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CARRIED OUT IN THE REPUBLIC OF GABON FROM
1 JANUARY 1963 TO 30 JUNE 1966

Submitted by the Government of Gabon

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ACCOUNT OF WORK IN TOPOGRAPHY AND CARTOGRAPHY

The work in topography and cartography carried out in Gabon from 1 January 1963 to 30 June 1966 is set out below.

I. - AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS (by the Institut Géographique National Français)

Gabon is a country which is full of indentations and at the same time very well wooded, and aerial photographs are the sine qua non of almost every study of development and improvement (in mines, forests, communications routes, etc.). Indeed a considerable effort has been made in this field. Besides, it has borne fruit since in spite of the exceptional atmospheric conditions which are almost constantly unfavourable, 145,000 km² have been photographed on a scale approaching 1:50,000. This result has been obtained largely through the use of infra-red emulsions, and a super-wide angle camera of short focal length (Wild-RC.9).

The sheets covered by these photographs are those of : Oyem, Minkébé, Mékambo, Sembe, Kango, Mitzic, Makokou, Baloola, Lambaréne, Boué, Lastoursville, Okondja, Ewo, Mouila, Koulamoutou, Franceville, Ndendé.

At present, throughout the whole of Gabon, 30,000 sq. km only remain to be photographed.

It is worth pointing out in addition that another photograph of the town of Libreville was taken in 1964 on the scale of 1:6,000.

II. ASTRONOMY - GEODESY

Altogether 44 new astronomical points have been pegged and observed since 1963, and this almost completes the whole of the control network of the north, centre and east of Gabon.

It is worth noting also the particularly excellent results obtained recently by the use of a helicopter for taking observation teams to mountainous areas. The result was that the output obtained was 5 times as great as usual.

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SUMMARY OF TOPOGRAPHIC AND CARTOGRAPHIC WORK CARRIED OUT
IN GABON FROM 1 JANUARY 1963 TO 30 JUNE 1966

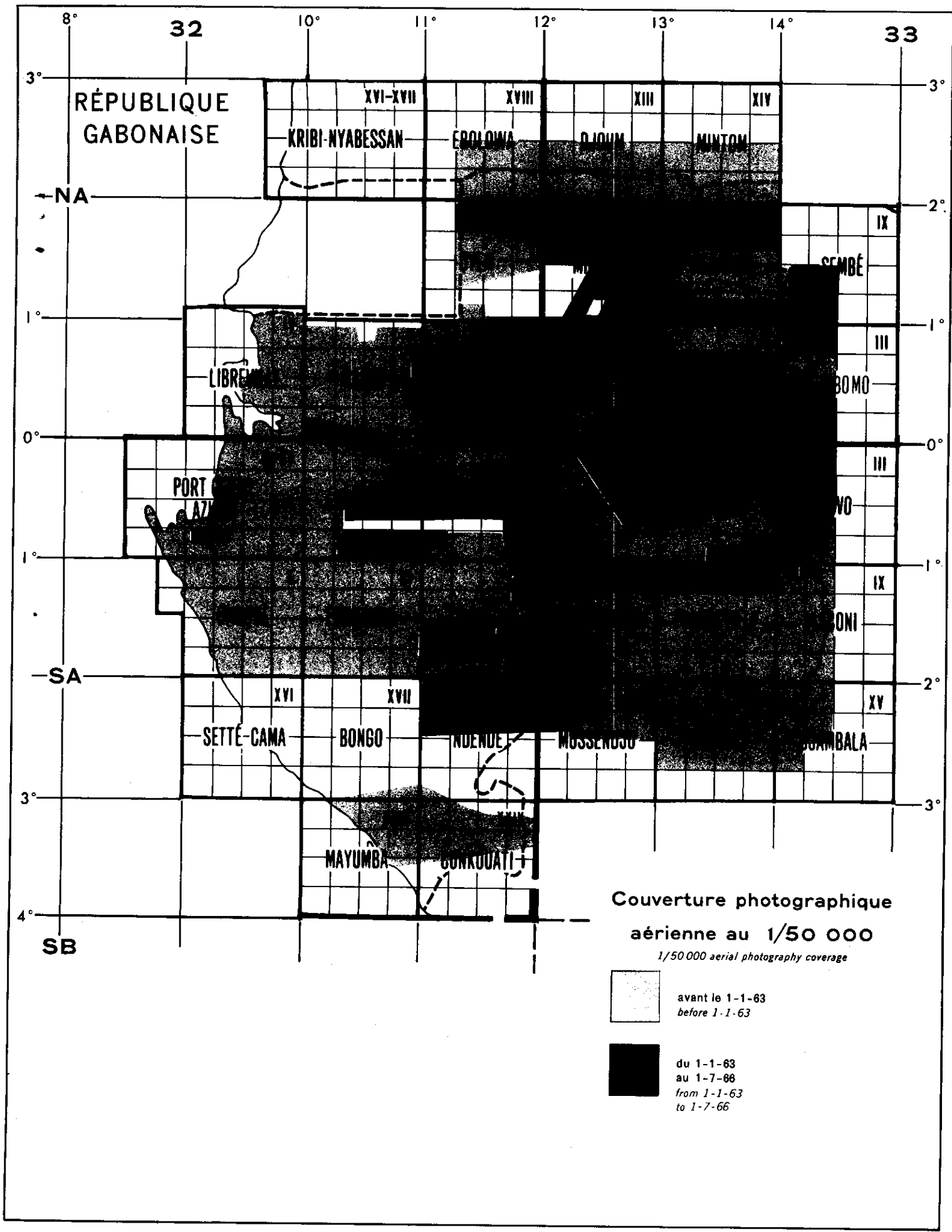
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RELEVÉ DES TRAVAUX TOPOGRAPHIQUES ET CARTOGRAPHIQUES EXECUTES EN
REPUBLIQUE GABONAISE DU 1er JANVIER 1963 AU 30 JUIN 1966

