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## **Special procedures**

"Special procedures" mechanisms are the established by the Commission on Human Rights and assumed by the Human Rights Council to examine, monitor, advise and publicly report on a human rights situation in a specific country (country mandates) or on a thematic issue (thematic mandates). In 2006, there were 41 special procedures, 28 thematic mandates and 13 country mandates, including special rapporteurs, special representatives, independent experts and working groups (collectively known as "special procedures mandate-holders") as listed below.

- Special procedures' mandate-holders are: - independent
  - selected among prominent experts from
  - different backgroundsappointed to serve in their personal capacityfor a maximum of 6 years
  - unpaid; not staff members of the United Nations
  - supported by OHCHR in their activities

#### Thematic mandates (year of establishment of the mandate)

- Working Group on enforced or involuntary disappearances (1980)
- Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (1982)
- o Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (1985)
- Special Rapporteur on the right to freedom of religion or belief (1986)
- o Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (1990)
- Working Group on arbitrary detention (1991)
- Special Rapporteur on the right to freedom of opinion and expression (1993)
- Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (1993)
- Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers (1994)
- Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences (1994)
- Special Rapporteur on the adverse effects of the illicit movement and dumping of toxic and dangerous products and wastes on the enjoyment of human rights (1995)
- o Independent expert on human rights and extreme poverty (1998)
- Special Rapporteur on the right to education (1998)
- Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants (1999)
- Special Representative of the Secretary-General on human rights defenders (2000)
- Special Rapporteur on the right to food (2000)
- o Special Rapporteur on the right to adequate housing (2000)
- o Independent expert on economic reform policies and foreign debt (2000)
- o Special Rapporteur on human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous peoples (2001)
- Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health (2002)
- Working Group on people of African descent (2002)
- Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children (2004)
- Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights of internally displaced persons (2004)
- Working Group on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination (2005)
- Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection on human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (2005)
- o Independent Expert of the High Commissioner on minority issues (2005)
- o Independent expert on human rights and international solidarity (2005)
- Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises (2005)

#### Geographic mandates (year of establishment of the mandate)

- o Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar (1992)
- o Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 (1993)
- o Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia (1993)
- o Independent expert of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Somalia (1993)
- Independent expert of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in <u>Haiti</u> (1995)
- Personal Representative of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in <u>Cuba</u> (2003)
- Independent expert on technical cooperation and advisory services in Liberia (2003)
- Independent expert on the situation of human rights in <u>Burundi</u> (2004)
- o Independent expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (2004)
- Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in <u>Uzbekistan</u> (2004)
- Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in <u>Democratic People's Republic of Korea</u> (2004)
- Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in <u>Belarus</u> (2004)
- $_{\odot}$  Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan (2005)

For more information about the Special Procedures: http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/chr/special/index.htm

### Communications

Mandates given to special procedure mechanisms Special procedures generally are to may vary. examine, monitor, advise, and publicly report on human rights situations in specific countries or territories (country mandates), or on major phenomena of human rights violations worldwide (thematic mandates). Most special procedures receive information on allegations of human rights violations and send communications through the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights to the Government concerned, requesting information and comments on the alleged violations and, depending on the nature of the allegation, preventive, investigatory and/or remedial action.

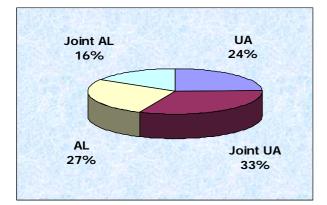
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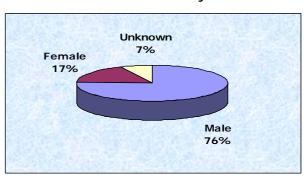
- Total communications sent: 1115
- Joint communications: 48%
- Individuals covered: 2869 (women 17%)
- Individuals covered by joint communications: 63%
- Communications sent to 143 countries
- Government responses received in 2006
- (percentage of total no. of communications): 58%
  Government replies to communications sent in 2006: 40% (as of 31 March 2007)

