

agreements in more serious respects without UN taking any action. He illustrated by mentioning HKJ failure carry out Article 8 armistice agreement and violation Mount Scopus agreement by increasing number Arabs in Israel demil zone from less than 150 to about 1,000.

Throughout interview Eytan was careful to indicate that door had not been closed to possibility of compliance with Riley's request and that a policy mtg was yet to be held, before which he wld faithfully present our representations. He seemed to find persuasive the point that Israel shld avoid, if possible, any action which might detract from good effect of steps on sequence now being taken by IG to lessen Arab-Israel conflict.

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THE PROBLEM

To determine the position of the United States on the items under "The Palestine Question" which will be considered at the 7th General Assembly i.e., the report of the Palestine Conciliation Commission,² and the Arab and Israeli sponsored items alleging non-compliance of the opposing party with Charter obligations and United Nations resolution.³

¹ For the instruction of the U.S. Delegation to the Seventh Regular Session of the U.N. General Assembly. An earlier version of this paper, SD/A/C.1/398, was dated Oct. 7. (10 files, lot 71 D 440)

* (A separate position paper on the Arab Refugee Relief and Rehabilitation item has been prepared.) [Footnote in the source text; this paper, dated Oct. 4, is Document 499.]

² Pursuant to General Assembly Resolution 512 (VI) of Jan. 26, the Palestine Conciliation Commission submitted its 11th and 12th progress reports (U.N. docs. A/2121 and A/2216) covering the period from Nov. 19, 1951 to Oct. 7, 1952. A supplement to the 12th progress report was issued on Nov. 24 to cover the period from Oct. 8 to Nov. 24. (U.N. doc. A/2216/Add.1)

³ See the letter of Sept. 12 from the Permanent Representatives of Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Syria, and Yemen (U.N. doc. A/2184), subsequently referred to the *Ad Hoc* Political Committee, which considered it at its 25th-39th meetings from Nov. 25-Dec. 11; and the Israeli complaint against the Arab States in letters to the Secretary-General of Sept. 14 and Oct. 9. (U.N. docs. A/2185 and A/2185/Add.1)