Options Paper:

Exercises of Authority Relating to the Terrorism-Related Inadmissibility Grounds

This paper outlines options relating to Section 7 of Executive Order 13780, *Protecting The Nation From Foreign Terrorist Entry Into the United States*, which directs the Secretaries of State and Homeland Security, in consultation with one another and the Attorney General, to consider rescission of the terrorism-related inadmissibility grounds (TRIG) exercises of authority (exemptions) permitted by section 212(d)(3)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA). Specifically, the paper presents three options responsive to this directive:

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Background

The terrorism-related inadmissibility grounds, or "TRIG," as defined in INA § 212(a)(3)(B), render certain individuals inadmissible to the United States. Such individuals are unable to obtain most immigration benefits.

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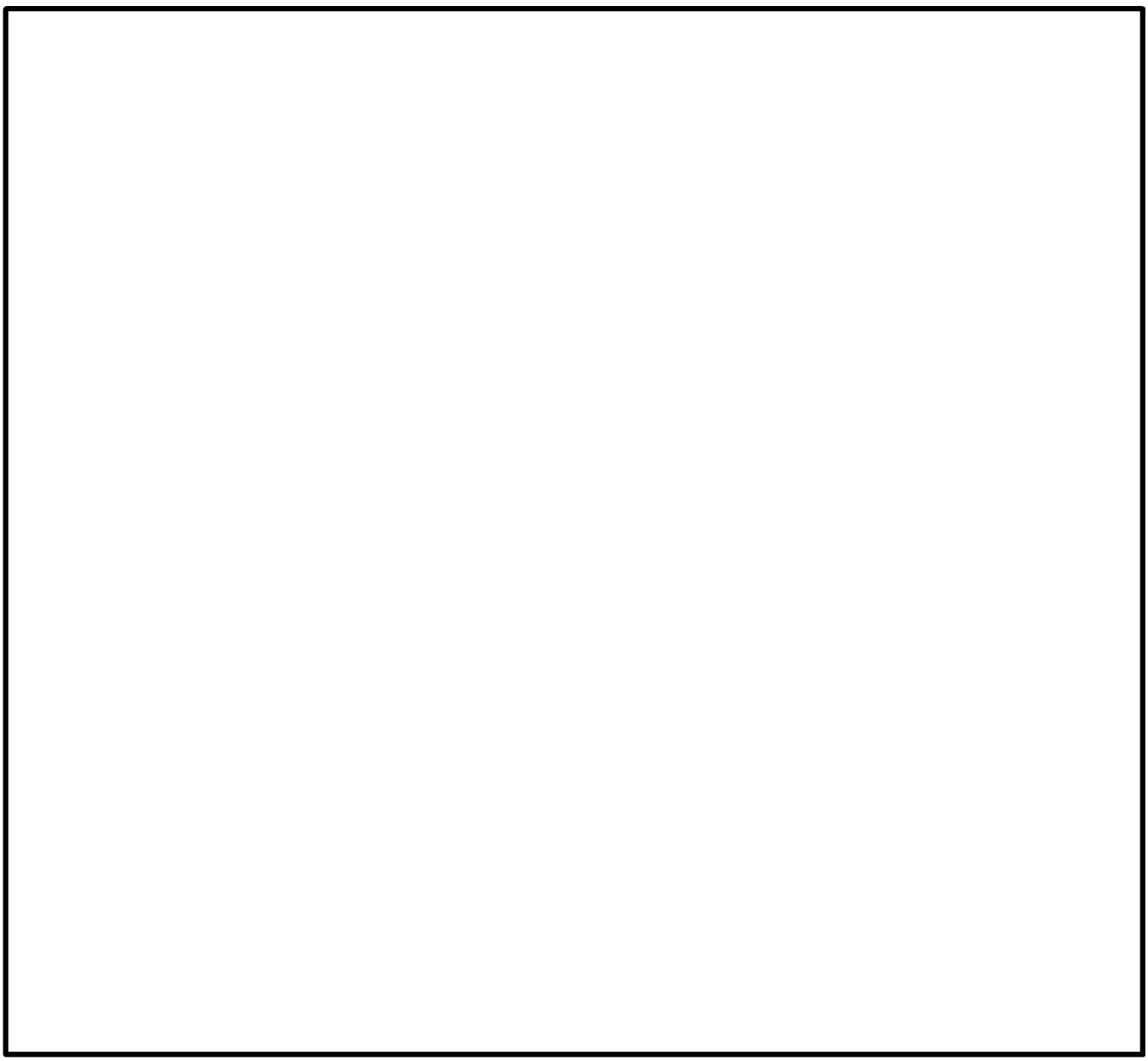

