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I've been trying to figure out if it's possible to make this an unreport, report. For it says

the kind of things that we need to do, ~~that~~ as a body is to think thru the issue, think thru the reception of

of the gifts that we've been given, think thru the arenas of responsibility that the whole world

literally ~~depends~~ depends on, and so tonight if appears to be a report, that is my error or my mistake.

I would be pleased to announce to you because of the context that was given this morning and the

talks that will be given tomorrow morning by Neal, I found that I've been able to have rather

than a 4 X 4 X 4, I only have 2 things to talk about tonight, This is a 2 point statement.

And I would like to talk about about the Global Priorities, the Global Geo-priorities, by continents

and then I'd like to talk a bit about the Global Socio-priorities. When I'm finished with that then

we'll all be able to go in and celebrate. I know well enough that this is a pretty warm room last

and it's apt to get warmer, I know, but it occurred to me tonight when I saw so many people sitting around without coats ~~to~~ on, you know, and I began to feel the oppressiveness of the heat that this is not at all unfitting, for most of the people that we will be dealing with as we turn to the world, and most of the people that stand behind ~~what I have~~ to say tonight, people that live day in and day out in this kind of temperature, this kind of climate, warm and humid, it's amazing, ~~it's~~ it is that the midst of what ~~gets~~ generated in this kind of setting. So don't worry about ~~this~~ heat this evening, and if the sweat ~~is~~ pours off you, just let it ~~run~~ just sweat and let that be the way by which you can just participate in what goes on in most of the population of the world. I figured out if I had a long enough context, I wouldn't have to do much else. A couple of ~~other~~ other things I'd like to leave before us as a kind of a context, there have been 2 images that have been burned into my this past quarter that I anticipate consciousness, ~~that will~~ ~~probably~~ ~~be~~ with me the rest of my life. I haven't yet plumbed ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~depths~~

I perhaps have not yet dared to blumb to the depths of everything that they mean to me. But just

briefly one occurred in Germany and the other occurred in India. And the one in Germany brought with

it all the experience of being humiliated by my own bigotry against the Germans. I did not realize

that I had been so deeply ingrained in my ~~early years~~ with all the stories coming out of World War II with

a dislike if not a hatred for some of the symbols, which held Germany, We were in Frankfurt, went to a typically German

restaurant the first evening. As we walked in off the street, I was literally assaulted by the noise on the other side of the door.

Everyone was talking, in German, and that offended me. And those that were'nt talking were singing and

when they sang, you know they had their arms on each others shoulders and they'd

sway with a great deal of vitality and vigor and celebration and they ~~not only~~ swayed when they sang

and that offended me.

but they pounded on the tables with their knuckles/ And then they brought out the food, and I looked upon

the plate that was put before me and it looked very much like the plate that was put before other people.

I mean it was a big plate. It was so high, so covered with sauerkraut, and then the next layer was

about that ^{thick} frank with boiled pork, and I looked at it and I didn't see how I could get on the ~~other~~ out

side of it, and I was offended by so much food, and so much singing, and those fat people. And that

German language, I just wanted to get up/and leave. Then realized ~~in the midst of that~~ I couldn't.

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In the midst of that I looked across and saw ~~three~~ men about my own age and realized the journey that

~~had been taken in the last 20 or 30 years, I~~ that we could be It got to me,
seated there, it was one of those things that addressed

my life . The other was on the other side of that single happening. That was one day in Calcutta when

driving
we were ~~driving~~ in a cab, ~~in heavy traffic~~ The cab stopped in traffic, heavy traffic and we were blocked

and I was sitting by a window and a woman stepped up with a little child in her hands and I don't know how

old the child was ~~was~~ maybe 4 or 5, but the child was small and it sobbed and whimpered like a pup. And

it's eyes were bulged and it's skin was scabby and I knew when I looked at that child that there was no

possibility of that child ever growing up to experience what I would point to/as humanness. Already, ^{or call}

the nutritional deficiency had deprived that child, and the mother looked at me and she saw me looking at

the child and she knew she had me. She tapped on the side of the door, and then reached in and tapped

me on the shoulder, and I wanted to wither away to nothing. That image opened up a whole new perception

of India to me. Though I had seen it before, I had not seen it. And so tonight going into the consideration of Global Priorities I want to take off from that point.

I don't think we can talk about India without ^{some reference} ~~talk~~ about Chandī, for he stands as the symbol of all

symbols for India today. And so I'm going to read to you a word that he said that will maybe help us to

make our decision as we struggle through ~~the~~ ^{the} issues of where the ~~the~~ ^{the} priorities are. And what is the overall strategy

that we ~~we~~ hold responsibility for the church and society those who bear the weight of being the

spirit movement decide or determine where it is that we go. Listen to ~~the~~ ^{the} this:

Recall the face of the forest, and the most helpless ~~face~~ man ~~that~~ you may ~~think~~ have seen and ask yourself if the step you contemplate is going to be of ~~any~~ use to him, will ^{he} be able to gain

anything by it? Will it restore him to a control over his own life and destiny, in other words, will it

lead him to self rule? Will it lead the hungry to self rule? Will it lead ~~millions~~ the ~~millions~~

spiritually starved millions of our countrymen? Once you have done this, ^{then} you will find that you have

doubts

done and yourself melting ~~way~~ away. ^{As} you're aware we have had ^{for some time in India, a stronghold operation whereby we} a house in Delhi, a house

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and a house in Bombay and a house in the Madras area in Hyderabad. And then have the symbol of a house there They've done a phenomenal task there in India.

them something

in as of June 1st of a house in Calcutta. I suppose the thing that's broken/loose, ~~and~~ I want to put it in

of

your hands and that's just the simple thing ~~and~~ a grid. But I mean a particular kind of grid, that's got

once have seen it, it

artistry in it. And ~~what~~ just gets branded on you. Sure some of us have seen this before,

sure get me

but it's like something that all of us should have and be sure that we keep it before us ~~and~~ as an

indication of what changes the world. I would say that it is just this kind of grid that literally broke

open the movement in India. And I could just spent all of our time tonight about what is going on in

sub-

that continent. But it seems that image that this hold for us, It laid out the battleground, for this laid

out the ~~road~~ roadway, and if some of you get ~~diff~~ tired of moving around or tired of getting you job done, your

assigned task, just hold before you the image that our colleagues in India are on the road. On the road,

that's the image that I would hold. them. What is it that sustains you? And their response

to man was "We're on the road." For radical engagement in the task has brought India to a point that I

Where I sense that we as a movement are ready to take on the whole sub-continent. It is as if onee/46/

you see what is happening in/India/ and I only tell you what I see and heard, but once you see what is

happening in India, it's as though there is no alternative but to turn on that continent, that sub-continent.