Source: Quick Response Database

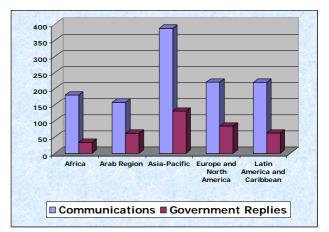
Communications usually take the form of either "urgent appeals (UA)" or "letters of allegation (AL)". Special Procedures mandate-holders may send joint communications when cases fall under more than one mandate. "Urgent appeals" are used to bring to the Government's attention information about a human rights violation that is allegedly ongoing, about to occur or about to be repeated. The intention is to ensure that the appropriate State authorities are informed as quickly as possible of the circumstances so that they can intervene to end or prevent human rights violations. "Letters of allegation" are а means of communicating information and request clarification about alleged violations that are said to have already occurred or that are of a less urgent nature. Special procedure mandate-holders submit to the Human Rights Council reports on their communications and responses by Governments.

#### Communications by type

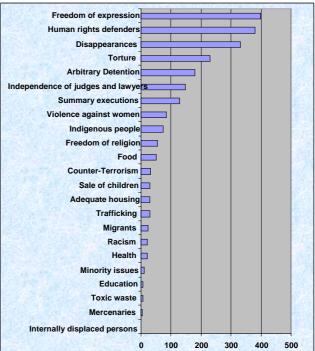




# Communications and Government replies by region



# Thematic issues addressed in communications



#### Communications by sex

# Communications dealing with groups or general thematic issues

Communications cover not only individuals but also groups or general thematic issues, as illustrated by the non-exhaustive list below:

- On groups of persons, 172 communications were sent jointly or individually by 24 mandates, in particular Violence against women, Trafficking, Torture, and Human Rights and Terrorism.
- On minority groups, 85 communications were sent jointly or individually by 18 mandates, in particular Indigenous people, Freedom of religion, and Food.
- On children, 25 communications were sent jointly or individually by 15 mandates, in particular Sale of children, Trafficking, Violence against women, Arbitrary detention, Migrants, Education and DPRK.
- On legislation, 59 communications were sent jointly or individually by 18 mandates, in particular Terrorism, Freedom of religion, Internally displaced persons, and Independence of judges and lawyers.
- On the environment, 13 communications were sent jointly or individually by 6 mandates, in particular Food, Toxic waste, Indigenous people, Health and Adequate housing.

### Human Rights Stories

The following "human rights stories" are examples of cases on which Special Procedures engaged in a constructive dialogue with Governments and other actors. Subsequently, information was received about a positive outcome.

In June 2006 a joint urgent appeal was sent to the Government of Algeria by the SRs on Torture and counter-terrorism concerning two Algerian citizens, qualified as "suspected international terrorists" based on confidential information not communicated to them. They were allegedly held in secret detention by a military intelligence agency specialized in interrogation.

In July 2006, the Algerian Government reported that after examining the situation, the two individuals were released and rejoined their families.

In March 2006 a joint urgent appeal was sent to the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) by the SRs on Adequate housing, Health, Toxic waste, the Representative of the Secretary-General on Internally displaced persons and the Indpendent Expert (IE) on Minority issues concerning the situation in the Roma camps located in Northern Mitrovica.

In April 2006, UNMIK informed that some 60 families, representing over 50% of the total population of the camps, had voluntarily relocated to Camp Osterode. 17 additional families were registered to begin a temporary relocation process. The Camp was said to provide safer living conditions. The rebuilding of the Roma Mahala site was intended to be completed over the next 18 months. Members of the Roma community have reportedly been involved in redesigning the plans for rebuilding their community. A further communication was sent by mandate holders concerning more recent developments

In March 2006 a joint urgent appeal was sent to the Government of <u>Mexico</u> by the Special Rapporteur (SR) on Freedom of expression, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) on Human rights defenders, the SR on Independence of judges and lawyers and the SR on Indigenous people concerning death threats against a coordinator of the Human and Labour Rights Commission who defended workers' rights.

In April 2006 the Mexican Government informed that protective measures had been granted to the subject, as well as to his family members and other members of the Commission.

n January 2006 a letter of allegation was sent to the Government of <u>Sri Lanka</u> by the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of expression concerning the alleged assassination of a leader of the parliamentary group Tamil National Alliance, killed by unknown gunmen in his hometown.

