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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).								
(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)				
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over			dis-	
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm	Z.			
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm				4.000

X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes
TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
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c)	Clouds Over Target			TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)			
d)	Visibility of Target(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY			BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	(MILES)	
(f)	Bombing Tactics: Type		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)		Bomb Sight Used		
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(g)	Number of Enemy Air	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	None	_ Damaged	
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)	
1	Town of Gusukuma	200 X 400 yds.	4 FM-2 VC-83	12 - 5"(HE) HVAR 6 - 5"(HE) AR	All	Destroyed	
2				Strafe - 3500 rds.			
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1. This same town had been under attack before but after this attack the town was completely leveled and destroyed by fire and explosion.

(p) Were Photographs Taken?_____Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

⁽o) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary)

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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely, following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY OWN AIRCRAFT

Disposition
Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack and
Their Effectiveness
Distance of Opening Fire
Defense Tactics and
Their Effectiveness

ENEMY AIRCRAFT

Method of Locating, Distance Disposition Altitudes Speeds Approach Tactics Use of Cover, Deception Angles of Attack Distance of Opening Fire Defensive Tactics

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Own Weaknesses
Enemy Weaknesses
Offensive Tactics, Own
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Defensive Tactics, Own
", Enemy
Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction
Use of Radar
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

ATTACK

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics Use of Jamming

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Bombing Tactics
Torpedo Tactics
Effectiveness of
Bombs, Torpedoes
Selection of Targets
Fuzing
Strafing Tactics
Defensive Tactics
Use of Radar
Reconnaissance
Photography
Briefing

OPERATIONAL

Navigation
Homing
Rendezvous
Recognition, Ships
Communications
Flight Operations
Search and Tracking
Base Operations
Maintenance

one group for direct aircraft support of ground troops on Okinewa. The flight was assigned the mission of completely destroying the town of Gusukuma which was full of Japs resisting our advance toward Machinato Airfield. The team lay but a few hundred yards from the end of the landing strip and although it had been under attack before it still afforded considerable shelter to the defending Japs.

Flying conditions were far from ideal. There was considerable haze aggravated by the smoke of battle so that visibility was very limited and there was a mearly solid overcast at 5000 ft. To avoid mid-air collisions the Air Coordinator sent the planes in to attack in small groups of three or four and notified each succeeding group when the area had been cleared by the preceding group. An excellent attack was made and what remained of the town from previous attacks was completely destroyed. Also, although no Japs were visible from the air, many of them were no doubt killed in the attack.

So light or medium AA was encountered but a moderate amount of beavy AA was encountered. The heavy AA was uncomfortably close and several of the planes were bounced around by the bursts. Sowever, there were no casualties.

Pilots: Lieuts. (Jg) R. J. BUENS, T. S. OLESON, R. W. SCHAEFER, R. T. REPIER.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary).

ARMAMENT

Guns, Gunsights Turrets Ammunition Bombs, Torpedoes Bomb Sights Bomb Releases

COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar Homing Devices Visual Signals Codes, Ciphers

RECOGNITION

IFF Signals Battle Lights Procedures

PROTECTION

Armor; Points and Angles of Fire Needing Further Protection Leak Proofing

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid

NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses Driftsights Octants Automatic Pilots Charts Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Flight Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

STRUCTURE

Airframe Control Surfaces Control System Dive Flaps Landing Gear Heating System Flight Characteristics At Various Loadings

