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> CONVENTION FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931 AS AMENDED BY THE FROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

> > EGYPT

SEIZURE OF 24.350 KILOGRAMMES OF HASHISH AND 84.530 KILOGRAMMES OF OFIUM AT SUEZ ON APRIL 22nd 1947.

Report Communicated by the Government of Egypt on 4 June 1947

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 23 of the Convention for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs of 13 July 1931, as amended by the Frotocol of 11 December 1946, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following report on the above mentioned seizure to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

SEIZURE OF 24.350 KILOGRAMMES OF HASHISH AND 84.530 KILOGRAMMES OF OPIUM AT SUEZ ON APRIL 22nd 1947.

(Case of AWWAD SALMAN ZEIDAN and others) .-

Upon secret information to the effect that a large quantity of narcotic drugs would be smuggled across the Suez Canal between Geneva and Shalloufa within the period from April 13th to 19th, 1947, the Suez Coastguards Section made the necessary arrangements to arrest the smugglers en flagrant delit. Nothing took place till April 19th., when it was learnt that the smugglers had known of the steps taken by the Coastguards Section and that they changed their plan and arranged to smuggle the drugs across the Suez Gulf near Sadr within 5 days starting from April 20th. The Coastguards men managed to get in touch with the fisherman who was going to transport smugglers across the Canal and put plans for their arrest.

On April 22nd, 1947 AWWAD SOLIMAN ZEIDAN, ATTA EID DAKHILALLAH, EID SOLIMAN EBEID, AWWAD SELIM MORSHED and SALMAN SALLAM SOLIMAN were arrested while crossing the Canal and 24.350 kilgrammes of Hashish and 84.530 kilogrammes of opium were seized in their possession.

The accused were tried on 28th May, 1947 by the Summary Native Court, Suez, and sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment and a fine of L.E.500, each.-(U.S.\$2065)

The source of origin of the seized drugs is unknown.

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