

## OMUMU OMENALA IGBO NA NGALABA GS NKE MMAHADUM OKA: URU NAOLILEANYA YA NYE NDI NTOROBIA

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### *Umiedemede*

*N'oge ugbo a, o bu ihe hịara nnukwu ahụ ichikwa na iwulite obodo n'ih i akparamaagwa ojo di iche iche a na-ahụ n'obibi ndu ndi mmadu, nke o bu enweghi ezi ozuzu na ezi ntola n'ezinaulo na-ebute. Agburu obula nwere usoro di mma ha si azulite umuaka iji mee ka ha baa uru n'ezinaulo, n'ogbe nakwa n'obodo. A choputara na ufodu agburu di ka ndi Igbo ahapula ufodu ezi usoro ndi a n'ih mmepe wee na-agbaso usoro ndi ocha n'izulite umuaka nke mere na mpu na ihe ojo di iche juruputara n'ala anyi. N'omenaala Igbo, ndi Igbo kwenyere na nwata obula a zuru nke oma n'ez i usoro e si azulite umuaka ga-abu nwa ga-aba uru n'ezinaulo na n'obodo n'odiniihu. O bu nke a mere na ndi Igbo nwere usoro puru iche ha na-agbaso n'izulite umuaka. Ihe ederede a na-arutu aka na o buru na ala anyi ga-abu nke e wulitere ezi akparamagwa n'obibi ndu ndi mmadu, mmepe nakwa agamniihu toro ato, na a ga-amalitekwa igbaso ezi usoro odinaala di iche iche ndi gboo si azulite umuaka site n'ikuziri ha ihe gbasara ezi omenala di iche iche e ji mara ala anyi, nke ndi nne na nna legharala anya n'oge ugbo a, n'ulo akwukwo ukwu di iche e nwere n'ala anyi. O bu nke a mere e ji dee ederede a iji ziputa uru di n'ih omumu omenala na mgbanwe o ga-eweta n'ala anyi n'odiniihu. Odee gbasoro usoro sovee risachi na nkowaputa wee dee ederede a. A choputara na nlegbara anya ndi nne na nna leghaara izulite umuaka n'ez i usoro omenala mere na e nwere ajo akparamaagwa di iche iche n'etiti ndi ntorobia. A tunyekwara aro ga-enye aka wee kwalite omumu omenala nke o bu na ya ka a n- esite wee na-kuziri umuaka ezi agwa nke ga-eme ka ha baa uru n'ezinaulo nakwa n'obodo.*

### **Abstract**

In some developing countries like Nigeria, it is very difficult to have a good governance and permanent growth and development because of the bad attitude of some people in the leadership positions, which was as a result of their poor up-bringing. Every tribe of the world has some good ways through which they bring up their young ones. It was observed that some tribes in Nigeria such as Igbo people have delegated their cultural way of bringing-up their children to the background because of civilization and this is why corruption and immoral life have become the order of the day. That is, the good morals and values Nigerians in general and Igbo people in particular were known for had been thrown into waste bin hence, the moral decay that is rampant not only in Igbo land but also in the nation at large. These days, moral decadence has been the virus that has eaten deep into the fabrics of our culture, which has become plague to our values thus affecting every facet of country, thereby hindering economic growth and development. It has become a huge problem in Igbo land and in Nigeria as a whole. In Igbo culture, it is believed that the training of a child is the duty of every adult because every child is seen as community child. They also believe that a child that was given a good cultural training will be able to fit and perform well in anything he or she finds him or herself thereby being useful to the society where he or she leaves. This write-up therefore upholds that if there will be good governance, growth and development in the nation, different tribes of the nation especially Igbo people should get back to some of the good cultural ways that were used in those days in training our young ones. This is why this topic was chosen to showcase the importance of culture in training the children and the effects it will make in their life in future.

