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Interlocutory application

No.VID519 of 2021

Federal Court of Australia District Registry: Victoria Division: General

REX PATRICK

Applicant

AUSTRALIAN INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

Respondent

To the Respondent

The Applicant applies for the interlocutory orders set out in this application.

The Court will hear this application, or make orders for the conduct of the proceeding, at the time and place stated below. If you or your lawyer do not attend, then the Court may make orders in your absence.

Time and date for hearing:

Place: Commonwealth Law Courts, 305 William Street, Melbourne, Victoria

The Court ordered that the time for serving this application be abridged to

Date:

Signed by an officer acting with the authority of the District Registrar

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Interlocutory orders sought

- 1. Pursuant to r 16.53 of the *Federal Court Rules 2011 (Cth)*, the Applicant have leave to file and serve a Second Further Amended Originating Application and a Second Further Amended Concise Statement substantially in the form annexed as annexures A and B to this interlocutory application.
- 2. Such further or other order as the Court may deem fit to make.

Service on the Respondent

It is intended to serve this application on all Respondents.

Date: 30 September 2022



Solicitor for the Applicant

ANNEXURE A Proposed Second Further Amended Originating Application

ANNEXURE B Proposed Second Further Amended Concise Statement



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Proposed Second Further Amended Originating application

No. VID519/2021

Federal Court of Australia District Registry: Victoria Division: Administrative and Constitutional Law & Human Rights

Rex Patrick Applicant Australian Information Commissioner Respondent

To the Respondent

The Applicant applies for the relief set out in this application.

The Court will hear this application, or make orders for the conduct of the proceeding, at the time and place stated below. If you or your lawyer do not attend, then the Court may make orders in your absence.

You must file a notice of address for service (Form 10) in the Registry before attending Court or taking any other steps in the proceeding.

Time and date for hearing:

Place: Melbourne

The Court ordered that the time for serving this application be abridged to N/A

Date:

Signed by an officer acting with the authority of the District Registrar

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Details of claim

On the grounds stated in the statement of claim, accompanying affidavit or other document prescribed by the Rules, the Applicant claims:

- <u>A declaratory order pursuant to s 16(3)(b) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review)</u> Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR) that in respect of each IC Review Application referred to in Appendix A to the Second Further Amended Originating Application (Current IC Review Application), the Respondent has a duty, pursuant to section 55(4)(c) and s 55K(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth) (FOI Act) to conduct a review of each Current IC Review Application by making a decision and has failed to do so such that each decision is attended by unreasonable delay.</u>
- Further or alternatively to paragraph 1 herein, an order pursuant to s 16(3)(a) or 16(3)(c) of the ADJR that the Respondent make a decision in respect of each Current IC Review Application according to law and do so by a time and a date fixed by the Court.
- 3. <u>Alternatively to paragraphs 1 and 2 herein, a declaration pursuant to s 16(2)(a) of the ADJR</u> that in respect of each Current IC Review Application the Respondent has engaged and is engaging in conduct for the purpose of making a decision to which section 55K(1) of the *Freedom of Information Act* 1982 (Cth) applies that is improper, in that it results in an exercise of the review powers conferred by Division 5 of Part VII of the FOI Act and an exercise of the decision power contained in section 55K(1) in a way that is uncertain.
 - 4. Further or alternatively to paragraph 3 herein, an order pursuant to s 16(2)(b) of the ADJR that the Respondent:
 - (a) <u>refrain from conduct in respect of the conduct of each Current IC Review</u> <u>Application that makes no decision with respect to any of them; and</u>
 - (b) <u>make a decision in respect of each application by a time and date fixed by the</u> <u>Court</u>
 - 5. Such other or further relief that this Court may consider appropriate.
- 1. Pursuant to s 16(3)(a) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), orders that the Respondent make a decision on each of the Long Term Outstanding IC Review Applications which were lodged with the respondent 6 months or more prior to 1 September 2021 (see Appendix A to Amended Originating Application) in Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application which have not been decided at the date of the order within 30 days, or such alternate timeframe as the court deems appropriate.
- 2. <u>Further and in the alternative, pursuant to s 16(3)(b) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial</u> <u>Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), an order declaring that the delay in the Respondent</u> processing the IC Review Applications which were lodged 6 months or more prior to 1



