

Don't allow the College Board to rewrite United States History

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Let me ask you a history question. I promise it is important and that you won't get a grade. What is the first topic you studied in your high school U.S. history class?

If you were a high school student in Alabama, you may recall learning about how the Crusades, the Renaissance, and the Protestant Reformation influenced Europeans to begin exploring and colonizing the New World. You may also recall learning about the geography and economies of the Southern, Middle Atlantic, and New England colonies.

This is not what Alabama students taking Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. History will learn when schools open this year. Instead, they will begin their courses by studying native populations in North America before Columbus. They will learn that Native Americans developed different but increasingly complex societies that were thriving, autonomous, and ecologically well-adjusted. The arrival of Spanish and Portuguese conquistadores permanently disrupted this idyllic existence. Once this baseline is established, students learn that, "Many Europeans developed a belief in white superiority to justify their subjugation of Africans and American Indians...."

This is not a hypothetical sce-

nario. This material is taken from the "redesigned" AP U.S. History Framework issued by the College Board. (<http://media.collegeboard.com/digitalServices/pdf/ap/ap-course-exam-descriptions/ap-us-history-course-and-exam-description.pdf>)



The new 98-page Framework replaces the traditional five-page topic outline that had been in effect for decades.

After introducing the Native Americans before the founding of Jamestown, the Framework turns to the founding of the 13 colonies. But the Framework does not call for students to learn about John Winthrop's famous "City upon a Hill" sermon and the beginning of American exceptionalism. It does not mention Roger Williams and the beginning of religious toleration. And it does not mention Thomas Jefferson and the beginning of American representative democ-

racy in the House of Burgesses. Instead, the Framework focuses most of its attention on a negative view of colonial America in which our founders are portrayed as bigots who "developed a belief in white supremacy" that was in turn derived from "a strong belief in British racial and cultural superiority." These beliefs then led to the creation of "a rigid racial hierarchy."

The College Board's redesigned Framework is totally inconsistent with the content and tone of Alabama's Social Studies Course of Study approved by the State School Board. An analysis revealed 134 elements in Alabama's Standards that are not specifically mentioned in the College Board Framework. In addition, there are 50 elements in the College Board Framework that are not part of the Alabama Standards.

I want to emphasize that this is not a partisan issue. Alabamians will be shocked to discover that the redesigned Framework omits the achievements of many great Americans including great presidents such as Theodore Roosevelt and Dwight Eisenhower and great civil rights leaders such as Rosa Parks and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The citizens of Alabama cannot

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allow control of our curriculum standards to be usurped by the College Board.

I urge you to read the new Framework for yourself, then call your elected public officials and appropriate school authorities and tell them what you think. And finally, I urge you to call the College Board at (212) 713-8000 and demand that it immediately withdraw the redesigned Framework and restore a balanced Topic Outline that respects state curriculum standards and gives students an accurate picture of our country's past.

Betty Peters, a long time Eagle, has been re-elected to the Alabama Board of Education, District 2.

Christians Actually Far Less Likely to Divorce

We have for years heard the “old wives” tale that 50 percent of all marriages end in divorce, that most marriages that do make it are unhappy and that Christians are just as likely to divorce as non-believers. Our gut has often not accepted these “facts”. Shaunti Feldhahn is a Harvard-trained researcher who recently wrote a book, “The Good News About Marriage: Debunking Discouraging Myths about Marriage and Divorce.” Her research has proven that the 50% stat came from projections of what researchers thought the divorce rate would become as they saw the divorce number rising in the 1970’s and early ‘80s. The actual rate is probably 20 to 25%, too high, but not what people have been led to believe. And, it is even lower among church goers, more likely in single digits or low teens.

