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Nasser Plot Reportedly Eyed by Eden

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LONDON, June 19 (Wednesday)—The possible assassination of the late President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt was discussed by British Prime Minister Anthony Eden during the Suez crisis of 1956, the Times of London reported today.

The independent daily, in a dispatch from Washington, quoted former CIA official Miles Copeland as saying in a telephone interview that he had frequently "but not seriously" discussed the idea with Sir Anthony and with top British intelligence officials.

The Times said the former Conservative prime minister—now Lord Avon—described the allegation as "a load of rubbish." He said he had never talked about assassinations with anyone.

The Times stated that Copeland said he had told an investigator of the Senate intelligence committee about Lord Avon's "keen interest" in the assassination as an example showing that everyone talked about such things.