

ANNEX I

Letter dated 2 April 1947 from the United Kingdom delegation to the Acting Secretary-General requesting a special session of the General Assembly on Palestine

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New York
2 April 1947

Dr. Victor Chi Tsai Hoo,
United Nations,
Lake Success

Sir,

I have received the following message from my Government:

"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom request the Secretary-General of the United Nations to place the question of Palestine on the agenda of the General Assembly at its next regular annual session. They will submit to the Assembly an account of their administration of the League of Nations mandate and will ask the Assembly to make recommendations, under Article 10 of the Charter, concerning the future government of Palestine.

In making this request, His Majesty's Government draw the attention of the Secretary-General to the desirability of an early settlement in Palestine and to the risk that the General Assembly might not be able to decide upon its recommendations at its next regular annual session unless some preliminary study of the question had previously been made under the auspices of the United Nations. They therefore request the Secretary-General to summon, as soon as possible, a special session of the General Assembly for the purpose of constituting and instructing a special committee to prepare for the consideration, at the regular session of the Assembly, of the question referred to in the preceding paragraph."

I have the honour to be . . .

(Signed) Alexander CADOGAN

ANNEX 2

Requests from the Governments of Egypt, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon and Saudi Arabia for inclusion of an item in the agenda of the special session

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Washington, D. C.
21 April 1947

His Excellency Trygve Lie,
Secretary-General,
United Nations

Sir,

I have the honour to advise that according to instructions received from my Government and

in conformity with rule 18 of the provisional rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the Royal Egyptian Government requests to include the following additional item in the agenda of the forthcoming extraordinary meeting of the United Nations General Assembly which is to deal with the question of Palestine on 28 April 1947. The item reads as follows: The termination of the mandate over Palestine and the declaration of its independence.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Mahmoud HASSAN
Egyptian Ambassador

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Embassy of Iraq,
Washington, D. C.
21 April 1947

His Excellency Trygve Lie,
Secretary-General,
United Nations,
Lake Success, N. Y.

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that I have been instructed by my Government to request you, in accordance with rule 18 of the provisional rules of procedure for the General Assembly, to include the following as an additional item in the agenda of the special session of the General Assembly convening on 28 April 1947: The termination of the mandate over Palestine and the declaration of its independence.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Ali JAWDAT
Ambassador

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Washington, D. C.
22 April 1947

His Excellency Trygve Lie,

I have the honour to inform you that I have been instructed by my Government to request you, in accordance with rule 18 of the provisional rules of procedure of the General Assembly, to include the following as an additional item in the agenda of the special session of the General Assembly convening on 28 April 1947: The termination of the mandate over Palestine and the declaration of its independence. Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Costi K. ZURAYK
Minister of Syria