POWER PLANT

Engines Engine Accessories Propellers Lubricating System Starters Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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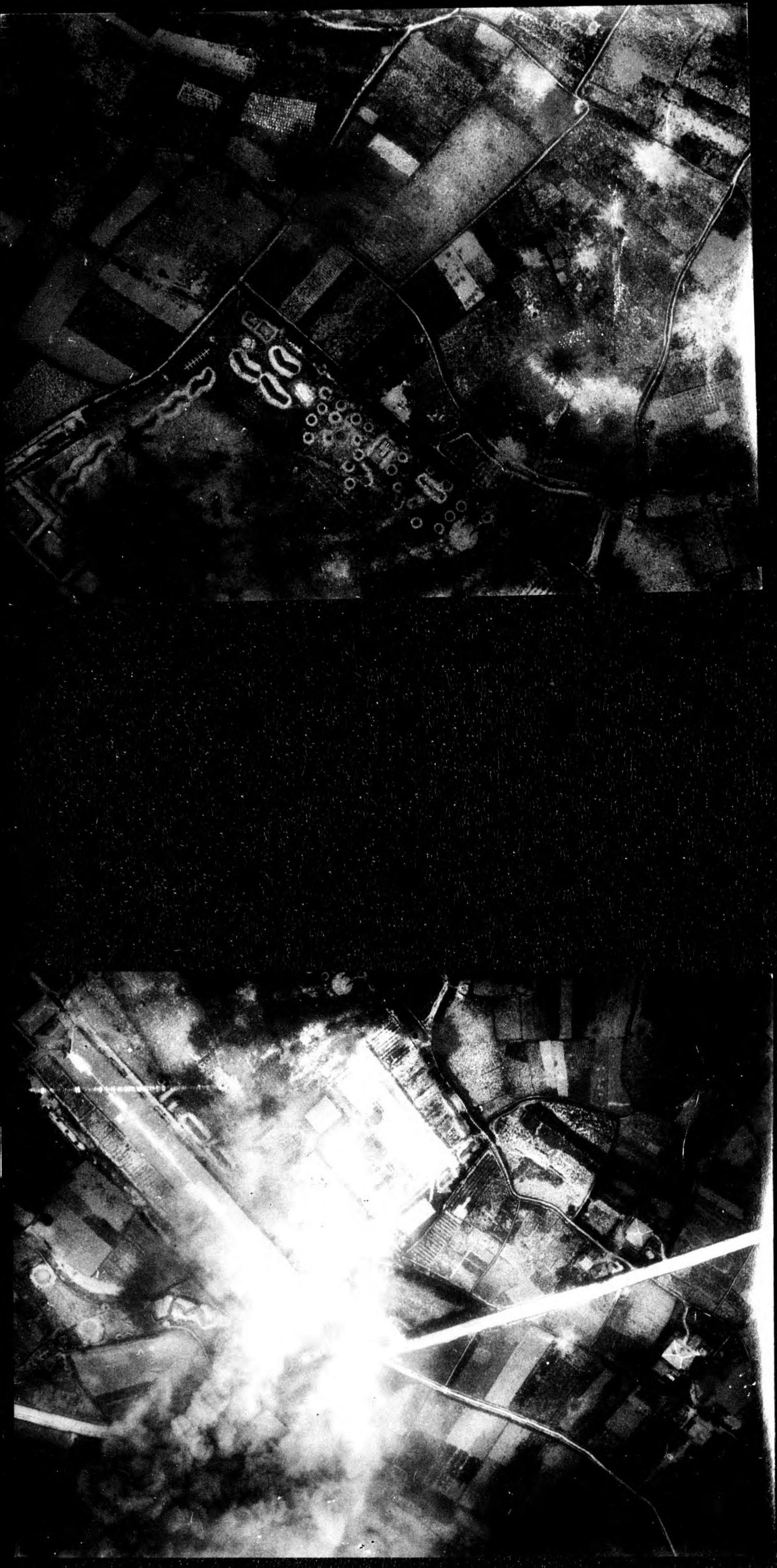
