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| 48 | 71010 | 71007 |
| 50 | 84223 | 84219 |
| 52 | 99161 | 99158 |
| 54 | 115975 | 115953 |
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| 63 | 219659 | 219637 |
| 64 | 234447 | 234441 |
| 65 | 249962 | 249938 |
| 66 | 266151 | 266142 |
| 67 | 283238 | 283230 |
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| 91 | 995478 | 995430 |
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