Research Guide Middle East

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Individual collections held in the Liddell Hart Centre for Military Archives

ADAM, Gen Sir Ronald, 2nd Bt (1885-1982)

Adjutant General to the Forces, 1941-1946 Reports, 1942 and 1946, on international tours as Adjutant General, including Egypt and Iran

ALISON, Gen Sir Archibald (1826-1907)

Commander, British troops, Suez Canal, Egypt, 1882; Commander, British Force in Egypt, 1882-1883

Official correspondence relating to the campaign in Egypt, 1882-1883; memoranda, 1885-1886, including demobilisation in Egypt, and Colonel Sir Charles Wilson's failure to reach Khartoum in time to relieve General Charles Gordon

ALLENBY, FM Edmund (Henry Hynman), 1st Viscount Allenby of Megiddo and of Felixstowe. (1861-1936)

Commander-in-Chief, Egyptian Expeditionary Force, Palestine and Egypt, 1917-1919; High Commissioner for Egypt and the Sudan, 1919-1925

Letters home detailing the progress of the Palestine campaign, 1917-1918. Telegrams, accounts and press cuttings relating to Palestine, 1917-1919. Letters home covering his work as Commander-in-Chief, Egyptian Expeditionary Force, Jan-Feb 1919, and as High Commissioner for Egypt and the Sudan, Mar 1919-1922. Photographs, 1919-1925, including: Beirut and Baalbek, Lebanon; Sollum (Salum), Siwa, Sinai and Mersa Matruh (Marsa Matruh), Egypt; Allenby and Lady Allenby at the Residency in Cairo, and Feisal I, King of Iraq. Correspondence, 1936-1939, between Lt Gen Sir Archibald Wavell and Allenby's colleagues, family and friends, relating to Wavell's Allenby (Harrap & Co, London, 1940) and concerning Allenby's command of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force, 1917-1918. Correspondence and other papers, 1936-1943, relating to Wavell's Allenby in Egypt (Harrap & Co, London, 1943), including evewitness account of the murder of Mai Gen Sir Lee Stack, Sirdar of the Egyptian Army, 1924, and letters, 1940-1943, from Gerald C Delany, former Reuters chief Middle East correspondent, on the political situation in Egypt, 1919-1925

AMLOT, Air Cdre Douglas Lloyd (1910-1979)

Served with RAF in Palestine, 1936-1938 Account of air attack on Arab rebel forces, Deir Ghassana (Deir Ghassaneh), Palestine, Sep 1938

ANSTRUTHER-GOUGH-CALTHORPE, Brig Sir Richard (Hamilton) 2nd Bt (1908-1985)

Served with Royal Scots Greys, Palestine, 1936-1939 Brief account of his life and career, 1908-1947, written c 1978

ARCHER, Capt John (1871-1954)

Served with 2 Battalion, Rifle Bde, Egypt, 1902-1905

Photograph album including parades, inspections, army sports and camps, 1902-1905

ASTON, Maj Gen Sir George (Grey) (1861-1938)

Military historian

Account by FM Paul Sanford Methuen, 3rd Baron Methuen, of his service as Commandant, British Army Headquarters, Egypt, 1882, including the Battle of Tel el Kebir, and account by Methuen of a visit to Egypt, 1918-1919, as Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Malta

BARTHOLOMEW, Gen Sir William Henry (1877-1962)

Brigadier General, General Staff, 20 Corps, Palestine, 1917-1918

Reports, correspondence, memoranda and notes relating to operations in Palestine, including the third Battle of Gaza, Nov 1917. Correspondence, 1936, with correspondents including FM Sir Philip Walhouse Chetwode, Lt Gen Sir John Francis Stanhope Duke Coleridge. Secretary to the Military Department, India Office, Maj Gen John Greer Dill, Director of Military Operations and Intelligence, and FM Sir Archibald Armar Montgomery-Massingberd, Chief of the Imperial General Staff. on subjects including Arab unrest and the RAF in Palestine, negotiations for an alliance with Egypt, and the feasibility of increasing British naval strength in the Aden Protectorate, following the Italian invasion of Abyssinia

BEARNE, AVM Guy (1908-2005)

Officer in charge of Armament Repair Section, Aircraft Depot, Hinaidi, Iraq, 1937-1939 Memoir of his career, including service in Iraq, 1937-1939

BEAUFOY BROWN, Capt John Frederick, RN (1910-1979)

Executive Officer, HMS GAMBIA, Port Said, Egypt, 1951

Photograph album relating to Beaufoy Brown's service as Executive Officer, HMS GAMBIA, Mediterranean and East Indies, 1951-1952, including peace-keeping patrols, Port Said, Egypt, 1951

BENSON, Maj Gen Edward Riou (1903-1985)

Chief of Staff, General Headquarters, Middle East Land Forces, 1954-1957

Draft of *Suez: the seven day war* by Arthur James Barker (Faber and Faber, London, 1964)

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BISHOP, Maj Gen Sir (William Henry) Alexander (1897-1984)

Served with Dorset Regiment in Mesopotamia and Palestine, 1915-1918

Memoirs covering his life and career, 1897-1965, including service in Mesopotamia and Palestine, 1915-1918, written in 1971

BLACKTON, Percy (1909-1990)

Served with No 1 Armoured Car Company, Iraq, 1936

Two albums of photographs relating to service in Iraq with No 1 Armoured Car Company, 1936, including No 1 Armoured Car Company on deployment in the desert near Salman Pak, Iraq, a reconnaissance trip to Kurdistan, the streets of Baghdad, and armoured vehicles and aeroplanes

BLAKISTON-HOUSTON, Lt Col John Matthew (1898-1984)

Served with 13 Battalion, Royal Tank Corps, Egypt, 1919-1921. Major, 11 Hussars, Egypt, 1939-1941

Privately published memoir, 'I'd live it again', covering his life and military career, 1898-1945, including service in Egypt, 1919-1921 and 1939-1941, written in 1947

BLOUNT, Lt Col Hubert (1910-1979)

Served with 9 Armoured Brigade Group, Western Desert, 1940-1942

Copies of two reports on actions of 9 Armoured Bde Group during the second Battle of El Alamein, Egypt, Oct-Nov 1942.

BOSANQUET, Lt Col Neville Richard Gustavus (1911-2003)

Lieutenant, Royal Welch Fusiliers, 1938

Memoir of life and service, 1930-1960, including account of travelling through Europe, Turkey and Egypt, 1938

BROOKE, FM Alan Francis, 1st Viscount Alanbrooke of Brookeborough (1883-1963)

Captain, Royal Horse Artillery, 1914; Chief of the Imperial General Staff (CIGS), 1941-1946 Diary and letters home relating to service with Royal Horse Artillery, India, Egypt, Aug-Sep 1914. Semi official correspondence as CIGS, 1941-1946, with senior military, political and diplomatic personnel, including: Lt Gen Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief, India; Gen Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Commander-in-Chief, Middle East: Sir Miles Wedderburn Lampson, British Ambassador to Egypt, on topics including: the defence of Svria: operations in Egypt and Libva (Western Desert); reorganisation of Middle East Forces: Allied forces command structure in Persia and Iraq: political situation in countries including Palestine, Egypt and Syria; proposed deployment of Palestinian Jewish units outside Palestine, 1943; SOE organisation in the Middle East; evacuation of British troops from Egypt, 1946. Also correspondence, 1941. of Gen Sir John Dill, Brooke's predecessor as CIGS, with Auchinleck and with Gen Sir Archibald Wavell. Commander-in-Chief Middle East, 1939-1941. on topics including: operations in the Western Desert; the strategic importance of the Middle East; planning for Operation SABINE (seizing and securing the port of Basra, Irag): Operation EXPORTER (the Allied invasion of Vichy French controlled Syria): the progress of operations in Iraq. Brooke's personal diaries as CIGS, including reference to: increased French military presence in Syria, 1945; his proposals for a Middle East defence federation, 1945: withdrawal of British troops from Egypt, 1946; the report of the Anglo-American Committee on Palestine, 1946. Photographs of official visit to Egypt with Prime Minister Winston Churchill, 1942, and of Brooke's world tour as CIGS, 1945. including Egypt, Transiordan, Palestine, Iraq and Saudi Arabia. Correspondence, 1946-1954, relating to Brooke's appointment and reappointment as Director of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company; correspondence and photographs, 1948, relating to a visit by Muhammad Riza Pahlevi, Shah-an-Shah of Iran, to the company's research station

BROOKE-POPHAM, ACM Sir (Henry) Robert (Moore) (1878-1953)

Air Officer Commanding British Forces in Iraq, 1928-1930; High Commissioner and Commanderin-Chief, Iraq, Sep-Oct 1929; Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Middle East, 1935-1936

Telegrams, reports, letters, notes and maps relating to RAF operations in Irag and Kuwait, 1928-1930; notes, press cuttings, memoranda and letters compiled 1930-1935 by Brooke-Popham in research for lectures on Irag, on topics including Assyrians and Kurds in Iraq. Memoranda, signals. letters, notes and press cuttings relating to RAF operations in the Middle East, 1935-1936, including planning for a conflict between the League of Nations and Italy following the Italian invasion of Abyssinia, and the Arab Rebellion against the British Mandate in Palestine, Correspondence, memoranda and minutes relating to the Executive Committee on Assyrian Settlement, 1943-1947, chiefly concerning the Khabur Settlement scheme, Syria, and proposed alternatives. Press cuttings, 1923-1936, on various topics, including the French Levant states, archaeological excavations in Irag and Anglo-Egyptian political relations, and press cuttings, 1944-1952, on topics including the creation of the state of Israel and violence in Palestine, 1948

BURCH, Maj Gen Frederick Whitmore ('Eric') (1893- 1977)

Served with 12 (Service) Battalion (3 Hull), East Yorkshire Regiment, Suez Canal, 1916 Brief account of service, Suez Canal Zone, Jan-Feb 1916

BURNETT-STUART, Gen Sir John Theodosius (1875-1958)

Served with 4 Battalion, Rifle Brigade, Egypt, 1902-1903; General Officer Commanding British Troops in Egypt, 1931-1934

Memoirs of service, 1895-1945

BUTCHER, Sqn Leader Francis Herbert (1914-1994)

Papers include photograph album showing stages in the construction of the Mosul bridge over the River Tigris, Iraq, 1920, by 1 King George's Own Sappers and Miners, Indian Army, presented to Butcher's uncle, Maj Charles Butcher

CADELL, Air Cdre Colin Simson (1905-1996)

Served with 208 Squadron, Heliopolis, Egypt, 1929-1931; Aide de camp to Sir Miles Wedderburn Lampson, Ambassador to Egypt and High Commissioner for the Sudan, 1934-1936; service with 45 Squadron, Helwan, Egypt, 1936; Chief Signals Officer, Middle East, Cairo, Egypt, 1943 Memoir of his RAF career, 1925-1945

CAPPER, Maj Gen Sir John Edward (1861-1955)

Director General, War Office, 1917-1918

'Report of the commission appointed by Act of Parliament to enquire into the operations of war in Mesopotamia' (Cm 8610, London, HMSO, 1917)

CARR, Lt Gen Laurence (1886-1954)

Commander, 2 Infantry Brigade, Palestine and Transjordan, 1937-1938

Letters home to his wife, 1936-1937, covering his service with 2 Infantry Bde in Palestine, describing Arab and Jewish unrest, and policing of the area by the British army

CAUNTER, Brig John Alan Lyde (1889-1981)

Commanded 4 Armoured Brigade, 7 Armoured Division, Western Desert campaign, 1940-1941; commanded 4 Armoured Brigade in capture of Fort Capuzzo, Battle of Beda Fomm, Libya, Feb 1941

