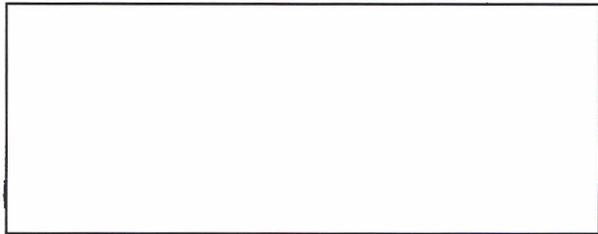
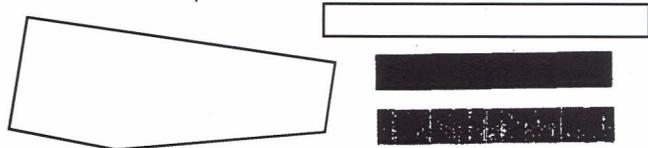


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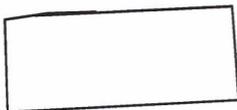
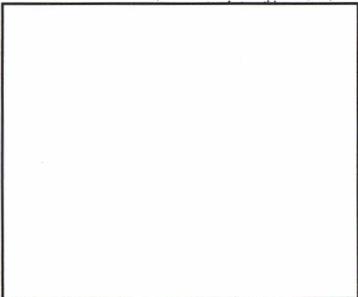
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FOREWORD

(S) This Defense Technical Intelligence Report (DTIR) presents a third report of ongoing DIA analysis of Soviet nuclear weapons logistics activities designed to define more clearly the Soviet/Warsaw Pact military posture in the Forward Area. It discusses the possibility that the Soviets are storing tactical missile nuclear warheads at ammunition depots in East Germany as was reported by a Soviet defector in 1979.

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The depot was found to have been built by the Germans before World War II, and the bunkers for the alleged warhead storage date from that period. This fact led to the examination of a large number of other Soviet ammunition depots of German origin to identify bunker areas similar to those at [REDACTED]

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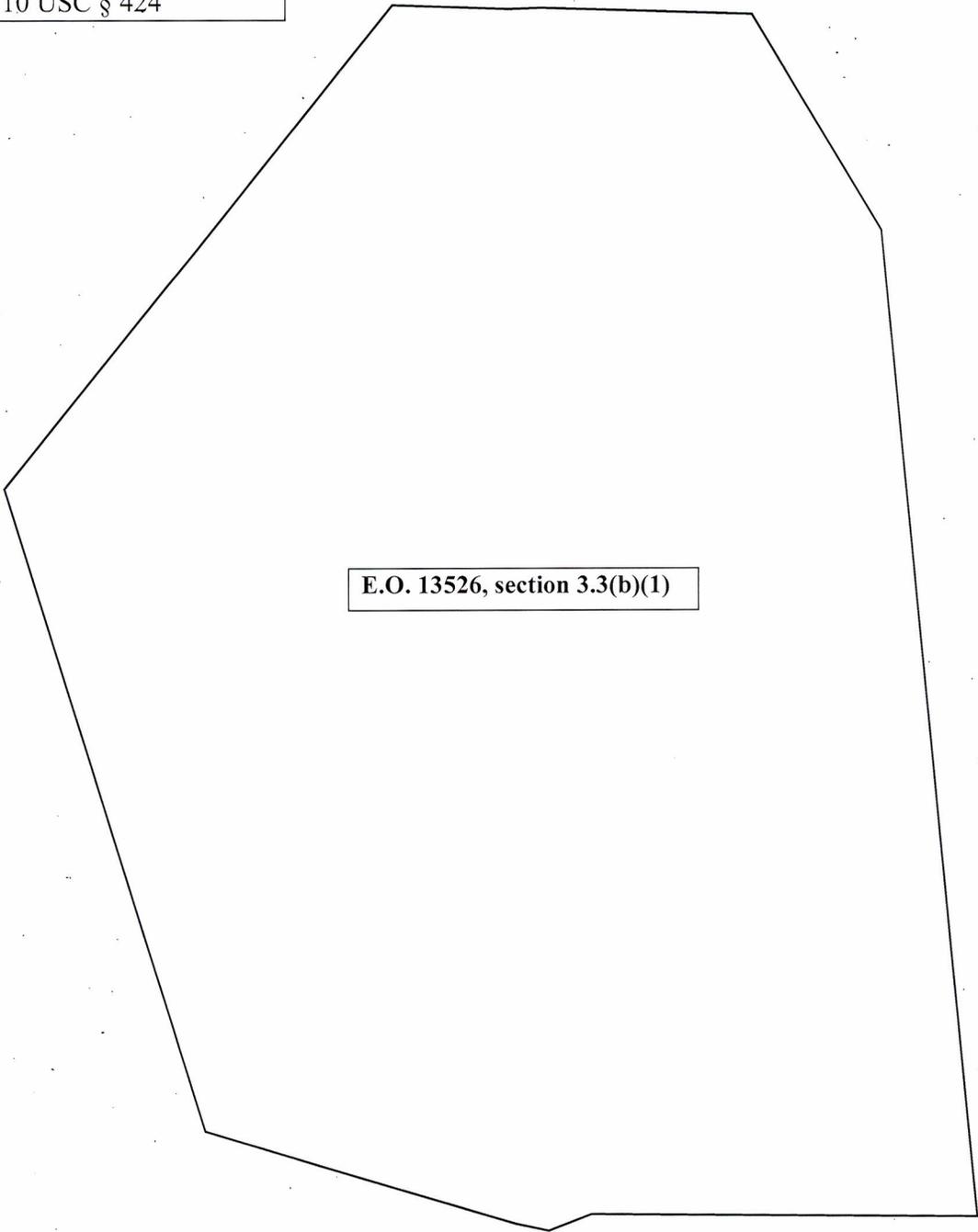
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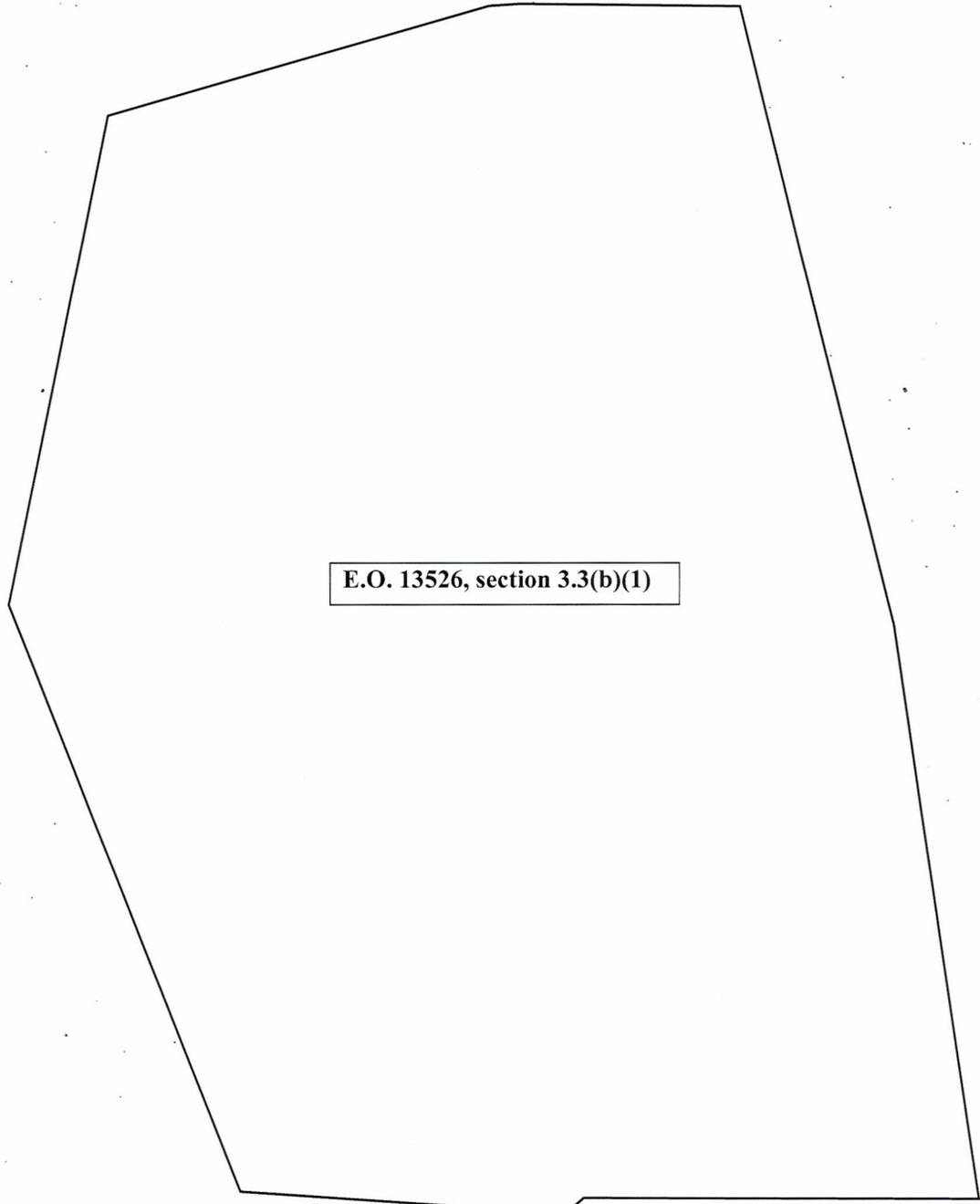
