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United Nations Alliance of Civilizations GROUP OF FRIENDS MEETING



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1. INTRODUCTION

On 8 February 2022, the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) held its Group of Friends meeting at the ambassadorial level.



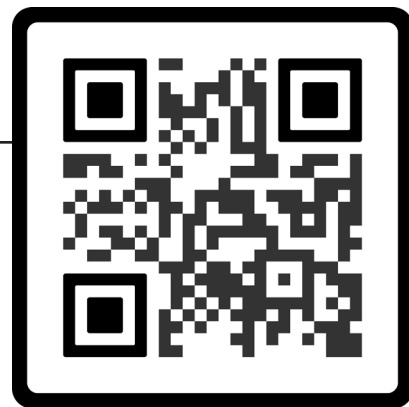
The meeting highlighted the UNAOC’s progress made in 2021, namely, engagement with faith actors and religious leaders across the faith spectrum within the framework of its mandate to advance interreligious dialogue and combat all forms of discrimination based on religion and belief; progress made on the implementation of the UNAOC High Representative’s mandate as the United Nations focal point for monitoring antisemitism and enhancing a system-wide response; and coordination and implementation of the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites. The Group of Friends received updates on the UNAOC programming activities across 5 pillars and new crosscutting projects which were launched or completed within 2021.

In 2022, the UNAOC’s priorities include strengthening and reinforcing the prevention portfolio both within and beyond the United Nations; bolstering engagement and interaction with Member States and regional organizations to maintain the momentum on multilateral cooperation; expansion of the UNAOC’s geographical presence and visibility, and contributing

to the United Nations Secretary-General’s priorities outlined in his report “Our Common Agenda”.

Over 130 participants took part in the meeting, representing 79 delegations of Member States and Observers, and 15 international organizations. The event was streamed live on UN Web TV and embedded on the UNAOC website. UNAOC circulated a media advisory among its large network of journalists, media, United Nations entities and other stakeholders. The event was covered live on social media with the primary hashtag #UNAOCGoF, garnering a total reach of more than 346,000 accounts. Subsequently, mentions of UNAOC reached over 411,000 on social media during the event. Top contributors included the official Twitter accounts of permanent missions and organizations participating in the meeting, including @PakistanUN_NY, @CubaONU, @JordanUN_NY, @Morocco_UN, and @LuxembourgUN, among others.

The live recording of the event can be accessed on the UNAOC’s website: <https://bit.ly/3xkOBSP>



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2. OPENING SEGMENT

The **High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations**, H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Moratinos (chair of the meeting), welcomed and thanked all participants who gathered in-person and those who joined the event virtually. He opened his remarks with recognizing the invaluable support of the Group of Friends and the UNAOC's partners in enabling UNAOC to deliver on its mandate, guided by the UNAOC Action Plan for 2019-2023 amid the global coronavirus pandemic.

Mr. Moratinos and Ms. Nihal Saad, Chief of Cabinet, provided a briefing to the membership in the following key areas:

Mandates and Initiatives:

- UNAOC continues to prioritize its **engagement with faith actors and religious leaders** across all faiths spectrum within the framework of its mandate to advance interreligious dialogue and combat all forms of discrimination based on religion and belief. UNAOC was tasked by the United Nations Secretary-General as the United Nations focal point leading and providing advice and substantive content in interfaith and interreligious related activities.
- In the framework of coordinating the **United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites**, 1) UNAOC launched and is implemented a global communications campaign #forSafeWorship (forsafeworship.org), which generated 7.6 million in social media reach during 2021; 2) UNAOC and the United Nations Operational Satellite Applications Programme started to implement a phased approach of the

mapping of religious sites, focusing on pilot countries in accordance with the principles of geographical balance, respect of freedom of religion and belief and representation of different religious confessions. Pilot countries include Argentina, Burkina Faso, Morocco and Sweden; UNAOC looks forward to welcoming Thailand, pending further deliberations in Bangkok; 3) UNAOC actively works with UNOCT, UNCTED, UNICRI and INTERPOL on the implementation of the United Nations Global Programme on Countering Terrorist Threats against Vulnerable Targets; 4) it chairs the external advisory board that provides guidance to the implementation of the project 'Strengthening the Security and Resilience of At-risk Religious Sites and Communities', funded and supported by the European Commission.

