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London's 543 naturally causes deep concern. Insofar as it affects possibility of taking advantage of favorable

Iranian proposal which you have worked so hard to achieve,

from discussions with Brit EMB here we gather principal

British concern is with actual physical interference by

Maki and other Iranian EMBs with such oil operations as are

still in progress. Even with best of British intentions,

this interference is likely to result in further curtailment and

loss of morale of British personnel. This may lead to

breakdown even before British EMBs CLD reach Iran or before

tangible results CLD be achieved.

BRIT has had in mind as last resort appeal to UNO

to Attlee in support of US objectives; However, before taking

this step, we shall await UN present evaluation of situation, and

US recommendations as to desirability and basis of appeal.

We shall also await UN views whether the following demand

done to obtain performance on part of Iranians to stop physical

additional interference without demanding formal concessions which UNO
probably not be possible under existing circumstances. WLD it
be possible, for example, to obtain recall of Makki as suggested
by Shepherd.

DEPT stressed to Entezam importance of stopping interference
as we reported yesterday. He indicated he WLD support this
position with his GOVT.

We are relying fully on you to call the plays and shall await
UR recommendations as to next step to be taken.

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