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Togo

March-July 1960

- a) Code cable exchange between U.N. HQ  
and P. Spinelli (Dir. of the European Office  
of the U.N.)
- b) 3 clear cables to U.N. HQ from P. Spinelli.

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Press Release ORG/421  
20 April 1960

SPINELLI TO REPRESENT SECRETARY-GENERAL IN TOGOLAND

The Secretary-General has designated Pier Pasquale Spinelli, Director of the European Office of the United Nations, to represent him at the independence ceremonies of the Republic of Togo on 27 April 1960. Mr. Spinelli will leave Geneva for Lome, Togoland, on 21 April.

In addition to representing the Secretary-General at the ceremonies, Mr. Spinelli will study on the spot and discuss with Sylvanus Olympio, Prime Minister of Togo, and the Togolese authorities the manner in which the United Nations can, within its means, best assist in the development of the new state. He will remain in Lome the time necessary for this study. Thereafter, he will come to New York, in the latter half of May, in order to report and present proposals for the planning of such United Nations assistance.

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TO: SPINELLI, GENEVA

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DATE: 7 APRIL 1960 1842

FROM: SPINELLI Geneva

UNUVA 662

DATE: 30 March 1960 1220

NUMBER: UNGVA 581.

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From P. Spinelli  
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TO: CORDIER  
FROM: SPINELLI, GENEVA  
DATED: 8 APRIL 1960 1334  
NUMBER: UNGVA 673

Personal. Would appreciate receiving from competent services, before next Friday, by wire or by pouch, a general picture of our present plans for assistance to Togoland and any possible details of the recent discussions on that subject with the Togolese authorities.

INCOMING CODE CABLE

TO: SECRETARY GENERAL  
FROM: SPINELLI, GENEVA  
DATE: 15 APRIL 19601346  
NUMBER: UNGVA 733

Your 673 and 677 received. As today is full holiday in Geneva I cannot arrange date of departure. I shall do it tomorrow and anyhow I will be in Lome before 25th. Planning to take with me from here secretary of Greek nationality who has been more than once before in West Africa and in Togoland.

INCOMING CODE CABLE

TO: CORDIER  
FROM: SPINELLI, GENEVA  
DATE: 19 APRIL 1960, 0814  
NUMBER: UNGVA 738

As am planning take with me hand coding machine  
for communication from Rome with Newyork and Geneva  
please see that Mailoperations send appropriate set-  
ting to my office soonest possible.

INCOMING CODE CABLE

TO: SECRETARY GENERAL  
FROM: SPINELLI, LOME  
DATE: 4 MAY 1960, 0856  
NUMBER: UNGVA 946

(Message is received in Geneva from Spinelli, Lome  
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INCOMING CODE CABLE

TO: WIESCHNOFF  
FROM: SPINELLI, LOME  
DATE: 7 MAY 1960 1818  
NUMBER: UNTGO 2

Reference your cable number 3 "Republic of Togo".

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FROM: SPINELLI, LOME  
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INCOMING CODE CABLE

TO: WACHMEISTER  
FROM: SPIRELLI, Geneva  
DATE: 15 July 1960 1036  
NUMBER: URGVA 1485

Reference SecGen's 1361.

While we are going ahead with alternative candidate for Resident Representative post in Togoland, I found that the best candidate for the post of advisor on foreign trade is the one about whom you checked in Sweden. Would appreciate if you would inform me if SecGen, despite the not sufficiently positive reaction, feels I can offer him this other post.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: SPINELLI GENEVA

FROM: SECGEN

DATE: 29 March 1960

NUMBER:

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TO : SPINELLI  
FROM : CORDIER  
DATE : 9 April 1960  
NUMBER :

Rear 662. Since Secretary-General has not yet had  
reply from Olympio, defer making practical arrangements for travel  
Fogoland until we give you green light.

Rear 673. Will provide requested material soonest.

