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FOOD, PRODUCTION & DISTRIBUTION
JAN. - AUG. 1945

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
40352

Rome, 10 Aug 45

Dear Admiral,

I refer to your letter of June 30th, in which you had to draw the attention of the Government on the repercussions which might come from the bad results of the crop, with special effects in the financial and social fields, as well as in that of public health and public safety.

As a matter of fact, it has been figured out, not definitely, and of course approximately, that the total amount of the present harvest would be of qls 42.101.320 instead of qls. 63.343.610 in 1944, with a difference of qls. 21.742.290 amounting to about 34%. It must be said that accurate control investigations which might bring some changes in the about mentioned datas are being made.

On the other hand, conscious of the enormous difficulties which had to be covered with in many regions for the culture of wheat, because of the damages made by the enemy or the duration of the war operations, the Government made use of all the means at its disposal to give the greatest possible impulse to the wheat campaign, intensifying the regulations made to assure the delivering of the produced wheat to the 'ammassi'. To this end, those who hand over their wheat will have special advantages, which, practically, limit in a considerable way the disadvantage caused by the low price of wheat.

Such regulations have made the compulsory handing over less prejudicial for the producers, and from now on, the transgressors will be severely punished.

It would be useless to hide the fact that it is necessary for the amount of the national harvest, which has naturally been prejudiced by the extreme difficulties of the production which took place in war time, to be completed by an adequate amount of imported wheat. We do not see what other means might be employed to prevent a famine, of which you indicated which such perspicacity the unavoidable consequences from the social point of view.

I shall therefore be most grateful, my dear Admiral, if you kindly draw the particular attention of the A.C. and of the Allied Governments on this requirements.

I shall send you further and more accurate informations on the matter.

Believe me,

Yours truly,

a. Ferruccio Parri

Admiral E.T. Stone
Chief Commissioner - AC.

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30 June 1945

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

The Economic Section has forwarded for my attention a report which indicates that the production of wheat is expected to be approximately 2 million tons less than last year, due to widespread drought conditions which have, in turn, accentuated the fertilizer deficiency. It is evident that the maintenance of an adequate diet will be considerably more difficult than during the past season.

The loss of 2 million tons of grain reduces the food supply, and at the same time reduces the financial resources of the nation. Thus, agriculture can no longer be expected to absorb labor surpluses, and even the problem of disposal of refugees may become difficult. Furthermore, the matter is of increased importance from the standpoint of public safety and public health, for food shortages may be expected in rural areas where subsistence farms have not produced enough for the needs of their owners. Illegal disposition of grain and actual food shortages may be expected to occur over a much greater area.

Since broad economic and administrative problems can be anticipated, it is recommended that the matter be presented for consideration by the Council of Ministers, as a problem warranting fullest support of the special programs that the Ministries of Agriculture and Food will be developing in order to most accurately define the size of the crop that is being harvested, and to insure the fullest availability for distribution during the coming season. Also, the interested Ministries should be in a position to take action appropriate to the problems which may be expected in finance, labor, public health, public safety, etc.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

Forwarded
His Excellency Ferruccio Parri
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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Venetia, Emilia, Lombardy,
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref:

12/18/CA ✓

12 May 45

SUBJECT: Federation of Consorzi in Northern Italy.

TO: Economic Section,
(Attn. Brig. Gen. E.B. McFINKLEY.)

Reference your ACR/341 dated 16 May 45.

- 1 The position seems somewhat obscure but perhaps the return of Mr. Antolini and his colleagues will resolve the position.
- 2 While there could be no harm in sending up personnel to fill vacancies in the existing organization in the North, I agree with you that to send up personnel from Rome to take over the organization in the North and merge it with the Southern organization would be unwise without previous discussion with the CINAI.

G.R. TUNN, Brig.,
VP CS Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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AGR/341

16 May 1945

SUBJECT: Federation of Consorzi Agrari in Northern Italy

TO : Civil Affairs Section - for Brigadier G. E. Upjohn

1. Attached is letter on the above-mentioned subject sent to the Regional Commissioners on the 30th of April 1945. At that time the thought was that the activities of the Federation of Consorzi Agrari with Headquarters in Rome would be projected into the North to take care of the distribution of agricultural supplies, imported foodstuffs, provide warehousing facilities and at the same time be responsible for the accounting of all imported supplies which are turned over to them for distribution.

