH THE ZERO CALIBRATION 20' ABOVE THE DRAWING TABLE** (at the scale of the vertical enlargement) so as to allow for negative readings below the zero mark for the underwater depths.

Select a point common to both the vertical and oblique photos of which

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To: Officer in Charge - Field Operations, N.A.P.O.W.

Subject: Reconnaissance Flights

Enclosure: Sketches of optimum types of obliques.

Col. Dunn has authorized that photos be taken for experimental use as follows:

1. Areas to be photographed:- Areas along beaches where underwater rocks and seaweed are visible. (Col. Dunn has suggested areas along the points between here and Bizerte.)
2. Type of photos required:- Simultaneous (within 15 minutes of each other) vertical and oblique photos. The vertical should be made at the usual operational reconnaissance height (with a 30" lens if possible). The obliques should be made at what operational reconnaissance pilots would consider the safest height and angle which approaches the following requirements:
  - (a) 6" focal length Camera to be used, with photos so close to the beach that the obliques will exclude everything except the beach and rock area.
  - (b) The axis of the Camera should make an angle of about 35° with the horizontal.
  - (c) The speed of the plane should be noted by the pilot at the time of the taking of the pictures, and the speed should be as fast as possible to get good photos with the least risk of danger for the pilot.
3. Coordination bases:- Since the oblique and vertical photos will be used together, special care should be taken in photographing the obliques so that the shoreline of the beach will sort of zig zag across the photo in same manner as sketched on the enclosed sheet, and as discussed, so as to provide a good broad triangular "base" with which to orient the oblique to the vertical.
4. Conditions of flight:- It is hoped that this experiment may lead to new intelligence on beaches, and, therefore, the reconnaissance photos should be made under practical flying conditions which could be repeated at well defended enemy beaches.



had to the beach area at the instant the oblique photo was taken. If two photos thus related, it is possible to measure the apparent depth of any point underwater which can be identified both on the oblique and the vertical photos. This apparent depth must be corrected by applying a corrective factor due to refraction. The refraction factor can be ascertained for each depth computation.

Good photos are the first requisite for good results. In poor light or in heavy weather it will be impossible to get oblique photos showing underwater detail. In the case of gentle waves the distortion of the apparent position of underwater objects due to the prismatic effect which the waves cause will introduce errors in the result. However, these prismatic distortions are not cumulative, and are limited to a maximum distortion (depending on the surface of the wave). Upon reaching this maximum, the apparent position of the underwater object will again return to normal. The cycle of distortions follows closely to a sine wave. The maximum distortion in fairly smooth water should not be enough to cause a prohibitive error in the depth measurements. It should also be noted that the distortions occur to an appreciable extent only in the oblique photo and that the vertical photo, which is a component part of this operation, is generally free from distortions. Errors caused by wave distortion therefore are not compounded. In a case of heavy waves it would be well to use the wave interval method for determining the underwater characteristics. The method of oblique projection is seen therefore to be a counterpart to the wave interval method, the one working best in quiet water, the other best in heavier seas.

Suggestions for ensuring satisfactory oblique photos showing underwater detail are given in the following letter to the officer in charge, Field Station, S. A. S. W.



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danger to the pilot, since by the time he makes his fourth trip over the beach, enemy gunners are waiting for him. Repeated trips at these intervals also involve the loss of security as the enemy can guess the intention of the reconnaissance.

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Above water beach characteristics have been determined satisfactorily in a test case conducted by the photo intelligence unit at R.A.F., Modmenham. Simultaneous obliques and verticals were flown at Marilyn Bay, St. Ives, Cornwall. These photos were used in a manner described in the accompanying report on oblique projections and the results were compared with an independent engineers' survey of the beach area. The check showed the margin of error to be approximately 2 percent, but it is the opinion of the author that such results would not be consistently forthcoming and, based on past experience with oblique projection methods, errors up to ten percent can be expected. This error, however, is not serious in the matter of beach gradients and is well within the limits of accuracy produced by other methods. Only one sortie of simultaneous vertical and oblique photos is required for the oblique method, and stereoscopic pictures are not necessary.

The method of oblique projection can be applied to the determination of underwater depths. Each procedure requires oblique and vertical photos with good underwater detail in the pictures. Vertical photography of beach areas generally produces satisfactory underwater detail, but oblique photography requires special considerations in order to catch the underwater detail which is necessary to this operation. The method consists of coordinating an oblique photo of a beach area with a vertical photo of the same area by selecting points common to both photos and using those points to orient the photos to each other. Such orientation places the oblique photo in the exact relationship to the vertical photo as the original camera

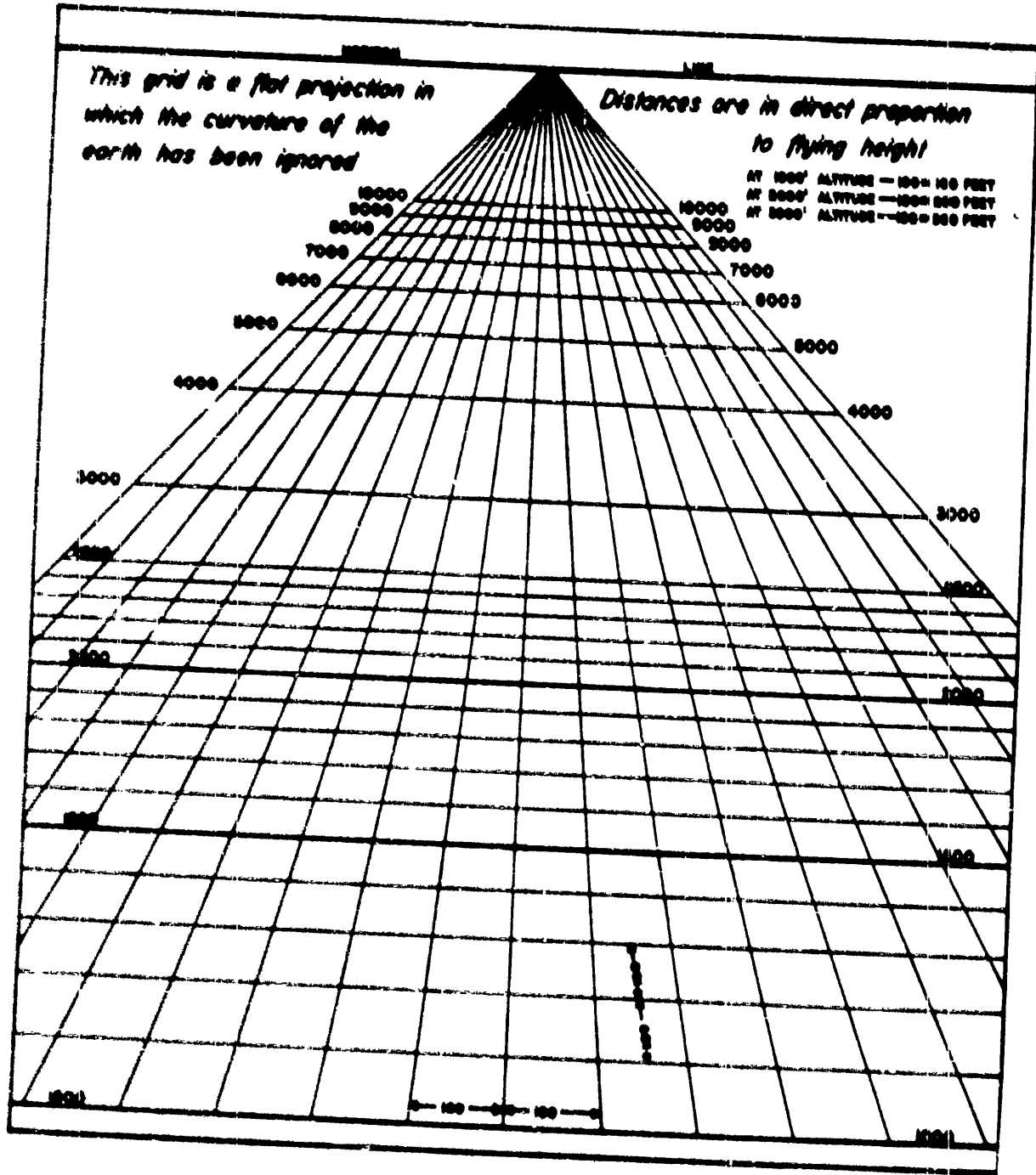
**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D. C.****SECRET**Report on - MEASURING UNDERWATER DEPTHS BY OBLIQUE PROJECTION

by

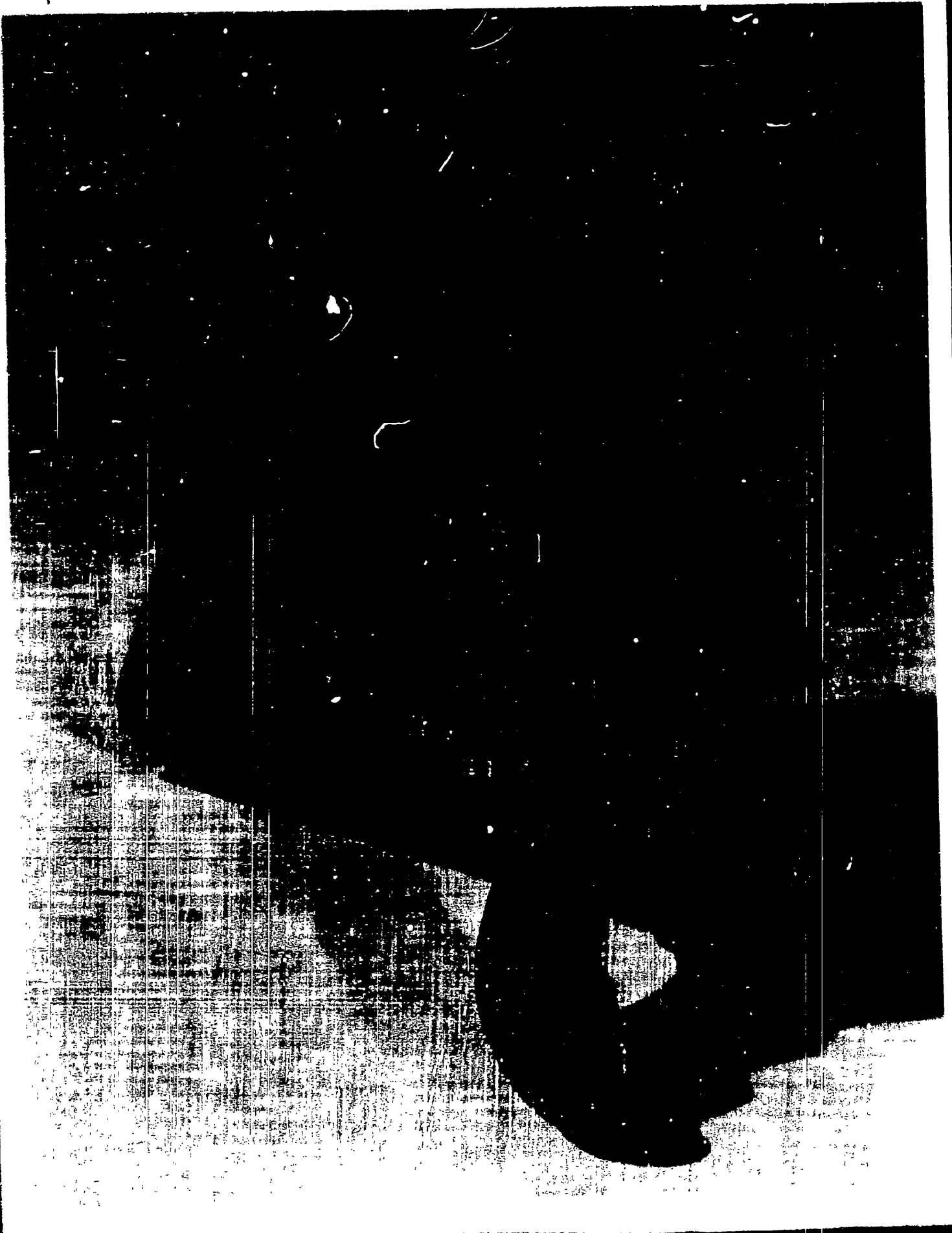
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The determination of the underwater depths of obstructions and approaches to enemy beach territories presents a difficult problem. Stereoscopic examination, multiplex projector machines, and floating mark devices such as the Wild machine, fail to produce satisfactory results in measuring underwater depths. This is due to the difficulties inherent in judging vertical distances where the parallax is very small. Other methods, two photographic methods, have been used in recent operations in the E.T.O. One of these is the wave interval method. Subsequent checks on Sicilian beaches have shown this method to be within 2 or 3 feet of the actual depth measurements, and to produce an underwater silhouette of the ocean floor whose contour was quite similar to the actual contour. The calculations used in this method are highly involved, and a good wave pattern is essential for good results. Another method which has been in use by the U.S. Navy to determine beach gradients between high water and low water tide stages is that of sending out 5 or 6 reconnaissance parties at approximately two hour intervals so as to photograph the water line on the beaches at the various stages of the tide. These water lines are combined into a contour map of the beach at low water level, but tell little of the underwater characteristics. A serious drawback to this method is the





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Report on - PILOT'S SCALE ESTIMATOR

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This device is a variation of the pinhole viewing box used in oblique projection work.

It consists of a viewing box in the form of a small pyramid with a pinhole in the apex and a transparent perspective grid in the base. A horizon line drawn on the transparent grid serves to orient the viewing box to the pilot's visible horizon.

The pilot sighting a ship in the grid can estimate its length by counting the number of units that the ship covers on the grid. Horizontal grid lines give the distance between the pilot and the ship.

The grid is calculated so that each unit of division represents 100 feet on the water at a flying altitude of 1000 feet.

If the pilot's altitude is 2000 feet, each unit will represent 200 feet on the water. At 3000 feet altitude, each unit will represent 300 feet, etc.

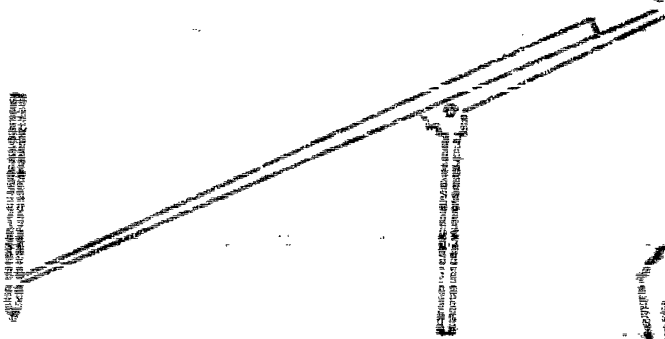
Grids can be made to suit any special flight condition. The device can also be used to measure land installations and to calculate length of runways, distances, etc. on land as well as at sea.

Variations of this design are possible so that this device can be used where no horizon is visible. This can be done by installing a levelling device similar to that used in the bubble sextant.



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characteristic of enemy terrain. Another use is the construction of the terrain perspectives used in coordination with three-dimensional models to give a realistic background. Further uses will undoubtedly be made of the instruments.

3. Suggestions for Improvements

Users of the Helirograph have pointed out limitations of the machine. The machine can not be used in its present form for the construction of ground view perspectives or of coastline recognition perspectives being drawn for submarine commanders. This type of drawing requires that the station point of the machine be set very slightly above zero. Such a setting is impossible on the machine in its present form. Uses out of the scope of the present design of the instrument are:

- (a) ground level perspectives.
- (b) perspectives from submarine periscope level.
- (c) perspectives from the level of the deck of a ship.

Another limitation is that the size of the map area which can be covered by the tracing arm is too small. It is also suggested that the machine be made to fit into a smaller case and be reduced in weight.

4. Conclusion

The Helirograph should be revised so that

1. the altitude scale can be set to zero.
2. the tracing arm has complete freedom of movement.
3. the size and weight are considerably reduced.

Operating units who should be on the distribution list for revised Helirograph machines are:

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Report on - HEHROGRAPH PERSPECTIVE SKETCHER

by

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1. Distribution

There are 5 Hehrograph units in use in the European Theatre of Operation.

Original Distribution by Special Devices Division:

2. General Timberlake, North African Air Forces, Allied Headquarters, Algiers.
3. Commander Bachman, U.S. Naval Headquarters, Algiers, North Africa.

Revised Distribution:

- 1 - North African Reconnaissance Wing at La Marea, Tunisia.
- 1 - Middle East Interpretation Unit, RAF, Middle East, Cairo.
- 1 - Commander Fryer, R. N., ISTD, Manchester College, Oxford, England.
- 1 - Commander Bachman, U. S. Naval Headquarters, Algiers.
- 1 - Somewhere in the field in Italy.

Receipts for the instruments are attached hereto.

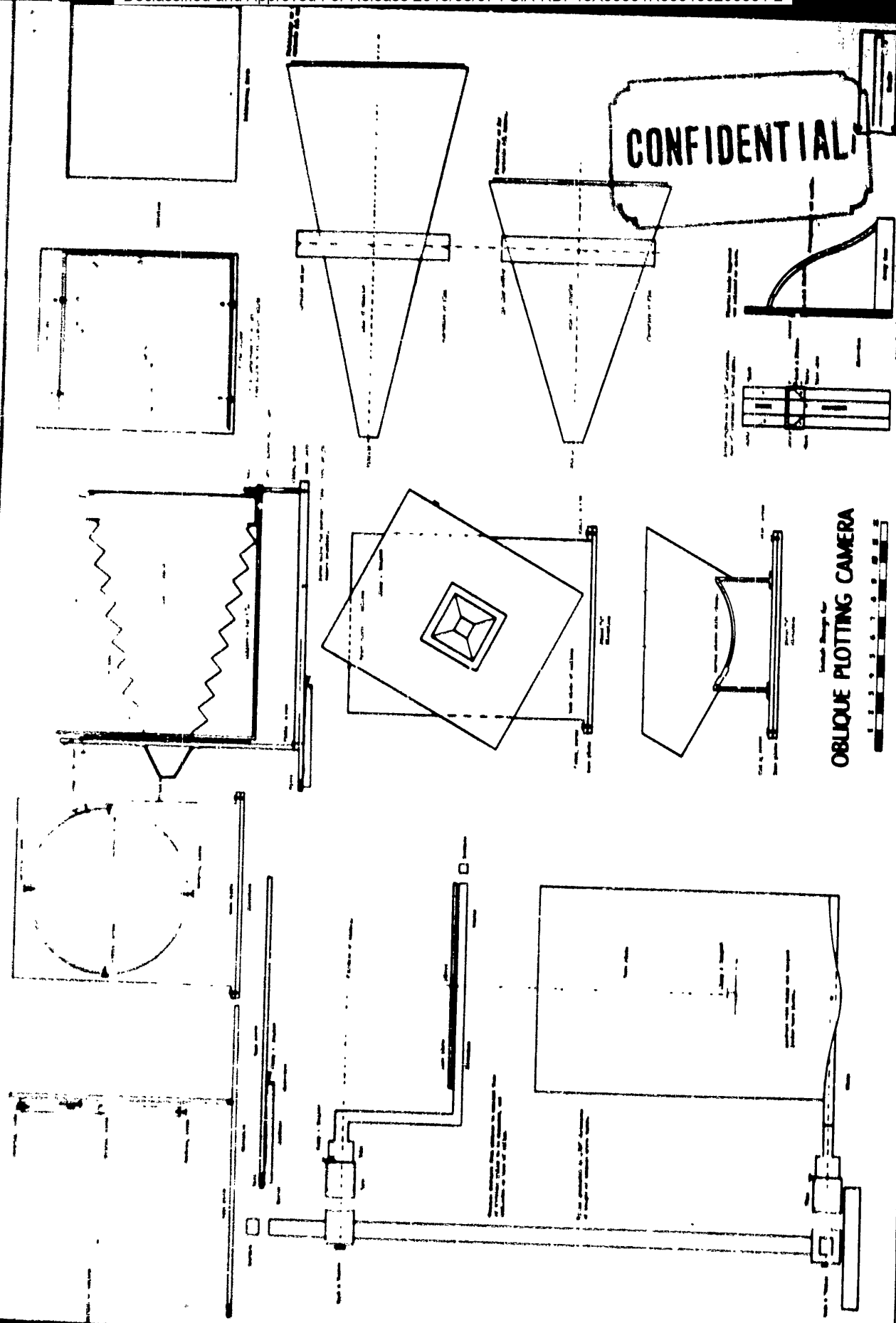
2. Operation of the Devices in the Field

The Hehrograph device has been used for constructing recognition altitudes by the U. S. Navy in preparation for the Sicilian campaign. It is being used for construction of imaginary perspectives from contour maps. These perspectives are used to illustrate booklets being made at Oxford, England, to acquaint military personnel with

OBLIQUE PROJECTIONS FOR AIRCRAFT

The oblique projection method described herein should be applicable in many cases to the measurement and identification of aircraft in space. It is expected that single photos of enemy aircraft can be reduced to plan and elevation by the use of this method. Results, however, will vary with the quality of the photos used.





