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ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME ANGELL OFFICIAL No. V-64369
 CHRISTIAN NAMES Bruce MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
4547 De Lorimier St., Montreal, Que.		Presbyterian
DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3rd March, 1925	Town <u>Montreal, Que.</u>	Mother: Mrs. Florence ANGELL Same as above
*Original Nationality of: Father <u>Scot</u> Mother <u>Scot</u>		
	County	
	Province	

*If not the son of natural born British parents, particulars to be given at foot of next page.

(A) PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <u>5</u>	Inflated <u>33½</u>	Brown	Blue	Medium	Scars on index finger of right hand.
Inches <u>9¾</u>	Deflated <u>31½</u>				
<u>119</u>	Mean <u>32½</u>				
EDUCATIONAL STANDING			TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY		
7th Year Public School			Apprentice Mechanic Austin Sales and Service, 1079 Mountain St., MONTREAL, P. Q.		
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	H.M.C.S. ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH ENROLLED			
DIVISIONAL STRENGTH 18th June, 1943	ORD. SEAMAN	HMCS MONTREAL			

(B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

- (1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.
- (2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) That * (a) I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Air Force, Reserve or Territorial Force.

* (b) I served in ~~HMCS MONTREAL, P. Q.~~ for the period shown and attach my record of service in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
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(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service when called and to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest naval establishment prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also, until called into active service, not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

(e) I have not been induced to enter as.....ORD. SEAMAN.....by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to any other branch or rating.

Dated this.....18th.....day of.....JUNE 1943.....

Signature of applicant.....X Bruce Angell.....

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this.....18th.....

day of.....JUNE 1943.....

My authority for attestation is.....

H. Delark
Signature and rank of Attesting Officer.

Sub. Lieutenant, RCNVR

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I,.....Bruce ANGELL.....do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant.....X Bruce Angell.....

Witness.....H. Delark.....

Date.....18th June, 1943..... Rank.....Sub. Lieutenant, RCNVR.....

The Oath of Allegiance must be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service.

NOTE.—Attestation Form in duplicate, Certificate of Medical Examination (B-207) in duplicate, Occupational History Form in triplicate and certificates of previous service are to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters **immediately** after attestation.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after examination.

The corner of this Certificate is to be cut off if the man is discharged with a "Bad" character or with disgrace, or if specially directed by the Department of National Defence (Naval Service). If the corner is cut off, the fact is to be noted in the Ledger.

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Bruce ANGELL

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

I.C.#NS 10379

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number
	<i>Himes Montreal</i>	<i>V- 64369</i>

Date of Birth *3 March 1925* **O.H.F.**
 Place of Birth *Montreal - Que.*
 Place of Residence *4547 Delormier St. Montreal*
 Trade brought up to *Apprentice Machinist*
 Religion *Presbyterian*
 Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
(Father) John 4618 Esplanade Montreal PQ (31-10-43)
 Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date *19* Signature Rank
 P.S.T. Date *19* Signature Rank

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS etc		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
	<i>18 June '43</i>	<i>Duration of Hostilities</i>	<i>9/5mm</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>9 3/4</i>	<i>32 1/2</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Med.</i>	<i>Scars on index finger of right hand.</i>
On re-enrolment—6 years' Service								
On re-enrolment—12 years' Service								
Further Description if necessary								

TRANSFER BETWEEN DIVISIONS			TRANSFER—LISTS A AND B		
From	To	Date	List	Date	Authority

NAVAL TRAINING and ACTIVE SERVICE

Year	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	NON-SUB. RATE	RATING	FROM	TO	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE
	Montreal		O/Smn	18 June '43	6 July '43	
	— " —		On Active Service	7th July 1943		
	— " —		O/Smn	7 July '43	24 Aug '43	
	Cornwallis		O/Smn	25 Aug '43	17 Dec '43	
	Stadacona		—	18 Dec '43	2 Dec '43	
	Stadacona (Alberni)		—	22 Dec '43	21 Apr '44	
	Micole (Alberni)		—	22 Apr '44	6 July '44	
	— " —		A.B.	7 July '44	21 Aug '44	PRESUMED DEAD "DD" 1859357
						Comm. Log. 271939 Dec

Wounds Received in Action, Hurt Certificates, Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prizes or other Grants

Date	Details	Captain's Signature
13 Dec '43	70 Annual leave 70% Hk	

V64369

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-A-1771

OFFICIAL NUMBER V64369

NAME ANGELL (Surname) Bruce (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 3rd. March 1925PLACE OF BIRTH Montreal, Quebec. OCCUPATION Apprentice MechanicRELIGION Presbyterian EDUCATION 7th yr. pub. school.RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 4547 De Lorimier St. Town Montreal Province, etc. Quebec.

ENGAGEMENTS				DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE			
Date (in figures)			Period	Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year									From	To
18-	6	43	H.O.	5'9 ³ / ₄ "	Brown	Blue	Medium	Scars on index finger of right hand.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Florence AngellADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 4618 Esplanade ave Town Montreal Province, etc. Quebec

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY				EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.									
Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS		
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year			
				27	9	43	Qual. Anti-Gas 1 day 249A 7649						
				19	11	43	Marked Tr.						

BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.				BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES									
Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT		
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year				

FILM
NO. MSA 6026-2
DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED						O.H.F. Rec.
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.	
									Last will and Testament #5688 Rec.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To



V64369 OFFICIAL NUMBER NAME ANGELL Bruce (Surname) (Given Names) V64369 PIB OFFICIAL NUMBER

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Re-Qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
HMCS "Montreal"	Ord.Smn.	18	6	43	Div.Strength Montreal	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
" " (Est.)	"	7	7	43	Act.Svce.D.L. 9-7-43.	V.G.	SAT.	21	8	44							
" Cornwallis	"	24	8	43	D.L. 26-8-43.												
" Stadacona	"	18	12	43	DRD #15 P.#4												
" Alberni	"	22	12	43	DRD S.18 P.#4												
	A.B.	7	7	44	Rated. 2.49A/A22934												
DISCHARGED	"	21	8	44	"Presumed Dead" Sub. 16/1/45												

GENERAL REMARKS

*next of kin also -
Mother, Mrs. Florence Angell,
4618 Esplanade Avenue,
Montreal, Quebec.*

CANADIAN MEMORIAL CROSS SENT TO:-
Mother, Mrs. Florence Angell,
4618 Esplanade Avenue,
MONTREAL, Quebec. (17-1-45).

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE		CIVIL OCCU.		RELI-ED	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	GION	P.	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A.	BR.	RANK
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ENLST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP OR	RANK OR RATE			
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A.	BR.	RANK	
18	06	43	07	07	43					1520	0	08	95	
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M	8990			CODED	CHECKED			
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A.	B.	ST.	VK			Ed.	JK			
04	04	43	13	00	00									

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Four copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, at OTTAWA, Ontario.

Name ANGELL, Bruce
 (Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating Able Seaman Official No. V-64369 R.C.N.V.R.
 (If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Montreal, Quebec Date of Birth 3rd March, 1925.

Occupation in Civil Life Apprentice mechanic Religion Presbyterian

Number of years service in the Navy (Long Service R.C.N., or mobilized service in case of R.C.N. (Temporary) or Reserve ratings) From 18 June, 1943 to 21 August, 1944

Date of Death 21st August, 1944 Place of Death At Sea.

Cause of Death Missing, presumed killed when the ship in which he was serving,
 (If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)
H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI", was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Florence Angell Relationship Mother
 Address 4618 Esplanade Avenue, MONTREAL, P.Q.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship XXXX Naval Service Headquarters: 25 August, 1944.

Date on which death was registered with local Officials.....

In the case of Imperial Service men, whether Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to Nationality.....

Place of Burial No burial Date of Burial.....
 (if known) (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave.....
 (if known)

Undertaker employed.....
 (if any)

If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalidated.....

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
 Commanding Officer,

OTTAWA, Ont., 25 February, 1944..... 5

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For SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD. *C*

~~XXXX~~ The NAVAL SECRETARY, Naval Board,
 Department of National Defence,
 Ottawa, Canada.

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

Distribution: File, Imp. W. G. Com., Dom. Stat., Register.

*Noted
 D.N.P.A.
 G.L.
 15-3-45*

NAME IN FULL ANCELL BRUCE RANK/RATING

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	FROM
	FROM	TO	DAYS		
			7-7-43		
<i>Albion</i>	<i>22-12-43</i>	<i>21-8-44</i>	<i>244</i>	<i>France-G</i>	

is dead to date *21-8-44*

VERIFIED BY K. Mackaren

VERIFIED BY

VERIFICATION FORM

STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

V-64369

...RANK/RATING *AB* OFF.NO. ADDRESS

AREA	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS						STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
	FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.			
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							ATLANTIC		
<i>France-G</i>							FRANCE G.	/	Star
							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
							ITALY		
<i>1.8.44</i>							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	Clasp
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	/	medal
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *KM*

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VERIFIED BY DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

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N.S. V-64369, F.D. 548
PERS. (N)

21 February, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Bruce Angell, Able Seaman, Official Number V-64369, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing, presumed killed on the 21st of August, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI", was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.


SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.





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F.M.O., Halifax, N.S.,
August 26th, 1944.

N.S. V-64369. PERS.(N)

P.A.'S CHECKED IN
C.R. BY.....P.....

My dear Mrs. Angell:

I was the captain of H.M.C.S. "Alberni" and I know there is nothing I can say that will help you in your great loss. I just wanted you to know that you have my sincerest sympathy. Your son was an excellent lad both reliable and efficient. Even though he was young he carried out his seamanship and gunnery duties better than men who had been at it for years. He was very well liked by all the officers and men and appeared to be very happy aboard.

The only minor comfort I can give you is that he was down below at the time the ship was hit and as the ship sank instantly I am sure he did not suffer any pain.

I hope that if I am ever in Montreal you will give me the pleasure of allowing me to call on you.

If there is any way in which I can help you, do not hesitate to write me.

Yours sincerely,

"Ian Bell"

Lieutenant Commander, R.C.N.V.R.

