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Following based on copy of memo of conversation obtained by
CAS, and should be used with utmost discretion:

Following meeting with Adoula on evening January 25 (Embassy
telegram 2713), Gardiner and Adoula went to see Kasavubu.
After reviewing what he had told Adoula, Gardiner said SYG
had asked him make urgent appeal to President for collaboration
so real progress might be accomplished during month of May,
noting that otherwise resulting situation might be beyond
capabilities UN or ANC to cope with. Gardiner stressed this
connection UN desires have closest possible coordination as
to policy, publicity, and action in order to avoid appearance
UN interference in Congolese internal affairs.

Kasavubu assured Gardiner of his desire for such coordination
and said that agreement between Gardiner and Adoula governments
would automatically be agreement with him as Chief of State.
He expressed full confidence in UN but said activities other
countries extremely nefarious and foreign interference in Tshombe-
GOC talks should end. He said UN should proclaim full support
for Central Government and deplored fact that insufficient
collaboration between UN and GOC had resulted in misunderstandings.
He noted unilateral decision of UN to permit departure of Tshombe
could have had severe repercussions among Congolese people who

did not

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did not understand guarantees that had been given.

At this point Adoula stated if Tshombe returns to Leopoldville, he will give him every guarantee of security, but Tshombe and delegation must be confined to Royal building and only allowed leave it to go to meeting. Also no one would be permitted visit Tshombe. With reference Tshombe's doctor, Adoula noted latter is still under expulsion order dating from pre-independence time and questioned that Tshombe really sick. Kasavubu reiterated importance of excluding foreign influences in talks and added action should be taken to implement SC resolutions on ousting of mercenaries and prevention of arms shipments into Katanga. Gardiner noted physical impossibility for UN with present forces to fully control lengthy Katangan border despite best efforts.

Kasavubu voiced growing anxiety over Belgians who he thought were a real danger to Congo and should not be trusted until certain problems between Congo and Belgium settled. He requested UN not employ any Belgians in Congo and stated categorically his government would cease all collaboration with UN if a Belgian were employed by the UN in a responsible capacity. Adoula interjected that it most important to liquidate the past so far as Belgium concerned and to devise forms of cooperation with Belgium and other countries. He stated Congo wants to prove to Belgium that "we can live very well without them".

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