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U.N. COMMISSION ASKS SECURITY COUNCIL TO SEND ARMED FORCE TO PALESTINE PROMPTLY

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- The U.N. Palestine Commission today made public its report on the Palestine security situation, several hours after submitting the document to the Security Council. The Council is expected to commence its discussion of the report by the end of this week.

The report warns the Security Council that only the prompt establishment of a "non-Palestinian" armed force can prevent serious trouble in Palestine and effectively implement the partition decision of the General Assembly. Such a force, the report says, would assist law-abiding elements in both the Arab and Jewish communities in maintaining an atmosphere of law and order. The report asks that the international force enter Palestine simultaneously with the Commission.

Only such a force can replace the British troops which are now the sole barrier to a complete deterioration of the situation to "open warfare," the Commission continues. Any alternative would be "catastrophic," it emphasizes, and would involve "bloodshed and human suffering."

The Commission expresses the conviction that there is nothing it can do to implement the Assembly decision between now and the termination of the Mandate without meeting armed resistance. It warns grimly that "the period immediately following the termination of the Mandate will be a period of uncontrolled, widespread strife and bloodshed in Palestine, including the city of Jerusalem."

Importance of Establishing Armed Militia Is Emphasized

The Commission stresses the importance of setting up an armed militia. But the most important observation it makes on this subject is that the militia cannot engage in border operations, thus indicating that one of the major functions of the proposed U.N. international force would be to guard the borders of the new states.

In demanding that the U.N. make available an international military force "in adequate strength" to back the Commission in its implementation work, the report says that "powerful Arab interests within and without Palestine are engaged in a deliberate effort to alter by force" the U.N. decision. It alludes to British non-cooperation and gives it as another reason for providing armed support for the Commission. It insists that the earliest arrival of the Commission in Palestine is necessary to the success of its mission.

The report goes into a detailed analysis of the effects of Arab violence in Palestine and lays great emphasis on the peril to the peace in Jerusalem. It also presents the problem of U.N. armed support for the Commission as the very core of the entire U.N. plan involving the Joint Economic Board and the boundary group. The

total effect of the report is one of a possible complete collapse of all carefully planned projects to bring forth two independent states unless law and order are restored.

The refusal of the Mandatory to permit the formation of a militia at once, the report says, will delay the implementation of the Assembly plan. At the same time, it points out bluntly that it would be futile to envisage an Arab militia under the present conditions.

U.N. Commission Wants Arms Embargo Lifted; Invites British Minister

Following the issuance of its report, the Commission discussed the question of how to get nations to lift arms embargoes which are preventing the Jewish defense forces in Palestine from getting weapons. The five-member group decided to leave the matter open until after the Security Council acts on the recommendations contained in the security report.

The Commission extended an invitation to Arthur Creech-Jones, British Colonial Secretary, who is now in New York, to appear before the group if he desires. At the same time, the Commission received a letter from the British authorities saying that British subjects under contract as members of the Palestine police force may serve the Commission.

The Commission also received a letter from Acting Mayor Perelson of Tel Aviv protesting against the failure of the British to check Arab terror. The letter states that British inaction in the Tel Aviv area during 70 days of continuous sniping is testing the patience of a bitter population and the restraining influence of the Jewish authorities.

Next Assembly Session to be Held in Paris; Will Hear Report on Palestine

Paris has been selected for the next regular session of the General Assembly, it was revealed here. This is the session which will hear the report on progress made to implement its partition decision, and possibly to consider the application of the Jewish state for U.N. membership.

The Trusteeship Council's working committee on Jerusalem this morning unanimously approved its 15-page draft report to the Trusteeship Council, after agreeing to minor textual changes in the draft submitted by its rapporteur. The text, as finally adopted, is being prepared in document form and will be submitted to the next meeting of the Council on Wednesday.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT DENIES OFFER OF TROOPS TO U.N. ADMINISTRATION OF JERUSALEM

LONDON, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- The Foreign Office today categorically denied reports that Britain is prepared to place troops at the disposal of the international regime of the city of Jerusalem, following partition.

A spokesman declared that under no circumstances would such a course be taken. "We are very concerned about the fate of the Holy City," he said, "but this cannot be allowed to interfere with evacuation plans." He asserted that the British Government's attitude toward partition has not been altered. Referring to Britain's contribution toward the drafting of an international statute for Jerusalem, he stressed that Britain made such a contribution as a member of the Trusteeship Council, not because of her attitude toward the implementation of partition.

If any British troops or police desire to serve under the U.N., the spokesman stated, they could do so on an individual basis as volunteers, after they had been discharged from the service.

JEWS FIGHT OFF NEW ATTACK BY 400 ARAB INVADERS IN EASTERN PALESTINE; BRITISH JOIN BATTLE

More than 21 Arabs were killed and many wounded by 400 Arabs on the Poale, near the point where the Pal- in the neighboring colonies of to the defenders.