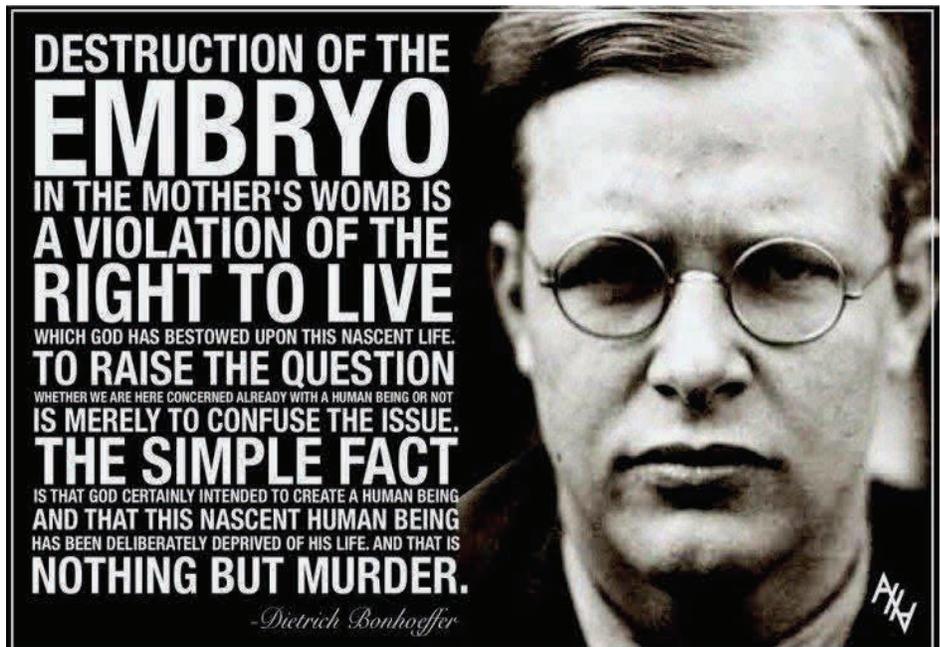
Common Core Opposition Grows

TABLE 3. Do you favor or oppose having the teachers in your community use the Common Core State Standards to guide what they teach?

| | National totals '14 % | Public school parents '14 % | Rep. '14 % | Dem. '14 % | Ind. '14 % |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Favor | 33 | 32 | 17 | 53 | 34 |
| Oppose | 60 | 62 | 76 | 38 | 60 |
| Don't know/refused | 7 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 6 |



As can be seen from the chart above, opposition to Common Core continues to grow around the nation. Among parents with children in public schools, 62% now oppose this top down control of education. As more and more parents see the effect it is having on their children, pressure will continue to push states to rethink their headlong dive into this “fundamental change” in education in America. The latest action is Governor Bobby Jindal’s lawsuit against the Federal Government for overstepping Constitutional restrictions in bribing states to sign on. http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/campaign-k-12/2014/08/pdkgallup_poll_finds_oppositio.html



Constitutional Amendments to be on Nov. 4 General Election Ballots

Amendment 1: To Prohibit Alabama Courts from giving full faith and credit to public acts, records, or judicial proceedings of another state that violate public policy of the State of Alabama and to prohibit the application of foreign law in violation of rights guaranteed natural citizens by the United States and Alabama Constitutions, and the statutes, laws, and public policy thereof, but without application to business entities.

This important amendment to our constitution will protect Alabama citizens from state courts using laws of other states or foreign law in the determination of its rulings if they conflict with Alabama's constitution or laws. It does not mention any religion, nor does it prohibit the practice of any religion, but it would have the effect of also protecting us from Sharia Law." It does not affect the contract rights of businesses. There is a growing tendency of courts to look to foreign law as "more enlightened" than our laws. When a court ruled that Texas sodomy laws were unconstitutional, it quoted laws of European nations in that decision. In his dissenting opinion, Justice Scalia said that this was setting a precedent that would "lead to same-sex marriage" and he was right.

Amendment 2: Relating to the Capital Improvement Trust Fund, to increase the amount of the General Obligation Bonds authorized herein: to provide for additional payments from the Alabama Trust Fund to fund any bond issue; to provide for competitive bidding of the bonds; to provide for the distribution of the proceeds for plans, construction, and maintenance of Alabama National Guard armories.

Without speaking to the need of the armories, we must consider that this is just more borrowing by the state, which already has a debt of over \$17 billion dollars.

