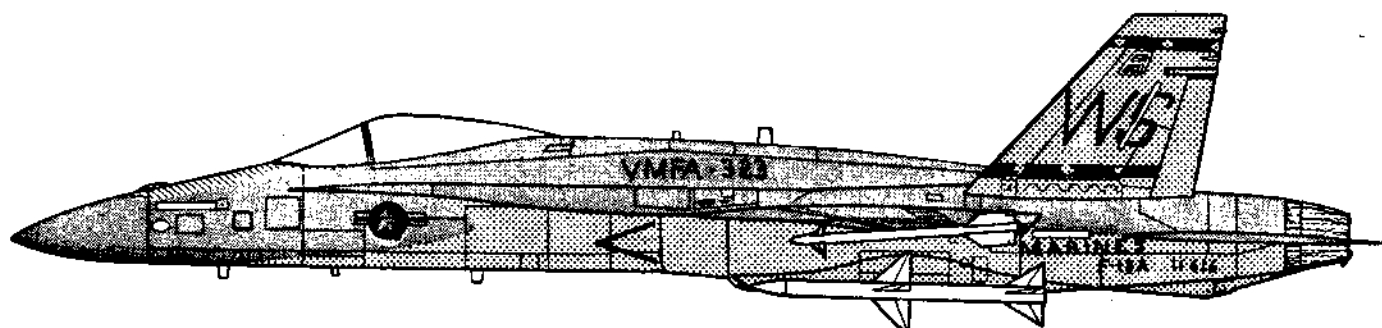


# **MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT COLORS F-18,AV-8,F-15,F-4**



## INTRODUCTION

Obtaining accurate color information is one of the most vexing problems facing the modeler. This book attempts to solve this problem for the McDonnell Douglas aircraft shown. The paint chips in this book were painted at the same time as the aircraft and are, therefore, as accurate as can be provided. However, paint color can vary from batch to batch, even when made by the same manufacturer. The camouflage patterns shown in this book were taken from official MDC drawings, but in actually painting the aircraft, variations can occur and are allowed for by drawing note.

All color chips were provided by the McDonnell Aircraft Co. paint shop, except for some of the AV-8A, German F-4F and Israeli F-4E chips. These color chips were carefully matched to samples provided by the MAC paint shop or to the appropriate official standard. The Federal Standard 595a (FS) numbers given in parenthesis are approximations for the color listed. DDL refers to the color numbering system used by PPG Industries, Ditzler Automotive Finishes and RAL refers to the Federal Republic of Germany official paint specification *Reichs Ausschuss für Lieferbedingungen*.

We hope that this book will enable you to build better models and will become a valuable part of your reference library.

The image shows three handwritten signatures in black ink. From left to right: 'Ron Downey' with a horizontal line under the name; 'Bill Dreacher'; and 'Greg Kubinski'.

May 1980

The authors wish to extend a particular note of thanks to Ed Yarbrough for the use of his artwork on the F-18s and AV-8s and to Bill Pribble, Ron Austin, Stan Duncan and the MAC paint shop for their advice, time and help in providing the color chips used in this book.

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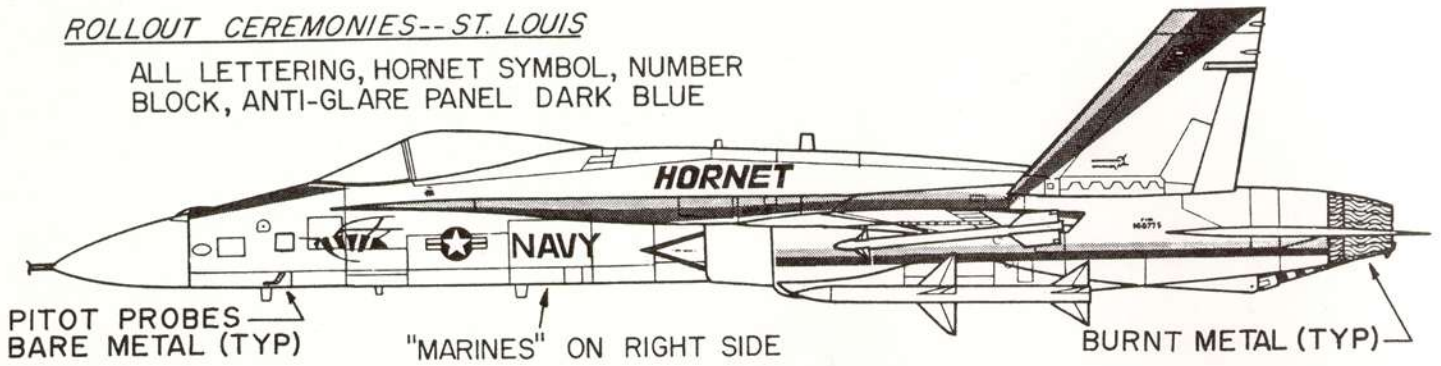
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# F-18A HORNET ONE

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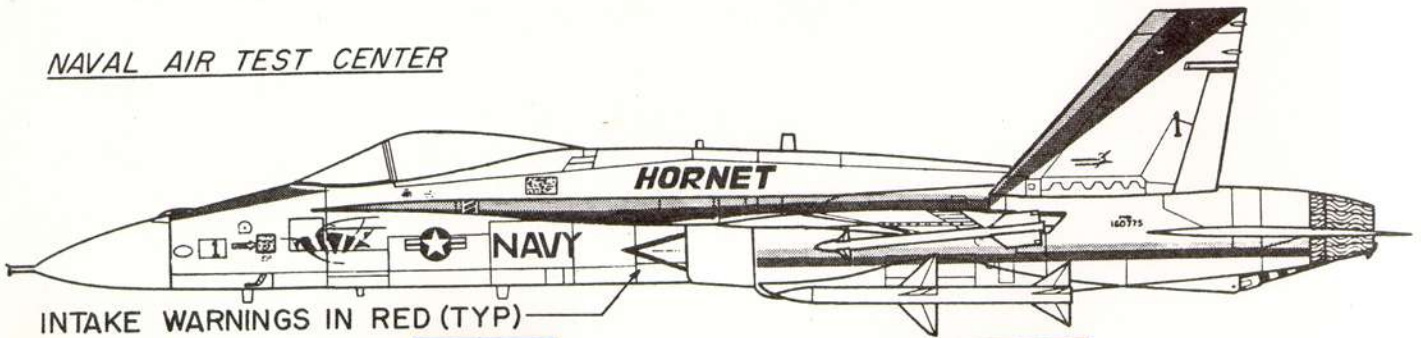
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ALL LETTERING, HORNET SYMBOL, NUMBER  
BLOCK, ANTI-GLARE PANEL DARK BLUE



TEST PITOT BOOM (TYP)

## NAVAL AIR TEST CENTER



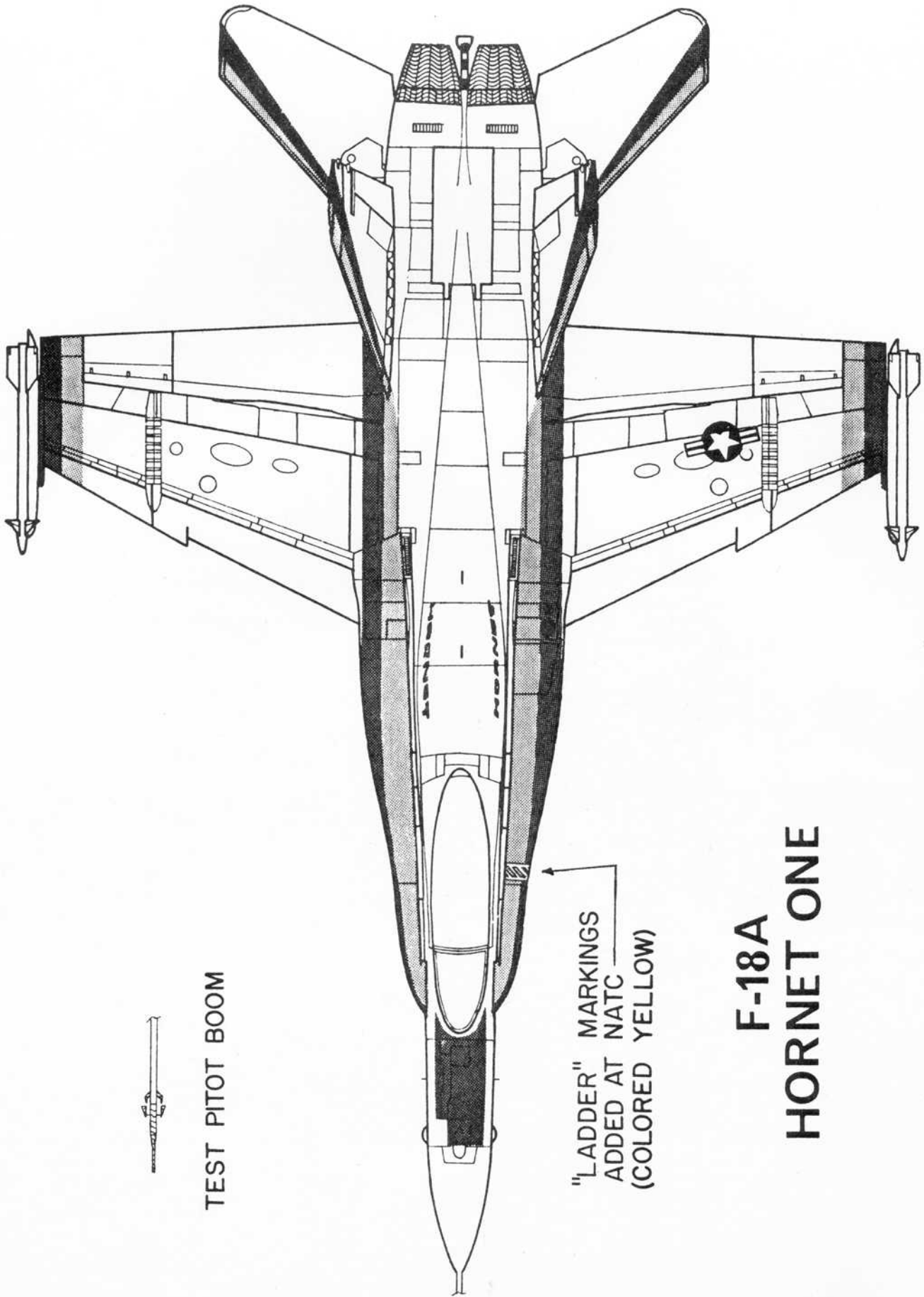
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FS 17875



