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### Statement of Hank Kripitz

My name is Hank Kripitz. In 1998, my wife and I bought a new home in Las Vegas. We were very excited, and we poured much of our savings into purchasing and furnishing our new home.

Unfortunately, my builder did not properly grade my community; nor did he ensure that the flood wall behind our home was properly built. Had he taken appropriate drainage control measures, I would not have endured the tragic events captured in the video about to be shown. (Please show the video).

As you can see, drainage-related construction defects are real. Our home was terribly damaged. We also lost our furniture and belongings all because of the builder's complete disregard for our well-being.

I asked, begged and demanded that my builder make things right. His response was that he would fix my back wall if I paid him \$8,000.00. That was the extent of his efforts to stand behind his work.

To restore my home, I had to take-out a large personal loan. I now pay the equivalent of two mortgages.

Builders must be held accountable when they take construction "short-cuts" which harm homeowners. Please do not pass AB 371.

I thank the Committee for its considerate attention.

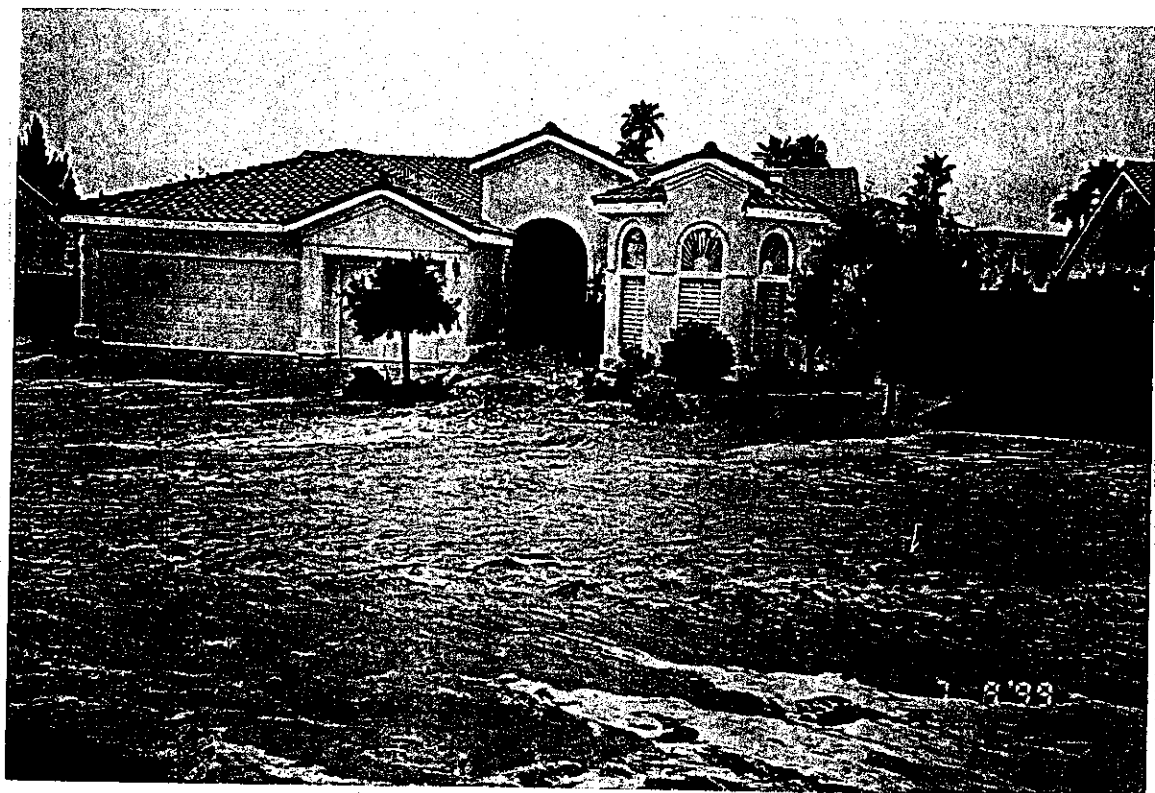
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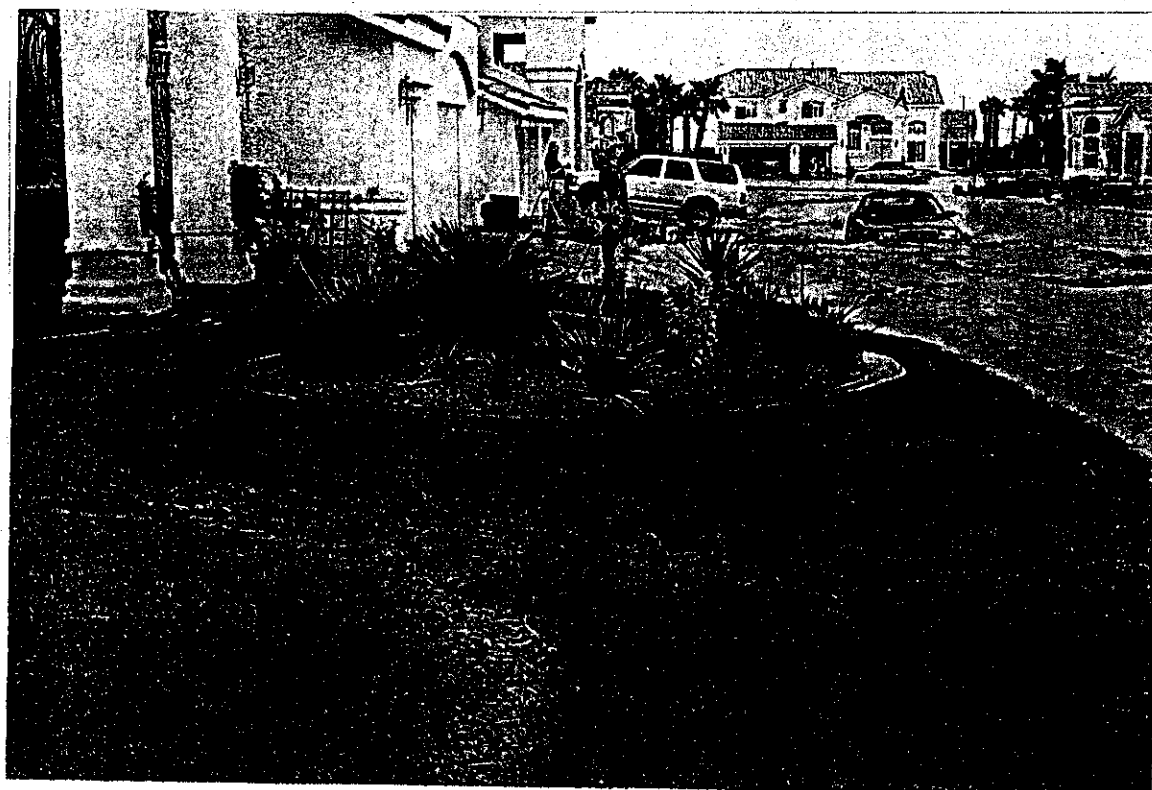
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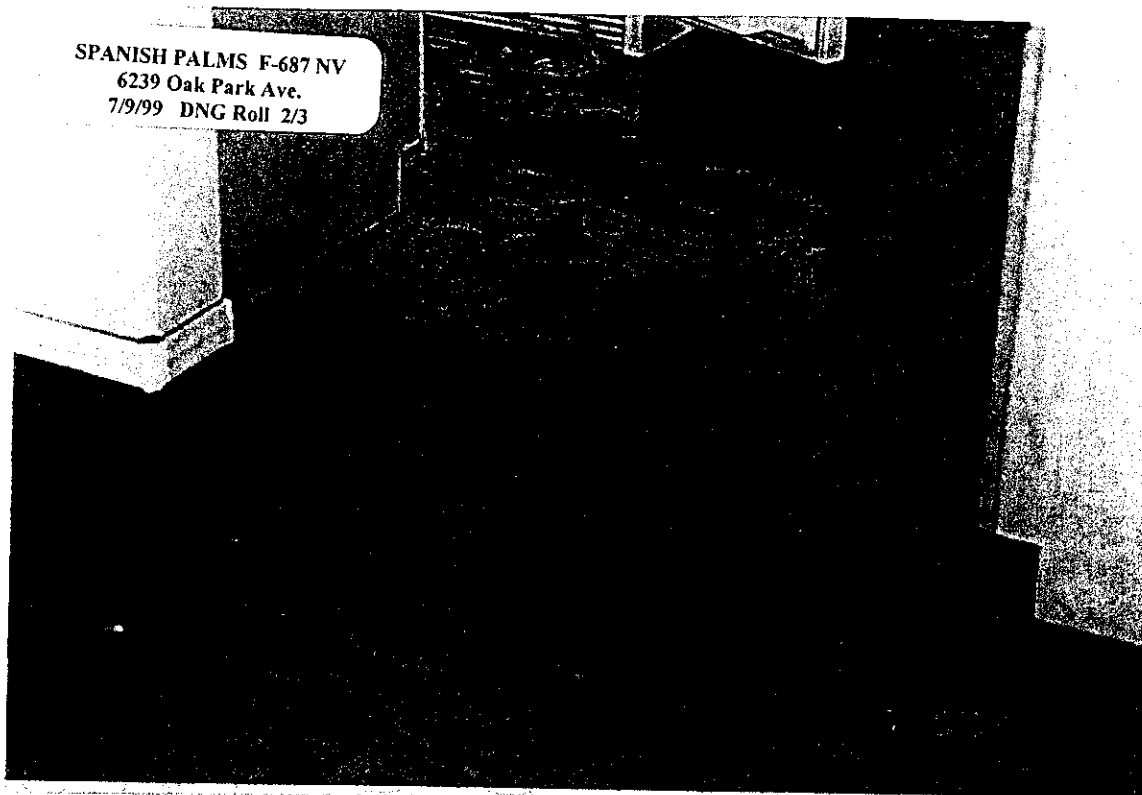


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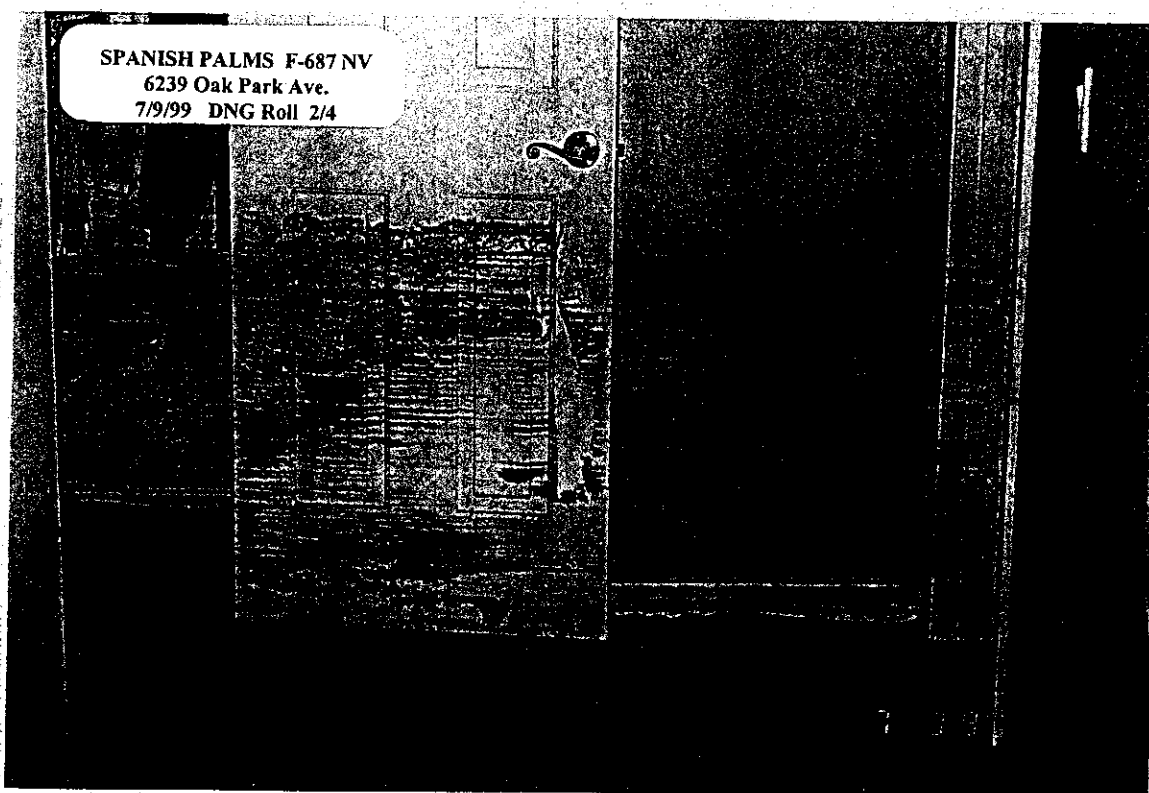
