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28 March 1945

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Code Names for Mining Missions	Telecom	E-2012		240443Z	BR
Mining Mission Planning	Telecom	E-2013		240529Z	BR
Mining Plans	Telecom	G-26-14-1A	262314Z		BR
Changes in Mission Plan	"	E-2070		290305Z	BR

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TELECON MSG NR E-2070 - TOP SECRET 290035Z

SUBJECT: MINING MISSION PLANNING

TO: COMGENAF TWENTY FROM: DEPCOMAF 20 IB & C

1. REFERENCE OUR TELEDON E-2013, SAME SUBJECT, FOLLOWING LATE CHANGES IN PLANS FOR MISSION

NS 47 AND 48:

A. NO CHANGE

B. SAIGON AREA AND CAM RAHN BAY MISSION (F.O. 47).

(1) 468TH GROUP FURNISHES TOTAL OF 18 AIRCRAFT

(A) NO CHANGE

(B) 3 AIRCRAFT TO MINE SONG SOIRAP FIELD, SAIGON AREA.

(C) 3 AIRCRAFT TO MINE MYTHO FIELD, SAIGON AREA. NO

CHANGE IN LOADING MADE.

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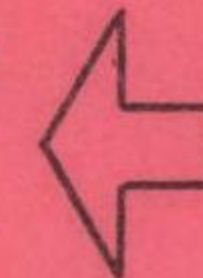
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TELECON MSG NO. G-26-14-H	SUBJECT XX BC OPERATIONS 46, 47 and 48	DATE March 262314Z
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The XX BC Rpt XX BC Plans the following mining missions, all scheduled to take place on 28 March 1945:

<u>MISSION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>NO. OF A/C</u>
46	BEGGARY 2	Yangtze River (Shanghai)	12
47	Purificator 2	Saigon Area	16
48	REPEATEDLY 3	Singapore Area	15

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(1) THE 468TH GROUP FURNISHES A TOTAL OF 16 AIRCRAFT TO BE EMPLOYED AS FOLLOWS:

(A) 6 AIRCRAFT TO MINE CAP ST. JACQUES FIELD, SAIGON AREA

ROUTE OUT: BASE - DIAMOND ISLAND (15 DEG 52' N, 94 DEG 17' E) - TAVOY POINT (13 DEG 32' N, 98 DEG 08' E) - IP - TARGET.

ROUTE BACK: TARGET - PHU QUOC ISLAND (10 DEG 01' N, 104 DEG 03' E) - TAVOY POINT - DIAMOND ISLAND - BASE

IP: CHHLONG (12 DEG 16' N, 105 DEG 58' E)

PIN POINT: POINT GANRAI (10 DEG 23' N, 107 DEG 03' E)

AX IS OF ATTACK: 160 DEG MAGNETIC

MINING ALTITUDE: 4,000 FEET INDICATED ALTITUDE

TIME OVER TARGET: 1400Z

(B) 2 AIRCRAFT TO MINE SONG SOIRAP FIELD, SAIGON AREA

49753 975: BASE - DIAMOND ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - CHHLONG - KEGA POINT (10 DEG 41' N, 108 DEG 00' E) - IP - TARGET

ROUTE BACK: TARGET - PHU QUOC ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - DIAMOND ISLAND - BASE

IP: 7 MILES SOUTH OF CAP ST JACQUES (10 DEG 12' N, 107 DEG 05' E)

PIN POINT: ENTRANCE TO SONG SOIRAP (10 DEG 24' N, 106 DEG 48' E)

AXIS OF ATTACK: 320 DEG MAGNETIC

MINING ALTITUDE: 2,000 FEET INDICATED ALTITUDE

TIME OVER TARGET: 1400Z

(C) 2 AIRCRAFT TO MINE MYTHO FIELD, SAIGON AREA

ROUTE OUT: BASE - DIAMOND ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - CHHLONG - KEGA POINT - IP - TARGET

ROUTE BACK: TARGET - PHU QUOC ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - DIAMOND ISLAND - BASE

IP. SAME AS FOR SONG SOIRAP FIELD

PIN POINT: NORTHWEST TIP OF ISLAND AT (10 DEG 13' N, 106 DEG 21' E)