DH:dg

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: Spinelli, Geneva  
FROM: Secretary-General  
DATE: 12 April 1960  
NUMBER:

We learned today by cable from Olympi© that the French have not yet succeeded in transmitting our letter to him re your visit although it was handed to them 31 March. We cabled the text in full to him tonight. Naturally we abide by plan and I anticipate full acceptance, provided postman does not show more/negative interest. Wieschhoff is mailing you brief.

DH:haw

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO : Spinelli, Geneva

FROM : Secretary-General

DATE : 14 April 1960

NUMBER : Immediate

Olympio has accepted my proposal that you act as my personal representative in Togoland and agreed to the arrival date of 18 April stop Hope that you can make now definite arrangements for early departure stop Please advise Olympio directly

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: SPINELLI GENEVA

FROM: SECGEN

DATE: 14 April 1960

NUMBER:

Just received following cable from Olympic:

Quote. Pour raison commodité hebergement vous propose a partir  
22 avril date arrivée votre représentant personnel Unquote.

Please adjust your plans accordingly.

Para. We can only guess at the real reason for this postponement. It  
has advantage of giving us time to consider what assistance you may  
need. I would suggest that you bring secretary from the beginning  
and consider further needs on the spot.

OUTGOING CODE

TO : SPINELLI  
FROM : CORDIER  
DATE : 19 April 1960  
NUMBER :

Reur 738. Have given immediate directions on this question. Best wishes for your Mission.

CODE CABLE

TO: Spinelli, Lomé, Togoland

FROM: Wieschhoff

Date: 5 May 1960

Number:

Can you please consult Olympio as to the correct English translation of Republique de Togo and advise us.

Wieschhoff

CODE CABLE

TO: Spinelli, Lomé, Togoland

FROM: Wieschhoff

Date: 5 May 1960

Number:

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OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: SPINELLI, GENEVA

FROM: WACHTMELSTER

DATE: 15 July 1960

NUMBER:

Reur 1485. SecGen has no repeat no objection.

*Wachtmelster*

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TO: SPINELLI, GENEVA

FROM: WACHTMEISTER

DATE: 15 July 1960

NUMBER:

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*Wachtmeister*

Hannah.

Mr. Cordier has a copy  
d.g.

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UNATIONS ,NY (VIA FRENCH)

296/TPM UNTGO THREE SECRETARY GENERAL FROM SPINELLI LEAVING  
LOME FOR GENEVA TOMORROW SOOP PLANNING PROCEED TO NEWYORK  
MIDDLE NEXT WEEK

RCVD 27:8-014 AND 015 AT 1825EDST BNY DE SVN

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UNITED NATIONS  
1960 MAY 11 PM 6:25  
TELEGRAPH UNIT

ZY19 GENEVA 31 18 1624Z

LTF

UNATIONS NY

UNGVA 1059 CORDIER FROM SPINELLI STOP THANKS YOUR 947

WILL NOW ARRIVE SUNDAY TWENTYSECOND SAME TIME SAME FLIGHT

INSTEAD OF FRIDAY STOP PLEASE COULD ACCOMMODATION BE CHANGED

ACCORDINGLY

COL 1059 947

TELEGRAPH UNIT

1950 MAY 18 PM 1:09

UNITED NATIONS

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ZY65 GENEVA 67 25 1720

LTF UNATIONS NY

*Spinelli*

UNGVA 1879 CONFIDENTIAL CORDIER FROM ~~SPINELLI~~ STOP AS OUR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MISSION TO TOGO IS NOW STARTING TO TAKE SHAPE EYE HAVE DECIDED CMA ACCORDING TO THE PLAN WHICH EYE SUBMITTED TO SEC GEN IN MAY IN NEWYORK CMA TO GO TO LOME BEFORE THE END OF THIS

P2/17

MONTH FOR AYE SHORT STAY CMA EXPECTING BE BACK IN GENEVA AROUND THE EIGHTH OF SEPTEMBER

CFM 1879

UNITED NATIONS  
REC REC 25 PM 2:21  
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