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From: s 22
Sent: Wednesday, 27 September 2023 17:01
To: s 22
Subject: FW: for advice 10am Thurs [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Importance: High

Hi s 22 and s 22

Could you please review and advise of any updates to the green numbers please?

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To: s 22
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Categories: Yellow Category

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- Source: NCVET 2023, Total VET Students and Courses 2022, NCVET, Adelaide, and Department of Education, Higher Education Statistics, Selected Higher Education Statistics – 2018-2021

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Apologies for the lack of clear-cut confirmations, but the caveats are not insignificant. Happy to discuss.

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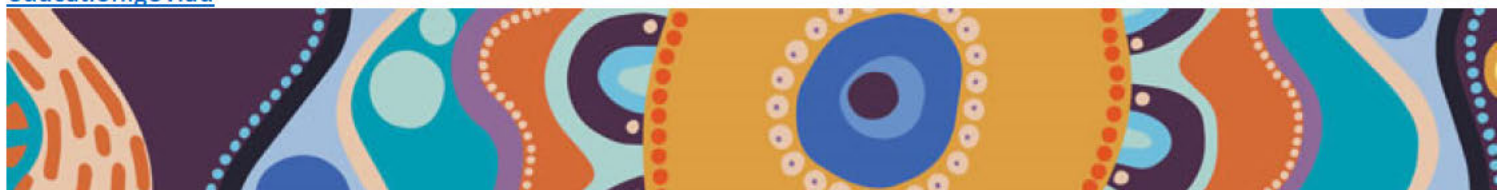
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Cc: ECEC - Communication; Education - Media
Subject: ECEC professional development subsidy reworked MR
Attachments: 230929 - Clare Aly O'Connor - JMR - ECEC professional development subsidy.docx

Importance: High

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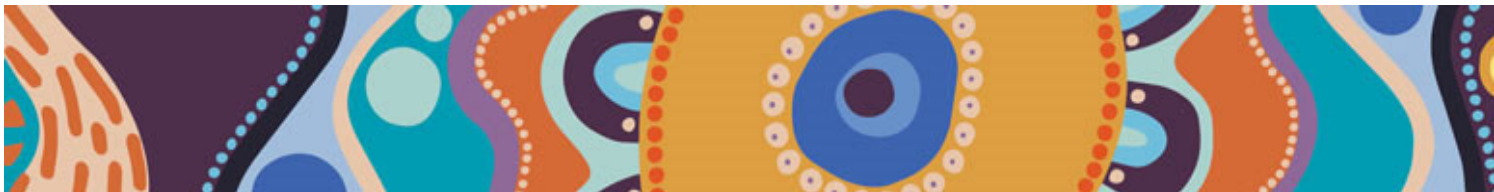
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Subject: RE: ECEC professional development subsidy reworked MR [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 3 October 2023 11:30:27
Attachments: [230929 - Clare Aly O'Connor - JMR - ECEC professional development subsidy.docx](#)
[image001.jpg](#)

Hi all

I have attached the document , there is none minor change that is changing the word from providers to services (in track)
The figures relating to the Workforce measures I can confirm are correct.

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Cc: Education - Media; s 22
Subject: clare aly joint mr for clearance please
Attachments: 231003 - Clare Aly O'Connor - JMR - ECEC professional development subsidy.docx

Hi s22

Are you able to pls check and clear this joint media release? It has been reworked based on s 22 's feedback. DEWR are in the process of clearing O'Connor quotes.

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Are you able to please urgently check the data in the attached media release for the Clare and Aly MOs (don't worry about the Fee Free TAFE O'Connor stuff). I was wrongly under the impression that they had been fact checked. I got them from the attached email.

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That figure comes from the attached email provided to the MO.

The relevant line being:

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Request from s 22 in the Aly MO, if we could please check.

In the second line we refer to:

- The latest enrolment statistics from 2022 showed almost 123,000 educators are also in the pipeline, studying a Certificate III or Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care.

DEWR has let s 22 know (through MO adviser, I guess) the following breakdown

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- 73,855 enrolments in the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care
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Those two figures come to 113,090 so just need to check where the remaining 10,000 would come from. Is that students enrolled in initial teacher education / early educator courses through uni or other higher education institutions?

