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Commission Backs 4 Israeli Complaints in Absence of Cairo Delegates

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CAIRO, April 11—The Egyptian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission, with the Egyptian delegation absent, accused Egypt today of four violations of the Armistice Agreement.

The complaints covered four incidents in the Negev near the Gaza Strip on April 8 and 9, in which one Israeli was killed and five were injured.

Col. Mahmoud Riad, director for Palestine Affairs of the Egyptian Army, said here that the three Egyptian delegates to the commission had been ordered to stay away from the meeting at Gaza because a report of the truce observers' investigation of the incidents was given to the Egyptians only five minutes before the meeting opened.

The commission met without the Egyptians and approved four resolutions condemning Egypt. In three cases Col. Robert Hommel of the United States Marine Corps, chairman of the commission, voted with the three Israeli delegates, but in the fourth the chairman abstained.

[Under Article 10 of the Palestine Armistice Agreement, when the chairman of a Mixed Armistice Commission abstains, the remaining delegates can act on complaints from either side.]

Egypt has already filed an ap-

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peal from the findings with Maj. Gen. Vagn Bennike, chief United Nations observer, Colonel Riad said. The standard procedure, he contended, required the truce observers to investigate a complaint within twenty-four hours after it was filed and call a meeting of the commission within twenty-four hours after completion of the investigation.

He added that implicit in this arrangement was the theory that the accused side should receive the findings of the investigators a reasonable time before the meeting of the commission.

In this case, according to the Egyptian spokesman, the Israeli complaints were filed April 9. The investigation was completed late on April 10, but Colonel Hommel said the report was not yet ready and it became available only at 8:55 A. M. with the meeting called for 9 A. M. Colonel Hommel refused to agree to the Egyptian request for a twenty-four-hour delay and the Egyptians withdrew.

Colonel Riad said the Egyptians were preparing to attend a meeting of the commission Tuesday morning on a new Israeli complaint, following a promise by Colonel Hommel that a report of the investigation would be available Monday morning.

The incidents adjudged today were an ambush of an Israeli truck on the night of April 8 on the road between two Negev settlements, in which the driver was killed and three other persons injured; the wounding of two Israeli soldiers guarding a truck near the Berry settlement on April 9; the firing of shots into the Shuva settlement on the night of April 9, and the firing of shots at a civilian car on a road in the Negev at 11:30 P. M. on April 8.

According to Colonel Riad the new Israeli complaint alleged that two Israeli soldiers, members of a patrol, were wounded April 6 by fire across the demarcation line from an Egyptian military post in the Gaza area.

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