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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL DATED

1 AFRIL 1948 ADDRESSED TO THE ARAB HIGHER COMMITTEE

AND THE REPLY DATED 7 APRIL 1948 ADDRESSED TO THE

SECRETARY-GENERAL

Sir,

I have the honour to communicate to you the following resolution adopted unanimously by the Security Council at its two hundred and seventy-seventh meeting, held on 1 April 1948:

"THE SECURITY COUNCIL, in the exercise of its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security,

NOTES the increasing violence and disorder in Palestine and believes that it is of the utmost urgency that an immediate truce be effected in Palestine;

CALLS upon the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Arab Higher Committee to make representatives available to the Security Council for the purpose of arranging a truce between the Arab and Jewish communities of Palestine; and emphasizes the heavy responsibility which would fall upon any party failing to observe such a truce;

CALLS upon Arab and Jewish armed groups in Palestine to cease acts of violence immediately."

I wish to attract your attention, in particular to paragraph 3 of this resolution which calls upon the Arab Higher Committee to make representatives available to the Security Council, and request that the names of these representatives be communicated to the Secretary-General as scen as possible.

I have the honour etc.

(signed) Alfonso Lopez

Fresident of the Security Council

Sir,

I have the honor to refer further to the letter dated April 1, 1948, addressed to the Jewish Agency for Palestine by the Fresident of the Security Council, containing the text of the Resolution adopted by the Council at its 277th meeting, on the question of a truce in Palestine.

In opendance with a cable which has now been received from the Javish Agency Executive in Jerusalem, Mr. Moshe Shertok has been lesignated as the representative of the Jewish Agency and will be exallable to the Security Council in this connection.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Arthur Lourie,
Director New York Office

Sir:

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In response to a request from His Excellency, Ir. Alfonso Lopez concerning representatives to be made available by the Arab Higher Committee to the Security Council, I have the honour to notify you that I have informed Dr. Lopez, President of the Security Council, that the Arab Higher Committee has designated Jamal Bey El-Husseini, its Vice Chairman to be its representative in the Security Council, assisted by Mr. Isa Nakhleh.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient Servant.

(signed) Isa Nakhleh