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DIVISION OF PEOPLE OF COLOR AND CRIME: A RESPONSE

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Todd Clear posed some issues and asked the Division to respond. I was selected because of my position as Past President and one of the founders of the Division. The responses do not represent the opinions of the Division but my observations over the years (30 plus) as a member of ASC. I have been very active in the ASC and served as a member of the Executive Council. I have been somewhat active in discussions on the future of the Society and thus these opinions are for discussion by the entire membership. As we grow in terms of membership, the growth requires us to look at the future of the organization. ASC has grown to be a very large organization and with the growth has come a feeling of isolation to many of its members. This dialogue is an attempt to address some of the prevailing issues of rapid growth.

My years in the organization have been enjoyable years and I have disagreed on numerous occasions with not only members but with the board as well. Relationships have been established with many members. I value those relationships but as one gets older, those relationships fade because of retirements, and the size of the organization.

Relationships are fostered within the Society and they are established over long periods of time. Those relationships in most cases should lead to a sharing of ideas, collaboration and friendships. To some degree, we share ideas through presentations but even those sharing times are limited now because of the size of the organization. Friendships are now established with a few members but generally that friendship is fleeting. Collaboration with minority scholars by members of the organization is practically non-existent. With the increase in membership over the years, minority scholars increasingly become more and more invisible. We see very few publications in Criminology that are written by minorities, we see very few minority members serving

on important committee's and we see more and more distance within and between groups.

The expansion of the American Society of Criminology in terms of increase membership has created opportunities within the country as well as internationally. Our members now come from all over the globe. The opportunities for globalization of research have not been shared with minorities. The opportunities for collaboration within the states are still a dream. Minorities perceive themselves as being outside of the mainstream of ASC. They perceive that there is not a sharing of information and that governmental organizations that provide funding opportunities find the same people to fund and that the same people make decisions on who will get funded when they sit on review panels. They see that the "old boy" network is alive and well.

The discussions within the Division of People of Color over the years have centered on publications and research or the lack thereof. The publication and research performance of minorities is abysmal. The responsibility for the poor performance not only lies with the scholar but with the system as well. Minorities perceive that they are classified as second class citizens and are excluded from venues that will assist them in publications and research grants. They believe that they are to be included in research projects as victims and or offenders but not included in research as workers who will share the knowledge of the project. Major research studies conducted at some of our best criminal justice programs often do not include minorities as Research Assistant's, Research Associates, or Co-Investigators. If we are going to improve scholarship, we must share our research skills not only with those we feel comfortable with but with those that have been

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D. KIM ROSSMO. A 21-year veteran of the Vancouver (British Columbia) Police Department, has joined the Police Foundation as Director of Research. He is the creator of the geographic profiling methodology and is an internationally recognized expert in serial violent crime investigation.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

COALITION FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE NORTHEAST REGION TRAINING CONFERENCE, June 13-17, 2001, Mashantucket, Connecticut, "Culturally Competent Mental Health Services in Juvenile Justice". Contact Candice Buchanan at 202/467-0864, ext. 8.

28TH CANADIAN CONGRESS ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE, June 20-23, 2001, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Contact address: <http://home.istar.ca/~ccja/cong/cen.html>

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SECOND INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON VIOLENCE AND ADOLESCENCE, July 17-19, 2001, Jerusalem, Israel. For further information, contact ISAS International Seminars: 972-2-6520558 (fax); email: confer@isas.co.il

21st WORLD CONFERENCE: MODERN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION, ORGANIZED CRIME AND HUMAN RIGHTS, Durban, South Africa, August 7-31, 2001. Conference website - www.tsa.ac.za/conf/wccrim.htm. Contact Tasha Houston-McMillan at 2-711-442-6111 (phone); 2-711-442-5927 (fax); tasha@eventdynamics.co.za

