

Report:

**“Survey on the Situation of Child
Prostitution and Child Abuse in
Phare province”**



By Office of Provincial Education

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Objectives of the survey

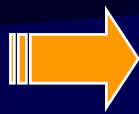
1 To survey of the process entering into prostitution

2. To study of abuse cases for children below 18 yrs. old

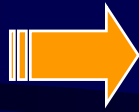
3.To identify possible prevention to these problems



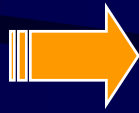
Scope of the survey



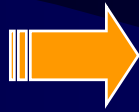
Survey of the entering process and the abuse cases



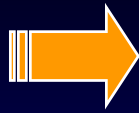
Factors that make the children enter into the situation



Environment of abuse cases



Patterns of selling



Situation involve



Population of newborn - 23 yrs.old

- Newborn -5 yrs. boys 15,011 girls 15,687
- 6-11 yrs. boys 19,695 girls 18,616
- 12 -17 yrs. boys 19,783 girls 18,857
- 18-23 yrs. male 21,191 female 20,983
- total male 75,680 female 74,143
- grand total 149,823
- 30.35 % of the total population



Number of establishment and girls in services



brothels 8/45

hotels 9/17

bangalow

14/22

Beer bars

2/15

Disco-teque

1/10

Karaoke

12/84

Number of places/girls

121/501

Beauty

salon 28/64

Traditional

massage

2/12

coffee shop

4/28

restaurants

41/204



Number of reports on child abuse in Phrae (1997 - 2001)

- **2 cases of new born - 6 yrs. old**
- **21 cases of 7-12 yrs. old**
- **88 cases of 13-18 yrs. old**
- **statistic from every district police station**

Number of report cases of sexual abuse with children under 18 (1997 - 2001)

distributed according to wrong doers

 by parents 2 cases

- by family members 14 cases
- by neighbour/community members 89 cases
- by strangers 4 cases
- by people from other communities 5 cases
- information from every district police station

Number of child sexual abuse cases and number of children at risk

(1999)

- **children in sexual business** 1 boy, 12 girls
- **children in prostitution** 1 boy, 10 girls
- **child sexual abuse** 1 boy, 18 girls
- **children gathering in public per day** 25 boys, 20 girls
- **children in entertainment places** 5 boys, 5 girls
 - **information from provincial office of job placement**



Number of child sexual abuse cases and number of children at risk

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 - children gather in public places per day 35 boys, 30 girls
 - children in entertainment places 5 boys, 5 girls
- information from Phrae Job Placement Office



Number of child sexual abuse cases and number of children at risk (Jan- May 2001)

- **Children in sexual businesses** - boy, 2 girls
- **children in prostitution** - boy 14 girls
- **child sexual abuse** - boy, 8 girls
- **children gather in public places per day** * boy, * girl
- **children in entertainment places** * boy, * girl
- * not available

– information from Phrae Job Placement Office



Risk factors

Divorce family

Drug addicts

school drop-outs

HIV infected/AIDS

Hostel/unregistered hotel



Children in prostitution



Case study 1

Nong Tan (alias name)

aged about 17 yrs old and lives in Muang district, Phrae province. Tan was born with no father. Her mother works in a southern province so Tan is now living with her grand-mother. Tan lied to her grand-mother that she works in Bangkok but selling herself in Phrae. Tan sends her money to grand-mother through her friend who lives in the same community. Before entering into prostitution, Tan used to have sexual relations with her boyfriend. Later, the agent called "mama" contacted her for the customers. Tan shares 50% of her income with agent. If the customer contacts Tan directly however, she



Case study 2

Nong To (alias name)

Aged about 18 yrs. Old; lives in Phrae; used to stay with her aunt and uncle. Her parents had often quarreled and were now divorced.

To was raped by her uncle. She did not want to go home after this incident and so she now lives with her friends at the hostel. Nong To witnessed her friends sell their bodies and having enough money to buy beautiful clothes. Later, Nong To voluntary decided to sell herself. There are agents who contact customers and will send the girls to customers at department stores or restaurants.



