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to plan arrangements for complete withdrawal
- withdrawal of Anglo-French forces.

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SECRETARY-GENERAL INSTRUCTS GENERAL BURNS TO PLAN ARRANGEMENTS
FOR COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL OF ANGLO-FRENCH FORCES

The Secretary-General has instructed the Commander of the UN Emergency Force, Major General E.L.M. Burns, to get into immediate touch with the Anglo-French Commander with a view to working out with him arrangements for the complete withdrawal of Anglo-French forces without delay.

General Burns has been further instructed to arrange for the earliest possible date for the completion of this program, taking into account the military and practical questions involved and the need to maintain public security in the area.

In view of the Secretary-General's understanding of the policy of the British and French Governments regarding withdrawal, the attention of General Burns has been drawn to the need to ensure that the United Nations Force should be in a position to assume its responsibilities in the Port Said area by the middle of the month.

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