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DDL 12908

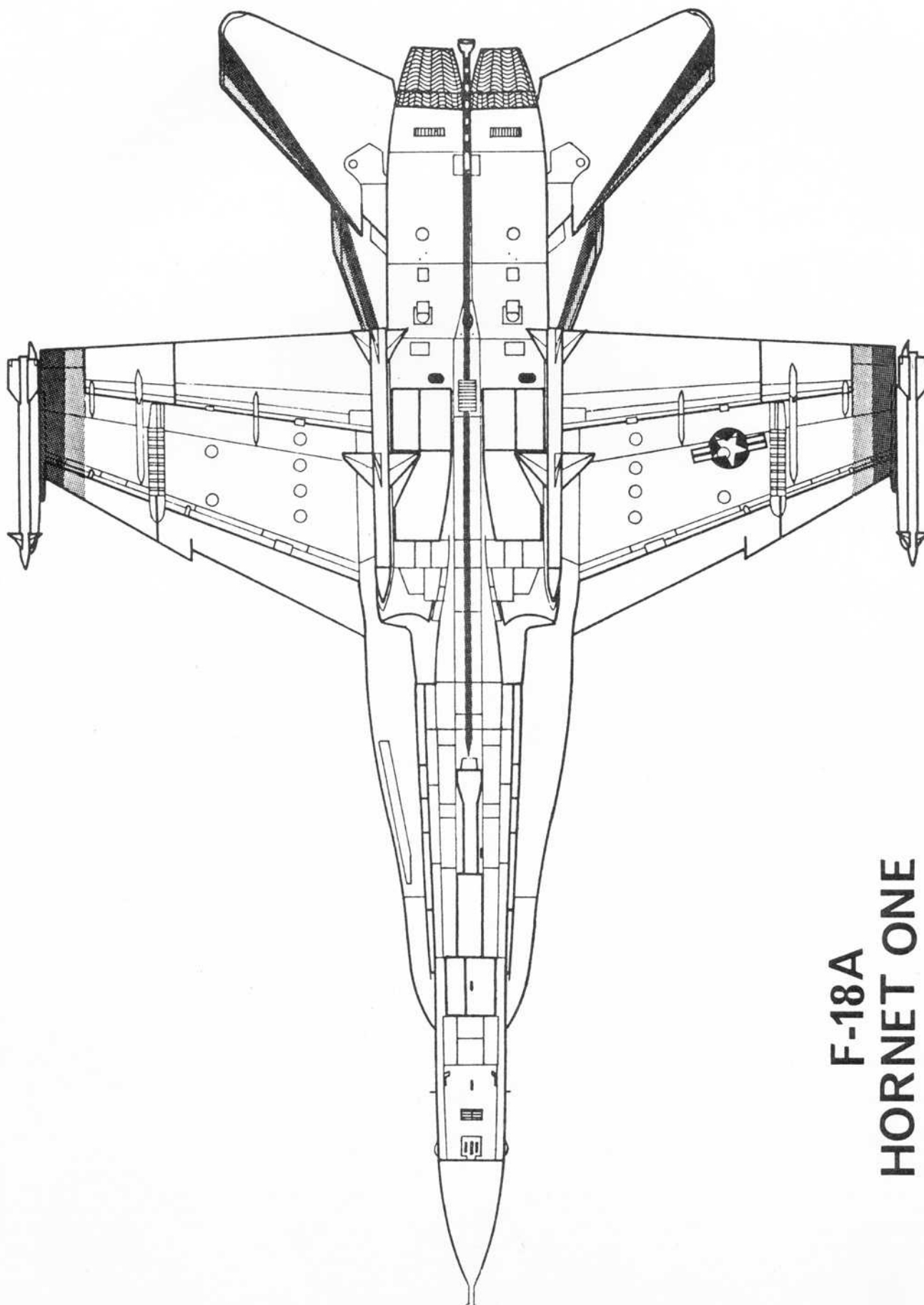


GOLD



TOP VIEW

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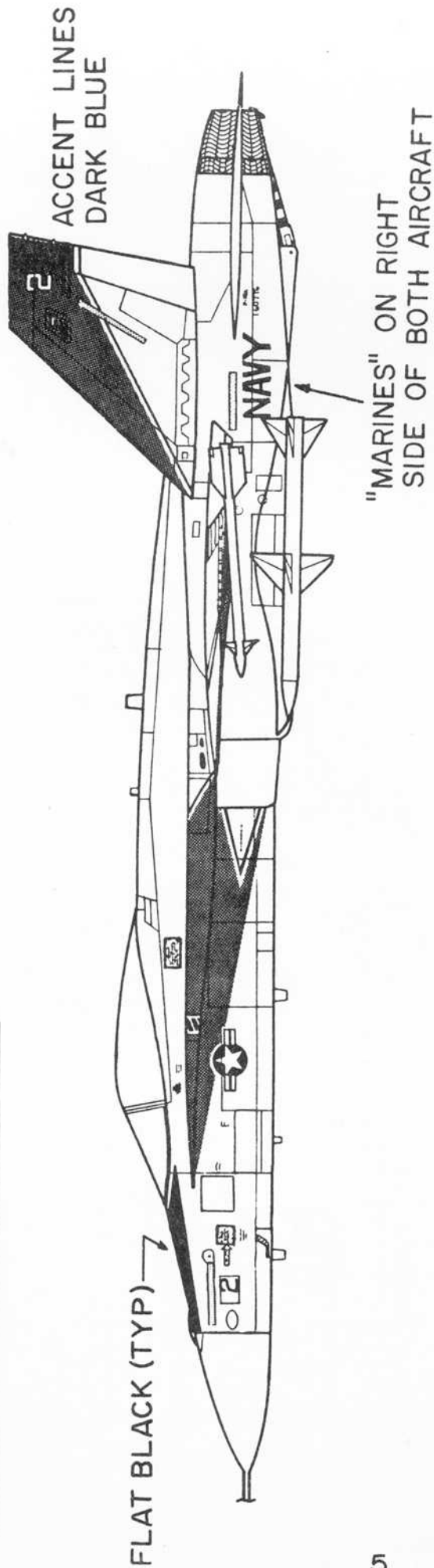


BOTTOM VIEW

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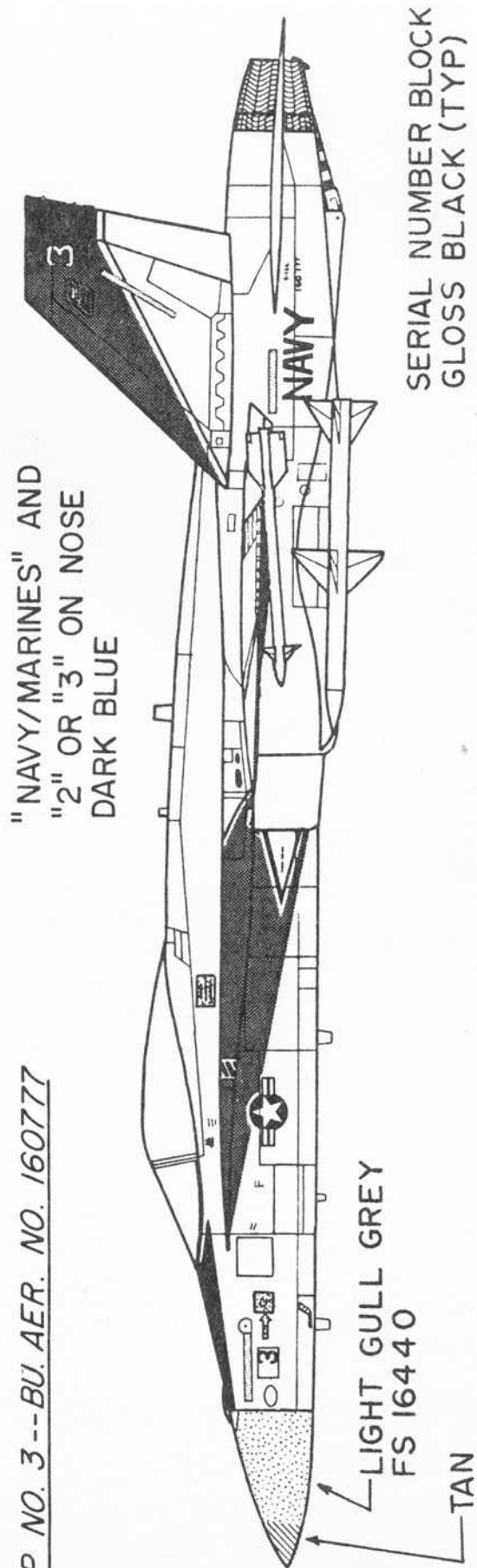
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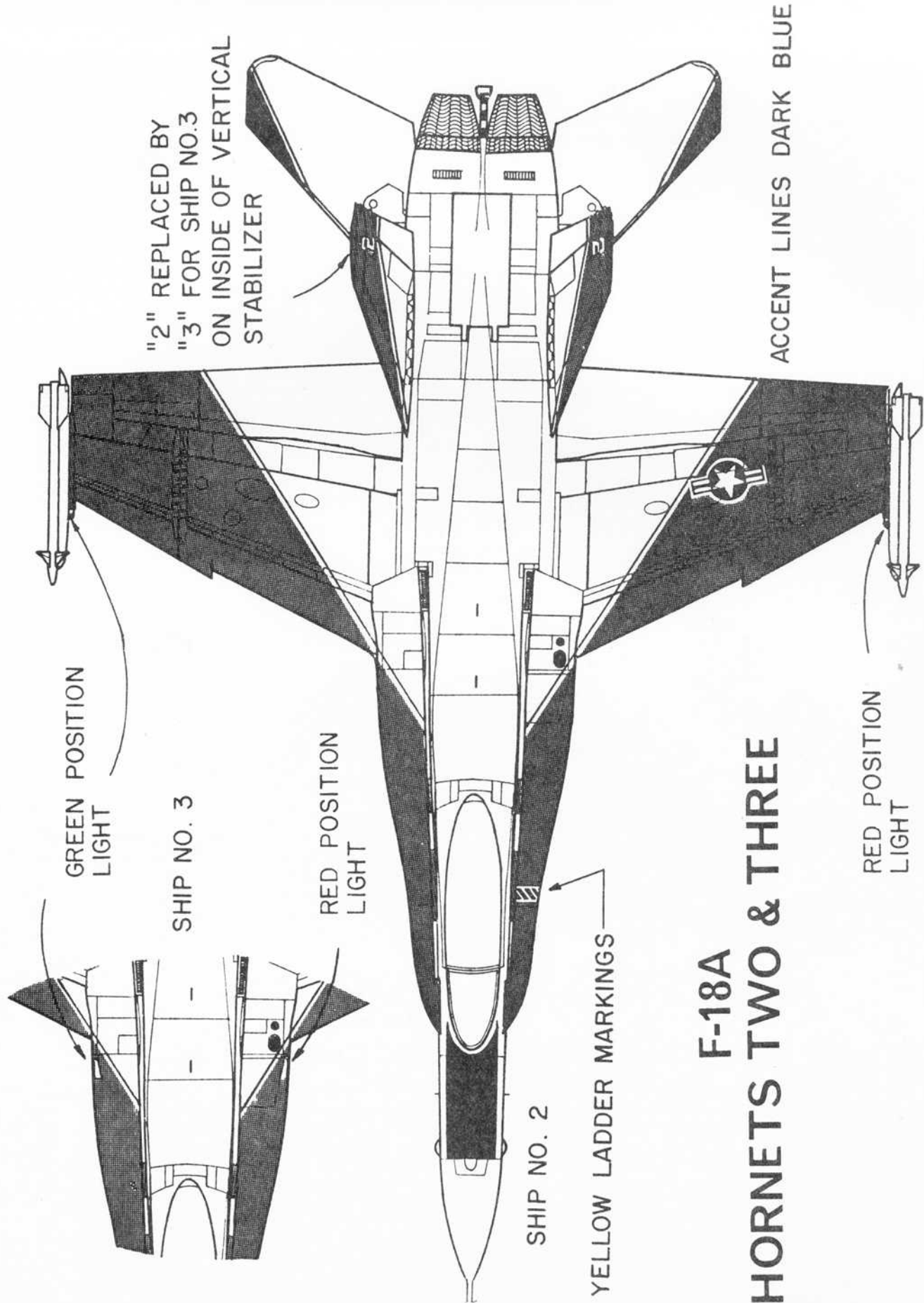
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 ON INSIDE OF VERTICAL  
 STABILIZER

