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Credentials Committee sets the stage in D.C.

By Mary B. Adams

The Democratic Party's 1976 Credentials Committee met in a three-day session June 28-30 at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.

The purpose is to receive and act on challenges to seat or unseat delegates to the 1976 Democratic Convention scheduled for Madison Square Garden in New York City July 11-16.

The 153 delegates from 50 states were welcomed by the Democratic National chairman, Robert S. Strauss.

MARYLAND

Representing Maryland were Mrs. Mary B. Adams, former city councilwoman, Baltimore; Lt. Gov. Blair Lee, Annapolis, both Jimmy Carter delegates and Mrs. Jeanne Kirkpatrick, Montgomery County, a Jackson delegate.

The first order of business was to elect a permanent committee chairman.

Acting chairman, Senator Alan Cranston of California was the unanimous choice after being nominated from the floor by Lt. Gov. Blair Lee of Maryland.

Sen. Cranston, in his acceptance, gave the committee a bit of history when he stated that, "The work of the Credentials Committee really began at the last convention in 1972, when the Democratic Party mandated the establishment of the Mikulski Commission, to review the whole delegate selection process and propose new rules.

"The commission after full public discussion over a long period of time, proposed a set of twenty rules to govern the delegate selection process for 1976."

NEW RULES

The new rules require that state parties submit delegation selection and affirmative action plans to the Compliance Review Commission for approval, thus many questions of law had been decided by Hearings Officer prior to action by the Credentials Committee.

What was left for the Credentials Committee to do was to decide whether each state delegate selection process fully complied with the new Delegate Selection Rules for 1976, adopted January, 1975 by the Democratic National Convention.

The Credentials Committee sat as a court applying party laws to determine challenges and became the forum for all Democrats who believed that they had been aggrieved or slighted to publicly present their case.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Under the revised system, the only grounds on which a delegate may be challenged is that there had been a violation of state delegate selection process or Affirmative Action Plan, which states in part that:

"In order to encourage full participation by all Democrats with particular concern for minority groups, native Americans, women and youth in the delegate selection process and in all party affairs, the National and State Democratic Parties shall adopt and implement affirmative action programs."

The members of the Credentials Committee each received copies of the Report of the Comnlaince Review Commission which had been chaired by Major Robert F. Wagner.

The report contained 42 challenges which directly affected 18 states or territories, which included the following types of challenges:

1. Those relating to the presidential candidates' right to appoint delegates.

2. Challenges over the selection of at-large delegations in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New York and West Virginia.

3. An eligibility challenge came in from Pennsylvania.

4. There were twenty-three due process challenges covering Hawaii, Virginia, Democrats Abroad, Colorado, Mississippi, Vermont, North Carolina and the Virgin Islands.

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5. Five challenges dealing with proportional representation from Puerto Rice, Mississippi, Minnesota, South Carolina and New Hampshire.

VIOLATIONS

In preparation to resolve each challenge, the Credentials Committee members read the briefs, listened to and questioned arguments of counsel and respective state delegates.

In every challenge, the central question before the Credentials Committee was whether any delegate selection process or Affirmative Action Plan had been violated.

Most importantly, deliberations were based on facts which enabled the committee to apply the National Party's governing principles of delegate selection.

DR. PATRICK

One of the most colorful and convincing challenges came from the state of Pennsylvania and was masterfully presented by the Rev. Dr. Leroy Patrick of Pittsburgh, who is chairman of the Pa. Black Democratic Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Patrick challenged the seating of the Pennsylvania delegation at the upcoming National Democratic Convention on the basis of discrimination in the election of the state's 11 uncommitted At-Large delegates by the State Democratic Committee.

Dr. Patrick contended that the Affirmative Action Plan of the State Committee was violated in that no blacks were elected among the 11 uncommitted At-Large delegation.

MINORITY BALANCE

The selection of the 11 uncommitted At-Large delegates was assigned to the State Democratic Committee for the purpose of allowing it to balance its total delegation with blacks, women, youth and other minorities.

This challenge was disallowed by the Hearings Officer of the Compliance Review Committee of the Democratic National Committee.

