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Loutfi, Omar (Dr., Perm. Represent. of Egypt  
to the U.N.)

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7 November 1956

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I would ask you to transmit with the greatest possible urgency the following message to the Egyptian Government:

1. Referring to decisions of the General Assembly, and noting the acceptance by Egypt of the establishment of a United Nations Force, I wish to inform you that a decision, putting the United Nations Force into operation, can be effected without any delay by a call on the Governments of Canada and Colombia, and on the Governments of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden, as a group, to send contingents. I, therefore, ask you for an immediate reply to the question whether Egypt would raise objection against participation of troops from any of the aforementioned countries in the Force to be stationed on Egyptian territory in fulfilment of the prescribed tasks.

2. Immediately on receipt of the reply of the Egyptian Government to this question, I will address a request to the Governments of the nations mentioned for the quickest possible execution.

3. I will, of course, keep the Egyptian Government informed about the further developments and will appreciate an immediate planning in consultation with General Burns as Chief of the United Nations Command, for the stationing of the projected force. I await his advice on the size and character of the troops immediately necessary.

I shall inform the Governments mentioned about this demarche.

Yours sincerely,

Dag Hammarskjold  
Secretary-General

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