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## U.N. WARNED THAT 1,000,000 JEWS IN ARAB LANDS FACE MASSACRE IF PARTITION APPROVED

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A threat that Jews living in Arab countries will be massacred should the U.N. General Assembly decide to adopt the partition plan for Palestine was made today at the Ad Hoc Committee by Egyptian delegate Heykal Pasha. He warned the Committee, which concluded its debate tonight, that it was "playing with the lives of 1,000,000 Jews who are now living peacefully in Arab countries."

At the same time, it was indicated that the Arab states and their supporters believe that U.N. approval of partition is inevitable. During a lengthy statement attacking partition, Sir Mohamed Zafrullah Khan, Pakistan delegate and chairman of the Arab sub-committee, nevertheless suggested seven amendments to the partition proposal.

Earlier, Soviet delegate Semyon Tsarapkin attacked British refusal to assist in the implementation of partition in an address in which he rejected the Arab plan for a unitary state as not conforming with the principles of self-determination and democracy and reiterated the Soviet delegation's whole-hearted support for partition.

## Egyptian Delegate Urges U.S. to Change Stand on Partition to Avoid "Race War"

The Egyptian delegate warned that the General Assembly's decision is fraught with the possibility of widespread bloodshed. "We now regard the 1,000,000 Jews in the Moslem countries as brothers, but your decision may make some of our citizens regard them as enemies," he declared, adding that the Arab governments "could do all they could to protect the Jews within their borders, but "mob violence is often hard to control."

Heykal Pasha appealed to the United States to reconsider its support of partition and to refrain from advocating "a dangerous adventure which might imperil the peace of the world." He said that "no force on earth could prevent blood from flowing in Palestine if the United Nations decides to amputate a part of Palestine in order to establish a Jewish state." All the peoples of the Orient, he asserted, would come to the aid of the Palestine Arabs in a "race war."

"Would the members of the United Nations be acting in a humanitarian fashion in placing in certain and serious danger a million Jews simply in order to save a hundred thousand in Europe or to satisfy Zionist dreams?" Heykal Pasha asked. He said that his statement should be considered a "fair warning to the world" by the government of Egypt.

Replying to a statement by Herschel V. Johnson, head of the U.S. delegation, that the U.S. refuses to believe that any member of the U.N. would defy the decision of the Assembly, the Egyptian said that the strongest attempt to maintain order might be ineffective.

Tsarapkin urged the Assembly to vote on the partition plan before adjournment. Any postponement of a decision on the Palestine question, he said, would only

ad to a further deterioration of the situation. He announced that the U.S.S.R. delegation will vote for the partition plan as the only realistic and workable one and because it fully conforms with the Soviet policy of self-determination of peoples.

#### Soviet Says British Attitude Offers Loophole for Sabotage

In attacking the British refusal to participate in the implementation of the partition plan, Tsarapkin said that the Mandatory's attitude offered a loophole for sabotage by all parties opposed to a settlement of the Palestine issue by the U.N. Such an attitude on the part of the British Government, he said, was depriving the British appeal to the U.N. to solve the Palestine problem of all meaning.

The basic cause for the British plea was the fact that the Mandate had proved unworkable, Tsarapkin stated. He also pointed to the contradiction between earlier British statements to the effect that Britain was not prepared to assume "sole responsibility" for the implementation of a solution unacceptable to both Arabs and Jews, and the more recent statements in which Britain declared it was not prepared to carry out "any solution that was not acceptable to both Arabs and Jews."

#### Pakistan Amendment Would Lengthen Period of British Rule

The amendments offered by the Pakistan delegate, which were not looked upon favorably by the supporters of partition, provided as follows:

