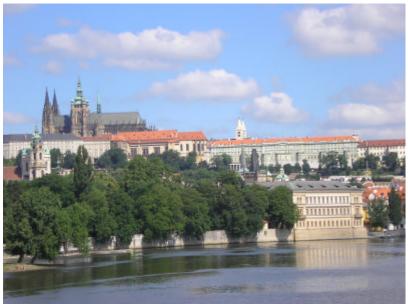
EAPCCT

European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists

XXVI INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS Wednesday 19 to Saturday 22 April 2006 Prague, Czech Republic

Co-sponsored by the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology



A view of Prague Castle and the Vltava River

ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

EAPCCT 2006

The EAPCCT XXVI International Congress will be held in the picturesque and historic city of Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic. The Congress will take place at the Hilton Hotel, which offers meeting facilities of the quality that our delegates expect. The Hilton is a magnificent, modern glass building located close to the Vltava river, and is about 15 minutes walking distance from Prague's Old Town, Wenceslas Square and major attractions. There is a metro station, Florenc (lines B and C), close by for those wishing to use public transport to reach the centre. Prague is very accessible by air, with most carriers flying to Ruzyne Airport, which is some 20km northwest of the city. The taxi journey to the hotel takes about 20-25 minutes. There are also buses that link the airport to the city centre. Prague has excellent road connections.

This will be the sixth Congress organised both academically and administratively by the EAPCCT Scientific and Meetings Committee. This will ensure that delegates benefit maximally from the Congress. As in past years the Congress will be co-sponsored by the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology, which will also accredit the Congress for continuing medical education. Selected abstracts from this meeting will be published in future issues of the Journal of Toxicology – Clinical Toxicology, the official Journal of both the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology and the European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists. As in past years EAPCCT members have chosen the principal themes of the academic programme. The Congress main theme is *Evidence-based Toxicology*, and part of the programme will include symposia on Controversies in the management of poisoning, Poisoning in special patient groups, Education in Clinical Toxicology and Forensic, medico-legal and ethical aspects of poisoning.

At the XXVI International Congress in Prague we hope to offer you an outstanding academic programme, balanced with the usual social events in a beautiful and vibrant city. Of course your participation will guarantee the quality of our programme and in return you will be stimulated by four days of the finest continuing education in clinical toxicology. So, we look forward to seeing you in Prague, and hope that you will take the opportunity to visit the Czech Republic and its capital, and sample their many delights in the days either side of the meeting.

D Nicholas Bateman EAPCCT President Simon Thomas Chairman – EAPCCT Scientific and Meetings Committee

CONTINUING EDUCATION IN CLINICAL TOXICOLOGY 19 APRIL 2006

In order to provide Continuing Education in Clinical Toxicology (CECT), the EAPCCT Scientific and Meetings Committee has arranged a TOXUPDATE.

TOXUPDATE: This one-day symposium will include state-of-the-art presentations on:

• Research Methods in Toxicology

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME 20-22 April 2006

The main theme for the Congress is *Evidence-based Toxicology* and abstracts on the following topics would be particularly welcomed.

- The assessment and management of the acutely poisoned patient
- Poisons Centre activities
- Toxico-epidemiology
- Biological toxins
- Toxic surprises

In addition to oral and poster communications on all aspects of clinical toxicology and poisons centres activities, there will be state-of-the-art symposia.

State-of-the-art Symposia

Four state-of-the-art symposia will be held on:

- Education in Clinical Toxicology
- Controversies in the management of poisoning
- Poisoning in special patient groups
- Forensic, medico-legal and ethical aspects of poisoning

Poster discussion sessions

In this past few years, poster discussion sessions have been held to debate some of the poster presentations in a little more detail. These have proved very popular and it has been decided to increase the number of these sessions to three. The Scientific Committee will select appropriate submissions and will invite the authors to participate in these sessions if they wish to.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

General notes

- The EAPCCT Scientific and Meetings Committee, chaired by Simon Thomas will evaluate the abstracts. The Scientific and Meetings Committee's decision will be final.
- Abstracts must be submitted by midnight on Tuesday 22nd November 2005 to be considered by the Scientific Committee.
- Abstracts for invited speakers need to be submitted by midnight on Tuesday 1st November 2005.
- All abstracts accepted for presentation at the Congress will be published in the Congress programme and abstracts book, provided they are submitted in the format set out below. However, ONLY those that meet the scientific criteria set by both the Scientific and Meetings Committee and the Journal will be published in the *Journal of Toxicology Clinical Toxicology*. The decision of the Scientific and Meetings Committee in this regard will be final.
- No abstract received after 22nd November 2005 will be considered for the meeting.

On-line abstract submission

- The EAPCCT has now moved to electronic submission, therefore ALL abstracts should be submitted electronically via the EAPCCT website http://www.eapcct.org. Detailed instructions for this are provided on the website.
- Abstracts must be submitted by Tuesday 22nd November 2005. Instructions given below must be adhered to strictly. As time does not permit return of inadequately prepared abstracts for revision, they will be rejected! An exception may be made for minor correctable errors, at the discretion of the Scientific Committee.
- Submission of the electronic form signifies understanding of, and agreement with, <u>all</u> the conditions set out below.

If you have no Internet access or experience technical problems

 If you do not have access to the Internet, or you encounter technical problems that prevent you from submitting on-line please contact the Congress Secretariat who will assist with technical problems, or make arrangements for you to submit via e-mail or mail if necessary.

Abstract format

These instructions give the general guidance for format although the electronic submission tool will format much of your abstract automatically. However, you are strongly advised to pre-prepare your abstract, using the guidance notes below, **before** attempting to submit your work on line, since each session on-line is time limited. You will be asked to upload a back-up version of your abstract (preferably prepared in Word), and to upload separate files for tables and figures (in Word or as graphic files).

- Authors should be listed using the entire surname and the initial(s). Omit titles, degrees, and academic appointments and do not separate initials with punctuation e.g. Smith MP
- The affiliation must comprise ONLY department name, institution, city, state/province and country.
- The author's affiliations will be formatted automatically on line. However, when preparing your draft please use numbers, e.g. Smith MP (1), Jones NZ (2) etc. Please do not use other symbols.
- The body of the abstract should be organised as outlined below. You **must** include the underlined words in the body of your abstract. Please note that our system requires the presence of the colon after these underlined words to recognise them as headings. You must therefore use the colons, e.g. <u>Objective:</u>
- <u>Objective</u>: A statement of the purpose or reason for the report. <u>Methods</u>: A brief description of the study design. <u>Results</u>: A summary of the results presented in sufficient detail to support the conclusion. Data must be presented in the abstract. Statements such as "the results will be presented" or "other data will be presented to support...." will result in automatic rejection of the abstract. <u>Conclusion</u>: a statement of the conclusion based on the data presented. Reference to tables and figures should be indicated in the text like this (Table 1) or (Figure 1). <u>References</u>: All references should appear at the end of the abstract in numerical order as they appear in the text. Ensure references are cited in the text by a number in parentheses e.g. (23). Follow the referencing style below.

