

# Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

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<del>001. email</del>	<del>Matthew Lorin to Kelly Letts and Eric Schwartz. Subject: Scientology</del> Final / Forget Last Email. (5 pages)	<del>11/26/1996</del>	<del>P1/b(1)</del> ✓ 2/5/2020

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White House Guidelines, May 16, 2017  
By VL NARA, Date 4/17/2019  
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**DATE-TIME** 26 November 96 16:03

**FROM** Lorin, Matthew E.

**CLASSIFICATION** \*\*\*\*\* CLASSIFICATION NOT FOUND \*\*\*\*\*

**SUBJECT** scientology FINAL /forget last e-mail re:

**TO** Letts, Kelly J.  
Schwartz, Eric P.

**CARBON\_COPY** NO CC's on THIS MESSAGE

**TEXT\_BODY**

[[ SCIEN1.DOC : 4148 in SCIEN1.DOC ]][[ SCIEN2.DOC : 4149 in SCIEN2.DOC ]]

Finally got Leg affairs comments.

**ATTACHMENT FILE DATE** 26 November 96 16:2

**ATTACHMENT FILE NAME** SCIEN1.DOC

## LAKE TALKING POINTS FOR PAYNE CALL ON SCIENTOLOGY

- I am aware of this long standing problem for both American and German Scientologists.
- I understand that the Germans are truly scared of Scientology. It reminds them of pre-war Nazism. They believe that the group plans to infiltrate and compromise their civil society.
- I know that the situation has escalated recently.
- We have demarched the Germans at the A/S and DAS level
- As you know, State has noted German abuses in the annual human rights report -- growing from a sentence in 1993 to over a paragraph in 1995.

- NSC human rights staff have met with Isaac Hayes, Chick Corea and lobbyist, David Miller, on several occasions. I believe that the cooperation has been exceptional to date.
- Last year, issue was raised during a meeting between Peter Tarnoff and German Ambassador.
- I believe that the Scientologists are generally pleased with the cooperation they have received from USG.
- I share their frustration with lack of response.
- I believe that NSC intervention is a potentially good next step and we are actively considering this course of action.
- In particular, we will press, as State has for years, the need for a dialogue between FRG and the organization.
- But, I don't think that I should intervene directly.
- Instead, we should start with a lower level approach, at the Senior Director level, allowing for future escalation if necessary, but not immediately putting FRG on the spot on such a domestically charged issue.
- I encourage your staff to work closely with my staff.

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November 22, 1996

**ACTION**

**MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY LAKE**

THROUGH: ERIC SCHWARTZ

FROM: MATTHEW LORIN

SUBJECT: German Discrimination Against Scientologists

#### ISSUE

Congressman Donald Payne and other Congressional Black Caucus members are concerned about discrimination against American and German Scientologists in Germany and have been asked by the organization to call you.

#### BACKGROUND

German officials have long discriminated against both American and German Scientologists. Since 1993, most repressive activity has been at state level, including denial of employment and restrictions on artistic expression, i.e., banning films and denying sponsorship for events with Scientologist artists.

Recently, discriminatory language calling for wide ranging surveillance and restrictive measures has appeared in the CDU party platform and the Federal Minister of Labor has taken a strong position against Scientology. Additionally, earlier court decisions protecting Scientologists have been overturned and the Bavarian parliament has passed legislation barring Scientologists from Bavarian civil service.

The Germans seem truly scared of Scientology. It reminds them of pre-war Nazism. They believe, although they have been unable to provide any evidence to this effect, that the group plans to infiltrate and compromise their civil society. In a recent public opinion poll, 79 percent of respondents said they considered the organization "dangerous" and 64 percent said they wanted it monitored by intelligence agencies.

For the last several years, State has noted German abuses in the annual human rights report -- growing from a sentence in 1993 to

over  
a paragraph in 1995. State has consistently demarched at the A/S  
and DAS level. Last year the issue came up during a meeting  
between  
Peter Tarnoff and German Ambassador.

The Scientology leadership and some of its more prominent  
members,  
i.e., Tom Cruise, John Travolta, Chick Corea, Isaac Hays, are  
generally pleased with the cooperation they have received from  
USG but  
remain frustrated by lack of response from the Germans. State  
does  
NOT anticipate any movement.

