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6. The first witness - GIANNINI Marcello, di Nino, born 5 February, 1918 at Florence, a Second-Lieutenant of the 2nd Regiment Bersaglieri, was transported to a concentration camp in Germany with other members of his Unit which had been disarmed after the Armistice. In November, 1943, he was

obliged to serve with 1st. Battalion, Milizia Armata Italiana, under German control, but on 5th June, 1944, he deserted with about forty-five men who were under his command, with whom he made his way to Rome, arriving on 7th June, 1944.

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15. On 12th June, 1944, GIANINI went with FANTINI to S.C.I. "Z" Unit, where he reported the facts as above to Lieutenant Paul. J. PATERNI, of that Unit, who instructed him to maintain contact with ANTONUCCI, through the GALLI family.

16. During the two or three days which ensued, GIANINI kept in contact with ANTONUCCI and succeeded in gaining his confidence, with the result that ANTONUCCI admitted to him having been left in Rome by Lt. Col. KAPPIER

Major HAAS and Dr. MEYER of the German Intelligence Service, to take charge of four espionage groups in Southern Italy. ANTONUCCI said, however, that up to that time he had no lines of communication with his German employers, who had retreated to Florence shortly before the Allied arrival in Rome.

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ANTONUCCI then assigned GIANNINI to make his way to Foggia and there to locate D'ESPOSITO whose true name, he said, was Dott. Roberto ROSSI, and who was one of ANTONUCCI's wireless operators, from whom no news had been received since 4th June, 1944. GIANNINI was instructed by ANTONUCCI to kill D'ESPOSITO and to destroy his wireless transmitter, because ANTONUCCI was suspicious of his intentions and believed that, owing to his lust for money, D'ESPOSITO could easily be bought by the Allies.

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Finally, ANTONUCCI gave him a letter ³⁰ which, after completing the other tasks previously mentioned, he was to deliver to Signora Nella ASCHIERI of Ente Italiano Audizione Radiofoniche, Florence. She would put GIANNINI in touch with KAPPLER, HAAS or MEYER, through any one of whom he would receive the new password and the new group instructions for ANTONUCCI. Immediately after leaving ANTONUCCI, Giannini reported the full facts and handed the letter to Lieutenant Paul J. PATERNI of S.C.I. "2" Unit.

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The letter and the envelope in which it was contained will be submitted to the Court and will be identified by GIANNINI. The translation of the letter, from its original Italian form, into English, reads:

25.

"Dear Madam",

I'm sending you my news with one of ours who will cross the lines. I was cut off, but that does not mean that we will not see each other soon. Events in Rome have been disgusting. You are lucky for not having seen at what level the Roman people have reached. It is depressing to be without orders, nevertheless the morale is very high. I've come in contact with many of ours; therefore, now we can begin to act. I'm on the run, living a little here and a little there, all of which is exciting. My nerves at this moment are exceptionally strong. Now you should get in contact with Col.K or Maj.H or if so that he will send orders for me and about twenty SS boys from the Italian Battalion 'Debig'. We have no news regarding HQ; nevertheless I'm worried about the set and what he could say. Liberated Rome! What irony. They have brought us the flour that came from German dumps; they steal our women and walk around the town 24 hours a day drunk. Now I must leave you because I must find a new hiding place, so try to do the utmost for us; and for what I have not told you. Will see you soon with our troops; come, for here one dies. So long.

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On 19th June, 1944, as a result of what GIANNINI told him regarding subsequent developments and upon receiving the previously mentioned letter from GIANNINI, Lieutenant PATERNI, in company with Lieutenant ANASTASIO of the same Unit, went to the home of the GALLI family - Via Tuscolana 42, Int. 7, Rome, and arrested ANTONUCCI. A search of the latter's person and of the premises revealed no further incriminating evidence, however.

29.

When he was arrested, ANTONUCCI told Lieutenant PATERNI, that he had expected to be arrested for questioning, because he had heard that French Intelligence officers had been making enquiries as to his whereabouts, and he presumed that his name had been mentioned by, or had been found in possession of Franco ASCHIERI, when the latter was captured by the French some time ago.