- References for **Journal articles** should be formatted as in the following example: Watson W, Kuo K, Porter A, *et al.* The differences in stimulant abuse ED presentation: Methamphetamine and cocaine. *J Toxicol Clin Toxicol* 1998;**36**:504-505.
- References for **Book chapters** should be formatted as follows: Goadsby PJ. Pathophysiology of headache. In: Silberstein SD, Lipton RB, Dalessio DJ, eds. Wolff's headache and other head pain. 7th ed. Oxford, England: Oxford University Press, 2001:57-72.
- For case reports or case series, the words <u>Case report</u>: or <u>Case series</u>: replace the <u>Methods</u>: and <u>Results</u>: headings. Remember the colons are necessary. Otherwise, the format remains the same.
- Reports of non-clinical studies, such as those describing poisons centre operations or educational tools should attempt to follow these guidelines as closely as possible.
- The number of words is limited strictly to **450** including the title, authors and affiliations. Each word or number is counted as one word whether it is one character or 10 characters long. (The previous sentence has a word count of 18). Units will count as part of the number with which they are attached. The sentence "The patient's salicylate concentration was 1000 mg/L" has a word count of six.
- Invited keynote presentations should conform to the above format as far as possible, but their maximum word limit is **1000** words.
- Please do NOT use automatic Word functions, e.g. numbering, bullet points or footnotes.
- Please be aware that the on-line submission system removes all special formatting, including bold, italic, underline, superscript, and subscript. Necessary formatting, e.g. H₂O and similar, will be replaced in your abstract (if accepted for the Congress) prior to its publication. Please also be aware that on-line submission may also affect the appearance of Greek and other symbols to avoid confusion please spell them out in full (if possible), e.g. "beta-blocker", "micrograms"
- Use only standard abbreviations. As there is no incentive to using smaller words, non-standard and extensive abbreviations will only detract from your abstract's acceptability. Numbers may be used to replace words, e.g. 5 rather than five, though the word count remains the same.
- For abstract style format see J Toxicol Clin Toxicol 2000; 38:159-261.

- An example of abstract style is printed at the end of this section. This represents how abstracts will appear in the Congress book.
- Please note that after successful on-line submission it is NOT necessary to provide documentation by mail or e-mail.

Notification of abstract receipt

- The on line submission tool will allocate your abstract a unique identification number at the start. Please note this for your own records.
- A confirmation message will be displayed at the end of on line submission. We recommend you <u>print</u> a copy of this for your records as well.
- Submitters will be notified of the acceptance or rejection of your abstract by Friday 27th January 2006. Authors who have provided an e-mail address will receive this notification via that e-mail address.
- All abstract presenters must register for the Congress by Monday 27th February 2006. Failure to do so will result in the abstract being withdrawn from publication in the *Journal of Toxicology - Clinical Toxicology*, and will result in administrative rejection of the abstract.

THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF ABSTRACT STYLE

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CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

The scientific sessions will be accredited for continuing medical and pharmaceutical education. Continuing education credits for physicians and pharmacists are awarded by the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the American Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology and the European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists. The American Academy of Clinical Toxicologists. The American Academy of Clinical Toxicologists.



The American Academy of Clinical Toxicology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education.

Requirements for successful continuing education credits registration

Complete the following steps:

- (1) Select accreditation when filling out the Congress registration form and submit the Continuing Education Registration Fee of Euro **75**.
- (2) Complete an evaluation form for each session attended. Please list your suggestions for topics for future Congresses.
- (3) Fill out and return the Continuing Education Participation Form to staff at the Congress registration desk.

The American Academy of Clinical Toxicology will mail a certificate of credit hours earned to you at a later date.

REGISTRATION FEES

Category

Until 27 Feb. 2006 After 27 Feb. 2006

Pre-Congress Symposium (TOXUPDATE):

- EAPCCT/AACT members	Euro	130	Euro	130
- Non-members	Euro	180	Euro	180

The registration Fee for the Pre-Congress Symposium includes participation in the Pre-Congress Symposium, abstract book, coffee breaks and lunch on *19 April 2006* only.

Main EAPCCT Congress

Euro	530	Euro	675
Euro	670	Euro	775
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The registration fee for the main Congress includes Congress participation on 20-22 April 2006, Welcome Reception, abstract book, coffee breaks and lunches on 20-22 April 2006.

The accompanying persons fee includes the registration cost and the costs of the Welcome Reception on 20 April 2006 only.

Congress and hotel registration

The EAPCCT has moved to electronic registration and we would prefer, therefore, that Congress registration be submitted electronically via the EAPCCT web site http://www.eapcct.org. Instructions will be provided on the web site.

Accommodation at the Hilton Hotel can be reserved via on-line booking on <u>www.prague.hilton.com</u>. Further information (including the special group rate password) will be displayed on the EAPCCT web site. The special EAPCCT rate 2006 (single standard room 215 euro, double standard room 230 euro) will be honoured 3 days prior and 3 days after the event

The deadline for special rate room bookings is **18 February 2006**. The hotel will release all the EAPCCT room reservations not booked by **19** February 2006. Thereafter, all reservations and room rates will be subject to hotel availability.