In their phone calls and letters, they will raise the possibility  
of  
an NSC intervention with the Chancellery. We believe (State/DRL  
and  
desk concur) that NSC should raise this issue with the Germans.  
In  
particular, we should stress, as State has for years, the need  
for a  
dialogue between FRG and the organization. The FRG has  
steadfastly  
refused to engage in any such dialogue.

It is important, however, that we not be seen as apologists, but  
rather as facilitators of dialogue. We believe an intervention  
by  
you with the Chancellery would only raise German resentment and  
would  
not facilitate any resolution. This is particularly the case in  
view of the organization's recent media campaign in the NYT  
comparing  
current German actions to those of the Nazis in the 1930's. This  
has angered even those Germans disposed to considering the  
organization's point-of-view.

Instead, we should make a lower level approach, at the Senior  
Director level, allowing for future escalation if necessary, but  
not  
immediately putting FRG on the spot on such a domestically  
charged  
issue.

Concurrence by: Sandy Vershbow, Richard Schifter, Gordon  
Bendick

RECOMMENDATION

That you use the attached talking points if Congressman Payne or other Members call regarding Scientology in Germany.

Attachment  
Tab A Talking Points

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008. email	Nancy McEldowney to Eric Rubin. Subject: FW: Germany and Scientologists. (3 pages)	09/30/1997	P1/b(1)
009. email	Eric Schwartz to Robert Malley. Subject: RE: Travolta Call on Scientology Resolution. (4 pages)	10/28/1997	P1/b(1)
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<del>014. email</del>	<del>Eric Rubin to Nancy McEldowney, Donald Bandler, Gordon Bendick et al. Subject: RE: Urgent Need Clearance on Scientology Guidance. (2 pages)</del>	<del>02/12/1998</del>	<del>P1/b(1)</del> ✓ 2/5/2020
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**SUBJECT** Scientology [~~CONFIDENTIAL~~]  
**TO** Davis, William K.  
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**TEXT\_BODY**

Will

SRB met with Travolta on Scientology and T showed SRB the Payne Con Res on the issue, which SRB said was a good idea. SRB, without reading details, strongly suggested we support.

I know we generally do not "support" con res's, but we can.

May we get a copy of the legislation?

Also, seems to me that there are options we need to present to SRB, given what he said...

In either case, we say we share the concerns of sponsors.

1. We work with Payne to alter any bad language so we can say we "have no objection to passage."

2. We work with Payne to alter any bad language so we can say we "support."

Right?

Eric

PS When I couldn't  
reach you, I was concerned that State not say anything in conflict  
with what SRB told Travolta, so I mentioned this to Peter Yeo.

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 Malley, Robert

TEXT\_BODY Eric: excellent points. Thanks very much. We will get hard copy out shortly.

-----Original Message-----

From: Schwartz, Eric P.

Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 1997 10:27 AM

To: @EUROPE - European Affairs

Cc: @DEMOCRACY - Dem/Human Affairs; Malley, Robert

Subject: scientology

~~[CONFIDENTIAL]~~

Nancy:

Here are my comments; with them, we clear.

(Rob:  
ignore the i-con, below; I'm sending you the e-mail to keep you  
in the loop. SRB will get a hard copy package. ES)

No differences

I can see on substance. But I was concerned that SRB be well-enough  
armed to respond to rebuttals that Bitterlich may offer. I also  
wanted to include some points (the point on dialogue) that SRB had  
seemed to light on at the meeting. Chris, who wasn't there, wouldn't  
have known to do so.

Finally, I think that if SRB mentions the  
resolution, he should only do so in passing. Having told Travolta  
he liked the approach of the resolution, we want to avoid having  
SRB drawn into long discussion, in which Bitterlich may ask that  
we try to get it pulled. That would put our boss in an awkward position,  
especially as he might have to agree with Bitterlich that some of  
the language is intemperate, but would be hard pressed to come out  
against it.

Here you go.

