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Honors + Awards From Italians

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SUBJECT : Italian Decorations.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
A/352
28 February 1946

TO : Commanding General, Army Service Forces
(For Heraldry Section, Office of the
Quartermaster General)
Pentagon Building, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Reference is made to CABLE No. WAR 23168 dated 28 June 1945, and this Sub-Commission letter of 21 December 1945, forwarding samples of Coats of Arms of Italian Provinces and Cities.

2. Being forwarded this date under separate cover are models of insignia of rank of Italian Army Officers.


CLAYTON P. KERR
Colonel, Infantry
U.S. Representative

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Subject : Award of Foreign Decorations

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .

— A 246

10th Apr. '46.

To : OG MINORSA
AGO 542 U.S. ARMY

1. Ref your AG 204-P-Van Kirk Rella G (Off) of 14 November 1945.
2. Request that I be authorized to accept a second award of the Italian War Cross, a bronze cross, see translation and copy of citation attached.

FCW
R.C. VAN KIRK, Major Inf.
0191127

Incl: 2

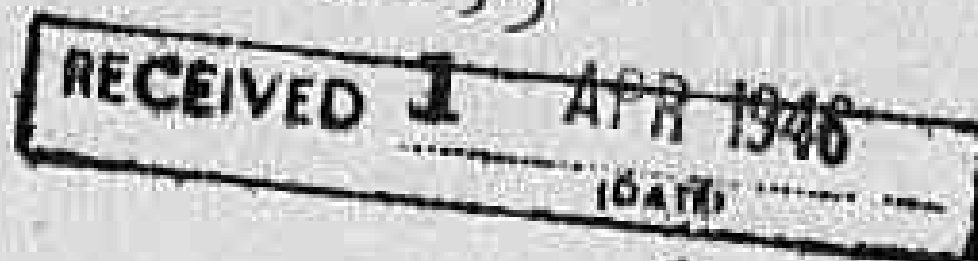
*Taken to HQ 2675d Regt. by
hand of Maj. VAN KIRK.*

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HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD)
APO 394

File: 200.6

28 March 1946

SUBJECT: Italian Decorations.

TO : Major Rolla C. Van Kirk, Land Forces Sub-Commission (MIA),
Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the concurrence of the Commanding General, MTOUSA, concerning the award proposed for presentation to you by the Italian Government.
2. Proper entries have been made on your records and a copy of this letter has been placed in your 201 file in this headquarters. An additional copy has been sent to the Lieutenant General of the Realm, so that arrangements can be made by him for the presentation of this award.
3. No further inquiries concerning this award will be made by you. At such time as the presentation is contemplated, you will be properly notified.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARKIN:

Sheridan Crumlish
SHERIDAN CRUMLISH
1st Lt. CE
Personnel Officer

1 Incl:
Letter of concurrence, MTOUSA.
dtd 18 Mar 46.

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

AG 201-F- VANKIRK Sr. R.O. (O)

18 March 1946

SUBJECT: Award of Foreign Decoration

TO : Co, 2675 Reg. A.C.

1. The Theater Commander has concurred in the acceptance of the
Comm. Crown of Italy to the individual in-
dicated.

2. Notification has been forwarded to the War Department in ac-
cordance with paragraph 35, AR 600-45, 22 September 1943.

Name of individual: Maj. R.O. VANKIRK Sr.

For The Theater Commander:

A. R. PELL

A. R. PELL
WOJG, USA
Asst Adjutant General

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C O P Y.

Telephone:

Re 489081 Ext 200

LAND FORCES SUB COMM, AC (MMIA) C M F.

14 January. 1947.

General Alessandro ALBERT,
Capo della Casa Militare
del Capo Provvisorio dello Stato,
Palazzo Giustinacci,
R O M A.

Dear General,

In reply to your letter of 10 January 1947 I am informed by General HUME that authorization for acceptance of the award mentioned was granted by Commanding General Fifth Army.

Sincerely yours,

Signed by : Norman E Fiske.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel, Cavalry
Dep Commander. M.M.I.A.

NEF/lf

R.K.J.

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Telephone:
Rome 489081 Ext 266

LAND FORCES SUB COMM, AG (MMIA) CMF

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7 Dec 46

Commanding General, MTOUSA,
APO 512, US Army.

Subject:- Italian Awards for American Officers.

1. Ref copy of letter from Ministry of Transport,
Military Railway Service, Italian Liaison Officer of 19 Nov
1946.

2. Inclosures are forwarded for onward transmission
to the Headquarters of the US Forces in Austria.

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ECV
Major-General,
GOC, MMIA.

Incls:

- 1 Copy letter Italian Ministry of Transport.
- 9 Certificates.
- 3 Italian War Crosses.