- As the United Nations **focal point for monitoring antisemitism and enhancing a system-wide response**, throughout 2021, the High Representative convened a series of consultations with major Jewish organizations, envoys on antisemitism and relevant United Nations entities. UNAOC works on the report that can provide guidance towards a coordinated and enhanced response to antisemitism anchored in human rights.

Programming:

- UNAOC continued to leverage an **All-of-UN, All-of-Society** approach contributing to efforts in preventing and countering violent extremism (PCVE) conducive to terrorism as one of the vice-chairs of the working group of PCVE under the UNOCT chairmanship. Such approach was

mainstreamed across its pillars (youth, education, media, migration and women).

- **New crosscutting projects** were launched or continued implementation: EDIN – “Empowering Dialogue and Interfaith Networks” (in cooperation with UNOCT/UNCCT); “United Nations Global Programme on Security of Major Sporting Events, and Promotion of Sport and Its Values as a Tool to Prevent Violent Extremism” (led by UNOCT in cooperation with UNAOC, UNICRI and the International Centre for Sport Security); “Intercultural Dialogue and Socio-Emotional Competencies for Peacebuilding” (a partnership of UNESCO, UNAOC, the Mahatma Gandhi Institute for Peace and UNOCT/UNCCT); UNAOC partnered with the mayor of the municipality of La Courneuve, France, and completed the project “News Generation Against Hate: Empowering Local Youth to Create Alternative Narratives in the Media”.
- **Flagship programmes and initiatives** continued to be implemented in 2021: Intercultural Innovation Award (in partnership with the BMW Group, supported by Accenture), PLURAL+ Youth Video Festival (in partnership with the IOM), Young Peacebuilders Programme (supported by AEXCID), Youth Solidarity Fund (supported by Finland).

Advocacy and Policy Initiatives:

- On **mediation**: 1) in the context of the Women’s Alliance for Peace - a partnership between UNAOC and Women for Africa, a Spanish non-profit organization - UNAOC established a network of women mediators from grassroot organizations in Mali and the Central African Republic; UNAOC is strengthening their capacities as mediators; 2) the High Representative conducted official missions to Azerbaijan in June and to Armenia in November 2021, during which

he met with political and religious leaders and offered mediation support for durable and lasting peace and stability; 3) UNAOC plans to open an office in Istanbul, Turkey, dedicated to mediation in religious and cultural contexts.

- UNAOC continues to promote and implement **#OneHumanity Campaign** that aims at enforcing the notion of sports as an equalizer for social inclusion, bringing people together from diverse cultures, religions and ethnicities (solidarity. unaoc.org). In 2021, the hashtag #OneHumanity reached an estimated total of 52.9MLN social impressions, generating more than 897,000 interactions.
- Throughout the year, UNAOC hosted 52 virtual meetings. It also participated and contributed to 28 events held by partners, governments and international organizations. Media mentions of the High Representative reached a total of 1.96MLN, while media mentions of UNAOC reached up to 44.67MLN people.

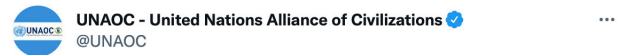
Institutional Developments:

- On 8 November 2021, the UNAOC office in Geneva at the Palais des Nations was inaugurated.
- The number of Group of Friends members increased in 2021 to 156 (newest members include Andorra, Cote D’Ivoire, Cuba and the Muslim World League).
- The 2021 donors of the UNAOC voluntary trust fund were: Finland, Kazakhstan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, as well as Accenture, AEXCID, BMW Group, IOM, Tres Quarts per Cinc Quarts, Turkish Airlines and UNOCT.

