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CABLE DATED 21 JULY 1961 FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF TUNISIA ADDRESSED TO THE  
SECRETARY-GENERAL

AS A SEQUEL TO MY CABLE OF YESTERDAY HAVE HONOUR INFORM YOU THAT SINCE 5 A.M.  
TOWN OF BIZERTA HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO EXTREMELY VIOLENT BOMBARDMENT FROM THE AIR.  
FURTHERMORE, FRENCH PARACHUTISTS HAVE REACHED THE INNER PART OF THE TOWN AND  
OCCUPIED PART OF IT. THE URBAN AREA OF BIZERTA IS NOT A MILITARY OBJECTIVE. IT  
IS THE DELIBERATE PURPOSE OF THE FRENCH ARMED FORCES TO OCCUPY A PART OF TUNISIAN  
TERRITORY, AND THUS TO COMMIT FRESH ACT OF AGGRESSION AGAINST THE INTEGRITY AND  
SECURITY OF THE TUNISIAN STATE. POPULATION CONTINUES TO BE SUBJECTED TO A  
VERITABLE MASSACRE. I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE, ETC.

DR. MOKADDEM  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA