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Tekkatho Foundation

TRUSTEES' REPORT & ACCOUNTS

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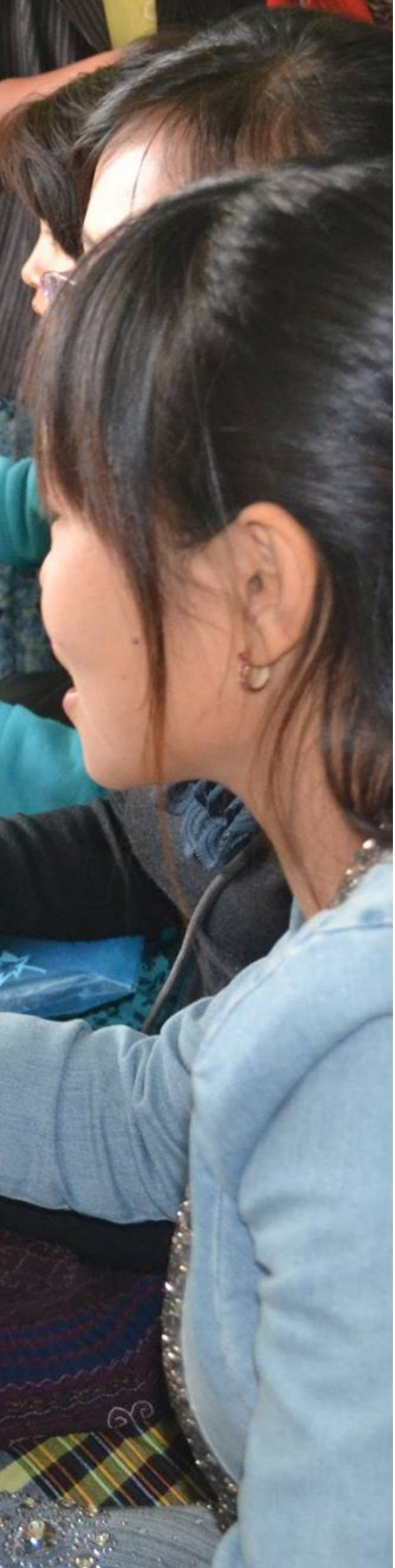

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TEKKATHO FOUNDATION
AT A GLANCE

WHAT WE DO

The Foundation uses digital technologies to support educational change across Myanmar. We build free, self-contained digital libraries of educational resources that the current generation of students can use right away.

Our local hosting model means that people can dependably access the eTekkatho library content at high speed from within the library building even when connectivity is poor. In this way, we provide young people with fast and easy access to a wealth of learning opportunities.

Our misson is to advance the education, particularly but not exclusively, of the people of Myanmar (Burma), including by:

(a) providing digital libraries and other education infrastructure in areas of limited or no internet connectivity;

(b) promoting exchanges, teaching placements and research partnerships between educational institutions and international partners.

We also run programmes of face-to-face training to introduce librarians and students to the availability and content of digital resources and build their IT and information literacy skills.

Today's students, who will play such a key role in the economic, social and political future of Myanmar, often struggle to gain a relevant education in institutions that lack the tools they need to deliver a strong learning environment. Our projects deliver quick, effective solutions to this problem.

We believe that improved access to resources in education will transform minds and opportunities, powering society and enabling more fulfilling lives. eTekkatho can be a driver of change right across Myanmar. We aim to strengthen university and medical libraries across the whole country so young people can benefit from the opportunities digital technologies bring wherever they study.

DIGITAL LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Fig. 1

TRUSTEES' REPORT
ETEKKATHO IMPACT

For the year ended 30 September 2018

ETEKKATHO AT MINGUN SCHOOL

2018 saw the launch of our MyLibrary digital library capsules. MyLibrary capsules are affordable, tough, portable, ready-to-go digital libraries built especially for use in Myanmar.

Each capsule stores thousands of educational resources and makes them available even in places with no internet connection or reliable electricity. It is battery powered and can be recharged via a portable solar panel.