Dr. Patrick appealed the Hearings Officer's recommendation before the full meeting of the Credentials Committee which devoted an entire morning session to Dr. Patrick's case.

TWO BLACKS SEATED

Finally, when the facts were in the Credentials Committee voted to seat two black citizens among the 11 uncommitted delegates and to add one black to the Pennsylvania list of alternate delegates to the National Convention.

Dr. Patrick accepted the compromise as the best that could be obtained although he had petitioned for three blacks to be placed on the list of 11 uncommitted delegates.

He further stated that two and a half blacks represented a good partial victory for all blacks and minorities in the state of Pa.

The Rev. Dr. Patrick is pastor of the Bethesda United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

I was particularly impressed with the fact that young blacks were represented in all areas such as committee staff persons and black attorneys on the Legal Counsel for the Committee.

WHO WAS THERE

Some black staff members from the National Democratic Committee on hand to serve members of the Credentials Committee included Ms. Linda Seagraves, assistant director of Minority Affairs; Ms. Cecilia Jarovich, staff assistant of the Compliance Review Commission; Ms. Amelia Parker, assistant director of Communications; Azie Morton (the only member over 30 years of age), assistant to the chairman and Frank Cowan, director of Minority Affairs.

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STATE DELEGATES

Of course black citizens were included in state delegate selections for the Credentials Committee with a breakdown as follows:

Alabama 1 out of 2; California 1 out of 12 Colorado, 1 out of 3; Georgia, 1 out of 2; Kentucky, 2 out of 2; Maine, 1 out of 1; Maryland, 1 out of 3; New Hampshire, 1 out of 1; New York, 2 out of 12; Virginia, 1 out of 1; Washington, 1 out of 3; Wyoming, 1 out of 1; Democrats Abroad, 1 out of 1.

West Virginia was represented by Attorney Ruth Harvey Charity as one of 3 co-chairmen of the Credentials Committee.

STRONG INPUT

Black members of the Credentials Committee were exceptional in presenting arguments in support of Affirmative Action Programs and consistently voted their convictions.

In fact, the Credentials Committee conducted its business in a more calm and friendly atmosphere than anticipated. According to Senator Cranston, "There was great harmony and compromise throughout. The old system of dumping delegates committed to some other candidates was out."

He further stated, "Back work anymore and not just because so many delegates are supporting one candidate, Jimmy Carter, but because new rules had been adopted to insure the broadest participation without discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion, ethnic identity or economic status in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs.

GOV. LEE

Attorney Edward J.

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Department of Recreation

Winston Recreation Center
1101 Winston Ave.
396-6357

On June 28, Winston Recreation Center began conducting a Fun Camp for children 5-12 years of age, for a seven-week period.

The campers will meet at the center every weekday morning at 9 a.m. and will be supervised in many enjoyable activities for a full day.

Red Letter Activities include: Hat Show, July 8; Doll and Stuffed Animal Show, July 15; Cookout, July 22; Variety Show, July 29 and Sports Day, August 5.

Trips and special events include: Washington Zoo, July 9; Greenbriar State Park, July 16; Gunpowder State Park, July 23; Elk Neck State Park, July 30 and Roller Skating, August 6.

Regular activities are: nature, volleyball, active games, softball, swimming, wrestling, dance, basketball, field games, hockey, crafts, story hour, quiet games, movies, trampoline and music.

Note: Age groups are 5-6; 7-8 and 10-12.

Lyndhurst Playground
835 Allendale St.
566-2888

General rules and regulations: Only children 5-13 years of age will be allowed in Fun Camp which ends Aug. 28.

Registration Notice: The Lyndhurst Fun Camp begins on June 28, at 9:45 a.m. and ends on Aug. 20, at 3 p.m. On the days that it rains, the Fun Camp will not operate but limited activities will be offered. To register, you can acquire registration forms at Lyndhurst, Mon.-Fri., 2-9:45 p.m.

Lunch Program: Each child may bring his-her own lunch or may participate in the Free Lunch Program. Please provide thermos bottles or plastic containers for beverages if your child brings his-her lunch.