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TRANSLATION

From: M. of W.
To : M. of the Royal House - Rear Office →
MMIA (for information)
(Ref. letter A/245/1 of 26/9/46)

Ref: 519/46/On.

Date: 5/10/46

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Subject: Certificate of honour. -

We forward herewith the form concerning the granting of the award of the Order of Knight Commander of the Crown of Italy to the American Col. MOORMAN Frank.

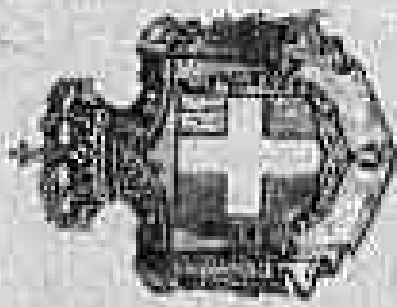
We beg you to forward the award certificate directly to the HQ addressed above. -

G.F.

sgd. Lombardi
Col.

*mailed
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Ministero della Guerra

Ufficio Onorificenze e Ricompense

Divisione

Sec.

Prot. N. 519/46/On. Allegati 2

Roma 5 OTT 1940

MINISTERO DELLA REAL CASA
Ufficio Staleolo

ROMA

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Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sec. M.

OGGETTO diploma di onorificenza.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.G. (M.M.I.A.)

Rif. f. N. 245/1 del 26.9.0.a.)

ROMA

Si trasmette l'unito formulario, riguardante la concessione della Commenda dell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia al colonnello americano MOORMAN Frank, con preghiera di trasmettere direttamente al Comando in indirizzo il relativo diploma magistrale.

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

Handwritten signature

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OGGETTO — diploma di onorificenza.

e, per conoscenza:

→ Alla LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.G. (M.M.I.A.)

rif. f. N°A/245/1 del 26.9.33.a.)

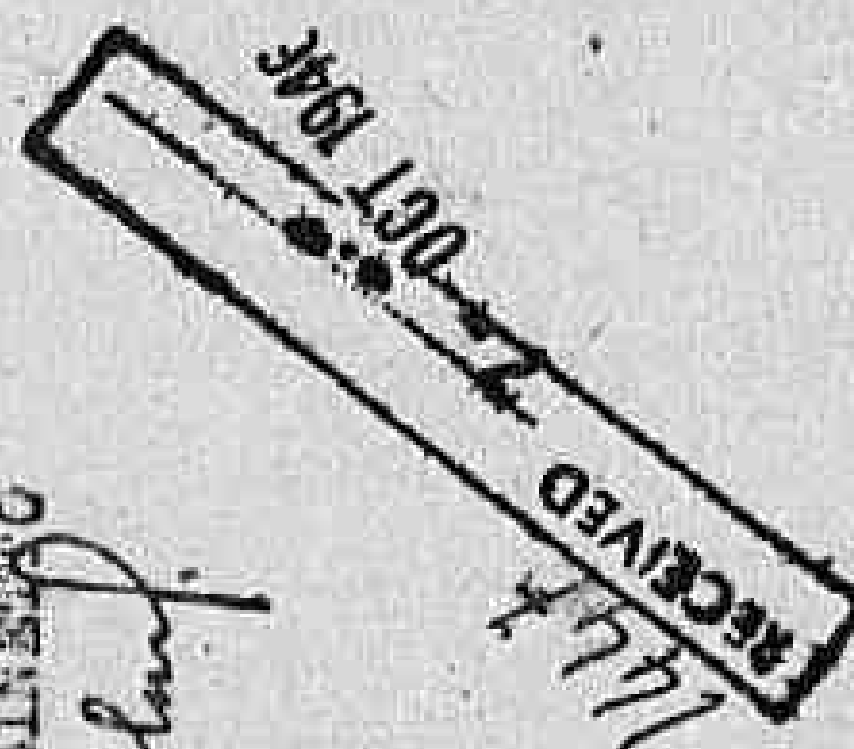
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à l'ordine

IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

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TRANSLATION

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From: M. of W.
To : M. of the Royal House - Rear Office -
MMIA (for information)
Ref. letter A/246 of 30/9/46)

Ref: 522/46/On.

Date: 7/10/46.

Subject: Certificate of honour. -

We forward herewith the form concerning
the granting of the Cross of Officer of the Order of the Crown of
Italy to the American Lt. Col. DEWING Leonard C. -
We beg you to forward the award certificate
directly to the H.Q. addressed above. -

G.P.

sgd.

Lombardi
Col.

noted
L.C.D.

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Ministero della Guerra
- Gabinetto -

Ufficio Onorificenze e Riconferme

Divisione Leg.

Prof. W. C. 522/46/00. Allegato 1

Proposta al Foglio del
Div. Sec.

