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Details from the Secretariat, XVI International Congress of Rheumatology, GPO Box 2609, Sydney, NSW, Australia 2001.

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