Trips: All trips will cost $2 this year, per camper. All trips will be on Wednesdays.

Swim and Splash Program: Members of our Fun Camp will swim at Carver High School this year. The bus will leave at 1 p.m. and return at 3 p.m. Each swimmer must be at least 40" tall to the shoulder. Each swimmer must have a bar of soap, a towel, a bathing cap and suit. Sprinklers will be used by those campers too short to go swimming.

Age Groups: Group A, 5-7 years; Group B, 8-10 years; Group C, 11-13 years.

Daily activities include: tennis, swimming, water play, physical fitness, relays, volleyball, basketball, ping pong and table games and dancing.

Trip Days: Washington, D.C. Zoo, July 7; Greenbriar Park, July 14; Enchanted Forest, July 21; Hershey Park, Aug. 4; Sandy Point Park, Aug. 11; Surprise Trip, Aug. 18 and Kings Dominion, Aug. 25.

Red Letter Days: Gymnastics Show, July 8; Drama Play, July 15; Games Contest Day of Camp, July 22; Mock Wedding, July 29; Song and Dance Show, Aug. 5; Basketball Game, Aug. 12 and Party, Aug. 19.

Waverly Recreation Center
34th and Frisby Sts.
396-6385

Summer Program runs through Aug. 20. The center opens 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Camp is offered to campers 5-12 years old from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Activities include Monday: Boys Whiffleball League; nature class, arts and crafts, boys relay races, lunch program, girls whiffleball, boys soccer and swimming.

Tuesday: Red Letter Day, lunch program, girls quiet games, boys softball and swimming.

Wednesday: girls dodgeball, Boys Whiffleball League, story hour, boys quiet games, lunch program, co-ed volleyball, swimming.

Thursday: girls tournament; boys soccer, lunch program, co-ed whiffball, swimming.

Friday: boys tournament, nature, arts and crafts, lunch program, girls active games, boys softball, swimming.

Swimming at Lake Clifton every day. Transportation is provided and all swimmers must have bathing caps. Bus trips and Birdland dates will be posted on the bulletin.

Clean-up Waverly Lot 10-10:30 a.m. everyday. Free lunches to be given to those children who

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(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Phillips)

NOT HIS THING—For little kennard Moss, Jr., swimming in the Druid Hill Park pool is not his way of cooling it, even though he gets a lot of support from dad (Kennard Moss, Sr.).

(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Phillips)

IN THE AIR—Eric Murrell, 15, demonstrates his diving ability at the Druid Hill Park Pool. The pool is open to the public from noon-7 p.m., Monday thru Friday and is free of charge. Swimmers must bring their own bathing attire.

Urban Services Agency

Through the Coordination of the "Youth Development Program" the following summer activities and programs will be available to youths residing within the Urban Services boundaries:

— Summer Lunch Program — 40 lunch sites
— Special Baltimore Summer Corp Projects — 60 worksites
— Special Recreation Support Programs; - Mobile Fun Wagons and Champ Mobiles, Mobile Arts and Crafts Program, Sidewalk Library — 24 community locations; U.S.A. Youth Day Celebration, Various trips to recreational, educational and cultural points throughout the City, State and neighboring States.
— Day Camp Programs
— Operation Birdland
— Tutorial Programs
— Sewing Classes
— Talent Shows
— Employment Programs; Youth Assisting the Elderly (YATE); Help Employ Youth (HEY) Odd Job Program
— Youth Forums with guest speakers
— State-Wide Youth Conference

For additional information about these activities and other Youth Activities sponsored by the Agency, please contact the Urban Services Agency's Program or Center in your community or call the Youth Development Program Office at 396-1754.

The Operation Champ Summer Program will consist of the following activities:

THREE MOBILE UNITS: Each mobile unit will go to programming sites six (6) days per week. For the nine-week period of June 28 to Aug. 31, the mobile units will have serviced 54 sites.

The projected schedule also includes the Sunny Sundays Program at the Baltimore City Inner Harbor. Special requests for Sunday activities will be considered if they do not conflict with scheduled programs.