September 2021 (see Appendix A to Amended Originating Application) is contrary to the interests of the administration of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth). In the alternative, pursuant to s 16(3)(c) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), orders directing the Respondent to determine the IC Review Applications in Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application which have not been decided at the date of the order without further unreasonable delay.

3. <u>Such further or other order as the court deems appropriate.</u> <u>Further, pursuant to s 16(3)(b)</u> of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), an order declaring that the delay in the Respondent considering each of the IC Review Applications which were lodged less than 6 months prior to 1 September 2021 (see Appendix A to Amended Originating Application) is contract to the interests of the administration of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth).

Claim for interlocutory relief

The Applicant also claims interlocutory relief.

 On 16 Mach 2022, the Court made an order pPursuant to rule 40.51 of the Federal Court Rules 2011 (Cth) the maximum costs as between party and party that may be recovered in the proceeding in relation to the trial of the applications marked "separate question" in Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application is \$80,000 \$10 in an amount to be determined by the court.

Applicant's address

The Applicant's address for service is:

Place: (Electorate Office) Lvl 2/31 Ebenezer Place, Adelaide, SA, 5000

PO Box 2149, Glynde, SA, 5073.

Email: Senator.Patrick@aph.gov.au-fveralto@ozemail.com.au

The Applicant's address is place of business. 28 Union Street, Adelaide, SA.

Service on the Respondent

It is intended to serve this application on all Respondents.



Date: 9 September 2021 11 October 2021 10 December 2021 30 September 2022

Signed by Stella Majury Flavio Verlato Lawyer for the Applicant



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Proposed Second Further Amended Concise Statement

No.VID519/2021

Federal Court of Australia District Registry: Victoria Division: Administrative and Constitutional Law & Human Rights

Rex Patrick

Applicant Australian Information Commissioner Respondent

Important facts giving rise to the claim

- Since From 17 November 2017 and to-the present day <u>30 June 2022</u>, the Applicant has been was a Senator for South Australia in the Federal Parliament. <u>During that time the</u> The Applicant makes made requests under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth) (FOI Act) to obtain information which to assists him to execute the accountability and transparency aspects of his oversight role as a Senator, and to assist his constituents.
- 2. The FOI Act provides a process whereby a request may be made for access to certain types of government held information (see Part III of the FOI Act). Section 11 of the FOI Act provides a legally enforceable right of access to certain documents held by the Government.
- 3. The right of access to documents is provided to achieve the objectives set out in s 3 of the FOI Act which include:
 - a. the promotion of Australia's representative democracy through increased public participation in Government processes, better-informed decision-making, and increased scrutiny, discussion, comment and review of the Government's activities,
 - b. management of government information for public purposes and as a national resource, and
 - c. the facilitation and promotion of public access to information promptly and at the lowest reasonable cost.
- 4. Where a person has made a request for documents and the government entity which holds the documents:

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- a. makes a decision on the request which the person making the request is dissatisfied with or
- b. fails to make a decision within the statutory timeframe (30 days subject to certain exemptions),

the person who made the request may apply to the Respondent, the Australian Information Commissioner (**IC**) for review of the decision (see Part VII of the FOI Act). Time limits apply (generally 60 days) to the filing of an application for IC review. No express time limit applies to the IC to determine an application for IC review.

