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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA           \* CRIMINAL DOCKET NO. 90-055  
VERSUS                               \* SECTION: "H" (4)  
NEVIL MARTIN SCHOENMAKERS       \*

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AFFIDAVIT OF RAYMOND ANTHONY COGO

RAYMOND ANTHONY COGO, being duly sworn, deposes and says  
that:

1. My full name is Raymond Anthony Cogo. I was born at Detroit, Michigan on October 20, 1957. I was educated in the public schools of the United States and graduated from high school at Livonia, Michigan in 1975. Until an on-the job accident caused disabling injuries to my back, I worked as a bricklayer and cement man. For almost a year and a half, I was the U. S. distribution agent for "The Seed Bank," and also distributed a liquid fertilizer. I have cooperated with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration in its investigation of the activities of Nevil Martin Schoenmakers, and others. No charges have been made against me as a result of the facts related herein, although I fully appreciate the fact that my statements have the effect of incriminating me. This statement made by me accurately sets forth the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in Court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I make it knowing that I would be liable to prosecution were I to have wilfully included in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

EXHIBIT "E"

2. I have first-hand knowledge of the general method of operations of the international marihuana seed distribution business conducted in and out of the Netherlands by Schoenmakers under the trade name of "The Seed Bank." My first contact with Schoenmakers was as a mail order customer of The Seed Bank. This was during early 1986, when I was involved in growing marihuana for my own use to aid in dealing with the pain from my back injury. I also was developing an interest in hydroponic food production. In early 1986, I placed several telephone calls to The Seed Bank, using the telephone number listed in their catalog. I spoke to a man who identified himself as Schoenmakers, and through a combination of those telephone conversations and letters sent and received through the mails, we gradually developed a friendly relationship.

3. In the summer of 1986, Schoenmakers invited me to visit him in Holland. I flew from Detroit, Michigan, U. S. A. to Amsterdam in July, 1986. A man identifying himself as Schoenmakers eventually met me at the airport, and took me to his house, which is the house pictured in the attached article entitled "Inside the Cannabis Castle - The Incredible Story of the Man Who Would be King of Cannabis" (High Times, March, 1987) (Attachment 1). The man I met at the airport, and with whom I stayed during a portion of this visit, was a white male, about six feet tall and medium build, with green eyes and blond hair. His picture appears on the page numbered 41 in the published magazine article at Attachment 1, as well as in the photograph at Attachment 2. On

that visit, I stayed in Holland approximately three days, and spent one night in Schoenmakers' house. This house, which is really an old mansion located in the small village of Lent (near Nijmegen), is shown in the photograph at Attachment 3. I actually took the photographs at Attachments 2 and 3 during one of my visits to The Seed Bank. While I was at Schoenmakers' house, he showed me his marihuana growing operation inside his house. I saw an elaborate system of growing plants, rooted in rockwool nourished by liquid fertilizer, and under 400 watt horizontal lamps.

4. I returned to Holland the following month, that is, in August, 1986, and stayed by prior arrangement with a friend of Schoenmakers. While I was there, the friend arranged for me to visit Schoenmakers' house again. During my visit, Schoenmakers excused himself to go to the post office. Shortly thereafter, he returned with a large duffel bag filled with hundreds of envelopes. He began to open the envelopes in my presence, whereupon I saw that each of them contained hundreds of dollars of United States currency and an order for marihuana seeds. Schoenmakers told me that he received a bag of orders such as these on the order of twice a week.

5. During my August, 1986 visit, Schoenmakers introduced me to an American that he called "Charlie," and that I now know to be Charles Benjamin Frink. Schoenmakers told me that Charlie was a trained, university educated expert in horticulture who was helping him to grow marihuana and harvest the seeds. On one of my early visits to Holland, I was introduced to a man called "Stefan"

who I saw working at Schoenmakers' house and tending marihuana plants under instructions from Charlie. I do not know Stefan's last name, but his picture appears on page 48 of the article that is Attachment 1 hereto.

6. I made a number of separate visits to Holland and to The Seed Bank. During one such visit, which I believe was in February of 1987, Schoenmakers informed me that he had a someone working for him in the United States, who was receiving bulk shipments of seeds by mail from Holland and then mailing individual orders to customers for The Seed Bank.

7. In June of 1987 my wife and I flew to Holland. I went to Schoenmakers' house, above described, where I met with Schoenmakers and a man called "Mark. " Then, and again in September, 1987, Schoenmakers and Mark suggested that I might work for them by receiving bulk shipments of marihuana seeds, and shipping individual orders to customers in the United States and Canada. Each time, I told them I would consider it. I do not know Mark's last name.

8. In January, 1988, I received a telephone call from Schoenmakers, who asked me if I would distribute seeds for The Seed Bank in the United States, and I agreed to do so. Schoenmakers told me that he would pay me \$10 for every seed order that I mailed. Later, my compensation for this service was changed by agreement with Schoenmakers, pursuant to which he had Charles Benjamin Frink give me The Seed Bank's formula for liquid

fertilizer, and agreed to endorse it when I started to market it in the United States.

9. Shortly after I agreed to act as the distribution agent for The Seed Bank in respect to its North American sales operations, I travelled to JFK Airport in New York City and, on the specific instructions of Schoenmakers, received physical custody of a large quantity of marihuana seeds, shipping orders and related records from two men, one of whom had supposedly been handling The Seed Bank's business in the past. I paid them \$3,000, which was later reimbursed to me by Schoenmakers, for the stated purpose of paying them for past services. I then brought the seeds and records back to my home in Michigan.

10. From about February of 1988 until June of 1989, I acted as Schoenmakers' distribution agent in the United States. The method of our dealing was as follows: Schoenmakers would cause The Seed Bank to ship marihuana seeds to me in bulk, wrapped in packets and labeled according to the quantity and type of seeds involved, which packets were shipped in sealed soup cans that were packaged in a box with food items. The soup cans contained lead inserts, and were packed in such a way that their contents could not shift or move about during shipment, and would weigh what the label on the soup can said the can should weigh. Attachment 5 is a photograph showing such soup cans in a typical shipment which was actually received by me from The Seed Bank. I would open the package and inventory the contents, and upon receipt from The Seed Bank of a list of orders, would individually count, wrap and ship

the seeds through the mails to the addresses shown on the list. The customers did not mail orders or cash payments to me; all I did was ship the seeds in execution of the instructions of The Seed Bank. On the basis of my prior experience as one of their grower/customers, and as set forth in the copy of their 1988 catalog at Attachment 5, I was then and am now aware of the procedures for placing orders with The Seed Bank. The customer sends his or her order, with cash wrapped in carbon paper to avoid X-Ray detection, by registered mail to The Seed Bank's address in Holland. Schoenmakers or one of his employees receives the order, collects the cash from the envelope, and then notifies the shipping agent of the quantity and type seed to be shipped and the address to which the seeds are to be shipped. During my time as the shipping agent, I routinely received lists from Schoenmakers or his employees detailing individual orders to be filled.

11. Attachment 6 consists of true and accurate copies of a representative sample of the hundreds of lists I received from The Seed Bank. Each list contained the names and addresses of the persons in the United States who had ordered seeds, the number of seed packets ordered, and the strain of seeds ordered. The strain was indicated in a brief code. For example, the strain of marihuana known as "Big Bud" was abbreviated to "BU", and an order for a single packet of 10 Big Bud seeds would be abbreviated as "1-BU". Originally, these lists were sent to me in the mail, and later they were sent by fax. The changeover from mail to fax occurred shortly after a visit that I made to Holland in September,

1988, during which Schoenmakers gave me the money to buy a fax machine. While I was in Holland in September of 1988, Mark (previously identified in paragraph 7, above) showed me The Seed Bank's computer and fax machine, and told me how he maintained the records of the seed orders and issued shipping instructions to me. In each case, I mailed the seeds to the address indicated on the lists I received. Although Schoenmakers told me to destroy these lists, I kept them as a record of my activities in support of his operations.

12. I would like to provide additional details as to what I observed of Schoenmakers and his marihuana seed business during my several visits to Holland. Except for a computer and fax machine that Mark showed me at Nijmegen, and some coffee shops in Holland where their marihuana was sold over the counter, the entire cultivation and distribution operation appeared to be conducted in the mansion and a number of smaller structures on Schoenmakers' property in Lent. I would state by way of estimate that the grounds were as much as three acres. When I visited the property in the summer of 1986, and again in 1987 and 1988, I noted that the main house was very large, with huge marihuana buds strewn throughout much of the interior. A small room adjacent to the second story bedroom in which I stayed contained what appeared to be hundreds of individually labeled plastic bags each containing about a quarter pound of specified types of marihuana. When Schoenmakers showed me the basement, in what was essentially a guided tour of the house, I observed it to be full of



hydroponically grown marihuana plants. By hydroponically grown, I mean without soil nutrients but rather rooted in rock wool and fed with liquid fertilizer. Each plant was labeled to indicate the type marihuana that was growing. I saw two small cutting rooms where clones of other marihuana were being rooted. I saw a flowering room where at least a hundred marihuana plants were growing in a hydroponic system using rock wool. In this same room were from fifteen to twenty 400 watt horizontal lamps operating. Outside, Schoenmakers showed me two greenhouses each full of marihuana plants, and an outdoor garden with still more plants. I saw two men who were tending the plants and who appeared to be working for Schoenmakers. All the people I met during my various visits to The Seed Bank, including Charles Benjamin Frink, Mark and Stefan, appeared to be part of a well-organized and efficiently operated business activity supervised and directed by Schoenmakers.

13. On the basis of my many contacts, both in person and by mail and telephone, with The Seed Bank and its operators, I am certain that it was engaged in a large scale effort to produce and distribute high quality marihuana seeds to persons who would plant them and grow marihuana plants. During the period of some seventeen (17) months when I was their sole distribution agent for growers in the United States and Canada, I mailed out approximately 11,000 orders which, in the aggregate, represented millions of U. S. dollars that were paid to Schoenmakers.

14. This Holland-based end of The Seed Bank's operation was anything but a secret. Schoenmakers told me that he was a



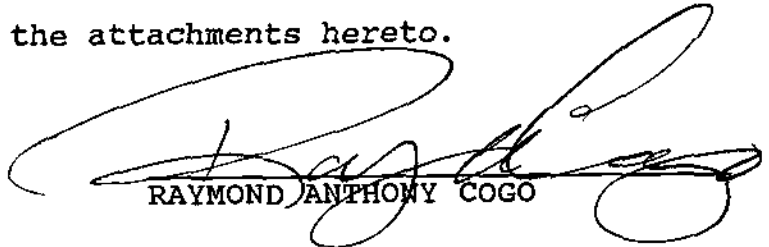
regular advertiser in the magazine High Times, and either he or Mark told me that he had a contract with a company in California or Oregon to publish an annual mail order catalog. Schoenmakers took pride in his operations, and stated to me that his seed distribution business was a legal activity in Holland.

15. In March of 1989, after I had already been handling orders for Schoenmakers, I was arrested for growing marihuana by the authorities in the State of Michigan. I was convicted and sentenced to serve six months in jail. At my wife's request, Schoenmakers lent us \$30,000 for legal expenses. While on a work release program, I learned that the company that was handling distribution of my liquid fertilizer, "Superior Growers, Inc. ", had stolen the formula and was cutting me out of the picture. This and other things led me to go to law enforcement authorities and agree to cooperate in providing information about my dealings with Schoenmakers. At the time I did this, the authorities here were not, to my knowledge, aware of my serving as Schoenmakers' distribution agent for The Seed Bank's marihuana seed sales.

16. I know that the seeds sold by Schoenmakers were marihuana seeds. In fact, the seeds I bought from him in 1986 were planted by me, developed into mature plants, and produced marihuana that I smoked. I am familiar with the effects of using marihuana on the body and mind. I experienced those effects, including euphoria, pain relief, light-headedness, and accentuation of senses of hearing and taste, when I used marihuana produced from Schoenmakers' seeds, from plants at his house, and from marihuana

he gave me in his car as we drove from the airport to his house in the summer of 1986. I am familiar with the physical appearance of marihuana seeds. All the seeds I handled and mailed to Seed Bank customers were similar in size and appearance to the ones I bought and cultivated from Schoenmakers in 1986.

17. I swear that the above information is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct. I have put my initials and today's date on each of the attachments hereto.