Amendment 3: To provide that every citizen has a fundamental right to bear arms and that any restriction on this right would be subject to strict scrutiny; and to provide that no international treaty or law shall prohibit, limit or otherwise interfere with a citizen's fundamental right to bear arms.

The legal term "strict scrutiny" is the highest level of judicial scrutiny. Adding this term, would require that the government must have a "compelling government interest" before withholding the right to bear arms to a citizen, not just the opinion of a local sheriff. This amendment would also provide Alabama citizens with some protection against UN treaties that could restrict gun rights.

Amendment 4: To prohibit a general law, whose purpose or effect is to require a new or increased expenditure of at least \$50,000 of local funds annually, from becoming effective with regard to a city or county board of education without enactment by a 2/3 vote.

This amendment will require a 2/3 vote of the legislature in order to pass a mandate on a local school board for which the legislature has not allocated the funds; if that would require a cumulative expenditure of over \$50,000 statewide. However, this would not apply to salaries, benefits or due process rights of school board employees which would still only require a simple majority to pass.

Amendment 5: To amend Amendment 579, now appearing as Section 36.02 of the Official Compilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to clarify that the people have a right to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife subject to reasonable regulations that promote conservation and management of fish and wildlife and preserve the future of hunting and fishing.

Existing constitution says that all persons have the right to hunt and fish in accordance with law and regulations. This amendment appears to limit those regulations to those that promote conservation of wildlife. It does not modify law relating to eminent domain, trespass, or property rights.

There will also be five local amendments that will be on the ballots only in the affected counties.

Phyllis gives outstanding advice, as always, on her 90th Birthday: **“How to Win an Argument”**.

“The most important single factor in winning an argument is to be specific and factual. Generalizations are losers. The more specific you can be in presenting the facts and the arguments that support your case, the more persuasive you are sure to be. To be a good arguer, one does not have to have a “killer instinct.” The objective is to persuade, not to kill. You persuade by making effective arguments, not by demolishing your opponent. The most common mistake made by an inexperienced arguer is to let his emotions overtake his objectivity. When you lose your temper, you also lose the argument. If you cannot argue a question without becoming emotionally involved, don’t argue in public—you can’t win. There are at least two sides to nearly every argument, and opponents should be able to disagree without being disagreeable.”

—*Phyllis Schlafly*

The House has passed bills to help stop the invasion on our southern border by stopping President Obama’s Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals executive action. Senator Jeff Sessions has called on the American people to melt the phone lines demanding that Harry Reid call a vote on the House bills. Senator Sessions said: “It is true that Majority Leader Reid is blocking a vote, But Reid acts only with the blessings of his members in the Democrat conference.”

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According to reports from WBEM radio in Buffalo, NY, more than 62,000 New York residents have signed on to an effort to create a new “Stop Common Core” ballot line to allow voters to voice their concerns about the state’s new education standards. Republican gubernatorial candidate Rob Astorino and attorney general candidate John Cahill filed the petitions with election officials on August 12, 2014. Only 15,000 signatures are required to get the item on the fall ballot. This shows the strong support of parents for the efforts to end Common Core in New York and could be the answer in other states that have ballot initiative.

Australia has made a huge move against Agenda 21 and the UN scheme to control every HUMAN ACTIVITY.

The UN found a common issue they could use to control every human activity and that is what climate change is all about. A hoax that will eventually give complete control of the world over to the UN and make a lot of people like Al Gore and President Obama wealth beyond their dreams. But a country like Australia pulling out of the hoax is huge. They are the first nation to say NO to the UN carbon tax. But not a peep has been on TV news. We applaud their strong stand. As you may recall, Alabama is the first and only American State that has renounced Agenda 21.

From thenewamerican.com

“Good People do not need Laws to tell them to act responsibly, while bad people will find a way around the laws.” —**Plato**

The drafters of the Constitution assumed that impeachment would be used in much the same way that employers fire employees. Federalist Paper 65 says: “An elected government needs a court for the trial of impeachments. The courts will judge the misconduct of public men. It will judge abuses or violations of public trust. The offenses are called political because they usually relate to injuries done to society.”

