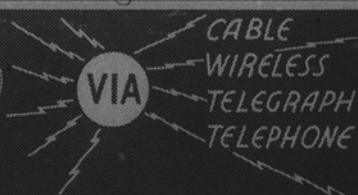


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BRITAIN DEFENDS PALESTINE POLICY AT GENEVA; DENIES PROCRASTINATION

GENEVA, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TODAY DEFENDED ITS COURSE IN PALESTINE BEFORE THE PERMANENT MANDATES COMMISSION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS, DESCRIBING ITS WAR ON ARAB TERRORISM AND DENYING THAT IT WAS GUILTY OF PROCRASTINATION OR LACK OF CLARITY IN DEFINING FUTURE POLICY.

THE DEFENSE WAS MADE BY SIR JOHN SHUCKBURGH, DEPUTY UNDERSECRETARY OF THE COLONIAL OFFICE, HEADING THE BRITISH DELEGATION, DURING EXAMINATION BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON BRITAIN'S REPORT ON PALESTINE TO THE LEAGUE FOR 1937.

SIR JOHN WAS QUESTIONED AT LENGTH ABOUT THE PRESENT SITUATION AND ABOUT FUTURE POLICY. SOME COMMISSIONERS EXPRESSED DISATISFACTION WITH THE TEMPORARY RESTRICTIVE IMMIGRATION POLICY, VOICING DOUBTS AS TO WHETHER IT CONFORMED TO THE PALESTINE MANDATE, WITH WHICH THE LEAGUE ENTRUSTED BRITAIN IN 1922.

DURING THE EXAMINATION, SIR JOHN ASSERTED THAT BRITAIN COULD NOT ACT MORE QUICKLY ON ITS PROPOSED THREE-WAY PARTITION OF PALESTINE SINCE THE LEAGUE COUNCIL HAD EXPRESSED THE OPINION LAST SEPTEMBER THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT COULD NOT ADOPT DECISIVE MEASURES WITHOUT LEAGUE AUTHORITY.

IN ADDITION, HE SAID, ARAB TERRORISM HAD GREATLY INCREASED, CLIMAXED BY THE MURDER OF LEWIS Y. ANDREWS, DISTRICT COMMISSIONER FOR THE GALILEE, LAST SEPTEMBER. THE GOVERNMENT TOOK THE STRONGEST MEASURES, HE DECLARED. IT PUT THE ARAB SUPREME COMMITTEE, WHICH HE HELD MORALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BLOODSHED, OUTSIDE THE LAW AND DEPRIVED THE MUFTI OF JERUSALEM OF ALL THE POSTS FROM WHICH HE HAD DERIVED HIS DANGEROUS POWERS. IN THE SPRING, THE POSITION IMPROVED, MAKING POSSIBLE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION.

REGARDING THE CHARGE OF LACK OF CLARITY IN ITS POLICY, SIR JOHN SAID THAT AS LONG AS NO FAIR PLAN EXISTED IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO EXPECT THE GOVERNMENT'S PALESTINE POLICY TO BE CLEAR. THE MANDATORY POWER IS CONVINCED, HE ASSERTED, THAT PARTITION IS THE BEST AND FAIREST SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM, AND IT CLEARLY EXPRESSED THIS VIEW IN ITS STATEMENT OF POLICY LAST JULY AS WELL AS IN THE DECLARATION BY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES IN PARLIAMENT.

THE IMMIGRATION POLICY IS CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH THE QUESTION OF PARTITION, SIR JOHN DECLARED. HE HELD THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S PRESENT POLICY OF ARBITRARY RESTRICTION OF IMMIGRATION WAS TEMPORARY, BUT ALSO JUST AND CONFORMED WITH THE MANDATE. AS SOON AS THE FRONTIERS OF JEWISH AND ARAB STATES AND A BRITISH CORRIDOR ARE DRAWN, AND AS LONG AS THE MANDATE IS IN EFFECT, THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS READY TO REGULATE JEWISH IMMIGRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF ABSORPTIVE CAPACITY, HE SAID.

SIR JOHN STRESSED THE GOVERNMENT'S ATTENTION TO THE SECURITY PROBLEM, POINTING OUT THAT THE AUTHORITIES WERE FORCED TO CONDUCT A REAL WAR WITH THE TERRORISTS. HE ASSERTED THAT THE SITUATION WAS NOW IMPROVED. ACTS OF TERRORISM HAD ASSUMED AN ISOLATED AND SPORADIC CHARACTER, ALTHOUGH THE SITUATION IN THE GALILEE, HAIFA AND SAMARIA DISTRICTS WAS STILL INSECURE.

