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SMCAF 2008 BUSINESS MEETINGS

THE SOCIETY OF MEDICAL CONSULTANTS TO THE ARMED FORCES 2008 MEETING DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

The SMCAF spring council meeting will be held at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) on Friday April 18, 2008.

Council Members will be notified separately by letter.

This year's annual meeting is scheduled for October 24-26, 2008 also being held at USUHS. The United States Air Force will be the host for this year's meeting. The meeting will take place Friday thru Sunday beginning with the Council meeting scheduled for Friday October 24. A formal banquet will be held on Saturday evening October 25th.

**Mark your calendars
and start making
plans.**



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From The President

We all appreciate greatly Dr. Harold Koenig's efforts in arranging a fine Annual Meeting in October. It was truly fascinating to see incoming scientific clinical research data supporting the old teachings: that strong family, community, and religious values coupled with physical exercise and avoidance of harmful substance consumption protect our warriors against the emotional horrors of combat. "Thank you, Harold, for a wonderful meeting! Yours will be a hard act to follow!" However, we're trying. Under Air Force Sponsorship this year, we're looking at a theme of "Lessons, Always the Lessons!", and we hope to field three ninety-minute seminar on cutting edge topics. We're going to move the business meeting to Saturday afternoon right after the SG's "Round Table", and we already have a great banquet speaker lined-up. Please mark your calendars for October 25-26, and plan to be with us!

When NMVS merged with SMCAF, there were some of us who felt that another merger was in our future. We are now beginning what we have named "The AMSUS Dance." Council has directed me to form a "Dance Study Group" and to begin looking at the feasibility of a more formal relationship, if not a merger, with AMSUS. In this spirit, I attended some of AMSUS's Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City as their guest, (Thanks, George Anderson). I met with AMSUS officials, all of whom were receptive to studying the concept. One SMCAF Councilor has suggested, "perhaps in partnership with AMSUS, SMCAF could add greater relevance to the role of physicians in both organizations." No decisions are imminent. Our study group is listed in this letter. We shall put an "AMSUS Update" in each newsletter, and we welcome your input, pro or con.

As most are aware, Military Medicine lost a great young leader January 20, 2007 when hostile fire downed the helicopter carrying Dr. (COL MC USA) Brian Allgood near Baghdad. SMCAF has decided to honor his memory by commissioning a small statuary memorial to ALL PHYSICIANS WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES IN OUR COUNTRY'S BATTLES. We see this memorial in a corner of the quadrangle at USUHS, where students can sit and ponder the commitment they are making to truly serve their nation and the cause of freedom around the world. Dr. Charles Rice is enthusiastic about this project. We are considering the inscription listed below, and we are wide-open to design ideas. During our Annual Meeting, SMCAF pledged \$5000.00 to this project. I am working with SOMOS to secure an equal pledge (Brian was an Orthopaedist), and the Jackson Foundation is already starting to solicit corporate donors. We are asking each member of SMCAF to consider contributing to the Jackson Foundation \$100.00 to put a really beautiful and lasting memorial to Brian and to all our fallen comrades in the birthplace of our future military medical leaders. More on this later.

Twelve plus weeks was a long time for the Scottis to wait for Mike's interment at Arlington, but the family bore it well. On December 6, they found a beautiful closure "where heroes sleep." Rita and I attended; Hank Mendez, Ron Blanck, and Earl Fauver were honorary pallbearers; and several SMCAF members made the final journey with Mike. After a memorial celebration at the Fort Meyer Chapel, during which Mike was eulogized by Ron and by his son, Mike Jr., the cortege moved into Arlington over newly fallen snow and under a winter sun. As always, we were moved by the Honor Guard, the horse-drawn caisson, and the riderless horse. The cannons had sounded, the rifles had spoken, and taps was fading, as the carillon just happened to sound the noon hour, adding a final beautiful touch to the ceremony! Mike will be missed by us all! Susan and their local family will be SMCAF's guests at the Regency Room, USUHS, at noon on April 18, where Susan will receive SMCAF's 2007 Seal Award on Mike's behalf. Anyone wishing to attend is most welcome. Contact Margo, as this will be a luncheon affair. Also, "when it rains, it pours." Mrs. Scotti has established, again with the Jackson Foundation, a scholarship account in Mike's name. Please ante-up another \$100.00 to get that fund going. The Jackson Foundation will also work to see our donations swell with corporate contributions.

