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MEMORANDUM

To: Secretaries of Delegations

From: Executive Secretary

Norwegian Participation in United Nations  
Emergency Force in Middle East

The Secretary General has received the attached letter on the above subject from the Norwegian Permanent Representative.

(Signed) COLERIDGE

7th December, 1956

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Délégation de Norvège

Paris, 4th December, 1956

Dear Lord Ismay,

As you will remember I made a statement in the Council some time ago with regard to the Norwegian participation in the United Nations emergency force to the Middle East. Since then the Norwegian force contribution has been somewhat increased at the request of the Secretary General of the United Nations. I would like to inform you of the present composition of the Norwegian contingent to the UN emergency force, which is as follows:

The troop contingent is composed of one rifle company, totalling 197 officers and men, and one medical corps unit consisting of 198 officers and men. The rifle company constitute together with Danish forces a joint Danish-Norwegian battalion. The Norwegian contribution to the battalion headquarters and to the headquarters' company consists of 67 officers and men. Two officers will serve on the staff of General Burns. Four Norseman MK IV aircraft have been placed at the disposal of the United Nations. The crew of the aircraft number 17 officers and men.

The total Norwegian troop contingent to the United Nations emergency force number 481 officers and men.

Measures are being taken to replace the above-mentioned personnel so as not to weaken NATO earmarked forces in Norway.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JENS BOYESEN