

[Attachment]

GUARANTEES ON THE SUDAN

- (a) Public recognition of the right of self-determination.
- (b) A public declaration that assumption of title by the King and its recognition by the UK would not be regarded as affecting, or allowed to affect, in any way the present status of the Sudanese.
- (c) Recognition of the title will not be allowed to affect the administration of the Sudan.
- (d) The Egyptians will cooperate through a tripartite commission (or commissions) in establishing self-government and arranging self-determination.
- (e) The Egyptians undertake to encourage the pro-unity parties in the Sudan to participate in the elections.

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Memorandum by the Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs (Perkins) and the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian, and African Affairs (Berry) to the Secretary of State

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WASHINGTON, May 19, 1952.

Subject: Anglo-Egyptian Situation: Proposed Approach to the British on the Sudan.

Discussion:

In NEA's memorandum of May 14 it was recommended that you call in Sir Oliver Franks and suggest that since Egypt had turned down the Sudan formula, the British should undertake consultation immediately with the Sudanese. This recommendation was based on the belief that the Egyptian rejection would be handed to the British on May 14 or 15 and on the assumption that Sir Oliver Franks would be in Washington. It is now learned that the Egyptian reply will not be handed to Mr. Eden until May 20 and that Sir Oliver Franks will be out of Washington until May 24.¹

¹ Ambassador Caffery reported in telegram 2066 from Cairo, May 20, not printed, that the Egyptian Ambassador in London had earlier in the day handed Eden a note in which the Egyptian Government formally rejected the British draft formula on the Sudan and alternatively presented Eden with the following text of three Sudan formulas which were acceptable to Egypt:

"1. The two govts will enter into negots to settle the question of the Sudan within the framework of unity under the Egyptian crown. Her Majesty's Govt welcome the

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