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SUBJECT: Communist Activity in the Secondary Schools of the Khartoum Area

USLO has been given the minutes of what purports to be a secret meeting of the Central Committee of the Communist Party held in Omdurman on January 22, 1953. These minutes were given to us by Mohammed Khalil JUBARA, Educational Director of the National Unionist Party. In the reference despatch above, Mr. Jubara had made the statement that something like 80 per cent of the children in the secondary schools in "the three cities" (Khartoum, Omdurman, and Khartoum North) were either Communists or fellow travellers. He brought these minutes to us to prove the statement. According to his story, which we believe, these minutes were secured by one of the members of his party and were distributed to all of the headmasters of schools in the three cities. This is how he came to receive the report, and he has translated it from the original Arabic. Some of the headmasters have read this report to their students and informed them that anyone who makes any of the demands noted in the minutes will be considered a Communist. It is obvious from these minutes that the Communists are trying to make their way into the secondary school student body. A copy of these minutes is attached as Enclosure No. 1, CONFIDENTIAL.

ACTION REQUESTED: Mohammed Khalil Jubara, who supplied this information, believes that the most effective way to combat Communism in the secondary schools is to form a Youth Guide Movement in the Sudan. He has been given some encouragement along these lines by members of his own party and the Director of the Moslem Youth Guide of Egypt. He is anxious to go to Egypt and, if possible, a European country to study the Youth Guide Movement. He is handicapped in these efforts by lack of funds and has appealed to this office for help. I have explained to him that we have no funds for any such purpose. At the same time it does seem to me that this is a worthy cause, and he should be encouraged. Is there any way that funds could be supplied to him by some other agency after all of the facts of his story have been verified?

*Joseph Sweeney*  
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Enclosure: *1*  
Minutes of meeting of Central Committee of Communist Party

cc: London, Cairo

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From KhartoumMEETING OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

The Central Committee held its second meeting after the vacation on Thursday, January 22. The attendants were: Wadi Seidna, El Ahfad, Junior Secondary, Khartoum University College, and Ahlia.

The Committee discussed the question of the need to elect 12 delegates and decided to establish a Central Committee for Omdurman to represent Omdurman schools and another at Khartoum to represent the secondary schools and the Khartoum University College. Each committee should include a delegate from the Wadi and the Khartoum University College. The Central Committee decided the question of a general union. As regards the Khartoum University College, the comrades have discussed the question on a wide scale, and results of the discussion will be published in many papers.

Wadi report: In the Wadi the Central Committee has not been established yet; therefore, the comrades should exert a greater effort and should publish the bulletin. It is our duty these days to strengthen the Students' Congress in order to be established openly. Papers have been suppressed in the Wadi; therefore, it is our duty to publish them and to distribute leaflets as a protest against this suppression and the illegal dismissal of boys--especially after the last examination; and there must be a strong demand for more chances, as, for example: the comrades should reject the principle of nomination and should submit a note to the new headmaster about these problems. It is noticed that there is no activity in the Wadi; therefore, the subsidiary committee should continue its meetings.

Ahfad report: The comrades have done well these days. There is active interest from the members of the congress towards physical training and societies. The active interest should increase. The subsidiary committee met, and a bulletin will be published. The comrades have played a very important part in the question of the union in some of the boarding houses. One of the boarding houses decided to raise the problems of boarding houses. The committee. The comrades should, therefore, meet and discuss the problems.

Ahlia report: The subsidiary committee met and published a bulletin, three papers, and established a press union. Some of the papers discussed the question of a students' union. The comrades have played a very important part in asking for making the election of the societies by free election. The representative of the Ahlia stated that it was difficult to hold a general meeting for the students of the school to discuss the question of the students' union. It is the duty of the comrades to discuss this subject individually in the houses and classes.

Junior secondary report: The subsidiary committee has not met yet, but some of the units met and this is a grievous mistake. Therefore, it is very important that the subsidiary committee should meet. This is very important.

Elections

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Elections in the Khartoum University College: The situation was very serious as regards the elections because of the loss of many of the comrades, but they have established a united front from progressives and independents against the Moslem Brothers. This united front is of great importance because it includes the third bloc. This third bloc is not only in the Khartoum University College, but also in the other secondary schools; therefore, it should be fought.

Secretary

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