Memoranda, accounts and correspondence relating to the First Libyan Campaign, Western Desert, 1940-1941. Photographs, including tanks in the Western Desert, 5 Division Headquarters at Mersah Matruh, and Italian prisoners after the Battle of Beda Fomm, 1941

CHAMBERLAIN, Brig Noel Joseph (1895-1970)

General Staff Officer Grade 3, Army Education, with Egyptian Expeditionary Force, 1912-1922; Chief Education Officer, British Troops in Egypt, 1947-1949

Memoir of life and service, 1906-1923, including Egypt, 1920-1922. Memorandum on the future of army education, Egypt, Oct 1947

CHARRINGTON, Brig Harold Vincent Spencer (1886-1965)

Commander, Fighting Vehicles Section, General Headquarters, Cairo, Egypt, May-Jul 1941 Accounts of the Battle of Sidi Rezegh, Libya, Nov 1941

CHATER, Maj Gen Arthur Reginald (1896-1979)

Commander, Somaliland Camel Corps, 1937-1940

Special order of the day issued by Gen Sir Archibald Percival Wavell, General Officer Commanding Middle East, 23 Dec 1940, thanking the forces under his command for their successful operations in Egypt

CHICHESTER, Cdr Michael Guy, RN (b 1917)

Defence Correspondent for The Statist, 1962-1967; contributor to Navy magazine, 1962-1977, member of the Bow Group Standing Committee on Defence, 1982

Press cuttings, 1968-1972, on subjects including: the Iran-Iraq War, 1980-1988; the US bombing raid on Libya, 1986; the Gulf War, 1991

CHURCHER, Maj Gen John Bryan (1905-1997)

Commander, 3 Division, Palestine, 1946-1947; General Officer Commanding 3 Infantry Division, Egypt, 1954-1957

'A soldier's story', memoir of his life and career, 1905-1984, written in 1984, with reference to his service in Palestine, 1947, and Egypt, 1954-1957, including the Suez Crisis, 1956

CLARE-HUNT, Gp Capt Reginald John (1909-1985)

Flight Lieutenant, No 4 Flying Training School, Egypt, 1932-1935; RAF Station Heliopolis, 1936-1937; Middle East Headquarters, 1937-1938

Flying log books including service in Egypt, 1932-1938

CLARKE, Lt Col (Ernest) Henry (1909-1998)

Served with 10 Army, Iraq and Iran, 1942-1943 Memoir of service as signals officer, Middle East, Sicily and Italy, 1942-1945

CLARKE, Brig Frederick Arthur Stanley (1892-1972)

Served with 162 Brigade, 54 (East Anglian) Division, Gallipoli, Egypt, Palestine and India, World War One

Draft memoir, including the Palestine campaign, 1917

CODRINGTON, Lt Col John Alfred (1898-1991)

Head of British Mission Allied Armies of the Orient, Smyrna, Turkey, 1920; service with 3 Battalion, Coldstream Guards, Turkey, 1922-1923; British Liaison Officer to French forces, Syria, 1926-1929

Memoirs, 'Gathering moss', 1898-1944, written c 1947, including account of service with British Mission Allied Armies of the Orient, Smyrna, Turkey, 1920, and as British Liaison Officer to French forces in Syria, 1926-1929

COOPER, Rt Hon Sir Frank (1922-2002)

Assistant Secretary, Head of the Air Staff, Secretariat, 1955-1960; Permanent Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Defence, 1976-1982; Director, Westland Helicopters, 1982-1985

Correspondence concerning helicopter manufacturers Westland plc, 1982-1985, on topics including helicopter sales to Libya. Notes, 1985, on the work of the Air Ministry during the Suez Crisis, 1956. Notes, 1986, on US and European responses to international terrorism, following US air strikes on Libya, Apr 1986. Masters dissertation by Tom Dibble, 'Consequential Matters: A study of the Defence (Transition) Committee during the Suez Crisis of 1956', including extracts from an interview with Cooper, 1998

CORSON, Commander Peter Francis Reid (1925-2007)

Navigator, frigate HMS LOCH GLENDHU, Persian Gulf, 1946-1948; naval representative, Joint Planning Staff, Middle East, Cyprus, 1956-1958

Published memoir, *Call the Middle Watch: An Account of Life at Sea in the Royal Navy 1905 to 1963* (Pentland Press, Edinburgh, 1997), concerning the naval careers of Corson and his father, R Adm Eric Reid Corson (1887-1972), including Adm Corson's letters home, sketches and notes from the Persian Gulf, 1913-1914, and Cdr Corson's service in the Persian Gulf, 1946-1948, and on Joint Planning Staff, Middle East, Cyprus, 1956-1958

CREAGH, Maj Gen Sir Michael O'Moore (1892-1970)

General Officer Commanding 7 Armoured Division, Western Desert, 1939-1941

Reports by unit commanders and staff officers on 7 Armoured Div operations, Libya, 1940-1941

CRICK, Dr Alan John Pitts (1913-1995)

Deputy Assistant Director, Joint Intelligence Bureau, 1950-1953; British Joint Services Mission, Washington DC, USA, 1953-1956 Memorandum, 'Probable bloc preoccupations in Asia, including Middle East, until mid 1955' written c 1953

CROSSMAN, Col George Lytton (1877-1947)

Colonel, West Yorkshire Regiment, 1927

Photographs of a trip to Luxor, Karnak and Thebes, Egypt, Mar 1927, including temple ruins and the Aswan Dam, and of a trip to Cairo, May 1927, including the pyramids and the Sphinx

CRUM, Brig John Alexander Stewart (1903-1980)

Lieutenant Colonel, Anti Aircraft Corps, Territorial Army, 1946 History of 8 Anti Aircraft Brigade, 1941-1945, including its service in Iraq, 1941-1943

CUMMINS, Col Stevenson Lyle (1873-1949)

Served in Medical Service Corps, Egypt and the Sudan, 1899-1909

Memoir of service in Egypt and the Sudan, 1899-1904, including accounts of medical work handling wounds and cases of typhoid, diarrhoea, malaria, fevers, dehydration and scorpion stings

DACRE, Air Cdre George Bentley (fl 1911-1938)

Served with Royal Naval Air service, Egypt, 1916

Copy diaries, including accounts of desert reconnaissance flights from El Arish, Egypt, 1916

DANIELL, Brig Robert Bramston Thesiger (1901-1996)

Second in Command, South Nottinghamshire Hussars, 1940-1942

Account of service in Palestine, Egypt and Libya, 1940-1942, including the Battle of the Cauldron, Gazala Bir Hachem, Libya, 1942

DARLINGTON, Col Sir Henry (Clayton) (1877-1959)

Commanded 1/5 Battalion, Manchester Regiment, Egypt, 1914-1915

Typescript of Letters from Helles (Longmans, London, 1936) describing his service in Egypt and Gallipoli, 1914-1915. Battalion orders for 2 Bn, Northamptonshire Regt, Alexandria, Aug-Sep 1914, and 5 Bn, Manchester Regt, Egypt, Oct 1914-Apr 1915. Memoranda and instructions relating to training exercises, 5 Bn, Manchester Regt, Egypt, 1914-1915

DARLOW, Brig Eric William Townsend (1916-1998)

Assistant Director of Supply and Transport, Allied Forces Headquarters, 1945-1947

Article by Lt Col Patrick Mawbey Edgell, Royal Army Service Corps, 'Aid to Russia convoys on the Persian L of C (Line of Communication)', from *The Royal Army Service Corps Review*, 1950

DAVIDSON, Maj Gen Francis Henry Norman (1892-1973)

Director of Military Intelligence, War Office, 1940-1944

War Office printed sketch map of Libya, 1939, scale 1:6,000,000; notes on Libya and the Australian attack at the Battle of El Alamein, Egypt, Oct-Nov 1942

DEAN, Sir Maurice (Joseph) (1906-1978)

Head of Air Staff Secretariat, Air Ministry, 1940-1943

Notes on campaigns in Syria and Persia, 1940-1941, and the battles of Alam El Halfa and El Alamein, Egypt, 1942

DEANE-DRUMMOND, Maj Gen Anthony John (b 1917)

Commanding Officer, 22 Special Air Service (SAS) Regiment, 1957-1960

Reports, operational instructions, correspondence, signals and situation reports relating to 22 Regiment Special Air Service (SAS) operations in Muscat and Oman, 1958-1959

DE GUINGAND, Maj Gen Sir Francis (1900-1979)

Chief of Staff, 8 Army, 1942-1944

Maps, memoranda and plans relating to 8 Army operations in the Western Desert and Egypt, including plans for Operations LIGHTFOOT, SUPERCHARGE and GRAPESHOT, the three distinct phases of the Battle of El Alamein, 1942

DE LISLE, Gen Sir (Henry De) Beauvoir (1864-1955)

Served with Mounted Infantry, Frontier Field Force, Egypt and the Sudan, 1885-1886 Account of the Egyptian campaign, 1885-1886, written in 1914

DILL, Field Marshal Sir John Greer (1881-1944)

General Officer Commanding British Troops in Palestine and Transjordan, 1936-1937; Chief of the Imperial General Staff, May 1940-Dec 1941

A brief record of the advance of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force, July 1917-Oct 1918 (HMSO, London, 1919). Correspondence, 1936-1937, between Dill as General Officer Commanding British Troops in Palestine and Transjordan and FM Sir Cyril John Deverell, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, relating to Arab unrest, Palestine. Official correspondence, reports, memoranda, notes and press cuttings relating to operations in the Middle East, 1940-1941, including correspondence with: Gen Sir

Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief Middle East, 1939-1941: Gen Sir Claude Auchinleck. Commander-in-Chief Middle East, 1941-1942; Lt Gen Robert Haining, Vice Chief of Imperial General Staff: Gen Hastings Ismay, Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Winston Churchill; Gen Sir Guy Williams, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Command, on topics including: planning for evacuation from Egypt; the defence of Egypt and Palestine; possible negotiations with Irag: Operation COMPASS (the Allied advance across Libya); Italian prisoners of war: Operation BATTLEAXE (the second British attempt to relieve the siege of Tobruk) and the subsequent decision to replace Wavell with Auchinleck: Operation EXPORTER (the Allied invasion of Vichy French controlled Syria)

DIMOLINE, Maj Gen William Alfred (1897-1965)

Commanded 34 Brigade Column, Royal Signals, India and Iraq, 1920-1922

Diary covering Dimoline's service as Officer Commanding 34 Bde Column, Royal Signals, Iraq, Oct 1920 – Feb 1921, describing landing at Samawah, operations at Rumaitha and Shattra (Ash-Shatrah), Iraq and departure from Basra; maps of Iraq

DOBRSKI, Lt Col Count Julian A, alias Lt Col Julian Antony Dolbey (fl 1939-1953)

Served with Special Operations Executive (SOE) Force 133 Headquarters, Cairo, Egypt, 1940-1945

Memorandum, 'Post war SOE organisations', from Dobrski to Brig Karl Barker-Benfield, Commanding Officer Force 133, on possibilities for subversive operations in Palestine against Arab or Jewish activities threatening British interests, Mar 1944

DOUGLAS-HOME, Charles Cospatrick (1937-1985)

Correspondent for The Times, 1965-1985; foreign editor, 1978-1981

Account of visit to Iran, autumn 1978, including meetings with Prime Minister Jafar Sharif-Emami and Mohammad Reza Shah Pahlavi, Shah of Iran, and Douglas-Home's impressions of the country shortly before the Iranian Revolution, 1979

DOUGLAS-SCOTT-MONTAGU, Brig Gen John Walter Edward, 2nd Baron Montagu of Beaulieu (1866-1929)

