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Inspecting Policing in the United Kingdom

I gave a presentation at the 2005 CEPOL conference in Lisbon about inspections of police training in England and Wales. This has led a number of people to ask: What is the history of inspection of policing in UK? What is the current system and methodology? Why is it necessary to inspect police training? What does inspection contribute to key policing problems such as racism, homophobia, terrorism, and anti-social behaviour? I will attempt in this article to explain the past, present and future of inspection of policing in UK, and provide illustrations from my own experience and field of special responsibility.

The beginnings of inspection in the 1850s. The Metropolitan Police Act of 1829 introduced the concept of "new police" (full time, professionals, rather than part time, amateurs of the past) into London, and a similar act extended this system to the 178 boroughs of England and Wales in 1835. There was, however, no enforcing surveillance by central government. Over the next 20 years, while policing in London developed well, many boroughs responded hardly or not at all. Thus on 21 July 1856 the County and Borough Police Act passed into law, with four main points:

- every County and Borough must maintain a police force;
- each police force must be "efficient";
- to ensure "efficiency" every force would be inspected annually by a newly created Inspectorate of Constabulary;
- if found "efficient" by Inspectors, each force would receive 25% of its funding from central government.

The Act did not apply in Scotland, which passed its own specific Act to establish an Inspectorate of Constabulary there. The rest of this article will not deal with inspection in Scotland, although practice mirrors that in the rest of the United Kingdom.

Two Inspectors were appointed in 1856, and a third in 1857, and reports covering the period October to September were produced annually until 1959, when they changed to conform with calendar years.

The Act gave the Inspectors powers "to inspect the state of police stations, charge rooms, cells, or other premises occupied for the use of the police", and provided for the issue of a Certificate of Efficiency to every force found to be "in a State of Efficiency in point of Numbers and Discipline". It did not define "efficiency", which was left to the Inspectors to decide! When they started work in early 1857 they asked four questions of every force²:

- 1) what is the absolute strength of the force?
- 2) what is the ratio of police to population?
- 3) what is the quality of supervision?

Vocabulary:

borough = Bezirk
surveillance = Überwachung
premises = Grundstück

4) what degree of cooperation is given to neighbouring forces?

The early 20th Century. Over the first 50 years, and a respected early period of work, the Inspectors gradually became dispirited as they considered themselves unwanted and their work vilified. Although their initial aims had all been achieved with the passing of the 1890 Police Act, by the turn of the century all counties and boroughs took care of their own police "efficiency", leaving the Inspectors little to do, and the annual Certificate of Efficiency became merely routine. In 1907 the number of Inspectors was reduced to two, and the overworked Inspectorate failed completely either to notice, or report on, the stirrings of trouble during the First World War. Police officers were working seven day weeks, with no overtime provided for, forbidden from resigning, demonstrating, striking, or being organised into a union. On top of this pay was less than an unskilled labourer.

In 1918 and 1919, over 2000 police officers in London, Birmingham and Liverpool went on strike, resulting in a major review of police pay and conditions. The resulting report called the Inspectorate of Constabulary "one of the most important bodies connected with the police service"³. Actions which were taken by the government included the reinstatement of the third in-

spector and a formal commitment from the Home Office (the UK's interior ministry) to provide backing and support to the Inspectorate.

The mid 20th Century. For over 40 years, including the period of the Second World War, the Inspectorate worked alongside a police service, initially reenergised and, to some extent, transformed through the 1919 review. The 1940s were marked by issues of national security and survival, leading to post-conflict reconstruction, with the police, in fewer, but larger forces staffed by highly trained officers, ensuring public safety, and providing an easily recognisable and respected presence in every community.

Actual working conditions and pay were still very poor and morale was low. To prevent a repetition of 1918/9, the Oaksey Committee was formed in 1948 to look at the future of policing and develop structures to improve recruitment, representation and remuneration. The first report made recommendations on pay and conditions, the second on wider issues such as appointment, training, and consultation. A direct result of the Oaksey Committee was an increase in wages for the next seven years, but these increases always fell behind the national average wage increase. The attractiveness of policing as a secure career declined.