If you do not have access to the Internet please contact the Congress Secretariat.

Cancellation policy

Cancellation of registration should be notified in writing to the Congress Secretariat. Any refunds will be paid as soon as practicable.

- Cancellation received before 27th February 2006 full refund less handling fee and bank charges will be made.
- Cancellation received before 9 March 2006 50% refund will be made.
- Cancellation received after 30 March 2006 no refunds will be made.

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SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Thursday 20 April Saturday 22 April

Gala Dinner

Welcome Reception Included in Registration Fee Euro 60.-

The Gala dinner at the 2006 Congress will be held at the Zofin Palace, a neo-renaissance building on Slavonic Island. Since its restoration in the early 1990s this palace is a popular venue for receptions, concerts, and dances. The EAPCCT Gala Dinner will be held in the charming "Small Room".



The "Small Room" of the Zofin Palace

Tours

Sightseeing tours for accompanying persons can be arranged by contacting the Prague Tourist Information service (see General Information section). Some general information regarding sightseeing in Prague is aiven below.

PRAGUE

Legend has it that the site of Prague was determined around 800 AD by the Princess Libuše who had powers of prophecy and sent her warriors into the forest with orders to found a town at the spot where they saw a farmer building the threshold to a house. She married the farmer thereby starting the Premyslid dynasty, and from her fortress at Vyšehrad located on the rocks above the river Vltava predicted Prague's glorious future.

In truth, Prague's origins probably date from the 1st Century AD with the citadel being established sometime in the 9th Century. Prague became a bishopric in 973, and by this time the small city had become an important mercantile centre. Prague's golden age occurred in mediaeval times, during the reign of Charles IV (1344-78) who turned the city into the capital of the Holy Roman Empire. During this time the "Rome of the North" attracted scholars, intellectuals and artists from all over Europe. At this time it became an archbishopric. In 1348 the city seated the first university of Central Europe, Charles University, still thriving today.

The succession of King Wenceslas IV at this time ushered in a period of social and religious tension that led to both cultural and economic decline and sporadic wars over a period of some 300 years culminating in the devastating Thirty Years War. During this time there were brief periods of revival, notably during the rule of Emperor Rudolph II (1576-1612) who set up his court in the city and indulged his passions for collecting, astronomy and lavish festivities. He attracted many artists to Prague, especially those of the Mannerist school, and also many scientists such as Johannes Kepler the astronomer, the mathematician Jost Bürgi, and the surgeon Jan Jessenius who conducted the first public dissection in the city.

The 19th Century saw great industrialisation, extensive rebuilding and a huge expansion of the population. By the early 20th Century Prague was a leading centre of the avant-garde attracting writers such as Kafka (who was born in the city), as well as modern artists and architects. Wartime occupation and the subsequent repressive years of Communism drove much of the cultural life underground, although as the Prague Spring of 1968 showed it never managed to stifle it completely, before the Soviet tanks abruptly suppressed the burgeoning revival in the following year.

The consciousness of the world was aroused by the Velvet Revolution of November 1989. Playwright Vaclav Havel became the first President of the Czech Republic, holding office from 1993 to 2003. The early 1990's saw Prague develop as a major tourist city, with all its theatres, galleries, and famous hospitality responding to the challenges of mass tourism. Even the disastrous floods of August 2002 failed to dampen this spirit of renewal that characterises the city today.

If you can extend your stay in Prague we recommend you visit the following sightseeing highlights:

Charles Bridge

Completed in 1402 this 520m sandstone bridge was for over 400 years the only structure that spanned the river linking the two sides of the city. There are many interesting statues lining the sides of the bridge and from the towers at either end you get magnificent panoramic views of the city.



A view of the Charles Bridge, with Prague Castle in the background

The Old Town Hall and Astronomical Clock

The Old Town Hall is a complex of old houses that were interconnected and rebuilt over many years. With an impressive tower that houses the 1490 clock it is always an attraction for visitors. The clock face is graced with representations of astronomical constellations, and when the hour chimes a procession of apostles makes a brief appearance. The tower itself offers some good views, and the complex also houses a Gothic chapel, and the Hall of the Mayors of the City.

