

2 October 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF, POLITICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE  
SUBJECT : Daily Log

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[ ] reports that it has received an urgent communication from the aide-de-camp of former King Zog of Albania stating that Zog's assets have been frozen in all Egyptian banks and that no word has been received concerning the jewels and 15,000 gold pieces previously seized by the Egyptian police. The aide-de-camp further reports that the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs has informed Zog that his passports with exit visas are ready, but that Zog was forced to refuse, since he cannot leave the country without his only means of support. Zog is therefore requesting [ ]

[ ] to ask the United States Government to intervene with the Egyptian Government on Zog's behalf so that he may leave the country with his family as planned on 19 October. [ ]

[ ] has also received a personal note from the wife of King Zog, pleading for assistance. According to Zog's contact [ ] both the raid of Zog's dwelling and the bank freeze were explained by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as an effort to collect unpaid taxes, an explanation which Zog rejects as false. [ ] 178, dtd 2 Oct 53, IN 22947; Daily Log dtd 28 September 53)

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