  
RAYMOND ANTHONY COGO

Six Attachments:

1. High Times article (3/87)
2. Photograph of Schoenmakers
3. Photograph of Schoenmakers' house
4. Photograph of soup cans and seed packs
5. Seed Bank catalog
6. Lists of seed orders

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge by Raymond Anthony Cogo, this 26 day of January, 1994, in Grand Rapids, MI

  
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ATTACHMENT 1

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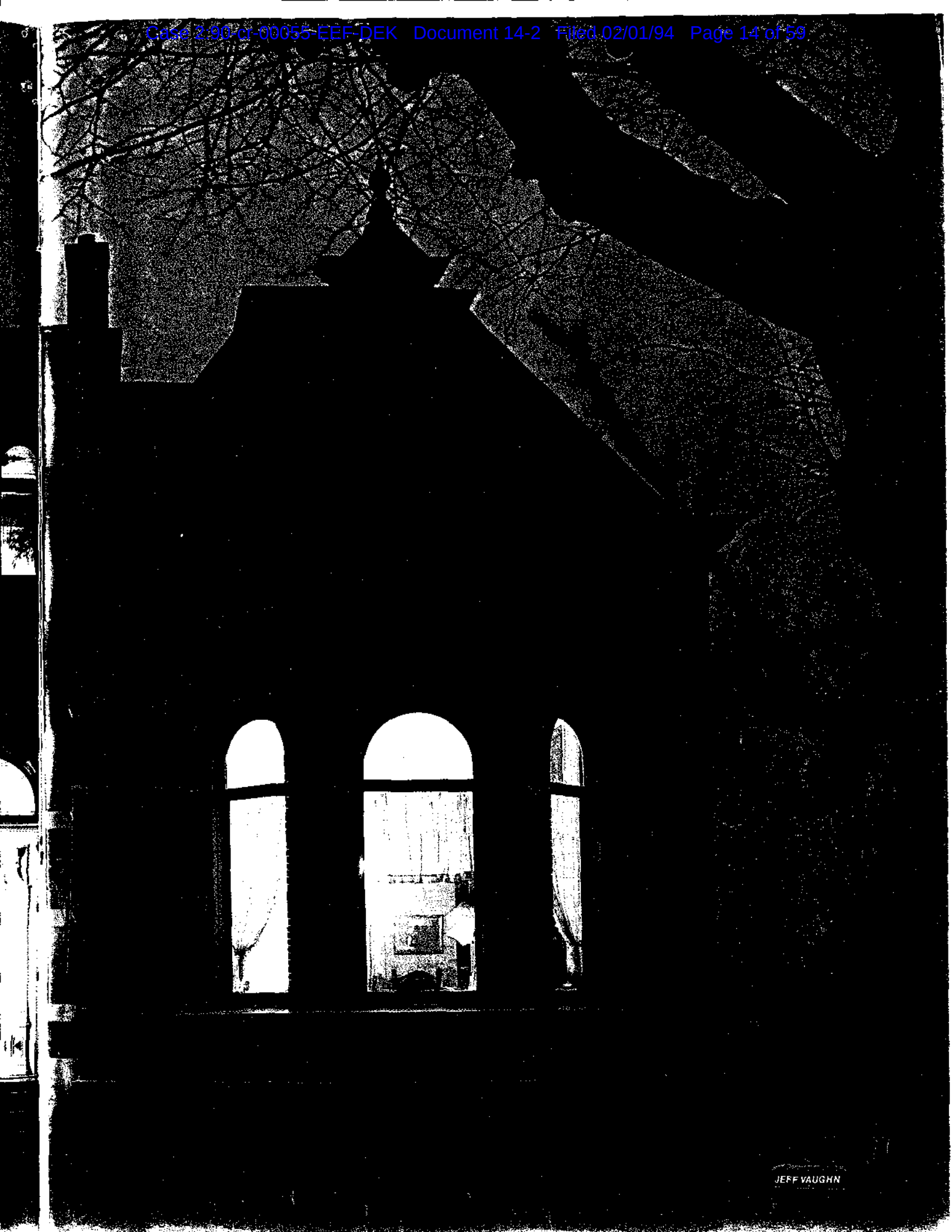
**BY STEVEN HAGER**

**PHOTOGRAPHS BY JEFF VAUGHN**

**T**he house sits near the crest of a dike in a remote section of Holland near the West German border. Built around 1880, it is a grand old structure with 15-foot ceilings, elaborate moldings, and stained-glass windows. This is not your ordinary 19th century mansion, however. Nevil, the man who lives here, breeds marijuana and sells the seeds for a living. Instead of wine cellars, his basement is filled with indoor grow rooms. The marijuana grown here is among the finest in the world. That's why Nevil is called **THE KING.**











# THE IMPORTANCE OF SEEDS

**I**t is Thursday, November 6, 1986, and Nevil has just returned from his daily pilgrimage to a nearby post office. It is raining lightly and a cold breeze blows off the Rhine River.

Although the sun made a brief appearance early in the day, it has since been obliterated by massive, billowing clouds.

As Nevil enters his house, he is assaulted by his watchdog, Elka. He climbs the stairs to his living room, flops on an old couch, and starts opening his mail. "Breeding is a matter of bending nature to your will," he says while drawing a toke on a joint of Skunk # 1. "There's not a coffee shop in Holland that can produce better weed than this. But I don't sell it. I give it away—or I throw it away."

In a few short years, Nevil has made an incredible transformation from penniless junkie to wealthy entrepreneur. Although he's an effective and efficient businessman, marijuana is his business, so things are run a bit differently around here than at most companies. For example, resinous buds of exotic types of cannabis are strewn haphazardly about the room, as are large chunks of hash and bags filled with seeds.

Nevil is a displaced Australian of Dutch heritage, and has a quiet, understated sense of humor. He lives in relative seclusion on his estate, breeding marijuana, playing pool, watching video, waiting patiently for his many cannabis experiments to bear fruit. He has his doubts about the future of the marijuana business in the Netherlands, but these doubts are likely to disappear in a whiff of smoke whenever he samples a new, successful hybrid.

"In the beginning I was quite keen for people to come here and

visit me, but I found it takes large amounts of my time," he says. "I have to sit around and smoke with them. Now it has to be someone worthwhile, someone who has a large project in mind. Most American growers are looking for the same thing: strong, overpowering, two-toke *indica* with huge yields. My number one seller is Northern Lights."



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to 15,000 American growers.**

After the mail has been sorted and delivered to the in-house accountant, Nevil visits the basement to inspect his prize plants. The doors to four grow rooms are wide open, disclosing the blinding glare of dozens of sodium and halide lights. Powerful exhaust fans circulate the air, and the smell of cannabis is overpowering. Three of the rooms are devoted to young seedlings, while the largest contains 40 flowering females in their spectacular resinous glory.

It's no secret that an explosion of indoor marijuana propagation has taken place in America: grow stores are sprouting across the nation and sodium and halide lights are selling faster than Christmas trees in December. The reason for this sudden interest in indoor growing is no secret either:

For the past two years high-quality marijuana has been nearly impossible to find—unless, of course, one personally knows a grower. But any pot farmer will tell you good equipment does not guarantee a good harvest. The most important element, in fact, is good seeds. And until recently, good seeds have been as rare as a \$15 lid of Colombian gold.

Thanks to Nevil, however, this sad situation has changed. Every day letters pour into his post office box, letters containing American dollars wrapped in carbon paper to avoid detection. The money is for seeds. Not ordinary pot seeds, but the best, most potent seeds on the market, seeds that will grow gargantuan buds dripping with resin, seeds that cost between \$2 and \$5 each.

Nevil's seed factory has been in business for three years and is perfectly legal. The Dutch government views Nevil as a legitimate, tax-paying businessman. Seed merchants are held in esteem in Holland, and even though Nevil is something of a small fry by seed merchant standards, he is a protected national asset nonetheless. Last year his company supplied \$500,000 worth of seeds to 15,000 American growers. If you smoked high-quality marijuana sometime in the last three years, chances are good the buds were grown with Nevil's stock.

There is a big difference between growing marijuana and breeding for quality. The best-known example of the long-term effects of breeding are the *cannabis indica* plants that arrived in the United States in the '70s. For hundreds of years *indica* plants were bred by Afghani farmers for disease resistance, early flowering, large buds, and wide leaves. The strain was developed for hash production, but it was also useful for American growers who had difficulty with *sativa* strains, most of which require longer growing cycles.

Ever since *indica* arrived in this country, breeders have been creating hybrids that take advantage of *indica*'s hardiness and *sativa*'s clear, bell-like high. The results of these experiments first appeared at secret harvest festivals in California, Oregon, and Washington. Then, in the early '80s, a legendary underground organization called the Sacred Seed Company began distributing these remarkable hybrids. Nevil's company, The Seed Bank, sells many strains originally developed by the Sacred Seed Company, including the famed Skunk #1, Early Girl, and California Orange. In the past three years, however, some of the most mindblowing strains have come out of the Pacific Northwest area: Northern Lights, University, Big Bud, and Hash Plant are adequate proof that Seattle and Portland now hold the breeding crown. Needless to say, Nevil's Seed Bank has obtained

cuttings and seeds of all these varieties and will soon be offering them for sale.

Who is Nevil and how did he come to found this amazing company? As usual, the truth is wilder than anything HIGH TIMES could invent.

## THE MAKING OF A SEED MERCHANT

**T**he man who would be King of Cannabis is the son of Dutch migrants who settled in Perth, Australia, in 1954. His father worked as an instructor for telephone technicians, while his mother became a counselor for unwed mothers. They were adventurous, hardworking Catholics, and they

raised their six children strictly, making them "pious little school children." I wasn't the most malleable child," admits Nevil. "From an early age I had an aversion to authority. I was the first-born, and I saw myself as a sort of pathbreaker for the rest of the children."

Despite his rebellious nature, Nevil was intelligent enough to jump two years ahead of his peers, a leap that resulted in his being the smallest in class. "I got beat up a lot," he admits. "A typical day would start with the teacher calling me up in front of the class to smell my breath. 'Yep,' she'd say, 'You've been smoking.' And I'd get six of the best straight away. And that was just to start the day! Usually a thing like that would put me into a bad mood, so the rest of the day wasn't much good either. It worked out I got the strap 900 times in one year, the school record."

### SKUNK #1

First became available around 1980. The *Dom Perignon* of domestic marijuana and one of my personal favorites. Very clean, cerebral high. Early on, the bud has the aroma of fine perfume. Pick it late and it smells like skunk. Good A.M. smoke.

### AFGHANI #1

*Narcotic. Paralyzing. Heart pounding.* There's nothing nice about this high. Just pure, physical strength. Nothing in the head, only a body high. Not one of the Connoisseur's favorites.

### EARLY PEARL

The F1 hybrid is without a doubt some of the finest marijuana ever to have crossed this Connoisseur's lips. Let it ripen until the resin glands turn amber and it will produce fruity, sweet-tasting pot, with a wonderful, stony high. I wish I had pounds of it around all the time.

D.C.

rates some of the strains from

**CANNABIS CASTLE**

### MAZAR I SHARIF

Very good, vigorous, pure Afghani *indica* plant. The buds are a little on the small side. While it can be smoked as marijuana, it is better put through a silkscreen (see last month's D.C. column) and turned into hash.

### NORTHERN LIGHTS

State-of-the-art indoor *indica*. Originating out of the Pacific Northwest, it is the result of many years of indoor breeding—three to four crops per year for a total of perhaps thirty to forty generations in the last ten years. The picture in Nevil's catalogue is a cutting of my personal favorite, Cl #5 F1. Unfortunately, no seeds are available of the strain, only cuttings. If anyone can come up with anything more resinous than this, I'd

like to see it. Does not have much taste. The breeder had a very specific goal in mind: high resin content. He certainly succeeded. The grass is a mellow *indica* that gets you pleasantly stoned—almost the opposite of Afghani #1. Although there are tastier varieties, I could smoke this one all day.

### NL 5 × 8

Very good, strong *indica* with just a little *sativa*. Worth growing indoors for cash crop or your own head. Will take an extra week or two, but well worth waiting for. Within a few hits you will be nicely stoned and will find it hard to believe this plant was grown under HPS lamps. The high is strong, not as cerebral as #5, but a good smoke for the late night.

### CALIFORNIA ORANGE

Very pleasant, sweet-tasting. Some buds have a truly citrus smell and taste. Very nice *indica-sativa* hybrid. The *sativa* comes on first, you feel light-weight and spacey, and then ten minutes later you feel the *indica* come creeping up and ... "oh shit, I'm getting more stoned than I thought."

### INDISAT

Bred and developed in upstate New York. Does extremely well outdoors. Plant looks *sativa* but the buds come out *indica*. The high is a bit more *sativa*-like than California Orange, more cerebral.

### NEPALESE

Overpowering *sativa* high. It's too heavy, really, but some people want it. Grows to more than 20 feet and will not mature until the end of October.

Any questions, queries, comments? Feel free to write the Connoisseur, D.C., c/o HIGH TIMES, 211 East 43rd St., New York, NY 10017.

Nevil was not your typical juvenile delinquent. At age seven, he began raising parakeets; two years later he joined the Parakeet Society of Western Australia. "My best friend across the road got some parakeets," he explains, "and I got extremely jealous. After he started breeding I became quite adamant I'd do the same."

He eventually became friends with one of Australia's leading parakeet breeders, Bob Graham. "I learned an awful lot from him," he says. "He was a quadriplegic and he was incredibly intelligent." Nevil learned Mendel's laws of breeding and began charting dominant, recessive, and intermediate traits for his birds (something he would later do with cannabis plants). "I bought some of Graham's stock and got immediate results," he says. "When you breed parakeets, you breed to an ideal. It's like sculpting with genes."

When he was 15, Nevil was sent to a state school and forced to repeat his third year of high school. Consequently, he caught up with his classmates in size. "I got into a few fights," he says with a smile, "just to get back for all the times I'd been beaten up."

Although discipline at the school was considered harsh, it proved a cakewalk after Catholic school. "The first time I was brought before the headmaster to be punished, he made me hold out my hand and he tapped it twice with a cane," recalls Nevil. "I thought he was just aiming. I closed my eyes and waited for the real pain, but it never came. I was quite shocked. I thought, 'Well, now I can do anything I want.' I ignored the dress code and dressed how I pleased. That didn't go over well and I managed to get kicked out within three months."

He also discovered marijuana.

## NEVIL'S FIRST HIGH

"I had an American friend who suggested we buy some," he says. "I

## SEEDS BY SSSC

Besides Nevil's Seed Bank, there's at least one other major source for pot seeds in Holland: The Super Sativa Seed Club (SSSC), an organization formed in 1984 by two Dutch nationals. SSSC recently published their first seed catalog which lists over 30 varieties of cannabis seeds. It is also packed with growing information on every aspect of marijuana cultivation.

SSSC's emphasis on high-tech indoor growing makes the catalog a must for serious growers. In Holland, plants are studied scientifically. So SSSC's catalog discusses—in understandable terms—the basics of plant growth: the relationships between photosynthesis, respiration, and the production of sugars. "We are concerned with improving growth, even if we only improve just 1% at a time," write the authors. Other sections include "The Making of Cuttings," a complete description of proven techniques for successful cutting; "The Plantlet Method," which tells how to grow several crops a year with ease (see "Grow American," February, 1987 *HIGH TIMES*); and a chapter on Rockwool and nutrients.

—Jorge Cervantes

remember thinking, 'Okay, I'm not scared.' We both pretended we'd done it before, when in fact, neither of us had. After scoring from someone at school, we went back to a shed outside his house. I volunteered to roll joints, even though I'd never done it before. There were three of us and I rolled three joints, one for each of us, hahaha. It seemed logical at the time, still does, actually, even though it was more normal to pass joints. But we didn't know any better. It was Indonesian weed and we got extremely ripped. I really liked the sense of time distortion—everything happened so slowly."

There was plenty of high-quality reefer going around Australia, and to insure a steady supply for himself, Nevil made the jump from smoker to dealer in a matter of weeks. Meanwhile, to satisfy his parents, he found a legitimate job.

"As long as I couldn't be the pope, my mother wanted me to be a doctor or a veterinarian," he says. "My father didn't see this as a possibility and just wanted me to get a job. Fortunately, I was offered work as a lab assistant at a local university, which was semi-

professional, etc. And I was working, so they were both satisfied."

