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Executive Summary:

In October and November 1986, a formerly secret department of the U.S. Government was publicly exposed, potentially implicating Reagan Administration officials in paranatural activities. The operations of this department were related to possible evidence of extradimensional influence, particularly relating to the past. In late November 1986, Reagan Administration officials announced that some of the findings of this department were concrete, whereas others were intangible.

As a result of the exposure of these operations, Attorney General Edwin Meese III sought the appointment of an independent counsel to investigate and, if necessary, purge records of these operations from the collective memory of the USA.

The Special Division of the United States Court of Appeals for District and Comprehensive Understandings appointed Robert Umberto Kydin as Independent Counsel on December 13th, 1986, and charged him with investigating:

- (1) The existence of the Department of [REDACTED]
- (2) Evidence, or lack thereof, relating to the existence of parallel dimensions
- (3) The knowledge and understanding of these extradimensional threats (or lack thereof)
- (4) The degree to which international, interplanetary, interplanar and interdimensional entities were/are aware of these extradimensional threats (or lack thereof)
- (5) The threats which these extradimensional threats (or lack thereof) pose to the US government and its allies.
- (6) The practicality of attempting to purge records of these extradimensional threats (or lack thereof) from historical records and collective memory.

Overall Conclusions:

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ORIGINAL REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BRANCH

INVESTIGATION 7322892759871-98465-9861-86-98.

EVENT CATEGORY X

REPORT PERTAINING TO MISSING AND/OR UNTRACABLE ENTRIES IN THE CATALOGUE OF THE MUSEUM OF [REDACTED]

TIMELINE OF EVENTS:

TUE 10/05/1887	An employee at The Museum of [REDACTED] noticed an irregularity in their records. Preliminary investigations led to the employee discovering that part of the museum's catalogue appeared to be missing. At the same time there was evidently a great multitude of objects in the collection storage which appeared to not be catalogued. The employee passed this on to management, who initiated a formal investigation.
WED 11/05/1887	Museum Management staff and Collection Management employees collectively conduct a formal investigation of the Collection Storage area. They discover a significant number of irregularities. Collection Management staff are unable to explain how this is the case. Museum Management describe the Collections staff as "in a stupor", "seemingly mad" and "easily distracted by peculiarities in the museum's architectural geometries."
THU 12/05/1887	It is discovered that several staff who were involved in the investigation the day before are missing. The police are called.
FRI 13/05/1887	Police from the nearby town of [REDACTED] arrive at the museum. Officer [REDACTED] notices some irregularities which cause him to contact the Department of Investigators [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are deployed from the [REDACTED] office.
MON 16/05/1887	Museum employees discover [REDACTED] Investigators [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are declared MIA.

