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SUDANESE AND EGYPTIAN STUDENTS IN MOSCOW

In November 1958 thirty Sudanese students went to the USSR to attend Moscow State University. They are very much disappointed in Moscow, describing it as dull, colorless, quiet, and oppressive. Most of these students are pro-Western and wished to study in the United States; they are now faced with the task of learning Russian, although most of them already knew sufficient English to study in that language. A third of the students are to study medicine in Moscow, and these students were greatly dissatisfied because the seventy scholarships for study in the United States did not include medical students. 1)

According to Egyptian students in Moscow, there are 180 to 200 students from the entire United Arab Republic studying at Moscow State University, but Soviet students say that there are about 300 Egyptians at the university. Some of the Egyptian students are graduate students but many of them are very young, and probably have not had previous university training. These students will remain in the USSR for three to five years.

Comment: 1) The figures given here differ significantly from Sudanese press reporting of August
1958, which stated that only forty scholarships were being offered to Sudanese students
from all foreign countries.