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Welcome to the Conference!

On behalf of the City of Muncie and all the other co-sponsors, I am excited to welcome you to the "The Benjamin V. Cohen Peace Conference: Promoting Nonviolence at Home and Beyond." This is the first time for such a Conference and I am thrilled with the great response we received to the call for programs, the quality of the programs submitted, and the large number of individuals like you that decided to attend. I believe this Conference features excellent presentations and also wonderful opportunities for rich dialogue. Our presenters include scholars, undergraduate and graduate students, and activists from many different disciplines traveling far distances to share their knowledge, research, experiences, strategies, and recommendations related to peacemaking and peacebuilding with us.

In 2012, when we first thought to host this Conference in April 2013, we were unaware of its auspicious timing. Later we realized that 2013 marked the 30th year anniversary of the passing of Muncie born Benjamin V. Cohen. Given this important anniversary, we decided to dedicate this Conference to the legacy and deep commitment of Mr. Cohen to resolving worldwide conflicts peacefully.

There is one other reason why we chose to host this Conference in April. Some of the most horrific acts of violence in the recent history of the United States have happened during April including the FBI's siege of the Waco compound that left seventy-six dead and the Oklahoma City bombing that killed one hundred and sixth-eight people. More concerning though is the trend of violence on school campuses during April including the Columbine High School Massacre that left fifteen people dead, and most recently, the Virginia Tech Massacre that resulted in a death toll of thirty-three persons.

To promote a message of nonviolence and to remember and honor those that have lost their lives in April, for the past six years, the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Ball State University has hosted a series of programs on nonviolence. Along with honoring Mr. Benjamin V. Cohen, therefore, this Conference extends the previous work of the Peace Center to promote nonviolence during April.

I want to thank our dignitaries, The Honorable Muncie Mayor Dennis Tyler and Ball State Associate Provost Robert Morris, for their involvement in this Conference, as well as our talented group of keynote speakers: Pastor Steve Roesse, Dr. Kevin Smith, and Dr. Dorothy Espelage. I am also deeply appreciative of the support we received from the City of Muncie, Benjamin V. Cohen Memorial Endowment Fund, United States Institute of Peace, Institute of International Education, and many units and departments at Ball State University. The members of the host committee including Gerry Waite, Steve Robert, Steve Radil, Yvonne Thompson, and Tacianna Oliver invested countless hours planning this event and I cannot thank them, Marie Douglass, and all the other volunteers enough for their effort.

Finally, I want to thank each of you for attending this Conference. Hopefully, you will acquire some new knowledge and skills to promote a strong message of nonviolence in your communities.

Yours,



Lawrence H. Gerstein, Ph.D.

Director, Ball State University Center for Peace and Conflict Studies

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ABOUT BENJAMIN V. COHEN



Born in Muncie, Indiana on September 23, 1894, Benjamin Victor Cohen graduated from the University of Chicago Law School in 1915. He then attended Harvard Law School where he attracted the attention of Felix Frankfurter. In 1933, Franklin Roosevelt summoned Cohen from private practice in New York to public service.

Cohen became a major legal architect of much of the New Deal legislation including the Securities Act and the plan for Lend-Lease and economic stability during World War II. A shy man, Cohen worked behind the scenes where his brilliance as a legal draftsman was widely recognized.

Following World War II, Cohen turned his talents to the problems of world peace and became one of the architects of the United Nations, serving on the U.S. delegation to the UN and on the United Nations Disarmament Commission. His abiding interest in world peace and his outstanding legal ability influenced him until his death in 1983.

On December 24, 1984, Mr. Bernard W. Freund, a nephew of Benjamin V. Cohen created a fund at the Ball State University Foundation to honor his uncle's memory, and continue his uncle's interest in the attainment of world peace. For many years, Mr. Freund served as a Ball State staff member providing legal services to students.