REFERRING TO INTENSIFIED ARAB AGITATION AGAINST BRITAIN, SIR JOHN DECLARED THAT ARAB AGITATORS WERE ATTEMPTING TO AROUSE THE RELIGIOUS FERVOR OF MUSLIMS BY SPREADING RUMORS THAT THE ENGLISH WERE TEARING UP THE KORAN. HE DECLARED THAT AN INEVITABLE CONSEQUENCE OF THE DISORDERS WAS DETERIORATION OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION.

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438 ACTS OF TERRORISM IN 1937; 97 KILLED

LONDON, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- PUBLIC SECURITY IN PALESTINE HAS BEEN SERIOUSLY DISTURBED BY A CAMPAIGN OF MURDER, INTIMIDATION AND SABOTAGE CONDUCTED BY ARAB LAW-BREAKERS, DECLARES THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT TO THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS, PUBLISHED TODAY.

THE CAMPAIGN WAS GENERALLY CONDUCTED THROUGH ISOLATED MURDERS, BUT LAST AUTUMN BANDITRY WAS REVIVED, THE REPORT SAYS. THE LIFE OF THE COUNTRY DID NOT APPEAR UNDOLY AFFECTED, BUT AT THE END OF THE YEAR, ECONOMIC CONDITIONS SERIOUSLY DETERIORATED. THE ARAB CAMPAIGN ON A FEW OCCASIONS PROVOKED JEWISH REPRISALS, THE REPORT STATES.

THE REPORT DECLARES 438 CASES OF TERRORISM WERE RECORDED IN 1937 IN WHICH 97 PERSONS WERE KILLED AND 149 WOUNDED. NO REWARDS WERE CLAIMED OF THE TOTAL OF £26,200 OFFERED BY THE POLICE. A TOTAL OF 1,572 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WERE SENTENCED DURING THE YEAR, AMONG THEM 304 JEWS.

JEWISH AFFAIRS IN PALESTINE WERE DOMINATED BY INSECURITY AND UNCERTAINTY, THE REPORT DECLARES. A SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT IN THE ECONOMIC SITUATION EARLY IN 1937 WAS NOT MAINTAINED. THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE SUCCESSFULLY PROTESTED AGAINST A SPECIAL LIMITATION OF IMMIGRANTS OF THE JEWISH RACE, AND THE AGENCY CONTINUED TO COOPERATE WITH THE AUTHORITIES IN THE DEFENSE OF JEWISH SETTLEMENTS.

THE REPORT MENTIONS THAT "PALESTINE JEWRY LOST AN ACTIVE AND INFLUENTIAL SUPPORTER BY THE DEATH OF FELIX WARBURG, WHO GENEROUSLY CONTRIBUTED TO ZIONIST ACTIVITIES AND THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY."

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5 KILLED IN NEW VIOLENCE

JERUSALEM, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- TWO JEWISH AUXILIARY POLICEMEN WERE KILLED TODAY AND A THIRD WAS SLIGHTLY INJURED IN THE EXPLOSION OF WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE A TERRORIST-PLANTED ROAD MINE NEAR BASSA WHILE THEY WERE ON THEIR WAY TO HANITA, PALESTINE'S NEWEST AND NORTHERLY-MOST JEWISH COLONY.

ONE BRITISH SOLDIER WAS SLIGHTLY INJURED WHEN A MILITARY ESCORT ACCOMPANYING PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WORKERS WAS FIRED UPON NEAR TULKAREM. A BAND ATTACKED AND LOOTED THE GOVERNMENT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTATION STATION NEAR GISALA.

PLANES, TROOPS AND POLICE ENGAGED AN ARAB TERRORIST BAND NEAR ZICHRON JACOB, KILLING THREE ARABS AND CAPTURING THREE RIFLES AND CONSIDERABLE AMMUNITION. THE GOVERNMENT FORCES SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES. TERRORISTS SHOT AND SERIOUSLY WOUNDED A JEW NAMED YEHUDA ROZNOVSKY ON THE KARKUR ROAD.