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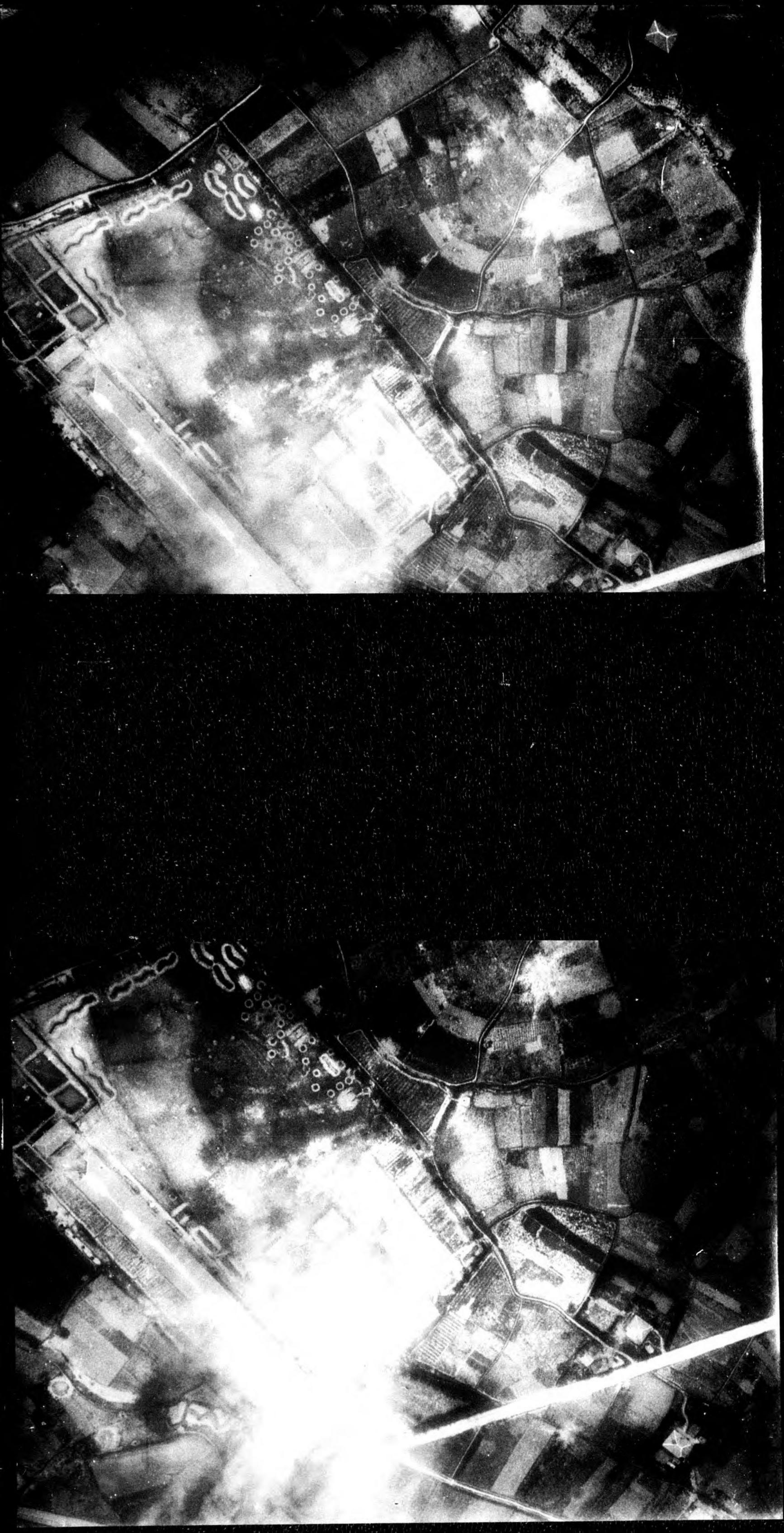
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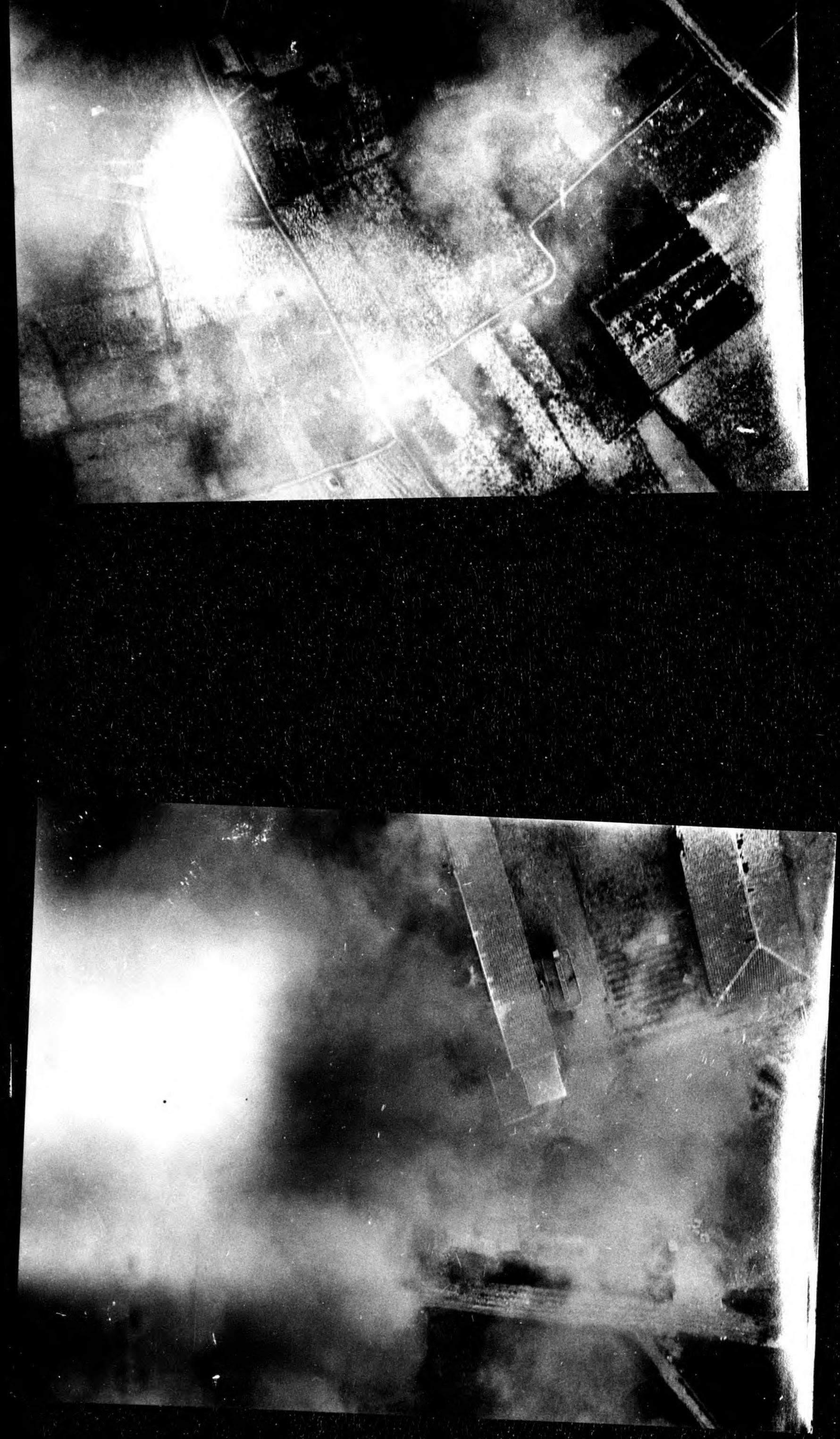