Jacob Cooper

Graduate Student Fellow – July 2012

Soccer for Peace in Jordan: A Qualitative Analysis of Program Effect

Dr. Sunnie Lee Watson and Dr. Gilbert Park

Faculty Fellows – June 2010

International Virtual Schooling for Peace Education

Dr. Gregory Witkowski

Faculty Fellow – August 2009

Giving Peace, and Change: Philanthropic Giving and the Creating of Peace Cultures

Dr. Lucinda Woodward

Faculty Fellow – June 2007

Healing Complex Trauma in Former Liberian Child Soldiers

Dr. Steven Hall

Faculty Fellow – June 2006

The Ties that Bind: The Political Economy of U.S. Foreign Aid Allocation

Dr. David Dixon

Faculty Fellow – June 2005

TNo Future without Forgiveness: Forgiveness Following Apartheid in South Africa

Gerald Waite

Faculty Fellow – June 2004

The Post Revolutionary Village: Tradition and Modernity

PREVIOUS BALL STATE COHEN FELLOWS

Jui Shankar

Graduate Fellow – June 2003

The Hindu-Muslim Conflict in India: Through Women's Eyes

Dr. Kevin Smith

Faculty Fellow – June 2002

Hoosier Statesmen: Indiana Faces the World

Scott Moeshberger

Graduate Fellow – June 2001

Forgiveness in Northern Ireland

Helene Hoover

Graduate Fellow – June 2000

The Rhetoric of Peace

Matt Aalsma

Graduate Fellow – June 1998

Violence and Adolescence: A Risk-Factor Approach to Prevention

Dr. Francine Friedman

Faculty Fellow – June 1997

Women in War in Search of Peace

Program held at the Muncie City Hall Auditorium
300 North High Street, Muncie, Indiana 47305

5:00 - 6:00 PM

Conference Registration in City Hall Lobby

5:00 - 5:50 PM

Reception and 'Art for Peace.' Judging and awards of students' submissions from Muncie City Schools tutoring centers.

6:00 - 6:30 PM

Welcome Statement, Dr. Lawrence Gerstein (Director, Center for Peace and Conflict Studies, Ball State University)

6:30 - 6:45 PM

Welcome and Mayoral proclamation, Mr. Dennis Tyler (Mayor of Muncie, Indiana)

6:45 - 7:00 PM

Welcome Statement, Dr. Robert Morris (Associate Provost of Research and Dean of Graduate School, Ball State University)

7:00 - 7:15 PM

Introduction of guest speaker, Steve Robert

7:15 - 8:30 PM

'Can One Person Make a Difference?' Pastor Steve Roesse (President & Founder, Water is Basic)

Program held at the Ball State University Alumni Center
2800 W. Bethel Ave. Muncie, Indiana 47306

8:00 - 9:00 AM

Conference registration in the Alumni Center Lobby.

9:00 - 9:50 AM

Keynote Speech, 'Benjamin V. Cohen: Man of Peace,' Kevin Smith, Ph.D. (Ball State University), *Assembly Hall B.*

10:00 - 11:50 AM **Police and Pastors**

Building a more peaceful community, *Assembly Hall A*

- Co-Chair: Yvonne Thompson (City of Muncie)
- Co-Chair: Adrian Leavell (Pastor, Cathedral of Praise)
- Master of Ceremonies: Dale Basham (Muncie Human Rights Commissioner and Community Activist)
- Mr. Dennis Tyler (Mayor of Muncie, Indiana)
- Daryl Gilbert (Associate Pastor, High Street United Methodist Church)
- Desmond Searcy (Kirby Avenue Christ of God)
- Buddy 'Love' Watkins (Community Activist)
- Dana Hill (Pastor, Trinity United Methodist)
- Sergeant John Foster (Ball State Police Department)
- Steve Stewart (Chief of Police, City of Muncie)
- Michael Scroggins (Delaware County Sherriff)

10:00 - 10:50 AM **Session One**

Symposium: Peace Learning Center: Impact of Peace Education Programming in Indianapolis, *Conference Room 1*

- Chair: Rob Helfenbein, Ph.D. (Center for Urban and Multicultural Education, IUPUI)
- Co-Chair: Tim Nation, B.A. (Peace Learning Center)
- Discussant: John Houser, Ph.D. (Center for Urban and Multicultural Education, IUPUI)
- *Peace Learning Center: Mission and Program*, Tim Nation, B.A. (Peace Learning Center) and Kristina Hulvershorn (Peace Learning Center)
- *Impacts and Outcomes of Peace Learning Center Programming*, Rob Helfenbein, Ph.D. (Center for Urban and Multicultural Education, IUPUI), John Houser, Ph.D. (Center for Urban and Multicultural Education, IUPUI), and Suzanne Branon, M.A.T. (Center for Urban and Multicultural Education, School of Education, IUPUI)

