



Melanie Hingis
(Martina Hingis' mother)
"It's scary. You are only 16 and you played such a good match."
To her daughter after winning the Australian Open.

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- Who won the three-nation cricket tournament held in South Africa recently?
India South Africa Zimbabwe
- How many Tests will Sri Lanka play in their New Zealand tour?
2 3 4
- Who is the top-ranked woman tennis player at the moment?
Steffi Hingis Monica
- Who lifted the boys' singles title in the BEXIMCO junior tennis championships?
Danai Mahadevan Phomphon
- The BCB XI team touring Pakistan is skippered by
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Irina leads Russian team

MOSCOW, Mar 4: Sprinter Irina Privalova will spearhead a strong Russian challenge at this weekend's World Indoor championships in Paris, along with Olympic pole vault champion Maxim Tarasov and triple jumper Inna Lasovskaya, reports Reuters.
Privalova, who set a year's best 60 metres of 7.02 seconds in France last month, has her sights on both that distance and the 200 metres in Paris.

Cities at a cross-roads

LAUSANNE, Mar 4: Eleven cities hoping to stage the 2004 Olympic Games try to paper over the cracks found by an investigation team when they go before an Olympic panel here this week, reports AFP.
Former Olympic fencer Thomas Bach of Germany led a 15-strong team which drew up a 350-page report assessing the strengths and weakness of each city's bid.
Six cities will be left wondering whether to spend another five million dollars each in another bid on Friday when a short-list of five is drawn up.
Athens, Buenos Aires, Cape Town, Istanbul, Lille, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, San Juan, Seville, Stockholm and St Petersburg have their last chance to talk their way into the short-list.
The final decision will be taken by the full International Olympic Committee here on September 5.
Bach's report is less judgmental than previous ones, when Sydney was the obvious leading candidate for the 2000 Summer Games and Salt Lake City the leading contender for the 2002 Winter Games.
To find the winners and losers this time means interpreting the coded language used to describe what the commission thinks of each city's bid.
Athens, Rome, Buenos Aires and Stockholm probably score more points for projects which are seen as "well-conceived", "well-located", "very precise" while Cape Town, considered one of the front-runners, suffers from what was seen as a high crime rate and the perception that South Africans feel 2004 is too early for the country.
Athens has two glaring weaknesses.
The commission labels air access and transport as significant problems and says pollution controls are "fundamental" to the Games being a success in Greece, which is no longer campaigning under the slogan "The world owes us the Olympics" which proved so ineffective against Atlanta.
Bach might not be a sentimentalist but the commission seems to have fallen for Buenos Aires.
The commission notes the economic and social impact the Games would have on South Africa's emerging nation but found opponents who wondered whether the country was ready for 2004.
Istanbul does not appear to have satisfied the doubting Thomases.



Part of a crowd estimated at one million who filled Atlantica Avenue at Copacabana beach in Brazil during a demonstration in support of Rio's bid to host the 2004 Olympic Games on Mar 2.