Mrs. Florence Angell,
4618 Esplanade Ave.,
MONTREAL, P.Q.

TFH/JM

LETTER dispatched by
PERSONNEL NAVAL
AUG 30 1944

AIR MAIL

V-64369 Pers. (N)

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28th August, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Angell:

Further to my letter of the 23rd August, details of the disaster in which your son has been reported missing are now being released.

H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI" was sunk while on invasion duties in the English Channel. Four officers and fifty-five ratings are missing, with three officers and twenty-eight ratings having survived.

It is regretted that the position of the loss cannot be given, but it is considered unlikely that prisoners of war will be taken.

It is requested that you will keep this information in confidence until an official announcement is made.

May I again express sincere sympathy with you in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

PA'S CHECKED IN
C.R. BY *L*

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SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

FILE
ACTION TAKEN

Mrs. Florence Angell,
4547, Delorimier Street,
MONTREAL, Que.

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4618 Esplanade Avenue,
Montreal, Que.
October 17th, 1944.

Department of Naval Service,
Ottawa.

Attention of *L. J. MacDonald Esq. Sec.*
Re Bruce Angell # V64369

Gentlemen:

I wish you would clarify various rumors that have been circulating around and which are still coming through returning sailors who claim to know that the reports given out by your Department and by word of mouth from the survivors of the H.M.C.S. "Albernie" are false.

They claim that the "Albernie" was actually in an engagement with a pack of submarines when sunk by a torpedo. That there are several more survivors from this Corvette, a great many of said survivors having been taken Prisoners of War. One returned sailor claims that the Naval Department at Ottawa actually are in possession of a list of names of these survivors and will not release the names now.

Trust! Why would we hold them?

If my son as well as others are known to be Prisoners of War or are at some other point of operations either in hospital or living under some other conditions, why then does the Department not notify us officially that such is the case. And why does the Department make liars out of the survivors by having them give out a false story fabricated by some supposed to be naval genius, when it would be just as easy for the Department to have them report to all "Department regulations call for no information until a final report is issued by Ottawa."

Can I have a definite report yes or no there are prisoners or other survivors and also some information to substantiate your claim.

Yours truly,

(Mrs) Florence Angell.

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27th October, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Angell:

With reference to your letter of the 17th October, I am directed to inform you that the various rumours about which you write have absolutely no foundation of fact.

Further, the Department has no knowledge of any of the missing from H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI" having been taken prisoners of war. In fact, as stated in my letter of the 28th August, 1944, it is not considered likely that prisoners could have been taken.

Under present Canadian Naval Regulations, missing personnel cannot be presumed dead until at least three months have elapsed. During this period every effort is made to trace those listed as missing and all facts regarding the incident which caused the casualties are considered thoroughly before a final decision is made.

Naval personnel who are survivors of ships lost by any means are instructed that strict reticence must be observed concerning the disaster. It is much to be regretted that you have had false hopes raised as to the safety of your son through circulation of unfounded rumours spread by irresponsible persons.

If you know the name or names of any naval personnel who have made the statements as reported in your letter, it is requested you will notify the Department so that necessary action may be taken.

In doing this you will help to stamp out the spread of such unfounded rumours which, if they reached you, may also reach the next of kin of others missing in the same disaster thus causing them the unnecessary further anxiety which you yourself have suffered.

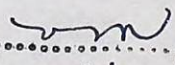
May I emphasize that at no time is information regarding the possible safety or otherwise of missing personnel kept from the next of kin. It is regretted you have been caused unnecessary anxiety and you may rest assured that when information is received regarding your son it will be passed on to you immediately.

Yours sincerely,



SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Florence Angell,
4618 Esplanade Avenue,
MONTREAL; P.Q.

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.
Date 28/10/44
Time 10 30

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AIR MAIL

V-64369 PERS(N)

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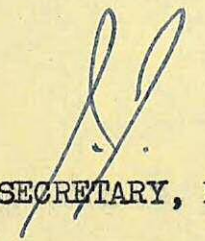
26 December, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Angell:

Further to my letter of the 27th of October, 1944, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your son, Bruce Angell, Able Seaman, Official Number V-64369, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI", and as no news has since been received to the contrary, the Canadian Naval Authorities have now presumed his death to have occurred on the 21st of August, 1944.

Please allow me to express sincere sympathy with you in your bereavement on behalf of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff, and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,


SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Florence Angell,
4618 Esplanade Ave.,
MONTREAL, P.Q.

Noted D.M.P. 28-12-44 J.P.

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

W.M.
Date 26.12.44
Time 10 30

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR Jan. 46 "ALBERNI"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mrs. Florence Angell - Mother

4618 Esplanade Ave.,

ADDRESS:

MONTREAL, Que.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

Mrs. F. Angell

4618 Esplanade Avenue,

ADDRESS:

Montreal, Que.

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

ADDRESS:

MEMORIAL B R

DATE DESP

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AWARDS

(NAVY)

D.D.

ANGELL	Bruce	V-64369	A.B.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICEBADGE

CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	
Fr. Ger. Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	
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