Nevil did well at the position. So well, in fact, that he was made acting head of the anatomy lab with responsibility for the operating room, animal room, and office. He was given the only set of keys to the drug cabinet and placed in charge of ordering drugs when supplies ran low. For someone interested in sampling illicit chemicals, it seemed like the perfect job.

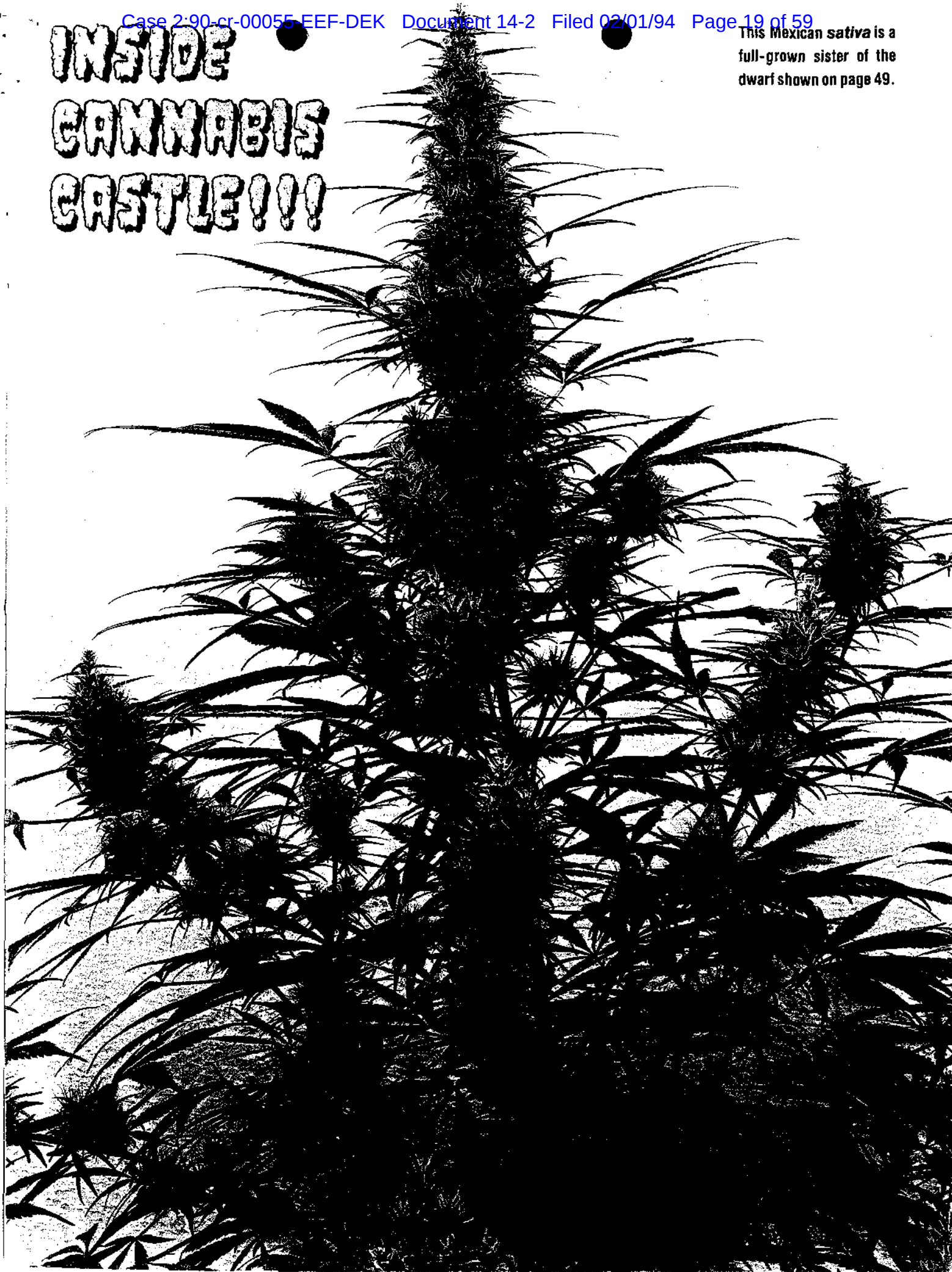
"Having heard horror stories about cannabis and how horrible it was for you, I decided everyone in authority lied about drugs," says Nevil. "I knew cannabis wasn't harmful. I concluded the harmful effects of other drugs must be exaggerated as well. I started with barbituates. I knew many people used them for sleeping tablets. Eventually, I tried morphine. I was quite good at giving injections. There's something very professional and doctorlike about giving yourself an injection. I had to inject rabbits and mice all the time, and if you can hit a vein in a rabbit's ear, you can get any human vein. I veined the first time I tried. Morphine made me feel good. I had friends who were already addicted to heroin and they encouraged me. Soon, I had a bag filled with tablets, pills, and chemicals of all sorts from the lab." Unfortunately for Nevil, this situation was not destined to last. Within a few months, he was arrested for drug possession. And it didn't take long for the police to figure out where the drugs had come from.

The head of the anatomy department suggested Nevil be sent to a treatment center. His parents agreed and had their son committed to a university psychiatric ward for six weeks. "I wasn't addicted at the time," says Nevil. "I used far too large a variety of ingestibles to become addicted to any one thing. After I was released I had the option of working part-time at the



# INSIDE CANNABIS CASTLE!!!

This Mexican *sativa* is a full-grown sister of the dwarf shown on page 49.



University—to build up my position again. I felt the stigma of being a known user. It was a bit unbearable. So I left and started hanging around with people who supplied smack. Even though I started shooting smack, I never sold it. I just sold weed.”

One day Nevil woke up with a terrific backache. His hips and the base of his spine hurt terribly. He went to a doctor and was given some pain pills, which proved useless. The doctor couldn't find anything wrong. Nevil went home and the pain still wouldn't go away. “Then I realized, ‘Shit, I'm addicted,’” he says. “It was quite a substantial shock even though I knew it had to come eventually.” He enrolled in a methadone program, which proved to be an extremely dehumanizing experience. “They made me beg for drugs,” he says. “I didn't like that. I was scoring weed in Melbourne and shipping it back in huge speakers, telling people I was in a band. I was making what seemed like a huge sum of money—\$5,000 a week.”

Unfortunately, Nevil gave a free sample to a girl who was later arrested by the police. The girl identified Nevil as her supplier and a long court case ensued, one that eventually reached the Australian version of the Supreme Court. Throughout the trial, Nevil was enrolled in a methadone program and under psychiatric supervision. “I got the feeling things were coming to a head,” he says. “My drug problem seemed quite insurmountable and the case didn't look promising. So I flew to Thailand.”

## ESCAPE TO BANGKOK

For several weeks Nevil lived in a cheap hotel in Bangkok, shooting heroin until his money ran out. He skipped out on the bill, moved to another hotel, and began hawking his valuables to raise money. “I found a taxi

driver who would take me to exclusive shops in the city,” he says. “The driver would get a kickback from the store for delivering Europeans to the shop, whether they bought anything or not. After we left, the driver and I would split the kickback.”

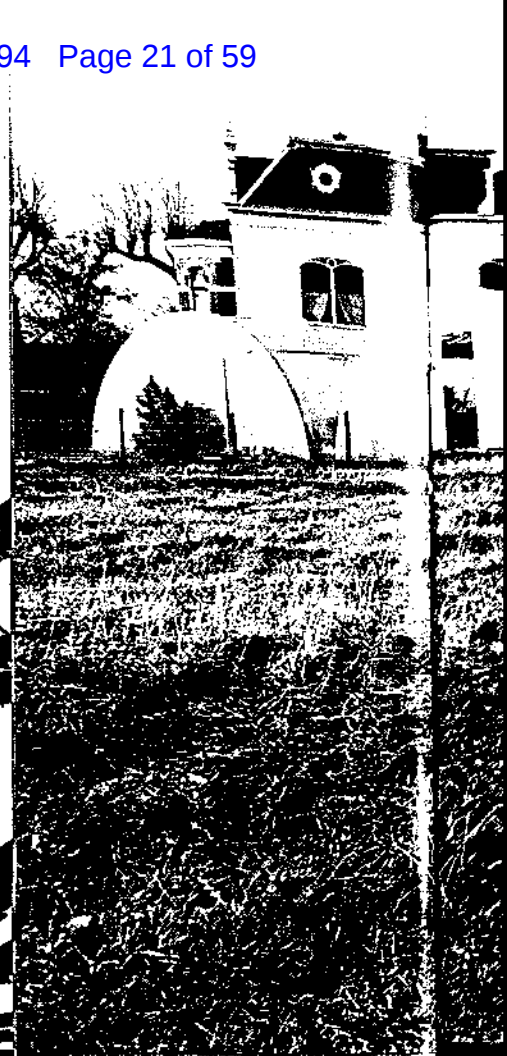
However, after they'd visited every shop in Bangkok (and were no longer welcome at any of them), Nevil telephoned his parents and asked for a plane ticket home. Unfortunately, the police had already appeared at his house with a warrant for his arrest. “It didn't seem prudent to return to Australia,” says Nevil with typical understatement. His parents sent him a ticket to the Netherlands and the address of an uncle living in the countryside.

After Thailand, Nevil's habit was really out of control. Upon arriving in Holland, he immediately enrolled in a methadone program and discovered he required 24 tablets a day to stay straight. “I handled that for about six months,” he says. “I was trying to cut down, trying to fit in. I had unemployment benefits, which is enough to survive in Holland. But I was feeling quite lonely.” Six months later, he moved to Tillberg, the center of Holland's smack scene.

Obviously, Tillberg was not the sort of environment conducive to kicking heroin. Junkies had taken over the city, converting pubs and hotels into shooting galleries. “My first day in town, I went to a bar called the Lawyer's Purse,” says Nevil. “Smack was being sold up and down the counter. It was a madhouse. Apparently, the police didn't—or couldn't—do anything about it. It went on like that for quite some time. When the police would close one place down, everyone would move to another bar. It was a fairly rough town and I went through a time of hardship. I had no money except welfare. I had a raging habit. I was living in a town known for being tough and criminal. I cost the state large chunks of money as I went

through all the available drug rehabilitation programs. After having made numerous failed attempts at stopping, I decided no one could help me. Which is true. No one can help a junkie. He can only help himself. So, I decided to kick heroin on my own. I convinced a doctor to give me 'ludes to sleep and a synthetic opiate, which probably didn't do anything. I stayed home and suffered for six weeks until I reached the point where I could handle alcohol. Then I started drinking every day, a half bottle of Scotch in the morning, a half bottle at night. I used the 'ludes to sleep, so that there was always a certain part of the day blocked out. Eventually, I got sick of hangovers and turned to grass. I decided it was probably the only acceptable drug.”

In 1980, while still trying to kick his habit, Nevil stumbled across a copy of the *Marijuana Grower's Guide* by Mel Frank and Ed Rosenthal. “I'd grown some weed in the bush in Australia,” he says. The book helped reawaken Nevil's interest in genetics. Why not combine his two favorite pursuits, breeding and drugs? Nevil applied for a loan to build an indoor growing chamber for marijuana. Only in Holland could such a request be taken seriously. “The drug program I was enrolled in gave grants to drug addicts to get them started doing something useful,” he explains. “I told them I wanted to grow weed indoors. They weren't thrilled with the idea, but they gave me the money anyway.” The unit consisted of eight 5-foot fluorescent lights. “There was a vacant lot behind my apartment and I filled it with weed. I had Nigerian, Colombian, and Mexican seeds. The Mexican was the best. I still have the strain. My dwarfs come from it.” Although there wasn't much demand for homegrown weed in Holland, hash oil was a valuable commodity and could be sold easily. So Nevil became a professional hash oil maker.





OPPOSITE PAGE: Northern Lights is one of the most resinous plants developed by indoor breeders. It is also Nevil's most popular strain. BELOW: sheep graze near the greenhouses outside of Cannabis Castle. BELOW LEFT: The book counts his day's receipts.



JEFF VAUGHN

## THE FIRE

Nevil used petroleum ether, an extremely flammable liquid, for the distillation process. "I was heating it with thermostatically controlled electric plates," he says. Unfortunately, however, Nevil didn't realize that the thermostat on the heater had to be placed in another room because the thermostat sparks when turned on. He had a sink filled with 40 liters of petroleum ether, as well as a can with another 10 liters on the floor. One day he turned on the thermostat and it sparked. The spark turned into a flame, which instantly turned into a raging fire.

With eyes closed, Nevil ran to the adjoining room and dove out the window, bouncing off a roof

and rolling onto a sidewalk. "My first thought after hitting the ground was to save my dope," he says with a laugh. He ran back inside, grabbed whatever hash oil he could find, and buried it in the backyard. He went back again and collected whatever valuables he could find. "Then I went next door to tell the neighbors," he says. "They were shocked by my appearance. I didn't realize my hair was singed, my face was black, my clothes were torn. I had first- and second-degree burns and was covered with blisters."

Twenty minutes later the police arrived, followed by the fire brigade and an ambulance. At the hospital, the burn specialist told him he was lucky to be in such pain because it meant the burns weren't first degree. He was given





one of the many  
workers at the Castle, inspects  
a new generation of seedlings.



a shot of morphine to kill the pain. The next morning, however, Nevil refused further shots. "I knew I'd turn into a junkie again," he says.

Despite horror stories from his doctors about being scarred for life, Nevil was released two weeks later with no visible damage. There was one permanent change, however: Nevil decided not to make hash oil anymore.

Since Nevil had been reading *HIGH TIMES*, he knew revolutionary new *indica* strains were appearing in the United States, even though none were available in Holland. If only he could grow weed the Dutch would consider palatable, then he'd be in business and could sell marijuana instead of hash oil. He searched through copies of *HIGH TIMES*, hoping to find an *indica* seed supplier. "I looked for hidden meanings in all the ads," he says. "Of course, it was just fantasy on my part. I knew how difficult it was to get good Nigerian and Indonesian seeds in America and I wanted to trade with someone."

Eventually, Nevil realized there was only one way to obtain good seeds, and that was to become a seed merchant himself. He hired a lawyer to investigate the legal implications and discovered it was

possible to sell cannabis seeds in the Netherlands. Within a matter of months, he sent his first ad to *HIGH TIMES*.

