

FLUX_067

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WHAT IS FLUX

FLUX is an open-source chronological photography publishing and archival system. Every 50 photographs automatically becomes a new issue.

The system generates:

- PDF publication
- contact sheet
- metadata manifest
- original JPEG files
- digital archive update

STEP_01

CAPTURE

CAMERA: compact digital camera

FILE TYPE: small JPEG

COLOR MODE: high contrast black and white

PURPOSE:

- eliminate processing
- eliminate workflow friction
- maximize speed

STEP_02

SELECT

GENERATE DIGITAL CONTACT SHEET

REVIEW SMALL THUMBNAILS ONLY

MAKE FINAL SELECTIONS
FROM CONTACT SHEET VIEW

SELECT QUICKLY

DO NOT:

- overedit
- oversequence
- overanalyze

TARGET: 50 PHOTOGRAPHS PER ISSUE

STEP_03

UPLOAD

DRAG SELECTED FILES INTO:

/FLUX_UPLOAD/

RUN:

./flux_update.command
OR: python3 flux_update.py

STEP_04

SYSTEM AUTOMATION

SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY:

- detects new photographs
- reads timestamps
- preserves chronological order
- generates derivatives
- creates metadata
- generates SHA256 hashes
- rebuilds manifests
- updates digital archive
- rebuilds timeline
- uploads archive online

DIGITAL ARCHIVE:

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ARCHIVE STRUCTURE

DIGITAL ARCHIVE INCLUDES:

- chronological timeline
- issue browser
- downloadable PDFs
- original JPEG files
- metadata manifests
- contact sheets

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS REMAIN
IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

STEP_05

ISSUE GENERATION

WHEN 50 NEW PHOTOGRAPHS
ARE DETECTED:

SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY:

- creates next FLUX issue
- sequences photographs
- preserves capture order
- generates issue number
- generates issue PDF
- updates publication archive

NO MANUAL LAYOUT REQUIRED

STEP_06

PRINT

PRINT: double sided

PAPER: 8.5 x 11 office paper

STACK PAGES

ALIGN EDGES

DO NOT FOLD

STAPLE LEFT SIDE

USING COVER MARKS

STEP_07

ARCHIVE

STORE ISSUES CHRONOLOGICALLY

PRESERVE ISSUE NUMBERS

MAKE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE

PRINT

DISTRIBUTE

DOWNLOAD

REPRODUCE

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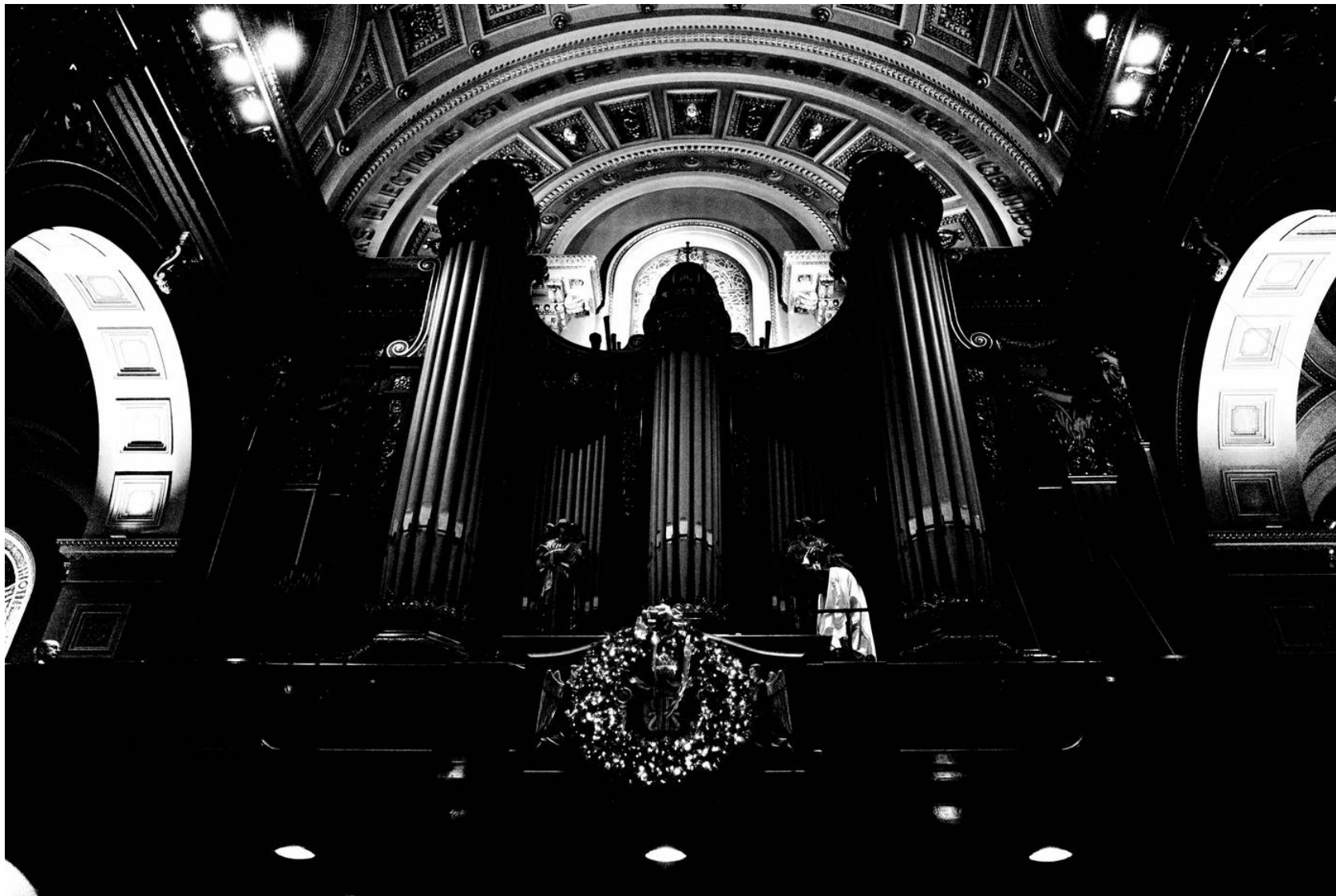