2022 Priorities:

- UNAOC will **continue strengthening and reinforcing the prevention portfolio** both within and beyond the United Nations, including through vice-chairing of the PCVE working group within the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact.
- It will bolster its engagement and **interaction with Member States and regional organizations** to maintain the momentum on multilateral cooperation, including through participation in high-level conferences (Antalya Diplomacy Forum; UNOCT's Annual Forum of Beneficiaries of Technical Assistance; Doha Forum 2022 and more).
- In the **programming**, UNAOC will organize a youth forum in the framework of the United Nations Global Programme on Security of Major Sporting Events and Use of Sports Values for the Prevention of Violent Extremism. It will showcase the work of the EDIN project participants in the closing event in New York, USA, in cooperation with UNOCT/ UNCCT. UNAOC will contribute to launching the Turkish Airlines' 'Sports for Peace' initiative.
- UNAOC plans to **expand its geographical presence and visibility**, and maintain closer coordination and coherence with the United Nations offices (UNOG; new office in Istanbul, Turkey, once established).
- UNAOC explores prospects to convene a **global conference on the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites** in accordance with the United Nations General Assembly resolution 75/258 on "Promoting a culture of peace and tolerance to safeguard religious sites".

- It will contribute to the United Nations Secretary-General's priorities outlined in his report "**Our Common Agenda**" (youth component in shaping the future, the agenda for peace, renewing trust and addressing discrimination within a renewed social contract anchored in human rights).



"[UNAOC will] continue our active engagement with other UN entities to contribute to the Secretary-General's priorities outlined in his report Our Common Agenda." - H. E. Mr. @MiguelMoratinos, High-Representative for #UNAOC

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"We continue to identify opportunities where #UNAOC mandate and expertise can be helpful to look for comprehensive and sustainable solutions." - H. E. Mr. @MiguelMoratinos, High-Representative for @UNAOC

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In his welcoming video remarks, **H.E. Mr. José Manuel Albares Bueno, Minister for Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation of Spain**, noted that the global number of people affected by conflict and violence keeps growing and civil wars tend to lead to more protracted conflicts with ethno-cultural components. UNAOC, born precisely to respond to that growing sectarian polarization, has become a platform for intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation. The Minister underscored that the Alliance remains a useful tool of preventative diplomacy with great potential to contribute to conflict resolution as part of the New Agenda for Peace of the United Nations. It actively participates in this process with the aim of becoming a relevant actor in conflict prevention and mediation through intercultural and interfaith dialogue. The Deputy Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations, H.E. Ms. Maria Bassols, building on the Minister's remarks, welcomed the fact that UNAOC will support the strategic vision of the United Nations Secretary-General who issued the "Our Common Agenda" report as a roadmap for the organization.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkey, H.E. Mr. Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, started his address with recalling how 17 years ago, Turkey and Spain laid the foundation of UNAOC to promote peaceful coexistence in a difficult age. Today, with 156 members in the Group of Friends, UNAOC became one of the most widely supported initiatives at the United Nations. The Minister noted the rise of hate speech, racism, xenophobia and religious intolerance, including Islamophobia and antisemitism, that make the Alliance's work more significant. The UNAOC Action Plan for 2019–2023 has proven to be a valuable document guiding the Alliance's work, while the two mandates of the High Representative – the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites and United Nations focal point to monitor antisemitism - demonstrated its relevance. The Minister informed delegations of the ongoing preparations for the General Assembly resolution to designate March 15 as the International Day to Combat Islamophobia and invited them to support it. The Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Feridun Hadi Sinirlioğlu, took an opportunity to welcome Mr. Namik Erpul to the team of UNAOC, office in Geneva.

The Ministers of Spain and Turkey, together with the High Representative, discussed and agreed to the launch of a regional center of the Alliance in Istanbul, Turkey. The opening of the Geneva office in November 2021 was an important step towards an even more active Alliance. The Ministers reiterated their commitment to the cause of the Alliance and their full support.