Only one week after Mike's funeral, Dr. Turner Camp passed away. Turner had just accepted reassignment as SMCAF's Representative to The Military Coalition, and we had chatted about this important task at the reception following Mike's burial. Turner was a major figure in military medicine and a hard worker for SMCAF. He will be missed by us all!

IS SMCAF RELEVANT TODAY?

I wonder if we are! While problems with the nation, the Iraq war, cyber-societies, and so forth, have resulted in decreased physician roles in AMSUS and, perhaps in other societies, I see SMCAF as in a real downward spiral, pretty much as was NMVS. In 2007 our official membership was 768, of which 364 were Active (dues-paying) members. In 2000, 210 of us paid our dues. By 2007 that number had shrunk to just 152, giving us a dues operating budget of \$15,200.00. With The Jackson Foundation's efforts, our recent annual revenues average about 24K and our expenses about 32K. Our balance (without NMVS) has shrunk from 27.5K in 2000 to 1.7K in 2007. Our Annual Meeting attendance is pretty steady at 100-110, but this includes speakers, exhibitors, students, and anyone who signs the yellow sheet in the lobby. Fewer than 25 active non-council members actually stayed for the business meeting on Sunday. Although there was a representative from each office, not one of the Surgeons General was able to attend either our Council or our Annual Meeting.

FROM THE PRESIDENT CONTINUED

While Dr. Rice was out-of-town on a longstanding prior commitment, USUHS official attendance was scant.

With few notable exceptions, SMCAF members do not contribute to our scientific program.

Has SMCAF outlived its usefulness to the United States and to Military Medicine? Are our members out of touch with the realities of today? Should we just fold up and pass into obscurity? To all of these, I say, **I think not!**

Where do we go from here? I hope to meet with each SG and Dr. Rice in March. Dr. Tom Peters, our President-elect has kindly offered to go with me on these visits. I am calling the Council into a special "retreat" to discuss this situation on the morning before the usual afternoon Spring Council meeting. I want to consider increasing the role of our Associate (Active Duty) members, and perhaps hit them up for reduced annual dues. I hope to bring to the "retreat" some constructive suggestions from our SGs to help us design a "road map" for our return journey to real relevance and eminence! The "AMSUS Dance" may be a key element in this return.

What can you do to help SMCAF? If you are one of the 212, why not pay your dues in 2008? We are now embarked on some meaningful projects, and we strive to present you a first-rate Annual Meeting! How 'bout giving us some breathing room? Come to our Annual Meeting on October 25! E-mail Margo just a note now and let her know if you plan to come, so, hopefully, she can reserve a bigger room block. Bring your spouse! We can still plan something for them on Saturday, if the interest is there. Let Margo know. She's at smcaf@usuhs.mil Do you have a paper you'd like to present to SMCAF? As we strengthen our ties with Military Medicine, we can devote meeting time to members' papers, then publish them in "our" journal. Always, work within your institutions and organizations to help us recruit quality students to USUHS and HPSP and on any other program that benefits Military Medicine.

Thanks for reading this! As always your comments and criticisms are welcome!

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PROPOSED QUOTATION FOR "ALLGOOD" MEMORIAL PEDESTAL

"War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things. The decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling, which thinks that nothing is worth war is much worse. The person who has nothing for which he is willing to fight, nothing which is more important than his personal safety, is a miserable creature and has no chance of being free unless made and kept so by the exertions of better men than himself."