Tableaux d'assemblage présentés par le Gouvernement Gabonais

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RÉPUBLIQUE
GABONAISE

XVI-XVII
KRIBI-NYABESSAN

XVIII
EHOLOWA

XIII
OYOUM

XIV
MINTOM

IX
SEMBÉ

LIBREVILLE

III
BOMO

PORT
GARDIEN

III
BOMO

IX
BOMO

IX
BOMO

IX
BOMO

XV
BOMBALA

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SETTE-CAMA

XVII
BONGO

INDENDE

MOUSSENGOU

BOMBALA

MAYUMBA

KOUKOUATI

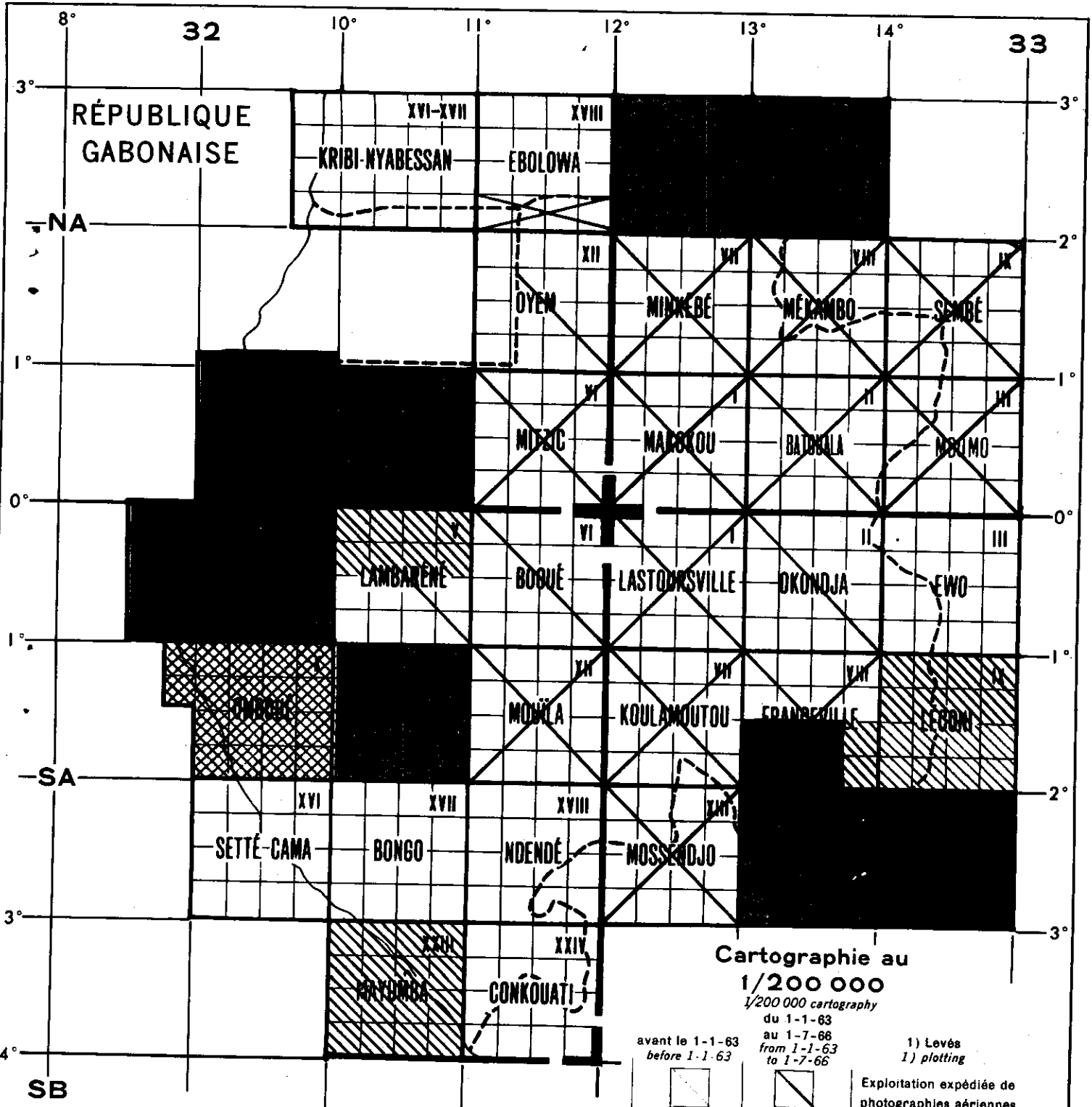
Couverture photographique
aérienne au 1/50 000
1/50 000 aerial photography coverage



avant le 1-1-63
before 1-1-63



du 1-1-63
au 1-7-66
*from 1-1-63
to 1-7-66*



**Cartographie au
1/200 000**

*1/200 000 cartography
du 1-1-63
au 1-7-66
from 1-1-63
to 1-7-66*

avant le 1-1-63
before 1-1-63

1) Levés
1) plotting



Exploitation expéditive de
photographies aériennes
*Expeditious plotting of
aerial photographs*