Symposium: Understanding Genocides and Restoring Peace in India, Sudan, and Rwanda, *Conference Room 2*

- Chair: Lawrence H. Gerstein, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Examining the Conflict in Darfur Through Pathological Adaptation Theory*, Jackie Engebretson, M.Ed. (Ball State University)
- *Understanding Godhra Genocides Through Moral Disengagement Theory and Future Prevention*, Manisha Rustagi, M.A. (Ball State University)
- *Healing From the Rwandan Genocide: Recovery Through Microfinance*, Sriya Bhattacharyya, Doctoral Student (Boston College)

PROGRAM SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2013

10:00 - 10:50 AM Session One (continued)

Invited Symposium: Cohen Peace Fellows Recipients: Their Contributions to Peace (I), *Conference Room 3*

- Chair: Steve Radil, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Forgiveness in Innocence/Guilt and Honor/Shame Cultures*, David Dixon, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Healing Post War Trauma in Liberia--The Challenges of Promoting Peace*, Lucinda Woodward, Ph.D. (Indiana University Southeast)
- *The Post-Revolutionary Village: Perspectives*, Gerald Waite, M.A. (Ball State University)

Paper Session: Gendered and Relational Non-Violence,

Conference Room 4

- Chair: Emily M. Mastroianni, M.A. (Ball State University)
- *Fathers of Progress: Quakers, the American Revolution, Masculinity, and the Birth of Reform*, Nathan Wuertenberg, B.A. (Ball State University)
- *Talking Circles for Adolescent Girls in an Urban High School*, Ann Schumacher, Ph.D. (Wayne State University)
- *Gender Based Violence and Ghanaian Culture*, Grace Sharritt (Ball State University)

Paper Session: Education and Peacemaking, *Conference Room 5*

- Chair: Erica Hurley, M.A. (Ball State University)
- *Screen Peace: How Virtual Pacifism can Change Peace Education*, Julia Largent, B.S. (Ball State University)
- *Global 501*, Tiffany Brown (Howard University)
- *The Value of Conscientious Objection*, Maria Santelli, MCRP (Center on Conscience and War)

11:00 - 11:50 AM Session Two

Symposium: Beginning Learning on Privilege, Racism, and Community Action by Segregating, *Conference Room 1*

- Chair: Ruby Cain, Ed.D. (Ball State University)
- Co-Chair: Sherry Bryant, M.A. (Ball State University)
- Co-Author: Susan McGrade, Ph.D. (Indiana Tech)
- Co-Author: Marje Treff, Ed.D.. (Indiana University)

Symposium: Meditation, Yogic Flying and World Peace,

Conference Room 2

- Chair: John C. Peterson, M.D. (Muncie, Indiana)
- Co-Author: Victoria Lee Peterson, B.A. (Muncie, Indiana)
- *Meditation, Yogic Flying and World Peace*, John Peterson, M.D. (Muncie, Indiana) and Victoria Lee Peterson, B.A. (Muncie, Indiana)

11:00 - 11:50 AM Session Two (continued)

Invited Symposium: Cohen Peace Fellows Recipients: Their Contributions to Peace (I), *Conference Room 3*

- Chair: Roger Hollands, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Archival Research: Documents that Talk*, Steven R. Hall, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Imagine Peace: A Web-based Intercultural Peace Education Project*, Sunnie Lee Watson, Ph.D. (Purdue University) and Gilbert Park, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Philanthropy Means Love of Humanity: Revisiting the Connection between Peace and Giving*, Gregory Witkowski, Ph.D. (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis)