Case study 3

Nong Jae (alias name)

Aged about 18; living in Denchai district. Her family is very poor with many children. She wanted to help out her family. She entered into prostitution after the option was introduced to her by a friend at the hostel. There was middle aged agent who contacted the customers for her. Nong Jae gave her 50% of her income. The rest of her income was spent on educational fees, a mobile phone, clothes and support for her family. Nong Jae has a low grade of education



Case study 4

Nong Na (alias name)

Aged about 16 yrs. old, living in Phrae. She is beautiful with nice skin. Her father and mother are both civil servant. Her father works in different province meanwhile her mother works in Phrae. Every morning, her mother takes her to school. On her free time, Nong Na likes to stay with her friend at the hostel. Her friend persuaded her to try selling her sex. The agent named Mae Pan (alias name) contacted customers for her. Most of her customers are people who have jobs. On Saturday and Sunday, she told her mother that she



Case study 5

Nong Bae (alias name)

Aged 18 years old; living with poor family in Song district. She is a middle child. Her father is always drunk and likes to beat her mother. Nong Bae left her family to stay with someone whom she knew at the beauty salon in town. Later her friend persuaded her to sell herself and to contact her customers through an agent. After the first time however, she began contacting her customers directly.

Most of her customers were working men. Sometimes her customers offered her a mobile phone for her price. Some of them took



Causes of entering into prostitution.

children staying in town/children
coming from different districts

Causes before

entering into pros.