### Okwu mmalite

N'omenala nd[ Igbo, ha kwenyere na a na-ebido n'oge nwa d[ na nwata wee na-akxz[ ma na-akxnye mkpxrx nke ezi ihe d[ iche iche d[ n'omenala ha n'ime ya. Nke a mere na nwata a zxlitere n'omenala Igbo n'oge gboo na-aba uru nye ezinaxlq na obodo ya. N'oge ahx nd[ nne na nna qkachas[ nd[ nne na-enwe ohere [zx na [libara xmx ha anya wee hx na a gbaziiri ha xzq. Q bx nke a mere na qhanaeze na-etinyekwa aka n'xzq d[ iche iche n'[zx xmxaka n'ihi na nd[ Igbo kwenyere na nwa bx nwa qha, na otu onye anagh[ azx nwa. N'oge ahx ka a na-emejupxta ihe ahx d[ n'akwxkwq nsq nd[ xka nke s[r[ “zulite nwata d[ ka xzq ya si d[, mgbe o mere agadi, q gagh[ esi n'ime ya wezuga onwe ya (Ilu 22:6).

Ka nd[ qcha ch[chara ala any[ laa, ha wetara qtxtx ihe mgbanwe site n'udi obibi ndx ha kxziiri nd[ ala any[ nke nd[ Igbo so n'otu n'ime ha. Nke a mere na qtxtx nd[ nne na nna n'oge ugbo a enwegh[z[ ohere maka xmx ha ma si fqkwa [zx ha azx. Udi qnqdx a mere na qtxtx xmxaka n'obodo enwegh[ ezi akparaagwa nke na-emetxtakwa obobo na ala any[ n'xzq ad[gh[ mma, n'ihi na o mere ka ajq ihe juputa ebe niile qkachas[ n'etiti nd[ ntorob[a, d[ ka izu ohi, itq, ire na igbu mmadx, ibu na [nx anwxrx ike, [kwa iko agharaghara, [tx ime mkpuke na ite ya, ime mpx ule, iri ngar[, iba otu nzuzo d[ iche, na ihe qjqj nd[ qzq ga.

Ka nd[ qcha wetachara agxmakwxkwq n'ala any[, a malitere mxwa ihe qmxmx d[ iche iche. N'oge a hafenyechara qch[ch[ n'aka nd[ ala any[, a gbara mbq hx na e nwere ihe qmxmx metxtara akxkx atq ahx e s[ azxlite xmxaka mere na nd[ gboo grrx akwxkwq d[ ka Nnamd[ Azikiwe, Obafemi Awolowo, Tafawa Belewa, Chinue Achebe, Chike Obi na nd[ qzq ga nwere ezi ntqala na mmxta. Mgbe na-ad[gh[ anya, e bidoro gbachapxwa akxkx xfqdx d[ mkpa n'xlq akwxkwq di ka [kxziri xmxaka maka aka nka d[ iche iche, [kxziri ha maka ihe qmxmx na-eme ka ahx gbasie ha ike nakwa ihe nd[ qzq metxrara agbrrx d[ iche iche ha siri pxta. Nke a mere na mmxta xmxaka na-enwez[ n'oge ugbo a ezuchagh[ ezu d[ ka q d[ n'oge gboo.

Q bx ezie na ka oge na-aga, a mlitere mxwa asxsx Igbo iji hx na nd[ Igbo maara ihe gbasara asxsx na omenala ha. Mana ihe qmxmx gbasara asxsx na omenala Igbo abxgh[ xmx Igbo niile nq n'xlq akwxkwq nwere ohere ime ya n'ihi na q bx na ngalaba qmxmx asxsx Igbo ka a na-amx ihe gbasara ya. Ebe q bx na ihe ka n'qnxqgxg nd[ nne na nna anagh[z[ enwe ohere eleba anya n'qzxx xmx ha, na ikuziri ha ihe gbasara omenala ha, q h[ara ahx izulite xmxaka nd[ a n'ezi agwa nakwa n'[d[ uchu. Q bx nke a mere na nguzobe Mahadum Nnamd[ Az[kiwe guzobere ihe qmxmx GS, ebe a nq were amx asxsx na omenala Igbo d[ ka otu n'ime ihe qmxmx a na-eme na ngalaba ahx bx nnukwu uru wee nye nd[ Igbo, ka nwaafq Igbo qbxla batara na mahadum a wee nwee ohere ime asxsx na omenala Igbo nke ga-enyetx aka gbazitx ndx ya maka qd[niihu ya. Ihe qmxmx a abxgh[kwa naan[ nd[ Igbo ka q baara kama o mekwara ka xfqdx agbrrx nd[ qzq d[ n'ala any[ na-amx ma marakwa maka asxsx na omenala Igbo.

