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UNTSO 172 CORDIER FROM VON HORN STOP HEBREW PRESS SIX FEBRUARY
STOP ALFA STOP MORNINGERS CARRY REPORTS FROM UUUNNN CENTRE ON
UUUNNN SEGGENS CONSTRUCTION OF WEDNESDAY INCIDENT IN GAZA STRIP
UNDER HEADLINES BETRAYING AYE NEGATION BY SECCEN OF OFFICIAL
VERSION OF ISRAEL AS TO THAT INCIDENT STOP HERUT

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STREAMER DASH QUOTE HHH MAKES HASTE TO ACCUSE ISRAEL OF
ATTACKING BEDOUIN CAMP WITHIN EGYPTIAN TERRITORY UNQUOTE
STOP LAMERHAV AND HABOKER COLON QUOTE HHH NEGATES ISRAEL
VERSION ON GAZA STRIP DASH CONSIDERS THE MURDER OF THE
SHEPHERD AND THE AFFAIR SUBQUOTE AN ACCIDENT CMA NOT AN
INCIDENT UNSUBQUOTE UNQUOTE STOP

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PAREN HABOKER UNPAREN AND QUOTE UUUNNN SECCEN NEGATE ISRAEL
INCIDENT RE STRIP INCIDENT DASH UUUAARRR LODGED COMPLAINT
AGAINST MURDER OF WIFE AND CHILD UNQUOTE STOP BRAVO STOP
EDITORIAL HERUT PAREN IN QUOTE THE INCIDENT IN THE GAZA STRIP
UNQUOTE UNPAREN SAYS THAT THE WEDNESDAY INCIDENT IN GAZA STRIP
WAS NOTHING

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BUT QUOTE AYE NATURAL CONTINUATION OF THE HOSTILITIES OF THE
EGYPTIAN DICTATORS HENCHMEN ON OUR BORDERS UNQUOTE STOP
THE WRITER IS CONVINCED THAT UNTSO WHICH QUOTE MADE HASTE
SO TO WORD ITS COMMUNIQUE AS TO PUT THE BLAME ON ISRAEL CMA
WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THE LINE OF LEAST RESISTANCE

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AND CONFINE ITSELF TO CRITICIZING ISRAEL DASH AND IN THAT TOO
THERE IS NOTHING NEW UNQUOTE STOP IF THE EGYPTIANS REALLY
WISH THAT THE BLOOD OF THEIR CITIZENS SHOULD
NOT BE SHED CMA THEY CAN ACHIEVE THAT EASILY BY SIMPLY DESISTING
FROM QUOTE THEIR OUTRAGES ON OUR BORDERS UNQUOTE STOP

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AT ALL EVENTS IT WOULD BE BEST FOR ALL CONCERNED TO LEARN THE
ELEMENTARY LESSON THAT QUOTE ISRAELS BLOOD CANNOT BE SHED WITH
IMPUNITY UNQUOTE STOP OF COURSE IF MR BEN GURION HAD HELD TO
THE GAZA STRIP CMA THE COUNTRY WOULD HAVE BEEN SPARED QUOTE
THE ROTTEN FRUITS OF

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HIS HASTY AND DEFEATIST POLICY UNQUOTE STOP
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UNTSO 198 CORDIER FROM VON HORN STOP JERUSALEM POST 12 FEBRUARY
UNDER TITLE QUOTE TACIT UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN BEN GURION AND DAG
UNQUOTE WRITES QUOTE STOP JPOST REPORTER STOP TEL AVIV STOP PARA
STOP THE PRIME MINISTER TOLD THE 5TH CONVENTION OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF LATIN AMERICAN IMMIGRANTS ON

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WEDNESDAY THAT WHEN THE UUU NNN SECRETARY GENERAL CMA MR DAG
HAMMARSKJOLD CMA VISITED SDE BOKER RECENTLY CMA HE ASKED WHY ISRAEL
COULD ABSORB TWO MILLION IMMIGRANTS AND NOT TAKE IN ONE MILLION
ARAB REFUGEES STOP PARA STOP THE PRIME MINISTER
SAID HE IN TURN ASKED MR HAMMARSKJOLD CMA SUBQUOTE AND