<< File: Scientology-NATO Telcon  
w Bitterlich\_1.doc >>

Eric

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008. email	Nancy McEldowney to Eric Rubin. Subject: FW: Germany and Scientologists. (3 pages)	09/30/1997	P1/b(1)

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Clinton Presidential Records  
NSC Emails  
Exchange-Record (Sept 97-Jan 01) ([Travolta and Scientology])  
OA/Box Number: 620000

### FOLDER TITLE:

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009. email	Eric Schwartz to Robert Malley. Subject: RE: Travolta Call on Scientology Resolution. (4 pages)	10/28/1997	P1/b(1)

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NSC Emails  
Exchange-Record (Sept 97-Jan 01) ([Travolta and Scientology])  
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## Exchange Mail

**DATE-TIME** 11/3/97 7:00:55 PM  
**FROM** Wechsler, William F.  
**CLASSIFICATION** ~~SECRET~~  
**CLASSIFICATIONREASON** 1.5(d)  
**DATECLASSIFIEDON** 11/03/1997  
**DECLASSIFYON** 11/03/2007  
**SUBJECT** RE: Quick Clearance Request -- Berger with Kinkel ~~[SECRET]~~  
**TO** McEldowney, Nancy E.  
 Rossi, Christopher R.  
 Covey, James P.  
 Schwartz, Eric P.  
 Bandler, Donald K.

**CARBON\_COPY** Busby, Scott W.  
 Hill, Roseanne M.  
 Letts, Kelly J.  
 Malley, Robert  
 Ragan, Richard F.  
 Rossi, Christopher R.  
 Schwartz, Eric P.  
 Baldwin, Kenneth  
 Beers, Rand R.  
 Clarke, Richard A.  
 Dollar, Carolyn J.  
 Fung, Mark T.  
 Hawley, Leonard R.  
 Metzl, Jamie F.  
 Peterson, G. Deane  
 Rosa, Frederick M.  
 Roundtree, Beverly  
 Schwartz, Eric P.  
 Simon, Steven N.  
 Verville, Elizabeth G.  
 Wechsler, William F.  
 Bandler, Donald K.  
 Braden, Susan R.  
 Butler, Lawrence E.  
 Covey, James P.  
 Dowling, John N. (Nick)  
 Feeley, John F.  
 Flanagan, Stephen J.

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 E.O. 13526  
 White House Guidelines, May 16, 2017  
 By ✓ NARA, Date 6/14/2019  
 2017-0302-M (1.13)

Marshall, Betty A.  
Maxfield, Nancy H.  
McEldowney, Nancy E.  
Sapiro, Miriam E.  
Sonenshine, Tara D.  
Todd, Gwennyth E.

**TEXT\_BODY**

You misspelled "unlikely". With that fix I clear.

By the way,  
when did Sandy meet with John Travolta? Now that's a meeting I would  
have like to have seen.

-----Original Message-----

From: McEldowney,  
Nancy E.  
Sent: Monday, November 03, 1997 6:52 PM  
To: Rossi, Christopher  
R.; Covey, James P.; Wechsler, William F.; Schwartz, Eric P.; Bandler,  
Donald K.  
Cc: @DEMOCRACY - Dem/Human Affairs; @GLOBAL - Global  
Affairs;  
@EUROPE - European Affairs  
Subject: Quick Clearance Request -- Berger  
with Kinkel ~~(SECRET)~~  
Importance: High

Could I please get a turn  
around on this tonight? You have all seen your various pieces earlier,  
this is just the integrated whole. Thanks.

<< File: 7469 - SRB  
w Kinkel.doc >> << File: 7469 - Additional Background on  
Scientology.doc  
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DOCUMENT NO. AND TYPE	SUBJECT/TITLE	DATE	RESTRICTION
013. email	Nancy McEldowney to Brenda Hilliard, Marc Hurwitz, M. Kay Joshi, et al. Subject: PKG 7469 - Due Tonight - In Lieu of Disk. (9 pages)	11/03/1997	P1/b(1)

### COLLECTION:

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# Exchange Mail

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**DATE-TIME** 2/12/98 11:20:02 AM  
**FROM** Rubin, Eric S.  
**CLASSIFICATION** ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
**CLASSIFICATIONREASON** 1.5(d)  
**DATECLASSIFIEDON** 02/12/1998  
**DECLASSIFYON** 02/12/2008  
**SUBJECT** RE: URGENT NEED CLEARANCE ON SCIENTOLOGY GUIDANCE  
~~[CONFIDENTIAL]~~  
**TO** McEldowney, Nancy E.  
 Bandler, Donald K.  
 Bendick, Gordon L.  
 Braden, Susan R.  
 Brown, Keirn C.  
 Butler, Lawrence E.  
 Covey, James P.  
 Dowling, John N. (Nick)  
 Flanagan, Stephen J.  
 Marshall, Betty A.  
 Maxfield, Nancy H.  
 McEldowney, Nancy E.  
 Quinn, Mary E.  
 Sapiro, Miriam E.  
 Todd, Gwenyth E.  
 Busby, Scott W.  
 Letts, Kelly J.  
 Malley, Robert  
 Ragan, Richard F.  
 Rossi, Christopher R.  
 Schwartz, Eric P.  
  