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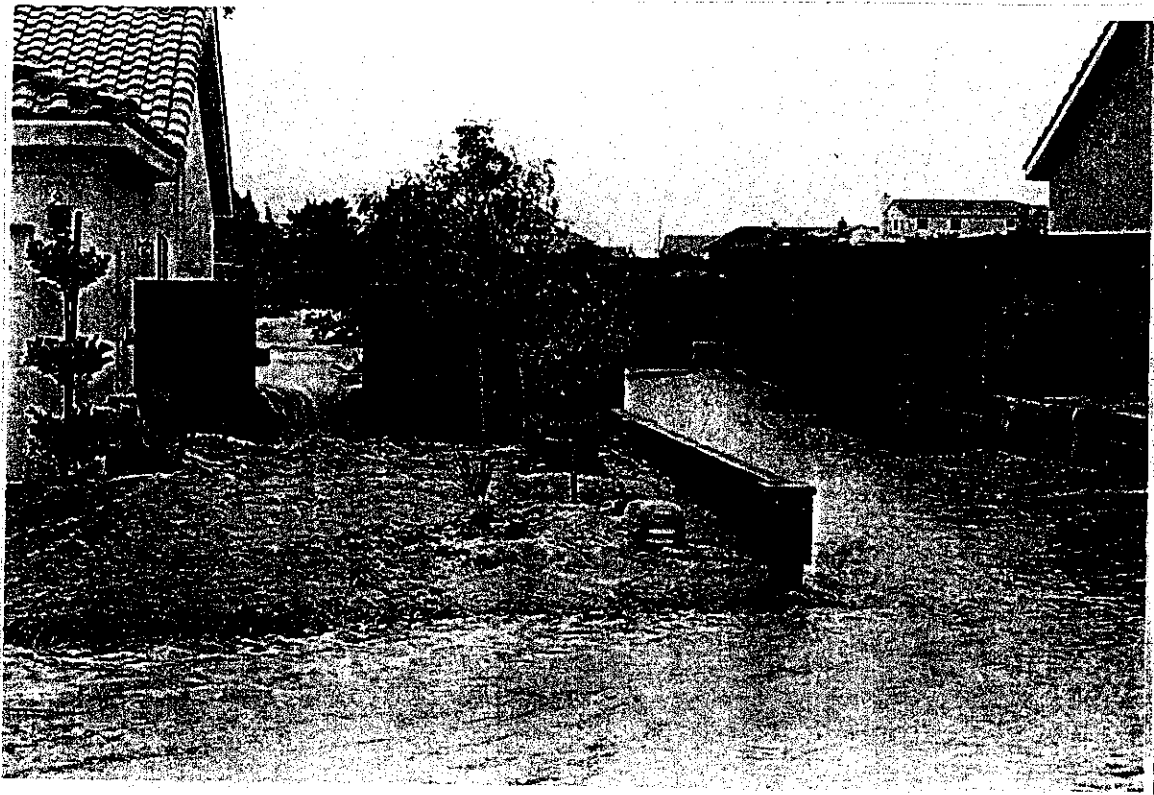


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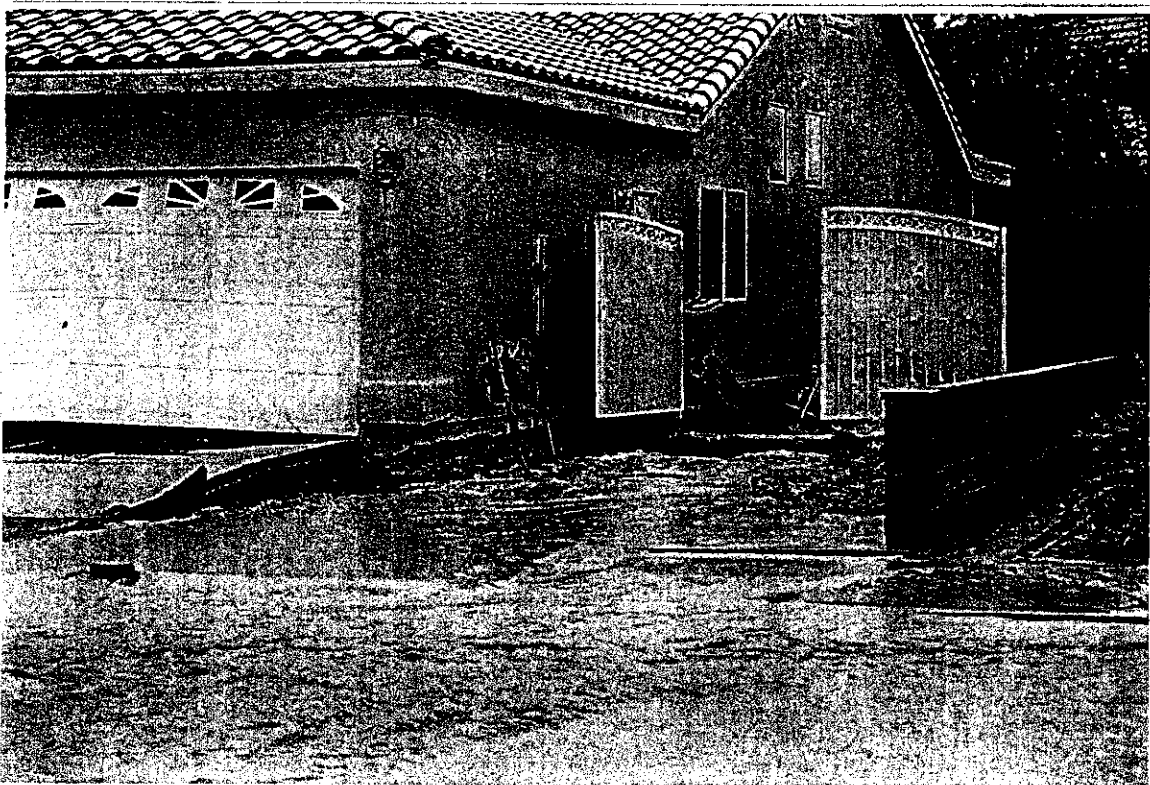
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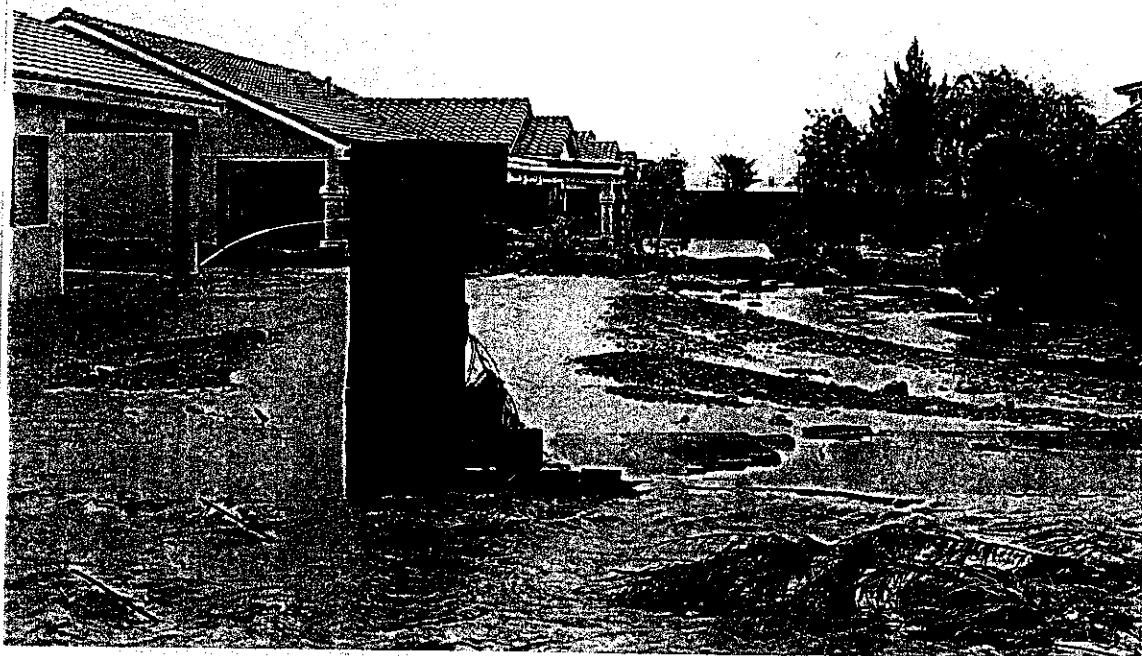
