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Aid Egypt in Fight against
British

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Source: A regular source (F) from an informant in the entourage
of the ex- Grand Mufti.

1. As a result of the speech on 10 May 1953 by British
Prime Minister, Sir Winston CHURCHILL, outlining British policy
toward Egypt, the ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNI,
has been the recipient of numerous telegrams from Palestinians in
all the Arab states declaring their support of the Egyptian cause
and volunteering their services in case of war with the British.[1]

2. The Mufti informed the Egyptian Government of the
offer of the Palestinians and added that, should the Egyptian
Government accept the offer, the first volunteers would be
chosen from among experienced and loyal individuals who had
participated in the Palestinian struggle. Circulars to this
effect have been sent by the Grand Mufti to the branches of the
Arab High Committee in all the Arab countries.

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1. Field Comment. The same source reported in March 1953
that the Egyptian Government had accepted the proposal of
the ex-Mufti to form an armed regiment of Palestinians
and that 500 volunteers had been chosen from among the
Palestinian refugees at Gaza. (Source)