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### BRITISH ENVOY AT BERLIN TOLD TO QUERY NAZIS ON GOERING DECREE

LONDON, May 12. (JTA) -- SIR NEVILLE HENDERSON, BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO GERMANY, HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO ASCERTAIN THE EXACT SCOPE OF MARSHAL HERMANN GOERING'S LAW ORDERING ALL JEWS, REGARDLESS OF NATIONALITY, TO REGISTER THEIR PROPERTY IN THE REICH, IT WAS AUTHORITATIVELY LEARNED TODAY.

IT WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY LEARNED WHETHER SIR NEVILLE HAD ALREADY MADE REPRESENTATIONS TO THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT. WHEN THE GOVERNMENT RECEIVES THE AMBASSADOR'S REPLY, IT WILL DECIDE ON A LINE OF ACTION.

### U.S. DEMANDS ASSURANCE THAT DECREE WILL NOT BE APPLIED TO AMERICAN JEWS

WASHINGTON, May 12. (JTA) -- THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS MADE PUBLIC THE FULL TEXT OF ITS PROTEST TO THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT ON THE GOERING DECREE ORDERING REGISTRATION OF ALL JEWISH PROPERTY IN GERMANY VALUED AT 5,000 MARKS (\$2,000) OR OVER.

THE NOTE, HANDED TO THE ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER AT BERLIN BY U.S. AMBASSADOR HUGH R. WILSON, ENTERS "EMPHATIC PROTEST" ON THE DECREE AND DEMANDS AN EARLY REPLY ON WHAT IT DESCRIBES AS AN URGENT MATTER. BASIS FOR THE PROTEST IS THE 1923 COMMERCIAL TREATY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GERMANY, WHICH THE NOTE DECLARES IS VIOLATED BY THE GERMAN ACTION DISCRIMINATING AGAINST AMERICAN JEWS.

FULL TEXT OF THE NOTE, DELIVERED ON MAY 9, FOLLOWS:

EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED BY MY GOVERNMENT TO BRING THE FOLLOWING MATTER TO THE ATTENTION OF THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT.

ON APRIL 26, 1938, A DECREE WAS ISSUED BY THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT AND SUPPLEMENTED BY INSTRUCTIONS, UNDER WHICH ALL JEWS AND THEIR SPOUSES, WHETHER GERMAN OR FOREIGN NATIONALS, ARE CALLED UPON TO DECLARE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN SMALL EXCEPTIONS, ALL PROPERTY HELD IN GERMANY, WHILE SUCH DECLARATIONS ARE NOT REQUIRED FROM GERMANS GENERALLY NOR FROM OTHER FOREIGNERS. IT APPEARS FURTHER THAT THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE FOUR-YEAR PLAN IS AUTHORIZED TO USE THE FORTUNES SO DECLARED "IN HARMONY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF GERMAN ECONOMY."

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES CONSIDERS THAT THE APPLICATION OF MEASURES OF THE NATURE INDICATED TO THE PROPERTY OF AMERICAN CITIZENS OF THE JEWISH RACE WOULD VIOLATE RIGHTS ACCORDED AMERICAN CITIZENS UNDER THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP, COMMERCE AND CONSULAR RIGHTS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GERMANY, SIGNED DEC. 8, 1923. ARTICLE I OF THIS TREATY IN PART PROVIDES:

"THE NATIONALS OF EACH OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTIES SHALL BE PERMITTED TO ENTER, TRAVEL AND RESIDE IN THE TERRITORIES OF THE OTHER; TO EXERCISE LIBERTY OF CONSCIENCE AND FREEDOM OF WORSHIP, TO ENGAGE IN PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, RELIGIOUS, PHILANTHROPIC, MANUFACTURING, AND COMMERCIAL WORK OF EVERY KIND WITHOUT INTERFERENCE; TO CARRY ON EVERY FORM OF COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY WHICH IS NOT FORBIDDEN BY THE LOCAL LAW; TO OWN, ERECT OR LEASE AND OCCUPY APPROPRIATE BUILDINGS, AND TO LEASE LANDS FOR RESIDENTIAL, SCIENTIFIC, RELIGIOUS, PHILANTHROPIC, MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL AND MORTUARY PURPOSES; TO EMPLOY AGENTS OF THEIR CHOICE, AND GENERALLY TO DO ANYTHING INCIDENTAL TO OR NECESSARY FOR ENJOYMENT OF ANY OF THE FOREGOING PRIVILEGES UPON THE SAME TERMS AS NATIONS OF THE STATE OF RESIDENCE, OR AS NATIONS OF THE NATION HEREAFTER TO BE MOST FAVORED BY IT, SUBMITTING THEMSELVES TO ALL LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS DULY ESTABLISHED.