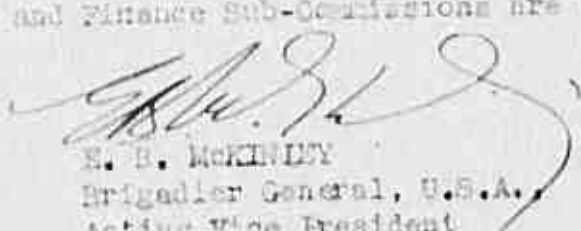
2. Dr. Mizzi, Director General of the Federation of Consorzi Agrari, Rome, now points out that the Committee of National Liberation in Milan has retained personnel at the Milan Office who had supervision of the Federation activities in Veneto, Lombardy, Piemonte and Liguria during the Fascist period, but who are not responsible to the Rome Federation of Consorzi Agrari as described in the attached letter.

3. AC has had requests from AMB Officers in the various Regions in the North for Rome Federation personnel to be sent forward to take care of the Departmental and Provincial Consorzi. It has also been requested that this personnel should be nominated or appointed by the Rome Federation and that AC issue the necessary travel permits for them to reach their new appointments.

4. Director Mizzi points out that from an operational standpoint he could send personnel forward but that political complications would result in sending forward personnel without clarification of the situation with the Committee of National Liberation.

5. Operational procedures for the distribution of imported food and agricultural supplies, as well as warehousing and accounting for such supplies, are pending clarification of this controversial political situation. We would appreciate a statement of policy from your Section, as soon as possible, so that established operational procedures may be projected or new procedures initiated.

6. Agriculture, Food, Transportation and Finance Sub-Commissions are all very interested in this matter.


E. B. MCKINLEY
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Acting Vice President
Economic Section

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AGR/341

30 April 1945.

SUBJECT : Federation of Consorzi Agrari in Northern Italy.

TO : Regional Commissioners - Piemonte, Lombardia, Venezia,
Liguria and Emilia Regions.

1. The Federation of Consorzi Agrari normally maintains a national office in Rome and regional offices in various areas including Bologna, Padova, and Milan. The Republican Fascist Government ordered the division of the main office in the fall of 1943, hence at present the inter-regional offices in the North are under the jurisdiction of a group set up in Venice, which later moved to Milan, and a small group set up at Chiari, in the province of Brescia.

2. It is considered advisable to suspend the activity of any office claiming to have jurisdiction over the inter-regional offices in Bologna, Padova and Milan, until such time as the status of the personnel and general administration of the Consorzi Agrari in the North can be fully clarified. However, it is considered advisable to maintain the inter-regional offices themselves, with such changes in personnel as are required, utilizing them as a channel of communication and control to the Provincial Consorzi Agrari.

3. The Federation of Consorzi Agrari of Rome has indicated their desire to make some radical changes in personnel, and to send certain personnel forward to take over key appointments. At such time as this may be practicable in your opinion, will you please initiate a request for the personnel to be sent forward, as the situation may require.

By command of Rear Admiral Stone:

A.G. ASTOLINI
Acting Vice President
Economic Section

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ROUTINE

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SUBJECT IS MILITARY PERSONNEL FOR FOGGIA HARVEST PD

PAREN TO GEORGE DASH FIVE AFHQ FROM HQ ALCOM CITE AGEXC PAREN

PARA ONE PD UNDERSTAND GEORGE DASH THREE ORGANISATIONS FOREIGN AFHQ HAS REQUESTED MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW TWENTY THOUSAND MILITARY PERSONNEL MAY BE FOUND FOR FOGGIA HARVEST PD

PARA TWO PD NO FORMAL DEMAND HAS LET BEEN MADE BY THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR ANY MILITARY PERSONNEL FOR THIS PURPOSE PD

PARA THREE PD PLANS NOW BEING FORMULATED AND WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO YOU IN DUE COURSE

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This is paraphrase of TOW 470.

Subject: bread ration for ITALY.

CCM in agreement that no undue prominence should be given to increase in ration. Any date selected by theatre for local announcement is satisfactory. Allied Commission will make no interpretive comment. Publicity if any should merely state that previously announced plans are being carried out.

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APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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22 January 1945

Subject: Olive Oil Collection and Control Operations Plan
for Italian Government Territory

To : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region.

