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**Regarding the Assassination of King Abdullah ['Abd
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Summary:

Information on the assassin of King 'Abd Allāh (Abdullah) of Jordan

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الموضوع: حول مخرج الملك عبد الله

لم استطع الاتصال بالعناصر اللازمة للوقوف على ما عملته من حقيقة أسباب
 احتمال جيلته الملك عبد الله ، ولكنني علمت امره : انه انما كان مصطفى سري
 كثر الذي ينتمي الى فرقة التدمير الذي هو من جملة جماعة جماعة صفاة صفاة
 فلسطيني اركب و رئيس كهيئة العربية العليا كما جاء في اخباره ، وهذه الفرقة
 هي من صنع ساحتها منذ اعدده عرب فلسطين ضد اليهود وتأليف جميعه الانتماء
 وعلم انه هذا القاتل لانه على اتصال تام بشخص فلسطيني يعمل في حاشية الملك
 ذلك انه كما جاء في اخباره اوقف هذا الفلسطيني ، قبل بضعة اشهر الى ان
 لتفعيل جيلته وزوده بمدرسه و مبلغ من المال بواسطة بعضه العناصر العاملة
 في ان ساحتها في فلسطين ، ولكنه هذا الفلسطيني اتصل بجيلته واطلعه على
 عليه اخبر وخرج امام جيلته المدرس والدراسم ، فاقترح جيلته بذلك
 وتبنى هذا الشخص كمتخصص في حاشيته ، ولكنه اتضح ، انه وقع كادبة ، بأنه
 الفلسطيني ملك هذا الاسلوب فذاع الملك وتطمينه ونجح في اربوبه الى انه
 اتصل بالقاتل مصطفى كثر وكان من امر احتمال جيلته فذكرته الحظ
 كعنه هي الرواية السريعة الاولى التي سمعتها احد من مصادر اردني
 كل حال هي بحاجة للدرس والتحقيق وسأزيدكم ايضاً في تقرير قادم .

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 من طرفه مدير الامن العام
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Subject: Regarding the assassination of King Abdullah

I was not able to contact the relevant elements to learn the reasons behind the assassination of His Majesty King Abdullah. However, I learned yesterday the following: the assassin, Mostapha Shukri 'Asho, who is a member of the demolition squad of the Sacred Jihad Organisation, is among the followers of the Grand Mufti of Palestine and President of the Higher Arab Committee, Haj Amin al- Husseini. His Eminence had established his squad when war was declared against the Jews in Palestine and the Salvation Army was formed.

I learned that this combatant was in permanent contact with a Palestinian individual, working within the King's entourage, sent to Amman a few months earlier, by Haj Amin al-Husseini, to assassinate His Majesty. The man was given a revolver and a sum of money through elements working for His Eminence in Palestine. This Palestinian individual, however, had approached His Majesty, told him everything, and shown him the revolver and the money. The King was convinced by his account and took him in as a servant in his entourage. After the incident, it became clear that this was a ploy on the Palestinian's part to trick the King and allay his fears. He had succeeded in his mission until the assassin Mostaha 'Asho's appearance on the scene, and the events of His Majesty's assassination that unfolded as detailed in the newspapers.

This is the first quick account given to me by a Jordanian source; in any case, it needs further close scrutiny and consideration. I will give you more details in a future report.