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Communication received from United Kingdom Delegation
Concerning Public Information Services in Palestine

The following communication, concerning public information services and facilities in Palestine, has been received from Mr. Fletcher-Cooke of the United Kingdom Delegation.

UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATION TO THE UNITED NATIONS
Empire State Building, New York 1

23rd March 1948

My dear Bunche,

May I refer to my letter of the 22nd March with which was enclosed in formation in answer to Question 8 of the questionnaire received from Monsieur de Medina relating to public information services and facilities in Palestine.

2. I have now received the following information in reply to Question 9, which reads as follows:

“What facilities and equipment does the Palestine Administration now possess in the following categories:-

- (a) Sound recording and motion picture camera
- (b) Motion picture laboratories and photographic darkrooms
- (c) Mobile loud-speaker or visual information units.”

3. The replies are as follows:

(a) (i) All sound recording in Palestine for Government Departments is put out on contract to private concerns.

(ii) The Public Information Office possesses the following equipment: -

- 1 16mm. Bell & Powell Camera, with 3 lenses, Kinema size, clock type spring.
- 2 Projectors 35mm. sound Devry portables installed in cinema vans (2 15 cwt. Morris, on loan from the Army).
- 3 16mm. Projectors, Victor sound with loud-speaker and transformers.
- 1 16 mm. silent projector - Agfa.
- 1 35 mm. slide printing machine for Leica negatives.
- 1 Leica 35mm. slide projector.

(iii) The Palestine Police have a mobile cinema consisting of 2 16 mm Victor projectors with all the necessary equipment

(b) (i) The Public Information Office has a dark room complete with the following equipment: -

- 1 Vertical enlarger 13x18 cm
- 1 Miniature enlarger for 629 negatives and 6x6 negatives

(ii) The Public Information Office also has the following photographic equipment:-

- 1 Sanderson's tropical camera 9x12 cm
- 6 Double plate holders
- 1 Magazine for 12 plates with 2 lenses
- 1 Schneider Xenar 15 an 4.5 - with Comore and compound shutters.
- 1 Tella-Tessa 32 cm. 6.3 - with Comore and compound shutters
- 1 Studio camera stand
- 2 Medalist cameras No. 2 with coated lens
- 1 Argo 45 mm. camera with flash gun.
- 3 Watson document copying cameras. 35mm 200 ft. reels automatic focussing and winding

(iii) The Palestine Museum (which is under the direction of the Director of the Department of Antiquities) has the following equipment:-

- 1 Camera 13x18 cms. Universal Jewel Ikon with 12 double plate and 3 lenses and a number of filters for scientific recording.
- 1 Camera Lanhoff 9x12 cms, with single plate holders a 15 cm. Tessa lens and 15 cm. Dalmayer with wide angle lens
- 2 Medalist cameras No. 2 with filters and flash gun.
- 3 Bollicord cameras No. 1 6x6 cm and 1 Telle-Dalon Dalmayer for the 9x12 cm. camera.
- 2 Slide projectors for English and American use.
- 1 Aldid Epidioscope for prints and slide projection.

Dark Room Equipment

- 1 Horizontal enlarger from half plate downwards
- 1 Ensign for 6x6 cm. negatives.

- (iv) The Palestine Police have a first-class photographic laboratory and dark room.
- (c) The Public Information Office has two loud-speakers attached to its mobile cinema equipment.

Yours sincerely
J. Fletcher-Cooea (signed)

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