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4 Officials and 3 Foreigners Held in Contract Inquiry

CAIRO, Tuesday, Jan. 4 (AP)—Four influential Government officials and three foreign business men living in Egypt have been placed under house arrest pending completion of an investigation into charges of irregularities in connection with Government contracts, an official source said today.

The officials were identified as Ahmed Abu Alela, Under Secretary of Finance; Salah el Karmouti, Director of Civilian Aviation; Omar Abaza, Secretary General of the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, and Mohammed Taha el Nimr, Under Secretary of the Education Ministry.

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