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OCTOBER DONATION UPDATE

The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) **fiscal year** is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$7,781.99 in donations and newsletter advertisements— we have \$16,518.01 to go by June 30, 2014.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics. Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

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**HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW...**



HB Neighborhood Watch has had a busy year with Neighborhood Watch meeting requests but not nearly enough when you consider the size of our city. Did you know the Neighborhood Watch Program is one of the only pro-active programs around that will help you to build defenses against criminals and crime? **This program is about getting to know your neighbors** and learning how to properly report a crime so police officers will know what or who they need to be looking for and what they are responding to. Giving the police dispatcher the proper information in an orderly manner can save valuable time and will assist officers in the apprehension of a criminal.

You will learn about a few things you can do to harden the target and make your home less desirable to a criminal. Simple things, such as using timers and motion sensors, give your home that lived in look even while you are away.

For more information about starting up a Neighborhood Watch Program on your block or if you have any questions please call the Community Liaison Unit at 714-536-5933. To schedule a meeting, please try to have a couple of dates in mind and give HBNW at least 2 weeks notice.

We need your help to "Take a Bite out of Crime"

Holiday Scams

The holidays are quickly approaching; in fact there are only about 35 days left until Christmas. Unfortunately, this time of year also brings out many more criminals that try to swindle you out of your hard earned money. In November of 2010, Sgt. Greg Davis wrote an article on the HYPD Bunco- Forgery Unit. It made sense then and makes sense now so please read this worthwhile article of things you can do to harden the target and lessen the chances of you becoming a victim of a high tech and/or economic crime.



HYPD's Bunco- Forgery Unit

By Sgt Greg Davis

The Huntington Beach Police Department's Bunco-Forgery Unit is part of the Police Department's Investigation Division. The types of crimes the unit investigates include major frauds, financial elder abuse, identity-theft, forgeries, credit card fraud, embezzlements, counterfeiting, non-sufficient fund checks, and any other thefts by false pretences, deceit, scheme, or swindle. They are also responsible for computer forensics and analysis of suspect computers, cell phones, and other high-tech devices.

Staying Safe in the 21st Century:

In today's high-tech environment, many people believe it is unsafe and risky to put their personal information out via the Internet. But going online is not, in and of itself, an unsafe action. The Internet is actually a more secure way to make purchases and complete business transactions than passing a written check at the market or sending a check in the mail. Although the Internet is secure, it is true that numerous schemes and deceitful acts have occurred using the Internet. Here are some ways to keep yourself safe using your computer:

1. Make sure your operating system, antivirus, and anti-spyware programs are up to date with all the security updates in place. Run daily scans and have the programs actively scan while you are using the computer.
2. Use a secure network and secured wireless networks. Do not access your email or go online from public computers/hotels/airports unless you use secure remote software.
3. NEVER respond to unsolicited emails or offers. If possible, you should not open junk email. Just delete it.

4. When making a purchase online, make sure the site is secure. The beginning of the web site address should start with "https" and not just "http." The "s" means it is secure. There should also be a picture of a padlock on the screen as well. If the lock is closed, the site is secure.
5. Always use escrow-type accounts when making purchases on-line (like PayPal). Make sure to utilize the company's security features. Never bypass the security features and wire money to the seller.
6. If you get an email from a bank, ebay, or other similar site asking questions about your account—NEVER respond or click on the links within the email. NEVER give them any personal information or passwords. Close the email and contact the institution by phone or by connecting to the site that you directly use to conduct your business.
7. Maintain records of all your transactions (print your receipts).
8. Do not use the same password for different accounts. Use passwords that involve alphanumeric characters.

Bunco Scams:

There are literally hundreds of ways criminals attempt to swindle people out of their money. Many are via email on the Internet, but some are carried out in person. They range from Nigerian scams to Ponzi schemes. A popular scam right now is the "secret shopper" employment opportunity. The suspect asks the victim to evaluate the service of a store providing wire transfers like Wal Mart. The suspect sends the victim a check to cash for the victim's salary, money to spend as the "shopper," and a large amount to be wired back to the "employer" evaluating the services of the store. Several days later, the victim will discover the original check was not good and will be out several hundred dollars. Beware of offers that appear too good to be true. If someone is offering you a job for your services, you should never have to send them money. This is a big red flag and you should discontinue doing business with the person.