The Government issued a statement condemning the assassination in the strongest possible terms, and indicating that the Inspector General of Police has been directed to appoint a special team to conduct a full investigation and bring the perpetrators to justice. Reportedly, additional security has been offered to ITAK members of Parliament.

In January 2006, the SR on the right to health visited <u>Sweden</u> on official mission to learn how Sweden seeks to realize the right to the highest attainable standard of health at national and international levels. In his recommendations, he urged the Government to ensure the full implementation of the right of persons with psychosocial disabilities and guarantee adequate funding in this regard.

The Government subsequently announced its intention to devote 750 million SEK (approximately 70 million euros) to improving mental health care in the three years to come.

### **Country visits**

Country visits (or fact-finding missions) take place at the request of the relevant special procedure, at the invitation of the country concerned or on the basis of a "standing invitation". As of December 2006, 56 countries had extended standing invitations to the special procedures. In 2006, Maldives and Ukraine extended standing invitations.

During country missions, special procedures mandate-holders assess the de facto human rights situation in a given country, as well as the specific institutional, legal, judicial, and administrative situation under their respective mandates. They meet with a number of stakeholders, including national and local authorities; national human rights institutions; victims of human rights violations; civil society, including non-governmental organizations; the United Nations and other inter-governmental organizations; and the media, as appropriate. Mandate holders may make statements or give a media conference at the end of the country visits. Subsequently, mandate-holders issue a mission report containing their findings and recommendations. Several mandate-holders also return to countries previously visited to encourage implementation of their recommendations.

In 2006, special procedures mandate-holders undertook **48 missions to 38 countries**. Among these, 12 countries have extended standing invitations to the special procedures. 20 country visits, 43% of all visits, were carried out on the basis of a standing invitation. Thematic mandates carried out 41 missions to 32 countries.

#### List of country visits undertaken by special procedures mandate-holders in 2006

Country	Mandate	Date of visit
Australia	<ul> <li>SR on adequate housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari</li> </ul>	31 July – 15 August 2006
Azerbaijan	SR on freedom of religion, Ms. Asma Jahangir	26 February- 6 March 2006
Bahrain	<ul> <li>SR on trafficking in persons, especially women and children, Ms. Sigma Huda</li> </ul>	29 October – 1 November 2006
Burundi	<ul> <li>IE on the human rights situation in Burundi, Mr Akich Okola</li> </ul>	29 may -10 June 2006; 7 – 14 October 2006
Cambodia	<ul> <li>SRSG on the situation of human rights in Cambodia, Mr. Yash Ghai</li> </ul>	19 - 28 March 2006
Colombia	<ul> <li>RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin</li> </ul>	15 - 28 June 2006
Côte d'Ivoire	<ul> <li>RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin</li> </ul>	17 - 25 April 2006
Ecuador	<ul> <li>WG on arbitrary detention, Chairperson: Ms. Leila Zerrougui</li> </ul>	13 – 23 February 2006
	<ul> <li>SR on indigenous people, Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen</li> </ul>	28 April- 4 May 2006
	<ul> <li>WG on mercenaries, Chairperson: Ms. Amada Benavides de Pérez</li> </ul>	28 August – 1 September 2006
Ethiopia	<ul> <li>IE on minority issues, Ms. Gay J. McDougall</li> </ul>	27 November - 8 December 2006
Germany	<ul> <li>SR on the right to education, Mr. Vernor Muñoz Villalobos</li> </ul>	13 - 21 February 2006
Guatemala	<ul> <li>SR on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, Mr. Philip Alston</li> </ul>	21 – 26 August 2006
	<ul> <li>WG on enforced or involuntary disappearances, Chairperson: Mr. Santiago Corcuera</li> </ul>	19 - 21 September 2006
Honduras	<ul> <li>WG on arbitrary detention, Chairperson: Ms. Leila</li> </ul>	23 – 31 May 2006
	<ul> <li>Zerrougui</li> <li>WG on mercenaries, Chairperson: Ms. Amada Benavides de Pérez</li> </ul>	21 – 25 August 2006
Hungary	<ul> <li>IE on minority issues, Ms. Gay J. McDougall</li> </ul>	26 June - 3 July 2006
Indonesia	<ul> <li>SR on migrants, Mr. Jorge A. Bustamante</li> </ul>	12 – 21 December 2006
Israel	<ul> <li>Joint visit to Lebanon and Israel by SR on summary executions, Mr. Philip Alston, RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin, SR on adequate housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari and SR on health, Mr. Paul Hunt</li> </ul>	10 - 13 September 2006

