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BRITISH CABINET BODY TO STUDY MAJORITY AND MINORITY REPORTS OF U.N. PALESTINE COMMITTEE

LONDON, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- A special sub-committee of the British Cabinet will shortly begin a careful study of the majority and minority reports of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine, it was learned here today. The sub-committee may include Foreign Secretary Bevin and A.A. Alexander, Minister for Defense.

Upon completion of the study, the sub-committee will report to a full session of the Cabinet which will decide on the policy to be adopted by the British delegation at the United Nations Assembly. Unofficial exchanges of views with the State Department in Washington will follow the Cabinet's decision.

The members of the sub-committee will strive to answer the following four questions which are of basic interest to the British Government:

1. Whether the solutions proposed by the majority of the UNSCOP can be considered suitable for the termination of the mandate, and which of the two reports should be accepted by Britain;
2. Whether Britain can accept the UNSCOP majority proposal that the British continue to administer Palestine until the establishment of the independent states, alone or in conjunction with other United Nations members;
3. What amount of cooperation from the other U.N. major powers should be insisted upon by the British Government before undertaking any new Palestine policy; and
4. To what degree the cooperation of both communities should be made Britain's condition for joining in establishing the foundations of a new Palestine.

These issues, which the Cabinet will try to answer before the UN Assembly meets, hint at the contents of the likely British reply, it is believed here. These may include acceptance of the majority UNSCOP proposals provided other powers are prepared to share Britain's burden and, particularly, that the United States see that both the Jewish and Arab communities cooperate, which implies that Washington put an end to any violence.

TWO EXPLOSIONS IN HAGANAH ARMS CACHE IN JERUSALEM KILL JEW; STERNISTS HIT UNSCOP REPORT

JERUSALEM, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- Two accidental explosions in the cellar of a house in Tel Aviv today resulted in the death of an unidentified Jew. It is believed that the cellar contained a Haganah arms cache.

The Stern Gang, in a statement issued last night to the press, expressed its opposition to the partition plan outlined in the UNSCOP report. "Whoever will sign for partition will sign for himself," the statement said. "We will continue to fight for an undivided Palestine. We invite all freedom-loving nations to fight with us."

ZIONIST EXECUTIVE "NOTES WITH SATISFACTION" UNSCOP PARTITION PLAN; HITS FEDERAL SCHEME

ZURICH, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The executive of the World Zionist Organization today recommended to the Zionist Actions Committee a resolution in which it "notes with satisfaction" the majority report of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine, proposing the establishment of a Jewish state.

The executive points out, however, that the proposed Jewish state contains only a fraction of the territory promised the Jews historically and does not include certain areas of importance. "The executive will, after further study, present the views of the Jewish Agency at the forthcoming General Assembly," the resolution states. "The definitive attitude of the Jewish people will be determined after the Assembly's decisions are made."

The resolution, which is certain to be adopted by the Actions Committee, was passed last night with only two dissenting votes. Fritz Bernstein, of the Aliyah Hashkha, and Moshe Shoh, of the General Zionists, advocated that no statement be issued until after further developments.

The executive flatly rejected the minority federal plan, charging that it would result in the establishment of an Arab state with a permanent Jewish minority. The Hashomer Hatzair and the Achduth Avodah, the two major left-wing groups in the Actions Committee, are preparing opposition resolutions. The Revisionists have also drafted a separate resolution.

The Actions Committee meeting is now scheduled to end tomorrow morning. Some of the American delegates are leaving this evening, while others, including Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, will depart by air tomorrow morning to make connections with the Queen Mary at Southampton. Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America, and Daniel Frisch, chairman of the ZOA administrative committee, will remain to cover any new developments.

Executive to Call Meeting of Agency Council, Including Non-Zionists

The Political Commission, at a meeting last night, authorized the executive to extend the Jewish Agency by taking steps to convene the Council of the Agency, which includes non-Zionists. The commission also voted to submit breaches of Zionist discipline to a "court of honor."

The text of the resolution adopted by the Executive reads as follows:

"The Zionist General Council (Actions Committee) has given preliminary consideration to the report of the recommendations of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine. The executive will, after further study, present the views of the Agency at the forthcoming General Assembly of the United Nations Organization. The definitive attitude of the Jewish people will be determined after the General Assembly has made its decisions.

"The study carried out by the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine in its report represent an earnest effort to arrive at a practicable solution of the problem. The Council notes with satisfaction that a substantial majority of the UNSCOP delegates recommended the early establishment of a sovereign Jewish state. The territory is only a fraction of the territory originally promised to the Jewish

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... It does not include certain areas of the utmost importance. There are other features of the proposal requiring careful examination.

"The Executive is instructed to continue its efforts to secure a speedy and satisfactory settlement.

"The Council regrets the proposals forwarded by the minority of the UNSCOP delegates, which it finds wholly unacceptable. The suggested federalization plan is actually meant to convert Palestine into an Arab state in which Jews would be permitted to remain a permanent minority and the right of immigration is effectively denied them by making such immigration subject to the decision of the present Arab majority.