Federalist Papers in 21st Century by Mary E. Webster

“Restricted immigration is not an offense, but purely a defensive action. We cast no aspersions on any race or creed, but we must remember that every object of our institutions of society and government will fail unless America be kept American.”

—*Calvin Coolidge on signing the Immigration Act of 1924*

“A general dissolution of principles and manners will more surely overthrow the liberties of America than the whole force of the common enemy.” —*Samuel Adams, letter to James Warren, 1779 from The Patriot Post, 8/14/2014*

“Whenever Government means to invade the rights and liberties of the people, they always attempt to destroy the militia, in order to raise an army upon their ruins.”

—*Elbridge Gerry, Debate United States House of Representatives, 1789 The Patriot Post, 8/7/2014*

What if 20 Million Illegal Aliens Vacated America?

Tina Griego, journalist for the *Denver Rocky Mountain News*

I, Tina Griego, journalist for the *Denver Rocky Mountain News* wrote a column titled, "Mexican Visitor's Lament".

I interviewed Mexican journalist Evangelina Hernandez while visiting Denver last week. Hernandez said, "...**illegal aliens pay rent, buy groceries, buy clothes. What Happens to your country's economy if 20 million people go away?**" Hmmm, I thought, what would happen? So I did my due diligence, buried my nose as a reporter into the **FACTS** I found below.

Here are 13 reasons illegal aliens should vacate America, and I hope they are forwarded over and over again until they are read so many times that the reader gets sick of reading them:

1. \$14 billion to \$22 billion dollars are spent each year on welfare to illegal aliens. (that's Billion with a 'B') <http://tinyurl.com/zob77.html>
2. \$7.5 billion dollars are spent each year on Medicaid for illegal aliens. <http://www.cis.org/articles/2004/fiscalexec.html>
3. \$12 billion dollars are spent each year on primary and secondary school education for children here illegally. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0604/01/ldt.01.html>
4. \$27 billion dollars are spent each year for education for the American-born children of illegal aliens, known as anchor babies. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0604/01/ldt.01.html>
5. \$3 Million Dollars 'PER DAY' is spent to incarcerate illegal aliens. That's \$1.2 Billion a year. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0604/01/ldt.01.html>
6. 28% percent of all federal prison inmates are illegal aliens. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0604/01/ldt.01.html>
7. \$190 billion dollars are spent each year on illegal aliens for welfare & social services by the American taxpayers. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0610/29/ldt.01.html>
8. \$200 billion dollars per year in suppressed American wages are caused by the illegal aliens. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0604/01/ldt.01.html>
9. The illegal aliens in the United States have a crime rate that's two and a half times that of white non-illegal aliens. In particular, their children, are going to make a huge additional crime problem in the US. <http://transcripts.cnn.com/TRANscriptS/0606/12/ldt.01.html>
10. During the year 2005, there were 8 to 10 MILLION illegal aliens that crossed our southern border with as many as 19,500 illegal aliens from other terrorist countries. **Over 10,000 of those were middle-eastern terrorists.** Millions of pounds of drugs, cocaine, meth, heroin, crack, guns, and marijuana crossed into the U.S. from the southern border. <http://tinyurl.com/t9sht>
11. The National Policy Institute, estimates that the total cost of mass deportation would be between \$206 and \$230 billion, or an average cost of between \$41 and \$46 billion annually over a five year period. <http://www.nationalpolicyinstitute.org/publications.php?b=deportation>
12. In 2006, illegal aliens sent home \$65 BILLION in remittances back to their countries of origin, to their families and friends. <http://www.rense.com/general75/niht.htm>
13. The dark side of illegal immigration: Nearly one million sex crimes are committed by illegal immigrants in the United States! <http://www.drdsk.com/articleshtml>

Total Cost: A whopping **\$538.3 BILLION DOLLARS** **A YEAR!**

Food For Thought
Where is Common Sense in Government?
Author unknown

If you can get arrested for hunting or fishing without a license, but not for being in the country illegally, you live in a country run by idiots.