Paper session: Multi-Scalar Process of Peacemaking

Conference Room 4

- Chair: Enea Fairchild, B.A. (Ball State University)
- *A Post-Revolutionary World: Viet Nam Rebuilding in a Post-War Era*, Gerald Waite, M.A. (Ball State University)
- *Peacemaking and Peacebuilding across Borders in Contemporary Mainland Southeast Asia*, Kenneth R. Hall, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Geographies of forgiveness: the territorial politics of Rwanda's 'peace villages'*, Steven Radil, Ph.D. (Ball State University)

Paper session: Culture, Extremism, and Non-Violence

Conference Room 5

- Chair: Emily M. Mastroianni, M.A. (Ball State University)
- *Islam, Iran, and Nuclear Weapons: Comparing Muslim Responses to WMD's*, Andrew DeFrees (Ball State University)
- *Drift of Pakistan into Extremism and Its Implications*, Nadeem Nooristani, B.S. (Ball State University)
- *A Model for Peace Building: Creating a Spiritual Oneness Group*, Betty Brandt (Spiritual Life Center, St. Luke's United Methodist Church), Barbara Burke (Spiritual Life Commission, St. Luke's United Methodist Church), Carol Ernst (Spiritual Life Commission, St. Luke's United Methodist Church), and Lynn Jackson (Intercultural Outreach, Spiritual Life Commission, St. Luke's United Methodist Church)

A Live Debate! Resolved: The United States Justice system should hold parents responsible for their child's act of violence, *Assembly Hall B*

- Moderator: Dani Haag (Ball State University)
- On the Affirmative side: June Shompa (Ball State University) and Isaac Imel (Ball State University)
- On the Negative side: Desire Grose (Ball State University) and Audra Nauman (Ball State University)

12:00 - 4:30 PM 'Teach In'

12: The Crisis in Sudan, *Assembly Hall A*

- Steve Robert (Community Activist, Muncie, Indiana)

12:30: Haiti: An Update, *Assembly Hall A*

- Tony Costello, Ph.D. (Ball State University)

1: Food and Water Security in the Developing World, *Assembly Hall A*

- Juliana Fashanu (Founder and Executive Director of IAMH2O)

1:30: Our Work in Tanzania, *Assembly Hall A*

- Charlotte Mason (Founder of Helping Gives Hope)

12:00 - 4:30 PM 'Teach In' (continued)

2: Muncie Economic Empowerment, *Assembly Hall A*

- Kai Bennet (Community Activist, Muncie, Indiana)

2:30: Showing of award winning documentary 'RU-Water is Life' followed by discussion. *Assembly Hall A*

- Steve Roesse (Water is Basic)

3:15: Panel Discussion--'What Can We Do Right Now--to Prevent Future Genocides,' *Assembly Hall A*

- Chair: Steve Robert (Community Activist, Muncie, Indiana)
- Participants: Steve Roesse (Water is Basic), Yvonne Dutton, Ph.D. (Indiana University Law School), Steven Radil, Ph.D. (Ball State University), Mike Oles (Director Indiana End Genocide Summit), and Kazito Kalima (Indiana University and Rwanda Genocide Survivor).

12:00 - 1:20 PM Lunch in Assembly Hall B

Keynote Lunch Speaker, *Assembly Hall B*

- *Realistic Strategies for Bully Prevention & Promoting Positive School Climate*, Dorothy Espelage, Ph.D. (University of Illinois, Champaign)

1:30 - 2:20 PM Session Three

Symposium: Security and Stability in Afghanistan after 2014. *Conference Room 1*

- Chair: Julia Marina Ruiz Osso, M.A., M.B.A. (University of Manitoba)
- Co-Chair: M. Qais Faqiri, B.A. (Ball State University)
- Discussant: Khalid Fazly, B.A. (Ball State University)
- *Nation-building versus State-building*, Julia Marina Ruiz Osso, M.A., M.B.A. (University of Manitoba)
- *The 2014 Presidential Elections*, M. Qais Faqiri, B.A. (Ball State University)

Symposium: Changing the Landscape for Peace One Garden At A Time, *Conference Room 2*