"THE NATIONALS OF EACH HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY SHALL RECEIVE WITHIN THE TERRITORIES OF THE OTHER, UPON SUBMITTING TO THE CONDITIONS IMPOSED UPON ITS NATIONALS, THE MOST CONSTANT PROTECTION AND SECURITY FOR THEIR PERSONS AND PROPERTY, AND SHALL ENJOY IN THIS RESPECT THAT DEGREE OF PROTECTION THAT IS REQUIRED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW. THEIR PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE TAKEN WITHOUT DUE PROCESS OF LAW AND WITHOUT PAYMENT OF JUST COMPENSATION."

THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS RESPECTING RIGHTS IN ONE COUNTRY ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL THE NATIONALS OF THE OTHER COUNTRY WITHOUT EXCEPTIONS BASED ON RACE OR CREED.

IN VIEW OF THE SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF THE DECREE AND ITS DISCRIMINATORY CHARACTER, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ENTERS EMPHATIC PROTEST AGAINST ITS APPLICATION TO AMERICAN CITIZENS. IT FEELS THAT ON FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE MATTER THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT WILL AGREE WITH THE CONSIDERATIONS SET FORTH ABOVE AND WILL GIVE EARLY ASSURANCE THAT THE MEASURES WILL NOT BE APPLIED TO AMERICAN CITIZENS.

IN VIEW OF THE URGENCY WHICH THIS MATTER PRESENTS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD APPRECIATE AN EARLY REPLY FROM THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

HUGH R. WILSON.

CONGRESS GETS RESOLUTION URGING BRITAIN TO LIFT PALESTINE ENTRY BAR

WASHINGTON, May 12. (JTA) -- CHARGING THAT CENTRAL EUROPEAN PERSECUTION OF JEWS CONSTITUTED A GRIEVANCE OF AN INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER, REPRESENTATIVE HAMILTON FISH (REP., N.Y.) TODAY INTRODUCED A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO URGE THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND THE INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE CONFERENCE TO OBTAIN THE LIFTING OF PALESTINE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS.

THE RESOLUTION, OFFERED IN THE NAME OF "THE LIBERTY-LOVING AMERICAN PEOPLE," IS DESIGNED TO "PROVIDE A REFUGE AND HOMELAND IN THAT ANCIENT LAND OF THEIR FAITH FOR PERSECUTED AND DESTITUTE JEWS OF CENTRAL EUROPE." IT STATES THAT THE JEWS ARE BEING "RELENTLESSLY PERSECUTED BECAUSE OF RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS PREJUDICES AND BIGOTRY."

THIRTY NATIONS WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE REFUGEE-AID CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN EVIAN, FRANCE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY. THE MEETING WILL OPEN ON JULY 6 (NOT JUNE 6, AS WAS STATED IN A JTA GENEVA DISPATCH YESTERDAY).

ZIONISTS TO MAP STAND BEFORE PARTITION COMMISSION; ARAB DISORDERS CONTINUE

JERUSALEM, MAY 12. (JTA) -- THE SMALL ACTIONS COMMITTEE (PALESTINE BRANCH OF THE ZIONIST GENERAL COUNCIL) ANNOUNCED TODAY IT WILL MEET ON MAY 18 TO PREPARE PRESENTATION OF THE ZIONIST CASE BEFORE THE PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION WHEN IT BEGINS FORMAL HEARINGS ON THE PLAN TO DIVIDE THE HOLY LAND INTO INDEPENDENT JEWISH AND ARAB STATES AND A BRITISH-MANDATED CORRIDOR.

SERGEANT SALAH ZUABI OF THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT WAS FIRED UPON IN THE HAIFA MARKET PLACE THIS MORNING AND FATALLY WOUNDED. AN ARAB PASSER-BY WAS ALSO KILLED. THE ASSAILANTS ESCAPED.

MEANWHILE, ARAB VILLAGERS FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF TERRORISM IN 1936 REPELLED AN INVASION BY AN ARAB BAND. USING LICENSED SHOTGUNS, INHABITANTS OF A VILLAGE NEAR NABLUS DROVE AWAY A BAND WHICH SOUGHT TO RAID THE VILLAGE.

