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684A.85/7-354: Telegram

The Ambassador in Jordan (Mallory) to the Department of State 1

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Amman, July 3, 1954.

5. Saw Prime Minister and conveyed substance Deptel 1. 2 He stated Jordan has always respected authority UNTSO and would so continue. Jordan does not wish firing on border and least of all at Jerusalem and in fact it is quite against her interests.

He stated it would be hard to conceive of any of Jordanian initiation since the Arab Legion is under British Officers. The Commander, Glubb, is known for his care but to leave no possibility of doubt Prime Minister had called him in to state there should be no provocation and that ceasefire by fully respected.

Prime Minister asked for tripartite help and appeared genuinely puzzled over reason for Israeli action.

Saw Ambassador Duke immediately thereafter. Prime Minister had made similar statement to him with the additional observation that Jordan respectful of the verbal request but he believed more than words would be necessary for Israel.

MALLORY

No. 841

684A.85/7-354: Telegram

The Acting Secretary of State to the Embassy in Jordan 1

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Washington, July 13, 1954—12:51 p. m.

11. Embassy should reply as follows note re recent developments Jerusalem Embtel 11: 2

Repeated to Tel Aviv, London, Paris, Cairo, Jidda, Baghdad, Damascus, Beirut, and Jerusalem.

² Supra.

¹ Repeated to Jidda, Tel Aviv, Baghdad, Beirut, Cairo, Damascus, London, Paris, and Jerusalem.

² Telegram 11 from Amman, July 6, reported that the Embassy had received a note from the Foreign Minister expressing the view that recent developments in Jerusalem threatened the security of Jordan, and that the Jerusalem attack was a camouflage for an impending attack on all of West Jordan. It called upon the United States as a signatory of the Tripartite Declaration to adopt "quick, firm, and effective measures" to compel Israeli respect for armistice agreements and the Tripartite Declaration. (684A.85/7-654)