CONTINUING THEIR CAMPAIGN OF PUTTING JEWISH-OWNED FIELDS TO THE TORCH, TERRORISTS SET FIRE TO 15 ACRES OF WHEAT AT BEIT VEGAN, IN THE JEZREEL VALLEY. COLONISTS TRYING TO EXTINGUISH THE FLAMES WERE SUBJECTED BY THE TERRORISTS TO GUNFIRE FOR TWO HOURS.

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WIDESPREAD APPEALS FOR CONDEMNED PALESTINE YOUTHS

LONDON, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- CLEMENCY FOR THE TWO JEWISH YOUTHS SENTENCED TO DEATH IN PALESTINE FOR FIRING ON AN ARAB BUS WAS URGED TODAY IN A LETTER PRESENTED BY THE REV. J.K. GOLDBLOOM, CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BRITISH ZIONIST FEDERATION, TO COLONIAL SECRETARY MALCOLM MACDONALD FOR TRANSMISSION TO MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT H. HAINING, GENERAL OFFICER IN COMMAND OF BRITISH FORCES IN PALESTINE. DR. GOLDBLOOM POINTED TO THE PROVOCATION TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CAUSED BY CONTINUING ARAB TERRORISM AND DECLARED IT WAS NOT SURPRISING THAT THERE HAD BEEN A BREAKDOWN IN JEWISH SELF-RESTRAINT.

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WARSAW, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF POLAND TODAY CABLED QUEEN MOTHER MARY OF ENGLAND TO INTERCEDE ON BEHALF OF THE TWO CONDEMNED PALESTINE JEWISH YOUTHS. AT THE SAME TIME, THE POLISH UNION OF RABBIS JOINED WITH THE WARSAW JEWISH COMMUNITY IN CABLEING AN APPEAL FOR CLEMENCY TO MAJOR GENERAL HAINING. ALL JEWISH NEWSPAPERS PUBLISH EDITORIALS ASKING COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE.

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KAUNAS, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE ASSOCIATION OF ORTHODOX RABBIS AND REPRESENTATIVE JEWISH BODIES THROUGHOUT LITHUANIA JOINED TODAY IN A CABLE TO THE PALESTINE MILITARY AUTHORITIES URGING CLEMENCY FOR THE TWO JEWISH YOUTHS SENTENCED TO DEATH.

HOUSE VOTES \$25,000 FOR PROBE; CURB ON PROPAGANDISTS ENACTED

WASHINGTON, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE HOUSE TODAY APPROVED A \$25,000 APPROPRIATION FOR THE DIES COMMITTEE INVESTIGATION INTO UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES. IN SUBMITTING THE RECOMMENDATION, REPRESENTATIVE WARREN (DEM., NORTH CAROLINA) STATED: "THE REPORT WILL BE EMBALMED IN THE ARCHIVES AND NOTHING WILL BE DONE ABOUT IT." HE SAID THAT THERE WAS SUFFICIENT LEGISLATION NOW ENACTED TO TAKE CARE OF THE CONDITIONS SOUGHT TO BE REMEDIED BY THE INVESTIGATION.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT YESTERDAY SIGNED THE CONGRESSIONAL ACT REQUIRING REGISTRATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF ALL PERSONS, ASSOCIATIONS OR CORPORATIONS WHO ACT AS PUBLIC RELATIONS COUNSEL, PUBLICITY AGENT OR ATTORNEY FOR A FOREIGN COUNTRY OR FOREIGN POLITICAL PARTY, OR FOR A DOMESTIC ORGANIZATION SUBSIDIZED BY A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OR POLITICAL PARTY.

THE LAW WAS ENACTED ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE WHICH INVESTIGATED UN-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA A FEW YEARS AGO. SPONSORS OF THE BILL SAID IT WOULD APPLY TO THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND TO SUCH PRO-NAZI ORGANIZATIONS AS THE GERMAN-AMERICAN BUND ONLY IF THEY WERE ACTING FOR OR WERE DIRECTED BY A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OR POLITICAL PARTY.

VIENNA JEWS APPEAL FOR FOREIGN AID; STRESS EMIGRATION NECESSITY

VIENNA, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY TODAY ISSUED AN APPEAL FOR AID TO THE JEWS OF THE WORLD, STRESSING THE NECESSITY OF ASSISTING EMIGRATION, PROVIDING JOBS FOR REFUGEES, SUPPORTING WELFARE WORK AND AVOIDING "EVERY STEP AND ACT WHICH MIGHT HINDER THE PEACEFUL PURSUANCE OF OUR AIMS."

