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Gentlemen:

This office has recently received two requests for "our free book" from Iraq. Not knowing any other logical reason for these people wanting such information than to perhaps get more detailed information on our area for possible use by their neighbor to the East. We are located on a direct air route from Russia to Chicago and Detroit and do not want to implement any use of this route by additional information. A similar inquiry came to a business man of this town about a year ago.

The inquiries are from;

R. Zakko 73 Khasraj St. No. 5 Mosul, Iraq

(and)

Muhammad Hassan Nighfy St. Mosul, Iraq 9 min Diceolman 25252

We are taking the liberty of enclosing copies of our broture for forwarding to the above inquirers if deemed proper by your office.

Respectfully yours,

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My dear Mr. Vaughan:

In response to your inquiry of March 22, 1952, the Department of State seen no objection to your supplying E & E Mr. N. Zakko and Mr. Muhammad Hansan of Mosul, Iraq with E E E Copies of the Frankfort Chamber of Commerce booklet. "Its" E Frankfort Michigan for your Vacation", if you wish to do go.

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You may already know of the Department of State's Informational and Cultural Exchange Program abroad under the United States Information Service. Feeple the world over are eager to learn more about America, and supplying information on demogracy in action is one of the ways in which we are combating communism. It is probable that Mr. Zakko and Mr. Hassan obtained the idea of writing to your office through some of the material from the United States Information Center at Haghdad.

Since the Department does not undertake to forward non-official material when regular postal channels are available, the three copies of your booklet enclosed in your letter are returned.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Howard A. Cook Chief Division of Public Liaison

Enclosures:

Three brochures (returned).

Mr. S. B. Vaughan, Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Frankfort, Michigan.

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