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UNITED NATIONS PALESTINE COMMISSION

Communication to the Chairman From Sir Alexander
Cadogan Concerning the Commission's Plans for
London and an Advance Party

The following communication was received on
9 February 1948 by the Chairman from Sir Alexander
Cadogan:

"February 9, 1948

Dear M. Lisicky,

With reference to discussions that have taken
place about the plans of the Commission, I have been
instructed to inform you

- (i) that my Government would welcome an
opportunity for discussions with members of
the Commission in London;
- (ii) that all reasonable facilities will be
given for a nucleus of the Commission's staff
to visit Palestine in advance of May 1st. (It
is requested that as much notice as possible
should be given of any proposed visit).

I am further to inform the Commission, in strict
confidence that the discussion in London may cover, inter
alia, the question whether the Commission should proceed
to Palestine before May 1st.

I should be grateful if you would inform me as soon
as possible of the Commission's plans in the light of
these suggestions.

It may also be useful to you to know that, as

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reported in the press today, the Secretary of State for the Colonies of the United Kingdom is coming to New York in order to attend the expected discussions of the Palestine question in the Security Council. He is expected to arrive on Sunday, February 15th.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) Alexander Cadogan

Monsieur Lisicky,
Chairman, United Nations Commission
on Palestine,
United Nations,
Lake Success, L.I."