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OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: BULL AND BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT; INFO VON HORN, JERUSALEM
FROM: BUNCHE AND CORDIER
DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1272

Further my 1254. Understand from Netherlands Mission that Kruse and de Boer are scheduled to depart for Netherlands morning of 2 December. It should be made clear to these two officers and any others on list of 36 recommended by General Bull for transfer to UNTSO that "transfer" means just that, and not repeat not return to home country from Beirut with subsequent reassignment to UNTSO.

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TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT
FROM: COURIER
DATE: 2 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER:

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TO: ELICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT REPEAT VON HORN, JERUSALEM
FROM: DUNCHES AND CORDIER
DATE: 2 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER:

1. Reference UNOGIL 1563. Have today received telegram from von Horn UNTSO 1709, giving names of three officers, recommended by General Bull for transfer from UNOGIL to UNTSO and acceptable to General von Horn, in replacement of officers who have already departed.
2. This is helpful, and we assume that Generals Bull and von Horn will continue consultations in order to find additional officers for transfer to UNTSO from group still remaining in Beirut in order to bring up to 36 total number of officers being transferred to UNTSO. Please cable names soonest. Pending clearance by governments through us, these officers should remain in Beirut.
3. If at all possible, would be grateful to have names of all officers recommended for transfer from each nationality concerned in order to avoid piecemeal approach to delegations.
4. Would still appreciate information on question posed in second paragraph of our 1272 as to whether General Bull had alerted the men to be transferred.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: PLAZA

FROM: SECCHI

DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1958

No.: 1296

Re 1583. I have to depart from New York 17 or at the latest 18 December going via Stockholm to Gaza. There is no possibility of meeting in Europe and I cannot postpone journey. In these circumstances only chance for meeting would be if you could arrive couple of days earlier.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

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TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT REPEAT VON HORN, JERUSALEM
FROM: BUNCHE AND CORDIER
DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1301

Reference UNOGIL 1584. Please hold in Beirut all officers listed except 3 Norwegians who are already with UNTSO and Lieutenant-Colonel Blom who may leave at your discretion for Netherlands and return Jerusalem 10 January at his own expense.

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Outgoing Code Cable

TO: UNOUIL BEIRUT
UNATICEN AMMAN

FROM: FIELDORNY

DATE: 3 December 1958

NUMBER: ~~1903~~ SP 132/Inorgil 1295

Reference UNOUIL 1526 on release of staff there follows our comments on secretaries: Hespel transfers to UNEP for balance detail as replacement for McCaulay and to arrive by 19 December. Would prefer she agree to extend such detail. Van Bover and/or Roy being considered for Economic Commission in Africa located Ethiopia for initially one year possibility 2 years. Will cable further. Either Ripplinger Habboux or Dauris being considered for UNCTAD if candidate selected agrees extension mission detail to total two years from HQ Beirut. Cable whether any or all interested. Father USA to Amman for balance detail if acceptable to Stedman. Would prefer she agrees extension. Lyons UK to be held temporarily Beirut for Spinelli Beirut office but continue assist UNOUIL until Stedman decides. Tver being considered as secretary General Himo UNHCCIP for balance her two year detail after first taking home leave. Will advise later. Cable if Lochr will accept detail to UNEP for additional 9 months beginning third week December. Advise if Peobles ~~and Cardoso~~ ^{is} available for reassignment or will ~~they~~ ^{SNE} now submit resignation. * Return to Headquarters upon completion duties Windsor Stephen Rossetti Bagley White and Dery. On Dery suggest you release her earlier and retain either Ripplinger Habboux or Dauris for several weeks to fill in for her. Will advise separately on Field Service Clerk Typists. On Professional Staff Interpreters Roger Khaseon and Leopardi to be considered by Stedman for proposed Admin Assistant/Interpreter post numbers 64, 70 in Beirut and Damascus or an Amman post. We await decision. If neither selected then release them and Albert Khaseon for return Headquarters. Pending Stedman decision suggest you immediately give Roger Khaseon one months termination notice according to his contract. Can Stedman use McMillen even temporarily for number 2 post Amman. We can work out details if agreeable. Release Reidel to Regional Office and return Slattery to Headquarters as scheduled. Agree on Haug release provided you can assure Headquarters that Law and Tan with finance clerks can handle month end and year end obligations and closings on time. Schmidt assignment still under discussion. Kinalodis to remain UNOUIL pending further instructions. Await your schedule on balance of staff required to complete liquidation. In case of returnees cable immediately desired leave requirements for prior clearance and approval respective departments.

