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1. Atah (fau), from Hebron District, and Ahmad Afifi\* came to Beirut in early May, ostensibly to get jobs with the Arabian American Oil Company (Aramco), but actually to collect information on the following targets for Glubb Pasha of the Arab Legion:
  - a. Strength of Israeli forces on the Israeli-Lebanese border.
  - b. Identity of Israeli regiments on this border, and insignia worn by Israeli units.
  - c. Locations and strengths of Israeli military camps.
  - d. Israeli military activities in Nahariya and Sa'sa'.
2. Atah and Afifi, with two or three Palestinian refugees suspected by source of being British or Jordan agents and who are thoroughly familiar with the Israeli-Lebanese border area, stayed at the border from the 8th to the 10th of May. After they had collected the information desired by Glubb Pasha, they returned to Beirut.\*\*

3. Afifi told [REDACTED] that he and Atah were attempting to obtain information on the same targets on the Israeli-Syrian border. Afifi further stated that King 'Abdullah is preparing to employ the Arab Legion to attack Israel from the Lebanese and Syrian Borders in order to enforce the 1947 Partition Plan for Palestine. He added that the king is counting on the assistance of Palestinian refugees in Syria and Lebanon.

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Though Afifi's activities, [REDACTED] are confusing [REDACTED], it is probable that, so far as these espionage activities are concerned, he is merely carrying out military orders. 25X1X

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these individuals had recently been in Gaza and Beersheba, collecting the same type of information, adding that Atah has actually applied for employment in Aranco's medical department.

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