OBlique PLOTTING CAMERA

NEW TYPE OF VIEWING BOX BEING BUILT BY BRITISH FROM ORIGINAL DESIGN BY LT. JEWELL - OSUR.

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A new type of viewing box is now under construction at Farnborough, England, for use in oblique projection work. See attached working drawing. This new viewing box will have all movements pivot about the axis of the pinhole, making coordination of viewing slide and drawing board much simpler.

An improvement being worked out by the Special Devices Division of the Bureau of Aeronautics consists of a pinpoint source of light placed at the position now occupied by the viewing pinhole. The light will project the image from the viewing slide onto the drawing board, making it unnecessary to view through the pinhole.

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silhouette will result. The deck plan of the ship can be projected in a similar manner by orienting the transverse and longitudinal deck of the ship with a pair of perpendicular lines on the drawing board.

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In the case of a convoy where the horizon has been used to orient the viewing slide, it is only necessary to mark the bow and stern points of each ship where they appear to strike the drawing board when seen through the pinhole. Plans of enemy installations can be similarly projected to the drawing board by tracing on the board what the operator sees through the pinhole.

Where a combination of oblique and vertical photos has been used the heights of any points on the oblique photo may be determined by placing the vertical scale on the corresponding point on the vertical enlargement. The height of the point in question can be read directly on the vertical scale when the viewing slide is viewed through the pinhole.

Target Maps (SEE SEPARATE REPORT ON TARGET MAPS.)

Target maps and perspective drawings can be made by reversing the process of oblique projection. A specially built viewing box (see photograph) allows the operator to draw on the viewing slide which in this case is a plain sheet of glass. With one eye at the pinhole and with a map or vertical photo mounted on the drawing board, it is only necessary to trace on the viewing slide what one sees through the pinhole. A perspective drawing of the plan will result. To get the perspective position of points in space above the plane of the drawing board, move a vertical scale about from point to point on the drawing table and draw the position in perspective of the points in space. The position of the pinhole can be adjusted to the plan at any desired station point. Its relation to the plan is the same relation that a camera in space would have to the actual terrain.

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**CONFIDENTIAL**Inter-Relation

Where two or more obliques are available it is possible by a tedious method of trial and error to orient these obliques with reference to each other so that the projection from each of the obliques falls into coincidence on the drawing board. This method is not recommended where speed or extreme accuracy is required but can be helpful in cases where no other data is available.

Other Methods

Other methods for relating the viewing slide to the drawing table are possible. These include cases where perfect circles or other definable geometric forms appear on the oblique photo. If one of these geometric forms is present it is only necessary to draw the true form on the drawing board and to hold the viewing box in such a position that the form seen on the viewing slide through the pinhole will coincide with the true form drawn on the drawing board. Other bits of glass may be found in shadows, as in the shadow of the plane itself on the ground. Familiarity with the methods of oblique projection will enable the operator to use any of these clues for orienting the viewing slide.

Projection

After orienting the viewing slide to the drawing board by any of the methods described in the preceding chapter, the operator is ready to project any of the information on the viewing slide into its vertical and horizontal components. In the case where the silhouette of a ship is required simply extend the viewing slide to the drawing board so that the vertical and horizontal axes on the viewing slide are oriented to a pair of perpendicular lines on the drawing board. With one eye at the pinhole trace the centerline outline of the ship where it appears to fall on the drawing board. A

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When more accurate work is required, and where it is desirable to take into consideration the curvature of the earth, the distance from the drawing board to the false horizon instead of being made equal to the distance from the pinhole to the drawing board, should be computed using the following formula:

$$D = R - d \tan 69 \sqrt{h}$$

Where, h = altitude of plane in feet  
 d = lateral distance of pinhole to false horizon  
 D = vertical distance of drawing board to false horizon  
 R = vertical distance of drawing board to pinhole

Land horizons are not dependable except in areas where the land is known to be low and flat such as in Holland and the Low Countries. Here the horizon may be used as though it were a sea horizon.

#### Coordination with Map

Where a map of the area is available, an oblique photo can be oriented to it. In selecting three points which are common to the map and the oblique photo (as is done in coordination with a vertical photo) a different type of selection is required. Only such fixed points as the corner of a dock, or a sharply defined point of land can be used for orientation. It may be convenient to use inland points such as corners of buildings, street intersections, and positions of church steeples which are usually marked on the map. In using inland points the height above sea level will be required and it will be necessary to erect a cross mark in space over the orientation points selected on the map in the event that the point selected is above the water line. This can be done by erecting a vertical line on a card and by marking the vertical position of the point on this line. The vertical measurement should be made at the same scale as the map on the drawing board. It may be well to enlarge the map before mounting it on the drawing board.

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oblique photo may be oriented. (See illustration.) These illustrations, such as the RDF station shown in the illustration, also lend themselves to similar orientation by means of lines of position.

#### Horizon

Oblique photos may be oriented simply and accurately where sea horizons are visible on the photo. The visible horizon line moves up and down with the lens of the camera that is taking the picture in an aircraft. Due to this fact, a visible horizon line on an oblique photo makes it easy to orient the photo to the drawing board as follows:-

Arbitrarily set the viewing box into any position over the drawing board. The viewing pinhole in the viewing box represents the position of the lens of the camera at the time the oblique photo was taken. Since the horizon line is known to be at the same height above the earth as the camera lens, it is possible to set up, on the drawing board, a false horizon line. This can be done by drawing a horizontal line on a cardboard which stands vertically on the drawing board. (See photo.) This horizontal line should be drawn at a distance above the drawing board equivalent to the distance of the viewing pinhole above the drawing board. By maintaining the viewing pinhole fixed in its position, the viewing box should be rotated so that the horizon line on the viewing slide falls into coincidence with the false horizon line above the drawing board. This will orient the oblique photo to the drawing board. If the subject matter of the photograph does not fall on the drawing board when viewed through the pinhole, lower the viewing box in its adjusted position until the subject does fall on the drawing board.

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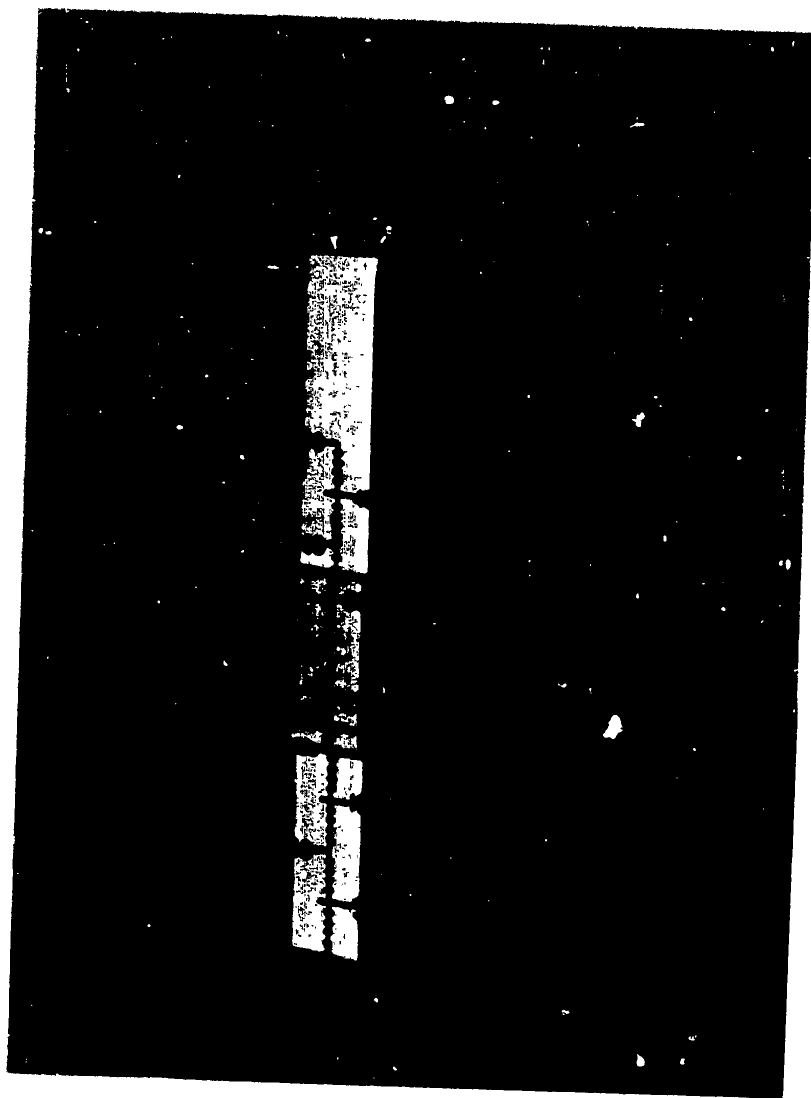
a combination of the followings:-

- a. Lines of position
- b. Horizon
- c. Coordination
  - (1) with vertical photo
  - (2) with map
- d. Inter-relation
- e. Other methods

#### Lines of Position

Where lines appear on the oblique photo which have a known relationship to each other or when it is possible to construct such lines on the photo, they may be used to orient the viewing slide to the drawing table. This is done by drawing the lines of position in their known relationship on the drawing table, and holding the viewing box in such a position as to make the corresponding lines on the viewing slide coincide with those on the drawing table. Many photos contain such lines of position. A rectangular building seen in perspective on an oblique photo provides three lines of position, the roof lines meeting at a corner are known to form a right angle in reality, and the corner of the building forms what is known to be a vertical line in reality. Thus we have three lines of position, transverse, longitudinal and vertical. These can be produced on the drawing table as a pair of perpendicular intersecting lines and a vertical line drawn on vertical card. There is only one position for the viewing box in which these same lines on the viewing slide will coincide with the lines on the drawing table, when viewed through the pinhole. Smoke stacks, telegraph poles, etc. are good for providing vertical axes as a means of relating the oblique photo to the drawing board.

In the case of a ship, transverse, longitudinal and vertical axes can be drawn in perspective on the oblique, and these can be represented by perpendicular lines on the drawing board. By relating the axes on the viewing slide to the lines on the drawing board, when viewed through the pinhole, the



VERTICAL SCALE -



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### Vertical Scale

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A vertical scale is required for reading vertical dimensions from the oblique photo. This consists of a calibrated scale which stands vertically on the drawing board. The calibrations are always marked to the same scale as the scale of the plan on the drawing board. The illustration shows a precision type of vertical scale, half of which is black with white figures and the other half of which is white with black figures. This aids in reading vertical dimensions, as dark portions of the photo can be easily read against the light part of the scale and visa-versa. A rack and pinion enables the operator to move a hair-line up and down on the scale, making it possible to set a mark on the scale when the operator cannot read the vertical scale figures directly through the pinhole.

### Preparation

When the viewing stand and the viewing box have been assembled it is necessary to provide a viewing pinhole at the apex of the viewing box. The pinhole can be made simply by placing a bit of Scotch tape across the apex of the viewing box and piercing a pinhole at the exact center of this area. An ordinary push pin or thumb tack will make the proper sized hole (approximately 1/16" diameter). Too small a hole will result in cutting out too much light, whereas too large a hole will impair the accuracy and focus. An excellent pinhole can be made by using a piece of black exposed and developed film with the pinhole pierced in it.

Secure the viewing slide to the open end of the viewing box by means of Scotch tape across the corners. If a diapositive or photographic plate is used, place the emulsion side facing into the box. If an acetate tracing is used, face the side with the drawing on it into the box.

### Methods of Orientation

Obliques may be oriented to the drawing board by using any one or

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When the viewing box has been assembled, it is necessary to provide a viewing pinhole at the apex. The purpose of the pinhole is to provide a fixed point to which all lines of sight will converge. Since this point is focal distance away from the viewing slide, it has the same optical relationship to the viewing slide as the nodal point of a camera lens has to the film. Thus the pinhole reproduces the optical conditions that prevailed in the camera that took the original oblique photo. (Lens distortions are not corrected, however, and these distortions result in a slight error in the final measurements.) Another function served by the pinpoint is to provide universal focus for the eye of the viewer. This makes it possible to focus upon the viewing slide and the drawing board at the same time, which in turn makes it possible to mark on the drawing board what is seen on the viewing slide.

#### The Viewing Stand

The viewing stand which has been in use to the present date, consists of a vertical rod firmly anchored to a heavy base. Sliding up and down on this rod is a manner of universal joint which is connected to the viewing box. A winged nut through the universal joint locks the moving parts into any position desired. This type of stand is light, simple to build, easy to transport, and is satisfactory for field use. (See photograph.)

A new type of viewing box suitable for more accurate work and desirable for use at base operations is now being constructed by the RAF. This consists of a viewing box with a bellows providing an adjustable focal length. All moving parts are calibrated, and movement in any three directions is controlled by thumb screws which provide precision adjustments. The position of the viewing pinpoint remains fixed while the viewing box is adjusted to tip and tilt about the axis of the pinpoint.

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drawing due to the thickness of the acetate. To avoid this, keep the eye directly vertical over the portions being traced.

#### Etched Plate

Another type of viewing slide which has been used with good results can be prepared by taping the oblique photo face up over a sheet of unexposed developed photographic glass plate, emulsion side up. Using a sharp needle or the point of a pair of dividers, the collimation marks and other points required can be pricked through the photo on to the emulsion of the glass plate. The photo should be kept for reference so that the pinpricks on the emulsion can later be identified as to their relationship to the photograph.

#### The Viewing Box

This box (in the form of a pyramid) may be built of  $1/8"$  or  $1/4"$  plywood or Masonite. If no plywood or Masonite is available, any stiff cardboard or other material may be substituted.

The outside dimensions of the base of the pyramid should be equal to the size of the viewing slide. The apex of the pyramid should be cut off so that a hole about  $1/4"$  square is left at the small end. The overall height of the pyramid (after the apex has been cut off) measured along the vertical centerline should be equal to the focal length of the camera used to take the oblique photo. (If the photo selected was not a contact print, the focal length of the viewing box must be increased or decreased in proportion to the enlargement or reduction of the photo.) Mark the centers of the four sides of the pyramid at the base as it will be necessary later to line up the collimation marks of the viewing slide with these centerlines in order to insure that the principal point of the viewing slide is in the center of the viewing box.

**CONFIDENTIAL**The Viewing Slide

In a camera, the lens is between the subject and the film. In the viewing box, the viewing slide is between the viewing pinhole and the drawing board. Therefore, a transparent viewing slide is required. This can be made in one of three forms.

- (1) Diapositive
- (2) Acetate
- (3) Etched plate

Diapositive

A diapositive on glass of the oblique photo will give the most accurate results, since there is no chance for errors to be made in tracing. It is well to make a light print since it will be difficult to see through a dark print when viewing through the pinhole. However, care should be taken not to make the print too light as detail may be lost. A glass cutter will be necessary to trim the size of the diapositive to the size of the viewing box.

Acetate

If photographic facilities for making a diapositive are not available, satisfactory results can be had by making a tracing of the photo on acetate. To do this cut a sheet of stiff acetate to the size of the photo. Lay the photo face up on the drawing board and tape the acetate in place over it. First trace the collimation marks of the photo on to the acetate, then carefully trace the important features of the photo on to the acetate. These should include all the orientation points which have been selected as well as other points in the photo of which the vertical dimensions or horizontal positions are desired. (Note: If the oblique photo is to be used in connection with a vertical photo, any points selected on the oblique must be identified on the vertical photo as well before they can be of any value.) Care should be exercised in tracing the photo, it is easy to distort the

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(e) Size of original negative.

Collimation Marks

Collimation marks on the photo are useful for lining up the viewing slide so that the principle point of the viewing slide will be located on the principle axis of the viewing box - just as the principle point of the photo lies along the principle axis of the camera.

Focal Length

Focal length of the camera that took the picture is required to determine the length of the viewing box -

Distance from pinpoint to principle point  
of viewing slide must equal focal length  
of camera used to take the oblique photo.

Short focal length obliques are preferable to long focal length obliques for two reasons. First, the long focal length photo means that the camera angle is narrow, and the photo will not cover as much of the area as would a similar photo taken from the same distance away with a short focal length lens. Secondly, the physical distance from the eye at the viewing pinhole to the vertical scale, on which elevations are read, increases proportionately with the focal length of the camera. Since the scale can be read more accurately at close range, short focal length obliques give better results.

Size of Original Negative

Size of original negative, or a contact print of the original negative must be available. If an enlarged or reduced print is being used in the preparation of the viewing slide, the length of the viewing box must be proportionately enlarged or reduced.

$$\frac{\text{length of viewing box}}{\text{original focal length}} = \frac{\text{size of print}}{\text{size of original negative}}$$

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detail and clarity, thereby impairing the accuracy of the projections. (See examples.) An inclusive view of an entire beach taken from too great a distance to give enough detail for accurate projections may, however, be useful in determining the elevations of main points such as road intersections, bridges, buildings, etc. These main points may then be used as orientation points for coordinating another oblique which has good detail but an insufficient orientation base.

#### Scale

Close photos will give more accurate readings of elevation than those taken from a greater distance. This is due to the added amount of photographic detail generally prevailing in the close-up photos, and to the reduced distance between the vertical scale and the viewing pinhole. This reduced distance makes it possible to read the vertical scale with greater accuracy.

#### Quality of Print

Care should be taken to select prints of good photographic quality with ample detail in the pictures. Sometimes, prints from beach negatives will be printed for values of the surrounding terrain. This may result in the beach area (in which we may be most interested) being over-exposed, and in the loss of much detail on the beach. It is advisable, in cases of beach photos, to have the prints exposed for the beach area in order to get maximum detail on the beach itself. This applies to vertical photos as well as to obliques.

#### Photographic Data

The following data must be available before oblique photos can be used:

- (a) Collimation marks
- (b) Focal length

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telegraph pole - or the corner of a building, are helpful. Horizontal lines such as parapet lines, window sills, etc., are useful, especially where two horizontal lines of known angle to each other are visible. Geometric shapes such as perfect circles as seen in oil tanks and circular military radar installations, gun emplacements, etc., or other forms like rectangular or triangular installations, are useful in orientation. A visible sea horizon, or land horizon of level country, is very useful. If the oblique is to be oriented with a map or vertical photo, it is necessary to have, in the oblique, an "orientation base". This consists of three or more points which can be identified both on the oblique and the vertical. Generally, it is better to get three points in the plane of the water (along a shoreline). A triangle drawn between the three points selected is known as the "orientation base". For best results, this base should cover as large an area of the oblique photograph as possible. In the illustrations, a side view of the beach in FIG. A. may give a broader orientation base than a head on view from the sea in FIG. B. A view of the beach from the land side as in FIG. C. may include some outlying rocks or islands whose shorelines may be used with those of the beach itself to form a very broad orientation base. If the three points do not lie in the same plane, their relative altitudes must be known (possibly by reference to available maps).

#### Inclusion of the Subject

Select those obliques which are taken as "close-up" to the subject as possible, but which include all the area about which information is required. An entire beach may be surveyed using only one oblique if it happens to be a good photo. Inclusion of irrelevant parts of terrain robs the photo of

vertical dimensions from

The method employed is an important part of this operation herein.

3. Photographic requirements

For this reason, the method is operational bases. They are

- a. The oblique photos
- b. The viewing slide
- c. The viewing box
- d. The viewing stand

No illustrations are provided with the text of this report although many such illustrations are available.

It is the author's intention to produce an illustrated booklet on oblique projections for distribution within photo-interpretation units. This booklet, when available, will be well illustrated.

Oblique Photos

If a number of oblique photos are available, photos should be selected for use in accordance with the following standards:-

- (1) Possibilities for orientation
- (2) Inclusion of subject
- (3) Scale
- (4) Quality of print or negative
- (5) Photographic data

Possibilities for Orientation

The prime factor in the operation of this method is the orientation of the oblique photo to the drawing table into a fixed relationship. To accomplish this, various clues are required of the photo - these can be in the form of lines of position - geometric shapes - visible horizon - or orientation bases.

Lines of position such as the vertical lines of a smoke stack - a



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vertical dimensions from oblique pictures by means of a vertical scale. The method employed in orienting the photo to the drawing table is the important part of this operation, and is fully described and illustrated herein.

3. Photographic requirements and working facilities are simple, and for this reason, the method is adaptable to field use as well as to use at operational bases. They include:

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- b. The viewing slide
- c. The viewing box
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VIEWING BOX AND STAND.

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Report on - USE OF OBLIQUE PHOTOS IN THE E.T.O.