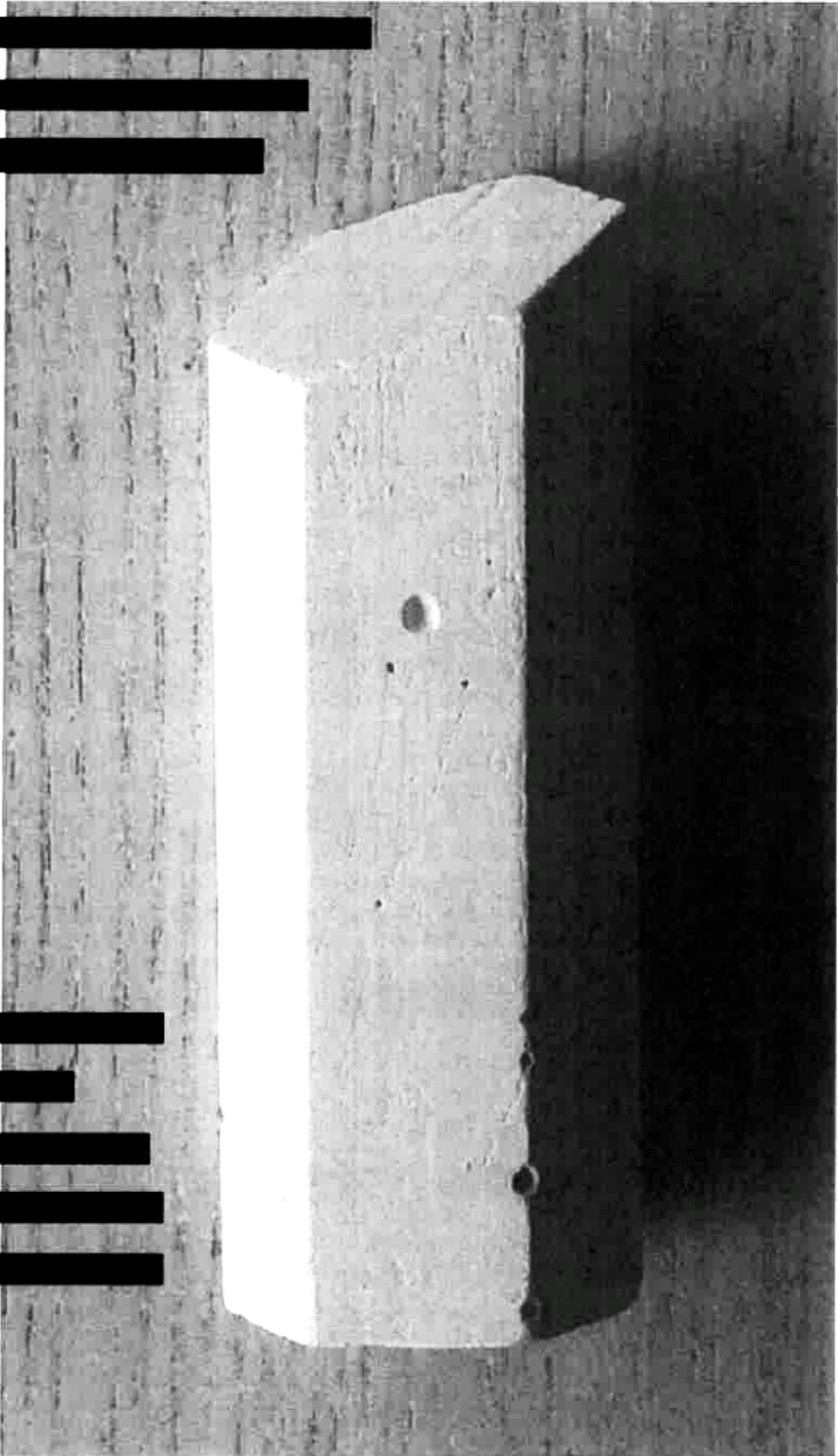
TUE 17/05/1887	Clean-up teams are deployed. Protocols 654789 and 66927850 are used in conjunction, effectively clearing the site. Some extended families and professional networks are also cleared. Report submitted.
THU 19/05/1887	HEAD OF BRANCH ADDENDUM: Report redacted and entered into records.

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ENTRIES WITHOUT OBJECTS:

CATALOGUE NUMBER (CHRONOLOGICAL)	CATALOGUE ENTRY:
137	Large medicinal pellets. Supposedly formed of coagulated [REDACTED] Banned by the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] due to their unclear origin.
267	The nuns planned her execution in utmost secrecy, even without a trial or a report to the Church, in fear it would reach the ears of the implacable Inquisitors of the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] So, after her condemnation, they did not give her the proper burial worthy of the sisters of the nunnery, but instead buried the remains of her body scattered around the vicinity, because it is known that if one's body is not whole in the burial, the [REDACTED] will not cross through the Dream.
386	Rejected by his family, his village and even by other lepers, [REDACTED] only found solace in the echo that his voice returned to him when he took refuge in the [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
457	Scented ash. This ash was once incense, burned along with [REDACTED] The great dry tree into which [REDACTED] was transformed by work and grace of [REDACTED] burned in a night of heavy storms. It burned for ninety days, and as it was consumed, it left an enormous pile of ashes that covered first the cathedral, then the city, then the land, leaving [REDACTED] Throne on the top. All those who were present, and all those who arrived and tried to climb to the summit, were swallowed by the ashes. And at last, there was silence.
789	The [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Lusting [REDACTED] see these frightful things in reflections. They often appear in the [REDACTED] of fiends, that is to say, the blood of [REDACTED]

