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COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE RELATING
TO THE PRODUCTION OF CITRUS FRUIT

The following letter was received from the Government of
Palestine, relating to the production of citrus fruit.

Government of Palestine,
Chief Secretary's Office,
Jerusalem.

22nd July, 1947.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the question regarding citrus production which was put by Mr. Lisicky to Government representatives on the 16th June (page 34 of the summary record of the Sixth Meeting), and to inform you that no statistics of production of citrus fruit, showing separately production in Arab and Jewish owned groves, are available. The allocation of export shares in the 1946-47 citrus marketing scheme was based on the condition categories of groves as in 1945 (details of which are given on page 37 of the Supplement to the Survey of Palestine) and resulted in a practically equal allocation of total cased citrus exports between the two sectors of the industry, i.e. 3,913,304 cases to Arabs and 4,011,795 cases to Jews. Since export deliveries were effected by the two sectors as required under the marketing scheme, and since, as will be seen from the table on page 37 of the Supplement, there is little difference in the quality of groves as between the two sectors, it can be assumed that production, as with the areas, was roughly equal, but no figures can be given in view of certain surpluses of some kinds of citrus, sales to local citrus products factories and on the local market and inter-sector trade, of which particulars are not recorded.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Sgd. D.C. MacGillivray
for CHIEF SECRETARY.

The Principal Secretary,
United Nations Special Committee on Palestine,
Y.M.C.A., Jerusalem.