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In Camel the message body can be of any types. Some types are safely readable multiple times, and therefore do not 'suffer' from becoming 'empty'. So when you message body suddenly is empty, then that is often related to using a message type that is no re-readable; in other words, the message body can only be read once. On subsequent reads the body is now empty. This happens with types that are streaming based, such as `java.util.InputStream` etc.

A number of Camel components supports and use streaming types out of the box. For example the HTTP related components, and CXF etc.

Camel offers a functionality [Stream caching](#); that caches the stream, so it can be re-readable. By enabling this cache, the message body would no longer be empty.