**CARBON\_COPY** Crowley, Philip J.  
 Dehqanzada, Yahya A.  
 Luzzatto, Anne R.  
 Rubin, Eric S.  
 Wozniak, Natalie S.

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 White House Guidelines, May 16, 2017  
 By VZ NARA, Date 6/14/2018  
 2017-0302-11 (1.18)

**TEXT\_BODY**

I think we have to give the precise dates if Deborah Orin of the NY Post asks McCurry, as we expect she will. Our press knows that Travolta was at the summit with Clinton (on stage with him). We confirmed SRB's and Eric's meeting with Travolta at the time as well,

to the German press among others. McCurry won't volunteer the details unless he gets a specific question.

-----Original Message-----

From: McEldowney,

Nancy E.

Sent: Thursday, February 12, 1998 11:15 AM

To: Rubin,

Eric S.; @EUROPE - European Affairs; @DEMOCRACY - Dem/Human Affairs

Cc: @PRESS

- Public Affairs

Subject: RE: URGENT NEED CLEARANCE ON SCIENTOLOGY GUIDANCE [~~CONFIDENTIAL~~]

Eric S/Chris: This is really your lead, however I do not believe that the line in the guidance is the right one. Rather than giving precise dates of Berger and POTUS conversations

with Travolta, we should simply say that we have discussed this issue with scientologists in this country (including Travolta) as well as with the Germans, and will continue to do so. We might also refer to the congressional hearing this fall. I also believe that we should rebut the absurd assertion that we made some sort of "trade" on primary colors.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rubin, Eric S.

Sent: Thursday,

February 12, 1998 11:03 AM

To: @EUROPE - European Affairs; @DEMOCRACY - Dem/Human Affairs

Cc: @PRESS - Public Affairs

Subject: URGENT

NEED CLEARANCE ON SCIENTOLOGY GUIDANCE [UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance: High

Nancy,

Eric S.:

McCurry is going to be asked about this today -- NY Post is doing a story, as is CNN's Inside Hollywood. Allegation is that Travolta softened his portrayal in Primary Colors in exchange for our intervention with Bonn. Please take a quick look -- this is a synthesis of what we have done before. << File: Scientology.doc >>

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**FROM** Rubin, Eric S.  
**CLASSIFICATION** ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
**CLASSIFICATIONREASON** 1.5(d)  
**DATECLASSIFIEDON** 02/12/1998  
**DECLASSIFYON** 02/12/2008  
**SUBJECT** RE: URGENT NEED CLEARANCE ON SCIENTOLOGY GUIDANCE  
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**TO** Rossi, Christopher R.  
 McEldowney, Nancy E.  
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**TEXT\_BODY** Right. I was planning to leave it to McCurry to rebut any (ridiculous) implication of a quid pro quo; he knows how to do that better than we foreign policy folks do.

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 E.O. 13526  
 White House Guidelines, May 16, 2017  
 By VZ NARA, Date 6/17/2014  
 2017-0302-um (1.19)

-----Original Message-----

From: Rossi,  
Christopher R.  
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 1998 11:31 AM  
To: McEldowney,  
Nancy E.; Rubin, Eric S.; @EUROPE - European Affairs;  
@DEMOCRACY  
- Dem/Human Affairs  
Cc: @PRESS - Public Affairs  
Subject: RE: URGENT  
NEED CLEARANCE ON SCIENTOLOGY GUIDANCE  
~~[CONFIDENTIAL]~~

eric (who  
we are trying to get in touch with) was in the meeting with SRB,  
as i recall and would be the appropriate delphic oracle to consult  
on what appears to be a real whopper of a tale. Nancy, I'll convey  
your concerns about the dates of the Travolta meetings. It seems  
to me the timing issue, as Eric R. described, militates in our favor  
i.e, against the silly conspiracy theory -- although we may not need  
to bring up precise dates, there's no need to give rise to any appearance  
that we are shying away from what doubtless is part of the public  
record.