AXIS OF ATTACK: APPROXIMATELY 299 DEG MAGNETIC TO CONFORM TO COURSE OF MEKONG RIVER

MINING ALTITUDE: 2,000 FEET INDICATED ALTITUDE

TIME OVER TARGET: 1400Z

(D) 6 AIRCRAFT TO MINE GRAND PASSAGE FIELD, CAM RAHN BAY AREA

ROUTE OUT: BASE - DIAMOND ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - CHHLONG - KEGA POINT - POINT PADARAN (11 DEG 22' N, 109 DEG 01' E)

EASTERN TIP OF TRE ISLAND (12 DEG 12' N, 109 DEG 19' E) - (12 DEG 05' N, 109 DEG 15' E) - IP - TARGET

ROUTE BACK: TARGET - OFF COAST TO KEGA POINT - CHHLONG - TAVOY POINT - DIAMOND ISLAND - BASE

IP: NECK OF PASSAGE TO CAMRANH BAY (11 DEG 53' N, 109 DEG 12' E)

AXIS OF ATTACK: APPROXIMATELY 299 DEG MAGNETIC TO CONFORM TO COURSE OF MEKONG RIVER

MINING ALTITUDE: 2,000 FEET INDICATED ALTITUDE

TIME OVER TARGET: 1400Z

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TIME OVER TARGET: 1400Z

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ROUTE OUT: BASE - DIAMOND ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - CHHLONG - KEGA POINT - IP - TARGET

ROUTE BACK: TARGET - PHU QUOC ISLAND - TAVOY POINT - DIAMOND ISLAND - BASE

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EASTERN TIP OF TRE ISLAND (12 DEG 12' N, 109 DEG 19' E) - (12 DEG 05' N, 109 DEG 15' E) - IP - TARGET

ROUTE BACK: TARGET - OFF COAST TO KEGA POINT - CHHLONG - TAVOY POINT - DIAMOND ISLAND - BASE

IP: NECK OF PASSAGE TO CAMRANH BAY (11 DEG 53' N, 109 DEG 12' E)

PIN POINT: SAME AS IP

AXIS OF ATTACK: 160 DEG MAGNETIC

MINING ALTITUDE: 3,000 FEET INDICATED ALTITUDE

TIME OVER TARGET: 1430Z

(2) (A) SECONDARY MINING AREA: GOH SI CHANG CHANNEL (13 DEG 10' N,

100 DEG 50' E) AND MEKONG RIVER BETWEEN 11 DEG 16' N, 105

DEG 17' E AND 11 DEG 35' N, AND 104 DEG 55' E; OR BETWEEN

MYTHO (10 DEG 20' N, 106 DEG 23' E) AND MOUTH OF RIVER

(B) ALTITUDE OUT: EVEN INDICATED ALTITUDES

(C) ALTITUDE BACK: ODD INDICATED ALTITUDES

(D) MINE LOAD: EACH AIRCRAFT WILL CARRY A MINIMUM LOAD OF 5

MK 26-1 OR MK 36-1 MINES. MINES ARE SET TO STERILIZE AT

82 DAYS. 65 PERCENT OF THE MINES ARE FITTED WITH DELAY ARMING CLOCKS SET AT 5 TO 40 DAYS AND 35 ~~PERCENT ARE SET IM-~~

MEDIATELY. 80 MINES WILL BE LAID IN THE SAIGON AREA AND

30 IN THE CAMRANH BAY AREA.

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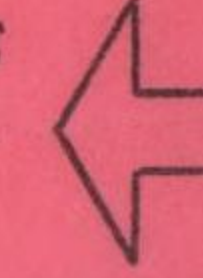
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TELECON MSG NO. E-2012	SUBJECT FIELD ORDERS NO. 46, NO. 47, NO. 48 CODE NAMES FOR MINING MISSIONS.	DATE Mar 24 0443
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1. Code names for Missions referred to in our Telecon E-2013 are as follows:

First Mission listed is Beggary No. 2, Second Mission listed is Purificator No. 2 and Third Mission listed is Repeatedly No. 3.