John Stuart Mill, 1863

Donations to "Allgood" Memorial:

Brian Allgood Memorial Fund
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Donations to Scotti Scholarship Fund:

Michael Scotti Scholarship Fund
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Minutes: Annual Meeting, SMCAF, Oct 19-21, 2007

Council Meeting Oct 19

The annual council meeting of Society of Medical Consultants to the Armed Forces was convened October 19, 2007 at 8:05 a.m. in the Board of Regents room of the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland. The business meeting was conducted by President Harold Koenig, M.D. Dr. Koenig presented the prior minutes. They had been published in the newsletter and copies had been disseminated prior to the opening of the meeting. The minutes were considered correct and were approved unanimously as printed.

Dr. Koenig introduced the visiting representatives from the offices of the Surgeon Generals of the three major services. He then gave the floor to Admiral Karen A. Flaherty, acting deputy surgeon general and director of health care operations for the Navy. Admiral Flaherty was representing Admiral Robinson, the Navy surgeon general. She reiterated that the Navy was quite aware of psychiatric health problems among their war veterans and was moving to extend medical care to family members in addition to the actual soldiers. She mentioned that medical recruitment to the Navy through the HPSP

(Health Professions Scholarship Program) was lagging and especially in the last two years quotas have not been met. She was concerned that the Navy medical service needed psychiatrists and psychologists. She mentioned there were presently difficulties making budget as was often the case. She felt that 2007 would be a

challenging year budget wise for Navy medicine. Admiral Flaherty pointed out the successes of the Hospital ship Mercy and the Hospital ship Comfort on its recent South American mission. The Admiral felt the hospital ships were excellent vehicles for international diplomacy. On the recent four month, 15 country tour, the Hospital ship Comfort in South America saw 98,650 patients, performed over 11,000 surgical operations, dispensed 24,000 eyeglasses, performed thousands of radiological and laboratory tests, and prescribed approximately 133,000 medications. Finally, 32,322 immunizations were given. She felt that the countries that had been visited were quite grateful for the care rendered.

The second service to report was the Army. The report was given by Major General George W. Weightman. General Weightman was knowledgeable about the situation with Walter Reed and discussed it in depth. There were a few hospital rooms in which mold was found at the Walter Reed Medical Center. However, the situation was exaggerated by the Washington Post newspaper. In general the care at Walter Reed Medical Center has been excellent. General Weightman stressed the need for community based health care units in the army medical system and he stressed the need for support systems in home units and in soldier's hometowns. He mentioned there were cases where returning soldiers lived long distances from military health services. General Weightman discussed extensively the new computer system for the army which replaces the old CHCS system. He said the new computers allowed electronic medical records to be kept

with the patient and to be easily transferred. He emphasized the need for cooperation between the services in implementing the new computerized medical records. He said implementation at Lanstuhl Medical Center in Germany has proven beneficial. General Weightman also endorsed the Joint Theater Trauma Registry. He pointed out that in our present war the survival rate for injured soldiers has been approximately 90% whereas in the Civil War survival was less than 50% and in the Vietnam War the survival was approximately 70%. However, recently the survival rate had drifted below 90% because of the more sophisticated and powerful weapons being used by the enemy in Iraq.

The third presenter speaking for Air Force Medicine was Major General Thomas Loftus, Assistant Surgeon General for Air Force health care operations. General Loftus pointed out that the Air Force was experiencing fewer injuries and casualties than the other two services. He mentioned there had been some downsizing of the Air Force Medical structure and that the majority of the health care rendered was by primary care physicians and outpatient based. The Air Force has experienced a decrease in their surgical specialists and experienced difficulty recruiting and retaining specialists, especially neurosurgeons. He mentioned the last year was the first period in which the Air Force had not reached 100% of medical recruiting and retention goals.



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He pointed out that Wilfred Hall Medical Center had not closed completely but was becoming an outpatient facility and that inpatients for the Air Force were going to BAMC, Brook Army Medical Center, in San Antonio. Wilfred Hall will no longer be receiving trauma patients or house inpatients. He said the tendency toward more primary care has been difficult for Air Force doctors. Specialists have been unable to experience the more challenging cases in their specialties. During the war time, there usually are challenging cases, but at this time the Air Force is experiencing few major injuries. He said specialty training residencies in the Air Force were in jeopardy.