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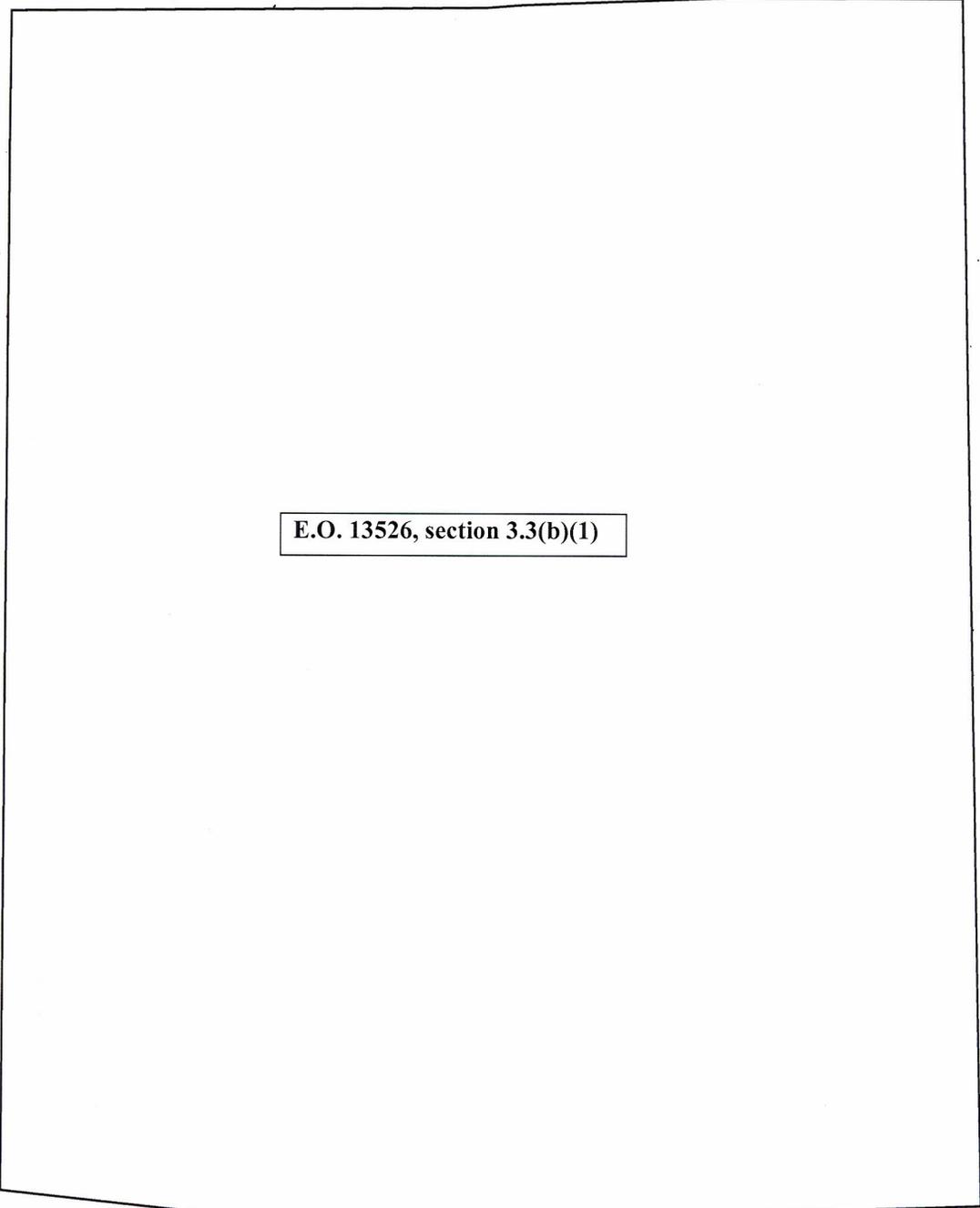
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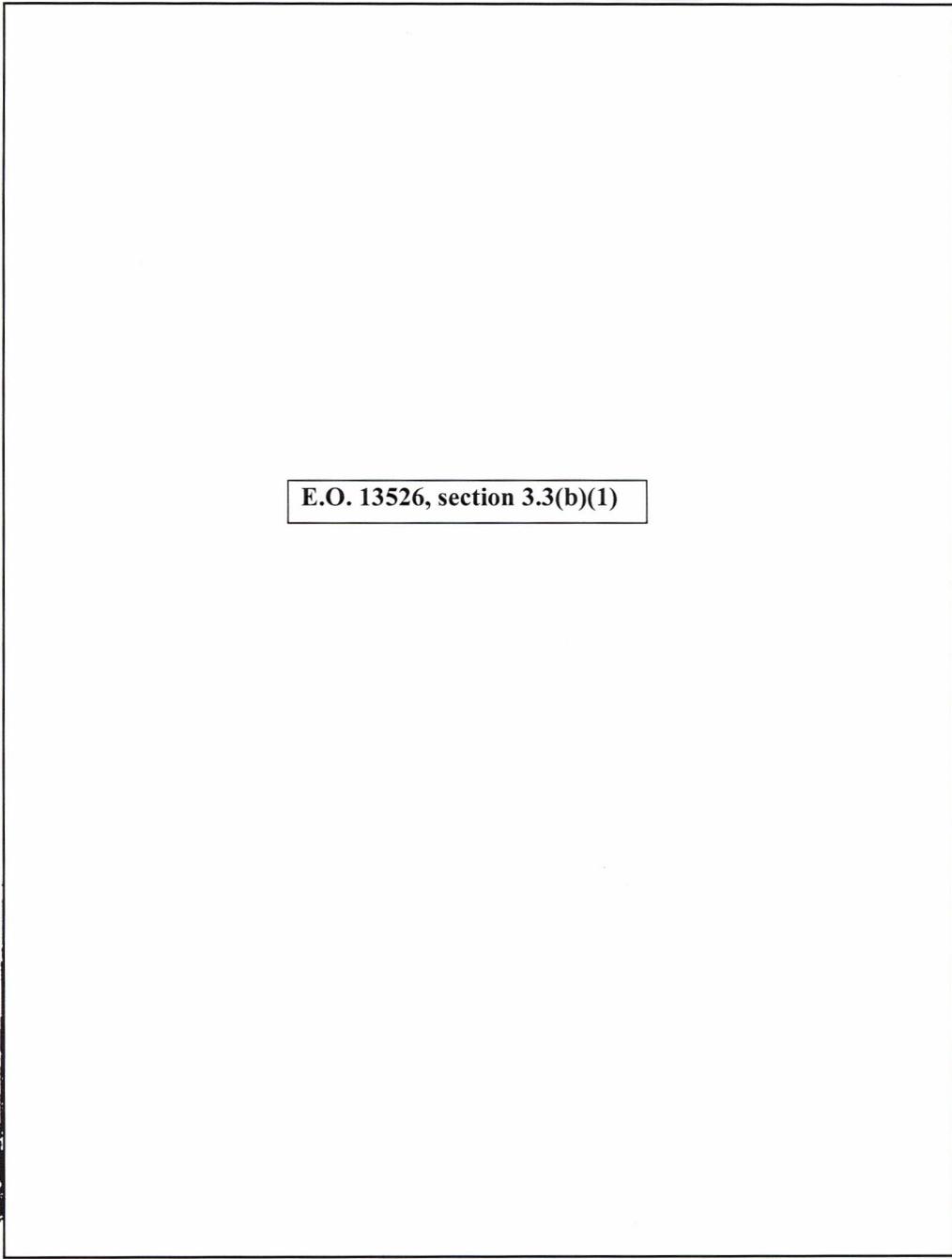
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Many of the bunkers and buildings at the depots also were built by the Germans before or during World War II. Germans, who were in these depots between 1945 and 1960, describe the bunkers as being constructed of reinforced concrete, measuring between 5-20m per side on the outside. Each bunker had one or two doors (up to 2.2m x 2m) for access into a single storage chamber in which there were two rows of concrete roof supports. The bunker floor in some cases was said to be 1.5-3m below ground level, and stairs were used to enter the storage chamber. Persons, who had entered the bunkers, saw no evidence of heating or cooling systems for controlling the temperature in the storage chamber. In addition, no steam lines have been identified in the inner secure areas. Finally, some Soviet divisional and regimental depots were included in this analytical survey to give a balanced historical picture of the activity at the Soviet ammunition depots in East Germany.