First to try out this pioneering new technology were the children of a village school in Sagaing Region, run by Monk Owen, who comments:

"Education is the bridge to connect with the world. In this rural area, our children have limited access to education and modern teaching materials. This offline learning system is a big step to connect us to the world."

ETEKKATHO IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Universties too use eTekkatho to strengthen their teaching and research, as librarian Daw Yin Yin Aye of Dawei University explains:

"eTekkatho is essential to our Dawei University Library. It provides resources to multiple users without the need of internet connection, with no limits. The user interface is very simple and easy to use. Khan Academy Videos, Fuse School videos and other Special Collections are very useful. The subject specific videos from eTekkatho digital library are helpful for the students and faculty members."

At Yangon University, over 9,000 students use eTekkatho in their study. Dr Hlaing Hlaing Gyi, librarian says:

"We received eTekkatho Digital Library in 2013. Since then, the students and faculty members of Yangon University has benefited so much from using eTekkatho. The contents in eTekkatho are what we need, particularly, MIT Open Courseware, Khan Academy, My Learning Essentials and British Council. Students and Faculty members use these during their assignments and curriculum planning. eTekkatho is also used in Research. All these contents are freely accessible and don't rely on the internet for accessibility, I highly recommend eTekkatho for students and faculty members and I believe this will foster their learning.

Students learning to use eTekkatho at Taungoo University

USAGE

DOWNLOADS **642,932**

In the reporting year, over 600k individual full text ebooks, video lessons, datasets, lectures and other types of educational materials have been downloaded from the eTekkatho eLibrary. Some of our most popular resources included:

- Massachusetts Institute of Technology OpenCourseWare, containing video lectures, readings, exercises and exams for over 2,000 undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Coursera MOOCs (self-contained courses) from the University of Manchester, complete with video lectures, quizzes and even a virtual laboratory
- Snapshots of Wikipedia, English and Myanmar language editions
- Fun science videos from Fuse School
- Khan Academy video lessons, many with embedded Myanmar subtitles
- English language learning materials from the British Council.

REACH

DIGITAL LIBRARIES **31**

There is an eTekkatho digital library in every state in Myanmar. Our 31 locations include universities, schools and community libraries.

EDUCATION

TRAINING COURSES **50+**

We have run over 50 training courses during the year, directly reaching thousands of learners, educators and librarians at eTekkatho digital library partner institutions.

TRUSTEES' REPORT
ETEKKATHO ACTIVITY

For the year ended 30 September 2018

Training course at Taungoo University August 2018

Group eTekkatho training session at Myitkyina University March 2018

Students and staff at eTekkatho training at Dagon University August 2018

Students at Mingun School learning to use the new MyLibrary July 2018

During the reporting period, we are pleased to report that, with the support from Omidyar Network, we have restuctured the eTekkatho programme to make it more scalable.

The Foundation began field testing its new MyLibrary technology for the delivery of digital library contents. MyLibrary capsules are affordable, tough, portable, ready-to-go digital libraries built especially for use in Myanmar. Each capsule stores thousands of educational resources and makes them available even in places with no internet connection or reliable electricity. It is battery powered and can be recharged via a portable solar panel.

The MyLibrary project has been designed to enable us to scale the our programmes to hundreds of new locations and even harder to reach places, such as IDP camps. We plan to begin full scale rollout of MyLibrary technology in early 2019.

We have also transfered operational activities from the UK to Myanmar. The combined effect is that the cost of delivering a new library has been reduced by aproximately 80%.

We have ensured that students as well as staff are able to access eTekkatho at all the university partners. This means that students and academics from a total of 31 universities are now able to access the eTekkatho digital library from their campus. Members of the public can access eTekkatho at a further 6 community libraries.

OUTREACH

With the support of Omidyar Network, we have run over 50 training courses during the reporting year, directly reaching thousands of learners, educators and librarians at eTekkatho partner institutions.

