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Summary:

Account of two recent meetings at an arm of the Soviet Embassy in Beirut regarding the political status of Lebanon, and communists distribute pamphlets calling on security forces to join the masses.

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الى سمادة المدير العام لديرية الدُمن العام الحدَّم

ا - عند أمى (١٧/٤) المتماعيد في مؤسة نوك النابعة النابعة النابعة الدول في النابعة (١٦١) و الثاني في الساعة (١٠٠) مف الدُميّا عيد الدُمّا الدُميّا عيد الدُمّا عيدُم الدُمْ الدُمّا عيدُم عيدُم الدُمُم الدُمُ الدُمُ عيدُم الدُمُ الدُمُ الدُمُ الدُ

(ايقام المذلف بالفارة الوثيانية).

د شخص آف مد موظفی اسفارة الدثيانية مترسل المامة ضخ الينية الودالف) د شخص ثالث مه موظفي النفارة الدثيانية طمين نفيف اشق)

و علمت سر و عبد الغني عرب النام الذي كالربية المام فولى الثناد الدّ متماعيم مزعم بنطقته علت انه تقدر ارسال ا هتماع شريد اللربحة الى محلى الدّس الدولي صر قبل زعاد المعارضة في لبنالم على الدّ دعا من القائلة انه يوجه تدخل سر الجهورية العربية المعدة في شريد المتولدة المعادة في الشريد بناله الدا منية و بلهدى رفعه ثكوى الكومة بهدد التدخل.

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معف الذي متاعيم الشيخ شفيم محت نازعاً عامته مكترف الرأب.

قالى: الداللجوم يتطبي قدة اكثر مدذلك ولكننا نتغود على موى الحيد بالمتعمال فططنا الخاصة و اننا نهج سم نقاط لين فيظ مصفحات بغوة بسيطة واننا مصفحات بغوة بسيطة واننا قبل كل شيء نقصد مها عجة القص الجهوي وا هناف انه لديم في حدد الهجوم الى في حينه .

ع النيريم يطلق م النار ليلا شارا على والمنفيه المعارفة في علي النيريم يطلق م النار ليلا شارا على من بنار قرام الحكومية في علي الله على الله هائم معنى الله هائم من بنار ما على الله هائم مه قبل المعارفة كولم المعترفي من مناطقة كولم المعترفي المنالي الحراكي ال

مع العام النبي لا يستطيع م التقدم خطح واحدة مد المفرد العالم الم المعلم المعلم المرافع على المروز والمع غافرد المروز والمع غافرد عدد المعرفي المروز والمع غافرد مدا عمد المحدة الحسد .

٤- (المصر: محد أسه دوغام):

قال: بينا الملعدكة الدولية السياسية مسنري المعدلة الداهلية. ٥- قالد المعنى معنى محدد و هام : قارائد بعاد عرم الفائرة ميث جاء موضاً.

وقال القنفل: الدالدُمير العام هركولد شفى يؤس باطبادى الدُمّالية وفعد فسرط و يعطف على الثعوب العطيق لدُمِل تحريم مدند الانتقار. ٢- حدد أص نشاله ملوس في جيع الدُمياد المعقدة مما يدك على الدُستماد للمعادك.

عراسه عندلة ون ولا انن المعاميد و في ا ١٠٠

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وسمى بدح ديث أن بمصر المسلمين من منطقته دعا شريع -) , ١- المعارغة تنقل الفليق م الوريدم والمعدد و الفلاليوم مد محل الى آف م كاندا أحى في الماعة (١٥) نقلوا الى بيت النا د . فيعلم المتعتمه والتشت عنهم هنا .

٩- دمحد على الرزى في الماعة (١١) مهر شار أمى جاء بزيرة الى بيت هامة و الى معلفى منصر المقيما له في ملاى المح ماني و نعمل بعث مفاورة منا فهم والدُولاد غيل أو بعد غير ٢٠ قرر ٢٥٨) بعث مفاورة منا فهم والدُولاد غيل أو بعد قتف الدّه موقف المنعني بالد الد منا منا و المحروبة العربية المقدة تقف الدّه موقف المنعني بحاه الدُ منا ث ما دنا و الد منا و الد منا و الد منا و الد منا و الد فاعة المعارضة .

اا - د كفيمه ميلي المنه المالية في دارا بد ذاعة البناية معمد المفادة العرضاية القالا التقاللة معمد المفادة العرضاية القالا التقاللة معمد الدّ ذاعة اللبنائية و نقل الدّم بنفى المالية الناء على بأذاعة صرن العربة .

المن الشرعوم اليم (٥/١/٥) يوزعوم المناشي في في الدّ من الله التي تنفي المناطعة المناشية المناطعة المن

الم المسلم مرسي الما المجمعة ومأ دية عناد في الأمياء المقعنة على معددته ما وقي الأمياء المقعنة ومأ دية عناد في مناله لرؤال ولا المجمع من الما المجمعة ومأ دية عناد العرى الماعة انه مرتاح الماعيم مرسي الحالم المجمعة من المعلمة عدية مدا بالمال ما المعلمة والمعتمدة المنتى عبدالنام والمعتمد المنتى قبل عددة الرئيس عبدالنام الحالمة المالية المالي

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مار وطعال يعلة أصى العَماد التَّعِيم مفردا بعص الحناديم في معمة الدون .