ACCENT LINES DARK BLUE

GREEN POSITION  
 LIGHT

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RED POSITION  
 LIGHT

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YELLOW LADDER MARKINGS

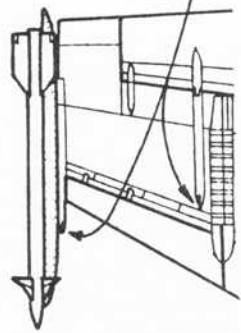
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 LIGHT

TOP VIEW

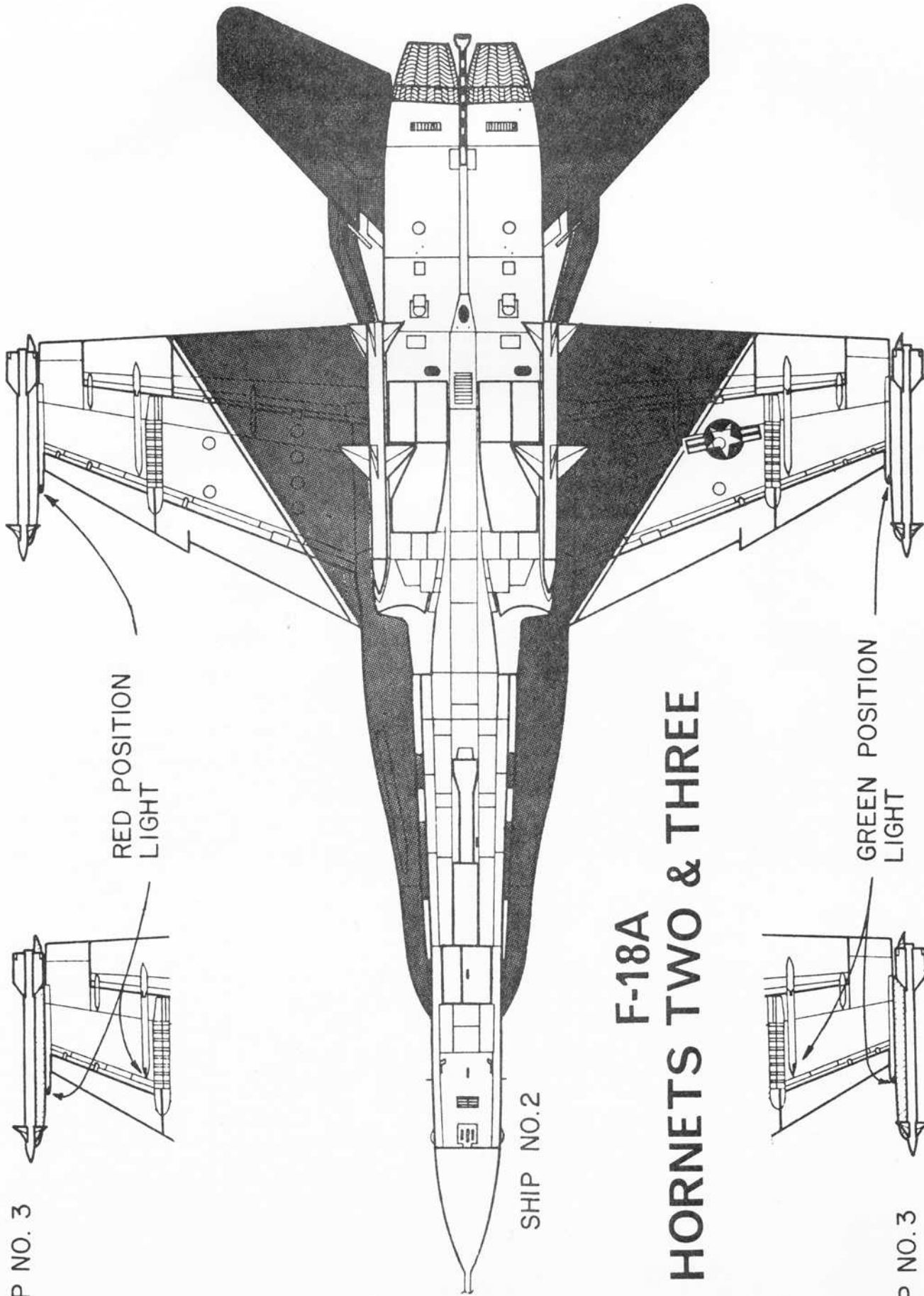
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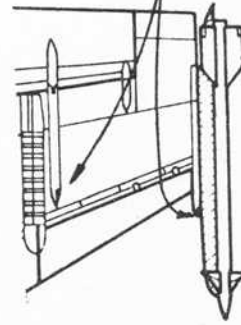
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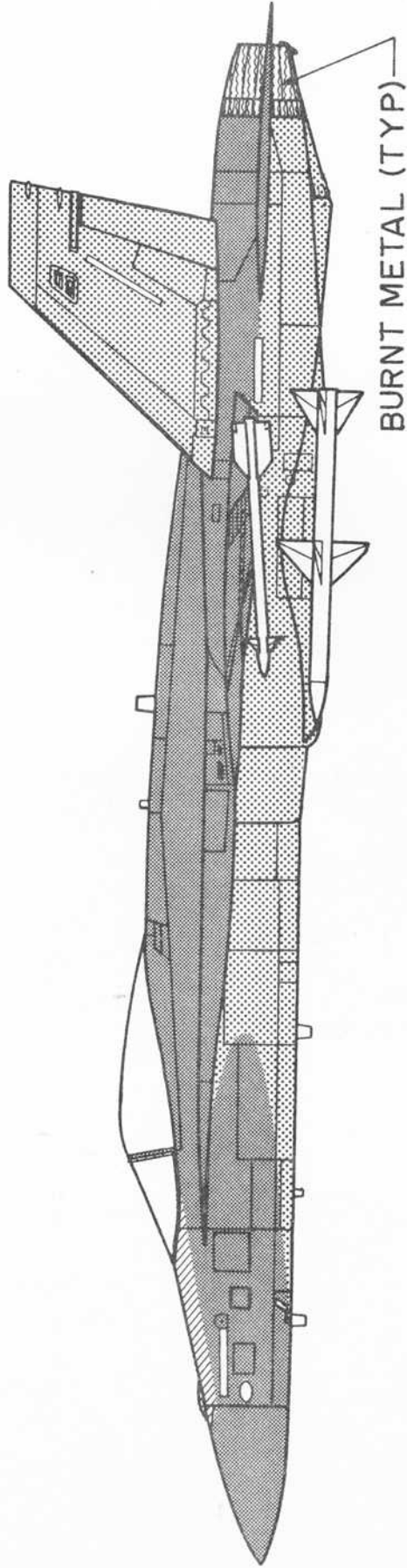
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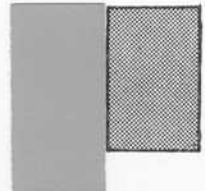
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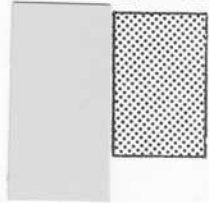
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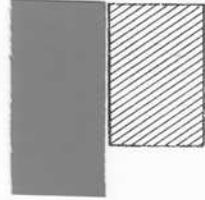
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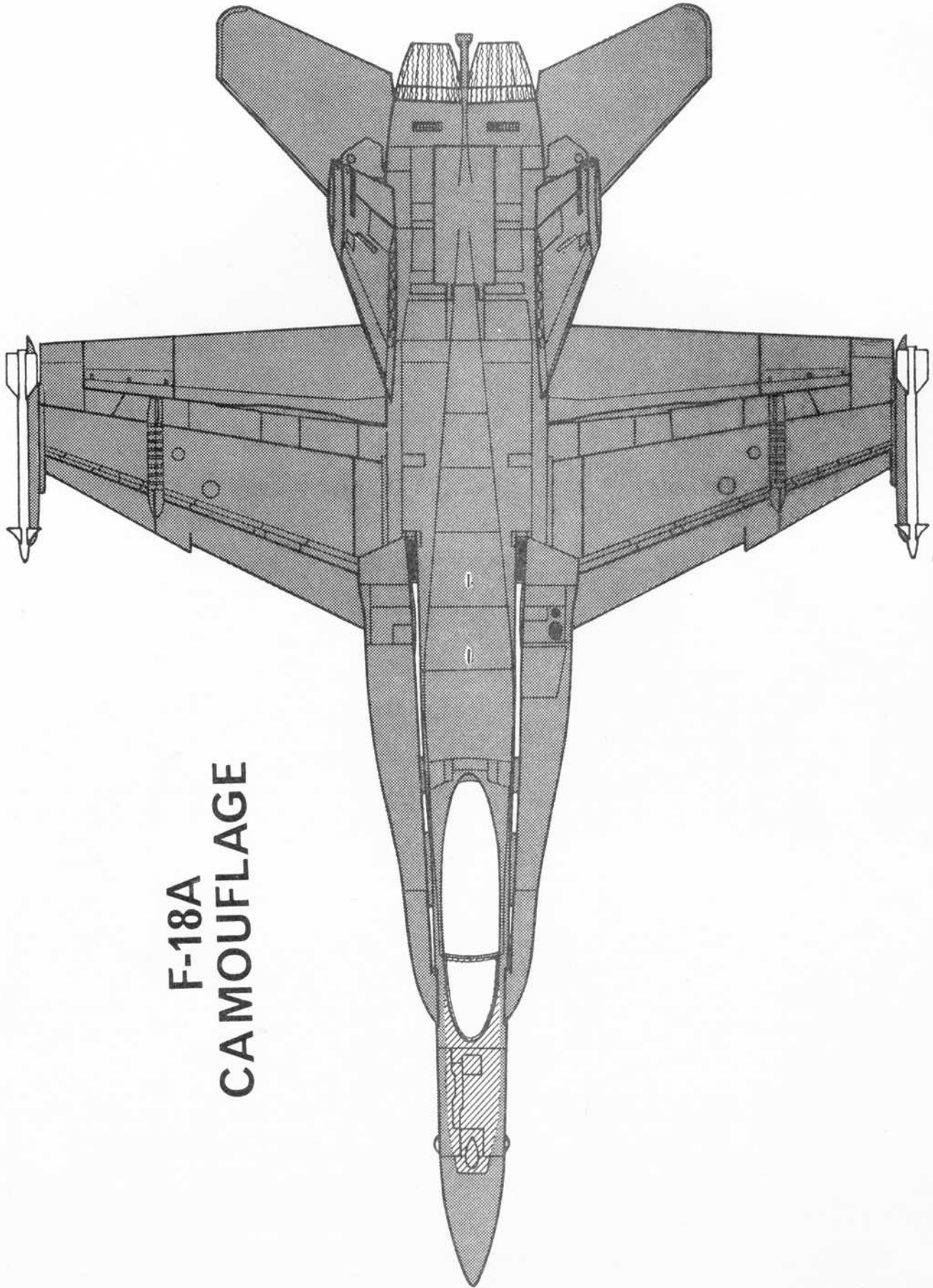