Each mobile unit will carry the following equipment: trampoline, basketball, volleyball, pool, bumper, table tennis, shuffleboard, bike-a-rama, spin bucket, quiet games.

Showmobile: The special projects will provide instructional classes in: basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, boxing, karate, swimming, and weightlifting.

The Showmobile is a 36 foot mobile stage. Entertainment such as instrumental groups, fashion models, drama groups, and variety acts will be presented. This mobile unit will operate on the average of four days per week.

SUMMER LEAGUES

Softball: boys, 9-12 and 13-16; girls, 18 and under.

Basketball: boys, 9-12, 14-16, 18; girls, 9-12, 18.

Operation Champ Day — Sept. 3, Arlington & Lanvale 12 noon-8 p.m.

NOTE: All requests for the mobile units must be made one (1) month in advance. No requests will be taken for the Showmobile.

Center Area "A"

Activities include: trip, King's Dominion; young adult "Splash Party" at Nixon's Farm; trip, Hershey, Pa.; Youth Day Festival for Waters AME Church; production of "Pimp & the Predigy" (Play);

Also, Second Annual "Miss Inner City" Pageant; Mardi Gras Festival, and trip, Rocky Point Beach.

Center Area "B"

Activities are: ecology class, lunch program, reading, swimming, modern dance, sewing, physical fitness, quiet games, arts and crafts, grooming, rap sessions, music appreciation class, field trips, ping pong and drama.

CENTER AREA "D"

Activities are: ecology, lunch program, tot-lot, Clean Block Campaign, creative writing, arts and crafts, grooming, sewing class, music appreciation, drama, modern dance, field trips, basketball, swimming.

Center Area "E"

Special Activities: Field Day, turtle race, relay games, 50 yd. dash, sack races, broad jump, potato race, center picnic

Cycling, participation ½ day with lunch program; Swim in beach or public pool; hiking trip, camping, fashion show

Regular Activities: billiards, table tennis, arts and crafts, grooming and sex education.

Center Area "F"

Activities are: trip, Wildwood, N.J.; Druid Hill Park Family Outing; Special projects: "Our Version of Anything Goes"; street bazaar; splash party; Clean Block, Closing for Baltimore Summer Corps Enrollees

Center Area "G"

Activities are: swimming, ecology, physical fitness, Summer Lunch Program, Clean Block Campaign, Film Day, softball team, Sandy Point trip, roller skating party, sight-seeing tour of Washington D.C., boatride, Columbia, Md.

Center Locations

Teen Center Area "A", 901 E. Eager St., 685-0076.

Teen Center Area "B", 1608 E. Lafayette Ave., 563-9490.

Teen Center Area "D", 705 Newington Ave., 669-7550.

Teen Center Area "E", 1002 W. Lanvale St., 225-0323.

Teen Center Area "F", 631 Gold St., 728-3789.

Teen Center Area "G", 1310 W. Lexington St., 728-5775.

(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Phillips)

SUMMER OFFERS loads of activities for little ones. Here Francine Street and daughter, La Deu, 6, take off for an afternoon dip. In addition to swimming, city agencies and private organizations are offering supervised programs for every age group.

YWCA Young Women's Christian Association

YWCA Centers in Baltimore, Glen Burnie, Reisterstown, Bel Air and Lutherville are offering classes designed to add fun and growth to summer days for adults and children.

At Central Center, 128 W. Franklin St., tennis, slimnastics, dance — including creative modern, jazz, tap, ballet and swimming for adults, teens and children are taught. International Division continues offering English classes for the foreign born. Two trips are scheduled. A tennis clinic is conducted at Druid Hill Park and another at the Samuel Ready School, 5150 Baltimore National Pike. For information or registration for any of these programs, the number to call is 685-1460, The YWCA.

At the YWCA Center at 35 Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd., Glen Burnie, classes are held in art, assertiveness training, auto mechanics, ballet for adults, guitar, interior decorating, belly dancing, slimnastics, batik, flower arranging, macrame, needlecrafts, quilting, creative jazz and tap.