1. Reference is made to

a. AGR/379.21-2, HQ, AC, Economic Section, dated
10 January 1945, above subject, copy attached as Inclosure
No. 1. This reference supercedes and cancels the following:

1. AGR/379.21 HQ, AC, Economic Section, dated
14 Jan 45, same subject, and
2. Ref: 4820/22/COS, HQ, AC, dated 17 Jan 45,
same subject.

b. AGR/379.21-3, HQ, AC, Economic Section, dated
21 Jan 45, subject: "Olive Oil Processing in AMG Regions and
Army Areas, copy attached as Inclosure No. 2 for your informa-
tion.

c. Ref: R/1418, HQ, Southern Region, AC, dated
10 Jan 45, subject: "Collection of Olive Oil".

2. The Chief of Staff, HQ, AC, requests that your at-
tention be pointed to para 4 c (3) a, b, c, and d of reference
1 a above and directs that you issue an amendment to para 11
of above reference 1 a to conform with the provisions of para
4 c (3) a, b, c and d.

3. The provisions set forth in para 4 c (3) a, b, c and
d of reference 1 a above were included upon recommendation of
the Legal Sub-Commission and the Civil Affairs Section.

By Command of Admiral STONE:

L. D. DENSMORE

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L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, F.A.
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Economic Section

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ECONOMIC SECTION

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AGR/379.21-3

21 January 1945

SUBJECT: Olive Oil Amassing in AMG Regions and Army Areas.

TO: SCAG's - Armies -
Regional Commissioners - AMG Regions

1. Reference is made for information and guidance, to attached copy, inclosure #1, AGR 379.21-2 HQ AC, Economic Section, Subject: Olive Oil Collection and Control Operations Plan for Italian Government Territory, dated 20 January, 1945.

2. Above reference is applicable to Italian Government territory in those Regions, the boundaries of which include both Italian Government and AMG territory.

3. The 1944-45 olive oil amassing program has been equally as ineffective in AMG territory as it has been in Italian Government territory. Paragraph 1 of inclosure #1 indicates the minimum olive oil requirements. A target of 80,771 tons has been established as the minimum amassing objective of which it is estimated that 16,665 tons should be amassed in present AMG and army areas.

4. Attention is particularly directed to paragraph 3 a (1) and (2) of inclosure #1 "Declaration of Policy". Such policy will be effective in AMG and army areas.

5. The importance of a successful olive oil amassing program cannot be over-emphasized. The implications of failure to amass and the serious resulting developments must be understood by all AMG Officers.

6. The Chief Commissioner has assured the Italian Government that an "all out" effort will be made in AMG areas and that the Allied Commission will assist the government in every way that it can in Italian Government territory.

7. The technical direction of the olive oil amassing program in AMG areas is under the Agriculture Sub-Commission, HQ, AC. Major J. B. T. Crawford will be in technical charge of the program. Major G.M. Duncan, is the field representative. Regional Commissioners and SCAG's Armies are responsible for the amassing operation within their respective regions or areas.

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8. It is directed that energetic measures be immediately taken in all AMG and Army areas to effect a successful olive oil assessing program and that this matter be considered urgent. Let AMG demonstrate that olive oil can be assessed.

By command of Rear Admiral Stone:

L.F. DENSMORE
Colonel, P.M., A/DCS
Economic Section

Incl. 1. as per para. 1.

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9. Each Allied Officer participating in the Olive Oil Assessing Plan (for information) (1 each - 70)
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APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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AGR/379.21-2

20 JANUARY 1945

SUBJECT: Olive Oil Collection and Control Operations Plan
for Italian Government Territory.

TO: All Regional Commissioners in Italian Government
Territory (excluding Sicily & Sardinia).

1. These instructions supersede and cancel letter AGR/379.21 HQ AC Economic Section, dated 14 January, 1945, above subject. These instructions also supersede and cancel letter ref. 4520/22/CES HQ AC, dated 17 January, 1945 above subject.

2. The Italian Government has requested the Allied Commission to furnish assistance in collecting the 1944-45 Olive Oil production. The Commission has agreed to assist and is making the service of 60 Allied officers and a number of NCOs available to work with the Italian Officials based upon the consideration that:

a. Allied Military personnel can furnish valuable assistance to Italian Officials in planning, organizing and facilitating the Olive Oil Collection Program.

b. The presence of Allied Military personnel on such assignments in oil producing areas would have a good moral effect and tend to strengthen the local collection program.

c. The minimum olive oil needs in Italy, as calculated under Plan A by the Food Sub-Commission, A.C., are as follows:

	Ration Card Holders (Thousands)	Monthly Ration (Gross)	Monthly Re- quirement (Tons)	Yearly Re- quirement (Tons)
South and Central Italy				
a) General Issue	18,547	200	3,130	37,560
b) Special classes & Supplementaries	--	As issued	700	8,400
c) Italian Army	--	--	--	4,139
d) Devastated Areas	1,000	100	100	1,200
North Italy				
e) General Issue	17,452	100	1,746	20,952
f) Special classes and Supplementaries	--	As issued	710	8,520
			TOTAL	80,771

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As of January 1, 1945, approximately 10,000 tons of olive oil had been collected. The magnitude of the Oil Collection task remaining to be done is obvious.