We take a look at the kinds of things that they got reported out, it's nothing ~~diff~~ phenomenal. I mean

metro cadres are the whole key to the movement in India. And places like Delhi where they report

out that 25 % of the protestant clergy/have gone to a PLC. There are metro cadres in every/city.

There are LENS courses their circuit rides, the relocation of their house into the center of the city.

All moves which have brought them to a whole new point in being the movement there. Or you take across

the whole continent operating out these 4 strongholds within the past year from the time we were there,

the year before that, within that year, 47 course, and over 1000 people thru courses. In Bombay alone

14 RS-I's, that kind of constant happening that comes only from being on the road. I resent that India

would rate in the prime space in the terms of our global priorities. Or to turn India on, if we can use that

or we can say that India goes into orbit/is to take one giant step ~~forward~~ with ^{in a fantastic} in this next year.

way to just cover that continent. Already there have been indications in Banklo or Cochin that a house

is called for. Which is best and that would be in the next quarter. But the strategy would be also to move

at the same time to Spelonko and Columbo and I hope you will just corner one of the three of us or Augusta and

on Columbo, or

let us spin out/did/what is happening in \$ Spelonka. But the move would be to have 3 houses in South India.

now the importance of that, if you grasp hold of that, is critical, that is to say that historically

it is the spirit movements ~~that~~ that ~~the~~ South of ~~India~~ come out of India . It is South India that has given the birth or the

new direction in the response to the deeps of life. And I would sense that that's not only true in

Hinduism but that is true in ~~Christianity~~ Church. And sense that it's true today, that we move

in a manner that would put

~~1000~~ houses in India. And at the same time, we would also, and our colleagues are ready in Bombay

are ready to name to the next 2 regional cities where we ~~would~~ would establish houses, and also

in Calcutta, ~~we~~ within this year, we would establish 2 other houses. And they when they come in here

in September will have those houses named. And also in Delhi to create ~~or bring into~~ being ~~of~~ Now

that would not be possible if the ~~groundwork~~ groundwork had not ~~been~~ been formed, if those metro

phenomenal

centres had not been going on if these ITI had not produced the/number of grads and the continual

round of course that are going on. Now add to that, that if you turn on the sub-continent

Karachi

then that means a house in ~~Calcutta~~ or probably in Lawhar to cover Pakistan and then in Dacca

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in Bangladesh. And it's like you take that continent and turn it on all at once and intensify

the full movement in that sub-continent. And you say why there now? I suppose there is no other place

in the globe that carries ~~the~~ with it the weight of the pain of human suffering or no other place

stands as a symbol of human deprivation and don't forget that you and I are always called to/serve ^{move.}

Alison We are always the ghetto people, always dealing with poverty and that, oh by the way there

one hell of a lot of
is ~~the~~ wealth ~~the~~, Development will be pleased to here this, in India but it's concentrated

that
in a few. And we'll move there on sub-continent, and we'll be talking perhaps later on what it would

at the same time to bring into being
mean ~~the~~/a Centrum dynamic ~~the~~ or the manifestation of the Centrum, probably in Bombay or possibly in

of the implications
Delhi. You can begin to get a sniff/of what that might be. But would want to say that there are

colleagues from India ready to move in that direction and they are beckoning. If we were to shife, you

recall last year we had turned a great deal of effort into SEA-PAC. Would just say a word that perhaps

of we move to turn on India, to create as it were overnight, within in next foreseeable year, to bring

into being 2, 4, 6, 8 houses then it might be what we would try to do in SEA-PAC, we would try to

I say try to because I tell you some of those people in SEA-PAC, the Philippines, Korea that ^{but particularly within}

^{we've got to deal with} I mean maybe we just put a temporary hold on SEA-PAC. Now that would

be like trying to hold a whirlwind, because ^{in a sense} you walk and move around in SEA-PAC and

in the house and meet the colleagues and you get the impression that there is a fantastic kind of

whirling going on simply because we've put our funds and weight there over the past few years and

that is going. I mean to tell you you will not slow down that whirling and you won't want to. And

there are a few Koreans that will insist that we not. They are calling for two additional houses

in South Korea as of this Fall. But maybe a few images just to hold SEA-PAC. The ^{Korean} drive is

in that Tokyo Area. Harry Wainwright/moved into ~~4~~ this past quarter where they had scheduled ~~6/11~~ and the Korean colleagues

out for them 9 PLC's back to back. Every district superintendent in the Methodist Church in South Korea has had the PLC.

And every man who holds a comparable office in Christ Presbyterian Church has been thru a PLC.

And just about 75% of those/comparable office in the Jesus Presbyterian Church and they're moving ^{has been thru a PLC} holding a

fast on the Pentacostals/****. I mean with the drive, the discipline, the passion, the fervor,

the almost what you call innate strategy and tactical ability of the Koreans there won't be any

halting of that whirlwind that's going on and we can anticipate that Korea/**** is going to mark

the way/ and you and I are going to show up in a day not too ~~far~~ ^{distant} from now when sitting around the

table there are going to be more Koreans than anybody else or from any other nation in the world.