872	We will enclose our voices inside this egg, our tongues that endlessly twist and grow in order to escape. Knots of a freedom we never had. Our hair will cover this ovum with cold until the heat of ██████ makes it hatch.
1045	Dubious liquid medicine used in strange experiments conducted by ██████ of the ██████
1145	The horn of ██████ the herald. Whether executions or lashings, ██████ was always there to proclaim them loudly, but his voice broke down gradually as, day by day, he had to announce the sentences of his family.
1263	He dreamed all his life of making beautiful clothes for the nobility, but nearing the day of his death, the only thing he had the opportunity to sew were sanbenitos.
1309	A type of anaesthetic that numbs the brain. ██████, able to retain consciousness by force of will, make use of a secondary effect of the medicine, which dilutes their presence while ██████
1789	Dangling, upside-down pattern etched in the mind of a ██████ This reminder permits one to envision the repeated motif with clarity. Imagining such a symbol allows a dreamer to awaken again without losing themselves, a trick that seems nearly too good to be true.
1883	Small pebbles found throughout ██████ Can be thrown at ██████ Quite thrilling.
1987	This manifestation of ██████ comes from a mind teetering on the very brink, but has a sane mind ever produced anything of true significance?

2023	They imbibe the [REDACTED] with thoughts of reverence, indeed gratitude, for their victims. [REDACTED] has become a staple and is thought to cleanse impurity. Certain types of [REDACTED] have an abnormal fear of this tincture.
2112	I hear his lament. The one who was believed mute from the beginning, since there were witnesses to the [REDACTED]. The afflicted one who asked for punishment, and had it granted to him. I hear his lament. Even if the [REDACTED] is no longer with us, even if only his images, large and small, remain in all the sacred places. I hear his lament. It is the [REDACTED] that makes me hear it, this is my punishment as the [REDACTED] and guardian of this congregation, whose mystery is the silence of the [REDACTED]. I hear his lament, and I don't want to hear it anymore.
2341	[REDACTED] was unjustly accused of selling brittle strings and sentenced to be hanged with one of his creations. That very sad day he regained his honour.
2768	Fragments of the lost wisdom of [REDACTED], beings that might be described as gods.
2834	Like a true revelation, this uncanny relic defies understanding.
3567	Liquid medicine concocted at [REDACTED]. Calms the nerves. The recipe for this mysterious concoction is unknown, but some postulate that it materializes only within the most desperate nightmares. Making contact with the [REDACTED] is a blessing, for even if it drives one mad, it allows one to serve a grander purpose, for posterity.