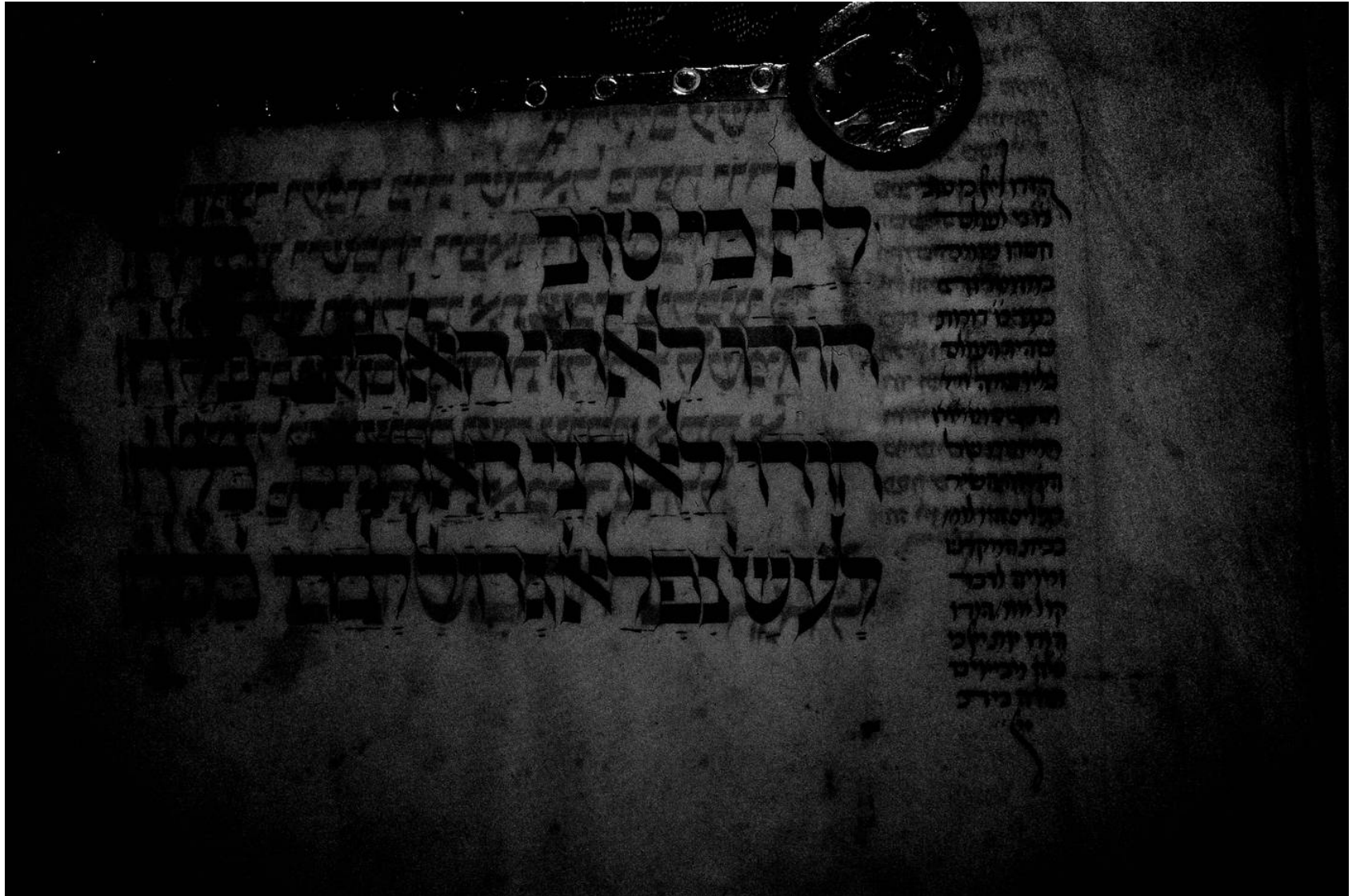


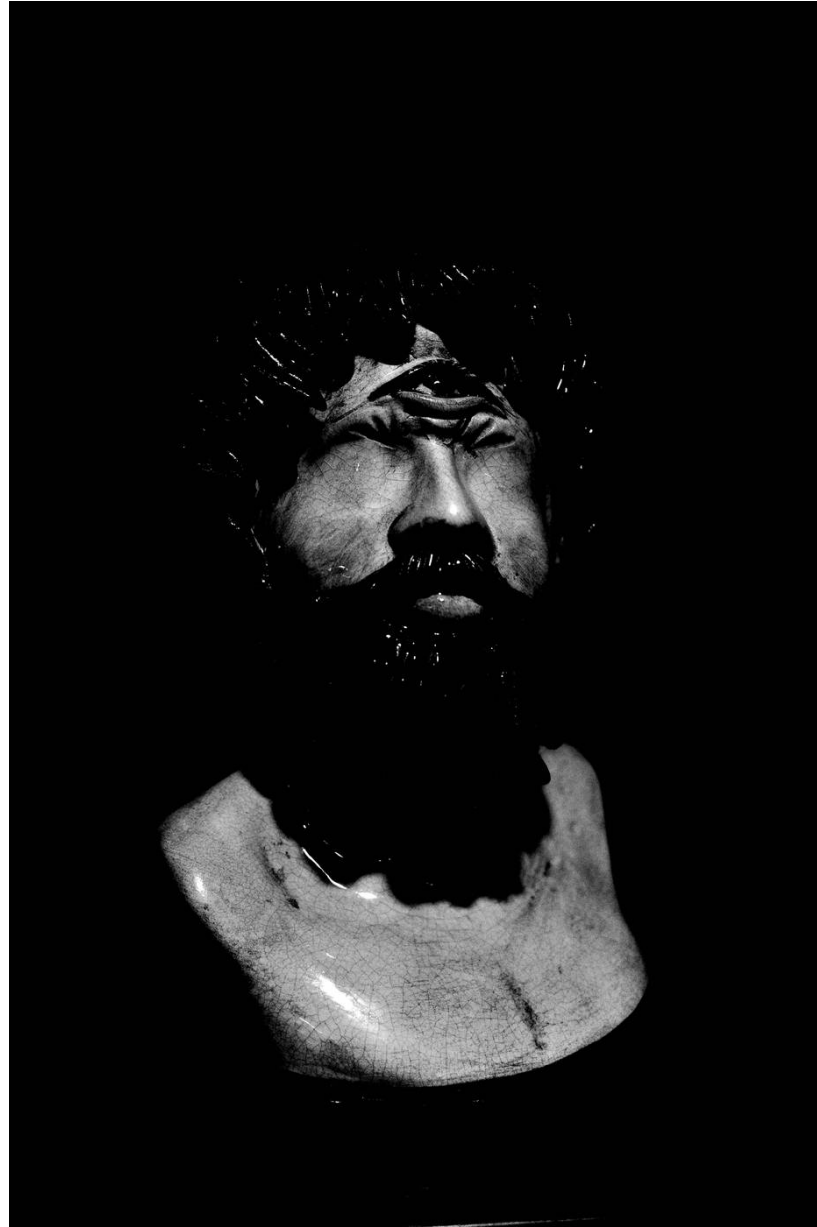












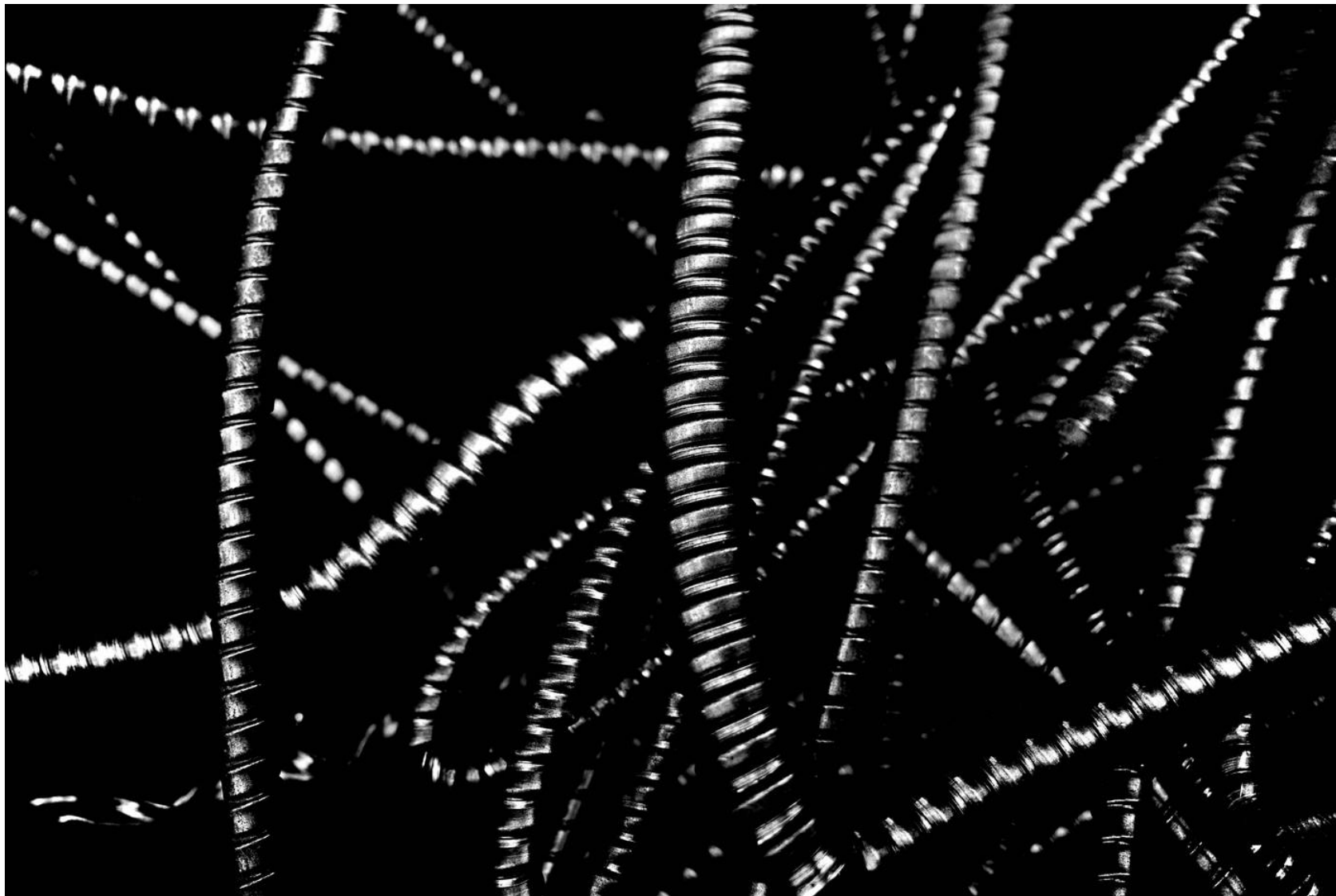












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Capitol Police investigating senate staffer's alleged gay porn tape

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In a looming scandal with far-reaching implications for both Democrats and the LGBTQ+ community, a pornographic video of two men having unprotected anal intercourse in the U.S. Senate hearing room has been shared widely on social media. As of Dec. 18, an investigation by Capitol police has been initiated into potential criminal violations.

The video, referred to as pornographic on most outlets, first surfaced on Friday, Dec. 15, shared by The Daily Caller from what it said was "a private group for gay men in politics," and what another site said was a private WhatsApp group.

The Daily Caller is a right-wing news and opinion website founded in 2010 by former Fox News host Tucker Carlson and political pundit Neil Patel. Conservative newspapers The New York Post and Washington Examiner identified one of the men in the video as Aidan Maese-Czeropski.

The incident, in which the men are completely naked save for a black leather jockstrap, allegedly involves Maese-Czeropski, 24, a rising political star in the Democratic party and a legislative aide to Sen. Ben Cardin (D-MD). Cardin,

who chairs the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has been in the Senate since 2007. Previously, Cardin served in the Maryland House of Delegates from 1967 to 1987 and as its speaker from 1979 to 1987, the youngest person to ever hold the position. Cardin was the U.S. representative for Maryland's 3rd congressional district from 1987 to 2007.