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30. ANTONUCCI was then questioned by Lieutenant PATERNI and was asked to tell the story of his connection with German Intelligence. No mention was made to him of CIANNINI or other matters known to S.C.I. "23 Unit. He was allowed to tell a purely voluntary story, guided only by questions to clear up ambiguities and entirely without any form of duress or promise.
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37. Subsequently, they were interviewed by the two German officers, but when it was learned that ANTONUCCI and ASCHIERI had no previous training whatsoever in radio work, told them that they could not enter the school and that they would be sent back to Rome in a few days.

38. After a stay of five days in Berlin?
 ANTONUCCI and ASCHIERI left Berlin by train with "Florian" for Innsbruck where they again reported to the German E.O. and were conveyed by truck to BOLZANO. There they got into

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touch with SCHUBERT who advised them to get into further contact with Captain ASTORE in Rome.

On reporting to ASTORE in Rome, he told them to go to their homes and to await instructions. Several days after the Armistice, i.e. on or about 10th September, 1943, ASTORE took them to the German Embassy to introduce them to an official, but after waiting there throughout the day, the official in question had not arrived. The next day, however, they were introduced to Colonel KAPFER at the German Embassy who said that he could use them and told them to await instructions at their homes.

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46. Immediately upon their arrival D'ESPOSITO set up his wireless transmitter, as they had been instructed to establish and maintain wireless contact with Berlin; they succeeded in receiving messages from Berlin but did not transmit. According to ANTONUCCI, the wireless transmitter was wilfully damaged on two occasions by D'ESPOSITO, who, he said, had no intention of carrying out any mission for the Germans, his sole object being to extract as much money from them as possible. The Germans became suspicious of them and kept them under surveillance.

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ANTONUCCI said that he subsequently made frequent trips to Rome from Fiuggi and on one such trip, in order to cover D'ESPOSITO and himself, reported that the wireless set would not function. BOHRM was sent to Fiuggi and repaired it, but as previously mentioned, D'ESPOSITO willfully deceived it a second time. ANTONUCCI claimed to have left Fiuggi finally on 17th March, 1944 and said that he had not been there since that time. He said that, after his marriage to Maria Carla PARRIZZI in January, 1944, he lost interest in his mission and decided to "drop out" at the first opportunity.

He went on to say that, after leaving Fiuggi on 17th March, 1944, he lived for about a month with his wife at Albergo Marini, Via del Tritone, Rome. He was then located by the Germans who had learned of his absence from Fiuggi. They arrested him and placed him in Regina Coeli Gaol for two days, but he was then released through the intercession of D'ESPOSITO.

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Late in May, 1944, he received a request from Mrs. Nella ASCHIERI (mother of Franco ASCHIERI) asking him to call at her home. There she persuaded him to accompany her to see Dr. MEYER, who again reprimanded him and told him to go to Fiuggi and then return with D'ESPOSITO and the wireless transmitter, after which they were to be established as post-occupational agents at PISTOIA.

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SECRETOffice of the AG of S C-2
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Capt GALE, ✓
Security Branch, A.C.C.Copy to: SCI Unit "Z"

Will you please arrange to contact Major REYNOLDS of SCI Unit
"Z" and prepare for trial the case of the above mentioned
subject, who is at present detained in Regina Coeli Prison.

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22 August 1944

To: Lt. Col. D. A D Young, AC of S, G-2, CI, RAAG.

From: SCI Unit Z

Subject: Giorgio ANTONUCCI - JX-202

1. Above Subject, following interrogation by this Unit, has been detained in Regina Coeli, pending the outcome of penetration mission known to you.

2. Following the occupation of Florence, this mission was brought to completion.

3. There is, therefore, no further reason to hold ANTONUCCI in jail for this purpose and it is accordingly recommended that the recommendation in our interrogations, namely, that he be brought to trial, be carried out. Such recommendation has already been approved by GSI (b) AAI as per their memorandum AAI/1456/153/GSI (b) dated 7 July 1944.

4. Our penetration agent was not able to make the contact in Florence since Mrs. ASCHIERI had already moved away. He has accordingly brought back the letter written by ANTONUCCI to Mrs. ASCHIERI, which is one of the principal points in evidence against ANTONUCCI showing that he intended to carry out espionage, even after the Allies arrival in Rome. This letter is herewith attached.

ANDREW H. BERDING
Major, Air Corps.