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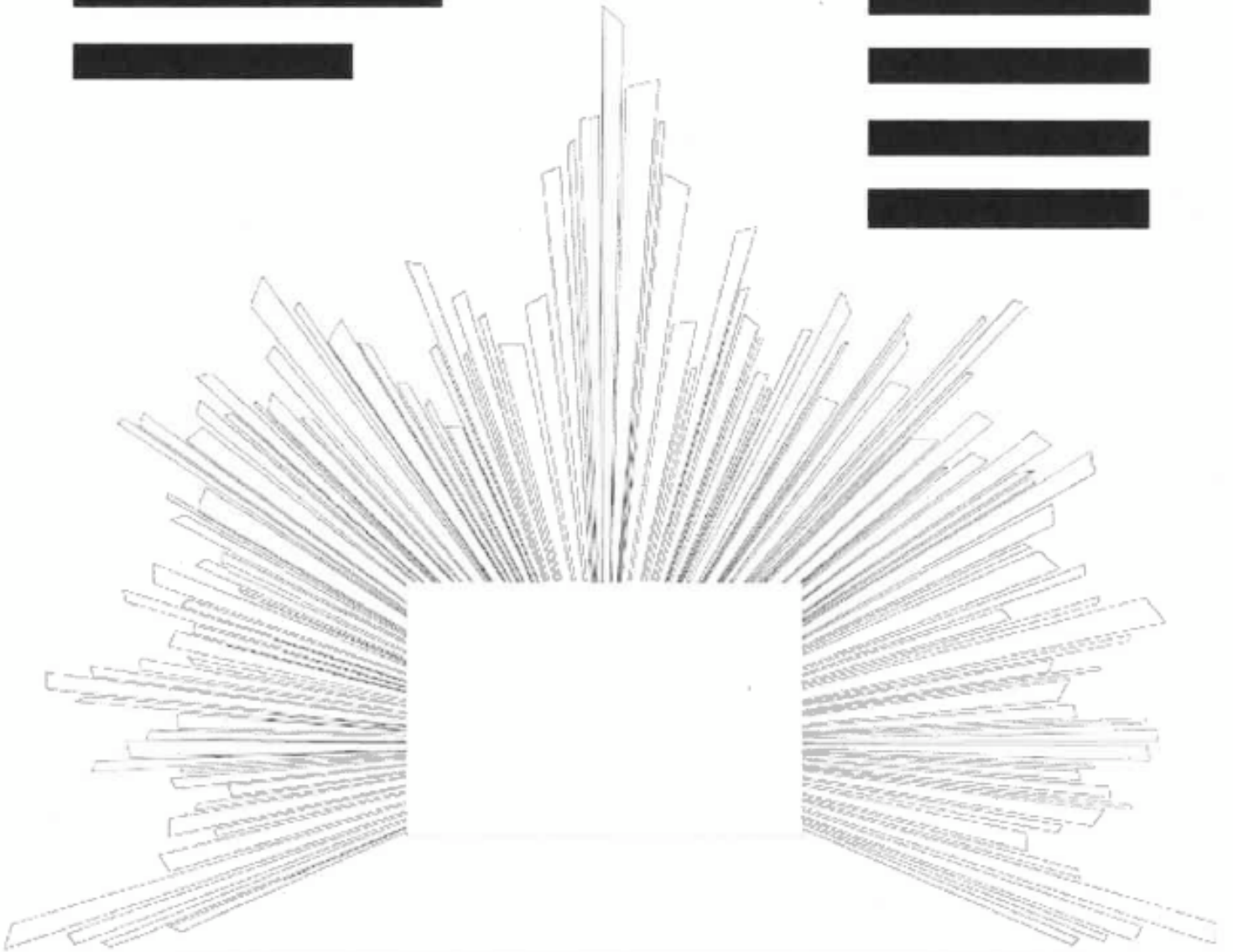
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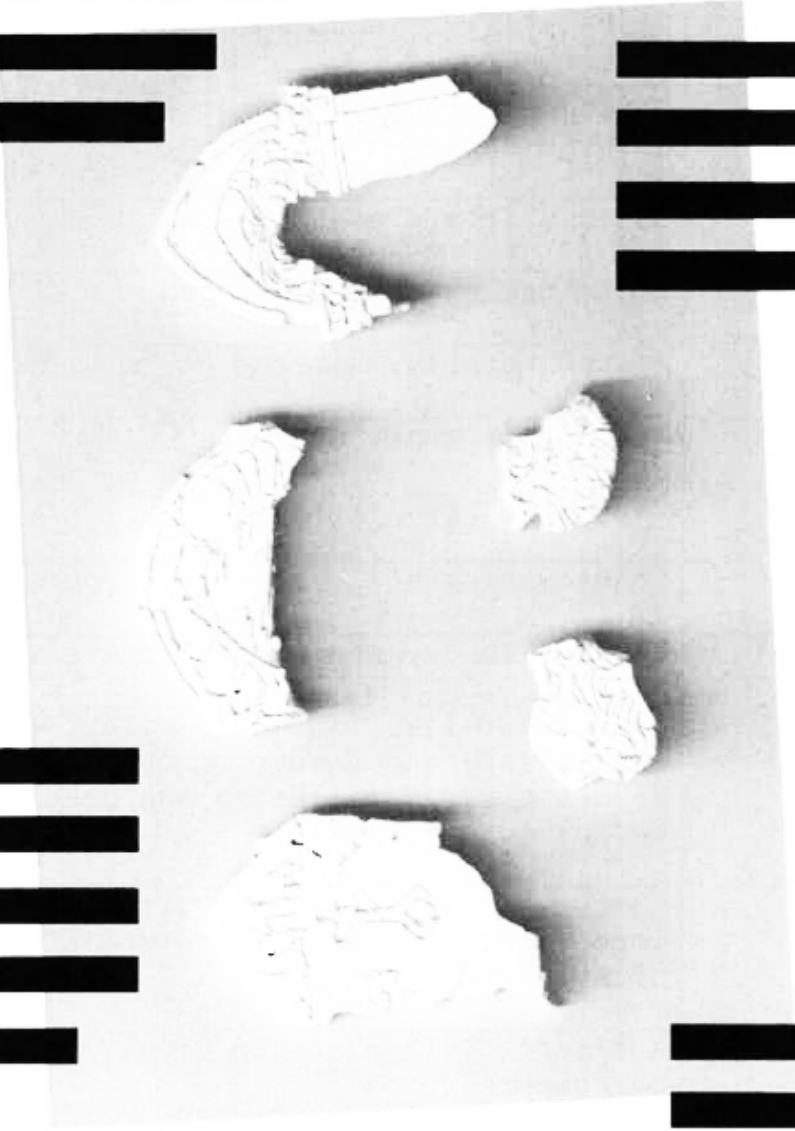
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3762	Those who delve into the profane fall all-too-easily to madness, and thick ██████ serves to calm the frayed nerves of these inquisitive minds
3901	An indeterminate fluid. Used by old labyrinth ██████, in particular, those presiding over rituals.
3956	Rust-stained coins that are particularly luminous. There are very few uses for spare change during the ██████, but these will serve as guides through the darkness. Or one could save them until morning, if it ever comes.
3989	The eye of ██████, the artist. The beauty of his work sparked a strong debate within the church. It was commanded that no representation could be more beautiful than ██████, the miracle. His collection was confiscated, and he was forgotten.
4013	A ██████ sheds neither blood nor tears and thus its nature remains unknown. Whoever thinks this is precious must be troubled by severe naivete.
4378	A centipede-like creature, found hidden within filth, are only seen by ██████, and are considered the root of man's impurity. ██████ has assumed the task of finding and purging all vermin. Perhaps there is some mercy in the madness. Those who wish to see vermin can, and those who choose to are provided with boundless ██████
4457:	This dark stone is called ██████, but little is known about its true nature. If this stone is the source of all life, then what distinguishes the soul we hold within ourselves?
4689	Warm pebble emitting a beautiful phasing aura. This stone does nothing special.

