

bility of a broader framework than the Four-Power proposals made and rejected by Nahas Pasha last Nov. Eden's thought is that the Egyptians might suggest talks associating the Arab States with the US, UK, Fr and Turk. Four Arab States joining the original four proposing states and Egypt might be a possible suggestion, but he has no set formula in mind.

I wish you<sup>2</sup> wld discuss this idea privately with Stevenson, and only with him, and let me have your reaction and any other suggestions at Lisbon by Tuesday morning, when I expect to meet again with my Brit colleague and perhaps later in the day with Mr. Schuman as well.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> i.e. Caffery.

<sup>3</sup> The next day, Feb. 25, Secretary Acheson, in telegram Secto 73, transmitted to Ambassador Caffery in Cairo as telegram 2, added the following:

"In addition points mytel 1, February 24 rptd Dept Secto 71, Eden said he appreciated urgency moving along as quickly as possible in finding solution of Sudan prog. Sudan is on tentative agenda for forthcoming talks with Egyptians." (641.74/2-2552)

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### *Editorial Note*

On February 21 and February 25, the Foreign Minister of Egypt and Ambassador Caffery signed and exchanged notes concerning the Technical Cooperation Agreement of May 5, 1951, which had entered into force on August 15, 1951. For the texts of these notes and the text of the agreement, see TLAS No. 2479, printed in 3 UST (pt. 2) 2960.

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641.74/2-2452: Telegram

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474. Dept believes that ur talks with Eden as reported in Secto 7 Feb 16 and Secto 71 Feb 24 have been most helpful and apparently have succeeded in bringing Eden a long way towards mtg squarely issues as presented by US and UK Ambassadors Cairo. At same

<sup>1</sup> Repeated to London as telegram 4079 and to Cairo as telegram 1810.