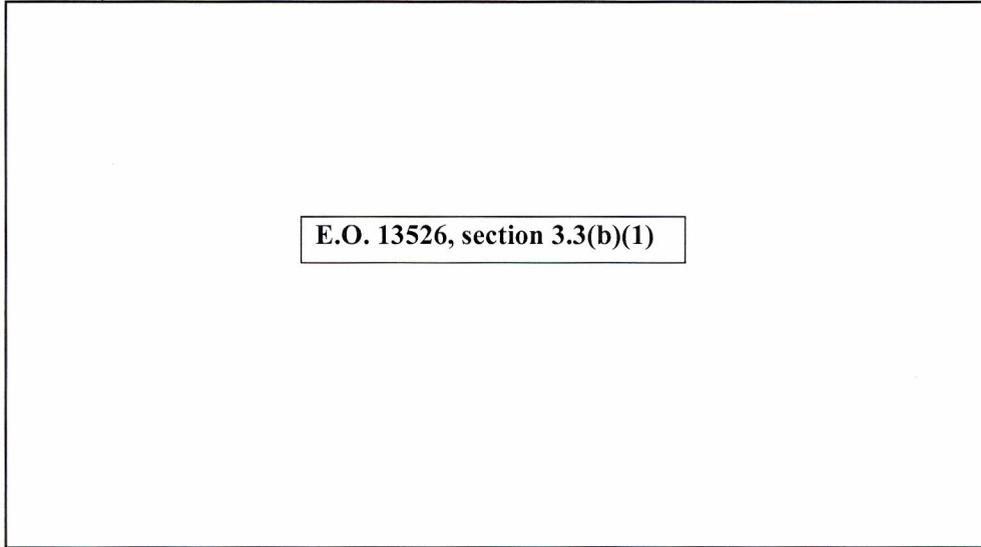
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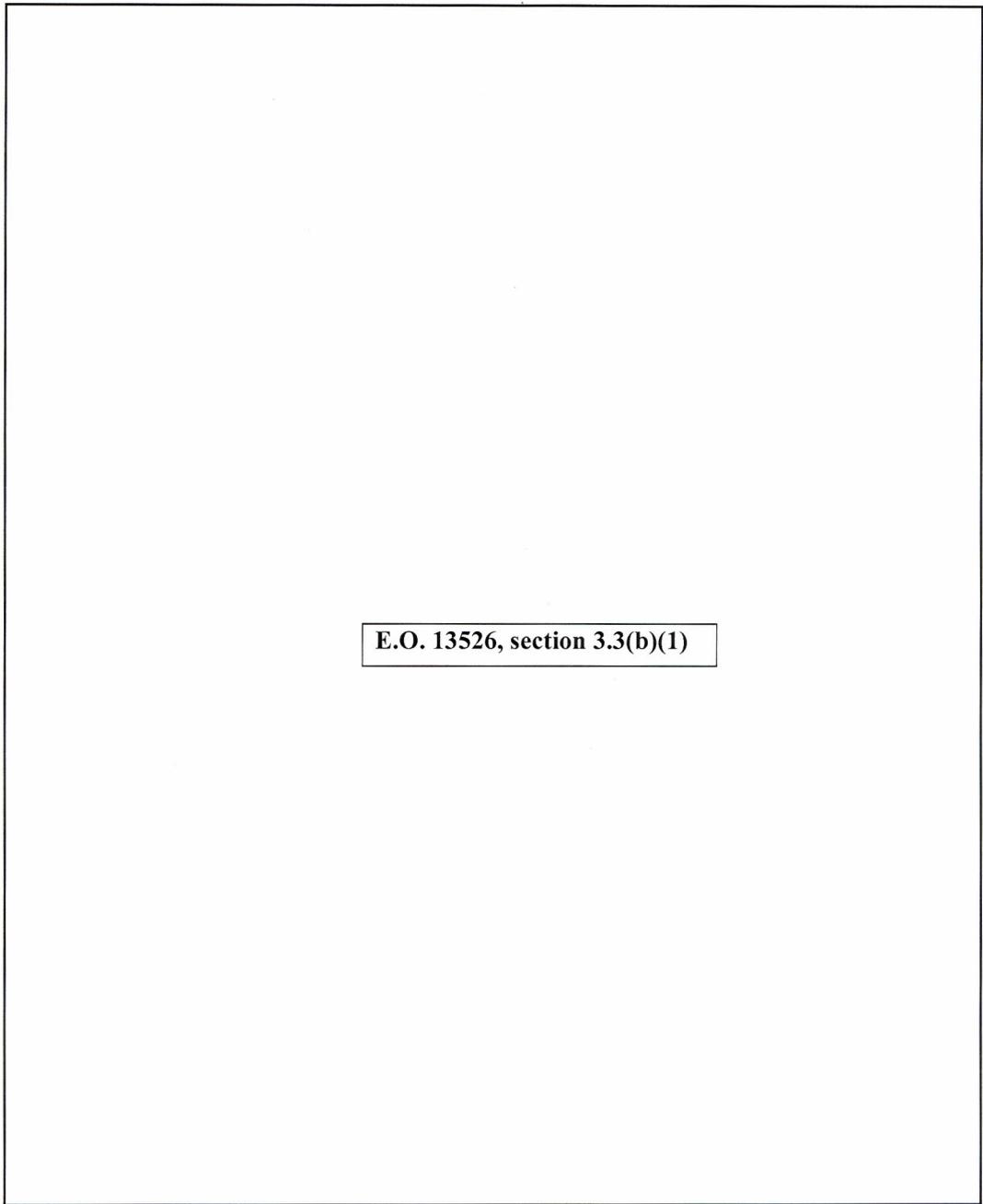
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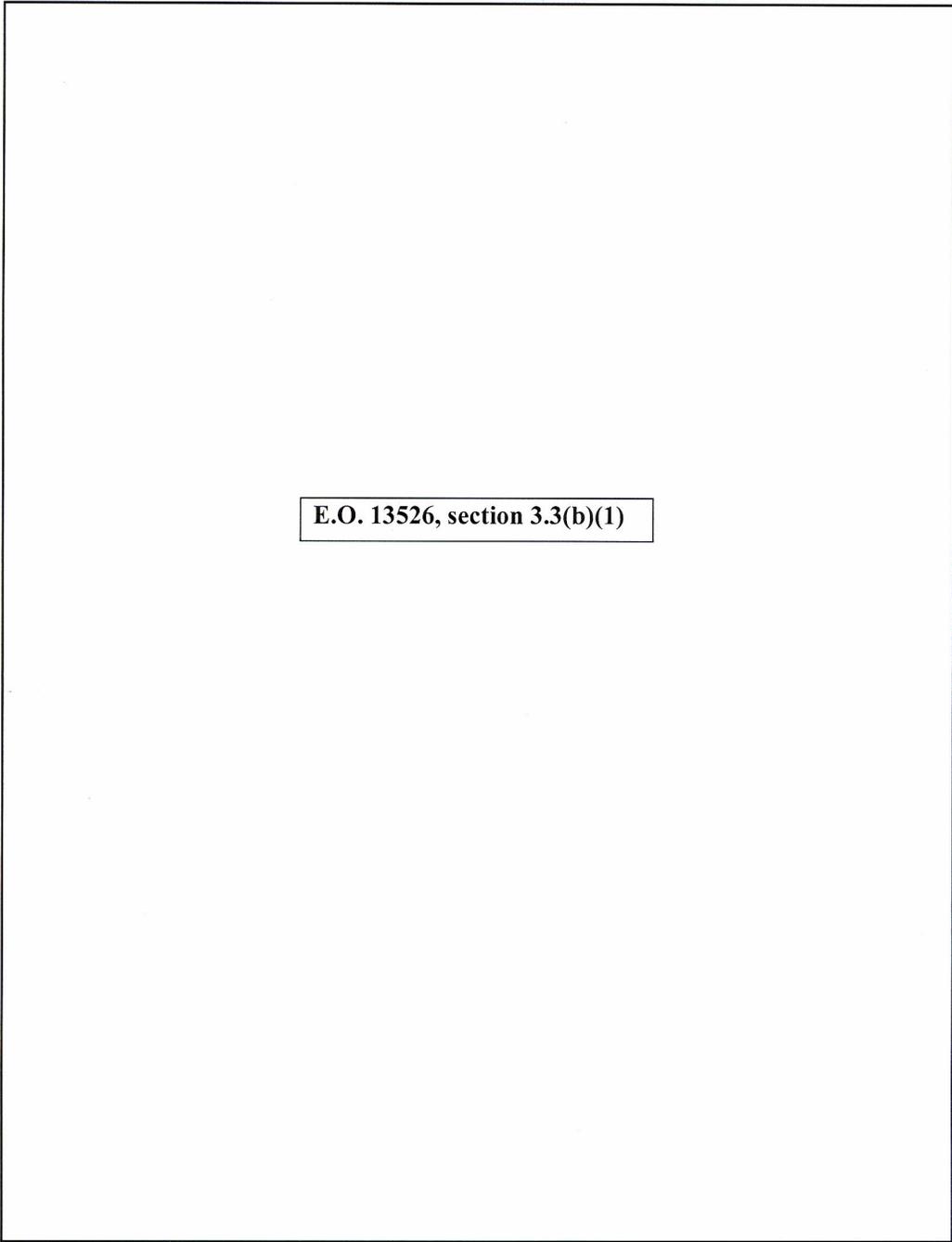
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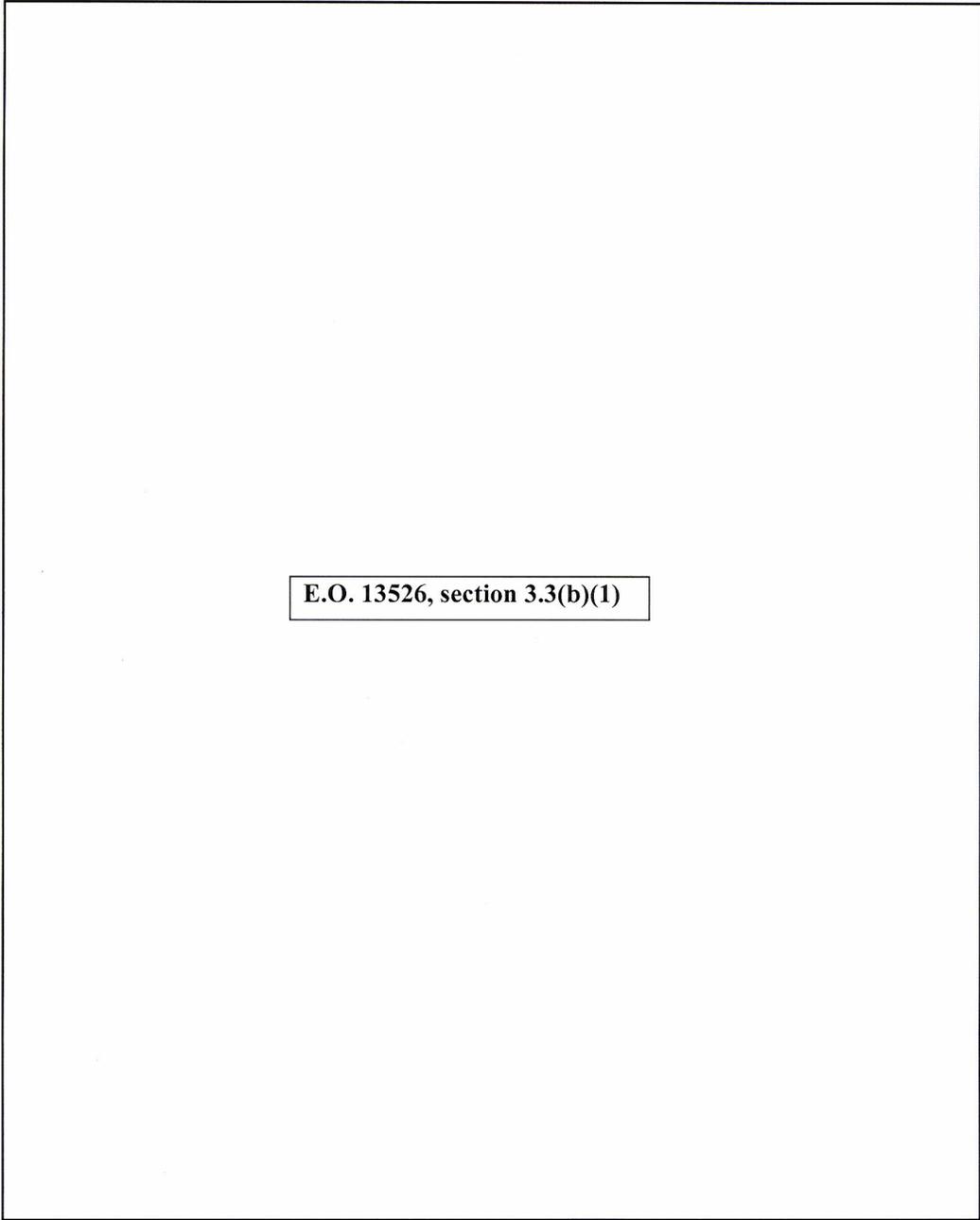
