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Your 871.

Our case so strong Egyptian so untenable that we should certainly think of action Moabit. However changes from Jan make our majority uncertain unless we get direct promise Greece and Colombia. Thus if we plan action should raise during Dec and obtain clear promise from French Pres that he wld pursue case by calling daily meetings until issue solved. Should also endeavour get Norway associated in complaint.

For time being wld propose foll plan:

- 1 - draw up note for Three Powers with utmost speed.
- 2 - on presentation to powers inform them we intend raise Moabit expect their support for simple resol not reaffirming Sept first which unnecessary but recalling it and referring Egypt release ship and cargo.
- 3 - if they show agitation this prospect we should see if they prepared go as far as promise secure release by dip means and promise no obstruction in future. This wld probably be more palatable to them than Moabit case in which however hesitently they wld have to come out against Egypt in public.
- 4 - in light their response we consult again whether and how to pursue Moabit.

If you accept this plan essence is immediate drafting and cabling notes. View our desire further action Moabit or elsewhere presentation should be in capitals themselves with parallel communications to missions in Israel and three dels to UN.

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