Italians eyeing Euro cups

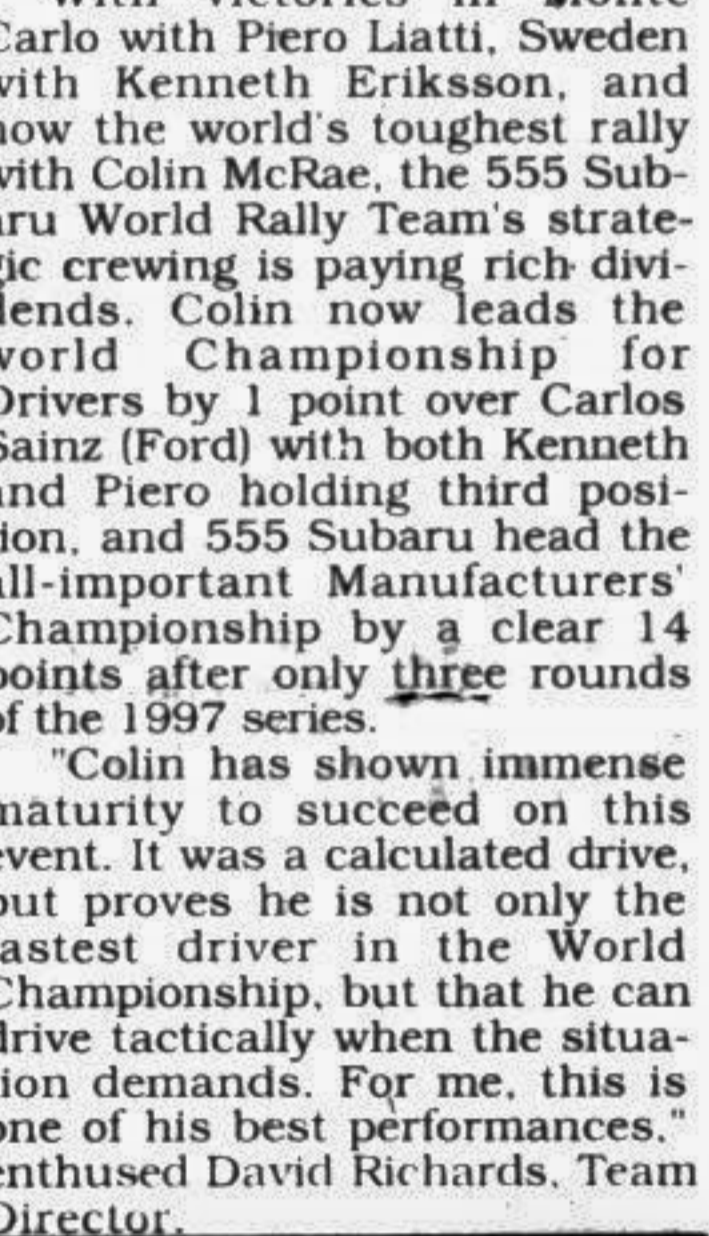
LONDON, Mar 3: The chase for Europe's three soccer cups resumes this week after a three-month break, reports AP.
Italian clubs probably go into the first-leg, quarterfinal matches as the favourites for the two most prestigious titles — the Champions' and UEFA cups. The Cup Winners' Cup looks wide open.
The three straight days of European cup play begins with Tuesday's UEFA Cup first-leg matches with Inter Milan as the favourites. The Champions' Cup comes Wednesday, where defending champions Juventus find themselves in the same spot. The Cup Winners' Cup is set for Thursday.
The second-leg matches are March 18-20.
In the UEFA Cup, Inter — second in the Italian league — are away to Belgian side Anderlecht with Monaco playing at Newcastle. Denmark's Brøndby IF at Tenerife, and Valencia at Schalke 04 of Germany.
Inter visit Anderlecht fresh from two straight victories after a spate of ties that angered fans and prompted manager Roy Hodgson to announce he's leaving at the end of the season to return to England with Premier League side Blackburn.
English side Newcastle go to French league-leaders Monaco without striker Alan Shearer, who may be out for the season after his third groin surgery in 10 months.
Juventus play the first leg at Norway's Rosenborg BK with Atletico Madrid at Ajax, Portuguese side Porto at Manchester United and France's Auxerre at Dortmund.
Porto — runaway leaders in Portugal behind a strong front of talented Brazilians — are probably the side who have shown the best form behind Juventus. It faces Manchester United, who are trying to become the first since Liverpool in 1984 to win the Cup.
Under normal conditions, Barcelona would be picked to win at home over Swedish side AIK Solna. But Barcelona struggled again over the weekend in a 4-0 loss at Tenerife, prompting more rumours that manager Bobby Robson may be on the way out.
Liverpool would also go in as the favourite at Norway's SK Brann, but Liverpool was upset Sunday against Aston Villa.