TRUSTEES' REPORT
GOVERNANCE STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2018

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2018. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Account and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

ENSURING OUR WORK DELIVERS OUR AIMS
We review our aims, objectives and activities each year to ensure they benefit the groups of people we are set up to help. This review looks at what we have achieved and the outcomes of our work over the 12 month period 1 October 2017 to 30 September 2018.

When reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities, we have refered to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of education.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

GOVERNING DOCUMENT
The charity is controlled by its governing document, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES
The power of appointment and removal of trustees is vested in the existing trustees.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10 June 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

P A Murphy - Trustee

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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BOARD OF **TRUSTEES**

DR CELIA RUSSELL

Chair of Trustees

Celia has a longstanding interest in how digital technologies can be used to advance education in developing regions, having previously worked for Jisc and the University of Manchester building digital infrastructures for the higher education community.

PAUL MURPHY

Trustee and Company Secretary

Paul leads on the technical strategy and the development of the technology behind eTekkatho. He is also Head of Digital at Co-operatives UK, holds an MSc in Technology Management and is a member of the British Computer Society.

DR KHIN MAR MAR KYI

Trustee

Khin Mar Mar Kyi is a documentary film-maker and anthropologist specialising in issues of gender equality, sustainable development and peace.

ED NASH

Trustee

Ed is International Strategy Officer for the University of Oxford. He previously worked international communications roles, and prior to that as a journalist in the UK and China. He holds an MA from the University of St Andrews and an MSc in Comparative Public Policy.

MAY THA-HLA

Trustee

May Tha-Hla is a co-founder and trustee of Helping the Burmese Delta, She has extensive experience in running practical projects that bring about change on the ground and over the years her work has helped improve the life chances of tens of thousands of people in Myanmar.

ALSO ON THE BOARD IN THIS PERIOD

Dr Michael Marett-Crosby
Trustee
Resigned 3/1/2018

TEKKATHO **STAFF**

SAI NAY SHINE

Country Manager

Sai manages the eTekkatho project and other Foundation initatives in Myanmar, which includes securing funding, building key relationships, coordinating our activities, and promoting our impact.

Sai holds a Bachelor Degree in Electronics Engineering and a Master Degree in Business Administration. Having worked in the Tech, Education and Business Governance sectors in Myanmar, he believes Education is the most sustainable way to bringing a change to the country.

MAY THET KHINE NYEIN

Head of IT

May Thet joined the eTekkatho team determined to improve access to education in Myanmar. She has a B.C.Sc (Hons) and Master of Computer Science from the University of Computer Studies, Yangon. May Thet runs the training eTekkatho programme and sets up the local installations at universities and community libraries.

ASSOCIATES

Our work is also supported by 8 British Council Millennium Centre staff members. The Millennium Centres are physical libraries scattered across the country and the British Council staff run eTekkatho training and promotional events at 13 nearby institutions, namely the universities at Laisho, Myitkyina, Bhamaw, Taunggyi, Taunggyi Medicine, Sittwe, Taunggok, Loikaw, Mawlamyine, Hpa-An, Dawei, Kalay and Hakha.

FINANCIAL REPORT

STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

For the year ended 30 September 2018

The trustees (who are also the directors of Tekkatho Foundation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

FINANCIAL REPORT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

For the year ended 30 September 2018

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2018.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. The accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P B Syddall F.C.A. F.C.I.E.
P B Syddall & Co Chartered Accountants
Grafton House,
81 Chorley Old Road
Bolton, Lancashire, BL1 3AJ

Date: 10 June 2019

FINANCIAL REPORT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 30 September 2018

		Notes	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	2018 Total funds (£)	2017 Total funds (£)
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Donations and legacies		114	70,139	70,253	104,478
	Investment income	2	-	-	-	7
	Total		**114**	**70,139**	**70,253**	**104,485**
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities	General		-	19,349	19,349	104,013
	Other		-	239	239	-
	Total		-	19,588	19,588	104,013
NET INCOME			**114**	**50,551**	**50,665**	**472**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	**Total funds brought forward**		**1,501**	**-**	**1,501**	**1,029**
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			**1,615**	**50,551**	**52,166**	**1,501**