- 5. Where a relevant Department or Agency has decided a request, but a person is dissatisfied with the decision, the person may apply for an internal review (see Part IV of the FOI Act). The Department or Agency must make a decision on internal review within 30 days, unless an application for further time has been granted by the IC. It is not mandatory for a person to seek internal review prior to making an application for an IC review. If a person is dissatisfied with a decision on internal review, they may make an application for IC review.
- 6. <u>At the commencement of this proceeding</u>, Tthe Applicant <u>currently has_had</u> 232 applications under the FOI Act which were the subject of refusals or partial access decisions by the relevant government Department, and upon which the Applicant sought IC Review but <u>has_had</u> not received a decision from the Respondent. Of those 2<u>3</u>2 applications, at 1 September 2021:
 - a. two have had been with the IC for more than two years
 - b. twelve have had been with the IC for more than a year,
 - c. a further five have had been with the IC for more than six months; and
 - d. three have had been with the IC for less than 6 months.
- 7. A table marked "Appendix A" is attached to the <u>Second Further Amended</u> Originating Application and sets out a summary of the 1923 applications for IC Review. <u>At 30 September</u> 2022, the Respondent was undertaking an IC Review pursuant to Division 6 of Part VII of the FOI Act in relation to each of the IC Review applications (except those marked "application determined"). <u>20 of which were have been outstanding for six months or more (at 1 September 2021)</u>. (Long Term Outstanding IC Review Applications). On 19 October 2021, the Respondent notified the Applicant that it had made a decision in relation to one of the outstanding applications (MR20/00291).
- 8. On 18 August 2021, the Applicant received an email sent on behalf of the Respondent relating to an IC review sought by the Applicant on 21 June 2021 (MR21/00551). The review is of a decision of the Department of Health made on 12 May 2021. Under the heading "next steps", the following was stated:

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At this stage, your matter is awaiting further consideration by a review adviser. Due number of IC review applications on hand, this may take up to 12 months.

Emails containing the same statement were also received in relation to MR21/00340 and MR21/00422 on 18 August 2021.

Relief sought

- 9. Pursuant to rule 40.51 of the *Federal Court Rules 2011* (Cth), an interlocutory order that the maximum costs as between party and party that may be recovered in the proceeding <u>in relation</u> to the trial of the applications marked "separate question" in **Appendix A to the Further** <u>Amended Originating Application</u> is \$10 an amount to be determined by the court.
- A declaratory order pursuant to s 16(3)(b) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR) that in respect of each IC Review Application referred to in Appendix A to the Second Further Amended Originating Application (Current IC Review Applications), the Respondent has a duty, pursuant to section 55(4)(c) and s 55K(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth) (FOI Act) to conduct a review of each Current IC Review Application by making a decision and has failed to do so such that each decision is attended by unreasonable delay.
- Further or alternatively to paragraph 1 herein, an order pursuant to s 16(3)(a) or 16(3)(c) of the ADJR that the Respondent make a decision in respect of each Current IC Review Application according to law and do so by a time and a date fixed by the Court.
- 3. <u>Alternatively to paragraphs 1 and 2 herein, a declaration pursuant to s 16(2)(a) of the ADJR</u> that in respect of each Current IC Review Application the Respondent has engaged and is engaging in conduct for the purpose of making a decision to which section 55K(1) of the *Freedom of Information Act* 1982 (Cth) applies that is improper, in that it results in an exercise of the review powers conferred by Division 5 of Part VII of the FOI Act and an exercise of the decision power contained in section 55K(1) in a way that is uncertain.
- 4. Further or alternatively to paragraph 3 herein, an order pursuant to s 16(2)(b) of the ADJR that the Respondent:
 - (a) refrain from conduct in respect of the conduct of each Current IC Review Application that makes no decision with respect to any of them; and
 - (b) <u>make a decision in respect of each application by a time and date fixed by the</u> <u>Court</u>
- 5. Such other or further relief that this Court may consider appropriate.
- 6. <u>On 16 March 2022, the Court made an order pursuant to rule 40.51 of the *Federal Court Rules* 2011 (Cth), that the maximum costs as between party and party that may be recovered in the *Form NCF1*</u>

proceeding in relation to the trial of the applications marked "separate question" in Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application is \$80,000.