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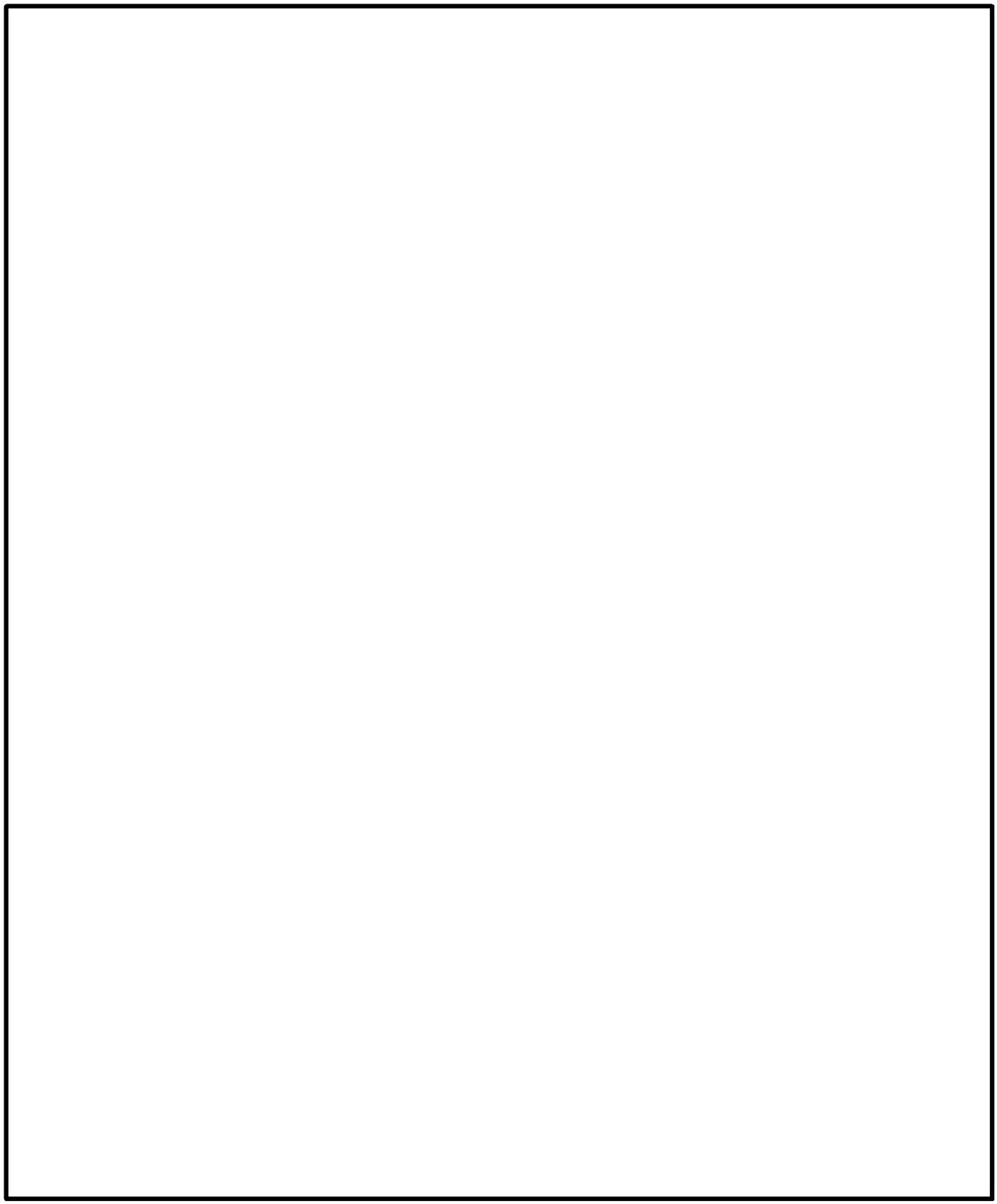