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Japan Jordan Kenya	<ul> <li>Mandate</li> <li>SR on racism, Mr. Doudou Diène</li> <li>SR on the situation of human rights in the DPRK, Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn</li> <li>SR on torture, Mr. Manfred Nowak</li> <li>SR on indigenous people, Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen</li> <li>Joint visit to Lebanon and Israel by SR on summary executions, Mr. Philip Alston, RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin, SR on adequate housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari and SR on health, Mr. Paul</li> </ul>	Date of visit           9 - 13 October 2006           10 - 14 December 2006           25 June - 29 June 2006           4 - 14 December 2006           7 -10 September 2006
Japan Jordan Kenya	<ul> <li>SR on the situation of human rights in the DPRK, Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn</li> <li>SR on torture, Mr. Manfred Nowak</li> <li>SR on indigenous people, Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen</li> <li>Joint visit to Lebanon and Israel by SR on summary executions, Mr. Philip Alston, RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin, SR on adequate housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari and SR on health, Mr. Paul</li> </ul>	10 - 14 December 2006         25 June - 29 June 2006         4 - 14 December 2006
Jordan Kenya	<ul> <li>Vitit Muntarbhorn</li> <li>SR on torture, Mr. Manfred Nowak</li> <li>SR on indigenous people, Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen</li> <li>Joint visit to Lebanon and Israel by SR on summary executions, Mr. Philip Alston, RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin, SR on adequate housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari and SR on health, Mr. Paul</li> </ul>	25 June - 29 June 2006 4 – 14 December 2006
Kenya	<ul> <li>SR on indigenous people, Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen</li> <li>Joint visit to Lebanon and Israel by SR on summary executions, Mr. Philip Alston, RSG on internally displaced persons, Mr. Walter Kälin, SR on adequate housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari and SR on health, Mr. Paul</li> </ul>	4 – 14 December 2006
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	<ul><li>Hunt</li><li>SR on the right to food, Mr. Jean Ziegler</li></ul>	11 -15 September 2006
Liberia	<ul> <li>IE on the situation of human rights in Liberia, Ms.</li> </ul>	19 – 26 February 2006;
Liborid	Charlotte Abaka	12 – 23 November 2006
Maldives	<ul> <li>SR on freedom of religion, Ms. Asma Jahangir</li> </ul>	6 - 9 August 2006
Mongolia	<ul> <li>SR on the situation of human rights in the DPRK, Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn</li> </ul>	18– 23 December 2006
Morocco	<ul> <li>SR on the right to education, Mr. Vernor Muñoz Villalobos</li> </ul>	27 November - 5 December 2006
Netherlands	<ul> <li>SR on violence against women, Ms. Yakin Ertürk</li> </ul>	2 - 11 July 2006
Nicaragua	<ul> <li>WG on arbitrary detention, Chairperson: Ms. Leila Zerrougui</li> </ul>	15 -23 May 2006_
Oman	<ul> <li>SR on trafficking in persons, especially women and children, Ms. Sigma Huda</li> </ul>	1 – 7 November 2006
Palestine & OPT	<ul> <li>SR on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967, Mr. John Dugard</li> </ul>	9 – 17 June 2006
Paraguay	SR on torture, Mr. Manfred Nowak	22 - 29 November 2006
Qatar	<ul> <li>SR on trafficking in persons, especially women and children, Ms. Sigma Huda</li> </ul>	8 -12 November 2006
	<ul> <li>SR on migrants, Mr. Jorge A. Bustamante</li> </ul>	4 - 12 December 2006
Korea	<ul> <li>SR on the situation of human rights in the DPRK, Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn</li> </ul>	14 – 18 December 2006
Russian Federation	<ul> <li>SR on racism, Mr. Doudou Diène</li> </ul>	12 -17 June 2006
Spain	<ul> <li>SR on housing, Mr. Miloon Kothari</li> </ul>	20 November - 1 December 2006
Sudan	<ul> <li>SR on the situation of human rights in the Sudan, Ms. Sima Samar</li> </ul>	11 – 17 August 2006
Sweden	<ul> <li>SR on the right to health, Mr. Paul Hunt</li> </ul>	9 – 18 January 2006
	<ul> <li>SR on violence against women, Ms. Yakin Ertürk</li> </ul>	12 – 21 June 2006
Switzerland	<ul> <li>SR on racism, Mr. Doudou Diène</li> </ul>	9 -13 January 2006
Turkey	SR on counter-terrorism, Mr. Martin Scheinin	16 – 23 February 2006
	<ul> <li>SR on violence against women, Ms. Yakin Ertürk</li> <li>WG on arbitrary detention, Chairperson: Ms. Leila Zerrougui</li> </ul>	22 – 31 May 2006 9 - 20 October 2006
Ukraine	<ul> <li>SR on sale of children, Mr. Juan Miguel Petit</li> </ul>	22 - 28 October 2006

