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... former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Hajj 'Amin al-Husayni, who has been ... ing in Bludan, Syria, since June 1956, travelled from Bludan to ... remus on 17 August in the company of his assistant, Muhammad Salih ... Labu. While in Damascus, Hajj Amin attended a reception celebrating the New Cayyid Hotel where, on 17 August. He spent the following night at a Saudi Arabia Minister, on 18 August, he conferred with the Syrian Amout ... Hajj Amin, Ubari, and Abu-Labu left Damascus for Beirut on 18 August.

... uk Midani, a former lieutenant of Hajj Amin and presently employed in the ... ian Ministry of Interior, received recently the sum of 6,000 Syrian pounds ... the former Grand Mufti through Dr. Subhi Abu-Ghanimah. The money is to ... used to place articles favorable to the Grand Mufti in the Syrian press with ... purpose of assisting him in his efforts to return to Jerusalem.

... ident Shukri al-Quwatli of Syria promised Hajj Amin that he would raise ... question of his returning to Jerusalem in his conversations with King ... syn of Jordan between 17 and 20 August.

Headquarters Comments:

Hajj Amin's connection with Saudi Arabia was reported in TDOS-110306, from an independent source.

A version of Hajj Amin's relationship to Ghanimah was reported in TDOS-110306.

TDOS-109966, from an independent source, reported a previous (15 August 1956) attempt on the part of Hajj Amin to obtain King Husayn's approval to return to Jordan. This attempt failed.

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