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FINANCIAL REPORT
BALANCE SHEET

At 30 September 2018

		Notes	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	2018 Total funds (£)	2017 Total funds (£)
FIXED ASSETS	Tangible assets	6	-	1,191	1,191	-
CURRENT ASSETS	Cash at bank and in hand		1,615	49,360	50,975	1,501
NET CURRENT ASSETS			***1,615***	***49,360***	***50,975***	***1,501***
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			**1,615**	**50,551**	**52,166**	**1,501**
NET ASSETS			***1,615***	***50,551***	***52,166***	***1,501***
FUNDS	Unrestricted funds	7			1,615	1,501
	Restricted funds				50,551	-
TOTAL FUNDS					***52,166***	***1,501***

The notes form part of these financial statements

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2018.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2018 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

1. Ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
2. Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies.
The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 10 June 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:

C Russell - Trustee

FINANCIAL REPORT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2018

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the Pound Sterling (£).

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2018 (£)	2017 (£)
Bank interest received	-	7

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2018 (£)	2017 (£)
Depreciation - owned assets	239	-

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2018 nor for the year ended 30 September 2017.

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

During the year expenses were paid to trustees P Murphy and C Russell in respect of a trip to Myanmar.
There were no trustees expenses in the previous year.

5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2018	*2017*
IT Department	1	-

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Equipment (£)
COST	Additions	1,430
DEPRECIATION	Charge for year	239
NET BOOK VALUE	At 30 September 2018	1,191
	At 30 September 2017	-

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

		At 1/10/17 (£)	*Net movement in funds (£)*	*At 30/9/18 (£)*
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General fund	1,501	114	1,615
RESTRICTED FUNDS	Restricted fund	-	50,551	50,551
TOTAL FUNDS		**1,501**	**50,665**	**52,166**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

		Incoming resources (£)	*Resources expended (£)*	*Movement in funds (£)*
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General fund	114	-	114
RESTRICTED FUNDS	Restricted funds	70,139	(19,588)	50,551
TOTAL FUNDS		**70,253**	**(19,588)**	**50,665**

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - CONTINUED

Comparatives for movement in funds

		At 1/10/16 (£)	Net movement in funds (£)	At 30/9/17 (£)
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General fund	1,029	472	1,501
TOTAL FUNDS		**1,029**	**472**	**1,501**

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

		Incoming resources (£)	Resources expended (£)	Movement in funds (£)
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General fund	104,485	(104,013)	472
TOTAL FUNDS		**104,485**	**(104,013)**	**472**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

		At 1/10/16 (£)	Net movement in funds (£)	At 30/9/18 (£)
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General fund	1,029	586	1,615
RESTRICTED FUNDS	Restricted fund	-	50,551	50,551
TOTAL FUNDS		**1,029**	**51,137**	**52,166**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

		Incoming resources (£)	Resources expended (£)	Movement in funds (£)
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General fund	104,599	(104,013)	586
RESTRICTED FUNDS	Restricted funds	70,139	(19,588)	50,551
TOTAL FUNDS		**174,738**	**(123,601)**	**51,137**

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2018.

FINANCIAL REPORT

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 30 September 2018

		2018 (£)	2017 (£)
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS			
Donations and legacies	Donations	113	106
	Grants	70,140	104,372
	Total	***70,253***	***104,478***
Investment income	Bank interest received	-	7
Total incoming resources		**70,253**	**104,485**
EXPENDITURE			
Charitable activities	Staff and consultants	13,360	-
	Travel expenses	2,188	-
	Expenses	325	-
	Grants to institutions	-	101,000
	Total	***15,873***	***101,000***
Other	Equipment depreciation	239	-
Support costs Management	Administration costs	955	1,282
	Insurance	1,729	1,731
	Equipment	792	-
	Total	***3,476***	***3,013***
Total resources expended		**19,588**	**104,013**
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		**50,665**	**472**

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

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