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- 10. Pursuant to s 16(3)(a) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), orders that the Respondent make a decision on each of the Long Term Outstanding IC Review Applications which were lodged with the respondent 6 months or more prior to 1 September 2021 (see Appendix A to Amended Originating Application) in Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application which have not been decided at the date of the order within 30 days, or such alternate timeframe as the court deems appropriate.
- 11. <u>Further and in the alternative, pursuant to s 16(3)(b) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial</u> <u>Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), an order declaring that the delay in the Respondent</u> processing the IC Review Applications which were lodged 6 months or more prior to 1 <u>September 2021 (see Appendix A to Amended Originating Application) is contrary to the</u> <u>interests of the administration of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth). In the alternative,</u> pursuant to s 16(3)(c) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), orders directing the Respondent to determine the IC Review Applications in <u>Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application</u> which have not been decided at the date of the order without further unreasonable delay.
- 12. Such further or other order as the court deems appropriate. Further, pursuant to s 16(3)(b) of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth) (ADJR), an order declaring that the delay in the Respondent considering each of the IC Review Applications which were lodged less than 6 months prior to 1 September 2021 (see Appendix A to Amended Originating Application) is contract to the interests of the administration of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth).

Primary legal grounds for relief sought

- 13. Sections <u>55(4)(c)</u> and <u>55K(1)</u> of the FOI Act creates a duty in the Respondent to decide an application for IC review <u>by conducting a "timely" IC Review which culminates in a decision</u> <u>under s 55K(1)</u> and absent an intervening method of disposal which permits the IC review to <u>be discontinued prior to the making of a decision under s 55K(1) either:</u>
 - a. by exercise of the discretion in s 54W not to continue the review, or
 - b. because the applicant has withdrawn the application under s 54R, or
 - c. <u>because the parties have reached agreement and the Respondent is satisfied that</u> <u>a decision may be made in accordance with s 55F(2)),</u>.
- 14. <u>Alternatively, the duty arises by implication as a consequence of the powers conferred upon</u> the Respondent being conferred for the purpose of achieving the objectives of s 3 of the FOI

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Act, there being a legally enforceable right to obtain access to information in s 11(1), together with the stepped process of IC Review encompassed by Divisions 5, 6, and 7 of Part VII of the FOI Act which process assumes that, upon a decision being made to undertake an IC Review, the application for IC review will be decided under s 55K(1), unless an intervening method of disposal which permits the IC review to be discontinued arises.

- 15. By implication, the Respondent must exercise that the duty within a reasonable time. In failing to make a decision on the Long Term Outstanding Current IC Review Applications, the Respondent has failed to decide the applications within a reasonable time.
- 16. Section 7(1) of the ADJR provides for a person aggrieved by a failure to make a decision to apply to the court for review in respect of such a failure on grounds that there has been an unreasonable delay in making the decision. The Applicant is a person aggrieved for the purposes of s 7(1), and there has been an unreasonable delay by the Respondent in deciding each of the Long Term Outstanding Current IC Review Applications in Appendix A to the Further Amended Originating Application.
- 17. Paragraph 15 not used. Further and in the alternative, the failure of the Respondent to provide a decision on each of the Long Term Outstanding IC Review Applications is contrary to the interests of the administration of the FOI Act and it is open for the Respondent to exercise its discretion under s 54W of the FOI Act. Within the meaning of s 6(1) of the ADJR,
 - a. the Applicant is a person aggrieved and
 - b. the Respondent has engaged and is engaging in conduct for the purpose of making a decision to which section 55K(1) of the FOI Act applies in relation to each of the Current IC Review Applications.
- 18. Pursuant to s 6(1)(e) and 6(2)(h), the conduct of the Respondent is improper because the exercise of the review powers conferred by Division 5 of Part VII of the FOI Act and the exercise of the decision power contained in section 55K(1) is uncertain in that, having determined to conduct an IC Review on each of the Current IC Review Applications, the point in time at which the IC Review will have been undertaken for the purposes of s 55K(1) is vague and indeterminate and, further, may never eventuate.

