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Editorial Note

On May 19, 1954, final agreement between the United States and Pakistan regarding United States military assistance to Pakistan was reached. For text of the Mutual Assistance Agreement signed at Karachi on that date, see 5 UST 852. The agreement entered into force immediately.

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1334. Prime Minister asked me to meet him last night to discuss progress of events in this country since his return from US a week ago.² There were present also Deputy Prime Minister Zorlu, the Foreign Minister and the acting Secretary General of the Foreign Office Dr. Birgi. Foreign affairs portion of discussions developed along following lines:

Conversations with Pakistanis. Prime Minister expressed pleasure with conversations he held with Prime Minister of Pakistan during his short visit to Turkey last week. He said there was a complete meeting of minds on objectives of Turkish-Pakistan agreement and tactics to be employed to press Iraqis and Iranians into the agreement. With respect to the Iraqis, Prime Minister of Pakistan agreed with him that course of Iraqi Government is ambiguous, uncertain and irresponsible. They say one thing to Americans, another thing to Pakistanis, a third to Turks and fourth to Arab League. They agreed that pressure must be applied to Iraq but they should await the formation of the new government of Iraq and then tell them in no uncertain terms that Iraq must fish or cut bait. It was agreed Turks would take initiative and Prime Minister has already seen Iraqi Ambassador on this matter.

With respect to implementation of Turkish-Pakistan agreement, the two Prime Ministers arranged for two study groups to be designated immediately and have exchanges of information and planning between the two general staffs. Menderes was very pleased

¹ Repeated to Karachi, Baghdad, Tehran, Jidda, Cairo, Damascus, Beirut, Tel Aviv, and Amman; transmitted in two sections.

² Documentation is scheduled for publication in volume VIII.