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| 41st Land Day  Adalah The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel  http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=4c0bb759968fd1dcd47869809&id=06ea8c9ebd |
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