2. Tentative date for all these missions is 29 March 1945.

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TELECON MSG. NO. D-2065 (((SECRET))) 03281917Z
SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MINES AWAY MESSAGES ON MISSION NO. 47
TO COMGENAF 20 FROM COMGENBOMCOM 20

SUMMARY OF MINES AWAY MESSAGES ON MISSION NUMBER 47, AS OF 282000

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INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S-OP	DC/S-Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 CC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A G	Air Sur	Air Insp	PRO	COM	OP	ANAL	STAT	CON

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TELECON MESSAGE NUMBER D-2063 (((SECRET)))

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SUBJECT: MINES AWAY MESSAGES ON MISSION NO. 47

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TO COMGENAF 20 FROM COMGENBOCOM 20

MINES AWAY MESSAGES ON MISSION NUMBER 47 AS OF 281530Z

ALL 468TH GROUP.

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Prel. Mission Report	Telecon	D-2060	280930z		HA
Prelim Mission Report	Telecon	D-2072		290345	BGR
" " "	Az 20 AF		29 MAR		BGR
Prel. Mission Report	Telecon	G-29-14-A	306010z		HA
Prel Mission Report	Ditto				HA

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29 Mar 1945

Washington, D. C.

Date I Initials

PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT OF IX BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NO. 47 - 28 MARCH 1945

"PURIFICATOR 2"

Target: Saigon

Take-off: 280214 - 280434 Washington: (280614Z - 280834Z)

Time over Target: 280947 - 281201 Washington: 282147 - 290001 Theatre;
(281347Z - 281601Z)

Aircraft: Total Mining: 18

A/C Lost or Missing: None

Casualties: None

Mine Load: Each a/c carried a minimum load of 5 MK 26-1 or MK 36-1 mines. Mines are set to sterilize at 82 days. 65% of the mines are fitted with delay arming clocks set at 5 to 40 days and 35% are set immediately.

Tactics: Visual mining from an altitude of 2000' P to 4000' P.

Weather at Target: CAVU with slight haze

Fighter Opposition: Nil - only one unidentified fighter seen.

Flak: Nil to weak

Claims: None

Observations: Just off Cape St. Jacques, to the S, a large freighter anchored at 1601Z. At 10/20 N 107/30 E 1 medium-sized freighter seen at 1350Z. Ships had one white light on each end and one red light in the middle. At 1348Z 1 DD and 5 probably freighters anchored along SW side of Cape St. Jacques. Large number of fires seen in mountain range NW of Saigon, also 1 in Thailand 1 mi long and U shaped. Saigon radio was off at 1300Z and city lights were still on at 1426Z.

Results: Excellent

Remarks: This information is fragmentary and is subject to change, therefore, should not be used for official records.

As of 1530, 29 March 1945

W.F. Looie
LAURIS NORSTAD
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief of Staff

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TO COMGENBOMCOM 21 INFO DEPCOM 20

FROM COMAF 20

SUBJECT PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT OF XX BOMBER COMMAND, OPERATION
NO.47 28 MARCH 1945, PURIFICATOR 2.