Prague Castle

One of the largest ancient castles of the world with origins in the 9th Century Prague castle is one of the major sites of the city. With its 16th Century Royal Garden, a renaissance Summer Palace and St Vitus Cathedral, as well as an excellent art gallery it remains the seat of Czech governance today. You can watch the changing of the guard at the main gate, and inside the Old Royal Palace you can see one of the infamous "defenestration" windows (windows from which unfortunate councillors or catholic priests were thrown to their deaths).

Jewish Cemetery

This burial ground is one of the surviving cornerstones of Jewish history in Prague and has been in existence for almost 600 years. It is full of cascading tombstones and burial monuments and remains a poignant reminder of the fraught existence of Jewry in Europe. There is also the excellent Jewish Museum for those interested in exploring this history further.

Petrín Hill

If you want to get away from the hustle and bustle briefly then you could retreat to this large mound for a walk. There is a funicular that will take you to the tower at the top (299 steps to the top of it!), which offers some amazing views. Nearby there is a maze and the Štefánic Observatory.



In the centre of the Old Town

Museums:

Prague has some excellent museums and galleries to suit all tastes. Most are closed on Mondays, so you should check opening times if planning visits on this day of the week. For art try the **Kampa Museum** or the **Prague Castle Gallery**. For those with a more historical bent the **Museum of the City of Prague** or the **Historical Museum** at the Lobkowicz Palace. Literary enthusiasts may find the **Kafka Museum** has something to offer them.

Music and Theatre

Prague is renowned for both its music and theatre. The city hosts many concert venues such as the Rudolfinum, the home of the excellent Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, but also many opera house theatres. There is the State Opera, which showcases the standard operatic repertoire with international casts, whilst the National Theatre showcases works with a more local flavour – the operas of Smetana, Dvorák and Janácek for example. Oldest of all is the Estates Theatre, where Mozart conducted the premiere of his Don Giovanni. Add to this many other theatres, marionette theatres, jazz clubs etc. and you will realise you are spoilt for choice!

HILTON HOTEL

The EAPCCT Scientific and Meetings Committee have negotiated a contract with the Hilton Hotel for hosting of the Congress and providing accommodation for our delegates. The Hilton in Prague is a modern five star hotel well accustomed to meeting the many needs of both business and tourist visitors. It is situated close to the river and within walking distance of the many sights of the city. The spacious meeting rooms will provide perfect conditions for our Congress, and the bright guest rooms offer residents all the quality facilities associated with the Hilton name. There is a large lobby in the hotel with many shops, restaurants and bars and many areas to meet and socialise.

Accommodation at the Hilton Hotel can be reserved via on-line booking on <u>www.prague.hilton.com</u>. Please refer to the section of Congress registration earlier in this booklet for information on room rates, reservations and deadlines.



The Hilton Hotel by night



The Hilton Hotel lobby

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GENERAL INFORMATION

For general information about the Congress view the EAPCCT home page at http://www.eapcct.org. The provisional and final programmes will be placed on the web site in due course.

Venue and date

The XXVI Congress of the European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists will be held at the Hilton Hotel from Wednesday 19th April to Saturday 22nd April 2006.

Location: Pobrezni 1, Prague, Czech Republic 18600 Tel:(+420) 224 841 111 Fax: (+420) 224 842 378 E-mail: <u>sales.prague@hilton.com</u> Website: <u>www.prague.hilton.com</u>

Before making reservations consult the EAPCCT website for advice.

Insurance

In registering for the XXVI Congress of the EAPCCT, participants agree that neither the Scientific and Meetings Committee nor the EAPCCT assume any liability whatsoever. The Participants are requested to make their own arrangements regarding health and travel insurance. The organisers cannot be held liable for any accidents, theft, damage to property, delays, or any modification in the programme due to unforeseen circumstances.