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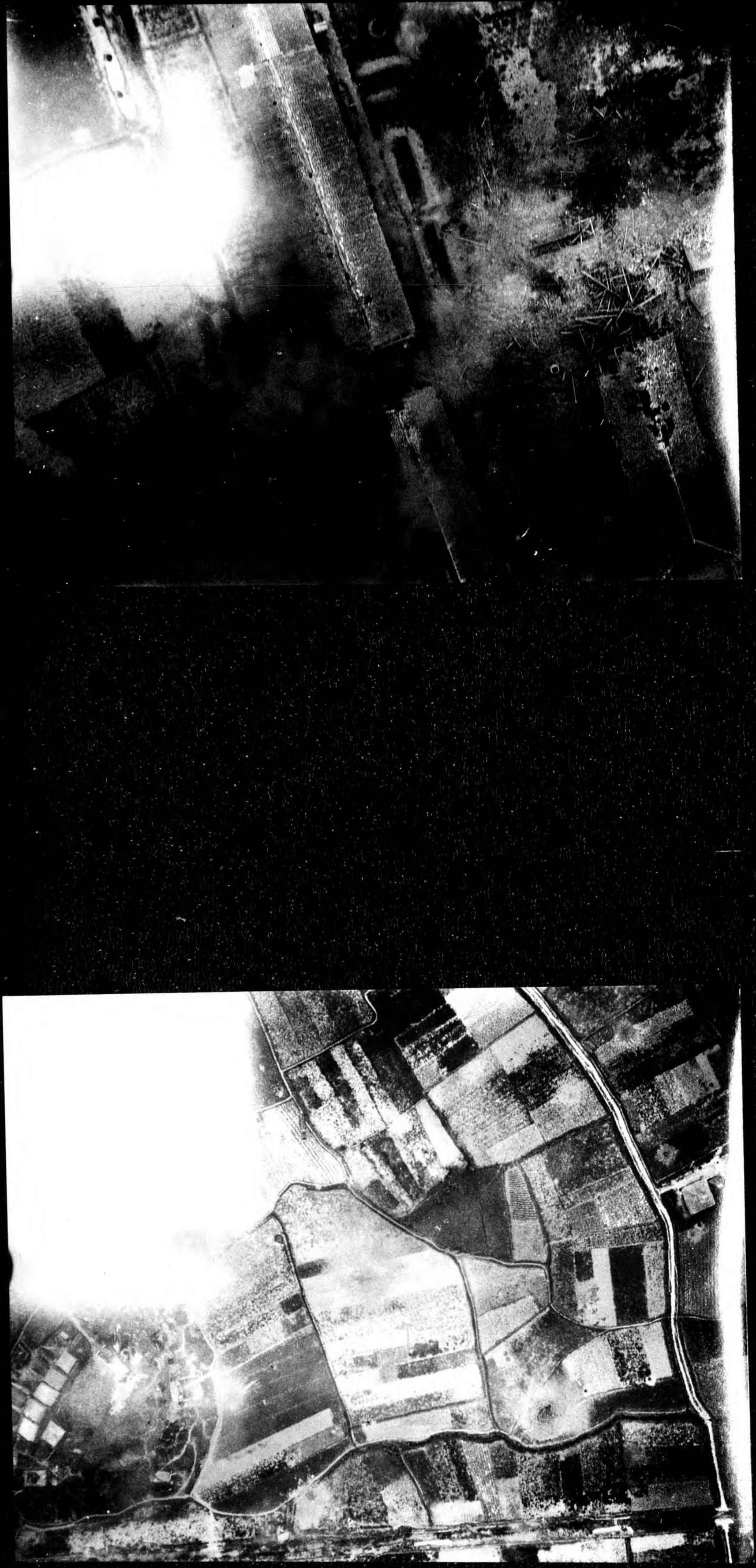