TARGET: SAIGON

TAKE-OFF: 280214 - 280434 WASHINGTON: (280614Z - 280834Z)

TIME OVER TARGET: 280947 - 281201 WASHINGTON ; 282147 - 290001
THEATRE ; (281347Z - 281601Z)

AIRCRAFT: TOTAL MINING 18

A/C LOST OR MISSING: NONE

CASUALTIES: NONE

MIND LOAD: EACH A/C CARRIED A MINIMUM LOAD OF 5 MK 26-1
OR MK 36-1 MINES. MINES ARE SET TO STERILIZE
AT 82 DAYS. 65PERCENT OF THE MINES ARE FITTED
WITH DELAY ARMING CLOCKS SET AT 5 TO 40 DAYS
AND 35 PERCENT ARE SET IMMEDIATELY.

TACTICS: VISUAL MINING FROM AN ALTITUDE OF 2000' P TO 4000' P

WEATHER AT TARGET: CAVU WITH SLIGHT HAZE

FIGHTER OPPOSITION: NIL-ONLY ONE UNIDENTIFIED FIGHTER SEEN.

FLAK: NIL TO WEAK

CLAIMS: NONE

OBSERVATIONS: JUST OFF CAPE ST. JACQUES, TO THE S. A LARGE
FREIGHTER ANCOHORED AT 1601Z. AT 10/20 N 107/30
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IN MOUNTAIN RANGE NW OF SAIGON, ALSO 1 IN
THAILAND 1 MI LONG AND U SHAPED. SAIGON RADIO
WAS OFF AT 1300Z AND CITE LIGHTS WERE STILL
ON AT 1426Z.

RESULTS: EXCELLENT.

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NO.47 28 MARCH 1945, PURIFICATOR 2.

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TELECON MSG NR D-2072 - S E C R E T 290315Z

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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT MISSION NO. 47.

TO: COMGENAF TWENTY FROM: COMGENBOMCOM XX

(DATA AS OF 290100Z; ALL TIMES ZEBRA)

1. DESIGNATION OF UNIT: XX BOMBER COMMAND (468TH GROUP)
2. NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT TAKING OFF: 18.
3. TIME OF TAKE-OFF (FIRST TO LAST): 280614Z TO 280834Z. *280214 to 280434*
4. TIME DOWN LAST PLANE (OF MAIN FORMATION): 282328Z.
5. TIME OVER PRIMARY TARGET (FIRST AND LAST): 281347Z, 281601Z. *280947 - 281201 W*
282147 - 282401 R
6. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK ON PRIMARY TARGET:

PT NO. 1 - 4000'P	PT NO. 3 - 2000'P
PT NO. 2 - 2000'P	PT NO. 4 - 3000'P
7. WEATHER OVER PRIMARY TARGET: CAVU WITH SLIGHT HAZE.
8. NUMBER OF A/C MINING (ALL TARGETS): 18.
9. NUMBER OF A/C MINING PRIMARY: 17.
10. NUMBER OF A/C MINING SECONDARY: 1. (MEKONG RIVER)
11. NUMBER OF A/C MINING LAST RESORT: NONE.
12. NUMBER OF A/C MINING T OF O: NONE.
13. NUMBER OF A/C UNKNOWN AS TO MINING: NONE.
14. NUMBER OF A/C FAILING TO MINE: NONE.
15. NUMBER OF A/C LOST TO ENEMY OPPOSITION: NONE.
16. NUMBER OF A/C LOST TO ENEMY AA: NONE.
17. NUMBER OF A/C LOST BY ACCIDENT: NONE.
18. NUMBER OF A/C MISSION: NONE.
19. DISPOSITION OF MINES: (SHORT TONS) (ESTIMATED)

A. TOTAL TONNAGE DROPPED ON ALL TARGETS: 66.78.
B. TOTAL TONNAGE DROPPED ON PT: 64.13.
C. TOTAL TONNAGE DROPPED ON ST: 2.65.
20. OBSERVED RESULTS OF MINING

PRIMARY: EXCELLENT.
SECONDARY: EXCELLENT.
21. METHOD OF MINING: ALL VISUAL.
22. CASUALTIES: NONE.

11. NUMBER OF A/C MINING LAST RESORT: NONE.

12. NUMBER OF A/C MINING T OF O: NONE.

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22. CASUALTIES: NONE.

