At the time that simultaneous disengagement is agreed upon, there should be cessation of all military actions by UAR forces in Yemen.

These UAR forces should return from field activities to their bases in Yemen, pending withdrawal, where they would be under the supervision of neutral observers.

4. These UAR forces should then be withdrawn with all officers and men and all the equipment such as tanks, planes, etc., which they

had introduced into Yemen.

5. As soon as there is agreement on all these points, the Saudi Gov-

ernment will order a cessation of all aid to the Royalists.

There must be a time limit to withdrawal of all the foreign forces from Yemen.

Ambassador Bunker made clear that the foregoing points should be properly addressed to the mediator and are subject to mediation by the latter. Faysal agreed to receive Dr. Bunche without preconditions.

B. Ambassador Bunker met with U Thant and Dr. Bunche on March 10² and reviewed his discussions with Prince Faysal. Dr. Bunche in turn revealed the results of his trip: 1) Nasser wants only an assurance from Saudi Arabia that it would end its assistance to the Yemeni Royalists, and 2) the YAR wants firm assurances from Saudi Arabia and the UK that they will put an end to infiltration into Yemen, expulsion of the Yemeni Royal Family from Saudi Arabia, and Saudi and UK recognition of the YAR. In return for the foregoing, the YAR would refrain from intervention in Saudi Arabia and Aden.

Bunker urged that the Secretary General dispatch Dr. Bunche to Saudi Arabia immediately. He stressed that Faysal is in a receptive frame of mind and, additionally, it is essential to keep the mediation exercise in motion in order to avert the resumption of UAR attacks on Saudi Arabia.

II. The Role of the UN

The Secretary General indicated he was prepared to send Dr. Bunche to Saudi Arabia, provided 1) instructions to the Saudi represent-ative to the UN make clear that Faysal would receive Dr. Bunche without requiring that he visit the Royalists in Yemen, and 2) reactions were obtained from Cairo and Sana'a to the USG proposals (minus point 7 relating to US military support to Saudi Arabia).

The Department has sent an instruction to Ambassador Hart to seek a clear and unconditional invitation to Bunche from the Saudi Arabian Government.

However, Dr. Bunche's terms of reference to date charge him only with finding facts. The Secretary General feels that before undertaking mediation the assent of all parties must be obtained. Quite clearly this is

² Reported in circular telegram 1554, March 12. (Department of State, Central Files, POL 26 YEMEN)