Just a powerful body of men and churchmen and men who are concerned to see that the church is engaged

in its ministry to the world. To move, the Hong Kong Area in the Philippines, they stand as a sign

to all the rest of us as to what it means to have local people participate in houses and probably it

will be Davos, Cebu City that will lead the way/of what it means to have local people participate
of all the houses

but in the city different road out so
I want to refer there in a moment, hold that, Cebu, Davos, and Manila. I'll have to tell you this.

Tony Elizondo was laying out the grid of what they had been doing and we were asking certain questions.

You would never know Tony if he walked in here. That man is on my meditative council ~~for~~ from now
on, and by the way he's thin. He didn't go on a diet, he just stopped eating. The people in Davos

if you think you ever wonder about colleagues around the globe, those colleagues were literally on

the streets begging for food. For weeks they didn't have enough money for rice so they bought the

cheapest kind of corn grain and they have one of the most powerful houses that we ran into in the globe.

You get ahold of the significance of what it means to ^{be} embrace poverty and ~~the~~ mission, at the same

time. It was like you want to say you can't have one without the other. Well I was going to

tell you about Tony being up at the board giving a report, he had his 6 metros out there, and he said
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they had so many grad here , we had courses here, and we made calls here and authorization here.

Said Tony that was ~~an~~ exciting report, ~~what~~ ^{why} in the world, what kind of strategy is that? You only ~~have~~ 5 out of 6.

He said: down

'Well this one ~~is~~ where the war is going on." I mean literally that was where the Muslims

were shooting the Christians, down there in the southern part of the Phillipians. And that's the only

reason they weren't there. They went in there and then decided they'd better get out for the sake of

the other 5 metros. I mean to tell you, the Phillipines, at this ~~point~~ ^{for me} stand ~~at~~ ^{moment} as a sign

of what it means to be missionally engaged and it's because of ~~that~~ that missional engagement that

they've had people coming into the house all year long and have the strongest representation. I think

just quickly Suva, or the Pacifica, just a word coming from Jute Sampson that has the signal man that

he is there in the Pacific Islands. He's ready to go. He has all the critical islands across the

South Pacific and ready to go with someone from here and ready to go ~~to~~ ^{in terms of} the foundation/across the ~~of~~ ^{of the movement}

Islands.

South Pacific/ And then you might say Sydney, the image that holds it for me is Darwin.

Darwin

The most unlike spot I think of all the cities in Australia. That seems to be the place where

things are heppening.

Sydney

Or it seems that it's a symbol. They've got a slogan up there, and I mean this isn't just something

that they rehearse in the dark of the night; they've got it out on a sign. And you know the ~~why~~

way that Australia is related to the rest of Asia everything has to go all the way around and come

in through Sydney, down in the underbelly, through Melbourne. Well, Darwin stands there, just a short distance, you know, from Indonesia and the Philippines and all the rest of Asia proclaims

Darwin the front door of ~~Asia~~ Australia You talk about imaginal shifts. And you talk about power

There's no sense in proposing this because I know Development wouldn't do it and I know the rest of

us don't have enough to bother with it, but if you know of anybody who wants to invest money and

make millions, you know, in the next ten years, why there's no place on earth that you'd want to

to other than Darwin, Australia. That place is going to take off and probably emerge as not only

one of the key cities in Australia, but I would want to venture the prediction that it will be a key

city in all of Southeast Asia and Pacifica. Well, so much. I talked about the whirlwind of

SEAPAC. Well, it seems that right in the center of that whirlwind is Singapore. And you know

it's pretty quiet in the center of a whirlwind, but that is to say they're not busy, but it seems

somehow that they have a pretty good, but if you recall, and my you just

think a little bit on to 1975, it's Singapore here with Kuala Lumpur, ~~W/M~~ by the way for those

who ought to know, the first House outside the North American continent. And then down here in

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Djakarta, that's the way we've been and we've previously had the kind of strategy where we'd say

well perhaps we'll set up here in _____ where we have strong colleagues, that's

where Bishop _____ of the methodist churchis and he is calling for a principal of a school

and a schoolteacher and a Methodist minister to come in and be an associate with an Indonesian

pastor to work in an English speaking congregation in Medan (sp?) and I mean, the door is open

but the other strategy that we had was to go over here, as well, in the other end of Indonesia

and to work there with ~~the~~ colleagues in Manado and then it was thought that if we had two

major here then it is that we could move perhaps with more strength of ~~one~~ ^{upon}

establishing a house and undergirding a Movement in Djakarta, but, you know what's coming up

in '75--the World Council of Churches, and in all probability from anything we can gather,

the World Council of Churches will be meeting right here in Djakarta. And it's like that within

the next six months maybe the next three months, you'd want to say that Singapore has got to be

completed as a sign and as a presence to the established church and that ^{market} even mean completing

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sign it is to the Church that something like the World Council of Churches or any other body of

churchmen do not go anywhere in this ~~globe~~ globe today but what they run into a manifestation

of radical love, a manifestation of the Spirit Movement and we, I would think could move

by fall to respond to the kind of beckoning, the kind of call, the kind of demand that's

coming out of Medan and out of Menado, as well, as to move ~~of~~ on Bangkok (I

guess we've already moved in that direction, haven't we? or at least they ought to be there

I would
haven't they? the Digital the LUSHES head out sent out that

direction?. That's the last I heard that they would be undergirding that work. Well, that would

be to turn on that whole area, and that would mean that the only one in SEAPAC that would remain

Bangkok
would be Bangkok and it looks to me ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~area~~ that we not locate there. A I mean, like,

what in the world would you do in Bangkok, I mean it's so

" But there would still be LENS going on there

and
but it would seem that the action would be called for would be which were to hold"

(and I put that in double quotes knowing full well that those Koreans and those Filipinos, they're

going to take off on ~~their~~ their own and there's not going to be any holding them.) But you hold

a definite _____ operating image that you have yourself, in other words, that would

release us to move on India and that would include the filling out of that one area of Singapore.