The English policing image. Whilst great on concepts, Oaksey lacked the influence to resolve low pay disputes and other problems over conditions of service. The police were also finding new demands made by post-war society being placed upon their shoulders and a divide was growing between the police and the public. From the 1950s onward the public were presented with a new image of policing via the media. In combination with team policing methods and national crime prevention schemes, television programmes like Dixon of Dock

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Vocabulary:

*dispirited = mutlos
to vilify = verunglimpfen, schmähen
initial = anfänglich
merely = lediglich, bloß, nur, rein
stirrings = Regungen, Erregungen, Aufwühlungen
unskilled = ungelehrt, ungebildet
to go on strike = streiken, in Streik treten
reinstatement = Wiedereinsetzung
recruitment = Rekrutierung, Personalbeschaffung
remuneration = Belohnung, Bezahlung
wage = Lohn*

More recently a staple diet of "cop" thrillers and soaps, now largely written to represent correct procedure and practice, continually re-invents the policing image to keep it in touch with current social trends, ultimately reinforcing the image of policing as being "necessary".

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Green combined the traditional role of the police officer with modern policing methods.

The English policing myth continued to be developed during the 1960s and in fact into the 1990s when it is perhaps more representative of reality than ever before, due to public awareness of the issues. More recently a staple diet of "cop" thrillers and soaps, now largely written to represent correct procedure and practice, continually re-invents the policing image to keep it in touch with current social trends, ultimately reinforcing the image of policing as being "necessary".

The mid-50s crisis in policing. But the new policing image failed to bridge the gap between fantasy and the rotten state of the police forces. Matters came to a head in the 1950s after a series of scandals involving chief constables hit the headlines.

- the chief constable of Cardiganshire was disciplined for not properly administering his force;
- the chief constable of Brighton was charged with corruption, dismissed and two senior officers imprisoned;
- the chief constable of Worcester was imprisoned for fraud;
- the chief constable of Nottingham (Captain Popkess) was suspended on the grounds that he was unfit for office.

The Royal Commission 1960. The incidents led to the appointment of the Royal Commission on Police in 1960. It was the first time that the principles, organisation and constitutional position of the police

were examined publicly. It brought many of the existing principles of policing into line with current practice. Its terms of reference were to;

- efficiently control the police,
- make the best use of manpower,
- make the police accountable,
- make arrangements for dealing with complaints.

The Royal Commission reached three fundamental conclusions:

- the office of constable was original, not delegated, and exercised by virtue of that office,
- local forces were a good idea but needed increased central coordination,
- the problem of controlling the police was the problem of controlling the chief constables.

It also commented: "The first requirement is a radical change in the purpose and organisation of the inspectorate... the time has gone when the inspection of police forces should be limited to the state and efficiency of each particular force".

Specific recommendations were:

- a single post of Chief Inspector of Constabulary, to be regarded as the senior professional adviser on police matters, with general oversight over other inspectors;
- the number of inspectors in England and Wales be increased to eight, with an office and administrative support in each police region;
- the inspectors of constabulary to have four duties:

1) inspecting each force and reporting on its efficiency, as well as how it handles complaints;

Vocabulary:

awareness = Bewusstsein
staple diet = Grundnahrung
soap (soap opera) = Seifenoper
rotten = morsch, verfault, mies, scheußlich

fraud = Betrug
accountable = verantwortlich
complaint = Beschwerde, Klage
by virtue of = kraft; vermöge {prp; +Genetiv}
(gehoben)
duty = Pflicht

Vocabulary:

adequacy = Angemessenheit, Adäquanz
 scrutiny = Prüfung, Musterung, Untersuchung
 county = Bezirk, Landkreis, Grafschaft
 to be composed of = bestehen aus
 predecessor = Vorgänger
 guardian = Vormund, Hüter, Beschützer
 boundary = Grenze
 to launch = einführen, starten
 warranted = berechtigt, gewährleistet
 advertisement = Anzeige, Reklame
 applicant = Bewerber, Antragsteller

- 2) reporting on the adequacy of governance and scrutiny by the police authority;
- 3) ensuring the results of central research and proven good practice are applied;
- 4) advising on arrangements for promoting collaboration between forces.