### **Nevil goes to great expense to obtain seeds, even secretly traveling into Afghanistan.**

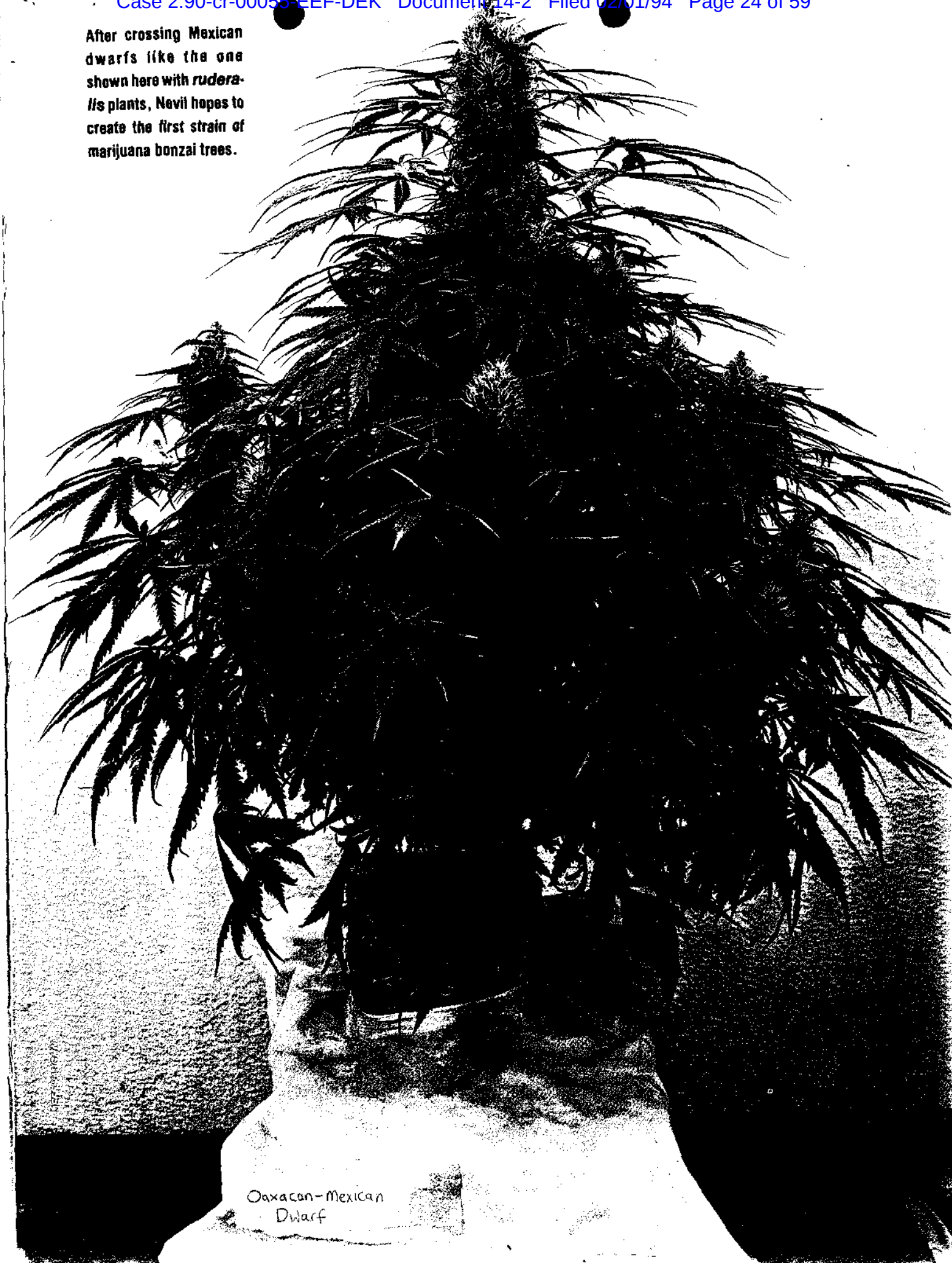
"I expected there were thousands of people just like me, and as soon as they saw the ad, I'd be in business," recalls Nevil. Business, however, was disappointingly slow for the first few months. Why? Probably because most readers found it hard to believe high-quality seeds could be obtained so easily. Nevil doesn't discuss his distribution system, but there is no doubt the seeds were getting through. Most of the money Nevil received went back into improving his seed strains. Nevil went to great expense to obtain seeds, a commitment that is best illustrated by a secret trip to Mazar I Sharif in Afghanistan. According to the Moslem legend, one of Mohamad's sons died in the city. Consequently, it is a very holy

city. It is also known for high-quality hashish. Although hash from the area had been readily available in Holland in the '70s, the Soviet invasion of the country greatly reduced exports. In 1985, and Afghan refugee told Nevil the fields around Mazar I Sharif were being destroyed. "That was all I needed to hear," says Nevil. "I caught the next plane to Pakistan to save the strain."

The story of this adventure was first reported in *Regardies* Magazine and written by former *HIGH TIMES* reporter A. Craig Copetas. "After being smuggled into a refugee camp near Peshawar while lying on the floor of a car, Nevil made contact with a 30-year-old Muslim fanatic who had a throbbing vein that ran from between his eyes straight up his forehead," wrote Copetas. "The man took a lump of black hash out of his pocket and told Nevil that it had been processed by his uncle, a man known as Mr. Hashish. Surrounded by four men who were pointing machine-guns at him, Nevil set about negotiating with Mr. Hashish, a Mujahedin commander, and finally persuaded him to send a squad of his men 280

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After crossing Mexican  
dwarfs like the one  
shown here with *rudera-*  
*lis* plants, Nevil hopes to  
create the first strain of  
marijuana bonzai trees.



Oaxacan-Mexican  
Dwarf



## A KING'S BANQUET

Nevil's tabletop may look ordinary at first, but a close perusal turns up over a dozen different varieties of connoisseur hash and quality buds.





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miles into Soviet-occupied territory and come back with two kilos of healthy Mazari seeds."

"He thought I was ridiculous because I didn't want to buy hash or opium," recalls Nevil. "Nobody had ever come there before to buy seeds, and at first he had no idea what I was talking about. I stood there trying to explain genetics to this tribal hash leader in sign language. When he finally figured out what I wanted, he asked for too much money. I took a zero off his price and gave him ten percent up front. He called me a bandit, but I had the seeds four days later."

Nevil also went to great lengths to obtain *ruderalis* seeds, a little-known cannabis strain that grows primarily in Russia. Although some American growers have sold so-called *ruderalis* strains in the past, Nevil undertook the

necessary trip to the Russian-Hungarian border to authenticate the plant. *Ruderalis* is not known for spectacular resin content, but it flowers automatically—regardless of photoperiod, which makes it an extremely useful hybrid, especially

## REMINDER

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for outdoor growers. Nevil plans to cross *ruderalis-indica* hybrids with his Mexican dwarfs. The result? The ultimate cannabis strain: a potent indoor/outdoor bonsai marijuana tree that matures within two months and never

reaches a height over two feet. The plant would be nearly impossible to detect from the air and it could take years before the DEA even figured out what it was. Nevil is so close to perfecting this strain that seeds could be available by the time this article is published. This and other miracles can be expected soon from Cannabis Castle.

"Since becoming a seed merchant, I've directed all my energies and money into finding people with superior strains of cannabis and getting seeds out of them," says Nevil. "And I can honestly say, I've never heard of a strain I wanted that I wasn't able to get—one way or another.

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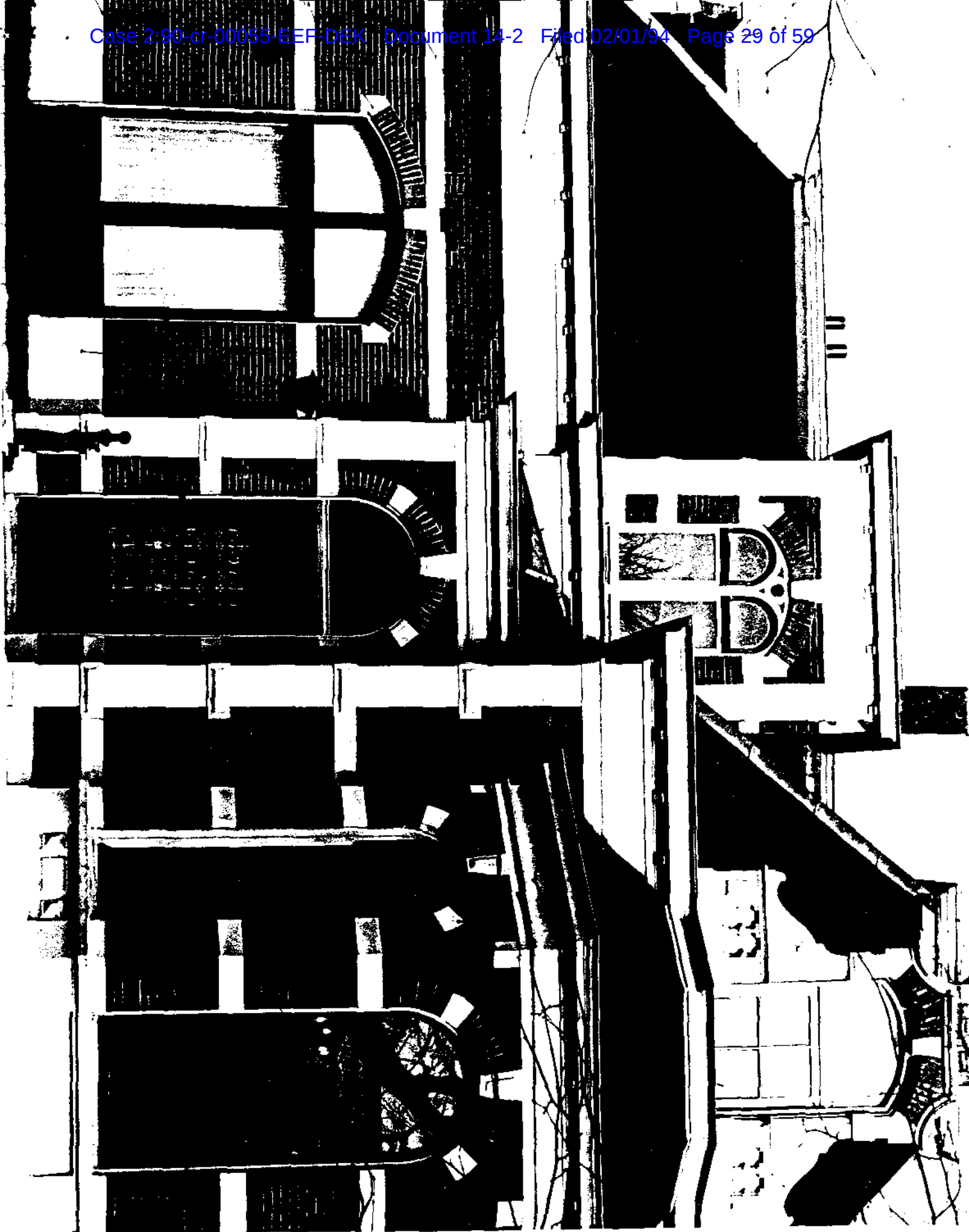
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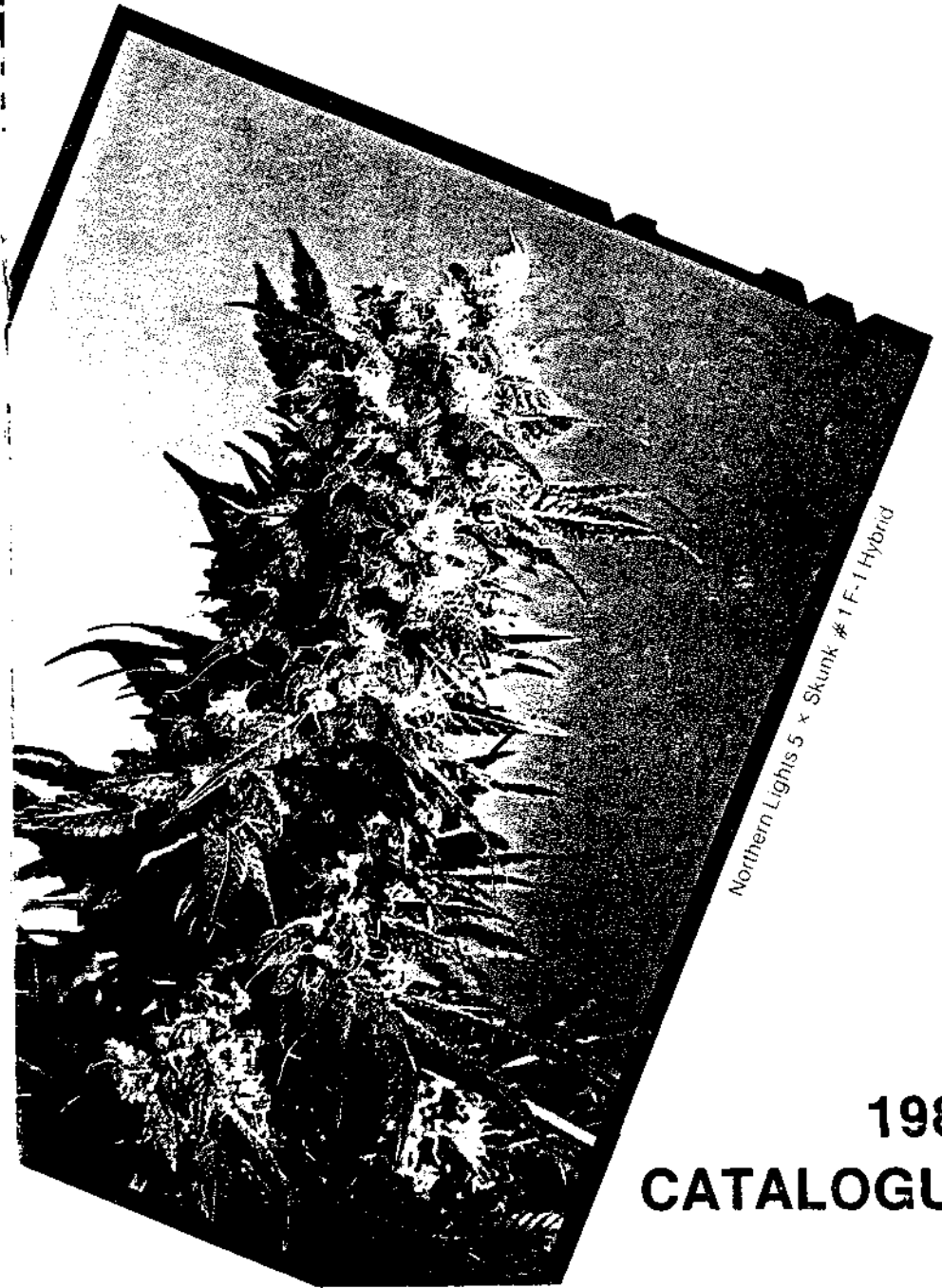
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G-13 x Northern Lights #2 F-1 Hybrid

## G-13 Hybrids

G-13 is an outstanding Indica cutting reputedly 'liberated' from the government research program in Mississippi, and now we have it. Widely grown as a commercial indoor plant in the US, G-13 has proven to be one of the best breeding plants in our collection. G-13 hybrids have fast indoor flowering, high resin production, excellent potency, and extreme hybrid vigor.