Bereavement Outreach Network. Diet Workshop and Craft Club for kids are also held at 35 Baltimore - Annapolis Blvd. Swimming classes are at Friendship International Hotel; tennis at Third Avenue Courts and Aerobic Dancing at Lindale Junior High School. For information or registration, call 768-2500.

Classes sponsored by the Harford County YWCA Center, 2023 Emmorton Rd., Bel Air, include art, arts and crafts, guitar and first aid. Aerobic Dancing is held at the Starlight Arena, Edgewood, Md. Three bus trips are planned. Swimming is held at the pool in the Bright Oaks Apartment development. For information the phone number is 879-0780.

The YWCA Center at 31 Lan Lea Drive, Lutherville, is conducting classes for teens in grooming, wardrobe planning, nutrition, exercise, arts and crafts, swimming and "How to Start Your Own Business." Phone is 252-4230.

The YWCA at 1912 Madison Ave. is also

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Community calendar

July 2-4

Douglass High School Classes of February and June 1946, 30th Class Reunion. Activities include a Re-Acquainted Party, Hilltop Inn, July 2; Brunch Splash Party and Fashion Show and Dinner Dance, June 3, Marlin's West. For information call: Ann C. Snowden, 466-6173 or Richard Willis, 624-0270.

July 3

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil R. Redmond mark 25th wedding anniversary, Retail Hall, Monument Street, 4-7:30 p.m.

July 4

Clayton Chorus conducts a worship service, "Fireworks and the Holy Spirit," directed and narrated by Bernice Branford Lewis, St. Phillips Baptist Church, 1014 N. Carrollton Ave., 3 p.m. The Rev. Nathaniel Johnson, pastor.

Folklorist Mary Carter Smith will present a multi-cultural experience in poetry, storytelling, and song at Koinonia, 8 p.m. Koinonia is located on Greenspring Valley Road.

JULY 8-9

The Interdenominational Church Ushers Association of Maryland, Inc., Junior Department will sponsor a skating trip to the Pasadena Roller Skating Center. Buses will leave 1815 W. Lexington St. at 7:30 p.m. For ticket information contact: Anita Jackson Colfield at 624-0036.

July 10

Wedding of Miss Sayetta Gordon and Malcolm Evans, City Temple of Baltimore, Eutaw and Dolphin Sts., 2 p.m.

July 11

Mary Pitts, Dorothy Edwards, Margaret Land and Vera Shell express appreciation to Dr. Maurice L. Adams by inviting his friends to share in an evening of pleasure, Hollyday Room, Village of Cross Keys, 5100 Falls Rd., 5:30 p.m.

Spirit of Chesapeake Lodge No. 1107, I.B.P.O. Elks of the World will sponsor their annual Boat Ride. Boat leaves the Constellation Pier at Pratt St. Call: 624-4794.

Soul Food Cocktail Sip, East Baltimore Lodge No. 1043, 2008 Harford Rd. Call: 732-2318 or the Elks Home at 366-9412.

Bus trip to Wildwood, N.J. Buses leave 2413 Lakeview Ave., 8 a.m. Call Mrs. Beulah Murry at 669-1176 or 225-7118.

The 2300 block of Lyndhurst Street will hold their second annual Outdoor Picnic for Neighbors and Friends, noon - 8 p.m.

July 12-16

Lafayette Senior Citizens in Montreal, Canada. Buses leave 201 N. Aisquith St., 6 a.m. P. Moore, president, Call: 342-6330 for information. Reservation deadline, July 1.

July 17

Wedding of Miss Rebecca Floyd, New Shiloh Baptist Church, 823 W. Lanvale St., 3 p.m.

The Church of Saint Gregory the Great, 1542 N. Gilmor St., will hold its Annual Parish Picnic, Gunpowder Falls State Park, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Call: 523-0661.

Seed Club honors Dr. George T. Stansbury, Harford Community College, Thomas Run Rd., Belair, Md. Dr. W. Lester Henry, Department of Medicine, College of Medicine, Howard University will be guest speaker. Mrs. Dorothy Martin is president, Mrs. Otelia Bullock, executive advisor, 4:30 p.m.

