

Summer 2006 Newsletter

A message from the Chairman

Dear Friends, Colleagues and Supporters of ACROSS

I would like to sincerely thank you all for your continuing support of ACROSS. We are now in our fifth season and we continue to provide a service for those who could not visit "Our Lady's Grotto" in Lourdes without our help. I should like to highlight that this would not be possible without the total commitment and dedication of our staff in Lourdes, the office staff who arrange the groups and of course our drivers who, despite driving thousands of miles, remain as ever the work horses of our organisation. On behalf of all pilgrims I thank you all for your dedication to ACROSS.

So where are we four years on? We remain financially viable (but this is dependent on us raising approaching £100,000 annually so please, all of you, keep fundraising; without this our organisation will become non-viable).

We have started the programme of replacement of our beloved vehicles. Our new Jumbulance will be operational in 2007. However, continuation of the replacement programme will depend on you and your friends' generosity.

We continue to develop close relationships with our preferred hotel – The Mediterranee – and they have been most accommodating in responding to our needs. Again I would like to take this opportunity to thank the management and staff of The Mediterranee for all of their help.

With the addition of our new Jumbulance we have to think of our future and I would like your views on two possibilities.

- Could we run double groups during a specified period of the season?
- Could we utilise the vehicles to take Local groups to Nevers, Knock, Fatima or similar places?

I should really welcome your thoughts. Meanwhile thanks again for your support and by the grace of "Our Lady" we will continue to provide a service to take people to "Our Lady's Shrine" at Lourdes who would otherwise never have had the privilege. In other words we will continue to make the impossible possible.

God bless you all and again thanks for your continued support.

Alan Green MB CHB MRCGP
 Chairman of ACROSS

It's a reality – the new Jumbulance!

The latest addition to the ACROSS fleet is currently under construction at Van Hool's in Belgium.

Work started on the new vehicle, which will be dedicated to the late Pope John Paul II, earlier this year after the initial deposit was paid to Moseley Distributors, Van Hool's agent in Scotland.

At a total cost of some £375,000, the design of the vehicle differs significantly from the current vehicles operated by ACROSS, which are based on a design of the mid 1970s.



Driver Martin Conn presenting the cheque for the deposit for the new vehicle to Jim Tweedy, managing director of Moseley Distributors

Change has been brought about mainly because of current legislation and health and safety issues as well as taking on board the comments of many ACROSS travellers. The vehicle is based on a Van Hool T9 Model with the latest Volvo E3 engine.

First change that will be noticed as the Jumbulance draws up is that the new vehicle, at 13.8 metres in length, will be 1.8 metres (or six feet) longer than the present standard vehicles.

Second noticeable change is that it is a standard right hand drive vehicle with passenger entry on the nearside and the hydraulic lift for access for VIPs has been relocated towards the centre of the vehicle.

Once on board the vehicle, a complete change in layout awaits the traveller! Most noticeably the beds will be fitted on the offside of the vehicle and the front three beds will be single tier at waist height to facilitate access and nursing. To the rear of the single tier beds will be a double bank of two-tier beds as fitted to the current vehicles.

The bed capacity therefore has been reduced to seven, but with 18 fully reclining seats all with leg supports and more space between the seats experienced nurses foresee no problems in accommodating the needs of all groups.

The fully accessible toilet, fitted towards the rear of the vehicle, has been upgraded to include a fresh water WC and, for the galley slaves, the kitchen has been completely redesigned to include not only all the usual features, but a microwave as well as conventional ovens.

The vehicle will be painted in the blue and white colours of Our Blessed Lady and will contain a Roll of Honour with the names of all those who answered the special appeal and contributed to the purchase price.

Delivery of the vehicle is expected in December of this year and its maiden voyage to Lourdes is expected at Easter 2007. Look out in the winter newsletter for details of the pre-season goodwill tour it will make of the country and its blessing and dedication.

Our thanks are due to our Transport Manager, Stef Frank, who has been heavily engaged with Van Hool in resolving the many design issues that arose, and also to trustee Yvonne Robb Pearson for her help and advice as well as all the other travellers whose views they sought.