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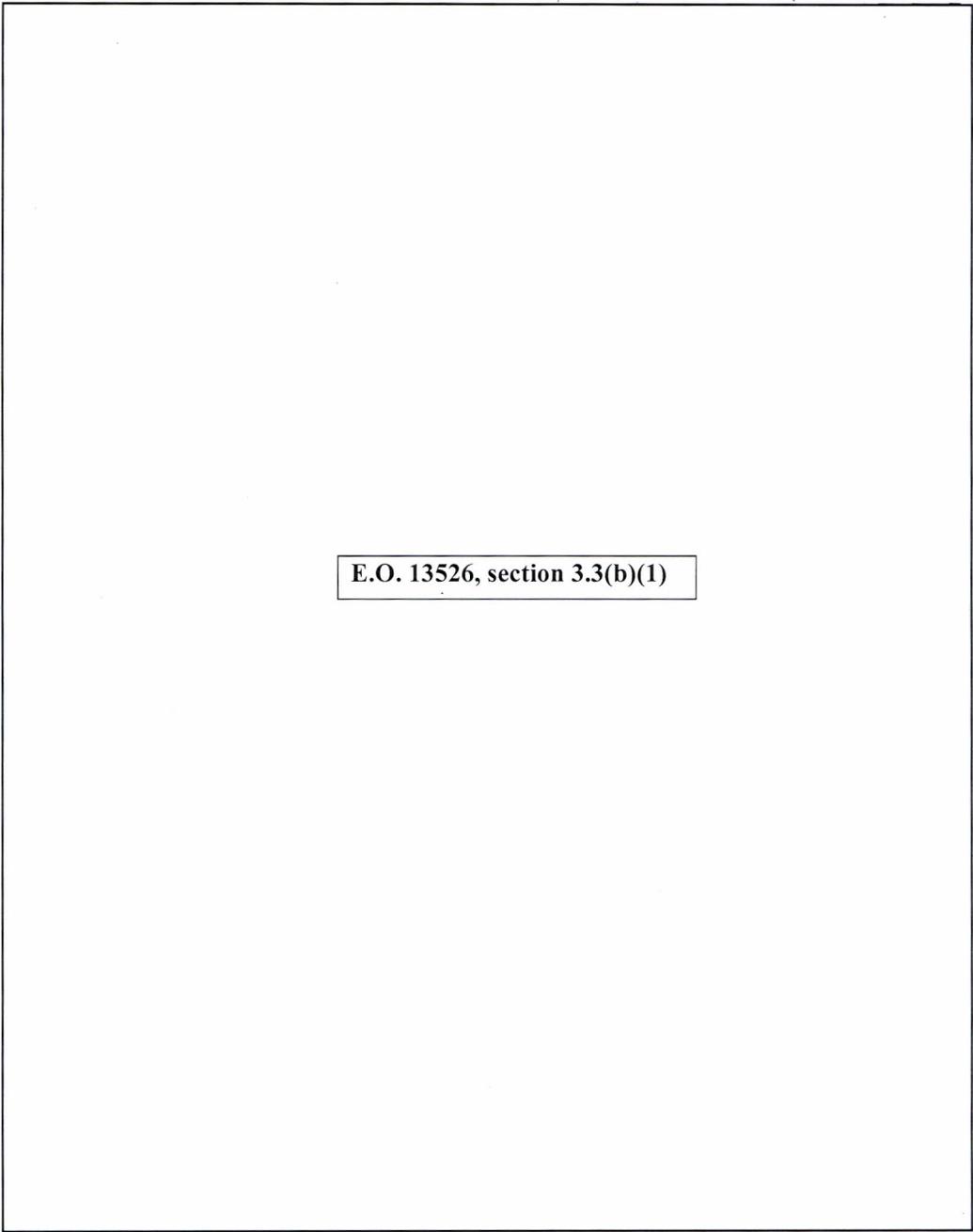
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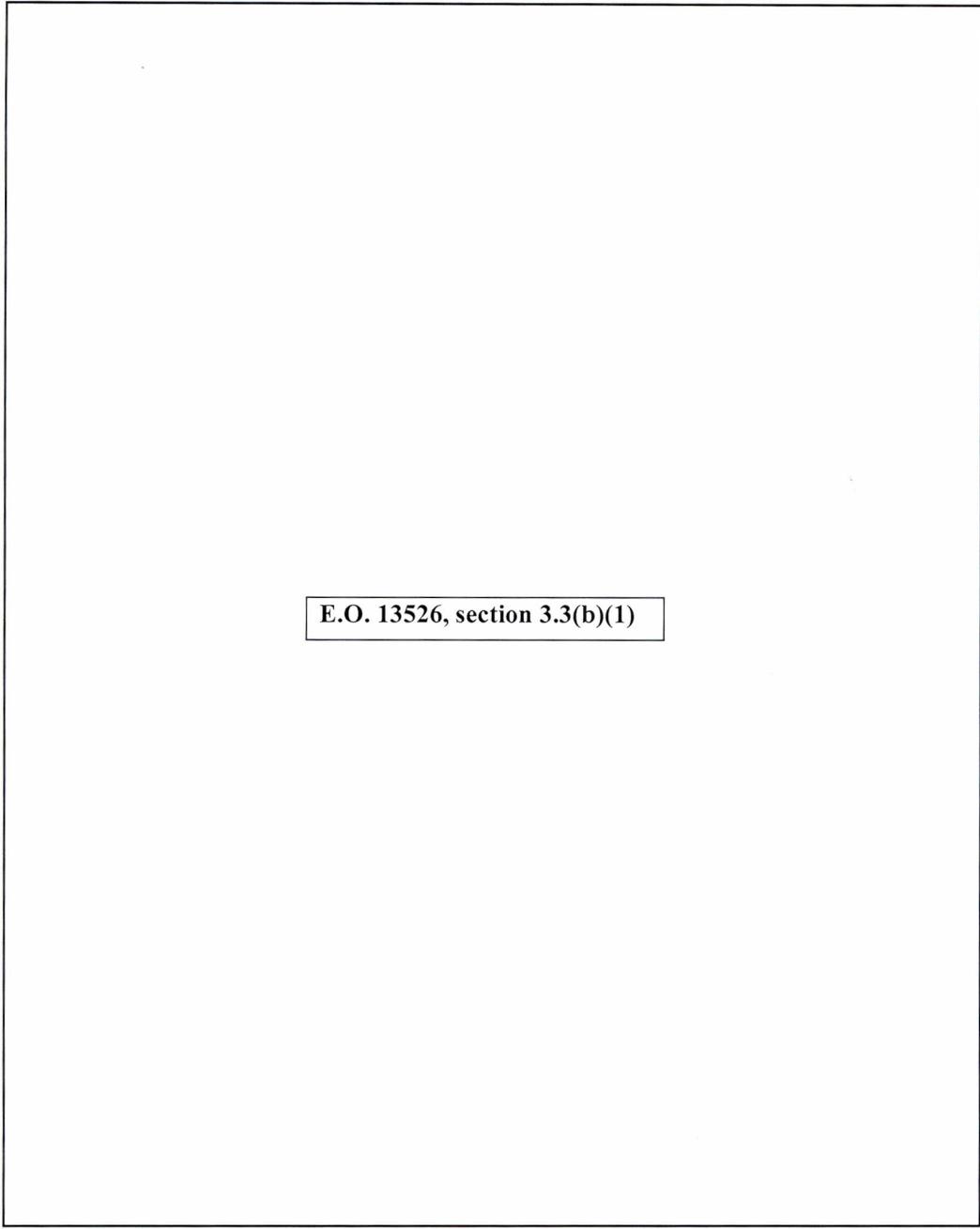
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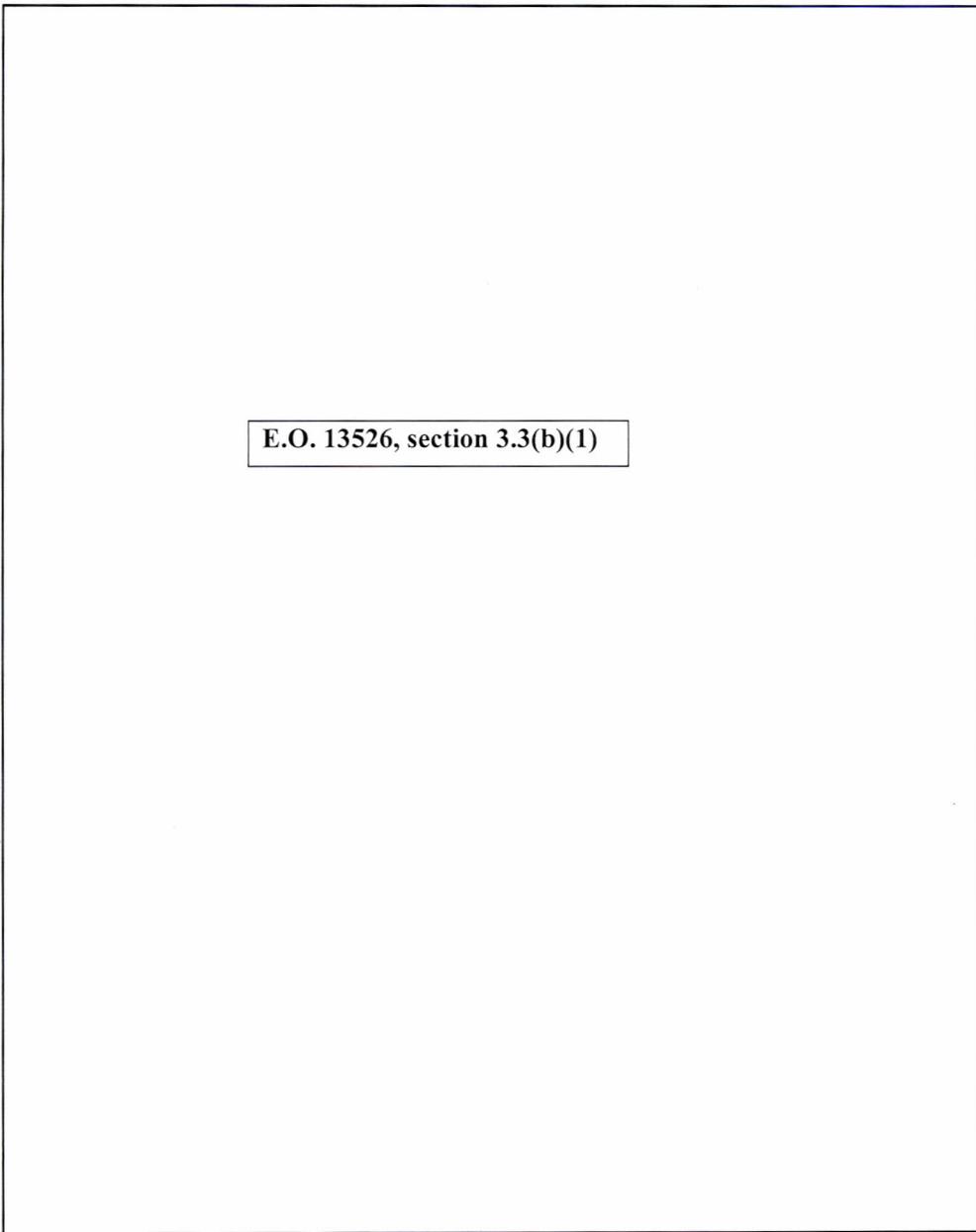
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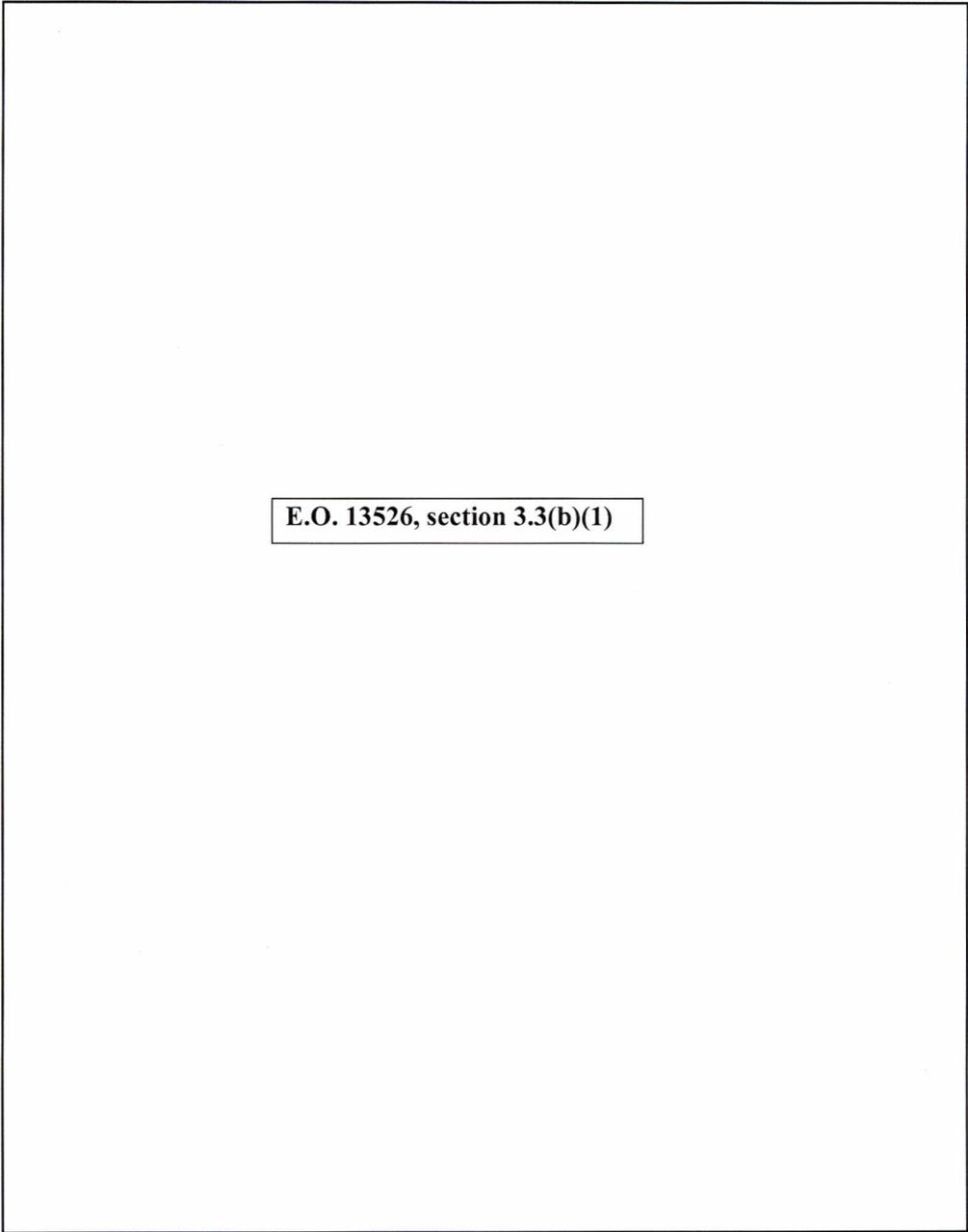