The video pans around the room, which appears to identify it as room Hart 216 — the Judiciary room — in the Hart Senate Office Building, where Supreme Court nominees are questioned and where some January 6th Committee hearings were held.

Maese-Czeropski has since been fired, according to Cardin's office, which first made the statement to Politico early Saturday, also declining to comment further on what a spokeswoman called a "personnel matter."

Cardin's office said: "Aidan Maese-Czeropski is no longer employed by the U.S. Senate."

Sharing the video, which has a warning of "graphic" on it, The Daily Caller wrote, "The alleged staffer can also be seen in a photo, naked on all fours, looking back at the camera on the table where Senators often sit to ask questions during a hearing. It appears to be unprotected sex."

Another conservative site, The

Spectator, wrote, "The public Twitter account of the audacious young 'twink' is comprised almost solely of him in flagrante delicto with his older 'bear' partner. The images and videos are explicit — and conspicuously and deliberately contain the staffer's face."

Maese-Czeropski's Twitter/X account has since been scrubbed of any personal tweets and his Venmo and LinkedIn accounts have been deleted.

The incident went viral on social media starting Friday night, with GOP Congressional accounts claiming Democratic hypocrisy, since so many Democrats had spoken out about the Capitol being defiled on Jan. 6 by the insurrectionists, some of whom urinated and defecated in the halls. Cardin was on the Senate chamber floor when the rioters breached the Capitol.

Cardin had called the Senate chamber a "sacred space" while comparing the January 6, 2021 uprising with 9/11. On Jan. 8, Cardin called for the invocation of the Twenty-fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution or impeachment to remove Trump.

Cardin said, "I refer to the U.S. Capitol as a sacred space because it is so much more than a building where the Senate and the House of Representatives meet and

conduct business. It is the embodiment of our ideals, aspirations, and hopes. Insurrectionists desecrated the Capitol and everything it stands for, including liberty, self-government, and the rule of law."

On Monday, Cardin told the media that he was "angry" and "disappointed," and called the incident "a breach of trust."

He said, "It's a tragic situation, and it's presented a lot of anger and frustration. I'm concerned about our staff and the way that they feel about this."

Cardin said that he was unaware of any prior disciplinary issues with Maese-Czeropski in the two years he had worked for Cardin. He also told the media that he had not spoken to the former aide since the incident.

In a since-deleted statement posted to LinkedIn on Saturday, Maese-Czeropski commented on the incident while not confirming he appeared in the video. "This has been a difficult time for me, as I have been attacked for who I love to pursue a political agenda," Maese-Czeropski said.

He said, "While some of my actions in the past have shown poor judgement, I love my job and would never disrespect my workplace."

