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TO : MAHAV HAMISRAD TEL AVIV
FROM: GOITEIN MEMISRAEL WASHINGTON

SENT : 15.4.53
RECD : 15.4.53

Presented to-day note to Jernegan re our participation
negs Suez requesting we be kept informed development negs and be
permitted to state our case as they proceed. Emphasized we not
willing discover fait accompli after negs which might commit us
and require us reconsider our attitude area defense. In reply
Jernegan stated appreciates our interest but consultation and
info is delicate view completely unofficial activity US in negs.
Doubted whether proper for them divulge info received confidentially
from both sides. Revealed similar demarche had been made by French
who received similar reply and suggested to them as to us we direct
our request primarily to Britain. Negs commencing early next week
without fixed agenda which USA desires. Herzog Waller present.

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