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JOINT SUBMITS ADDITIONAL MEMORANDUM ASKING UNCIO TO GUARANTEE JEWISH RIGHTS IN PALESTINE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14. (JTA) -- A five-point supplementary memorandum asking specific amendments to the various trusteeship proposals which would guarantee Jewish rights in Palestine and Jewish immigration into Palestine was submitted by the Jewish Agency to the United Nations Conference on International Organization during the weekend, it was disclosed today at a press conference addressed by Henry Monsky and Dr. Nahum Goldmann.

Another memorandum asking that the Big Four joint amendment to the Dumbarton Oaks proposals be enlarged so as to call for not only promotion and encouragement of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, but for protection and safeguarding of those rights and freedoms was submitted to the UNCIO by the joint committee of the American Jewish Conference, the World Jewish Congress and the Board of Deputies of British Jews, Monsky revealed.

The memorandum of the joint committee also urged the UNCIO to replace the word "essentially" with the word "solely" in one of the amendments submitted by the four sponsoring powers which provides that matters essentially within the scope of domestic jurisdiction be outside the scope of the new United Nations Organization, Mr. Monsky disclosed. The word "essentially," he said, may be interpreted "so as to make it impossible for the new United Nations organization to intervene in any marginal cases where human rights and fundamental freedoms are impaired. Under such circumstances the organization may be powerless to halt nations which embark on domestic programs flagrantly violating and totally disregarding human rights and fundamental freedoms."

Two TVA Engineers En Route to Palestine in Connection With Lowdermilk Plan

Dr. Goldmann announced that two American engineers who have been working for the TVA have been sent to Palestine in connection with the Lowdermilk plan which provides for the irrigation and electrification of large areas in Palestine so as to make possible the absorption of additional hundreds of thousands of Jewish immigrants. How the project would be financed, he said that the Jews would expect that in addition to their own funds the big powers would extend loans as soon as a Jewish Commonwealth is established.

Dr. Goldmann defined "Jewish Commonwealth" as meaning "a majority of the inhabitants in the country to be Jews." He outlined the argument of the Jewish Agency against partition and emphasized that the Zionist program does not foresee the transfer of Arabs from the Jewish Commonwealth, but, on the contrary, provides equal rights for all Arabs as well as other inhabitants of the country.

The Zionist leader told the press conference that the U. S. proposal on trusteeship is basically acceptable to the Jews. He emphasized that any proposal to make Palestine a bi-national state on the basis of equal voting power for Jews and Arabs would not be acceptable because it would not work and would create a permanent

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deadlock. Asked whether the Jews would be willing to accept a plebiscite in Palestine, Dr. Goldmann replied that such a plebiscite would have to be conducted also among Jews outside of Palestine since the Palestine mandate affects the Jewish people as a whole and recognizes the Jewish Agency, which represents the Jewish people of the world, as their official representative for Palestine.

Palestine Will Be Affected By Conference Decisions, Goldmann Stresses

In explaining why the Jewish Agency found it necessary to submit a supplementary memorandum to the UNCIO, Dr. Goldmann said: "It has been repeatedly stated that the Palestine question will not be on the agenda of this conference because territorial questions are not to be discussed. Nevertheless, the Palestine issue is relevant to the trusteeship question now before the conference, for Palestine is held under a mandate or trusteeship, which was created by the League of Nations after the last war for the benefit of the Jewish people. We are, therefore, vitally concerned that any trusteeship plan which is written into the United Nations charter shall expressly safeguard the rights of the Jewish people to Palestine and shall place no obstacles or impediments in the way of the exercise of those rights.

"An examination of the various trusteeship proposals reveals that the definition of the purposes of the trusteeship is couched in general terms," Dr. Goldmann continued. "As a result adequate allowance is not made for the unique character of the Palestine mandate with its dynamics in matters of population and its objective of creating a national home for a people still to come to the country.

The five proposals offered in the supplementary memorandum of the Jewish Agency urged the UNCIO to:

- "1. Include in the chapter of the charter of the United Nations dealing with international trusteeship a clause designed to preserve existing Jewish rights required under the mandate system of the League of Nations.
- "2. Center responsibility for the transfer of League of Nations mandates to the authority of the United Nations in the hands of the permanent members of the security council together - in the case of any particular territory held under mandate by a United Nation not a member of the security council - with the nation holding such mandate.
- "3. Define the beneficiaries of the trusteeship system so as to take into account the rights of the Jewish people as a whole to Jewish immigration and settlement in Palestine.
- "4. Qualify provisions for non-discrimination or the 'open door' in regard to trusteeship areas by imposing requirements of reciprocity.
- "5. Vest the General Assembly and the Social and Economic Council with power sufficient to enable them to carry out their supervisory functions in regard to trusteeship areas."

UNCIO Gets 15,000 Signatures Demanding Jewish Representation at Conference

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14. (JTA) -- The American League for a Free Palestine at a press conference today announced that it has submitted to the Secretariat of the United Nations Conference 15,000 signatures asking that Jews should be given a seat at the conference. These 15,000 are part of 50,000 signatures collected by the League.

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ITALY WILL BE ABLE TO RE-ESTABLISH THEMSELVES SOONER THAN OTHER COMMUNITIES

ROME, May 14. (JTA) -- The Jews of Italy will be able to re-establish themselves individually, and as a community, sooner than the Jews in any other part of Europe that was overrun by the Nazis, Reuben Resnik, Joint Distribution Committee representative here, who has just returned from a lengthy tour of northern Italy, much of which was made with advanced Allied forces, said today.