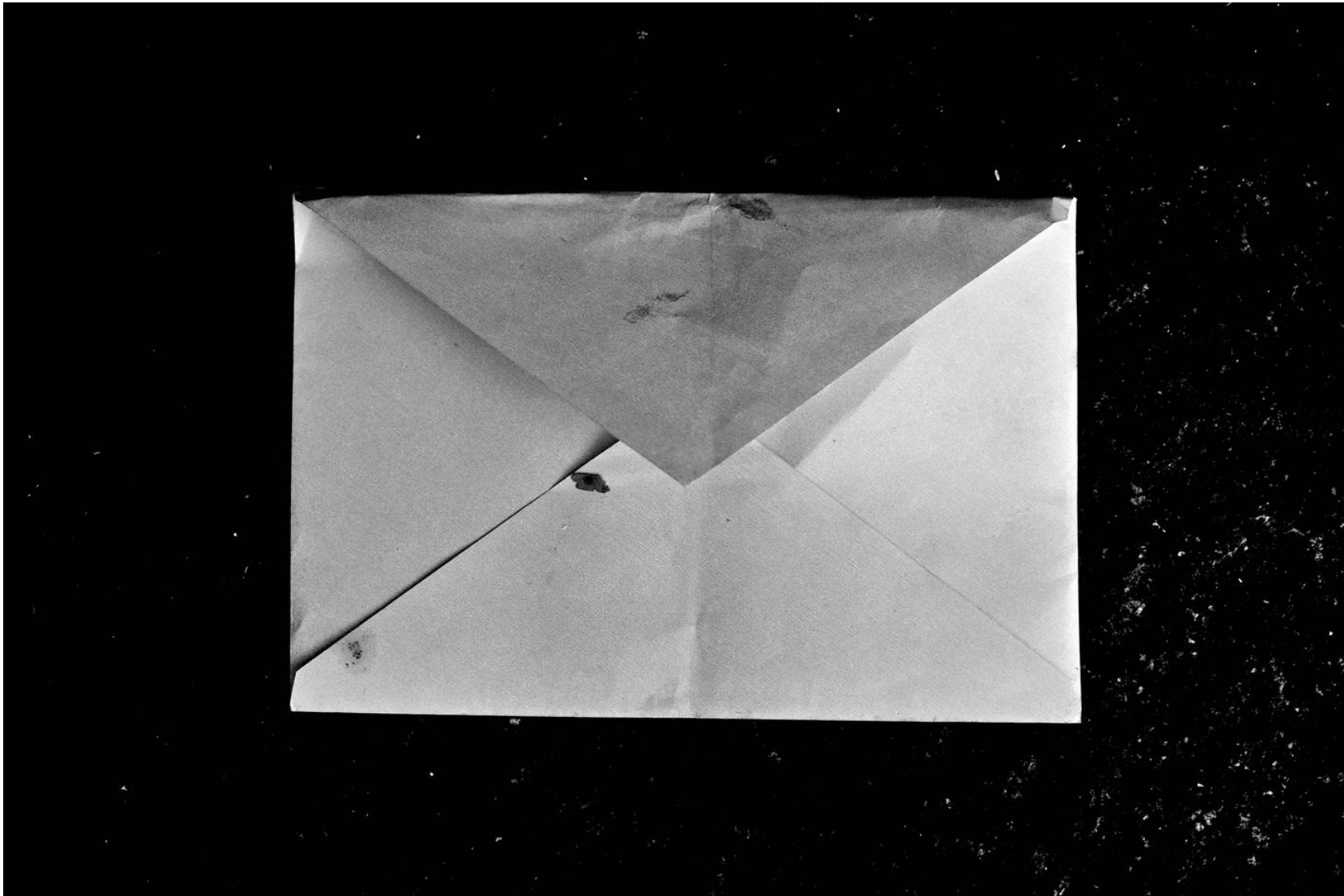
Maese-Czeropski also said that he would be "exploring what legal options are available to me in page 14