Commanded 2 Battalion, 7 Hampshire Regiment, India, 1915

Letter home from Egypt, Jan 1915, describing a brief visit by 2 Bn to Alexandria while en route for India. Meteorological notes on ballooning over Egypt, 1918

DOWNES, Capt Walter Douglas (b 1884)

Lieutenant, Royal Sussex Regiment, served with Special Service in Egypt, 1909-1911

Photographs of Sinai, 1909-1911, mainly landscapes and people

DOWSON, Valentine Hugh Wilfred (d 1980)

Served with 5 (Weald of Kent) Battalion, The Buffs (East Kent Regiment), Mesopotamia, 1915; working for date exporters Hills Brothers Company, Basra, Iraq, 1925-1927; Major, Indian Army, Iraq, 1944

Statistics and military reports relating to Iraq, 1915-1944. Weekly intelligence reports by Dowson, Basra, Jan-Dec 1944, including comment on Iraqi politics and political appointments, propaganda, Iraqi economics, commodity prices, attitudes towards Britain, exports and supplies

DUNBAR, Maj Gen Charles Whish (1919-1981)

Brigade Major, 16 Independent Parachute Brigade Group, Cyprus, and Suez, 1956; Brigadier, General Staff, Headquarters, Middle East Land Forces, Aden, 1967

Daily situation reports of 1 Battalion The Lancashire Regiment (Prince of Wales' Volunteers), Aden, 1967; translated daily communiqués issued by the NLF (National Liberation Front) and FLOSY (Front for the Liberation of Occupied South Yemen) concerning their military operations against British forces in Aden, 1967; regimental journals and newsletters, 1967, relating to operations in Aden; briefing notes, memoranda, lecture texts and talks by Dunbar on the deployment of British forces in Aden, 1967; correspondence and partial drafts, 1968-1977, for an unfinished book on Aden. Articles by Dunbar, 1971-1973, on 16 Independent Parachute Brigade Group, Cyprus and Suez, 1956; transcript of interview with Dunbar recorded by Airborne Forces Museum, Aldershot, 1973, relating to operations at Port Said, Egypt, during the Suez Crisis, 1956

EDGELL, Lt Col Philip Mawbey (1906-1997)

Served in Royal Army Service Corps, World War Two

Account, 'Convoy 343. Carrying aid to Russia across the Persian mountains in midwinter', by Capt A G Wallis, Officer Commanding C Platoon, 204 General Purpose Transport Company, Royal Indian Army Service Corps, relating to the first truck convoy driven by Indian troops from Persia to the USSR, Jan 1944

EMBLETON, Edwin Joseph (1907-2000)

Art Director and Studio Manager of General Production Division, Ministry of Information, 1939-1945

Books, magazines, pamphlets, postcards and cigarette cards produced by the Ministry of Information, 1939-1945, to publicise and promote the Allied war effort, on topics including the Western Desert campaign, 1940-1942, and in languages including Arabic and Farsi, Also Handbook on Persia, for British troops serving in Iran, 1942, describing Iranian geography, climate and population; booklets of Ministry of Information maps for use in the press, including the Libvan and Egyptian coastlines. Iraq and northern Iran: schedule produced by the Ministry of Information's Overseas Publication Committee for material to be distributed in Iraq. Oct 1942, detailing the aims and methods of each publication

EVANS, Maj Patrick Hutchinson (1913-1994)

Trained with Special Operations Executive (SOE), in Haifa, Palestine, and at General Headquarters, Middle East, Cairo, Egypt, 1943 Diary relating to SOE training, Palestine, and commando and intelligence training, General Headquarters, Middle East, Cairo, Egypt, 1943

EVETTS, Lt Gen Sir John (Fullerton) (1891-1988)

Commanded British Troops in Palestine, 1935; Brigadier commanding 16 Infantry Brigade, Palestine and Transjordan, 1936-1939; divisional commander, Syria, 1941

Reports on British forces' operations in Palestine and Transjordan, 1938-1939, by Lt Gen Robert Hadden Haining, General Officer Commanding British Forces in Palestine and Transjordan. Snapshots of local views, including Nazareth and Haifa. Correspondence relating to allegations, 1976, concerning Evetts's command decisions in operations against Vichy French Forces, Syria, 1941, and allegations, 1983, concerning 50 Middle East Commando, 1939-1941

FOULKES, Maj Gen Charles Howard (1875-1969)

Temporary Brigadier General, General Staff, 1919

Photographs of Egypt, including Cairo and the pyramids, waterwheels, and threshing and winnowing wheat, 1919

FREEDMAN, Professor Sir Lawrence David (b 1948)

Professor of War Studies, King's College London, since 1982. Writer on defence and international affairs. Co-author (with Efraim Karsh), of Gulf conflict, 1990-1991: diplomacy and war in the new world order (Faber and Faber, London, 1993)

Press cuttings, press releases and other reference material on the Gulf War, 1990-1992; extensive book and pamphlet collection on international defence issues including Middle East security and peacekeeping, 1970-2002

FURLONGE, Sir Geoffrey Warren (1903-1984)

Joined Levant Consular Service, 1926; served in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, 1931-1934; Beirut, Lebanon, 1934-1946; Political Officer with HM Forces in the Levant States, 1941-1946; Head of Commonwealth Liaison Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, 1948-1950; Minister (later Ambassador) to Jordan, 1952-1954

'Memorandum on slavery in Saudi Arabia', 1932; account, 'The mission to Taif', Heiaz, Arabia, with photographs, 1934; letters home relating to his service in Syria and the Lebanon, 1941-1944; articles, 1959-1977, on topics including Anglo-Jordanian relations, the Palestinian diaspora, and a 1975 visit to the West Bank and Jordan; chapters and draft notes for an unpublished book on the French mandated territories of Syria and the Lebanon. Draft obituaries by Furlonge for Middle Eastern leaders, including: Maj Gen Seyvid Mudar Badran, Prime Minister of Jordan, 1976-1979: Khalid ibn Abd al-Aziz, King of Saudi Arabia, 1975-1982; Avatollah Ruholla Khomeini, Islamic leader of Iran, 1979-1989: Muhammad Reza Shah Pahlavi, Shah of Iran, 1941-1979

FURSDON, Maj Gen (Francis William) Edward (1925-2007)

Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, 19 Infantry Brigade, UK and Port Said, Suez, 1956; Defence and Military Correspondent, The Daily Telegraph, 1980-1986; Correspondent, Army Quarterly and Defence Journal, 1985-2000

Orders, instructions, reports, staff lists, duties, returns and acquisitions logs for Headquarters. 19 Infantry Brigade, Operation MUSKETEER, Port Said, Egypt, 1956. Research files (including press cuttings, field notebooks, photographs, press releases, correspondence, publicity material and maps) relating to topics including the 15th and 20th National Day of Oman, 1985 and 1990. Research files (including press cuttings, field notebooks, photographs, press releases, correspondence, publicity material and maps) relating to the Iran Irag war, 1980-1985, including photographs showing: British, American and Soviet tanks, armoured personnel carriers and self propelled guns captured from Iran on display in Baghdad; captured Iranian mine clearing tanks, small arms, mines and other weaponry; an Iranian POW camp, Ramadi; desert battlefields north-east of Basra; Iragi artillery deployed near border east of Basra: Maj Gen Maher Abed Al-Rashid, Commander 3 Iraqi Corps; Qasr-e-Ahirin, Iran; the battle

for Khorramshahr docks, Shatt-al-Arab, Iran; Khorramshahr City, Iran, after capture; oil fires at Abadan, Iran; the first battle of the Howzeh [Al-Hawzah] Marshes at Al-Baydha; troops of the Presidential Guard Special Forces; Iranian attack craft and rubber assault boats; wounded cattle; village women waiting to be evacuated; Iraqi war memorial and military museum, Baghdad; and the aftermath of the Battle of Al-Azair, Iraq

GARDEN, AM Timothy, Baron Garden of Hampstead (1944-2007)

Director of Defence studies, RAF, 1982-1985; Commandant, Royal College of Defence Studies, 1994-1995; Director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, 1997-1998; Liberal Democrat Spokesman on Defence, 2004-2007

Research papers on defence issues, 1982-2005, including lessons learned from the initial phase of the invasion of Iraq, 2003; briefing notes on Iran, issued by the Foreign Policy Centre, 2006

GASCOIGNE, Maj Gen Sir Julian Alvery (1903-1989)

Commander, 201 Guards Brigade, Syria, 1943 Memoir, including brief reference to 201 Guards Brigade deception operations, Syria 1943, to persuade neutral Turkey of the overwhelming strength of Allied forces in the region

GODLEY, Gen Sir Alexander John (1867-1957)

Commander, New Zealand and Australian Division, Egypt and Gallipoli, 1914-1915; Commander, ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps), Gallipoli and Egypt, 1915-1916; Commander, 2 ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps), later renamed British 22 Corps, Egypt and Western Front, 1916-1919

Correspondence with Col Clive Wigram, Assistant Private Secretary to HM King George V, 1915-1918, including comment on the officers of the New Zealand force in Egypt, 1915. Letters from Lt Gen Sir Archibald (James) Murray, General Officer Commanding Egyptian Expeditionary Force, 1916-1917, including a description of the preparations of the Turkish army for the Battle of Romani, Egypt, and the repulsion of the attack by the Egyptian Expeditionary Force under Murray, Aug 1916. Letters from Lt Gen Sir Frederick Stanley Maude, General Officer Commanding Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force, including account of operations in Mesopotamia, 1917. Letters from Lt Gen Sir Bernard Cyril Freyberg, General Officer Commanding 2 New Zealand Div, including comment on morale of his unit during the march to Tripoli, Libya, following the Second Battle of El Alamein, Egypt, 1942

GRAHAM, Sir John (Alexander Noble), 4th Bt (b 1926)

Ambassador to Iraq, 1974-1977; Deputy Under Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, 1977-1979; Ambassador to Iran, 1979-1980

Speeches and texts of lectures given by Graham, 1972-1991, on topics including the Middle East, the Iranian revolution, 1979, the Iran-Iraq War, 1980-1988, and the Gulf War, 1990-1991

GRANT, Gen Sir Charles John Cecil (1877-1950)

Papers include account of Capt Neil James Archibald Primrose's role in the capture of Turkish army officer Jaafar Pasha at Agagiya, Egypt, Feb 1916, and letters from FM John Standish Surtees Prendergast Vereker, 6th Viscount Gort, High Commissioner and Commander in Chief for Palestine and High Commissioner for Transjordan, on the difficulties of maintaining peace in Palestine, 1945

GRAVES, Robert von Ranke (1895-1985)

Professor of English Literature, Royal Egyptian University, Cairo, Egypt, 1926

Papers include account, 'Historical note on the defence plan that foiled Rommel's invasion of Egypt in 1942 - by the officer who designed it (E E Dorman Smith)' [Maj Gen Eric Edward Dorman Smith], 1943

HAMILTON, Gen Sir Ian Standish Monteith (1853-1947)

Inspector General of Overseas Forces, 1910-1914; General Officer Commanding Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, Gallipoli, 1915