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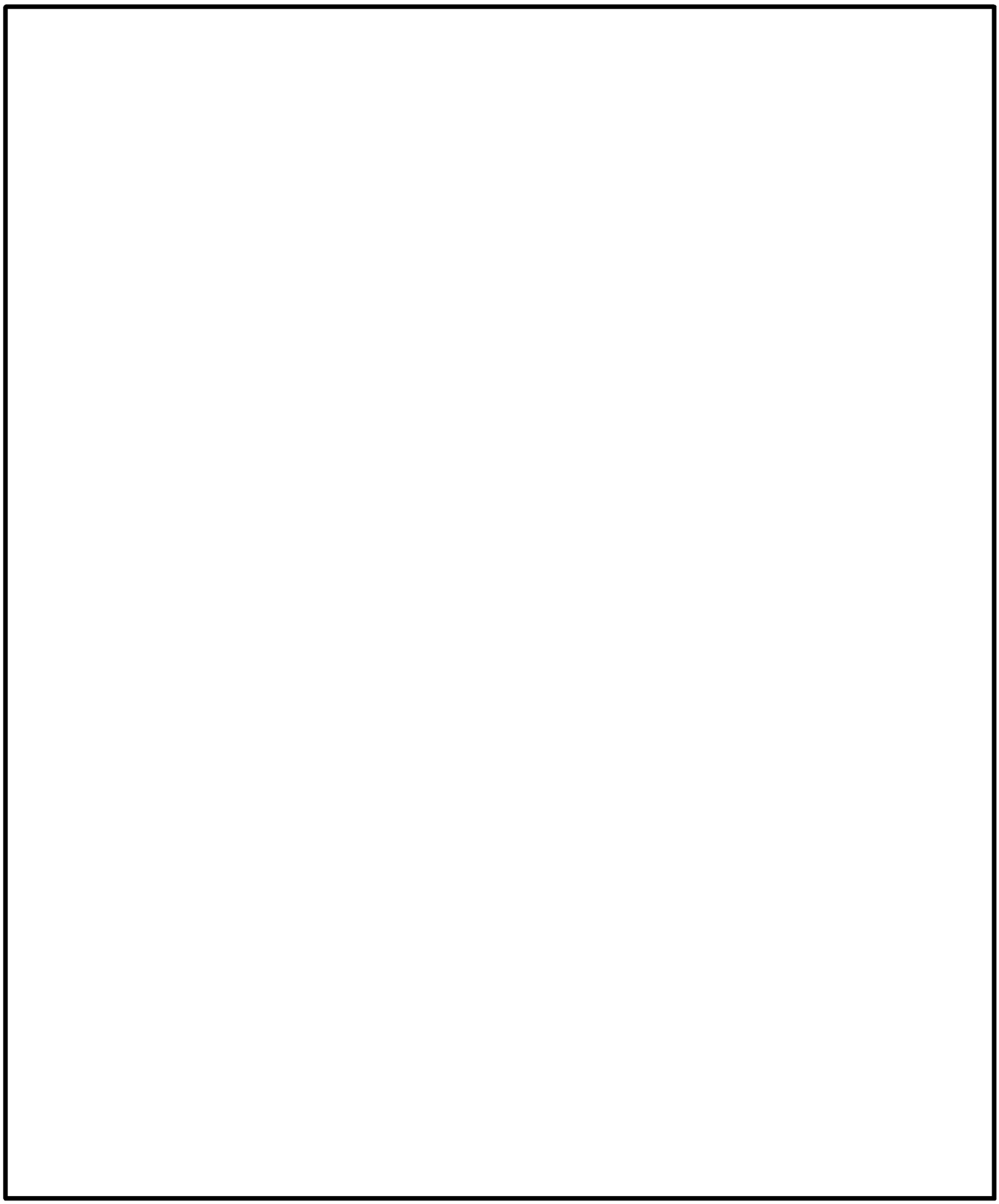

