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REPORT OF CALIBRATION
of Aerial Mapping Camera

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Camera type: Wild RC30*
Lens type: Wild Universal Aviogon /4-S
Nominal focal length: 153 mm

Camera serial no.: 5224
Lens serial no.: 13241
Maximum aperture: f/4
Test aperture: f/4

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Reference: Leica, Inc., purchase order No. 01600, dated March 28, 1994.

These measurements were made on Kodak Micro-flat glass plates, 0.25 inch thick, with spectroscopic emulsion type V-F Panchromatic, developed in D-19 at 68° F for 3 minutes with continuous agitation. These photographic plates were exposed on a multicollimator camera calibrator using a white light source rated at approximately 5200K.

I. Calibrated Focal Length: 152.598 mm

This measurement is considered accurate within 0.005 mm

II. Radial Distortion

Field angle	$\bar{D}_c$	D_c for azimuth angle			
		0° A-C	90° A-D	180° B-D	270° B-C
degrees	um	um	um	um	um
7.5	-1	-1	0	0	0
15	-1	-1	-2	-1	-1
22.7	-2	-2	-1	-2	-1
30	0	-1	2	1	0
35	1	1	1	1	1
40	1	1	1	0	2

The radial distortion is measured for each of four radii of the focal plane separated by 90° in azimuth. To minimize plotting error due to distortion, a full least-squares solution is used to determine the calibrated focal length. $\bar{D}_c$ is the average distortion for a given field angle. Values of distortion D_c based on the calibrated focal length referred to the calibrated principal point (point of symmetry) are listed for azimuths 0°, 90°, 180° and 270°. The radial distortion is given in micrometers and indicates the radial displacement away from the center of the field. These measurements are considered accurate within 5 um.

* Equipped with Forward Motion Compensation

III. Resolving Power in cycles/mm

Area-weighted average resolution: 101

Field angle:	0°	7.5°	15°	22.7°	30°	35°	40°
Radial Lines	113	134	113	113	113	80	95
Tangential lines	113	113	95	95	113	95	95

The resolving power is obtained by photographing a series of test bars and examining the resultant image with appropriate magnification to find the spatial frequency of the finest pattern in which the bars can be counted with reasonable confidence. The series of patterns has spatial frequencies from 5 to 268 cycles/mm in a geometric series having a ratio of the 4th root of 2. Radial lines are parallel to a radius from the center of the field, and tangential lines are perpendicular to a radius.

IV. Filter Parallelism

The two surfaces of the Wild 420 No. 7436 and the 525 No. 7481 filters accompanying this camera are within 10 seconds of being parallel. The 525 filter was used for the calibration.

V. Shutter Calibration

Indicated exposure time	Effective exposure time	Efficiency
1/125	8.00 ms = 1/125 s	79%
1/250	4.12 ms = 1/245 s	79%
1/500	2.10 ms = 1/475 s	79%
1/1000	1.02 ms = 1/980 s	79%

The effective exposure times were determined with the lens at aperture f/4. The method is considered accurate within 3 percent. The technique used is Method I described in American National Standard PH3.48-1972(R1978).

VI. Film Platen

The film platen mounted in Wild RC30 drive unit No. 5224-596 does not depart from a true plane by more than 13 um (0.0005 in).

This camera is equipped with a platen identification marker that will register "596" in the data strip area for each exposure.

VII. Principal Points and Fiducial Coordinates

Positions of all points are referenced to the principal point of autocollimation (PPA) as origin. The diagram indicates the orientation of the reference points when the camera is viewed from the back, or a contact positive with the emulsion up. The data strip is to the left.

	X coordinate	Y coordinate
Indicated principal point, corner fiducials	0.005 mm	-0.005 mm
Indicated principal point, midside fiducials	0.003	-0.003
Principal point of autocollimation	0.0	0.0
Calibrated principal point (point of symmetry)	0.003	-0.003

Fiducial Marks		
1	-105.995 mm	-106.001 mm
2	106.003	105.990
3	-105.995	105.993
4	106.003	-106.001
5	-111.995	-0.001
6	112.005	-0.004
7	0.002	111.985
8	0.003	-111.995

VIII. Distances Between Fiducial Marks

Corner fiducials (diagonals)

1-2: 299.805 mm 3-4: 299.808 mm

Lines joining these markers intersect at an angle of 90° 00' 05"

Midside fiducials

5-6: 224.000 mm 7-8: 223.980 mm

Lines joining these markers intersect at an angle of 90° 00' 02"

Corner fiducials (perimeter)

1-3: 211.994 mm 2-3: 211.997 mm

1-4: 211.998 mm 2-4: 211.991 mm

The method of measuring these distances is considered accurate within 0.005 mm

IX. Stereomodel Flatness

Drive unit No.: 5224-596 Base/Height ratio: 0.6

Platen ID: 596 Maximum angle of field tested: 40°

Stereomodel
Test point array
(values in micrometers)

The values shown on the diagram are the average departures from flatness (at negative scale) for two computer-simulated stereomodels based on comparator measurements on contact glass (Kodak Micro-flat) diapositives made from Kodak 2405 film exposures. These measurements are considered accurate within 5 um.

X. Lens/Film Resolving Power in cycles/mm

Area-weighted average resolution: 50 Film: Type 2405

Field angle:	0°	7.5°	15°	22.7°	30°	35°	40°
Radial Lines	67	57	57	57	48	48	48
Tangential lines	67	48	48	48	48	48	48

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