If you have to get your parents' permission to go on a field trip or take an aspirin in school, but not to get an abortion, you live in a country run by idiots.

If you have to show identification to board an airplane, cash a check, buy liquor or check out a library book, but not to vote on who runs the government, you live in a country run by idiots.

If the government wants to ban stable, law-abiding citizens from owning gun magazines with more than ten rounds, but gave 20 F-16 fighter jets to the crazy Muslim Brotherhood in you live in a country run by idiots.

If, in the largest city, you can buy two 16-ounce sodas, but not a 24-ounce soda because 24-ounces of a sugary drink might make you fat, you live in a country run by idiots.

If an 80-year-old woman can be stripped searched by the TSA but a woman in a hijab is only subject to having her neck and head searched, you live in a country run by idiots.

If your government believes that the best way to eradicate trillions of dollars of debt is to spend trillions more, you live in a country run by idiots.

If a seven year old boy can be thrown out of grade school for saying his teacher is "cute," but hosting a sexual exploration or diversity class in grade school is perfectly acceptable, you live in a country run by idiots.

If hard work and success are met with higher taxes and more government intrusion, while not working is rewarded with EBT cards, WIC checks, Medicaid, subsidized housing and free cell phones, you live in a country run by idiots.

If the government's plan for getting people back to work is to incentivize NOT working, with 99 weeks of unemployment checks and no requirement to prove they applied but can't find work, you live in a country run by idiots.

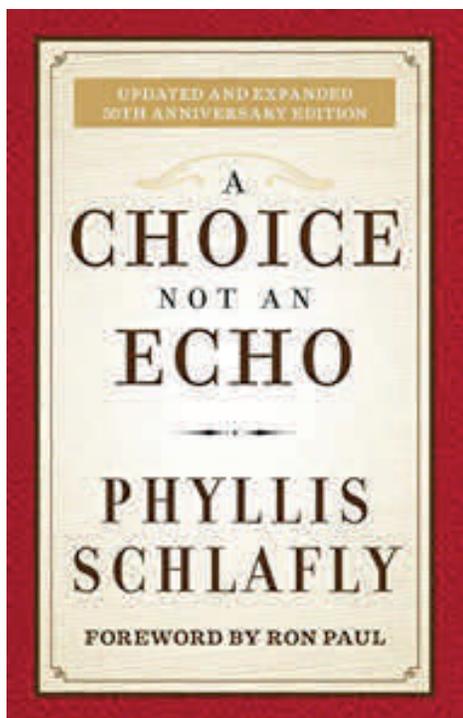
If being stripped of the ability to defend yourself makes you more " safe" according to the government, you live in a country run by idiots.

If sending \$47 million dollars to HAMAS in the Gaza Strip, much or most of which will be used to rebuild tunnels and restock rockets to launch into Israel, is considered a wise move by the government, you live in a country run by idiots.

Obama Care in Four Sentences author unfortunately unknown

1. In order to insure the uninsured, we first have to un-insure the insured.
 2. Next, we require the newly uninsured to be re-insured.
 3. To re-insure the newly uninsured, they are required to pay extra charges to be re-insured.
 4. The extra charges are required so that the original insured, who became uninsured, and then became re-insured, can pay enough extra so that the original uninsured can be insured, which will be free of charge to them. This is called redistribution of wealth or Socialism.
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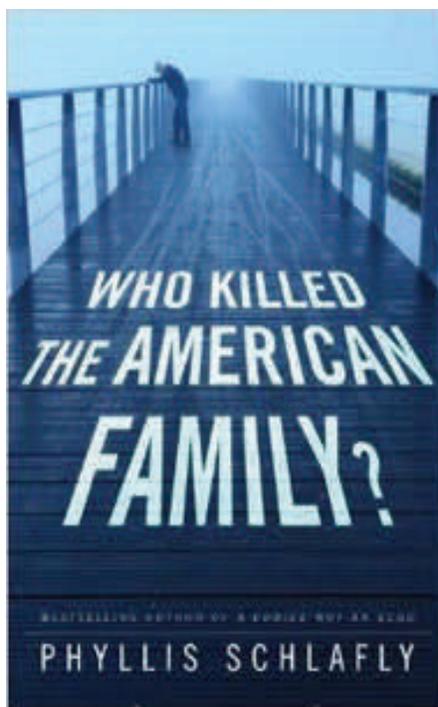
Phyllis Schlafly Pens Two New Books



Phyllis Schlafly's 1964 national best seller "A Choice Not an Echo" sold over 3 million copies and launched the conservative resurgence of the late 20th century. This special updated and expanded edition, contains 50 percent new material, placing the book in its historical context and applying the book's lessons to the issues of today.