and it may be that if we just mention here the one that ~~was~~ complete ~~is~~ that particular part of the

globe and that is, that we have a firm hold on China but that we keep in mind the possibility of

the symbol or the symbolic move which this ~~is~~ calls for, and maybe, I don't know whether it'd

be possible, but maybe we'd create a symbol. Maybe we'd take maybe ~~four~~, maybe thirty-six

_____ just women _____ out of our order and whether they came ten years ago or ten days

select

years ago we just ~~asked~~ those thirty six women _____ and we send them there, to be a sign-~~p~~ *China*

now they wouldn't have to stay possibly ~~I~~ I mean they could possibly you know I mean they would be there

to visit they would be there to observe they would n't be a quarterly assignment I would suspect

but certainly seem to me to be the kind of way in which we could move in our relations to China

and I think it's necessary that we have in our midst people who have had that kind of contact and

maybe we need to dramatize to ourselves with that kind of a symbol ^{it's} well within this context that

of this view we say unquestionably that India is priority ^{1st} second would be Seapac and way out

up third would be China and lets hold that and move to further geo considerations and

that is move now to deal with Africa / the stronghold approach that we use in India would seem to

be the one that's called for in Africa at this point we've been there now for what eighteen months

and a fantastic piece of work has been done in terms of authorization that is the webbing has been

done the groundwork has been laid and there's been ~~quite a~~ great deal of patience exerted in the last

eighteen months but it's as if the patience has paid off ^{for us} and its the time when we move not with

a lot of flair ~~but~~ not with a lot of drumbeats but we move without caution in Africa you know we

that we here on the east coast had the house in Nairobi and it was true that we could stronghold Africa

and

with a move to establish a house in Kay Lengora on the West coast at the same time to establish a

house in Mousaka in Zambia and to create across that continent a stronghold operation that would

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allow the kind of work that would bring into being a deep just a steady work of training the

troops Campbells and Kay Barnes were telling us about the clergy who have been through courses

I mean they were men who'd had somewhat of a minimum training but just this in your mind one third

of all the Presbyterian pastors in Kenya have been through a PLC now that might not sound like too

much to anybody who knows about the Presbyterian church in Kenya that's fifteen men but those are

fifteen men each of them has anywhere from eight to sixteen churches that they serve and each one

of churches has a congregation of from three to five hundred people those churches are led by the

elders and Kay those laymen or those clergy men who have been through the PLC and have caught

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a vision got a hold of something of the methodology are saying when are you coming back

when is the next training session when do we put our elders and our laymen through that kind of

training now there needs to be some very careful work done there in relation to the established

churches but we have a very sound relationship there in Nairobi with the Roman Catholic support

Methodist

as well as well as with Presbyterians and with the Bishop and with the Anglican Bishop and with

the African Brotherhood Church there's been a phenomenal groundwork that's been prepared there

time not to

and just sense that it's about to turn on in the way that in India you'd be going regional in India

you'd stronghold in Africa and that's the difference in terms of what it might mean to move further on

that particular continent

or say that strongholing operation could be the basis in the same

way that it was in India for for just being the launching pad for the fantastic break open

for the Christian nation on Christian congress in the lower world and that's Africa

we the work that calls for there is continuation of the authorization of the creation of training

~~schools the ITI in west Africa~~

Schools, the ITI in West Africa, most probably and that within six to nine months and we're clear

that the basis there is one that gives you a sense of just ^{solid} our have procedures colleagues & moved

a ^{has been} and the response of the churchmen ^{that points up} that ^{if you want a reason why} we should not

move to a grand delight of the spiriti movement that 's already there on that continent .

Would ^{what} to mention next that if we stronghold Africa if we move ^{so} in the southern sphere

run and ^{and} the image for me there is ^{we} come in ^{is} the back door, the idea you sharpen up and

come in the front door that is we've had contact there before and the chance with the church

through Theopolis and we had the great privilege of sitting in that man's presence

and standing before him as our own bishop and talking

He was a bit cautious he's been wrapped up a bit you know for the last few months over there

in Ethiopia he's been criticized quite a bit and he's in a precarious position but nonetheless

his interest was in social animal community ^{community reformation}

Now he didn't come out and just state that but just in the course of the conversation and

the kind of response he just moved with that ~~was~~ in his passion that becomes focused

Now whetehr he'll ever move on it ~~was~~ ^{double} begin to move on it will be another thing but we don't

depend on that in NAME, that is to say that ~~was~~ a move there will ~~xxxx~~ come in I think through t

the secular I don't know maybe some people will resent that I call that the back door

maybe it ought to be calle d the front door but I always used to call it the back door

~~was~~ Lela and I had a respite that is we went off by ourselves I mean had a chance to get away

from it all for a few days and we picked up an assignment and went on up to Addis and

then on ~~to~~ the Hilo and on to Beirut ~~is~~ for the specific purpose of laying the foundations

for LENS courses in those three cities. ~~we~~ had a fantastic time, ~~met~~ some great people

and had ~~some~~ some key insights into marketing methodology, ~~and~~ want to say that ~~if~~ we had a

we person there is a follow up come sSeptember for all the all that we were able to read

we have a course in Addis Ababa and we'd have a LENS course in CAIRO and xix

~~no more work without some work~~ ^{no need for it} a course in Beirut, some one said well you

get Addis Ababa and you get BEIRUT and you get Cairo and you send marketing in to ~~get the~~

A B C's of marketing of all done but I would suspect that there's a little bit more work to

be done, however the foundation is laid and we have people in Addis Ababa and in Cairo

who are willing to do some local recruitment there, to work through the major corporation

through the chamber of commerce and we have businesses like 3M and IBM, World Freight, &

Honeywell and _____ and others ^{inter} international community ~~xxxx~~ have indicated that

their English? is exactly where LENS was focused, you'd say that that ought to be a way of

moving in NAME and perhaps we pick up on the reach? activity that is so obvious in that part of

the world I mean we can thank Mr. Kissenger or Mr. Nixon for that ~~we~~ may not agree or we might agree with particular procedures but you know we MOVE in a revolution you pick up

whatever you need to pick up in order to move. ~~It's~~ ^{There's} been just a fantastic thing that's happened ~~there~~

in Cairo I mean the kind of receptivity that's there, you walk down the street you have the feeling that people are throwing garlands in front of your feet you know as you walk down people actually came to me just ordinary local man came up and said you are an American.