N' [kwado nke a, Fafunwa (1974:1) s[

Agbrrx qbxla n'agbanygh[ etu ha ha ibu nwere usoro ha si azxlite ma na-akxziri xmxntak[r[ ha na nd[ ntorob[a ha ihe, izxlite xmxaka n'obibi ndx d[ mma brr[[ otu ihe a na-agbado anya ime oge niile gara aga. Ma kaosilad[, njedebe nke qzxx a na mpxtara ya anagh[ abx otu n'agbrrx niile

### Nkowa Omenala:

E nwere ike ikowa omenala n'uzo di iche iche. Nke a bu ufodu nkowa ndi mmadu nyere maka omenala

- (a) Taylor (1970:40) n'echiche ya siri na “Omenala bu mgbakota onu nke ihe niile mmadu mutara di ka, akaoru, nka, nkwenye, na amamihe igwe mmadu nwekoru onu

nke ha na-ahafenyekwa n'aka ụmụ ha o wee si n'aka fere aka” O na-akọwa na omenala bụ ihe ndị nna nna na-ahafenye n'aka ụmụ ha ụmụ ha ahafenyekwa n'aka ụmụ ha o wee si otu a na-aga n'ihu. O nweghị ọzọ ọzọ a ga-esi mee nke a ma ọ bughị izi ya ụmụaka site n'inye ha ọzuzu nay a. O bụ nke a ka ihe omumụ Igbo a na-amụ na ngalaba GS na-eme

- (b) Na ntunye nke ya, Kluckholm (ND:4) kwuo na “Omenala bụkwa ihe niile mmadu mụtara iji chịa maobu chekwa akparaagwa ha, di ka omume, nkwenye, nghota, na amamihe ha” A na-amuta ya amuta, o bughị ebumputaawa. Na nghota odee a omenala na-enye ndi mmadu ihe ntuziaka(Guide) maka obibi ndu ha n'ebe mmekorita mmadu na ibe ya di. Nke a na-egosi na nwata obula a zulitere n'usoro omenala na-enwe ezi akparaagwa n'ihi na omenala na-achikwa akpamaagwa mmadu.
- (c) Linton (1945:4) kwuru si “Omenala bụ etu ndi si eme ihe ha; otu ha si akpa agwa, nkwenye ha, njirimara ha nke ha nabatara ma na-ahafenye ha site n'ogbo rue ogbo” Ebe a na-akọwa na omenala bụ etu agburu obula hoputara isi wee na-eme ihe n'agburu ahụ. O na-akowakwa na o bụ njirimara ndi mere ha ji di iche n'agburu ndi ozo.
- (d) Omenala bụ ihe ncheputa di iche iche sitere n'obi a chikotara onu nke mere ka otu agburu di iche n' agburu ndi ozo. Ihe nke a putara bu na omenala bu mmadu cheputara ma hiwe ya iji mee ka ndu na-aga nke oma na iji wepu nghotahie na ogbaghara di iche iche nwere ike iputa n'etiti mmadu na ibe ya. O na-ekwukwa na omenala agburu niile abughị otu.
- (e) Ikenna Nzimiro (1972) siri na omenala bụ etu ndi si eme ihe ha. Ya bu usoro obula ndi obula weputara ha ga-esi na-ebi ndu ha, aburula omenala ha, n'ihi na ha nwere nkwekoritai bi ndu n'uzo ahụ.

### **Njirimara Omenala:**

Site na nkowa ndi a e nyere n'elu gbasara omenala, e nwere ike ikwu na ihe ndi a bu njirimara omenala na nchikota.

- (a) A na-amuta omenala amuta, o bughị ebumputaawa.
- (b) A na-ahafenye omenala site n'aka otu ogbo gaa n'ogbo ozo.
- (c) Naani mmadu nwere omenala, nke putara na umu ihe ndi ozo Chineke kere enweghi omenala.
- (d) Omenala nke agburu niile abughị otu.
- (e) Omenala otu agburu na- ebite ihe na nke agburu ozo.
- (f) Omenala na-eto eto, na-agbanwekwa agbanwe.
- (g) Omenala adighi anwu anwu.