<u>16.</u> Paragraph <u>16 not used</u>. Further, the delay in considering each of the three IC Review Applications which were lodged less than <u>6 months prior to 1 September 2021 is contrary to the interests of the administration of the FOI Act and it is open for the Respondent to exercise its discretion under s 54W of the FOI Act.</u>

19. Each of the Long Term Outstanding <u>Current</u> IC Review Applications <u>in Appendix A</u> to the <u>Second Further Amended Originating Application</u> relate to FOI requests made by the Applicant

in his capacity as a Senator for South Australia, and in the interests of his constituents. They are not made for any private purpose.

- 20. There is a public interest in the objectives of the FOI Act being achieved. This requires that information which can be provided in accordance with the Act is provided in a timely manner.
- 21. The utility and value of information sought under an FOI request generally declines over time, with the decay being rapid in some circumstances. Participation in Government decision-making processes is most effective at an early stage in the process when issues can be raised and discusses prior to the Government making its decision on a matter.

Harm suffered

- 22. As a result of the <u>unreasonable delay in the Respondent deciding the Respondent's failure to</u> <u>decide the</u> <u>Long Term Outstanding</u> <u>Current</u> IC Review Applications, <u>or in the alternative, the</u> <u>Respondent's improper exercise of the powers conferred upon it in the conduct of undertaking</u> <u>review of the Current IC Review Applications</u> <u>or exercise its discretion pursuant to s 54W(b) of</u> <u>the FOI Act within a reasonable time</u>, the Applicant:
 - a. has been prevented from appropriately engaging in scrutiny, discussion, comment and review of the Government's activities relating to the various requests for information, and
 - b. is unable to progress each FOI request because, in the absence of a decision by the Respondent <u>pursuant to s 55K(1) or s 54W(b)</u>, he is unable to either obtain the relevant documents <u>which he has a legally enforceable right to access</u>, or lodge an application for <u>merits</u> review by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal under paragraph s57A(1)(a) of the FOI Act.

Certificate of lawyer

I Stella Majury Flavio Verlato certify to the Court that, in relation to the statement of claim filed on behalf of the Applicant, the factual and legal material available to me at present provides a proper basis for each allegation in the pleading.

Date: 9 September 2021 11 October 2021 10 December 2021-30 September 2022

Signed by Stella Majury Flavio Verlato

Lawyer for the Applicant

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APPENDIX A to Second Further Amended Originating Application Rex Patrick v Australian Information Commissioner VID519/2021

Matters not highlighted in grey are those marked "separate question" (refer to orders of Wheelahan J made 8 December 2021)

