

STEMNING  
MOOD

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## Stemning

Det er en af de sidste flyvninger ud af byen før juleferien. Byen er pakket ind i december mørkets dunkle lys. Kun nysneen lysner op.

Heliporten er åbnet og fyldt med mennesker. Det er et godt tegn. Vejret kan pludselig stoppe al flyvning. Intet er aflyst endnu. I et par dage har der været kraftig vind, og ofte er sneen faldet tæt.

Helikopteren er den lokale ”bus” mellem min hjemby Qaqortoq i Sydgrønland til andre bosætninger i Kommune Kujalleqs område. Jeg skal i dag flyve til Atlantflughavnen i Narsarsuaq og videre derfra mod nord.

Stemningen er mættet af spænding. Vi vil gerne afsted, og det er fortsat uklart, hvorvidt vejret og flyselskabet tillader flyvningen i det

her vejr. Vi kender heller ikke vejrforholdene i Narsarsuaq et hundrede kilometer længere inde i fjordsystemet.

Vi kom afsted! To piloter og otte passagerer. Vi bærer alle lydværn for at undgå den høje støj fra rotoren. Nu er vi i luften og svæver et øjeblik hundrede meter over heliportens plads, inden piloten navigerer helikopteren i fuld fart ud over fjorden.

Vi flyver i lav højde hen over fjordens overflade. Sigtbarheden er lav. Jeg stirrer ud på de hvide bjerge, der er omkranset af lave skyer og flygende sne. Jeg oplever en stemning af uovertruffen taknemmelighed ved at opleve dette enorme, øde landskab uden for det lille fly.

## *Mood*

It is one of the last flights out of town before the Christmas holidays in December 2015. The town is wrapped in the dim light of December. Only the new snow brightens up.

The heliport is opened and filled with people. That is a good sign. Suddenly, the weather can stop all flying. Nothing has been cancelled yet. For a few days there have been strong winds, and often the snow has fallen tightly.

The helicopter is the local “bus” between my hometown of Qaqortoq in South Greenland to other settlements in The Kujalleq Municipality. Today I have planned to fly to The Atlantic Airport in Narsarsuaq and from there to the north.

The mood is filled with excitement. We want to departure, and it remains unclear whether the weather and the airline company will

allow the flight in this weather. Nor do we know the weather conditions in Narsarsuaq one hundred kilometres further into the fjord system.

We got going! Two pilots and eight passengers. We all wear sound protection to avoid the loud noise from the rotor. Now we are in the air and hovering for a moment a hundred meters above the heliport’s place before the pilot navigates the helicopter at full speed out over the fjord.

We fly at low altitude above the surface of the fjord. The visibility is low. I gaze out at the white mountains surrounded by low clouds and drifting snow. I experience an atmosphere of unsurpassed gratitude in experiencing this vast, desolate landscape outside the small plane.



