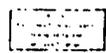


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1. (Field Comment: The following is a summary translation of a Lebanese Surece Generale report dated 31 December 1968, and classified SECRET. A copy of the report was sent to the President of the Republic and to the Army G-2.)

2. On the evening of 29 December 1968, a meeting was held at the home of Haj Amin Hussayni to discuss the concept of a Palestinian state which would be defended by an army composed of al Fatah commandos, under the command of al Fatah leader Yasir Arafat. Participating in the 29 December meeting were Assistant Saudi Military Attache in Lebanon Major Muhammad al Qadi, one Misham Awdi from Ain al Hilwi Camp, one Ali Qasin from al Rashidrah Camp, one Musa Alami and al Fatah representative Captain Ahmad al Hussayni. (Field Comment: According to another security service official, the Alami family member present was one Sami al Alami, an influential and wealthy Palestinian.)

3. The meeting lasted several hours, during which Misham Awdi and Ali Qasin were delegated to discuss this project in the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon, to make a note of reactions to the project and to assess what must be done to

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bring it to fruition. Maj Amin Husayni proposed that the West Bank be considered a base for the Palestinian state. He suggested that cooperation with conservative Arab leaders such as King Faysal would be necessary to the success of the project. He commented that the King had never exploited the Palestinian problem for his own ends, in contradistinction to UAR President Nasir, who was no more than a Middle Eastern pawn in the hands of the USSR.

4. (Field Comment: According to an independent and reliable source, a Lebanese businessman with good contacts in Lebanese political circles, the meeting was called to discuss al Fatah's position at the Palestine National Council, scheduled to open in Cairo 1 February 1969. Husayni is the liaison officer between King Faysal and al Fatah, and he is the channel for money contributed to al Fatah by King Faysal. Those present at the meeting were pessimistic about the outcome of the Council meeting because al Fatah would try to dominate it and the other Palestinian organizations were bound to try to resist.)

5. Field Dissem: State Army Navy Air (Also sent [])