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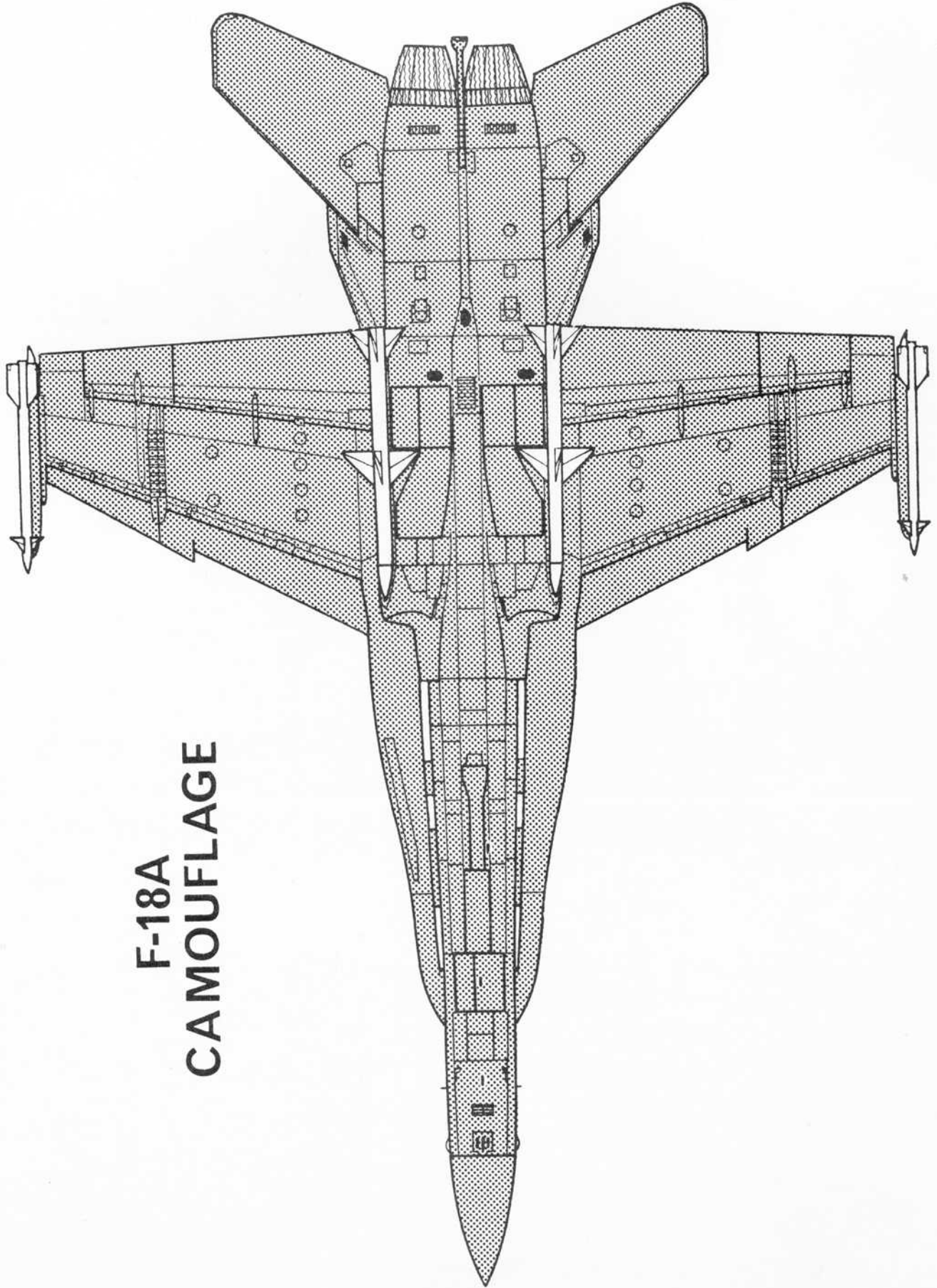
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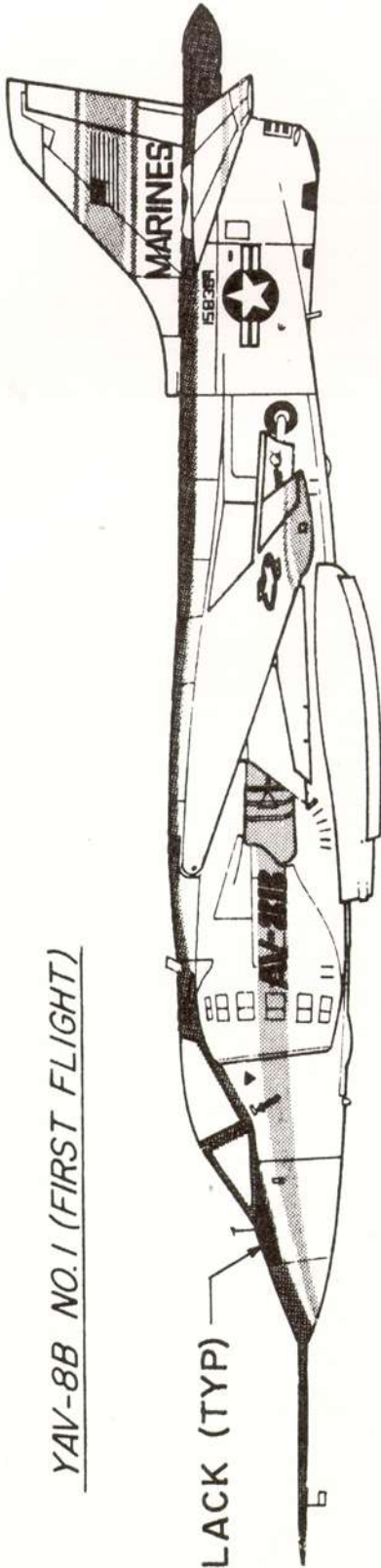
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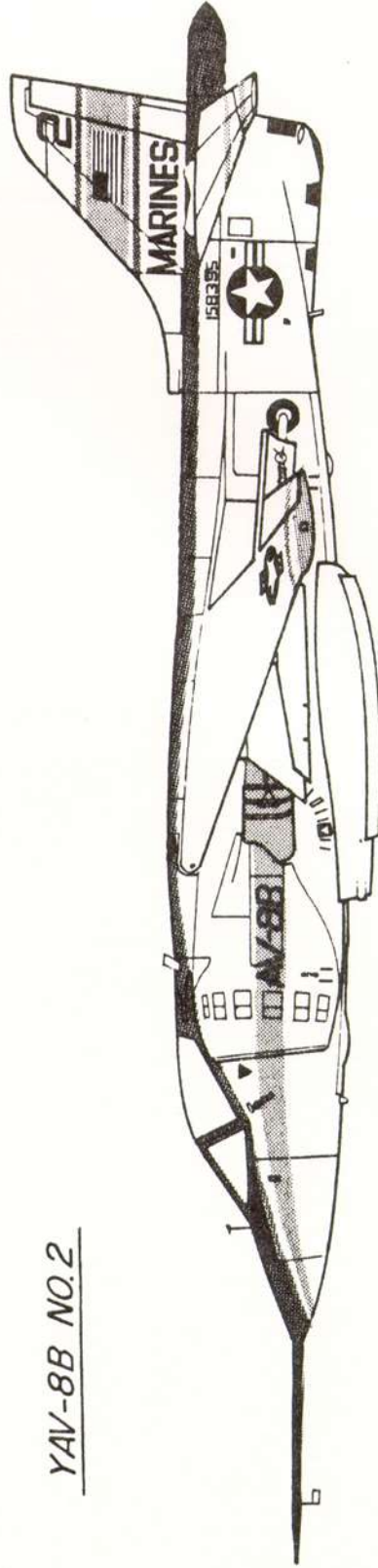
BOTTOM VIEW

# YAV-8B HARRIER



FLAT BLACK (TYP)

