

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PALESTINE

COMMUNICATION ADDRESSED BY THE ARAB HIGHER  
COMMITTEE TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND  
TRANSMITTED BY HIM TO THE COMMITTEE

The following telegram has been received from the  
Secretary-General of the United Nations, dated 14 June 1947.

MR% EMIL SANDSTROM CHAIRMAN SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON  
PALESTINE UNATIONS JERUSALEM

I HAVE HONOR INFORM YOU HAVE RECEIVED FOLLOWING CABLE  
DATED 13 JUNE FROM JAMAAL HUSSEINI VICE CHAIRMAN ARAB HIGHER  
COMMITTEE JERUSALEM BEGINS ARAB HIGHER COMMITTEE PALESTINE  
DESIRE CONVEY TO UNITED NATIONS THAT AFTER THOROUGHLY STUDY-  
ING THE DELIBERATIONS AND CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE  
PALESTINE FACTFINDING COMMITTEE WAS FORMED AND THE DISCUS-  
SIONS LEADING TO TERMS OF REFERENCE THEY RESOLVED THAT  
PALESTINE ARABS SHOULD ABSTAIN FROM COLLABORATION AND DE-  
SIST FROM APPEARING BEFORE SAID COMMITTEE FOR FOLLOWING MAIN  
REASONS--FIRSTLY UNITED NATIONS REFUSAL ADOPT NATURAL COURSE  
OF INSERTING TERMINATION MANDATE AND DECLARATION INDEPENDENCE  
IN AGENDA SPECIAL UN SESSION AND IN TERMS OF REFERENCE  
SECONDLY FAILURE DETACH JEWISH WORLD REFUGEES FROM PALESTINE  
PROBLEM THIRDLY REPLACING INTERESTS PALESTINE INHABITANTS  
BY INSERTION WORLD RELIGIOUS INTERESTS ALTHOUGH THESE ARE  
NOT SUBJECT OF CONTENTION--FURTHERMORE PALESTINE ARABS  
NATURAL RIGHTS ARE SELF EVIDENT AND CANNOT CONTINUE TO BE  
SUBJECT TO INVESTIGATION BUT DESERVE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON  
THE BASIS OF PRINCIPLES OF UNITED NATIONS CHARTER ENDS--

TRYGVE LIE SECRETARY GENERAL