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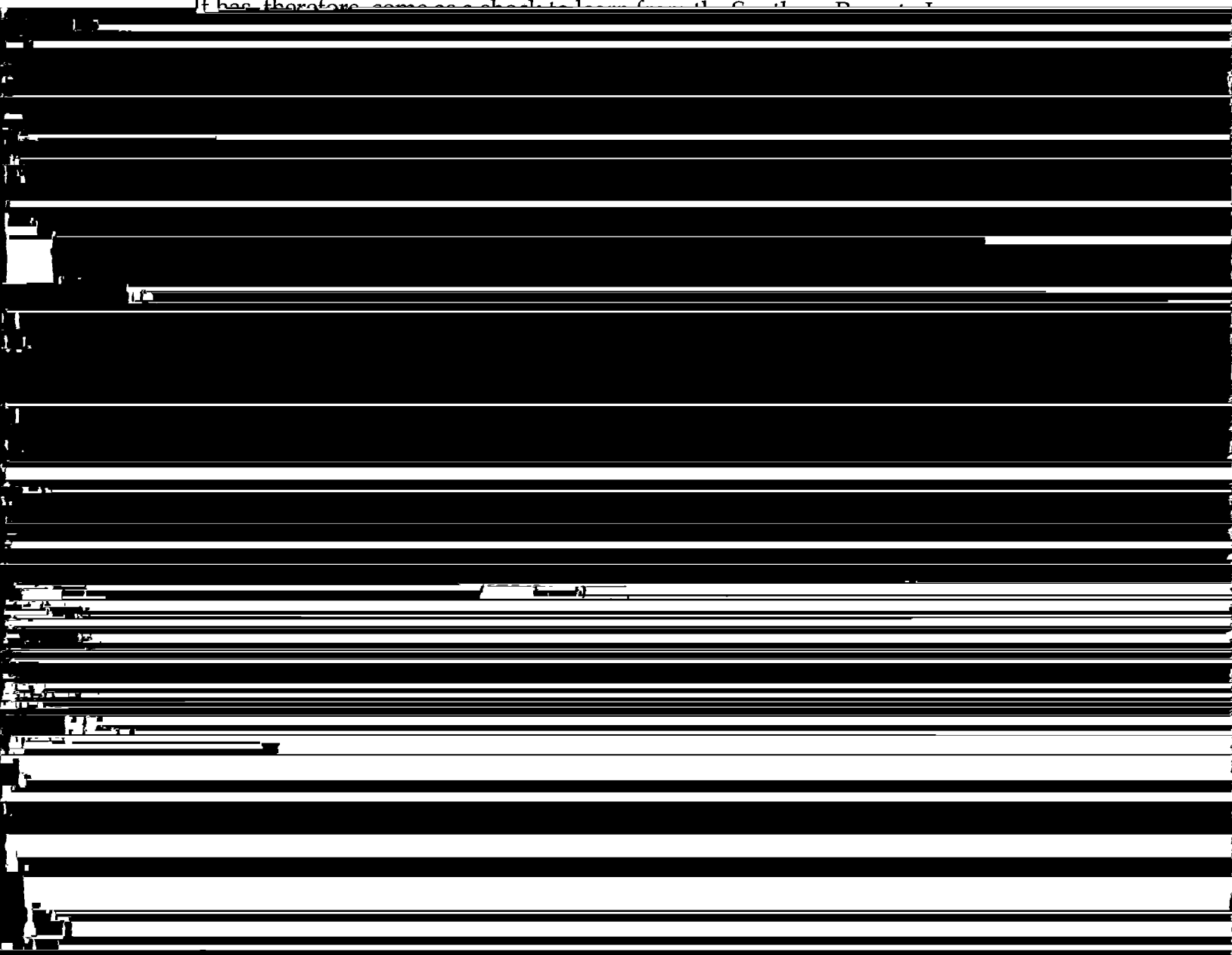
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Donald H. Rumsfeld
Secretary of Defense
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1000

Dear Secretary Rumsfeld:

We strongly support the young men and women of our armed forces. Our nation owes them its deepest gratitude for their service to our nation.

It has therefore become a privilege to have the opportunity to meet with you and your staff.




Hate group membership and extremist activity are antithetical to the values and mission of our armed forces. We are proud to support the men and women in the military who represent the best America has to offer and know that extremists represent only a radical fringe. Yet, however small, we must stamp out the scourge of racism, anti-Semitism, and other forms of hatred wherever they are found. It is our hope that your expeditious action on this matter will help to ensure that our military continues to uphold only the highest principles

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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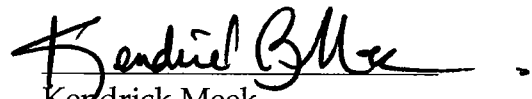
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