

Subject is known to use the diplomatic bags to Turkey, as for example when he writes to the German authorities concerning which of his Arab supporters should receive money. He also has sent friends to Turkey to contact his personal representative and other followers, but HANFINGER (qv) did not know how subject could get a courier through to Syria or Palestine and doubted if that were possible.

GI 163
SIDE #4
AH/421
2/14/15/18/
44.

Subject is now to be found in Germany and has been reportedly in contact with a certain Tunisian who accompanied three Germans to Tetuan.

VC-261 a
Quedra-
Arbaous
7/18/44.

In Report From Palestine mention is made of a report circulating among the Arabs to the effect that Subject has left Germany for Switzerland.

GI-964
C-0
10/16/44.

Subject was with Abwehr II in Berlin until March 1944, and is now in Zittau (Saxony). Since the events in Tunisia he has retired from the political scene almost completely. (information date- 1943.)

FX 88
S-99 (See#
S-100 & S-101
A-1, France
9/22/44.

Five German agents (3 Palestinian Aryan Germans and 2 Arabs) were dropped over Palestine Oct. 6, 1944. Two of these Abu ALI DEWILDER (qv) are still at large. All five had been personally briefed by Subject before leaving Berlin. There is a possibility that RASHID ALI AL-GAYLANI (qv) may be parachuted into Iraq but it is unlikely that he and Subject would at present indulge in any joint mission activity as it is known that they are hostile to each other.

105576
Beirut B-2
Nov. 27, 44.

Subject and Rashid Ali AL-GAYLANI (qv) still on bad terms when expedition of 4 parachutists (Arabs) left Germany for Iraq (11/4) — GAYLANI being discredited to the point of Practical residential detention in Berlin.
(Date of information 12/10/44; eval: B-2)

GI 2007
12/19/44
From AG/000.

Subject lives at Oyben and comes into Berlin periodically. RASSOUL (qv) saw subject in Rome. He saw him again when he was at Oyben doing his wireless tests and on another occasion then he brought the ex-Mufti some documents. Subject appears to live well though his beard is white. KARRADI, a Shia, seems to have found favor with subject. A difference between subject and Rashid Ali started about six months ago. The Germans seem to favor the ex-Mufti because he has been in Germany longer.

XL 5488-1227
Tel Afar Para-
chute Expedition.
A-2,
12/27/1944.
(RASSOUL was
a member of
expedition).

Subject was a friend of MURUZHAN (qv Lebanon). Intervened in MURUZHAN's behalf on various occasions, and even offered him a position and a place to live in Berlin. (SEE interrogation for details.)

GX002-426b
Beirut Interr
1 12/2-9/44

Mentioned by Nuccio as having visited his unit which comprised a detachment of Arabs.

XX-283
3/31/44.

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SOURCES/METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2006

Confirms above GX002-426b.

GNY-65
HQ/001
3/30/45.

Swiss radio reports Grand Mufti arrested and taken to Paris by French Army to be turned over to the British.

LONDON, AP
May 21, 1945.

According to higher officers of SS, order for destruction of Jews was given out by Hitler, but collaboration of subject is discernible.

EX-181
Berne
5/17/45.

After his escape from the Middle East to Berlin worked up contacts w. the German foreign Office who naturally hoped to exploit him for their own ends. Lived in Berlin, Goethestr. 33 or 35. Hoped to be Emperor of a Greater Arab Empire after the war, but continually quarrelled w. Rashid GAYLANI, who apparently had similar hopes. In 1944 left Berlin on acct. of bombing raids.

GX-002-510B,
Cairo, 5/10/5
SIME on KIRCHNER

HOMSI, a certain Arab who received military information from a John SCHURCH, captured enemy agent, is known to the Grand Mufti.

IN-11980
5/2/45 (Caserta)

Palestine Arab political parties are showing particular interest in the fate of the Mufti, and are attempting to ensure his return to Palestine or, at least, his safety and permission to live in a Moslem country. The Arabs have conveniently forgotten his cooperation with the Germans. A newspaper report, however, from the "Morgen Journal" of New York, which was stopped in censorship, accused the Mufti of responsibility for the extermination of Jews in Europe and demands his trial as a war criminal.

GX-002-625a
Saint, Cairo
6/25/45.

MOHAMMED EL HUSSEIN DI MOHAMMED(qv) in contact with subject.

IN-24682
Rome, Italy
9/21/45,

ISLD telegram from Beyrouth dated 28/8/45 describes a new French policy in the Levant, based on a mutually convenient agreement between the French and the Grand Mufti.

GX-a-48
AG 25 6 Sept 45.

Subject and his adjutant Dr. LANDALLI were close collaborators of AMT-6 and SCHELLENBERG personally. Subject had a staff of twenty to thirty men. Similar number was trained in "MELDEDIEST" School near the Hague. In Autumn 1944 and in winter of '44 Arabs and German Palestinians were parachuted in Palestine for sabotage, fomenting revolt, and preparation of further parachute descents. Subject received very high payments. He had agents in Turkey. He was important for Mohammedan Divisions in the Balkans. He also had a Mullah School in Dresden. These Mullahs were going to be used with Mohammedan minorities in Russia.

XX-8002.

It is now clear that the ex-Mufti is in touch with his supporters in Palestine. He is reported to have sent instructions to the Palestine Arab Party and criticized the lack of initiative of the Arab League. Mufti is said to enjoy comparative freedom in Paris.

GX-A-233 Tje
Dec 45, SIME
Security Summ.

A certain Sa'd al-Din ARIF, one of the three main arms smugglers of the Arab Higher Committee, used to meet subject secretly and arrange to draw money for supplies of weapons and ammunition. It is believed that subject had to have the consent and signature of Ahmad HILMI Pasha in drawing these funds. Checks were drawn in the name of Issat DARWISH (qv).

A-54046; 2; C-3
9 April 1945.

An estimate of the Grand Mufti's position.

A-65020, 5-9142
Jan 46 Jerusalem
2, B-3

Re subject the DSDoc inform that, despite repeated requests they themselves have not only been unable to interrogate the Grand Mufti but even to discover in whose hands he is in France.

FPX-7369
Feb. 20, 1946

Prominent Palestinian Zionist subsource rated F-O claims French holding Grand Mufti incommunicado in Paris as Trump-card for wedge against British in Middle East. G.M. and his cousin MUSSEINI claimed by subsource to have been instrumental in planning with Nazis extermination of European Jewry and that both aided SS general eichmann in Budapest. Jamal Husayni (qv).

IN 33649
SI Vienna.
Mar 4' 46.

"The French planned to bring charges against the MUFTI as a War Criminal. This plan was learned by the British who, according to source, threatened the French with Arab uprisings in French Morocco. In retaliation for British interference with their plans to prosecute the MUFTI as a War Criminal the French are now planning to allow the MUFTI to "escape" from Paris to the Middle East."

Jane Burrell
Mar. 7, 1946.

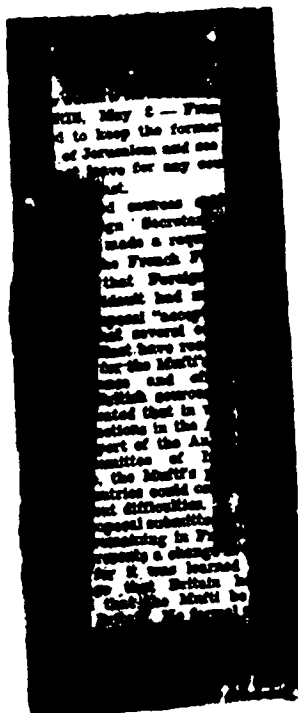
Cable to Paris re above advise.

Washington. Out

Mar.

In an interview with MAKARCZYK of the Polish Diplomatic Mission, MAKARCZYK (qv) stated that the Grand Mufti had been killed by the Nazis.

GX-2405
JOURNAL d'EGYPTE
Mar 15, 1946.



Subject wrote letter to Samih Bey as SUHL (qv) recently requesting him to make the necessary preparations for his (the Mufti's) return to the Middle East. Stated that the French do not object to his residing in the M.E. providing he applies through channels to move.

IN 36881
LONDON 11 My.
1946.

From Cairo: Requests copy of article appearing New York Post 21 April 1946 re status of Grand Mufti as war criminal. IN-36978
5/14/46.

New York Post, Saturday April 20, 1946.

Article in Post by Arthur Hurdich claims that documentary evidence that Haj Amin el HUSSEINI, Grand Mufti, collaborated with the S. D., is now in possession of the Post. Reproduced in an adjoining column are portions of a report by a British security officer about enemy activity in Iraq during the war. It is headed Tel Afar Parachute Expedition; Defence Security Office, C.I.C.I. Baghdad, Iraq; 9 December 1944 and is signed by Wing Commander H.K. Dawson Shepherd, Defence Security Officer. The article further states: "The Mufti, in what apparently is a deal between Britain and France, is expected to turn up soon in the Middle East. The French government recently announced he was free to go wherever he desired. He had been reported under a rest near Paris..." Pouch X-4589
Mar. 16, 46

Documents re the Grand MUFTI were shipped from the Control Section, G-2, USFA to same organization G-2, USFET, dated 21 March 1946, shipping No. 313, info sent by Saint Austria to Saint Germany.

LVI-002-40
404

From Cairo: Re IN 36978 and X-4589

IN 37610
My 3., 46.

Pres. KHURI let slip to WASSWORTH a remark that an influential Moslem of Lebanon (believed to be Riad SULH) had seen the Mufti in Paris, and on return to Beirut had organized very secretly Moslem pressure to permit the Mufti to return to Lebanon.

GIX-338
HGI
5.23.46.

(Note: First definite word of subject's whereabouts since his escape from France appeared in newspapers of 6.20.46 which stated that he was in Egypt, had been received by FARUK, and had been granted asylum there...)

Was flown directly from Paris to Damascus on a Fr. plane by the French. The trip of a bogus Mufti from Paris to Cairo by TWA was to divert attention from Fr. hand in the enterprise. Syrian who arranged the escape was Nabih al-AZIMI, Minister of Defense. Subject, with beard shaved off, arrived 5.29 at Damascus' Mezza Airport where he was met by AZMI who took the Mufti to his house. At start of Bludan Conference when the Pres. found he was there, he had the Mufti brought to Zabdahi where the Mufti met Principal Arab leaders. FARUK agreed to give him asylum and sent his private plane to take the Mufti to al-Anchass. BROWN believes the above report and HGI thinks it quite probable.

GIX-388
F. BROWN
6.27.46

Mufti in Alexandria on July 15, 1946, conferred at Edfina with Emile al-GHOURI, the Secretary of the Palestine Arab Party

GIX-2675
July 16,
1946, B-2.

Reliably reported installed in Palace of Prince Muhammad Ali at Zisania. Guarded by Egyptian army soldiers.

Reliable;
GIX-2717
Aug. 12,
1946.

Reliably reported installed in villa of Princess SHUKAR at the Sharia St. Genis, off the Sharia Marshal. Allentby.

Reliable;
GIX-2749
Aug. 23,
1946.

NYT: Cairo.9.6.46: Grand Mufti of Jerusalem; expected in Cairo that he would reassume leadership of Arab Higher Com. of Pal. & reunite dissident parties that recently formed own higher front.

NYT, Cairo, 11.6.46: No definite news of his arrival anywhere, but Arab League says he is in an Arab country.

NYT. Alex. 5.7.46: Arrived in Alexandria.

Afif TIBI (qv - Lebanon) quotes recent views of Subject; says he has never known him to be so pro-British.

VLB-86
HO 1/1; B-3
12.16.46.

See GNY 475, Sept. 4, 1946, for visit of Muhammad Rustum TARRARA on Aug. 30, 1946.

VEC-137.
2 Jan. 47
BRT. Mon. Intell
Rev.

Subject about to organize a new Palestine Arab Committee (qv) to include 10 members exiled from Palestine and from within Palestine. This may have some connection with the National Arab League discussed late in November at the Arab Club on Malika Farida Square.

At meeting in subject's house, Sept. 1946, a new Arab organization, the League of Arab Nations (qv) was said to be formed.

To be wider than the Arab League with representatives from North Africa and all Arab Nation alist groups.

Unconfirmable
Jewish source.

Reported by friend to be planning to set up the JAMAAT el ENSA (qv) a new organization with branches in every Arab state, with its central committee the Majlis el Sehebe (qv) headed by himself. (For info on organization see its card.)

Kel-1119
28 Jan. 47
Source. V-Rgl.

Mufti now able have unrestricted telephonic communication with Palestine. Averages at least 1 call per day. Staff with Mufti at present home in Helmeieh includes Rasim el KHALIDI and Ishak DARWISH, who handle finances; Haider HUSSEINI, in charge of Public Relations; Munif; HUSSEINI, in charge of Personnel Affairs; also: Issat el DARWAZA and Hassan Abu SEAUD, of Issawi village near Jerusalem, former chief assistants before war in organizing Mufti's policies of terrorism, agent Arab opponents. (qv all).

IN 48811
12 Feb. 1947.
C-3.

Mufti has insisted that ALAMI (qv) Director of Arab Bureau in Jerusalem, London and Washington must be responsible to him and not to Yuri SAID of Iraq. Mufti also gave ultimatum that Alami must acknowledge this or close bureaus.

IN-49215. 26
Feb. 47. C-3

BAIER and Henry PHARON, Lebanese Minister Foreign Affairs, visited MUFTI 19 March. Mufti agreed with suggestion of PHARON that Arab League submit Palestinian Question to UNO before England submits some. PHARON assured MUFTI all members LEAGUE accept Iraq and Transjordan will support this move. MUFTI agreed and plan will be submitted for formal voting shortly. Mufti also endorsed plan suggested by BAIER and PHARON that Arab League attempt win support of Catholics throughout world against Jews. PHARON promised to direct his diplomatic representatives abroad to attempt to secure this support immediately. MUFTI also disclosed that ARAB HIGHER COMMITTEE will not cooperate with any new board of inquiry which British might send to Palestine. All members of ANC except Doctor Hussein KHALDI are now in Cairo and meeting MUFTI.

IN 11185
22 Mar 47
C-3.

See background and description of Grand Mufti's "Arab plan" in VEC. & cards on JAMAAT el Ensa & Lagnat el Mutamar el Shaabia Arabi.

VEC-153.
B-2, K-3
Jan. 1947.

Cairo- 9 April- Arab News Agency)

The Arab Higher Committee of Palestine (qv) met today under the chairmanship of Subject, to discuss the Palestine question in preparation for its reference to the UN.

FBIS - 37
15 Apr 1947.

May 14, Mufti declared he attached little importance to decisions of UNO and considered that the Pal question should be settled in Palestine by Arab countries.

KEL 3950
9 Jun 47.

He had instructed the Ara delegates at UNO to try to work with Great Britain and to persuade British to remain neutral in struggle between Arabs and Jews.

Mufti intimated that he was hoping shortly to publish a declaration in which he would refute, by means of new documents, what he described as the false accusations spread by the Jews about his alleged pro-Axis activities during war.

Is reported to have sent Akram ZUWAYTIR (Lebanon) on four month propaganda mission among Lebanese and Syrian groups in Brazil and Argentina. ZUWAYTIR left Rome on 17 July, after a 4 day stay, for Brazil via Amsterdam.

IN 1854
21 July 47.

Subject is now in Alep, Lebanon. Called on Lebanese Minister and attended secret meeting of Arab Higher Executive. Sofar resolutions.

FBIB-160
9 Oct 1947.

Lebanese president gave orders that Mufti is to be guest of Lebanese government during his stay in country.

FBIB-158
7 Oct 1947.

Subject told Beirut paper the withdrawal of British from Palestine is essential prerequisite and their declaration is satisfactory. Arabs are waiting for its execution to achieve rights in full.

