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The Hon. Harry S. Truman
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Among the most shocking aspects of the developments with respect to the Palestinian question have been the repeated indications of the desire of the Near Eastern Division of the State Department to defeat your policy on this question and to make it its own, the vicious policy of Foreign Minister Bevin of Great Britain.

Within the last few days there has come into our possession conclusive evidence that the State Department position has been inspired by the oil companies, and that there is active collusion among the oil companies, the State Department, and Great Britain.

This collusion has taken the form of an attempt on the part of the Arab states, by means of a letter from the Arabian American Oil Company, to get you to the point where you would have to agree to the partition of Palestine, despite the very clear indication that all concessions are not in jeopardy.

All of this is made clear in a report submitted by Mr. Dean in the name of the Arabian American Oil Company. This report has been the basis for much of the State and Defense Departments' policy on Palestine.

A copy of the Memorandum is enclosed and I hope that you will think it of sufficient importance to read.

Since receiving this documentary evidence we have further come into possession of the following information which comes from a reliable source. The new British ambassador to the United States has expressed himself within the last few days as being greatly disturbed by the extent of American support of Britain's policy on Palestine.
At the same time, however, he has expressed his complete satisfaction with the cooperation of the State Department — cooperation with respect to demanding and securing a relinquishment of the area of the Jewish state. Ambassador Froehre, according to our information, says that while there is no formal agreement with the State Department, there is a general understanding with respect to the necessity of, and the nature of, the boundary revisions. The boundary revisions which the British are to offer for the Palestinian territory, the so-called seaports, meet with the approval of the Jewish state. The intention is to provide a safe harbor for such an enlarged Jewish state.

The British explain that the ending of territory is necessary in order to move the seat of the Jewish state. In other words, it is preferable to end the state with a political victory. It is to this plan in its major outlines that Mr. Roosevelt has given his consent.

It is impossible for me to express this policy or that it would meet with your approval.

We have not had the honor to discuss this policy, but I have been told that the State Department or the British Foreign Office are running the course of the Jewish settlement. If I may take the liberty of suggesting it, we would seem to me that such action might take the form:

1) Of the immediate de jure recognition of the state of Israel within the boundaries of the November 29 resolution.

2) Of the granting of a loan to that state.

3) Of assistance in the training of the military forces of Israel as part of the normal content of our relations with a friendly state.

If such action is within your contemplation, Mr. President, may I urge it to be forthcoming now without delay?

Sincerely yours,

Fred Emory
President