More information to help prevent you from becoming a victim will be available in future newsletters.

If you are a victim or believe you might be a victim call the police and report it immediately. Your actions may help to prevent someone else from becoming a victim.

RSVP Presidential Pin Awards Ceremony

Tuesday, October 29, 2013

Sponsored by OneOC and HBPD

The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation created the President's Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service. Recognizing and honoring volunteers sets a standard for service to others. It encourages a sustained commitment to civic participation and inspires others to make volunteering a central part of their lives.

All HBPD Retired Senior Volunteer Program members are eligible to qualify for The President's Volunteer Service Award as they reach certain benchmarks in service - measured by the number of RSVP hours served over a 12-month period or cumulative RSVP hours earned over a lifetime. These awards are provided at no cost as a benefit of membership with RSVP.

- Award recipients receive:
 - • An official President's Volunteer Service Award pin
 - • A personalized certificate of achievement
 - • A note of congratulations from the President of the United States
 - • A letter from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation
- Awards Levels:
 - • Bronze: 100-249 hours of service during a 12-month period
 - • Silver: 250-499 hours of service during a 12-month period
 - • Gold: 500+ hours of service during a 12-month period
- President's Call to Service Award = 4,000+ hours of lifetime achievement

This ceremony was held at the Huntington Beach Police Department. In addition to members of the HBPD and OneOC in attendance to distribute certificates of recognition and to honor them for their invaluable dedication and service to the Community of Huntington Beach were Assemblyman Allan Mansoor, 74th Assembly District, and Martin L. Paine, District Director for Senator Mimi Walters, California 37th District.

Huntington Beach Police Department



RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM
2013 Presidential Pin Awards

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

The police patrol areas are the north and south. The patrol beats are 2-9. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

43 reported 09/16/13 - 10/15/13

53 reported 08/16/13 - 09/15/13

Fifteen of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Eighteen of these burglaries were committed during the day; four were committed at night, and twenty-one at an unknown time.

There were ten garage entries.

There was one storage unit entry.

There were four attempted entries.

VEHICLE BURGLARIES

42 reported 09/16/13 - 10/15/13

44 reported 08/16/13 - 09/15/13

GRAND THEFT AUTO

33 reported 09/16/13 - 10/15/13

29 reported 08/16/13 - 09/15/13

BEAT 2

10 Residential Burglaries
2 Vehicle Burglaries
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 452-1 RD 453-1
RD 456-2 RD 465-1
RD 466-1 RD 475-1
RD 476-2 RD 486-1

Streets: Detroit Ave., Sandpiper Ln., Kite Dr., Reef Ln., Pinetree Ln., Chevy Chase Dr., Kaneohe Ln., Seacrest Ln., Brookhurst St., and Port Clyde Dr.

In RD 452, Detroit Ave., unknown suspect(s) attempt to use a key to access the victim's rear door.

In RD 453, Sandpiper Ln., suspect is possibly known.

In RD 456, Kite Dr., it appears the exterior pedestrian door had been forced open by the suspect. Then the pedestrian door that leads from the garage to the house had been pried open.

In RD 456, Reef Ln., it appears the unknown suspect(s) entered through an unlocked rear kitchen window.

In RD 465, Pinetree Ln., suspect is in custody.

In RD 476, Seacrest Ln., suspect is possibly known.

In RD 476, Brookhurst St., suspect described as: Male, Caucasian, about 35 years old, height 5'6" to 5'8", with a thin build, shaved head wearing a black t-shirt with an "YZ" logo on the front wearing blue jean pants and white shoes.

In RD 486, Port Clyde Dr., unknown suspect(s) shattered a kitchen window to gain entry.

There were three garage entries

There was one attempted entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 462-1 RD 476-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 452-1 RD 462-1
RD 473-1

BEAT 3

6 Residential Burglaries
2 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 424-1 RD 425-1
RD 434-1 RD 436-1
RD 442-1 RD 444-1

Streets: Sailport Dr., Litchfield Dr., Shore Cir. Continental Dr., Delaware St., and Swansea Ln.