Another blow to SL's prep

GISBORNE, New Zealand, Mar 4: Sri Lanka's Test preparations were dealt another serious blow Tuesday when the tourists' one-day cricket match against New Zealand A had to be abandoned without a ball being bowled, reports AP.
The tourists now will go into the first Test against New Zealand starting in Dunedin on Friday with only two days of cricket behind them on tour.
The match in Gisborne was originally scheduled over three days but no play was possible on the first two days after overnight rain and inadequate covers left the playing area unfit for play.
Officials then decided to scrap the three-day game and substitute the scheduled last day with a 50-overs-a-side match.
Consistent drizzle, which settled in Monday afternoon and continued to fall Tuesday morning, left officials with no choice but to call off that match before the scheduled start.
The Sri Lankans were planning to travel to Dunedin later Tuesday for two days of practice.

McRae wins Safari Rally

After an outstanding drive over three days of car-breaking competition, Colin McRae and the 555 Subaru World Rally Team have won their first-ever 555 Safari Rally. In doing so Colin and co-driver, Nicky Grist, have given the team and the all-new Subaru Impreza 555 WRC97 its third consecutive victory this year, the team five victories in a row, and Pirelli their 100th World Championship victory, says a press release.
"To win an event like this feels fantastic," said Colin. "Nobody would have put me down to be the winner but we have taken it sensibly and reaped the rewards. Driving here is like nothing in Europe — there you go flat out 100 per cent all the time. Here it's all about going at a speed that isn't going to break the car. It's a tough one, not only for me, but for the whole team as well. It's a very special win, for sure."
With victories in Monte Carlo with Piero Liatti, Sweden with Kenneth Eriksson, and now the world's toughest rally with Colin McRae, the 555 Subaru World Rally Team's strategic crewing is paying rich dividends. Colin now leads the world Championship for Drivers by 1 point over Carlos Sainz (Ford) with both Kenneth and Piero holding third position, and 555 Subaru head the all-important Manufacturers' Championship by a clear 14 points after only three rounds of the 1997 series.
"Colin has shown immense maturity to succeed on this event. It was a calculated drive, but proves he is not only the fastest driver in the World Championship, but that he can drive tactically when the situation demands. For me, this is one of his best performances," enthused David Richards, Team Director.



Testament to the rough, demanding and unpredictable nature of the 555 Safari Rally is the fact that a mere 17 crews completed the marathon 2,400 km event run across Kenya's barren and dry plains. McRae has now also added his name to a very elite group of overseas drivers to win this event — in the 45-year history of the rally, now only 11 non-local crews have taken victory.
Today's third and final leg covering another 406 competitive kilometres held few surprises: however an electrical problem gave Colin and Nicky a heart-stopping moment on the second section. Despite this, they set fastest time and proved completely unassailable in the conquering Subaru Impreza 555.

Fleming takes over the helm Germon gets the push

WELLINGTON, Mar 4: New Zealand cricket captain Lee Germon has been dumped for the Test and one-day series against Sri Lanka, cricket officials said today, reports Reuters.
Germon, who has been captain in all his 12 Tests since his debut in India late in 1995, received the news within hours of leading his side to a 28-run win over England in the final one-day international in Wellington which levelled the series at 2-2.
The wicketkeeper batsmen, the first New Zealand skipper to be dropped in mid-season since Jeff Crowe in 1988, has paid the price for the Kiwis' 2-0 defeat in the Test series.
Convener of selectors Ross Dykes instead named left-hand batsman Stephen Fleming to lead the side in two Tests against Sri Lanka. The first Test starts in Dunedin on Friday.
Fleming, 23, became New Zealand's youngest Test captain when he led the side in the third Test against England in Christchurch last month, when



LEE GERMON

Germon was injured.
"There was a lot of soul-searching and really it came down to form. Which is the criteria we've tried to use throughout the season. That's the bottom line," Dykes said.
Germon, and one-day specialists Chris Harris and medium pacer Gavin Larsen make way for the return of batsmen Blair Pocock and Matt Horne and left-arm spinner Daniel Vettori.
Adam Parore will take over as wicketkeeper, having stepped into the job in the third Test against England.
Dykes said Germon's form, rather than his ability as a captain, was the main reason for his being dropped.