Restitution régulière
Regular plotting



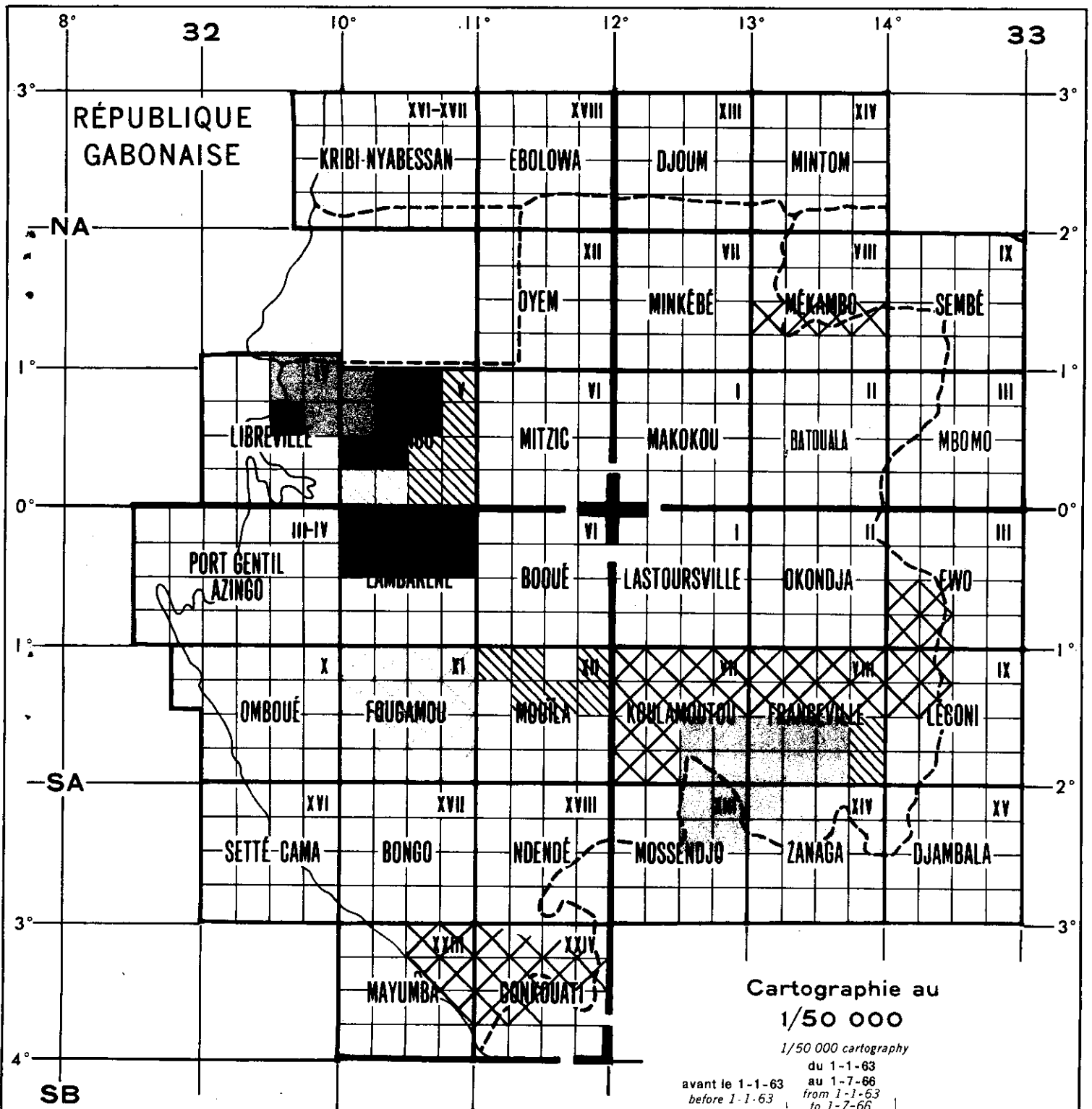
2) Editions
2) Editions
Esquisse planimétrique issue
d'une exploitation expéditive
*Planimetric map made by
expeditious plotting*



Fond topographique
Planimetric map



Carte définitive
Final map



Cartographie au
1/50 000

1/50 000 cartography

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Coupure préparée en
vue de la restitution
Area prepared for plotting

Coupure restituée
Plotted map

Coupure éditée
Edited map