The report from the DOD MERB on the HPSP process was not given. Because of a conflict Captain Glenn Merchant was unable to attend.

After an extensive discussion with the three Surgeon Generals, the preliminary meeting was adjourned and a break taken.

The council's business meeting was then called into session.

First order of business was discussion of next year's meeting. Capt. James Bloom felt that either one week later or one week earlier in October would be appropriate. The usual Meeting date is the third weekend in October. Most likely, the annual meeting would be held the 25th and 26th of October 2008 in Washington D.C. with a similar agenda as previous years. This would prevent a conflict with the Air Force, the sponsoring service,

which had a conflicting meeting on the third weekend of October. Along with the minutes which were approved, the financial statement was approved unanimously with minimal discussion by the council.

Dr. Koenig introduced Dr. Bryce Redington to give the Jackson Foundation update.

Dr. Redington, Director of Educational Programs for the Henry M. Jackson Foundation commented on a new endowment fund to be established in the name of Dr. Michael Scotti who recently died. Dr Scotti was the immediate past-president of SMCAF.

Mr. Redington mentioned the book Medics at War. Copies of the book were for sale at the Medical School bookstore.

A briefing on the agenda for this year's annual meeting was given. Dr. Koenig reiterated his remarks concerning post deployment mental health issues. The theme of this year's annual meeting would be post traumatic stress disorders, PTSD and traumatic brain injuries, TBI.

Dr. Ahern then presented an update on the Brian Allgood Memorial which would consist of a statue and base with an inscription. The statue will reside on the Uniformed Services University Campus. Dr. Ahern showed the quotation and discussed possible locations for the statue on campus. Dr. Allgood had been a well-trained orthopaedic surgeon who died in combat in a helicopter crash in Iraq. The Brian Allgood Memorial is still in planning and nothing is official as yet. Dr. Ahern also touched on the coordination of efforts of SMCAF with AMSUS. Further discussion was given by Dr. George Anderson, SMCAF liaison to AMSUS. There was extensive discussion concerning forging closer ties

with AMSUS and possibly conjoint dues for the two organizations.

Dr. Koenig then presented ideas for marketing SMCAF. He felt that many military medical officers especially those in the reserves and the national guards were unaware of the existence of SMCAF. Advertisements in appropriate medical journals will be considered.

Dr. Rusty Sloan brought the council up-to-date on the Health net Federal Service Committee. He also discussed the recruitment of physicians to the military and he, along with Dr. Ken Swan, felt that the recruitment should take place earlier than the college level, preferably at the high school level.

Dr. Pierce discussed the forthcoming 100th anniversary of Walter Reed Hospital and emphasized the fact that Walter Reed Medical Center was not being closed but being relocated to the Bethesda Campus. He said the theme of the 100th anniversary will be "Gordon's Dream" relating to the history of Walter Reed. Dr. Pierce gave his committee report (the archives and medical history report).

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Dr. Howe gave an interesting presentation on ethical issues in Military Medicine. He analyzed the issue of force feeding taking place at Guantanamo Bay and the issue of a psychiatrist being present during interrogation of detainees. He stressed the part physicians and especially psychiatrists or psychologists should take in the treatment and interrogation of detainees. There was mixed opinion about the use of a feeding tube for force feeding.

President Harold Koenig had recently traveled to Guantanamo Bay and toured the facilities there. He inspected the three major prisons in Guantanamo. Dr. Koenig spent a good deal of time with the commanding officer, a General Ron Sollock of Guantanamo and has invited him to be a guest speaker at next year's meeting. Dr. Koenig reported that treatment of Guantanamo detainees was quite good and very high health standards were maintained. He said there was some force feedings taking place and that the detainees who received force feeding through small oral feeding tubes quickly regained their ideal body weights. Dr. Koenig and others also discussed the right to die elective.

Dr. Hoffman, our interim representative on the TMC, The Military Coalition, next spoke on legislative issues most of which concerned funding of military facilities. Dr. Hoffman also brought up the problems with obtaining adequate mental health coverage and treatment for returning military officers. He felt that the major military medical centers should have full time in-house medical coverage. Dr. Hoffman mentioned

that Dr. Scotti had been our representative to the TMC and there was a need to elect a new representative because of Dr. Scotti's recent death. The discussion of a new TMC representative was tabled but will be considered at the next general meeting. Capt. Turner Camp will attend the next TMC as our representative.

