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If circumstances permit, the Secretary-General will go from Cairo to Bombay for a meeting with the United Nations Scientific Advisory Committee whose members have been invited to India by the government for the inauguration of the nuclear facilities at Trombay in connection with the program of peaceful uses of atomic energy. From India it is the intention of the Secretary-General to return directly to Headquarters in New York.

On his visit to the Union of South Africa, the Secretary-General will be accompanied by Dr. Heinrich A. Wieschhoff, Wilhelm Wachtmeister and William Ranallo. On the visit to India, Philippe de Seynes will join the company; Dr. Wieschhoff will return from Cairo to New York.

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10 January 1961

SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ARRIVE FROM SOUTH AFRICA ON 13 JANUARY

A United Nations spokesman stated today that Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold intends to return to New York from South Africa at 6.55 a.m. Friday (13 January) because of the meeting of the Security Council on the Congo. By the time of his departure Thursday evening, he will have spent a full week in South Africa and will have completed his mission there.

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12 January 1961

PRESS COMMUNIQUE ON THE TALKS BETWEEN THE  
PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA AND  
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

The talks between the Prime Minister and the Secretary-General of the United Nations, which commenced on 6 January, have now been concluded.

These discussions were frank, constructive and helpful. The Prime Minister, while recalling that these talks did not imply recognition by the Union Government of United Nations authority, took the opportunity of explaining Union policies and their application. The Secretary-General, on his side, elaborated his views and suggestions on questions within his mandate.

The Prime Minister and the Secretary-General welcomed the exchange of views.

It is the intention of the Prime Minister to inform his Cabinet of the substance of the talks and after consultation with his colleagues, he will make a further public statement.

The Secretary-General will make a report to the Security Council.

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