She has been our leader in the pro-family movement since 1972 when she started Eagle Forum. In a ten year battle, she led the pro-family movement to victory over the Equal Rights Amendment, the principle legislative goal of the radical feminists. She was named one of the 100 most important women of the 20th century by *Ladies Home Journal*.

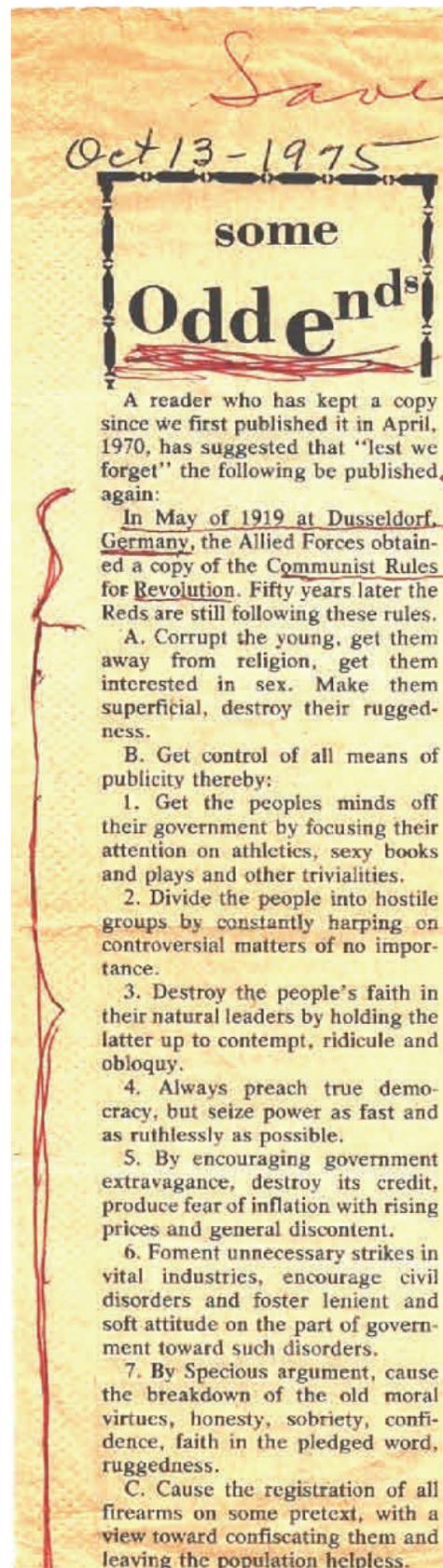
This book will be released in November, 2014. You may pre-order it through the Eagle Forum website at www.eagleforum.org



The American family used to be the fundamental institution of our stable, liberty-loving and very successful society, but in the last hundred years it has been attacked, debased, maligned, slandered and vilified by every facet of society. "Who Killed the American Family?" reveals the concerted assault on the American nuclear family by many forces: feminists, judges, lawmakers, psychologists, school districts, college professors, politicians offering incentives and seeking votes, and more, each opposed to the traditional American nuclear family and each with its own *raison d'être* for wanting to abolish it. The wreckage of the American family leaves us with the inability to have limited government, because government steps in to perform tasks formerly done by the nuclear family.

Available starting September 23, 2014 It may be ordered through the Eagle Forum website www.eagleforum.org or through WNDbooks.

Old newspaper clipping a mother saved in her Bible. She had been a school teacher and believed prophecy, so she always kept up on issues.





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