FBIB-166
17 Oct 1947.

Subject, accompanied by members of Higher Arab Executive, arrived in Damascus on 25 October. Was received at border by Chief of Syrian General Staff and QAWUQJI. Subject also met with Azzam PASHA, Arab League Secretary General.

FBIB-172
27 Oct 1947.

Subject claims that Palestine is for the Palestinians. Believes Palestinian Arab revolt would probably be sufficient. Said "Give us material help and we would do the rest." Reserves for himself role of leader—flatly refuses QAWUQJI the role he is anxious to play. Subject met with QAWUQJI at Arab Sessions at Alep but came to no agreement.

RLB 64
F-3
14 Oct 1947.

Subject met with President QUMATJI at Zebdani, Syria on 25 Oct. Also present were D. Najib ARMANAZI, Syrian Minister to London, Janil Mardam Bay, Muhain BARAZI, Ryad SULH, AZZAM Pasha, and Mouin MADI and Issat DARVAZAH of Arab Higher Committee. Subject of meeting was Palestine Revolt. Absent were QAWUQJI and SHARABATI.

Damascus A-397
7 Nov. 1947.

When subject arrived Beirut, he called leaders of various Arab factions together both to solve the problem of Arab leadership and to impress the Arab League. Mufti is reported to have convinced the league that the underground is stronger than ever and that it will start activity when Arab state troops begin to move. He claimed that the underground numbered 16,000 men equipped with small arms. The Mufti is interested only in irregular volunteer troops.

REL-1721
Reliable
14 Oct 47.

Relations between subject and Qawuqji definitely bad despite meeting at Zebdane. Qawuqji says subject is discrediting him. Iraq government opposed to subject and to Hashimi. Factions arising in Palestine, against subject and Arab Higher Executive. Led by Ahmad Hilmi PASHA. Arab League Military Committee unwilling to turn funds over to subject.

SO-10045
B-3
5 Dec 1947.

Syrian Government reported to have told MUFTI that his visit to DAMASCUS would be detrimental to national cause. MUFTI sent nephew Ishaq DARWISH to Damascus to see about this. Lebanese Security says subject is known throughout world as Nazi collaborator and the Jews would exploit this.

REL-73
B-3
25 Oct 1947.

Reported that Arab League Military Committee has now accepted subject as sole responsible leader of Palestine lead Arabs. Subject proposed HASHIMI as commander in chief.

SO-10189
B-3

On December 1, 1947 returned to Lebanon from Syria after contacting Higher Arab Executive members and Palestine Liberation Committee.

FBIB-196
2 Dec 1947.

Reported that subject's trip to Lebanon for Arab League Meetings at Alep facilitated by Egyptian Ministry of Interior on direct instructions of government and with Faruk's connivance.

REL-1721
10 Nov 1947

Reported that prior to subject's departure for Lebanon he was approached by Shabatai LEVI, head of Haifa, and David HACHOEN, of Hagana. Man who brought request for interview said proposition was to get Arab agreement to bring 50-60,000 Jews from Europe. After this immigration closed and prepared to discuss establishment of bi-national state. Overtures led to nothing.

REL-1721
10 Nov 1947

Arrived in Cairo 8 Dec to attend Arab Premiers meeting on resistance. Will return to Beirut in few days. Hopes to get to Palestine as soon as possible.

FBIB-201
9 Dec 1947.

Following subject's conversation with President QUNATLI at Zebdani on October 26, 1947, latter said privately that the Mufti was waiting for UN to pronounce its decision on Palestine question. Mufti felt optimistic over prospects of Arab cause before UN and was confident that UNSCOP majority report would not be adopted. In this event, Mufti intended to claim publicly suppression of the Mandate, formation of an Arab Government, and the complete stoppage of Jewish immigration. Though QUNATLI was in agreement with this plan, other sources reported that AZZAM PASHA and Riad SOLH were endeavoring to dissuade Mufti from hastily proclaiming Arab government. They consider that this should only be done if and when the News take some provocative step—such as the proclamation of a Jewish State or the delivery of an attack upon the Arabs. Riad SOLH in particular is strongly opposed to the idea of the Mufti's becoming head of the State in Palestine. Several sources report Mufti has postponed indefinitely his idea of returning to Egypt to settle up outstanding business. He finds facilities offered by Lebanon ideal for maintenance of contact with Arab resistance circles and has therefore decided to remain in Beirut or its immediate vicinity.

High Lebanese officer told Amer. Minister that differences between Mufti and QAWUQJI were owing to latter's desire to command the irregular forces in Pal., while the Mufti did not want him to (although Mufti doesn't want to command them himself.) For the good of the cause they've agreed to obtain another leader. Disagreement between the Mufti and ABDULLAH due to a clash of personalities. Source stated that latter would not dare to take over the Arab portion of Palestine even though it is reported that he desires to do so.

Reported that the Syrian Government would not tolerate the presence of the MUFTI in Syria and so in June 1945 QUNATLI and IBN SAUD pressured King FARUK to accept him in Egypt. Syrian leaders felt subject was essentially a collaborator of the British. Feared his scheme for the Arab world was a grand league presided over by himself—and felt the British would like this. Didn't want him in Syria undermining their system. Felt QAWUQJI was less dangerous.

Apparently Emile Ghury has suggested that the Mufti would agree to cooperate with Transjordan. Ghury is reportedly closest man to subject.

Reported that SHARABATI tried to iron out differences between subject and QAWUQJI but subject refused to accept him.

Myron Neville's report on Mufti's position in Palestine: All sources agree Mufti's position strong with Pal. Arabs as a whole, the same say support is purely political. Subject's closest advisers are JAMAL HUSSEINI & EMILE GHOURI; also Munif HUSSEINI, ISHAQ DARWISH & SHEIKH HUSSEIN ABU SNOWD. Mufti has no formal intelligence organization, but keeps himself informed re Palestine by seeing all Arabs who come to Egypt from there.

Report re the antagonism between the Mufti and QAWUQJI—also a report on the opposition of ABDULLAH's followers in Palestine to the Mufti.

ABDULLAH reportedly trying to get Palestine on Hajjadah on his side rather than on side of MUFTI.

Reported that a great amount of arms has been received by MUFTI from leaders of Bedouin tribes of Anaza and Shammar for Arabs of Palestine. They are delivered to Ishak DARWISH. During stay in Damascus subject refused to receive BAGHDASH and Amir FAUR FAUR.

Reported that the Mufti considers the Arab Cause in Palestine lost and blames the British.

REL 2051
28 Nov 47.

MA, Beirut
12 Nov 47.

RLR-115
C-2 25 Nov
1947.

London to
State, 35
5 Jan 48.

RLR 126
B-2 2 Dec 47

VPJ-109
5 Aug/47.

JA Digest
No 16
28 Mar 48.

RLR-166
C-2 16 Dec
1947.

RLR-177
C-2 16 Dec 1947
B-3

RLR-192
C-2 30 Dec
1947.

Assam Pasha has exerted pressure on the MUFTI to obtain reconciliation with Musa ALAMI and others. ALAMI, Auni Bey HADI, Hussein KHALIDI, and Derwish MAQDADI of the Jerusalem Arab Office are now meeting in Damascus under the aegis of QUBBATLI, presumably prior to proceeding to Cairo for a meeting with the MUFTI. Since the Arab Offices have now been taken over by the Arab League it is expected that ALAMI will resume his role in Pal politics. Emile GHURI, standing to lose importance by reconciliation, has gone to Cairo to try to influence the MUFTI against such a move. Reconciliation is significant of an opening for more moderate views regarding the future of Pal.

See document for Jewish Agency analysis (Internal Report) of the Mufti's reactions to ARAB LEAGUE decisions, etc.

See report for JEWISH AGENCY's analysis of declining HUSAYNI influence.

State 103
Jerusalem
29 Jan 48.

RPJ 170
Jewish Agency
21 Jan 48.

RPJ 246
Jewish Agency
19 Feb 48.

A man arriving in Beirut from Jerusalem said there is strong feeling among the various groups of Arab leaders against the MUFTI and the HUSAYNI family. The Arab leaders are now requesting that the forces of King ABDASSAH be allowed to occupy all Arab parts of Palestine, forcing the Jews to surrender. The HUSAYNI groups oppose this as they believe ABDALAH would thus annex Palestine to Trans-Jordan and bring about Greater Syria.

RLB-242
(Pal)
8-3 Jan.
1948.

Subject flew from Cairo to Damascus. Met with Syrian government officials and Fawzi Qawuqji.

NY Times
3 Feb 48.

Now in Damascus. Apparently has abandoned Cairo proposal for provisional Palestine administration in face of Syrian objections and criticism some of AHE including Muin MADI.

Dama to
State 80
6 Feb 1948.

Reported that subject has now become the official representative of Palestine at the Arab League and will attend all League meetings from now on.

FBIB-250
18 Feb 1948.

Made a member of the Special Commission for Pal (former Supreme Council for Pal) of the Arab League. An uneasy accord exists between members of the Pal Istiqlal Party now in Damascus (who are supported by QAWUQJI, QUMATLI and the Damascus Committee for the Defense of Pal.) The Mufti is aware of the antagonism and is agitating for the replacement of Subhi KHADRA on the Arab League Mil. Com; favors replacement by Ishaq DARWISH or Teqfiq Kanj Ahmad.

WEL 4769
IN 39549
9 Apr 48.

Reported that subject has begun to organize his own levies of volunteers in Lebanon. His emissaries are discreet and wish to keep the matter confidential.

RLB 298
5-3 5 Mar
1948.

Subject and Arab Higher Executive Headquarters have moved to Damascus.

Damascus,
A-163
31 Mar 1948.

Ishaq DARWISH, nephew of subject, stated that subject had received a threatening letter from Amman which states that if subject continues to work against ABDULLAH and G S scheme he and his followers will be murdered. Believe letter was instigated by ABDULLAH to intimidate MUFTI.

RLB-354
14 Apr 48
B-C.

Subject arrived in Damascus a few days ago and appears to be very much concerned about his personal safety. He does not stay in the house rented for him by the Syrian Govt. He sometimes sleeps in the house of Rida MARDAM Bay and sometimes at the Saufi Arabian Legation. Ishaq DARWISH, subject's nephew and private secretary, says subject fears assassination is greater threat from supporters of King Abdullah than from the Zionists.

RLB-415
(B-C), 12 May
1948

MUFTI attended conference held in Damascus on 5 May at ended by QUMATLI, AZZAM Pasha, S&L Primins, TJ For. Min. and Defense Mins of S&L and Iraq. Mufti joined later. Serious divergence of views arose over latest American proposal for Truce and prolongation of mandate for 10 days. At above conference, Mufti was ignored by all parties. He had previously sent Dr. Rushdi TAMIMI to ABDULLAH to prepare the way for a reconciliation, but QUMATLI has since advised him against meeting with ABDULLAH. Subject has now summoned 10 of his loyal supporters to Damascus in order to discuss their attitude toward ABDULLAH and the possibility of forming an Arab Gov. in Pal.

IN 42781
11 May 48
WEL 3455.

Apparent exclusion of MUFTI from peace talks at Amman seen AL move to end authority to speak for Pal. Arabs.

Damas to
State 343
Con 892
2 Jun 48.

ATIYAH, Secy of Arab Office, London, reports that MUFTI no longer wields much influence - Musa ALAMI is rapidly assuming leadership of Pal. Arabs.

London to
State 2469
con 1730
4 Jun 48.

Al-Hayat's correspondent understands that Amin al-Hussaini, arrived by air Beirut from Cairo yesterday afternoon.

RLBU-24
Press for
24, -
25 May 1948.

MUFTI opposed truce from beginning; still insists on following conditions for solution: 1) abolition of Israel; 2) cessation of Jewish immigration; 3) Pal Arabs to decide own future; 4) Jews who have acquired legal Pal citizenship to remain and all other to be turned out; 5) no solution to be valid unless approved by MUFTI's own version of the ARAB HIGHER EXEC. MUFTI has declared if Arabs states are induced by Britain to acknowledge annexation of Arab Pal to Transjordan or to tolerate Israel, he is firmly resolved to stir up Arab populations against their rulers. MUFTI has been devoting money and effort to maintenance of own guerillas in Pal; first week in June gathered a number of guerilla leaders in Damascus and promised them money, equipment and ammunition; during following week paid LE.8000 to Rafiq TA'IMI, Damascus rep of AHE, and LE.7000 to Kamal HADDA, Beirut rep of AHE, for purchase of arms and ammunition. Told a Syrian journalist that the ARAB LEAGUE cut down its monthly allocation to him to LP.5000 after 15 May. In early June delegation representing the MUFTI left Damascus to raise money and disseminate propaganda in Iraq, Iran and Pakistan; all 3 members of delegation were prominent IKHJAN members. At beginning of June Musa ALAMI and Yusuf HAKKAL visited Lebanon to persuade Pal notables to go to Amman for election of members of proposed Arab Pal office, an anti-MUFTI body intended to replace the AHE. Were not successful; HAKKAL formed committee of Pal youth to make propaganda in Lebanon and Pal against the MUFTI.

Subject arrived in Cairo from Beirut.

FBIB AFP
15 Jun 1948.

Mufti called on Henri PHARON during his visit to Beirut 13 Jun. Stayed about an hour. They reviewed the Palestine question.

RLBU-28
Telegraph
16 Jun 1948.

Many Arab refugees who left Pal and arrived in Transjordan have been arrested in Amman as agents of the MUFTI. The MUFTI has been inciting his men to go to AMMAN as Pal refugees, with the aim of assassinating ABDALAH. Among those arrested was a notable from Jerusalem.

FBIB Voice of
Is 14 Jul 48.

MUFTI attended the 18 July meeting of the Ad Com of the ARAB LEAGUE at which decision was made to accept the cease fire; declared that the decision was regrettable and that the Pal people would continue the struggle.

WEL 6792
IN 48575
23 July 48.

MUFTI has private irregular force numbering between 1000 and 3000 operating in Pal.

MA Beirut
NR 166 CM
IN 3581
IN 48184
16 July 1948.

Subject met the Turkish Minister to Lebanon (Celal Abiocoglu) and his Secretary Munis Bay; the Turkish Minister to Syria; and President QAWUATLI at the latter's residence to discuss the possibility of making a military treaty for defense against 'ABDALAH from creating Greater Syria.

RLB-456
B-2 Jun
1948.

The MUFTI reportedly is now making independent plans for creation of an Arab Pal govt and is continuing to struggle toward the end.

MA Damascus
CL 198 CM
IN 33.
30 July 1948

The MUFTI and his followers are very much concerned about QAWUQJI's propaganda against him and the newly formed Arab Govt in Pal, composed of a majority of the MUFTI's followers. MUFTI believes that the death of 'Abd-al-QADIR HUSAYNI was arranged by QAWUQJI. Syrian govt has received reports that the MUFTI has hired Bashir TUQAN and Subhi 'Abd-al-Qadir SHAHIN of Pal to murder QAWUQJI; these two came to Damascus and proceeded to village of Kutayn in Pal to carry out deed. Propaganda is increasing in Damascus in favor of an Arab temporary govt in Pal composed mainly of followers of the MUFTI. This is favored by the S'abab MOHAMMAD and ISTIQLAL societies.

RLB 569
C-3
21 July 48.

Mufti and Qawuqji have arrived at a "provisional" agreement over the control and formation of a new Liberation Army.

Dama to State
508, 7 Aug 48
2314

MUFTI's independent recruiting drive among Pal refugees got off to a disappointing start 1 Aug.

State 501 1093
Dama 4 Aug 48.