Jumbulance appeal

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, and with the inclusion of £250,000 being added from the reserves of ACROSS, the Pope John Paul II Jumbulance is being built without the need for ACROSS to enter into debt. The appeal for the balance is still some £30,000 short of its target.

However there is still time to contribute towards the appeal. A significant part of the total cost relates to equipment and if you would like to contribute towards any of the following items please complete the appropriate section of the form on the back page.

Q'ty	Description	Cost of each (£)
3	Single tier adjustable beds with locking gear	7,900
2	Adjustable beds (removable) with locking gear	5,000
2	Adjustable beds (fitted upper)	2,150
1	Multi Plus inverter & panel (to provide 240v supply)	1,600
	Livery to outside of vehicle	800
1	Registration number JP02OLL (Our Lady of Lourdes)	500
1	Drinks hot water heater	400
1	Mobile commode (to fit over WC)	400
1	Transformer	400
1	Microwave 24v	350

Where do you want to go?

For several years, we have been asked by Local groups to consider alternative destinations to Lourdes. With the expansion of the Jumbulance fleet planned for 2007, ACROSS now has more flexibility to travel to places other than Lourdes, as suggested by the Chairman in his opening message.

Alternative destinations will be available only to Local groups, and the Local group organiser will be responsible for finding and booking the group's accommodation and settling it direct.

The oldest vehicle in the ACROSS Jumbulance fleet is just eight years old and all are maintained to the highest standard with six weekly maintenance checks irrespective of mileage.

All journeys are conducted within the European Driving Hours Regulations, which means that the distance drivers can drive without rest is limited. Overnight stops would therefore be required for many destinations. The Trustees consider that any inconvenience caused by having to overnight en route is outweighed by the safety to passengers and other road users.

ACROSS is committed to Lourdes and will continue to take at least one group there each week during the season.

For further information or suggestions, please contact Sylvia or Julie at the office.

Trustees

The trustees were sorry to say farewell to John Higgs in December. John, a trustee since 2003, had brought his considerable experience of all things ACROSS to our Management Committee meetings, and had been responsible for administration matters for the past two years. Regrettably, John felt obliged to step down due to pressure of other commitments. We thank John for all he did for ACROSS.

We are delighted to announce that Paul Savage has agreed to become a trustee. Paul (52) is a long standing ACROSS traveller and Group Leader who will bring considerable business experience to our Management Committee.

After many years with the DL group in Scotland, latterly as General Manager, Paul set up his own sales and marketing consultancy in 2004 and has carried out work for Scottish Enterprise among others

More recently, Paul has enjoyed a change of career, having taken over a well-known hostelry in Cornwall – The White Hart Inn in Bodmin – which has a fascinating history. No doubt Paul will be delighted to welcome any ACROSS travellers who find themselves in that area.

Finance report

Our 2005 Report and Financial Statements are now available. Copies can be obtained from the office, and are on our website.

With Easter falling early, the season ran for 32 weeks and we carried a record number of Pilgrims. Although some groups were under and some over the regular size of 24, over the season we averaged out at exactly this number, taking 768 Pilgrims, of whom 324 were VIPs.

The cost of our Pilgrimages is significantly higher than the amount we seek to recover from Pilgrims, and we rely on voluntary and other income to cover the shortfall each year.

In 2005 our voluntary and other income again more than covered the shortfall on running the Pilgrimages and enabled us to increase our reserves. We need strong reserves to provide for the cost of Jumbulance replacement and as a cushion against shortfalls on the Pilgrimages, both to the extent not covered by voluntary income.

The detailed figures for 2005 are set out below.

Pilgrimages	£
Cash cost of operations	459,411
Contributions received from Pilgrims	391,743
Cash shortfall on Pilgrimages	<u>67,668</u>
Depreciation, mainly Jumbulance fleet	<u>28,249</u>
Total shortfall on Pilgrimages	<u>95,917</u>
Voluntary and other income, less costs	
Friends	32,606
Other donations	56,334
Gift Aid tax recovered	16,534
Legacies	6,275
Events and merchandise, less costs	17,502
Interest	<u>22,304</u>
	151,555
Less: Other costs	<u>19,102</u>
	<u>132,453</u>
Surplus of income over expenditure	36,536
Donations for new Jumbulance	91,755
	<u>128,291</u>
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The financial position at the year end was strong, with reserves (ie available funds) of £661,828, of which £91,755 specifically related to the new Jumbulance. The cost of this vehicle is estimated at £375,000, which will be met from the specific fund and by drawing on the general fund.