\* SR (Special Rapporteur), SRSG (Special Representative of the Secretary-General), RSG (Representative of the Secretary-General), IE (Independent Expert), WG (Working Group)

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### Reports

### Reports to the Commission on Human Rights<sup>1</sup>

In 2006, **118 reports** were submitted concerning the work of Special Procedures mandate holders. **Forty** of these were **annual reports**, **17** concerned **communications** with Governments, and **46** were related to **country missions** undertaken.

Report title	Document number
Report of the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief, Ms. Asma Jahangir	E/CN.4/2006/5
Summary of cases transmitted to Governments and replies received	E/CN.4/2006/5/Add.1
Mission to Nigeria (27 February–7 March 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/5/Add.2
Mission to Sri Lanka (2-12 May 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/5/Add.3
Mission to France (18-29 September 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/5/Add.4
Report of the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, Mr. Manfred Nowak	E/CN.4/2006/6
Summary of information, including individual cases, transmitted to Governments and replies received	E/CN.4/2006/6/Add.1
Follow-up to the recommendations made by the Special Rapporteur in the reports of his missions: (Azerbaijan, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Mexico, The Russian Federation, Spain, Turkey, Uzbekistan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	E/CN.4/2006/6/Add.2
Mission to Georgia (19-25 February 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/6/Add.3
Mission to Mongolia (6-19 June 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/6/Add.4
Mission to Nepal (10-16 November 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/6/Add.5
Mission to China (20 November-2 December 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/6/Add.6
Report of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention	E/CN.4/2006/7
Opinions adopted by the Working Group	E/CN.4/2006/7/Add.1
Mission to Canada (1–15 June 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/7/Add.2
Mission to South Africa (4–19 September 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/7/Add.3
Report of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating	E/CN.4/2006/11 and
human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self- determination	Add.1
Report of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, Mr. Doudou Diène	E/CN.4/2006/16
Summary of cases transmitted to Governments and replies received	E/CN.4/2006/16/Add.1
Mission Japan (3–11 July 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/16/Add.2 and Corr.1
Mission to Brazil (17–26 October 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/16/Add.3
Mission to Switzerland - Preliminary note (9–13 January 2006)	E/CN.4/2006/16/Add.4
Report by the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance on situation of Muslims and Arab peoples in various parts of the world, Mr. Doudou Diène	E/CN.4/2006/17
Report of the Working Group of the Experts on People of African Descent on fifth session (29 August-2 September 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/19
Mission to Belgium (13-17 June 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/19/Add.1
Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967, Mr. John Dugard	E/CN.4/2006/29
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Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn	E/CN.4/2006/35
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Report of the Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, Mr. Miloon Kothari	E/CN.4/2006/41

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Mission to the United States of America (24 October–4 November 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/43/Add.1
Report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to food, Mr. Jean Ziegler	E/CN.4/2006/44
Mission to Guatemala (26 January–4 February 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/44/Add.1
Mission to India (20 August – 2 September 2005)	E/CN.4/2006/44/Add.2
Report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education, Mr. Vernor Muñoz Villalobos	E/CN.4/2006/45
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Updated study by the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance on the issue of political platforms which promote or incite racial discrimination, Mr. Doudou Diène	E/CN.4/2006/54
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