## ...G-13 x Northern Lights #2 F-1 Hybrid.

This hybrid really 'tizzed', producing an excellent yield of fat, sweet buds, the pungent sweetness of NL #2 really came through in this blend, adding a touch of Thai fruitiness to the full-bodied indica aroma. One of our personal favorites, we smoked the first plants down to the stems. The indoor flowering period of this hybrid is a bit longer, but well worth it.

Indoor height at 100 days: 40-60 inches.

Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 120 grams.

Indoor flowering period at 12 hrs darkness: 50-55 days.

Price: \$85 for 10 seeds.

- 13 original cutting



Hash Plant / original cutting

## 1. Hash Plant / Northern Lights #1 F-1 Hybrid.

Hash Plant is named for its hashy-tasting, highly resinous buds.

One of the most famous indoor cuttings from the Northwest USA, Hash Plant / Northern Lights #1 F-1 Hybrid has produced some of the highest quality F-1 Hybrids that we have seen. High potency, abundant resin, and an extremely fast finish, with very strong Indica high, sophisticated taste and aroma. Excellent indoor plant for personal stash or select commercial trade. Here in Holland, even experienced smokers have had trouble finishing a joint of Hash Plant / Northern Lights #1. It has certainly produced the strongest specimens that I have ever smoked, with a very pleasant, narcotic-type high. We are now selecting for the best NL #1 males to use in this tremendous hybrid.

- Indoor height at 100 days: 36-50 inches.

- Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 85 grams.

- Indoor flowering period at 12 hrs darkness: 40-45 days.

- Price: \$80 for 10 seeds.

## 1. G-13 x Hash Plant F-1 hybrid.

One of the fastest-flowering indoor hybrids that we have yet produced. It has the marvelous potency and quick finish of Hash Plant, plus vigor and yield. In our last test, all seedlings finished in less than 50 days of flowering, producing beautifully solid, heavy buds. Clones from the seedlings rooted very easily and should flower even more quickly. Powerful aff-indica high, but not brutal. This hybrid has perhaps the best balance of speed, yield and quality, destined for commercial success!

- Indoor height at 100 days: 36-50 inches.

- Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 100 grams.

- Indoor flowering period at 12 hrs darkness: 45-50 days.

- Price: \$85 for 10 seeds.



## Northern Lights #1

Northern Lights #1 is a true-breeding Afghani, with extreme Indica characteristics. These are short, stocky plants, with leathery, dark green, extremely broad leaves. The stems are very strong, and it is easy to clone. As the seedlings generally tend to grow to one main stem, this is an excellent choice for the 'Sea of Green', or 'Small Plant' method. Resinous, potent, and sweet, not fast and acrid like some Afghanis. Very vigorous and cold resistant, works well outdoors with a long season.

Indoor height at 100 days: 40-50 inches.

Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 1000 grams.

Flowering period at 12 hours of darkness: 50-55 days.

Indoor height: 5-7 ft.

Outdoor yield: 1½-2 lbs.

Outdoor finishing date: October 15 at 45 degrees N. latitude.

## Chlorophyll Variabilis

A 'grab-bag' of seeds for the budget-minded or the skeptic. This is the one to order if you just want to test our shipping facilities. These seeds can be almost anything, but all are good quality.

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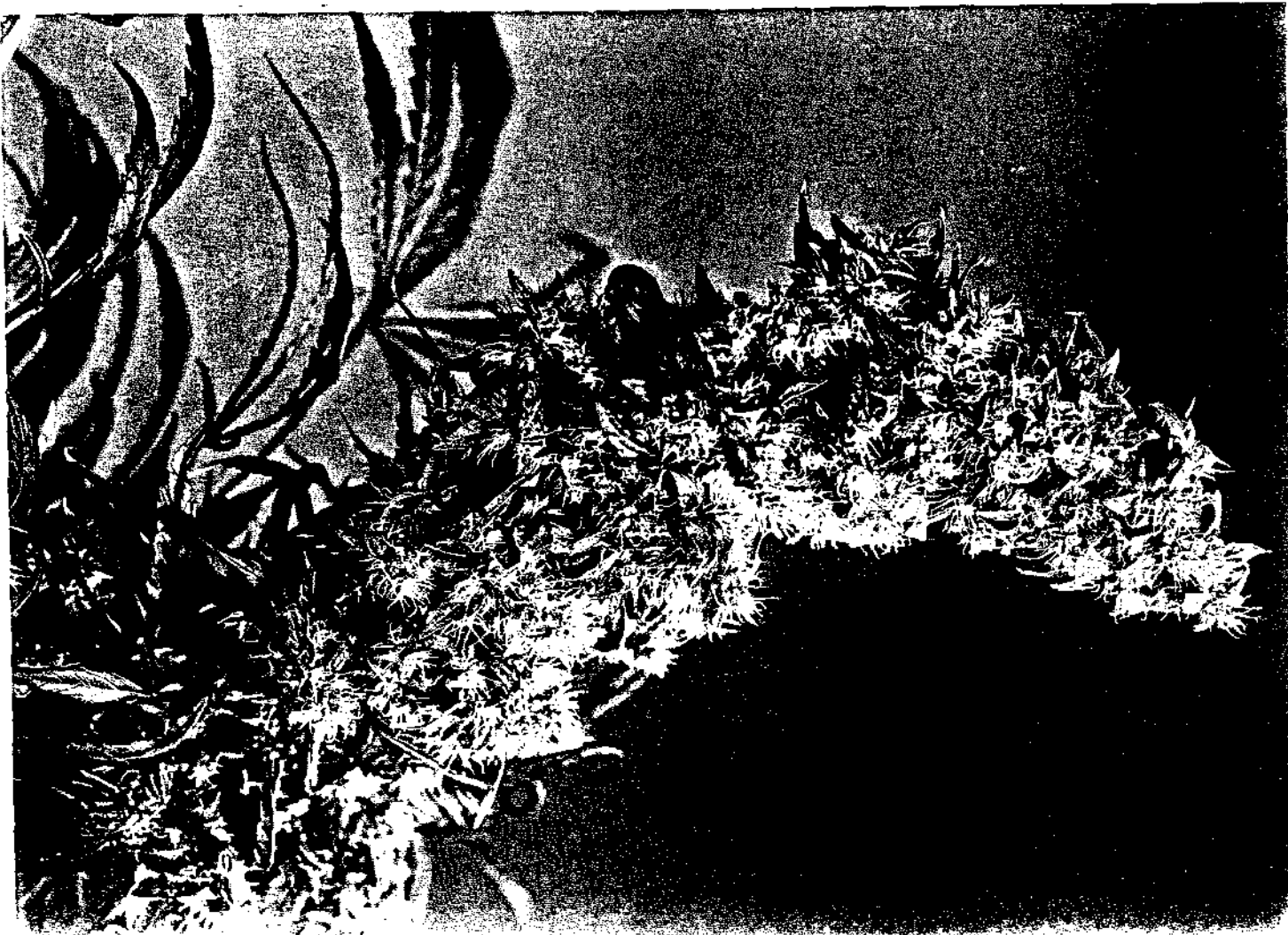
This is a 4-way hybrid of our best indoor strains. Although somewhat variable in growth pattern, all plants are of very high quality, fast flowering, with good yield and vigor, excellent for cloning. The seedlings we selected from this hybrid had some of the sweetest, most balanced tastes and highs that we have yet produced.

Indoor height (100 day seedling): 36-60 inches.

Indoor yield (100 day seedling): up to 100 grams.

Indoor flowering period (at 12 hrs. darkness): 50-60 days.

Price: \$70 for 10 seeds.



Hawaiian Indica

Haze is a late Saliva from America, widely agreed by experts to be the best pot in the world. Very popular in the 70's, it nearly became extinct in recent years as growers switched to easier varieties. We managed to salvage a few viable seeds from the last crop grown in America, and we have used them to produce some remarkable hybrids. Haze is known for an extreme, almost psychedelic spiciness. The fragrance is complex and sharp, with a dry flowery perfume over a base of dark, leathery animal tones. When used in a hybrid, it adds fascinating notes of depth and complexity to the taste, as well as a unique addition to the high. While not for everyone, the most jaded connoisseur will often find Haze irresistible. Haze hybrids are also good for winter crops outdoors, where the long flowering period helps to produce larger yields, good for Southern California, Florida, Hawaii.

Haze x Northern Lights has been the most reliable Haze hybrid so far, and is our favorite smoke. It is a bit stretchy and difficult to grow, but well worth the wonderful sweetness, body, and complexity, with a soaring high.

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We have continued to breed and experiment with our revolutionary early-flowering Ruderalis hybrids. The advantage of a Ruderalis hybrid is that approximately 50% of the seedlings will begin flowering at the 5-7th internode, regardless of the photoperiod. The other 50% of the seedlings will behave similarly to the normal strain to which they have been hybridized.

of the outdoor grower looking for a very early crop, we have discovered that Ruderalis hybrids will finish in early July if planted outdoors in April. The buds of the early crop tend to be a bit leafy, but they are resinous, reliable, and are done pre-CAMP.

For a normal season crop, we recommend that you plant Ruderalis hybrids around June 1. The plant will then produce a solid bud in the late summer-early fall, maturing about 4-6 weeks before the normal variety. This past year, one of the worst summers in memory in Holland, we still managed to have Ruderalis Indica hybrids planted June 1 that yielded upwards of 1 lb each, while growing only 4 feet tall. This was without any pruning or trellising. Generally not recommended for indoor growing.

- Case 2**
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Northern Lights #

### Northern Lights # 2

The long-awaited Northern Lights # 2 is now available as a pure strain. Originally a Hindu Kush/Thai hybrid, Northern Lights # 2 has a delightful sweet/pungent fragrance, vigor, hardiness, mold resistance, and quick flowering. Because the seedlings are very even and consistent, it makes an excellent indoor variety for crops from seed. It also works well outdoors.

- Indoor height at 100 days: 36-48 inches.
- Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 100 grams.
- Flowering period at 12 hrs. darkness: 50 days.
- Finishing date outdoors: Oct. 1 at 40 degrees latitude.
- Price: \$60 for 10 seeds.

### Northern Lights 5 x 2

Northern Lights 5 x 2 is a hybrid between NL # 2, a very sweet/pungent Hindu Kush type, and NL # 5, our most resinous mother plant. (see photo) The seeds of this hybrid in our last catalogue were made the other way around, with NL # 2 as the mother plant, but we expect the new hybrid to be even better. It has a refreshing juniper berry taste, loads of resin, and short, stocky, indica growth characteristics.

- Indoor height at 100 days: 40 inches.
- Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 100 grams.
- Flowering period at 12 hours of darkness: 45 days.



## Durban

A very early strain from South Africa, one of the earliest non-Ruderalis varieties. Durban is pure Sativa, with a sweet, licorice aroma and an up high. One of the most reliable outdoor varieties, it will produce quality bud even during the worst season. It will tend to become slightly hermaphroditic under indoor conditions, but outdoors remains straight.

Outdoor height: 7-12 ft.

Finishing date at 45 degrees: Sept. 1

Outdoor Yield: 500 grams.

Price: \$50 for 10 seeds.

## Early Girl

This is one of the most popular early varieties from Northern California, producing short, strong, medium-yield plants with excellent potency. Originally an Indica/Sativa hybrid, it has been inbred and selected for thinness and quality. A must for outdoor growers, generally not recommended for indoors.

Outdoor height: 6-8 ft.

Outdoor yield:  $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 lb.

Outdoor finishing date: September 1 at 40 degrees N. latitude.

Early Girl is out of stock until after April 15, 1988. Please call or write for availability)

## Early Pearl Improved

Originally a hybrid between an early Indica and a sweet Sativa, Early Pearl has always been one of our most popular outdoor varieties. Early Pearl Improved has been inbred for three generations, selected for early-ness, and then outcrossed to regain hybrid vigor. It should recapture the sweetness and potency of the original, while being even earlier.

Outdoor height: 6-9 ft.

Outdoor yield:  $\frac{1}{2}$ -1  $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.

Outdoor finishing date: August 30 at 40 degrees N. latitude.

