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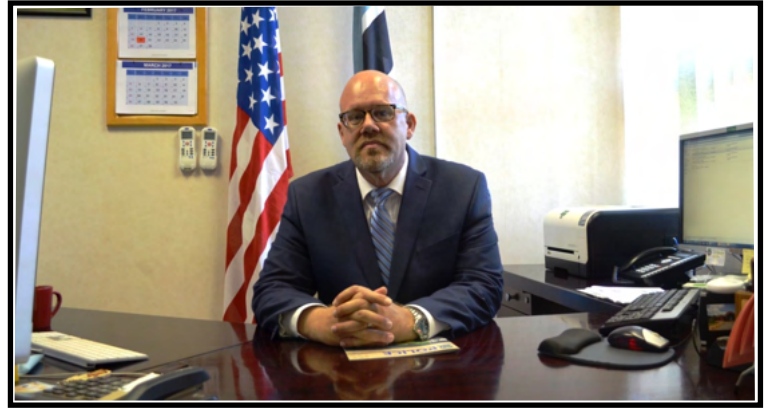
ILEA Leadership



Derrick Tolliver
Acting Program Director



Johwa-Mpundisi
Acting Managing Director



Joe Augeri
Outgoing Program Director

On September 10, 2023 ILEA Gaborone welcomed Derrick Tolliver as Acting Program Director. Director Tolliver is a 20- year federal agent with Diplomatic Security Service; and he brings over 15 years of service throughout all regions in Africa.

On October 30, 2023 ILEA Gaborone welcomed Ludo Thateng Johwa-Mpundisi as Acting Managing Director. Director Johwa-Mpundisi is a thirty year old police professional with 23 of those years in the education and training environment. She has a vast exposure on law enforcement training.

On November 05, 2023 ILEA Gaborone bid farewell to outgoing Program Director and Senior Advisor Joe Augeri. Mr. Augeri's onward assignment is Chief of the International Training Division at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC).

Country Assistance Programs

ILEA Gaborone is thrilled to announce its leading role in assisting the Government of Botswana's nascent Drug Enforcement Agency to reach its development targets. ILEA, in collaboration with INL/KM and Embassy Gaborone has prioritized agency to agency assistance, increased training opportunities through the ILEA program, and coordination of U.S. law enforcement and security services with the Botswana Ministry of Defense and Security to establish a robust counter narcotics program in Botswana. Kudos to the men and women who are the first to be selected to serve in this prestigious agency. We welcome you to ILEA programming. Salute!



Alumni In Focus

ILEA DAY AWARDS AND SUCCESS STORIES

By Tshepo Mpe - Alumni Coordinator

Welcome to the Alumni in Focus page of the ILEA Gaborone Quarterly Newsletter. Here at ILEA Gaborone, we hope you are making use of the Alumni Portal to build on your ILEA experiences and network with fellow ILEA alumni from around the world. If you haven't tried the Alumni Portal, why not today? To log into the portal, use your ILEA Global Network (IGN) credentials, both sites use a Single Sign On. If you do not remember your password, you can reset it on the IGN login page or contact ILEA Administrator at Gaborone1@ilea.state.gov. Did you know about ILEA Day awards?

In April 2021 the ILEA Global program celebrated the first ever "ILEA Day" to mark the founding of the program in 1995. The objective of ILEA Day is to highlight the contributions of ILEA in combating transnational crime and celebrate outstanding alumni for their extraordinary achievements on a global scale. This April marks the fourth annual ILEA Day celebration and the program's 29th anniversary. This year ILEA Day is celebrated at the regional ILEAs. Each ILEA will host their regional event after the official announcement of the 2024 ILEA Day awards winners on April 24, 2024. Awards go to ILEA alumni who have submitted success stories for ILEA Day awards competition. Success stories can be submitted any time during the year but before the second week of December to be considered for the next ILEA Day competition. Please stay tuned for ILEA Gaborone celebration update. Our regional ILEA Day will be celebrated in style with inclusion of training elements in a form of panel discussion on fentanyl. For updates, please visit the Alumni Portal (<https://alumni.ilea.state.gov>) News tab and click on "Events". Refine your search by ILEA – Gaborone.