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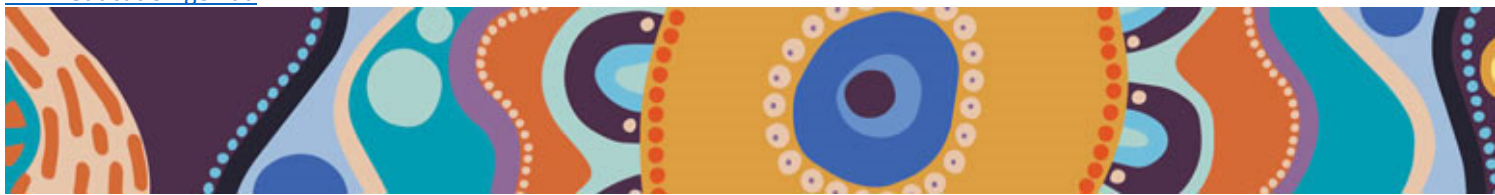
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Media Contact: Minister Clare, s 22
Minister Aly, s 22
Minister O'Connor, XXX –

s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Friday, 29 September 2023 14:57
To: s 22
Subject: FW: for advice 10am Thurs [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

Please see below email containing the latest labour data. If you need anything else, please let me know.

Regards

s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2023 10:49 AM
To: s 22
Cc: s 22

Subject: RE: for advice 10am Thurs [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

With thanks to s 22 , please see responses for s 22 's request below. s 22 , could you please respond to the one in yellow?

Thanks, s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2023 10:01 AM
To: s 22
Cc: s 22

Subject: RE: for advice 10am Thurs [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22 ,

Please find confirmation and/or comments on each of the figures in green below;

s 22

Since [May 2022] there are: more than 120,000 educators in the pipeline

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- Source: NCVET 2023, Total VET Students and Courses 2022, NCVET, Adelaide, and Department of Education, Higher Education Statistics, Selected Higher Education Statistics – 2018-2021

s 22

Apologies for the lack of clear-cut confirmations, but the caveats are not insignificant. Happy to discuss.

Thanks belong to s 22 for their assistance.

s 22

From: s 22

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2023 5:01 PM

To: s 22

Subject: FW: for advice 10am Thurs [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Importance: High

Hi s 22

Could you please review and advise of any updates to the green numbers please?

Many thanks

s 22

From: s 22

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2023 4:05 PM

To: s 22

Subject: FW: for advice 10am Thurs [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Importance: High

Hi,

Can your team please update the below numbers in green? Thanks.

s 22

From: s 22

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2023 3:16 PM

To: s 22

Cc: s 22 ; s 22

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Subject: for advice
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Hi s 22 –
tomorrow AM, can
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below no.s
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Many thanks,

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From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, 5 October 2023 15:59
To: s 22
Cc: Education - Media; s 22
Subject: RE: ECEC Professional Development Subsidy media release [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22 ,

I can't comment on the 123k in the pipeline or where the additional 10k might come from but I can confirm per the below email trail that there are:

- In 2022: 70,695 enrolments in Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care,
- in 2022: 38,240 enrolments in Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care, and
- in 2021: 13,899 enrolments in ITE courses registered in early childhood education.

We have been reporting that in 2021 there were over 128k in the pipeline, but I don't have access to 2022 data for ITE so cannot validate a 2022 number sorry.

Regards,

s 22

[Workforce Taskforce | Department of Education](#)

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 3:37 PM
To: s 22
Cc: Education - Media <media@education.gov.au>; s 22
Subject: RE: ECEC Professional Development Subsidy media release [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

Are you able to please urgently check the data in the attached media release for the Clare and Aly MOs (don't worry about the Fee Free TAFE O'Connor stuff). I was wrongly under the impression that they had been fact checked. I got them from the attached email.

Thank you!
s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 3:09 PM
To: s 22
Cc: s 22
Subject: FW: ECEC Professional Development Subsidy media release [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

Is this the sort of data you have access to

Regards

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Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 12:33 PM

To: s 22

Cc: Education - Media <media@education.gov.au>

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That figure comes from the attached email provided to the MO.

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From: Education - Media <media@education.gov.au>

Sent: Tuesday, October 3, 2023 3:54 PM

To: s 22

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Cc: s 22 ; EDUC - DLO Aly
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Mobile s 22
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Subject: RE: ECEC Professional Development Subsidy media release [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Attachments: 231005 - Clare Aly O'Connor - JMR - ECEC professional development subsidy (data edit).docx

