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1. The German Arab Society (GAS) has been formed in Frankfurt, Germany, and is to be held at Weinhelm, Hesse-Nassau on 12-13 October 1957. Invitations were in the name of the second chairman, Otto Karst, who is the president of the German Arab Society.

2. Dasgow, a well-known expert on Arab affairs, was until a short time ago the Arab expert in Otto Steiner's German Social Union, but he has withdrawn from this position. He is working at present with Professor [Name] in the [Name] office. He is to be announced as Arab expert of the German Arab Society. Dasgow is also working closely with Dr. Hassan Fakouma, head of the Arab League delegation in the Egyptian embassy, Bonn. Dasgow's wife is a secretary in the office of the French military attaché in Bonn.

3. At Dr. Fakouma's suggestion, Dasgow will devote the August issue of Arabische Orient Information, which he publishes, to the subject "Reunification of the Arab World".

4. Professor Dr. Johannes Jäger, director for German affairs in the office of the Arab League in Cairo, is trying to obtain from the League the transfer of the Arabische Orient Information, a larger sum, which he wants to turn over to the publisher, Axel Heine, Frankfurt. Jäger writes Jäger that he might accept the offer and was considering whether a larger one-time amount or a continuing subsidy is better. The headship of the League in Cairo asked for an opinion of the periodical from Dr. Fakouma in Bonn, which apparently confirmed the League's intention to offer the subsidy proposed by Dr. Jäger. However, Jäger has taken no position with regard to the offer, since he is trying to maintain the financing of the paper from its own funds.

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