-was raped by relative

-lack of warmth

-want to help family

-want to buy personal
belongings

-follow friends

-having sex at early

hostel

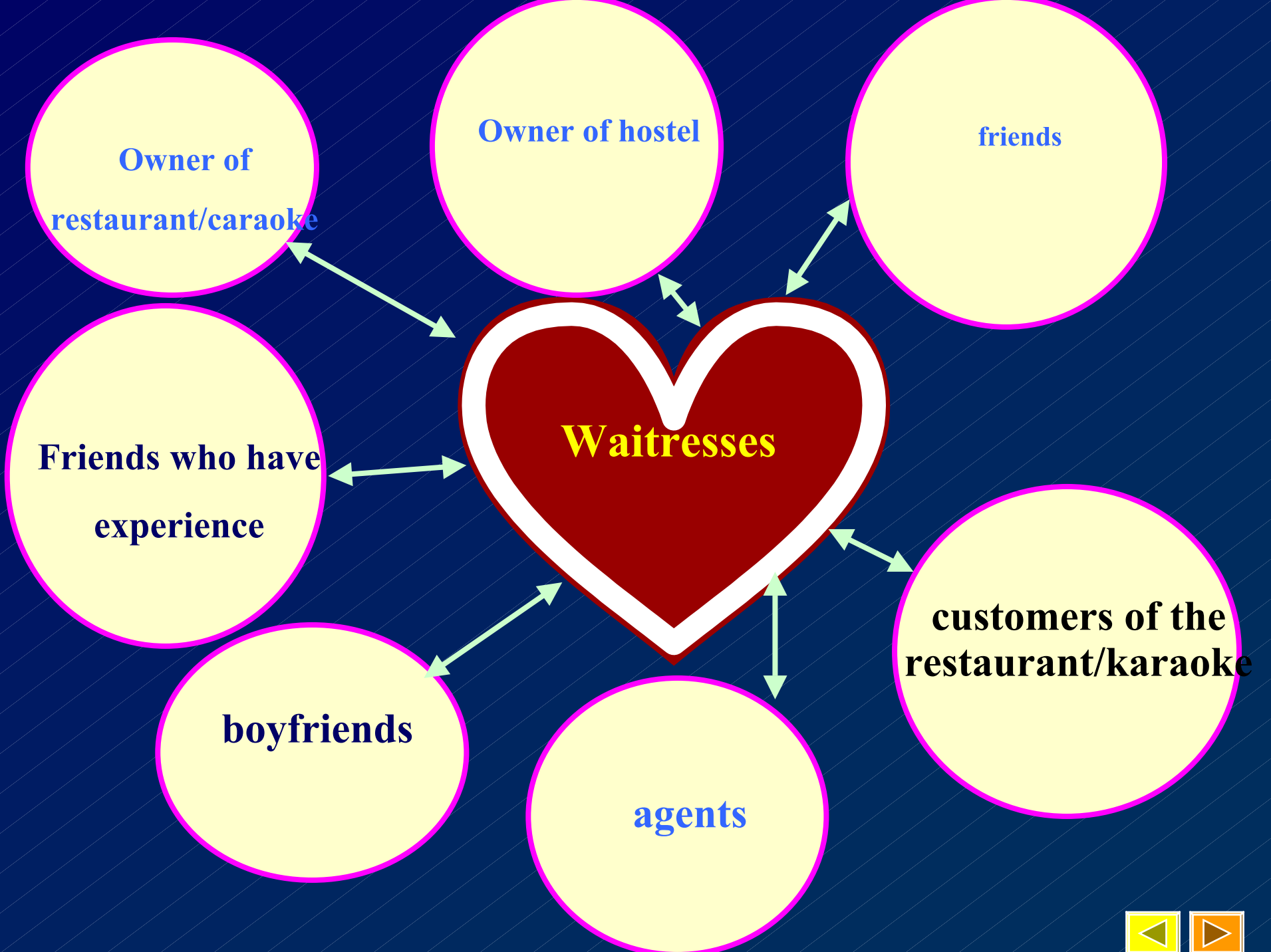
agents

Customers
(having job)



Linkages for prostitution





**Owner of
restaurant/caraoke**

Owner of hostel

friends

Waitresses

**Friends who have
experience**

**customers of the
restaurant/karaoke**

boyfriends

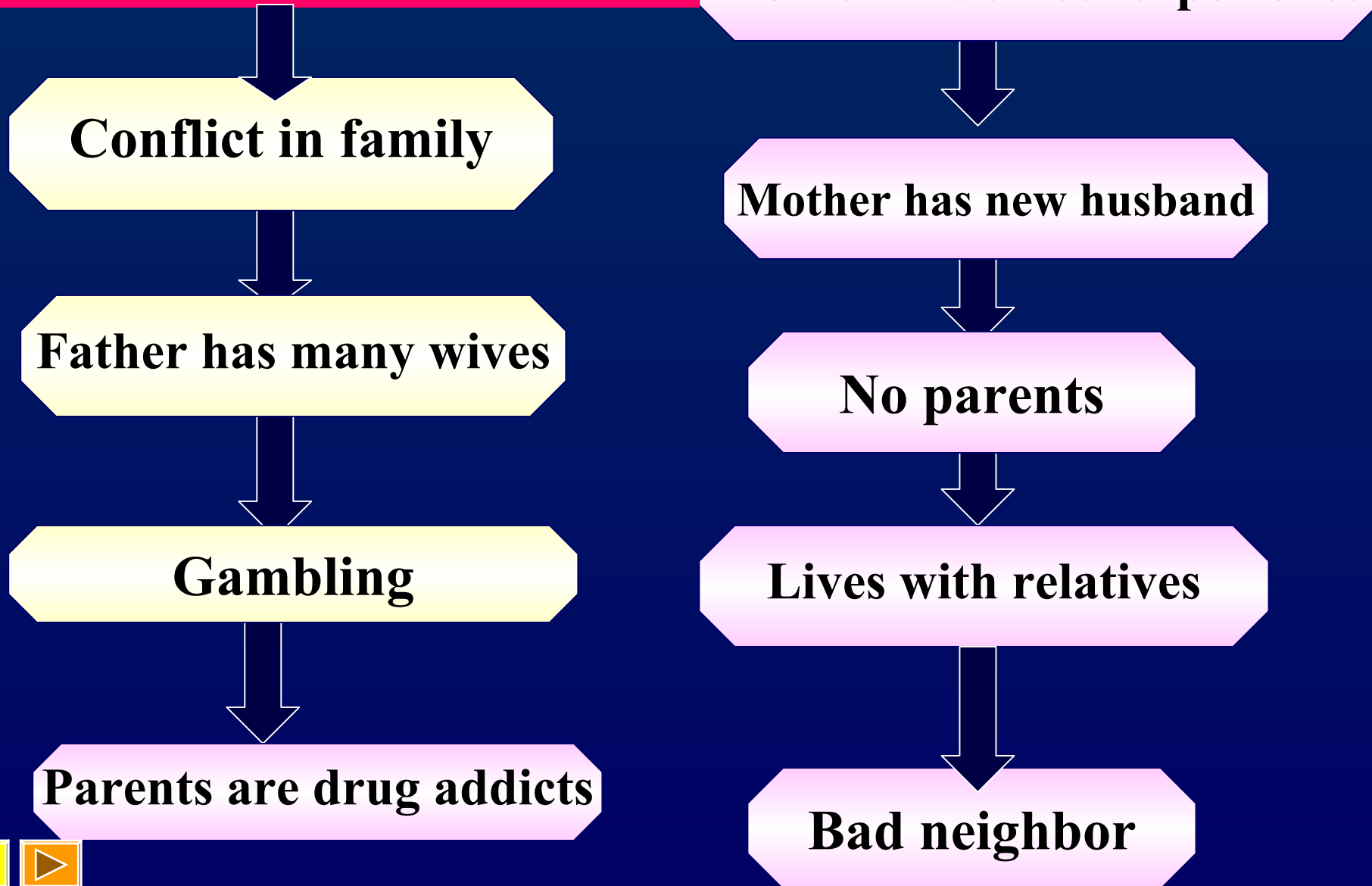
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Risk factors