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YAV-8B NO. 2

"AV-8B" LETTERING WHITE ON BOTH AV-8'S



RED  
DITZLER NO.  
DDL 71660



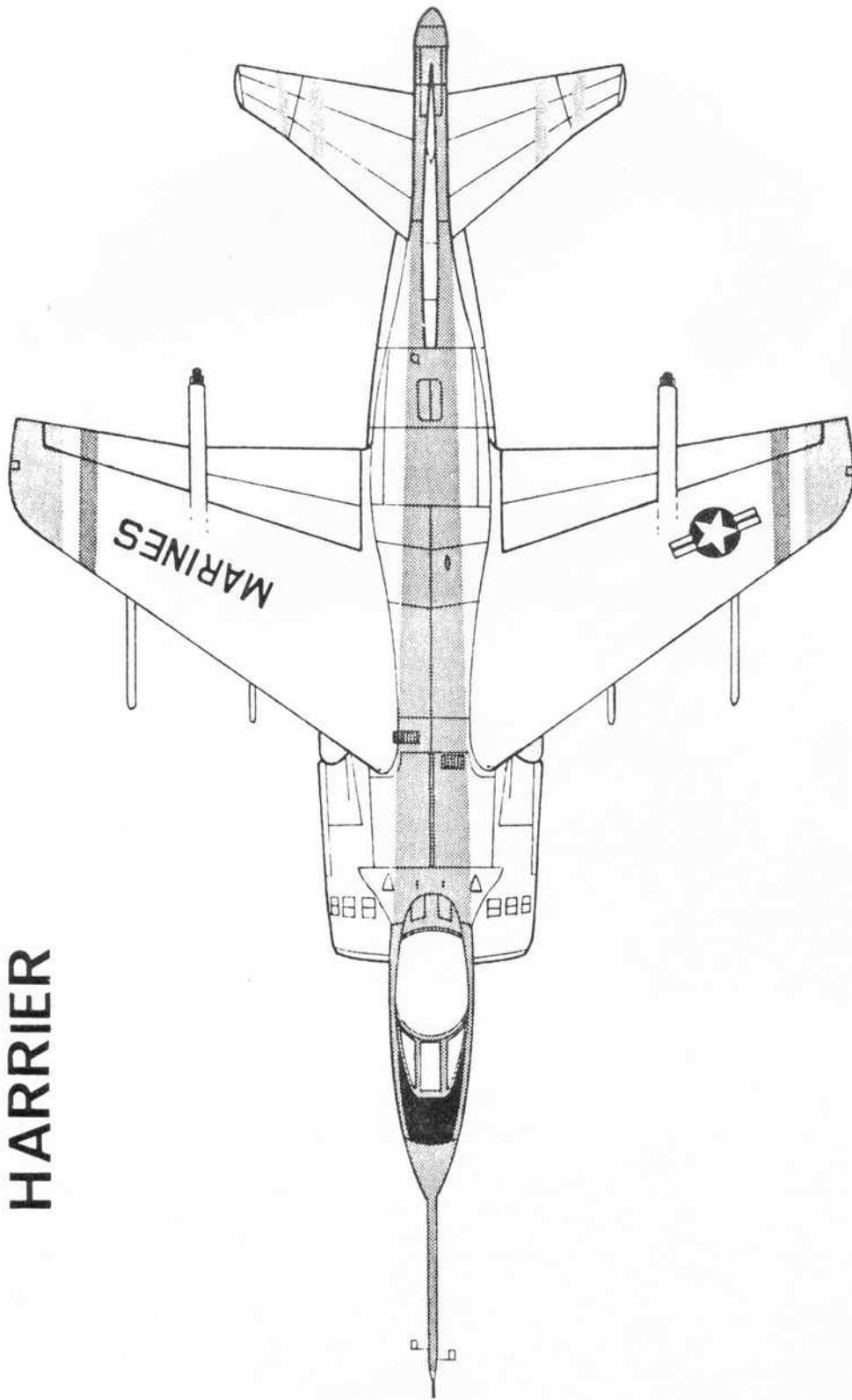
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DARK BLUE  
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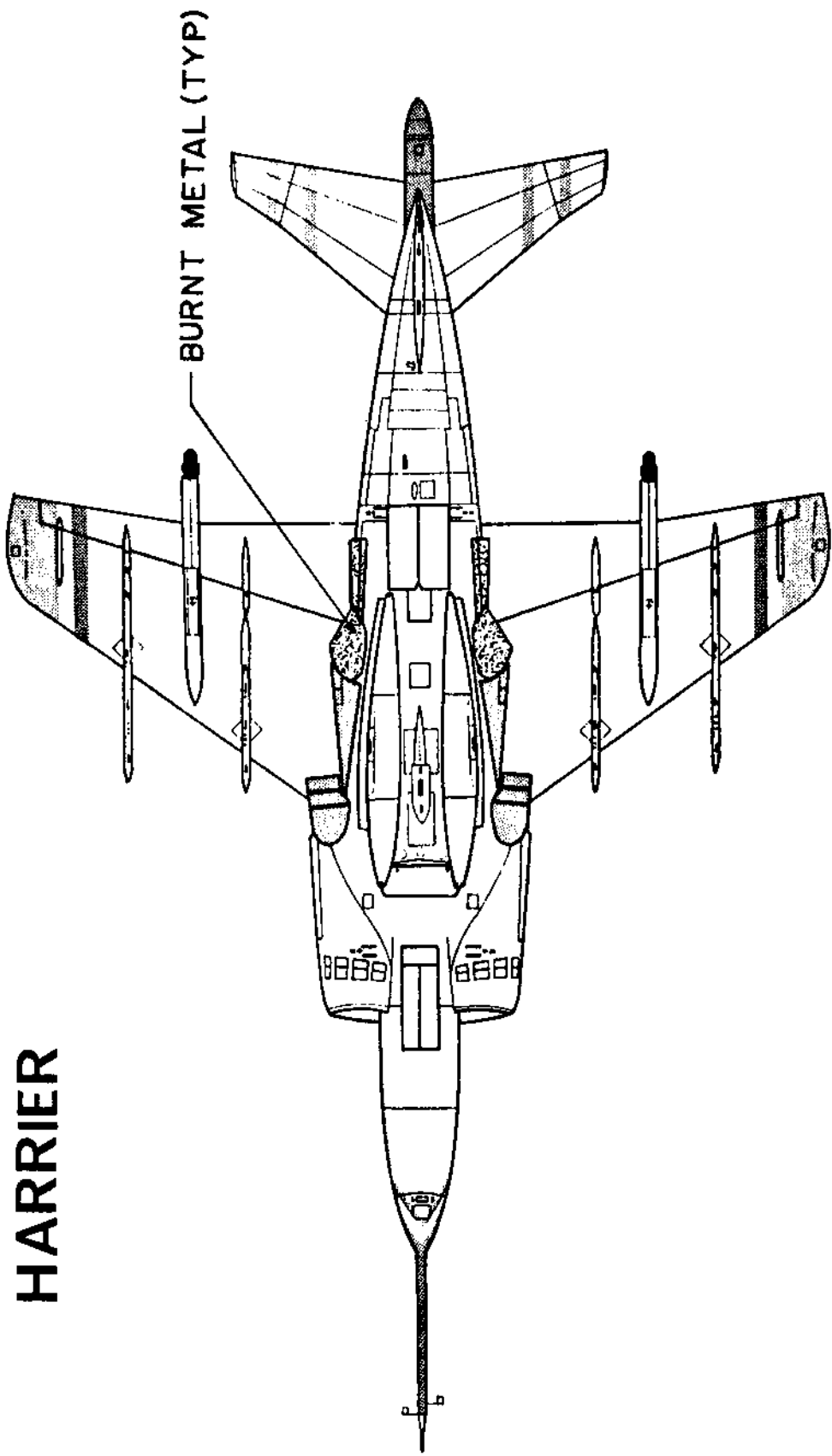


**YAV-8B  
HARRIER**

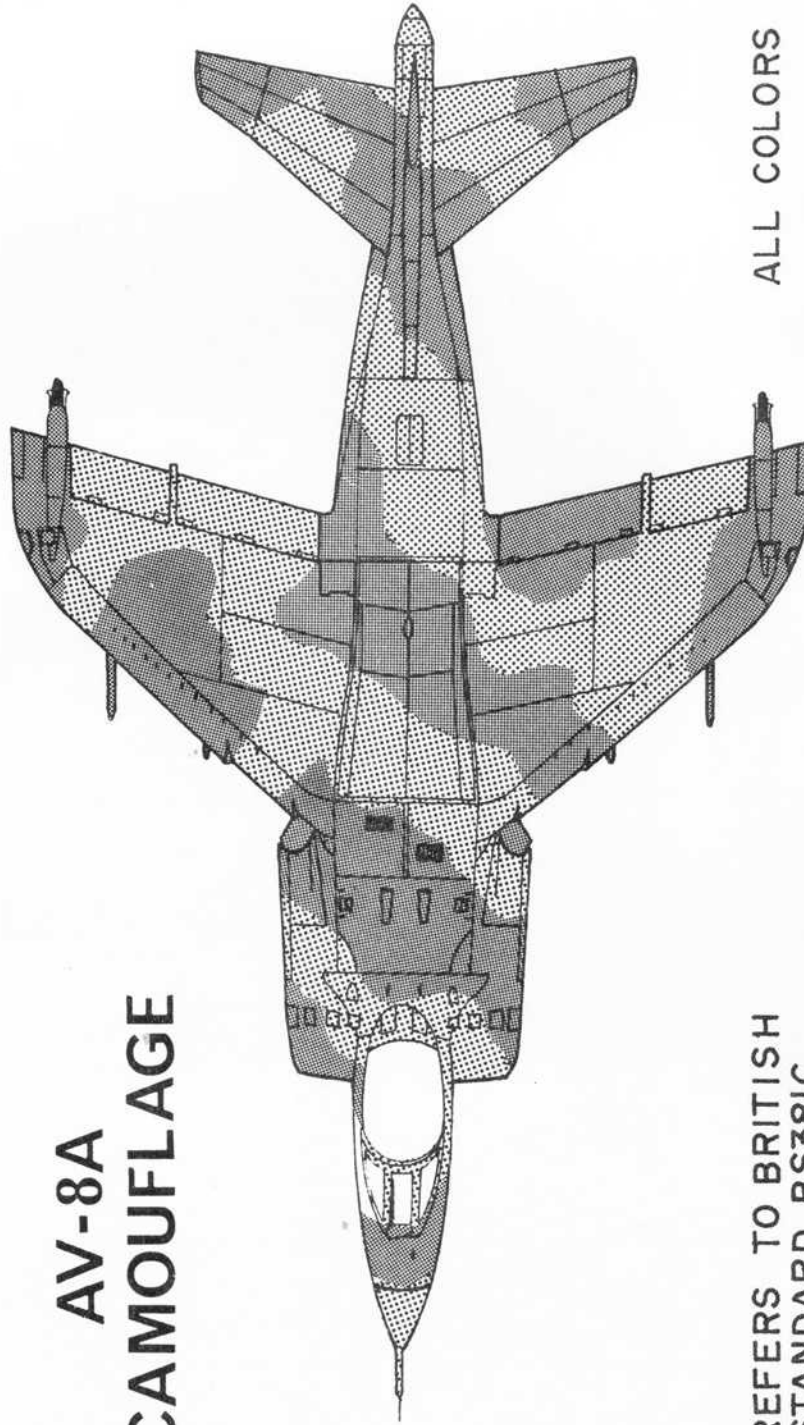
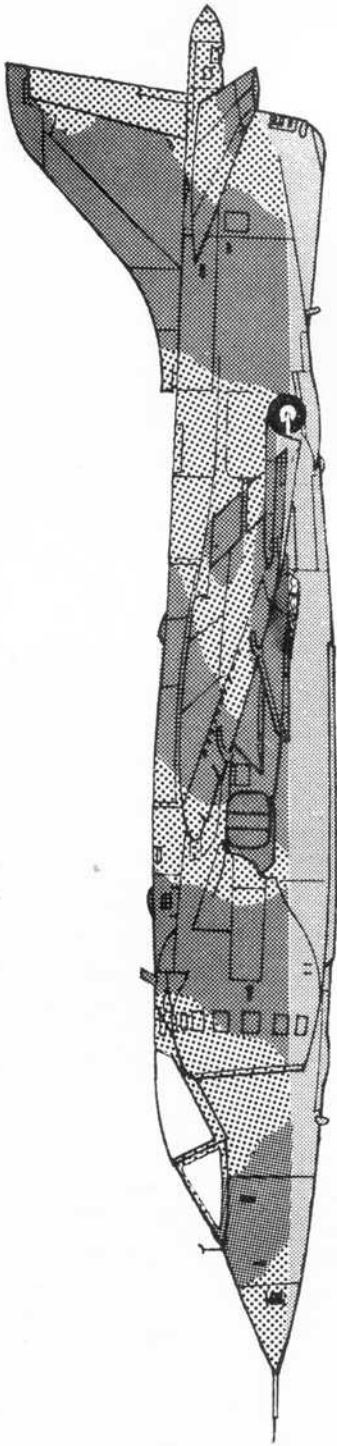


TOP VIEW

# YAV-8B HARRIER



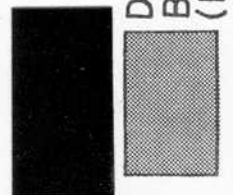
BOTTOM VIEW



# AV-8A CAMOUFLAGE

NOTE: BS381C REFERS TO BRITISH  
COLOR STANDARD BS381C

ALL COLORS GLOSS



DARK GREEN  
BS381C/641  
(FS14079)



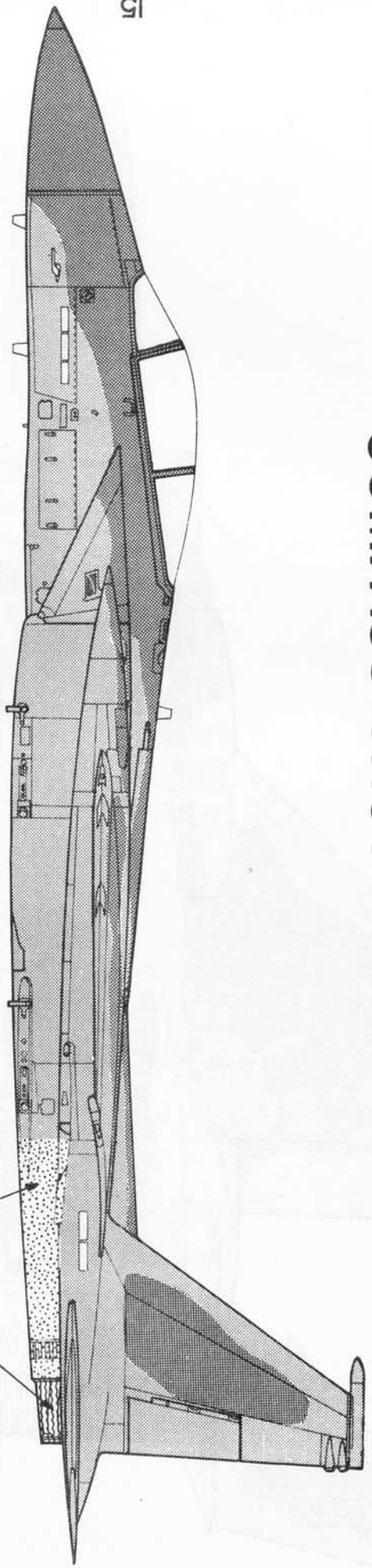
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LIGHT A/C GREY  
BS381C/627  
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F-15A/C EAGLE  
US/ISRAELI CAMOUFLAGE  
COMPASS GHOST GREY



