

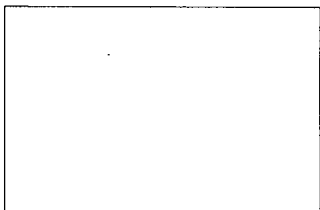
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EGYPT: Reshaping the Government

[redacted] Egypt's announcement yesterday that War Minister Jamasi and Chief of Staff Fahmi have been removed from their posts is probably part of President Sadat's reshaping of the government and preparations for implementing the Camp David accords, although the announcement was unusually abrupt.

[redacted] According to press reports, both Jamasi and Fahmi have been appointed military advisers to Sadat. / [redacted]

[redacted] expects that Jamasi's role will include acting as a special adviser on Egyptian-Israeli peace negotiations.//

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[redacted] Fahmi's replacement was named immediately, but Jamasi's successor will apparently be appointed by the newly designed Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil, who is expected to announce a new cabinet within the week. Sources of the US Embassy in Cairo report that Kamal Hassan Ali, the head of Egyptian General Intelligence, will be named to replace Jamasi. Ali is one of Sadat's most trusted advisers and enjoys a personal rapport with Sadat and the armed forces that Jamasi has never had.

[redacted] The announcement of Jamasi's removal appears to have been handled by the press with a notable lack of ceremony. It is possible that Sadat's admonition to the press in his speech earlier this week to be more careful in handling news events caused this abrupt treatment; the change may be given fuller elaboration when the press receives clearer directions from Sadat's office. [redacted]