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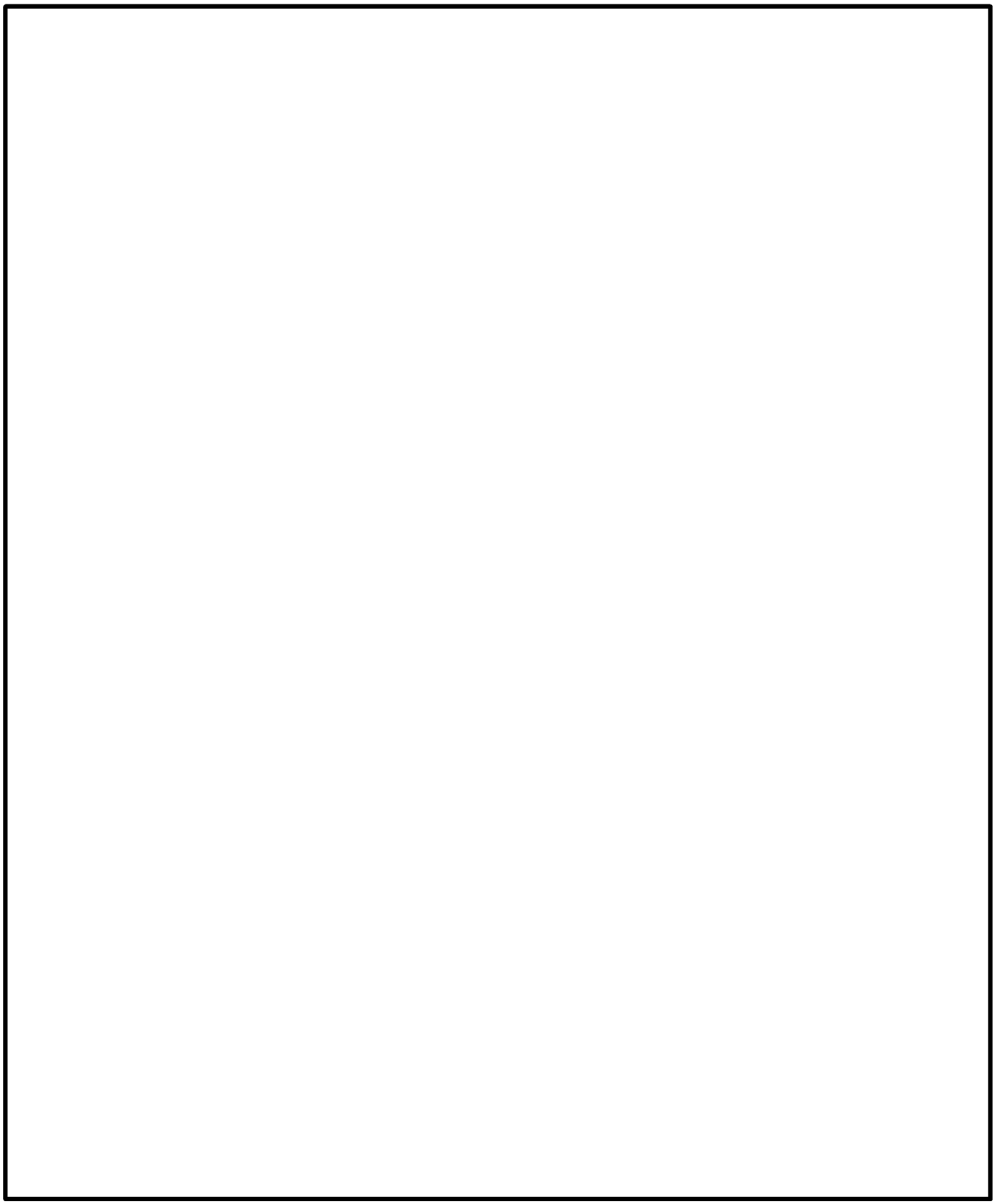