In RD 424, Sailport Dr., it appears the point of entry was an unlocked garage pedestrian door, and the garage interior door was also unlocked.

In RD 436, Continental Dr., suspect is known.

In RD 442, Delaware St., victim believes the suspect(s) were scared off by the two large dogs inside the home.

There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 425-1 RD 433-1

Grand Theft Auto

None reported

BEAT 4

5 Residential Burglaries
9 Vehicle Burglaries
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 348-1 RD 349-1
RD 441-1 RD 451-2

Streets: Golden West St., 20th St., Lake St., and 7th St.

In RD 441, Lake St., an unknown suspect(s) attempted to enter the garage by prying open the garage door.

In RD 451, Lake St., an unknown suspect(s) gained entry into a home that was being fumigated by an unknown method.

There were three garage entries.

There were two attempted entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 326-1 RD 338-1
RD 348-2 RD 349-1
RD 359-1 RD 451-3

Grand Theft Auto

RD 349-1 RD 451-3

BEAT 5

5 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
5 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 293-1 RD 413-1
RD 422-1 RD 432-1
RD 434-1

Streets: Gum Tree Ln., Demion Ln., Delaware St., Florida St., and Bellmead Dr.

In RD 293, Gum Tree Ln., suspect is in custody.

In RD 413, Demion Ln., suspect is in custody.

In RD 432 Florida St., suspect is possibly known.

In RD 434, Bellmead Dr., the unknown suspect(s) gained entry to the garage through either the unlocked side door or the open roll up garage door. The suspect then took a generator and fled from the garage with it.

There were two garage entries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 412-2 RD 413-1
RD 422-2 RD 432-1

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 292-1 RD 412-3
RD 413-1

BEAT 6

3 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
0 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 272-1 RD 283-2

Streets: Queens Ln., El Arroyo Dr., and Newman Ave.

In RD 272, Queens Ln., it appears the suspect(s) gained entry by removing the screen from a bedroom window. Then opened the window and entered.

In RD 283, Newman Ave., suspects are in custody.

There was one storage unit entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 272-1 RD 273-1
RD 282-1 RD 283-2

Grand Theft Auto

None reported

BEAT 7

2 Residential Burglaries
6 Vehicle Burglaries
10 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 158-2

Streets: Edinger and Bellinger Ln.

In RD 158, Edinger Ave., unknown suspect(s) cuts the window screen to an open bedroom window to gain entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 178-1 RD 189-1
RD 253-4

Grand Theft Auto

RD 158-1 RD 178-1
RD 179-1 RD 252-3
RD 253-2 RD 262-2

BEAT 8

5 Residential Burglaries
5 Vehicle Burglaries
5 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 152-1 RD 155-2
RD 165-1 RD 177-1

Streets: Alert Ln., Waikiki Ln., Prelude Dr., Sims Ln., and Tiffany Cir.

In RD 155, Waikiki Ln., suspects in custody.

In RD 177, Tiffany Cir., suspect is possibly known.

There was one garage entry.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 166-1 RD 172-1
RD 174-1 RD 176-1
RD 177-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 165-1 RD 167-2
RD 174-1 RD 175-1

BEAT 9

7 Residential Burglaries
7 Vehicle Burglaries
6 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 116-1 RD 117-1
RD 128-1 RD 146-1
RD 148-1 RD 149-2

Streets: Stardust Dr., Riviera Dr., Hardwick Cir., Cross Dr., Alden Ln., Red Coach Dr., and White Oak Ln.

In RD 116, Stardust Dr., suspects described as: #1 – Female/Hispanic or Pilipino, 30 years old approximately, height 5'3", 170 lbs, dark brown shoulder length hair, wearing a regular type gray sweat shirt and jeans (holding a bag). #2 – Male/Hispanic, 18 – 20 years old, height 5'3", 160 lbs, skinny, "buzzed head", possibly black hair, wearing a white short sleeved T shirt. #3 – Male/Hispanic, 30 to 40 years old, height 5' 6", 200 lbs, stocky build, "buzzed head", wearing a short sleeved white t-shirt and jeans. The vehicle was described as a late model Toyota van (Sienna), Maroon color with chrome wheels.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 137-3 RD 147-1
RD 241-2 RD 242-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 148-1 RD 241-4
RD 242-1

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H.B. Neighborhood Watch Board members provide speakers and materials for *Neighborhood Watch Block Meetings*. This is a great way to get together with your neighbors, learn crime prevention and safety tips, find out what crimes are occurring in your neighborhood, what to look out for, and the best way to report crimes to the police department. To arrange a meeting please call Nilda Patiño de Berndt, Community Relations Specialist, at (714)-536-5933.

