

TO:- ELATH
FROM:- SHARETT

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Evans came at my invitation Tel Binyamin.

- 1) Told him point one my MT 74 adding:-
 - a) According our information British Officers were to be involved in operation must have known of it wonder if did not inform H.M.G.
 - b) We have impression Jordan of late reassured Britain would come her help in Cisjordan if we aggress. This meant that if Jordan gets naughty Scopus we react and they manage frame-up of Israel Aggression on U.K. We involved hence special reason for U.K. see Jordan behaves. Evans disclaimed all knowledge am sure with perfect sincerity. He confident British Officer would report H.M.G. if seconded from British Army but might not if soldier fortune. Re Defence Treaty said was sure for our assurance re not setting up peacetime basis if Cisjordan still stood but presumed position different in event war provoked by Israel. For your information.
 - c) Above based Report U.K.-Jordan military conference Amman there tentative timetable fixed for dispatch U.K. troops in case Israel Aggression and prospect held out British Navy blockade our shores.
- 2) Self gave full expose our case Huleh on lines my D/63 one to seven. Said Bennike's decision and its formulation very rash and ill-advised; acceptance would have signified our own signing death warrant on all development work with far-reaching paralyzing effects whole country. Indicated way out as per point seven. Evans volunteered Bennike addressed Request didn't issue order but still he is U.N. Authority and our stand unlikely gain support. He asked ~~whether work continuing Eye said yes this status quo.~~ ~~whether work continuing Eye said yes this status quo.~~ He asked would we now again approach Bennike - Eye no - he owed me reply. He asked were we ready suspend for fixed period pending agreement Eye said not pending agreement with Syria. He asked did our policy inter state water settlement mean with all countries sitting together or also with each separately. Eye said off-hand we probably be ready sit with each if practicable but in light Syrian experience did not think this realistic. He promised transmit all adding probably be soon instructed give us H.M.G. views. Eye replied in that case Eye got in first.
- 3) Asked him how long present absurd deadlock over Jerusalem will continue, said they didn't play fair by not telling us they would not come to Jerusalem while they did say would not move Embassy. This was post factum inspiration. Pressed query till when what side as no one moving finger regularizing position what was sense present line. Gave him full story Dulles let-down, to which he listened with obvious relish he kept saying didn't know H.M.G. long-term intentions was very visibly embarrassed asked whether you explained it all to Salisbury. Eye said was sure you did. He said he was not debarred from ever calling on us Jerusalem but had to get authority which meant had to know subject in advance. Eye said would care fully select opportunity

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EVANS TODAY INFORMED US VIA EYTAN H.M.G. HOPES WE COMPLY
BENNIKE THEY TOLD SYRIANS THAT THEY TOLD US THIS ADDING
EXPECT THEY BEHAVE MEANTIME. PHONED EVANS SAID CONTINGENCY
ENVISAGED END OUR TALK SATURDAY ARISEN MUST ASK HIM
COME SEE ME JERUSALEM TOMORROW.

AA. OUR REACTION H.M.G. ACTION RE SYRIA

BB. OUR MAIN ASPECT NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT.

HE SAID CABLING FOR AT ONCE.

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NY IL 166. THIS MORNING HE TRANSMITTED MESSAGE P.O. REFUSED
AUTHORISE VISIT. TO ME THIS MEANS HIS SATURDAY FORMULA EMPTY
VERBIAGE SHALL NOT SEE HIM AGAIN TILL JERUSALEM BAN LIFTED.
ON B. INTENDED SUPPORTING ACTION - ADDRESS HIM NUMBER QUERIES.
ON A. THOUGHT WOULD UNDERLINE UNHELPFUL CHARACTER THEIR APPROACH
SYRIA WHICH ENTIRELY UNCALLED FOR BUT SINCE THEY DID IT THEY
SHOULD NOW TELL SYRIA THEIR OPINION THAT WE SHOULD COMPLY
SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS SIGNIFYING THEIR ACCEPTANCE BENNIKE'S
MOTIVATION IMPLYING SYRIA HAS STATUS IN DEMILITARIZED ZONE.
TRY PUT THIS ACROSS -

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