MUFTI recently sent a rep to IBN SAUD with instructions to remind him of the aid given him by the MUFTI during the war with the Yaman. Rep reportedly was to suggest to IBN SAUD that he reciprocate in kind, if not at present, then at time his plans are put into effect.

RPJ 331
F-3
May 48.

MUFTI has sent 5 followers to Transjordan 1) to establish close contact with MOSLEM PIONEERHOOD reps; 2) to create active cells among Pal Arab refugees; 3) to stir up trouble and spread anti-ABDULLAH sentiment with a view to diverting ABDULLAH's attention from Pal. Three of these reps said to be Mustafa KASIM of Tulkarm; Shaikh Ibrahim Darwish of Hebron; Ismael Abu DUKAN of Safad. Following are MUFTI's agents in Old City: Abdul Latif FAYYID of Suba; Fares IBBISH; Shukri ARYAD, a Christian from Haifa area. These are said to be insignificant villagers who are more or less ignored by Arab forces. A small number of British officers, specially trained in guerrilla warfare, has recently arrived in Pal and they are now in various MUFTI-organized Arab gangs located throughout Pal. They supposedly are to instruct Arabs in guerrilla tactics - part of MUFTI's plan for future operation in Pal.

RPJ 350
F-3
26 Aug 1948.

The MUFTI is starting a new campaign to recruit gangs to be used in breaking the truce, and to undertake propaganda to undermine ABDULLAH's prestige and force withdrawal of Arab Legion from Palestine. A partisan army in Palestine is projected which could fight without legally breaking truce, give time for reorganizing regular forces. Also, such an army would force Jews to spread forces and hence would weaken them. AZZAM PASHA is the leading spirit. The MUFTI is said to be receiving considerable help from the Egyptians in Hebron & southern districts of Palestine. One of MUFTI's strongest adherents is apparently Munir Abu FADIL.

RPJ-355
G-3
11 Aug 1948.

Subject and his followers are much concerned about Fawzi QAMUQJI's propaganda against the Mufti. Subject believes that the deaths of Abd-al-Qadir HUSAYNI and Hasan SALAMAH were arranged by QAMUQJI. The Syrian Government has received reports that Subject has hired Bashir TUQAN and Ab-al-Qadir SHAMIN of Palestine to murder QAMUQJI.

RLB-560
G-3
21 Jul 1948.

The MUFTI is starting a new campaign to recruit gangs to be used in breaking the truce, and to undertake propaganda to undermine ABDULLAH's prestige and force withdrawal of Arab Legion from Palestine. A partisan army in Palestine is projected which could fight without legally breaking truce, give time for reorganizing regular forces. Also, such an army would force Jews to spread forces and hence would weaken them.

RPJ-355
G-3
12 Aug 1948.

MUFTI was indignant at acceptance of cease fire by ARAB LEAGUE; decided to conduct guerrilla warfare in Pal. Intends to set up hq in Bethlehem. Expects to receive money, arms and equipment from Arab states. Maintains he can provide 5000 men fully armed (probably Pal-stinians trained at Qatanah); will recruit others from Pal and surrounding areas. On 21 July MUFTI was induced by Lebanon of Defence to meet QAMUQJI at Aley. MUFTI proposed that QAMUQJI join forces in conducting irregular warfare in Pal; QAMUQJI willingly agreed. Net of agents and informers previously maintained by MUFTI in Pal and Levant states has been seriously dislocated by recent hostilities. Chief agents are: Jerusalem: Sadaldin ARIF; Hericho: Ali Muheddin HUSAYNI; Nablus: Faisal NABLUS; Beqron: Sheikh Abdul Faj ARAFI; Jenin: Abdul Afu ARAM. Liaison Officers between MUFTI and his followers in Pal: Munir ABU FADIL, Qassim ZIYAWI, Ibrahim ABU DIYA, Khalid HUSAYNI.

REL 7291
17 Aug 48
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Source.

MUFTI held a number of meetings in Lebanon to discuss Pal question and to plan a revolt against the Hashimites. See report for persons who attended meetings. MUFTI visited Muhammad Tawfiq KHALID, Mufti of Leb, and told him that Rumaina, Czech and Yugoslavia will supply arms and ammunition for use in Pal. Added that USSR was back of this program and would also supply arms if Arab states came to an agreement with her.

RLB 642
B-2; C-3
7 Sept 48.

While subject was staying at the Nab'a al-Shuqayf Hotel near Bhandun during the latter part of Aug, Said ZA'IM, Muhammad 'Ali MEYYIR, Nassuh Bey BUKHARI and Ahmad Pasha RAMI visited him and discussed the necessity of coming to an agreement with ABDULLAH and with the British. MUFTI replied he would not agree to ABDULLAH's ruling one foot of Leb territory as long as he lived. Called ABDULLAH the No. 1 Zionist agent and a British stooge whose only aim is to satisfy them at the expense of the Arab nation. MUFTI swore to continue efforts to save Pal even if he remains alone in the field.

RLB 644
B-2
13 Sept 48.

A Russian Colonel, Nikolai NOVYKOV, told Akram ZU'AYYIR and Raja'i HUSAYNI about the middle of August at a meeting at Hammama that hoped to meet the MUFTI secretly either in Cairo or Damascus.

RLB 651
A-2
13 Sept 48

Subject has been hurriedly summoned to Egypt following discovery in his house near Cairo very considerable stocks arms and explosives. Discovery has seriously discredited Mufti with Egyptian Government.

IN 10592
REL 7262
18 Aug 1948.

In early June subject sent a team of 5 liaison officers to Gaza from Egypt; were under Amin AKL and were to make preparations for later arrival in Gaza of the MUFTI. Egyptian military governor of Gaza, acting on Cairo instructions, at first tried to cooperate with MUFTI's mission and openly sided with Amin AKL in disputes which broke out between mission and local population, esp Jaffa refugees. Shortly after truce MUFTI's mission was forced to return to Cairo as result of persistent opposition and threats of violence from Jaffa refugees who were backed by majority of Gaza population. After conclusion of truce MUFTI ordered representatives in Southern Pal to proceed to Cairo and those in northern Pal to Damascus, to receive French instruction; orders passed over MUFTI's wireless stations operating at Ain Sinia on Jerusalem-Nablus road and in Jerusalem and Gaza. MUFTI appears to have exercised some influence over IKHWAN members now serving in Egyptian Army in Pal; latter have been putting out propaganda clearly MUFTI inspired that if Pal falls to APDALLAH its absorption by British imperialism is inevitable. MUFTI's relations with IKHWAN in Syria and Lebanon also reported good. Jamil RAWI, Iraq Minister to Transjordan said privately that AZZAM Pasha and Jamil MARDAM have recently shown greater sympathy for MUFTI's plans. MUFTI's influence gaining in those parts of Pal now occupied by TRANSJORDAN ARMY but inefficiently administered by Transjordan military governors, esp because no machinery has been set up for essential food and health services.

REL 6454
IN 47248
8 Jul 48.

Subject intends to set up hq in Bethleem for guerrilla warfare in Pal. Expects to receive money, arms and equipment from Arab govts. Maintains he can already provide 5000 men fully armed (probably Palestinians trained at Qatanah) and will recruit others from Pal and surrounding states. On 21 July MUFTI induced by Leb Def Min to meet QAWUQJI at Alep; MUFTI proposed QAWUQJI agreed. Network of agents and informers previously maintained by MUFTI in Pal and Levant seriously dislocated by hostilities. At present chief agents are Sadaldin 'REF (Jerusalem), Ali Muheddin HUSAYNI (Jericho), Faisal NARLUS (Nablus), Shaikh 'Abd-al-Haj ARAFI (Hebrib), 'Abd-al-Afu AMIN (Jenin). Liaison officers between MUFTI and followers in Pal are Munir 'Abd-al-FADEL, Qassem RIMAWY, Ibrahim Abu-DIYA and Khalid HUSAYNI

IN 10922
REL 7291
23 Aug 48.

MUFTI proposed that the Arab states officially declare their neutrality while secretly inciting the people to action but had no solution to offer as to how to obtain arms for this program.

IN 10919
REL 7290
23 Aug 48.

IKHWAN in recent months has increasingly supported the MUFTI. IKHWAN paper, al Manar, published veiled pro-Soviet articles timed to coincide with the rumored visit of the MUFTI to Turkey, about 26 July 1948. Report of visit has never been confirmed; this is not first rumor of MUFTI's dealings with Soviets. Subject believes he recently approached the Russians Legation officials in Beirut. (Above statements made by Wilfred KIRKPATRICK, British press officer.)

State 4-299
1401 Dama
30 Aug 1948.

Subject and QAWUQJI were called in by President QUWATLI of Syria and ordered to end their feud and come to an agreement on continuing the war in Palestine. The Mufti is to head the "people's committee" but his authority is much less clearer than QAWUQJI's and he wants more support on his political plans.

RSD-59
B-2
7 Aug 1948.

Police raid on 4 buildings occupied by MUFTI and retainers in Cairo on 10 Aug netted quantities of a munition sufficient to take 4-5 days to transfer them to govt storage. (British security forces also informed that raids were made on houses of the MUFTI.)

REC 538
F-3
27 Aug 48
SO 17189.

On 10 Aug MUFTI made a violent attack on HASHEMITES in Sadat Mosque in Damascus, calling them slaves of British imperialism, terming ABDULLAH No. 1 Zionist agent and the man responsible for Pal catastrophe. Abused ARAB LEAGUE Political Committee for accepting truce. MUFTI recently wished to go to Iraq as guest of ex-premier Muhammad SADR to work against the HASHEMITES: QUWATLI asked him to postpone visit, on ground that present Iraqi premier holds same views and is working hard for Pal cause.

RLB 606
B-2
16 Aug 48.

MUFTI has accepted formation of Prov Pal Admin on lines approved by ARAB LEAGUE Pol Com.
Accepted that this govt be under presidency of Ahmad HILMI.

FBIB Beirut
15 Sept 48.

Mufti on 23 Sept renounced announcement of formation of Pal Arab govt as premature and list of cabinet members tentative. Higher committee member of ARAB LEAGUE on 23 Sept stated that formation of govt was not official without his (MUFTI) approval which is being withheld.

MA Cairo
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IN 4694
26 Sept 48.

Subject was received on 26 Sept by Mokras Pasha in the latter's office at the Interior Min. Subject stated discussion, which lasted 3/4 hour, dealt with recent developments of Pal situation and the setting up of Pal Arab Govt.

FBIB Cairo
26 Sept 48.

Word sent to MUFTI supporters in other areas to rally to Gaza as soon as possible. Lorries... by Egyptian troops have arrived in Bethlehem carrying small arms which are being distributed to anti-HASHEMITE elements. A band of irregulars is established near Ramallah and in 1936 style is levying money and recruits from villages and holding courts of justice all in the MUFTI's name. Definite attempt being made, according to KIRKBRIDE, to create disturbed conditions in Pal area occupied by TJ forces.

State 4312
10107 London
29 Sept 48.

Subject was elected president of the Arab National Assembly by unanimous vote of the 83 members present at the meeting at Gaza.

FBIB Paris
30 Sept 1948.

Irregulars: 1) average of varying estimates indicates present strength is between 4-5000 with ultimate goal of 20,000. Present strength is decided increase from July estimate of 1500 and due to increasing response from Pal area. 2) Leadership, objectives and organization is vague. MUFTI appears figurehead with Iraqi Gen. Taha Pasha HASHIMI indicated as actual military commander. Jerusalem sector commander is Tarik Bey AFRIKI, Turkish-educated Nigerian. Potential leader is Muir Abu-Fadel, Pal Arab of Lebanese origin formerly with CID, currently at Gaza forming new pal army. 3) Equipment heterogeneous, largely British and Canadian, but adequate. Artillery and armored support occasionally received from regular armies with which they are operating at the time. 4) Disposition uncertain due to constant changes. Majority believed to be in Jerusalem area, some between Jerusalem and Latrun, some in Nablus-Jerim-Tulkarm area. Believed that these forces operate at different times under ARAB LEGION and Egyptian command. 5) Capabilities appear much stronger than QAWUQJI's forces. Israelis consider them first in combat efficiency after ARAB LEGION. Financial support derived from AHE, ARAB NATIONAL BANK and WAQF.

MA Beirut
183 CM IN 17
30 Sept 48.

MUFTI present on Pal territory for first time since 1936 when he attended the 30 Sept meeting at Gaza of Arab National Congress.

MA Cairo
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CM IN 414
1 OCT 48.

No evidence exists that Egypt is sponsoring or assisting the MUFTI or the Arab govt. NOKRASHI's statement that he would not facilitate the MUFTI'S activities seems borne out by the fact that the MUFTI departed Cairo for Gaza on a chartered plane even though Egyptian Army planes go daily to Gaza. (Senior British Embassy officials concur in this opinion, suggesting that KIRKBRIDE sees all events in Pal through press HASHIMI Spectacles) MUFTI reportedly possesses \$200,000, collected from South American sources, for Arab govt.

State 1439 930
Cairo 3 0 48.

Cable from Cairo reporting conversation with TJ Minister who stated re Arab govt of Pal that indications are that MUFTI and company are making no headway in Pal. Apart from 10,000 refugees in TJ who have been protesting against establishment of govt, following persons have come out against govt. Yusuf HEYKAL, Sulayman TOUQAN, Mohammad Ali JAPARI, Issa BANDAK, Major TULKARIM, Dr. A KHALID. Minister stated Egyptian Army at Gaza resents MUFTI and govt. (London comment: Minister is prejudiced source.)

State 4385
1264 London
4 Oct 48.

Arab National Council has issued certain statement's giving subject whole authority and the right to veto any decisions adopted by the Gaza govt.

FBIB Tel Aviv
5 Oct 48.

MUFTI irregulars: Arabs who fought with the ARAB Legion and the Iraqi and Egyptian forces after 15 May. Strength and capabilities have increased considerably in last few months; now has over 4000 men; is adequately armed. There are indications that the MUFTI's irregulars will be known as the REGULAR ARMY OF THE PAL ARAB GOVT and will be supported covertly by the ARAB LEAGUE. Armed opposition to Israel could be continued in this way without involving any Arab state.

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Review
No. 137
7 Oct 48.

MUFTI returned to Cairo on 7 Oct where he conferred with Egyptian authorities and with the Iraqi Premier, Nuzahim Anin PACHACHI.

NYT
8 Oct 48

According Chapman Andrews, Subject's surprise return due to recall by King. King reportedly promised asylum if subject refrain from political activities. Subject's participation in Palestine govt & as leader of Constituent Assembly at Gaza contrary to promise. Sources close to subject state his return to Gaza "indefinite".

Cairo to
State 1468
3262
9 Oct 1948.

British Embassy Cairo cable of 9 Oct states that while MUFTI is under close police supervision, he is not under house arrest. He will not be allowed to reenter Pal from Egypt. CHAPMAN-ANDREWS comments that when the news of the MUFTI's return becomes known this "will surely weaken the PAG and put FARUQ and the Egyptian govt unequivocally in opposite camp to that of MUFTI".

State 4453
3618 London
11 Oct 48.

MUFTI, Jamal HUSAYNI and AZZAM Pasha had a meeting on 11 Oct at which they discussed the opposition of ABDULLAH to the Gaza govt and the question of non-approval by the ARAB LEAGUE of a loan to the Gaza govt to avoid annoying ABDULLAH. It was decided to send delegation to AMMAN to effect other contacts to persuade ABDULLAH to change his attitude.

FBIB Tel
Aviv
12 Oct 48.