CC: GSI (b) AAI.

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APO 979 - U S Army

JX-213

19 June 1944

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Brother: Werther - location unknown.

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It is felt by this interrogator that these girls are telling a true story, and that they are in no way involved in the ANTONUCCI case.

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Interrogation conducted and report written by Lt. Paul J. Paterni of this Unit.

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JX-201

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W/T set, since ANTONUCCI has become suspicious of him and alleges that ROSSI can easily be bought by the enemy (Allies) due to his lust for money.

ROSSI was last known to be located in the Villino MATILDE, owned by Mrs. RUSSO. His transmitter is (or was) located in the first drawer of his bureau in his room. His codes (which GIANNINI was to destroy also) are in the left pocket of a red suitcase in the same room.

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Copy of Letter Written by ANTONUCCI to Mrs: Nella ASCHIERI

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JX-202

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Through DELLA ROVERE the three above-mentioned were introduced to Capt. (Centurione) ASTORE of the MILIZIA ROMANA (Harbor Militia); who, after a short preliminary talk with the youths arranged for their travel to BOLZANO; enroute to BERLIN for a period of schooling.

In mid-August, ANTONUCCI with ASCHIERI, SIMBENI and DELLA ROVERE left ROME by train, travel tickets being furnished by DELLA ROVERE, which he supposedly received from ASTORE (above).

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Several hours later, these two officers, who will be referred to as No. 1 and No. 2, arrived at the Hotel and questioned each one on their radio ability. Upon learning that ANTONUCCI and ASCHIERI had no previous training whatsoever, they were informed that they could not attend the school and that they would be sent back to Rome within several days.

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BOEHM gave D'ESPOSITO 100,000 lire, to be shared with ANTONUCCI, as expense money.

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Under this arrangement, D'ESPOSITO received 4,000 lire monthly and ANTONUCCI 3,200 lire monthly.

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Italian, speaks excellent German. 40-45 years of age, very short, dark hair, robust build. May be native of BOLZANO.

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J. Miscellaneous:

ANTONUCCI claims that he was never paid any money by the S.D; organization, other than expenses for travel, food and lodgings on trip to Berlin and return to Rome, until 17 March when he was given 10,000 lire by D'ESPOSITO from the sum of 100,000 received from BOEHM.

He further alleges that at no time was he given training of any kind.

That he was informed by Major HAAS and Dr. MEYER to contact the following members of the S.D; organization in southern Italy, should he or D'ESPOSITO ever need help during their journey south from Piuggi after the Allied advance:

In BARI - Nino LEMBO located in the Santo Spirito section in a white villa near the RN station

In NAPLES - Mrs: HASSELINGEN-TANGERI at Riviera di Chiaia 61 or at the Albergo PARCO;

and one GREGOROVICH located at CASTEL MELIZANO SUL VOLTURNO.

The password for contact with these people was to be: "io Vengo da DESSY".

ANTONUCCI also claims that Mrs. Nella ASCHIERI was the motivating influence back of their (ASCHIERI; STUBINI and himself) involvement and collaboration with the Germans and the S.D. organization. Mrs: ASCHIERI is very pro-German. The shooting of her son as a German spy, by the Allies, affected her lightly, and undoubtedly has increased her determination to collaborate more closely with the Germans.

K. Comments and Conclusions:

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In NAPLES - Mrs: HASSELING-TANGERI at Riviera di Chiaia 61 or at the Albergo PARCO;