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1. The purpose of this pamphlet is to illustrate a method of determining horizontal and vertical dimensions from oblique photographs. Various functions already performed by this method at operational photo interpretation units include:

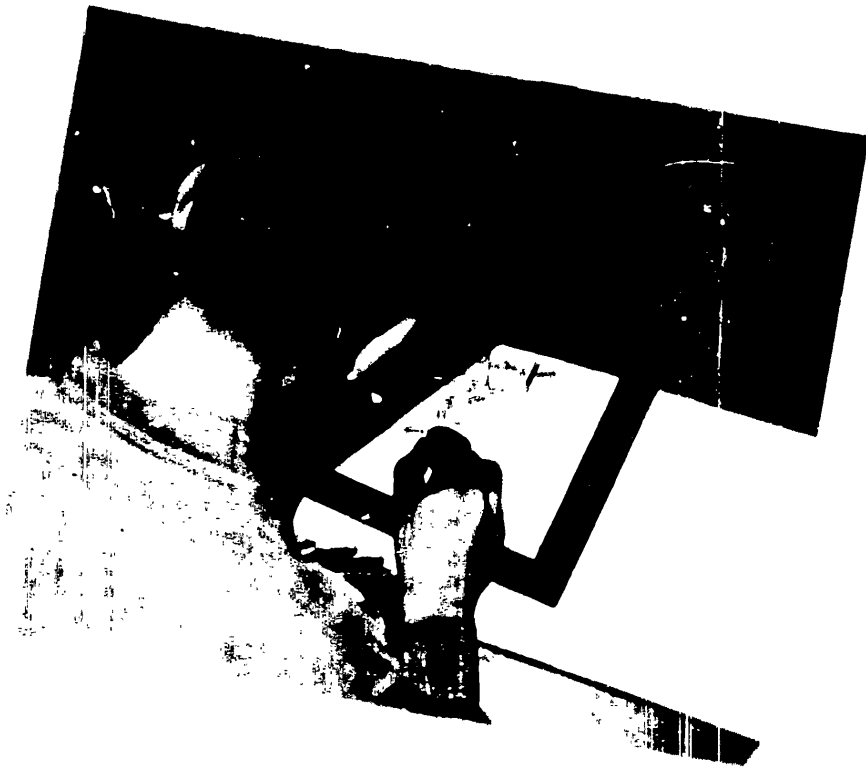
- a. Determination of deck plans and silhouettes of enemy shipping.
- b. Convoy plotting, and measuring of enemy ships.
- c. Measurements of enemy military installations such as sea walls, low level bombing obstructions, RDF stations, tank traps, etc.
- d. Measurements of beach gradients and obstructions.
- e. Preparation of enemy target maps.
- f. Miscellaneous military information.

The method is adaptable for the solution of many problems where oblique photos are available.

2. The principles involved are those of simple projection. In the main, they involve the re-creation of the scene that existed at the time the oblique photograph was taken. A drawing table is used to represent the horizontal plane of the earth's surface. A pinhole viewing box is used to represent the camera. At one end of this box is a pinhole representing the camera lens; at the other end is a transparent copy of the oblique photograph hereafter called a viewing slide. The distance from the pinhole to the viewing slide is equal to the focal length of the camera used to take the picture - thus the optical characteristics of the original camera are reproduced. The viewing box is then oriented to the drawing table in the same relationship that the camera had to the earth's surface at the time the picture was taken. By sighting through the pinhole, it is possible to project oblique pictures into true plan, and to measure horizontal and

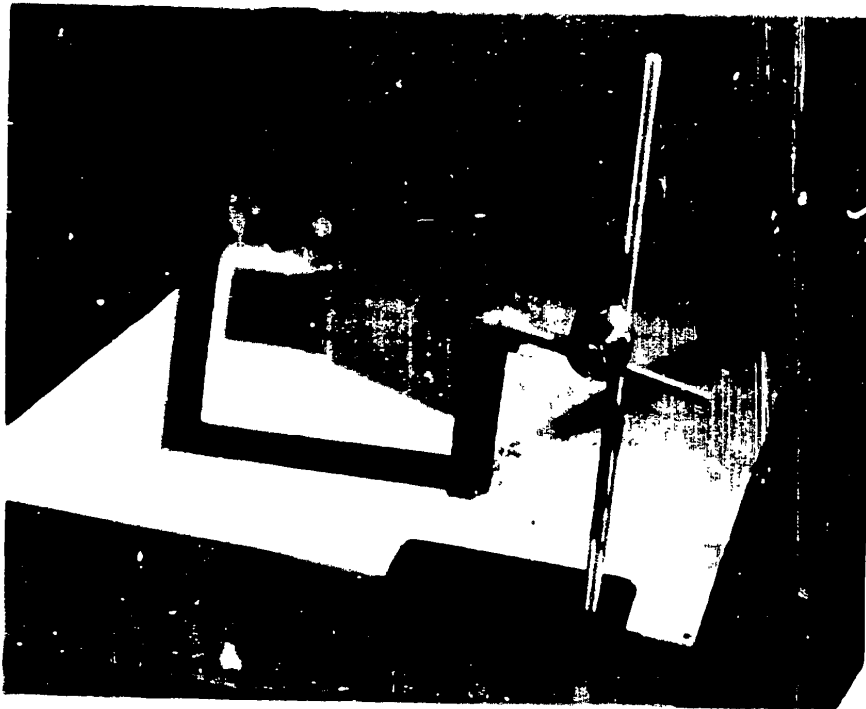


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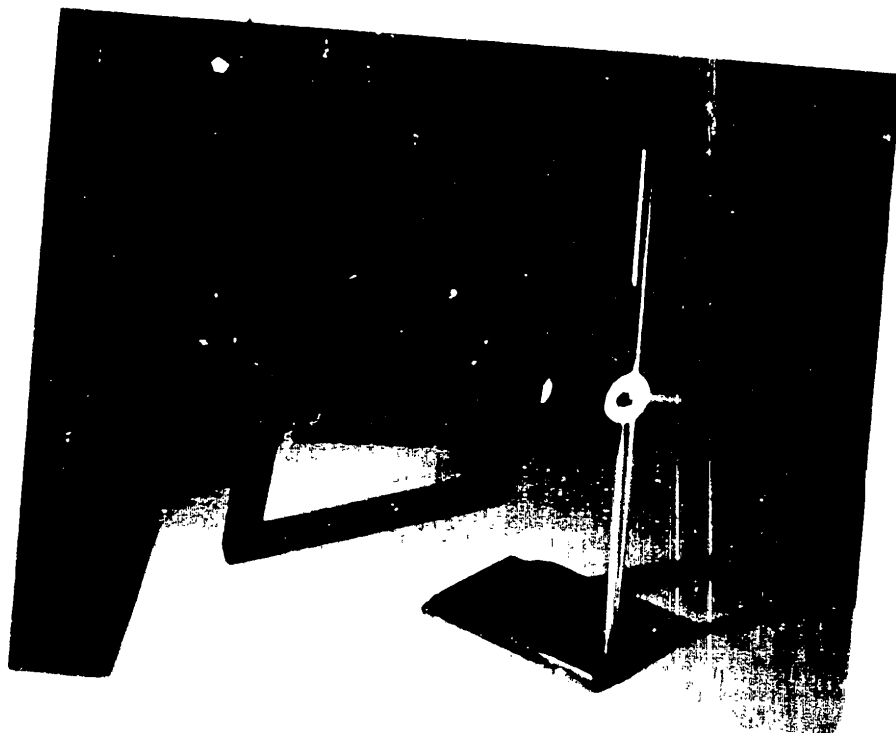
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Perspective Device.

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"Jeriscope"  
PERSPECTIVE DEVICE

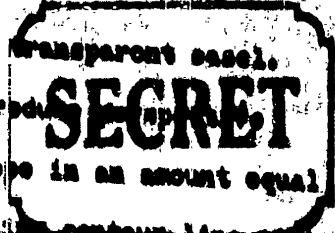
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"JERISCOPE"  
PERSPECTIVE DEVICE.

of the point on the vertical scale as it appears on the transparent case.

In the case of a contoured map it is possible to produce views of each successive contour by lowering the Jerriscope in an amount equal to the contour interval for each tracing of each succeeding contour line. After all contour lines are drawn in perspective the outline of the high ground can be sketched.



A vertical air photograph can be used instead of a map or plan if the ground is level or if the true appearance due to vertical elevations of the terrain is unimportant. This is the case in the Eighth Air Force target maps where the perspective characteristics due to varying elevations of the terrain have been ignored. The "Jerriscope" can be made to collapse into a compact flat unit which can fit into the photo-interpreter's kit. A small collapsible edition of the Jerriscope device could be used by undercover agents for making perspective drawings in areas where the possession of a camera would be too dangerous. These tracings would be as informative as photographs, and could later be projected into plan and elevation if necessary.



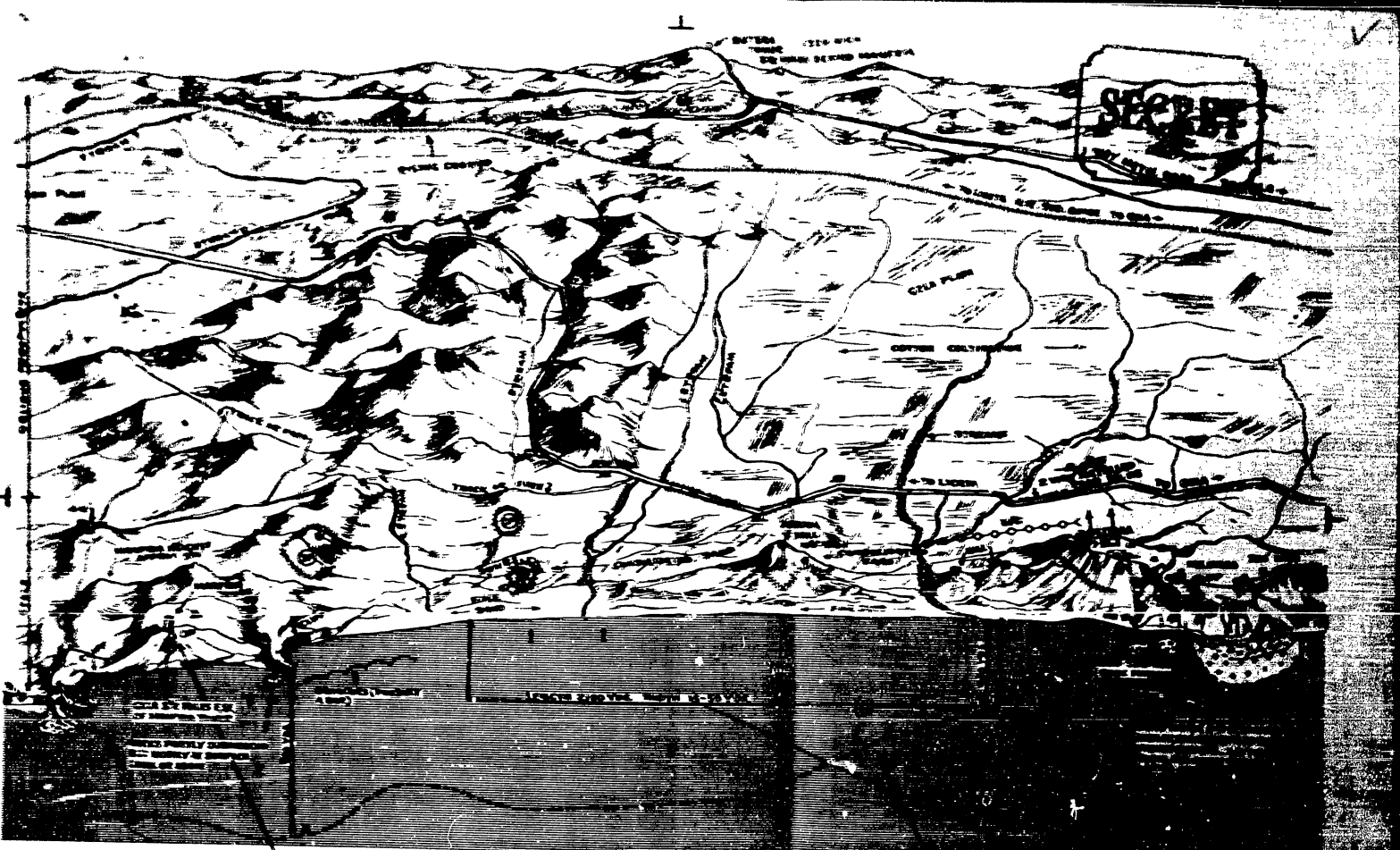
The method of producing perspectives by oblique photography has proved itself very efficient. In fact, the drawing of target perspectives since the introduction of the photographic method, been a bottle-neck in the production of target maps.

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A new device known as the "Jeriscope" will soon be available as a quick method of drawing perspectives for a predetermined point of view. This device, invented by Lt. Juran, USNR., on July 16, 1943, at RAF Medmenham, takes the form of a transparent easel mounted on an adjustable support. When this easel is placed between a pinpoint eye piece and the map or plan of an area of which a perspective is desired, the perspective drawing may be drawn directly on the transparent easel. Perspectives previously requiring 8 or 10 hours to construct may now be done in 8 or 10 minutes. The procedure in using this device is as follows:

Place the plan (or contour map, vertical photo, etc.) of the area of which a perspective is required to a flat drawing board. Mark the principle point or center of the target area on the map. From this point draw a line on the map representing the direction from which the perspective view is desired. Place the Jeriscope in position so that a line passing through the pinpoint and the center of the transparent easel of the Jeriscope will lie in the same vertical plane as the line on the map. At the scale of the map, fix the position of the viewing pinpoint at the desired height and distance from the target.

To draw the perspective, draw on the transparent easel what is seen through the viewing pinhole. Instead of drawing directly on the transparent slide, sheets of acetate are provided and drawings may be made on these sheets with pencil and ink, grease pencil, or other drawing materials. To locate the position of a point lying above the plane of the map, place a vertical scale (calibrated to the scale of the map) at the position of the viewing pinhole on the plan. While viewing through the viewing pinpoint draw the perspective.



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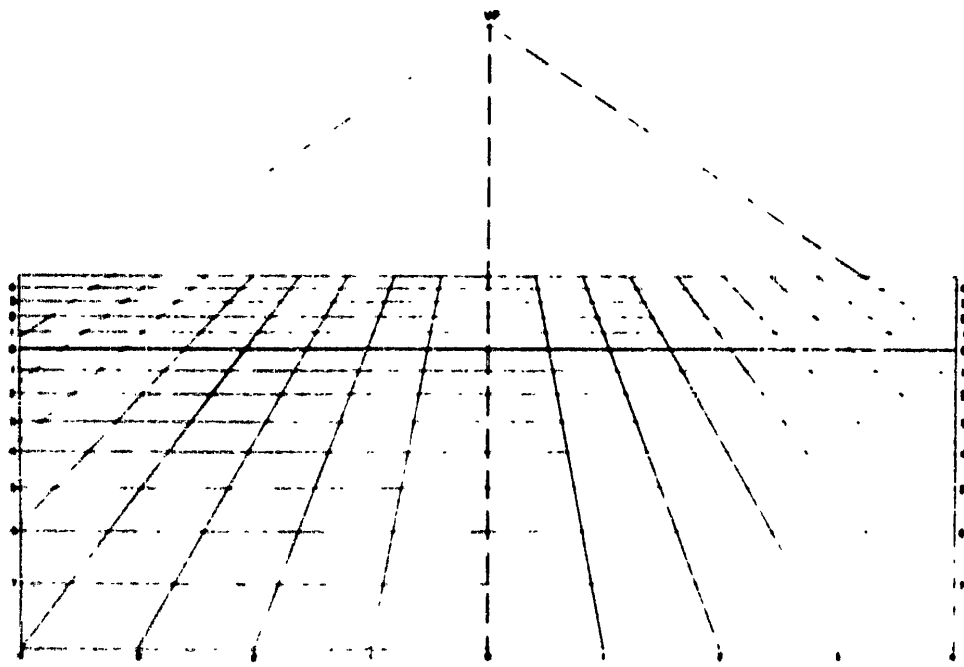
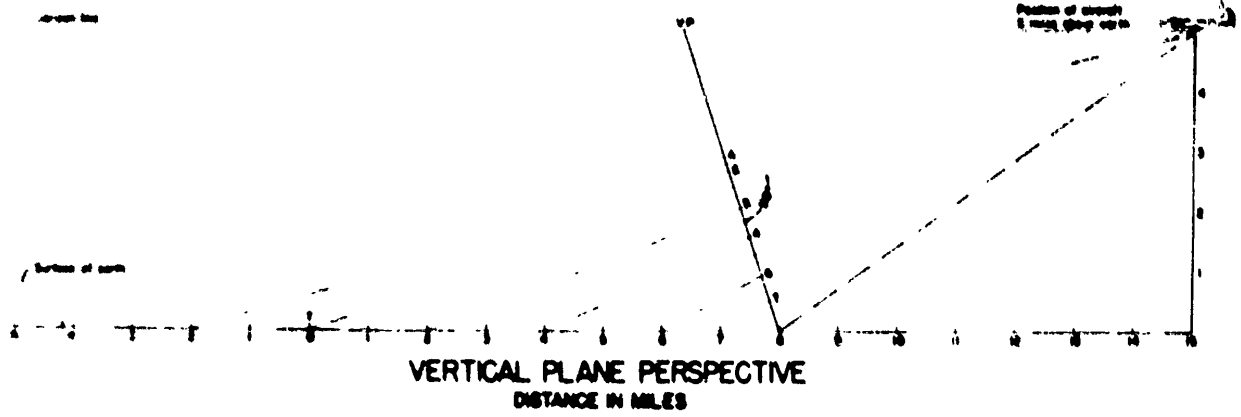


**LOW LEVEL BOMBING APPROACH TARGET MAP**

**8<sup>TH</sup> AIR FORCE - WIDEWINGS**

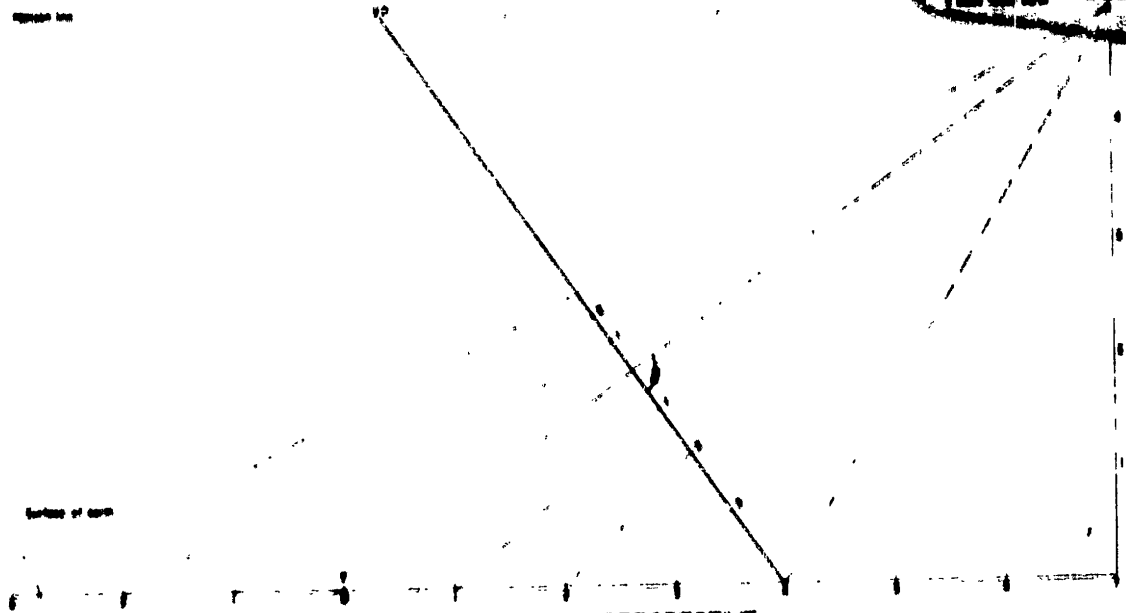
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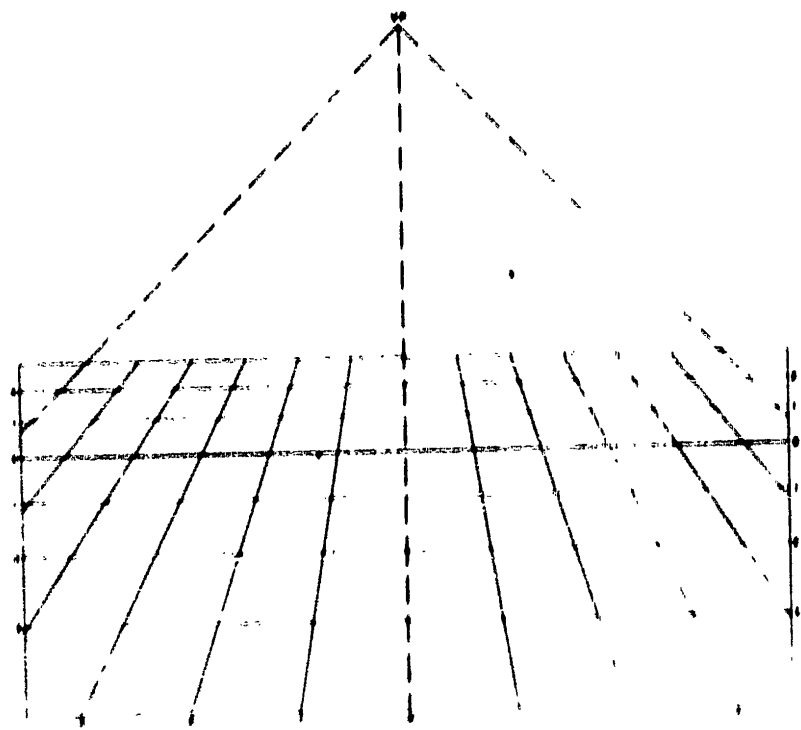