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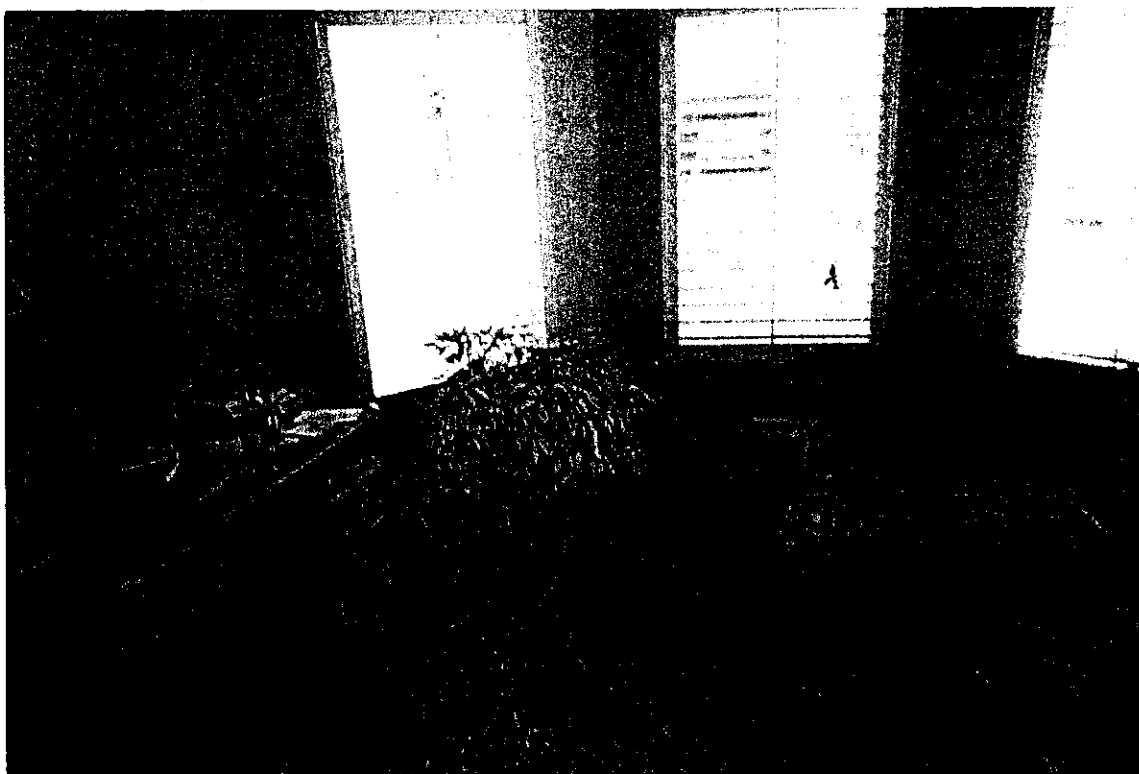
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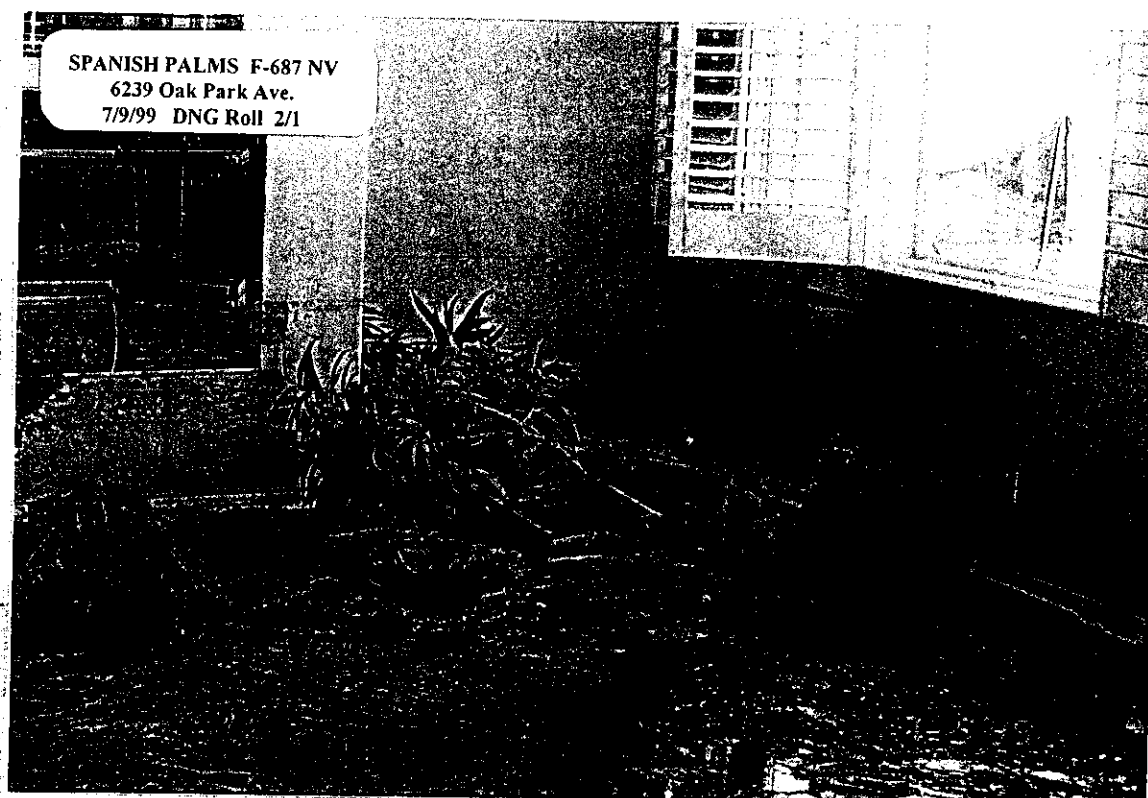


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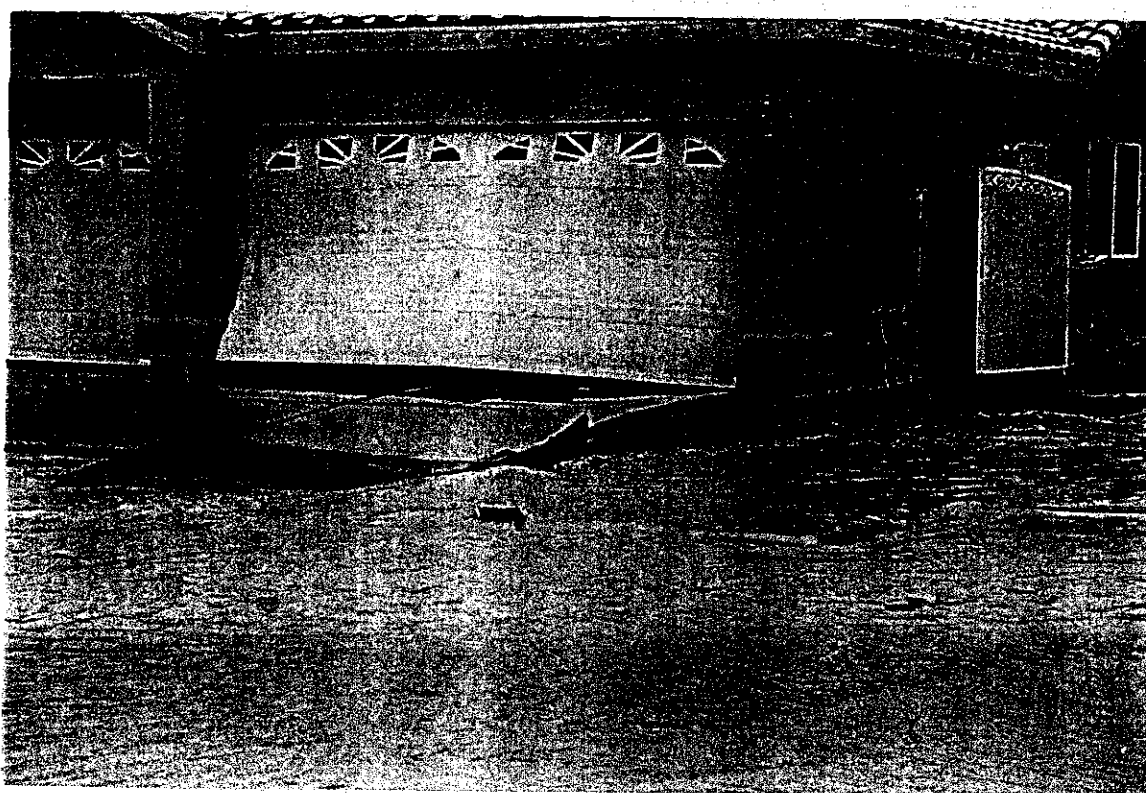
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