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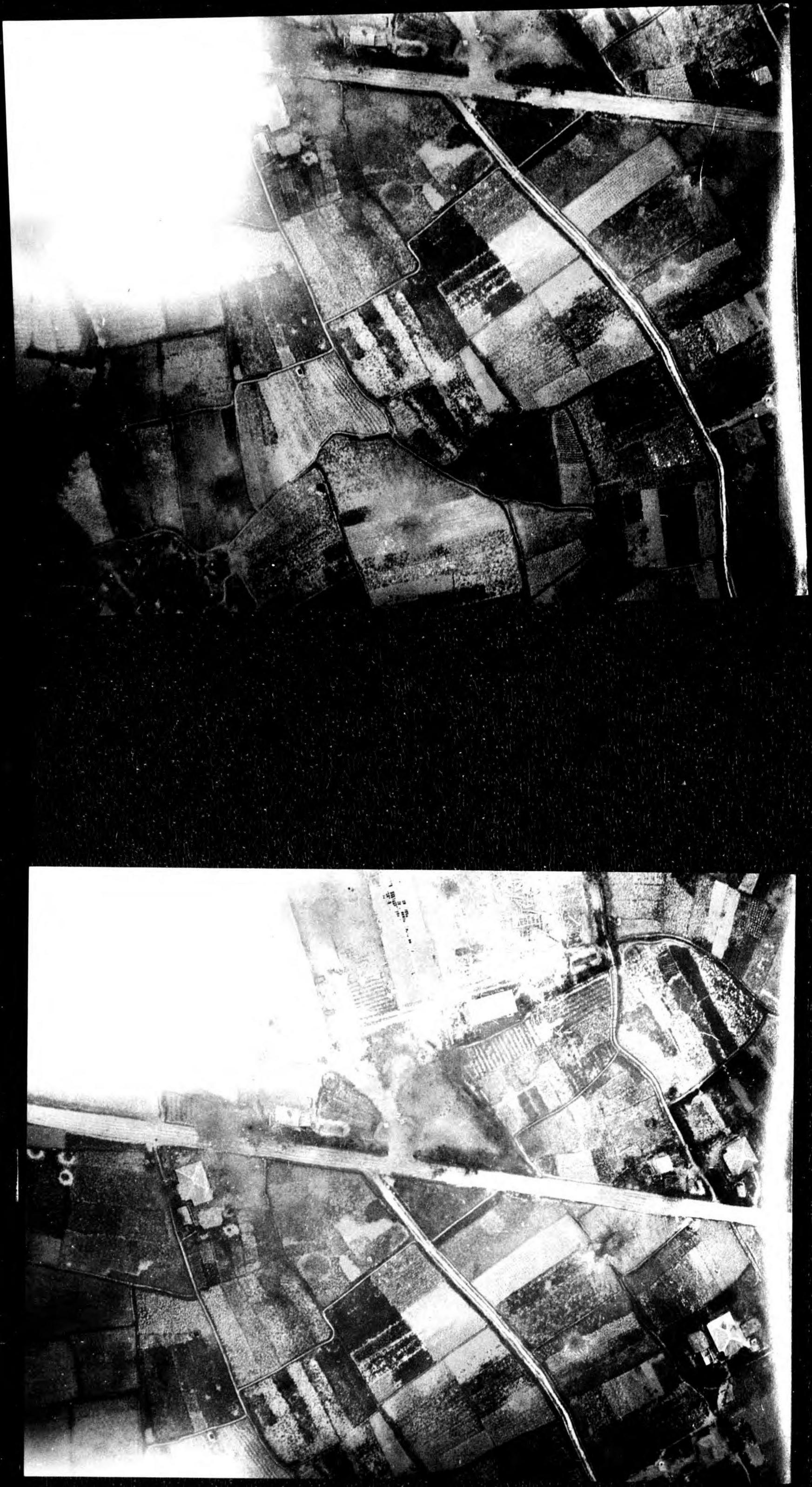