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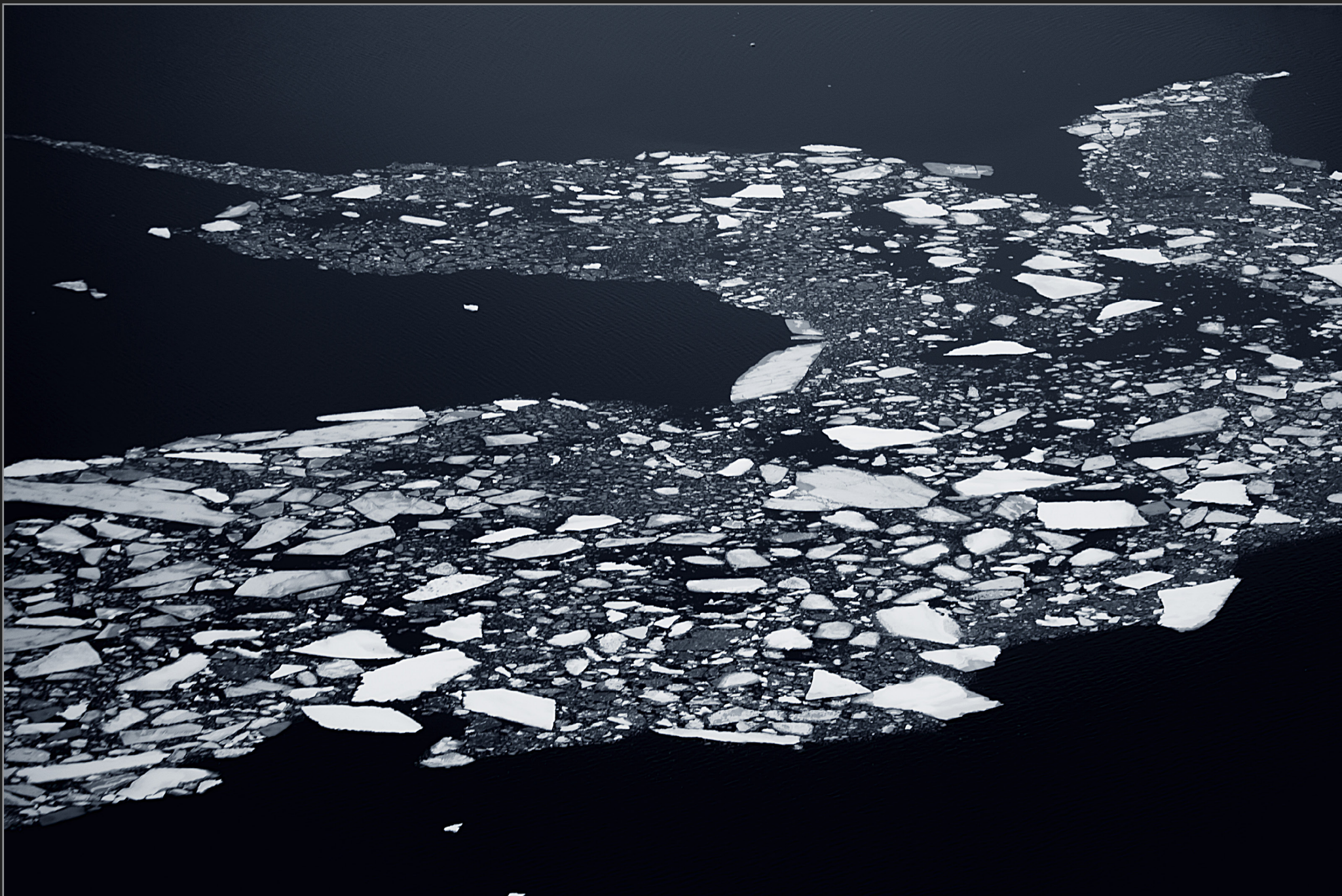
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