Reports, staff diary, correspondence and photographs relating to tours undertaken by Hamilton as Inspector General of Overseas Forces, 1911-1914, including Egypt. Report on a scheme devised by Lt Gen Sir John Grenfell Maxwell, General Officer Commanding Egypt, for the defence of the Suez Canal from Turkish forces invading from the East, c 1910. Intelligence bulletins, Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, 1915, on topics including: Persian declaration of war on Russia: Turkish Army operations in Syria; sinking of Turkish battleship HEIREDDIN BARBAROSSA: Turkish prisoners captured by French forces: operations in Mesopotamia: anti-Turkish feeling among Arab officers in the Turkish Army. Official correspondence as GOC Mediterranean Expeditionary Force with senior British Army officers, 1915, including: Lt Col Maurice Pascal Alers Hankey. Secretary to the Committee of Imperial Defence: Lt Gen Sir John Grenfell Maxwell, General Officer Commanding in Egypt: Gen Sir (Francis) Reginald Wingate, Sirdar of the Egyptian Army and Governor General of Sudan, including coverage of: troop shortages in Egypt: transfer of troops from Egypt to the Dardanelles: the strategic importance of the Egyptian garrison for the defence of India. Official photographs of the Dardanelles Expedition, 1915, including British officers, troops and mules awaiting embarkation. Alexandria. Egypt, Correspondence, 1915-1918, relating to the Mesopotamia Comforts Fund for British Troops. Letter from Hamilton to William St John Fremantle Brodrick, 1st Earl of Midleton, 1916. relating to the extent to which the evacuation from Gallipoli contributed to the fall of the British garrison at Kut el Amara, Mesopotamia, Printed edition of correspondence, 1916, between the India Office, Rt Hon Charles Hardinge, 1st Baron Hardinge of Penshurst, Vicerov of India, and Gen Sir John (Eccles) Nixon, General Officer Commanding in Mesopotamia concerning Mai Gen Charles Vere Ferrers Townshend's protest against orders requiring him to advance on Baghdad, Sep 1915. Account by Brig Gen Hugh Archie Dundas Simpson Baikie, commanding Royal Artillery 21 Corps, of the Third Battle of Gaza, Palestine, Oct 1917, Letter from Hamilton

to Gen Sir Henry George Chauvel, Chief of the Australian General Staff, 1917, relating to the suitability of Egypt as a base for operations against the Turks in Palestine

HANCOCK, Lt Col Sir Cyril (Percy) (1896-1990)

Served with 114 Marathas, Indian Army, Mesopotamia, 1916-1918

Account of service in Mesopotamia and India, 1916-1947, written in 1981

HARBOTTLE, Brig Michael Neale (1917-1997)

Vice President, International Peace Academy, 1971-1973; Visiting Senior Lecturer in Peace Studies, Bradford University, 1974-1979

Copies of UN Security Council Resolutions, correspondence, draft articles and press cuttings, 1976-1980, relating to peace keeping operations in the Middle East, 1971

HARRIS, Maj Henry Ellis D (1913-1983)

Served with Royal Army Ordnance Corps, Egypt, World War Two

Notes, memoranda, reports, photographs, statistics and related correspondence relating to the supply of equipment and stores to Middle Eastern Forces, used in the *History of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps 1920-1945* (Royal Army Ordnance Corps, London, 1967). Photographs illustrating captured German clothing and equipment [1942]; photographs of the Captured Stores Depot, Alexandria, Egypt, 1945

HINDE, Lt Col Reginald Graham (1887-1982)

Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force, 1916; HM Vice-Consul, Dizful, Arabistan, Persia, 1923

Photographs of British and Russian officers and troops, Ispahan, Persia (now Isfahan/ Esfahan, Iran), 1916; photographs of meetings with local politicians, east Persia, 1919

HOBART, Maj Gen Sir Percy Cleghorn Stanley (1885-1957)

General Officer Commanding Armoured Division, Egypt, 1938-1939 Reports, accounts, correspondence and maps relating to training and operations of Armoured Div, Western Desert, 1939-1942, including Operation BATTLEAXE, Libya, Jun 1941, and the Battle of Sidi Rezegh, Libya, Nov 1941

HOBBS, Brig Godfrey Pennington (1907-1985)

Director of Public Relations, Ministry of Defence, 1957-1965

Correspondence concerning the conduct of Public Relations during the Suez Campaign, 1956

HOBDAY, Brig Rupert Edmund (1894-1977)

General Staff Officer Grade 2, 4 Indian Division, Egypt and Libya, 1940-1941

Operation orders, intelligence summary and administrative instructions issued by Advanced Western Desert Force General Staff, Dec 1940; notes for a lecture on the Libyan campaign, 1940-1941

HOLMAN, Capt Ambrose Walter (1910-1988)

Captain, Army Dental Corps, Middle East, 1942-1943

Uncaptioned photographs, Egypt and Palestine, 1942, including local views, colleagues, dental equipment, pyramids, and the Dome of the Rock, Jerusalem

HOWELL, Brig Gen Philip (1877-1916)

Occasional correspondent for The Times, 1903-1913; Chief of Staff, Salonika Army, 1915-1916

Accounts, press cuttings and photographs relating to Howell's Times assignments, 1908-1913, including descriptions of travel in Lebanon, Damascus, Baghdad and Arabia. Letter home by Maj Abbot Redmond Buxton, Norfolk Yeomanry, describing conditions at the British Red Cross and Order of St John Convalescent Hospital, Alexandria, Egypt, Jan 1916

HUMPHREYS, Cdr Lawrence Antony, RN (d 1985)

Served in HMS TARANTULA, Chatham, 1920-1923

Log of messages received and sent by river gunboat HMS TARANTULA, Mesopotamia, 1917, during the advance along the River Tigris towards Baghdad IRVINE, Sqn Ldr Anthony Thorburn (1914-1941)

Served on staff, RAF headquarters, Amman, Transjordan, 1939; 113 Squadron, Western Desert, 1940-1941

Letters home from RAF Amman, Transjordan, 1939; telegrams home from Egypt, 1941

ISMAY, Gen Hastings Lionel, 1st Baron Ismay of Wormington (1887-1965)

Attended Staff College, Quetta, India, 1922; Chief of Staff to Minister of Defence (Rt Hon Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill), 1940-1945; Deputy Secretary (Military) to War Cabinet, 1940-1945

Letters to Ismay from Lt Milo Onslow, 21 Prince Albert Victor's Own Cavalry attached to 33 Cavalry Indian Expeditionary Force D. describing operations in Mesopotamia, Feb and Jun 1915. Essays and notes. Staff College Ouetta, 1922. relating to the conduct of the campaigns in Egypt. Palestine and Mesopotamia, World War One and to the possibility of future war in the Middle East. Letter from Mai Hugh Cathcart Dobbs. South Persia, detailing recent operations, May 1918. Letters from Mai Gen Sir Edward Louis Spears. First Minister to Republics of Svria and the Lebanon, 1942-1944, on topics including French and US influence in the Levant region, anti-British propaganda, the fall of Tobruk, Libya, and the future of the British legation, Beirut. Letter from Gen John Standish Surtees Prendergast Vereker, 6th Viscount Gort, Commander-in-Chief Palestine, High Commissioner Transjordan, Mar 1945, relating to Jewish migration to Palestine. Correspondence, 1946-1949, relating to Rt Hon Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill's World War Two memoirs, on topics including the siege of Tobruk, 1941, Operation EXPORTER, for the Allied invasion of Vichy-French held Syria and Lebanon, Jun-Jul 1941, and events between the 1922 Anglo-Irag treaty and the Allied invasion of Irag, 1941

JOFFÉ, (Emile) George (Howard) (b 1940)

Editor for the Middle East section of the Economist Intelligence Unit, 1983-1986; worked for Middle East and North African Studies Press (Menas) Ltd, 1980s; Deputy Director and Director of Studies, Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, 1997-2000 Extensive collection of journals, maps, press cuttings and printed literature on politics, trade, international development and international relations in the countries of the Middle East, 1950-1993, including: topographical and geological maps of Iran, 1950-1985; statistical reports on countries including Iran, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, 1959-1990; arbitration between international oil companies and Iran, 1983-1989; international boundaries and water resources, including disputes between Israel and Jordan, and between Saudi Arabia and Yemen

JOHNSTON, Sir Charles (Hepburn) (1912-1986)

Ambassador to Jordan, 1956-1959; Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Aden, 1960-1963; High Commissioner for Aden and Protectorate of South Arabia, 1963

Press cuttings, 1956-1962, concerning the termination of the Anglo-Jordan treaty of 1948, and the merging of Aden with the Federation of South Arabia, 1963. Correspondence relating to the stationing of British troops in Jordan. 1958. Official reports to the Foreign Office on Johnston's visits to the Protectorate states, 1960-1962, Correspondence with King Hussein of Jordan, 1960-1962, relating to the merging of Aden with the Protectorate of South Arabia. 1963, Correspondence concerning British policy towards the South Arabian Federation, particularly the withdrawal of British troops from Aden, 1964-1970, Correspondence with the Foreign Office, 1972-1973, relating to the payment of pensions to former member of the Aden security forces. Photographs relating to Johnston's service as Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Aden, 1960-1963, chiefly military parades, inspections and formal receptions

JONES, Sgt Charles Francis (fl 1916-1932)

Served with D Company, 2nd Battalion, 15 County of London Battalion, London Regiment (Prince of Wales' Own Civil Service Rifles) in Palestine, 1917-1918

Memoir of World War One service, including Palestine, 1917-1918, written in 1932

JOYCE, Lt Col Pierce Charles (1878-1965)

General Staff Officer Grade 2, Hedjaz (Hejaz) Mission, Egyptian Expeditionary Force, 1917; Base Commandant, 1917-1918; Special Service Officer, Hedjaz (Hejaz) Operations, Egyptian Expeditionary Force, 1918-1919

Official correspondence relating to operations against the Turks in Hedjaz (Hejaz), 1916-1918, and to supplies and stores for bases at Rabegh, Wedj, Yenbo, Akaba and Abu Lissal, 1916-1918; report on bombing attacks on the Hedjaz railway and on reconnaissance flights by X Flight and No 14 Sqn, 1917-1918; correspondence and notes, 1918 and 1963, concerning a meeting between Emir Feisal (later Feisal I, King of Iraq) and Dr Chaim Weizmann (later first President of Israel) on 4 Jun 1918; notes, 1919, on the future of the Arab movement; scripts for television programmes, written 1939 and 1941, concerning Joyce's service with Col Thomas Edward Lawrence in Hedjaz, 1916-1918

KENNEDY, Maj Gen Sir John Noble (1893-1970)

Served with 130 Heavy Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery, Egypt, 1916; Director of Military Operations and Plans, War Office, 1940-1943; Assistant Chief of the Imperial General Staff, War Office, (Operations and Intelligence), 1943-1945

Diary including his service in Egypt, Feb-Apr 1916. Official correspondence, 1940-1944, with other senior British defence personnel, including: Lt Gen Arthur (Francis) Smith, Chief of the General Staff, Middle East Forces, Dec 1940-Mar 1942; Gen Sir James (Handyside) Marshall-Cornwall, General Officer Commanding, British Troops in Egypt, Jan-Aug 1941; Lt Gen Thomas William Corbett, Chief of the General Staff, Middle East Forces, Apr-Jul 1942; Gen Sir Bernard (Charles Tolver) Paget, Commanderin-Chief, Middle East Forces, Aug-Sep 1944. Strategic planning memoranda, 1941, on topics including defence requirements in the Middle East, and operations in Libya

KEOWN-BOYD, Sir Alexander (1884-1954)

Oriental Secretary to the High Commissioner for Egypt, 1919-1922 Letters, 1920-1922, from FM Edmund Allenby, 1st Viscount Allenby of Megiddo and of Felixstowe, then High Commissioner for Egypt, including comment on Anglo-Egyptian relations

KIGGELL, Lt Gen Sir Launcelot Edward (1862-1954)

Director of Staff Duties, War Office, 1909-1913; Director of Home Defence, War Office, 1914-1915; Chief of General Staff, British Armies in France, 1915-1918

Letters from Lt Gen Sir Douglas Haig, Chief of General Staff, India, 1911, relating to operations in Siraz and Kerman, Persia, and rumours of Turkish Army reforms. Reports on operations in Egypt and Palestine, 1916-1918. Despatch by George Nathaniel Curzon, 1st Marquess of Kedleston, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, 1924, on the recognition of Egypt as an independent state