OGGETTO Diploma di onorificenza.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMD., A.G. (M.W.I.A.)

(rif. f. NoA/246 del 30.9. c.c.)

ROYAL

Si trasmette l'unito formulario, riguardante la concessione della Croce di Ufficiale dell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia al tenente colonnello americano DEWING Leonard C., con preghiera di trasmettere direttamente al Comando in indirizzo il relativo diploma magistrale.

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Ufficio Stalecio

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Dr. Williams

OGGETTO - Diploma di onorificenza.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.G. (M.M.I.A.)

(rif. f. N°A/246 del 30.9. c.a.)

ROMA.

Si trasmette l'unito formulario, riguardante la concessione della Croce di Ufficiale dell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia al tenente colonnello americano DEWING Leonard C., con preghiera di trasmettere direttamente al Comando in indirizzo il relativo diploma magistrale.

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SUBJECT : Lt.Col. Leonard C. DEWING,
American Officer.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.

✓ A 246 30 Sep.46.

To : Ministry of War.

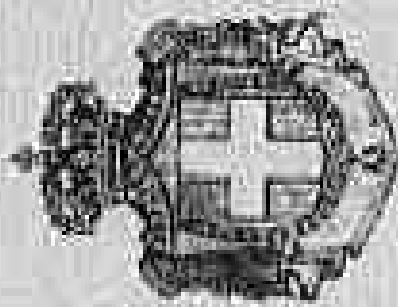
1. Ref. attached completed form.

2. It is requested that you cause the inclosed form to be forwarded to the proper section in order that the diploma referred to therein may be completed and forwarded to this Headquarters for onward transmission to the officer named.

RCV
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Ministero della Guerra
Cabinetto -
Ufficio Onorificenze e Ricompense

Divisione Gen.
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OGGETTO onorificenza.

honours

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB. COMM. A.C. (MIA)
(rif. f. del 17.3.1946)

ROMA

RECEIVED 23 SEP 1946
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Si restituisce l'unito formulario completato e sottoscritto dal Maggiore americano TAYLOR James A., al quale venne concessa l'onorificenza di ufficiale della Corona d'Italia, con preghiera di provvedere al rilascio del relativo diploma come da richiesta della L.F.S.C. con lettera unita in copia.

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IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

Genl. G. G. G.

Fooda here with complete forms in Reg. 21

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Honours
e, per conoscenza:

RECEIVED 21 OCT 1946
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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB. COMM. A.C. (MILIA)
(rif. f. del 17.2.1946)

ROMA

Si restituisce l'unito formulario completato e sottoscritto dal Maggiore americano TAYLOR James A., al quale venne concessa l'onorificenza di ufficiale della Corona d'Italia, con preghiera di provvedere al rilascio del relativo diploma come da richiesta della L.F.S.C. con lettera unita in copia.

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IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

Giulio

Food's herewith completed forms in register of the USA American officer JAMES A. TAYLOR to whom was conferred the award of Officer of the Crown of Italy, we ask you to make the award of the diploma as requested by L.F.S.C. in enclosed copy letter. 23/9

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1st Ind

HQ MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army, 29 July 1946

TO: Commanding General, MMIA

1. Records this headquarters fail to reveal the awarding of any Italian decorations to the individuals listed in the basic communication.
2. It is requested that appropriate Italian authorities be contacted in order to determine the present status of the proposed decorations for the officers mentioned.
3. It is further requested that this headquarters be furnished any information available in order that a reply may be made to the basic communication.

FOR THE THEATER COMMANDER:

ROBERT O. BENDER
CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION (MMIA) APO 394
15 Aug. 1946

RCV/as

SUBJECT : Italian Awards for American Officers
TO : CG MTOUSA APO 512 U.S. Army

1. Ref your 1st Ind of 29 July to letter from HQ Army Air Forces of 15 July 1946 originals attached.

2. In conformity with your request, a liaison officer from this Headquarters has made inquiry of the Italian War Ministry as to what action if any had been taken on the proposed awards referred to in the basic communication but our representative was advised that the Ministry had no record of any awards being proposed for the officers indicated. In addition also we have had our British Liaison Unit at BARI made inquiry from Italian Territorial HQ and the 4th Air Zone located there without success.

3. Copies of this correspondence will be kept in our active files and may be handled on a personal basis at a later date.

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R.C. VAN KIRK, Major,
For Major General,
M.H.I.A.

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Subject : Italian Decorations.

9 British Liaison Unit,
BARI.
Telephone : 13869.

Ref 58/2/9.

12 August 46.

To ; Land Forces Sub Commission, AC,
M.M.I.A. ROME.

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Ref your A 246 of 6 Aug 46.

I have made enquiries at both HQ 9 Territorial Command and 4 Air Zone, and have to report that neither HQ has any knowledge of the awards in question.

