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Take-Home Engineering Challenge: Image Transformation Service

Objective:

Develop a full-stack application that allows users to upload an image, process it through background removal and horizontal flipping, and then manage the resulting images.

Core Functionality Requirements:

1. Image Upload:

- The frontend should provide a clear and intuitive interface for a user to upload a single image file.

2. Image Processing:

- Upon upload, the backend should process the image.
- **Background Removal:** Integrate with a third-party service to remove the background of the uploaded image. *Please utilize free trials or free credits provided by such services to avoid incurring costs.*
- **Horizontal Flip:** After background removal, the image should be horizontally flipped.

3. Image Hosting & Retrieval:

- The processed image (background removed and flipped) must be hosted online.
- The user should receive a unique URL to access their edited image.

4. Image Deletion:

- Provide functionality for the user to delete their uploaded and processed images from the hosting location.

Technical Requirements:

- **Backend:** Must be built using **TypeScript**.
- **Deployment:** The completed application (both frontend and backend) must be **deployed online** and accessible for review. This means providing a live URL.
- **Code Submission:** All source code (frontend and backend) must be shared via a **GitHub repository**.

Most important: Have fun 😊

What we are looking at:

User Experience & Design:

We want to see how you build a complete product end-to-end. It's not about how much time you invest, but how you prioritize quality. We are looking for an intuitive interface that provides clear feedback (like loading states) and feels like a polished tool ready for a user.

Backend Engineering:

Using TypeScript, show us your ability to build a robust and clean service. We will focus on:

- **API Structure:** Clean, logical endpoint design and proper error handling.
- **Process Management:** Efficiently handling the flow between the third-party background removal, the horizontal flip, and cloud storage.
- **Code Quality:** Use of types/interfaces, modularity, and secure management of API keys and file uploads.

Example picture from input to expected result:

