

Iran Government

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

Iran

UN ARCHIVES

SERIES 0527
BOX 265
FILE J-1389-0000-0016
ACC. _____

Passed from:- To:-

Time:- Date:-

(This slip MUST be filled in and sent to Central Registry whenever this file is passed from one officer to another without passing through Central Registry).

TO:- CENTRAL REGISTRY

TO:- CENTRAL REGISTRY

FILE TRANSIT SLIP

FILE NO. _____

Passed from:- To:-

Time:- Date:-

(This slip MUST be filled in and sent to Central Registry whenever this file is passed from one officer to another without passing through Central Registry).

14(1) ACTION 2/1/44 4(2)/2

TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From: Department of State

Date: September 14, 1944

16-02862-1

No.: 2496

Code: Clear

Received: September 15, 1944

DISTRIBUTION : FILE

ELKINTON : ~~AGREED~~

SIR W. MATTHEWS

ARCHER

PICKARD

~~ELKINTON~~

GERSTENZANG

MILLER

HALL.

DE ED

UNRRA from Lehman. No. 476.

Will see copy British charges cable to F O your 400 when it arrives Embassy here But in meantime urge bring no pressure on Iran to contribute other than administrative contributions So far as practicable please clear headquarters regarding status general negotiations for member government's contributions before discussing specific contributions.

Repeated to London as 617.

HULL

4(7)
WASHINGTON

LONDON ENJOY ONE THIRTYSEVEN.

ENJOY four hundred

Johnston of Supply Bureau has visited Iran to ascertain materials available there for Balkans or ME refugee camps. Contacts made with Millspaugh Mission officials and Iranian Government Ministers. News of Iran participation in UNRRA and its agreement to contribute supplies surprised Millspaugh and Minister Finance. Immediate reaction was Iran should be eligible for UNRRA aid rather than a contributor. Reasons for Iranian Government attitude are outlined Johnston's report being sent you. At conclusion visit Johnston discussed attitude of Iranian Government with British Charge d'Affaires Lascelles who requested Iranian decision be submitted London for information but expressed to Johnston disappointment Iran was apparently withdrawing from previous agreement. He has cabled Foreign Office his interpretation political relationship which we are unable to assess. Suggest you obtain copy there and from British Embassy Washington. Materials possibly available are beans cement drugs fruits goatskins sheepskins gun tragacanth silk cocoons timber lead copper coal opium. Prices inordinately high. Present procurement in Iran as Government contribution or on commercial basis uneconomic.

MEMIN

Cellkinton - 24 aug. 44.