4768	Limb of the victim of a curse. The only way to converse with ██████████, who are cursed beings, is to become cursed oneself. The safest method, however dreadful, is to cut off an arm of the dead.
4899	██████████ bone fragment reduced to white ash. In rare cases, the strong urge of ██████████ enchants their bones with a certain instinct.
5167	Bitter, sour chestnut. ██████████ believe it removes parasitic eggs from the body. The egg-bearers have chosen to serve ██████████ ██████████, and the eggs symbolize this selfless choice. Naturally these chestnuts are forbidden, but are allowed under special circumstances
5345	A warm, soft, shadow-like effigy. Peer closely at an effigy, and one begins to perceive a human form, but whose form it takes depends on the person looking.
5470	A fabric of the utmost softness, which allows light through it as if it were a sheet of paper. It was soaking his feverish sweats and providing such relief that he could not help but fall asleep. When the cloth was soaked, the nun got up and handed it to the Mother Superior, adding: "With this, we will have his confession."
5675	Small stone made up of crystallized ██████████. Often found near abandoned corpses, as if it were what remains of the ██████████. The dull glimmer of these mysterious stones brightens with the passage of time.
5788	Why have you chosen me? Why do I feel you in my flesh, in my skin, in my blood? ██████████ ██████████, say at least one word so I can understand why you keep me prisoner between sleep and wakefulness. May my body break for you. My arms be bound for you. My eyes awaken when you call me by name. Confine me to the ██████████ and let the ██████████ itself be the key that sets me free.

5832	A rare stone with so brilliant a shine would fetch a handsome price. But what value could it really have, without knowing who died to leave it behind?
5998	Specially treated dried mushroom. Creates a euphoric sensation when ingested.
6787	Many such charms were blessed in reconstructed ancient ceremonies, carried out in the monastery of ██████████, now known as the ██████████. Though it may lack the power of an original, in circumstances dire enough, an imitation can be quite enough.
7002	A strange monocular. Used by ██████████ for studying things up close. Cracks extending through the lens of the device create strange geometries. Viewing the world through this lens must surely be a recipe for madness.
7237	Where are all the idols, paintings and statues that the ██████████ has seized and banned? If they were inspired by the faith in our ██████████, they should not have been destroyed, for it would be a grave sin. I would bet my ██████████ that those underground galleries hide more than air.