- Chair: Norma Bowe, Ph.D. (Kean University, Be the Change)
- Co-Chair: Brian Pugliese, MA Candidate (Kean University, Be the Change)
- Discussants: Christopher Smith, M.A. Candidate (Kean University), Cynthia Miranda B.A. (Kean University, Be the Change), Rebecca Bowe B.F.A. (Kean University, Be the Change), Charlie Campbell B.A. (Kean University, Be the Change), Janine Rivera M.A. Candidate
- *The Urban Landscape*, Norma Bowe, Ph.D. (Kean University, Be the Change)
- *Changing the Landscape for Peace One Garden at a Time*, Norma Bowe, Ph.D. (Kean University, Be the Change)

Invited Symposium: International Relations and Peace Building. *Conference Room 3*

- Chair: Steven Hall, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *United States Declining World Power in the 21st Century: Consequences for Peace Education and Activism*, Harry Targ, Ph.D. (Purdue University)
- *Strengthening U.S. Relationships with Jordan and Pakistan through University Partnerships and Soccer*, Lawrence H. Gerstein, Ph.D. (Ball State University)

1:30 – 2:20 PM Session Three (continued)

Invited Symposium: Religion, Spirituality, Interfaith Dialogue & Peace Building, *Conference Room 6*

- Chair: George Wolfe, Ed.D. (Ball State University)
- *Grassroots Efforts that Promote Understanding and Interfaith Community Building in Central Indiana*, Benjamin Leslie (Center for Interfaith Cooperation)
- *No Jesus, No Peace? Reflections on Peace Education in a self-identified "Christian" university*, Marian Osborne Berky, Ph.D. (Anderson University)

Paper Session: Structures of peace: Education, Justice, and Work, *Conference Room 4*

- Chair: Gerald Waite, M.A. (Ball State University)
- *Transforming Ethno-Political Conflict Through Education*, Julia Marina Ruiz Osso, M.A., M.B.A. (University of Manitoba) and M. Qais Faqiri, B.A. (Ball State University)
- *Peace through Justice: The Future of the International Criminal Court*, Matthew J Smith (Ball State University)
- *Unspoken violence: Exploring the Impact of Structural Violence in the World of Work*, Michael Cadaret, M.A. (University of Akron)

Paper Session: Agents of Peace: Institutions, Individuals, and Relationships, *Conference Room 5*

- Chair: Sriya Bhattacharyya, Doctoral Student (Boston College)
- *Person in Culture Interview*, Amy Rossmei (Howard University)
- *The YWCA: Promoting Peace, Justice, Freedom, and Dignity for All*, Susan M. Johnson, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Peacemakers are Where You Find Them*, Ennea Fairchild, B.A. (Ball State University)

1:30 – 2:50 PM

Poster Presentations, *Atrium and commons*

- ***Theatre of the Oppressed: Actors on a Global Stage***, Talley Beth Gale (Ball State University)
- ***Promoting Peace in Belize Through Investment in Ecotourism***, Katherine Marie Priddy, B.A. (Ball State University)
- ***The Mental Health Effects of Community Violence Exposure on Jamaican Youth***, Jackie Engebretson, M.Ed (Ball State University) and Charlene Alexander, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- ***Social Justice and Advocacy in School Counseling: A Review and Call to Action***, Rachel Paige Feldwisch, M.A., M.S. (Indiana University), Barbara James, M.Ed (Indiana University)
- ***Voices of Pagan Oppression***, Vanessa Brown, Psy.S. (Michigan School of Professional Psychology)
- ***Rebuilding Haiti: The work of Father Rick Frechette***, Emily Kathman (Ball State University)
- ***Bayard Rustins Dream Before The Dream***, Kolbi Killingback (Ball State University)
- ***Transformed By Hook and Yam***, Brittany Abiera (Ball State University)
- ***Dorothy Day: A Peace-Worker's Contribution to Positive Peace***, Wesley Patrick (Ball State University)
- ***Neil Young's Advocacy for Peacemaking***, Kimberly Harris (Ball State University)

1:30 – 2:50 PM (continued)