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AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION 96TH ANNUAL MEETING, August 18-21, 2001, Anaheim, California. Theme: "Cities of the Future." Members of the ASA and other interested individuals are invited to submit formal papers and informal topics to be considered for inclusion in the 2001 Annual Meeting Program. www.asanet.org/convention/2001/cal14papers.html

FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY, September 6-8, 2001, Lausanne, Switzerland. Conference Theme: European Criminology. For registration and other organizational questions contact: Martin Killias, School of Forensic Sciences and Criminology, University of Lausanne, IPSC - BCH, CH-1015 Lausanne, Switzerland. E-Mail: Martin.Killias@ipsc.unil.ch

FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON RESTORATIVE JUSTICE, September 16-19, 2001, Leuven, Belgium. Theme: Positioning Restorative Justice. For inquiries, email: andrea.ons@law.kuleuven.ac.be

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SYMPOSIUM, "Identifying Problems and Sharing Solutions, September 11-13, 2001, Department of Criminal Justice and College of Education and Human Services, Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, MO. Contact: 660/543-4950 or e-mail: wallace@cmsu1.cmsu.edu

2001 NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE, November 10-14, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Email: ncchc@ncchc

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The outreach in ASC must improve to ensure that when we leave, we will leave a legacy of young researcher of all races and creeds. Most of our grants are from the traditional agencies of the Justice Department and of Education and the National Institutes of Health but when we research those areas to obtain information on numbers of grants awarded to people of color, we find very few names. ASC has increased its membership of racial and ethnic groups but has done very little in reaching out to this group.

Reaching out actually starts in Graduate School. We need to provide the leadership within ASC to ensure that Minority Graduate Students are mentored from the first day they enter a program. We have wonderful schools and wonderful programs in Criminology and Criminal Justice as well as in other disciplines but these same schools do not provide the mentoring necessary to insure that minority students interact with majority students, that they are a part of various programs within the school. How many have worked on grants with major professors? How do we expect them to be successful in a career of research and teaching if we don't train and educate at earlier stages of their careers? We have such a small population of Minority students and we know so little about them in programs or in the ASC. How many enter Criminology/Criminal Justice programs around the country and how many graduate? What is the time to degree within programs compared to other programs? What kinds of support do we provide? The National Institutes of Health provides minority supplements for Principle Investigators who are willing to work with minority scholars. These minority supplements provide additional funding for Principle Investigators to work with Minority Scholars. ASC provides a minority scholarship but we don't have data on what happens to those that we fund.

CoraMae Mann who just retired from Indiana University, spent many years teaching at Florida State where she mentored many African American students who are very successful today. CoraMae never had a major grant throughout her career and it was not because she did not try. A major grant would have allowed her to mentor more students in Research. Her scholarship was individual for the most part. Her publications were also written without partners except for her books. Within our discipline, we work in a solitary way most of the time. Whereas other disciplines work in groups and publish in groups. We need to rethink how we conduct research within the discipline. What can we do or better yet, what can the ASC do to change the way we do our research. We need to involve more minority researchers in projects throughout the country.

The Division of People of Color and Crime was formed under the leadership of Freda Adler when she was President of ASC. The Division has had wonderful support through scholarship offerings for minority scholars, through the annual dance to raise funds for fellowship support and through programs at the meetings. The Division has tried to get others involved at its sessions but the attendance at panels, as been mostly Division members. We need to support the panel sessions. Plenary sessions very seldom include issues that are relevant to the Division nor do they include Division members. We need to increase member-

ship within the division, and members should be encouraged to join regardless of color. The Division was formed primarily to discuss issues of race and ethnicity and we can't do that in a vacuum. The Division needs mentors who are willing to write and conduct research with members.

Leadership

ASC must exert its leadership to include all people within the organization. Each and every member must believe that the organization is there to serve all members. The organization must reach out as it has done for International members. We must get our minority scholars involved in the organization and give them the opportunity that most of us enjoy within ASC.