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## Swazi

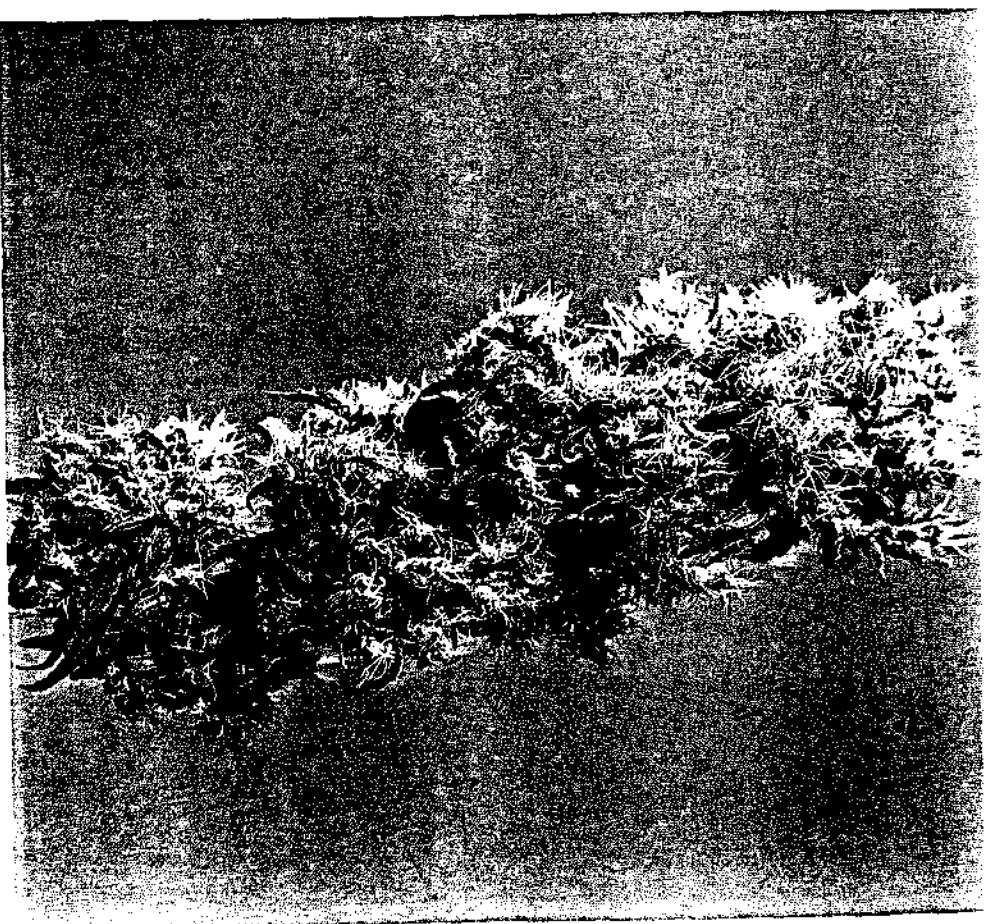
For outdoor growers we now have the famous Swazi, known for early flowering, disease resistance, very sweet sativa taste and high. A truly unique variety from Swaziland, South Africa.

Outdoor height: 7-9 ft.

Outdoor yield average: 1 lb.

Finishing date: Sept. 15 at 40 degrees latitude.

Price: \$50 for 10 seeds.



Hash Plant # 1 / Swazi

## Hash Plant / Northern Lights 1 x Swazi

This is a vigorous Indica / Sativa F-1 hybrid, combining the sweet, fresh, piney taste of Swazi with the potency, resin and chunky buds of the best Hash Plant / NL 1. Under high light levels, this hybrid will really "fizz". Basically an outdoor variety, but it can be successfully grown indoors (see photo). Due to the influence of Swazi, this hybrid should finish relatively early outdoors. Very smooth smoking.

Outdoor height: 7-9 ft.

Outdoor yield: 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb.

Outdoor finishing date at 40 degrees N: September 20-October 1.

Indoor flowering period at 12 hours darkness: 50-60 days.

Price: \$60 for 10 seeds.

for sheer yield and hybrid vigor, this is the best yet. Huge buds, excellent resin, taste and high. The flowering period of this hybrid is generally much shorter than the original Big Bud, with some seedlings finishing in 45 days of 12 hours of darkness, although the longer-flowering plants give the biggest yields. In fact, Big Skunk has the best indoor yield of any tested variety.

Plenty of variation to choose from for cloning. Also works well outdoors.

Indoor height at 100 days: 40-60 inches.

Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 150 grams.

Flowering period at 12 hrs. darkness: 45-65 days.

Outdoor finishing date: Oct. 20 at 40 degrees latitude.

Price: \$80 for 10 seeds.

### Skunk # 1

This is the plant that set the standard in California, and is now the most famous plant in America. Originally an Indica-Sativa hybrid, Skunk # 1 is one of the most consistently performing true breeding strains in the world. An absolute must for all outdoor and greenhouse growers, Skunk has been known to yield up to 5 pounds per plant. Also does well indoors, but produces better yields as a hybrid with Northern Lights # 5 or Big Bud. Very high calyx-to-leaf ratio, little manicure required.

Outdoor height: 7-9 ft.

Outdoor yield: 2 lb. average.

Outdoor finishing date: October 1 at 40 degrees N. latitude.

Price: \$50 for 10 seeds.

Skunk # 1



Northern Lights 5 x Skunk # 1 F-1 Hybrid

### Northern Lights 5 x Skunk # 1 F-1 Hybrid

A High Times Indoor Harvest Festival Winner! We have voted this hybrid the plant of the year. It has tremendous hybrid vigor, high yield, excellent resin and potency, and it performs beautifully both indoors and out. High calyx-to-leaf ratio, very little manicure required. If we were to recommend just one plant, this would be it! The taste is similar to Skunk # 1, a rich sweet pungency, but with more resin and better yield.

Indoor height at 100 days: 50 inches.

Indoor yield at 100 days: up to 125 grams.

Flowering period at 12 hours darkness: 45-55 days.

Outdoor height: 6-8 ft.

Outdoor yield: 1 1/2-3 lbs.

Outdoor finishing date: October 1 at 45 degrees N. latitude.