* Have received Cardoso's resignation.

Outgoing Code Cable

TO: UNOCIL BEIRUT
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FROM: FIDJISUNV

DATE: 3 December 1958

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TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT REPEAT VON HORN, JERUSALEM
FROM: CORDIER AND BUNCHE
DATE: 4 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1304

1. Thanks your 1582. We had assumed, incorrectly it now appears, that you were informed of transfer plans, that men concerned were being alerted following Bull-Von Horn consultation, that they would not be scheduled for departure if they wished to transfer to UNTSO, and that Von Horn would be kept informed.
2. From UNTSO 1728 received today, it develops that Von Horn is unaware of departure of some of original 36 officers recommended by Bull and agreed by Von Horn for transfer to UNTSO. Please repeat to Von Horn for his information UNOGIL 1563 and 1582.
3. Henceforth all cables relating to transfer of observers should be simultaneously repeated for information other interested parties.

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FROM: CORDIER AND BUNCHE

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NUMBER:

1304

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TOP SECRET

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT
FROM: CORDIER
DATE: 4 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1312

TOP SECRET

Further my 1310.

1. Top secret material for traffic Beirut/NewYork together with all correspondence, instructions, etc., should be included in accompanied pouch as in para. C.
2. OTP material for contact Jerusalem and Geneva (envelopes twozerofive C/twozerofour D and C onezerozeroone-C oneonezerozero and D one - D onezerozero respectively) should be thoroughly checked for continuity, resealed and packaged. Since this material may be important to Spinelli for extension his OTP coverage, would appreciate your making arrangements to personally hand over material to Stedman or Shore. Recipient is then to examine the inventory in your presence. When this accomplished Spinelli should cable NewYork confirming that OTP now operative between Amman/Jerusalem and Amman/Geneva.

TOP SECRET

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

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NUMBER: 1312

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OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT
FROM: CORDIER
DATE: 4 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 130

In connexion with forthcoming departure members of group and yourself, following our recommendations for closing down code operations your office:

- A. All UNOGIL codes to be terminated effective with date your departure Beirut, except for one machine at Ahmed's disposal until his departure.
- B. C-fivefourthree code machine loaned by UNTSO can be returned Brodnax after being neutralized. Others should be neutralized and held by Ahmed until full code requirements Spinelli Mission including Beirut and Damascus offices are known.
- C. UNOGIL code cables with Headquarters, both incoming and outgoing, to be destroyed. Internal codes and codes not sent through NewYork should be securely sealed and sent in accompanied Diplomatic Pouch carried by reliable departing staff member acting as courier. This Pouch to be delivered to me.
- D. Please check that Members of Group, MILOBS and others do not repeat not retain any copies of code cables they may have received in course of their work.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT
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TO: BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT REPEAT VON HORN, JERUSALEM
FROM: CORDIER AND BUNCHE
DATE: 4 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1311

Reference UNOGIL 1584. At request of Danish delegation, please cable full name of Captain Hansen recommended for transfer to UNTSO.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: ELICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT REPEAT VON HORN, JERUSALEM
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DATE: 4 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1311

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OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: BULL, BEIRUT; INFORMATION BUCKENSTAFF AND AHMED
FROM: BUNCHE
DATE: 4 December 1958
NUMBER: 1313

In response your letter 26 November to Secretary-General, you may be assured that we are anxious always to prevent staff and military observers being out-of-pocket on UN missions. Double accommodation rule quoted to you by Administrative Office designed specifically for situation such as you present and has been applied uniformly in all instances, without hardship to anyone. Since by rule, either staff or MOS who were unable to release their regular accommodations would be reimbursed on actual expense basis, the only extra expenses incurred by them would be in the area to which they were sent i.e. Damascus, Amman or Cyprus. While in such places, they receive the established per diem applicable to these areas and which, so far as we know, is adequate. In other words, since they are reimbursed for cost of any accommodations retained in Lebanon, military observers and staff receive per diem adequate to cover their extra expenses while away from Lebanon. If, in any particular case, the per diem allowed actually has not been adequate to meet the extra expenses incurred, this should be presented to Administrative Officer for review and appropriate action by him on hardship basis.

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Outgoing Code Cable

TO: AHMED, BEIRUT
FROM: FIELDSEV
DATE: 5 December 1958
NUMBER: 1370

Ref your 1608. 1297 supersedes 1299. It was drafted subsequent to 1299 but transmitted in clear before 1299 came through in code. Confirm date Kinaledes transfer.

Outgoing Code Cable

TO: AMHEB, BEIRUT
FROM: FIELDSEV
DATE: 5 DECEMBER 1958
NUMBER: 1319

Reur 1610. Most appreciative of eagerness of staff remain in field. However you must recognize in certain cases there are nationality difficulties. Do not expect to place Begley or Rossetti. Taylor Shore who arrives Beirut Tuesday will discuss with you possibility utilizing Slattery Stephen. Checking on possibility meeting Windsor's request but prospects not bright this time.

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Outgoing Code Cable

TO: AMHEB, BEIRUT
FROM: FIELDSEV
DATE: 5 December 1958
NUMBER: 1320

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Outgoing Code Cable

TO: AHMED, BEIRUT
FROM: FIELDSENV
DATE: 5 December 1958
NUMBER: 1318

AND 1590.
Ref. your 1589/ One. Agree retention Roy until completion assigned duties.
Two. Department approves Van Bever detail to Ethiopia. However Conference
in Addis Ababa begins 29 December and Van Bever required report no later than
twentieth. If she accepts we have been assured that after first two or three
months of heavy organizational work there is every reason to believe she can
be released shortly thereafter for home leave. If acceptable arrange travel.
Utilize existing ticket for one way first class to Addis Ababa crediting
unexpended balance to 30201-054. 3. Check Brodnax on acceptability of Dauris
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OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TOP SECRET

TO: OBSERVATION GROUP, BEIRUT
FROM: SECRETARY-GENERAL
DATE: 6 December 1958
NO: 1333

In connexion with termination of UNOGIL operation, I take liberty to call to your attention that it is a firm UN rule and practice applying to all serving the United Nations that at end of such service all official UN papers of a confidential nature be relinquished to the appropriate UN official for deposit in the UN archives. The appropriate official in the case of UNOGIL is the Secretary of the Mission, Mr. Blickenstaff. You will readily understand that this rule is very important and vitally concerns the interests of the United Nations. May I ask you, therefore, on your departure from Beirut, to leave with Blickenstaff all confidential papers concerning the mission, other than personal communications, including copies of code cables. This applies equally, of course, to the military personnel.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO : BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT

FROM : BUNCHE

DATE : 8 December 1958

NO:

1336

Reference Unogil 1616.

Representative of Canada has been informed and is
advising his Government to request individuals concerned to
make restitution.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO : BLICKENSTAFF, BEIRUT

FROM : BUNCHE

DATE : 8 December 1958

NO: 1336

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advising his Government to request individuals concerned to
make restitution.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO : GENERAL BULL, BEIRUT
INFO : BLICKENSTAFF AND AHMED
FROM : BUNCHE
DATE : 8 December 1958
NO: 1340

Reference your letter of 2 December to Secretary-General.