We need to actively promote members to participate in governance within the organization. We have never had a minority President and have only had two minority Vice Presidents and one Executive Counselor in the history of the organization. We all have valid reasons for not nominating minority members but the reality is that we don't involve Asians, Native Americans or Hispanics to any great degree in the governance of this organization. We continue to have great leadership within ASC but we must reach out and train others to take over leadership positions within the organization. Todd Clear has started the dialogue on race and ethnicity, lets keep it going.

At our last annual meeting in San Francisco, an old timer remarked that she remembers when all of the members of ASC could fit into one ballroom I too remember those days but we have come a long way baby! With our growth, we have made some changes in structure but many more changes need to be made. The most compelling issue is the issue dealing with the future organizational structure. Sarah will not be with us forever and when she retires, which direction should we take the ASC? Should we employ a full time executive director and if so, should we move to Washington, D.C. where we can be more visible?

Sarah is doing a wonderful job in day to day operations of the organization but when she retires, we will need about three or four more people to do the job that Sarah is doing with her small staff. Sarah has grown with the organization and provides a personal touch for us all but the day is rapidly approaching when she will retire and the institutional memory will no longer be a part of the organization. We will then become much more formal keeping most of the information about ASC within computers. We will need more staff to answer questions about every aspect of ASC. We will move to a system of computerization so when we call, we will get an automatic response on the phone rather than speaking to a real person. We will need an accountant to keep day-to-day fiscal reports. We will need someone to instantly respond to questions concerning issues that deal with criminology/criminal justice. Essentially, we are becoming an organization much more complex thus the need for a business manager or Executive Secretary. Who that person should be and what those duties should entail should be left up to the board.

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Office location has always been an issue for the membership. Should we move the office from Ohio State where the cost of operation is low to Washington, D.C. where we could have a more physical presence? Would Washington, D.C. improve the statue of the American Society of Criminology? My answer is no because we can make our presence known from any place on the globe. We are no longer are a local organization but a global organization and with communication improvements, we can respond to issues from anyplace, at anytime. The cost of running the organization from Ohio State is much less than running the organization from Washington, D.C. Prior to making a decision on whether or not to move or to stay, we should look to our sister organization, i.e. The Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences and obtain information on cost and benefits of moving to the D.C. area.

Should the organization take a stand on critical issues around the globe? I have always been in favor of the organization taking a stand on issues. ASC has only taken a stand on one issue that I can recall and that was on the death penalty some years ago. The stand against the death penalty created a critical divide among the membership with some members leaving the organization. As a result of the division among the members, ASC formed a Policy Committee. As far as I know, the Policy Committee functions in a non-threading way. Our Division, has critical issues which affect the entire world but which affects minorities in a much more personal way. Issues such as the relationship between race and crime, the death penalty, profiling, use of excessive force, deadly force, and discrimination within the system. We would like the entire membership to not only study the issues but also respond as a unit and express an opinion as the ASC! If we are going to continue to respond individually to critical issues, then there is not a need to have an office within walking distance of the D.C. area. We don't lobby, we don't respond to critical issues as an organization so why should we be in the D.C. area.

Should ASC and ACJS utilize identical staffs for conference meetings to lower the expense? My answer to this issue would again be no because at each conference site, it is cheaper to hire local conference people to assist in running the conference for the few days on site. A more critical issue is the rising cost of hotels. Should we continue to have meetings in large cities or should we move to smaller cities that have less hotel cost? Most of us belong to more than one organization but the rising cost of attending meetings may mean that we must eliminate attending more than one national meeting a year. I believe a combination of big city, little city would make sense.

What about having Regional meetings and national meetings. ACJS has regions and people have an opportunity to get to know members on a more personal basics and also junior members have much more of an opportunity to present at these meetings. At the national meetings, very few, if any request for presentations are rejected but we are rapidly getting to the point where we will have to reject papers. Most of the sessions are poorly attended and often times, the presenters do not show up for the panels. We need to seriously look at the question of reducing panels and at the issue of regionalization.

