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TO : NE - Mr. G. Lewis Jones
FROM : NEA/P - Shepard Jones
SUBJECT: Attached Memo of Conversation

DATE: April 2, 1951

As a follow-up to our conversation on Friday, there is attached a copy of our memorandum of conversation with Adam Watson. I will be in touch with you again on Tuesday, if you are agreeable.

Attachment:

copy of memo of conversation
with Adam Watson on 3/30/51

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March 30, 1951

Anglo-American Cooperation in the psychological field in the Arab States and Iran.

Mr. Adam Watson of the British Embassy
Mr. Joseph Phillips, P Area, and Shepard Jones, NEA/P, for the Department.

NE - Mr. Lewis Jones ✓
P - Mr. Joseph Phillips
PRS- Mr. Hamilton

Mr. Adam Watson referred to high level explorations taking place between representatives of the US and UK governments in Near and Middle East countries relating to military and economic matters. However, in his view, high policy of the two governments calls for some further exploration of cooperation in the psychological field. He suggested that consideration be given to initiating an exploration of ways and means of psychological cooperation possibly by British and American officials in the field.

Mr. Phillips replied that while he agreed with Mr. Watson's general suggestion, he felt that conversations might be initiated informally in Washington. Mr. Jones shared this view.

Mr. Watson then said he proposed to send a telegram to his government suggesting that the Foreign Office discuss with Mr. McGhee at his forthcoming visit to London the desirability of some common exploration of the psychological objectives and programs of the two governments in the Arab world. He also undertook to prepare and furnish to the Department an informal memorandum on the subject which might be considered at the McGhee-Furlonge conversations early in April.

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