A summary of the balance sheet at 31 December 2005 is as follows:

	£
Fixed assets (mainly vehicles)	83,056
Current assets	
Stock	500
Debtors	20,489
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>672,320</u>
	693,309
Less: Creditors	<u>31,481</u>
Net current assets	661,828
Total assets less liabilities	<u>744,884</u>
Funds	
Restricted funds	166,569
General fund	578,315
	<u>744,884</u>

All the figures set out in this report are taken from the Trustees' Report and audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2005, which were approved by the Trustees on 10 April 2006. When publishing summarised financial information we are required to include a report from the auditors regarding this information, and this follows.

Tom Allen, FCA
Finance trustee

We have examined the summary financial information set out above for the period ended 31 December 2005. In our opinion, the information is consistent with the full financial statements of the charitable company for the period ended 31 December 2005.

On 10 April 2006, we reported to the members that in our opinion, the financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2005 gave a true and fair view of the charitable company's affairs at that date and of its incoming resources and application of resources including its income and expenditure, and that they had been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985, the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 1992.

French Duncan (incorporating) O'Sullivan Cleary
Chartered Accountants, Registered Auditors
23 June 2006

New Stations of the Cross

In 2005, ACROSS joined the Association of British Lourdes Directors, and Sylvia attended the first meeting after the season closed.

Whilst many benefits are to be had from sharing a platform and sharing problems, one of the first things to be discovered was that it had been previously agreed within the Association that each member organisation would donate one Euro per pilgrim towards the cost of the British purchase of one of the new Stations of the Cross, which are being built in the domain at the far side of the meadow.

Accordingly ACROSS has donated £500 on your behalf to the construction of the seventh Station.



ACROSS Group meditating at the new Stations of the Cross

Snippets from letters

Please find cheque and counterfoil raffle tickets. Hope your fundraising goes well. I have many blessings and wonderful memories from my Jumbulance pilgrimages. Good luck for the future and God Bless all your efforts.

MD, Bristol.

Again I want to thank you for your Christmas Card, good wishes and the Newsletter, and send you my best wishes for the New Year.

You will remember in 2004 that I had hopes of promoting ACROSS. I have been asking our Church Treasurer at regular intervals – these things take time! You can imagine my delight at the Christmas eve service when he came and told me that a donation had been sent to ACROSS!

Sheila Laing, East Croydon

Editor: Donation gratefully received from East Croydon United Reformed Church – persistence does pay off!

Many thanks for your Christmas card and good wishes. I enclose a donation and wish you a happy and successful year for your travels and wonderful work.

CM, Kent

Thanks for your Christmas card and newsletter which keeps you nicely in the frame of “our good causes” in this time of competition for our money and time. Although not able to do much for you at present, I can at least send a donation.

God Bless you all,

JM, Merseyside

My pilgrimage to Lourdes this year was “the best ever.” I’m so very grateful to John and Anne for their care.

I am now 94 – still able to look after myself, but need a “pusher” for my wheelchair.

Thank you ACROSS for making it possible!

God Bless, *Grace Ledger, West Sussex*

Earlier this year you were most helpful when I enquired about the possibility of my cousin travelling to Lourdes as a VIP. Sadly she died before she could travel, but I know that she drew comfort from knowing that she had the opportunity of going there. Thank you so much for dealing with this request in such a dignified, compassionate and speedy manner. I enclose a donation.

Barbara Gribbins

Thank You! Peggy arrived home bursting with excitement from her wonderful trip. She filled us all with her enthusiasm to join her next time. God willing Peggy would love to make another trip next year.

You are indeed very special people; once again everyone was very kind, helpful and generous to our friend.

We hope you continue for many years to help the less fortunate and the sick experience the wonders of Lourdes and the wonderful treatment your happy band give so freely.

From the office staff, drivers to the cooks, and all in between, we will never forget you, any of you. You have the gift of making them feel very special.