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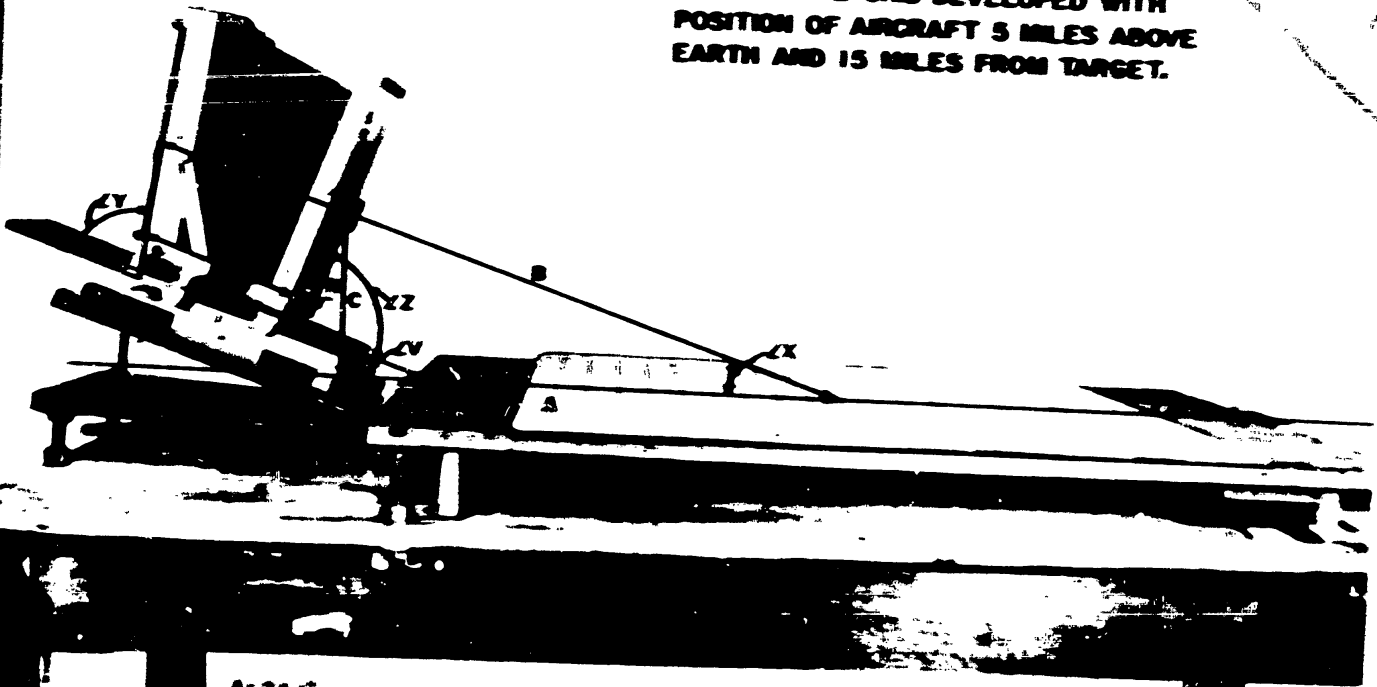
**VERTICAL PLANE PERSPECTIVE  
DISTANCE IN MILES**



**PERSPECTIVE GRID  
DISTANCE IN MILES**

**CAMERA SETUP  
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PERSPECTIVE GRID DEVELOPED WITH  
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EARTH AND 15 MILES FROM TARGET.

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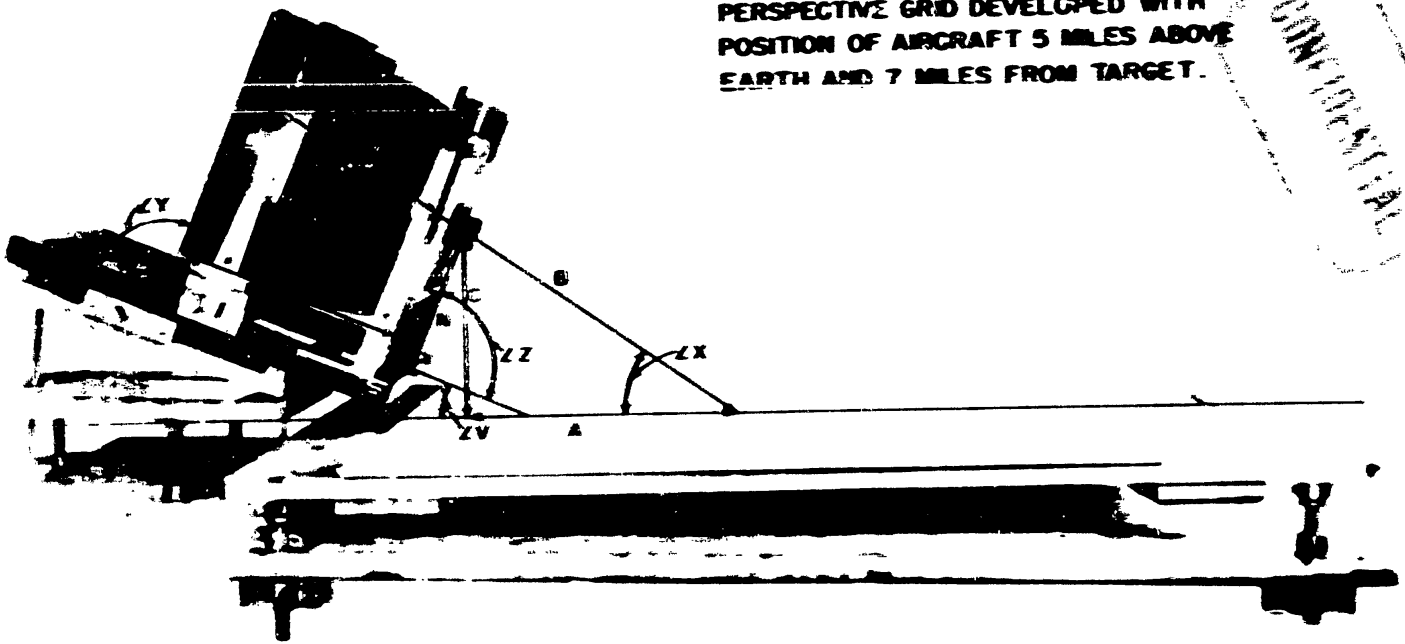


A= 24 1'	ZV= 16 30'
B= 25 22'	ZX= 17 17'
C= 7 5 1/2'	ZY= 23 30'
L= 7 5 1/2'	ZZ= 28 30'
M= 8 0 1/2'	
N= 6 0 1/2'	

# CAMERA SETUP BOMBARDIER OBLIQUE DRAWINGS

PERSPECTIVE GRID DEVELOPED WITH  
POSITION OF AIRCRAFT 5 MILES ABOVE  
EARTH AND 7 MILES FROM TARGET.

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A: 12 5'	ZV: 22 30'
B: 13 04'	ZX: 33 48'
C: 8 37'	ZY: 89 10'
D: 10 0'	ZW: 89 30'
E: 0 12'	
F: 6 75'	

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- 2. Contact print from above negative.

Exposed in printing frame  
Type of paper....Ilford Bromide, extra contrasty, single weight, spec. smooth matt.  
Exposure time....1-2 sec.  
Developer.....Kodaline or D-72  
Development time.45 sec.-1 min.

- 3. Grey contact print (for color break) from above negative

Same paper and developer as above.  
Exposure time....Flash  
Development by examination.

**Bombardier & Navigator Drawings**

- 1. Negative from center map contact print.

Exposed in oblique camera using 4 No. 2 Photofloods.  
Type of dry plate....Kodak, process slow, B-5 : Ilford, thin film, halftone  
Exposure time  
Navigator....2 3/4 min : 2 1/2 min.  
Bombardier...3 min. : 2 1/2 min.  
Developer.....Kodalith : Kodalith  
Development time.....4-5 min. : 3-5 min.

- 2. Projection print from above negative.  
Exposed by indirect projection using copy camera.

Type of paper.....Ilford Bromide, extra contrasty, single wt., spec. smooth matt.  
Exposure time.....3/4-1 1/2 min.  
(Areas in back of and on the side of the target are given more time by dodging)  
Type of developer.....D-154  
Development time.....3/4-1 min.



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**CONFIDENTIAL**CAMERA LENSES

In developing this oblique photography two types of lenses were experimented with.

1. Long focus lens.
2. Short focus lens (wide angle)

Long focus lenses up to 30" focal length proved unsatisfactory because they only served to elongate the copy and could not bring in the required perspective grid.

Various short focus lenses were tried and it was found that a wide angle lens of 8" focal length and 65° field gave the required convergence and perspective. To overcome fuzziness of detail in either foreground or background, the smallest aperture (F.64) possible was used with the above lens.

CAMERA

A Kodak Model B, 8" X 10" all metal, tilt back type camera is being used.

LIGHTING

Four No. 2 photo floods are being used.

MATERIALS AND EXPOSURE TIMESCENTER MAP DRAWING

1. Negative from inked blue-line plate or acetate tracing.

Made in regular copy camera  
 Type of film.....Agfa Reprolith Orano  
 Size of film.....8 1/2" X 10"  
 Exposure time.....70 sec.  
 Developer/.....Kodalith  
 Development.....2-3 1/2 min.

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**OBLIQUE PHOTOGRAPHY  
FOR  
PERSPECTIVE MAPS****CONFIDENTIAL****GRID PROJECTIONS**

The oblique photography described herein is based on using the grid projections shown on pages 6 & 7.

**CAMERA SET-UP**

To readily adjust the relationship of the camera and copy, all elements the camera set-up must be adjustable with facilities for locking up once the final adjustment is made. In the accompanying drawings of the camera set-ups (see pages 4 & 5) note that the camera base and copy board are adjustable in any direction desired. For accurate checking of the set-up a master grid was drawn on lacquered plate glass to assure a plane surface. An oblique master grid to check the focusing image was made in positive on film to fit the focusing glass of the camera back.

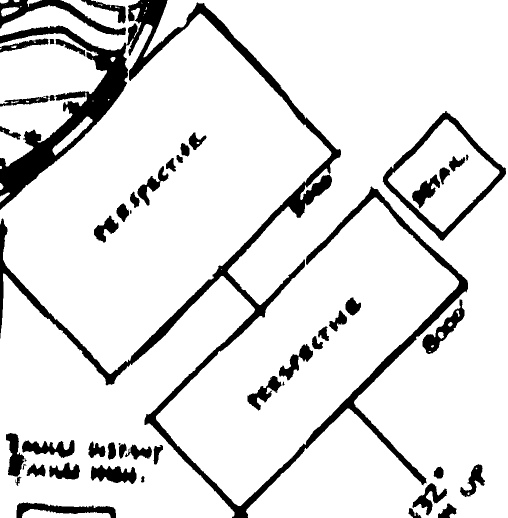
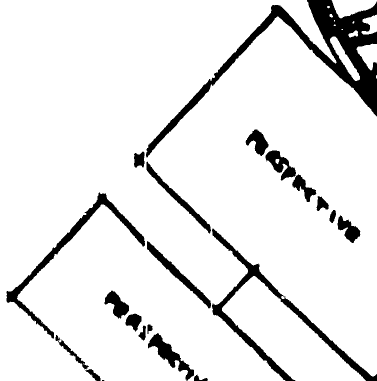
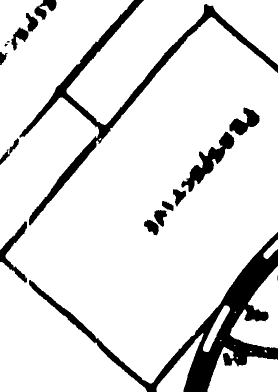
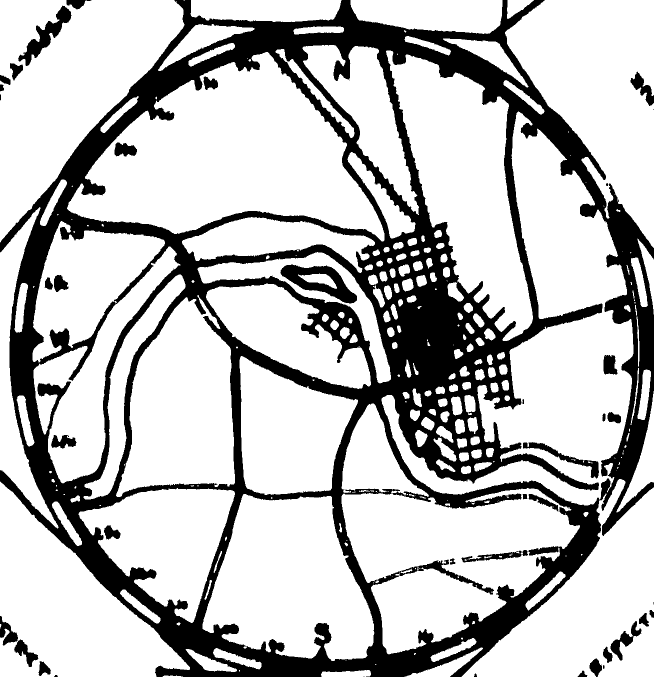
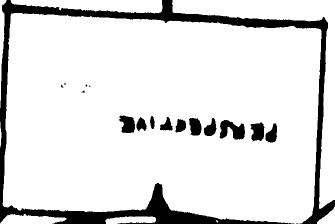
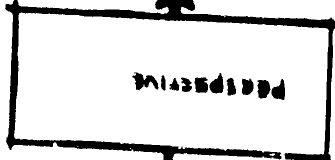
A hole was drilled in the center of the master grid plate and placed over a metal pin located along the vertical projection of the optical axis of the camera. Two stop lugs on the same projection at both ends of the copy permit the use of a straight edge for rapid and accurate orientation.

After the entire system has been checked for final adjustment, to start actual operations, the master grid glass plate is replaced by a bromide print of the center map mounted on glass plate (same thickness as master grid plate) with the target centered over the drilled center hole. The plate can now be revolved through 360° to orient each run-up and the exposures made. The negative plates are retouched where necessary and projection prints made to drafting scale.

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WIND



FROM 1000  
15 MINS DISTANT  
5 MINS HIGH  
180° RUN UP.

TOWNS HIDEWAY  
FARMER HIGH.

TARGET  
DETAIL

NOTES  
3 COLORS  
WATER - BLUE  
TOWN - BROWN  
ROADS -  
RAILROADS - BLACK

5720 - APPROX 29 x 10"

BY AIR FORCE TARGET 44A  
WIDELINGS.

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layout of the target map as described herein is attached.

#### North African Air Force Target Maps

North African Air Force target maps are prepared in Algiers and are somewhat smaller in size (approximately 10" x 24") than those in England due to the difficulty of getting larger printing presses in the African area. The vertical view of the center of the target map is a photographic mosaic instead of being a drawn map as is in the case of the English target maps. However, drawn perspective views accompany the target map in a manner similar to that of the English maps. Colonel Eddington, R.A., is responsible for the preparation of these maps and his office was in the Shell Building, Algiers. His present whereabouts can be ascertained by inquiring through General Timberlake of the North African Air Forces.

#### U. S. Naval Target Maps

A unique type of naval target map was used by the U.S. Navy in the Sicilian invasion operations. This map consisted of a beach area drawn in plan view. Further inland from the beach areas, terrain was indicated in ever increasing perspective in such a manner that the distant hills in the background are seen in elevation as a silhouette against the sky. Silhouette outlines of the shoreline and terrain, as seen from the bridge of a naval vessel standing out at a given distance from shore, are provided at the lower margin of these target maps. Landmarks, landing beach areas, and background silhouettes are indicated both on these sketches and on the plan drawings. A copy of the type of target map described in this chapter is attached.

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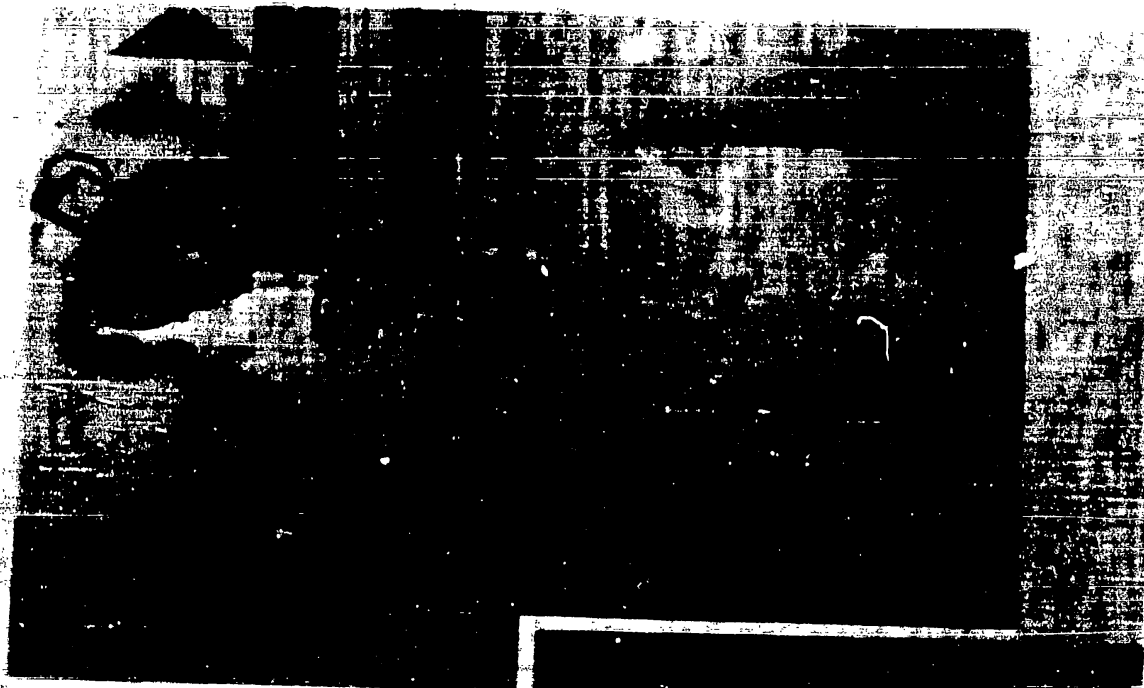
Three types of target maps have been noted in the M.T.O.

1. Eighth Air Force Target Maps
2. NORTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE Target Maps
3. U. S. Naval Target Maps

Eighth Air Force Target Maps

Some target maps (approximately 24" x 30") have been developed by Major Gerald E. Overlings, USAF. They consist of a circular vertical plan of the target area in the center of a printed sheet. Radiating from this circular plan are six "run-up" lines. Two perspective views of the target are furnished at each of these "run-up" lines. These perspective views are constructed to represent the pilot's view from bombing altitudes of about 8 miles, and at distances from the target of approximately 17 miles and 7 miles respectively. A small perspective "close-up" of the target itself is also furnished for each of these "run-up" lines. The target maps are printed in two colors, brown and blue. Water areas are indicated in blue tones, and towns are indicated in brown. Road lines, etc., are printed in black. A unique method of construction, the perspective views is employed. The center target plan is prepared first. This plan is then photographed obliquely to produce the perspective views of the target area. This oblique photography is explained in the attached data, supplied by the Designers Co., New York, England. A sketch showing the

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Preparing to photograph a medal. The position of the 'sun' is being moved to three shadows appropriate to the time of day and year for which the picture is required.

The base of the 'sun-dial' is laid on the medal with its North point to the North. The pointer is turned to the angle from which the light is required. The light is moved horizontally to cast a shadow centrally on the slope, and vertically to give the correct angle of elevation. This 'sun-dial' was made by the Special Section.



