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- 1. **RUMANIA: Food situation acute -- Gheorghiu Dej, new Communist Minister of National Economy, has indicated to US Representative Berry that the Government is "extremely disturbed" over prospects of widespread famine this winter. He said that, unless adequate help arrives, starvation will be general after January. Dej hinted that the Opposition was stirring up trouble and that he "was by no means certain" of the Government's ability to maintain order in view of "anticipated growing unrest."**
- 2. **FRANCE: French Air Force reported moving to Morocco--Air Transport Command reports from Casablanca that, [redacted] the entire French Air Force is to be stationed in Morocco and that equipment and weapons are now enroute there from France.**

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- 3. **EGYPT: Egypt will insist on sovereignty in the Sudan--US Ambassador Tuck has been informed by Prime Minister Nokrashy Pasha that although Egypt would consider permitting the Sudanese to establish their own administration, it would never agree to the secession of the Sudan.**
- 4. **IRAN: Reported intention of Iran to garrison Soviet frontier--US Military Attache Tehran reports that the Central Government is continuing to consolidate its military occupation of Azerbaijan and intends to establish strong garrisons in towns along the Soviet frontier. The MA also reports Qavam's announcement that elections will now proceed and that the Soviet Oil concession will be granted after Parliament convenes.**

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