Yes. Well we're glad you're here you know, the receptivity is there so let's ride in on the coat --

tails of whatever the political or relations have changed in the sense that of getting an establishment there or getting a establishing a relationship with the business community for

they are ready! they are ready ~~we~~ talked there with one of the directors of Harren which

is the largest newspaper in the Arab world and ~~we~~ the indication that ~~we~~ nothing comparable

~~to that we~~ know that of course ~~and~~ they're hungry for it they're ~~want~~ desire to have that kind

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But we mean

of global perspective and a way of dealing with the dynamics of society that have not had any

other way of dealing with I mean there's been a closed & society we have ^{some} rather critical

insights ~~xxxxxxxx~~ shared with us by ^{up} the president of 3M in Beirut who just opened us out to whole

perceptions of a dynamic that I must confess I was not wholly aware of there it's critical

that we be in NAME, it's critical that we be there as it were incognito it's critical that

we provide the kinds of images and methodologies that we have to provide to that particular

part of the world ⁱⁿ ~~at~~ this particular time but that our move there can not be overt it cannot

be one that is ~~the~~ just going to be highly visible so deter that and then to say that we

move on LENS you know is almost a contradiction you become visible so we'd have to move into ~~the world~~

that kind of tension with a great deal of tactical forethought ~~x~~ in ~~the BUSINESS~~ community

relating to the vbusiness community ther e but there is a readiness there in NAME and then

what they were relative to Latin America that the imagery is that we have ahead head or a

foothold on that whole continent and we are perhaps at this particular time we've put a hold

on Latin America that is to say that there aren't ~~xxx~~ churchmen there that there aren't wide awake men

~~wide~~ that are concerned for the creation of humanness in that society but its like with Latin

America it's a waiting - it's a watching and waiting until the time when you can just move on that

whole continent at once ~~there's~~ ^{there is} no possibility of ever moving there in any piece meal way ~~for~~

in any I sense that when move it will be like it will explode at the regional level ~~substantially~~

all at once maybe there will be some modifications on that but sense that priorities of the

direction that we go there is that we continue that kind of operation even that we hold that ~~xxx~~

doesn't mean do nothing that means drive as they have there in Caracas let's move and move rather

quickly to consider what ~~within~~ ^{for me} just sort of exploded as one of those interesting and for me

it was unexpected sections of the world globe and that had to do with Europe, I mean we went in there to Europe and as you know we had houses there in London and then in Bristol and Manchester and

Glasgow and then we have a house in Brussels and in Paris and in Frankfurt and like when we went

to Brussels and Frankfurt to Paris we went there as it were stark-naked or we had never gone into any part any place in the world where there was as thin a support of movemental participation,

and what has happened there in the last year is just rather phenomenal. If you want to know what

and area looks like you go over and take a picture of London. I mean I don't know of any area

in the globe that has been turned on in that short a period of time as it were over night and

well the twentyfour courses that they held in April and May this year the kind of authorization

that has come here, for London the ITC regional councils in four regions development out of Europe

over two thousand dollars you know just sent to India, their the of the area-continent

and would say just like that I mean to hold Brussels for us, just a kind of uncanny massive social

impact and authorization that is as it were overnight ^{that} Brussels houses gathered around it

just a remarkable group of people who are representative of that society who come from every

strata of that society who are in position of influence and that sometimes without even

people going to courses but just establishing a kind of webbing that the relationships of just

was doing the groundwork there in that area and then Paris the work of the local congregation

some of you had the opportunity to meet Rev. Warwick who at the Social Methods School

who has been the pastor of that church and you know the Brussels house is in his church

rather phenomenal piece of work has been done as the house turned its whole attention as it were

at the same time that it did its area work but its major attention was to see that that congre-

which had dwindled to
gation I don't know what about thirty people and was on the way out

that that congregation got turned around as a sign not only to itself and that city but to

its denomination and virtually - to the whole church and that turning around has occurred, that is

they set out to triple the congregation of the numbers of people in that congregation and they've

done it and no matter how much some people might complain about the ~~services~~ ^{sermons} that are preached

there or that I talked about you know they had a mothering day service there and it was

pretty tough nonetheless you had to say that that congregation has been turned around it's

alive and it's alive because of what that house has done as a signal piece of work. Would

point to Frankfurt with the image of just authorization or having global troops ~~on~~ ^{on} the

grass roots level of getting church authorization as well as having the kind of authorization

that's come from ~~expanding~~ invitations to participate in the ongoing educational programs of some of the seminaries,

well we see that the kind of readiness of Europe would indicate that there is a state there

where they are approaching a critical mass - *(Now that was an image)*

that came out of London) that they see themselves) as approaching a critical mass. They ~~want~~ ^{had} a

global council there in London and there are about 70 colleagues gathered around the table

and those are the people from around Europe and I mean can you imagine it I mean what was it

10 years ~~ago~~ on the West Side ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ how many people ~~how many where~~ there does anybody know

there were 30 I mean those are people in the houses But I say the number of people living

on the West Side 35, 30 ~~of~~ the people from the houses in Europe 70 of them

gathered there in London they sense they are approaching a point of critical mass that is

you take as I understand Uranium and you get a large enough amount and the internal bombardment

that goes on and as the mass increases that gets to the point where there is an explosion

well they're approaching that and there you would say that one year from now Europe virtually

explodes and the way that might occur would be something like this (maybe you ought to just

~~about~~ put up the grid) the major contradiction there in Europe was they didn't have a grid

that they could operate out of and they broke the back of that with this particular grid that shows indicated to them that they had a four style operation you know I mean I've been to London

