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CAIRO, Jan. 15—An official British source today denied that British Embassy personnel had acted improperly in meeting members of the Moslem Brotherhood, as implied early this morning in an Egyptian Government communiqué dissolution of the brotherhood. There was no truth at all, the source said, in the Egyptian allegation that Michael J. Cresswell, British minister and second ranking member of the Embassy, had met Sayed Hassan el Ashmawy, a former leader of the fanatical Islamic organization. The Moslem Brotherhood has been accused of plotting against the military regime of Maj. Gen. Mohammed Naguib, Egypt's President and the Premier.

Mr. Cresswell had never heard of El Ashmawy and had held no meetings with other members of the brotherhood, the source declared.

It was acknowledged that Trevor Evans, oriental counsellor of the Embassy, had met members of the banned organization. This, it was asserted, was a normal part of Mr. Evans' duties and that he had made no secret of his conversations with brotherhood members. At the time of the conversations, it was pointed out the brotherhood was of legally established association and there was no sign of disagreement between it and Egypt's ruling military junta.

With 450 leaders and members of the brotherhood in jail there has been no sign of reaction by the brotherhood, which in the past has employed terrorist methods in supporting its demands for a return to a strict interpretation of Islamic tenets in the life of the country.

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