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”Vores verden er i dybe problemer – og det samme er målene for bæredygtig udvikling”. Sådan indledte FN’s generalsekretær et møde i et politisk forum om bæredygtig udvikling i juli 2022.

Mange har for længst opgivet, at politikerne er i stand til at lægge egne interesser til side for at hellige sig en stærk, fælles indsats for at undgå ødelæggelsen af vores planet.

Samtidigt brænder Sydeuropa. Under høje temperaturer, som sjældent har været målt i historisk tid, brænder skovene overalt under de høje temperaturer.

I den vestlige verden er fokus i dag på skovbrandene omkring Middelhavet, i Californien, i Australien og i flere sydamerikanske lande. Men i Sibirien er der skovbrande i sådant et omfang, at de tilsammen er større end resten af verdens skovbrande.

De høje temperaturer skaber alvorlige problemer for de hårdest ramte lande. Vandmangel i de store byer og en højere dødelighed end normalt er konsekvensen.

Men hvad nu, hvis det bliver endnu værre? Mange steder er der nu målt over halvtreds graders varme. Det giver et så uvenligt klima, at mennesket må opgive at bo her. I de kommende år skal vi måske vænne os til nye ord som miljøflygtninge eller klimaflygtninge?

Langt mod nord ligger store dele af verdens største ø, Grønland, urørt hen. Enorme vildmarker, som mennesket fortsat ikke har, ja, man kalder det civiliseret, men hvor længe får disse vidunderlige områder lov til at forblive uberørte? Vil disse landområder blive hjemsted for millioner af mennesker, der flygter fra millionbyer?

Grønland har allerede igangsat de første tiltag til at udnytte klimaforandringerens påvirkning af tætbefolkede regioner i andre verdensdele. Det juridiske grundlag for eksport af is og vand er på plads. På et tidspunkt formodes behovet for drikkevand at blive forøget så voldsomt, at en masseeksport af smeltevand fra den grønlandske indlandsis vil blive muliggjort.

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“Our world is in deep trouble – and so too are the Sustainable Development Goals.” This is how the UN Secretary-General initiated a meeting of a political forum on sustainable development in July 2022.

Long since, many have given up on the fact that politicians are able to put aside their own interests to devote themselves to a strong, joint effort to avoid the human destruction of our planet.

At the same time, southern Europe is burning. Under high temperatures, which rarely have been measured in historical times, forests burn everywhere.

In the Western world, the focus today is on the forest fires around the Mediterranean, in California, in Australia and in several South American countries. But in Siberia there are forest fires to such an extent that aggregated they are larger than the rest of the world's forest fires.

The high temperatures are causing serious problems for the most affected countries. The consequences are water shortages in the big cities and a higher mortality rate than usual.

But what if it gets even worse? In many places, more than fifty degrees centigrade of heat has now been measured. It gives such an unfriendly climate that man must give up living here. Perhaps, in the coming years, we will have to get used to new words like environmental refugees or climate refugees?

Far to the north, large parts of the world's largest island, Greenland, lie untouched by human hands. Vast wildernesses that man still does not have, yes, we mentioned it civilized, but how long will these wonderful landscapes be allowed to remain untouched? Vil disse landområder blive hjemsted for millioner af mennesker, der flygter fra millionbyer?

Already, Greenland has initiated the first measures to exploit the impact of climate change on densely populated regions in other parts of the world. The legal basis for the export of ice and water is in place. In the future, the need for drinking water dramatically is supposed to be increased and make a mass export of meltwater from the Greenland ice sheet possible.