**RESTRICTED**Color Scheme

Green Grass - trees - etc. Shades of green (trees dark)

Blue Water - shade of blue (fathom strips getting lighter into shore)

Grey Roads - beach - etc. Shades of grey

Brown Earth - etc. Brown

Brown Grid lines (over each egg-crate) dark brown ink (ruled on with pen)

White - Red Army grid - bright red and bright yellow

and True north - bright yellow arrow

Yellow Spot elevations and spot markers - white

Grade tones away from target slightly like a rendering.  
 Use modern lettering - style for letters and figures.  
 Edges of model to be painted very dark blue (or black).

An alternate method of Capt. Fletcher's model building unit done away with the masonite base, and substitutes for it a cardboard base.



TOP AND BOTTOM CARDBOARD  
 WITH 3/4" HIGH EGGCRATE  
 BETWEEN

This is composed of a single level egg-crate construction with a sheet of cardboard top and bottom - all glued together with casein glue.



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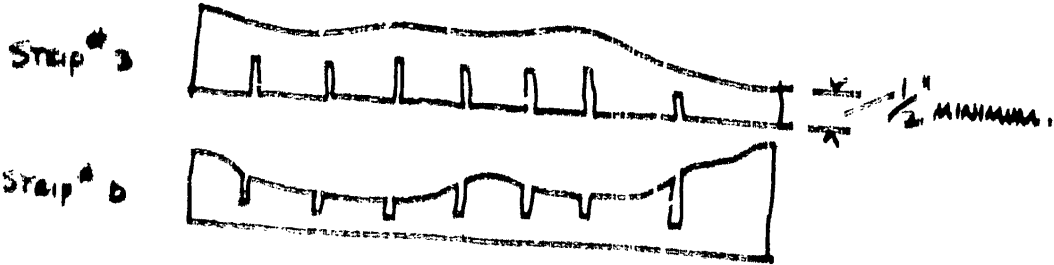
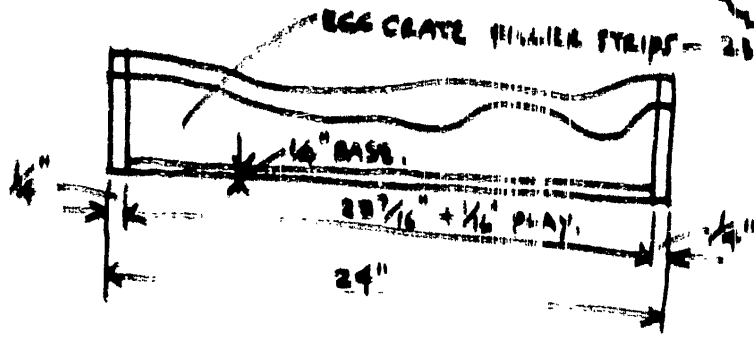
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**Assembly -** Nail each contoured perimeter strip to the base board (with each strip lapping the other at the corners as shown on diagram). This is the FORM. Fit the egg-crate together, and after liberally spreading the inside of the form with casien glue, drop the egg-crate into place.

Soak a strip of calico in casien glue mixture, (the calico can be laid over the model and a rough cut to size made - only cut a bit more than needed). When the glue becomes very tacky and ready to set, work the cloth over the egg-crate with the fingers so as to make it take the shape of the egg-crate. Hold down with the fingers until it will grip by itself. If the calico seems to "sag down" into the egg-crate spaces, do not be disturbed as it will stretch out like a drum when dry. Trim edges at the base.

When dry, cover the skin with glue also and dry again. With casien glue, stick tree groups - buildings - etc., on to the model (but only after the initial values of land and water have been sprayed on).

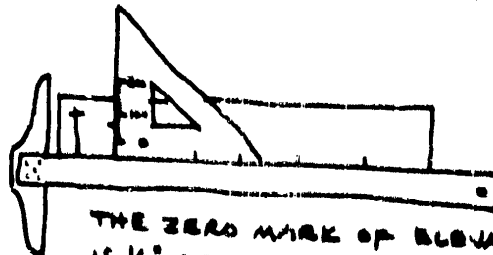
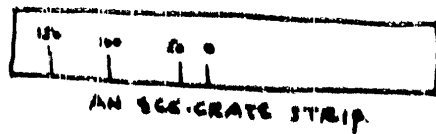
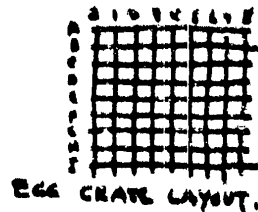
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The egg-crate filler strips are 25 7/16" wide (so as to "drop" into the model box with an easy but snug fit). Each filler strip is notched out a little more than half of its height at each coordinate line. The numbered strips are all notched at the bottom; the lettered strips are all notched at the top.

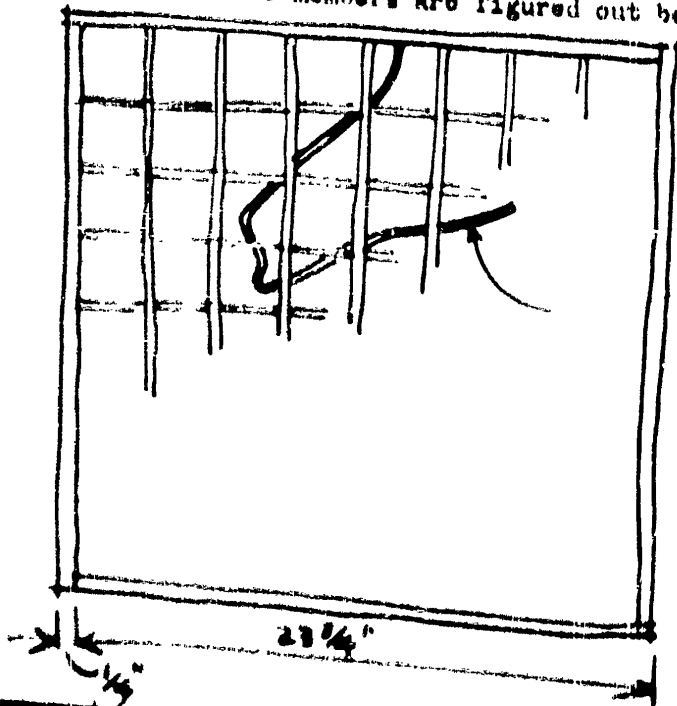
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The outside strips are laid over their corresponding line on the contour map, and contour crossings with their corresponding levels are noted at the base of the strip. An ordinary celluloid triangle with a scale etched on to it (1" = 5280' on one leg and 1" = 10560' on the other leg) is used to rule the verticals on the strip and to note the point of the contour level. These points are connected with fair lines, and the contours out.



THE ZERO MARK OF ELEVATION IS 1/2" ABOVE THE BOTTOM OF THE STRIP.

1/4" of strip is always left (at sealevel) to give a base of 1/4" depth to the model at its shallowest point. The outside perimeter strips are cut with a hacksaw; the egg-crate strips are cut with scissors or sharp matt knife. Sizes of members are figured out below.



INTERMEDIATE CONSTANT HEIGHT PIECES ARE INSERTED TO ACCENTUATE CONTOUR LINES WHERE NECESSARY.

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Report on - EGG-CRATE MODEL MAKING

by  
Lt. N. H. Juran, USMC

Notes on "egg-crate" terrain models as made by the U. S. Army  
(Capt. Fletcher - Sgt. Bud Ellis) at Phyllis Court, Kenley, England.  
(Now moved to R.A.F. Hedmerhall)

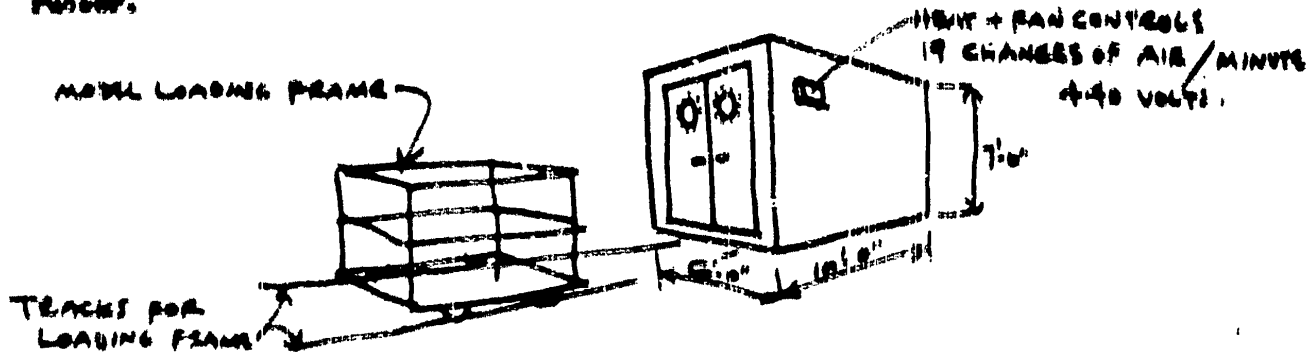
Scale - All models are made in multiples of 1" to a mile; 1" to 1  
miles; etc.

Size - All models are made in panels 2'0" square which can be butted  
together to make a multiple unit model.

Materials - Calico (heavy ruslin - unbleached) (or light duck canvas) is  
used for the surface skin. 1/2" board (like bannite) is used for  
the base and outside form. 1/32" cardboard is used for con-  
toured "egg-crate" form, and cuttings of this cardboard are used  
for tree areas and building, docks, etc. Casein glue is used  
to stick the egg-crate into the form, and to soak the calico  
before applying the skin. Glue size is used to prepare the skin  
for the paint. Paint - three primary colors are used - the paint  
is sprayed on to the model. Spray gun or blowpiped for the  
painting. T-square - triangles - instruments, etc. for drawing.  
Block saw, jig saw, scissors, brads, small hammer are the tools  
employed.

Method - The plan is ruled off into 64 squares - each of the coordinate lines  
are numbered 0-8 and 1-1. The outside perimeter,  
(0 and 8 and 1 and 1) are made of 1/2" stock; the  
balance are made of cardboard.

Under S/L Wood, R.A.F. Woodhouse has experimented with models made of synthetic rubber. The moulds are made by "spraying" metal on the original model. A new oven just being installed, is to be used in "baking" the rubber.



An experiment (still in its infancy) is being made with color photos being pressed into relief forms over moulds of the terrain.

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In 16 man hours. The method of construction is such that it is possible for personnel without architectural background to carry out very consistent results. A complete description is attached in a special report on "Mg-Grate Model Making". The British reaction to this type of model is that it is interesting; and should have some application in field modelling, but that it is not suitable for the type of models required by the British themselves. British model making is so organized that there is a good deal of advanced notice, and proper preparations can be made for producing very accurate models. It requires approximately 3 to 4 weeks from start to finish of a model made in the British manner. Some of their more extensive projects require 6 weeks and more.

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which is generally followed in America. Models are painted in the usual manner and are ready for painting.

### Painting

All building up of values and painting of models is done in black and white. These tones are applied to give the same effect to the eye that aerial photographs give. In a 1:10,000 model this effect is a general grey mixture of slightly varying tonal values. After the values have been established in black and white oil paint, an oil stain of soft green is rubbed over the model where green fields are indicated, and a soft brown stain is rubbed over those sections which represent plowed earth or bald terrain. The staining with a single soft pigment of preestablished values results in a colored model of photographic quality. This result is unique in the observer's contact with models, and is altogether one of the most satisfying characteristics of terrain models yet seen by the observer. After the general tones of the terrain have been established and stained, the water areas are painted a greyish blue, the roads are painted light grey and the towns receive special attention depending on the locality of which the model is made. Various methods of applying shrubbery and tree areas are used. In very small scale models the tree areas are painted on the models with glue and colored sawdust is then sifted over the glued areas and allowed to set. In other cases sponge rubber, steel wool, etc. are used. The general characteristics of the finished model are those of extreme accuracy such as has been seldom noted in American model building.

Under the direction of Captain Fletcher, US Army Air Forces, the American model building unit at RAF Washington has developed a unique type of model building called the "aggragate" model. These aggragate models can be completed

the built up contour areas in order to produce a more accurate representation of the terrain as indicated in the stereoscopic photographic cover.

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When the terrain modelling is thus completed, sections of the mosaics which have been supplied by the Wild section are mounted on the face of the model where practical. In flat terrain it is often possible to mount the mosaics over large areas, but in more undulating sections, it is necessary to leave gaps inbetween the sections of mosaics. Photographic detail is then painted on these sections where it has been impossible to mount the mosaics. This painting is done in black and white tones to match the tonal values of the black and white mosaics.

#### Preparation for Reproduction

In order not to lose the photographic detail on the model in the casting process, all detail on the model is represented in three dimensions. Roadways are traced over with a paint line which, even though it is very faint, can be recognized as a roadway on the casting made from the model. Hedge lines, field intersections, walls and other distinguishing characteristics of the terrain are drawn in relief on the model. To accomplish this a small hand gun filled with plastic material such as jesso, is used. These areas are outlined by tapping a series of dots or by squencing a very fine line of material on to the model. While the bulk of the model is being assembled, a team of 2 or more model builders are busy making scaled representations of towns. These towns are built in relief over the mosaic plan of the town, and are ready to apply to the main model at the time the large mosaics are mounted. After all the roads, field intersections, town buildings, etc. have been indicated in paint lines or low relief indications, a plaster mould is made. The moulding operation is carried on in the usual plaster technique



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Materials Used

Compo board similar to masonite, but of an inferior quality, approximately 1/2" thick is used for bases. 3/4" by 1 1/2" wood stock is used for the base frames. Large sheets of compo board and cardboard of varying thickness are used for building up the contour layers of the model. Plaster is used both in the construction of the original model where it forms the "filler" between contour levels, as well as for making the moulds and castings of additional models. Oil paint is used for finishing the model; sawdust, sponge rubber, etc. are used for surface textures and foliage.

Equipment

The model shop consists of three inter-connected Nissen huts, each approximately 25' by 65' in floor area. Very little machinery is used. Hand saws, miscellaneous hand tools and an electric out-awl machine comprise the tools. Occasional use is made of the power saw, hand saw, shaper, and drill press operating in the American model wing.

Procedure

The model bases are cut first usually about 3' by 6' in size. They are then mounted on a wooden frame which is divided into approximately 1' squares in each direction. The bracing as well as the <sup>outline</sup> ~~additional~~ perimeter of the frame is made of the 3/4" by 1 1/2". The base is nailed to the base frame. Contours are then cut from the compo board stock which is selected to be of the same thickness as the contour interval unit. These are mounted one over the other until the contours are all represented. The model is then glue sized and the notches between contours are filled in with plaster. Careful stereoscopic examination or photographic cover is carried on during this process to insure that the model will correspond to the actual terrain as shown on the photographs. Sometimes it is necessary to cut away some of

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Report on - MODEL BUILDING IN THE E.T.O.

by

Lt. N. H. Juran, USNR.

Model Building Units in operation in the E.T.O. are:

English Unit RAF Medmenham, under the direction of S/L Wood, RAF.  
American Unit, RAF Medmenham, under direction of Capt. Fletcher,  
U.S. Army Air Forces  
English Unit North African Photo Reconnaissance Wing, Tunis  
Under direction of Lt. Cox, RAF.  
English Unit Middle East Interpretation Unit, Cairo.  
Under direction of Lt. Kim Allen, RAF.

1. The technique used in all of the English Model Building Units is virtually the same and the report on the technique used in RAF Medmenham will in effect cover that used in the NAPRW and the MEIU. The method follows.

Data Supplied

Contour maps and photographic mosaics of the area to be modelled are prepared by the Wild Section, through the use of the Wild Swiss mapping machine. These mosaics and contour maps are then turned over to the Model Section. Data is supplied at the scale of the model required. This scale varies with the purpose for which the model is being built. Small scale models covering large areas are generally made at a scale of 1:10,000. Other models for more detailed operations are made at larger scales. Stereoscopic pairs of vertical photos of the area to be modelled are supplied to the modelling section.



ADDENDA TO NIGHT PHOTO SECTION**CONFIDENTIAL**

Some of the judgments of night photo interpretation can be easily explained, others require a long term of apprenticeship in actual night photo interpretation before the operator can acquire any measure of skill in recognition and interpretation.

Since the focal length of the night photo camera and the 7 inch width of the film plate are such as to make the lens angle 35 degrees, each inch on the 7 inch width of picture represents 5 degrees of movement. Thus when a light source on the ground moves 2" across the width of the film plate, a bank of 10 degrees has been made by the aircraft. When viewed on the emulsion face of the negative - with the direction of flight pointing vertically, movement of a point toward the left of the picture denotes the raising of the starboard wing or a bank to the left. Movements toward the right of the picture denote the raising of the port wing or a <sup>BANK</sup> banking to the right. Movements toward the bottom of the picture denote a downward movement of the nose of the plane and movement toward the top of the picture denotes nose up or climbing action.

**CONCLUSION**

The most forceful impression received abroad was the tremendous advantages the British have acquired in pooling all their photo interpretation into one unit under one system. The advantages are evident and hardly need enumerating. They include:

1. Elimination of duplication of effort - unavoidable and scattered organizations.
2. Simplification of liaison with Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and Air Force, as well as with other allied units.
3. Central pool of information gives all branches of service access to all available information.
4. Formulation of standard policy of terms, nomenclature, symbols, etc. for interpretation reports.
5. Controlled security of activities and of dissemination of information.
6. Central library more complete than any single independent unit could possibly be.
7. Central unit can carry on research more economically than a number of independent units.
8. Central organization benefits by getting all improved methods and ideas since there is no competition.
9. Best talent available under one roof for joint action on policy and solution of special problems.
10. Better training available for incoming personnel.

When examining our various photo interpretation units now in existence in America, it is hoped that the existence of the obvious advantages enjoyed in this single, well organized, smoothly functioning interpretation unit will be of value.

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North African Photo Reconnaissance Wing

This unit located at La Marsa, Tunis, operates in a parallel with the R.A.F. Medmenham except that its operations are carried on a small scale. The unit is headed by Colonel Elliott Roosevelt who is assisted by W/O Fuller. The photo interpretation work is carried on mainly by British personnel trained at R.A.F. Medmenham although there are a few Americans working with the British. Other services of the unit such as the Weather Bureau, the training school, and the reconnaissance air fields are operated by American personnel. Two reconnaissance squadrons equipped with P-50 aircraft supply the photographic data for the unit. A photographic interpretation school administered by Americans for American students is carried on in connection with this unit. Instruction is given by British interpreters. A small model shop manned by British personnel trained at R.A.F. Medmenham is included in the unit. Current interpretation work is being done in the Italian and Dalmatian Coast areas.

**SECRET**Middle East Interpretation Unit

The Middle East Interpretation Unit at Heliopolis, Cairo, follows the pattern of the R.A.F. Medmenham, very closely and operates entirely with English personnel. This unit is divided into two main sections, R.A.F. and Army sections. American liaison is established through Lt. Mandorfer, USNR. At present, this unit is working on Greek islands. The unit has a small but very alert model shop under the direction of Lt. Kim Allen, R.A.F. The <sup>ACTING</sup> commanding officer of the unit is S/L Smith, R.A.F.

Other Units

Other Interpretation Units operating in the E.T.O. include:

Small field units of two or three interpreters operating with Allied forces in Italy.

U.S. Naval Headquarters in Algiers - Goals International

British Naval Headquarters in Algiers - Goals House



LIBRARY -

THIS ENTIRE BUILDING IS NOW CROWDED  
WITH METAL RACKS - FULL OF PICTURES  
OF SWAMP TERRITORY.

THIS PHOTO WAS TAKEN BEFORE THE LIBRARY MOVED IN.

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all photographic sorties and are of great assistance to selecting the photo he requires from a large number of photos.

### The Library

An extensive library is maintained for cataloging all reconnaissance photos. This library occupies an area of approximately 70' by 150', the greater part of which is devoted to metal racks filled with reconnaissance photos from all parts of the world. For easy identification each sortie is given a library number. This number is related to the geographic position of the sortie through an index. Maps of all sections of the world are provided as indexes. They are marked off in grid sections, each section having its own grid number. To find a sortie in the library, the interpreter consults the grid on the map and finds the grid number. He then ascertains the library number of the various sorties flown in this grid area with their corresponding dates. Since all photos are arranged in accordance with their library number, it is a simple matter to pick out the sorties required. Each sortie is contained in a small box which has the plotting map attached to the inside cover. This plot shows the geographic area covered by each photo contained in the box. Since this library is the central unit for the filing of all photo reconnaissance pictures made in Norway, Germany, France, and the Low Countries area, it is very extensive in size and more complete than it would be if all activities were not centered in this one interpretation unit. Other photos are on file from the African, Middle East, and Far East areas.