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"Today, with 156 members, the Alliance has become one of the most widely supported initiatives at the United Nations." - H.E. Mr. @MevlutCavusoglu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkey 🇹🇷

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3. PLENARY SEGMENT

The plenary segment of the meeting provided the Group of Friends membership with the space to reflect and provide comments to the work of UNAOC performed within past year, as reflected in the background document, shared by the UNAOC Secretariat prior to the meeting.

Key reflections and recommendations of the delegations included:

Mandates:

The UNAOC Plan of Action 2019-2023

- Delegations welcomed the positive results achieved by the Alliance in fulfillment of its Plan of Action 2019-2023 under the leadership of the High Representative. Fostering dialogue and cooperation between different cultures, religions and civilizations, as well as building bridges that unite people and individuals beyond their differences, represents a major challenge for today's global reality. The work of UNAOC to achieve those goals is valued by members of the Group of Friends.
- Delegates commended the High Representative and his staff for the way they managed to adjust the UNAOC's work plan and formats to the environment generated by the global coronavirus pandemic, especially the way the activities have been prioritized. They welcomed the Alliance's action-oriented approach, delivering important results and supporting the conflict prevention and conflict resolution agenda of the United Nations.
- During the COVID-19 pandemic, misinformation, disinformation, hate speech and racist rhetoric have led to a surge of discrimination and hate crime, including, but not limited to, against Africans and people of African descent and Asians and people of Asian descent. In this regard, a number of delegates commended the efforts and role played by UNAOC to fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.
- UNAOC and its High Representative continued being vocal about attacks based on religion or belief, and they got commended for translating words into concrete actions by implementing its mandates, advocacy and policy initiatives, and capacity-building activities around the world.
- The Alliance's work in the areas of education for global citizenship, women as peace mediators, empowering youth to promote sustainable peace and prevent violent extremism (YPS agenda), promotion of the preservation of identities and heritage of people, elaboration of the United Nations Global Programme of Countering Terrorist Threats, partnership in the launch and implementation of EDIN «Empowering Dialogue and Interfaith Networks» and the United Nations Global Programme on Security of Major Sporting Events and Promotion of Sport and Its Values as a Tool to Prevent Violent Extremism, "News Generation Against Hate: Empowering Local Youth to Create Alternative Narratives in the Media" project, were commended. Delegates also supported participation of the Alliance in the implementation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration. The #OneHumanity Campaign, a partnership with KAICIID in CAR, and #YouthWagingPeace project have also been recognized.

- Reflecting on the scope of the UNAOC's programming, one of the delegations encouraged UNAOC to expand its work, going beyond the three Abrahamic faiths and ensuring inter-religious dialogue encompasses all faiths.

Monitoring antisemitism:

- Several delegations condemned antisemitism and all other forms of racism, discrimination, bigotry, xenophobia, intolerance and hatred against any religion, race and ethnicity. One of the delegations drew attention of all participants to sensitivity and controversy around the IHRA working definition of antisemitism and examples on antisemitism.
- Building on the United Nations General Assembly resolution 76/250 on "Holocaust denial", the UNAOC's compilation of best practices and lessons learned in the fight against antisemitism will be useful.
- As to the role of UNAOC, one of the delegations expressed an opinion that UNAOC should also be a platform for promoting a comprehensive, just and lasting solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. While welcoming the High Representative's mandate to monitor antisemitism, several delegations called on UNAOC to address the growing trend of Islamophobia and to develop concrete proposals (programmes and activities) in this regard for inclusion in the upcoming UNAOC Action Plans.

The United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites:

- It has been noted that the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites is relevant as it is an important tool in protecting religiously significant sites and ensuring conditions for a safe and peaceful worship. The unlawful

destruction of religious and cultural heritage, whether through attacks or in conflict situations, should be prevented. In that context, the mapping of religious sites, implemented by UNAOC, could prove to be a useful tool.