1. Date of 15 December proposed by you for your departure from Lebanon is approved by Secretary-General.
2. Your entitlement to accrued time off is recognized and approved. Suggest number of days be calculated on same basis as applied to military personnel under your charge.
3. Concerning question of your wife's travel costs, in view of urgency of UN call for your services and your consequent hasty departure for Lebanon in June, the possible return trip to Norway to arrange your personal affairs mentioned in your letter of 16 June would have been sanctioned at UN expense. Our understanding from your letter is that your wife's trip to Lebanon was in connection with these personal affairs and in lieu of a trip by you to Norway, and therefore the cost of her travel from Norway to Lebanon and return should be reimbursed to you by the UN. Subject to your confirmation of the accuracy of this interpretation to the Administrative Officer of Unogil, Mr. Ahmed is authorized to make this reimbursement to you.

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OUTGOING CABLE

TO: AHMED
BEIRUT

FROM: VAUGHAN

DATE:

NUMBER: 1357

Expect to have final decision ^{EARLY} next week on acceptance by U.S. of return
of unneeded heavy equipment, the 25 military jeeps and any unused
items per our previous correspondence stop. Anticipate single return
destination will be Leghorn stop. Also am informed that in crating
aircraft the U.S. will perhaps have special instructions which you
should bear in mind unless you have already proceeded too far stop
Pressing and will advise soonest.

OUTGOING CABLE

TO: AHMED
BEIRUT

FROM: VAUGHAN

DATE:

NUMBER:

1357

EARLY

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Outgoing Code Cable

TO: UNATIONS, AMMAN, action
UNOGIL BEIRUF, information

FROM: FIELDSERV

DATE: 11 December 1958

NUMBER:

1380

As per conversation with Taylor Shore at Headquarters await your comments on suitability Aurora Stephen for Amman post. Require urgently.

OUTGOING CODED CABLE

TO: BEIRUT (ACTION) ESCAPE (INFO)

FROM: FIELDSERV

NUMBER:

1379

DATE: 11 DECEMBER 1958

Headquarters considering releasing four Thai Field Service
for return ESCAPE unless you consider any or all flexible and
adaptable for further mission assignment. We await your advice.

OUTGOING CODED CABLE

TO: BEIRUT (ACTION) ECAFE (INFO)

FROM: FIELDSERV

NUMBER: 1379

DATE: 11 DECEMBER 1958

Headquarters considering releasing four Thai Field Service
for return ECAFE unless you consider any or all flexible and
adaptable for further mission assignment. We await your advice.

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: HILCKENSTAFF, HELMUT

FROM: BUNCHE

DATE: 13 December 1958

NUMBER: 1391

Reference 1705.

Clearance duly granted. What are you taking -
time off or leave - and how did you accrue it? Seriously,
you have earned something more than any leave or allowances,
we can grant you - our respect, admiration and gratitude for
the thoroughly professional way in which you have carried out
your difficult mission. Good flying and Merry Christmas!

OUTGOING CODE CABLE

TO: BLICKENSTAFF BEIRUT

FROM: SEGGEN

DATE: 13 December 1958

NUMBER: 1392

Dear David,

Now that you come to the end of a mission which so rightly was characterised as a "short emergency", I wish to send you a personal greeting. With your great sense of duty and your usual loyalty you took up your difficult task on abrupt notice without hesitation. With your characteristic devotion and intelligence you carried it through. And you have fought your two-front war for political decency and good administration with all the skill and firmness we knew you to have. These are strong words but they are well deserved and I convey them with the warmest gratitude and congratulations.

I hope that you will be able to bring back from this mission also personal satisfaction and the experience of what the UN can do in very difficult circumstances and with untried means. I don't think you mind that you have also got, ~~XXXXXX~~ as a sort of bonus, a new inside knowledge of the ways of men.

All good wishes for the holidays.

Dag