How to submit a success story?

On the IGN and Alumni Portal, we have a "Tell us Your Story" button that alumni can use to share their success stories. If you are uncertain of how to craft a success story, feel free to contact your ILEA coordinators for assistance. Alternatively, you can reach out to the U.S. Embassy contact in your country to share your achievement. The U.S. Embassy can verify your success story and thereafter submit on your behalf. Success story can also be submitted for highlights and not necessarily for ILEA Day awards but mainly for awareness. We want to hear about your promotions or new appointments and your successful implementation that demonstrate your learning at ILEA. Let us know how you leverage the skills and techniques from the ILEA training.

Back to ILEA Day awards. We have three types of honors and awards that an alumnus or alumni can participate in. The awards are as follows:

1. Outstanding Cooperation with U.S. Partners Award - This award recognizes an alumnus who exemplifies ILEA's goal of promoting the U.S. as a key partner in law enforcement. ILEA alumni view U.S. law enforcement as preferred partners in countering transnational organized crime, facilitating effective coordination and information sharing with the United States.

2. Outstanding Cooperation with Regional Partners Award - This award recognizes an alumnus or alumni who exemplify ILEA's goal of building regional networks and contacts for operational success. ILEA alumni maintain relationships with classmates to share information, coordinate on transnational investigations, and exchange good practices.

3. Outstanding Operational Success Award - This award recognizes an alumnus who exemplifies ILEA's goal of building skills to improve capacity to combat transnational organized crime. ILEA alumni leverage their training in support of their organizations, achieve operational success, and share their successes with ILEA.

During the first ILEA Day in 2021, ILEA celebrated Mr. José Blanchard Bokandza from Republic of Congo (Congo Brazzaville) for his recognition on Outstanding Operational Success Award. Jose attended ILEA Gaborone Wildlife Trafficking Investigations Program in 2009. He successfully applied the skills and techniques from the program to disrupt a criminal wildlife trafficking syndicate. The enterprise operates across the Republic of Congo, Gabon, and Cameroon and historically moves hundreds of kilograms of illegally harvested ivory per delivery. If you haven't heard or read about his success story visit ILEA Alumni Portal - ILEA Day 2021 page (alumni.ilea.state.gov). For non-ILEA Alumni, you may visit alumni in focus page on our website at <https://gaborone.ilea.state.gov>.

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On April 25, 2022, ILEA Gaborone in collaboration with the West Africa Regional Training Center (RTC) celebrated the ILEA Day in Accra, Ghana. This was a hybrid event of about two hundred and sixty-eight (268) participants in total (both in-person and virtual). Maximum participation were alumni from both ILEA and the RTC. The Deputy Chief of Mission (DCM) Ms. Nicole Chulick of the U.S. Embassy Accra (Ghana) graced the event as the keynote speaker. The Ghana Law Enforcements, Justice Chiefs of departments, and U.S. agencies attachés also joined the event.

This event featured Assistant Secretary of Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL – ILEA HQ) Mr. Todd D. Robinson announcing the 2022 ILEA Day Honorees. The RTC and Gaborone had the honor to celebrate their own Mr. Danladi Musa Ameh of Nigeria. He won the Outstanding Cooperation with U.S. Partners Award. Musa has worked extensively with the United States in wildlife trafficking and is an alumnus of the Small Arms Trafficking course at the RTC and Post Blast Investigations course at ILEA Gaborone. He also participated in U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (FWS) funded by INL. Due to his outstanding work and collaboration with FWS, he was invited to co-instruct with the FWS team at RTC, Accra. To read more on his partnership with the U.S. visit the ILEA Day tab on the Alumni Portal. See below his gratitude message:

SP DANLADI MUSA AMEH.

“ILEA DAY AWARD 2022: - This was my highest award in life, and I remained grateful to ILEA. I also thank INL U.S. Embassy Abuja, Nigeria for every support needed towards this award. The USFWS trusted my ability to work with them, and that was majorly the basis for winning this prestigious award. The award ceremony at RTC ACCRA, GHANA was well organized, the program was precise, and the content of the event was well received to me and my colleagues here at home. Finally, it was an awesome moment meeting friends from Botswana at Ghana after almost 9 years”.

