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Dulles, John F., including copies of confidential correspondence  
between Dulles and Generals Julius Klein and Walter B. Smith,  
1955.

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October 3, 1955

Hon. John Foster Dulles  
Secretary of State  
Department of State  
Washington, D. C.

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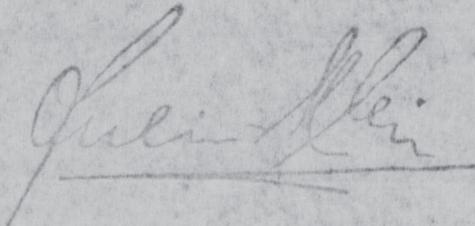
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Regarding the telegram I sent you today (see enclosure), I hope you will understand that this comes of my great desire to be of some help to you in your task in which every citizen should assist. I hope I have not imposed on your time as I realize you know best what to do. I am preparing a report which I shall submit for your information at an early date.

I know you have the prayers of all good citizens who look to you for leadership - not only to carry on with the Eisenhower-Dulles policy - but to make sure that peace is preserved.

It was good seeing you the day I returned from Europe. I had a delightful crossing with your brother Allen.

Kindest personal regards,



Julius Klein/jb  
enclosure

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

October 8, 1955

Personal and Confidential

Dear General Klein:

I have your telegram and letter of October 3. I have had Bedell Smith's name in the back of my mind for some time in connection with the type of mission you suggest. However, the way things are at the moment, I feel that the time is not right to start any active negotiations. I think we must wait until both sides show a disposition to negotiate and seek our help. When that time comes, I shall certainly consider very carefully the possibility of asking General Smith to put his great talents to the task.

I appreciate your continuing interest.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ John Foster Dulles

John Foster Dulles

Major General Julius Klein  
110 South Dearborn Street  
Chicago 3, Illinois.

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110 South Dearborn Street  
Chicago 3 Illinois

October 11, 1955

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General Walter Bedell Smith  
4400 Garfield Northwest  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bedell:

The attached confidential note from Secretary Dulles will, I am sure, interest you.

Let me say again, I know only one man who can solve the Egyptian-Israeli problem and that is you. I hope and pray the good Lord will give you strength; that if and when the time comes you can undertake this task which I know is very close to your heart.

Regards.

WRHS  
Decorative flourish



Sincerely,

*Julius Klein*

Julius Klein/jb

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W. B. S.

October 11, 1955

Dear Julius:

I appreciate your letter and was extremely glad to see you at the Embassy dinner.

Also, I appreciate the kind thoughts expressed in the telegram to Foster Dulles - a copy of which has reached me. I talked with him on the phone a day or two ago and he asked if I had seen the reply so I assume he saw your message and answered it personally.

I am feeling quite well again and look forward to seeing you either here or in New York.

Faithfully, your friend,

/s/ Bedell

Walter Bedell Smith

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Chicago 3, Illinois.

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110 South Dearborn St.,  
Chicago, Illinois

October 19, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

For your personal information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I sent to Secretary Dulles enumerating on my telegram to him, copy of which was already sent to you. I am also enclosing a copy of his reply and copies of a letter which I received from Bedell Smith and which I wrote him.

I am sending you this material in order to keep you posted and am sure that you will keep this information in confidence. Let's hope this will lead to some positive action.

As I see the picture, I feel that Bedell Smith is the only man who could step in to do the job at this time.

Hope to see you soon,

Cordially yours,

Julius Klein/lp  
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