1. The interim period shall start from the termination of the Palestine Mandate and not from the day of the General Assembly's appointment of the Implementation Commission.
2. The U.N. Implementation Commission shall be composed of five members who shall be elected on as broad a geographical basis as possible, with no two members being nationals of the same state. This was interpreted to indicate a possibility of appointing to the Commission a Moslem outside of the countries of the Arab League, which have announced their determination to oppose partition under any circumstances.
3. A special commission on boundaries composed of three experts shall be appointed by the Security Council to recommend the final boundaries between the Arab and Jewish states. These recommendations should provide that the Arab state not include more Jewish-owned land than would constitute ten percent of the total area of the state exclusive of wasteland. Similarly, the Jewish state shall not include more than ten percent of Arab-owned land.
4. The lands cultivated by the Beersheba Bedouins within the Beersheba sub-district shall be regarded as Arab-owned land for purposes of demarcating the boundaries.
5. The recommendations of the three-man boundary commission shall become effective as soon as they have been approved by the Security Council.
6. The economic union of the two states shall operate on a fifty-fifty principle. This would eliminate the Jewish Agency request for a \$16,000,000 ceiling to the subsidy to be contributed by the Jewish State to the Arab State.
7. The Mandatory Power shall not be under obligation to consult with the U.N. Commission on the disposition of Palestine assets.

While offering these amendments, the Pakistan delegate also warned that a situation may develop in Palestine which may set off "a conflagration which the United Nations would be unable to confine." He regretted that the problem of the Jewish

refugees was still involved in the Palestine situation and said that this is "a world problem" to be settled on an international scale, and not merely in connection with the Palestine issue.

### Jewish Agency Is Certain Partition Will Win Two-Thirds Majority

Leaders of the Jewish Agency are certain that partition will secure the necessary two-thirds vote at the Assembly as a result of energetic action on the part of the American delegation. An Agency estimate late in the evening, based on a most conservative poll, established that at least 24 countries have committed themselves to partition, while the Arabs today claimed that 12 nations will vote against partition. This would guarantee a two-thirds majority for partition. However, it is certain that between now and the time of voting at the Assembly the number of votes in favor of partition will increase while the number of votes opposing partition is likely to decrease, since countries like Turkey, Mexico and Liberia, who are known to oppose partition, are likely to abstain from voting.

Whether the final vote will be taken by the Assembly before Thanksgiving was not clear today in view of the many amendments to the partition report introduced by various delegations. All the amendments must be voted on by the Ad Hoc Committee before the question is brought to the Assembly where further discussion is expected prior to the decisive vote. Jewish Agency leaders, however, expressed little concern over the possibility of the Assembly's adjourning without voting, since, in that case, the Ad Hoc Committee would be empowered to act as a special assembly.

### Shertok Defies Arab Threats of Violence; Husseini Repeats Warning of War

At the conclusion of today's debate at the Ad Hoc Committee, Moshe Shertok made another plea for partition in an address in which he replied to Arab arguments advanced during the debate. Shertok rejected the Arab statement that Jews in Palestine and those immigrants to Palestine are "foreigners and invaders." He declared that they are as deeply rooted in Palestine as their Arab neighbors. The Jews of Palestine will never submit to subjugation to the will of the Arab majority, he stated. Shertok warned that the entire Jewish community of Palestine, including every man, woman and child, will resist the imposition of Arab force.

"Jews will not be deterred by such threats as made by the delegate of Egypt," Shertok said. Such threats make it absolutely essential to establish a Jewish state immediately, in order to prevent the 1,000,000 Jews in the Middle East from sustaining losses such as were occurred by European Jewry, he pointed out.

Jamal Husseini, spokesman for the Arab Higher Committee, who was the last speaker, today said that there will be an Arab uprising in Palestine if a Jewish state is established. "The Jewish state will have no chance of surviving," he said. He added that "the proposed boundary line, if decided upon, shall be nothing but a line of fire and blood."

### ARAB GANGS ATTACK JEWISH HOMES NEAR RAMATH GAN, GIVAT HAYIM; SHOTS FIRED AT BIRYA COLONY

JERUSALEM, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Jewish quarters adjacent to Ramath Gan and Givat Hayim were attacked tonight by Arab gangs. The raiders were beaten off before they could injure any Jews.

The chief reason for the successful defense of the Jewish homes was the fact that Haganah scouts had spied the Arab maneuvers during daylight hours and warned the inhabitants what to expect. A similar attack was made on the colony of Birya at dawn by a group of unidentified gunmen who were also repulsed before they could do any damage.

JEWISH AGENCY HAS BEGUN RECRUITING CIVIL AND MILITARY FORCES FOR NEW STATE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency has started mobilizing young men and women for civil and military service in the Jewish state which it hopes will soon be established, Mrs. Goldie Meirson, political chief of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, said today.

