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1. According to an influential, well informed subsource, the Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin Husayni, represents a dangerous weapon in the hands of the French, who thus have the power to use him at an opportune moment to cause embarrassment to Great Britain and possibly jeopardize the peace in the whole of the Near East. Reportedly the Mufti is already engaged in political intrigue in Palestine and neighboring countries.
2. The same subsource expresses the opinion that the Mufti's return to Palestine would not constitute any great danger provided that the Mufti's close advisers are not also permitted to return. However, the subsource feels that the Mufti should be sent to some neutral country, Sweden or Switzerland for example, where he should be allowed to live comfortably with his family at British Government expense.
3. It appears that the Palestine Arab Party has made efforts to secure permission for the Mufti to return to Palestine to resume his religious work in his capacity as leader of Palestine Moslems. However, there is no indication that these efforts have been successful, and some British sources believe his permanent exclusion from Palestine is very likely. Should he fall into British hands they say he would most likely be kept under surveillance in comparative freedom in some area under British jurisdiction. Ceylon has been mentioned in this connection.
4. The Mufti's popularity in the Middle East rises and falls inversely as British popularity falls and rises, and he is becoming more and more symbolic of Arab nationalism. His standing may be expected to continue to improve so long as he is considered a martyr to British interests.

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SUBJECT Haji Amin al-HUSAYNI			DATE 19 Feb 53
PERTINENT INFORMATION <p>Prominent Palestinian "ionists" sub-source rated P-D claims French holding Grand MURPHY (uncommunicado) in Paris as Trump-Card for trade against British in Middle East. G.H. and his cousin "uncommunicado" claimed by sub-source to have been instrumental in planning with Kasia extermination of European Jews and that both aided SS General Fickmann in Budapest. Jamal Husayni (rv)</p> <p>THIS SUBJECT WAS TAKEN FROM THE "EGYPTIAN" DUSK CARD.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3B2B NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT DATE 2006</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS IS AN UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT TO THE SUBJECT OF THIS DOCUMENT.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SECRET SECURITY INFORMATION</p>			
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7 March 1946

TO: Mr. Blum
FROM: Jane Burrell
SUBJECT: MUFTI of JERUSALEM
SOURCE: Reliable

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The following facts concerning the MUFTI of JERUSALEM have been reported by a reliable source:

1. The MUFTI was captured in the French sector of Berlin and taken to Paris by the French.
2. 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.
3. 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.

4. RASHID ALI and all members of the *MUSSEINI* family are now with *IBN SAUD*.

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