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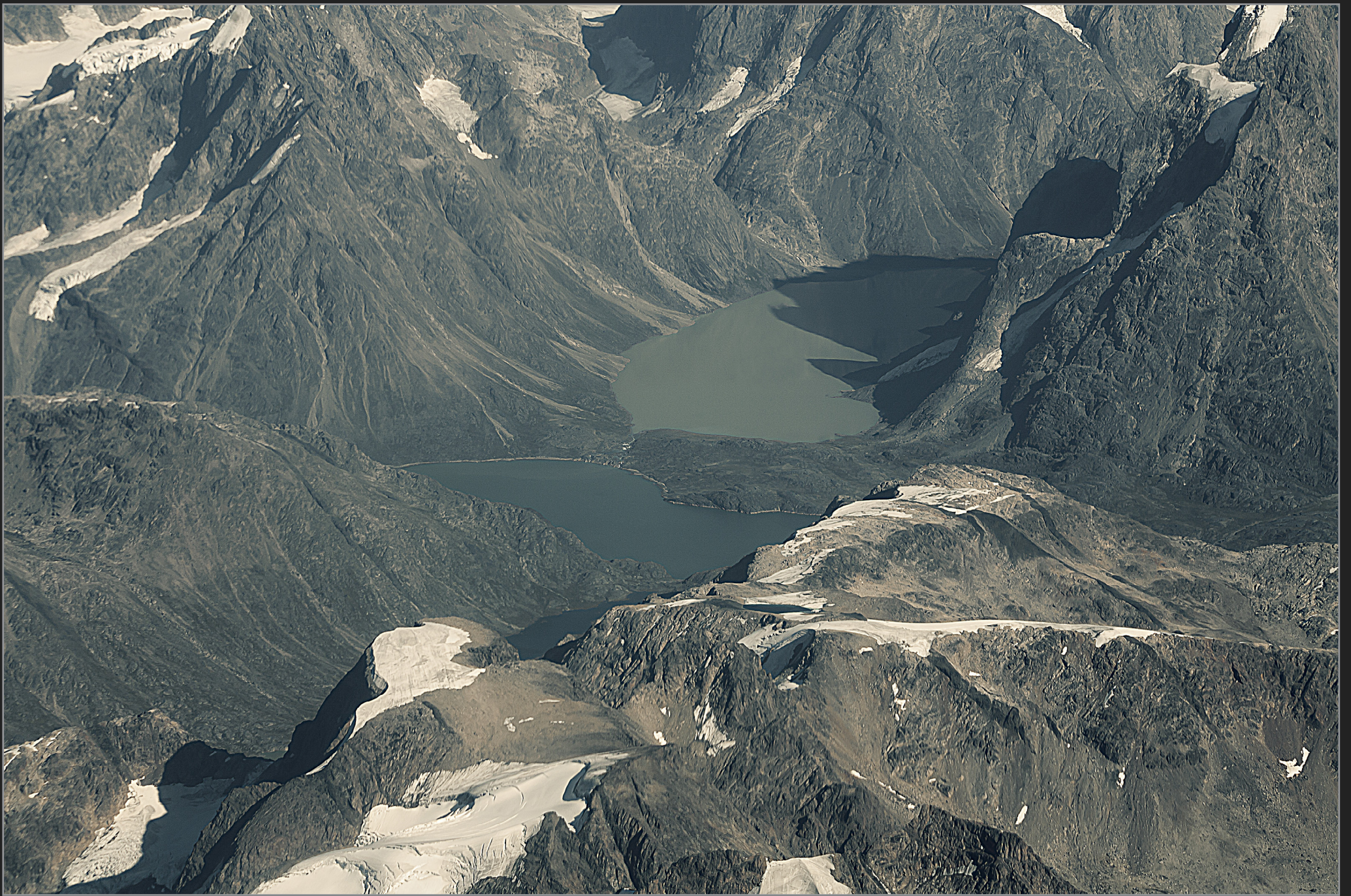