3. Plans and Organization by the Italian Government.
(as worked out by the Government)

a. Declaration of Policy.

(1) Announcement has been made of the 50% increase in permitted retentions.

(2) The present legal price of oil will be maintained (no increase).

(3) A statement will be issued indicating the Government determination to enforce the Olive Oil Decree of 7 September, 1944.

(4) A meeting will be called of the heads of the 6 Political Parties and the desirability of publishing a combined statement supporting the Olive Oil Collection Program will be insisted upon.

b. Issuance of Instructions and designation of responsibility.

(1) A strongly worded circular relating to Olive Oil Collection responsibilities has been sent to all Prefects over the signature of the Prime Minister. This circular required the complete and efficient discharge of all olive oil collection responsibilities by the Prefect.

(2) A circular has been sent out to all Provincial Judicial Authorities by the Ministry of Justice. This circular ordered that all cases of violation of the Olive Oil Decree be handled promptly and severely and in strict accordance with provisions of the penalty decree.

(3) Orders have been sent from the respective Ministries to local heads of the three Police Bodies instructing them to designate specified numbers of their forces for enforcement of the Olive Oil Collection Regulations.

(4) Prefects have been ordered to requisition the required transportation and furnish adequate transportation to all personnel detailed to the Olive Oil Collection Program.

c. Organization of Special Italian Personnel for Overall Direction of the Olive Oil Collection Program

(1) Dr. Segni, Under-Secretary of Agriculture has been placed in charge of the Olive Oil Collection Program at the Ministry of Agriculture.

(2) Prof. Patrissi, present Vice-Commissioner of UNRRA, has been placed in charge of the special Italian Olive Oil Collection Officials in Southern Region.

(3) Twelve special Italian Olive Oil Collection Officials carrying accredited letters have been designated to the provinces of Southern Region.

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(4) The Ministry of Agriculture & Forests will add additional Officials for Italian Government territory in Regions of Tuscany, Lazio-Umbria and Marche-Abruzzi.

1. Responsibilities of Special Italian Olive Oil Collection Personnel.

(1) Review and improvement of Provincial and Communal Olive Oil Collection plans, organization, and operating procedure will be instituted by special personnel in all areas. Where a survey reveals that the Collection Program is not successful changes will be made in both provincial and communal operation to assure effective Oil Collection methods.

(2) Oil Press Checks. Spot checks of oil presses will be carried out both by day and by night to ascertain if presses are being properly controlled by local officials. Special attention will be given to large capacity presses. Officials will be accompanied by Italian Police Officers qualified to make the necessary arrests where violations are discovered. Where irregularities or violations are found, the efficiency and honesty of the local olive oil controller will be ascertained at once. Disgruntled controllers will be dealt with promptly.

(3) Road Block Operation and Checking. Where road blocks are necessary to control illegal movement of olive oil they will be established on a 24 hour basis. Special Italian Officials will check the operation of road blocks periodically both during daylight and nighttime hours.

(4) Stopping and Searching Civilian Trains. The special olive oil collection personnel will develop plans for stopping and searching civilian trains. This operation can be carried out at strategic points and should be under the command of the Gendarmes assisted by Carabinieri and Finance Guards.

4. Plans and Organization by Allied Commission to assist Government in Olive Oil Collection Program.

a. Designation of Responsibility.

The Allied Commission has delegated the technical direction of the Program of the Allied side to the Agriculture Sub-Commission. Major J. R.T. Crawford of the Agriculture Sub-Commission has been placed in technical charge of the Program together with Major R. M. Duncan who will spend full time in the field. The Regional Commissioners are responsible for the operation within their Regions.

b. Provision of Military Personnel and Transportation.

Sixty Allied Officers and a number of NCOs together with transportation are being supplied to assist special Italian Olive Oil collection personnel.

c. Duties of Allied Military Personnel Designated to Assist special Italian Olive Oil Collection Personnel

(1) Allied Military Personnel will be responsible for furnishing practical assistance to Italian Officials in planning and organizing the Olive Oil Collection in areas where it is not being properly.