MUFTI attended a meeting of the Society for the Amalgamation of Islamic Sects in March 1947 and expressed a desire to become a member. Sa'id Taqi QUMI (or Sayyid Muhammad QUMI), founder of the Society, opposed the MUFTI's membership on the grounds that it contradicted the aims of the Society, which were to keep clear of politics or any tendencies of bias against other countries. The majority of those in attendance approved QUMI's objection. Shortly after the meeting QUMI called on subject, who praised the aims of the Society and added that he had the same idea 10 years ago but that circumstances had prevented the putting into effect of his ideas. He asked QUMI's reasons for opposing his membership and when given, agreed but stated that his acceptance would win over all the Moslems of Pal. QUMI's reluctance considered genuine; only after matter put before the Society's members again was MUFTI's membership finally approved. See report for details on Society, its aims, etc.

REC 570
SO 18039
F-3
15 Oct 48.

Subject's presence in Gaza was so unwanted by the Egyptians that they forced him to return to Cairo escorted by Egyptian officer. His activities are being increasingly regarded in the Arab League as of an intriguing nature and hampering concerted Arab League action in Palestine. AZZAM Pasha spoke unfavorably of his activities.

REC 588
C-3
15 Oct 48

Ahmad Bay CERIC, military representative of Croat Moslems in Syria, told source that several Yugoslav officers had come to him asking about joining forces of the MUFTI. CERIC stated that Yugoslavs and Germans were becoming disgusted with Syrian army and felt the MUFTI might be able to accomplish something. Sefkiha MUFTIC is training a battalion for the MUFTI at a camp on the Beirut-Tripoli road about 10 km. from Beirut. There are about 400 men in the battalion.

RSD 32
C-3
16 Oct 48.

MUFTI's irregular forces, who previously were setting up courts, collecting taxes, etc. in Pal, have now degenerated into ineffective orderless bands. Deserters of MUFTI's forces stated that so-called MUFTI irregulars were active only in their own interests, using MUFTI's name to justify looting, plundering, etc. Syrian govt official states that this lawlessness of MUFTI support was one reason for MUFTI's undesirability on part of Syrian govt. Same source states, however, that many foreign officers in QAWUQJI's forces are going over to the MUFTI. On Yugoslav, formerly German army, States that "MUFTI's forces are best I have seen yet and are superior to QAWUQJI's Liberation Army". B-2.

NA DAMA
CL 241
CM IN 4348
23 Oct 48.

Salah el Din Bey el APASI, Palestinian Arab due to leave Cairo 31 Oct for post in Gaza govt., disclosed that he and certain other Arabs are planning to assassinate ABDULLAH. The MUFTI is organizing a terrorist network of persons supposedly ordinary volunteers in Munadilin (Volunteer Combatants). Apparently leader of MUNADILIN doesn't know of presence of these elements in his ranks. Much talk of terrorism against ABDULLAH in pro-MUFTI circles in Amman. Other source who saw secret telegram states that MUFTI has issued secret assassination orders and that Dr. Daoud FUSSEINI has selected certain followers for this purpose.

IN 16683
JEL 8600
10 Nov 48.

Sources close to MUFTI state that the latter is now convinced that Arab army effectiveness is now destroyed, that partition is accomplished, and Israeli state is a fact. His future line is to spread hatred of Jews among Arabs by propaganda and by organizing of military units. He will devote much time to combatting Communist threat.

State 1578 3588
Cairo
10 Nov 48.

Muhammad Pey NADIM and Khalid HALBUNI state that FARUQ is fully aware that the MUFTI is contacting the Soviet Embassy in Cairo through SULTANOV. MUFTI is trying to get Russian aid to save Pal from partition, promising Soviets he will try to persuade Arabs to side with USSR in coming war. Egyptian govt has found documents proving MUFTI's Soviet contacts and indicate that he intended to go secretly to USSR or satellites. FARUQ, because of this and other unspecified reasons, has ordered MUFTI placed under strict surveillance and any action taken, legal or otherwise, necessary to prevent his leaving Egypt.

RLB 776
F-6
19 Nov 48.

MUFTI has denied that he sent an envoy to London to negotiate with the British govt re recognition of Gaza govt, against his accepting the BERNADOTTE Plan and recognizing the Israeli govt.

FBIB Sharq
22 Nov 48.

Subject has alienated FARUQ and Egyptian officials who were formerly well-disposed toward him, not only by his ambition and untimely anti-British agitation, but also by secret contacts with agents of Soviet Legation. He is said to have agreed with the Soviets to work toward bringing the Arabs into the Soviet orbit if they would help him gain control in Pal. FARUQ heard of this and placed the MUFTI under surveillance.

PLR 709
B-2
29 Nov 48.

On 5 Dec a number of prominent Lebanese Moslems and a group of MUFTI supporters met at a Moslem Orphanage and discussed the staging of demonstrations in Beirut, Tripoli and Sidon to demand the resumption of fighting in Pal. Dr. BARGHUT, Muhammad Shakir RAYDUN, Farid TAYARA and Mahmud IFRISI were appointed to contact certain Moslem and Christian organizations to reach an agreement with them about staging these.

RLB 817
B-2
6 Dec 48
90-20484.

MUFTI condemned resolutions of Jericho Conference and appealed for a concentration of effort for liberation of Pal and maintenance of unity among Arabs. Accused ABDULLAH of yielding to imperialism.

FBIB Madrid
14 Dec 48.

Rumored that the MUFTI had a hand in the plot to kill NUQRASHI Praha.

FBIB Tel Aviv
29 Dec 48.

MUFTI was flown secretly in an Egyptian mil plane to meet the Gaza govt leaders, with whom he discussed various subjects; returned the next day in the same plane.

RLB 961
from
Salim KHOUA F-3.

At the end of last week organized and financed band blew up the police chief house in Ramallah as protest against Tj adin. As result the Arab LEJON raided the hq of this organization at Bir Zeit and seized 6 tons of explosives, new radio equipment and other military supplies. LEJON, which has been seeking pretext for some time to take action against the members of this band, has now decided to treat them as criminals and not as political offenders.

State 25
6084
Amman
19 Jan 49.

Personnel of Mufti hq at Bir Zeit which was attacked by the ARAP LEGION withdrew behind the Iraqi lines, as then form a part of the forces in the Iraqi-held triangle of Pal.

IN 22248
20 Jan 49.

Private Secretary: 'Uthman MAD'AD.

RLB 967
SO 22299
C-3
Jan - Feb
1949.

See cards on 'Abd-al-Rahman MURAD and Sheikh Hasan ABU-SA'UD.

Mufti attended an important meeting at Gaza on 17 Jan 49; two Egyptian reps also attended. Subject of agreement between the all Pal govt and the Israeli govt was discussed and following decision adopted: 1) that Israeli govt recognize all Pal govt as existing govt. 2) that assistance be given to all Pal govt in order to regain territory ABDULLAH has occupied by force. Egyptians attended with approval of Egyptian govt; were ordered to return to Egypt on 18 Jan.

RLB 997
from ZUBAYN
P-3
14 Feb. 49

Conciliation Commission has accepted the application of the MUFTI to attend the conference of the Arab states in the capacity of president of the Supreme Arab Executive. Commission planned the conference to be held in Beirut on 23 Mar.

PHIB Beirut
8 Mar 49.

MUFTI to be heard on day set aside for non-govt organizations which profess to speak for the Arab refugees. MUFTI states he does so speak. Has demand to be seated during whole conference on equal terms with the Arabs govts. Will be told that he will be heard if he comes on the day set aside for hearing on refugees but not for remainder of conference.

State 83
220 5477
Jerusalem
14 Mar 49.

Ahmad MIDMI, Prime Min of Gaza Govt, is dissatisfied with the way he is being treated by the MUFTI; although FILMI is nominally the head of the govt, the MUFTI keeps everything under his control. The monthly payment of LE 15,000 from the ARAB LEAGUE is made directly to the MUFTI, and ministers' salaries, previously LE 140, have been cut to LE 80. MUFTI admitted on 25 Feb that the conclusion of Egyptian-Israeli armistice talks had been a disappointment to him and that the proposed talks between ABDULLAH and the Israelis put an end to the possibility of a unified Arab state in Pal. He still hopes to arouse the Arab peoples to continue the struggle for a free Pal by underground means; is trying to persuade the Egyptians to allow him to organize guerillas in the area under their control but has not had much success. Has LE 150000 from Indonesia and the Yemen and is hoping to get further subscriptions from Arabs in Cile and Mexico; has written to Charles MORCOS in Mexico and Abu JAROUS in Chile. MUFTI is contemplating a reign of terror in Arab states other than Egypt, one of the most likely targets being NURI SA'ID, whom the MUFTI thinks was responsible for Britian's opposition to the MUFTI. Some of the MUFTI's own men in Pal have been getting restive as they have not been paid and as the MUFTI always insists that all jobs with any kind of salary be given to members of the HUSAYNI family. More than 3 weeks ago the MUFTI asked to see King FARUQ but he has not been granted an audience. On advice from Baghdad (from the Egyptian Minister) King FARUQ instructed his Prime Min to keep the MUFTI under close surveillance; guards on the MUFTI were doubled and his lieutenants were gradually to be told that their presence in Egypt was no longer desirable; in this way they were to be forced out of the country.

WEL 10906
28 Mar 49.

MUFTI's troops in occupation of a number of small villages in the immediate vicinity of Bethlehem and Jerusalem. About 14 Mar Jews attacked 3 of them and advanced to within 3 kilo of Bethlehem. On 15 Mar the MUFTI's secret radio reported that 3000 Jews supported by an attack in strength was expected before 24 Mar. Local commanders sent urgent appeals for help to Munir AFU FADIL, commander of MUFTI's forces now in Cairo seeking help. If Jewish attack is successful, way to Bethlehem will be open. According to AFU FADIL, the Egyptian Army refused to hel in any way; believes Egyptians would be pleased if the Arabs in this area were wiped out as this would drive sector of Jewish control into heart of area promised ABDULLAH; AZZAM Pasha has also refused help. AFU FADIL tried to approach British through intermediary to see if anything would be done to aid his forces.

IN 27178
WEL 10806
24 Mar 49.

A recent visitor in the Cairo home of the Secretary of the MUFTI reported that there was constant discussion there of the MUFTI's association with the Soviets. The visitor also states that funds are being supplied by the Soviets but in such small amounts as to keep the Sec only in pocket money and that the MUFTI and his Sec appear at present to have no other regular sources of income.

RTI 878
Turk.
businessman
B-2 5 Apr 49.

The Iraqi Leg in Cairo has informed to Egyptian govt of a plot by the MUFTI to assassinate ABDULLAH. The Iraqis claim that the MUFTI is using his sojourn in Egypt to plot against TJ and that he is now working against Egypt's interests. They claim they have evidence of the plot from confessions of the participants. The Egyptian Prime Minister expects ABDULLAH may demand the MUFTI's extradition.

WEL 11210
IN 29267 -3

Amil GHURI and the MUFTI's private secretary succeeded in fleeing to Egypt from Lebanon to avoid being handed over to Transjordan authorities. They were accused of plotting against King ABDULLAH's life. He been arrested by the Lebanese police but succeeded in fleeing to Egypt before the date of their extradition.

FBIB Tel Aviv
21 Apr 49.

The Syrian Government has approved of Subject's request that Palestinian volunteers be incorporated into the Syrian Army. Munif HUSAYNI, Amil GHURI and Khalid HUSAYNI are in Damascus in charge of organizing Subjects adherents in Damascus.

RIB-1265
F-3
27 May 49
SO-25082

Subject, who is getting tired of being constantly under surveillance in Egypt is trying to take refuge in Syria, if he can do so without losing the confidence of the Egyptians. Following the murder of NUQRASHI Pasha, Subjects mail and telephone conversations have been watched and funds collected by his supporters in Pakistan and South America have been confiscated. Subject has asked ZA'IM, through Amil GHURI, for permission to enter Syria which ZA'IM granted, as he wished to use Subject as a weapon against ABDULLAH. Amil GHURI gave ZA'IM a letter from Subject which stated that Subject would place from 15-20,000 Palestinian soldiers at ZA'IM's disposal to fight in the Syrian Army provided that their officers will be from the regular Syrian Army. Subjects stock has risen in Palestine after ABDULLAH offered part of the ARAB triangle to Israel. Subject is collecting information of the Palestine war through Ibrahim ABU-DIYA and Khalid HUSAYNI.

RIB-1268
F-3
25 May 49
SO-25082

Jamal HUSAYNI agreed, when asked by IBN SAUD, to become head of the AHE, replacing the MUFTI, on the condition that the MUFTI tell the ARAB LEAGUE that he had given up politics. The MUFTI replied to a communication, following Jamal HUSAYNI's visit to IBN SAUD from IBN SAUD, stating that the responsibility for the loss of Pal rested not with himself but with ABDULLAH and the ARAB LEAGUE which supported him. "I advised the Arab leaders to refrain from supporting King ABDULLAH but my word was not heeded." Stated he had been prevented from engaging in politics and is still prevented. Asked IBN SAUD to intervene with the responsible leaders to permit MUFTI to resume activities.

RIB 1261
F-3
27 May 49.

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26 Sept 49.

FBI B Cairo
2 Oct 49.

FBIB Sharq
16 Oct 49

FBI B Darrasus
17 Oct 49.

Subject arrived in SA to participate in annual haj as guest of IBN SAUD but is understood to have himself requested such royal invitation be extended to him, which the King was reluctantly forced to do. Reportedly, the MUFTI's purpose in visiting SA is to gain SAG support for Gaza port; no confirmation obtainable. Jordanian Leg particularly active in spreading this rumor. While report may have grain of truth, Jidda does not believe SAG currently is prepared to commit itself re further support of Gaza port. While performing haj, MUFTI is rel reported to have been kept under the strictest surveillance. Apart from religious ceremonies, he was permitted to attend Majlis each day but immediately afterwards escorted back to quarters and virtually confined there. Now understood to be en route Sadiya. British are known to have quired Yusuf YASSIN on subject's presence. MUFTI may be somewhat disillusioned over prospects of enlisting SAG support; has already requested permission to depart. MUFTI has again pressed Jamal HUSAYNI to accept position in Royal Council; Jamal's resistance is said to be weakening. Embassy is inclined to suspect that HM's suspicion of subject is in inverse ratio to his known esteem for Jamal, all the more so since the policy differences between HM and subject is apparently growing.

State 605
6608 Jidda
18 Oct 49.

3 members of the Argentine Arab community, who arrived in Cairo recently, handed a £3000 contribution to the MUFTI from the Arab Community notables for refugee relief.

FBIB Dama
22 Oct 49.

MUFTI was in Damascus to get support at the ARAB LEAGUE meetings, in an attempt to thwart ABDULLAH's ambitions re Arab Pal. Arrived in Damascus in King IBN SAUD's plane on a mission to get the Syrian to accept IBN SAUD's financial aid in exchange for their abandoning the Fertile Crescent plan and for their refusal to support ABDULLAH's claims on Pal. IBN SAUD and subject desire to obtain Syrian agreement to the principle of Arab unity through the ARAB LEAGUE, rather than to have Syria attempt to solve the Syrian-Iraqi economic and oil problems unilaterally. Subject will stay in Damascus for 5 days, then go to Beirut for a talk with Lebanese officials and then go to Cairo.

62-301598
IN 46383
21 Oct 49

While in Jidda, subject caused the Arab office in Damascus to "use all influence" to fight the Syria-Iraqi union plan. MUFTI in Jidda to confer with IBN SAUD as part of an effort to unit ISTIQLAL elements vs ABDULLAH. Urged ABDULLAH to offer the Syrian gov't \$6,000,000 in exchange for its abandonment of the Fertile Crescent plan; amount would be offset by 100,000 Iraqi dinars which the AFE is "positive" already have been rec'd in Syria.

60-301748
IN 46299
21 Oct 49

Former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem.