The U.S. Command Unit acts as a parent unit for the North African and Middle Eastern interpretation units and personnel is supplied to the subsidiary units from this parent unit. Only well trained personnel is sent abroad and in general the methods and policies of the parent organization are carried out in the field.



wrecked planes and the damage done to the field and installations. The appearance of new types of aircraft is continually watched.

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#### Wild Section

The Wild section gets its name from the Wild machine, a Swiss mapping device. This section prepares contour maps and renders photogrammetric service. This section also makes photo mosaics of possible enemy targets which in turn are used by the Model Section as later described.

#### Model Section

The model section is described in greater detail in a special report on the model building in the H.T.O. Its function is mainly the building of models for briefing and intelligence purposes, and the data which the model builders use is supplied to them by the various sections.

#### Wireless Section

The Wireless Section maintains a complete record of all wireless, Radar, and other technical enemy communication stations. It estimates the power and range of these installations and provides working drawings where possible for further study by other branches of the service. New stations being built are noted by this section and included in the reports. Unusual designs of wireless station buildings are noted, and followed with interest. In some cases, reports from this section have been followed with air attacks on these stations.

#### Plotting Section

A Plotting Section is operated for the purpose of making plotting charts of the geographic location of each individual photo taken by reconnaissance planes. These plots are made at a very small scale on tracing cloth over a map of the territory photographed. A small square representing the area covered by each photo is drawn on the map. This is numbered in a corner with the number of the photo which it represents. These plotting maps accompany

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a comprehensive report of the entire action. This includes the position of the path finder sticks, as well as the position of incendiaries <sup>was captured</sup> and ~~many~~ exploding bombs dropped during the raid, to the target area. Searchlight positions and anti-aircraft positions can also be determined from these night photos and this information is coordinated with the Army section who are responsible for the reports on searchlights, anti-aircraft, and coastal defense positions.

(SEE ADDENDA TO NIGHT PHOTO SECTION AT)  
(END OF THIS REPORT.)  
Submarine Section

The submarine section examines all coastal sorties and maintains a continuous log on submarine building program carried on at enemy bases. It also compiles information regarding the launching of these submarines and the laying down of new keels. A careful check of bombing results is made so as to determine the effect of the bombing of these areas on the building schedule of submarines.

Shipping Section

The shipping section tabulates all enemy shipping as shown in coastal reconnaissance. All these ships are identified as to name whenever possible. An unusual chart follows each ship from port to port with information regarding where last seen and all movement data relating to these ships. Another phase of the shipping section encompasses the movement of enemy convoys. Convoy reports are issued with a sketch of the traveling formation of the convoy including reports on the escort vessels as well as the tankers, freighters, and merchant men.

Air Field Section

The air field section examines all existing enemy air fields and notes the position of new air fields. Wherever possible these fields are examined for presence of planes, the number and characteristics of which are carefully noted. In the event of an action an assessment is made of the number of



A TYPICAL NIGHT PHOTO LIKE THIS CAN  
A WEALTH OF INFORMATION TO A TEAM

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Industry Section

Industry Section reports involve detailed examination of factories as well as an assessment of the amount of activity noted before and after the bombing. These indications serve as an index to the effectiveness of the factory operations and output after a raid. Rail movements of freight and supplies to and from factory areas supplement these industry reports.

**SECRET**Decoy Section

Periodic reports are issued regarding the positions and characteristics of enemy decoys. The decoy section examines all reconnaissance photos for the presence of new decoys as well as for a check up on existing ones. These decoys fall into both day decoy and night decoy classes.

Night Section

One of the most interesting of all sections is the night section which deals only with night photos. Inasmuch as the heaviest British raids are made at night this section is responsible for the interpretation of all photos made during the raid. Night photos contain a wealth of information although on the surface they seem to be only a confused mass of strange lights and wavy streaks. Special cameras used in night photography provide alternate frames of  $\frac{1}{2}$  second and 8 second exposures. The  $\frac{1}{2}$  second exposures pinpoint fires and searchlight positions as well as positions of flares and path finder attacks. The 8 second exposures are intended to hold the lens of a camera so as to pick up ground detail with the aid of flash bombs. These photos contain a track or light path made by a single source of light on the ground. This track makes strange streaks of light across the film and the characteristics of the shapes of these tracks are indices to the <sup>EVANUE</sup> ~~objective~~ action and general movement of the aircraft containing the camera. By coordinating the information contained in the various pictures taken during a night raid by different aircraft during the progress of a raid, the night section is able to

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Section, Wild Section, Modelling Section, Wireless Section, and Plotting Section. An extensive library serves all sections.

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#### Army Section

Army Section reports include coastal defenses, types of batteries, appearance of new batteries, assessment of other types of enemy defenses such as searchlight positions, flak batteries, tank traps, barbed/wire entanglements, etc. In the more critical sections of the French coast daily reconnaissance photos are examined and compared with preceding photos. The Army section is administered by an Army captain and various members of the Army section are individually responsible for reports and up-to-the-minute condition of the defenses of their assigned section of the enemy coast.

#### Navy Section

This section prepares reports on landing beaches, movements of warships, etc., and has developed some interesting data on the relation of speed of ships to the wake. It has conducted a number of experimental photographic tests to determine the characteristics of underwater and above-water beach areas as contained in reconnaissance photos. This includes an assessment of various types of seaweed and rock formations and conclusions drawn therefrom.

#### Bomb Damage

Bomb damage reports (of the third phase) are accompanied by maps of bombed areas showing the location of individual bomb hits within and without the target area. Types of notations indicate total destruction, partial destruction, and slight damaged areas, and the general assessment as to the percentage of effective destruction is indicated. An American Army officer (Lt. Elliott Platten) who has spent a great deal of time in the Bomb Damage Section at Washington, is now instructing at the Warburg, Pennsylvania Interpretation School.

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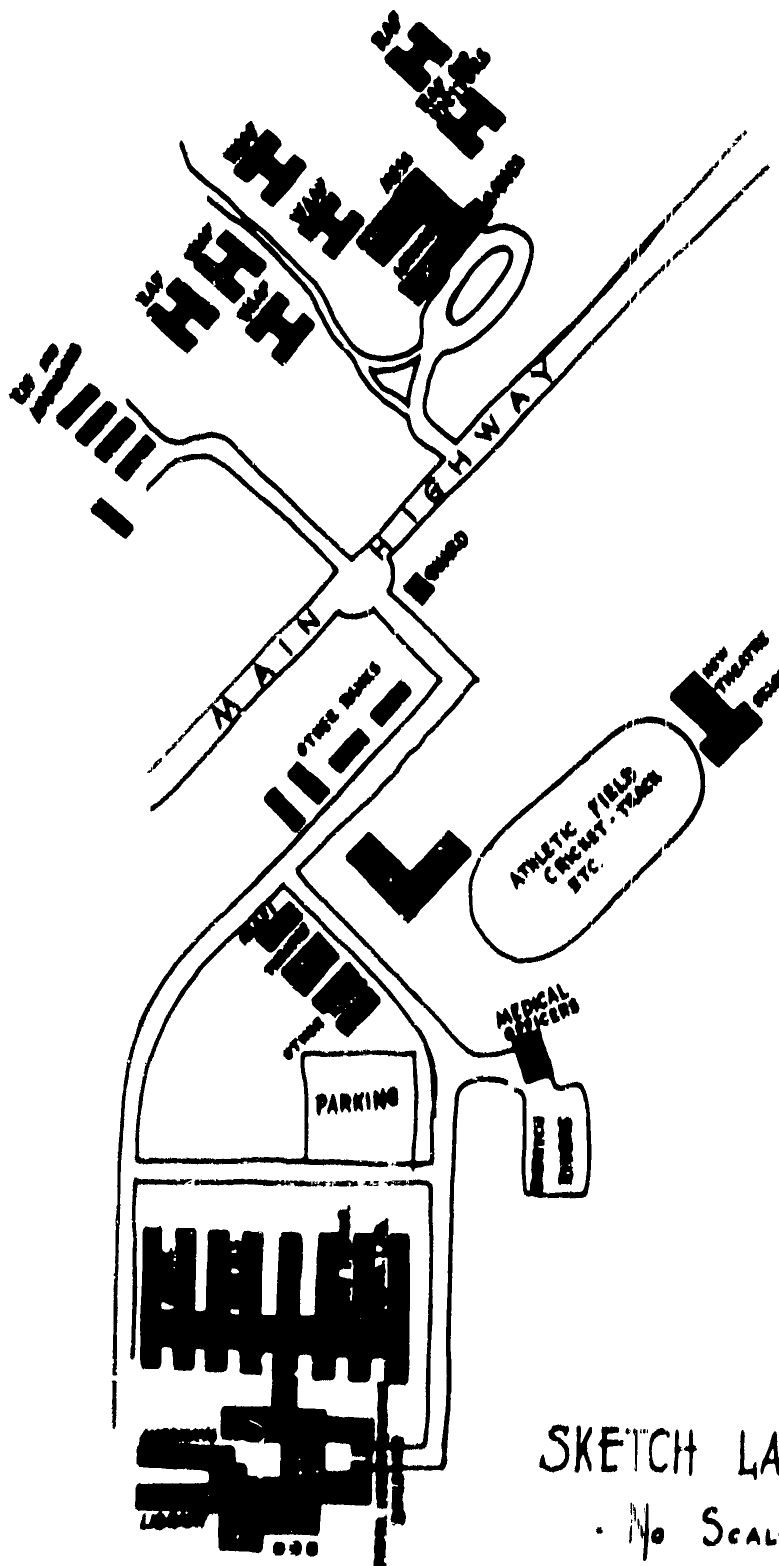
assisted by W/O Kendall and W/O Henshaw-Thomas. Various organisations are under the direction of squadron leaders.

Reconnaissance photos are supplied to the photographic interpretation unit by three reconnaissance units; one of these operates from northern England; one from Cornwall in southern England, and a third from Benson Field which is near R.A.F. Medmenham. The photographic interpretation work is divided into three phases.

First phase photographic interpretation is the immediate assessment of the photographic negatives. This work is done by a small group (3 or 4) of highly trained interpreters stationed at the reconnaissance air fields. As soon as a reconnaissance aircraft is landed, the negatives are developed and given first phase examination. Any important information found in this examination such as the whereabouts of enemy capital ships, the existence of unusual enemy concentrations, etc., is immediately relayed to proper authorities. The negatives are then sent by dispatch riders to R.A.F. Medmenham, where they are printed, and the prints are sent into second phase interpretation.

Second phase interpretations are made within 24 to 48 hours and contain a very quick, general report of shipping, air fields, aircraft, bomb damage assessment, condition of enemy defenses, etc. After the second phase examinations have been completed, the prints are turned over to the various third phase sections.

Third phase reports are issued in whatever time is required to make a very complete and accurate survey of enemy activities and of operational results. Included in the third phase sections are the following units: Army Section, Naval Section, Bomb Damage Section, Industry Section, Doney Section, Flight Section, Submarine Section, Shipping Section, Air Field



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INCLUDED TO GIVE SOME IDEA AS  
TO THE LARG SCALE OF THIS  
CENTRAL INTERPRETATION UNIT.

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Report on - PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION UNITS OF THE E.T.O.

by

Lt. N. H. Juran, USNR.

Photographic Interpretation Units operating in the E.T.O. are:

1. R.A.F. Ledmenham, England
2. North African Photo Reconnaissance Wing, Tunisia
3. Middle East Interpretation Unit, Cairo
4. Other Units

R.A.F. Ledmenham, England

Up to the present time photographic interpretation work in the E.T.O. has been done mainly by British Units although an increasingly large number of American interpreters are operating within these units. British personnel receives its basic training in photograph interpretation at Ledmenham (near Ledmenham) in a six weeks course. Heads of departments engaged in photographic interpretation work at Ledmenham, lecture the students on specialized interpretation. The instruction at the school is practical and thorough and students arriving at Ledmenham upon the completion of their course are able immediately to begin work as photographic interpreters. They are assigned to work under more experienced personnel until such time as their performance justifies confidence in their reports. Almost all photographic interpreters are commissioned officers.

The photographic interpretation unit at Ledmenham in England, is the largest in the E.T.O. and very likely the largest in the world. It is comprised of approximately 1000 personnel of which about 40 percent are officers. Of the officer personnel WAAF's dominate in number (about 60 percent WAAF and 40 percent R.A.F.). The unit is under the direction of U/C Major



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**From:** Office of Strategic Services  
**To:** Office of Naval Intelligence  
**Subject:** Report on Activities in the E.T.O.

The attached report for your information, contains first-hand observations made by a member of our organization who has been stationed at all of the photographic interpretation units at the S.I.O. within the past eight months. The report is divided into separate sections for your convenience. Only the original of sections 1 and 3 have been prepared. No copies have been made of these two sections.

1. Photographic Interpretation in the E.T.O.
2. Model Building in the E.T.O.
3. Target Maps in the E.T.O.
4. Use of Oblique Photos in the E.T.O.
5. Aerial Photograph Perspective Sketcher
6. Pilot's Scale Estimator
7. Measuring Underwater Depths by Oblique Projection

Additional details can be made available on any of the above reports by request to the Office of Strategic Services, Field Photographic Branch, Executive C100, extension 2030.

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ON MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES  
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**AIRMAIL**

**HEADQUARTERS EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
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UNITED STATES ARMY  
A. P. O. 667**

Our ref: E/1

5 Oct 1943

Lieutenant (jg) N.M. Juran, U.S.N.R.,  
Hq. MAPSW,  
A. P. O. 480,  
U.S. Army.

Dear Juran,

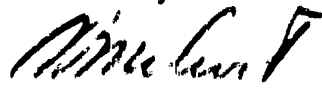
I was pleased to receive your letter of 18th. September regarding arrangements made to provide us with one of the Holograph units. We shall be glad to study it and experiment with its use on our problems.

Captain Johnson of the 952nd. Engineers has furnished a preliminary report on his method of oblique photography for target charts. I hope that this will give you the information you need for your project.

Lt. Colonel McGrimmon joins in sending kindest personal regards.

For the Chief Engineer:

Sincerely yours,



H. MILLETT.  
Colonel G.S.  
Chief, Intelligence Division.

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**From:** The Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics.  
**To:** The Naval Air Attache, American Embassy, London, England.  
**Subject:** Plotting Data for Oblique Aerial Photographs, Request for.

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**Reference:** (a) Captain A. I. Malstrom, USN, Naval Air Attache, American Embassy, London, Ltr. PMA/(1010) dated 2 September 1943 (confidential) to Captain L. A. Pope, USN, Bureau of Aeronautics, with Enclosure.

1. It is noted in Paragraph 6 of the enclosure to Reference (a) that new developments recently completed by the RAF make it possible to make measurements in both the horizontal and vertical planes directly from oblique aerial photographs. This statement is of significant interest to this Bureau. It is requested that all available data regarding this procedure be forwarded marked for attention of the Photographic Division.

2. Cooperation of the Naval Air Attache is appreciated.

*L. A. Pope*

FOR THE CHIEF OF BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS  
L. A. POPE

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Subject - Oblique Photography.

10/11/48

Brigadier General Wm. Donovan,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
Washington D.C.  
U.S.A.

Copies to - J.I.C.A., U.S.A.F.I.M.S.  
O.S.S., U.S.A.F.I.M.S.

Sir,

I have the honour to notify you that AAFIU have reason to be grateful to O.S.S. for the extremely interesting and most useful demonstration and lecture recently given here to our Army interpreters by Lieut. N.H. Juran, U.S.N.H. of O.S.S. Field Photographic Branch.

This is to us an entirely new application of the science and which we hoped to see developed without delay. We are already trying experiments here.

If any equipment, such as used by Lieut. Juran, is available on loan from O.S.S. this would prove most valuable at the Army Air Photo Interpretation School, M.S.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

R.F. Elliott,  
Major, R.A.C.,  
Officer Commanding,  
School.

RM, M.S.F.  
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Middle East Inter-rotation Unit,  
Royal Air Force,  
Middle East Forces.

27th October, 1943.

Ref. MKIU/S.129/Air/7a.

Dear *Turman*,

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you for the excellent lectures on the development of oblique projections which you delivered to this Unit on the 18th and 20th of October. These lectures have most certainly opened up a new field of research for our interpreters, who are making every possible use of the equipment handed over to them.

Should any new developments of the principles involved be discovered here, you will most certainly be apprised of them.

Yours sincerely,

*W. J. ...*

Group Captain, Commanding,  
M.E.I.U. ...

Lt. H.H. JAMES, U.S.N.K.,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
Field Photographic Branch.

HEADQUARTERS  
PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE WING  
A. F. S. S.

SUBJECT: Services rendered by U.S.A.F.

TO: Commanding General, U.S.A.F., [unclear]

REFERENCE: Methods of oblique projection

1. This organization expresses its appreciation for its contribution of the Oblique Projection method applied to photo interpretation and modeling.

2. The methods have been incorporated into the curriculum for the training of our photo interpreters. [unclear] has been assigned to carry on this work in our [unclear]. We feel these methods are unique in dealing with the problem of oblique photographic cover.

3. Our reconnaissance Wing has flown a special combat sortie to assist your representative in experiments for the determination of underwater depths by oblique projection. We hope these photos will be of service to you in this work.

4. It is desired that you should be aware of the wholehearted cooperative attitude as shown by your representative, N. N. Juran, Lt. (S.G.), U.S.A.F. It is felt that with the knowledge which he has gained of the problems inherent in actual theater conditions that he can greatly increase the efficiency of the use of reconnaissance photography in future operations.

5. A request has been made of Lieutenant Juran by this headquarters that an officer with complete training in this method of oblique projection be secured for assignment to this command in addition to the officers and men who have been partially trained during the visit of Lieutenant Juran.

[Signature]  
[Name]  
Colonel, U.S.A.F.  
Commanding General

HEADQUARTERS  
NORTHWEST AFRICAN PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE WING  
ARMY AIR FORCES

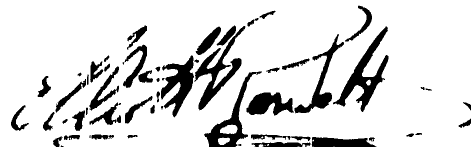
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APO 520, U.S. Army  
19 June, 1943.

SUBJECT: Temporary Services of Lt. (Jg) N. H. Juran.

TO : COMMANDER OF NAVAL FORCES IN EUROPE, U. S. Embassy, London.

1. This organization is interested in having Lt. (Jg) N. H. Juran placed on Detached Service with it for a period of time sufficient to determine the value of his Mohr-e-graph and oblique projection apparatus in field operations.



ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT,  
Colonel, Air Corps,  
Commanding.



11 November 1943.

From: Commander of U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.  
To: Director, U.S.S. Mission in London.  
Subject: Lieut. N.H. Juran, USNR. Request for Orders.  
Enclosure: Copy of Report on Duty.

1. Since May, 1943, subject-named officer, under the direction of this office, has been developing a new method for determining plans and measurements of military installations and beach gradients directly from oblique photos. He has worked at the British Central Interpretation Unit at R.A.F. Madras, North African Photo Reconnaissance Wing and the Middle East Interpretation Unit.
2. During his work this officer has uncovered a number of unique improvements in the field of photo interpretation. He is on the track of additional developments which may lead to the determination of under water depths from oblique photos. (See Enclosure (a) of attached report).
3. It is important that this officer be sent to Washington, D.C. in order that he may bring these developments to the attention of the Bureau of Aeronautics and the Office of Naval Intelligence immediately. (See Enclosure (b) of attached report).
4. It is desired that this officer indoctrinate a group of photo interpretation trainees in Annapolis, D.C. to operate the system of oblique projections, and that he prepare a comprehensive illustrated booklet on the method for use by the Interpretation Units of our armed forces.
5. It is further desired that this officer work with the Special Devices Division of the Bureau of Aeronautics in Washington, D.C. to prepare improved instruments for the operation of this method, to revise the heliograph perspective sketcher to meet field conditions, and to work out an instrument for pin pointing military objectives directly on to maps from oblique and vertical photos.
6. When this work is completed, subject named officer should be sent to the Pacific Theater to work on the method of measuring under water depths of coral reefs and landing barriers surrounding enemy beaches.
7. This office recommends that the subject named officer be sent immediately to Washington, D.C. for the purpose of carrying out the above outlined work.

/s/ Vice-Admiral Wilson.  
JONAVRU.

11 Nov 1943  
11 Nov 1943 (11 Nov 1943)

Tel No. ABBAY 3411.

Ext

AIR MINISTRY,  
KING CHARLES STREET,  
WHITEHALL, S.W. 1.

4th June, 1943.