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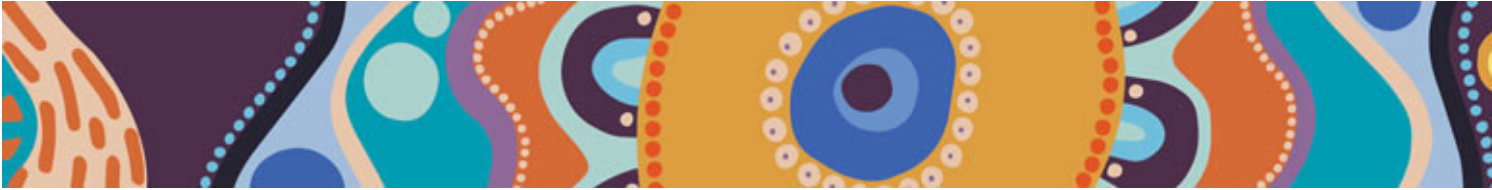
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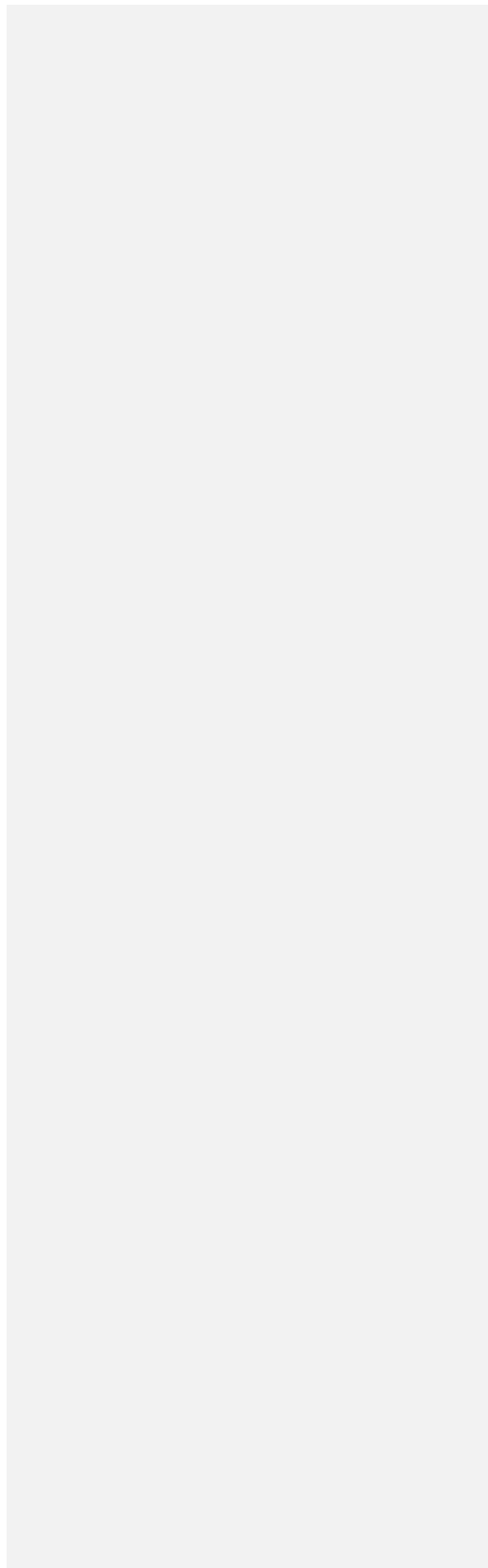
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Media Contact: Minister Clare, [s 22](#)
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Minister O'Connor, XXX –



s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, 5 October 2023 16:49
To: s 22
Cc: Education - Media; s 22
Subject: RE: ECEC enrolments [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

As discussed, the DEWR figures provided via s 22 are likely slightly more up to date than what Education has.

Our most recent data indicates 122,834 enrolments recorded across Certificate III, Diploma, and Initial Teacher Education courses in Early Childhood Education and Care.

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If the DEWR figure came through within the last couple of weeks, they would be slightly more up to date than what we are working from.

Either way, because Universities report on a different basis, we can only confirm enrolment figures at the moment for 2021. More up to date ITE enrolments for 2022 are expected to be available in November.

So if you go with the DEWR figures, you could say: The latest enrolment statistics (from 2021 and 2022) show almost 127,000 educators are also in the pipeline, studying a Certificate III, Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care or early childhood initial teacher education course.

That would be based on:

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From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 11:25 AM
To: s 22
Subject: FW: ECEC enrolments [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

Can you give me a call regarding the below when you get a chance?

