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Summary:

The South African Ambassador in Cologne sends information on a meeting with a representative of the Dornier Aircraft Company regarding the possible purchase by South Africa of Mirage aircraft and their re-export to Israel.

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SHL COMMANDANT-GENERAL, S.A.D.F.

THE GENERAL MANAGER, ARMAMENTS BOARD.

SUPPLY OF MIRAGES TO ISRAEL.

portedly re-exportation to Israel. whether South Africa would be prepared of South Africa in purchasing from our to make a attach for your information and emanating from Dassault, as to the possible interest Ambassador copy in Cologne, regarding an enquiry, minute 8/24 of 16th January, 1970, further Mirages, any comment you may to acquire Wirages for failing which, pur-

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SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

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SUPPLY OF MIRAGES TO ISRABL.

Attaché) certain Mr. Assistant Military a is just to let you know that the to see me (after seeing with the following story. This called

that he was a representative of the Dornier Aircraft Company in Friedrichshafen and that his firm had asked by Dassault to enquire claimed He

- purchasing in any interest he S.A.A.F. the South Africa would have Mirages for the use of t further whether
 - to acquire be prepared South Africa would Mirages for re-export to Israel. if not whether (11)

supplying Mirages to place an Jackel, at the projected sale of 50 According to Mr. Jackel, Dassault is pro Israeli in according to Mr. to Libya. If South Africa were prepared Dassault would be able to plead difficulty in again sympathy and is much concerned additional order for Mirages, to Libya. Mirages

that there were difficulties of communication and not direct. Mr. asked Mr. Jackel why Dassault should approach South created by the Israeli success matter through Dornier - why ducting the five gunboats from Sherboung. referred to the situation Africa in such a claimed Jackel

might be said that I could not believe that there would be any matter was satisfied difficulties in communication in South Africa, whatever situation in France and in any event this was not a regarding Dassault. in which this Embassy could act, even if I bona fides of his assertions

free-Jackel is no more than a impression was that Mr. J

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