"UNITED IN THE BELIEF IN GOD, VIENNA'S JEWRY IS ATTEMPTING TO ADJUST ITSELF TO THE NEW CONDITIONS OF LIFE, TO CREATE EMIGRATION POSSIBILITIES FOR ITS MEMBERS AND TO PREPARE THE YOUTH FOR WHATEVER THE FUTURE MAY BRING FORTH," THE APPEAL SAID.

"THE VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY CONFIDENTLY EXPECTS THE JEWS THE WORLD OVER TO SEE TO THEIR HOLY DUTY TO GIVE ASSISTANCE IN THIS TIME OF NEED. THIS HELP SHOULD PRIMARILY CONSIST OF FURTHERING EMIGRATION, PROVIDING JOBS FOR EMIGRES AND SUPPORTING OUR WELFARE WORK.

"EVERY STEP AND ACT WHICH MIGHT HINDER THE PEACEFUL PURSUANCE OF OUR AIMS MUST BE AVOIDED. WE ARE WORKING FOR THE FUTURE; IT CALLS FOR THE COOPERATION OF ALL."

IN CONNECTION WITH THE APPEAL THE COMMUNITY ANNOUNCED PLANS TO ESTABLISH TRAINING AND RETRAINING COURSES FOR MANUAL TRADES, AND LANGUAGE CLASSES.

THE HEBREW SHELTERING AND IMMIGRANT AID SOCIETY OF AMERICA, KNOWN AS THE HIAS, HAS OFFERED ITS SERVICES IN BEHALF OF EMIGRANTS SEEKING AFFIDAVITS FROM PERSONS IN THE UNITED STATES. THE APPLICANTS ARE ASKED TO LIST FRIENDS AND RELATIVES IN THE UNITED STATES, THIS INFORMATION TO BE SENT TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF HIAS WHICH WILL ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THEM. AN AMERICAN CONSULAR SPOKESMAN REVEALED THAT MANY AFFIDAVITS RECEIVED HERE ARE INVALID BECAUSE IMPROPERLY PREPARED, OFTEN REQUIRING FROM A FORTNIGHT TO A MONTH FOR CORRECTION.

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U.S. WILL NOT CHANGE ENTRY LAWS OR QUOTAS

PARIS, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS NO INTENTION OF CHANGING EITHER IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS OR QUOTAS IN CONNECTION WITH NEXT MONTH'S REFUGEE-AID CONFERENCE AT EVIAN, SECRETARY OF LABOR FRANCES PERKINS, HERE ON A VISIT, TODAY INDICATED TO THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY.

MISS PERKINS DISCLOSED THAT SIX IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ATTACHED TO AMERICAN CONSULATES IN EUROPE WILL BE PLACED AT THE DISPOSAL OF MYRON C. TAYLOR, AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVE, DURING THE EVIAN CONFERENCE TO ADVISE HIM ON QUESTIONS OF IMMIGRATION. A MEMORANDUM ON EXISTING IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS HAS BEEN GIVEN TO MR. TAYLOR BY THE LABOR DEPARTMENT, MISS PERKINS ADDED.

THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT TODAY NAMED SENATOR HENRY BERENGER, DISTINGUISHED STATESMAN AND FORMER AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, AS ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EVIAN CONFERENCE, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO OPEN JULY 6.

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LONDON, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- REPRESENTATIVES OF CENTRAL JEWISH BODIES CONVENED HERE TODAY TO CONSIDER AUSTRO-GERMAN EMIGRATION PLANS IN CONNECTION WITH THE JULY CONFERENCE AT EVIAN. FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE ANSCHLUSS, OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF AUSTRIAN JEWRY WERE PERMITTED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING.

THE DAILY TELEGRAPH TODAY PUBLISHED A LETTER UNDER THE SIGNATURES OF LORD READING, THE BISHOP OF CHICHESTER AND LORD SEMPILL, APPEALING FOR FUNDS FOR REFUGEES. THE LETTER POINTS OUT THAT THE FUNDS NOW AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE ARE INSUFFICIENT TO COPE WITH "URGENT AND MULTIFARIOUS" DEMANDS. COMMENTING ON THE APPEAL, THE TELEGRAPH DECLARES IT DESERVES THE SUPPORT OF "ALL MEN OF GOOD WILL," ADDING THAT THE NAMES OF THE SIGNATORIES SHOWED THERE WAS "NO DISTINCTION OF CREED OR PARTY AMONG US FOR THIS CAUSE."