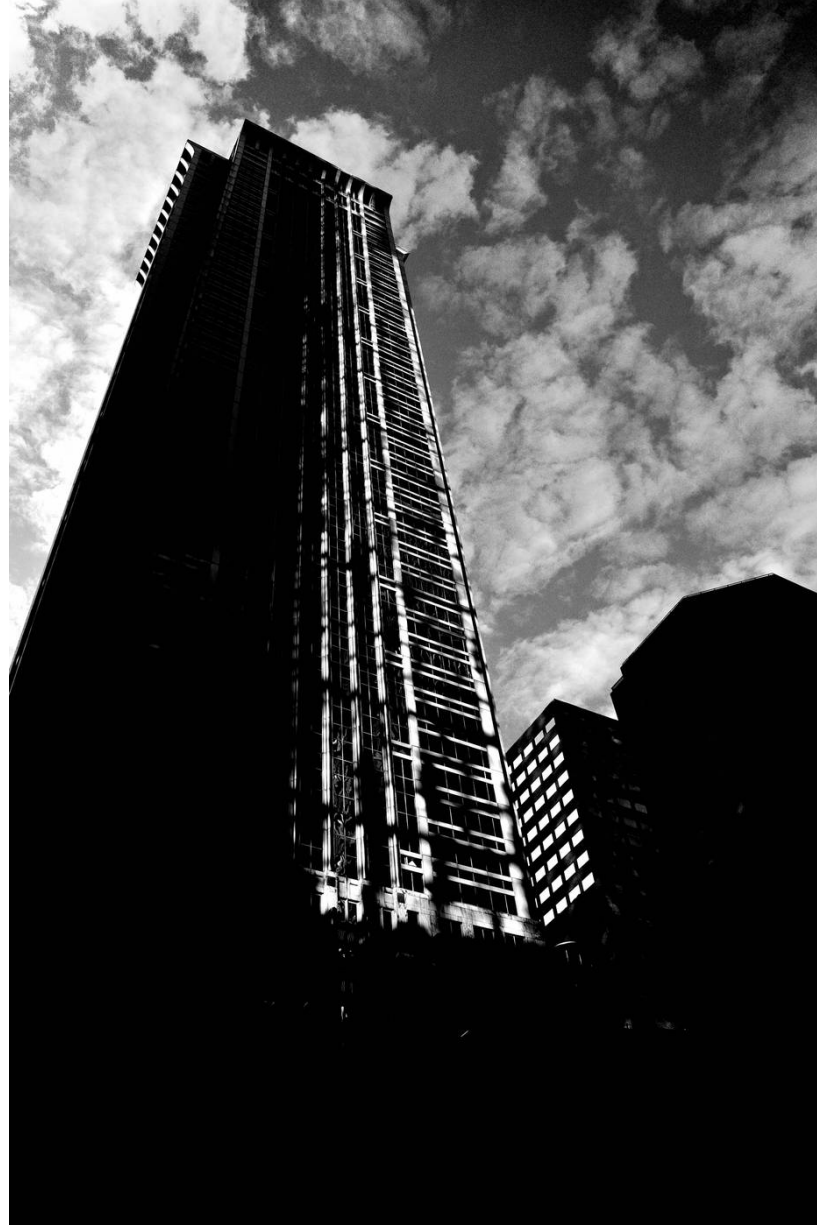
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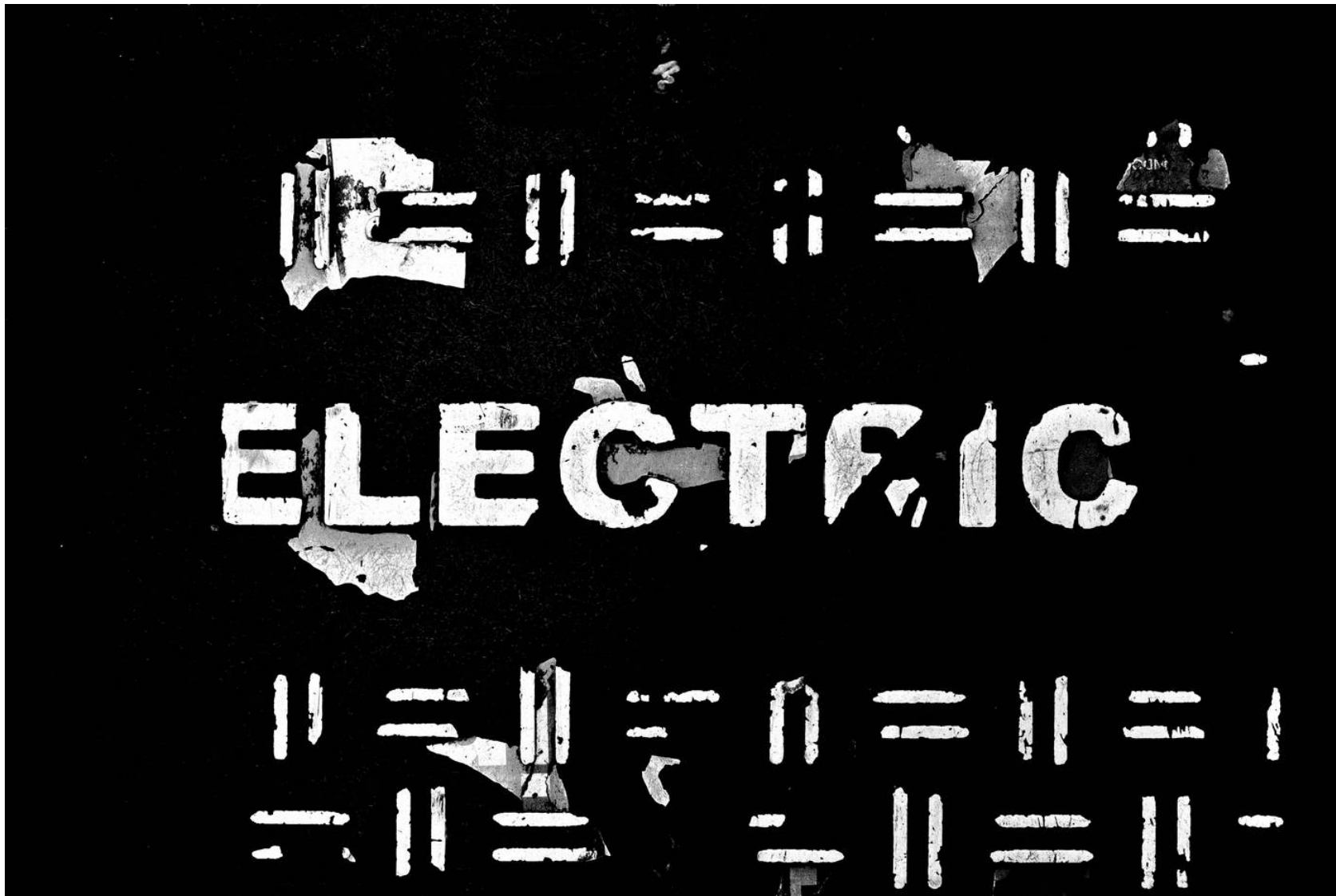


