الم والدفايد المرافيد الدولسد الذيه بجوادا أمى بالدهماء الذي يقتم بشاله والع النظام في عبو الحاد المنطقة الموتدة من المصطمة من رأس بدوى.

و متضاف بعتول نائم الدُّ ممام سيى .

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Beirut, 5/7/1958

To HE the Director of the Sûreté Générale

Two meetings were held yesterday, 4/7/1958, at the Fox Foundation which is an arm of the embassy of the Soviet Union; the first took place at 16.00 and the second at 20.30.

The following persons attended the two meetings:

Ivan, an employee at the Soviet Embassy; another person from the Soviet Embassy who is of medium height, and has a large body and black hair; a third man from the Soviet Embassy, who is tall, thin, and blond; Adnan al-Hakim; Sheikh Chafiq Yamout; Mohsen Salim; and Abdullah al-Yafi. While the two meetings were in progress, seven armed men stood guard in front of the Fox Foundation, chief among whom was Suhail Yamout. They were all communists, and I recognised among them Ahmad al-Husseini and Moheiddine al-Jammal, who were also watching the areas of al-Zareef and the Union Building. The first meeting lasted around one hour, after which the attendees disbanded, and the second lasted more than an hour and after disbanding, they all went, together with those who attended the first meeting, to al-Mseitbeh.

I learned from Abdel-Ghani Yamout, the merchant who was standing guard in front of Fox during the two meetings, and leader of his own area, that a decision was taken to send a strong-worded protest from the leaders of the opposition in Lebanon to the Security Council. The message will protest against claims that the UAR was interfering in Lebanon's internal affairs, and requesting that the Government's complaint, in this regard, be rejected.

Also attending the two meetings was Sheikh Chafiq Yamout, bare-headed and without his turban.

The source: Arnine Izzeddine:

He said: The attack requires more strength than we now have though we should be able to overcome the Army's power through our special plans. Although we will launch our attacks in areas where there are no army tanks, we will keep tanks occupied with a small force; however, before doing anything else, we intend to attack the presidential palace. He added that he will know the timing of the attack only when it is about to happen.

Members of the Army, traffic police, and the opposition are the ones who fire their government-issued guns day and night in the Aicha Bakkar and al-Zareef areas. They pretend that the PPS are shooting at the citizens from buildings in Karakon al-Druze (Algeria Street). It is worth noting that they are unable to advance a single step beyond the crossroads of Algeria and Medhat Pacha Streets in the direction of Karakon al-Druze, and are very afraid of an army attack.

The source: Mohammad Amine Doughan.

He said: We won the international political battle and we shall also win the internal one.

Consul Hanafi Mahmoud and Hamam said that the expulsion order is useless because it has come too late.

He also said that UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold believes in socialist principles and philosophy, and sympathises with small nations who seek to liberate themselves from colonisation.

Tangible activities were noticed yesterday in all the closed areas which indicates that they are getting ready for battle.

A few days ago, Sheikh Mohieddine al-'Ajouz has removed his turban, is carrying weapons, and leading a number of armed men in his area; (Aicha Bakkar).

The opposition is transporting Syrian, Egyptian and Palestinian Fedayeen from place to another; yesterday at 15.00 they took them to al-Najjadah headquarters; it would be possible for us to investigate and verify the matter.

Yesterday at 16.00, Mohammad Ali al-Ruz visited the homes of his mother-in-law and Mostapha Mansour, both of whom live in al-Mahmasani Building, and advised them not to leave their homes or their children, neither tomorrow nor the day after (6 or 7 July 1958).

The Embassy of the UAR has now assumed a spectator's position regarding current events, and it is the Soviet Embassy, which is doing all the actual work, and has provided the opposition with a radio station.

Chafiq Jadayel, the former presenter on Radio Lebanon, has received 5000 Lebanese pounds from the Soviet Embassy in return for his resignation from the Radio Station. He is now working for Sawt al-'Oruba Radio Station, and receiving the same salary as he did at Radio Lebanon.

Today, 5/7/1958, the communists are distributing pamphlets in various areas, calling upon the security forces to join with the masses. Stacks of pamphlets have been handed to communists in different areas to distribute today.

Jamil Hasbini made a tour yesterday of the closed areas, and after his return in the evening, he hosted a dinner party at his home for leaders of the armed groups. He told his guests, the leaders of the armed groups, that he was very satisfied with the morale of the Muslims and that the popular forces were very strong, had enough men and weapons, and were capable of achieving victory before President Nasser's return to Cairo.

Amine Izzeddine: is among those who attended the dinner party hosted by Jamil Hasbini at his home yesterday. He distributed 14 military binoculars to the leaders of armed groups in Aicha Bakkar, Zidaniyeh, Tallet al-Khayyat, and al-Zareef.

Throughout the night yesterday, rebel forces dug some ditches in the Druze cemetery.

International observers who toured various city quarters yesterday also visited Dr Mohammad Knei'o, who is very active in the entire area between al-Mseitbeh and Ras Beirut.