...the Jews lost one man shot at suspicious movements some extra ammunition were rushed Arabs were cut down and hurled

When this advance was halted, ...brought up mortars and heavy weapons arrived to aid the Jews, who inflicted some casualties on the

ly wounded when Arabs attacked a group of soldiers blew up three Jerusalem in reprisal for Haganah attacks were wounded this afternoon when the outskirts of Talpith, near ...wounded when a Haganah member

drawal of Arab Legion

and its oft-expressed demand that the ...ly. This protest followed the killing of others by members of the ...city. Statistics gathered by the ...are on loan from King Abdullah to for the murder of seven Jews and the

injuring of 31 others.

The Jewish National Council announced that 125 Arabs and 31 Jews were killed, 137 Arabs and 73 Jews wounded, in the one-week period from February 5 to 11.

A warning that the international status of consular personnel would not be respected as long as such consular members spied for the Arabs, was contained in a letter from the Stern Group to the Iranian consul, dean of the diplomatic corps in Jerusalem. The letter charged specifically that the Arab consular staffs were keeping guerrilla bands informed of developments.

In a second letter to the Syrian, Lebanese, Egyptian, Iraqi, Saudi Arabian and Yemenite consuls here, the Stern Group issued a warning that members of their respective governments will be held personally responsible if anti-Semitic persecution develops in their countries following the setting up of the Jewish state in Palestine, and if Jews in those countries are compelled to contribute funds for arms for Palestine Arab bands.

Meanwhile, a Reuters dispatch from London reported that approximately 4,000 orphaned Jewish children under 18 years of age who arrived on Cyprus during the past year or more would be admitted to Palestine on a special entry quota. The dispatch also said that the monthly quota of 750 Cyprus immigrants, which had previously been cut, would be resumed. This was interpreted here as a move by the government to empty the camps on the island.

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TRUMAN APPEALS TO ARAB GOVERNMENTS; URGES THEM TO USE RESTRAINT ON PALESTINE ISSUE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- President Truman addressed appeals "to certain interested governments" in the past few months urging restraint in dealing with the Palestine situation, it was announced today by the White House.

Asked about reports that the President had sent messages to the kings of Saudi Arabia and Iraq regarding Palestine, Presidential press secretary Charles G. Ross read the following statement to newsmen:

"In an effort to prevent the spread of disorder in the Middle East, this government has, during recent months, addressed appeals to certain interested governments stressing the importance, in the interests of Middle East security and world peace, of the exercise of restraint, in dealing with the Palestine situation. Some of these appeals were made directly by the President."

Senator Alexander Wiley, in a letter on Palestine to Secretary of State Marshall, called upon the U.S. Government to end the arms embargo and suggested that Great Britain be asked to retain her troops in Palestine beyond the current deadline in an effort to maintain "minimum peace and order."

ZIONIST PARLEY CLOSING IN WASHINGTON; CONGRESSMEN ASKED TO URGE U.S. AID

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- After visiting Senators and Congressmen in an effort to impress them with the necessity for the United States taking the lead in implementing the U.N. Palestine partition decision, approximately 700 Zionist leaders assembled here from all parts of the country resumed their session today pledging the "whole-hearted support of American Jewry" to the Jews of Palestine in the struggle to establish a Jewish state.

The two-day conference, convened by the American Zionist Emergency Council, concluded tonight after adopting a message of solidarity "to the valiant embattled Jews in Palestine." A resolution condemning "the sabotage of the U.N. decision by the British Government" was also adopted.

The conference declared in a resolution that the Zionist leaders find it "indefensible that the U.S. Government has on the one hand failed to act in the face of the grave situation in Palestine, and on the other hand, by certain specific actions of its own, has contributed to its deterioration." It called upon the government "to reassert its initiative in the United Nations," and take the following steps:

"1. To instruct the American delegation to the U.N. Security Council to obtain faithful compliance with the U.N. resolution by all governments concerned and to take all necessary measures against those member states of the United Nations which openly defy the General Assembly's resolution.

"2. To instruct the American delegation to the U.N. Security Council that it support and, if necessary, initiate the formation of a militia for the Jewish state and of such international forces as may be required to insure the speedy carrying out of the resolution of the Assembly.

"3. To modify the embargo on arms to the Middle East so as to insure an unimpeded flow of arms to the Jewish defense force in Palestine for the purpose of defending attacked Palestine Jewry which is upholding the U.N. resolution."

The conference expressed appreciation of "the energy and devotion with which the U.N. Palestine Commission is pursuing its task."

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AUSTRIAN RESTITUTION BODY HOLDS ILLEGAL ALL PROPERTY TRANSFERS BY JEWS DURING NAZI RULE

VIENNA, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- The Vienna Restitution Commission today rendered a decision in a test case concerning Jewish property "legally" transferred during the Nazi regime which opens the door for wholesale return of all property sold and transferred by Jews under duress since the Anschluss of 1938.

The Commission ordered the return of the property on the basis that although the transaction was legal under the current Nazi laws the Jew who sold his property was acting under a pressing need to emigrate because of the Nazi persecutions.

