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URTEL 155, February 16.

Proceeding Bahrein February 22 to make tentative arrangement special flight Muscat. Will submit estimate cost trip which will require special allotment by Department. Inadvisable approach be attempted by mail.

Sultan may well ask what rental may be expected for use land and may insist fixed installations be considered his property on termination program. Please indicate attitude team should assume.

Sultan also likely bring up age-old question rifles and ammunition US Government once tentatively agreed purchase for him but never did. (My letter to Sultan May 4, 1950 enclosed my OM May 8, 1950, never elicited reply from Sultan).

Sultan probably has no (repeat no) dollars to pay for anything but might want rifles and ammunition as part of VOA station agreement. Please advise position I may take if he broaches subject.

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