23. CLAIMS: NONE.

24. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITON:

A. PRIMARY: NIL, ONLY ONE UNIDENTIFIED FIGHTER SEEN.

25. ENEMY HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT:

A. PRIMARY: NIL TO WEAK.

B. SECONDARY: NIL TO WEAK.

26. STATUS OF A/C LANDED AT THEIR HOME BASE: ALL A/C LANDED AT HOME BASE.

27. CREW OBSERVATIONS AND INTELLIGENCE ITEMS OF INTEREST:

JUST OFF CAPE ST. JACQUES, TO THE SOUTH, A LARGE FREIGHTER ANH// ANCHORED AT 1601Z. AT 1350Z AT 10 DEG 20'N - 107 DEG 30'E, ONE MEDIUM SIZED FREIGHTERS, AT 1426Z, BETWEEN THE ISLAND AND NORTH SHORE OF THE MOUTH OF THE MEKONG RIVER OF NO. 3 FIELD. ALL SHIPS HAD ONE WHITE LIGHT ON EACH END AND ONE RED LIGHT IN THE MIDDLE AMIDSHIPS.

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THIS REPORT IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO REVISION. A FINAL INTELLIGENCE STATISTIAL SUMMARY WILL BE SENT ON D-DAY PLUS FIVE.

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TELECON MESSAGE NR. D-2060 (SECRET) 03280905Z @
SUBJECT: PRELIM DATA & TAKEOFF RPT
MISSION NO. 47 ~~XX~~ BC

TO: COMAF 20 FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 20

1. MINING AREAS:

- A. PRIMARY AREA: (1) SAIGON AREA - CAP ST. JACQUES FIELD, SONG SOIRAP FIELD, MYTHO FIELD.
(2) CAM RANH BAY AREA - GRAND PASSAGE FIELD.
- B. SECONDARY AREAS: (1) GOH SI CHANG CHANNEL.
(2) MEKONG RIVER.

2. MINE LOAD.

- A. ONLY 468TH GROUP PARTICIPATING.
- B. 6 AIRCRAFT CARRYING 5 X MK26-1 AERIAL MINES AND 12 AIRCRAFT CARRYING 8 X MK26-1 AERIAL MINES.

3. TAKE-OFFS .

468TH GROUP - 18 AIRCRAFT, FIRST AT 280614Z, LAST OFF AT 280834Z.

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TOD: 03280936Z (YFK)

TELECON NOTE. 03280937Z (SECRET)

FOLLOWING ARE APPROXIMATE TIMES OF BOMBS AWAY AND PRELIM REPORT

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47	- 281530Z	290100Z
48	- 281830Z	290600Z

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TELECON MSG NO. D-2108	SUBJECT Japanese Fighter Tactics - Mission No. 47	DATE 2 April 1945
TO: COMGENAF 20	INFO:	FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 20

A detailed description of enemy fighter opposition encountered on Mission No. 47 follows.

JAPANESE FIGHTER TACTICS - MISSION No. 47
TARGET: Saigon and Cam Ranh Bay Areas, French Indo-China
TIME: Night Mission. **DATE:** 28-29 March 1945

The extent of enemy fighter opposition on the entire mission was one encounter in which a single B-29 was intercepted by an unidentified enemy aircraft. This encounter occurred on the route from the target at 1369Z, at 7000 feet altitude, near the mouth of the Mekong River (10 degrees 12'N - 106 degrees 33' E). The enemy aircraft approached from 10 o'clock high, closed until the B-29 opened fire at 600 yards, then broke away toward 6 o'clock. The enemy plane was apparently undamaged, but did not open fire or release aerial bombs.

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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY SUMMARY

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 20 TO: COMAF 20

PRELIMINARY MISSION STATISTICAL SUMMARY ON MISSION NUMBER FOUR
7 2 8 1 9 4 5
SEVEN RUN ON TWO EIGHT MARCH ONE NINE FOUR FIVE PD THIS WAS A MINE
LAYING MISSION AGAINST PRIMARY TARGETS IN THE SAIGON AREA PD ONLY.