Dr. Joel Labow, Chair of the Medical Education Committee, discussed medical education and reiterated the need for the HPSP (Health Professions Scholarship Program) applications being standardized and that the programs for military medical scholarships be initiated early. Dr. Ken Swan who had been a long time proponent of HPSP concept applauded recruitment at the high school level, prior to college.

The membership report was given by Dr. Ken Swan. Dr. Swan was pleased to report that 12 new members were being presented for active membership and another 11 for associate membership. There were six candidate memberships and one emeritus membership, Dr. Kenneth Printen who had retired from the military in 1984 and had retired from active practice in 2005. The council unanimously approved all the applicants. A list of all new members and their status is included with this report.

Dr. Anderson in his professional services committee report emphasized the importance of marketing SMCAF in various medical journals and publications.

Dr. Ahern in his recruitment and retention report emphasized the need for upgrading all addresses especially e-mail addresses of our membership and maintaining out regional recruiting nodes and recruitment representatives throughout the country.

Dr. Fauver, our AMA delegate, mentioned that SMCAF has a reception at the annual AMA meeting.. It was pointed out that Dr. Earl Fauver had given many years as the AMA representative from SMCAF. He was complimented for his years of service. Dr. Fauver will attend November and June meetings of the House of Delegates. He will then retire after the June meeting and the Society will need to elect another delegate to the AMA. Next June '08 was suggested as an appropriate time for the transition to the new AMA delegate.

The financial report was given by Dr. Clarke and it was noted that the SMCAF account gained a good deal by the incorporation of the National Medical Veterans Association into the society. The present total cash on hand was \$87,603.97. The estimated loss from the annual meeting will be approximately \$350. There is one bond coming due soon, it is valued at \$65,000 which is included in our over all amount of \$87,603.97. The council granted permission to the executive board and to the secretary treasurer to reinvest this bond money.

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Dr. Koenig presented the report of the nominating committee. Five positions were to be filled. The nominating committee nominated Dr. Tom Peters as vice president, Dr. David Lichtman as councilor and Dr. John Pierce as committee chairman for archives and medical history committee and Dr. Ed Howe as committee chairman for the ethics in military medicine committee. Finally Dr. Michael Clarke was nominated for Secretary Treasurer.

Four sponsors were assigned for the medical students who will be attending this year's annual banquet. These sponsors will sit with the USU medical students and escort them during the evening.

Dr. Koenig asked for the members to stand and observe a period of silence for our five deceased members. They are Dr. Thomas F. Whyne, Dr. John A. Callahan, Dr. Richard Schultz, Dr. Donald Dressler and Dr. Michael Scotti, Jr.

The council meeting was adjourned by Dr. Koenig at approximately 4:25 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Michael S. Clarke, M.D.

Sunday Business Meeting October 21, 2007

Dr. Koenig opened the meeting with a few remarks praising the meeting organizers and particularly Margo Cabrero for her support.

With the passing of Mike Scotti there is a void in our ability to support SMCAF's membership in The Military Coalition. Dr. Hoffman called for volunteers to support the effort. Particularly important is the requirement to attend a special session on November first which Dr. Hoffman will be unable to attend. Dr. Turner Camp will attend the November meeting.

Attendance is down this year. However, the reports from the services indicate that the programs are in good shape. However, this could be impacted severely if the HPSP recruiting effort does not increase to desired levels.

Dr. Swan reported that we are still not widely known particularly among the reservists. He made some suggestions for improving this problem. Also noted that the university attendance at the meeting had diminished.

Dr. Ahearn used his time to discuss the SMCAF sponsorship of a memorial to military physicians who have died in combat. This memorial is suggested to be at USU and bear

the name of COL Brian Allgood. SMCAF would donate \$5000 from our treasury and each member would be asked to donate an additional amount equal to one year dues \$100. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominating Committee Report/Approval of Slate:
Vice President: Tom Peters
Councilor: David Lichtman, and
Secretary/Treasurer: Mike Clarke.
Officers were elected by acclamation.