LAMBERT, Col Charles George (1928-2000)

Served with Royal Army Medical Corps, 1953-1982

Photographs of the handover of the British Medical Hospital, Tripoli, Libya, c 1970

LAYCOCK, Maj Gen Sir Robert Edward (1907-1968)

Commanded Special Service Brigade 'Layforce', Feb-Aug 1941 and Middle East Commando, Aug 1941-Aug 1942; Chief of Combined Operations, Oct 1943-1947

Extract from the war diary of LAYFORCE headquarters on the planning of a raid on Bardia, Libya, 1941; notes on lessons learned from Operation ADDITION, the evacuation of British troops from Bardia, Libya, Apr 1941; memoirs of John Borthwick of 'G' Troop, 7 Commando, on raids on Bardia, Libya, written c 1945 report and lectures on Litani river raid, Palestine, Jun 1941; lectures, 1945-1947, on Commando operations in the Middle East, World War Two. Correspondence relating to the court martial and subsequent acquittal of Capt Roy (Alexander) Farran for the murder of Alexander Rubovitz, Palestine, 1947

LEAKEY, Maj Gen Arundell Rea (1915-1999)

Navigator and Intelligence Officer, 4 Armoured Bde, Air Intelligence Liaison Officer, No 451 Officer Grade 2, 7 Armoured Division, North Africa and Western Desert, 1939-1942; General Staff Officer Grade 2, 10 Army Headquarters, Middle East, 1942-1943; General Officer Commanding, Malta and Libya, 1967-1968 Memoir of life and service, 1915-1991, including Western Desert campaign, World War Two, service in the Middle East, 1942-1943 and as GOC Malta and Libya. 1967-1968

Squadron, Royal Australian Air Force, Staff

Officer, 10 Army Headquarters and General Staff

LEES, Lt Aubrey Trevor Oswald (1899-1969)

Squadron commander, 1 and 2 Regiments, Iraq, 1922-1924; Special Service Officer (Intelligence), attached to RAF, Ramadi, Iraq, 1924-1925; Administrative Officer, Haifa, Gaza, Hebron and Jaffa, Palestine, 1930-1938

Transcript of Lees' trial for assaulting an Iraq railways police officer, Khanniguin, 1923. Account of journey through Shamiyah country of Iraq and encounters with Bedouin tribes, 1924. Correspondence relating to Lees' dismissal as a Special Service Officer (Intelligence) with the RAF in Irag, 1925, Papers, 1929-1943, relating to Lees' service as Administrative Officer, Palestine, 1929-1938, on subjects including land settlement, 1934-1935, Arab-Jewish conflict, 1936, Lees' suspension following his criticism of the Palestinian Government's reaction to alleged Jewish atrocities, and his subsequent enforced retirement from the Colonial Service, 1938-1940. Mainly captioned photographs relating to his service in Iraq, 1922-1925, and Palestine, 1929-1938, including individual Iragi members of Lees' staff, groups of Iragi officers and men and other military personnel. Lees' accommodation, horses and vehicles, Palestinian villagers, the Palestinian-Syrian frontier post, and the dispersal by British and Arab police of a large crowd, Jaffa, 1933

LIARDET, Maj Gen Henry Maughan ('Bill') (1906-1996)

Commander, 6 Royal Tank Regiment, Libya, 1942 Account of operations of 6 Royal Tank Regiment, Gazala Line, Libya, May-Jun 1942

LIDDELL HART, Capt Sir Basil Henry (1895-1970)

Military theorist, writer and publicist

Press cuttings and articles relating to Palestine and Israel, 1930-1970, including: Jewish involvement in imperial defence and the creation of a Jewish Army, 1935-1942; proclamation of the state of Israel, 14 May 1948; withdrawal of last British troops from Palestine, Haifa, 30 Jun 1948: Arab-Israeli conflict, 1948-1970. Copies of memoranda by Capt (later Maj Gen) Orde Charles Wingate, General Staff Officer 1. Palestine, 1938, on the deployment of counter terrorism night squads, northern Palestine. Press cuttings and articles on topics including: Allied operations in Libya and Egypt, Western Desert campaign, 1941-1942; creation of Persia and Irag Command, 1942; oil production and supply in the Middle East, 1943-1951: Iran and Iranian oilfields, 1945-1961; political situation in Egypt and the Suez Canal Zone, 1945-1964, including the Suez Crisis, 1956-1957; political situation in Jordan and relations between Jordan, Svria and Egypt, 1954-1960; British military support of Sultan Said bin Taimur of Muscat and Oman, Jul-Aug 1957; coup d'etat, Irag, Feb 1963, Correspondence with senior Israeli defence personnel, 1947-1970, including; General Yigal Allon; General Moshe Dayan, Minister of Defence: Gen Haim Laskov. Chief of General Staff. Israeli Defence Forces: Gen Yitztak Rabin, Chief of Staff, Israeli Defence Forces: Gen Ariel Sharon. T E Lawrence's photographs of Crusader castles, 1909-1911. including sites in Lebanon, northern Syria and southern Turkey. Photographs relating to the Arab revolt and Mesopotamia campaign, World War One, with views of Transjordan and Hejaz area

LINDSAY, Maj Gen George Mackintosh (1880-1956)

Commanded 1 Armoured Car Group, Iraq, 1921-1923; Chief Instructor, Royal Tank Corps Central Schools, 1923-1925; Brigadier General Staff, Egypt Command, 1929-1932

Report by Gp Capt Norman Duckworth Kerr MacEwen, Officer Commanding RAF Transjordan, on operations against the Wahabi, Aug 1924; memorandum by Lindsay, commanding 1 Group, Royal Tank Corps, Iraq, to GHQ, British Forces, Iraq, on operations with mechanised force in Ramadi area, 8 May 1922; reports, lectures and maps, 1941, relating to tank operations in the Libyan campaign, World War Two

LINDSELL, Lt Gen Sir Wilfred Gordon (1884-1973)

Lieutenant General in charge of Administration in the Middle East, 1942-1943

Brief diary of a tour made by Lindsell through Allied administrative areas in Palestine, Syria, Iraq, Persia, and India, 1942. Accounts, memoranda and press cuttings relating to the running of the Middle East Base, Egypt, 1943-1948. Lectures, articles and press cuttings relating to Middle Eastern international relations, 1945-1957, chiefly the construction of an oil pipeline from Iraq to Tripoli, Libya, and Banias, Syria, 1952, and to the Suez Crisis, 1956

LYNCH, Gp Capt John Brayne (1900-1994)

Commanded armoured car column, Iraq, 1931-1934

Partially captioned photographs of cars, armoured cars and lorries in convoy, Iraq, 1931-1934, with views of rivers, desert, and hilly terrain, and lorries crossing the River Tigris at Mosul. Also *Maps of Iraq with notes for visitors* (Government of Iraq, 1929)

LYTTELTON, Gen Sir Neville (Gerald) (1845-1931)

Collection includes letters from Gen Hon Reginald Arthur James Talbot to his sister-inlaw, Katherine Lyttelton, 1900-1906, on various topics including his command of the army of occupation, Egypt, 1900-1903

MACKINLAY, Lt Col John C G (b 1944)

International Staff Officer, Egypt, 1989-1991; Principal Lecturer, Joint Services Command and Staff College, UK, 1996-1998; Senior Research Associate, Centre for Defence Studies, King's College London; 1998

United Nations Standing Operating Procedures (SOPS), for United Nations missions on Iraq-Kuwait border, 1991; account of Joint Task Force PROVIDE COMFORT for humanitarian relief in Turkey to Kurdish refugees from Iraq, 1991. United Nations Department of Peacekeeping publications, 1995-1997, including guidelines and handbooks for peacekeeping and policing procedures, and printed maps of disaster relief and peacekeeping operations areas, including Beirut

MAGUIRE, AM Sir Harold John (1912-2001)

Served in flying boats with 230 Squadron, Egypt and Far East, 1935-1938

Letters home to his family, 1935-1938, relating to his service in Alexandria and Singapore, with comment on sport, social events and the nightlife of Alexandria

MARNHAM, Brig Sir Ralph (1901-1984)

Officer in Charge of Surgical Divisions of No 62 General Hospital, Tobruk, Libya, 1941-1942

Account of his work at No 62 General Hospital, Tobruk, Libya, Oct 1941-Feb 1942; lecture on surgery in the Middle East, 1940-1943; article, 'The Tobruk Plaster', 1945; diary of Col H V Leigh, Commander, No 62 General Hospital, Oct 1941-Jan 1942; Leigh's official report on No 62 General Hospital for the period Oct-Dec 1941

MARSHALL, Lt Gen Sir William Raine (1865-1939)

General Officer Commanding in Chief, Mesopotamia Expeditionary Force, 1917-1919

Letters to his brother describing his service in Mesopotamia, 1916-1919, including the second Battle of Kut el Amara, Dec 1916, and the fall of Baghdad, Mar 1917. Commentary on the progress of the Palestinian campaign, 1917-1919, and on operations in Persia, 1918

MASON, Air Cdre John Melbourne (fl 1917-1946)

Service with 70 (Bomber) Sqn, Iraq, 1928-1930 Flying log books relating to his service, including Iraq, 1928-1930

MAURICE, Maj Gen Sir Frederick (Barton) (1871-1951)

Director of Military Operations, Imperial General Staff, 1915-1918 Official correspondence on topics including operations in Mesopotamia and Palestine, 1917-1918. Letter from Gertrude Bell, Oriental Secretary to British High Commissioner, Iraq, c 1922, commenting on the future of Mesopotamia

MAYHEW, Rt Hon Christopher Paget, Baron Mayhew of Wimbledon in Greater London (1915-1997)

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, 1946-1950; President, Parliamentary Association for Euro-Arab Co-operation, 1980-1997 President, Arab Non-Arab Friendship Foundation, 1992

Correspondence, minutes of meetings, interview transcripts, speeches, articles and press cuttings, 1957-1992, on Arab-Israeli relations and the UK's role in the Middle East

MCKEE, Lt Col John ('Jock') Alec (1916-1981)

Served with 4 Indian Division, Western Desert, 1941-1942; member of 'A' Force, special unit involved in escape operations in Western Desert, 1942

Accounts of his escape from a POW camp, Libya, 1942, and of his service with 'A' Force, Western Desert, 1942

MENAUL, AVM Stewart William Blacker

(1915-1987)

Director General, Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies (Royal United Service Institution before 1971), 1968-1976; defence consultant, 1976-1987

Press cuttings, 1969-1986, relating to defence in the Middle East, chiefly Arab-Israeli conflict

MEYNELL, Hugo (fl 1956-)

Aide de camp to Gen Sir Hugh Stockwell, Suez, 1956

Six detailed aerial photographs of Port Said, Egypt, Nov 1956; map of the Suez Canal, Egypt (scale 1 : 100,000), produced by 2 Corps Headquarters, Oct 1956; brief account of attempted petrol bomb attack on a patrol of 3 Infantry Division, Port Said

MONTANARO, Brig Gerald Charles Stokes (1916-1979)

Brigadier, Headquarters Middle East, Aden, 1964-1965

Album of photographs of Montanaro's inspection of 653 Sqn, Army Air Corps, Aden, Feb 1965

MONTGOMERY-MASSINGBERD, FM Sir Archibald Armar (1871-1947)

Deputy Chief of General Staff, India, 1920-1922; Chief of the Imperial General Staff, 1933-1936

War Office maps of Persia and Afghanistan, 1912 and 1918. Handover notes by Montgomery-Massingberd for his successor as CIGS, 1936, on topics including expansion in British forces in Egypt