According to these HQs, the latest recommendations submitted by them were of Nov 45 in respect of 2 U.S. Army Officers by HQ 9 Terr Comd, and of Mar 46 in respect of 1 British Air Force Officer by HQ 4 Air Zone.

J. Milman

(J. Milman) Major
DAA & QMG.

JM/opr

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Subject : Italian Decorations

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .

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6th Aug. '46.

To : 9 FLU BARI

1. Ref attached communication relative to proposed Italian awards.
2. Will you please inquire informally of the 9 Territorial Headquarters as to what action, if any, was taken on the original request referred to in the basic communication.

RCV
R.C. VAN KIM, Major 2418
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

RCV/ad

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

15 July 1946

SUBJECT : Italian Decorations

TO : Commanding General,
United States Forces, Mediterranean Theater,
APO 512, c/o Postmaster,
New York, New York

1. Approximately in March, 1946, Italian Military Headquarters in Bari, Italy, requested a list of officers for tentative awards by the Italian Government. The following-named officers of the Fifteenth Air Force were listed and submitted:

Twining, Nathan F.	012366	Lt. General
Born, Charles F.	017143	Maj General
Taylor, Robert K.	017309	Brig General
Warner, Richard A.	0246194	Colonel
Barr, Percy M.	0420437	Colonel
Bothwell, Frederick C., Jr.	020235	Colonel
Benson, Otis O.	018632	Colonel
DeArmond, James K.	016274	Colonel

2. It is requested that the proper diplomatic or military offices of the Italian Government be contacted in order to determine the present status of the proposed decorations for the above-mentioned officers, and the information be furnished this headquarters. It is now known as to what specific awards were to be made, since this was a matter for decision of the Italian Government.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

URIEL P. D'ACOSTA
Major, Air Corps,
Chief, Decorations Section,
Awards Branch,
Personnel Services Division,
AC/AS-1

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Subject :- Italian Award for Lt.Col. Willis O Jackson.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E

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June 1946

To :- CG, MFOUSA
APO 612 US Army.

1. Ref. attached correspondence and copy of our letter to Ministry of War and their reply.
2. In this instance it will be noted that Lt.Col. JACKSON was decorated for personal merit on the initiative of His Royal Highness UMBERTO, Lieut. General of the Realm on behalf of King Victor EMANUELE III. Further note no particular "act or acts" performed by Lt.Col. JACKSON are mentioned.

Geo
R.C.VAN KIRK, Major
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

RCVK/go.

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The cross for war merit can be awarded by proposal of Italian Military Authorities or on initiative (motu proprio) of the King; of course in this case it has more value.

Lt. Col. Jackson was awarded the decoration by H.R.H. Umberto, Lieutenant General of the Realm on behalf of the King Victor Emanuele III^o. -

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Gr/Pe.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

Uff. Onorif. e Ricomp.

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Roma, 19 GIU 1946

Oggetto: Tenente Colonnello

WILLIS O JACKSON O 365 613 *

AL LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AG. (LMIA)

R O M A

Rif. f. A/246 del 7 corr.)

La croce al merito di guerra al Tenente Colonnello

WILLIS O JACKSON - O 365-613

è stata concessa "Motu Proprio" dall'allora
A.R. il Luogotenente Generale del Regno.-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject : Lt-Col Willis O. JACKSON O 365 613.

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

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7⁶⁴ Jun. '46.

To : Ministry of War

Lt-Col Willis O. JACKSON O 365 613, U.S. officer, has been awarded the Italian War Cross and is in receipt of the Medal. He now wants to know, if possible, the basis for the award or for what act or acts it was awarded. Request that if the information desired is available that you forward it to this Headquarters for onward transmission to Lt-Col JACKSON who is now in America.

RCV
R.C. VAN KIRK, Major,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Ltr Willis O. Jackson (Lt. Col. Inf. Inactive) 1410 Wayne Ave., N.E. Atlanta, Georgia, subj: Italian Award, 11 May 46.

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HEADQUARTERS ROME AREA, MTCUSA, APO 794, U.S. Army, 4 June 1946.

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 794, U.S. Army.
Att: MCLA.

Attention invited to 1st Indorsement. and information returned through
Lt. Ma.
FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

G. B. MURPHY
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General

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SPQRD 095
(Italian Decorations)

1st Ind

ASF, OQMG, Washington 25, D.C.

30 March 1946

TO: Colonel Clayton P. Kerr, Infantry, Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
M.M.I.A. ROME A/352

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the set of insignia of rank of the Italian Army as referred to in basic communication.

2. This office wishes to express its appreciation for this material which has been a material contribution to the records of this office.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Jack E. Finks

JACK E. FINKS
Colonel, QMC
Assistant

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