SO 34584
Info: 8-25
Dec 1949
Eval: F-6

Subject has recently rec'd a large sum of money from 1) IBN SAUD, 2) FAROUK, or MUFTI followers in Pakistan. Indications of the fact are that the MUFTI is again paying LP10 monthly to each AFE family which lost a son in the fighting and is also paying a large group of his followers LP 20, 30 or LP 40 monthly, depending on their positions. Has had a medal struck for award to followers to distinguish themselves in the fighting; thus awarded to Hasan SALAMEH, Ibrahim ABU-DAYYA and the family of 'Abd-al-Qadir HUSAYNI.

62-301721
IN 46299
21 Oct 49

President of Arab Higher Committee

Arrived in Beirut from Damascus accompanied by Emil Ghuri, AHC member and Charge in Beirut.

FBIB, Oct.
21, 1949.

Upon arrival in Syria, stated only on friendly visit, but press (an Nahar) believes he wants (1) Syrian Gov't have deleg. in UN to represent the whole of Palestine; (2) persuade Syria not recognize annexation of Arab Pal. to Jordan; (3) seek thru Syria to have a member of the AHC appointed as director of the International Refugee Org.

60-4-6294/49,
pub. Oct. 19,
1949, dated
11/16/49.

SECRET
SECURITY INFORMATION

Reported head of terrorist campaign in support of Egypt.
Request for info.

Attempts to obtain asylum outside of Egypt.

Subject was instrumental in securing 2 mo. postponement of Arab League's decision on the extradition of political criminals, allegedly in order to arrange in the interim for Col. Abdallah TAL and Musa Ahmad AYYUBI to escape to Pakistan or some other Arab country. Another source says Mufti is in touch with Ibn Saud re TAL, has obtained Ibn Saud's agreement to employ TAL as a Col. in the SA army, in event of TAL's expulsion from Egypt.

WASH 13756 to

1 NOV 51

REC-1276

24 Oct 51; 0-3

File: 3-4

WEL-3542

25 Oct 51

Handi Husayni, Hajj Amin

Former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem.

EGYPT

SC 3542

Info: 8-25 Dec '49

Eval: P-6

Handi Husayni visiting former Grand Mufti once week and attempting to convert Subject to Communism. During recent gather in Cairo, Subject pretended to be quite sympathetic with former's views, and asked others in entourage to discuss subject. During this meeting Ishaq Darwish Husayni, Subject's nephew, enthusiastically agreed with Handi's views regarding Communism and vigorously urged cooperation with Communist Party. Subject quite pleased with little trick (to ascertain political views of Ishaq Darwish Husayni), and rebuked latter for obvious communist leanings.

SC 35422

8 January 1950

Eval: C-

WEL 18415

Subject involved in sundry machination directed against Israel, others for the purpose of creating a rift between Syria and Iraq, and also a scheme for the setting up of an intelligence service of agents for the purpose of serving the Egyptian government.

SC 54415

1 Dec. 1950

WEL 18415

21 Oct. 50

WEL 18241

1 Dec. 50

WEL 18363

1 Dec. 50

REC-1276

9 Jan. 51

SECURITY INFORMATION

NAHAS Pasha, Egyptian Premier, has agreed to return to the MUFTI all arms and material taken from the AIE by the Egyptian govt during the Fal fighting. These assets are estimated at 350,000 Egyptian pounds.

RI.R-1009
B-3
14 Feb 50.

The MUFTI is close to an receiving money from the French; 'Abdullah 'EL now a MUFTI adherent, may ally himself with the French and service as liaison between the MUFTI and the French.

State Dis 52
8 Feb 50
Beirut.

A letter sent by subject to the UN Trustee ship Council states that Jordan does not rep the views of the inhabitants of Jerusalem. Their opinion, he states, can only be ascertained by means of a plebiscite held among both those who are present dwelling in the city and those who have taken refuge elsewhere.

FEIB Geneva
6 Mar 50.

Hamdi Husayni visiting former Grand Mufti once week and attempting to convert Subject to Communism. During recent gathering in Cairo, Subject pretended to be quite sympathetic with former's views, and asked others in entourage to discuss subject. During this meeting Ishaq Darwish Husayni Subject's nephew, enthusiastically agreed with Hamdi's views regarding Communism and vigorously urged cooperation with Communist Party. Subject quite pleased with little trick (to ascertain political views of Ishaq Darwish Husayni), and rebuked latter for obvious communist leanings.

30-35422
8 Jan 1950
Eval: C-3
Filed Eg.
2.6.4.

British Government putting strong pressure on King 'Abdullah of Jordan to induce him to reconcile his differences with HUSAYNI with object of creating more cohesive Jordan, encompassing Arab Palestine.

SO 60677
8 Feb 51
File: 2.6.4.

Source is of the opinion that the rebuff received by subject in not being included in the recent AL conference in Cairo, together with his inability to command sufficient strength to halt 'ABDALLAH's annexation of Arab Palestine, are forcing him closer to the communists. Source points out that Ma'ruf al-DAWALIBI, subject's former secretary, spent considerable time with the Mufti during the AL conference. GHURI (qv) also spent some time with DAWALIBI.

RI.R-1933
B-3
27 April 50.

(F-2). Source states that a military organization for the liberation of Palestine has been organized by subject. At the beginning of April, this organization distributed tracts calling on Arab youth--particularly Palestinians--to unite and make another effort to liberate Palestine and, if necessary, to die in the attempt. (F-3). Source asserts that he has received info that this organization is preparing to send @ 100 armed young men into Palestine with the mission of sabotaging Jewish military and civilian installations, and of assassinating members of the Armistice Commission and the principal Arab chiefs who are collaborating with the Israelis.

SO-40008;
RLB-1931;
April 50.

Soviet alliance now publicly suggested by DAWALIBI, Syrian Min of National Economy, was previously recommended by Syrian supporters of the MUFTI and by Syrian MOSLEM BROTHERHOOD, which has gone all out in endorsing DAWALIBI's thesis. Rapidly increasing numbers and influence of the BROTHERHOOD and past extremism of it and the MUFTI indicate that the threat is not an idle warning to the west.

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and 18649
15 Apr 50.

Source states that Ma'ruf DAWALIBI, Syrian Minister of National Economy, is on very good terms with subject and that he is acting under instructions from subject. A different source states that DAWALIBI, who until now has been strongly supported by the Syrian army, talked to SHISHAKLI and to several other officers and suggested closer collaboration between the Syrian Army and the subject. This proposal, together with DAWALIBI's subsequent pro-Soviet statements, has frightened the army and they are now very uneasy about DAWALIBI.

SO-39669;
RSD-501;
F-3
Prior 18 Apr
1950.

Source believes the Mufti is cooperating with the Soviets, as his whole entourage talk incessantly of this idea. Subject receives mysterious visitors late at night.

RLB-1973
May 50 B-3

(Jerusalem-Israel-radio). Subject held a long conference last week with 'Abdallah Bay al-TAL. They decided to resort to violence, as they were certain that the Arab League would give in to King 'ABDALLAH's annexation of Arab Palestine. (See card on al-TAL for details).

FBIS: No. 93
13 May 1950.

Until recently the refugees in the Bint Jubayl region were followers of subject; now they are swinging toward 'ABDALLAH. This tendency became particularly noticeable after 'ABDALLAH reportedly proposed to the subject the position of Viceroy and two ministerial seats in the "All Palestine Government".

RI.R-2000;
B-3
5 Jun 1950.

See document for text of open letter to subject, distributed among the Palestinian refugees under the name of "The Military Organization for the Liberation of Palestine".

90-42145; Doc.
16 May 1950.

Chaudri KHALIQUZZAMAN, then President of the Pakistan Moslem League, recently sent a message to subject, and inquired whether he would be willing to organize an Islamic conference at Damascus, the President of which would be the Mufti himself. Subject, who was then in Leb., gave no reply, but is sounding out opinion. Subject has already sent out invitations to other Arab countries to send reps to a conference to be held in Damascus with the object of creating an Arab PEOPLE'S LEAGUE which could act in opposition to the Arab League, considered by subject to be subservient to Western powers.

WEL-16579
SO-46856
1, 23 Jul 1950

Has recently spent a month in the hospital of Najib Pasha (sic). He has recovered and is now in Cairo. He has sent Rafiq LARABIDI (qv) on a fact-finding mission to Syria and Leb., to study the refugee problem and find out what the refugees want to do.

20 Aug 50
WEL-16905
SO 48332

Subject has received an invitation from the Permanent Islamic Congress in Karachi asking him to preside over its meetings to be held late in 1950. Invitation arranged by Muhammad 'Ali Aluba Pasha when he was Egyptian Min to Pakistan. Subject complained that Pakistan Govt. had sent money to Dr. Soliman Azmi Pasha, Pres. of the Relief Committee, to help the Arab refugees. The Pakistan Govt then sent Subject L 35,000. Although Pal.'s protested that subject diverted money to his own pocket, Pakistan sent a further L 55,000 in July. Subject has persuaded the Pakistan Govt that he is interested in the Islamic Unity project. preached by Chaudri KHALIQUZZAMAN during his visit to Egypt.

Prior to 24
Aug. 50.
SO-47757.

Acc to GHURI, subject had expressed his approval of the present Govt in Syria and stated that he would give no assistance to QUNJATLI.

RLB-2118
SO-48334
Early Aug 50.

Subject has selected Muhammad Nimr AMDAN to succeed Amil GHURI as the Mufti's chief rep in Leb.

Prior to 7
Sept 50.
SO-48464

'Abd-al-Khalil Jadallah al-AMBATAWI, a Pal & former newsmen, told source that certain Egyptian officials and Grand Mufti had agreed that the Moslem Brotherhood should turn its full attention on Israel. Egypt would make money and arms available so that the Moslem Bros. could begin harassing the Jews. Employing the Brotherhood for such purpose would forestall charges of any one Arab country having violated the armistice. This Mos Brotherhood action would begin out of Syria. (F.C.:Source regards this report as rumor, but felt that Cairo should know of it and see if there is any background for it there.).

RIR-2125
B-3
11 Sep 50.

Subject involved in sundry machinations directed against Israel, others for the purpose of creating a rift between Syria and Iraq, and also a scheme for the setting up of an intelligence service of his agents for the purpose of serving the Egyptian government.

WEL 18415
21 Oct 50
WEL 18241
12 Dec 50
WEL 18363
18 Dec. 50
RLB-2353
9 Jan 51
90-54315
1 Dec. 50

In telegram to President of Trusteeship Council, subject said Jordan does not represent the views of inhabitants of Jerusalem; wants free plebiscite held among those in city & those who have taken refuge outside city.

FBIB, Paris,
AFP, Mar 6, 50.

Informant told Pinkerton, Min to Beirut, that Mufti is close to & receiving money from the French; that Abdullah Tel may ally himself with French & serve as liaison between Mufti & French in opposition to UK Policy.

Desp 52
Feb 8, 1950.

Grand Mufti arranging in Saudi Arabia for employment considerable number white collar workers who friends & relations of Mufti, who has found spots for friends even in Pakistan.

Cairo to State
A-1046, Sept
29 1949.

Former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem; recently spent a month in the hospital of Najib Pasha. Has recovered health and is now in Cairo.

SO-48332
2 Oct 1950.

SECRET
SECURITY INFORMATION

British Government putting strong pressure on King 'Abdullah of Jordan to induce him to reconcile his differences with 'HISAT' with object of creating more cohesive Jordan, encompassing Arab Palestine.

SO 50021
8 Feb. 51
file: 2.6.4

High Executive in Beirut has received word that former Grand Mufti is preparing to stay in Beirut (where he went to attend Pan-Islamic Congress) because some of his followers are engaged in raising funds for him in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Indonesia. Mufti wishes to receive this money. Mufti has indicated in letter to Kamal Haddad of Arab Executive in Lebanon that he hoped, with British help, to return to Palestine, after he has gone back to Middle East. According to source, there is a current rumor among Palestinian refugees that the Mufti will settle in Palestine again, with permission of King 'Abdullah of Jordan.

SO 00677
8 Mar. 51
file: 2.6.1

now the Supreme Head of the Ikhwan on the basis of agreements made at Karachi

SO-43490
April 1951

implicated in assassination of King 'Abdullah of Jordan; denied by subject

Current Press
August 1951

subject is "allied with the communists" according to Muhammad Nizar ANDAH.

SO 73436
5 Oct 51. B-3
file: 2.2.2.

SECRET
SECURITY INFORMATION

...member, circulated to a number of Middle East
organizations a proposal for the formation of
in opposition to the Arab League.

SO 57317
11 Jan. 51
File: 2.6.4

...one of the Arab Palestine communists is nephew

N.Y. Times
28 Oct 51
File: 2.6.2

...arranging the
...the Arab countries, 31 Oct 51
...that time... The recognition File: 2.6.4
...Arab... the... of Croatia, who are
...prosecuted... communists.

SECRET
SECURITY INFORMATION

Possible reconciliation betw Subj and King 'ABDULLAH. During recent AL meetings in Cairo, members of the Jordanian delegation contacted some of SUBJ's followers. Ahmad HILMI and 'Abdullah 'AL asked Jordanian delegates to intercede with King 'ABDULLAH so they might be allowed to return to Jordan. 'ABDULLAH stated he wd welcome in Jordan not only HILMI and any others who wanted to go there but even SUBJ.

SO-40277
JEL 19105
Jan 51.

SUBJ has joined the Moslem Brotherhood in Egypt.

SO-61980
RLB 2506
1 Feb 51.

Subject wrote to Kamal HADDAD of the Arab Higher Exec. in Lebanon advising him to remain in Tripoli in order to oppose Fawsi al-QAQUJI's candidacy for a seat in Lebanese Parliament in coming national elections. Subject authorized HADDAD to spend AHE money toward this end. QAQUJI has completed his memoirs and they were stolen one night and copied by Amin GHURI, who forwarded the copy to Cairo Hqs. Cairo sent copy to Subject in Karachi.

RLB-2472
Foreseer; B-3
7 Mar 1951

Arab Higher Executive in Beirut has received word that Subj is prolonging his stay in Karachi because some of his followers are engaged in raiding funds for him in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Indonesia. SUBJ wants to get this money before leaving Karachi. Subj has indicated in letter to Kamal HADDAD of AHE in Lebanon that he hoped, with British help, to return to Palestine. According to rumor among Pal. refugees, SUBJ will settle in Pal. again, with permission of King 'Abdullah of Jordan.

SO-60677
RLB 2481
9 Mar 51.

Subject is prolonging stay in Karachi because followers are engaged in raising funds for him in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Indonesia. Subject wishes to receive this money before leaving Karachi. Subject has indicated that he hoped, with British help, to return to Palestine. According to source it is current rumor among Palestinian refugees that subject will settle in Palestine again, with permission of King 'ABDULLAH.

RLB-2472
B-3
9 Mar 1951.

Now the Supreme Head of the Ikhwan on the basis of agreements made at Karachi

SO-63490
Apr 1951.

While subject was still in Karachi, he sent 'Ali RUJDI to Cairo, Beirut and Damascus to deliver letters to several people, including Kamal HADDAD of the AHE in Tripoli President Hashim al-ATASI, Prime Minister Khalid al-'AZM, Lt. Col. Adib SHISHAWLI, Maruf DAWJILIBI, and Shaykh Mustafa SIBA'I - all of Syria. While in Beirut, RUJDI stated that subject had not raised much money in Karachi but that he would obtain some before leaving. RUJDI also stated that Subject had become head of the Moslem Brotherhood on the basis of arrangements made at the Moslem Congress in Karachi. RUJDI said that subject will assume direct control of the organization and has indicated that it will not become a tool of the Soviet or the Communists. RUJDI stated that subject had been offered a Pakistani passport and a headquarters in Pakistan, but that he had refused, preferring to work out of Egypt.