### **Uru di n'imu omenala Igbo**

Udi ozuzu a na-enye umuaka n'oge gboo bu nke na-abara ha nnukwu uru n'odiniihu ha n'ihi na a na-enye ha ozuzu n'akuku ato nke mmuta. O bu nke a mere na ndi nne na nna na-akpachapu anya n'inye umu ha ezigbo ozuzu n'usoro omenala ha n'oge ahụ n'ihi na o dighi onye na-achoghi ka nwa ya baa uru n'ezinaulo, n'ogbe nakwa n'obodo.

Nka a ka Ocho (1998) na-ekwu mgbe o siri

Na uru mmadu obula nwere ike iba bu nke gbadoro ukwu n'udi ozuzu e nyere ya nakwa etu onye ahụ siri mutadebe usoro obibi ndu, nkwenye na omenaala ha, nke na-eziputakwa agwa agburu ahụ nabatara maka ezi

mmekorita mmadu na ibe ya nke ga-eme ka onye ahụ baa uru n'ezinaulo na n'obodo

N'igbanye aja n'ukwu n' ihe Ocho kwuru, Anagbogu (2005) kwukwara si,

Nne na nna ga-ahụ na n'oge niile na ha ga na-azulite umu ha nakwa ndi niile ha na ha bi n'ezinaulo ha di iche iche, n'ihia na nwata obula a zuru nke oma site n'ezinaulo na-ejidesi ezi ozuzu ahụ nke nne na nna ya nyere ya ike, ebe ha na-ebu n'obi na a kuziiri ha na nnrubeisi na-eweta ngozi, ebe nnupuisi na-eweta nntaramaahuhu na iru uju.

A na-akuziri ha ihe ndi a n'uzo di iche iche di ka- a na-akuziri ha ikele ndi okenye na ndi niile toro ha ya na inye ha nsopuru; a na-akuziri ha ezi omume nye mmadu ibe ha site n'akuko ifo di iche iche nke a na-emekari mgbe e richara nri abali ma o bu mgbe ha na-egwu egwu onwa; a na-akuzikwara ha igba mgba, itu ugba, igba egwu, site n'uzo di otu a ka ha si amuta etu ha na ndi ozo ga-esi na-emekorita. A na-akuziri ha ihe niile gbasra ezi omume site n'uzo ndi a.

N'ikowa ihe gbasra ezi omume, Schofield (1980) siru na o bu "Usoro ezi akparamaagwa a hoputara nke agburu obula na-eji esikwu omume mmadu obula a muru n'agburu ahụ" N'ebe Schofield no, obodo obula nwere usoro iwu di iche iche gbasara akparamaagwa mmadu nke ha na-esite na ya agbazi agwa mmadu niile iji mee ka agwa onye obula na-akpa buru nke ohanaze nabatara na mmekorita mmadu na ibe ya.

A na-akuzikwara ha usoro akaoru di iche iche na usoro achumnta akunauba e ji mara ndi Igbo nke ga-eme ka nwata obula nwee akaoru ma bakwaa uru n'obodo. E nwere akaoru di iche iche e ji mara ndi Igbo nke ha na-azulite umu ha n'ime ha. Akaoru ndi ahụ gunyere- Oru ugbo, Ichu nta, Ikwa nka, Iku uzu, Iku azu, Izu ahia na ndi ozo ga. Odedefe (1996:83) kwara akunauba di ka "ngwaahia di iche iche a na-aruputa, nke gunyere mmanu nri, roba, ahukere tinyekwara mmanu ugboala na ugboele" N'otu aka ahụ kwa, Chira (1995) sikwa na "Akunauba bu ihe di iche iche a na-emeputa iji nyere ndu aka bu nke gunyere: oru ugbo, oru nka di iche iche, nakwa azumahia" Agburu obula nwere uzo o ga na-agbaso wee na-aruputa ngwa ahia, ihe oriri na ihe inyere ndu aka di iche iche. o bukwa oru diri agburu obula ichoputa uzo a ga na-agbaso wee na-ekesa akunauba. A bia n'akuku usoro nzulite a, ndi Igbo bu ndi nwere nnukwu mmasi n'izulite umuaka n'uzo ha ga-esi nwee akaoru iji mee ka ukwu sie ha ike n'ala mgbe ha tolitere. O bu nke a mere Ekwealor (1981) ji si na ndi Igbo nwere otutu uzo di iche iche ha si achu nta akunauba nke gunyere iku azu, igba nta, agha ngo' ikpa akwa, na oru nka di iche iche. N'usoro ozuzu a, nne na nna obula na-agbasi mbo ike ihu na nwa ha aghoghia ha ahia. Ndi Igbo nwere uzo di iche ha si ahụ na ha zuru umu ha o bughia naani n'ikpata akunauba kama ihukwa na ha kpatara ya n'uzo ziri ezi nke bukwa uzo ohanaze nabatara.