Brussels Paris Frankfurt and its been four style well that's the way it looks now but the way

that it would seem that as you look at what's going on there and try to grasp hold of the

future and claim the promise of the future it ~~looks~~ ^{might} look something like this you might recall

also that we do not we said that London would be sort of the staging area and it has virtually

proved to be that well then the city that out of there age there we might have moved here

across Europe to establish these houses and to build the movement and it has been that kind

of a trek across Europe, Well it looks now and you take a look at that grid and see the power

of it to see what is possible, that within say _____ and by the way that grid was

helpful in getting a hold of what in the world why in the world some little little quarter of

universe like Belgium or Brussels was so important to people I going to hold off I'm deeply

sovereign tempted to tell about the battle of Waterloo you know Fred took us out to the battle

grounds the battle .. it was one of the finest forays and one of the finest

happenings on the whole trek I mean simply because Fred had a hold of the story

and you know what that means I mean he could tell it Now I'm not going to I'm going to

I'm going to save that for him unless somebody asks me to X Because there were some fantastic

things that happened in that battle at Waterloo There was one character what was it General

See Marshall Neé he was Napoleon's finest He made charge after charge after charge at

that battle of Waterloo he had five horses shot out from under him in one day. Now you

think you've got it tough When was the last time you charged twice in the same day

Well it was that kind of ... Anyway what But it was a fantastic happening

I began to see that particular part of Europe was the arena of the confrontation as this

grid holds at least of some of the most horrible sociological forces that have operated in Europe and that is you had the meeting there of your Nordics and your Anglos and your Germanic and your Slavic as it were added to your Mediterranean and you had your confrontation of your protestant and your Catholic and the Anglican and your Orthodox it just that became the battleground and that's got to hold it as a symbol as it were of the confluence of sociological dynamics and the criticalness of that one historical event .

Fred was not complaining he was not complaining he simply said if you take one ¹⁰⁰ Belgians and stand them up in a row there would not be any Protestants among them If you stood two hundred up in a row you might find one and all the rest were Roman Catholics .

He felt a little I think a little uneasy about that Since he's Methodist well anyway

the move here as it were out of the Vagueness? ~~all that we're going to establish there~~

It may it
might very well be something like this that there be a swing in the direction of the North

and X when I say North I would mean to include Copenhagen and maybe Stockholm

and maybe a part of that move would also include Berlin we have colleagues in Berlin

who can hardly wait for us to get there and are already engaged in the transforming

of their community work to the methodologies that they grasped when they attended the III

they're ready to go and what a sign that would be relative to all of Europe and when

you see what that grid does and how it opens up the South I mean to have a major

flank operation I suppose into the south which would mean that we move on the eternal

city and we have every indication of support as from _____ community there

and the Methodist community there that is not unlike the set up of the British Methodists

is that is in Paris and ^{you} we know when you begin to see the significance of that grid

with this focused kind of strategy is You know I never thought it would happen for

ten or twenty years but I can see it now we three months down the line needs is

a house a house in Rome and you know it's like it wouldn't make any difference if we ever recruited an RS-I or if they ever taught a LENS course or if they ever had a PLC all they'd have to be is just a presence there and I mean that would change not only your lives and mine but it would change the course of history but beyond that there's the whole question of how you ~~want~~ extend this and move on the eastern parts of Europe and maybe focus ~~is~~ upon Vienna and beyond that the question is ~~always~~ always in our minds how ~~strong~~ in the world can you be anything less take ~~in~~ all the globe if you're the church the concern for how it is we relate finally and establish the kind of relationship with the orthodox church in USSR and it may be that in time to come within the next year or so that there is a foundation ~~was~~ even the meeting out of London there is contact solid contact with the church there in Poland the move would include moving ~~and~~ ~~where~~

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out to Athens to establish contact there and then perhaps on into Russia if that seems

too be too much like a military tactic why then your clear about your limitations

Now how else are we going to take on with any kind of seriousness just it means to

deal with the whole globe and the whole church unless we begin in our thinking to

strategize as to how it is we care for the whole globe and not just part of it and not

just the responsive part of it but to care for the whole thing well it's out of that kind

of thinking that I would want to in Europe and to have the image there of

one year and the critical mass and that is to have an USSR just part of the plan

now that needs more clarity right well we set out to bracket North America and you

saw it happen I mean you people in the last two quarters have been the most phenomenal

sign that this century has ever seen I won't ask anybody else to agree with me on that

but I know that's true but what happened in establishing of those fifth cities across this North American continent and then what happened in those LCC's across this continent

has left this continent in a state of being whereby it will never be the same I would

not want to suggest that we bracket North America but its like if we are going to show still

~~it~~ a hole to doing the globe of going areal and taking on the whole globe perhaps

we say that this past year in North America we located where the holes were

and now by God we drill them well we just plummet them to the depths and in that way

just raise the sign to the rest of the whole globe of just radical possibility its

like fifth city the LCC and stand all ready because this is the year we move not *already*

to bracket North America but to deepen it ~~deepen~~ deepen it I don't think anything

we have I don't know there might be rumor has it but there might be a strategic relocation

of a few houses in one of the areas and I can't remember which area That might

be included we'll have to decide that ~~isn't~~ in the future well I had 3 points

an hour and a half and three points to talk about and I talked about one of them

and then the other has to do with a geo socio strategy and I'm going to leave the most of that

is laid out here for you and will be picked up in terms of picked up in terms particularly

in terms of LENS and demonstration ~~and~~ the order

was the key emphases across

the globe so hold before ourselves the fact that we have in fact turned to the globe

and I would put them in a slightly different order I wouldn't put it this way to you

but to me the first thing would be the order and the second thing would be demonstra-

tion signs and the third thing would be LENS and the fourth is authorization and the fifth

is transparentization of religion. If I was saying them to somebody else I would

probably put them in a different order and say something like, demonstration, LENS and

authorization, then transparentization and put the ORDER last. Don't you hear what I'm

saying, what we know is that none of this strategy for the globe and none of these

priorities for the globe is ever going to get birthed throughout this year without it

being carried on the back of the ordering dynamic. And I'm going to leave to Neal to

pick up on the others with the exception of this. *Simply say in basic* what they made very clear to me about

LENS, I mean LENS is a religious course and what you M and I have been doing for the

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last 40 years when we have been teaching RS-1 is we've been engaged in teaching a

secular course that has acted like a revival meeting. I mean we've been conducting

a grand revival with RS-I. That we depend on Christian memory. *We move with* LENS is a social

dynamic and that is not revival that is evangelism, and that comes so clear to me I

don't know why I didn't see it before. I want to pull together much to your vast

disappointent *the first value stake* relative to priorities and

that is that ~~the~~ within this set up Africa is first, NAME is second, Latin America third.