Poster Presentations, Atrium and Commons

- ***Furthering Peace Through Frye's Theory of Oppression***, Ashli Godfrey (Ball State University)
- ***Sport for Peace in Ecuador, Jordan, and Muncie***, Jake Cooper (Ball State University) and Lindsey Blom, Ed.D. (Ball State University)
- ***Muhammad Ali, Humanitarian***, Cheri Knoblauch (Ball State University)
- ***Serve the Country in Cause of Peace***, Kelly Hollis (Ball State University)
- ***Last Men on the Mountain: Mountaintop Removal in Appalachia***, Matt Litten (Ball State University)
- ***Community Peacemakers: Reducing Chicago Violence Through Restorative Justice in Schools***, Ruben Alvarez–University Minister (DePaul University and Chicago Public Schools), Suzanne Goebel (DePaul University), Noemi Roman (DePaul University), Cristina Salgado
- ***Out of the Surge: Loss–Recovery in Post–Katrina New Orleans***, Jake Ressler (Ball State University) and Steven Radil, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- ***Booker T. Washington***, Erica Strivey (Ball State University)
- ***Debunking the Myths of IPV in LGBT Partners: A Psychoeducational Program Proposal***, Emily Mastroianni, M.A. (Ball State University), Kodee Walls, M.A. (Ball State University), Erica Hurley, M.A. (Ball State University), Yuri Choi, M.A. (Ball State University), Jason Walls, M.A. (Ball State University), Juno Park, M.A. (Ball State University)
- ***Neil Young's Rhythmic Peace***, Holly McVety (Ball State University)

3:00 – 3:50 PM Session Four

Symposium: The Role of Forgiveness and Self-Forgiveness in Nonviolence

Conference Room 1

- Chair: John M. McConnell, M.A. (Ball State University)
- Co-Chair: David N. Dixon, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- Discussant: Calvin Isaacs, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Forgiveness and Nonviolence*, David N. Dixon, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *Self-Forgiveness and Nonviolence*, John M. McConnell, M.A. (Ball State University)

Symposium: Moving towards peace: Exploring Healing from War-Related Conflict

Conference Room 2

- Chair: Sujata Regina Swaroop, M.A. (The Chicago School of Professional Psychology)
- Discussant: Alaa Hijazi, Ph.D. (Bay Pines VA Medical Center)
- *Understanding distress and healing for Pakistani populations*, Sujata Regina Swaroop, M.A. (The Chicago School of Professional Psychology) and Chante DeLoach, Psy.D. (The Chicago School of Professional Psychology)
- *Experiences and Findings from a Trauma Intervention with Iraqi Refugees*, Alaa Hijazi, Ph.D. (Bay Pines VA Medical Center)
- *Seeking Peace: Understanding the universality of suffering*, Sujata Regina Swaroop, M.A. (The Chicago School of Professional Psychology) and Alaa Hijazi, Ph.D. (Bay Pines VA Medical Center)

3:00 – 3:50 PM Session Four (continued)

Invited Symposium: Educating Undergraduates in Peace Studies, *Conference Room 3*

- Chair: Anthony Edmonds, Ph.D. (Ball State University)
- *The Importance of Theory in Undergraduate Peace Studies Education*, Joanna Swanger, Ph.D. (Earlham College)
- *Educating Undergraduates in Peace and Global Studies*, Tim Nation, B.A. (Peace Learning Center)

Paper session: Prominent peacemakers, *Conference Room 5*

- Chair: Tacianna Oliver, B.A. (Ball State University)
The Lasting Contributions of Sister Rosemary Lynch, Katrina Pieri (Ball State University)
- *Swami Vivekananda*, Mollie O'Rourke (Ball State University)
- *Yoko Ono: Sharing the Message of Peace through Art*, Nina Monstwillio, B.S. (Ball State University)
- *Sisters of Charity: Civil War Nurses and Symbols of Peace*, Kathi Coon Badertscher, Ph.D candidate (Indiana University, School of Philanthropy)

4:00 – 4:20PM Live Dance Performance

Profound Thoughts and Other Interesting Observations, Susan Koper M.F.A. (Ball State University), *Assembly Hall B*

4:30 – 4:45 PM

Closing Remarks, *Assembly Hall B*

- Gerald Waite, M.A. (Ball State University)

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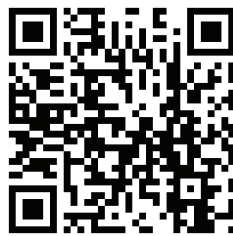
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