Children at risk of sexual abuse



Geographical background of the children who sell sex

Children in Phrae

Children from neighboring provinces

Most of the children live in municipality of Phrae



Family background of children who sell sex

**family lacks of
love and warmth**

poor family

normal family

divorce family



Educational background of the children who sell sex

most of the
children finished
compulsory
education

Drop-out

studying in
college/vocational



Factors involved in decision process of the children

Environment

Friends/agents

Luxury value

Low income

Volunteer

Contributing factors

Mother sells sex

Relationships within family

Focus on policy for entertainment places

Government policy focuses on economic development

ชุมชน/หน่วยงานของรัฐขาดความเข้มแข็ง



Suggested solutions

A flowchart titled "Suggested solutions" showing a sequence of measures. The title is in a pink box. Below it, a large downward arrow leads to a yellow box "Strengthen law enforcement". From there, a downward arrow leads to a pink box "Strengthen code of conduct within organization". From that pink box, a downward arrow leads to a yellow box "Public relations". From "Public relations", a downward arrow leads to a pink box "Other measures". On the left side, a downward arrow from the title leads to a yellow box "Strengthen family/community". From there, a downward arrow leads to a yellow box "Educational/apprentice opportunities". From that box, a downward arrow leads to a yellow box "Counseling services".

Strengthen law enforcement

Strengthen family/community

**Strengthen code of conduct
within organization**

Educational/apprentice opportunities

Public relations

Counseling services

Other measures



Strengthen family and community

1. Put more priority of family/ community members
2. Protect children from entering into prostitution
3. Campaign to end sex with children and sex with women to whom one is not married
4. More activities with family/community members
5. Surveillance of children and women in community
etc.



Educational/apprenticing opportunities

1. Provide more scholarships to 'at risk' children
2. Provide more apprentice opportunities to 'at risk' children
3. Organize activities according to the children's needs
4. Provide an appropriate job opportunity to the children
5. State should provide more educational loans
6. Etc.



Counseling services

- 1. Parents/teachers should provide counseling to the children**
- 2. The children should be provided with information on the extreme dangers of selling sex**
- 3. Organize more moral/ethnic activities for the children**
- 4. GOs/NGOs should organize many more activities for the children and make them more creative**
- 5. Establish counseling clinics for the children in schools and within the community**



Strengthen Laws enforcement

Seriously heavily continuously punish

- child sexual buyers**
- owner of establishments**
- agents/brokers**
- suppliers who find the children for customers**
- parents who ignore their children**
- owners of hostels**



Code of conduct in organization

1. Closely follow up and punish staff who buy sex/ having sex with children
2. Punish staff who ignore their duty
3. Financial support to organization to conduct activities in order to solve the problems of child prostitution
4. Establish watch - dog organization
5. Government should not support any business that related to child sexual exploitations
- 6 Provide services and protect the at risk children



Public relations

- 1. Government should keep the public informed of the update information regarding the danger of entering into prostitution as well as punishment of child sexual exploitations cases**
- 2. Mobilize the participation of public, Gos, NGOs as well as religious institute in providing information and seriously prevention of the problems. ॐ**



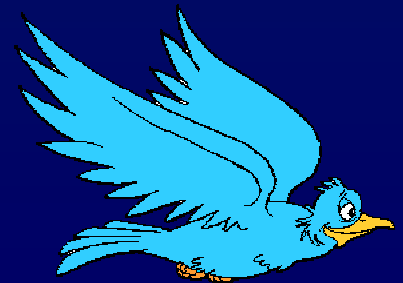
Other measures of the state

Launch campaign on the prevention of STD

Organize mobile clinic

Provide welfare and rehabilitation services

Provide mental rehabilitation



Research team

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