"The proposals deny even the present Jewish inhabitants of Palestine the right to settle in most parts of the federal state of which they are presumably to be citizens. The term 'Jewish State' employed in these proposals is misleading. Far from conferring statehood, they would perpetuate a territorial ghetto created by the policy of the White Paper of 1939. Constructive and progressive forces of the Jewish people would, in the suggested federal scheme, be fettered and stifled and the economic and social development of the country would thereby be impeded.

"No settlement of the problem can be accepted by the Jewish people which fails to assure the rights of Jews to return to their homeland and the establishment of a sovereign Jewish state."

It was denied here today that during last week's debate on terrorism, Isaac Grunbaum, General Zionist leader, stated that he would not support "a pact between Ben-Gurion and Bevin against Beigin." According to official records, Grunbaum made no such statement.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE CALLS ON U.S. TO SPEED U.N. ACTION ON PALESTINE

NEW YORK, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Conference today termed the majority UNSCOP report a "compromise", predicting that it would "be received with mixed feelings by Jews in the United States."

At the same time, the Conference stressed that now "a great moral responsibility rests upon the United States Government, arising out of its previous commitments which it dare not shirk." The United States, it continued, "must take the lead consistent with past American policy for, only in this way can it ensure an immediate affirmative solution by the General Assembly of the United Nations."

The Conference declared that despite the fact that the majority report does not call for a Jewish state in all of Palestine, as requested by an overwhelming number of American Jews, and despite the fact that it excludes western Galilee and the Jewish section of Jerusalem, it "merits serious consideration and prompt action by the General Assembly." The statement welcomed the recommendation that 150,000 Jews be admitted to Palestine within the next two years.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, said last night that the majority report "has furnished the basis on which a solution may be achieved." He called on Great Britain to announce that it will abide by the U.N. General Assembly's recommendations and to admit immediately to Palestine the 4,400 Jewish refugees and the Jews now interned on Cyprus.

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ABROAD CAN CLAIM 5,000 BUILDINGS AND FACTORIES OF MURDERED RELATIVES IN POLAND

WARSAW, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- Experts of the Jewish Central Committee today estimated that there are at least 5,000 buildings, factories and other real property in Poland, valued at millions of dollars, that can be legally claimed by Jews residing abroad, whose families were wiped out by the Germans.

In making this estimate public, the Committee drew attention to the fact that under existing Polish laws, those claiming the property of relatives murdered by the Nazis must apply no later than December 31, 1947. After that date, no claims will be accepted.

Several hundred claims have been registered with the Committee by Jews in the United States, Palestine, Australia and South Africa. However, the Committee is not in a position to undertake any action on them, because under existing regulations, applicants abroad must send in foreign currency to cover the cost of the legal proceedings. Local attorneys are not permitted to advance funds to press such claims, but must prove that money was sent to them by the claimants.

Jewish leaders here believe that if Jewish groups abroad pay sufficient attention to this problem, much Jewish property would be restored to the legal heirs. They are also inclined to believe that the government would react favorably to a request by Jewish organizations abroad to extend the deadline for claiming the property.

A representative of the Jewish community in Stockholm arrived here this week to intervene with the Polish authorities with regard to buildings and factories of murdered Jews which are claimed by relatives now residing in Sweden. This is the first direct attempt by a Jewish community abroad to claim property in Poland for those residing in their countries.

HUNGARY INTENSIFIES MEASURES TO SPEED UP THE RETURN OF PROPERTY TO JEWS

BUDAPEST, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The Ministry of Justice has ruled that persons entrusted by Jews and other persecutees with their property during the Nazi occupation and who now refuse to return the property to the rightful owners will be tried in a high court, if the amount involved exceeds \$60.

Formerly, all such cases were brought before police magistrates, and the defendants, if found guilty, received light prison sentences or small fines. It is expected that under the new ruling, some 100,000 cases will be brought to trial.

EXODUS JEWS WILL ARRIVE IN HAMBURG ON MONDAY; TROOPS READY TO PREVENT VIOLENCE

LONDON, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The three British ships carrying the Exodus refugees to Germany are expected to dock in Hamburg on Monday, it was reported here today by Reuters. The report said that hundreds of troops will be ready to move into the dock area should there be any violence, since it is expected that the Jews will not act voluntarily.

German police will cordon off the dock area and will stand with their backs to the refugees, the report said. After disembarkation, the Jews will be screened for the purpose of "rooting out agitators" among the passengers.

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JTA CORRESPONDENT FINDS TWO CAMPS TO BE USED BY EXODUS JEWS WORSE THAN ANY IN U.S. ZONE

HAMBURG, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The two camps being prepared for the 4,400 Exodus refugees now en route here in three British prison ships are the worst this correspondent has seen during two years in the American zone of Germany.

