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Report from Dr. Wilhelm VOLK which regarding the current Egyptian situation and the position of the German Military Mission to Egypt. Dr. VOLK is the Chief of the German Mission.

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Defense Organization, and he believes that the Egyptian Government would like to keep Egypt in the U.N. (2) Egypt will be no center of (3) an opposition movement of communists, Communists, Socialists, and non-communists, would probably try to get on the communists bandwagon and become a sufficient opposition.

1. It is VOSS' opinion that the U.S. has "let down" Egypt and the Middle East. He claims there is no need to split the great extent of funds we are spending in Europe and that we should give priority to the Middle East. He pointed that this will require compromise, but he believes the conference would be well-pleased. He feels the British notwithstanding the military importance of the SAHEL ZONE, should comply with Egyptian demands, and that the Egyptian gains the national organization she will willingly (and the Egyptian Government safely) join the West through a Middle East Defense Organization. VOSS considers Egypt capable of producing ten (10) divisions and believes other countries of the Arab world will enter the defense organization immediately afterwards.

2. It was apparent to pressuring officers that VOSS, although not anti-British, is certainly not pro-British. He said he had been account concerned regarding the British security in negotiations with Egypt until the speech of Minister TUNNICLIFFE, which was made during Secretary TRUMAN's visit to Cairo. This speech, plus the appointment of MARY YANG CHENG d'Affaires to Cairo, has forced him to seriously doubt British sincerity. He pointed out that TUNNICLIFFE, in his opinion, had no justification whatsoever for attacking MAGOUIS personally or for praising ISSEY LI. Therefore the things make a tremendous impression on the Egyptians. He said TUNNICLIFFE has a long record as a British "intriguer" and his appointment to Egypt served as a definite sign to the Egyptian Government that England has no intention of exercising good faith in the negotiations.

3. In regard to Germany, VOSS said that General JUERGEN, now Chief of the Armored Section in the German Mission to Egypt, WILL become the Chief Inspector of the Armor in the new German Army. It is VOSS' opinion that the Germans today have no interest in a European Defense Community. He said the German soldier does not want to fight but he will fight to defend his own country; has no interest in fighting to defend the other countries of Europe. He feels it is most important that the U.S. re-establish this feeling of the Germans because the will to fight is most important. VOSS felt that the riots in East Germany were bad because they were staged by unarmed and defenseless people who suffered as a result of their actions; however, he said it was magnificent and had great value in showing the West and people under the yoke of Communism that the spark of liberty is still alive and the people are not afraid to resist the Russians.

4. Returning to the situation in Egypt, VOSS said the situation in January 1953 was extremely serious and he feared the Egyptians would physically attack the British in the Canal Zone. At that time, he refused to help train guerrillas for action against the British, and almost daily, counseled the Egyptian General Staff that it was to their interest not to attack the Canal Zone. He does not now seriously fear that an attack will be made, but he is attempting to get MAGOUIS to take the Communards (guerrillas) lightly trained and to be trained into the regular army, because he feels that there is insufficient control over these slightly trained and irresponsible individuals. He believes he may succeed in having them brought into the Army where adequate control can be exercised over them.

5. VOSS is of the opinion that neutralism is growing rapidly in Egypt and, unless the U.S. takes steps to give Egypt military and economic assistance, we may find we have lost our opportunity to win Egypt on our side. He is convinced that Egypt, morally, finds no moral basis and reasons to take this anti-nationalistic position of Asia, Africa, and Latin America. VOSS is to consider the local situation at any time with MAGOUIS, and to be in touch with him at all times. MAGOUIS is to be considered as the main factor in the Canal Zone, so that commanding a

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... into group called "The People's Organization". Dr. VOSS himself had the idea of forming such an organization of the Suez Canal area and with Col. M. H. of the US Army's approval, is planning to recruit VOSS is now working at establishing several expert German Intelligence Officers from Germany and hopes that they will be able to effect the needed reorganization.

8. VOSS wants to effect liaison with representatives of the United States in Cairo, but says that he must understand that his loyalty lies with West Germany first and secondarily with Egypt.

COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. Preparing officer believes that Dr. VOSS, within recent months, has become cognizant of a feeling among the Western Powers representatives in Cairo that he may be carrying on activities contrary to the interests of the West. It will be recalled that recently a mutual friend arranged a luncheon between the Counselor of the American Embassy, Mr. Lewis JAMES, and Dr. VOSS (See R-192-63). In my conversation with Dr. VOSS he recalled this luncheon and said the meeting had been most constructive. The meeting of preparing officer with Dr. VOSS, on 27 July, was no; deliberate but it was evident that Dr. VOSS was most anxious to discuss the situation with preparing officer and, upon departure, it was agreed that we would meet again in the near future.

2. It is difficult to evaluate some of VOSS' statements. The American Embassy, Cairo, is of the opinion that Maj. Gen. ALIER is NASSER's man -- not MAGUIRE's, and it is the general opinion that MAGUIRE is the "strong man" of the RCC notwithstanding MAGUIRE's personal popularity. Preparing officer believes that VOSS is in constant contact with MAGUIRE, and that he can be an excellent source of information.

3. Dr. VOSS has remarried to a German widow (LAW); they now have six children (by her previous marriage) and live in a flat at No. 5 Rue Iskander El Akbar in the Cairo suburb of Helwan.

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