- Several delegations expressed their support to the role that UNAOC plays in combatting hate speech and extremism to avoid, inter alia, unlawful acts of physical damage, desecration and vandalism of monuments and other sites of great cultural and religious significance, including any change of their status.
- UNAOC received words of appreciation for its support granted to the process of adopting the United Nations General Assembly resolution 75/258 on "Promoting a culture of peace and tolerance to safeguard religious sites," introduced by Egypt, Morocco and Saudi Arabia.
- Argentina expressed its honor to work with UNAOC and the United Nations Satellite Centre as one of the first pilot countries in the development of a mapping of religious sites around the world. As noted by the delegate, the development of a mapping of religious sites around the world will capture the universality of religious sites and contribute to fostering respect and understanding of their significance for individuals and communities in every continent.
- Sweden indicated that it is happy to participate as a pilot country in the mapping exercise as enhancing the security of religious groups and sites is a key priority for the Swedish government.
- Thailand expressed its appreciation for the UNAOC's invitation to include Thailand as a pilot country in the mapping of religious sites; the scope of the proposal is being studied.

- Iraq reiterated its invitation for the UNAOC High Representative to conduct an official visit to Iraq. Such a visit, in view of the delegate, would serve as an opportunity to meet with religious leaders of all sects and religions, representing the cultural diversity of the Iraqi society and share the Iraqi experience in combating terrorism and spreading the spirit of tolerance and peaceful coexistence among different religious confessions, a theme that is at the heart of the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites.
- One of the delegations emphasized the necessity for the adoption of international and national legislation to protect religious sites from any actions of incitement, abuse, sabotage or destruction, and establish adequate penalties for such violations. It also pointed out to the active involvement of UNESCO and the need to provide assistance in the reconstruction of historical, cultural and religious sites that have been sabotaged by terrorists.

Partnerships:

- UNAOC was commended and encouraged to further partner with youth, civil society organizations, religious leaders and faith actors, and the private sector, as well as to closely collaborate with the other United Nations system agencies and offices (UNOCT, UNESCO, UN-WOMEN, ILO, IOM) and ASEAN, among others.
- The delegates recommended UNAOC building synergies with more international and regional organizations.

Institutional and Financial Support:

- Under the leadership of the King of Morocco, His Majesty Mohammed VI, Morocco will host the 9th UNAOC Global Forum in 2022. The international forum will be hosted in Africa for the first time.

It will serve, inter alia, as a platform to reevaluate our universal friendships of human fraternity and identify upcoming milestones to combat the growing violent extremism and polarization around the world.

- Members welcomed the opening of an office of UNAOC in Geneva, as it will allow UNAOC to strengthen collaboration with Member States in Geneva and the Geneva-based United Nations entities.
- A number of delegations stressed the importance to ensure adequate and sustainable funding of UNAOC, including through the regular budget of the United Nations. Several Member States reiterated their commitment to continue providing financial support to the UNAOC voluntary trust fund. They emphasized the need to enhance the UNAOC's human and financial resources to allow it to implement its Action Plan 2019-2023 more effectively.

International and National Initiatives 2021-2022:

- In March 2021, Iraq welcomed the visit of His Holiness Pope Francis, who delivered a message of solidarity and promotion of dialogue and reconciliation. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iraq held a joint preparatory meeting for the 3rd Conference of Religious Dialogue between the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue in Vatican City and The Religious Endowments of Iraq.
- During its International Conference on Civilizational Values in the Prophet's Seerah on 27 May 2021, ICESCO called on the United Nations to proclaim April 21 as the "World Day of Mercy".
- In June of 2021, in partnership with UNAOC and ICESCO, Azerbaijan launched a new international initiative entitled "Peace4Culture Global Call".

Guided by a deeper understanding of intricate inter-relations between peace, culture, security and development, which has evolved in the United Nations community, this initiative takes a holistic perspective of peace as an active positive state, rather than merely absence of conflict.

