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The following telegraphic communication has been received from the Secretariat Advance Party, Jerusalem
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UNPC 2 CONVERSATIONS WITH APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES ALREADY ENGAGED ABOUT FOLLOWING MATTERS FIRST ACCOMMODATION COMMISSION. ARE HOPEFUL ABOUT POSSIBILITY KING DAVID AS DEFINITE SEAT BUT STILL NOTHING FULLY SATISFACTORY AS PROVISIONAL SEAT BETWEEN ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE BRITISH SECOND MILITARY SECURITY MATTERS. THIRD TRANSFER PUBLIC SERVICES. AUTHORITIES HERE SEEM FAVOURABLE TO ACCEPTANCE NEW MANAGING STAFF APPOINTED BY COMMISSION FOR IMPORTANT PUBLIC SERVICES RAILWAYS ETC COMING HERE AT ONCE IN ORDER BEING ABLE TAKE OVER MANAGEMENT BY END MANDATE WITH MINIMUM DISTURBANCE WORKING SERVICES FOURTH ECONOMICS FINANCIAL. GENERAL BUDGETARY POSITION FOR PERIOD TO MAY 15 NOT UNSATISFACTORY BUT COMPLETELY OVERSHADOWED ONLY SPECIAL TERMINAL EXPENSES. FRIDAY HIGH COMMISSIONER OFFERED RECEPTION WHERE MEMBERS MISSION MET MOST IMPORTANT BRITISH OFFICIALS PERSONALITIES. IMMEDIATE DOMESTIC PROBLEMS ON WAY SOLUTION BUT FROM WORKING POINT OF VIEW ACCOMMODATION STILL FAR FROM SATISFACTORY. FIRST CONTACTS GIVE IMPRESSION COLLABORATION WITH PALESTINIAN ADMINISTRATION WILL BE QUITE SATISFACTORY. SITUATION JERUSALEM FAIRLY CALM. ARE IN VERY GOOD SPIRIT AND WITH GREAT HOPES POSITIVE RESULTS MISSION FULLER REPORT FOLLOWS BY BAG. REGARDS

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