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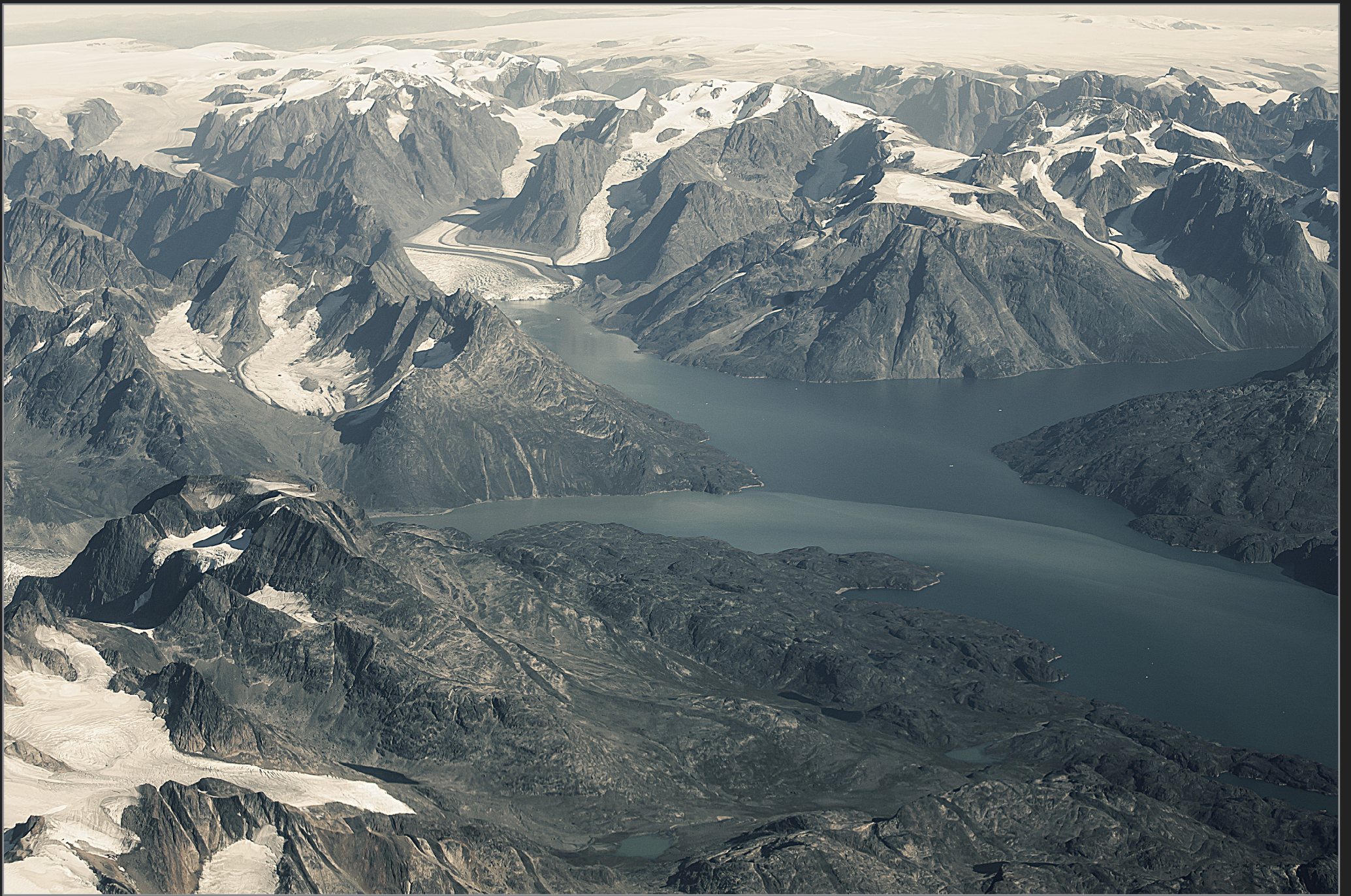