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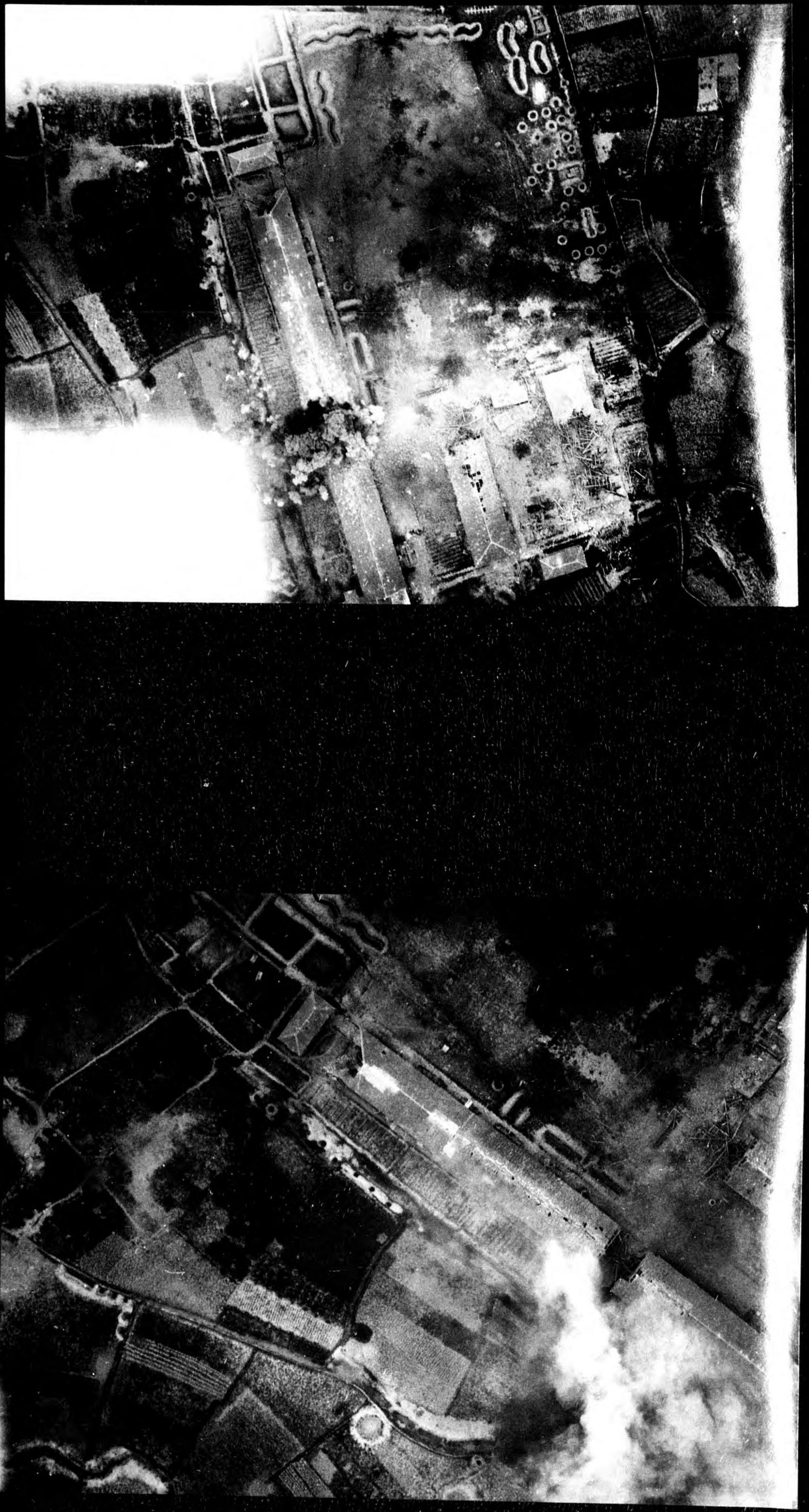