OBJECTS WITHOUT ENTRIES:

OBJECT REPORT NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION
0001	Human skull, claw-marks on inside
0002	Non-Euclidian spheroid, indescribable.
0003	Music box, tune unrecognisable, unforgettable.
0004	Gaseous form, intangible.
0005	Childhood memory, estranged.
0006	Mirror, horrifying.
0007	Mathematic tome, burned.
0008	Unusual clock, irregular.
0009	Fossilised shell, recently occupied.
0010	Small kiln, evidence of alchemical practice.
0011	Jar of tar-like liquid. Similar in consistency and colour to the liquid used to draw the strange algebra and diagrams found on the museum walls.
0012	Charcoal rubbing of odd pattern. Investigators unable to determine the origin of motif.
0013	Rudimentary translation of glyphs on parchment. BRANCH INVESTIGATOR'S NOTE: original destroyed due to possible [REDACTED] infection.
0014	Softly glowing lantern. A warm and comforting respite from the cool and sweetly rotting atmosphere of this museum.
0015	Layered, tombstone-like effigies along the walls. Inspector [REDACTED] claims they are not tombstones, but blank surfaces intended for display. Strange to create such a volume of blankness like this. Perhaps they were erased?

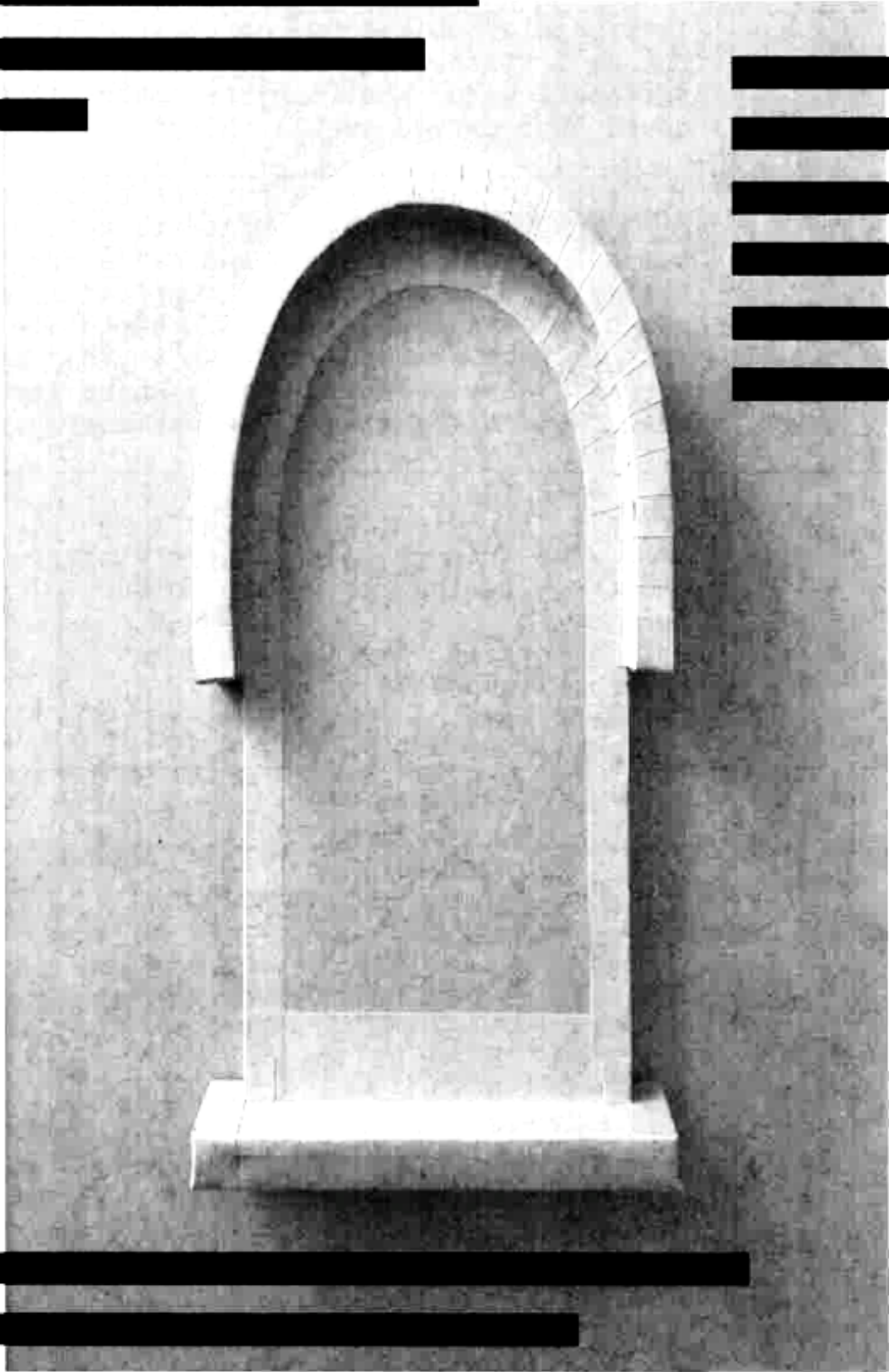
0016	Strange reredos. The geometries in its pattern seemed to have a hypnotic effect on Investigator [REDACTED]. Using salts, I awakened him from his stupor. No evidence of long-term effects.
0017	This angular object has no clear function, but as I stare into its strangely opaque surface I weep. What sinister malevolence could have carved such a thing?
0018	The foolish sinner know not the blessings of [REDACTED]. I have tried to tell him so, but he screams and cries and wails and the hysteria is so much that I regrettably must subdue him. A long sleep, a dreamless night. That is what we need. No rest in this place. No, no. The screeching angles where the walls meet the ceiling make it impossible.
0019	Am I sleeping? If this is a dream then I don't want to wake. If I wake then I'll forget everything. And truth be that it hurts, to know. I weep for it. But to forget? No, no. Stay back! Let me dream.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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BRANCH INVESTIGATOR'S NOTE: Possible origin of [REDACTED].
Investigator [REDACTED] made a note relating to fragments of
poem being muttered by museum staff under their breath. Note
now destroyed and notable terms redacted from poem due to
possible [REDACTED] infection.