Daar Lodge, Kirkcudbright

(Refers to Peggy Devlin, Group 3025)

Employers’ help

On 27th January 2006, the staff of Abbey’s Fraud Department held their monthly dress down day when the staff were permitted to wear casual clothes to work on payment of a £1 “fine”. The fines are then passed to a charity nominated by a member of staff. In January I nominated ACROSS and £122 was raised for the new Jumbulance.

The Abbey, like a number of employers, have a charity scheme where funds raised by staff members are matched on a £1 for £1 basis and so the £122 raised was worth £244 to ACROSS.

The story does not stop there... Abbey, like my previous employer HSBC, also match time spent on good causes. This means that when I travel to Lourdes later this year, although I shall be away from the office for seven working days, I shall be using only two days of my annual leave entitlement.

Does your employer do anything similar?

You never know what you may get if you only ask?

Jon Walls, Newport Pagnall

Thanksgiving Mass, Hinckley

A wonderful Thanksgiving Mass was celebrated at St Peter's in Hinckley on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes in February, where the main celebrant was Father John Younger, an ACROSS group Chaplain of many years.

Fr Frank Daly, parish priest of St Peter's, organised a collection on the day for funds towards the new Jumbulance and a staggering £1,828 was raised. In addition, a donation of £1,000 was presented by Ellen Hallam, a member of the Hinckley ACROSS group.



Ellen Hallam presenting a cheque to Kenny Stark, Treasurer of ACROSS

Afterwards the group provided a delicious buffet for those who had attended the Mass, many of whom had travelled a considerable distance.

Thanksgiving Mass, Carfin

A number of friends and supporters gathered at Carfin Lourdes Grotto, Scotland's National Shrine to Our Blessed Lady, on 21 May for an open-air Thanksgiving Mass celebrated by our Spiritual Director and Trustee, Father Sean O'Toole.

Bright sunshine earlier in the day had given way to an overcast sky and a biting cold wind by the time of the Mass, but this did not deter those present from taking part in a Rosary Procession after the Mass. The afternoon ended with tea at the Pilgrimage Centre.



The Hinckley buffet – some buffet!

Tony Varney RIP

My Dear Sylvia

Many thanks for the Mass card and words of sympathy on Tony's death. The funeral was not such a bad day. It was more a celebration of Tony's life and the Church was full. The highlight of the past 4 years was our trip to Lourdes. I am sure God will give me the courage to carry on.

Anne Varney, Warwickshire

Tony & Anne (Blossom) travelled to Lourdes on Group 2077 in 2004 and Tony died 19 December 2005, aged 63.

Michael Ferguson RIP

Thank you for your newsletter. My dad, Michael Ferguson went on the Jumbulance in July 2005 and really enjoyed the trip. Sadly he died on 25 November 2005 but he had so many great memories of the love and kindness of the group, he wanted to go back in 2006! Many thanks for the chance you gave him to go to Lourdes.

Christine Ferguson, Ayrshire

Fr Michael Byrne, RIP

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Father Michael Byrne. He first travelled to Lourdes in 1956 and was part of every Easter pilgrimage with HCPT until 2005.



After his retirement from parish work Fr Michael moved to Hosanna House and from that time onwards willingly celebrated Mass at Hosanna House or any other venue for ACROSS groups who travelled without a chaplain.

Fr Michael will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Dear Julie & colleagues

Sadly Willie Connolly died yesterday (11 June 2006) aged 94. He was in hospital for almost five weeks fighting various infections.

He knew in his heart this life was over for him and therefore he asked me to thank you for the happiest most memorable trip of all his forty five excursions. He will be laid to rest with his wife Kitty in Dumfries.

Thank you for all the support you give so freely.

Daar Lodge, Kirkcudbright

(Refers to Willie Connolly Group 2092 who had been planning to travel back to Lourdes this year. May he rest in peace.)

Obituary

The following friends and supporters of ACROSS have died since the publication of the Winter 2005 newsletter. May they rest in peace.