Finally, the Division of People of Color and Crime is opened to all members and we invite you to join with us in finding solutions to the above issues of discrimination, research, membership, enrollment and fellowship.

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Ancillary material such as budgets, work schedules, and human subjects review documentation should not be included. A special session will be held at the annual meetings during which award winners will have the opportunity to present their work. In 2002, the annual meetings will be in Boston, March 7-10. Eligible students are encouraged to submit four copies of their proposal by the deadline of October 15, 2001 to the committee chair:

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MIRRA KOMAROVSKY BOOK AWARD

The Mirra Komarovsky Book Award Committee welcomes nominations of outstanding scholarly books in sociology to be considered for this award. Books on any sociological subject are eligible. To be eligible for consideration, a book must have been published during the three years ending March 2002, and at least one of its authors must be an ESS member. Self-nominations are accepted. A special session will be held at the annual meetings, during which award winners will have the opportunity to present their work. In 2002, the annual meetings will be in Boston, March 7-10. Nominations should provide full publication information (including date of publication) and should be sent by October 15, 2002 to the committee chair:

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EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

A number of European criminologists held an informal meeting at The Hague approximately one year ago, and resolved to organize a *European Society of Criminology (ESC)*. Over the last months, that Society has been formally established with an official seat at the Institute of Criminology of the University of Cambridge (UK). As the composition of the Board and the heterogeneity of its rapidly growing membership indicate, the *ESC* is emerging as a comprehensive, trans-European organization in the field of criminology.

The *ESC* will organize open conferences, with participation from colleagues across Europe, as well as from countries outside the European continent. As a general rule, the language used at the conferences will be English. Plans to create an *ESC* sponsored journal which will be distributed to all *ESC* members are currently under review.

The *ESC* meetings will become particularly useful as a platform for interaction and exchange for Americans wishing to make contact with European colleagues, just as the American Society of Criminology meetings have been of value to Europeans seeking contacts with Americans.

The first annual meeting will be held at the University of Lausanne, Lake Geneva (Switzerland), September 6-8, 2001. The 2002 meeting will be held at the University of Castilla-La Mancha at Toledo (Spain). It is planned to hold future meetings at various locations throughout Europe in an attempt to stimulate interest across the European continent.

Colleagues desiring to attend the *ESC* meetings in Lausanne, or who would like to obtain information about the *ESC* in general should contact:

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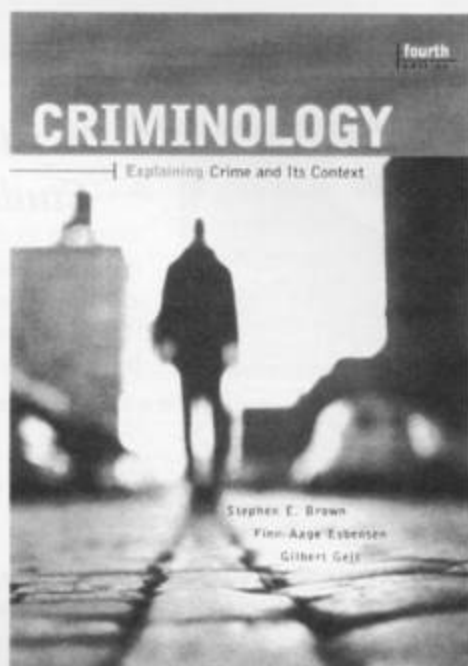
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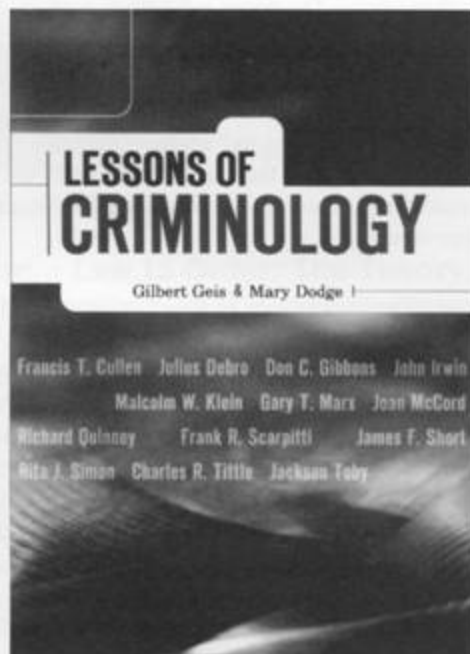
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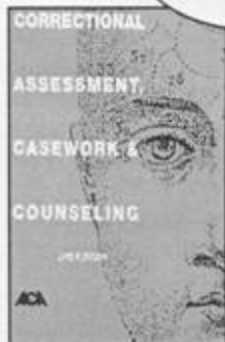
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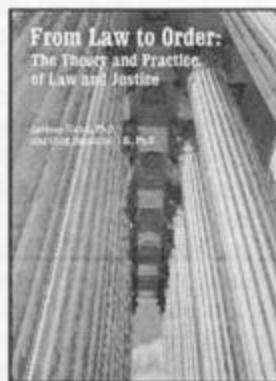
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America's Growing Use of Incarceration