In addition, ILEA and the RTC recognized all alumni who submitted success stories or were nominated for ILEA Day awards. ILEA Gaborone virtually recognized Ms. Gownatee Madhubala Madhub-Dassyne of Mauritius for her nomination by U.S. Embassy in Mauritius and Mr. Wellington Chindzakazi of Malawi for submitting his success story for ILEA Day consideration.

In 2023 ILEA Gaborone joined the RTC to celebrate Ms. Naomi Abriebeh Acquah for her Outstanding Cooperation with U.S. Partners Award. The ILEA Day was celebrated in Washington, DC. About forty-four (44) alumni from around the world were invited to attend a study visit and award ceremony from April 24 thru 26 in Washington, DC. As an alumnas of the RTC Ghana, Naomi, used her ILEA training to successfully extradite six criminals back to the United States to face charges in collaboration with the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). She later attended the Law Enforcement and Leadership Development program in 2022 at ILEA Gaborone. Again, for a full story, visit the ILEA Day on the Alumni Portal.

Do you have a success story? Share it on the Alumni Portal or IGN and you could be the recipient of one of next ILEA Day Awards.

To our fellow Alumni, ILEA Gaborone is committed to support you and your government in the fight against transnational and organized crime. Please keep your information updated on the IGN for ease of contact and use the Alumni Portal to interact with fellow ILEA Alumni around the globe to see how they deal with law enforcement issues.



Donalad Musa



Naomi Abriebeh



Blanchard Bokandza

**MY SUCCESS STORY - THE ILEA DAY CELEBRATION AWARD CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON, DC, USA;
APRIL 22-26, 2023**

By Taupyen Nanpon Sunday, Nigeria

My name is Taupyen Sunday, I am an Assistant Commander of Narcotics with the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency, attached to Special Investigations Lagos, Nigeria.

I was very fortunate to be nominated by my Agency to attend the AIRPORT INTERDICTION COURSE at ILEA Gaborone, Botswana from August 22-26, 2023. Shortly after the Course I immediately applied the skills I learned at the Academy, ranging from Intelligence gathering to surveillance and undercover activities. I also shared what I learned with my team in my country.



Shortly after completing the course my training paid off because my team and I arrested five suspects with 2,139.55 kg of Cocaine in the Ikorodu region of Lagos, Nigeria. The seized contraband was the highest single seizure of Cocaine ever accomplished in the history of my agency with a value of \$278,250,000. Additionally, \$50,000 in cash was recovered from one of the suspects (he attempted to bribe us). As a result of the seizure, we were given meritorius promotions for a job well-done.

After the incident I notified the ILEA Gaborone Alumni Coordinator of the success story I had achieved; it was also published in the national media. My ILEA Alumni Coordinator requested that I complete the International Law Enforcement Academy Success Story Form making me eligible to be nominated for an award.

In January 2023, I was excited upon receipt of a notification from the U.S. Embassy stating that my success story was nominated as one of the finalists in the Outstanding Operational Success category. The award was scheduled to be presented during the Global ILEA Day Celebration.

I attended the awards ceremony at Washington, DC. There were 44 nominees from all over the world representing all the regional ILEAs. Delegates from ILEA Bangkok, Budapest, Gaborone, Roswell, San Salvador, and The

West African Regional Training Center – Accra, Ghana were in attendance.

The delegates representing ILEA Gaborone were from Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, and Nigeria.

During the occasion the main award event took place in the building of the Department of State Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL). Scheduled activities included panel discussions on interagency coordination, wellness & resiliency, and women in the law enforcement community.

We visited several areas of interest including: The Transportation Security Operations Centre, The Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers at Cheltenham, MD, and the Drug Enforcement Administration Academy at Quantico.

The Study tour was very educational, beautiful, interesting, and inspiring. The program was a huge success being it was well planned with no dull moments at all.