Poppendorf, located in the forest of the same name, consists of 56 small Nissan huts, 35 by 16 feet, each of which is intended for the use of 25 persons. There are also 14 big huts, accommodating 60 persons each, 125 huts holding 10 people, which are eight feet in diameter, and five huts planned to hold six people. In all, about 3,000 of the refugees will be sent here.

Potato sacks haphazardly filled with straw cover the steel stretchers in the huts which have been sprayed throughout with DDT. Rat holes are visible inside and outside the huts. The only good point which can be made for these barracks is the fact that, because they have been newly painted, their appearance from the outside is satisfactory.

Barbed wire barricades and watch towers are now under construction by a staff of Germans and Yugoslavs. Contradictory to the statement issued last week by Maj.-Gen. William Bishop, deputy commander of the British zone, that no Germans would be used in the centers, this correspondent learned from the German superintendent of the camps that there will be more than 100 Germans working as maintenance men. The medical staff, including six doctors, will be completely German. The superintendent said that Poppendorf was formerly a camp for German refugees from the East who stayed only one or two days.

One British officer with whom this correspondent spoke, commented: "I don't think my children, or anybody else's, would like it here." A German doctor who stated that there was a sufficient supply of medicines on hand disclosed that British public health officials had inspected the camps during the last few days. He quoted them as saying they were satisfied with conditions "except for a few small details."

The superintendent expressed the opinion that the camps were not fit for human beings. One official serving as a guide declared that Poppendorf was worse than Oswiecim, where he had been, except for the gas chambers.

The other camp, Amstau, although a little better than Poppendorf, contains double-decker metal beds covered with potato sack mattresses which seem ready to collapse momentarily. It is expected to house 1,500 of the refugees.

On a visit today to the Hamburg pier, this correspondent observed about 75 Germans working overtime to complete the special arrangements being set up for the refugees' reception. Pier 29, where the Jews are expected to disembark, is heavily barricaded and patrolled.

IRO HEAD SAYS AID WILL BE GIVEN IN GERMANY TO SOME EXODUS DEPORTEES

GENEVA, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- William Tuck, executive secretary of the Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization, told a news conference today that the IRO will care for the Exodus refugees in Germany after they have been screened by the British occupation authorities.

Tuck said that help would automatically be given to those of the refugees who originally came from camps in the American or British zones. However, others will be helped only "if individual hardships are cited."

PURSER ON ONE OF EXODUS PRISON SHIPS RESIGNS IN PROTEST AGAINST RETURN OF JEWS TO GERMANY

LONDON, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- A British purser on the Runnymede Park, one of the three prison ships carrying the Exodus refugees to Germany, announced today that he is resigning as "a moral protest against the conditions under which the immigrants are being transported to Germany," the Reuter correspondent aboard the vessel reports.

The purser, Peter Seamen, a Briton, said: "I am in no way qualified to criticize the British Government's policy, but I intend to have no further part in this degrading treatment of homeless refugees. It most certainly reflects no credit on us."

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- A meeting called by the Dutch Zionist Federation here to hear an up-to-the-minute report on the Palestine situation was attended by 1,500 people, including many non-Jews, it was learned here.

The meeting sent a telegram to the British Ambassador at The Hague asking that the 4,400 Exodus Jews not be returned to Germany and appealing to the British Government to "open the gates of the National Home to all Jews wishing to enter." A similar telegram was sent to the UNSCOP. Later, a delegation of the Dutch Jewish Congregations met with the Ambassador to request that he intervene in behalf of the Exodus Jews and urged that they be permitted to go to Palestine.

MONTEVIDEO, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency office in Uruguay has appealed to the Foreign Ministry to intervene with the British authorities to prevent the return of the Exodus refugees to Germany, it was announced here today.

HELSINKI, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- The Jewish communities of Helsinki and Abo attended special religious services for the 4,400 Exodus refugees, it was learned here. The Central Council of Jewish Communities of Finland, led by the Chief Rabbi, appealed to the British Minister here, as well as to the Swedish Foreign Ministry, on behalf of the Jews.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- Over 200 local Zionists picketed the British Embassy today in an orderly demonstration protesting British deportation of the "Exodus" refugees. Yesterday a representative delegation of the Washington Jewish community requested an audience with British Ambassador Lord Inverchapel, but was refused.

ARABS FAIL IN ATTEMPTS TO SET UP PROPAGANDA OFFICES IN PARIS, GENEVA AND MOSCOW

LONDON, Sept. 2. (JTA) -- Arab efforts to establish "Arab Offices" in Paris, Geneva and Moscow have failed, it was learned here today from reliable sources.

The French Government is understood to be unwilling to provide facilities for Arab propaganda in view of the Arab League's support of agitators against France in North Africa. Switzerland is reluctant to grant such facilities to institutions engaging in violent political controversy.

The bitterest disappointment to the Arabs, however, is the Russian rejection of the Arabs' bid to open an office in Moscow. It is believed that the Soviets are disinclined to allow such an office from being set up in their capital, not for any political reasons, but in keeping with their traditional policy of barring propaganda bureaus of any foreign governments from operating within the country.