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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Jamieson

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From: D.J. Walton *DJW*

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Subject:

While ~~he~~ was in Tunisia the High Commissioner was given a statistical table covering the refugees in the Governorate of El Kef at 30 May 1959. A copy was attached to Mr. Hoveyda's report on the journey and an analysis of the figures is of some interest.

The standard of the statistics is low, to put it mildly. The table is a mixture of rounded and unrounded figures. The total of number of refugees is stated to be 48,741 but a careful adding of the individual items produces a total of only 44,881.

Using the figures in the table, the breakdown between men, women and children is as follows:-

children:	17,377	=	approximately	40%
Women	: 13,451	=	"	30%
Men	: 14,053	=	"	30%

Among the men, approximately 20% are stated to be "old" but there is no definition of what this term means. Presumably it means over 40 years of age.

There are 8,501 families in all, which means an average of slightly over 5 persons to a family.

cc: HC
Mr. Hoveyda