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From CURZON LONDON.

To

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PALESTINE

Jerusalem.

Despatched (Date and time) 9.11.20. 1915.

Received (Date and time) 11.11.20. 0900

No. 233.

Dated: 9/11.

Your telegrams 349 and 337. Unless you see strong objection you should point out privately to Grand Mufti that you are somewhat puzzled by the attitude of the local Moslems in beginning again to pray for the Sultan of Turkey at a time when complete separation of their country from the Sultan's is taking place. You should do so by way of comment not of protest and in order to see what Grand Mufti has to say. And you should show neither you nor H.M.G. have any intention of departing from the traditional policy of non-interference in religious matters.

You should also report in due course (a) Local effect of re-introduction of Sultan's name (b) Whether you connect it with Pan-Islam conspiracy or with intrigues of over zealous French agents to stamp out all Sherifian authority.

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From

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PALESTINE

Jerusalem.

To PRODRONE LONDON.

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Dated  
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(Date and time)

4.11.20. 0900.

349.

My telegram No. 337. Prayers were offered for Turkish Sultan "Caliph Waheddin" in Mosque last Friday. In view of H.M.G.'s consistent policy non-interference Caliphate question presume there is no objection. Please send immediate reply.