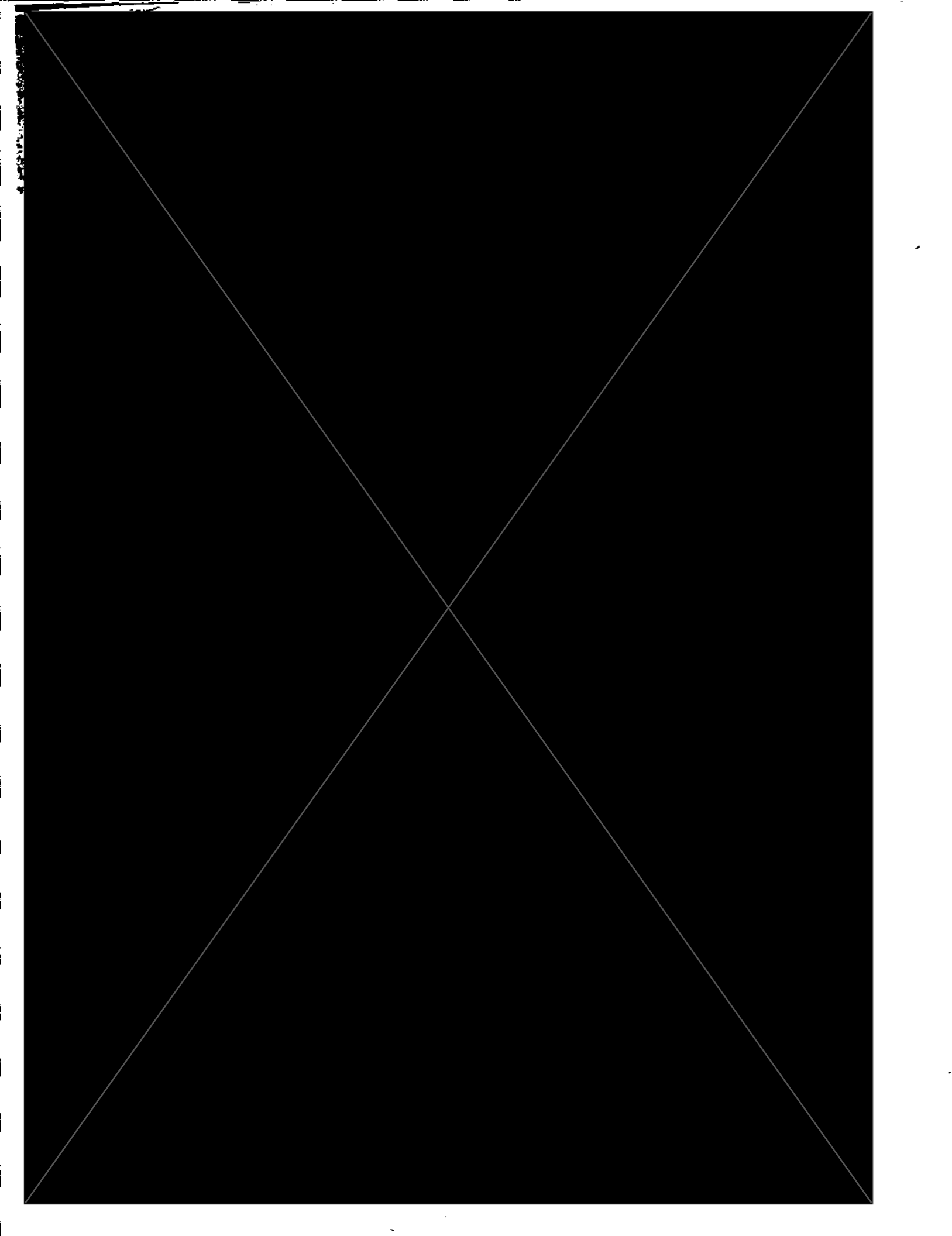


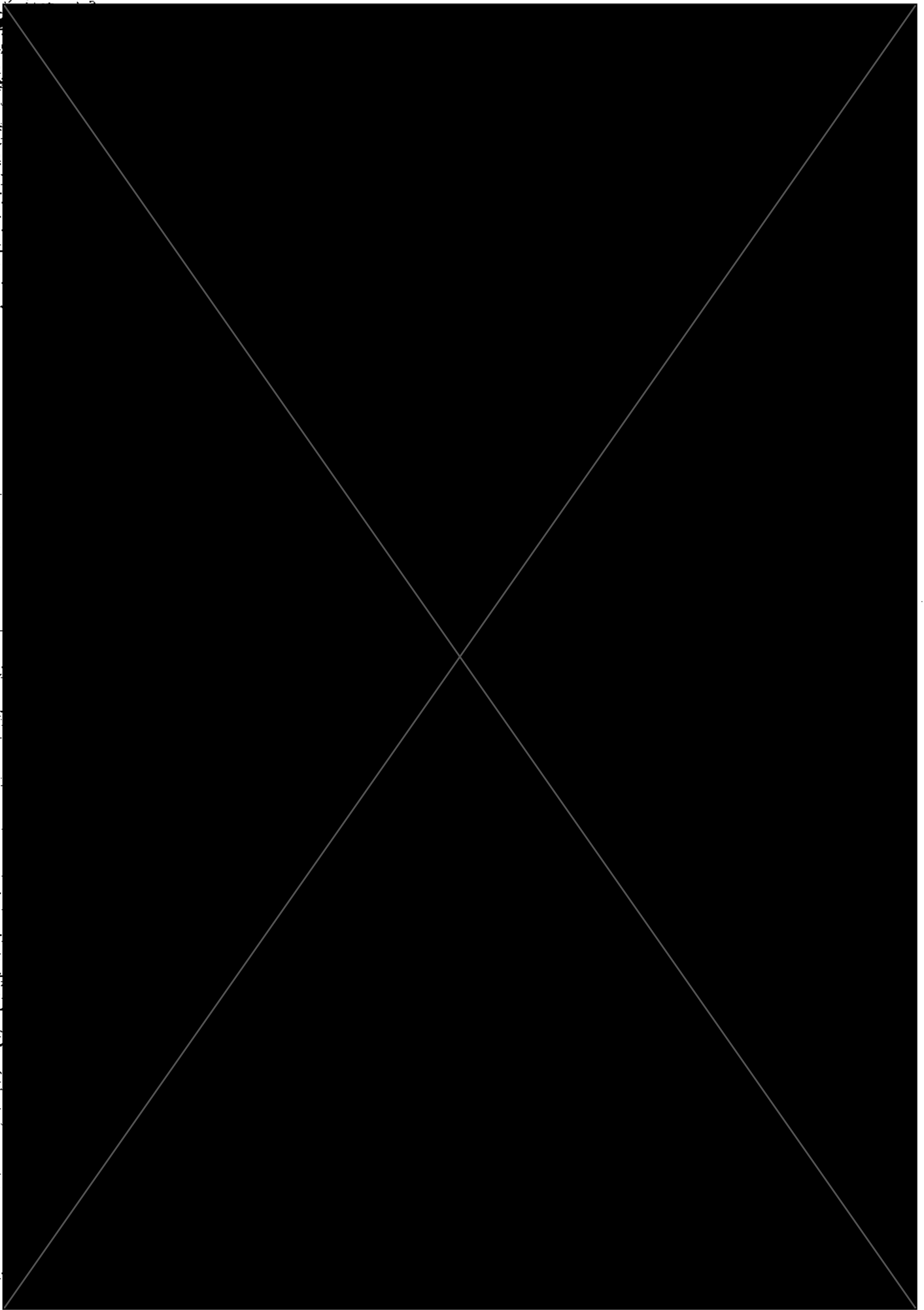
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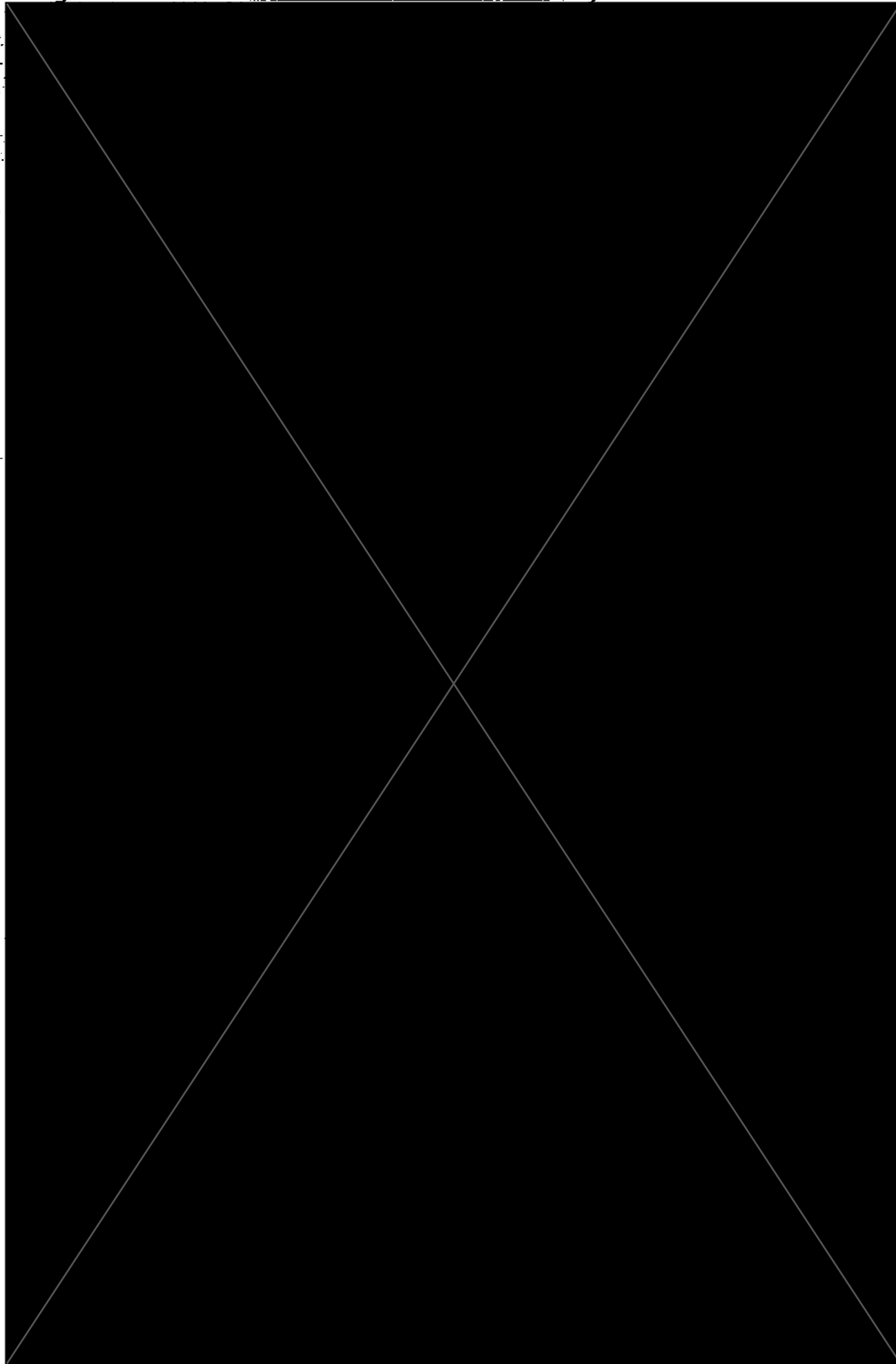
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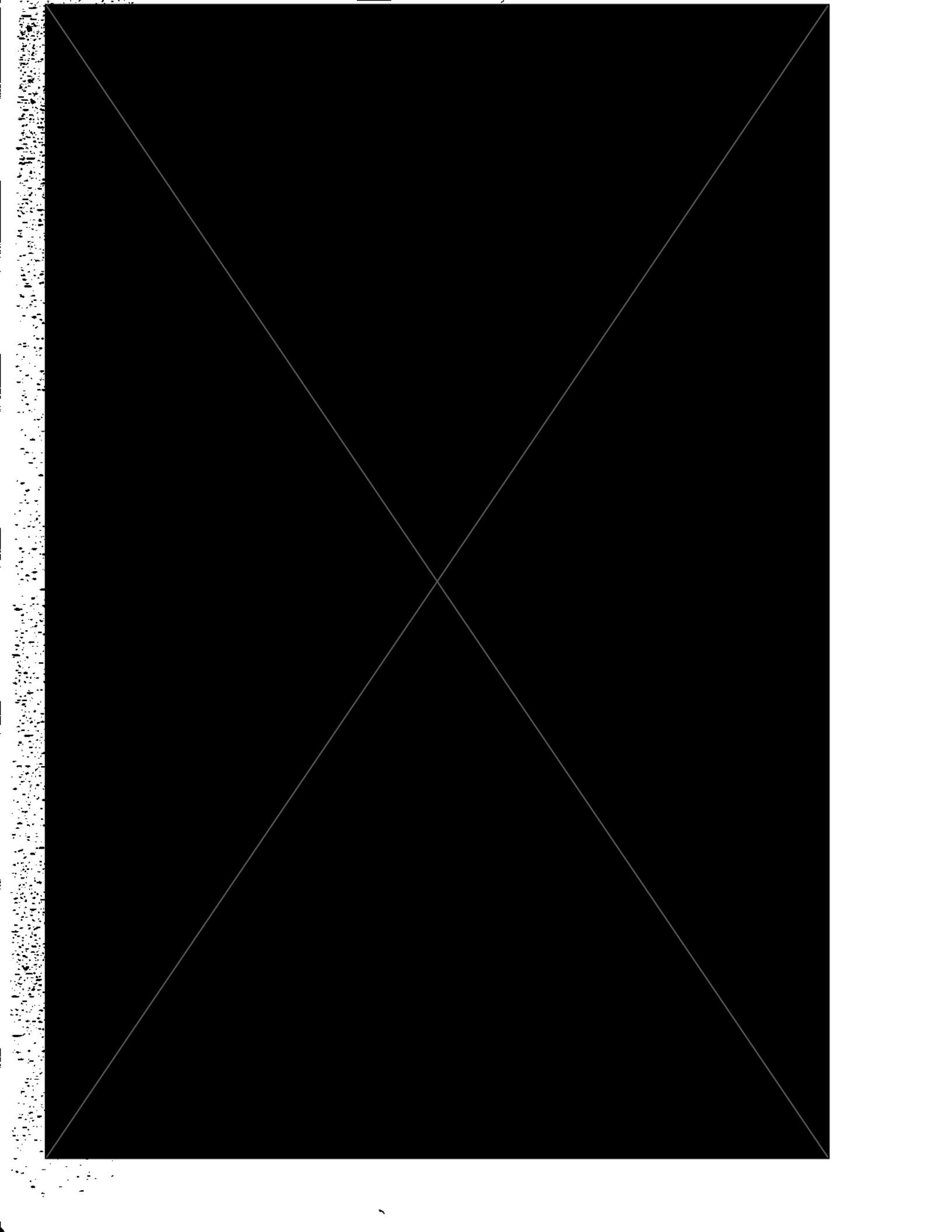
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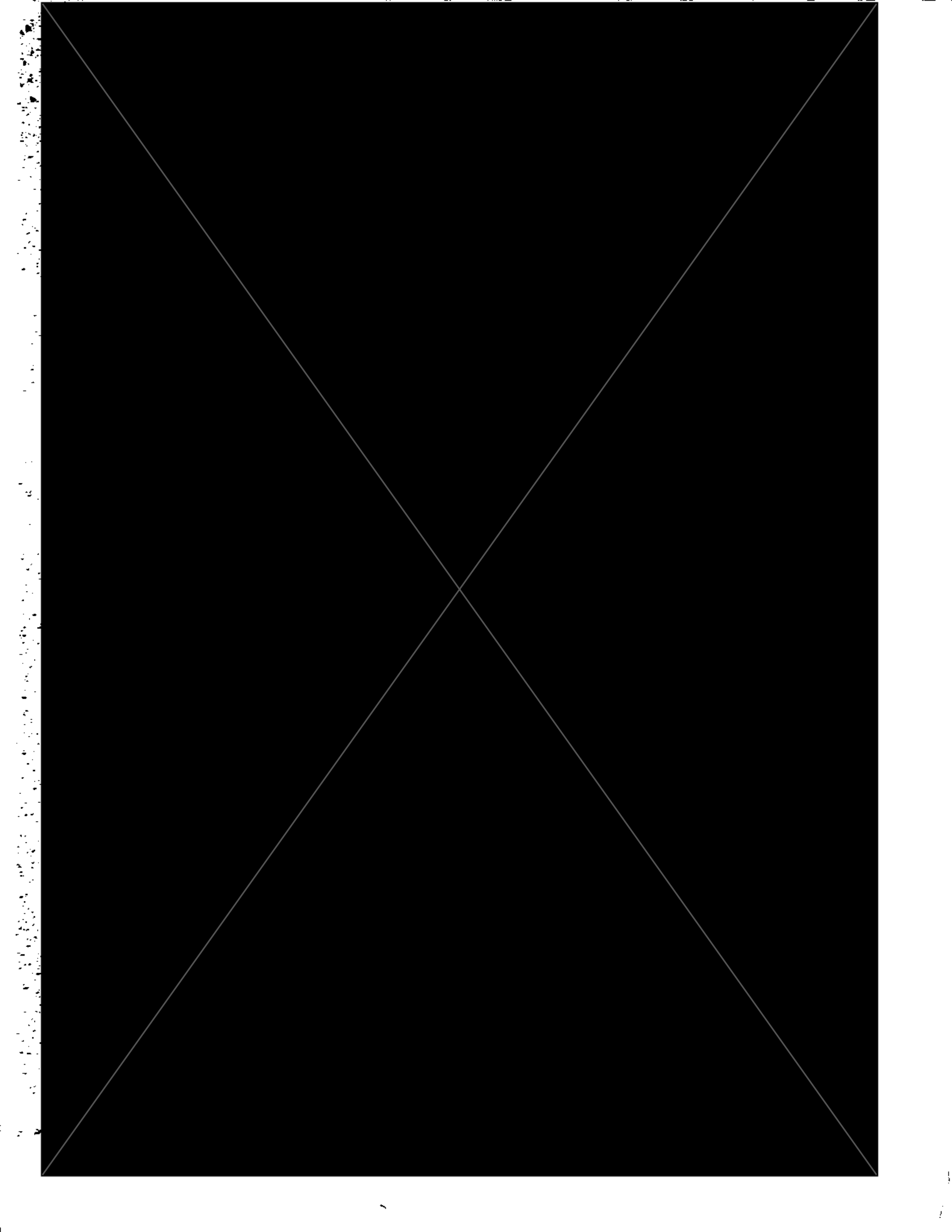


