

# Violations By Egyptians Threaten Palestine Truce

RHODES — (UP) — The Palestine truce was jeopardized Saturday by Egyptian violations, and Count Folke Bernadotte's work toward a lasting peace in the Holy Land suffered a severe setback.

Bernadotte acknowledged the gravity of the situation in a report to the United Nations, for which he is mediator. He described as a "serious incident" an Egyptian attack on a Jewish food convoy and on a UN observation plane.

He protested vigorously to the Egyptian government and asked for a full explanation. Pending the formal reply, Cairo dispatches indicated the line Egypt would take.

Premier Mahmoud Nokraskhy Pasha said informally there that the firing on the UN plane by an Egyptian fighter was "a mistake." The Egyptian pilot, he said, thought the UN plane was an enemy.

Fifteen bullets penetrated the UN plane. The pilot, Lt. Col. Maurice L. Martin of Bluefield, W. Va., one of the air force officers sent to aid Bernadotte in the truce work, was uninjured.

As for the Egyptian attack on the Jewish convoy, Nokraskhy, said the government objected to the convoy and had advised the truce commission to that effect Wednesday.

But Bernadotte reported to the security council that he had given the convoy a go-ahead in the face of an Egyptian warning that it could not accept his ruling that the foodstuffs should be allowed to reach the Jewish settlements in South Palestine.