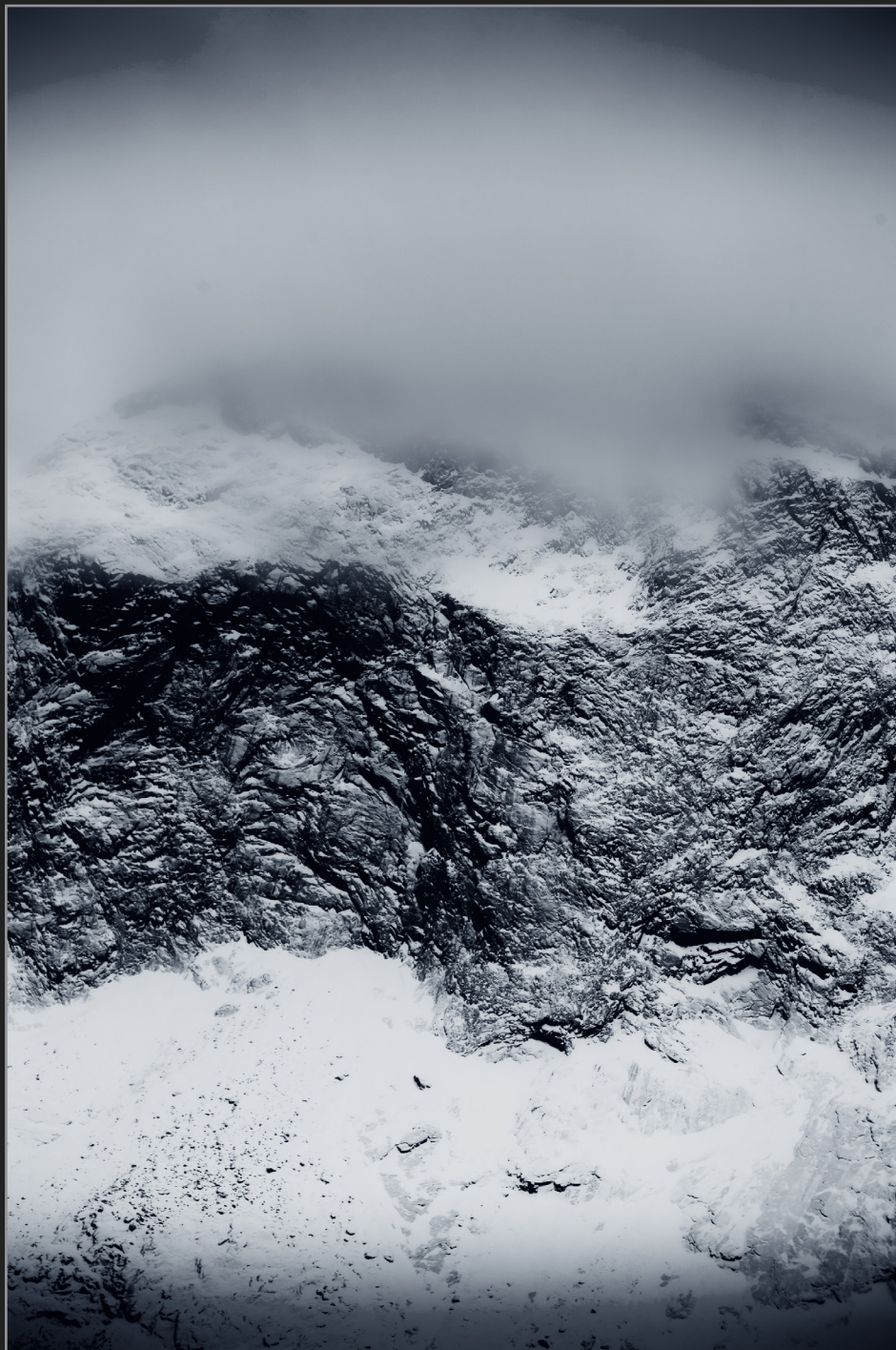
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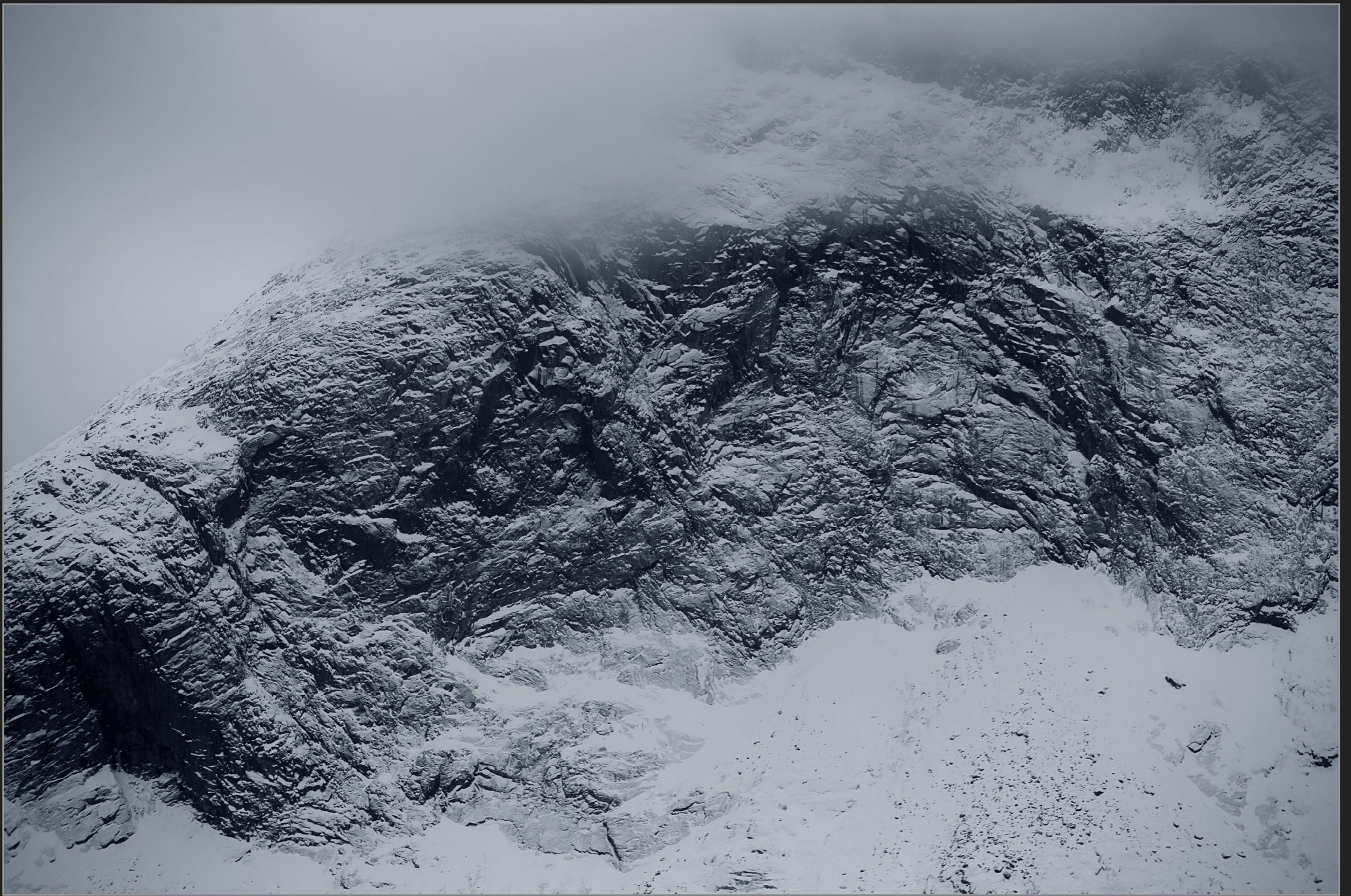
