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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director**

**SUBJECT: Ad Hoc Requirements Committee  
Recommendations on the Middle East**

1. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee members agreed that the following advice should be provided the Project AQUATONE with regard to Middle East requirements:

The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee continues to attach greater priority of importance to targets set forth in lists approved by it covering Western USSR and the Far East as compared to the Middle East. Within the Middle East, and because of the long interval since the last coverage of Egypt and because of rumored buildup at certain key points through Soviet aid, the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee recommends that coverage of Egypt be undertaken as soon as feasible. In equating the extent of importance, it is not believed from available sources that this alleged buildup portends an imminent new move by Egypt in the Middle East situation, but accurate information obtainable by AQUATONE means could be extremely useful in estimating possible future Egyptian moves.

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