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REICH BANS PURCHASE OF SPERRMARKS

BERLIN, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- THE PURCHASE OF SPERRMARKS, WHICH ARE ALMOST THE ONLY MEANS FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS OF JEWISH EMIGRANTS, IS PROHIBITED FOR JEWS AND FOREIGNERS BY A DECREE ISSUED BY THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE CENTRAL OFFICE. THE CLOSING OF THE SPERRMARK APPLIES ALSO TO "ARYAN" EMIGRANTS, BUT PROVISION IS MADE FOR ALLOWING EXCEPTIONS FOR THEM.

GOLDSTEIN ACCEPTS BID TO STAND FOR Z.O.A. PRESIDENCY

NEW YORK, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN, FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS PRESIDENT OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, TODAY ACCEPTED AN INVITATION EXTENDED BY A GROUP OF LEADING NEW YORK ZIONISTS TO BE A CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED RABBI STEPHEN S. WISE AS PRESIDENT OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA. DR. WISE, WHO HAS HELD THE OFFICE FOR TWO YEARS, HAS INDICATED HIS INTENTION OF RETIRING AT THE END OF THE PRESENT TERM.

DR. GOLDSTEIN MADE KNOWN HIS ACCEPTANCE AT A LUNCHEON AT THE ALDINE CLUB SPONSORED BY A COMMITTEE HEADED BY LOUIS P. ROCKER, PRESIDENT OF YOUNG JUDEA. IN A FORMAL STATEMENT URGING DR. GOLDSTEIN TO STAND FOR THE PRESIDENCY AT THE JULY CONVENTION IN DETROIT, MR. ROCKER CITED HIS RECORD AS A ZIONIST LEADER AND ADMINISTRATOR AS MAKING HIM "THE OUTSTANDING CANDIDATE" FOR THE POST.

IN HIS SPEECH OF ACCEPTANCE, DR. GOLDSTEIN PAID TRIBUTE TO RABBI WISE, WHO, HE DECLARED, WOULD BE THE "UNANIMOUS CHOICE" TO SUCCEED HIMSELF IF HE HAD CHOSEN TO BE A CANDIDATE. DR. GOLDSTEIN INDICATED HE WOULD CONCENTRATE, IF ELECTED, ON "EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION, EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION, LARGER MEMBERSHIP AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BROADER BASE FOR THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT IN THIS COUNTRY."

MEMBERS OF THE SPONSORING COMMITTEE INCLUDE JACOB SINCOFF, DAVID PODOLSKY, RABBI A.M. HELLER, DR. LEO P. SCHWARTZ, ABRAHAM SPICEHANDLER, DR. SAMUEL MARGOSHES, ISAAC IMBER AND OTHERS.

SIT-DOWNERS PROTESTING 'EXCLUSION' FROM JOBS OUSTED FROM AGENCY BUILDING

JERUSALEM, JUNE 9. (JTA) -- POLICE LAST NIGHT EXPELLED A GROUP OF 80 UNEMPLOYED JEWISH WORKERS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WHO LAUNCHED A SIT-DOWN DEMONSTRATION IN THE CORRIDOR OF THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE OFFICES IN PROTEST AGAINST ALLEGED EXCLUSION FROM PUBLIC PROJECTS.

THE WORKERS, ADHERENTS OF THE GENERAL ZIONIST GROUP "B" ORGANIZATION, SOUGHT AN INTERVIEW WITH DAVID BEN GURION, CHAIRMAN OF THE PALESTINE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE JEWISH AGENCY, TO PRESENT THEIR GRIEVANCES, BUT HE REFUSED TO MEET A DELEGATION UNTIL THEY LEFT THE PREMISES. THE DEMONSTRATORS ASSERTED THAT THEY WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE NEW COLONY OF HANITA AND OTHER SETTLEMENTS, FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BARBED-WIRE BARRICADE ALONG THE SYRIAN FRONTIER, FROM HOUSING PROJECTS AND FROM JOBS IN JEWISH NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. THE SECRETARY OF THEIR ORGANIZATION WAS BEING TEMPORARILY HELD BY THE POLICE.