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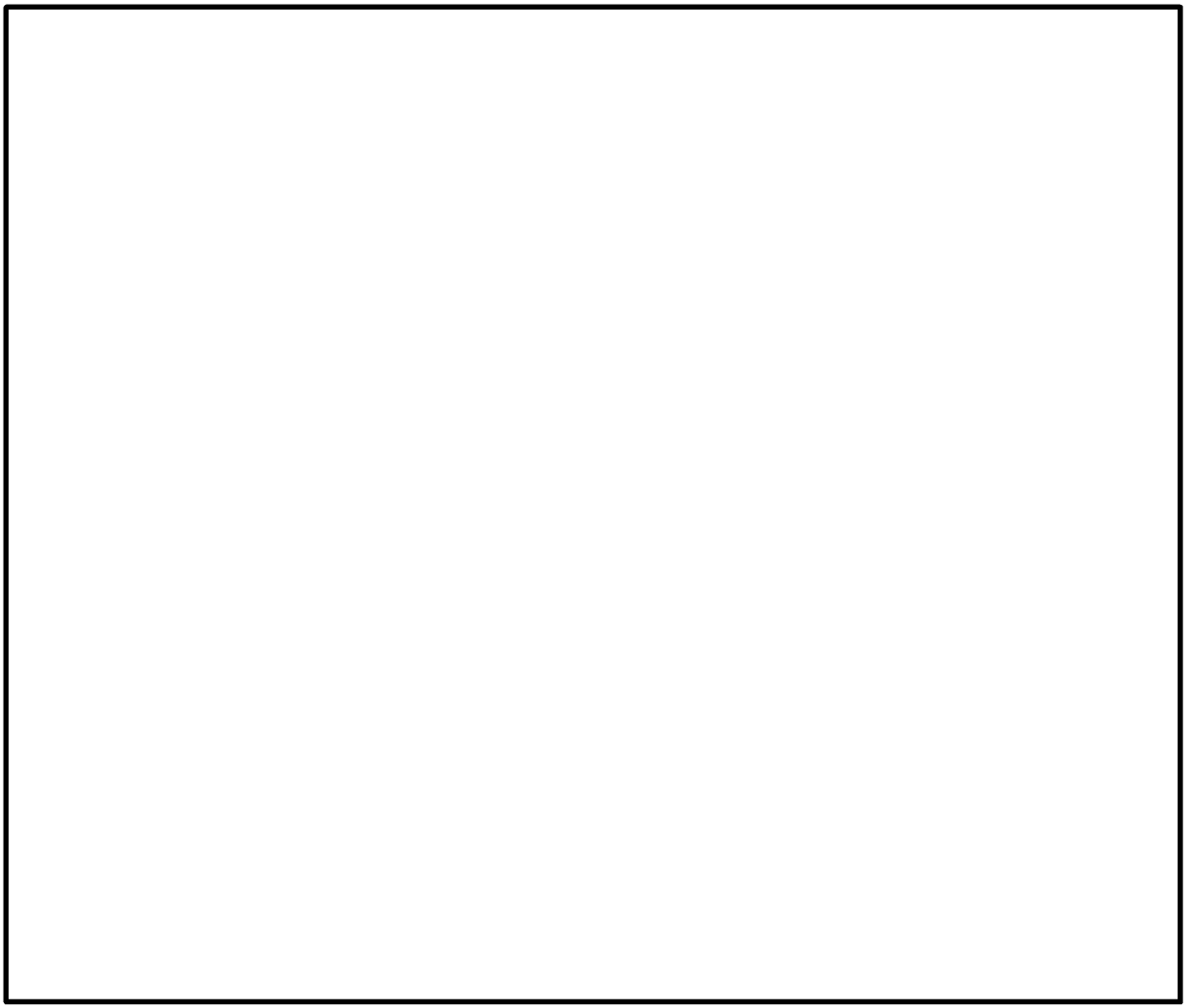

Attachments

Attachment A: Summary of Group-Based Exercises of Authority
Attachment B: Summary of Situational Exercises of Authority