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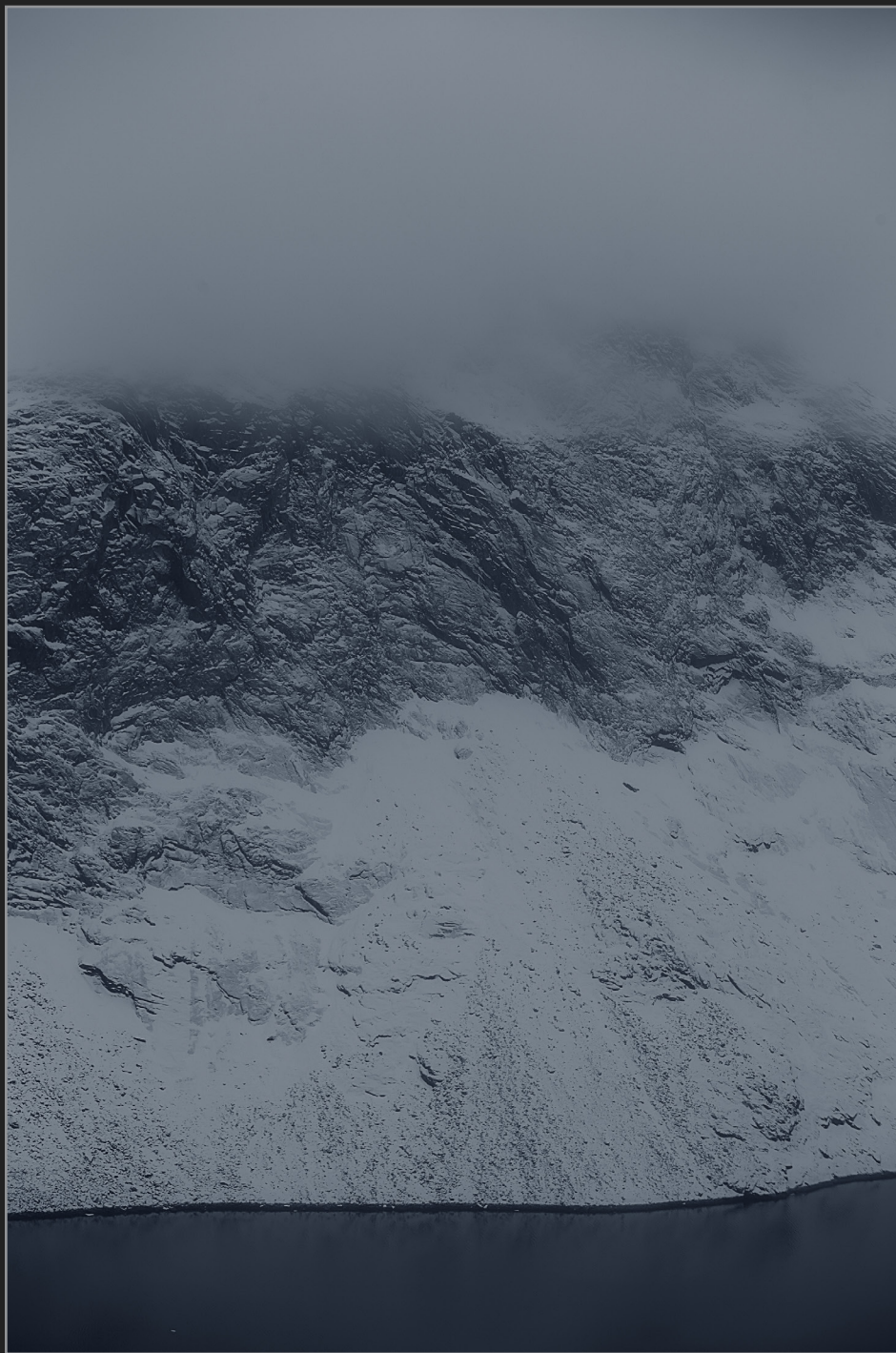