BARE  
METAL (TYP)

BURNT  
METAL (TYP)



DARK GREY

FS36320

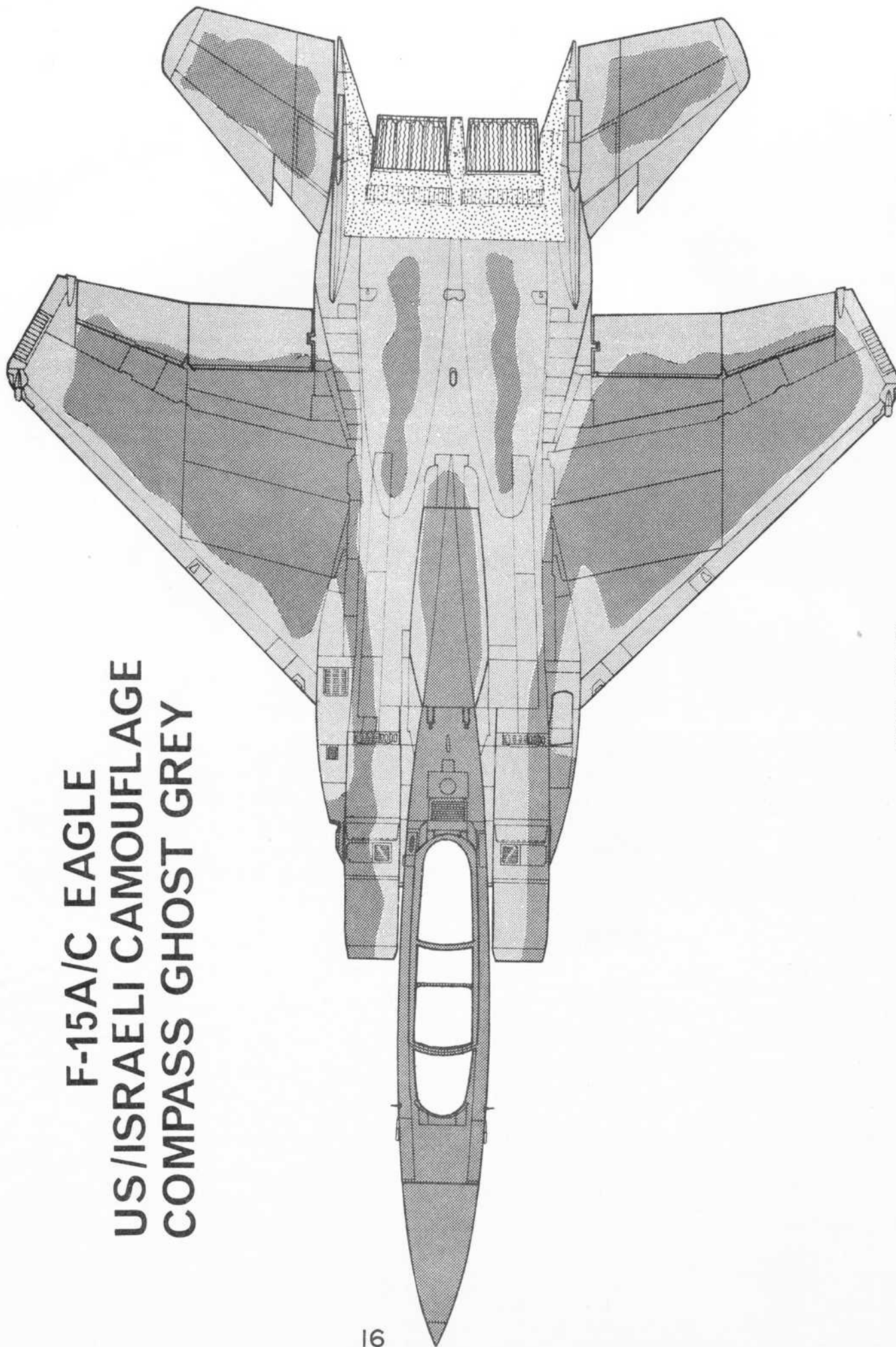


LIGHT GREY

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**F-15A/C EAGLE  
US/ISRAELI CAMOUFLAGE  
COMPASS GHOST GREY**



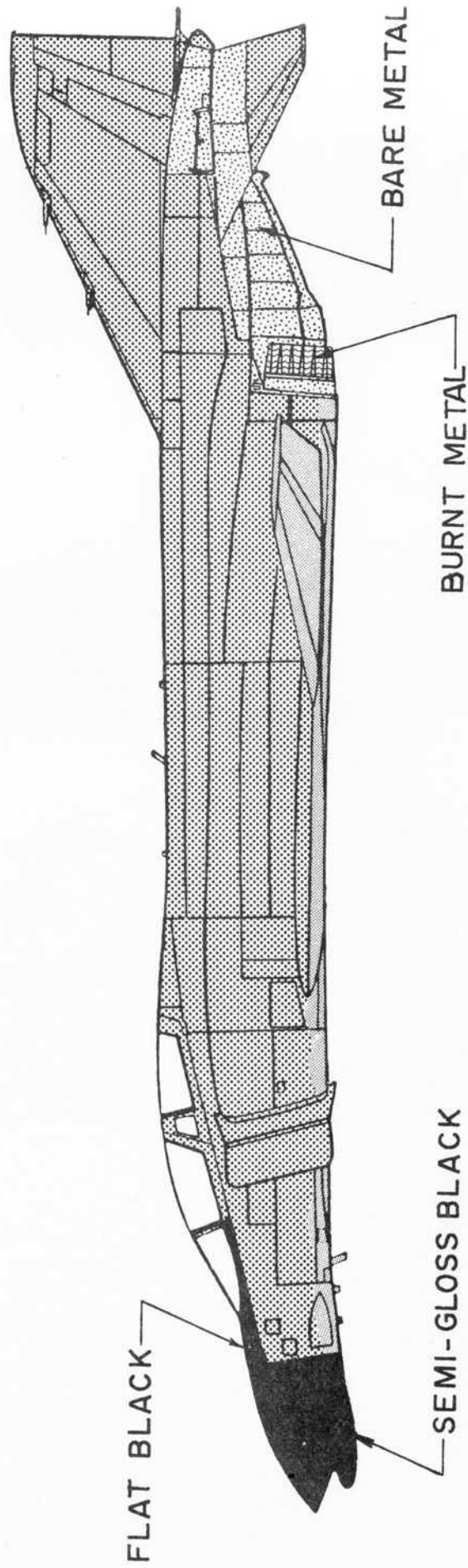
TOP VIEW

# F-15A AIR SUPERIORITY BLUE

PRIOR TO THE INTRODUCTION OF THE COMPASS GHOST GREY CAMOUFLAGE SCHEME, ALL F-15'S WERE PAINTED AIR SUPERIORITY BLUE. THE UPPER SURFACE WAS MATT BLUE AND THE LOWER SURFACE WAS GLOSS BLUE. THESE TWO COLORS ARE REPRESENTED BELOW.

	35450	AIR SUPERIORITY BLUE (MATT)
	15450	AIR SUPERIORITY BLUE (GLOSS)

# F-4B PHANTOM II USN CAMOUFLAGE



FLAT BLACK

SEMI-GLOSS BLACK



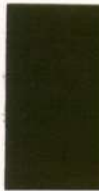
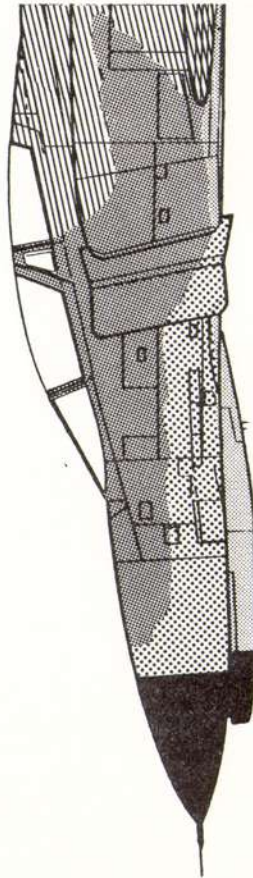
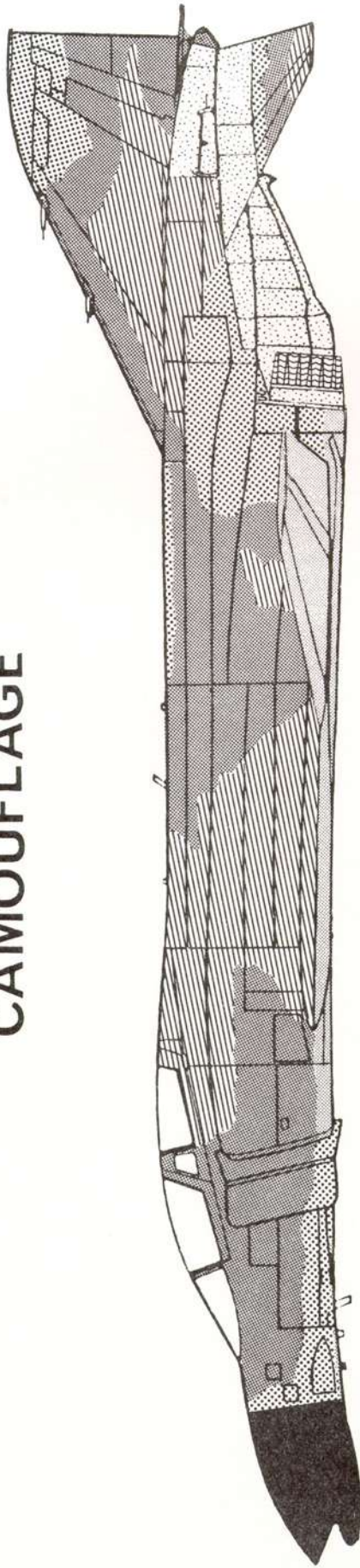
BURNT METAL