Police Act 1964. The Police Act 1964 implemented (relatively) radical new ideas about controlling the police. The Police Act 1964⁴ faithfully implemented the commission's recommendations.

- Part 1 of the Act – Replaced the old county and borough police authorities with “police authorities” composed of two-thirds elected representatives and one-third magistrates. These new police authorities had far less power than their predecessors – they had no direct power over the force. But they could appoint chief, deputy and assistant constables from an approved Home Office list. They could require the chief constable to retire in the interests of efficiency but, like the power to appoint, it needed the Home Secretary's approval. The chief constable effectively became the guardian of the public's interests over policing matters.
- Part 2 of the Act – increased the responsibilities and powers of the Home Secretary over the police. This included the creation of a Chief Inspector of Constabulary, and further strengthening of the powers of the Inspectorate (previously given royal status in a 1945 Act).
- The reorganisation of policing – One of the more visible effects of the Act was further to reduce the number of independent forces from 119 in 1965 to 46 in 1969. This

number was further reduced when the Local Government Act 1972 redefined local authority boundaries. The number fell to 43.

The late 1990s. In 1991, the Citizens Charter was launched by the Prime Minister, Mr John Major. It committed the Government to a programme for improving the standard of public services including,

| Year | No. of Forces |
|------|---------------|
| 1856 | 226 |
| 1939 | 183 |
| 1949 | 125 |
| 1965 | 119 |
| 1975 | 43 |

of course, the police service. In this spirit, the Government proposed in 1993 to transfer from local authorities to forces responsibility for management of non-warranted staff, IT, finance, and property. To help the Inspectorate cover these new areas properly two HMIs from non-police backgrounds were appointed⁵, by this stage HMIC consisted of the Chief HMI and five HMIs, all with regional responsibilities.

The new millennium and a new focus on the people of policing. In 2000 HMIC saw the appointment of an HMI with a specific responsibility for police training, in response to a number of critical reports in the 1990s. It was decided to recruit by open advertisement and the author was the successful applicant. The post has also now gained responsibility for inspection of the other aspects of human resources, as well as race and diversity.

Purpose and values of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC). To promote the efficiency and effectiveness of

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policing in England, Wales and Northern Ireland through inspection of police organisations and functions to ensure:

- agreed standards are achieved and maintained;
- good practice is spread; and
- performance is improved.

Also to provide advice and support to the tripartite partners (Home Secretary, police authorities and forces) and play an important role in the development of future leaders.

Values⁶

- we will fulfil our remit in a professional, objective and impartial manner.
- we will be firm but constructive and communicate clearly and frankly.
- we will approach our tasks with the utmost integrity and respect the personal confidentiality of discussions held during the course of inspection.

Organisation of HMIC. HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary (HMCIC) is based in London and is supported by: three Assistant Inspectors of Constabulary who have clearly defined functional responsibilities, a financial adviser, and a small administrative staff. HMCIC visits police forces frequently but inspects rarely. The role generally is to direct and co-ordinate the work of the other HM Inspectors. HMCIC provides advice at national level to Ministers and Home Office officials on aspects of policing, and to the Police Service, both on operational and management matters.

The four regional Inspectors of Constabulary (drawn from the ranks of chief constables) and the author as the HMI with cross cutting responsibilities for Personnel, Training and Diversity are located in regional offices and are supported by a small staff. Their primary function is to inspect police forces and organisations and to report their findings publicly. HMIs also have an important advisory function and seek to influence the development of policing by disseminating good practice and

Vocabulary:

tripartite = dreiseitig
impartial = unvoreingenommen, unbefangen, unparteiisch
frankly = offen, frei heraus
utmost = äußerst, höchst...; größt...
rank = Rang, Grad
to seek = suchen
to disseminate = disseminieren, verbreiten
secondment = vorübergehende Versetzung, Dienstzuteilung
discharge = hier: zutage treten

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Assistance to each HMI is provided by Staff Officers, each of whom has a key role in the inspection process. HMIC's inspection staff are almost entirely provided by forces on a secondment basis. These arrangements provide HMIC with currency of experience of policing.