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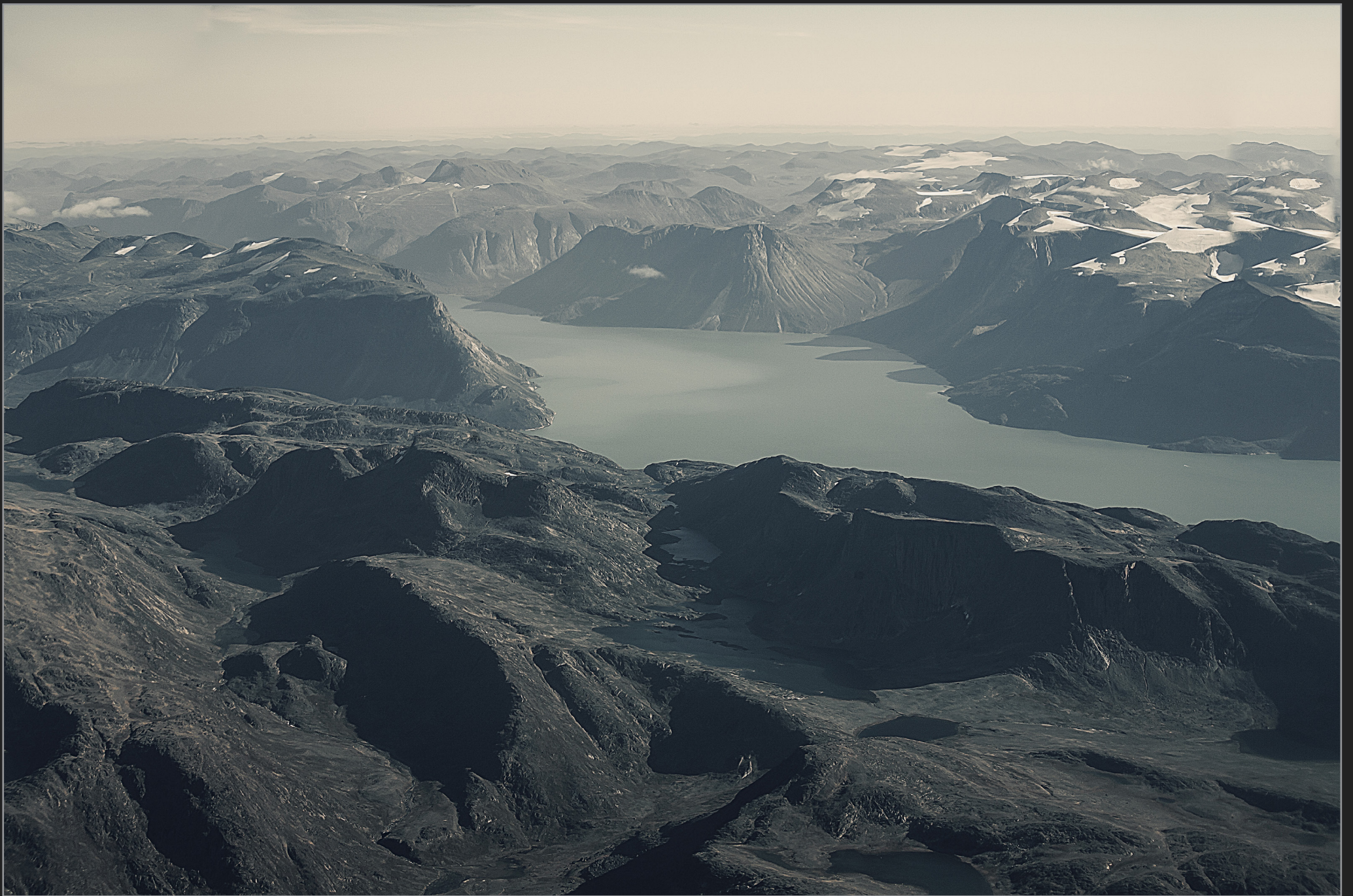
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