MULLENS, Brig Guy John de Wette (1899-1981)

Commanding Officer, 4/7 Royal Dragoon Guards, Palestine, 1938-1939

Narrative diaries relating to his command of a motorised cavalry sqn, 4/7 Dragoon Guards enforcing martial law in Palestine, 1938-1939, with nominal roll of officers, non-commissioned officers and men who served with 4/7 Royal Dragoon Guards Sqn in Palestine, 1938-1939. Also captioned photographs, including Arab village life, views of streets in Gaza and Jerusalem and aerial views of villages including Salama and Lydda (Lod); map of Syria and Palestine, 1935; brochure for the King David Hotel, Jerusalem, 1939

NELSON, Maj Gen Sir (Eustace) John (Blois) (1912-1993)

Commanded 1 Guards Parachute Battalion, Palestine, 1946-1948

Memoir of life and military service, 1916-1968, including Palestine, 1946-1948

NORMAN, Maj Gen Charles Wake (1891-1974)

Colonel of the Regiment, 9 Lancers, 1940-1950

Correspondence, 1961-1965, with Correlli Barnett concerning Barnett's book, *Desert Generals* (William Kimber, London, 1960) on the Western Desert campaign, with reference to 9 Lancers' service in Egypt

O'CONNOR, Gen Sir Richard Nugent (1889-1981)

Commander, 7 (subsequently 6) Division and Military Governor of Jerusalem, 1938-1939; Commander, 6 Division and Western Desert Force, Egypt, 1940-1941; General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, British Troops in Egypt, 1941

Official correspondence, orders, despatches, telegrams and letters home relating to his service in Jerusalem, 1938-1939, including correspondence with Lt Gen Robert Hadden Haining, GOC British troops in Palestine and Transjordan. Official correspondence, 1940-1941, as Commander, 6 Division and Western Desert Force, including the first Libyan campaign. Accounts of the campaign by O'Connor and Lt Gen Philip Neame, General Officer Commandingin-Chief and Military Governor, Cyrenaica

OLDFIELD, Maj Peter Carlton (1911-1992)

Head of Air Reconnaissance at General Headquarters Middle-East, 1941-1942; served with 1 Special Air Service Regiment, Libya, Sep-Dec 1942; captured, Dec 1942

Diary of his work at Air Reconnaissance Unit at the Middle East Headquarters, Jun-Nov 1941; reminiscences of his World War Two service, compiled 2004; memoirs of Elizabeth Oldfield, VAD, 15 Scottish Hospital, Cairo, Egypt, World War Two; photographs, c 1942, including surrendering Italian prisoners, Long Range Desert Group activities, and Field Marshal Erwin Rommel

PIRIE, ACM Sir George Clark (1896-1980)

Served with Royal Flying Corps (RFC) and Royal Air Force (RAF), Palestine, 1917-1918; served with RAF in Iraq, 1928

Snapshots relating to service in Iraq, including aircraft, groups of officers and men, and local views, including burning oil wells. Copy diary extracts, 1923-1945

PITT, Barrie William Edward (1918-2006)

Author and editor

Copy photographs used as book and article illustrations, including photographs used in

Crucible of War: Western Desert, 1941 (Jonathan Cape, London, 1980); correspondence and article offprints on topics including the Middle East

POWNALL, Lt Gen Sir Henry Royds (1887-1961)

Commander-in-Chief, Persia-Iraq, Mar-Sep1943 Personal diary, 1933-1944, including his service in Persia (Iran) and Iraq, with comment on the current military and political situation

PRENTICE, Maj Ronald R (1913-1980)

Served at General Headquarters, Middle East Command, Cairo, Egypt, 1942

Field book, Mar-May 1942, including notes on Allied military situation in Iraq and Palestine, and notes on Long Range Desert Group operations, Western Desert, Apr 1942, including Count László Almásy's role as a German guide during Operation SALAAM, a German espionage mission from Libya through Allied lines

PURDON, Maj Gen Corran William Brooke (b 1921)

Commander, Sultan's Armed Forces, Oman, and Director of Operations, Dhofar War, 1967-1970 List the bugle, reminiscences of an Irish soldier (Greystone, Antrim, 1993), a memoir of his life and career, including service in Palestine, 1945-1946, Egypt, 1949-1951, and his command of the Sultan's Armed Forces, Oman, 1967-1970

PYMAN, Sir Harold English (1908-1971)

Chief of Staff, General Headquarters, Middle East Land Forces, 1946–1949

Account of 7 Armoured Division operations in Libya, Nov-Dc 1941, by Maj Gen William Henry Ewart Gott, Commander 7 Armoured Division, with maps. Notes on Allied operations in Egypt and Libya, 1941-1942, made 1964-1965. Diaries kept as Chief of Staff, Middle East Land Forces, 1946-1949, including memoranda, telegrams, copy correspondence, and minutes of Chief of Staff's meetings, on topics including: debate over British policy in the Middle East; illegal Jewish immigration to Palestine; the ending of the British Mandate in Palestine and the creation of the state of Israel; Arab-Israeli conflict; British relations with the nations of the Middle East

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QUERIPEL, Col Leslie Herbert (1881-1963)

Director of Army Signals and Telegraphs, Mesopotamia, 1916

Letter home describing the fall of Baghdad, Mar 1917, and subsequent conditions in the city; Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force General Headquarters 'Despatch on operations', Aug 1916 - Mar 1917

RAEBURN, Maj Gen Sir (William) Digby (Manifold) (1915-2001)

General Staff Officer Grade 3, Middle East Land Forces General Headquarters, 1940-1941; General Staff Officer Grade 2, Middle East Land Forces and 8 Army, 1941-1942; General Staff Officer Grade 1 (Intelligence), Palestinian and Iraq Force, 1942-1943; Deputy Director of Military Intelligence, Middle East Land Forces, 1943

Memoir, including service as Intelligence Officer, Middle East Land Forces, 1940-1943, collecting and assessing information on Italian and German orders of battle

RIALL, Air Cdre Arthur Bookey (1911-1984)

Major, East Yorkshire Regiment, seconded to RAF in Iraq, 1947; transferred to RAF Regiment, 1948; Chief Instructor, RAF Regt Depot, 1951-1953; commanded RAF Levies, Iraq until their disbandment, 1953-1955; Master of the Royal Exodus Hunt, Iraq, 1953-1955

Correspondence, bills and accounts relating to the Royal Exodus Hunt, Iraq, 1937-1938; accounts and hunting diary, 1943-1954; reports on the RAF Levies (Iraq), 1955. Article, The Aden Protectorate Levies', printed in *The Arab World*, 1959

RITCHIE, Maj Gen Walter Henry Dennison (1901-1984)

Brigadier in charge of administration, British Troops in Egypt and Chairman of Operation SATIRE Works Committee, 1946-1947

Minutes of meetings of Operation SATIRE Works Committee meetings, Jul 1946-Mar 1947,

concerning the provision of accommodation for military units moving to the Canal Zone, Egypt

ROBERTS, Sqn Ldr Cyril Edward (1909-2005)

Non-commissioned officer, Royal Army Service Corps, Palestine, 1938-1939; Chief Clerk of the General Staff, Western Desert Headquarters, 1940-1941

Memoirs, including service as confidential clerk, 1938-1941, under Gen Sir Richard Nugent O'Connor, Palestine and Egypt

ROBERTS, Maj Gen (George) Philip (Bradley) ('Pip') (1906-1997)

Commanding Officer, 3 Royal Tank Regiment, 7 Armoured Division, 8 Army, Western Desert, 1941; commanded 22 Armoured Brigade, 8 Army, Western Desert, 1942

Detailed letters home from the Western Desert, 1940-1942; memoranda, typescript intelligence summaries and notes, on operations of 22 Guards Bde and 7 Armoured Div, Egypt and Libya, Jun 1941

ROBERTSON, FM Sir William (Robert), 1st Bt (1860-1933)

Chief of the Imperial General Staff, 1915-1918

Lecture given by Robertson as Commandant. Staff College, Camberley, Surrey, 1912, on communications and transport in Persia and Mesopotamia, including the strategic relevance of the Baghdad railway. Memoranda written and received by Robertson as Chief of General Staff. BEF. 1915. and as CIGS. 1915-1917. on the Middle East campaigns. Official and personal correspondence and telegrams, 1915-1918, with correspondents including: Gen Sir Edmund Henry Hynman Allenby, General Officer Commanding in Chief, Egyptian Expeditionary Force: Mai Gen Edward Altham. General Officer Commanding, Levant Base; Maj Gen Charles Edward Callwell, Director of Military Operations and Intelligence at the War Office: Rt Hon David Lloyd George, Prime Minister; Gen Sir Douglas Haig, Commander in Chief, British Armies in France: Lt Col Sir Maurice Pascal Alers Hankey. Secretary to the War Committee; successive General Officers Commanding in Chief.

Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force, Lt Gen Sir Percy Henry Noel Lake and Lt Gen Sir Frederick Stanley Maude; Lt Gen Sir John Grenfell Maxwell, General Officer Commanding, Egypt; Gen Sir Charles Carmichael Monro, Commander in Chief in India; Gen Sir Archibald (James) Murray, General Officer Commanding in Chief, Egyptian Expeditionary Force: Gen Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, Robertson's successor as CIGS; Gen Sir (Francis) Reginald Wingate, High Commissioner of Egypt, on topics including; problems of administration and supply to the separate Mediterranean and Egyptian forces: operations in Mesopotamia: the defence of Egypt: the transfer of divisions from Egypt to the Western Front, from Egypt to Mesopotamia, and from the Western Front to Mesopotamia: the siege and surrender of Kut el Amara; the logistical requirements of the Palestine campaign: the possibility of British overall command of Allied operations in Syria; the Third Battle of Gaza, Oct-Nov 1917: the capture of Beersheba, Oct 1917; operations around the Hedjaz railway and British-Arab cooperation; the capture of Jericho, Feb 1918

SCLATER, Gen Sir Henry Crichton (1855-1923)

Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Cairo, Egypt, 1885-1890

Letter to Slater from Gen Sir (Francis) Reginald Wingate, relating to riots in Egypt, Jun 1920

SHEA, Gen Sir John Stuart Mackenzie (1869-1966)

Commander, 60 Division, Palestine, 1917-1918

Correspondence, notes and orders of battle relating to the Palestine campaign, 1917-1918; photographs, 1917-1918, including Jerusalem, encampments, and troops crossing the river Jordan. Correspondence, 1917-1955, relating to the *Official History of Palestine*; lectures and addresses by Shea on the Palestine campaign, 1918-1937

SIMPSON-BAIKIE, Brig Gen Sir Hugh Archie Dundas (1871-1924)

General Officer Commanding Royal Artillery, 21 Corps, Egypt and Palestine, 1917-1919; served at Third Battle of Gaza and as General Officer Commanding Royal Artillery, Battle of Megiddo, Palestine, 1918

Letters home from Egypt and Palestine, 1917-1918

SLADE, Gp Capt Richard Gordon (1912-1981)

Served with No 4 Flying Training School, Abu Suweir, Egypt, 1933-1934, and No 30 Bomber Squadron, Mosul and Habbaniyah, Iraq, 1934-1937

Photographs of Egypt and Iraq, 1933-1937, chiefly aerial views over Iraq, including Erbil (Arbil), Kirkuk, Mosul, Shergat (Ashur), and Zakhu, aircraft in flight and on the ground, and the personnel of 30 Sqn

SPRAWSON, Maj Gen Sir Cuthbert Allan (1877-1956)

Consulting Physician, Mesopotamia Expeditionary Force, 1916-1918

Memoir of service, including Mesopotamia, 1916-1918

SPROT, Lt Col Aidan Mark (b 1919)