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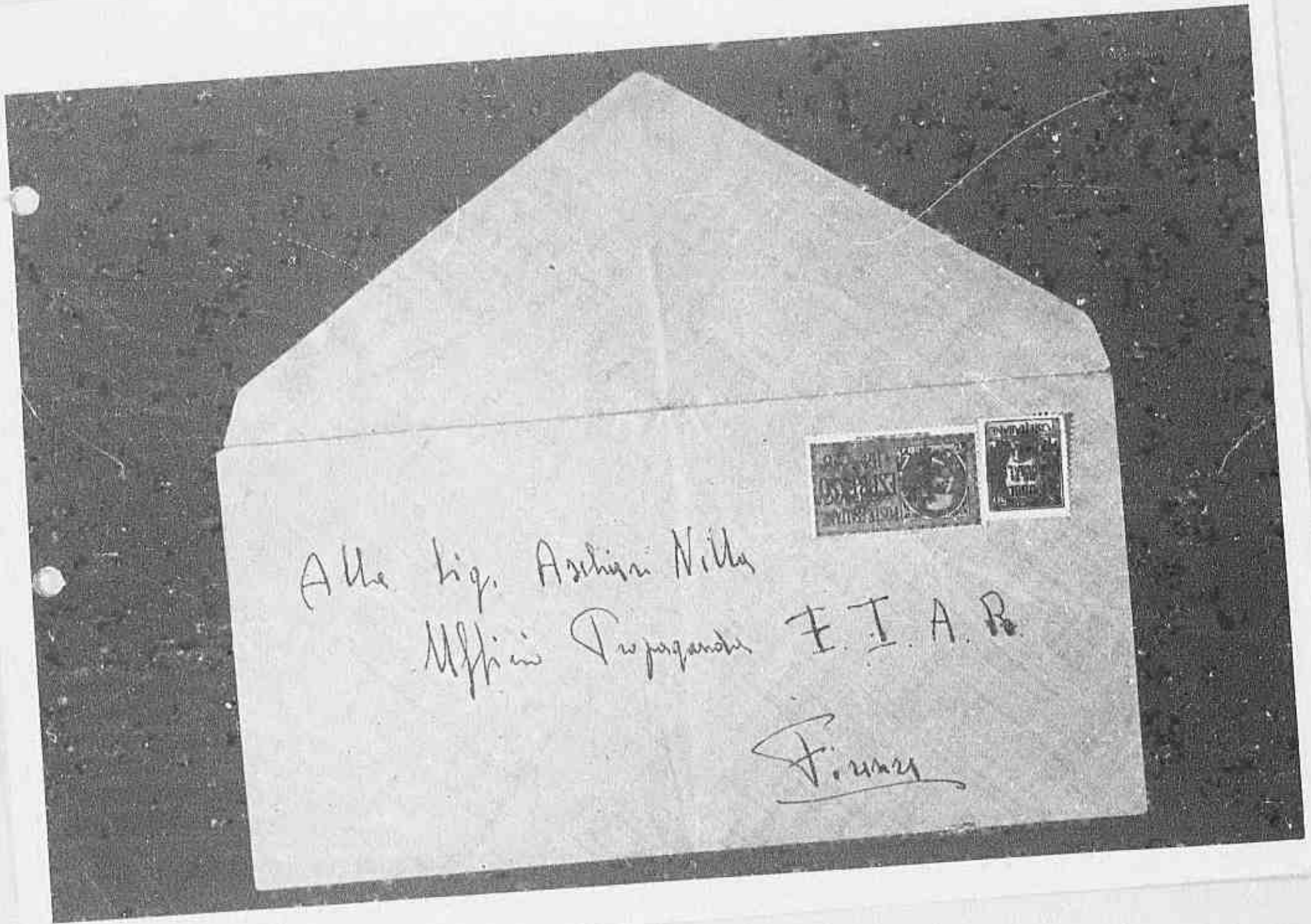
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che presto vengano riavviate. A Roma è stata una cosa di spunto
ma. Beata lei che non vede e non è molto conto del livello in fin
raggiunto dalla popolazione romana. E un po' tanta gente
ordini, ma in compagnia di molti e d'alcuni. Sono entrato in
contatto con molti dei nostri e ora possiamo cominciare ad agire
sono in fuga, visto un po' qui un po' là, però è un movimento.
I miei nervi in questo momento sono eccitabilmente forti.
Ora lei dovrebbe intervenire presso il Col. K. o il Mag. H.
o M. perché ci facciano giungere ordini precisi e una direttiva
di massima della G. I. italiana del battaglione Deviz. Di dopo
messaggi, notizie, sono preoccupato per l'apparecchio e per quello
che potrebbe mancare. Roma liberata! che i nostri hanno
portato la prima degli uomini tedeschi, portavano le nostre
donne, e vanno a ingiro e ora al governo italiano. Ora le donne
perché debbano scappare, anche di fare il possibile per noi, anche
quelli che non lo dico. Arrivareci a posto con le nostre
bombe, venite qui a vivere. Arrivareci. Heil Hitler!

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