Through the inspection process and the recommendations made in published reports, the Inspectorate seeks to influence chief officers, the Home Office, and police authorities to ensure the provision of an efficient and effective Police Service. HMCIC is required to submit to the Home Secretary an annual report, subsequently laid before Parliament and published, which summarises the main findings from the previous year's inspections and provides an overview of topical policing issues. Since April 2003, HMIs have been responsible for overseeing personal development reviews (PDRs) for chief officers. PDRs and the general process of performance review are a central component of the development of leadership in the top ranks of the police service.

Inspection and advisory functions. The formal inspection process is a core Inspectorate activity, through which HM Inspectors of Constabulary conduct detailed examinations of those areas of policing organisation and practice judged to be central to the efficient and effective discharge of the policing function. HMIs report on the efficiency and effectiveness of each force – and other organisations – which they inspect; that is the extent to which it achieves the best results with the resources available and that those results are the right ones.

They take into consideration: the Government's Public Service Agreement performance targets for policing; the objectives set locally by police authorities; other priorities determined in consultation with the Home Office; and issues determined by HMIs, based on trends identified during the inspection process. Inspection protocols form the basis for these inspections.

The work of HMIC, in ensuring that police services are delivered as efficiently and effectively as possible and meet public needs, reinforces the principles that services should be responsive and provide high quality services which represent good value for money.

Baseline assessment – our new inspection methodology. Inspection of police forces is still the main activity of HMIC, but the methodology and approach have changed significantly since the 1850s. In common with other Inspectorates, HMIC keeps its inspection methodology under continual review. The last significant change was the move away from annual inspection to a three-year cycle and the introduction of the performance review assessment at the mid-point of the cycle. More recently, HMIC introduced risk assessment to focus the inspection effort and developed systems for inspecting Basic Command Units and Best Value Reviews. In 2002, HMIC identified a need to rethink the conventional "formal" inspection methodology used at force level in the light of changing circumstances, especially the major developments which would flow from the Police Reform Act 2002. The approach has been termed 'baseline assessment' because it seeks to monitor change in each force (improvement or deterioration) against a baseline of performance identified in spring 2004.

The baseline assessments will draw upon the quantitative data of the Home Office's Policing Performance Assessment Framework (PPAF), to which they will add standards-based professional judgement

of the quality of the processes which underpin performance. They will produce a tailored, three-year inspection programme for each force, with areas of underperformance being subjected to more detailed inspection. Other types of inspection activity will be integrated into each programme, reflecting the three-year planning process based on National Policing Plans.

The Baseline Assessment model has now been refined after testing and will lead to a more transparent and accessible assessment of the strengths and weaknesses in each force, based to a significant degree on self-assessment.

The thematic inspection. These inspections examine a key issue across a representative number of forces, and comment solely on the effectiveness of performance in relation to that key issue. This type of inspection identifies deficiencies relevant to the Service as a whole and disseminates good practice regarding a specific aspect of policing. Such inspections have proved key in identifying critical issues and sticking points and offering solutions for moving the Service forward in areas such as race and diversity, efficiency and value for money, crime recording, police integrity, the use of scientific and technological advances to tackle volume crime, rape, child protection, reassurance, training and personnel issues such as recruiting.

The Best Value inspection. This duty of inspection, introduced under the Local

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Vocabulary:

*underpin = untermauern
to tailor = zuschneiden, schneiden
self-assessment = Selbsteinschätzung,
Selbstbewertung
deficiency = Mangel
to tackle = bewältigen, in Angriff nehmen
rape = Vergewaltigung*

The inspections focus on the local aspects of policing and are aimed at improving performance and identifying and spreading good practice.

The Home Secretary relies on the Inspectorate as the principal source of objective professional advice on all aspects of policing, both operational and managerial.

Vocabulary:

remit = Aufgabenbereich
statutory = gesetzlich, normativ
to spread = sich ausdehnen, ausbreiten
to rely on (sth.) = (auf etw./jdn.) vertrauen, verlassen
panel = Gremium, Forum
bravery = Tapferkeit, Mut
remedied = behoben, in Ordnung gebracht

Government Act 1999, gives HMIC a remit to inspect Best Value in police authorities to ensure that Best Value Reviews have been carried out in accordance with the statutory requirements and that they are likely to bring about the desired improvements.