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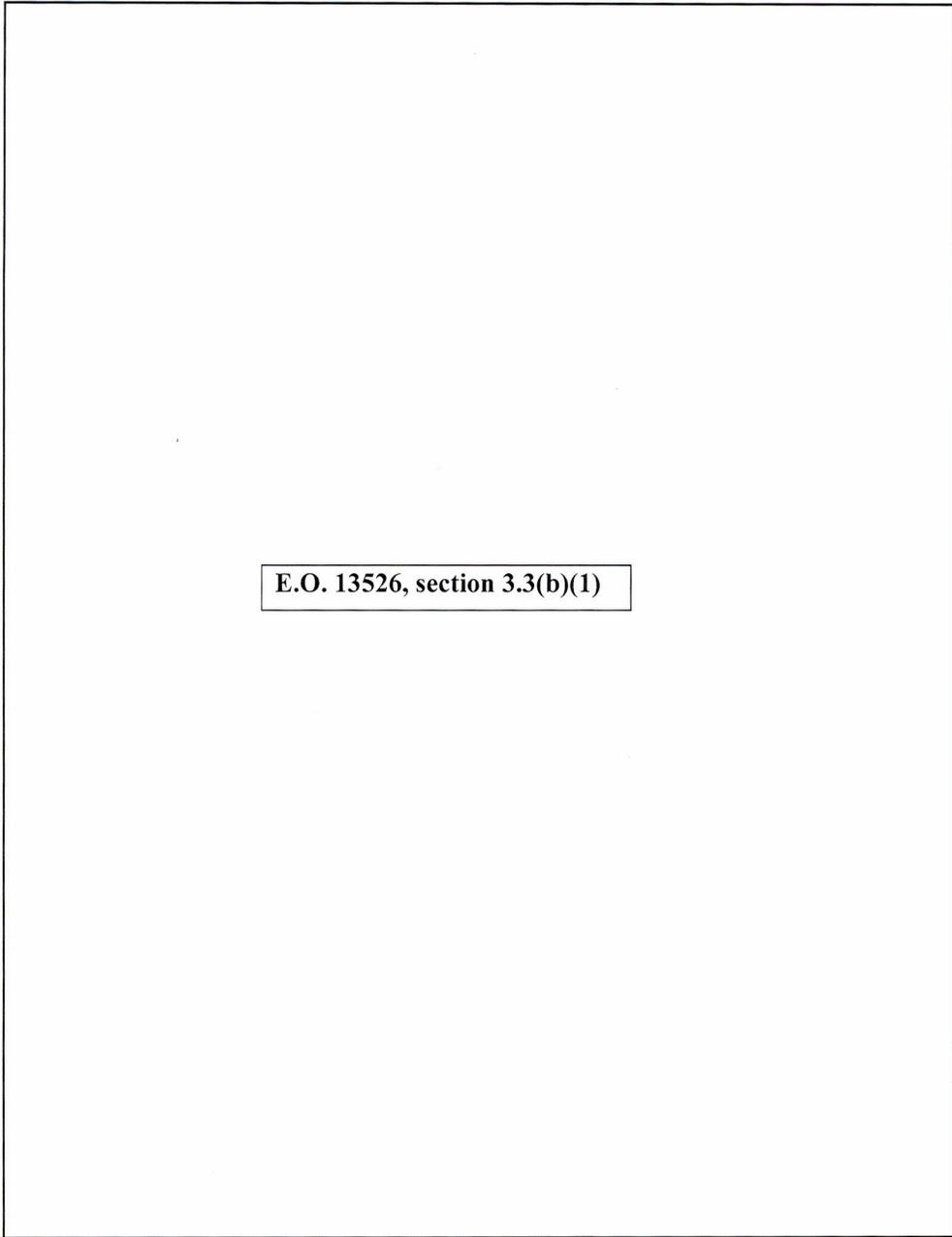


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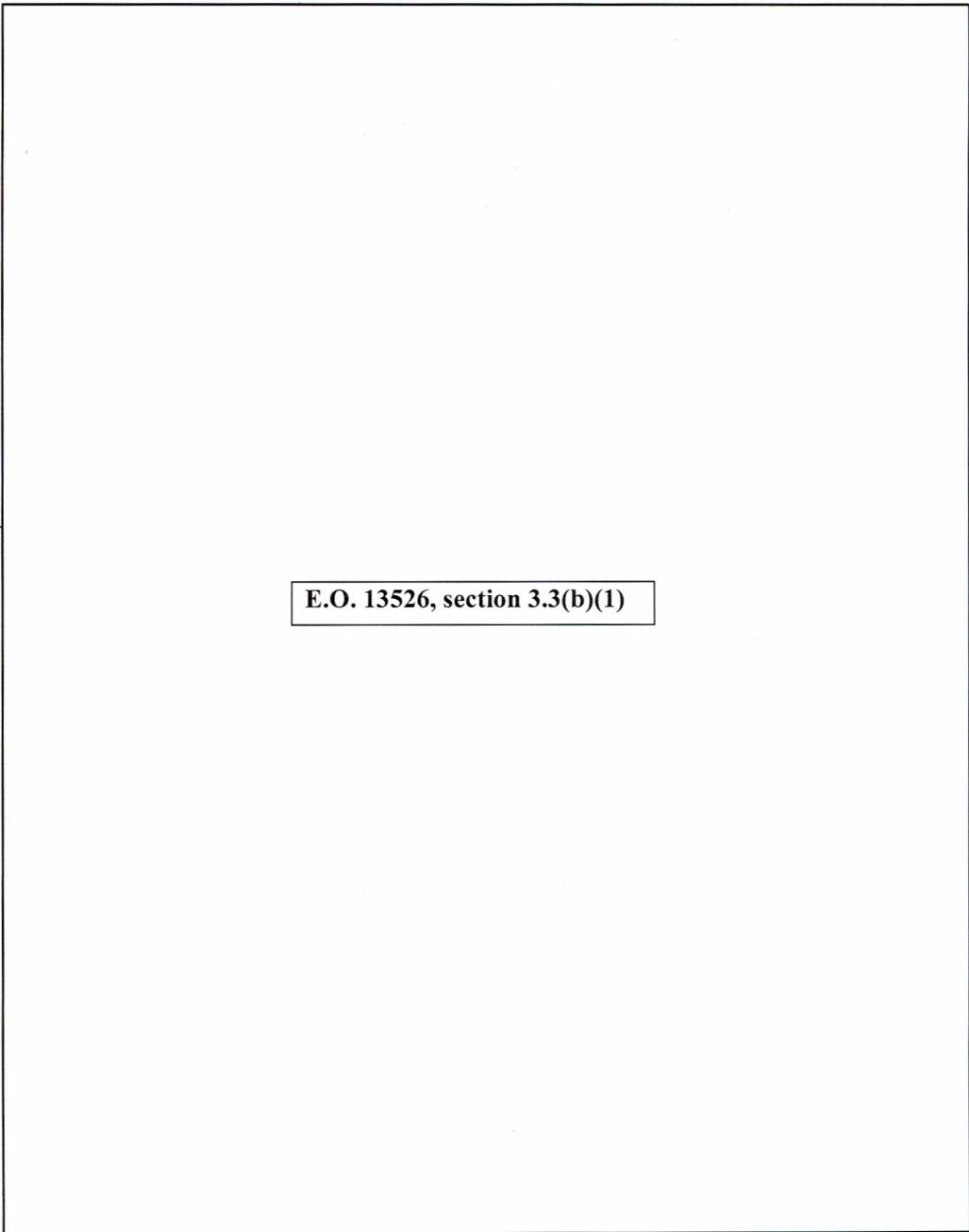
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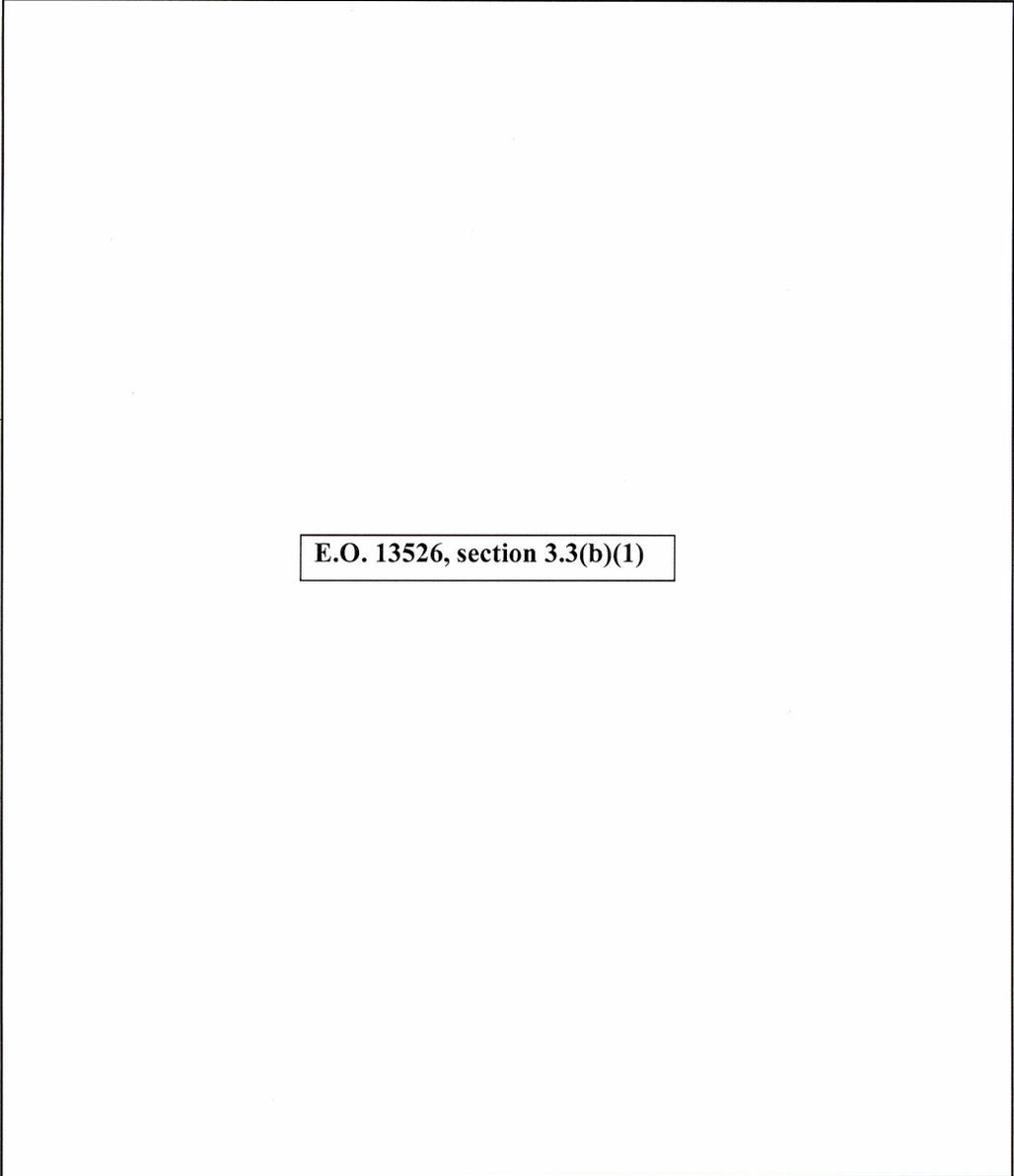
