

NARCOTIC DRUGS

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The American Legation to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs

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NOTE

The Legation of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Royal Egyptian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and has the honor to state that it is in receipt of a communication from the Honorable the Secretary of State, Washington, D.C., informing it of the desire expressed by the Treasury Department of the United States that, with a view to bringing about a stricter control of the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs, a closer cooperation be established between the administrative officials of the United States and those of certain foreign countries.

To this end the Legation has the honor to enquire whether the Royal Egyptian Government would be disposed, as has been done through informal arrangements already accepted by seventeen countries, to arrange for:

1. The direct exchange between the Treasury Department and the corresponding office in Egypt of information and evidence with reference to persons engaged in the illicit traffic. This would include such information as photographs, criminal records, finger prints, Bertillon measurements, description of the methods which the persons in question have been found to use, the places from which they have operated, the partners they have worked with, etc.

2. The immediate direct forwarding of information by letter or cable as to the suspected movements of narcotic drugs, or of those involved in smuggling drugs, if such movements might concern the other country. Unless such information as this reaches its destination directly and speedily it is useless.

3. Mutual cooperation in detective and investigating work.

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