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Here it is Europe first, North America second and USSR third. And within all of that

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~~then~~ I would say Europe and then I'd say Africa and what you know in a sense

demand

even if North America is placed last or bracketed or deepened there will be a great ~~adv~~

I would like

in terms of priorities. Have I left you with enough ambiguity?

Question from the floor about Africa.

Just

Yes, Africa is for the sake of seeing that India gets done. I would sense that 1976 that

of speaking

India would have taken off in such a way that, if you can excuse the language, it will

surpass SEAPAC and what SEAPAC has already done. I want to pull this together in terms

it meant to be

of global reflections of what has been ~~lost~~ expose the possibility of forming out of

to-day

raw engagement on a day-to-day engagement strategy like this. However this would fall

into the category of asking you to allow me a little pastoral reflection on this. However

I don't really think
bound-to-quality this
that 's all right. I was ~~WIM/WIM~~//////
This was only 2 words and one was

where ~~am I~~ ~~AM/WIM~~ and one was very short. Finally the only thing that we have to say

is that what we're about is simply ~~FMd~~ determining how it is that we would love the world

and how it is we will love our neighbor and to do God's will with all of our hearts and

with all of our minds and with all of our strength. ~~It~~ you and I

~~we~~ we are a ~~wom~~ wondrous body of people. I don't know how, I suppose

But I've become aware over the past quarter of ~~ringing~~ bunch of
I just have to risk pride, ~~WIM/WIM~~ a profound appreciation for this ~~WIM/WIM~~ bunch of

~~and~~ I mean I mentioned Tony Elizondo, Bill Frazier
people

on my meditative council, they stand as a sign

I must expect that they would
and you can pick out the leaders that one, or that one and say what a funny guy he is, well
or whatever, just what was said in the midst of today
I can witness to the fact that I am thankful

for ~~WAA/AAAA/~~ being a part of this ^{family} bunch of giants of people who are literally

taking responsibility for the whole globe and literally laying down their lives for

the sake of a future that they will never see. I come away with a newfound thankfulness.

I would have.

That I never anticipated that and that's in the ~~WAA/AAAA/~~ face of all the realization

of all of the limitations ^{my life} that all of us have. It's like you and I have been given a

gift. I look back and I realize that it would have been possible for me to go through ^{due to some... with... but}

my life and to have missed the whole thing and my God what a privilege. I want to

ris the pride here, it is a privilege to be a part, it's a privilege to bear the responsib-

ility, it's a privilege to bear the pain, it's a privilege not to have missed what ^{when}

is going on in our time today. I don't know how I get communicated to you what it is

that I experience that. ^{WAC} It's as if I want to stop everyone of you and tell you "MY

For once in the lifetime you have a chance to put you life down

the drain of all the future off history and you can decide to do it something like this or you can decide to do it some other way but My God don't miss the chance. Maybe

that sounds a little _____ but that's the way I experience it and that's after encountering what I've seen and what I've heard across this globe, among our colleagues, in the churches and in society. And I suppose that you stand before the wonder of God and the dread and say "Well, can't somebody else do it?" Well I just want

to witness to you tonight there isn't anybody else: for frankly I looked for somebody

9/99/ others, I looked to see if there was anybody else moving, caring, loving, I can use that word now. And there's none else out there and that comes to me as

Simple in indication
offensive. of what it means to be marked by the hand of God, what it means to be

selected or chosen is that By God we are the ones, Well I'm thankful _____

long long way. (Signed) C. O. Brown

Well I think I'm finished.