Alan Atkins, Market Harborough

Winifred Atkin, Kingston Upon Hull

Winifred Cobb, Darlington

Willie Connolly, Dumfries

Jack Farrar, Wakefield

Michael Ferguson, Stevenson

Richard Hayes, Hereford

Ellen and James Innes, Glasgow

Agnes Kirk, Lytham

Mary Magill, Glasgow

Rose McCabe, Glasgow

James McCawlet, Worcester

Dr Sam McNamara, Buntingford

Walter McQueen, Dunoon

George Rice, Edinburgh

Hubert Rocks, Glasgow

Anna Teague, Baillieston

Patricia Trueman, Guernsey

Kenneth Van Sanden, Devizes

Tony Varney, Warwickshire

Jean Webb, Coatbridge

Robert Widrig, Cranleigh

Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Inveraray Burns Supper

The home parish of ACROSS, St Margaret's in Lochgilphead, Argyll, has been busy raising funds. In January a very successful Burns Supper was held in Inveraray and £120 was raised for ACROSS funds. Later on in March, the ladies of the parish organised a coffee morning in Lochgilphead and raised an incredible £370.

A further coffee morning is planned in Inveraray on 8 July to which all are invited if you are anywhere near the area. It is all the more remarkable as the parish has a population of just over 300 and is spread over a large part of Argyll.



May Kennedy of St Margaret's carries the haggis behind the piper.

Group 3019

Group 3019 travelled to Lourdes for Easter 2006 and two extra special visitors were welcomed into the group.

When Cardinal O'Brien, Archbishop of St Andrews & Edinburgh, who was on a private visit to Our Lady's Shrine, heard the ACROSS group was also there, he volunteered to join the group in their hotel for lunch.



Cardinal O'Brien (centre) enjoying lunch

He spent several hours in this informal atmosphere chatting and afterwards celebrated a private Mass for the group in the hotel chapel. For many his visit was uplifting and one of the highlights of the week.



Cardinal O'Brien at Mass in the Hotel

Earlier in the week, Michelle McManus, winner of the TV programme Pop Idol, also took time out of a busy week, helping a group of disabled children, to spend a few hours with the ACROSS group in their hotel.

She spent several hours chatting and signing autographs, and as a special request by one of the senior VIPs sang the beautiful Lourdes anthem "As I kneel before you".



Michelle with some of group 3019

Fundraiser's Report

Goodwill visits to schools in Clydebank and Lanarkshire and parishes in London and Hinckley were well received and helped considerably to raise awareness of ACROSS, as well as gaining some extra donations. A visit to St Ambrose School in Coatbridge, Lanarkshire had to be cancelled at short notice due to parking restrictions, but this did little to dampen the pupils' fundraising efforts which provided funds for both ACROSS and to cover expenses of two of their 6th Year pupils, Andrew Keating and Paul Casey, to go as helpers with Group 3028 in June.

If you or your Group would like to arrange a visit to your local school or parish some time during January/February 2007 please contact the office as soon as possible. A choice of preferred dates is helpful.

The Annual Ladies Dinner in May was a huge success having good food served, good company and excellent entertainment provided by an Irish Duo, Quigley's Point.

St Bridget's ACROSS group volunteered to take over the organisation this year as their annual fundraiser for ACROSS and a cheque for £1,138 was given to the Chairman with a request that this be added to the Nightingale Nurses Fund.

The Great North Run on 1st October will see our intrepid supporter Mary Laver being pushed round in her wheelchair. As ever, she is looking for supporters and any other runners who may have entered. If you know of any such, please contact me at the address at the end of this article.

The Glasgow Phoenix Choir will once more sing for ACROSS, this time in St Joseph's Church in Kilmarnock on Sunday 29th October at 7.30pm.

Fund Raising ideas – how do you raise funds in your area?

We all have our own favourite ploys, so how about sharing them with others. Coffee mornings, race nights, quizzes, concerts, dances, football, cards, sponsored runs, walks, silences are fashionable but what have **you** found to be the most profitable in your area and would you be willing to organise **ONE** event for ACROSS? Would you be willing to speak about **ACROSS** at your Churches and or local groups?

Elsewhere in the newsletter you will find the financial report and see how much we depend on voluntary financial support to provide our service to the sick and disabled and maintain the high standards they have a right to expect.

I am aiming to set up a network of local fundraisers for **ACROSS** throughout the UK. We have much to offer to and to learn from each other, all of which we can use for the continued success of ACROSS.

