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**Q.** If  $\mathbb{N}_+$  is the set of positive integers, i.e., natural numbers *without* 0, we say that  $a \in \mathbb{N}_+$  divides  $b \in \mathbb{N}_+$  if there exists a  $q \in \mathbb{N}_+$  such that  $b = aq$ . Let us denote this as  $a \preceq b$ . Show that  $\preceq$  is a partial order on  $\mathbb{N}_+$ . Is it also a partial order on  $\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , i.e. the set of all integers excluding 0?