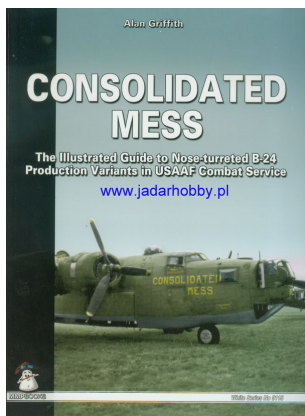


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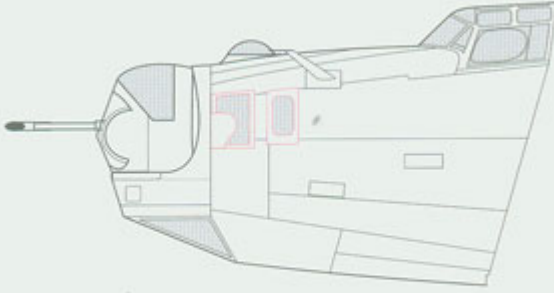
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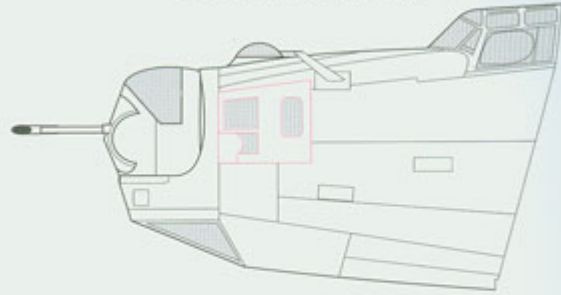
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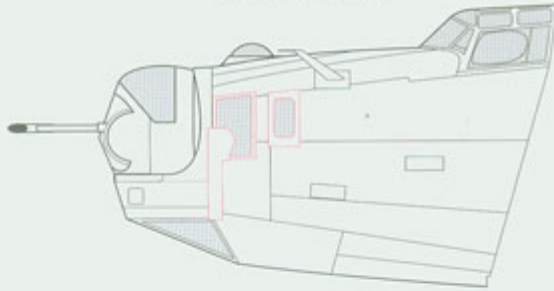
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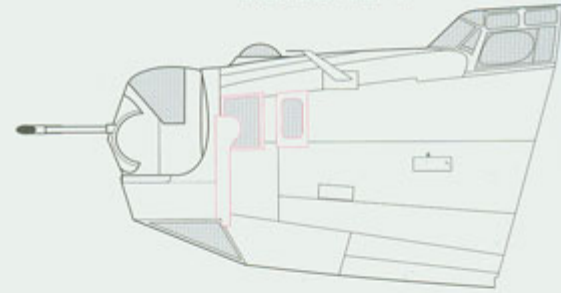
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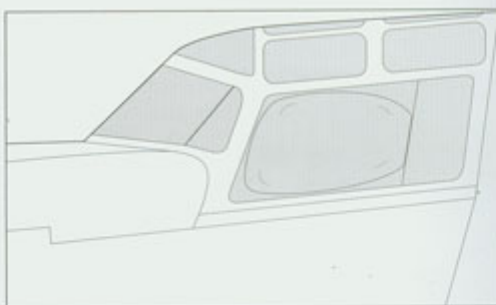


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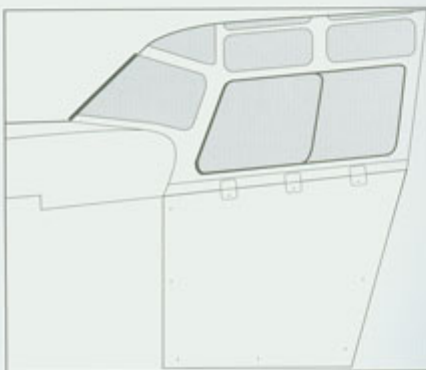
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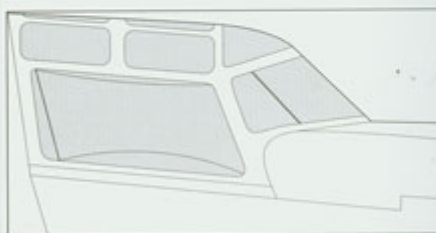
Armoured canopy:

Note the photos and drawing below show the armoured canopy side, armoured windscreen and appliqué armour. The rear of the canopy side bracket has been removed.



Blown canopy side seen on Consolidated Ms.

B-24M-5-CO shown in photo. A very similar window is seen as early as the B-24J-50-CO, such as *Lili Marlene*, 42-73494, 14AF.



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This style side window has also been seen on late-model Consolidated B-24s such as *Problem Child*, an otherwise unidentified aircraft.