BARE METAL

GLOSS WHITE

FS17875

# F-4C/E SOUTH EAST ASIA CAMOUFLAGE



DARK GREEN  
FS34079



GREEN  
FS34102



TAN  
FS30219

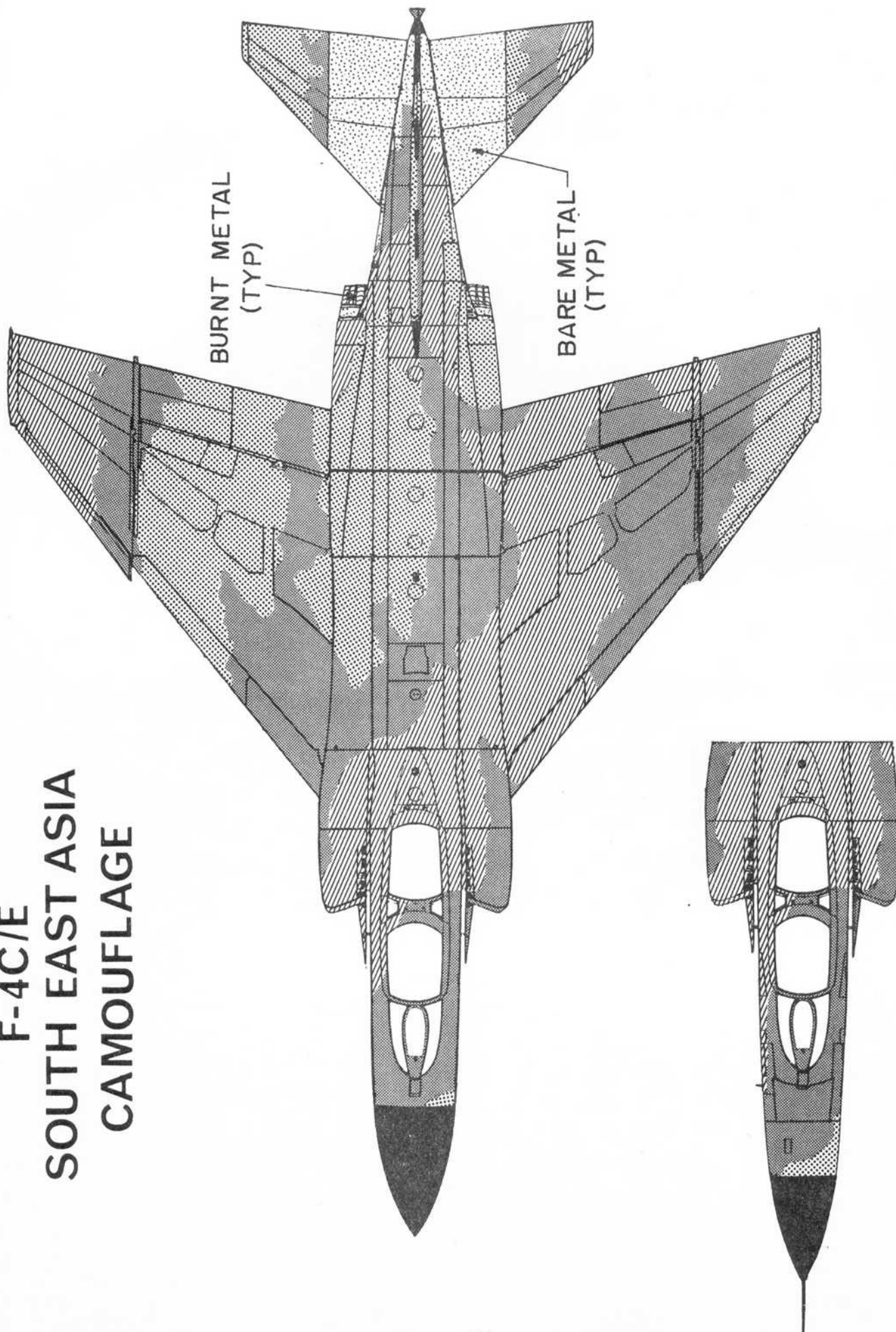


GREY  
FS36622



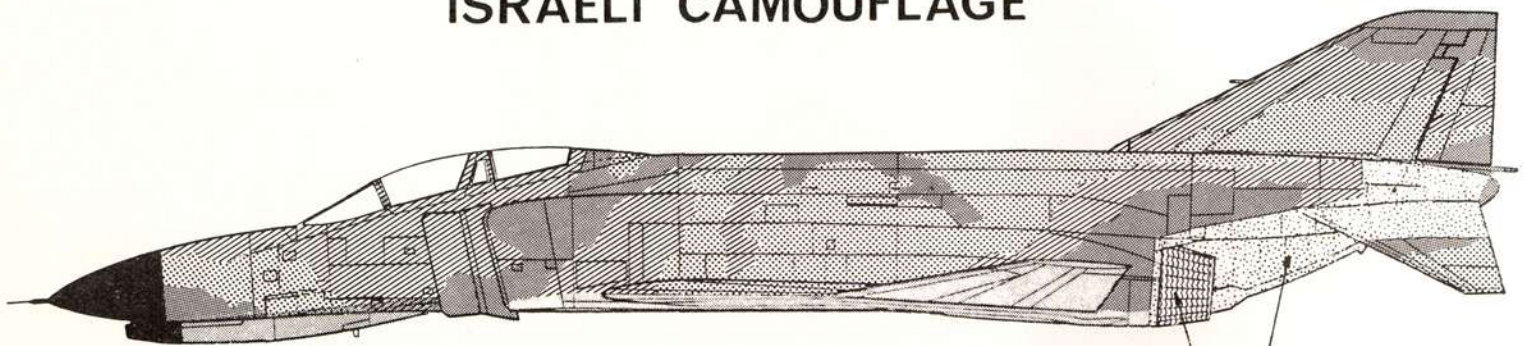
F-4'S IN THIS SCHEME ARE USED BY THE USAF & SPANISH AF  
F-4'S IN THIS SCHEME ARE USED BY THE USAF, GREEK AF, TURKISH AF, ROK AF, RAAF, & EGYPTIAN AF

# F-4C/E SOUTH EAST ASIA CAMOUFLAGE








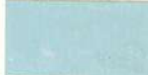
TOP VIEW

# F-4E ISRAELI CAMOUFLAGE

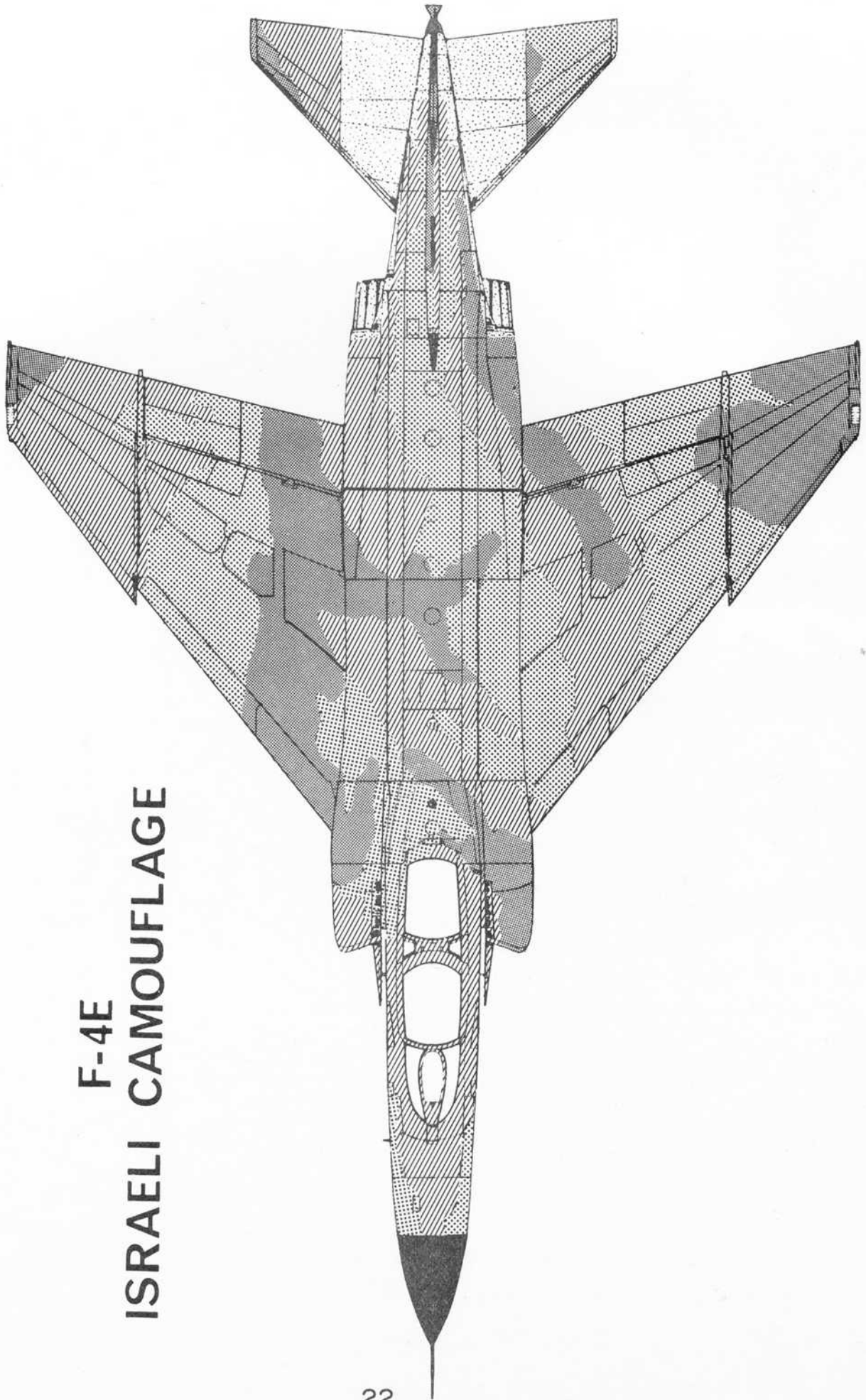


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BURNT  
METAL (TYP) — BARE  
METAL (TYP)

	YELLOW FS33531			GREEN FS34227
	TAN FS30219			PALE BLUE FS35622

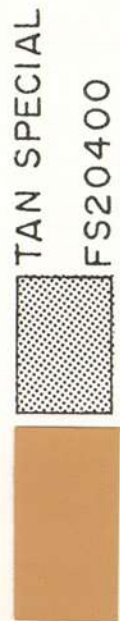
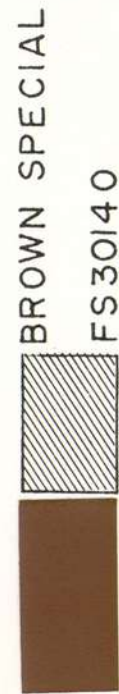
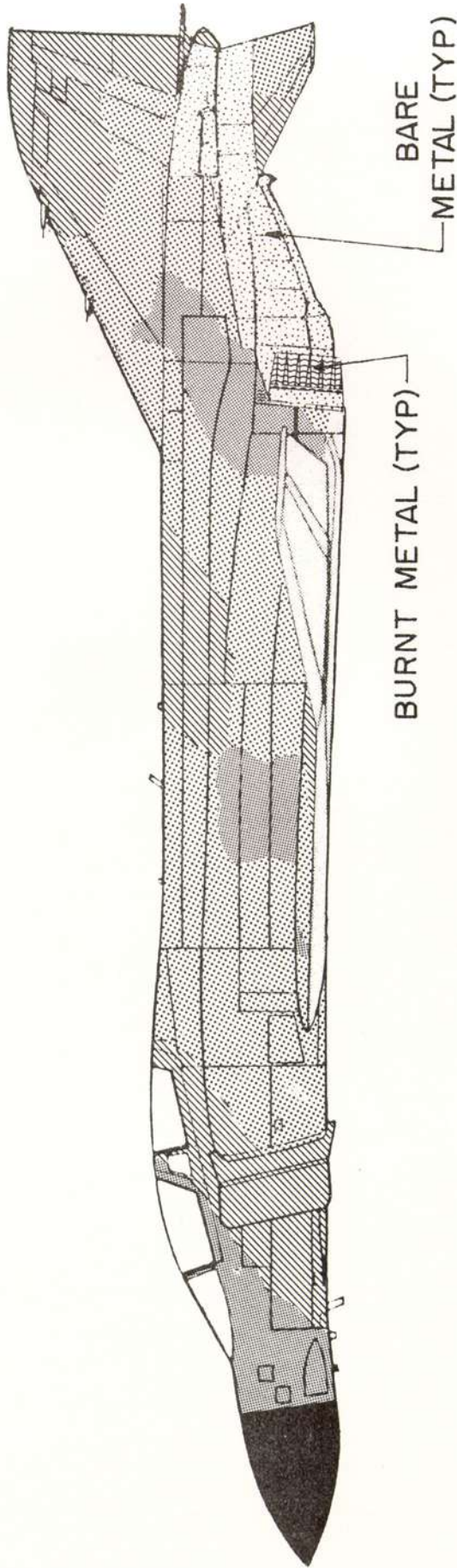
**F-4E  
ISRAELI CAMOUFLAGE**