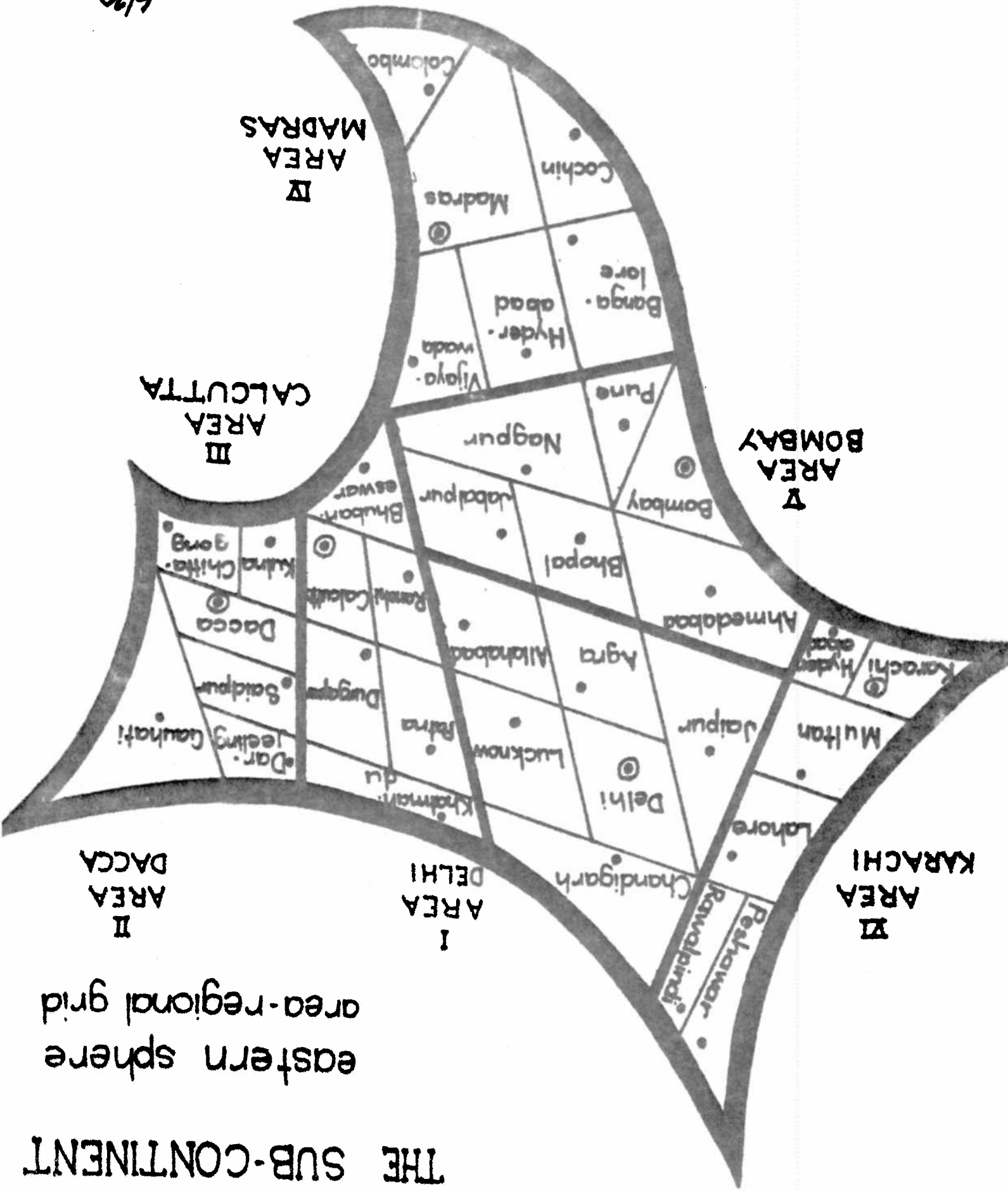
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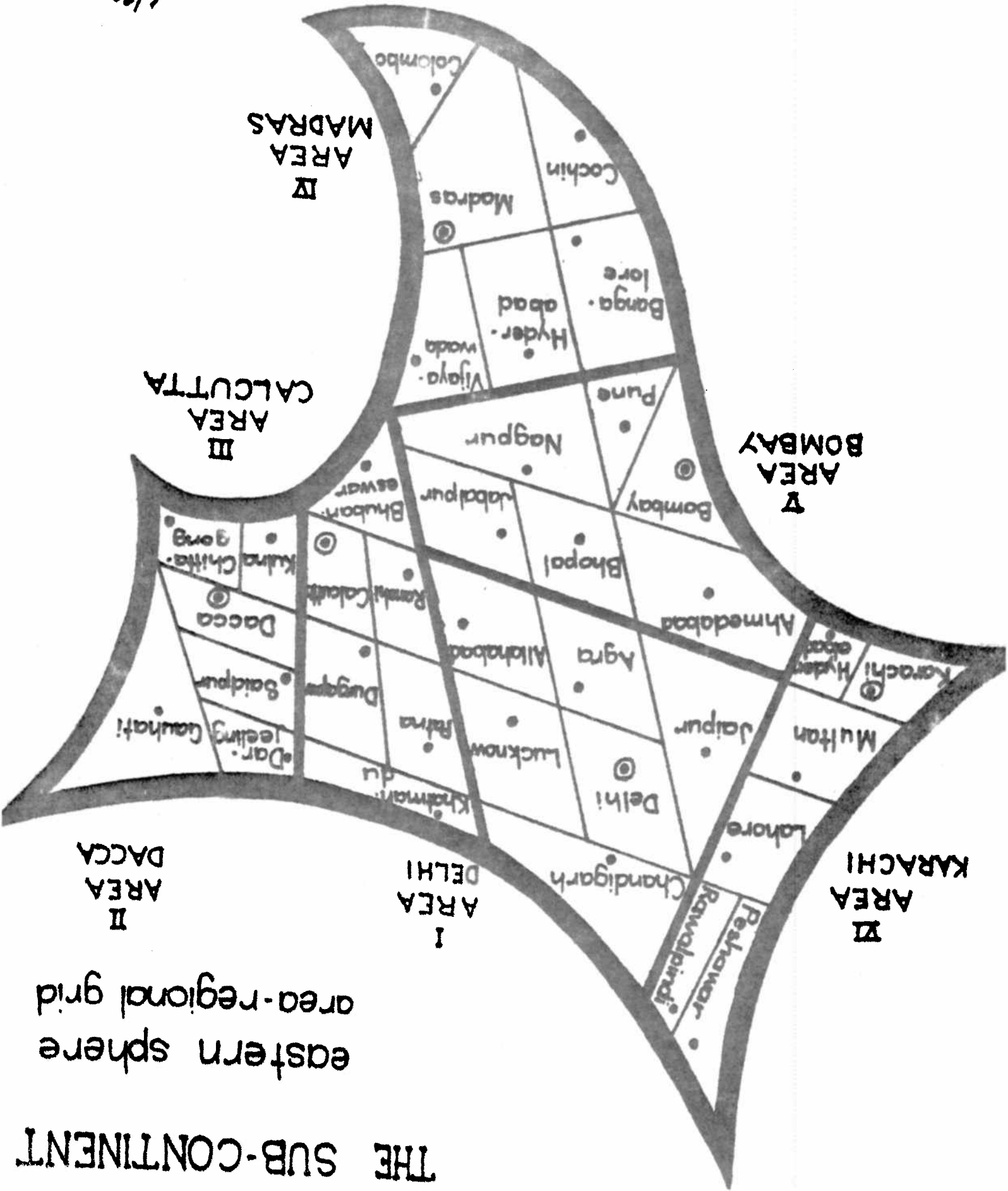
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