RLB - 2465
B-3
13 Apr 1951

SUBJ left Karachi on 28 Apr 1951 by air for Cairo via Dhahran. Left Cairo for Karachi at beginning of Feb 51 to preside over World Moslem Conference which was held in Karachi.

FBIB, Dama
29 Apr 1951

Subj has turned up in Cairo where he has been received by Egypt. Foreign Minister, Salah al-Din Bey.

FBIB Jeru
16 May 1951

SUBJ arrived in Damascus.

FBIB Dama
16 May 51.

SUBJ arrived Damascus from Cairo on 16 May 51. in contact with SUBJ, says purpose of trip is to discuss with Syrian leaders the Syria-Israel flareup.

TEL-17403
17 May 1951.

Atmosphere prevailing at opening sessions of Damascus Arab League Meeting was made worse by the unexpected and unwelcome arrival of subj, with 3 mbrs of the so-called Gaza Govt. Subj's arrival was squarely not unknown to the Egyptian delegation, for it coincided with a proposal made by the Egyptians in the Pol Cttee that the Gaza Govt should be represented in the League. Proposal was accepted.

JEL-20827
SO-67026
28 May 1951.

SUBJ left Beirut for Dama 4 Jun 51 whence will proceed to Cairo. Planned to return to Leb end of July 51 or Aug. While in Mufti stated that he had talked with Col. Adib SMISHAKLI re recruiting 15,000 Pal. refugees into Syrian Army. Also discussed with high Syrian officials re settling refugees in Syria. Seemed very interested in getting refugees out of Lebanon and into Syria. Opposed to settling them abroad (Australia, So. Amer., etc) Made anti Arab-League statements, called it inept and British inspired. Claimed to have been approached by "high-ranking" Britishers, who got from him a statement of his price for cooperation in event of WW III.

RTD-2617
B-3
8 June 1951

A mtg of Palestinian landowners now living in Syria was held in the premises of the AHE in Damascus in early June, at the instigation of subj. Main theme promoted by Subj at the mtg was that the Palestinians would undertake to negotiate directly for aid from America and elsewhere, and should not permit Arab Govts either to negotiate or to administer such aid. Subsequently, Syrian Govt politely advised the Mufti to leave Dama. Action was prompted by pressure from Syrian and Palestinian ldrs who oppose subj. Specifically, it was argued that his support for individual indemnification of Pal landowners was against the interests of the Arab States. Mufti apptd Emil Ghuri to represent him in future dealings with Syrian Govt.

RSD-684
C-3
26 June 1951

SUBJ is reported to be in liaison with the Communist Party.

RRTR 167
C-3
6 July 1951.

SUBJ left Damascus several days ago. Destination and present whereabouts unknown.

Dama to State
#9, 6 Jul 51
Control 3345

According to Thabit Bey Khalidi, SUBJ and 'Abdullah TAL are implicated in assassination of King 'ABDULLAH.

C-3
IN 17563
29 Jul 51

PENTAD confirmed secret contact betw. SUBJ and Prince TALAL of Jordan which has been going on for more than 2 yrs.

IN 17992
31 Jul 51

Implicated in assassination of King 'Abdullah of Jordan; denied by subject.

Current Press
Aug 1951.

RTD-2617, Radioteletype in French to the American, Aug. 10, 1951, 9218

"Cairo--In the name of the Arab Higher Committee of Palestine, the Grand Mufti of Palestine, Amin el-Husayni, sent a note to Egyptian Prime Minister Nahas Pasha and the Secretariat of the Arab League, asking that measures be taken to halt the emigration movement of Palestinians to South America. In this note the Mufti of Palestine says that this movement would harm the Arab cause because it would lead to a 'depopulation' of Palestine's surplus of the Arab people of Palestine."

Subject ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, circulated to a number of Middle East political parties and organizations a proposal for the formation of an ARAB PEOPLE'S LEAGUE in opposition to the Arab League.

SO-57317
11 Jan 51.
File: 2.6.4.

AMIN AL-HUSAYNI, the former Mufti of Palestine conferred with Egyptian Prime Minister NAHAS PASHA and Syrian Prime Minister FAYSI AL-KHAYRI to discuss the fate of the Arab refugees now living in Lebanon. (Cairo, AM, Sept. 2, 1951--X) 7810

Prince Ma'if, Tawfiq Abu-al-Huda, Isra'il Bilbasi allegedly have carefully selected and equipped a group of assassins to kill SUBJ.

30-70145
IN 21832
16 Aug 51.

SUBJ, GHISHAKLI, Ibn SA'UD, Prime Min. Makhlas of Egypt have agreed to annexation of Jordan and Arab Pal. to Syria, subject to approval of Great Britain and U.S.

30-70011
IN 21004
13 Aug 51

Muhammad Salim ABU-LABAN, who works for SUBJ arrived in Beirut on 12 August 1951. While there he revealed that SUBJ was carrying on considerable correspondence with Mullah Abd-al-Qasim KASHANI of Iran.

IN 21004
20 Aug 1951.

According to Amil GHURI, SUBJ is anticipating serious trouble between Britain and Egypt and therefore is considering moving his hqs. to Karachi, Pakistan where he would be out of British reach. Has been invited to Pakistan previously. SUBJ feels that in Pakistan he will be able to assume more active direction of the Moslem Brotherhood and will be free to attack the Arab League. Also in Karachi he will be able to have closer contact with Mullah Kashani of Iran with whom he is corresponding.

IN 21004
30 Aug 51.

'Abd-al-Jalil SUKKAR, an Egyptian employee of al-Misri Airlines, is the regular courier between SUBJ, and Mullah KASHANI. 3 Id RAMADAN of the Moslem Brotherhood also recently took message from SUBJ to KASHANI.

Foreseer says SUBJ's terrorist organizations are now pretty well organized. Leaders by country are: 'Abdullah al-Tal (Egypt), Amil GHURI (Leb), Abu-Ibrahim SAGHIR (Syria) and Da'ud al-HUSAYNI (Jordan and Palestine). Leader in Iraq is an Iraqi former army officer; second in com and is Palestinian former terrorist in Palestine.

IN 21004
30 Aug 51.

MUFTI ASKS ARABS TO END JORDAN TRIAL

Jerusalem (Israel), in Retrospect to Israel and the Arab East, Aug. 20, 1951, CDDO INT-K

(Excerpts) 7116

"In Cairo last night the former Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin al-Husayni, appealed to the Arab Kings and Presidents to try to end the court proceedings in Amman against those accused of taking part in the plot to assassinate King Abdullah. In his appeal, the Mufti described the trial as sponsored by the British. He asked the Arab countries to transmit this appeal to the U.N. Committee on Human Rights."

Source says SUBJ is receiving Soviet money through Soviet agents and will eventually become a tool of US R.

30-76657
17 Sept 1951
File: 2.6.4.

At SUBJ's suggestion Mullah KASHANI of Iran may call Moslem Conference (like that in February in Karachi) to be held in Tehran in fall of 1951. SUBJ has said that he will attend and he has been guaranteed full protection by KASHANI and necessary travel permits for his entourage. In source's opinion Soviet Union may use KASHANI, SUBJ, and their Moslem followers to take over Iran rather than the Obviously communist Tudeh Party.

30-76657
17 Sept 1951
File: 2.6.4.

Subject maintains dictatorial power over the Arab Higher Exec. from whom he received funds, and information; he is using it as a front for his covert activities.

AZZAM Pasha said subject had come to see him recently and had seemed to be taking a more reasonable attitude on the problems of the Palestine refugees. Source states conversation is of importance because it did occur since relations between AZZAM and subject are reported to have been far from cordial.

30-76657
17 Sept 1951
File: 2.6.4.

John or Jean or Jan BAUVARD (orBEAUVARD) Swiss, Nazi, who was in contact with SS officers in Egypt in contact with Arab League, had close contact with subject.

MGLA-8212
13 Sept 51

SUBJ allegedly sympathetic to plot to wipe Arab Legion of its commander, GLUEB PASHA.

RLB-2795
17 Sep 51
C-3

Council of World Muslim Conference will meet in Karachi in February 1952. SUBJ is expected to preside.

WESKA Kar chi
29 Sept 51.

According to Ibrahim ABU-DAYYI, much of the money which SUBJ says he gets from Pakistan is actually from the Soviet Union. ABU-DAYYI says Muhammad Nimir A'ZDAH knows this and wants it kept secret.

W.R. 2803
B-3
27 Sept 51.

al-Husayni reportedly "allied with the Communists" by Muhammad Nimir Awdah. Alliance of Grand Mufti and communist elements reported formerly in SO-67372.

SO 73436
Late Sept. 51
File: 2.2.2.

Alexandros III, Gr. Orth. Part. of Antioch brought two letters from Russian Moslems to subject when Alex. returned from USSR, Sept 51.

SO-77479
Sept 51
File: 2.6.4.

Subject is reported to be supplying arms to the Ikhwan since 2 November 51. Weapons were delivered from a house owned by the ex-Mufti in Matarich, a Cairo suburb.

IN-40727
File 2.4.2.

Informant states that negotiations are in progress between former MUFTI and King TAL'AL, with British support, for SUBJ to return to Jordan as Viceroy. SUBJ is demanding certain stipulations, but negotiations may be successful, informant says. SUBJ would rather return as Mufti than Viceroy.

TAL'AL, with
from
Musa al-Naj-
MAH P-6
8 Oct 51.

Attempts to obtain asylum outside of Egypt.

REC-1276
24 Oct 51; C-3
File: 2.6.4.

Subject was instrumental in securing 2 mo. postponement of Arab League's decision on the extradition of political criminals, allegedly in order to arrange in the interim for Col. Abdallah TAL and Musa Ahmad AY/UBI to escape to Pakistan or some other Arab country. Another source says Mufti is in touch with Ibn Saud re TAL, has obtained Ibn Saud's agreement to employ TAL as a Col. in the SA army, in event of TAL's expulsion from Egypt.

WEL-23068
25 Oct 51.

SUBJ is reported to be the leader of a planned terrorist campaign in Lebanon Syria, Jordan, and Egypt against British nationals and TAP line facilities and personnel due to come off in late October or early November 1951. Subject has combined forces of Moslem Brotherhood and his terrorist to carry out this campaign. Subj has received encouragement from Ma'ruf DAMALIBI in this connection. Abu-Ibrahim Israil (SAGHIR) is in charge of campaign in Syria; Muhammad Nimir A'ZDAH in Lebanon.

IN 36520
B-3
20 Oct 51.

Subj. has received much of the money that he claims to have gotten from Pakistan in reality from the Soviet Union. Earlier reports state that the Mufti gets financial aid from the Soviets (SO-72981), and from Pakistan. (SO-60677 and SO-63490)

SO 74399
19 Oct 1951
File: 2.6.4.

Dr. Khalil BUDAYRI, one of top Arab Palestine communists is nephew of subject.

N.Y. Times
28 Oct 51
File: 2.2.2.

Ante PAVELIC told his closest Col. advisers that subject is arranging the recognition of the Croat Govt-in-exile by certain of the Arab countries and that it appears that these efforts may bring results. The recognition would be motivated by Arab sympathies for the Moslems of Croatia, who are reportedly being persecuted by the Serbs and Communists.

SO-74362
31 Oct. 51
File: 2.6.4.

See SO-74570.

See SO-79592 for plans of Subj during early 1952....

R. reported to be in Cairo during week ending 15 Dec 51 conferring with King Faruk...

W.R. 2803
B-3
20 Dec 51.

al-SHAHAT, (M. J. Main)

Subject is reported to be supplying arms to the Ikhwan since 1 November 51. Weapons were delivered from a house owned by the ex-Hafiz in Matruh, a Cairo suburb.

Subject maintains dictatorial power over the Arab Higher Exec. from whom he receives funds, and information; he is using it as a front for his covert activities.

AZZAM (asha) subject had come to see him recently and seemed to be taking a more reasonable attitude on the problems of the Palestine refugees. Source states conversation is of importance because it did occur, since relations between AZZAM and subject are reported to have been far from cordial.

AL-NABAT, extremist Muslim newspaper in Beirut receiving financial assistance from the Egyptian Legation, Beirut, had supported subject.

Abdullah III, Gr. Orth. Patr. of Antioch brought two letters from Russian Muslims to subject when Alex. returned from USSR, Sept 51.

Beirut to talk with leaders of the Arab refugees in Lebanon

to Karachi to get more money; expected back in Beirut 25 Feb for meeting Arab Higher Committee and leave Leb 3 March.

subject has Pakistan visa valid until 15 April; subj told newsmen that he plans to return to Egypt "ultimately".

Min. of Interior MARAGHI DENIED THAT Eg. govt had banned subj.

According to [] MARAGHI sent police to subject's house in Cairo the first week in Feb, asking him not to return to Egypt as he was causing embarrassment to Eg. Govt.

subj has not yet arrived in Beirut; authorities believe he still in Karachi.

John or Jean or Jan BAUVARD (or BEAUVERD) Swiss, Nazi, who was in contact with SS officers in Egypt in contact with Arab League, had close contact with subject.

Muhammad ALI ARH and other ex-terrorists called on subj during his visit to Beirut in March 52 and demanded that he fire Amil GH RI. Said if this were not done GH RI would be "eliminated." Subj promised to deal with the matter when he returns to Leb for the summer.

Subject's presence in Egypt no longer welcome. Probably wants to visit Indonesia. Attends social functions, talks with Arab League, Ikhwan, and North African leaders, and YKFA members. Subject is being avoided by Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Arab League. Accused Sayyid Ramadan of embezzling Ikhwan money.

EGYPT

IN-40727
File 2.4.2

SO-76657
Sept, 1951
File: 2.6.4

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File: 2.6.4

SO-77342
Before 25 Oct 51
File: 2.6.4

SO-77479
Sept 51
File: 2.6.4
FHIB-12 Feb 1952

State 606
13 Feb 1952

WEL-25886
7 March 1952

FHIB-
10 March 1952

REC-1399
12 March 1952

State-Beirut
20 March 1952
File 2.4.2

WEL-6212
13 Sept 51

WEL-25886
SC-39169
3 June 52

WEL-26684
9 June 52

In Beirut to talk with leaders of the Arab refugees in Lebanon.

FPB-12 Feb 1952

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13 Feb 1952.
State 206

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USA MA-Karachi
7 Mar 1952

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FPB- 10 Mar 1952

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REC-1359 12 Mar 52

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State Beirut
20 March 1952
File 2.4.2.

Muhammad al-'APD and 3 other ex-terrorists called on subj during his visit to Beirut in March 52 and demanded that he fire Amil GHURI. Said if this were not done GHURI would be "eliminated." Subj promised to deal with the matter when he returns to Leb for the summer.

WEL-25386
SO-89169
3 June 52.

Subject's presence in Egypt no longer so welcome. Probably wants to visit Indonesia. Attends social functions, talks with Arab League, Ikhwan, and North African leaders, and IMA members. Subject is being avoided by Egyptian Ministry of For Aff & Arab League, Accused Sayyid Ramadan of embezzling Ikhwan money.

WEL-26555
9 June '52.

SUBJ, who has been vacationing in Leb. for past month, had secret and separate visits from: Mullah Ayatullah KASHANI of Iran on 28 Aug 52; Lt. Col. SHISHAKLI of Syria on 1 Sep; plus an oral but unpublicized visit from Premier Sami Sulh of Leb. on 2 Sep 52.

SO-95798
5 Sep 52, P.4

SUBJ visited Ayatullah KASHANI on 27 Aug 52 in Beirut and approved KASHANI's plans to organize the Ikhwan al-Safa Society (Brothers of Peace) with the purpose of defending the Holy Land from foreign imperialism. SUBJ and KASHANI also agreed to holding a Muslim conference at end of autumn 52 either in Damascus or Cairo, with the object of ensuring the neutrality of the Arab peoples in the East-West dispute.

