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<p>Palestine Appeals to King Abdullah Attitude of the MUFTI and President Kwatli</p> <p>Further to our N. 231 of April 14th the following comes from the source in close touch with Palestine Arab leaders who was quoted in our No 179(WEL-114) of March 15th.</p> <p>i. "In a letter written from Cairo on April 20th Ishaq Darwish informed a friend that the MUFTI had decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. To visit King Abdullah in Amman with a request for military aid; b. To accept the annexation of Palestine to Transjordan and to acknowledge Abdullah as King during the latter's lifetime. <p>ii. Darwish added that the MUFTI would specify two conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. that upon the death of Abdullah a plebiscite should be held in both Palestine and Transjordan to determine the succession; b. That Abdullah should abandon the Greater Syria scheme. <p>2. The following, dated April 2nd, is from our source R11:</p> <p>"It is not known what view President Kwatli of Syria takes of the MUFTI's proposals but the President told a friend that he had himself instructed General Ismail Sa'wat Inspector-General of the Lebanese Army, to visit Amman with an appeal for military intervention after the news of the Arab defeat at Hishmar Hasnak. The President's remarks were confirmed in a separate conversation by his personal physician."</p>			
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