Financial Report/Budget
Delivered by Dr. Cecere and
accepted by the membership

Dates for Spring & Annual
Meetings 2008
Spring Council Meeting:
April 18, 2008
Annual Meeting:
October 24-26, 2008

Moment of Silence for deceased
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Donald P. Dressler
Michael J. Scotti, Jr.

Pass gavel to new President: A. Mason Ahearn, M.D.
Dr. Ahearn accepted the gavel and announced that he was going to chair a small group to explore a possible change in the relationship of SMCAF and AMSUS. Currently SMCAF has 362 members of whom only 152 are dues paying. Strengthening the relationship with AMSUS could bring many rewards to both societies in the future.

NEW MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL

The following is a sample of the new membership proposal. Please use this form to propose new members and replace any old version with this new one. This proposal is also available on our web site.

PROPOSAL FOR MEMBERSHIP*

Active Associate (Active Duty) Candidate Former NMVS Honorary (Circle one)

Name: _____ Rank: _____ Age: _____
print name

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Office _____ Home _____ Fax _____ E-Mail: _____

Military Branch: _____ Length of Service: _____ Active _____ Reserve _____

Last Assignment: _____ Date of Retirement: _____

Medical Specialty: _____ Certification: _____

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National Societal Memberships: _____

Proposer's Comments: _____

Date: _____ Proposed by: _____ Signature: _____
print name

Second's Statement: _____

Date: _____ Seconded by: _____ Signature: _____
print name

* Both Proposers and Second must comment, print name and sign. Forward to: Executive Director, Society of Medical Consultants to the Armed Forces, 5 Southern Way, Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406.

Committee Action: Approved _____ for _____ Membership; forwarded to Council

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Membership Committee Chair

* Curriculum Vitae is helpful but not mandatory.



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Michael J. Scotti, M.D. (Past Pres) (deceased)	2008
Harold M. Koenig, M.D. (Past Pres)	

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Peter F. Hoffman, M.D. (2003)	Legislative and Legal
Joel C. Labow, M.D. (2003)	Medical Education
Kenneth G. Swan, M.D. (2002)	Membership
George K. Anderson, M.D. (2004)	Professional Services
A. Mason Ahearn, M.D. (2002)	Recruitment and Retention

WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW SMCAF MEMBERS

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Loree K. Sutton, M.D.

Candidate Member

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2LT Erik A. Dedekam
2LT Andrew J. Holdaway
2LT Samuel L. Holmes
2LT John Knight, Jr.
Reid N. Orth

DUES NOTICE

ACTIVE MEMBERS

If you received a dues notice included in your newsletter, you are, according to SMCAF records an "Active Member". Active Members are physicians who served on active duty in one of the branches of the Uniformed Services of the United States and who have served as Medical Consultants to a component of the Uniformed Services.

Physicians in the reserve components who are consultants are also qualified for Active Membership.

All active members are required to pay dues in the amount of \$100 on a yearly basis.

If you have any questions in regard to your membership status, contact the Executive Director at smcaf@usuhs.mil

MEMBERSHIP E-MAIL ADDRESSES

SMCAF is compiling a list of our members e-mail address with the idea of possibly adding the current newsletter to its web site as well as past issues. This will relieve the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter as well as increasing the use of its web site.



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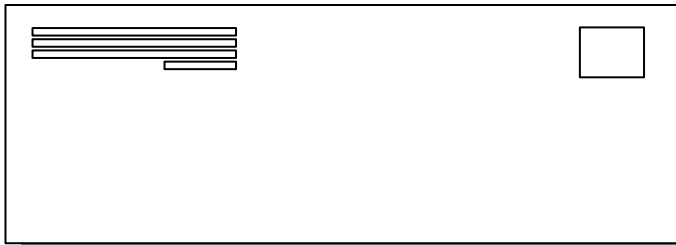
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