A na-azulitekwa umuaka n'uzo ime ka ha buru ndi ga-agbasi ike n'akpukpo ahụ. A n-eme nke a site n'ikuziri ha ihe ndi di ka: igba mgba, igwu mmiri, igba egwu, iwu udo, itu ugba, na ndi ozo. Nke a bu iji mee ka ahụ gbasie ha ike na iji nwee ahụ ike. O bu ya ka Fafunwa (1974:7) ji si "n'ozuzu nke ime ka ahụ gbasie umuaka ike, nwata na-enwe mkpali iwu joompu maobu rie elu osisi, gbaa egwu maobu tuo ugba n'ihia na o huru umunne ya ka ha na-eme ya".

### **Olileanya omumu omenala nye ndintorobia**

Nguzobe e guzobere omumu asusu na omenala Igbo na ngalaba GS nke mahadum Nnamdi Azikiwe, Oka emeela ka e nwee olileanya n'ebe ndi ntorobia ala anyi no. Ndi a bu ufodu olileanya ndi ahụ.

- (a) Nwata Igbo obula gabigara agumakwukwo na mahadum Nnamdi Azikiwe ga- abu onye ga- amata maka asusu na omenala Igbo, nke nne na nna ya enweghi ike ikuziri ya mgbe o di na nwata maobu nke o mutaghi n'aka nne na nna ya.

- (b) Ọzọ dī ka ibe ya bụ na ọmụmụ omenala Igbo na mahadum a ga-enye aka mee ka nwata ọbụlụ gabigara ya buru onye ga-amuta omenala ndi Igbo n'uzo dī iche iche dī ka ejiji ndi Igbo, nri ha, etu ha si achu nta akunaaba, etu ha si alu nwaanyi, ihe gbasara usoro ochichi ha tinyere ihe ndi ozo ga dī mkpa. Nke a ga-eme ka nwata ahụ mara ihe dī iche n'omenala ndi ocha na nke anyi ma hukwa ima mma dī na ya. Nke ga-eme ka o gbasowe ezi omume dī n'omenala ndi Igbo wee buru onye ga-aba uru n'obodo mgbe o si na mahadum puta.
- (c) N'iga n'ihu, o ga-eme ka nwata ọbula choputa na ndi isi ojii nke ndi Igbo bu otu n'ime ha bu ndi Chineke kesiri ike, ndi gbasiri ike na ndi na-agbakwa mbo nke ukwu. Nke a ga-eme ka nwata ọbula siri mmahadum puta buru onye ga-enwe ike igbara onwe ya mbo, ghara inoro na-ele goomentị anya n'ihu maka oru. O ga-abu onye ga-abara onwe ya uru n'ihu na na nke a bu ihe a kunyere ya n'ime mgbe o no n'ulo akwukwo.
- (d) Ọzọ, e nwere olileanya na umuntorobia a zulitere n'ihe omumu a ga-abu ndi ga-enwe ike ichikwa ala anyi nke oma wee weta ezi nmepe n'ala anyi. N'ihu na ha mutara na onye no n'isi kwesiri ibu onye ndu o bughị onye ochichi aka ike na onye fonfojuakpa na onye anya ukwu.
- (e) Olileanya ozo e nwere bu na mpụ na aru dī iche iche juputara n'ala anyi n'etiti ndi ntorobia ga-ebelata n'ebe o dī ukwu n'ihu na inwe ezi akparamaagwa na ibi ndu dī mma bucha ihe a na-akuziri ha n'ihe omumu a. Nke a ga-emekwa ka e nwee ezi agamniihu n'ala anyi nke ga-abara ma onye ukwu ma onye nta.