THE NABLUS MILITARY COURT SENTENCED AN ARAB TERRORIST, MUHAMMED SALECH MAHMOUD, TO DEATH AFTER REJECTING HIS PLEA THAT HE HAD BEEN CONSCRIPTED BY A BAND. HE WAS CAPTURED DURING AN ENCOUNTER NEAR JENIN ON MARCH 16.

HUNDREDS OF POVERTY-STRICKEN JEWS INHABITING 70 WOODEN SHACKS IN THE FLORENTINE QUARTER, ONE OF THE DISPUTED JAFFA-TEL AVIV BOUNDARY AREAS, FACED HOMELESSNESS WHEN THE TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION ORDERED THE SHACKS DEMOLISHED WITHIN THREE DAYS. THE JEWS APPEALED TO TEL AVIV FOR INTERVENTION AND AID.

FORTY UNEMPLOYED MEMBERS OF THE HISTADRUTH (PALESTINE JEWISH LABOR FEDERATION) TODAY STAGED A DEMONSTRATION IN TEL AVIV, BREAKING INTO CITY HALL. LEADERS OF THE GROUP, RECEIVED BY MAYOR ISRAEL ROKACH, DESCRIBED DISTRESS AMONG THE UNEMPLOYED AND URGED THE CITY TO SPEED UP PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.

SOUTH AMERICAN PARLEY ASKS OPENING OF PALESTINE'S GATES

BUENOS AIRES, MAY 12. (JTA) -- THE FIRST SOUTH AMERICAN PRO-PALESTINE CONGRESS CONCLUDED ITS SESSIONS TODAY, THE 120 DELEGATES FROM ALL PARTS OF THE CONTINENT ADOPTING A RESOLUTION ASKING THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO OPEN THE GATES OF PALESTINE TO ENLARGED JEWISH IMMIGRATION. THE CONGRESS SENT A MESSAGE OF THANKS TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT FOR HIS PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE-AID COMMISSION. THE MEETING WAS SPONSORED BY THE ARGENTINE SECTION OF THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE TOGETHER WITH VARIOUS ZIONIST ORGANIZATIONS.

B'NAI B'RITH PLANS \$500,000 BUDGET FOR DRIVE ON ANTI-SEMITISM

WASHINGTON, MAY 12. (JTA) -- THE CLOSING SESSION OF B'NAI B'RITH'S FIFTEENTH TRIENNIAL CONVENTION YESTERDAY INSTRUCTED ITS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO EVOLVE A PLAN FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A \$500,000 EMERGENCY BUDGET TO FIGHT ANTI-SEMITISM AND ANTI-AMERICANISM THROUGH THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE. A BUDGET OF \$100,000 WAS VOTED FOR THE HILLEL FOUNDATIONS IN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

B'NAI B'RITH'S NEWLY-ELECTED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TODAY APPROPRIATED \$10,000 FOR THE YOUTH ALIYAH MOVEMENT, TO CARE FOR 28 CHILDREN FROM COUNTRIES OF PERSECUTION IN PALESTINE, AFTER MRS. DAVID DE SOLA POOL, VICE-PRESIDENT OF HADASSAH, AND MRS. DAVID GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF HADASSAH'S YOUTH ALIYAH COMMITTEE, HAD APPEARED BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. AN APPROPRIATION WAS ALSO MADE TO PURCHASE KOSHER MEAT FOR JEWISH PHILANTHROPIC INSTITUTIONS IN GERMANY AFTER THE COMMITTEE HAD HEARD RABBI JACOB HOFFMAN, FORMER CHIEF RABBI OF FRANKFORT-AM-MAIN, REPRESENTING THE KOSHER MEAT FUND FOR JEWISH INSTITUTIONS IN GERMANY.

ALFRED M. COHEN, RETIRING PRESIDENT, WAS ELECTED HONORARY PRESIDENT. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES IN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTED ARE: DISTRICT 1, LOUIS FABRICANT, NEW YORK; 2, SIDNEY G. KUSWORM, DAYTON, O.; 3, JUDGE JOSEPH L. KUN, PHILADELPHIA; 4, GEORGE I.M. GOLDEN, SAN FRANCISCO; 5, SIDNEY STERN, GREENSBORO, N.C.; 6, BENJAMIN SAMUELS, CHICAGO; 7, ARCHIBALD MARX, NEW ORLEANS.

THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE COMMISSION INCLUDES JUDGE A.K. COHEN, BOSTON; SAMUEL I. SIEVERS, ST. LOUIS; ABRAHAM BERKOWITZ, PHILADELPHIA; MR. GOLDEN; LOUIS OTTENBERG, WASHINGTON; SIGMUND LIVINGSTON, CHICAGO, AND A.B. FREYER, SHREVEPORT, LA. THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE B'NAI B'RITH COURT OF APPEALS IS HARRY K. WOLFF, SAN FRANCISCO.

AN ANTI-COMMUNISM RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS: "THE GREAT MASSES OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE ARE FAITHFUL TO THE RELIGIOUS TEACHINGS OF THEIR FATHERS. JUDAISM IS A PART OF THEIR LIFE. IN IT THEY FIND CONSOLATION AND HOPE. THEY BELIEVE IN ITS PRECEPTS AND PROPHECIES. RUSSIAN COMMUNISM HAS FOUGHT UNREMITTINGLY AGAINST THE RELIGIOUS FAITH OF THE JEW. THE COMMUNIST WHO IS A JEW IS NOW AN APOSTATE. COMMUNISM WOULD DESTROY RELIGIOUS FAITH. IF COMMUNISM WERE TO RULE, IT WOULD DESTROY BOTH JUDAISM AND CHRISTIANITY. THERE ARE SOME COMMUNISTS WHO WERE BORN JEWS, JUST AS THERE ARE SOME COMMUNISTS WHO WERE BORN PROTESTANTS AND CATHOLICS, BUT IT IS UNJUST FOR THIS REASON TO ACCUSE EITHER ONE OF THESE RELIGIOUS SECTIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMUNISM."

#### 10 PER CENT OF SCHEMLING FIGHT PROFITS OFFERED TO ROOSEVELT REFUGEE COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, MAY 12. (JTA) -- TEN PER CENT OF THE NET PROCEEDS OF THE JOE LOUIS-MAX SCHEMLING PRIZEFIGHT NEXT JUNE 22, OR A MINIMUM OF \$7,500, HAS BEEN OFFERED BY THE PROMOTERS AS A DONATION TO THE REFUGEE-AID COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED UNDER PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S PLAN, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY BY MIKE JACOBS, PRESIDENT OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY SPORTING CLUB.

THE NON-SECTARIAN ANTI-NAZI LEAGUE, WHICH ON MONDAY LAUNCHED A BOYCOTT CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE FIGHT BY PICKETING THE TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB ON THE GROUND THAT SCHEMLING'S PROFITS WOULD BE TAKEN TO GERMANY, WAS APPARENTLY SURPRISED BY THE OFFER. THE LEAGUE'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL FORMULATE ITS ATTITUDE ON THE OFFER AT A MEETING TOMORROW, IT WAS STATED.

MR. JACOBS'S OFFER WAS MADE IN A LETTER TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WHICH SAID: "IT IS... PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE THAT THIS OCCASION WHICH EXEMPLIFIES THE AMERICAN SPIRIT OF SPORTSMANSHIP SHOULD BE A SOURCE OF BENEFIT AND AID TO THOSE PEOPLE WHOM YOUR COMMITTEE IS DESIROUS OF AIDING AND ASSISTING." IN A STATEMENT TO THE PRESS ACCOMPANYING THE COPY OF THE LETTER, MR. JACOBS VOICED THE BELIEF THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT IT WOULD INSPIRE OTHERS TO COME FORWARD WITH SIMILAR OFFERS OF ASSISTANCE.

#### MEXICO WARNS NEWSPAPERS AGAINST ANTI-SEMITIC REPORTS

NEW YORK, MAY 12. (JTA) -- THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT PRESS DEPARTMENT HAS DENIED REPORTS IN MEXICAN NEWSPAPERS THAT THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT WAS PLANNING TO ELIMINATE THE JEWS FROM MEXICO, THE NEW YORK TIMES REPORTED TODAY, AND THE PRESS DEPARTMENT AT THE SAME TIME WARNED PAPERS THAT "TO PUBLISH SUCH MATERIAL IS TO ENCOURAGE RUMORS AND UNTRUTHS THAT ARE LAUNCHED BY FOREIGN GROUPS IN OPPOSITION," REFERRING TO THE GERMAN NAZIS.