July 31

Wedding of Miss Angela Wilson, Enon Baptist Church, Edmondson and Schroeder Sts., 3 p.m.

Owodunn Inc., Disco Splash Party. Friendship Airport Hotel, 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

YMCA Young Men's Christian Association

Day Camp Pamoja — The Branch will be sponsoring its first annual Day Camp from June 28 thru August 20 in Druid Hill Park. This Camp is for boys and girls 5 thru 12 years of age.

Summer Tutorial Program — In an effort to help students strengthen their academic abilities, the Branch is sponsoring a strong tutorial program for the summer months.

Outreach Program — This department is the major emphasis of our Branch. We work with young people who are referred to us from the Schools, Police Department and Juvenile Services Agency.

Fall Programs — This Branch, in the fall of the year, will have a variety of programs and activities, BUT — WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! —FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL: Ronald L. Wright or Dorothy H. Stokes at 367-3300.

Alameda Day Camp

The North Baltimore Branch YMCA will offer a day camp Mondays through Fridays during the summer beginning June 28.

Children between the ages of 6 and 12 will have a two-week camping experience daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, call the North Baltimore Branch YMCA at 467-2954.

Training Program

A Counselor-In-Training program will be offered for two-four-week sessions beginning June 28. Young adults between the ages of 13 and 17 will receive basic instruction and in-camp counseling including crafts, sports arts and leadership skills. Participants will meet at the North Baltimore YMCA.

For more information, call the North Baltimore Branch YMCA at 467-2954.

Adventure Day Camp

Three two-week sessions of kindercamp will be offered for children three to five years of age beginning June 28. The Children will participate in swimming, horse back riding, crafts, sports and creative dramatics. Participants will meet at the North Baltimore YMCA. For further information, call the North Baltimore Branch YMCA at 467-2954.

Speaking of women...

(A look at what black women are doing locally.)

Do you know a dynamic woman — an outstanding community leader, church worker, businesswoman, mother, club woman — who is great in her own right? The AFRO wants to know about her. Send a brief biographical sketch and black and white glossy picture (or we can arrange to take a photo of her) to: Speaking of Women, c-o AFRO-AMERICAN NEWSPAPER, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md., 21203. Sorry, pictures can not be returned.

Gloria J. Barnes

Mrs. Gloria J. Barnes who has been appointed as Director of The Arena Players Summer Workshop Program, brings a diversified background and experience in a variety of fields to the position.

A native Baltimorean, and a Douglass High School graduate Mrs. Barnes attended Fisk University for two years and then received her B.S. degree in education from Coppin State College.

Mrs. Barnes is an individual who believes enthusiastically and wholly in projects that help people to better themselves. As a member of the Douglass Memorial Church she is a volunteer in their Meals on Wheels program as well as serving on the Communications Committee for the United Fund of Central Maryland. In her opinion The Arena Players Summer Workshop program falls into the same category.

She is a former librarian and has remained an avid reader over the years. She lives downtown and enjoys it and she believes more people should support the city by being a part of it.

At present she is on sabbatical leave from her job as writer, producer, and on camera talent for the instructional T.V. Department of the Baltimore City Public Schools Media and Technology Division—specifically on the show formally known as "Treasures in Books"—in order to pursue a master's degree in Media Studies and Administration which she will receive from Antioch College (Baltimore) in August.

As a mother of two sons serving in the armed forces (and a newly acquired daughter-in-law) her view and purpose for the future is to try to help young people realize a more positive self-image through educational and cultural experiences.

The Arena Players Youth Theatre Summer Workshop began classes on Monday, June 28. This is a tuition free program given by The Arena Players in co-operation with the National Endowment for the Arts, the Maryland Arts Council, the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Art and Culture, and the Mayor's Office of Manpower Resources.

Classes are held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Madison Ave. YWCA. The workshop runs until August 6. Courses of instruction include dance, acting, stagecraft, mime, and music.

For further information, call Mrs. Baines at 669-1881 ext. 8.

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