

having Missions here should be urged take similar action, though in case of smaller powers it is clear they would be placed at greater disadvantage.

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784A.82/7-1353:Telegram

*The Secretary of State to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, at Cape Vincent, New York*¹

WASHINGTON, July 13, 1953—5:44 p. m.

I had tried to reach you Saturday at President's request to see if we could concert any measures to halt abrupt transfer yesterday of Israel Foreign Office from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem and thus obviate unfortunate repercussions in Middle East and elsewhere.

Unfortunately could not reach you and action has been taken. I have now stated that the U.S. did not plan to move its Embassy to Jerusalem, feeling that this would be inconsistent with outstanding U.N. Resolutions.

Regret we could not get talking connection over telephone. Best regards.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES

¹ Drafted by Dulles and Byroade.

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884A.40 TA/6-2653:Telegram

The Secretary of State to the Embassy in Israel

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WASHINGTON, July 15, 1953—12:32 p. m.

41. Joint State-DMS message. Reference Embtel 1965.¹

1. We are disturbed by implications Eshkol remarks, particularly re intention continue borrowing as much as possible. Would appreciate your comments as to (a) extent they represent considered views Israel Government generally, (b) relationship Avrieli resignation, which seems most regrettable, to any change in climate official opinion. You may wish inquire Foreign Office whether policy

¹ Document 631.