Noel gets the nod

NEW DELHI, Mar 4: India added uncapped off-spinner Noel David today to the squad touring West Indies, while continuing to hope for injured Javagal Srinath's return, reports BSS.

Kiwis square the series

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Mar 4: Nathan Astle starred with bat and ball as New Zealand defeated England by 28 runs in the fifth limited-over cricket international at the Basin Reserve on Tuesday, sealing a share of the series, reports agencies.
The Kiwis scored 228 for eight in their allocated 50 overs and England could only manage 200 in 47.5 overs in reply.
England won the first two matches of the series, the third was tied and New Zealand came back to win the last two.
New Zealand's win robbed England of a sweep of honours on their tour after the Englishmen won the Test series 2-0.
"The team showed a lot of guts to come through what has been a difficult period," New Zealand captain Lee Germon said after the game.
"I think we've come a long way to resurrecting the season."
Set 229 to win the match, England got away to a promising start. Pacesman Geoff Allott clean bowled Mike Atherton with the third ball of the innings, but the England skipper was saved by a dubious no-ball call from umpire Evan Watkin.
Television replays clearly showed Allott's foot was not fully over the no-ball line.
But England's good fortune was short-lived.
Allott soon had the prized wicket of Alec Stewart, who smashed a full toss straight to mid-on when he was on 18.
Atherton made the most of his reprieve, stroking 43 runs in effortless fashion until some sharp fielding saw him run out by keeper Lee Germon.

After Chris Harris enticed Nasser Hussain out of his crease to have him stumped by Germon for 20, England's hopes rested with Graham Thorpe.
The gritty left-hander came to the party, punishing anything loose to progress rapidly into the 30s. But persistent pressure from the New Zealand field saw wickets fall regularly at the other end.
Spinner Dipak Patel bowled Chris Silverwood for 4, Gavin Larsen had John Crawley lbw for 11, and Jack Russell, making his first appearance in the one-day series here, nicked a Nathan Astle ball to be caught behind for just two.
Craig White fell to Astle two balls later without scoring and when Robert Croft was run out for two, their chances of pulling off the win were remote.
Thorpe's innings came to an end when he was stumped by Germon off Larsen for 55. His half-century had come in 83 balls with two boundaries.
Gough was the last man out, caught on the cover fence for 16 in the 47th over.
England assistant coach John Emburey paid tribute to the New Zealand bowling attack, in which medium-pacers Larsen and Harris were again the most restrictive.
"They really started to put the screws on and put the players under pressure. We made a few mistakes and started to get behind the clock, Emburey said.
New Zealand were able to post a defendable 228 after a dashing 94 from Astle. His sterling knock and two wickets earned him the man-of-the-match award.
Atherton said England had achieved their objectives on

tour.
"New Zealand are a more than capable one-day side — they fought back well after going 2-0 down and I must say we were feeling a bit tired at the end of a long winter, although I don't want to be seen to be making excuses," Atherton said.
It's a pretty disappointing end but generally things have gone well for us here. We'll go home feeling on a high rather than on a low."
New Zealand start a two-Test, three one-day international series against Sri Lanka in Dunedin on Friday, while England flies home on Wednesday night.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the fifth and final one-day international between England and New Zealand in Wellington Tuesday:

NEW ZEALAND

Young c Russell b Caddick	11
Fleming lbw b Croft	14
Cairns c Russell b White	1
Parore lbw b Caddick	18
Harris c Stewart b Gough	36
Germon lbw b Silverwood	2
Patel not out	0
Larsen run out	7
Davis not out	6
Extras (w-14; lb-10; nb-2)	26
Total (for 8 wickets)	228
Fall of wickets: 1-28; 2-84; 3-86; 4-122; 5-197; 6-139; 7-208; 8-208.	