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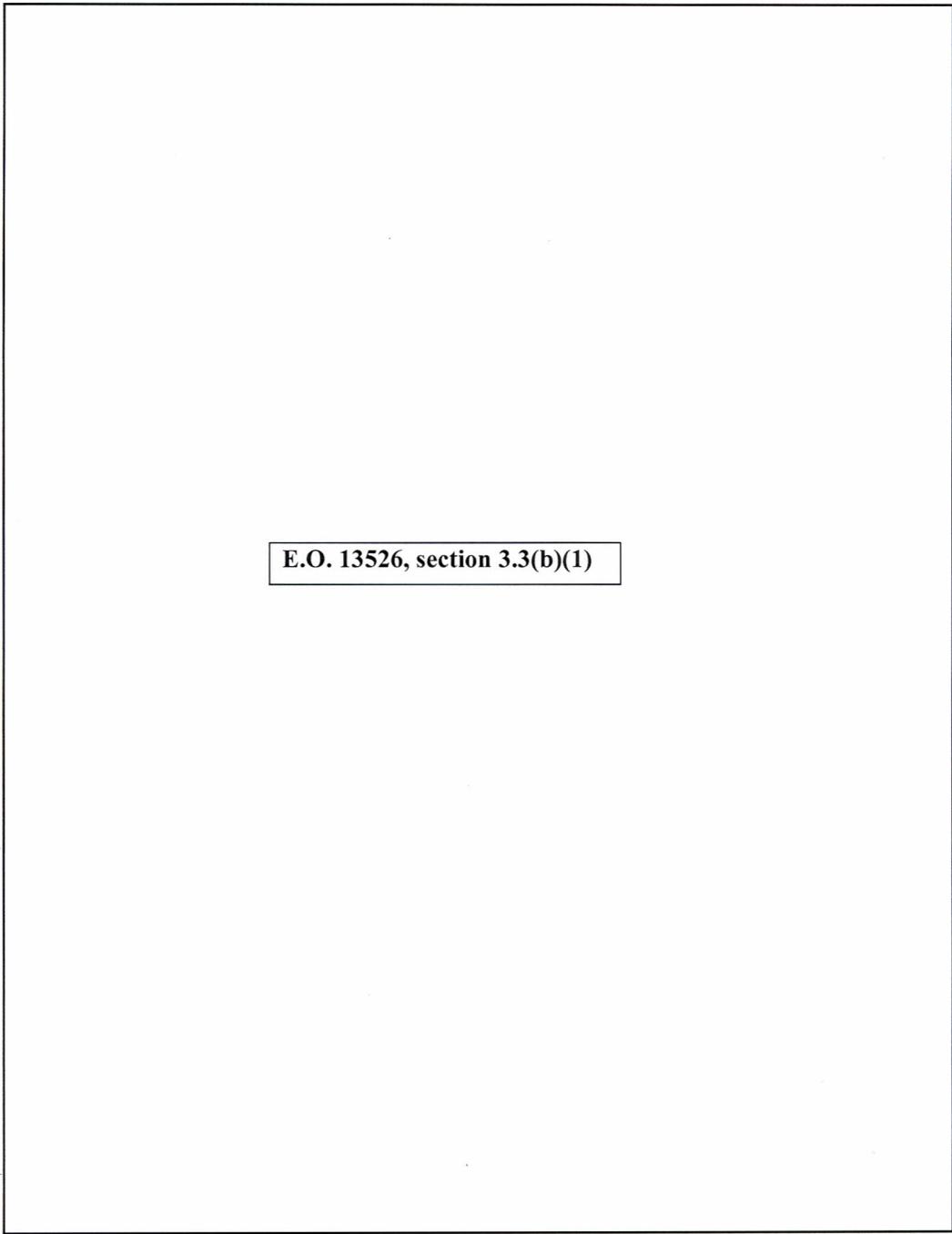
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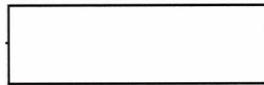
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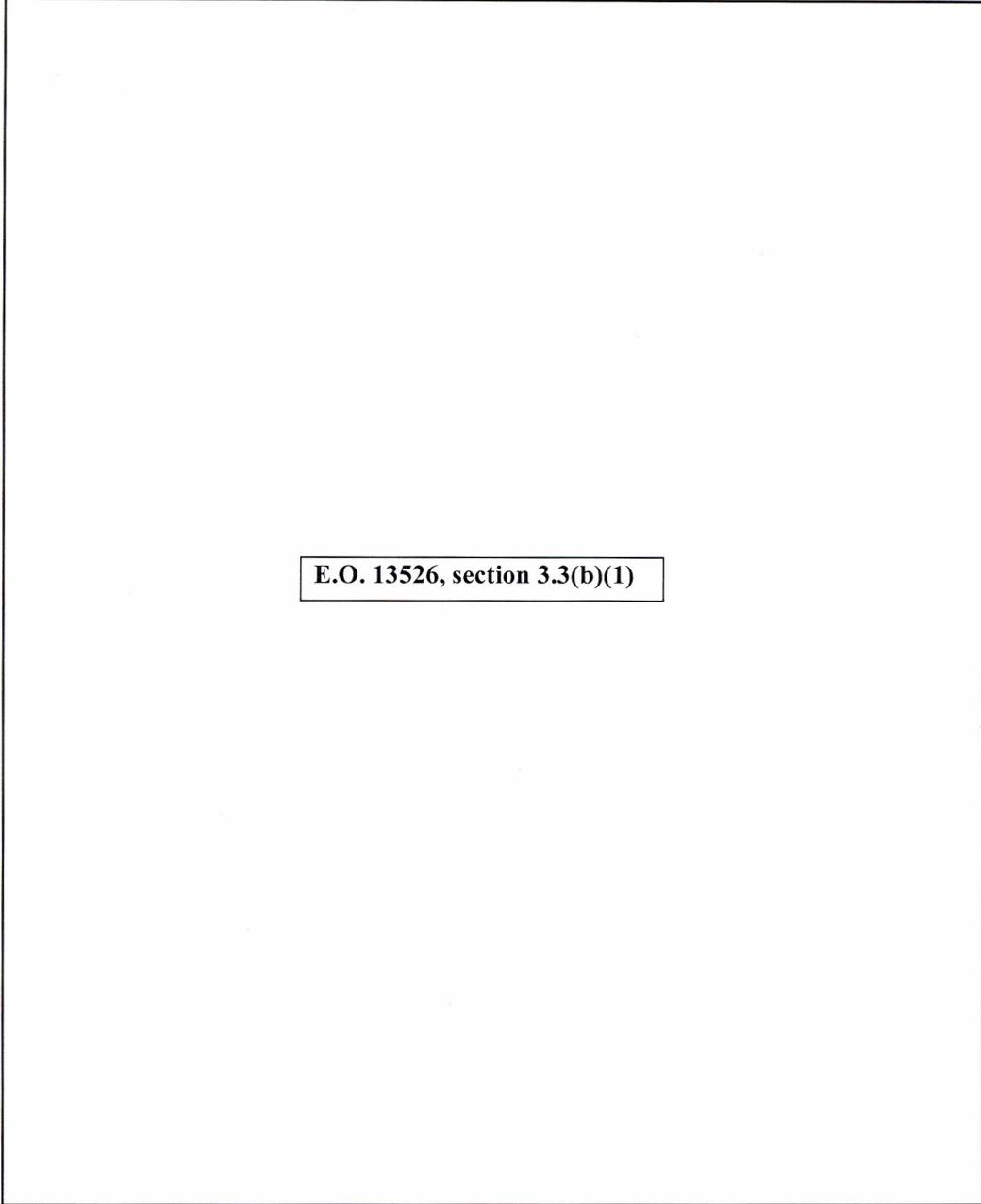
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V. CONCLUSIONS

A. (TSR) The Soviets probably are not storing nuclear weapons in the World War II munitions bunkers at Soviet ammunition depots in East Germany [redacted]

[redacted] This confident judgement is based on [redacted] the history of Soviet construction techniques and practices at nuclear weapons facilities, and the characteristics of the German ammunition bunkers.

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D. (S) There is need for a continuing analysis of the Soviet ammunition depots in East Germany [redacted]

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SCIENTIFIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE	
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