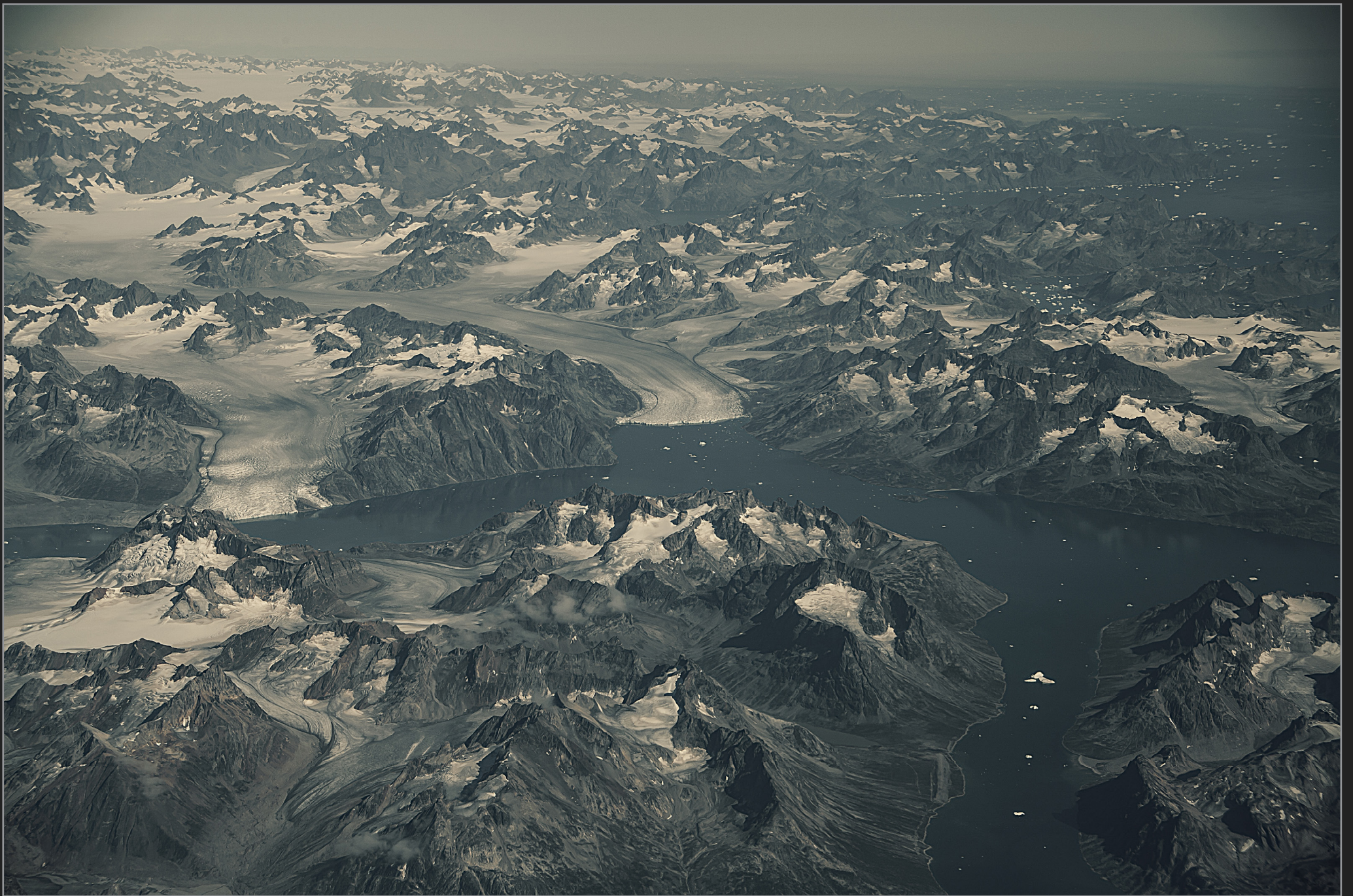
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