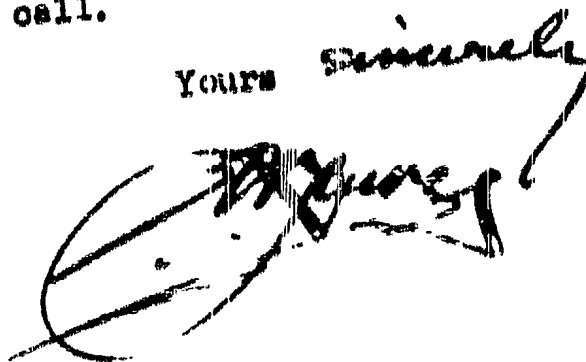
Dear Lt Juran

Thank you very much for your letter of the 3rd June, together with a copy of that written to Major Hart.

I shall be very glad to have your model of the heliograph which I will have copied.

I shall be glad to see you any time you care to call.

Yours sincerely



Lieut. N.H. Juran,  
U.S.N.R.,  
Office of Strategic Services,  
United States Government,  
London.

Telephone No. 2  
Pinner 10001-4. Extn. 10.

Use reply to:-  
Officer in charge.

GEOGRAPHICAL SECTION,  
GENERAL STAFF. (A)  
THE WAR OFFICE,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

Ref. No. **AS.403A/G.S.C.S.A.**

Your reference...

29th May, 1915.

I : Lt. Jurin,

I have read with great interest your pamphlet on the use of oblique photographs in making contoured maps and three dimensional models.

I should be most grateful if you could let me know any information as to any models you have so far constructed, with particular relation to any tests you may have carried out in estimating the accuracy of the method against known standards.

I understand that you will be in the country for some time, and so perhaps I shall have the opportunity of meeting you.

Yours sincerely,

*W. G. ...*  
(C. A. ...)  
(M. ...)

Lieutenant Jurin,  
U.S.A.,  
c/o 20 Grosvenor Square, W.1.

**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**  
**Field Photographic Branch**

M.O'D

22 March 1944

Mr. Robert Thrun,  
Room 124, Adm. Bldg.,  
OSS.

Dear Bob:

Enclosed please find three copies each  
of our four booklets. If you need additional  
copies, please advise.

Would you kindly return the original  
dummy booklets which are in your files.

Sincerely,

W. H. Juran,  
Lieut., USNR.

*file*  
*↑*

*Bob - you will recall you wanted to  
exchange the copies in the Chief of Staff  
Office with these printed ones.*

*Jerry*

IN REPLY ADDRESS THE DIRECTOR  
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY  
AND FOR THE COVER OF THIS LETTER

AND REFER TO NO. 527-RCR

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY  
WASHINGTON 25

April 4, 1944

To: Brigadier General William J. Donovan  
Director, Strategic Services  
25th and E Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

From: The Director  
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey

Subject: Literature on Iconography

It is understood that your office will, in the near future, publish some special literature on its research on Iconography.

It is believed that the knowledge of this science might be applicable to the use of this Bureau in certain phases of its work with aerial photography. Therefore, it is requested that this Bureau be placed on the list of agencies to be supplied with this literature.

*L. O. Polbert*  
Director

*Iconography - 11,046 go*

*W. J. Field Photo Br.  
Follow up*

*April 9*

*April 14 18*

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20 April 1944

Mr. L. P. Gilbert, Director,  
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey,  
Department of Commerce,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Gilbert:

Ref: GWT-1011

The special literature on landings which you requested in your letter of 4 April 1944 is being sent to you under separate cover by our Field Photographic Branch. I hope that it will be of assistance to the Survey in connection with its work on aerial photography.

We have also added the Survey to the list of agencies to be supplied with similar literature which may be available in the future.

Sincerely yours,

G. Edward Sutton,  
Acting Director.

Base 1110

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**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA  
Office of the Chief Engineer**

**APO 500  
29 August 1944**

**CI 461 (29 AUG 44)X**

**SUBJECT: Request for Publications.**

**TO: Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D.C.  
Attention: Iconography Section, Field Photographic Branch.**

It is requested that fifty (50) copies each of the following publications of the Office of Strategic Services be forwarded to this office for distribution to interested headquarters and engineer topographic units, via surface shipment, if available:

- Underwater Depth Determination
- Perspective Thru Joviscope
- Iconography
- Pilots Iconometer

**For the Chief Engineer:**

*O. E. Walsh*  
**O. E. WALSH  
 Colonel, CE  
 Executive Officer**

*Ans*

**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**

**INTEROFFICE MEMO**

**TO:** Director's Office  
Administration Building

**FROM:** Field Photographic Branch

**SUBJECT:** Request for Publications.

11 September 1944

Enclosure A, letter from General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, dated 29 August 1944, same subject, is enclosed for your information.

On 9 September 1944, we forwarded 50 copies each of Iconography and Perspective Thru Jernscope, and 40 copies of Pilots Iconometer.

The balance of the order will be forwarded upon receipt of additional copies in this office. Copies are now on order with Reproduction Branch.

*John W. English*  
JOHN W. ENGLISH  
Lieut., USNR  
Executive Officer  
Field Photographic Branch

Encl. A - Letter dated 29 August 1944.

*Handwritten signature/initials*



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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
School and Training Branch  
2314 F Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

SECRETARIAT

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1944 SEP 13 AM 11 02  
20 September 1944

SUBJECT: Attached Correspondence from Fleet Marine Force  
TO: The Secretariat

088

The attached correspondence was forwarded to this branch. It is our belief that possibly Field Photographic Branch has dealt with the XOCOCOCOC and VREHOCAPES.

For Colonel Robinson:

*John H. Tonette*  
JOHN H. TONETTE,  
1st Lt., Infantry,  
H-4.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICE  
School and Training Branch  
2324 F Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

SECRETARIAT

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1944 SEP 13 AM 11 02  
21 September 1944

SUBJECT: Attached Correspondence from Fleet Marine Force  
TO: The Secretariat

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The attached correspondence was forwarded to this branch. It is our belief that possibly Field Photographic Branch has dealt with the *ICANOSCOPE* and *VERLUX* devices.

For Colonel Robinson:



JOHN G. FONTES,  
1st Lt., Infantry,  
8-4.

FORM 4001a

Date 21 September 64

To: Mr. Chaston

We have forwarded a copy of the attached to Field Photographers with the request that they prepare a reply for your signature.

*W. Sullivan*  
W. Sullivan

*OK*

*CS*

Office of the Secretariat

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HEADQUARTERS  
TRAINING COMMAND, FLEET MARINE BOND  
SAN DIEGO AREA, CAMP PENDLETON  
OCEANSIDE, CALIFORNIA

5 September 1966

FROM: Commanding General  
TO: Director, Office of Strategic Services  
25th and "E" St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Equipment request for.

1. This command is desirous of obtaining one (1) ICONOSCOPE (oblique restifier) and six (6) JENISCOPE (perspective sketcher) which were demonstrated here on the morning of 2 September.

2. It is our intention to use the ICONOSCOPE in connection with the Mapping and Surveying Section and the JENISCOPES for training purposes in the field.

3. It is further requested that six (6) copies of the ICONOGRAPHY Booklet and twenty-five (25) copies of the JENISCOPE Booklet be furnished.

J. N. FRISBIE,  
By direction.

Stamp: 26 33 3 10 11  
DIVISION

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE  
Signal and Training Branch  
2222 R Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

12 September 1954

SUBJECT: Attached Correspondence from Fleet Marine Force  
TO: The Secretariat

The attached correspondence was forwarded to this branch. It is our belief that possibly Field Topographic Branch has dealt with the **CONTOURS** and **VARISCOFES**.

For Colonel Robinson:

JOHN R. VOENTZ  
1st Lt., Infantry,  
S-4.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: Commanding General  
Headquarters - Training Command  
First Marine Force  
San Diego Area  
Camp Pendleton  
Oceanside, California

From: Director, Office of Statistical Services  
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Equipment - Request for

Ref: (a) A letter from the Commanding General  
to Director, Office of Statistical Services,  
same subject, dated 3 September 1944.

1. Reference (a) requested one (1) telescope and six (6) Joviscopes; six (6) copies of the 3rd Marine Force lot and twenty-five (25) copies of the Joviscope booklet to be sent to Headquarters Training Command of the First Marine Force.
2. This request has been referred to Field Photographic Branch, Office of Statistical Services, in an attempt to be able to ship one (1) telescope and six (6) Joviscopes on or about 10 November 1944.
3. Six (6) copies of the Joviscopes and one (1) and twenty-five (25) copies of the Joviscope booklet will be shipped immediately.

WILLIAM J. DUNNAN  
Director

RESTRICTED

11 November 1944

To: G. S. Schulz, 1944. General, USA  
Commanding General, Headquarters, Training Command  
West Coast Zone, San Diego Area  
Camp Pendleton, Miramar  
California

Att: J. H. Frisbie  
From: E. H. Killian, Lt., USA  
Acting Chief  
Field Photographic Branch

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Sub: Telescopes, request for

Ref: (a) Letter to Director, C.S.S. from the Commanding General dated 5 September 1944.  
(b) Letter from Director, C.S.S. to Schulz dated 10 October 1944.

Enc: (A) Copy of letter of 5 September from Commanding General.  
(B) C.S.S. Property Transfer Papers.  
(C) Set of keys for Telescopes case.

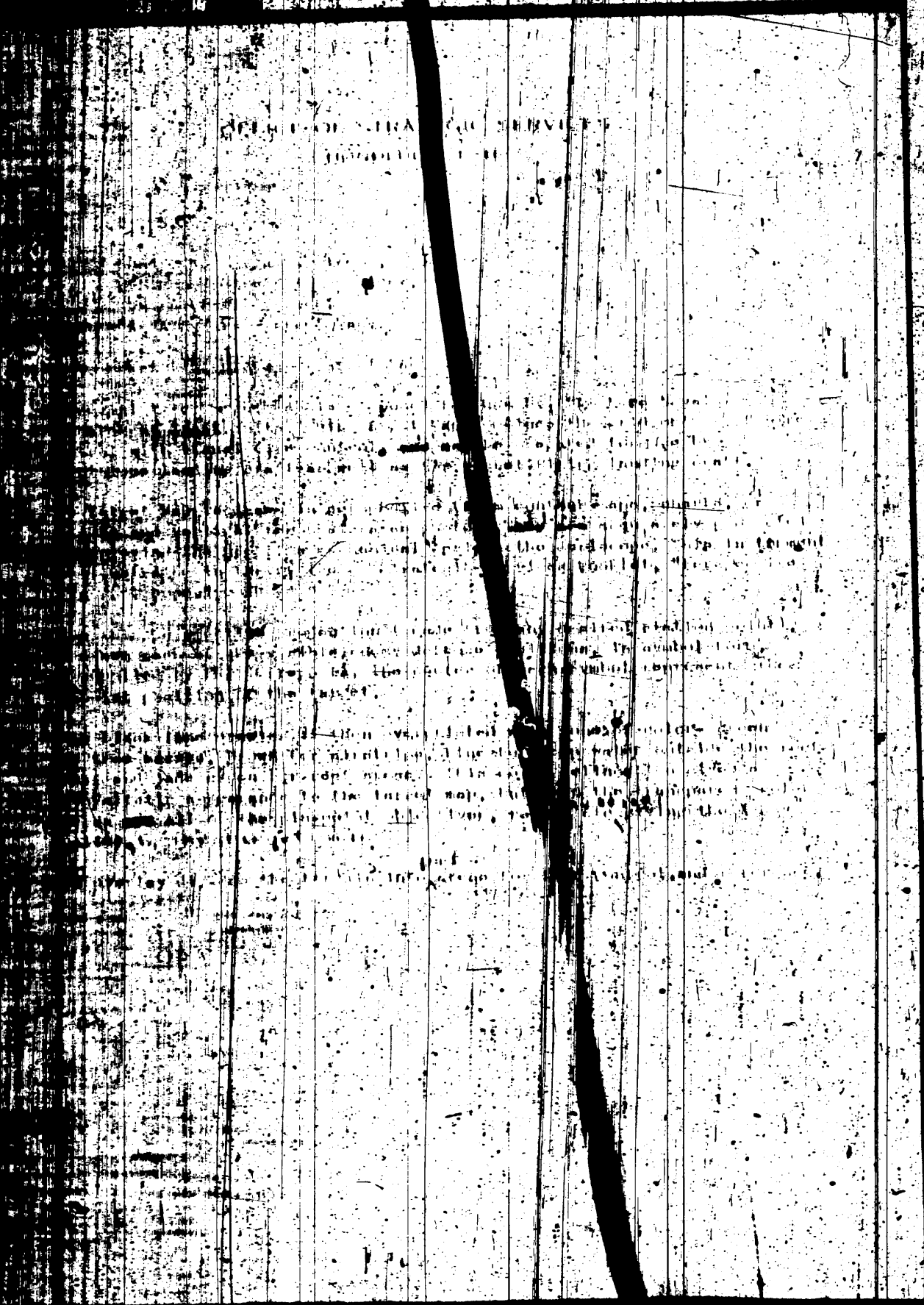
1. We are sending this date by R.M. Express one (1) Telescopes (type complete with accessories and power unit (PDU) in partial completion of your request in Reference (a). Please sign all four sheets of the Property Transfer Papers and return to this Office. Mr. J. H. Frisbie can sign as the REQUESTING OFFICER and Mr. Frisbie or some other authorized officer in the RECEIVING OFFICE, after these papers have been certified by the Civil Property Section, one copy will be returned to you.
2. The carrying case for the power unit will be shipped by December 19th.
3. Two keys to the Telescopes case are enclosed, herewith.
4. Lecture sheets for use with the instrument and a motion picture training film will be sent approximately the first week in December.
5. The six (6) Telescopes requested in Reference (a) are expected from the manufacturer approximately the first week in December and will be sent at that time.

E. H. Killian  
Lt., USA  
Acting Chief  
Field Photographic Branch

cc: To Director  
cc: Comd. Lavender



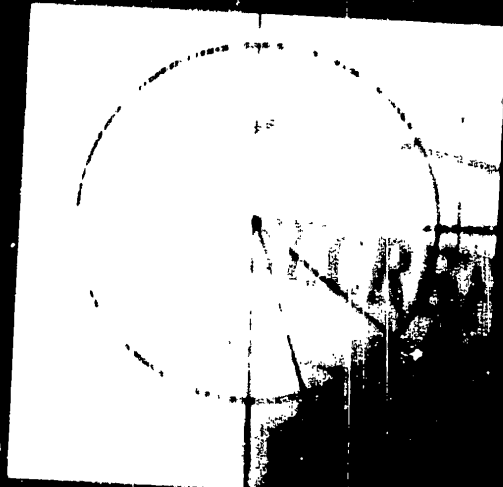
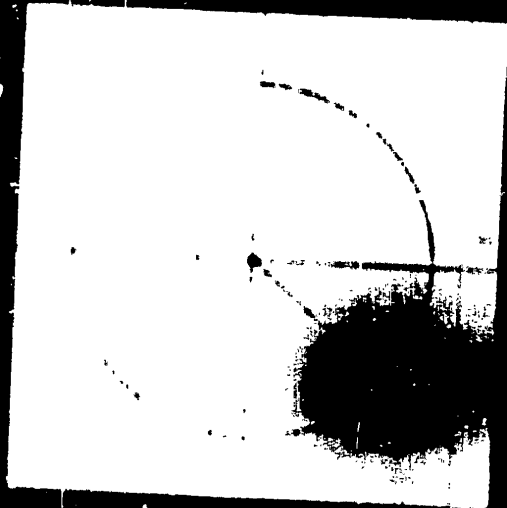




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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
HONOLULU, T. H.



INTEROFFICE MEMO

DATE: 11 May 1944

TO: Mr. Hill, Capt., USN, NASSIC

FROM: Mr. Davis Hilliswell, Capt., USN,  
Office of Strategic Services, NASSIC  
SUBJECT: SONAR RANGE AND CORRELATIVE DETERMINATION

1. Attention is drawn to Mr. Jaram's report of 10 May 1944, which discusses a method of determining the range of a sonar beam by means of a vertical photograph. It is noted that this method was first used in 1941.
2. As will be observed, Mr. Jaram has reported that, under the present method of using the vertical photograph, the range of a sonar beam is determined by the vertical distance of water depth determination.

3. With respect to:

Under Top & Tail Indicator

"X-Ray" Target Map

Under Water Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photographs

It is believed that these methods are deserving of trial and, if found satisfactory, merit dissemination through all theaters for the information and use by appropriate units. The question subsequently arises, should these methods be covered in this area or would it be advisable to have Mr. Jaram return to his regular station in Washington and collaborate with the respective Army and Army units in the development and dissemination of the proposal?

4. It is recognized that Mr. Jaram's services may be useful in this theater for work in connection with current or future operations or that possibly the dissemination can best be managed by additional temporary duty here and then return to his home station to insure the further dissemination of these methods.

5. Please advise of your further desires.

D. Davis Hilliswell



OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
HONOLULU, T. H.

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Director, OSS Washington  
FROM: R. Davis Halliwell, Comdr., USN

DATE: 12 Feb 1944

SUBJECT: Underwater Depth Determination, Report on

**SECRET**

- (a) Report on Underwater Depth Determination by Vertical Photography.
- (b) Report on Solar Tip and Tilt Indicator.
- (c) Report on "X-Ray" Target Map.

1. Enclosure (a) represents a new method of Underwater Depth Determination developed by our Lt. Juran presently working with the Joint Intelligence Center, Pacific Ocean Area. The importance of this development to the armed forces is considerable.

2. Prior to Lt. Juran's arrival, three scientists from NDMO, namely Dr. Flood, Professor Hixson and Commander Forbes, were working here on underwater depth determination problems. However, after Lt. Juran demonstrated the OSS method, it was agreed by all (including the NDMO representatives) that the OSS method was in fact the solution that the scientists were seeking. Accordingly, the NDMO mission is returning to Washington.

3. It has been revealed that the NDMO men intend to begin work on a new method of the determination of underwater depths by simultaneous vertical photographs. Their decision to do this may be coincidental with Lt. Juran's efforts, or it may be the result of conversations between Lt. Juran and members of JICPOA who in turn passed the idea on to the NDMO people; but the fact is that Lt. Juran, before coming to Hawaii, had already worked out the details of this method, using photographs supplied him by Lt. (jg) Kistler and Lt. (jg) Wise, USNA, of the Photo Interpretation Unit of the Photo Science Laboratory, Annapolis, D.C. He states this work was started in Washington on or about 1 April 1944.

4. It is felt, therefore, in view of the potential importance of this method to the armed forces (Lt. Juran seems to feel that it is preferable to his oblique method) that the enclosed report should be made available to you in the event that you should desire to transmit it to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to Capt. Pope (Chief of Photography-Bureau of Aeronautics) or to the NDMO to avoid duplication of effort, and to keep our leadership in the field of Underwater Depth Determination.

5. Two additional reports, Enc. (b) and (c) are included. Possibly copies of the reports on Solar Tip and Tilt Indicator should be interesting to:  
Lt. (jg) Marie Parks, USAF, 6100 Pentagon Building  
Col. Lopez, U.S. Engineers, War Department Building  
Capt. Pope, USN, 1800 Navy Building  
Parabellum Camera Co., New York City

OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

MEMORANDUM

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

The Director, OSS - Washington

Mr. [Name], [Title]

RE: [Subject]



Mr. [Name] arrived here on May [Date] with orders to report to the [Title] for temporary duty and to report to the Commandant's Office to report to Capt. T. B. Hill, [Title], [Title] on the [Subject] and [Subject] to [Title] the writer was ordered to report [Title] duty up to [Title] instructions of April 1954.

Mr. [Name] has since this time been serving in the [Title] Division [Title] and it is believed he has accomplished some [Title] of [Title].

Under date of May 1954 a full report on [Subject] assigned to [Title] was made to Capt. Hill for his information and forwarded to [Title] who is the CO of [Title]. Because of the [Title] nature this report was asked to withhold it from distribution until we are authorized to release it. Copies for the following are being prepared and will be forwarded as soon as indicated:

- Director, OSS, Washington
- Special Photographic Branch, OSS, Washington
- L. A. Pope, Capt., USN, Chief Photographer [Title].

It is believed that [Title] and its [Title] developments [Title] in this [Title] but that progress has been slow due to lack of realistic direction and adaptability by those who are responsible for the production of results.