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Caddick	10	1	35	3
Silverwood	10	0	53	1
Gough	10	1	48	1
White	10	0	44	1
Croft	10	1	38	1



The winning 555 Subaru World Rally team

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার
নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী কার্যালয়
স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর
হবিগঞ্জ
এলজিইডি, হবিগঞ্জ, দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি
নং-২৩/৯৬-৯৭

তার: ২৪-৩-৯৭ইং

স্মারক নং: এলজিইডি/নিঃপ্রঃ/হবিগঞ্জ-৪৭/৯৭/৪৬৭

এতদ্বারা স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তরের আওতাধীন ১৯৯৬-৯৭ অর্থ বছরে বাস্তবায়নের নিমিত্তে হবিগঞ্জ জেলায় গৃহীত নিম্নে বর্ণিত ক্ষেত্রের কাজের জন্য এলজিইডি'র তালিকাভুক্ত সকল ঠিকাদার এবং এলজিইডি'র আওতাভুক্ত বিভিন্ন প্রকারের পূর্বযোগ্যতা সম্পন্ন ঠিকাদার/ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সিডিউলের সহিত সংযুক্ত অতিরিক্ত শর্তাবলীসহ বাংলাদেশ ক্রম নং-২৯/১১৩৩ সীলমোহরকৃত বামে দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে।

১। দরপত্র সিডিউল আগামী ১২-৩-৯৭ ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী (রক্ষণাবেক্ষণ), এলজিইডি, সদর দপ্তর, ঢাকা, নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী দপ্তর, এলজিইডি, সিলেট/সুনামগঞ্জ/মৌলভীবাজার এবং জেলা জেলাধীন সকল থানা প্রকৌশলী দপ্তরসহ নিম্নপ্রকৌশলী দপ্তর হতে ১৯৯৬-৯৭ ইং সনের নবায়নকৃত ঠিকাদারী লাইসেন্স প্রদর্শনপূর্বক নির্ধারিত মূল্যে (অফারতথ্যমালা) ক্রয় করা যাইবে।

২। দরপত্র আগামী ১০-৩-৯৭ ইং তারিখ বেলা ১.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী (রক্ষণাবেক্ষণ), এলজিইডি, সদর দপ্তর, ঢাকা, নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী দপ্তর, এলজিইডি, সিলেট/সুনামগঞ্জ/মৌলভীবাজার এবং জেলা জেলাধীন সকল থানা প্রকৌশলী দপ্তরসহ নিম্নপ্রকৌশলী দপ্তর হতে ১৯৯৬-৯৭ ইং সনের নবায়নকৃত ঠিকাদারী লাইসেন্স প্রদর্শনপূর্বক নির্ধারিত মূল্যে (অফারতথ্যমালা) ক্রয় করা যাইবে।

৩। প্রাক্কলিত মূল্যের ২.৫% হারে বায়নার টাকা হিসাবে নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, এলজিইডি, হবিগঞ্জ এর করবারে বাংলাদেশ এর যে কোন তফসিলভুক্ত ব্যাংক হতে ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার আকারে দরপত্রের সহিত দাখিল করিতে হইবে।

৪। সরকারী সিদ্ধান্ত অনুযায়ী প্রকৌশলী ও মূল্য সন্মোদন কর কর্তব্যমোগ্য।

৫। শর্তকরা ৫ (পাঁচ) ভাগ অংশের অধিক উর্ধ্ব দর দাখিলকৃত দরপত্রের সহিত আইএমএমআর দর বিবেচনায় দাখিল করিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।

৬। প্রাক্কলিত বায়ের শর্তকরা ৫ (পাঁচ) ভাগ নিম্ন দরের চেয়ে অধিক নিম্ন দর দাখিলকৃত দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।

৭। দরপত্রের সহিত গ্যারান্টি সিডিউল দাখিল করিতে হইবে। গ্যারান্টি সিডিউলবিহীন দাখিলকৃত দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।