### **Aro Odee**

Site n'ihe odide a na nchoputa e mere, a na-atu anya na o buru na ndi isi na ngalaba na-ahu maka ihe omumu GS ga-anabata aro ndi a, na ihe omumu asusu na omenala Igbo na Mahadum Nnamdi Azikiwe, Oka ga-abu ihe nlere anya nye mahadum ndi ozo dī n'ala anyi okachasi na mpaghara ala Igbo. Aro ndi a bu:

- (a) A ga-eme ka nwata ọbula batara na mahadum a mee Igbo n'agbanyeghi agburu onye ahụ si na ya dī ka ufodu ngalaba dī iche iche na-agbazite ihe omumu ufodu site na ngalaba ndi ozo. Imaatu, ngalaba amumamu Igbo na-agbazite asusu French mee ya n'afọ mbu na afọ nke abuo nke nwata ọbula no na ngalaba ahụ ga-emeriri tutu o puo n'ulo akwukwo. Ka a gharazi inwe klaasi puru iche maka ndi si na ha abughi ndi Igbo nke, a na-emechaa choputa na otutu n'ime ndi ahụ bu ndi Igbo, kama na e nwere ike o buru na a noghi n'ala Igbo wee muo ha, maobu o buru na nne maobu na nna ha, otu n'ime ha abughi onye Igbo nke ha ji maka ya agunye onwe ha na ndi abughi ndi Igbo. N'aka nke ozo otutu ndi abughi ndi Igbo n'ezie ma ha no n'ala Igbo wee too na-asu ma na-edede Igbo nke oma karia ufodu ndi bu umuafọ Igbo.
- (b) Ọzọ, ndi isi ngalaba ihe omumu GS ga-enye ndi na-akuzi Igbo na ngalaba ihe omumu a ikike ka a malitekwa akuku ihe omumu nke umuaka na-amu maka oruaka dī iche iche dī ka a na-eme ya n'oge gboo. O buru na o ga-ekwe omume ka nwata ọbula mere GS Igbo buru onye ga-aruputariri otu akarangwa e ji mara ndi Igbo. Nke a ga-eme ka nwata ahụ nwee akaoru ngwangwa o si na mahadum puta. O burugodu na o nwere akaoru bekee, o ga-eji nke ahụ mere akaoru nke abuo o ga-eji na-akwado oru bekee o na-aru ebe anyi maara na a adighi anọ otu ebe ekiri mmanwu. Nke a ga-emekwa ka o nwee akaoru o ga-eji na-azo onwe ya oge o kwusiri oru bekee.
- (c) Ọzọ dī ka ibe ya bụ na ngalaba GS ga na-akwalite ihe omumu Igbo na ngalaba a site n'inye umu akwukwo ndi mekarichara nke oma na Fakooti ọbula na mahadum a ihe nrite puru iche, O buru na a malite ime nke a, o ga-eme ka umu akwukwo nwewanye ezi

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mmasị n'ịmụ asụsụ na omenala Igbo, nke ga-eme ka asụsụ na omenala Igbo na-eto ma na-agawanyekwa n'ihu.

### **Nchikọta**

O kwere ghọta na obodo oḅula nwere omenala nke jikoro ha nke ha na-agbasokwa na ndu ha na-adi nakwa na mmekeḅita ha na mmadu ibe ha. Ebe o bu na agburu niile abughi otu ma burukwa na omenala di iche iche, o ga-ekwe ghota na nku di na mba kwesiri ka o na-eghere mba ahụ nri. Ndi ala anyi kwesiri ileba anya n'ezi usoro gboo ahụ ha si azulite umu ha (nke bu izulite ha n'uzo ato ndi ahụ e ji mara ezi ozuzu), laghachi azu na ha wee nwee ike ihu na a zulitere umu anyi nke oma. Nke a aputaghi na enweghi ihe di mma n'usoro nzulite ndi ocha, kama na ihe a na-ekwu bu na a ga-ahoro usoro ndi ocha ndi di mma tinyesoo na nke anyi ma tufue ndi adighi mma. Nke a ga-eme ka o bughi naani na omenala anyi ga na-aga n'ihu kama o ga-enyekwa aka izuputa umuaka ga-aba ezi uru n'odiniihu, nyekwa aka weta ezi mmepe na ezi agamniihu n'ala anyi gbagburugburu okachasi n'ala Igbo.

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