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(2) Allied Military Personnel will accompany the special Italian Olive Oil Collection personnel to the extent possible and furnish them advice, and assistance in connection with the responsibilities outlined above under 3, 4, (1), (2), (3), (4). It being distinctly understood that the full responsibility of the Olive Oil Amassing and all action in connection therewith is that of the Italian Government and the Italian Officials.

(3) The following paragraphs are in addition, are of great importance, and must be carefully observed:

a. The Italian Government and Italian officials have full responsibility for the olive oil amassing and all operations in connection therewith.

b. The duties of Allied personnel assigned to assist in the special Italian oil collection will be strictly confined to advisory, planning and organizational matters, and to giving impetus to the campaign, except as provided in para. d. hereof.

c. They will not perform executive or police acts, duties, or functions, i.e., checks of oil presses on private properties; road block operation or other physical controls of olive oil movement; stoppage or search of trains. Their services in such connection will be by way of observation and encouragement.

d. Allied personnel may perform necessary checking operations at road blocks with respect to Allied military vehicles.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

L.D. DENSMORE
Colonel, E.A.M. A/DCOS
Economic Section

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10 January 1945

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1. I have to acknowledge your letter of 24 December 1944 in which I regret to note that the present arrangements for the handling of alive all are proceeding in such an unsatisfactory manner that you predict a complete failure. The Italian Government is responsible for the handling of the all which in need of the elementary needs of the population. Failure of this position, however, because the prevention of disease and interest in an Allied military context, affects the Allied war effort and increases the obligation of the Italian Government to achieve success. I note that in your plan to do this means which you intend to take in order to ensure the necessary amount of all cannot be successfully carried out without the assistance of Allied Forces, who are not to be left out of the vehicle and that you have made a formal application for the provision of such assistance by the Allied Government.

2. I am prepared to provide suitable aid in the form of 60 Allied officers, 60 Italian officers and 100 Italian officers and the necessary vehicles. I would like to advise that this should be adequate provision. I must make it perfectly plain that the provision of this assistance does not relieve the Italian Government of its full obligation to ensure the all and to provide for the recovery of the country and the all for the needs of the population. I must also say that military assistance by the Italian Government of these officers at that time.

3. It appears with necessary transport will be made available at once and I suggest that you should consider it to be not to wait within the next week, not later than 7 January. Instructions have been given for the provision of the all and all officers and I think that you will make immediate and definite plans for making available sufficient Italian personnel to work in conjunction with them.

4. The all is being considered in paragraph 1 of your letter and all extremely important steps in preparation for your active program and I trust that you will come with the necessary all in order to work out an agreed and complete plan of action. I also hope that you will agree upon the all which is concerned with this extremely important matter that in order to make the best use of the help given by the Allied Government it is essential that you should be able to carry out the all in the all.

...in an Allied military operation, because the provision of disclosure and ... the obligation of the United States Government to achieve success. ... to that in your plan in the draft measure which is intended to take in ... to meet the necessary needs. It will be successfully carried ... we without the assistance of Allied forces, and it is not ... vehicles and that you have made it a condition for the provision of such ... assistance by the Allied Command.

2. I am prepared to provide assistance in the form of 60 Allied ... 60 in the form of ... and the necessary vehicles. ... to make good it and that this will be adequate provision. ... it perfectly. But that the provision of this assistance does not ... relieve the United States Government of its full obligation to secure its own ... and to provide for the rest of the country sufficient for the ... needs of the population. I must also say that military operations up ... necessitate the use of the resources of that nation.

3. I am prepared to provide necessary transport will be made available to ... and I suggest that you should consider it to be to that within ... the next week, not later than 3 January. ... individuals have been given for ... the provision of the additional 40 aircraft and I think that you will make ... immediate and definite plans for making available such aircraft to the personnel ... to work in conjunction with them.

4. The six points mentioned in paragraph 7 of your letter are all ... extremely important steps in organizing a for your defense personnel and I ... think that you will agree with the importance of this in order to ... work out an agreed and orderly plan of action. I also hope that you will ... measures upon the available resources with this extremely important matter ... that in order to make the best use of the help given by the Allied Command it ... it is essential that every one of them should exert himself to the utmost in ... cooperation with this Command and the resources provided by it.

O.C. P.M. Donati.
Economic Section
Civil Affairs Section
Agricultural Subcommission
Establishment Section
R.C. Southern Region.

15/February 1944

Major W. Jones
Major Adams, R.C.
Chief of Staff

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