The past two decades have produced a profound and historic shift in the use of imprisonment within the United States. In 1980, there were less than 500,000 people imprisoned in the nation's prisons and jails. Today we have nearly two million and the numbers continue to rise. We are spending over \$35 billion annually on corrections while many other government services for education, health and human services and public transportation are hard pressed to meet the need for such services.

More alarming is the fact that the use of imprisonment has been highest for African American and Hispanic males. It is now estimated by the U.S. Department of Justice that approximately one third of all Black males will experience state prison in their lifetime. We also know that much of this increase in the use of imprisonment is directly related to the nation's war on drugs policy which has also dramatically increased the incarceration of women -- mostly for drug crimes. Furthermore, the high growing incarceration rates have resulted in nearly 1.5 million children (or 2 percent of the entire population under age 18) having a parent incarcerated.

The philosophy towards incarceration and its purpose has shifted from one of rehabilitation between the turn of the century and the middle of the 20th century to a philosophy of deterrence and, more recently, retribution. At one time, it seemed that prison was reserved for violent offenders who posed a threat to public safety and to those who were repeatedly convicted for felonious acts. More recently, a heightened fear of crime among the voting public coupled with economic prosperity has created a criminal justice system that imprisons persons who have never been convicted of violent crimes and who have had no prior convictions.

The single justification for incarcerating so many Americans is that it reduces crime. This is, perhaps, the most hotly debated topic today. Some criminologists have argued that increasing prison populations not only reduces crime but actually saves money to taxpayers. It is essentially a two variable equation which claims that as incarceration increases crime rates decline.

There have been a number of major studies conducted by criminologists which, at a minimum, question the utility of incarceration as an effective crime control policy. The National Academy of Sciences in its two Panels (Deterrent and Incapacitation Effects and Criminal Careers and "Career Criminals") concluded that there is no systematic evidence that general incapacitation and selective incapacitation has had or could have a major impact on crime rates. Similarly, a 1998 review of "what works" concluded that while the incarceration of offenders who will continue to commit crimes would reduce crime, it also noted that "... the number of crimes prevented by locking up each additional offender declines with diminishing returns as less active and less serious offenders are incarcerated."

Criminological theory and research clearly demonstrate that the causes of crime are complex and varied. While the response of the criminal justice system can have some impact on crime, it cannot in the long run be the most effective nor desirable policy for a society and its policy makers to adopt. In the United States, the use of incarceration may well have exceeded its potential benefits and needs to be reexamined and curtailed.

