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- 1 letter to D.H. (with Eban's reply encl.)



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Jerusalem, 7 May 1956

Dear Dag,

You will remember a message you sent me from Amman in which you took exception to a certain report which appeared in the "Jerusalem Post", purporting to reproduce Eban's statement to State Department people. In my reply I said that I had inquired from Eban as to what he actually stated.

Eban's reply is enclosed. I had the cable with me when you came for the second round of our conversations but forgot to show it to you. I nevertheless think you should see it even with this delay, so I am sending it on to you and hope we can now consider this matter disposed of.

Yours sincerely,

Moshe

M. Sharett

Mr. Dag Hammarskjold
Secretary General of the United Nations
New York

I have made no statement whatsoever and therefore cannot send you a text. Dana Schmidt speculates in N.Y.T. on the gist of our analysis in talks with state dept and I.N.A. as usual copied N.Y.T. word by word. Formulation is N.Y.T.'s and not mine. In the actual talk Allen and I agreed that:

- ONE Sec. Gen. had scored notable praiseworthy success;
- TWO main sources of tension in M.E. still remain untouched and we should not exaggerate our optimism.

N.Y.T. correspondent after discussions in state dept and our embassy mentioned two not one. Same story quotes you as hailing Sec. Gen's initial success but describing the cease fire as possibly only a lull before the storm.

If Sec. Gen. reads N.Y.T. story of April 23 as a whole including paraphrase of my talk with Allen he will not see anything to worry about.

EBAN