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"Valdo is great at pursuing strategically difficult issues: we brainstorm in all directions and then together we focus the ideas to come up with specific advice."

"His memos are precise, user-friendly and in impeccable English."

