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Subject: Attempts of Mufti to Obtain Asylum outside Egypt.

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Date of Information: current

Place Acquired: Cairo, Egypt Date Acquired: 12 October 1951

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Source: an Egyptian journalist.

1. The Egyptian authorities consider the Mufti to have broken the tradition of asylum in that he has become deeply involved in Egyptian and Arab politics, including Ikhwan affairs and the assassination of King 'Abdallah. They permit him to stay only because he has no other place to go.
2. The Mufti knows that he is no longer welcome in Egypt and has ~~tried many hard~~ tried hard to obtain asylum in Syria, Iraq, and Saudi Arabia; but they have all politely rejected him. (King) Ibn Sa'ud told the Mufti's envoy, Munir al-HUSAYNI, that he was prepared to give the Mufti reasonable financial assistance but that he could not permit him to reside in Saudi Arabia.
3. During his visit to the Islamic Economic Conference in Karachi, the Mufti endeavored to obtain asylum in Pakistan. He was tentatively accepted, but has not yet received final approval.

* Field Comment: See Mufti's picture, p. 1, Journal d'Egypte 20/10/51.

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