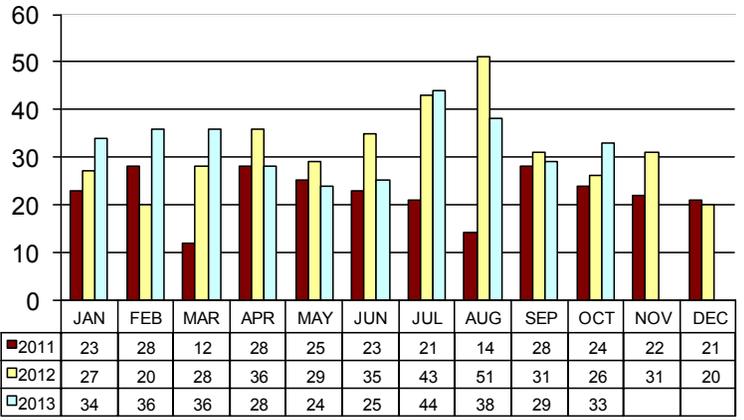
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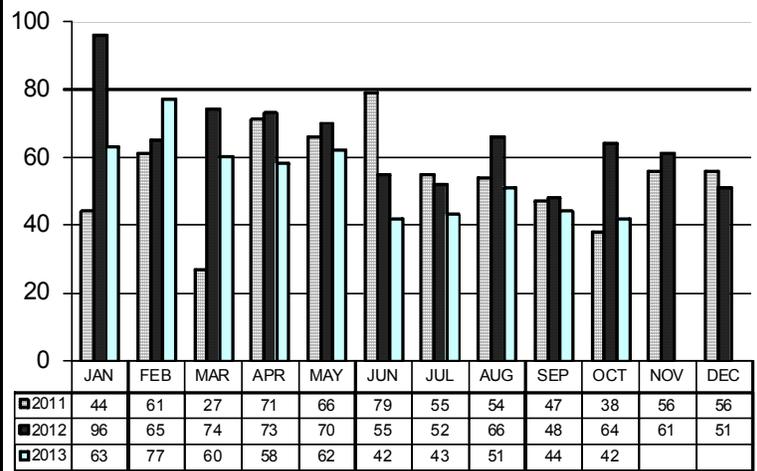
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- A notice from the IRS that someone used your Social Security Number
- Mail, E-Mail, or calls about accounts or jobs in your minor child's name
- Unwarranted collection notices on your credit report
- Businesses turn down your checks
- You are turned down unexpectedly for a loan or a job
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- Your credit score takes an unexpected dive