I look forward to hearing from you: email: fundraiser@across-uk.org

Or telephone: 07946 273 227

Margaret McElroy

Scottish Jumboball 2006

The always popular Scottish Jumboball will be held on 11 November 2006, the venue, as in previous years, being the Strathclyde Hilton, Bellshill, Glasgow. The ticket cost is £35 and bed and breakfast accommodation at the hotel is £80 for a twin or double room and £70 for a single room.

Contact Sylvia or Julie at the Office to buy tickets. Early booking is recommended as the hotel fills up quite quickly at weekends.

Prize draw

Thanks to all who took part in the Prize Draw, which raised over £5,000.

Congratulations to the winners, who were:

1	C Kane	Middlesex	TV/VCR/DVD
2	J Sheering	Paisley	Camera
3	C Glennon	Kirkintilloch	Gallon whisky
4	G Entrican	Glasgow	£100
5	P Barter	Essex	Sudoku
6	M Woodcock	Wigan	Pasna
7	B McMaihlin	Fife	Travel rug
8	D Hayes	Hereford	Teddy
9	T Murray	Cumbernauld	MP3
10	K Offord	Kent	Mini vodkas
11	J James	Mull	Travel rug
12	M Taylor	Birmingham	Radio/alarm

Christmas cards

It might seem odd to talk about Christmas Cards when summer has only recently started, but comment has been made to the ACROSS office about the cost of printing and distributing Christmas cards. In fact, for many years, Christmas cards have been provided to us free of charge by a very generous supporter who is a printer and, as they are included with the winter newsletter, there is no additional cost to ACROSS.

Become a Friend of Across

The Friends raise over £30,000 each year through regular monthly donations, many of which were 'gift-aided' (an extra 28p from the Inland Revenue for every £1 donated). Why not join us? Please tick the box opposite or contact the office for the Friends leaflet.

New Website Address

Please make sure you have noted our new website address, which is www.across-uk.org

If you have not already done so, please amend your favourites on your computer and inform your friends and family.

The new form E111

A reminder that those travelling to Lourdes need to replace their current form E111, if they have not already done so, with the new Europe-wide European Health Insurance Card. Call into your Post Office to obtain a form, or complete it online at: www.ehic.org.uk/InternetPROD/home.do

Nurses, doctors, chaplains and general helpers urgently needed!

We are always in need of nurses, doctors, chaplains and general helpers for our National groups and often to fill gaps in Local groups. Please help to raise awareness of our need by spreading the word whenever you have the opportunity.

200 Club

The 200 Club has been providing approaching £4,000 annually to assist with the work of ACROSS. Membership costs just £4 per month, payable either by monthly/annual bank standing order or by an annual cheque. 40% of all income is returned in prizes and currently there are two monthly prizes of £140 and £25.

Every year, at the Scottish Jumboball, a major prize is drawn dependent on the number of current members and last year the prize was £650.

If you wish to join the 200 Club, please tick the relevant part of the box opposite or contact Julie at the Office.

Please help promote ACROSS

The office is happy to supply you with a varied range of literature which you can use to promote the work of ACROSS in your parish, workplace or club. Please contact Sylvia or Julie.

In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1988 we promise not to disclose your details to any third party. If you do not wish to have your details retained by us please let the office know.

Name _____

Address _____

_____ PostCode _____

I/we enclose a donation of £ _____ for the new Jumbulance. Please enter the following name in the Roll of Honour

I/we enclose a donation of £ _____ towards the following item of equipment for the new Jumbulance

Please enter the following name in the Roll of Honour

Please send me _____ copies of the leaflets showing the work of the Jumbulance

Please send me a Friends of ACROSS leaflet

Please send me an application form for a nurse / doctor / priest / helper / unable

Please send me details of the 200 Club

Please accept £ _____ as donation towards the work of ACROSS (and Debit my Visa /Switch /Mastercard)
.....Exp Date.....

Please write your 3 digit security number which can be found on the reverse of your card

Signed.....Date.....

I am a UK taxpayer and I would like ACROSS to treat all the donations that I make as Gift Aid donations from today until I notify you otherwise. My annual income tax and/or capital gains tax payment will be more than the charity will reclaim.

I am not a UK tax payer

Signed.....Date.....

Any surplus monies raised will be used by the Trustees to further the work of ACROSS **SO6**

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