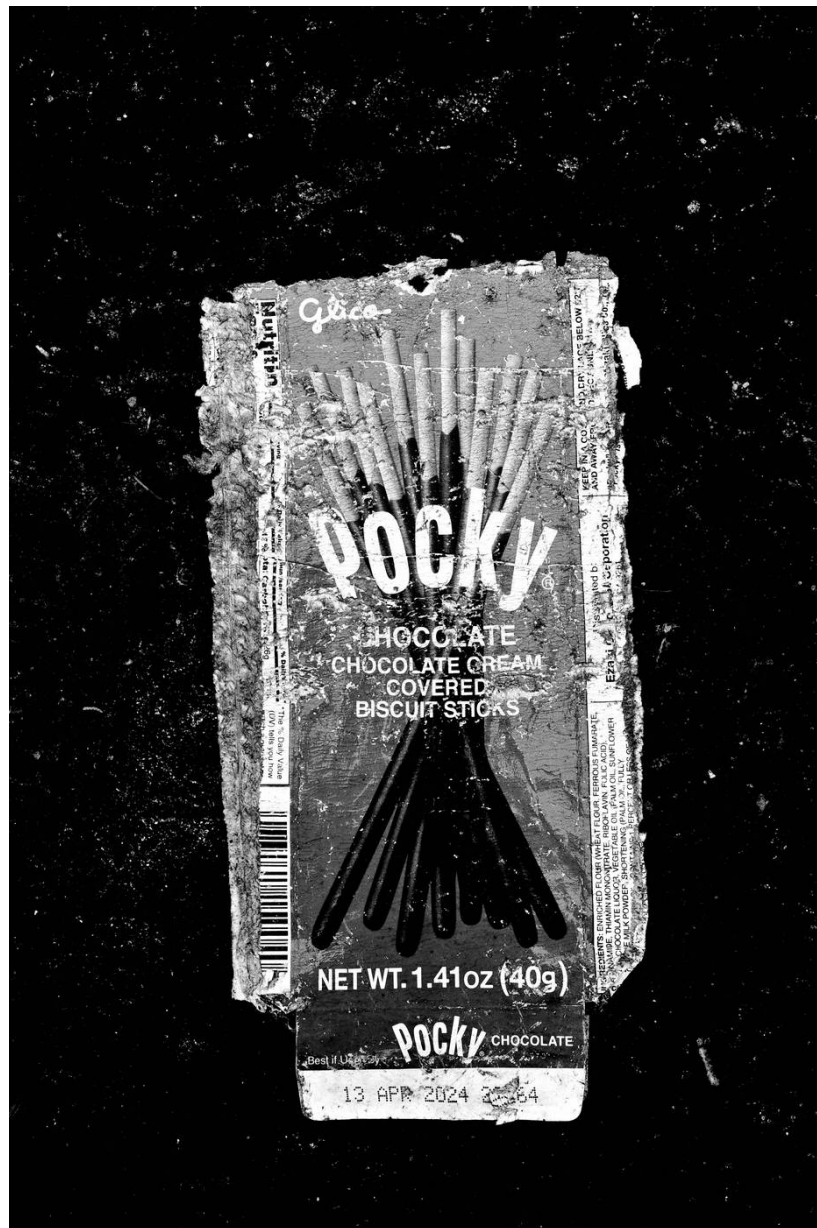
















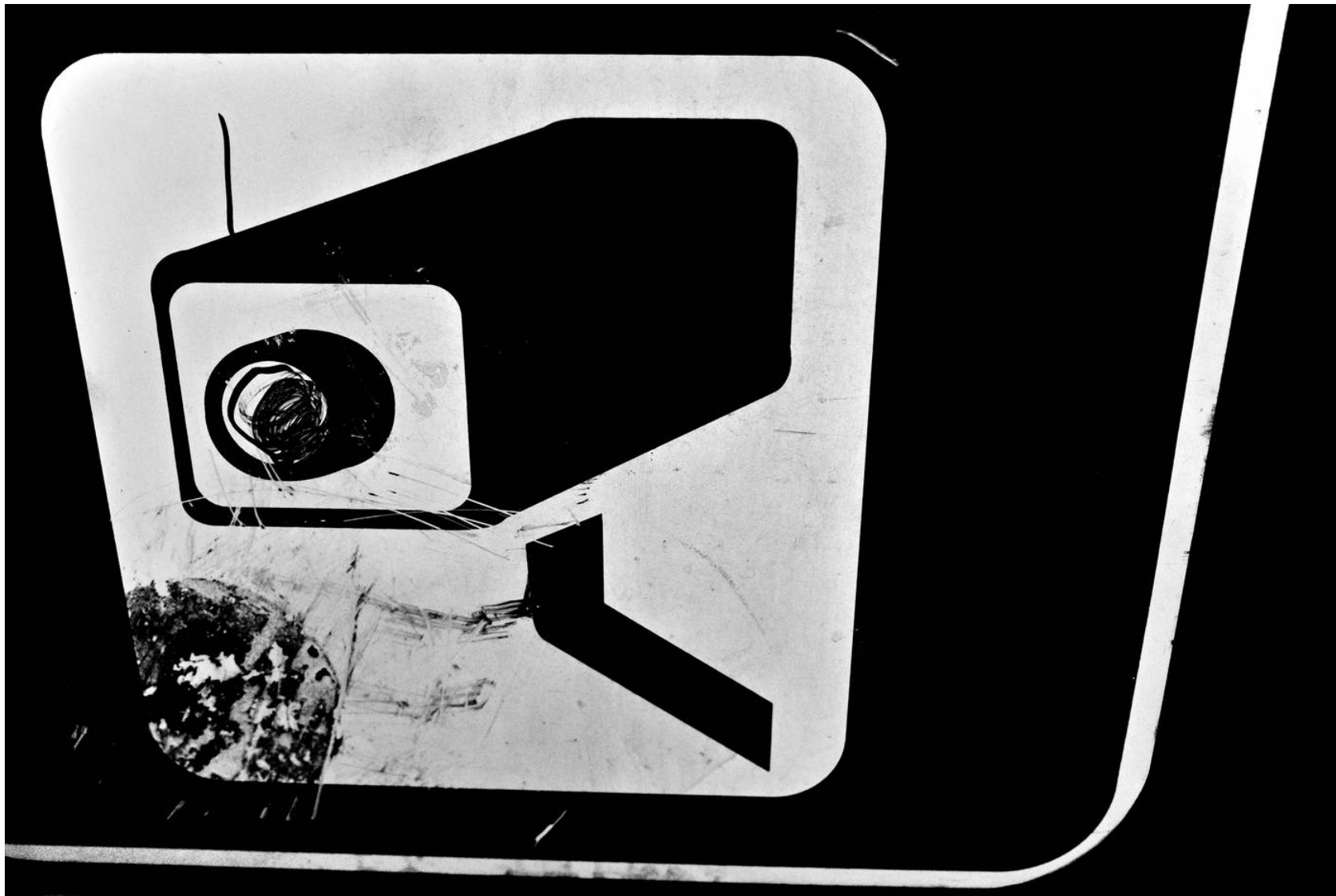






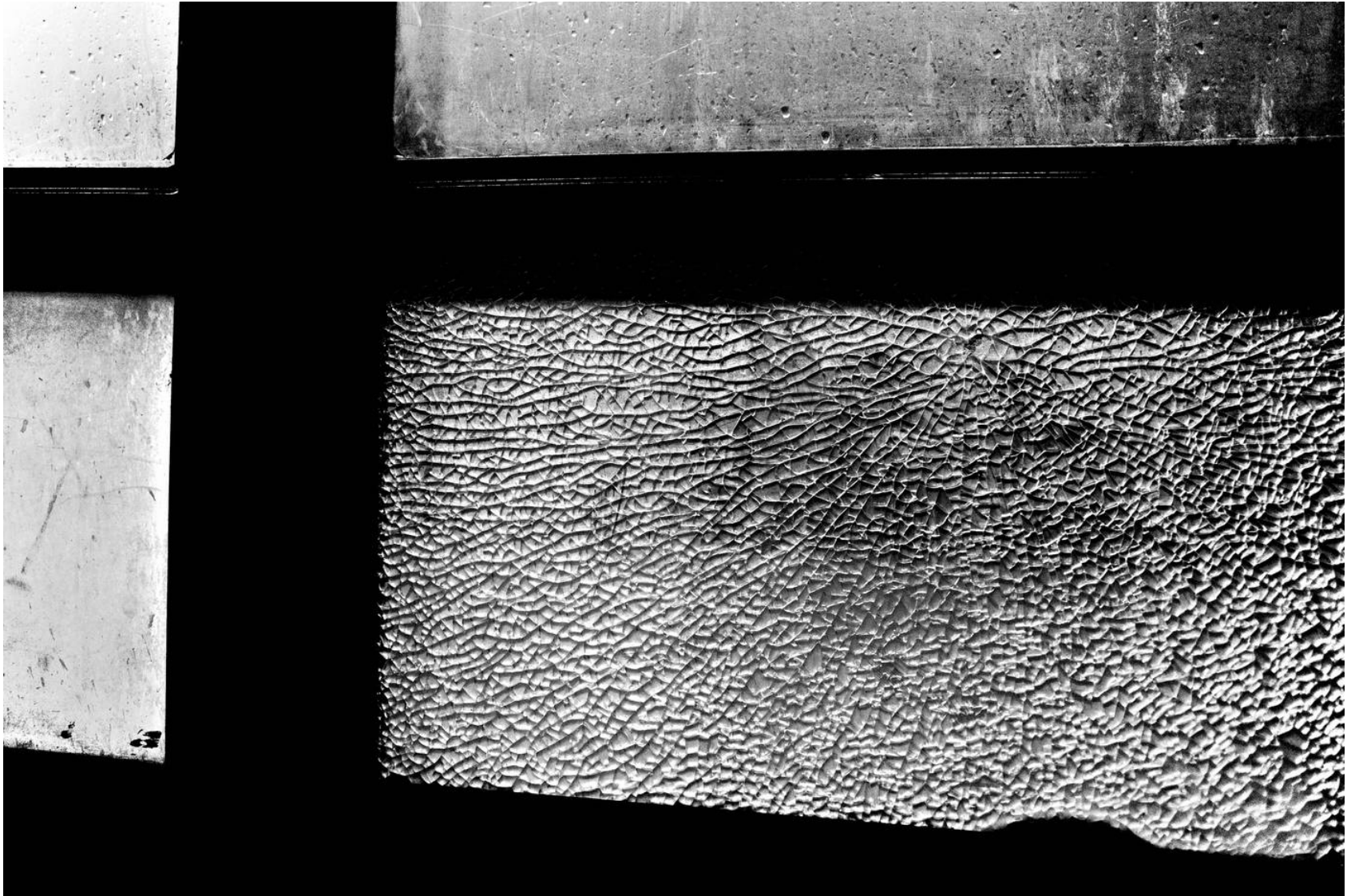














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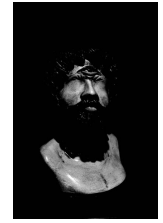
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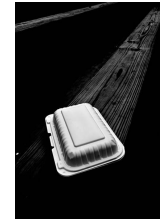
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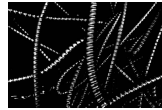
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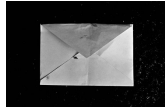
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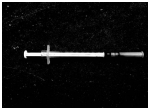
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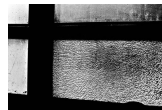
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