The Role of Drugs, Race, Ethnicity and Gender in Higher Incarceration Rates

War on Drugs

A major reason for the dramatic increase in the U.S. prison population and associated increases in the number of Blacks, Hispanics and women, has been substantial increases in the numbers of persons sentenced to prison for drug crimes. Back in 1980 the number of prisoners convicted for a drug offense was only 19,000 or about 6 percent of the state prison population which numbered less than 300,000. By 1998 the numbers had increased by 237,000, or 21 percent of the state prison population. Furthermore, the average sentence for drug offenses had increased from 13 months in 1985 to 30 months by 1994. Many of these offenders are simple drug users who have no record of violence and who pose little danger to public safety.

Race

African Americans and Hispanics are grossly over represented in the prisoner population, and that this over representation has increased over the past two decades in concert with the selective enforcement of certain forms of drugs use which are associated with race and ethnicity. The degree of over representation in prisons varies greatly from state to state. Although a major reason for this level of over representation is the higher rate of arrests for crimes one can be sentenced for to prison for Blacks and Hispanics, there is a growing body of research suggesting that arrest practices in certain jurisdictions are based, in part, on race. There is also evidence that discrimination persists in other key criminal justice decision points including pretrial detention, prosecution, sentencing, parole board release and parole revocations which serve to further aggravate incarceration rates.

Gender

There have been even more dramatic increases in the number of women incarcerated than we do for men. Between 1980 and 1999, the total number of incarcerated males increased 303 percent whereas that number increased 576 percent for females. Although the incarceration rate in state and federal correctional institutions is about 15 times higher for men than women, the increase in the number of women in these facilities has outpaced the increase for men each year since 1995. These higher increases in incarceration rates are not explained by increases in violent crime arrest rates or more serious criminal histories for women.

Prison Conditions

Most prison systems are crowded with inmates housed in areas that were designed for program and recreational use. Not only does overcrowding contribute to prison violence, it may abort efforts to provide prisoners with vocational, educational, medical, mental health, and other treatment services. Significant numbers of the inmate population is either idle or not receiving basic educational and vocational services that would serve to enhance their ability to succeed in securing meaningful employment upon release. Further, large proportions of the U. S. population that has been diagnosed with life-threatening infectious diseases are passing through the nation's jails and prison systems each year without treatment while incarcerated or after release.

Recommendations to the ASC Membership

1. Given the absence of scientific evidence that incarceration by itself reduces crime rates and its excessive use may have a negative impact on American society, the Society urges criminologists and policy makers to seek ways to reduce rather than increase or maintain the current use of incarceration. Such studies should initially focus on the relative effects of mandatory sentencing laws, increasing lengths of stay and recent increases in technical parole violations as these are the three largest and current contributors of prison growth.
2. Criminologists and policymakers should be especially concerned about the exceedingly high incarceration rates of African American and Hispanic males and the dramatic increases in the numbers of women and children being incarcerated. We believe these rates of imprisonment are having a devastating impact on certain segments of American society and local communities. We would urge the ASC and its membership to conduct studies that would examine the long-term implications of high life time incarceration rates for certain minority populations. The line of work can help us to understand the social cost of incarceration.
3. Related to the first two recommendations, studies are needed to evaluate the effects of the War on Drugs with particular attention its role in increasing rates of imprisonment for African Americans, Hispanics, women

4. Criminologists need to develop new methods for estimating the impacts of criminal justice legislation on minority populations and, in the absence of a compelling reason, to not pass laws that are believed to have disparate impacts. Additionally criminal justice agencies should adopt monitoring systems to uncover possible racial, ethnic, and gender biases in their decisions to incarcerate.

5. Studies are needed to examine prison and jail conditions and its impact on those who are experience incarceration as well as on their families and communities. In particular, studies of prison violence, the use of solitary confinement for prolonged periods of time, institutional crowding, access to rehabilitative programs, and other aspects of the prison experience are needed.

6. Experimental demonstration programs should be undertaken to test the most effective ways for reducing incarceration in the United States without jeopardizing public safety. In particular, the federal government should encourage state and local governments to explore methods for reducing admissions to prison, reducing the period of incarceration and rates of probation and parole violations ex-offenders who are unlikely to pose a threat to public safety.

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