The basic command unit (BCU) inspection. These inspections focus on the local aspects of policing and are aimed at improving performance and identifying and spreading good practice. Concentrating on leadership and performance, the inspections seek to identify reasons for variations in performance between apparently similar BCUs. HMIC is inspecting every BCU in England and Wales over a five-year period (which began in 2001-02), and has begun to conduct reinspections.

Advice on policing. During the course of inspection, HMIs also look closely at progress made by police authorities and forces in building effective partnerships with both the local community and other agencies within the criminal justice and emergency systems. The Home Secretary relies on the Inspectorate as the principal source of objective professional advice on all aspects of policing, both operational and managerial. In addition, HMIC advises on the formulation of policy proposals relating to the police, and liaises with the appropriate administrative units in the Home Office.

Leadership and recognition. HMCIC also provides advice to the Home Secretary on the suitability of candidates seeking senior appointments within the police service. He provides this advice with the help of the Senior Appointments Panel, whose members are drawn from the Association of Chief Police Officers; the Association of Police Authorities; the Metropolitan Police Service; the Home Office; and the panel also includes two independent members. HMIs are expected to provide advice to police authorities, service authorities and the Board of the Central Police Training and Development Authority during the selection of chief officers and may sit as advisers on interview panels. HMIC also provides advice on chief officers' nominations for honours and bravery awards.

Personnel, training and diversity inspections. Since 2000 the author has carried out the following inspections:

- Training Matters – a thematic inspection of probationer police constable training in all 43 forces in England and Wales, published in February 2002. This has resulted in a major review of content and delivery, and the change to a whole new programme from 2006.
- Diversity Matters – a comprehensive thematic inspection of the training provided to police officers and police staff in support of race and diversity in England and Wales, published in March 2003. This has resulted in the production of a national strategy, launched in November 2004 by the Home Secretary, and a radically different learning programme now being introduced by all forces.
- Centrex – This initial inspection of Centrex, published in January 2004 was conducted at a time when the organisation was still evolving, having only been formed in April 2002. The report identified key weaknesses in efficiency and effectiveness, which are rapidly being remedied.

Vocabulary:

compliance = Zustimmung, Befolgung, Einhaltung
negligible = unwesentlich, unbedeutend
emerging = auftauchend
sustained = anhaltend
unreservedly = uneingeschränkt, freimütig
forecasting = vorhersagend, voraussagend,
schätzend
blueprint = Plan, Entwurf
complacency = Wohlbehagen, Selbstzufriedenheit,
Selbstgefälligkeit

• **Training of Trainers** – a thematic inspection looking at the skills police trainers require effectively to perform their role across all forces. The recommendations have led to the production of a new trainer skills framework, and a new delivery model.

National Recruitment Standards – An inspection conducted between January and June 2004 to establish the current position and any key issues concerning the introduction of National Recruitment Standards. The report has prompted urgent action to ensure both compliance, and removal of discriminatory practices.

Best Value Review of Training of 43 forces. Over the last five years all police forces and police authorities in England and Wales have subjected their training function to a Best Value review, to counter criticism from Ministers about wasted resources, inadequate impact on performance and negligible collaboration. HMIC has completed the cycle of review by inspecting the results of the review in each force, which has involved a major programme lasting 18 months. For each force a report was published, with two key findings: "How good is the training function now?", and "What are the prospects for improvement?"

An interim report marked the halfway point in the inspection process, and highlighted the emerging findings, and issues.

The final report, Value Matters, published on 12 October 2005, details the outcomes of what has been perhaps the most comprehensive and sustained development activity in relation to police training in the history of the service, showing that much has been achieved but there is still

significant room for improvement. Its recommendations have been accepted unreservedly by Ministers, and it will form the basis for future change and modernization activity.

• **Police Skills and Standards Organisation** – The Police Skills and Standards Organisation (PSSO), responsible for National Occupational Standards, and skills forecasting, invited HMIC to undertake an inspection of the PSSO in the late summer of 2003. The report provided the key evidence on which the PSSO was able to launch into a new role operating across the whole justice sector.

