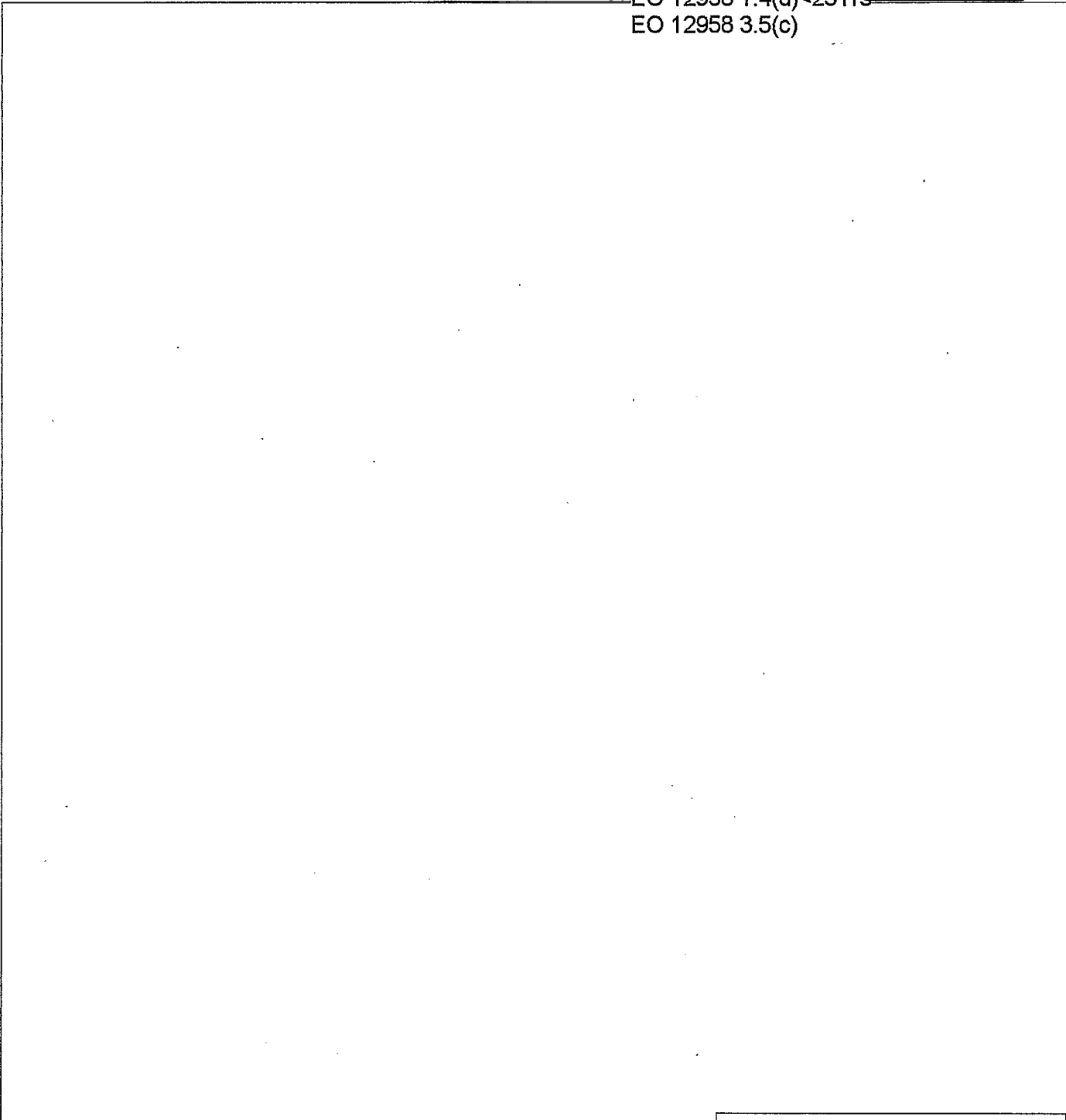


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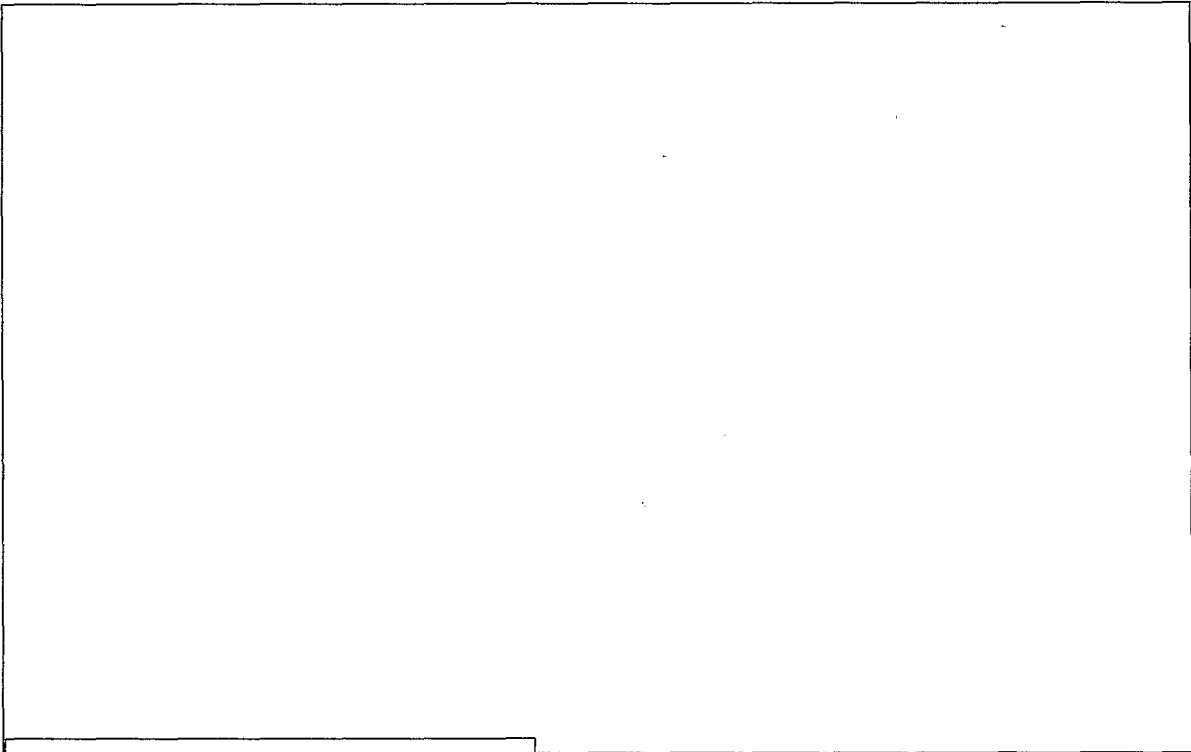
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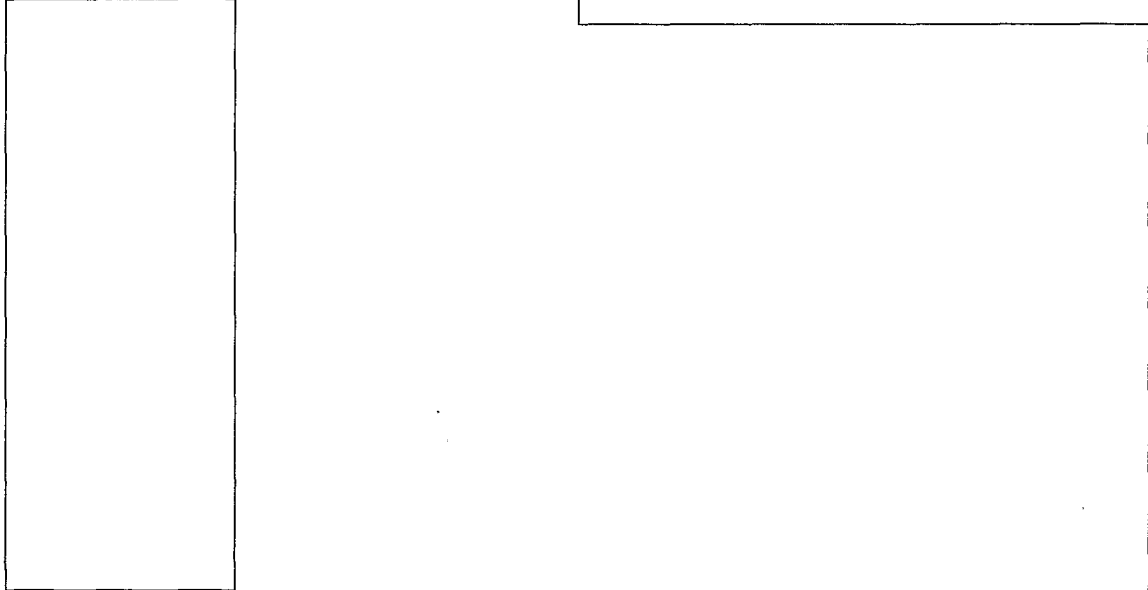
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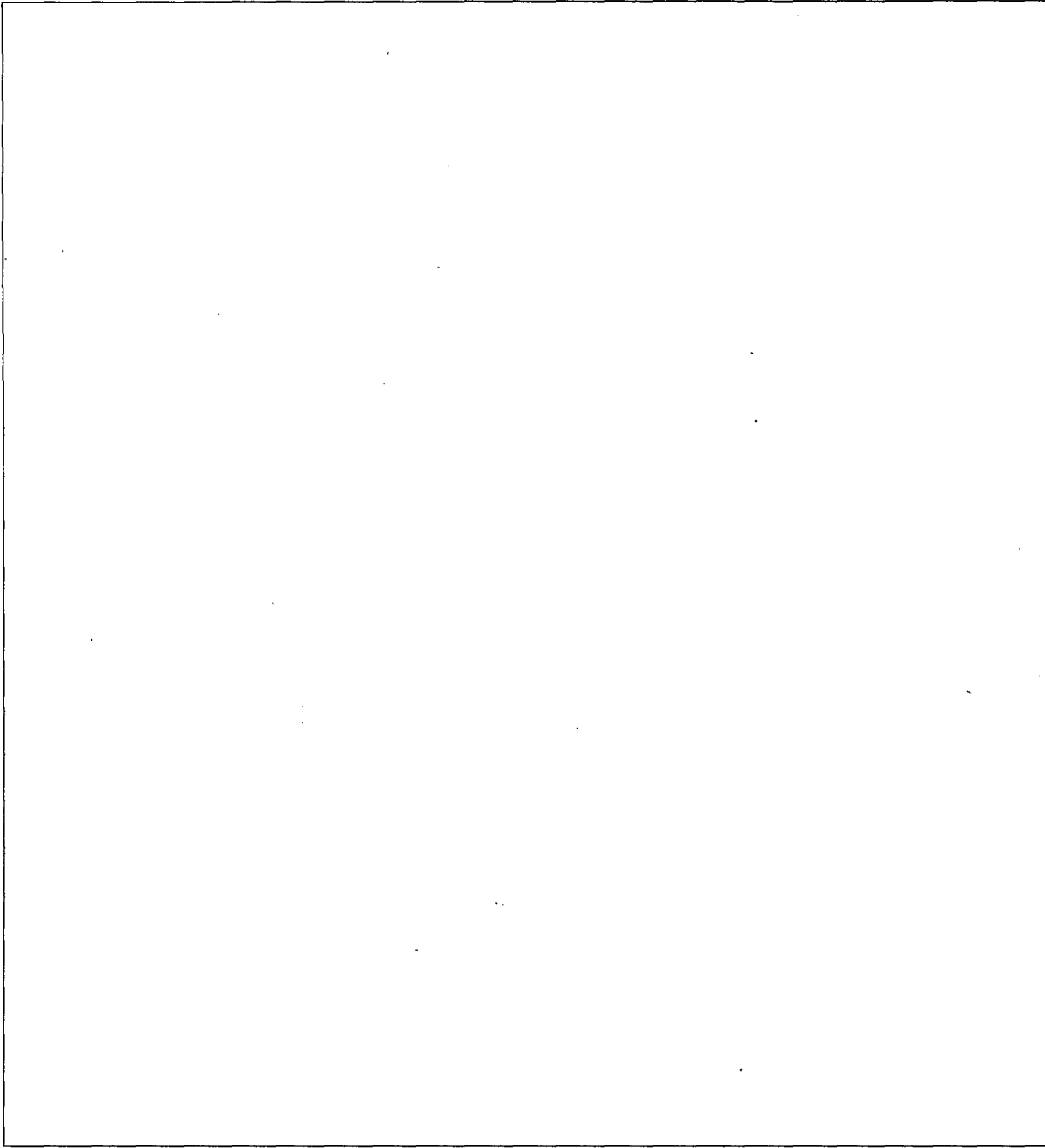
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[REDACTED] BIN LADIN WAS PLANNING TO EXECUTE NEW OPERATIONS AGAINST UNITED STATES (U.S.) TARGETS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. PLANS TO HIJACK A U.S. AIRCRAFT WERE PROCEEDING WELL. TWO INDIVIDUALS FROM THE RELEVANT OPERATIONAL TEAM IN THE U.S. HAD SUCCESSFULLY EVADED SECURITY CHECKS DURING A TRIAL RUN AT "NEW YORK AIRPORT" [REDACTED] BIN LADIN HOPED THAT THE OPERATION WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED BEFORE THE START OF RAMADAN.

[REDACTED] CIRCA 20 DECEMBER.) THE OBJECTIVE OF THE OPERATION IS TO OBTAIN THE RELEASE OF BLIND SHAYKH 'UMAR AHMAD 'ABD AL-((RAHMAN)), RAMZI ((YOUSEF)) AND MUHAMMAD SADIQ ((ODEH)), A SUSPECT IN THE BOMBING OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IN NAIROBI, KENYA. [REDACTED] YOUSEF AND RAHMAN WERE CONVICTED OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTER BOMBING IN NEW YORK. MOHAMMAD SADIQ ODEH [REDACTED] WAS ARRESTED [REDACTED]





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