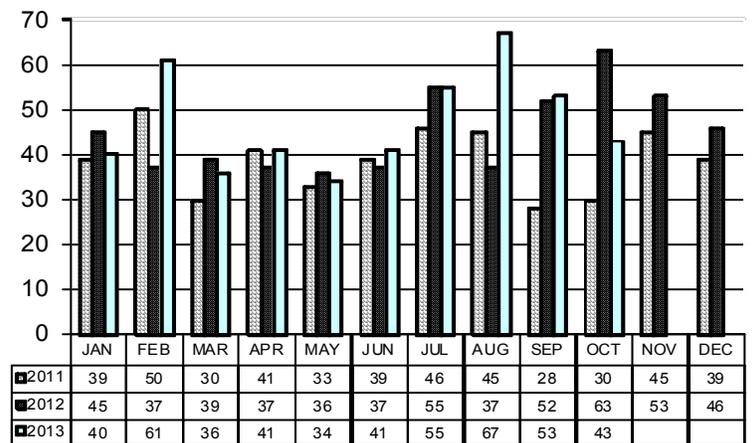
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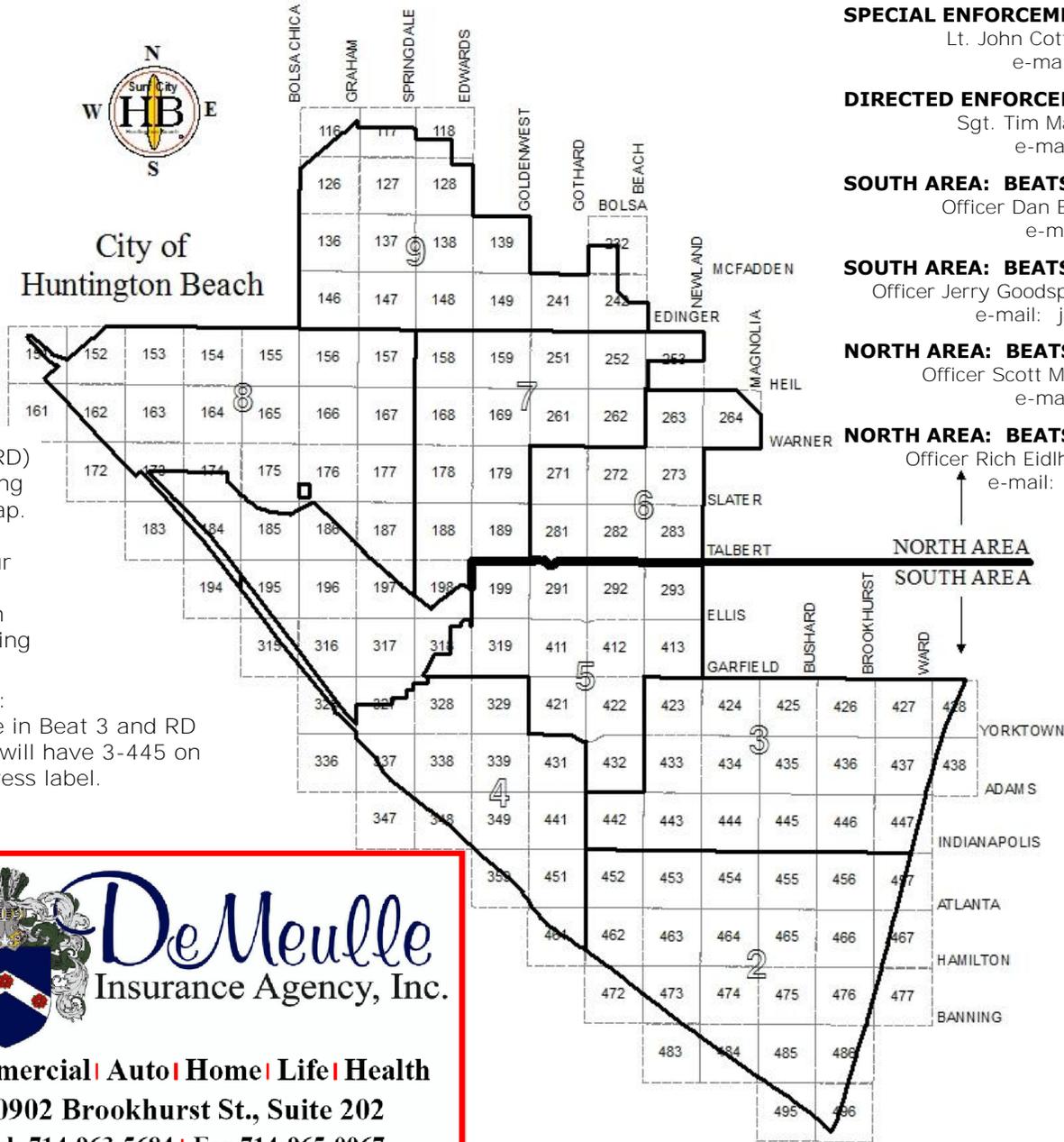
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Example:

If you live in Beat 3 and RD 445, you will have 3-445 on your address label.



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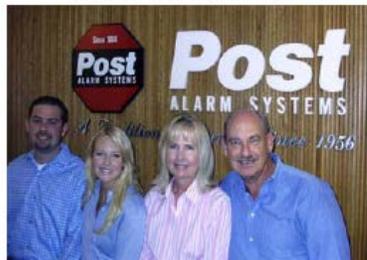
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