Resnik told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that "the loss of life among Italian Jews was not nearly as great as had been feared. Efforts to round them up were made much later than in other countries and many escaped through the kindness of Christian clergy and ordinary citizens, while from Milan, for instance, hundreds fled to havens in Switzerland."

While return of Jewish property will be difficult, Resnik said, the problem has been greatly simplified by the fact that complete records of sequestered Jewish property have been obtained in many cities from former Fascist officials. In one case, several hundred thousand lire of rents which had been collected on confiscated Jewish property were secured. This problem is now being handled by the AMG, the JDC worker and local communities are being aided to re-establish themselves so that they can raise from their own sources sufficient funds for rehabilitation and relief.

Although the general situation is hopeful, Resnik stressed that substantial help, in the form of housing, food and assistance in rebuilding Jewish institutions, is required. Most synagogues have been destroyed and looted and most rabbis have been killed or have not yet emerged from hiding. Since the JDC had truckloads of food and staff members available, help is being given throughout northern Italy, he said.

SOMMERSTEIN ASKS CURB ON ANTI-SEMITISM IN POLAND AND HAVEN FOR JEWS IN PALESTINE

LONDON, May 14. (JTA) -- Disclosing that ninety-eight and one-half percent of the Jews who lived in Poland under the German occupation were exterminated, Dr. Emil Sommerstein, head of the central Jewish committee in Poland, has appealed for "emergency action" to curb anti-Semitism in Poland, and urged that emigration to Palestine of those Jews who desire to go there be facilitated.

Addressing the national council of the Polish Provisional Government, Dr. Sommerstein said, according to the Lublin radio, that although the government has put into effect measures guaranteeing full political and legal equality for Jews, "energetic action is required to stop anti-Semitism." He pointed out that the position of the Jews in Poland is very difficult, asserting that their physical condition is not very satisfactory, and their psychological state is even worse.

Recalling that in January, Premier Osuhka-Morawski declared that Jewish emigration would not be hindered, Dr. Sommerstein said that "the time has come to resolve this problem; the democracies must take account of the Jewish people's rightful claims to build a Jewish national home in Palestine." He appealed to the new Polish government to use its influence to support the "just claims" of the Jews.

10,000 JEWS REPORTED TO HAVE SURVIVED IN AMSTERDAM; CITY HAD 75,000 JEWS BEFORE WAR

BRUSSELS, May 14. (JTA) -- About 10,000 Jews are believed to have survived in Amsterdam, which had a Jewish population of over 75,000, the Dutch radio said today. In addition to 6,000 Jews who were not deported because they were married to non-Jews, several thousand have emerged from hiding since the city was liberated, the broadcast disclosed.

THOUSANDS OF STARVING HUNGARIAN JEWISH SLAVE WORKERS POUR INTO U.S. CENTER IN AUSTRIA

LIENZ, Austria, May 14. (JTA) — Thousands of refugees from central Europe, many percent of them Jews, are hitch-hiking, walking and crawling into this city, which is an evacuation point for Allied prisoners rescued from Austrian prisoner-of-war camps.

It is estimated by American military authorities that over 40,000 refugees are already here and more come hourly. Most of them are Hungarian Jews. They escaped, or, more recently, simply walked out of the factories where they were sent for slave labor by the Germans and systematically starved to death.

Among them, a Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent found a Czechoslovak Jew, 35, a graduate economist from the University of Prague, by the name of Kunsian. The SS seized him last December and put him to work on the Todt fortifications on the eastern front. Kunsian, who is tall and big, weight 60 lbs. He speaks perfect English.

He was lined up before the shower-baths, when the correspondent spoke to him, and weaved back and forth as he talked. "You are here," he kept repeating. "The Americans are here." A doctor told him to take it easy, and to get out of the sun. "I must wash, I must wash," he muttered. "I haven't washed in so long, I must wash." He reached for the water-pipe to steady himself, but his fingers never touched it. He collapsed and died as the correspondent watched.

PALESTINE APPEALS TO RUSSIAN WORKERS TO SUPPORT BUILDING OF JEWISH COMMONWEALTH IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, May 14. (JTA) — An appeal to the Russian trade unions to support Zionist aspirations for a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine was cabled today by the British Mandate authorities as part of a victory message to the workers of the Soviet Union. The message read, in part, as follows:

"On the occasion of victory, the workers of Palestine, who with sons and blood participated in the war, who are engaged in building a life for their people on the foundations of equality, labor and justice, fervently hope that they will find among Soviet workers, a true understanding assistance in accomplishing the primary task of creating Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth to serve the refugee survivors of the Nazi and Fascist slaughterers."

AGUDAS ISRAEL NOT OPPOSED TO JEWISH COMMONWEALTH, SAYS RABBI ITOHE MEIR LEVIN

NEW YORK, May 14. (JTA) — Rabbi Itohe Meir Levin, a member of the central committee of the World Agudas Israel organization, who has just arrived here from Palestine, told a press conference today that the Agudas Israel is not opposed to the creation of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine, and believes that Palestine is the only possible refuge for the Jews of Europe.

Rabbi Levin said that his chief purpose in coming to the United States was to strengthen efforts to raise funds for the support of Jewish religious activities in Palestine. While here, however, he hopes to assist in the formation of a united Jewish front on postwar Jewish problems.

BRITISH FASCIST AND ANTI-SEMITIC DROPPED AS MILITARY EXPERT OF NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE

NEW YORK, May 14. (JTA) — Maj. Gen. J. F. C. Fuller, retired British Army officer and one-time member of the British Union of Fascists, is being dropped as military analyst for Newsweek magazine, it is reported today. Fuller, who has openly espoused anti-Semitic sentiments in his writings, had been the target of an attack by Walter Winchell who exposed him in a nation-wide broadcast last March.