SO-97937
6 Oct 52,
WEL-29207
IN 41689.

SUBJ begun sending terrorists to the Hejaz to establish a terrorist training center there which also is to provide a permanent cadre available for use when required. 6 experienced former terrorists already been sent to the Hejaz from Syria and Leb. SUBJ has prepaid their passages and given them each 100 Egyptian pounds. On 6 Oct 52 SUBJ met with Pres. Shamun who agreed to continue the monthly payments of 2,000 Leb. pounds to AHE in Leb. which were begun by Pres. KHURI. SUBJ and KASHANI of Iran are in regular correspondence. Recently by letter, KASHANI suggested that military detachments from the various Muslim states be sent to Jerusalem to assist in protecting the Mosque of Umar from Jews. SUBJ agreed to this in subsequent letter.

SO-100065
WEL-29264

Mufti receives a monthly remittance of five hundred pounds sterling from Prince Faisal Al-Saud and sporadic payments from Khwaja Nizam-al-Din of Pakistan, Maya Iftikhar-al-Din, leader of the Azad Party in Pakistan Khaliq al-Zaman, leader of the Moslem Peoples organisation (Monazamat al-Shub al-Islamia) al-Tayyib Bannuna of Morocco, Sadiq al-Mujaddidi, ex-Afghan Minister in Cairo.

WEL-29385
30 Oct 52
SO-101908

Subject is backer of Jamiat al-Kifah lil-Tahrir al-Muslimin (Society for the Struggle for Liberating the Moslems) founded in Cairo at the end of 1951.

NRI-104
Jun Nov 1952

Al-YAMM, extremist Moslem newspaper in Beirut receiving financial assistance from the Egyptian Legation, Beirut, had supported subject.

SO-77382
Before 25 Oct 51.
2.6.4.

Reported head of terrorist campaign in support of Egypt.
Request for info.

WASH 13756 to []
1 Nov 1951

SUBJECT prolonged his stay in Lebanon from the 6th until 10th October as the result of a message received from Col. Abid SHISHAKLI. The message was delivered by an unnamed individual at the home of Raja'i HUSAYNI in Beirut. Source further reports that, at the request of Muhammad Nimr AWEAH, Subject took Amil GHURI back to Cairo with him on 10 Oct 1952. On 6 October Subject visited President Shamu'n who promised to pay the Arab Higher Committee 2000 Lebanese pounds per month. He also visited Lebanese deputies and Moslem leaders notably Sami SULH, Abdullah YAFI, Ali BIZI, Umar Bay DA'UQ and Rashid KARAHAN.

W.R-10

15 Oct 52
C-3 30-101623

SUBJ sent two letters to Gen. Najib and Rashad MUHAMMA, the Egyptian Vice-Roy, warning them of a conspiracy which was being organized to counter the regime in Egypt, mentioning those who were participating in it. Subj has 3 passports: from the "Govt of all Palestine," from Syria, and from Pakistan. The first one is the only one which bears his true name.

30-97488d
6 Oct 52, C-3
RLBA-2552

During week of 2-8 Nov. '52 Yusuf Shukri of Egyptian Army Intelligence twice visited Subject's headquarters in Heliopolis to enlist Subject's aid in Eg. Govt. activity against Zionists in Egypt. The Arab Higher Executive has agreed to work with Egyptian Army Intelligence and will instruct its confidants in refugee camps to watch for any future signs of Zionist activity directed against Egypt.

NBC-44
17 Nov 52.
F-3

SUBJ accepted invitation to attend a Muslim Congress organized by Ayatolla KASHANI to be held in Tehran at the end of Dec 52. Prominent Muslims from all Muslim countries are invited and attending. Aim of Congress is to organize a "Neutral Muslim Front" which will take a middle position between the East and West blocs.

RLB-61
16 Dec 52.
C-3

Commented he believes G. Br and Israel have agreement that Israel occupy part of Jordan lying west of river Jordan. Subj in close touch with Jordan deputies 'Abdallah Anwas, 'Abdallah Rimawi, Kamal 'URAYKAT, by letter. Sept 52 several conversations between subj and Syr Minister For Aff. Subj said to receive monthly remittance - sterling 500, from Prince Fayss. Also receives sporadic payments from:

30-101908
REL 29385
Oct 1952.

Khoja Nizam-al-Din, Governor, Pakistan
Mays Iftikhar-al-Din, leader of Asad party, Pakistan
Khalik al-Zama'n, leader of Muslim Peoples' Organization
al-Tajiyib BANUNA (note that Islah Party discarded idea of subsidizing Subj)
Sadiq al-MUJADDIDI, ex-Afghan Min Cairo.

In conjunction with a plan by which Muslim students from Soviet areas will be sent to Cairo for study at the Azhar, it is mentioned that among the propaganda activities to be carried on by the Soviets will be frequent contacts between the "Soviet Ambassador" and his staff with subj, who has been invited to visit the USSR in February 54. Knecht is working for formation Arab-Islamic bloc.

CIR-1048;

9 Feb 53

B-3

Subj became acquainted with Joseph TIEFENBACHER (qv), assistant and secretary to the senior German advisor to the Egyptian Government, when T. was ceremonial chamberlain to Hitler and subj was a refugee in Germany during WW II. Subj has been several times visited by T. in Cairo.

NEAA-468;

19 Feb 53

F-3.

Eg. Govt. accepted Subject's proposal for formation of a Palestinian armed regiment, and asked for volunteers from among Palestinians in Gaza District. Among thousands of volunteers, 500 have been chosen for incorporation into the regiment to be known as "Palestinian Frontier Guards". During 15-22 March, Eg. Govt. issued necessary arms and fighting equipment.

NEC-136

27 March 53

From

F (S) 50d.

Prime minister Tawfiq ABU-al-Huda of Jordan in past months has been trying to gain support of some of Subj's followers in Jordan in order to strengthen his position against opposition element in the country. The Jordanian embassy to Cairo has been a loved to meet with subj and discuss refugee and Palestine problems.

NJA-198;

1 Apr 1953

F-6

von MIRBACH reported to US Milatt that subj and Otto Ernst REMER had been seen together, according to Simon MENACHE who claims to have witnessed the meeting in Cairo.

NECA-474;

27 Apr 53.

Calls attention to detailed report of USArmatt R-137-53, from von MIRBACH, which includes the statement that subj maintains close liaison with SPRINGER and VOSS. Subj said to desire to being well-known Nazis to Egypt. ZOLLING is quoted as having said that a projected trip of Otto Ernst REMER and SPRINGER to Syria would be financed by subj, who was unable provide refuge for REMER in Egypt because of Egypt Govt pressure.

NECA-469;

27 iv 53.

Subj said to be close contact of BAISNER (BEISNER) (qv) and said to have been introduced to Otto SKORZENY (qv) by B. in mid January 1953. Subj may have intervened with Egyptian authorities to secure visa for J.G.A. HERTSLET who was having difficulties about admission to Egypt. On behalf of Subj, BEISNER said to have arranged passport and entry formalities for SPRINGER (qv).

JX 4307; Jan Ap

1953. B-2

Emil A. GHURI of AHC said subj told GANAL 'ABD-al-NASR "in one of their last meetings" that subj had sent reports on Israel to the Egyptian Government but had evidently not reached the files. This, evidently, to absolve the AHC of any blame since espionage and communist activities of such Palestinians as KAZIM BASSIISO have come to light. Subj said to be visited frequently by George MANSUR (qv).

NECA-428;

14 iv 53

Has been permitted by Jordan Government to visit Jerusalem and reside there if he so wished, according to reports from Amman.

FRIS from

Dana 18 May 53

Sometime during visit of Prime Minister Abdallah al-Gabr al-SABPAGH of Kuwait to Cairo from 21 March to 7 April 1953, he had an interview with Subject who asked SABPAGH to increase number of Palestinian employees in Kuwait. SABPAGH asked Mufti to recommend some. Sabagh further promised financial assistance to Palestinians in the near future. Subject advised SABPAGH of advantages of having Kuwait join Arab League and warned SABPAGH of danger of having Kuwait come under foreign interference or control.

NEC-149

14 Ap 53

F-F-3;

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Egypt Govt said to have received memo from Arab refugees of Gaza sector demanding that Egypt Govt prevent subj from representing Arab refugees. Also demand that he be prevented from collecting contributions on behalf refugees Israeli Jer. since they have received not one mil ieme from them.

5 May 1953

ticker from

Subj, who has always been unwilling to cooperate with Dr. Issat TANNUS, has now decided to actively fight TANNUS by paying agents in various Arab states to spread propaganda against him. His agents have been instructed to proclaim that TANNUS does not truly represent the refugees and he is attempting to set self up as an important leader for purely selfish reasons.

NLB-189

17 Jul 53

B/F-3

CS-10015

Yusuf Abduh, ex-member of the Natl. Committee of Jerusalem, arrived in Cairo from Amman on 20 May 53, bringing with him a message to Subject from a Minister of the new JORDANIAN cabinet, Anwar al-Khatib. Message advised Subject of decision in opposition to Great Britain (1), and regardless of the pro-British policy advocated by the real ruler of Jordan, GLU'R Pasha, head of the Arab Legion. NEC-189
1 June 1953

During his meeting with Abduh, the Subject stated that British policy toward Jordan had always been to keep Jordan on unfriendly terms with other Arab countries, esp. Saudi Arabia, and to keep Jordanian economy at such a low level that Jordan was forced to rely on British financial aid. Subject added that there could be no cooperation between Jordan & other Arab states until this situation was improved. Relations between Jordan & Saudi Arabia were improving but an Arab nation would have to replace Great Britain in giving Jordan financial aid before real Arab solidarity could be attained. (C) (P)
from Yusuf
Abduh

(1) Field Comment. On 25 May, the Jordan Parliament convened in a special session to protest Churchill's "anti-Arab" speech and urged the Govt. to support Egypt's 'just cause' against the British.

Syrian Deuxieme Bureau is collaborating with followers of SUBJ in conduct of paramilitary cross-border raids by Arab refugees into Israel. These operations, which started on a very small scale, are expanding as more refugees hear of them and volunteer their services. Cells are small and kept separate.

MLB-124, CS-
CS-15251
24 Jul 53
F-3.

Salah-al-Din ARUSHI, private secretary to Leb PM, telephones offices of AHE in Damascus to request that a rep of subj, (subj was at the moment on a visit to Syria) come at once to Beirut to see Abdallah YAFI (Lebanese Prime Minister).

CS 29673;
6,7 Dec 53.
based on OEL
5440.

Ex-Mufti sent a supporter to Beirut with instructions to remind YAFI of promise made by president of Leb Republic to make regular payments to Beirut office of AHE. However, YAFI indicated that the Jordan government was concerned over duration subj's stay in Lebanon; had complained at subj's campaign to deprive Jordan Army of British commanders. YAFI said his government wished subj's stay in Lebanon shortened; it might not be necessary to tell subj so if it could be subtly discovered whether or not subj intended return Egypt.

Arr'vd Damascus 3 Dec 53 & invited For Min's reception marking Liberation Day. Usually reliable source reports SUBJ here to encourage increased infiltration of refugees into Israel & promises arms this purpose. Details follow.

STATE INTEL
228
Dama 9 Dec 53

The Congress agreed to request the Jordan Govt to permit subj to return to Jordan in order to lead the struggle against the Israelis.

NJA-507
13 Dec 53
C-3

Subj still enjoys considerable respect among the large group of refugees in Jordan who have lost confidence in their leaders and in the Arab Govts. Subj's visit to Damascus during Islamic Congress was to assure Jordan's refugees that he still intends to carry out his pledge to assist the Palestinians to return to their homes. The AHC instructed its supporters in Jordan to try to win public support for proposal to take the Jordan National Guard out from under the Arab Legion's supervision and place it under control of the Palestinians residing in West Bank. Interview of Mufti appeared in Al-Hayat.

NJA-511
15-26 Dec 53.

Eg. Army Intelligence Rikbashi Yusuf Shuqri visited Subject's Heliopolis hdqrs. to enlist Mufti's aid in Eg. Govt. activity against Zionists in Egypt. As a result of Shuqri's efforts, the Arab Higher Executive has agreed to work with Eg. Army Intelligence and will instruct its coefficients in Army camps to watch for any future signs of Zionist activity directed against Egypt.

NEC-44
C-3;
SO-103356 of
23 Dec 1953.

Subj met a number of refugee leaders representing refugees in Syria and Lebanon in Beirut during his recent visit there. Following met with him and discussed refugee problems: Shaykh Shawfiq TAYBI, Muhammad FUSTUQ, Muhammad Nizar AMDAH, Shaykh Mustafa A'INI, Muhil AZZIR, Ahmad AKKI, Mustafa SADI, Wadi KHARR, Abdallah SANA'U, Khalil HUUT, Hasan SIFILAK, Hamid GHAZAL, Faris SIRHAN, and Khalid FARIKH.

NJA-520
26 Dec 53
C-3

Subj believes Jews will use the persecutions against them in USSR and satellite states recently to gain further aid of west to build up Israel as haven for Jews fleeing such states, primarily to bolster waning Israeli economy.

WEC-77;
30 Jan 53.
P-3; C

Subj has been recipient, post-bellucose Churchill speech of 10 May 52, of numerous offers from Palestinians volunteering their services in case of war with Britain. If Egypt accepts offers, of which they have been apprised, first volunteers would be chosen from a group of persons who participated in Palestinian struggle. IN.

WEC-17;
1 vi 53
P-3; C

Hold clipping:

Is not clear if person referred to is really XX-Hufti, because name is given as "Sayyid Amin...." instead of usual Haj Amin....

Also clipping does not say: "XX-Hufti";

La prière

Le 10 mai 1952, le général de Gaulle a prononcé un discours devant l'Assemblée nationale, dans lequel il a évoqué la question de la Palestine. Ce discours a été accueilli avec une vive émotion par les Français, et a suscité de nombreuses réactions. En particulier, il a été remarqué que le général de Gaulle a fait mention de la « question arabe » et de la « question juive », ce qui a été interprété comme une reconnaissance de l'existence de deux problèmes distincts. Cette prise de position a été saluée par certains milieux politiques et intellectuels, mais elle a également suscité des critiques. Certains ont estimé que le général de Gaulle avait été trop évasif, et qu'il n'avait pas donné de réponses précises aux questions posées. D'autres, au contraire, ont considéré que son discours était une œuvre d'art, et qu'il avait su exprimer avec finesse et profondeur les préoccupations de la France à l'égard du Proche-Orient. En tout cas, il est certain que ce discours a marqué un tournant dans l'histoire de la diplomatie française, et qu'il a eu des conséquences importantes sur le débat public.

al-HUSAYNI, Hajj Amin

EC:PT

Subj. former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem. Letter was sent to him by Mustafa al-Sabahi, delivered by unidentified Syrian Ikhwan; purpose of which is to ask subj. to make strong representations to the UN to induce the RCC to change its anti-Ikhwan campaign.

NEC-791
3 Jan. 1956
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Subject complains that he is being completely neglected and at times mistreated by the Egyptian Govt. Subj encouraging his friends to support Said RAMADAN in his preparations for the Islamic Congress in 1956.

NEC-774
15 Dec 54
[]

Subject considering move to Damascus where he feels he will be more welcome than in Egypt.

NEC-778
18 Dec 54
[]

Subj. reported to be setting up an intelligence service among his followers in each of the Arab governments. Info would be channeled thru Mufti to Egyptian. Hub of activities in Beirut and Damascus would be Arab Higher Committee organs in those cities.