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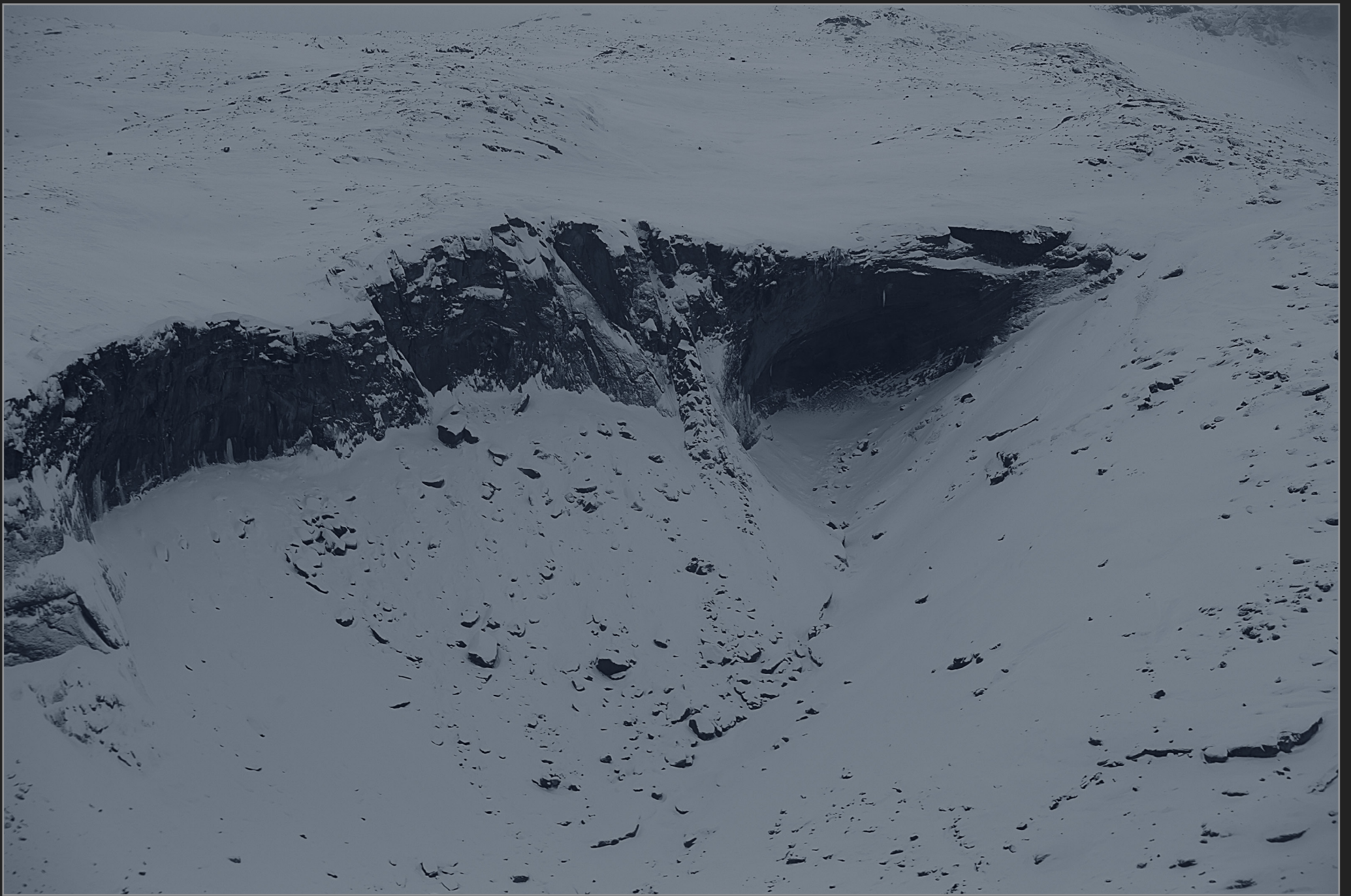
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