She told a press conference that the emphasis in the recruiting drive is on service in government bureaus to supplement the ranks of the Jews, Arabs and Englishmen who are already employed, but that military reserves might be drawn from the ranks of the recruits if the necessity arose.

Mrs. Meirson said that it was the Jewish community's ambition to build a modern civilized state based on justice and equality for all citizens regardless of race and creed and one rule for all - the rule of justice." She stressed that no distinction will be made between citizens and that an attempt would be made to raise the standards of the Arab population in the Jewish state to that of the Jews. Hebrew will be the official language of the state, but Arabic will have equal recognition and no effort will be made to compel Arabs to learn Hebrew.

Jewish leaders have reached no decision on the site of the capital of the new state nor its name, Mrs. Meirson said, adding that "those will be decided the day after the U.N. acts favorably."

A demand that some \$80,000,000 worth of heirless property in Palestine owned by Jews who were killed in Europe by the Nazis be turned over to the Jewish authorities during the transition period between the termination of the Palestine Mandate and the declaration of independence of a Jewish state, was voiced here today at a press conference by Dr. Zorach Warhaftig, legal expert of the Jewish National Council, speaking in the name of the national Jewish institutions.

In a joint appeal to Jews everywhere, Chief Rabbis Isaac Herzog and Ben Zion Uziel today urged them to pray that the United Nations will be "Divinely inspired" to approve partition by the necessary two-thirds majority.

ABDULLAH SAYS ARAB LEGION WILL REMAIN IN PALESTINE AFTER BRITISH WITHDRAWAL

SHUNEH, Transjordan, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Arab Legion, crack British-trained Transjordan army, two-thirds of which is now under British command on garrison duty in Palestine, will remain there despite a British withdrawal order, King Abdullah told newspapermen today during the course of an interview at his winter residence here.

(Farnsworth Fowle, CBS correspondent in Palestine, quoted Abdullah as stating that his troops will remain in the Arab section of the country, if the United Nations approves partition.)

"We are deeply interested in Palestine," he said, "we have rendered many services to the country, whose welfare we have at heart. Our army is in Palestine. When the British withdraw, our army will remain at the service of the people, relying on their support and cooperation." The King continued by saying that Transjordan would not stand idly by if the United Nations decided to create an Arab State and a Jewish State and imposed on Palestine any other foreign occupation which might threaten Transjordan's security.

Abdullah spoke bitterly about the Arab leadership exercised in Palestine during the last 28 years, describing it as a succession of errors. He followed up this obvious reference to the ex-Mufti by saying that he wanted the young men of Palestine to feel that "they can look to me for support in defense of Palestine."

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ROMANIAN GOVERNMENT RELEASES 1,000 TONS OF JDC SUPPLIES; WAIVES CUSTOMS PAYMENTS

BUCHAREST, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- More than 1,000 tons of Joint Distribution Committee relief supplies, which have been accumulating in government warehouses since August, have been freed for distribution among needy Jews throughout Rumania following a meeting between Dr. Joseph Schwartz, European director of the JDC, and Finance Minister Vasile Luca, it was disclosed today.

The supplies, which include food, clothing and medicaments, arrived after stabilization of Rumania's currency last summer and could not be distributed because the JDC was unable to pay the heavy customs duties levied on them. Negotiations to secure tax exemptions were protracted because of recent government changes. Dr. Schwartz told a Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent as he was leaving the Finance Ministry that Mr. Luca had shown "full understanding" of the plight of the needy Jews.

Before leaving for Paris, Dr. Schwartz also settled the question of the composition of the board of directors of the JDC's Rumanian branch. In negotiations with various Jewish groups, it was agreed that the present board should carry on until country-wide community elections can be held and permit a reshuffle enabling each group to be represented according to its actual strength. Establishment of a four-man executive board, comprising one representative of the Zionist, Jewish, Communist and Socialist parties, was also agreed upon.