It will be our object to keep you advised of [Title] and [Title] to the two [Title] [Title] is necessary.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
WASHINGTON D.C

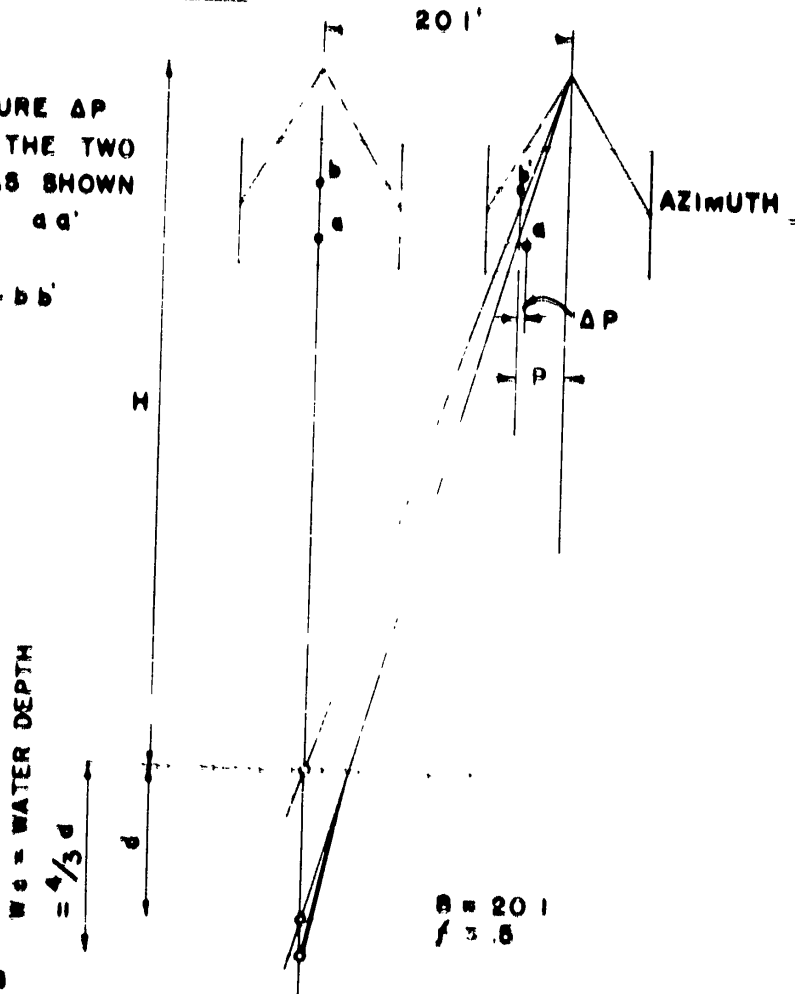
ANNEX C  
*Photography No. 46 C.*

ENCL (C)

30, MAY 1944

COMPUTATION OF DEPTHS

TO MEASURE  $\Delta P$   
LINE UP THE TWO  
PHOTOS AS SHOWN  
MEASURE  $aa'$   
AND  $bb'$   
 $\Delta P = aa' - bb'$



$$\frac{H + d}{f} = \frac{B}{P - \Delta P}$$

$$d = \frac{B}{P - \Delta P} \cdot H - H, \text{ IF } H = 200,$$

$$d = \frac{10.05}{0.025 - \Delta P} - 200$$

DUE TO THE NARROW RANGE OF VERTICAL ANGLES, THE DIFFERENCE IN LINES OF INCIDENT RAYS WILL BE VERY SMALL, AND FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES,

$$Wd (\text{DEPTH OF WATER}) = \frac{1}{3} d$$



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*Handwritten signature/initials*

30 May 1944

**Aircraft Speed Calculations and Exposure Intervals**

If cameras are mounted port and starboard, full 200' width of reef area will be covered in each pair of photos. In the direction of travel of the aircraft. This cuts down the exposure interval necessary, which is advantageous when travelling at extremely high speed and low altitude.

- 100 miles/hr., the aircraft travels - 1,000,000/hr. - 17,000'/min. - 283.3'/sec.
- 200 miles/hr., the aircraft travels - 2,000,000/hr. - 34,000'/min. - 566.6'/sec.
- 400 miles/hr., the aircraft travels - 4,000,000/hr. - 68,000'/min. - 1133.3'/sec.

It will be necessary to fly a new strip of photos for every 250' width of reef.

- At 100 miles/hr it will be necessary to take 11 exposures every 10 seconds.
- At 150 miles/hr. it will be necessary to take 14 exposures every 10 seconds.
- At 200 miles/hr. it will be necessary to take 17 exposures every 10 seconds.
- At 250 miles/hr. it will be necessary to take 19 exposures every 10 seconds.
- At 400 miles/hr. it will be necessary to take 22 exposures every 10 seconds.

This will give approx. 50' overlap on each pair of photos in the direction of flight.

The side overlap (for identification purposes) will be 50'. This is on the large side to allow for drift, etc., of the aircraft.

Size of area of reef covered on each pair of photos - 250' x 200' area.

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**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
WASHINGTON D.C.**

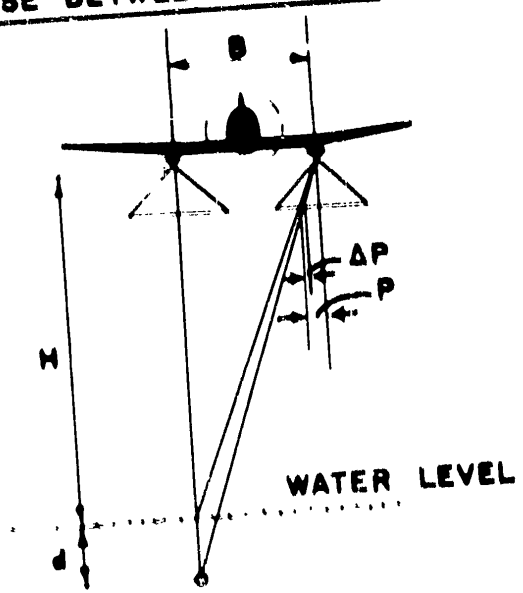
30, MAY 1944

ENCL A.  
FLYING HEIGHT AND AIRBASE BETWEEN CAMERAS

BASIC PARALLAX  
FORMULAE .

$$\frac{B}{P} = \frac{H}{f}$$

$$\frac{P - \Delta P}{B} = \frac{f}{H + d}$$



ASSUME

H = FLYING HEIGHT = 200'

ΔP = MINIMUM MEASUREMENT POSSIBLE WITH SCALE = .00025'

h = MAXIMUM ERROR TOLERABLE = 1'-0"

REQUIRED

B = AIRBASE = ?

$$\frac{P - \Delta P}{B} = \frac{f}{H + d}$$

P = BASIC PARALLAX = ?

$$\frac{P - .00025}{B} = \frac{.5}{200 + 1}$$

$$.5B = 201P - .05025$$

$$B = 402P - .1005$$

BUT  $\frac{P}{B} = \frac{f}{H} = \frac{.5}{200} = \frac{1}{400} \therefore B = 400P$

SUBSTITUTING 400 P = 402P - .1005

$$P = .05025$$

$$B = 20.1$$

$\therefore$  FLYING HEIGHT = 200' AIRBASE BETWEEN CAMERAS = 20.1'

# Instrument Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photography

## ABSTRACT

- ABSTRACT: A. Computation of flying height and altitude of camera.  
B. Aircraft speed determination, 1000 ft interval.  
C. Computation of depth.

1. Two simultaneous vertical photographs taken at low altitude (500') from a single aircraft camera mounted on post and slantboard using system of camera control used to determine underwater depths of 2000 ft.
2. The determination of the depths as herein described will not require any special equipment, other than a drafting table and a simple AV measuring device on photographs in .001 of a foot.
3. A complete depth can be "checked" in approximately three hours by one man. There are no complex calculations to make other than addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
4. With photos taken according to specifications, depths can be ascertained to within one foot of the actual depth.
5. Standard camera, now available, may be used to take the pictures.

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10 June 1946

To:

The Secretary,  
Joint C. S. Chiefs of Staff

Subject:

Report on Developments in the Field of  
Iconography

Re:

(a) Letter same subject from G-2 to JCS  
dated 26 February 1946

1. You were informed by reference (a) of developments in the field of iconography made by Lt. N. H. Davis, USMC, of the Field Photographic School. Further developments have since been made concerning application of iconography to the problem of underwater depth determination, a subject treated in Paragraph 2 of Appendix to reference (a).

2. The new development eliminates the necessity of an oblique photograph and permits use of true, simultaneous vertical photographs for the purpose of determining underwater depths of beaches. This method is described in the attached Appendix. It is believed that it will constitute a valuable contribution in this field.

3. Information on this further development will be made available to interested agencies and appropriate sections of the War and Navy Departments.

William J. Donovan  
Director

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**THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON**

*Iconography 14046 C  
Underwater Dept. 2  
which is not in the*

17 June 1944

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC SERVICES:**

**Subject: Report on Developments in the Field of  
Iconography**

1. Your memorandum of 16 June 1944 on the above subject together with appendix and attached Annexes A, B, & C has been received.
2. It is noted that the foregoing deals with further developments in the stated field, and that this further development concerning the application of Iconography to the problem of underwater depth determination will be made available to interested agencies and appropriate branches of the War and Navy Departments.

*Edwin Graves*  
**EDWIN D. GRAVES,**  
 Captain, U.S. Navy,  
 Deputy Secretary.



*W. K. Halliday 4/27*

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With special cameras and special photographic flights, a test was run in the Bahamas at Cat Cay. The results from the photographs were checked with soundings and the error was found to vary from .55 feet to 1.4 feet. With the standard aerial photographs supplied Mr. Juran, he was able to come within 1.7 feet. It can be seen that he is filling a great need at present with remarkable accuracy, in spite of the material with which he must work.

Due to practical and tactical difficulties in the use of special cameras and special photographic flights, it is not possible to say when they will be able to put them into use. Mr. Juran's method is one which works and which is being used for operations now with available and standard photographic coverage.

It is the opinion of the Field Photographic and Research and Development Branches that this work of Mr. N. H. Juran, Field Photographic, constitutes a major contribution toward the success of the landings at Saipan, and that it brings great credit to O.S.S. Supplied with inferior information, he has shown great ingenuity and ability in providing vital information which was so necessary for this operation and will be likewise for operations in the future.

Respectfully submitted,



E.N. Kelllogg  
Lieut., USNR  
Acting Chief  
Field Photographic Branch

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All of them also agree that this work of Mr. Juran's is most valuable and important. One of the greatest needs in the Pacific theatre of operations is a knowledge of under-water depths around proposed landing beaches. There are no accurate maps or charts. Other methods of determining under-water depths are not ready for tactical application. Mr. Juran is the only person who has a working system going at the present time in this theatre.

Reference is made to enclosures sent out by Rear Admiral Furer on the subject of Photogrammetry dated 26 June 1944. These reports clearly state the great need for this kind of work in the Pacific areas. In them is included an estimate of the work which Mr. Juran is doing at present. It says as follows:

"O.S.S. Method. This method requires a vertical and an oblique which are properly selected to include the area from the proper angle and with proper lighting. The vertical is blown up and the position of the oblique is reconstructed with a pinhole box viewer and photogrammetric computation is applied."

"Since often such photographs are on hand, the method can frequently be applied without special photographic flights. The accuracy is not high as small errors in the process create large errors in the result. Lt. Juran attached to O.S.S. is now testing the method at Honolulu. The method should be adopted by the Navy and used wherever possible."



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WASHINGTON, D. C.**

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*18 July 1944*  
*x Under Water Depth Det.*

**TO:** Brig. Gen. William J. Donovan  
**FROM:** Deputy Chief, Field Photographic Branch  
**SUBJECT:** Report: Iconography - Pearl Harbor

The following appraisal has been made of the report sent by Comdr. R. Davis Halliwell on the work of Mr. N. H. Juran of the Field Photographic Branch.

With the information available, namely one good vertical photograph and one adequate oblique photograph, the results of the figures of Mr. Juran were found to be within an average of 1.7 feet of the true depths. As the report states, if an optimum oblique had been available, the average error would have been one foot.

People who have seen this report include Comdr. Alexander Forbes of the Hydrographic Office, Professor Phillip Kisser of Princeton University, who is working on this problem of under-water depth determination for the National Defense Research Council, and Lt. Phillip Kistler of the Photo Science Laboratory, Anacostia. These men are the recognized authorities on the subject of under-water depth determination. They are unanimous in saying that Mr. Juran's results are extremely good considering the photographic information with which Mr. Juran had to work.

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7 September 1944

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT U.S. CHIEFS OF STAFF**

**Subject: Report, "Underwater Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photography."**

1. Reference is made to memorandum dated 16 June 1944, subject: Report on Developments in the Field of Photography concerning determination of depth of water at various simultaneous vertical photographs, a method recently developed by Lt. H. H. Juran, U.S.N., of ODS.
2. For the purpose of testing this method, aerial photographic missions have been flown in the Pacific Ocean Area. The results of these tests are set forth in the subject report, which is forwarded herewith as the joint effort of ODS and DIACPOA.
3. This report has been submitted to the Office of the Coordinator, Research and Development, Navy Department, as well as to a joint committee, composed of representatives of the National Defense Research Council and all branches of the armed forces, established for study of photogrammetry and underwater depth determination. The method developed by Lt. Juran has been turned over to the Photo Section Laboratory, Bureau of Aeronautics, Annapolis, for study and development. A committee appointed by the National Defense Research Council is collaborating with the Photo Section Laboratory in preparation of further experimental flights to be made at Norfolk.
4. Although there are other systems of underwater depth determination now under consideration, the method set forth in the attached report appears unique in that it is already proven and ready for use in the Pacific.

Charles J. Cheston  
Acting Director

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Date: *10/10/47*

To: Mr. Cheston

1. The attached report, dated *10/10/47*, is a copy of the report of the *Special Agent in Charge* of the *Department of the Army* regarding the *activities of the Communist Party in the United States*.

2. To report on the *activities of the Communist Party in the United States* and to forward to *the Department of the Army* a copy of the report on this subject.

3. The report on this subject is available in the *Department of the Army*. Copies of this report have been sent to *Admiral Chester W. Nimitz*, *General Douglas MacArthur*, and the *War and Navy Departments*.

*W. B. Kautz*  
W. B. Kautz  
Capt., A.C.  
Reports Officer

Attachment

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Date: 7/12/50

To: Mr. Tolson

1. The report forwarded by the CIA on 7/12/50 regarding the activities of the Communist Party in the United States is being forwarded to the State Department for their information.

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J. B. Connelley  
Director  
Office of the Director

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4. The attached report was completed as a joint report of OSS and CINCPAC CINCPAC. It was submitted to Commander Dyson, USN, and to General Twitty, AUS, on 28 July 1944. General Twitty requested that all names be removed from the report. Lieut. Juran felt that an attempt was being made to cover the true origin of the method and supplied this office with a copy of the report and these facts.

5. On the morning of 1 August 1944, the report was submitted to Commander Dyke, at a joint committee, studying photogrammetry and under water depth determination composed of representatives of all services and the N.D.R.C. as well. The report was very well received and appears to be the only one of a number of methods under consideration which has been proved and is ready for use in the Pacific.

6. At this conference, Lt. Colonel Cox, USMC, attached to the Photo Science Laboratory, BUAIR, suggested that his Unit and OSS should collaborate in getting the method in operation. An agreement was reached to this effect.

*E. R. Kellogg*

E.R. KELLOGG  
Lieut., USNR  
Field Photographic Branch

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

8 August 1944

MEMORANDUM

To: General Donovan

From: Lieut. E. R. Kellogg

In compliance with your request for the facts surrounding the Under Water Depth Determination Report, which was shown you on 31 July 1944, the following is submitted:

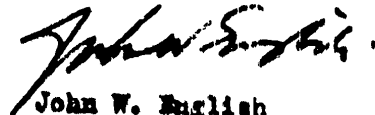
1. On the 29th day of April, Lieut. Juran was dispatched to Pearl Harbor for the purpose of acquainting personnel there with Iconography, and with the method for determination of under water depths by oblique projection. Seven officers at Pearl Harbor were given 4 weeks training in the theory and practice of rectification of obliques, and the class executed many solutions including the rectification of a number of Jap airfields and factories from captured Jap obliques. They determined heights of terrain at Palau and Yap, lengths of airstrips, size of enemy shipping, the turning radius of a Jap carrier photographed in the Philippine Sea, and other varied and unique solutions. Temporary equipment has been supplied to the Unit until we can ship new improved instruments now being checked and tested. A unit will also be supplied to the Intelligence Officer, U.S.S. Mt. McKinley, for trial aboard ship.
2. Before leaving Pearl Harbor, Lieut. Juran took with him certain data relating to a new method for determining under water depths by simultaneous vertical photography. These data were submitted in an OSS report from the Pacific Ocean Area, a copy of which was handed to Captain Hill, USN, on 31 May 1944. A copy of this report was sent to the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington on 16 June 1944.
3. The method was later discussed with Commander Dixon, USN, who agreed to make arrangements for an aircraft, so that the method might be tested. Lieut. Juran was requested to work together with Lieut. Kirsher, USNR, of CINCPAC CINCPAC.

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5. The report "Under Water Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photography" has been submitted to the Office of the Coordinator, Research and Development, Navy Department.

6. This method has been placed in the hands of the Photo Science Laboratory, Anacostia, by the Chief of Operations, Navy Department. A committee appointed by the National Defense Research Council is working with the Photo Science Laboratory in the supervision of further experimental flights to be made at Norfolk by VD-2. At the present time no flights have been made. The work done so far has been in connection with the installation of the cameras in a plane.



John W. English  
Lieut., USNR  
Executive Officer  
Field Photographic Branch

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WASHINGTON, D. C.**

26 August 1944

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**From:** Field Photographic Branch  
**To:** Acting Director, OSS  
**Subject:** Iconography - reports

- 1) Iconography - Its application to specific problems designated by Gen. Twitty (JICPOA) and the solution of these problems from such photographs as were available at PRISCA - dated 16 May 1944.
- 2) Under Water Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photography.

1. The first report dated 16 May 1944 was shown to various authorities in this country. They were unanimous in saying that Lt. Juran's results were extremely good considering the photographic information with which Mr. Juran had to work.

2. No report has been received by this Branch of soundings made on Yellow Beach 3, Saipan, which could be compared with the findings of Lt. Juran. We also do not have any information covering the use of this report in the landing operations.

3. Reference is made to enclosures sent out by the office of Admiral Purer on Photogrammetry dated 26 June 1944. These reports state the great need for work on under water depth determination in Pacific areas. In them is included an estimate of the work done by Lt. Juran there. It says as follows:

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NAV FORM 8001a

Date 21 August 1944

To: Captain Hancock

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*JW Ansel*  
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1st Lt. JAGH

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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Brig. General William J. Donovan  
**From:** Lieutenant E. E. McElroy  
**Subject:** Report - Under Water Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photography.

1. Under separate cover we are sending six copies of our report:

"Under Water Depth Determination by Simultaneous Vertical Photography"

2. At our last meeting you expressed the intention of sending one copy each to:

Joint Chiefs of Staff  
War Department  
Navy Department  
Admiral Nimitz  
General Arnold

*E. E. McElroy*

E. E. McElroy  
Lieut. Col. USMC  
Acting Chief  
Field Photographic Branch

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To: Brig. General William J. Donovan  
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Subject: Report - Under Water Depth Determination  
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E. R. KELLOGG  
Lieut., USNR  
Acting Chief  
Field Photographic Branch

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*Handwritten notes:*  
20 March 1954  
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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY**  
**SUBJECT: Report on Underwater Depth**

We are forwarding herewith for your information a report on measurements of underwater depths recently prepared by the CINCPAC CINCPAC. This report covers the method of measuring underwater depths by simultaneous vertical photography, which is shown, upon stereoscopic examination, to have captured the surface of the water. This method was developed by Lt. N. H. Jurin, U.S.N., of the Field Photographic Branch of this Agency.

Charles B. Chantler  
Acting Director

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Same memo to Secy of War and Gen. Arnold

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To: *↑* Mr. Robert Thurn,  
Room 124, Main Bldg.,  
O.S.S.

From: Acting Chief, Field Photographic Branch

Subject: Iconoscopes, Jeriscopes, and Booklets, classification of

1. The Field Photographic Branch of the Office of Strategic Services is the originating source of classifications on Iconoscopes and Iconography, Jeriscopes and Jeriscopes booklets.

2. All classification on Iconoscopes and Jeriscopes is removed, effective immediately.

3. All booklets and instruction brochures on Iconography and the Jeriscopes are classified down from CONFIDENTIAL to RESTRICTED, effective immediately.

*E. R. Kellogg*  
E. R. Kellogg  
Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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Washington, D. C.

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To : Mr. Robert Thrun  
Rm. 124, Administration Building, OSS

From : Executive Officer, Field Photographic Branch  
Subject : Under Water Depth Determination with the Icnoscope  
Reference (a): Booklet "Under Water Depth Determination",  
undated, prepared by Field Photographic Branch, OSS

1. Further developments in Under Water Depth Determination indicate the possibility that some part of the methods outlined in Reference (a) is now obsolete.

2. It is requested that your copies of Reference (a) be returned for correction. As an alternative it is requested that you forward a certificate that they have been destroyed.

*Returned 3/23/45*

*John W. English*  
John W. English  
Lt., USNR  
Executive Officer  
Field Photographic Branch

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