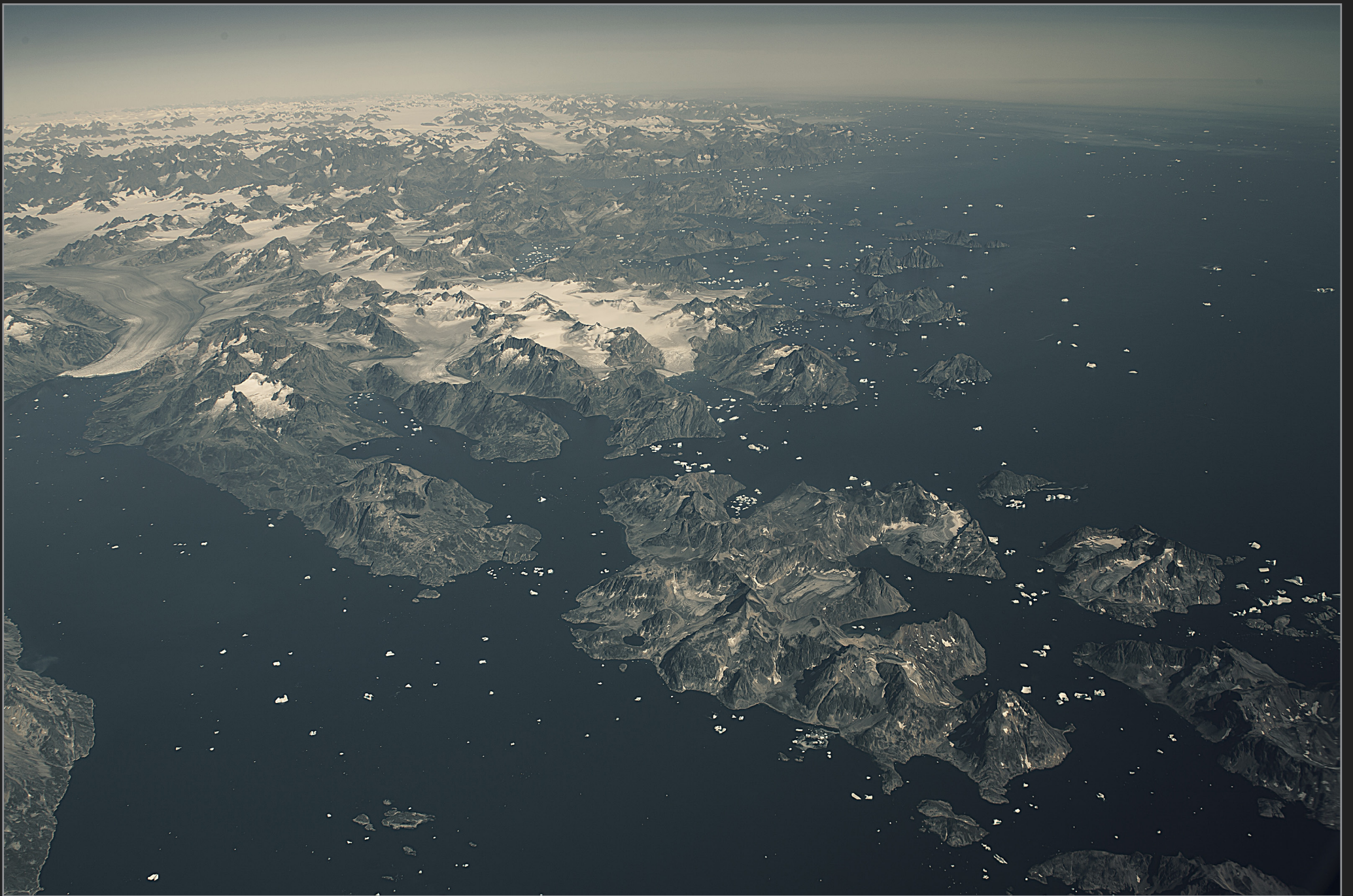
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