Served with Royal Scots Greys, Middle East, 1941-1943

Memoir of service, 1942-1945, written in 1947, including the Battle of El Alamein, Egypt, Oct 1942

STANFORD, Brig Henry Morrant (1894-1957)

Commanded Support Group, 8 Armoured Division, Middle East, 1941-1942

Correspondence, reports and memoranda relating to gunnery techniques and tactics, Support Group, 8 Armoured Div, Middle East, 1941-1942

STARLING, Brig John Geoffrey ('Joe') (1928-1996)

Served with Parachute Regiment, Aden, 1967

Lecture notes, handouts, pictures, maps and teaching aids on topics including lessons learned from operations in Aden, May-Jun 1967

STERN, Lt Col Sir Albert Gerald (1878-1966)

Member of Tank Board, 1941 Reports by Maj E W Gordon-Hall, Royal Tank Regiment, on the performance of armoured units in Libya, 1940-1941

STEVENI, Colonel Leo (1893-1972)

Military Attaché, Persia, 1928-1931; served in Political Intelligence Centre, Middle East (PICME), Cairo, Egypt, 1944-1945

Memoirs, including service as intelligence officer, Meshed, Persia, 1928-1931, and experiences working in India, China and Egypt during World War Two, including visit to Palestine

STEVENSON, Col Robert Colin Russell (1896-1983)

Colonel, Royal Engineers, Palestine, 1948 Report on the evacuation of Royal Engineers establishments in Beit-Nabala and Haifa, Palestine, 1948

STOCKWELL, Gen Sir Hugh Charles (1903-1986)

Commander, 6 Airborne Division, Palestine, 1947-1948; Commander, Ground Forces, Suez, 1956

Orders, briefing notes, reports and correspondence and photographs relating to operations of 6 Airborne Div, Palestine, 1947-1948, including counter-measures against illicit Jewish immigration, sabotage at oil refineries. the imposition of martial law and curfews, and the transfer of 6 Airborne Div to Germany. Reports, messages, maps and photographs relating to Operation MUSKETEER, the Anglo-French invasion of Egypt to capture the Suez Canal, Nov 1956, including Stockwell's report on the operation, 1957, later articles, lectures and interviews on Suez. 1964-1979, and photographs including: demonstrating crowds, Port Said; 3 Parachute Regiment landing at El Gamil airfield; aircraft carriers HMS BULWARK. EAGLE and ALBION: British troops. Port Said: French and British officers; aerial views of Port Said

STONE, Brig John Southam Wycherley (1895-1983)

General Staff Officer Grade 2, Palestine, 1937-1939

Account, 'Duck shooting in the upper Jordan valley, 1938-1939'; extracts from his letters home, Palestine, 1938

STREET, Maj Gen Vivian Wakefield (1912-1970)

General Staff Officer 3, British Forces in Palestine and Transjordan, 1939-1940; General Staff Officer 3, General Headquarters, Middle East, Cairo, Egypt, 1940; attended Staff Course, Haifa, Palestine, 1940; General Staff Officer 2, General Headquarters, Middle East, 1941-1942

Narrative diary of service in Palestine, Aug-Oct 1939. Photographs of Palestine, 1938-1939, and Middle East, 1940-1942, chiefly colleagues, and attendees at the Haifa staff course, 1940-1941. Press cuttings and related papers on the award of the MC to Street, Palestine, 1938

STUART, Maj Gen Sir Andrew Mitchell (1861-1936)

Served with No 4 Section Telegraph Bn, Royal Engineers, Sudan and Egypt, 1885-1887

Diary, May-Jun 1885, including details of inspections of telegraph line between Halfa and Aswan; note on maintenance and operation of telegraph lines, Sudan and Egypt, 1884-1887; 'Reminiscences of the Nile Expedition, 1884-1885 and after', by Col Arthur Henry Bagnold, 1935

THOMPSON, Reginald William (1904-1977)

War correspondent and military historian

Letters from Maj Gen Eric Edward Dorman O'Gowan (formerly Eric Edward Dorman Smith, Chief of General Staff to Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, 1942), 1964-1969, concerning British strategy and command in Egypt, 1942

THWAITES, Brig Peter Trevenan (1926-1991)

Commander, Muscat Regiment, Sultan of Muscat's Armed Forces, Muscat and Oman, 1967-1970

Reports, correspondence, memoranda, maps, notes, lecture, articles and press cuttings relating to the Dhofar War, Muscat and Oman, 1967-1971, including briefing notes on Muscat and Oman, casualty lists, signal transcripts, and photographs of the Muscat Regiment. Also MPhil dissertation by Lt Col John McKeown, 'Britain and Oman: the Dhofar War and its significance', 1981, and *Muscat command* (Leo Cooper, London, 1995), by Thwaites and Maj Simon Sloane

TIPPEN, Assistant Paymaster Lewis Roland (1890-1916)

Clerk, HMS KENT, 1909 Photographs relating to armoured cruiser, HMS KENT, 1909, including views of Port Said, Egypt

TOWNSHEND, Maj Gen Sir Charles Vere Ferrers (1861- 1924)

General Officer Commanding 6 Indian Division, Mesopotamia, 1915-1916; commanded 6 Indian Division at Battles of Kurna, Kut el Amara, Ctessiphon and the defence and siege of Kut el Amara, 1915-1916; prisoner of war, 1916-1918

Press cuttings, 1916, on the Mesopotamian campaign and the siege of Kut el Amara. Research correspondence, 1964-1966, concerning Lt Col Arthur James Barker's *The neglected war* (Faber, London, 1967) and *Townshend of Kut* (Cassell, London, 1967)

VAN STRAUBENZEE, Lt Col Henry Hamilton (1914-2002)

Lieutenant Colonel, 10 Armoured Division, Middle East, 1943-1944; 1 Division, Palestine, 1945-1946

Memoir of life and military service, including Middle East, 1943-1944, and Palestine, 1945-1946

VEASEY, Capt Robert Francis, RN (1883-1964)

Sea Transport Officer, later Divisional Sea Transport Officer, Aden, 1941-1943; Divisional Sea Transport Officer, Port Said, Egypt, 1943 Letters home, 1941-1943, chiefly written from Port Said, 1943

WARD-BOOTH, Maj Gen John Antony (1927-2002)

Served with 3 Battalion, Parachute Regiment, Aden, 1964

LIFE International photographs and magazine article, Oct 1964, relating to the role of 3 Bn Parachute Regt in protecting the Aden-Dhala road, South Arabia, from incursions by Yemeni guerrillas, 1964

WHEELER, Maj Gen (Thomas) Norman (Samuel) (1915-1990)

Served with Royal Ulster Rifles, Palestine, 1937-1939

'Notes on tactical lessons of the Palestine Rebellion, 1936'

WINTRINGHAM, Capt Thomas Henry (1898-1949)

Socialist author and military commentator

Letters from his brother John Wintringham describing his service with Lincolnshire Yeomanry, Egypt, 1915-1918. Draft articles for *Picture Post*, and the *Daily Mirror*, 1940-1942, on topics including operations of the Western Desert campaign in Egypt and Libya. Correspondence and drafts, 1947-1949, for an unpublished book, 'World Guard', proposing the formation of an volunteer international armed peace keeping force for Palestine

WOODHOUSE, Col Hon Christopher Montague, 5th Baron Terrington (1917-2001)

Served in Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) in British Embassy, Teheran, Iran, 1951-1952

Papers on the SIS/CIA plot to overthrow Iranian Prime Minister Mohammed Mussadeq (Operations BOOT and AJAX), 1953

WRETHAM, Kenneth Edward (b 1925)

Telegraph operator, escort carrier HMS RAJAH, 1944-1945

Photographs, 1944-1945, including views of the Suez Canal

YOUNG, Lt Col Geoffrey Douglas Pulford (1900-1967)

Staff Paymaster, Ministry of Defence, 1970-1972

Collected publications, including text of 'Proclamation by the GOC in Chief (Lt Gen Sir William Raine Marshall) in Mesopotamia to the people of Iraq on the occasion of the successful conclusion of hostilities against the Turkish Armies', 2 Nov 1918

YOUNG, Maj Sir Hubert Winthrop (1885-1950)

General Staff Officer Grade 2, Hejaz operations, Arabia, Egyptian Expeditionary Force, 1918

Copy notes, memoranda and account relating to operations in the Hedjaz (Hejaz), Arabia, 1917-1918, especially the provision of camels and equipment to Sherif Faisal ibn Hussein's Northern Arab Army

Media

Cold War television documentary collection, Jeremy Isaacs Productions

Interview transcripts relating to the events of the Cold War, conducted 1997, for a 24-part series broadcast on BBC2, 1998-1999, with interviewees including: Simcha Dinitz, Israeli Ambassador to USA, 1973-1978; Abba Eban, Israeli Foreign Minister, 1966-1974; Gen Saad El Din Shazly, Egyptian army commander, 1967, and Chief of Staff, 1972-1973; Gen Vadim Alekseyevich Kirpichenko, Deputy Chief, Russian Foreign Intelligence Service, 1996, on topics including: Soviet economic and military aid to Egypt, 1954-1973; the Six Day War, June 1967, and the Yom Kippur War, October 1973; US and USSR reaction to Arab-Israeli conflicts; the negotiations of the Camp David Accord, 1978

The Fifty Years War: Israel and the Arabs

television documentary collection, Brian Lapping Associates

Interview transcripts, videotapes and research material relating to the conflict and peace initiatives between Israel and its Arab neighbours and the Palestinians, 1948-1998, for a six-part series broadcast on BBC2, 1998. Interviewees include political, military, diplomatic, academic and civilian personnel, including: Mai Gen Ehud Barak, Israeli Defence Force (IDF), Israeli Chief of General Staff 1991-1995, Minister for the Interior 1995, and Minister for Foreign Affairs 1995-1996; Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs 1978: James Earl (Jimmy) Carter, US President 1977-1981: Anatoly Dobrynin, Soviet Ambassador to the US 1962-1986; King Hussein of Jordan 1952-1999: Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egyptian President 1954-1970; Shimon Peres, Israeli Prime Minister 1977, 1984-1986. 1995-1996, Foreign Minister 1986-1988, 1992-1995, and Minister of Defence 1974-1977; Maj Gen Ariel Sharon (IDF), Israeli Minister of Defence 1981-1983. Topics covered include: Israel's declaration of independence, 1948; the Suez crisis, 1956; the Six Day War, 1967; the Yom Kippur War, 1973; the Camp David talks between Israel and Egypt, 1978:

the Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon, 1976, 1982; the Oslo agreements between Israel and the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO), 1993-1995

Israel and the Arabs: Elusive Peace television documentary collection, Brook Lapping Productions