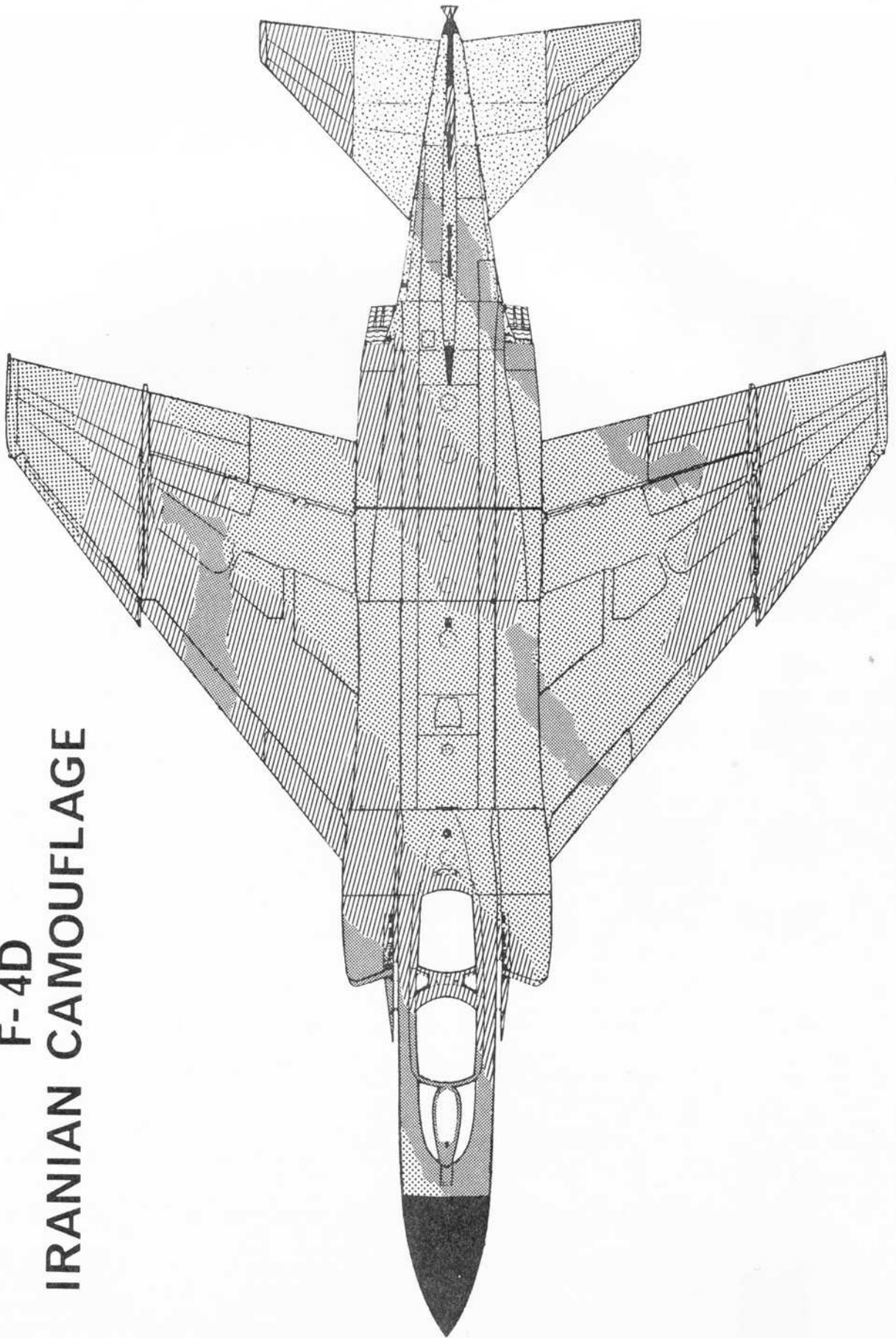
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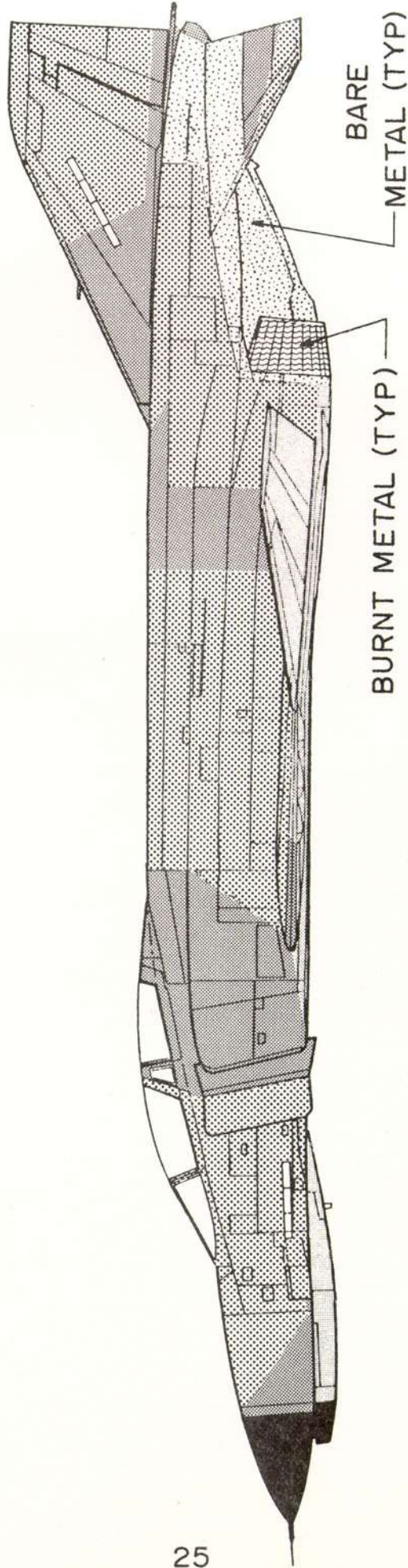


**F-4D  
IRANIAN CAMOUFLAGE**



TOP VIEW

# F-4F GERMAN CAMOUFLAGE



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RAL 7012  
(FS 26152)

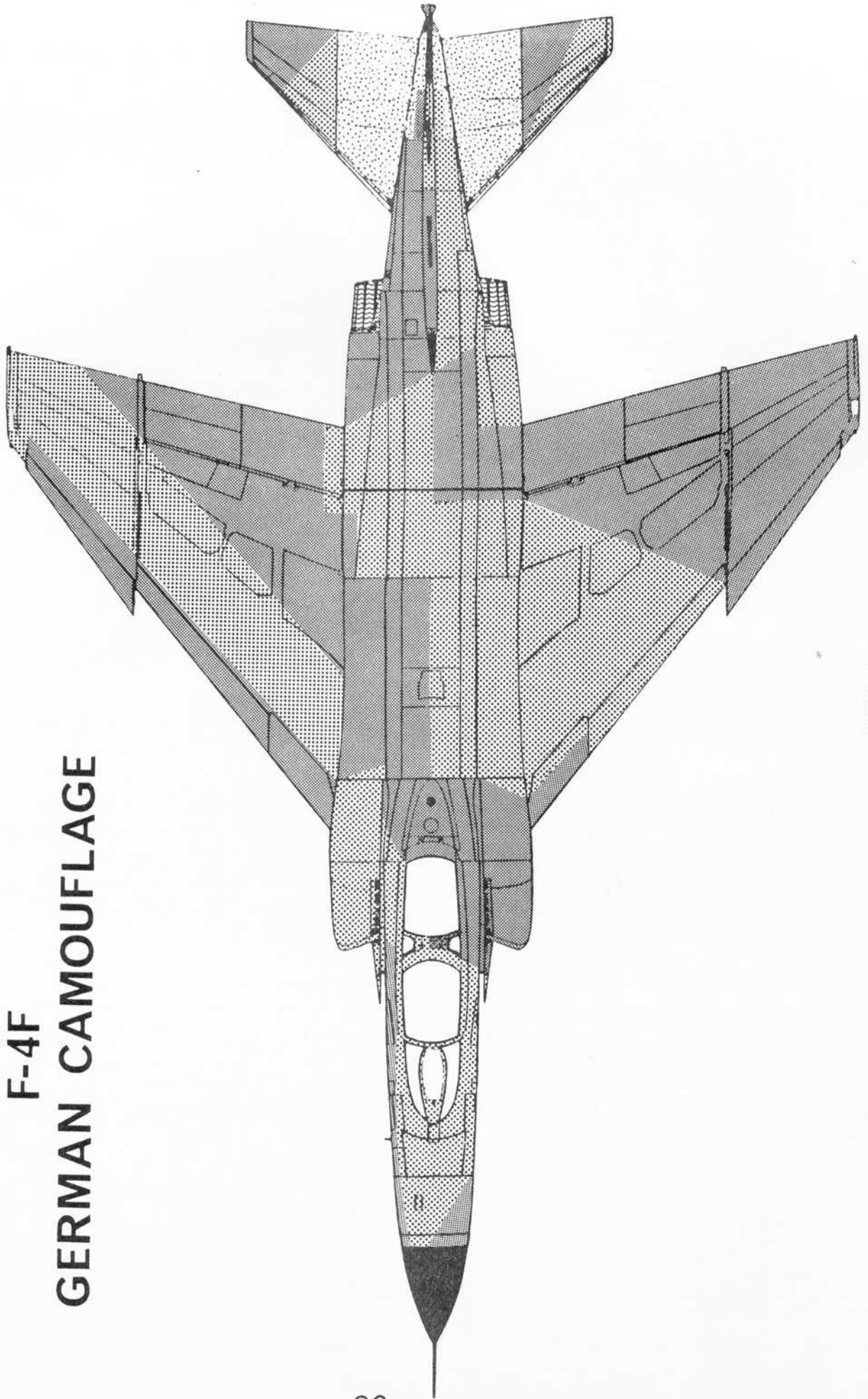


DARK GREEN  
RAL 6014  
(FS 24064)



SILVER  
RAL 9006  
(FS 17178)

**F-4F  
GERMAN CAMOUFLAGE**



TOP VIEW

# F-4EJ JAPANESE CAMOUFLAGE