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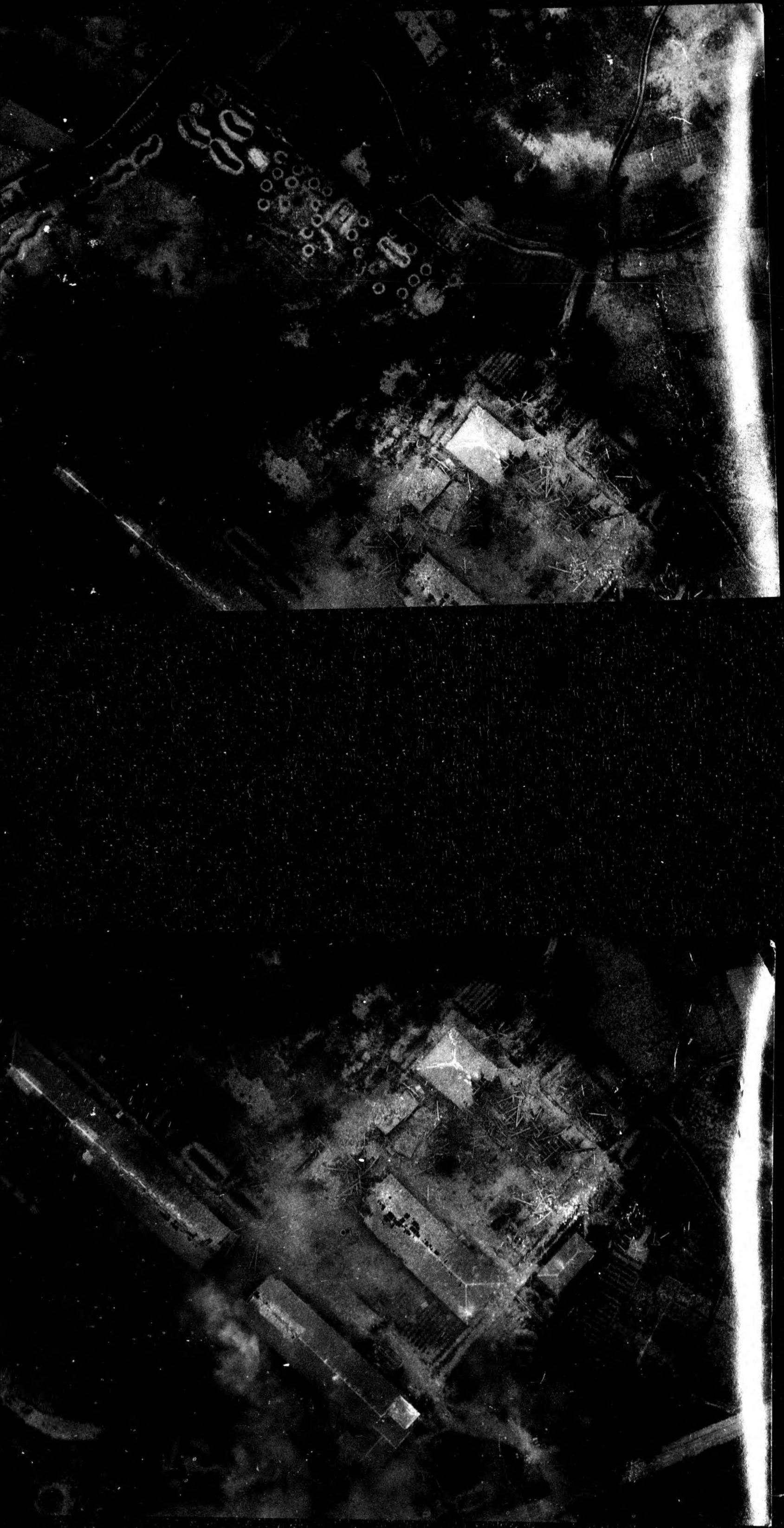


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