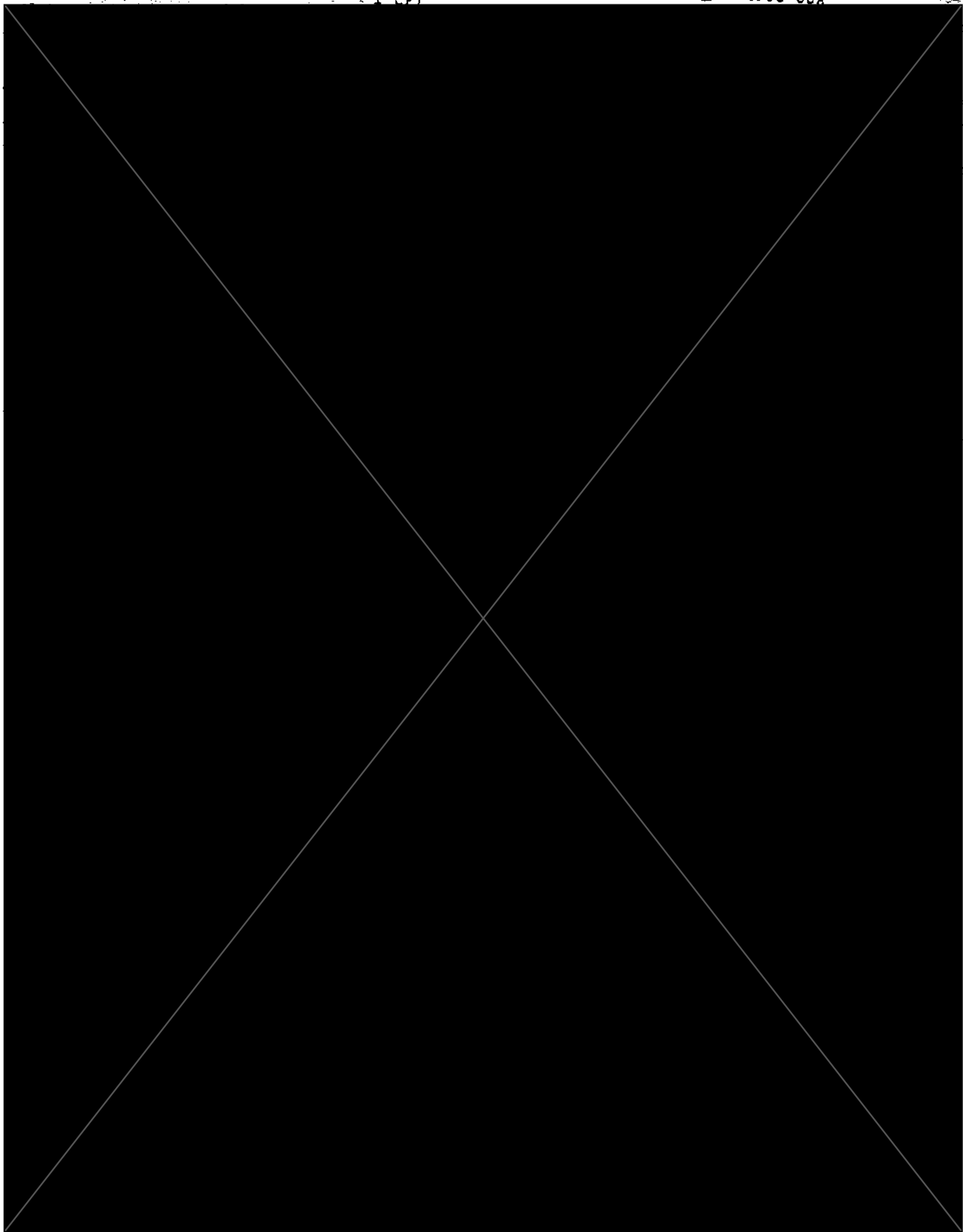


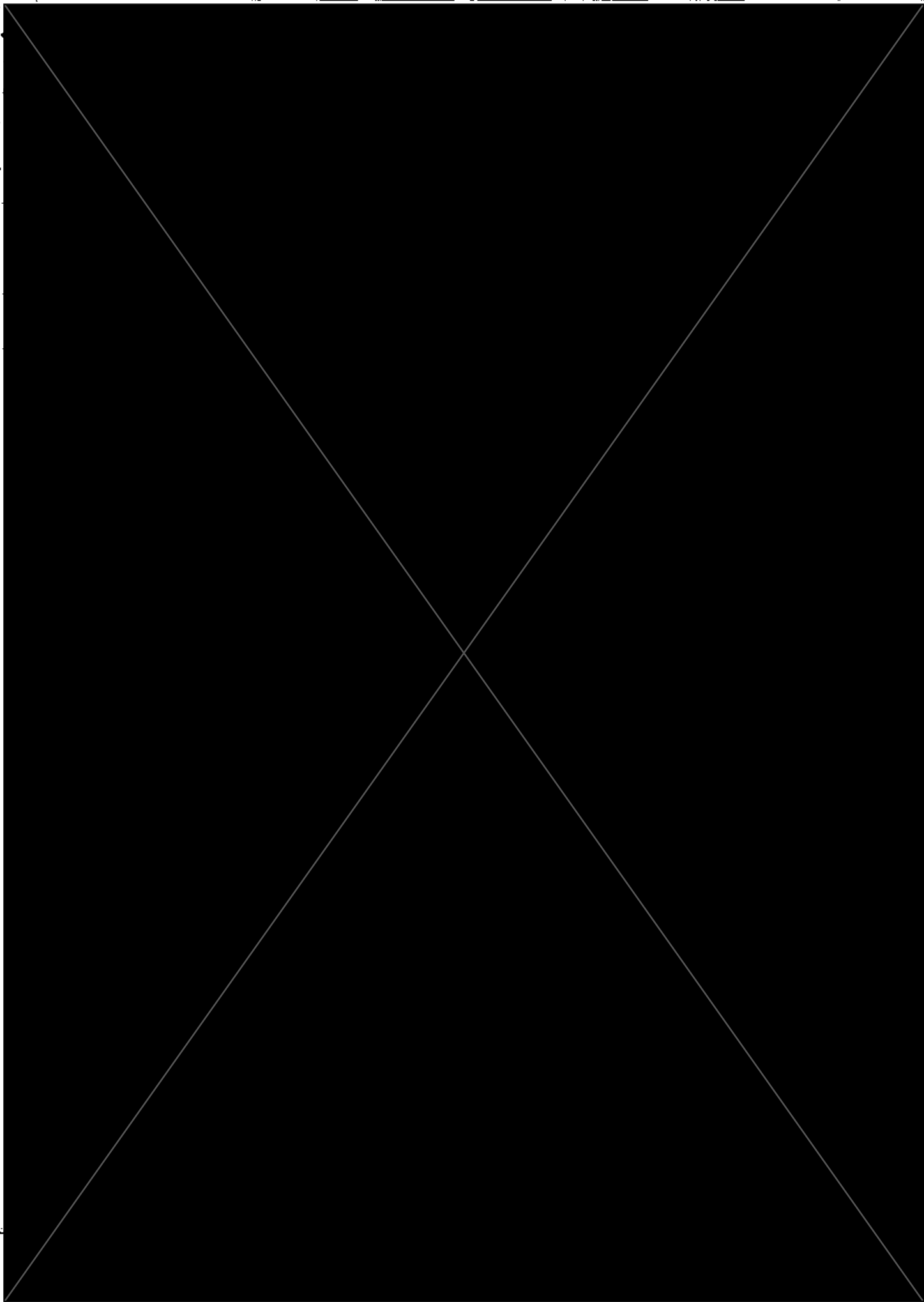












UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	*	CRIMINAL DOCKET NO. 90-055
VERSUS	*	SECTION "H" (4)
NEVIL MARTIN SCHOENMAKERS	*	

AFFIDAVIT OF PATRICK R. WARNER

PATRICK R. WARNER, being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. For the past eight years, I have been employed as a Special Agent of the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), and I have been assigned to the New Orleans Field Division of that agency since June, 1986.

2. On April 5, 1988, as part of an official investigation, I ordered a copy of the marihuana seed catalog published by The Seed Bank. I sent my order to: "The Seed Bank, Post Bus 5, 6576ZA OOH (Ubb.), The Netherlands."

3. On May 9, 1988, I received a copy of the 1988 catalog for The Seed Bank. This catalog, and the seeds that I later ordered from it, as set forth below, were delivered to me by the U.S. Mail at a post office box that I had rented under an assumed name, in furtherance of the investigation. The assumed name and actual post office box number were: "Patrick Martin. P.O. Box 50250, New Orleans, Louisiana 70150."

4. On June 7, 1988 I ordered marijuana seeds from The Seed Bank, by following the directions in the catalog and sending cash, wrapped in carbon paper, to the address stated in paragraph 2, above. My order was for the following:

*EXHIBIT "F"*



<u>Variety</u>	<u>Number of Packets</u>	<u>Price</u>
G-13X Northern Lights #2 F-1 Hybrid	2	\$170.00
Hash Plant/Northern Lights #1 F-1 Hybrid	1	80.00
Haze X Northern Lights #1 F-1 Hybrid	1	100.00
Northern Lights #2	2	120.00
Big Skunk	1	<u>80.00</u>
	subtotal	\$550.00
	less discount	- 82.50
	plus shipping	<u>10.00</u>
	total	\$477.50

5. On July 14, 1988, I received at Post Office Box 50250 a padded manila envelope, mailed from within the United States, containing five manila coin envelopes, which I identified for purposes of keeping track of the evidence as Exhibits 1 through 5.

6. Exhibit 1 was a manila coin envelope bearing the markings "HAZEXNL5", and containing 12 brown colored seeds. Exhibit 2 was a manila coin envelope containing 12 brown colored seeds, and marked "HP". Exhibit 3 was a manila coin envelope containing 24 brown colored seeds, and marked "NL2 24". Exhibit 4 was a manila coin envelope containing 11 brown colored seeds, and marked "G13XNL2 24". Exhibit 5 was a manila coin envelope containing 12 brown colored seeds, and marked "BIG SK".

7. I transmitted Exhibits 1 through 5 in heat sealed evidence bags to the DEA's South Central Laboratory, via registered mail.

8. On September 30, 1988, I placed a second order for marihuana seeds from The Seed Bank 1988 Catalogue. The procedure I followed was the same as I had followed in the first order, except that I sent a cashier's check in lieu of cash. My order was as follows:

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Number of Packets</u>	<u>Price</u>
G-13XNorthern Lights #2 F-1 Hybrid	4	\$340.00
Big Skunk	6	480.00
Haze X Northern Lights #1 F-1 Hybrid	4	400.00
	subtotal	\$1,220.00
	less discount	-366.00
	plus shipping	10.00
	total	\$ 864.00

9. On October 31, 1988, I received in Post Office Box 50250 a large manila envelope that contained smaller envelopes, which I identified for evidentiary purposes as Exhibits 6, 7 and 8.

10. Exhibit 6 was a manila coin envelope containing 52 brown colored seeds, and bearing the markings "G13XNL2". Exhibit 7 was a manila coin envelope containing 78 brown colored seeds, and bearing the markings "Big Skunk". Exhibit 8 was a manila coin envelope containing 50 brown colored seeds, and bearing the markings "HAZEXNL5".

11. I transmitted Exhibits 6 through 8 in heat sealed evidence bags to the DEA's South Central Laboratory, via registered mail.

12. According to official reports which I have seen, the contents of Exhibits 1 through 8, referred to above, have been

determined by the DEA's South Central Laboratory to be viable marihuana seeds.

13. I swear that the foregoing is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

  
PATRICK R. WARNER

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge, on this 31st day of January, 1994.

  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

LOUIS MOORE, JR.  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT N. SULLIVAN

ROBERT N. SULLIVAN, being duly sworn, states on oath as follows:

1. My name is Robert N. Sullivan, and I reside in Amite, which is located in Tangipahoa Parish. I graduated from Amite High School in May 1974. I have attended Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, Louisiana but do not have a degree from that institution. I have worked continuously at Sullivan's Drive-In, a family owned restaurant, since 1978. My brother and I inherited the restaurant in 1983 upon the death of my father. My wife and I currently manage the restaurant.

2. I was indicted by a grand jury sitting in the Eastern District of Louisiana for conspiracy to manufacture (grow) in excess of 100 marihuana plants in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 846. The indictment, to which I entered a plea of guilty, is of record in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, under Criminal Action No. 89-464 "J." The date of the offense charged in the indictment is from on or about January 1987, through on or about October 26, 1989. On March 21, 1991 I was sentenced to serve three years in prison. I was finally released on December 3, 1993.

EXHIBIT "G"



3. I have ordered marihuana seeds from The Seed Bank in Holland on approximately seven to ten occasions since January 1987. During that time, I ordered several varieties of marihuana seeds offered for sale by The Seed Bank including, but not limited to, Afghan Number 1, Northern Lights Number 1, Northern Lights 2 x 5, Skunk Number 1, G-13 and Big Bud. Each seed order was for at least one packet of ten (10) seeds with most orders being for multiple packets of ten (10) seeds. I received approximately 150 to 200 seeds from The Seed Bank as a result of my orders. These seeds were planted by me in trays and growing medium located within the house at 800 Southwest Central Avenue that is described in paragraph 4, below, and were the source of the marihuana plants and cuttings that are described in paragraph 4.

4. Until my arrest by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Louisiana State Police on October 26, 1989, I was using an entire house, located at 800 Southwest Central Avenue in Amite, Louisiana, as an indoor marihuana growing and processing facility. I had three (3) separate grow rooms within the house. My growing operation involved the use of hydroponic growing techniques and cloning (growing new plants from cuttings made from existing plants). I also pollinated flowers and thereby obtained seeds from my growing plants, and grew new plants from the seeds so obtained. At the time of my arrest, I had approximately 260 fully rooted marihuana plants and approximately 220 cuttings that had been planted in a growing medium (sometimes referred to as "clones") under cultivation at 800 Southwest Central Avenue. All of the plants, including the clones, were from seeds that I had

ordered from The Seed Bank. The fact that there were more plants in place at the time of my arrest than there were seeds ordered is due to the fact that earlier cloning efforts had been successful.

5. The seeds described in paragraph 3, above, were delivered to me through the United States Mail at the following addresses:

802 S.W. Central Avenue  
Amite, LA 70422


711 S. 1st Street  
Amite, LA 70422

6. I placed my orders for the marihuana seeds by mailing a completed order form, along with the purchase price in United States currency, to The Seed Bank in Holland. Based on the stamps and the postmarks, I could tell that the seeds had been mailed to me from a location within the United States. Each order of seeds was packaged in a brown envelope that was further contained within a piece of plastic containing numerous air bubbles commonly referred to as "bubble pack."

8. I swear that the foregoing is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

  
ROBERT N. SULLIVAN

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge, by Robert N. Sullivan, this 27th day of January, 1994.

  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
LOUIS A. GRE, JR.  
UNITED STATES ASSISTANT JUDGE

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AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM HUGH BROWN, JR.

WILLIAM HUGH BROWN, JR., being duly sworn, states on oath as follows:

1. My name is William Hugh Brown, Jr., and I reside in New Orleans, in the Eastern District of Louisiana. I have completed grade school and one year of high school. I apprenticed to my father in the printing business, and am engaged in business as a small commercial printer today.

2. On October 26, 1989, in the Eastern District of Louisiana, I was arrested and charged in a criminal complaint with knowingly and intentionally conspiring to grow in excess of 100 marihuana plants, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 846. I was charged, on April 25, 1991, in proceedings bearing Criminal Action No. 91-176 "D" on the docket of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, with having used a communication facility in furtherance of a conspiracy to manufacture (grow) marihuana, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b). I pled guilty to that charge, and, on August 28, 1991, I was sentenced to three years' probation.

EXHIBIT "H"

3. Approximately one year before my arrest, I ordered twenty (20) Northern Lights marihuana seeds from The Seed Bank in Holland.

4. I have grown marihuana indoors, using the seeds that I bought from The Seed Bank, and other seeds. Working with Joseph Fuzy, my neighbor and partner in this enterprise, I converted an entire house, located at 5938 Tchopitoulas Street, New Orleans, Louisiana for use as an indoor marihuana growing and processing place. Our marihuana growing operation, which utilized hydroponic growing techniques, produced a harvest of approximately 1.5 pounds of marihuana every month, which I sold for approximately three thousand two hundred (\$3,200.00) dollars per pound. As much as half of our total output of marihuana was from plants grown from the seeds that I had ordered from The Seed Bank, or from plants that I had cloned from plants grown from those seeds.

5. At one time prior to my arrest, I had approximately 40 marihuana plants under cultivation. The additional plants were the result of utilizing cuttings of plants to produce additional plants, a process that is referred to as "cloning."

6. The seeds described in paragraph 3, above, were delivered to me through the United States Mail at the following address: 5930 Tchopitoulas Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70115. I sometimes stored finished product, in the form of cut and dried marihuana buds ready for sale, at the 5930 Tchopitoulas Street address.

7. I placed my order for the marihuana seeds by mailing a completed order form, along with the purchase price in United

States currency, to The Seed Bank in Holland. The seeds were mailed to me from a location within the United States. The seeds were packaged in a brown envelope that was further contained within a piece of plastic containing air bubbles commonly referred to as "bubble pack."

8. The foregoing is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

  
WILLIAM HUGH BROWN, JR.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge, on this 31st day of January, 1994.

  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
LOUIS MOORE, JR.  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE



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AFFIDAVIT OF JOSEPH SOBLOSKY

JOSEPH SOBLOSKY, being duly sworn, states on oath as follows:

1. My name is Joseph Soblosky, and I reside in New Orleans, in the Eastern District of Louisiana.

2. I was indicted by a grand jury sitting in the Eastern District of Louisiana for knowingly and intentionally growing approximately 59 marihuana plants, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1). The indictment, to which I entered a plea of guilty, is of record in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, under Criminal Action No. 89-520 "I". The date of the offense charged in the indictment was October 24, 1989.

3. I have ordered marihuana seeds from The Seed Bank in Holland on three occasions since January, 1988: The first order, for 10 seeds, was placed in April of 1988; and 12 or 13 marihuana seeds were delivered to me in or about May, 1988. The second order, which was again for 10 seeds, was placed in October, 1988; and 12 or 13 marihuana seeds were delivered to me in or about November, 1988. The last order that I placed was placed in June of 1989, for 20 seeds, and seeds were delivered to me in or about


EXHIBIT "I"

November, 1989. I did not count the seeds received in the last delivery.

4. In the case of each delivery described in Paragraph 3, above, the seeds were delivered to me through the U.S. Mail.

  
JOSEPH S. SOBLOSKY

SWORN TO and subscribed before me, the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge, this 27th day of January, 1994.

  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
LOUIS MOORE, JR.  
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