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- a.) New Tunisian member of Security Council Subcommittee arrives in Laos
(U.N. Press Release SC/2114)
- b.) 1 cable from Desales, Vientiane to U.N. New York
- c.) 1 cable from Engers, Vientiane to Cordier, -11-

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NEW TUNISIAN MEMBER OF SECURITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE ARRIVES IN LAOS;

WORKING GROUP RETURNS FROM SAM NEUA

(The following was received here from a UN Information Officer in Vientiane, Laos.)

Ambassador Moundher Ben Ammar, the newly appointed Tunisian member of the Security Council Subcommittee set up under the Resolution of 7 September 1959, arrived in Vientiane today. He replaces Ambassador Habib Bourguiba, Jr., who has returned to his post in Paris.

When the new Tunisian member arrived at the airport, at 12:45 p.m., he was met by the other three members of the Subcommittee -- Ambassador Shinichi Shibusawa (Japan), Chairman; Ludovico Barattiere di San Pietro (Italy); and Brig. General Heriberto Ahrens (Argentina) -- and by officials of the Laotian Government and the United Nations staff accompanying the Subcommittee.

Before coming to Laos, Ambassador Ben Ammar spent some time in Paris with Ambassador Bourguiba, who informed him about the earlier activities of the Subcommittee.

Ambassador Ben Ammar, a lawyer by profession, was in charge of settling the question of political prisoners between Tunisia and France. He was chief of cabinet of President Bourguiba and later, for a year, Ambassador of Tunisia in Rome. He is now the Tunisian Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium.

He attended the thirteenth regular session of the General Assembly in 1958 as a member of the Tunisian delegation and represented his country in the Special Political Committee.

Working Group Conducts Hearings

A working group of the Subcommittee, consisting of Count Barattieri, General Ahrens and Morio Aoki (Japan), accompanied by Fr. J.F. Engers, Deputy Principal Secretary, and other members of the Secretariat, returned to Vientiane on 3 October from a three-day trip to the northeastern province of Sam Neua, where they visited the capital city of Sam Neua and the outpost of Sam Teu.

During its stay there, the working group held extensive hearings of persons presented by the local authorities to give additional information to the Subcommittee on the situation in the border region.

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68 AMBASSADOR MOUNDHOR BEN AMAR CMA THE NEWLY APPOINTED TUNISIAN MEMBER OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEE REPLACING AMBASSADOR HABIB BOURGUIBA JR ARRIVED IN VIENTIANE AT 1245 PM ON 6 OCTOBER STOP HE WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT BY AMBASSADOR SHIBUSAWA (JAPAN) CMA MINISTER BARATTIERI (ITALY) =

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AND GENERAL AHRENS (ARGENTINA) CMA THE LAOTIAN MINISTERS OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS CMA AND MR ENGERS CMA DEPUTY PRINCIPAL SECRETARY STOP BEFORE COMING TO LAOS CMA AMBASSADOR BEN AMAR SPENT SOME TIME IN PARIS WITH AMBASSADOR BOURGUIBA CMA WHO BRIEFED HIM ON THE EARLIER ACTIVITIES OF THE SUB =

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COMMITTEE STOP AMBASSADOR BEN AMAR IS A LAWYER BY PROFESSION SMICLN HE WAS IN CHARGE OF SETTLING THE QUESTION OF POLITICAL PRISONERS BETWEEN TUNISIA AND FRANCE STOP HE WAS CHIEF OF CABINET OF PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA AND WAS LATER APPOINTED AMBASSADOR IN ROME CMA WHICH POST HE OCCUPIED FOR A YEAR =

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STOP HE IS NOW THE TUNISIAN AMBASSADOR FOR THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY CMA HOLLAND AND BELGIUM STOP HE ATTENDED THE THIRTEENTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1958) AS A MEMBER OF THE TUNISIAN DELEGATION REPRESENTING HIS COUNTRY IN THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE =

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