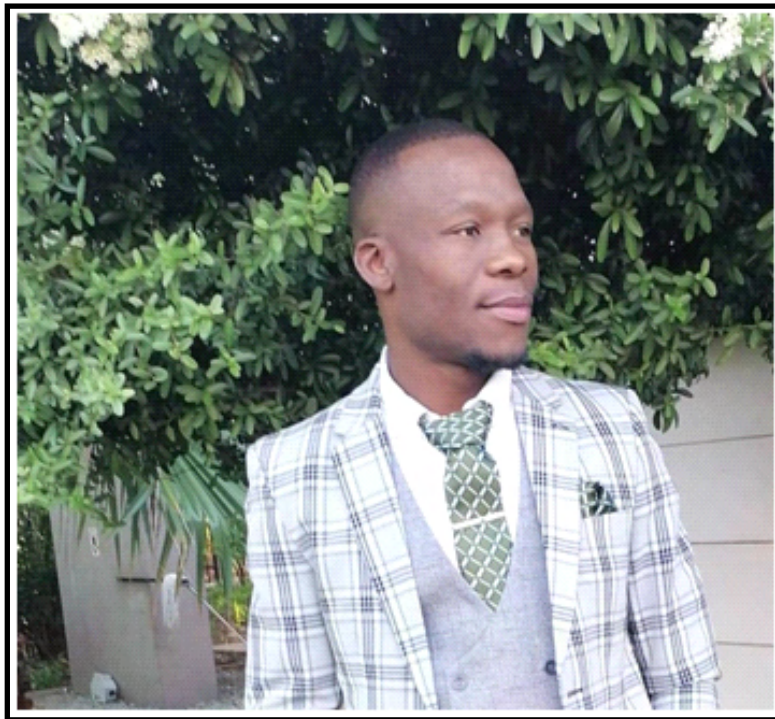
This program has really encouraged me to do more to achieve additional success generating new stories to enable me to win an award in one the categories stipulated by ILEA for next year.

Attached are pictures of events that occurred during the awards ceremony.

SIX (6) ARRESTED FOR UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF TROPHY IN BOTSWANA

By Oarabile Mokgele, Botswana

I successfully applied the skills and techniques from the US Fish and Wildlife Service's program to intercept the criminal wildlife suspects in Gaborone, Botswana. On the 9th of May 2020, I received information from the



Botswana Police that certain men are in possession of a live Pangolin in Gaborone and looking for a buyer. I together with my colleague Emmanuel Mokibito (Ilea alumni) coordinated with the Botswana Police and engaged on an operation to disrupt the syndicate. I and my colleague led the operation. We leveraged the skills and techniques from the program by organizing a "Fake buyer", for a controlled delivery. We mounted a physical surveillance on him (fake buyer). From this technique we were able to intercept and arrest four (4) men in connection with the selling of the pangolin.

After the arrest, the Botswana Police officers conducted investigation on the scene. During the investigation the suspects denied that they possessed any Pangolin. I offered to interview the yard owner who was among the 4 men. I started by building a rapport with the suspects where soft words were used. He ended up sharing the details that we wanted to hear. He confessed that he had a Pangolin in the house and that the three (3) men with him were

helping in marketing it for sale. I revealed this to the Police officer and the team proceeded to the house to seize the pangolin as an exhibit.

We then conducted a calmer and thorough interview with all the four (4) men, a technique learnt from the program for more success. They ended up revealing that they got the Pangolin from Mokhomma village, from two (2) Batswana men. The two (2) men in Mokhomma were arrested. They revealed that indeed they gave the Pangolin to the four (4) men, who had called them to request that they find a Pangolin for them and that they will pay them upon successful sale.

The Case was forwarded to the Department of Public Prosecutions to initiate court action and the suspects were charged with two counts:

1. Section 71 (WCNP Act) Unlawful Possession of Government Trophy (4 Suspects arrested in Gaborone)

2. Section 17 (WCNP Act) Hunting or Capturing of a Protected Game Animal (2 Suspects arrested in Mokhomma)

The two (2) accused arrested in Mokhomma pleaded guilty, and therefore fined P500,00 each. One (1) of the four (4) pleaded guilty and agreed to be a state witness. He had testified against his three (3) accomplices in Court in September 2023. The other three (3) accused are still going under Court Trial (pending testimony from the Police lead investigator).