In a second case, the Commission decided that all Jews were political persecutees because one of the announced political aims of the Nazi state was the elimination of all Jews. This decision makes the Jews eligible for all forms of restitution and aid to persecutees because they can apply for redress either as racial or political persecutees.

POLISH OFFICIALS REJECT MUNICIPAL DECISION TO NAME STREET FOR HEROES OF WARSAW GHETTO

WARSAW, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- Officials of the district of Kielce have rejected a decision by the municipality of Czeszochowa to name one of its streets in honor of the Warsaw Ghetto fighters, it was learned here today. The Jewish Committee in Czeszochowa, is planning to continue its campaign in behalf of the project.

Meanwhile, the city council of Tarnow has approved a proposal to name a street where many Tarnow Jews were murdered, "Heroes of the Ghetto" street. The Miechowa city council voted to approve the naming of a street for the Ghetto fighters and also allocated 20,000 zlotys towards the construction of the Ghetto memorial in Warsaw.

SWEDISH JUSTICE MINISTER URGES APPROVAL OF BILL OUTLAWING SPREADING OF RACE HATRED

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- The Swedish Supreme Court has been urged by Minister of Justice Zetterberg to approve a bill now pending in the legislature which would make all persons charged with spreading race hatred liable to criminal prosecution, it was learned here today.

In a message accompanying the bill, Zetterberg said it was necessary to fight racist propaganda, particularly at the present time when thousands of anti-Semitic pamphlets are being mailed abroad from Sweden daily. The proposed legislation would make the mailing of anti-Semitic literature an offense punishable by criminal law.

N.Y. COMMISSION RECOMMENDS OUTLAWING DISCRIMINATION IN COLLEGES, ESTABLISHING UNIVERSITY

ALBANY, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- A 30-man commission which has been studying the problem of discrimination in New York State colleges for the past 18 months, today submitted its final report to Governor Thomas E. Dewey. The report recommends:

1. The establishment of a bias-free decentralized state university system;
2. The outlawing of racial and religious discrimination in all schools of higher learning in New York State;
3. The granting of public assistance only to schools admitting students "on the basis of individual merit and without regard to race, color, creed or national origin."

"Some members of New York's large minority groups have had difficulty in securing access to educational facilities on an equal basis with other students," the report stated. "This is true not only on the college level but on the professional and graduate school levels as well. This discrimination is repellent to the American spirit and must be eliminated."

ONLY 1,866 JEWS ENTERED CANADA LAST YEAR; TOTAL IMMIGRATION WAS NEARLY 65,000

OTTAWA, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- A total of 1,866 Jewish immigrants were included among the 64,127 persons admitted to Canada during 1947, it was revealed today with the release of official government figures on last year's immigration.

TEACHERS UNION CONDEMNS BANNING FROM SCHOOL LIBRARY OF NOVELS ATTACKING ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- A ban on two novels attacking anti-Semitism imposed by the principal of the De Witt Clinton High School here last week was condemned today by the Teachers Union, C.I.O. The resolution also called on the principal, Dr. John B. Walsh, to rescind his order prohibiting the circulation of "Gentleman's Agreement" and "Focus" in the school library.

The resolution, adopted by the Union's executive board, declared that the books were banned on "the flimsiest of pretexts." Already thousands of teachers can testify that students have read both books and discussed them in class, revealing that they have been moved to consider deeply the social situation that tacitly condemns Jews to a status of inferiority, the resolution said.

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL FOR TEACHING SACRED MUSIC IN NEW YORK

CINCINNATI, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- A School of Sacred Music will be established in New York next fall by Hebrew Union College, it was announced here today by Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of the College. The school will be set up in cooperation with the Society for the Advancement of Jewish Liturgical Music.

The new institution will offer courses for the training of cantors, music directors and organists to serve in synagogues in this country. Scientific research in the field of Jewish liturgical music will also be conducted. The establishment of the school was authorized, and a budget approved, at a recent meeting of the Board of Governors of the College.

YIDDISH COURSES TO BE OFFERED AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA THIS SUMMER

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- Two Yiddish courses have been added to the curriculum of the University of California here, it was announced today. The courses, for which students will receive full academic credit, consist of a language and a literature survey and will be offered during the coming summer semester. Dr. Max Weinreich, scientific director of the Yiddish Scientific Institute (YIVO) in New York, will serve as instructor.

PARENTS OF AMERICAN JEWISH STUDENTS IN PALESTINE FORM NEW ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- Formation of a parents' organization to "safeguard the interests" of Jewish students now in Palestine was announced here today. More than 100 parents from the New York area have already become members of the Association of Parents of American Students in Palestine, it was disclosed.

AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR THANKS AGUDAH FOR GIFTS TO POW'S RETURNING FROM RUSSIA

VIENNA, Feb. 16. (JTA) -- Austrian Chancellor Leopold Figl has thanked the Agudas Israel in Vienna for gifts of sugar, fruit and cigarettes which the Agudah made available to prisoners-of-war returning to Austria from internment camps in Russia.