Language

The official language of the conference will be English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

Clothing

Prague in April may have rather changeable weather. It is advisable to bring some warm clothes, and certainly a light raincoat or an umbrella as Prague is always susceptible to sudden downpours. We hope it will be slightly more pleasant though! The average temperature in the period of the Congress is usually between $5-15^{\circ}$ C.

Electricity supply

Electricity is 220V, 50Hz AC. Plugs are the European type with two round pins. Your 220V appliances may be plugged into a Czech outlet with an adaptor, though their 110V cousins (eg. from North America) may require a transformer. Some electric devices – shavers and most laptops – work on both 110V and 220V.

Banking services and currency

The Czech currency is the Crown or *koruna (Kc)*. Each crown is divided into 100 heller or *haléru (h)*, with 10h, 20h, 50h, 1Kc, 2Kc, 5Kc, 10Kc and 20Kc coins available and higher denominations in notes. Banks are usually open from 8am to 5pm on weekdays only, although at lunchtime service may be limited. Travellers cheques are easily exchanged. All major credit cards are widely accepted in hotels, shops and restaurants. Cash can also be withdrawn from most ATMs that often provide instructions in different languages.

Getting to and from the airport

Praha Ruznyé Airport is located some 20km northwest of the city. To reach the city by bus and metro take the 119 or 254 bus to Dejvická metro station and take line A into the city centre. Alternatively, catch buses 179 or 225 to Nové Butovice and take line B into the centre from there. The quicker alternative, although more costly, would be to catch a taxi. There is a desk in Arrivals for the Airport Car service (+42 (0) 220 113 892), who offer a good and reliable service. As no other licensed taxis can stop in the airport this is the best option to take. At the time of writing the average cost would be about 35-40 Euro (about 1300 Kc).

Transportation

Prague has an efficient and very inexpensive transportation system, run by the transport department. The speedy metro system has three lines and 49 stations and runs from about 5am to midnight daily. Single transfer tickets are obtained from machines or kiosks at most stations and are valid for one hour after you validate them in the machines as you set out. Short-hop tickets are also available, as well as pass or ticket packs valid for longer periods. There is also a convenient tram and bus network that covers the suburb area comprehensively and runs generally from 4:30am to after midnight. A pamphlet *Prague transport* is available from most information offices.

Taxis

Like many European cities Prague has a system for licensing taxis, although many non-licensed drivers may tout for business. Taxis should NOT be hailed in the street but picked up from the taxi rank stands in the city. There are several reliable 24-hour radio taxi firms available by telephone – best to seek advice on reliable firms in your hotel.

Tipping

In restaurants the service charge is often included in the itemised bills so you should check this before adding any gratuity. If it is not then you may add a tip if you feel the service has been good, although tipping is not compulsory. 10% is a good rough guide for tips. It is also usual to tip hotel porters and toilet attendants. Taxi drivers, too, may expect a small tip, usually about 10%.

Health and water

Prague presents no serious health problems to the sensible traveller. The water is safe to drink.

Visas and immigration

No visa is required for nationals of European Union (EU) countries for short visits. New Zealand nationals and those from the USA can stay 90 days without the need for a visa. Those from Canada or Australia need a tourist Visa obtainable from the local Czech embassy or consulate. It is advisable for all delegates to check the requirements for their own countries and to apply for any necessary permits well in advance.

The EAPCCT Congress Secretariat will provide formal letters confirming payment of Congress registration fees by delegates, or acceptance of papers for presentation on request.

Tourist information

There is an excellent Prague Information Service (Pražská informacní služba) which has 4 offices in the city, at the Old Town Hall, at Na Príkope, at the main railway station and the Malá Strana Bridge Tower. They also have a website (www.prague-info.cz).

You will also find some web site links for information about Prague on the EAPCCT web site: http://www.eapcct.org

DATES TO REMEMBER			
Deadline for receipt of invited abstracts only	1 November 2005		
Deadline for receipt of abstracts	22 November 2005		
Deadline for reserving accommodation			
at special Congress rates	18 February 2006		
Deadline for abstract presenters to register	27 February 2006		
Early Congress registration	27 February 2006		
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EAPCCT WEB SITE www.eapcct.org

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