ILEA Gaborone Schedule 2024, Jan - June

Start Date	Course Title	Planned Participating Countries	Language
22-Jan-24	Trafficking in Persons	Lesotho (4), Rwanda (4), Liberia (4), Malawi (4), Mauritius (4) Sierra Leone (4), Tanzania (4), Botswana	English
29-Jan-24	Advanced Narcotics Investigations	Botswana (4), RSA (04), Ghana (04), Tanzania (4), Namibia (4), Seychelles (4), Mauritius (4), Kenya (4),	English
29-Jan-24	Hacking and Intellectual Property (ICHIP) Crypto Currency Working Group	Ghana (3), Kenya(4), Mauritius (4), Namibia (4), Nigeria (4), Seychelles (4), Zambia (3), Botswana (4)	English
5-Feb-24	Anti-Collusion in Public Procurement	Togo (6), Botswana (6), DRC (6), Burkina Faso (6), Eswatini (6), Liberia (6)	French
5-Feb-24	Cyber Crime Investigations Course	Nigeria (3), RSA (3), Seychelles (4), Mauritius (4), Angola (4), Brazil (4), Mozambique (4), Botswana (4)	Portuguese
12-Feb-24	Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering	Angola (4), Brazil (4), Mozambique (4), Kenya (4), RSA (4), Tanzania (4), Botswana (4)	Portuguese
13-Feb-24	Point Of Contact Orientation	Angola, Brazil, Mozambique, Lesotho, South Africa, Nigeria, DRC, ROC, Cameroon, Mauritius, Madagascar Malawi, Zambia, Eswatini, Tanzania	English
26-Feb-24	Wildlife Trafficking Investigators Program	Eswatini, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, Botswana (4)	English
4-Mar-24	Advanced Narcotics Investigations	Eswatini (4), Madagascar (4), Mauritius (4), Namibia (4), Seychelles (4), Tanzania (4), Nigeria (4), Botswana (4)	English
11-Mar-24	Trafficking in Persons	Ethiopia (4), Kenya (4), Liberia (4), Nigeria (4), Rwanda (4), RSA (4), Sierra Leone (4), Botswana (4)	English
18-Mar-24	Leadership for Women in Law Enforcement (LWLE)	Gambia (4), Ghana (4), Malawi (4), Mauritius (4), Rwanda (4), Seychelles (4), Zambia (4), Botswana (4)	English
8-Apr-24	Financial Investigations for Public Corruption	Angola (4), Brazil (4), Mozambique (4), Lesotho (4), Liberia (4), Mauritius (4), Rwanda (4), Botswana (4)	Portuguese/French
15-Apr-24	Digital Evidence for Judges and Prosecutors	Eswatini (5), Kenya (4), Mauritius (4), Seychelles (4), Sierra Leone (5), Zambia (4), Botswana (4)	English
22-Apr-24	Using Intelligence in Org Crime Course	Eswatini (5), Ethiopia (5), Kenya (5), Namibia (4), Rwanda (4), Tanzania (4), Uganda (4), Botswana (4)	English
3-May-24	ILEA Alumni Event	Nigeria	English
6-May-24	Protective Security Operations	RSA (5), Botswana (5), Liberia (5). Nigeria (5), Kenya (5), Rwanda (5), Ethiopia (5), Sierra Leone (5)	English
6-May-24	Prosecuting Enviromental Crimes	Botswana (4), Cameroon (4), Congo Brazaville (40), Congo Kinshasa(4), Burundi (4), Madagascar (4), Sychelles (4), Zambia (4)	French
13-May-24	Natural Resource Crime Investigations	Angola (4), Brazil (4), Mozambique (4), Gabon (4), The Gambia (4), Guinea (4), Madagascar (4), Botswana (4)	Portuguese/French
3-Jun-24	International Air Cargo Interdiction and Fraud.	Djibouti (4), Congo - Kinshasa (4), Guinea (4), Ghana (4), Liberia (4), Nigeria (4), Togo (4), Botswana (4)	French
10-Jun-24	Inter-Agency Cooperation in Financial Investigations	Angola (4), Brazil (4), Mozambique (4), Malawi (4), Namibia (4), Nigeria (4), RSA (4), Botswana (4)	Portuguese
24-Jun-24	Critical Communications Skills in Officer/Citizen Instructor	Benin, (4), Cameroon (4), Comoros (4), Congo-Brazzaville (4), Gabon (4), Eswatini, (4), RSA (4),	French