Cheers,
s 22

s 22
s 22 Strategic Communications and Media

Minister Dr Anne Aly MP
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Minister for Youth

Mobile s 22

Email s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2023 10:19 AM
To: s 22
Subject: Fwd: ECEC enrolments [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

From: DEWR - Media <media@dewr.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 3:34 PM
To: s 22 ; DEWR - Media <media@dewr.gov.au>
Cc: s 22

Subject: RE: ECEC enrolments [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hi s 22,

In 2022 there were:

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Under Fee-Free TAFE,

In 2023, more than 9,524 students began studying a Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care and more than 2,104 began studying a Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care.

Regards

s 22

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From: s 22
Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 1:39 PM
To: DEWR - Media <media@dewr.gov.au>
Cc: s 22
Subject: ECEC enrolments [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hey team,

Anne Aly is putting out a media release on Early Childhood workforce stuff, and they want to include the enrolments figures for Certificate III or Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care.
Could I please grab by 4pm today;

1. Overall enrolments number
2. Current enrolments through FFT

Thanks,

s 22

Office of the Hon Brendan O'Connor MP | Minister for Skills and Training
M1.52 Parliament House | Canberra
Ph: s 22

s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Tuesday, 10 October 2023 12:42
To: s 22
Cc: Education - Media
Subject: RE: Urgent media response for MO [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thanks s 22

Please see some suggested changes below:

Proposed response:

s 22

- Since coming to government, the early childhood education and care sector has grown by more than 14,000 workers but we need even more. More importantly we've got 123,000 additional educators and teachers in the training pipeline.

s 22

s 22 is happy to clear with these changes.

Thanks, s 22

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To: s 22
Cc: Education - Media <media@education.gov.au>
Subject: Urgent media response for MO [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Importance: High

Good morning s 22

MO Clare has asked for some lines for the Minister in response to the below Channel 7 enquiry on workforce shortages by 1pm today. I've checked and they have directed the journalist to the [media release from the weekend](#) so I haven't gone into that level of detail. Are you able to please check and clear the below as soon as possible? If there's anything else we can add about work being done to promote ECEC as a career please include.

Enquiry:

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From: Minister Jason Clare Media <media.clare@education.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 10:43 AM
To: Education - Media <media@education.gov.au>
Cc: s 22
Subject: FW: Statement Request

Hi team

Could we please get a few lines RE the below? By 1pm if possible.

Thanks, s 22

From: s 47F
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 9:22 AM
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s 47F

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From: Education - Media
Sent: Tuesday, 10 October 2023 16:51
Cc: Education - Media
Subject: Daily Media Report - Tuesday, 10 October



10 OCTOBER 2023

MEDIA ENQUIRIES

Early Childhood and Youth

- Seven Network Sunshine Coast (s 47F) writes, "We're hoping to get a statement from the education minister today, in response to staff shortages in childcare centres. Parents and educators say kids are being sent home daily, because there isn't enough people to look after the children. They're calling for a sector-wide wage subsidy from the federal government which wouldn't result in families paying higher fees. Educators would also like to see large-scale advertising campaigns to promote early childhood as a rewarding career. Is this something the minister would consider?"

Response with MO:

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Since coming to government, the early childhood education and care sector has grown by more than 14,000 workers but we need even more. More importantly we've got 123,000 additional educators and teachers in the training pipeline. s 22

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MEDIA TEAM CONTACTS

Email: media@education.gov.au

Media helpline: 02 6240 7300

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From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, 12 October 2023 16:14
To: s 22
Subject: FW: QTB - cob fri [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Hi s 22

s 22 QA's (and provided caveats) on these numbers last week and they were current – but grateful if you could please confirm no updates?

Thanks, s 22

From: s 22
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:35 PM
To: s 22
Cc: s 22
Subject: QTB - cob fri [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22 – these were confirmed by the department on 28/09 – please let me know if any updates by COB Fri.

Thank you

Since [May 2022] there are:

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- more than 120,000 educators in the pipeline

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From: s 22
Sent: Wednesday, 18 October 2023 16:23
To: s 22
Cc: s 22 ; Education - Media; s 22
Subject: RE: Data check [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hope that is helpful.

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Regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 4:00 PM
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Cc: s 22
 Education - Media <media@education.gov.au>; s 22
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From: Education - Media
Sent: Wednesday, 18 October 2023 16:36
Cc: Education - Media
Subject: Daily Media Report - Wednesday, 18 October
Attachments: Training early childhood educators for the future (18 October).pdf



18 OCTOBER 2023

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Thanks s 22

The NCVER is the National Centre for Vocational Education Research. The response looks fine to me but I have added one suggested below to explain why a range of data sources is needed to determine the size of the ECEC workforce.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 5:04 PM
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