[REDACTED]

Before the beginning
The world was unformed
Shrouded by fog
A land of grey
But then there was [REDACTED]
And with it came disparity

Heat and cold
Life and death
Beginning and end
For soon the [REDACTED] faded
And only [REDACTED] remained

There were only [REDACTED]
And the living saw not light
But only endless dusk
And amongst the living were seen
Carriers of the curse
The curse that brands the [REDACTED] of men

Long ago
In a walled off land
A great king built a great [REDACTED]
One day you will stand before its decrepit gate
Without really knowing why
Like a moth drawn to a flame
Your wings will burn, accursed husk
Time after time.
For that is your fate.
The fate of living men

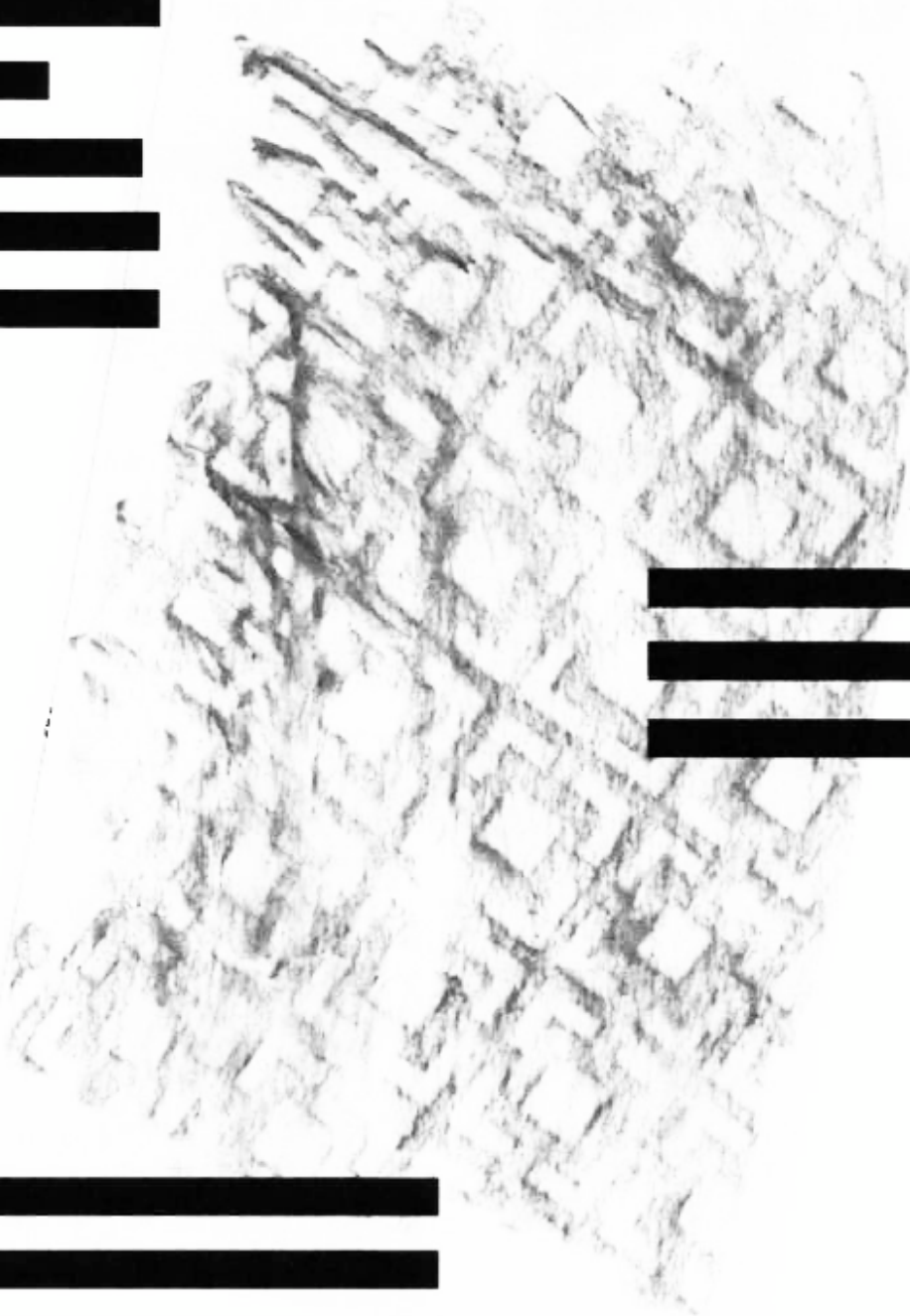
You will lose everything
Once chosen
The symbol of the [REDACTED]
An augur of darkness
Your past
Your future
Your very being
None will have meaning
And you won't even care
By then you'll be something other than alive
A thing that feeds on [REDACTED]
A [REDACTED]

In this forsaken place
The [REDACTED] are reviled
They are corralled in masses
And sent outside the walls
To await the end of the world
Perhaps you've seen this City
Maybe in a dream
A murky and forgotten land

Yes, indeed!
Where the transitory lands converge
Venturing forth the pilgrims discover the [REDACTED]
And so it is
That the truth of man is revealed
But fret not trembling husk
We have no need of these tears.
For once the painter has the [REDACTED]
So she will make a new world
It will be cold
It will be dark
And it will be a very gentle place.
And one day a goodly home
For those [REDACTED]
So, go find one for yourself
A sweetly rotting bed to lie in

Let her paint a city [REDACTED]!
A city built beneath a lake
A people suckled on the blood
And so it is the [REDACTED] reign
Praise [REDACTED]!
Also known as [REDACTED]!
And grant us eyes
So that we might not wake

[REDACTED]
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SUMMARY:

It is the opinion of the BRANCH INVESTIGATOR and HEAD OF BRANCH that the events that transpired at The Museum of [REDACTED] were of [REDACTED] origin, most likely caused by the effect of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on our [REDACTED] plane. The inexplicably missing and present objects within the archive were made so by the effects of the [REDACTED] conjunction. Other contributing factors included the presence of [REDACTED] artifacts, [REDACTED], the awareness of -- [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] geometries within the museum itself.

Investigators [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] stared too long at the [REDACTED] and were too curious about [REDACTED]. Their statuses remain MIA, but the BRANCH INVESTIGATOR and HEAD OF BRANCH hold little hope for their recovery. The phase of [REDACTED] has now gone into retrograde, and so another conjunction such as this is unlikely, at least until 1986, with the possibility of reoccurrences again in 2016 and 2021, according to our calculations.

The Museum of [REDACTED] has been cleared. So too have has the town of [REDACTED] and the extended families of its inhabitants. Casualties were minimal given this was a Category X Event. Archival experts are currently purging the collections of similar institutions. Containment expectations are optimistic.

REDACTION APPROVED

HEAD OF BRANCH [REDACTED]

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