Interview transcripts, original interviews and research material relating to the Arab-Israeli peace process, 1999-2005, for a three-part series broadcast on BBC2, 2005, as a follow-up to the 1998 The Fifty Years War: Israel and the *Arabs.* Interviewees include political, military and diplomatic personnel, including: Ehud Barak, Prime Minister of Israel, 1999-2001; Benjamin Netanvahu, Prime Minister of Israel 1996-1999. and Foreign Minister 2002-2003: Shimon Peres. Prime Minister of Israel, 1984-1986 and 1995-1996: Ariel Sharon, Prime Minister of Israel 2001-2006: Abu Ala'a (also known as Ahmed Ourei), Prime Minister, Palestinian National Authority, 2003-2006: Yasser Arafat, President of the Palestinian National Authority, 1996-2004; Saeb Erekat, Head of PLO Steering and Monitoring Committee, 1995-2003: Abu Mazen (also known as Mahmoud Abbas). President. Palestinian National Authority, 2005-; Abdel Aziz al-Rantissi (also known as Abd al-Aziz Rantisi). co-founder of Hamas: Nabil Sha'ath (also Nabil Shaath), Foreign Minister, Palestinian National Authority, 2003-2005 and Prime Minister, Dec 2005: Nabil Sha'ath (also Nabil Shaath). Foreign Minister, Palestinian National Authority, 2003-2005 and Prime Minister, Dec 2005: Madeleine Albright, US Secretary of State 1997-2001; William Jefferson ('Bill') Clinton, US President, 1993-2001: Gen Colin Powell, US Secretary of State, 2000-2005. Topics covered include: Israeli-Syrian negotiations, Dec 1999; events at the Middle East Peace Summit at Camp David. Maryland, USA, Jul 2000; the Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon, May 2000; problems with the publication and implementation of the road map for peace plan, 2002; the Israeli capture of a weapons shipment from the Palestinian freighter KARINE A. Jan 2002: Passover bombing of the Park Hotel, Netanya, Israel, Mar 2002; the first siege of Palestinian President Yasser

Arafat's compound and the launch of Operation DEFENSIVE SHIELD by the Israel Defence Force (IDF), Apr 2002; the siege of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem by Israeli Defence Forces, Apr-May 2002; the assassination of Salah Shehadeh, Hamas military leader, Jul 2002; the second siege of President Yasser Arafat's compound, Ramallah, Sept 2002; the planning and execution of Hamas suicide bombings, Israel, 2002-2003; the Middle East Peace Summit, Aqaba, Jordan, Jun 2003; Ariel Sharon's disengagement plan, Jun 2004

The Nuclear Age, television documentary collection, Central Independent Television

Broadcast scripts, videotapes and interview transcripts concerning the worldwide development of nuclear technology and strategy, 1938-1989, for a twelve-part series broadcast on ITV, 1989. Topics include: Israel's development of nuclear energy, 1950-1988; French involvement in the Israeli and Iraqi nuclear development programmes, 1956-1987; Soviet influence in South Yemen, 1978-1980; the Iran-Iraq war, 1980-1988; Operation BABYLON (or OPERA), the Israeli air attack on the Osirak nuclear research reactor, Al Tuwaitha, Iraq, Jun 1981

The Washington Version, television documentary collection, Brian Lapping Associates

Interviews, transcripts and research material relating to the Iragi invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent recapture of Kuwait by a United Nations coalition force, 1990-1991, for a three-part series broadcast on BBC2, 1992. Interviewees include: James Addison Baker III, US Secretary of State, 1989-1992; Richard B (Dick) Cheney, US Secretary of Defense, 1989-1993: Gen Colin Powell, Chairman, US Joint Chiefs of Staff: Gen Norman Schwarzkopf. Commander in Chief: Lawrence S Eagleburger. Deputy Secretary of State, 1989-1992; Sergei Tarasenko, Policy Advisor to Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze 1985-1991. Topics include: the granting of permission for US forces to enter Saudi territory; Israel's position; Soviet response to the Iragi invasion: the use

of sanctions against Iraq; the role of the news media; air strikes on Iraq; Iraqi Scud missile strikes on Israel; objectives finally achieved by the coalition forces

University Publications of America: collections of US official documents, published on microfilm, 1980-1993

MICROFILM MF 361-72; MF 412-421 Confidential US State Department Central Files, Soviet Union, Foreign Affairs, 1945–1959

Themed collection relating to US State Department interpretations of Soviet foreign affairs, 1945-1959, on topics including Soviet alliances or friendship treaties with countries including Egypt and Syria, and Soviet-Iranian boundary disputes

MICROFILM MF 293-320 The Diaries of Dwight D Eisenhower, 1953-1961

White House staff memoranda, reports, correspondence, and summaries of congressional correspondence, on topics including the Suez Crisis, 1956, and military officer exchanges between Israel and the US, 1957

MICROFILM MF 71-81; 172-174; 286-292; 434-437; 782-791

Documents of the National Security Council, 1947-1985

Memoranda, policy papers, directives and records of actions undertaken by the US National Security Council, 1947-1985, on topics including; United Nations decision to introduce military forces to Palestine, 1948; US policy regarding Iran, 1949-1985; policy papers and progress reports relating to the Middle East, 1947-1985

MICROFILM MF 175-184

Minutes and Documents of the Cabinet Meetings of President Eisenhower, 1953- 1961

Minutes, memoranda, and supporting documents

of the Cabinet meetings during the Presidential administration of Dwight David Eisenhower, 12 Dec 1952-13 Jan 1961, on topics including: the Suez Crisis, 1956; the adoption of the 'Eisenhower Doctrine', stating that the United States would provide military and economic aid to any nation in the Middle East threatened by communism, 1957-1959; American intervention into Lebanon, 1958

MICROFILM MF 82-84; MF 283-285 Minutes of Meetings of the National Security Council, with Special Advisory Reports

Meeting minutes and Special Advisory Reports undertaken by the US National Security Council, 1947-1960, on topics including: United Nations decision to introduce military forces to Palestine, 1948; US policy regarding Iran, 1949-1951; policy papers and progress reports relating to the Middle East, 1947-1985

MICROFILM MF 422-426; MF 548-552; MF 438-440

Minutes of Meetings of the National Security Council: First Supplement

Minutes of meetings, official meeting files and supporting documentation, and detailed records relating to meeting of the National Security Council, 1947-1956, on topics including; US political position towards Palestine, 1947; conversations with the British concerning the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East, 1948

MICROFILM MF 333-357 Official Conversations and Meetings of Dean Acheson, 1949–1953

Minutes of conversations and meetings of Dean Acheson during his tenure as Secretary of State during the Truman administration, 1949-1953, on topics including the future of Palestine and financial assistance to Iran

MICROFILM MF 565-608

The Papers of John Foster Dulles and of Christian A Herter, 1953-1961

Minutes of telephone conversations, memoranda, reports, and correspondence of Dulles and Herter as US Secretary of State and Under Secretary of State respectively (1953-1959), and Herter as US Secretary of State (1959-1961), on subjects including deteriorating Arab-Israeli relations, 1954-1956, the Suez Crisis, 1956, and American troops in Lebanon as part of a United Nations force, 1958. Correspondents include David Ben-Gurion, Prime Minister of Israel; Hussein ibn Talal, King of Jordan, and Gamal Abdel Nasser, President of the Republic of Egypt

MICROFILM MF 338-339

Potsdam Conference Documents, 1945: The Presidential Documents Series

Themed collection including the personal and official documents and correspondence of President Harry S Truman during proceedings of the Potsdam Conference, 29 Mar-2 Aug 1945, on topics including the withdrawal of Allied forces from Iran, and Anglo-Soviet rivalry in the Middle East

MICROFILM MF 212-282 Public Statements by the Secretaries of Defense, 1947-1981

Official statements, press releases, speeches, announcements and memoranda released by successive US Secretaries of Defense, 1947-1981, including statements on US arms sales to Israel during the Yom Kippur War, 1973

MICROFILM MF 1-70

Records of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, part 2: 1946-53

Themed collection of official documents of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), 1946-1953, including reports on political and military relations with Iran, Palestine and Israel and Saudi Arabia, and on Soviet capabilities in the Middle East

National Security Archive, Washington DC, USA

MICROFICHE MFF 11 Iran: The Making of US Policy, 1977-1980

Themed collection of documents concerning US

foreign policy on Iran, 20 Jan 1977-29 Jan 1980, including memoranda, cabled messages, US embassy and consulate messages, Department of State reports, Central Intelligence Agency reports, US National Security Council reports and studies, and academic historical and political studies of the Middle East generally and Iran specifically, 21 Jan 1943-30 Apr 1980

The National Archives, Kew

MICROFICHE MFF 1 War Cabinet Minutes (HMSO), 1939-1945

Themed collection of the minutes of the War Cabinet Meetings, Sep 1939-Jul 1945, and Cabinet Conclusions and Confidential Annexes, 1941-1945, on subjects including the seizing of French warships in British and Egyptian harbours and the sinking of French warships at Mers-el-Kebir, Egypt, 23 Jun 1940

Miscellaneous

MISC 66 British and European printed maps, 1909-1962

Collection also includes historical maps of the Palestine campaign, 1917-1918, produced by the War Office Historical Section (Military Branch), 1927-1929

MISC 74 Civil Service Oral History Project, 1989

Typescript transcripts of interviews, 1989, with selected senior British civil servants, on topics including the Suez Crisis, 1956

MISC 83

HMSO and Ministry of Information publications, World War Two

Publications, 1939-1956, relating to World War Two including, 'The battle of Egypt' (Ministry of Information, 1943)

MISC 15

Maarachot articles relating to Capt Sir Basil Henry Liddell Hart

Copies of articles (in Hebrew) from the military journal *Maarachot* relating to Capt Sir Basil Henry Liddell Hart's theories of military strategy and tactics, including 'Rapid Training of Recruits', by Capt Basil Henry Liddell Hart, Sep 1939; obituaries for Liddell Hart, 1971; review of Liddell Hart's *History of the Second World War* by Col Dr Yehuda Wallech, 1971

MISC 12

Sepia photograph of Kut el Amara, [1915]

Photograph of Kut el Amara, Mesopotamia, before the siege of the British garrison, 1916

SUEZ ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

Series of interviews with British political, diplomatic and military figures involved at a senior level in the Suez Crisis of 1956, made 1989-1991, by Anthony Gorst of the University of Westminster and Dr W Scott Lucas, then of the University of Birmingham. Also copy of the Protocol of Sèvres, 24 Oct 1956, recording the agreements reached between the governments of Great Britain, France and Israel during discussions held in France, 22-24 Oct 1956, on a joint politico-military response to Egypt's nationalisation of the Suez Canal

SUEZ SEMINAR

Held at King's College London, Nov 1996 to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the Suez Crisis, 1956

Audio recordings of personal accounts of the Suez campaign, Nov 1996, including three personal accounts of aspects of the Suez campaign, by: Maj Gen Denis Arthur Beckett, Second in Command, 3 Bn, Parachute Regt in airborne landings, 5 Nov 1956; Maj Gen Nicholas Francis Vaux, Second Lt, 45 Commando Royal Marines, 3 Commando Bde, in helicopter-borne amphibious assault, 6 Nov 1956; Dr Henry Cowper, lecturer in history, Napier University, Edinburgh, who served as a Corporal (on National Service), 1 Bn, The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment), 19 Infantry Bde in Port Said, Egypt, 14 Nov-22 Dec 1956

MISC 26

War Office instructional booklets on the German Army, 1941-1943

Includes *Periodical Notes on the German Army*, on subjects including German Army tactics in Libya, 1941

Individual collections held in the College Archives

FEREDAY, Edmund James (b 1959)

War Studies student, King's College London, 1984-1989

Account of an educational cycle tour through Jordan, Israel and Egypt, including descriptions of archaeological sites and an archaeological dig at Udruh, Jordan, 1985

Guy's Hospital Medical School records

Photograph album including a visit by a team of Guy's staff to the grave monument of the pathologist, Thomas Hodgkin in Jaffa, Israel, 1967

Modern Poetry in Translation

Working papers of Professor Norma Rinsler relating to the Second International Poets Festival in Jerusalem, 1993

MOTTRAM, Professor Eric (1924-1995)

Professor of American and English Literature, King's College London, 1982-1990

Copies of *Al-Zahaf Al-Akhdar: the weekly ideological journal of the revolutionary committees* (Tripoli and London), a pro-Palestinian newsletter in English, 1981-1982

NASH, Professor John (1922-1981)

Professor of Civil Engineering, King's College London, 1961-1981

Geological and hydrological survey report on the proposed Tannur dam, Jordan, 1968

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