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## UNITED NATIONS PALESTINE COMMISSION

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Communication Received from United Kingdom Delegation concerning Food Supplies for Palestine

The following communication, concerning food supplies for Palestine, has been received from Mr. Fletcher-Cooke of the United Kingdom Delegation. Y UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATION TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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## 14th May 1948

My dear Bunche.

Kay I refer to your letter of 29th April regarding Food Supplies for Palestine.

2. I have now received the following information in reply to your enquiry relating to the supply of <u>Suger</u>:-

- (i) The quantity of Sugar afloat on 26th April was 6750 tons.
- (ii) The S.S. "Karnac", carrying 2000 tons, is unloading half at Haifa and half at Beirut.
- (iii) The S.S. "Albatross" is due to arrive at Haifa on 21st May with a cargo of 2250 tons.

3. Further details are not at present available, but the Food Controller in Palestine was able to inform the representatives of the Jewish and Arab importers that the quantity of sugar already ordered would be sufficient until 1st August at the present rate of consumption.

Yours sincerely,

/S/ John Fletcher-Cooke

Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, Principal Secretary to the United Nations Commission on Palestine, United Nations, Lake Success.