৮। দরপত্রের নির্দিষ্ট স্থানে প্রাক্কলিত মূল্যের উপর সার্বিক শতকরা হার তথা উর্ধ্বদর/সমদর/নিম্নদর অথক এবং কথায় উল্লেখ করিতে হইবে। দর দেখায় কোনরূপ কাটা, ঘষা কিংবা ওভাররাইট করা যাইবে না। এইরূপ দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।

৯। বিভিন্ন আইএমএমআর কাজ এলজিইডি'র দর বিবেচনায় এ প্রদর্শিত বিভিন্ন উপাংশের মাল্যমালের পরিমাণ চূড়ান্ত বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।

১০। কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতীত যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ কিংবা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

কার্যের তালিকা

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এলজিইডি, হবিগঞ্জ

BRIDGE NOTES
By An Expert

Hands from Bermuda Bowl

Score	♠82	Board: 55
Pakistan 95 1/2	♥A 53	Dir: South
USA 109	♦AJ 86	Vul: Both
	♣A 752	

♠9763
♥J72
♦5432
♣Q 3

N	E
W	S

♠J 104
♥Q 109
♦KQ 9
♣AJ 1098

Open Room
West: Solodar Pass
East: Levin Dbl
South: Fazli Pass
North: M unir 14

Closed Room
Masood M: Beckstroth
East: Zia Dbl
South: Rodwell Pass
North: 14

This was a quiet, both Souths declaring 1NT contracts after identical auctions and both managing seven tricks.

Open Room
Munir is a strong no trump, vulnerable, so he started with 14. Fazli tried 1NT over Levin's double and that ended the auction.
Solodar led a spade and the defenders cashed four rounds, ending in the West hand. Dummy threw a club and a heart while declarer parted with a club. Solodar shifted to a heart and Levin won his king. Fazli conceded a club but

Office of the Executive Engineer
Barisal O&M Division
WDB, Barisal
Tender Notice
No. 15/96-97

1. Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the enlisted "A", "B" & "D" Class contractors, BWDB for the year (Those who have deposited renewal fee/enlistment fee for 1996-97) for manufacturing & supplying of CC Blocks & dumping, placing of C. C. Blocks in connection with the protection of Shikper Bandar, Ferryghat & Sher-e-Bangla Degree College from the erosion of Sandhya River under Wazirpur Thana, Dist. Barisal during the year 1996-97 under Barisal O&M Division, WDB, Barisal. The Tenders will be received on 15-3-97, 16-3-97 and up to 12-00 Noon on 17-3-97.

2. Brief description of the works are as follows:

Group No.	Description of works	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Eligibility of contractor	Time allowed
		Normal 2.50%	Token 1%		
"A"	Manufacturing & supplying of CC block in connection with the protection of Shikper Bandar, Ferryghat and Sher-e-Bangla Degree College from the erosion of Sandhya River under Wazirpur Thana, Dist. Barisal during 1996-97.	Tk. 11,02,227/-	27556/-	11023/-	A & B 60 days
"B"	"do" "do"	Tk. 11,03,225/-	27581/-	11033/-	A & B 60 days
"C"	Dumping & placing of CC block in connection with the protection of Shikper Bandar, Ferryghat & Sher-e-Bangla Degree College from the erosion of Sandhya River under Wazirpur Thana, Dist. Barisal during 1996-97.	Tk. 2,75,446/-	6887/-	2756/-	'D' Class 30 days

3. Availability of the Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Sonali Bank, WAPDA Branch, Dhaka/Sonali Bank, Sagardi Branch, Barisal, Janata Bank, Barguna/Rupali Bank, Patuakhali @ Tk. 400/- & 750/- per set (non-refundable) up to 16-3-97.

4. Office of the receiving Tender: Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, Dhaka O&M Circle, BWDB, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, O&M Division, Barisal/O&M Division, WDB, Patuakhali/O&M Division, WDB, Barguna/Executive Engineer, Dhaka O&M Division-II, Dhaka.

5. Date & time of opening Tender: 12-30 PM on 17-3-97.

6. Name of Advertiser: Md. Abdul Mannan, Executive Engineer, Barisal O&M Division, WDB, Barisal.

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