-----Original Message-----

From: McEldowney, Nancy  
E.  
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 1998 11:15 AM  
To: Rubin, Eric  
S.; @EUROPE - European Affairs; @DEMOCRACY - Dem/Human  
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001. email	Nancy McEldowney to Christopher Rossi. Subject: RE: Draft Text on Bitterlich Call. (4 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)
002. email	Nancy McEldowney to Miriam Sapiro. Subject: FW: Urgent -- For Comment. (5 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)
003. email	Christopher Rossi to Eric Schwartz. Subject: FW: Bitterlich Telcon. (5 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)
004. email	Nancy McEldowney to Christopher Rossi. Subject: Bitterlich Memo. (6 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)
<del>005. email</del>	<del>Nancy McEldowney to Eric Schwartz. Subject: Germany and Scientology. (1 page)</del>	<del>10/27/1997</del>	<del>P1/b(1)</del> ✓ 2/5/2020
006. email	Eric Schwartz to Nancy McEldowney and Chrisopher Rossi. Subject: RE: German Parlimentarians on Scientology. (3 pages)	01/26/1998	P1/b(1)
<del>007. email</del>	<del>Eric Schwartz to Donald Bandler, Gordon Bendick, Susan Braden et al. Subject: FW: Travolta and Scientology. (3 pages)</del>	<del>03/04/1998</del>	<del>P1/b(1)</del> ✓ 2/5/2020

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002. email	Nancy McEldowney to Miriam Sapiro. Subject: FW: Urgent -- For Comment. (5 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)

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NSC Emails  
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003. email	Christopher Rossi to Eric Schwartz. Subject: FW: Bitterlich Telcon. (5 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)

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004. email	Nancy McEldowney to Christopher Rossi. Subject: Bitterlich Memo. (6 pages)	09/23/1997	P1/b(1)

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## Exchange Mail

DATE-TIME 10/27/97 8:57:34 AM

FROM McEldowney, Nancy E.

CLASSIFICATION ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CLASSIFICATIONREASON 1.5(d)

DATECLASSIFIEDON 10/27/1997

DECLASSIFYON 10/27/2007

SUBJECT Germany and Scientology [~~CONFIDENTIAL~~]

TO Schwartz, Eric P.

CARBON\_COPY Busby, Scott W.  
Hill, Roseanne M.  
Letts, Kelly J.  
Malley, Robert  
Ragan, Richard F.  
Rossi, Christopher R.  
Schwartz, Eric P.  
Bandler, Donald K.  
Braden, Susan R.  
Butler, Lawrence E.  
Covey, James P.  
Dowling, John N. (Nick)  
Feeley, John F.  
Flanagan, Stephen J.  
Marshall, Betty A.  
Maxfield, Nancy H.  
McEldowney, Nancy E.  
Sapiro, Miriam E.  
Sonenshine, Tara D.  
Todd, Gwenyth E.

TEXT\_BODY Eric: any word on the call back to Travolta? If not yet taken place, wanted to make sure you were aware of attached. Nancy

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E.O. 13526  
White House Guidelines, May 16, 2017  
By ML NARA, Date 6/14/2019  
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006. email	Eric Schwartz to Nancy McEldowney and Christopher Rossi. Subject: RE: German Parliamentarians on Scientology. (3 pages)	01/26/1998	P1/b(1)

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DATE-TIME 3/4/98 12:33:01 PM

FROM Schwartz, Eric P.

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CLASSIFICATIONREASON 1.5(d)

DATECLASSIFIEDON 03/04/1998

DECLASSIFYON 03/04/2008

SUBJECT FW: Travolta and Scientology [~~CONFIDENTIAL~~]

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Braden, Susan R.  
Brown, Keirn C.  
Butler, Lawrence E.  
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By VZ NARA, Date 6/14/2019  
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TEXT\_BODY

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Sent: Wednesday, March  
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To: Schwartz, Eric P.  
Cc: @DEMOCRACY - Dem/Human  
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Subject: Travolta and Scientology  
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