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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

Richard Harkness over NBC stated that CIA had done a good intelligence job, having furnished the White House in writing 24 hours before the Israeli attack with a prediction that: (1) The Israeli would not invade Jordan as the Press had been stating; (2) the Israeli would invade Egypt; (3) the French and British would invest the Suez Canal zone.

Next week's issue of U. S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT will include a corrective story stating that the CIA and the intelligence community did a good job in accurately predicting the Egyptian attack and the British and French investment of the Suez Canal Zone. The second part of the story will discuss the alleged diplomatic failure, stating substantially that our ambassadors to London and to Paris did not know of the impending attack.

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