| No. | Request no. | Request date | Request to | Request description | Decision | IC review application | Days since application (to 30/9/2022) | Weeks since application (to 30/9/2022) | Days to s 55K decision | |
|-----|-------------|--------------|---|---|------------|-----------------------|---|--|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | MR19/00010 | 22/10/2018 | Deptartment of Defence | Future Submarine Project Integrated Master Schedule and Project Earned Value Management Reports | 21/12/2018 | 21/12/2018 | Application determined 23/12/21 | | 1098 | separate question |
| 2 | MR19/00437 | 19/05/2019 | | Incoming Government briefs related to the naval shipbuilding and naval sustainment program | 21/06/2019 | 28/06/2019 | Application determined 31/3/22 | | 1007 | |
| 3 | MR20/00054 | 11/09/2019 | Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade | Oil and gas processing options for the Greater Sunrise oil and gas fields | 18/12/2019 | 22/01/2020 | 982 | 140 | | separate question |
| 4 | MR20/00176 | 18/11/2019 | Austrasan War Memorias | Changes to the official history of Australia's Eat Timor Operations | 19/02/2020 | 21/02/2020 | 952 | 136 | | |
| 5 | MR20/00209 | 3/02/2020 | Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet | A report relating to the Community Sports | 4/03/2020 | 4/03/2020 | 940 | 134 | | |
| 6 | MR20/00291 | 11/11/2019 | Department of Agriculture | Draft report relating to the Adelaide Desaination Plant | 3/02/2020 | 19/03/2020 | Application deter | mined 15/10/21 | 575 | |
| 7 | MR20/00424 | 4/02/2020 | | Briefing re, selection of the National Radioactive Waste Management Facility site. | 16/04/2020 | 21/04/2020 | 892 | 127 | | separate question |
| 8 | MR20/00544 | 11/03/2020 | Attorney-General's Department | Advice relating to the Community Sports Infrastructure Grants program | 3/06/2020 | 4/06/2020 | 848 | 121 | | separate question |
| 9 | MR20/00604 | 14/02/2020 | Department of Industry | Join Authority's Suspension and Extension decisions for Bight Petroleum Pty Ltd's exploration licences | 11/05/2020 | 24/06/2020 | Application dete | scmined 28/3/22 | 642 | |
| 10 | MR20/00610 | 23/05/2020 | The Treasury | China Mengnui Diary Foreign Investment Review Board decision | 24/06/2020 | 25/06/2020 | 827 | 118 | | |
| 11 | MR20/00612 | | The Treasury | COVID-19 briefs | 24/06/2020 | 26/06/2020 | 826 | 118 | | |
| 12 | MR20/00615 | 22/05/2020 | The Treasury | COVID-19 submissions made to the Treasurer | 22/06/2020 | 26/06/2020 | 826 | 118 | | |
| 13 | MR20/00613 | 23/05/2020 | The Treasury | COVID-19 modelling | 22/06/2020 | 26/06/2020 | 826 | 118 | | separate question |
| 14 | MR20/00760 | 24/04/2020 | Department of Industry | Snoywy Hydro Australian Industry Capability Plans | 4/08/2020 | 6/08/2020 | 785 | 112 | | separate question |
| 15 | MR20/00863 | 2/07/2020 | Department of Industry | Judicial review briefs related to the national Radioactive Waste Management Facility | 14/09/2020 | 14/09/2020 | 746 | 107 | | separate question |
| 16 | MR20/00922 | 25/08/2020 | Department of Health | Documents of AHPPC relating to border closures | 24/09/2020 | 24/09/2020 | 736 | 105 | | separate question |
| 17 | MR20/00923 | 6/08/2020 | Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources | Documente related to National Radioactive Waste Management Facility | 24/09/2020 | 26/09/2020 | 735 | 105 | | |
| 18 | MR20/01189 | 21/10/2020 | Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet | Directions, guidelines, advice or templates for drafting Cabinet documents. | 27/11/2020 | 30/11/2020 | 669 | 96 | | separate question |
| 19 | MR21/00059 | 10/11/2020 | Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet | Sports Rorts documents. | 13/01/2021 | 21/01/2021 | Application date | smined 31/3/22 | 434 | |
| 20 | MR21/00144 | 21/12/2021 | Department of Defence | FCD location advice. | 4/02/2021 | 15/02/2021 | 592 | 85 | | |
| 21 | MR21/00340 | 12/03/2021 | | Documents related to Prime Minister's visit to whyalis 10 December 2016. | 14/04/2021 | 13/04/2021 | 535 | | | |
| 22 | MR21/00422 | 13/01/2021 | Department of Health | ATAGI meeting minutes. | 16/03/2021 | 7/05/2021 | 511 | 73 | | |
| 23 | MR21/00551 | 12/04/2021 | Department of Health | University of Queensland COVID Grant documents. | 17/05/2021 | 21/06/2021 | 468 | 67 | | |

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