• **Police National Computer Training Matters** – An inspection that has primarily focused on the quality of training for the Police National Computer (PNC), and its applications within the police service. The report is now being seen as the blueprint for provision of training for all police IT systems, and an action plan is under urgent development.

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Conclusion. Inspection of policing in the United Kingdom has come a long way since 1856, but as HMIC enters its 150th year, Her Majesty's Inspectors of Constabulary and their staff continue to work on a demanding and challenging agenda, and, through their efforts, contribute to more effective and efficient policing. They continue to enjoy the support and respect of chief constables, police authorities, Ministers and officials, and many police officers and staff, even when inspection reports are critical. There is no room for complacency, not least by HMIC, but inspection works, and adds value.

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Zusammenfassung

Dieser Artikel beschreibt und erklärt die Geschichte des Polizei-Inspektorats von seinem Ursprung, Mitte des neunzehnten Jahrhunderts, bis hin zum heutigen Zeitpunkt. Das Augenmerk liegt hier auf dem "Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC)" für England und Wales, da in Schottland und Nordirland andere Systeme bestehen.

Der "Metropolitan Police Act" aus dem Jahre 1829 führte das Konzept der "neuen Polizei" in London ein; ein ähnliches Gesetz weitete dieses System im Jahre 1835 auf alle 178 Bezirke in England und Wales aus. Zu dieser Zeit bestand jedoch keine durchgehende Überwachung der Zentralregierung. In den folgenden 20 Jahren, während sich die Polizeiarbeit in London gut entwickelte, gab es in vielen Bezirken kaum oder gar keine Rückmeldung. Daher wurde am 21. Juli 1856 der "County and Borough Police Act" eingeführt, der verschiedene allgemeine Prinzipien für britische Polizeikörper verabschiedete. Unter anderem beinhaltete das Gesetz einen Punkt, wonach jedes Polizeikörper ("force") jährlich von einem neu geschaffenen Polizei-Inspektorat auf seine Effizienz hin geprüft würde. Dieser Rechtsakt gab neu ernannten Inspektoren die Befugnis "den Zustand von Polizeistationen, Untersuchungsräumen, Zellen oder anderen Räumen, die zum Zwecke der Polizeiarbeit verwendet werden, zu inspizieren". Weiters sah das neue Gesetz auch ein so genanntes "Effizienz-Zertifikat" vor, wonach jedes Polizeikörper in einem "Zustand der Effizienz im Punkte der Anzahl und der Disziplin" vorgefunden werden sollte.

Der Artikel setzt fort mit einer Beschreibung der verschiedenen Entwicklungsschritte der Polizeiarbeit und der begleitenden Veränderungen in der Funktion und Organisation des HMIC. In der Folge werden die derzeitige Rolle

und Zuständigkeit des HMIC sowie der Aktivitätsbereich, bezogen auf das Hauptaugenmerk der Gewichtung von Effizienz, Effektivität und Verbesserung der Leistung, beleuchtet.

Drei Kernelemente werden zur Gewährleistung der Effizienz und Effektivität der Polizeiarbeit in England und Wales durch das HMIC identifiziert:

- 1) festgelegte Standards werden erreicht und beibehalten,
- 2) "Good practices" werden verbreitet und
- 3) die Leistung wird verbessert.

Ebenso werden die verschiedenen Formen der Inspektion und die kontinuierlichen Überwachungs- und Datenerfassungsaktivitäten in diesem Beitrag zusammengefasst. Die Geschichte des Polizei-Inspektorats in Großbritannien mit seinen Anfängen im Jahr 1856 ist eine lange; im Jahr des 150. Geburtstages bleibt die Tätigkeit für das HMIC und seine Mitarbeiter weiterhin gleichermaßen fordernd und herausfordernd. Durch die Arbeit des HMIC wird ein Beitrag zur effektiveren und effizienteren Polizeiarbeit geleistet. Angehörige des HMIC genießen die Unterstützung und den Respekt von Polizeipräsidenten, Polizeibehörden, Ministern, Beamten und vielen Exekutivbediensteten – auch dann, wenn Inspektionsberichte kritisch sind.

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