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DO YOU THINK THAT THE ARAB REFUGEES ARE CAPABLE OF DOING WHAT
THE NEW IMMIGRANTS ARE DOING ON THEIR ARRIVAL IN THE COUNTRY
QUERY UNSUBQUOTE STOP AND HE UNDERSTOOD STOP PARA STOP MR BEN
GURION WAS IN UNUSUALLY GOOD HUMOR AND SPOKE MORE AS A LEADER
OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE

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THAN AS ISRAELS PRIME MINISTER STOP PARA STOP SUBQUOTE APART
FROM THE ARABS CMA WE HAVE THE HOSTILITY OF TWO WORLD FORCES
CLN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH WHICH REFUSES TO ACCEPT US AND TO RECOGNIZE
JERUSALEM AS ISRAELS CAPITAL PAREN THOUGH ITS ATTITUDE MAY CHANGE
UNPAREN CMA AND COMMUNISM CMA WHICH

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DOES NOT TOLERATE THE NON-CONFORMIST UNSUBQUOTE CMA HE POINTED
OUT STOP UNQUOTE

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UNITED NATIONS
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INCOMING CODE CABLE

TO: CORDIER
FROM: VON HORN Jerusalem
DATE: 10 September 1959 1032
NUMBER: UNTSO 986.

A. Called on Defence Minister to-day in Amman at his urgent request. He stated purpose of meeting was to inform me of their determination not to tolerate any longer Israeli patrolling in Salomon's Garden on Scopus. After lull, patrolling has been observed again on 1, 3, 5, and 6 September, perpetuating intolerable situation, and patience of Jordan had come to end. They would refrain from action for one more week from to-day, in order to give chance to United Nations to do something by diplomatic way. But if United Nations endeavours brought no response, as of Friday 18 September, they would have to resort to ultima ratio and to use force to counter Israeli activity. Defence Minister would confirm this message to me in writing to-day.

B. On my question as to whether this was to be considered as ultimatum, Defence Minister replied in negative, saying that "this is purely and simply a message which I wished to convey to you." I recalled that problem of patrolling Salomon's Garden was considered by United Nations as serious one, to which solution was sought. In view of this, I hoped that Defence Minister's message did not mean that we would be confronted with firing incident any time after 18 September if patrolling continued. Progress on this matter should be attained through peaceful ways, and I did not think that anything could be gained by Jordan from the effects of an incident deliberately entered upon. This should be particularly obvious at this time, with important issues in which Jordan was vitally interested coming up before General Assembly.

(Rest of message continued in UNTSO 987.)

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C. Defence Minister indicated that he appreciated fully that it would be better not to have any incidents if this were possible. but Jordan had to defend its interests and sovereignty, which had been consistently flouted by Israel for a long time. Although they disliked it very much, they were duty bound to bring now a stop to Israeli encroachments. Defence Minister knew that moderation and reasonableness on the part of Jordan had been appreciated by "the Big Powers," but the more Jordan was appreciated, the more it was losing at the same time. Action had now become imperative to change this trend.

D. I then squarely asked Defence Minister if I had to understand that Jordan Govt. had already taken final decision on such serious matter, and had given authority to military local command to use force against Israeli patrolling in Salomon's Garden as from 18 September, irrespective of any action that the United Nations might take in matter. Reply was that this decision had been taken in principle. It was not irrevocable, however. If something positive should be achieved in meantime to stop further encroachments, decision might be reconsidered.

E. No mention whatsoever made during meeting of convoy -- next scheduled for 16 September -- or of Issawiya village road.

F. Upon receipt of written communication promised by Defence Minister, I propose to send written reply to Prime Minister, who is not yet back from Casablanca but due in Amman very shortly. Draft of my letter will be submitted to you for consideration.