Delegates in Group Photos per Course



Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering



Anti-Collusion in Public Procurement



International Computer Hacking and Intellectual Property (ICHIP) Crypto Currency Working Group



Cyber Crime Investigations



January, Trafficking in Persons



January, Advanced Narcotics Investigations



March, Advanced Narcotics Investigations



Point of Contact



March, Trafficking in Persons



Wildlife Trafficking Investigators

Various Photos from Cultural and Class Events



ILEA HOST THE WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATORS PROGRAM (WTIP):

The International Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA Gaborone) recently hosted the Wildlife Trafficking Investigators Program (WTIP) which commenced on February 26 and ended on March 8, 2024.

This was an all-English-speaking class, consisting of the following countries, Botswana, Eswatini (formerly Swaziland), Ghana, Lesotho, Malawi, Rwanda, Nigeria, and Kenya. This two-week course was instructed by the Subject Matter Experts from the United States Department of the Interior's Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), and it combined both theory and practical exercise. These variety of the classroom activity and the practical exercises which took place in the Hostels, ILEA bushes and at the Gaborone Game Reserve

The course curriculum focused on endangered species law; CITES wildlife trade data, wildlife identification, case initiation and management, digital evidence, surveillance, covert operations, money laundering, interviewing, ethics and corruptions, raid planning, report writing and court preparation.



LEADERSHIP FOR WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT COURSE

The conclusion of the Leadership for Women in Law Enforcement (LWLE) program, which convened delegates from partner nations Botswana, Ghana, Malawi, Mauritius, Rwanda, the Gambia, Seychelles, and Zambia, marks a significant stride in the global endeavor for gender equality and diversity within law enforcement. The week-long program, inaugurated by the United States Ambassador to Botswana, His Excellency Mr. Van Vranken, provided a robust platform for meaningful discussions and exchanges.



The distinguished panelists, including Connector Zulu, a Zambian High Court Judge; Dr Mahlape Morai, the Acting Police Commissioner of the Lesotho Mounted Police Service; and Goabamang Mmadintsi, the Assistant Commissioner of the Botswana Police Service, lent their expertise to enrich the dialogue. With representatives from partner nations and students from Moeding College and Baratani CJSS, the panel fostered an inclusive environment for sharing experiences, challenges, and best practices for advancing women's roles in law enforcement.



The commitment of ILEA Gaborone to ongoing efforts in this realm served as a beacon of inspiration, underscoring the notion that progress is attainable through collective determination and dedication. The panel discussion enhanced the program and the importance of sustained collaboration and support in propelling gender equality and diversity within law enforcement globally.

The 32 LWLE course participants were invited for dinner at the residence of the U.S Ambassador to Botswana. This dinner provided the participants to network with other professionals from the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region. There were other dignitaries from the Botswana government and some of Embassies who graced this occasion. The participants for

their part were elated for the opportunity to network and grow their professional contacts. This event was covered by several media houses and some participants had an opportunity to do print and media interviews.



Wildlife Course Media Day

On Botswana National Television



Acting Program Director Derrick Tolliver and Training Coordinator Dr Baoki Ditau on interview at Gabz FM



Student participant from Baratani CJSS who attended panel discussion



Gabriel Harper, U.S Department of the Interior's Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)



Matthew Matt Fischer, U.S Department of the Interior's Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)



Dr Mahlape Morai, the Acting Police Commissioner of the Lesotho Mounted Police Service



Goabamang Mmadintsi, the Assistant Commissioner of the Botswana Police Service

MISSION STATEMENT

Building capacity and cooperation in and among African law enforcement officials by providing quality training and skills needed in combating transnational crime and other emerging law enforcement challenges effectively and efficiently.

VISION STATEMENT

To be the leader in law enforcement training on the continent of Africa by providing the finest law enforcement training available while maintaining up to date and relevant training capabilities as we grow.

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