PROPOSE \$1,000 STAKE FOR EVERY JEWISH DF TO AID REHABILITATION IN NEW LAND

BAD REICHENHALL, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A plan for a \$200,000,000 loan to 200,000 Jewish emigrants from Germany to facilitate their resettlement in a new country was proposed here today by Dr. Philip Auerbach, Bavarian Commissioner for Persecutees. He spoke at the second annual conference of the German Federation of Polish Jews here.

Dr. Auerbach proposed that a group of Jewish bankers undertake to stake each emigrating refugee to \$1,000 to set up a home when he arrives in a new country. As security for the loan and interest, he proposed pledging heirless Jewish property in Germany. At a future date, when the German economy is stabilized and its currency is unfrozen the bankers could sell the property and recover the capital and interest on the loan, he pointed out. He concluded by reporting that a group of bankers were interested in the scheme.

Forty-five undernourished Jewish children between the ages of five and fifteen today left Munich for Switzerland where they will spend three months on a convalescent vacation. The children, whose trip is sponsored by the Swiss Jewish Refugee Aid Society, will live in private Jewish homes. This is the third group to leave for a convalescent vacation, the other two having returned to Berlin and Belsen.

HUNGARIAN JEWS EXPRESS APPROVAL OF FORTHCOMING GOVERNMENT ORDER ON HEIRLESS PROPERTY

BUDAPEST, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Jewish community of Budapest, in its official bulletin this week-end, expressed satisfaction with a forthcoming government order transferring abandoned or heirless Jewish property to the Jewish Rehabilitation Fund. The law which will transfer all property formerly owned by Jews to the Fund regardless of official proof of death of the former owner, was described by the Bulletin to be better than that adopted by neighboring countries.

SCOTLAND YARD INVESTIGATING RAID ON JEWISH AGENCY OFFICES IN LONDON; NOTHING MISSING

LONDON, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Scotland Yard this morning launched an investigation of a mysterious raid on the Jewish Agency offices here last night. It is suspected that members of a British fascist group were involved.

A building watchman coming on duty just before midnight saw a light in one office and hurried to it. As he approached at least one person fled. He found that all the offices except two had been broken into and all drawers and safes in the rooms opened and their contents scattered on the floor. In response to his call 15 Scotland Yard men sped to the building where an exhaustive search revealed that neither cash nor documents were missing. In one office unexplained fresh blood stains were discovered.

2,000 TO HONOR DR. WEIZMANN TONIGHT; BOSTON SYMPHONY TO PLAY AT CONCERT-SUPPER

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- More than 2,000 guests will attend a concert and supper party at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel tomorrow night to celebrate Dr. Chaim Weizmann's 73rd birthday. Each guest will pay \$250 to attend the affair and the proceeds will go to the Weizmann Institute for Science.

The affair was originally scheduled as a dinner, but an unexpected offer from Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra to play a concert as a tribute to Dr. Weizmann caused a change in the program. The veteran Zionist leader will make the only speech of the evening. A group of representative women from all parts of the United States as well as from Canada and Palestine, under the leadership of Mrs. George Backer, will serve as hostesses at the affair.

U.A.H.C. EXECUTIVE BOARD POSTPONES ACTION ON PROPOSAL TO CHANGE ORGANIZATION'S NAME

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A two-day annual meeting of the executive board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations closed here last night after deciding to postpone action on a proposal to change the name of the organization to the Union of Liberal Synagogues.

The matter was put off until the next executive board meeting and will also be discussed at the U.A.H.C. biennial meeting next year. The name change was suggested by a committee headed by Rabbi James G. Heller of Cincinnati.

B.B. GOLDMAN AND B.M. JOFFE ELECTED TO NEW JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE POSTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The election of Benjamin B. Goldman as assistant secretary of domestic operations and Boris M. Joffe as assistant secretary for overseas operations of the Joint Distribution Committee was announced here by Edward M.M. Warburg, J.D.C. chairman. Mr. Goldman and Mr. Joffe will assist Moses A. Leavitt, J.D.C. executive vice-chairman and secretary.

Serving under Mr. Leavitt, Mr. Goldman will be supervisory head of J.D.C. departments carrying on operations in this country. As assistant secretary for overseas operations, Mr. Joffe will serve under Mr. Leavitt as coordinator in this country of all J.D.C. activities relating to its relief, resettlement and reconstruction programs abroad.

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