RIB-2353
9 Jan 51

HUSAYNI, Haj Amin al

JORDAN

Reportedly visited King SAUD in Mecca in early January 1956. Told SAUD that Palestinian refugees look to SAUD as Savior. SAUD allegedly gave SUBJ a very large sum of money to be spent among refugees for propaganda in attacking Iraq and the Baghdad Pact.

NJA-1619
18 Apr 56
[] P-3

Subj arrived in Damascus 12 July 56 to confer with leaders on the plight of the refugees.

FRIS NO 136
13 July 56

SUBJ with family and body guards arrived Damascus June 56 from Cairo. Called on Juwattli and Asali, and requested personal guard for his protection. Because SUBJ is forbidden to engage in political activity in Egypt, one reason for his trip is to obtain permission to reside in either Iraq or Jordan. If unable to do so, SUBJ will seek permission to live in Syria.

NSD-864
[]
1 Aug 56

HUSAYNI, (Hajj) Amin
(GRAND MUFTI)

SEC-1, Grand Mufti.

EGYPT
LEB
JOR
SYR
etc.

Subj invited to attend the traditional ceremony commemorating the ascension of the Prophet Muhammad in J'lem on 4 Apr 54.

NJA-533
3 Jan 54
C-3

King HUSAYN interpreted the decisions of the Political Committee of the Islamic Conference as an effort to invite Subj to return to Jordan.

NJA-534
3 Jan 54
C-3

Mentions that W. BEISSNER(qv) became acquainted with subj in Berlin.

JX 4800;
11 Jan 54
C-3

One of the confidantes of Mattes KHURI (qv) (Argentine Cultural Attache, Egypt) is said to be Subject.

CS 34234 (HAB
553) 11 Feb 54,
P-3

Subj has been staying in Damascus as he has been refused permission to go to Jerusalem by Jordanian authorities. Damascus is as near as he can get to Muslim Congress at present meeting (21 December 53) in Jerusalem. Frequent visits to Palestinian refugees made by subj as well as strengthening contacts with Arab Committee, Damascus. Also steadily tightening his grip on refugees in Syria.

CS-31312;
18 Feb 54, OEL
5696.

HEIDMANN: German who has assumed Muslim name and works in Saudi Arabia, is said to have very close relations with Subj and with Fr. W. BEISSNER (qv).

JX 5959; Apr 54.
C-3

Spoke at gathering in Cairo 16 iv 54 praising work of the Islamic Preaching Society (qv), formed in the Sudan.

FBIS from
Cairo 17 Apr 54.

Noteworthy that al-JUHURIYAH, the Arabic daily supported by the present regime in Egypt, published an article by subj. which charges that the Muslim-Christian Conference sponsored by the American Friends of the Middle East in the Lebanon is an "imperialistic trick".

Am. Exp. Cairo
2552 27 Apr 54.

Defense counsel for Mahmud and Ayy ABU-al-FATH authorized to invite subj as witness for their defense.

FBIS, Cairo,
28 iv 54.

During Feb 54, RCC continued efforts to transform Ikhwan into a purely socio-religious body, using for this purpose subj as an intermediary to those members of Constituent Assembly of Ikhwan who had not been interned.

OEL 7315;
28 Apr 1954.

One of subj's intermediaries with the Soviets is said to be Alimcan IDRISI, a Tartar emigrant who is a secretary for the Arab League in Cairo; Mufti said to be becoming increasingly pro-Soviet, at least in attitude.

EGNA 4215;
12 May 54.

Ex-Grand Mufti's son-in-law, nephew, member of his intell organization have been engaged by the Arab League Secretariat to work in the Palestine Department; reliable source. Embassy comments that this one more indication of renewed activity of Subject; since he has been able to get three of his henchmen into the most sensitive Department of the League is indicative of increased influence.

AmEmb Cairo 2982
29 June 1954.

Guest of honor at party in Cairo given by group of German military experts whose contracts were not renewed by Egyptian Army. DER SPIEGEL shows subj with the "former Nazis."

JERUSALEM POST,
7 Sept. 1954.

Lists among subject's supporters (shaykh) Sa'id bu-Ayyad al-TAMIMI and Shihadah al-ANANI (qqv).

NJA 1105; 22 Sept
1954. C-3

Adib SHIELI, old friend of Mujhlis AMR, (qqv) commented that he had assisted AMR and his family in 1936 and 1938 when they were in violent conflict with former Grand Mufti. SHIELI specifically cited the violent death of Hashim 'Abdallah Bashi'r AMR, supposedly instigated by subject.

NJA 1106; 23 Sep
1954. C-3

A denial published this paper of statement made in another un-named paper recently that subj had quit Egypt finally and would reside permanently in Saudi Arabia. Arab Higher Committee has denied this move, says the rumor of his move to SAR is not true.

Journal d'Egypte
15 Dec 54.

AL YOM reprints a story bub'd by Rose Al-Yusuf, a Cairo weekly, reporting that Subj, now living in Egypt, has decided to reside in Saudi Arabia.

ED REV LEB Pres
Papers of 15 Dec
1954.

Financing of Trip thru Leb. & Syria by subj financed by Egypt. Govt. Money also rec'd. from Royal Family Saudi Arabia and Arab League. Purpose to stir up anti-Israeli spirit of Palest. refugees in Syria; arouse Jordanians against King Husayn and British of Leber; political propaganda against Turkish/Iraqi Pact; examine effectiveness of Cairo Voice of Arabs.

MEM-1999 -
17 Jan 1956.

Jordanian Charge Kasser informed Amamb House on 21 Jan 56 that purpose of visit to Damascus of Haj Amin al-HUSAYNI, ex-Mufti of Jerusalem was to organize two lines of guerrilla troops from Palestinian refugees in Syria to be used as "Fedayiin" or shock troops in Israel or Jordan. Mufti's plans also called for one brigade of guerrilla troops based in Egypt. In reply to question, Kasser said operation would be financed by Saudis and trained, supplied and organized by joint Arab-Egyptian staff. Comments: Independent Amamb sources confirm the above purpose of Mufti's trip.

State Tel 965
26 Jan 56.
Damas Cus.

Report of Lebanese origin which Embassy is to evaluate that communists, perhaps with Mufti's assistance, may be contemplating move split off West Bank of Jordan to form (presumably with Gaza strip) "Arab State in Palestine".

Instal.
21 Jan 1956.

Subj heads the Palestine Higher Committee (qv).

FEIS 1 Feb 56.

Ex-Mufti reported now engaged setting up Palestinian force in Syria. This force, over which he would have general supervision, would be financed by Saudis but would remain under Syrian command. Ex-Mufti claims success in getting Egypt to give Palestinians commando training. Two groups of 3500 men already trained, and training of third and fourth groups already under way. Ex-Mufti's activities "no doubt" related to plan for setting up separate West Bank state. Jordan Prime Minister already complained to Syrians about these activities.

IN23752
OUT 69965
16 Feb 1956.
JIC Weekly
15 Feb.

The Black Hand Society (terrorist) reorganized in West Bank still directed by Grand Mufti, and family. Attached installation of Musa Day ALAMI who is traditional enemy of HUSAYNI family. Arms clandestinely brought to Jordan and West Bank from Damas via Jebel Druze area. Dr. Sub'i Abu GHANTMAN behind shipment.

MSDA-1587
21 Feb 1956.

Subject recently visited Damascus from Saudi Arabia. The Jordan Gov't thinks that he is trying with Saudi backing to organize gun running to West Bank Palestinians with a view to setting up a separate state. To support this view the Jordanians have instanced the capture of Czech rifles by the AL which had been smuggled into the Be'atha area by Syrians.

War Office
Weekly Intel
Sun day
No. 168
OGI 1236-56.

Assamin (qv) was one of the military aides to the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem when Subj was in Berlin.

MOFA-10048
23 Apr 1956

Haj Amin al-Husayni, former Mufti of Jerusalem, has taken up residence in Syria, for the summer and has offered his services to organize an authorized Palestinian battalion of the Syrian Army, but, according to the Beirut daily, L'Orient of 29 July, the Mufti no longer cooperates with the Syrian Government or with the Palestinian refugees, and the authorities do not consider him to be at all qualified for such a position.

FLD SUM
#1057
11 Sept 56.

Agreed to accept the invitation of Khalid Bakdash to visit Moscow.

IN-
22535 10 Dec
1956, C-2

According to Source, Subj. was refused permission by the Egyptian Gov't to leave Egypt for Beirut in late November 1954.

WA-4-650
29 Nov 1954.

201-000314

HUSAYNI, (Hajj) Amin al-

With Egyptian Minister Amr Sedat planned assassination attempt against King Saud in mid Apr 57. Subhi Shahin, a Palestinian assassination expert, received a bomb in Jidda, passed it to Abdallah Faysal, member of Saudi royal family, who placed it in King's bedroom. The King was warned. Shahin was questioned and admitted possession of unknown contents and was expelled from Saudi Arabia. Plot hushed up because member of royal family involved. E/P-3 NOFORN/LTD

28 Aug 57
NJA 2351

TDCS DB 3,633,041

B-3 NOFORN/LTD

32 Aug 57
IN 37388
NJA 2379

Connected with abortive plot to plant time bomb at US ConGen at Jerusalem on 8 Aug 57.

TDCS DB 3,632,976

B-2 NOFORN/LTD

6 Aug 57
IN 34183
NJA 2365

King SAUD informed Bahjat TALHUNI in Saudi Arabia that he had info that Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNI is attempting to form a new government of Palestine and Gaza. Egyptian Ambassador supporting plan which King Saud will not accept.

TDCS DB 3,632,646

B-2 (RA) NOFORN/LTD

30 Jul 57
NJA 2347

Reported by British to be working with Egyptians and Israelis to form a Gov of Palestine.

TDCS DB 3,632,797

B/P-3 (2-RA) NOFORN/LTD

NJA 2342
24 Jul 57

on 9 Jul met with Brig. Asan MASRI, Ali SARRI & Abd-al-Qadir HATIM at home of Pres. MASRI. MASRI had returned from Rome conference with Israelis for new instructions. Agreed to support Egyptian propaganda campaign against Jordan.

TDCS DB 3,632,792

B/P-4 NOFORN/LTD

24 Jul 57
NJA 2338

Received 1,000,000 Egyptian pounds to form separate Palestinian Government to be located in Gaza strip. Has worked out with Egyptians & Israelis method of setting up Gov.

6 Aug 57
NJJ 55

TDCS 3,324,904

IN 34995.

W/2-1, NOFORN,

Wrot. letter to King Husayn asking him to refuse to negotiate a peace with Israel and to keep close watch on the refugees. The King being afraid of Mufti agents, made a declaration that he would not negotiate any peace.

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1. HUSAYNI, (Hajj) Amin al-

JORDAN

TDCS 3,331,200
C-2 NOFORN,

4 OCT 57
IN 17461
IN 15132

On 26 Sept Abu LABBAN, Head of Arab High Committee Office in Damascus stated that H- was not in Damascus. Rqr comment reported that 22 Sept H- was in Cairo.

TDCS 3,329,648
C-2 NOFORN, C 7

20 Sept 57
IN 12718
NJA 2458

Ex-Mufti: Expected to arrive in Damascus soon to make trouble in Jer. Has been in Cairo.

TDCS 3,324,372
B/7-3 NOFORN, IC 7
JENU 63, IN 32959

1 Aug 57
NJJ 52

Ordered 20 persons and Faysal WABULSI to Jer to carry out assassinations and sabotage.

TDCS LB 3,632,235
appraisal 3, NOFORN/LAT

4 June 57
OEL 14027
LID 2148
IN 10603

Subject under surveillance by SDB aft arrest by Syrians of courier carrying message to subj fr 2 Jordan deputies who are supporters of HUSAYNI.

TDCS 3,335,826
C-3, NOFORN, HBSJING (Germann)

15 Nov 57
FULL 9033
IN 34857
BOK 16014

Subj now in lower residence (Cairo), only person staff at financial backg unknown but Egyptian Nationalists suspected; subj old enemy of Jordan monarchy.

TDCS 3,303,739
MIT 3, NOFORN

23 Jan 57
OEL 17297

Command Center in house of Da'ud HUSAYNI controlled by instructions of subj & Comdr SHALASH (Sic)

Subject is to form a separate Palestinian Government to be located in the Gaza strip area. He has been given 1,000,000 Egyptian pounds for this purpose, this is supposedly to be the answer to the Palestinian refugee problem and Israel is not to disclose the existence of a secret Israeli/Egyptian agreement. TDCSDR-3,632, 729 20 Jul 1957.

Ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem. Subj. reported to be working for the DB and the Egyptians and assisting the DB in planning their ops in Jordan.

NJAA 1621
17 Sep 57.

HKJ received cable 17 Sept fr [redacted] that Subj due arrive "soon" Dama to make trouble in Jordan (C [redacted]). [redacted] fr [redacted]

20 Sep 57.

[redacted] Hussein, ex-Mufti of [redacted]
[redacted] comment neces. [redacted]

Att. to NECA-
6626, 25 Sep
1957, KAPOK,

Group of supporters of Subj has entered Jord fr Syr for sabotage & terrorism, headed by Faisal al Nabulsi, now hiding hills Nablus; another member Hazi al Urtani; In constant touch Nabulsi are Ahmad al Nabulsi, cousin former PM, Jamil Abdul Hadi, manager Nat'l Tobacco co. Nabulsi; Ahmad Nabulsi also in touch leaders of Comite, Da'ath, Nat'l Soc & Arab Qawmist Parties, travels regularly car Amma, Jeru, Nablus, Bethlehem, Ramallah, relaying info & directives.

28 Sep 57

[redacted] told 26 Sep by Abu Lablan, head Arab High Comm of DAMA, that Subj not now DAMA and AHC office now aware any plans come; L further said rumors Dama earlier Subj planning come but they w/out substance; AHC not positive, but thinks he still Cairo.

2 Oct 57.

[redacted] saw Subj 2 Oct, H denied having left Cair recently; gave foll: Many Syr offs want be another Nasr, worst thing that could happen because none has necessary character or strength, result mess will open doors for USA; Nasr should back Quwatli, Asm no good; a ove all must keep things quiet; anything that happens Syr will (such as Comite takeover) sabotage Palestine case, turn USA against Arabs, wa ts see Egypt rapprochement; [redacted] got impression Mufti had private lines to Saud & Qaw, thinks Mufti saw Qaw on his last trip Alex; Qaw told hi Q did not intend return Syr unless Nasr brought offs to senses.

7 Oct 1957

Enil al-Ghuri, Husayni chief assistant, in Beir apprxx 7 or 8 Nov; see his card

Son-in-law is Abd-al Makarim Abd Ha'i. [redacted] fr [redacted]

17 Nov 57.

Appeared at the Afro-Asian Conference unexpected and unannounced. "I have come here to work for the cause" said the aging bearded and white-turbaned Mufti.

NY TIMES 21
April 1955

Subj, the Grand Mufti of Palestine, was in Karachi from May 8-22 as guest of Prime Min Muhammad Ali. (see doc for copies of the Grand Mufti's interview with the Morning News of May 16.

AMEMB: KARACHI
Desp # 784
4 June 55.

HUSAYNI, HAJJ AMIN AL (Grand Mufti of Jerusalem)

26 Jan Subj stated Palestinians favor UAR; when Palestinian state reconstituted will join union thus forming land link Syria-Egypt; from Husayni

8 Feb 1958

NUMMAR and HIYARI holding regular meetings Semirania with Subj and officers presidential intel service planning assassination

11 Feb 1958.

General of
League, HAJJ AMIN AL HUSAYNI, Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, HAJJ AMIN AL HUSAYNI,
the Tunisian Ambassador and other prominent Arab personalities and on
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on (HAJJ) Amin
al-HUSAYNI.