- Since June 2021, in the framework of the European Union's Global Exchange on Religion in Society platform for civil society, 150 civil society representatives and 26 journalists started to work together on promoting active, participatory and inclusive citizenship, promoting inclusive and democratic societies, tackling the rise of exclusionary politics, conflict resolution and reconciliation, and fostering social inclusion through education.
- In July 2021, Portugal approved a National Plan to Prevent and Combat Racism and Discrimination, including antisemitism, which sets out 82 measures across 10 areas of intervention, from governance to education, culture, employment, housing, health, justice, security, sports and communication.
- In October 2021, the European Union Strategy on combating antisemitism and fostering Jewish life was adopted by the European Commission.
- The meeting of the Secretariat of the International Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions was held in October 2021. The 7th Congress will be held in Kazakhstan on 14-15 September 2022, bringing together religious leaders, government officials and civil society from around the world to deliberate on the further steps that can be taken in interfaith realm to contribute to the post-pandemic development. Kazakhstan looks forward to proactive participation of the UNAOC's delegation in the Congress.
- On 13 October 2021, the former Swedish Prime Minister hosted the Malmö International Forum on Holocaust Remembrance and Combating antisemitism – Remember Re-Act, to which UNAOC contributed. Sweden's first pledge at the Malmö Forum was to assume the Presidency of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance from 1 March 2022 to 1 March 2023, focusing on following up on the pledges delivered at Malmö and strengthening IHRA as an institution.
- In November 2021, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) adopted its 2022-2026 strategy, offering many new avenues for cooperation with the United Nations and issues relating to faith and culture. The IPU is putting together a Handbook on *The role of parliaments in intercultural and interfaith dialogue for tolerant and inclusive societies*, and plans to consult UNAOC to benefit from its expertise.
- Throughout 2021, as part of its partnership with UNAOC on the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites, KAICIID deepened its knowledge and provided support for projects which addressed the protection of sacred sites in various regions. Example include ongoing development of NGOs operations, creation of a mobile app to build capacity through peace education, youth trainings, design and production of e-learning resources and webinars, etc.
- Malta is working with UNAOC on a project on Inclusive Religious Education. The University of Malta has been working on an extra-curriculum non-compulsory subject for schools with a view of promoting religious diversity and encouraging a critical reading of the world.
- In Slovenia, "Our Rights" project and teaching materials empowering youth through human rights education continues. The Euro-

Mediterranean University and the Initiative on Mediation in the Mediterranean promote value of mediation and peaceful coexistence through education and engagement of youth and civil society.

- To support teachers and school directors in preventing and addressing antisemitism in schools, UNESCO and OSCE/ODIHR have published curricula for teacher trainers, entitled “Addressing Anti-Semitism in Schools: Training Curricula”.
- The Global Youth Forum took place in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, in January 2022, hosting leaders from around the world. The High Representative delivered the message of tolerance and reconciliation during the Forum’s deliberations.
- The IPU began planning, together with the United Nations, the 2022 World Conference on Intercultural and Interfaith Dialogue: *Working together for Peace and Humanity* (postponed due to the pandemic). UNAOC has been a partner in the planning process.
- More than 100 Member States co-sponsored the United Nations General Assembly resolution 76/250 on “Holocaust denial”, strengthening the global community commitment to commemorate the Holocaust and to counter attempts of denial its horrific events. One of the delegations noted that time has come for the United Nations General Assembly to adopt a similar resolution that widens the scope of monitoring and outreach by the United Nations to cover Islamophobia, antisemitism and Christianophobia altogether, and to ban the misuse of freedom of expression to attack religions, prophets or religious sites worldwide, or to incite terrorism or violent extremism.
- The European Union has designated 2022 as the European Year of Youth, increasing efforts to include youth priorities in relevant EU policy areas and at every level of the EU’s decision-making process, offering youth opportunities to shape these policy choices themselves.
- The International Day of Conscience, sponsored in 2019 by the Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain, will be celebrated on 5 April 2022.

List of Speakers of the Opening and Plenary Segments

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