4 6 8
THE FOUR SIX EIGHT GROUP PARTICIPATED IN THIS MISSION PD MISSION
2 8 - 2 9 1 9
NUMBER FOUR EIGHT RUN ON THE TWO EIGHT DASH TWO NINE MARCH ONE NINE
4 5
FOUR FIVE PD THIS WAS A MINE LAYING MISSION AGAINST PRIMARY TARGETS
4 4 4
IN THE SINGAPORE AREA PD ONLY THE FOUR FOUR FOUR GROUP PARTICIPATED
IN THIS MISSION PD MISSIONS WERE RUN FROM REAR AREA BASES PD

GROUP AIRBORNE	NO. OF A/C		NO. OF TARGETS		MINES ON TARGET NO.	TYPE	NO. OF A/C FAILING TO MINE
	REAR AREA	A/C MI-NING	PRIM-ARY	SECON-DARY			

			MISSION NO. 47		70	MK 26	
468TH	18	18	17	1	56	MK 36	0
			MISSION NO. 48		82	MK 26	
444TH	33	32	32		43	MK 36	0

PERSONNEL LOSSES - NEGATIVE REPORT.

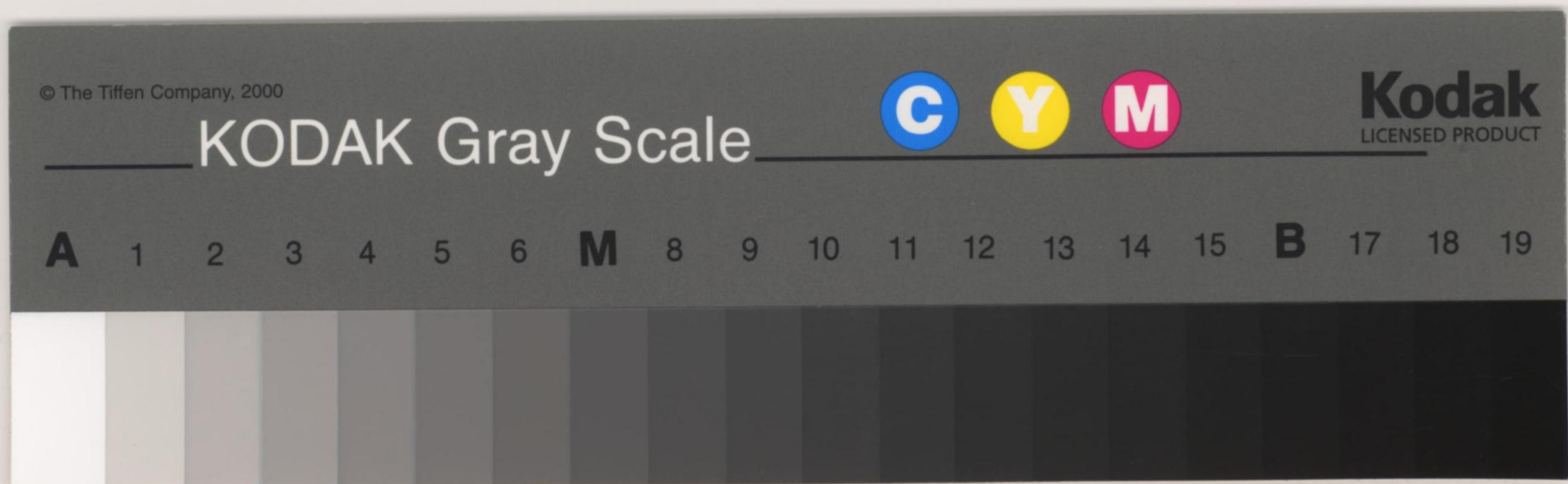
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