IPv6 Segment Endpoint Option

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Motivation

- Need to convey instructions to **selected** segment endpoints
 - Possibly for Service Function Chaining
- For example
 - A path contains 5 endpoints
 - Instruction A needs to be delivered to endpoint 3
 - Instruction B needs to be delivered to endpoint 4

Solution

- Put a Destination Options Header in front of the Routing header
 - Processed by each segment endpoint
- Put a Segment Endpoint Option in the Destination Options header
 - Segment Endpoint Option contains a Segments Left field
 - Decremented at each segment endpoint
 - Segment Endpoint Option contains a list of containers
 - Each container contains a Segment ID and IP options
 - IP Options are processed when Segment ID is equal to Segments Left

Next Steps

• Call for adoption in 6man WG