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LAST MINUTE NEWSU.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ACTS TO PREVENT BREAKDOWN IN ARAB-JEWISH TRUCE IN PALESTINE

LAKE SUCCESS, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- Acting on a warning from U.N. Palestine mediator Count Folke Bernadotte that the situation in Jerusalem is "gradually getting out of hand" and that the strife might spread to all of Palestine, the Security Council at an urgent meeting today adopted a proposal aimed at preventing any breakdown in the Arab-Jewish truce.

The proposal, presented to the Council by the U.S. delegation and supported by the British, French and Canadian delegations, gave the mediator wider powers to enforce the observance of the truce. The Jews and Arabs, under the terms of the proposal, were each made responsible for acts of "irregulars" within their respective territories. Each party was obligated "to use all means" to prevent any possible violations of the cease-fire order.

The proposal also obligates both sides to bring to speedy trial and punishment individuals and groups involved in truce breaches. Neither party is permitted to violate the truce on the grounds that it is undertaking reprisal or retaliatory action. Military and political advantages gained through truce violations will not be recognized, the proposal provides.

The resolution adopted by the Council is based on specific requests made by Count Bernadotte in his appeal to the Council to act promptly on the Jerusalem situation. The mediator, in his appeal, pointed out that "it is difficult to assess responsibility and idle to try to ascertain" whether the Jews or Arabs are more to blame for the present truce breaches. "They both have come deliberately to ignore the authority of the United Nations," he said.

The Security Council was prepared to adjourn its Lake Success sessions today and start a month-long recess before reconvening in Paris. The Council members hoped that Bernadotte would be able to keep the truce in effect at least through the month of August.

Israeli representative Aubrey Eban called the attention of the Council to a seeming contradiction between the U.N. mediator's demands and a previous ruling. He pointed out that while Bernadotte now requested that neither party institute reprisals against attack, the mediator had previously ruled that a limited defense was permissible. U.S. delegate Philip Jessup said that the resolution adopted by the Council does not contradict the mediator's earlier ruling.

Dmitri Manuilsky, Ukrainian delegate, told the Council that Bernadotte's request for a tighter truce must be considered a confession of his failure as a mediator. (At the time the Bulletin went to press, the discussions were still continuing.)

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## EXPLOSIVE SITUATION DEVELOPS IN JERUSALEM; ISRAELI COMMANDER REJECTS ARAB ULTIMATUM

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- An explosive situation developed in Jerusalem today following the rejection by Col. Moshe Dayan, Israeli military commander, of an Egyptian ultimatum that Jewish troops occupying a Jewish girls' farm training school several hundred yards from Arab positions evacuate the building.

In rejecting the ultimatum, Col. Dayan declared that the area is under Red Cross jurisdiction and, therefore, it is no concern to the Egyptian commander whether or not the Jews entered the school. He expressed readiness to discuss proposals for the evacuation of the entire sector and for placing it under the International Red Cross.

United Nations spokesmen, anxious to avoid the possibility of the Egyptians' carrying out their threat to fire at the farm school if their ultimatum is not complied with, announced that they will make an attempt to bring representatives of the Jewish and Egyptian forces together for negotiations. At the same time they issued an order warning against the opening of fire in the disputed area.

The Egyptian ultimatum was delivered to Col. Dayan by a Captain Anderson, of the American Army, who is a member of the U.N. truce staff, and was signed by Lt. Col. Mohammed Abdullah Azziz, commanding the Egyptian forces. Col. Dayan, the Israeli Commander, pointed out that the ultimatum was tantamount to an outspoken threat to violate the truce and emphasized that it was the duty of the U.N. truce officials to act on it.

## Tension in Jerusalem Growing; Jews Fear Arab Assault on City

Tension has been growing in Jerusalem for the past few days, particularly in view of continuing and incessant reports that the Arabs are bringing in reinforcements and arms for a final assault on the city, following a call issued by the ex-Mufti to "save Jerusalem from Jewish hands." The Arabs are also said to "fear" that the Jews will try to cut off their lines of communication, especially between Jerusalem and Jericho and Jerusalem and Ramallah. Although the last 24 hours have been comparatively quiet, there is now a strong possibility that hostilities may break out again.

This city's present economic plight and future are under constant discussion by leaders of the Jewish community here and representatives of the Israeli Government. A special committee to deal with the economic problems facing the Jews here has been formed, made up of members of the local banking, industrial and cooperative enterprises. The main obstacles in the way of Jerusalem's economic revival are the lack of water and electricity and communications.

Jerusalem is still cut off from Tel. Aviv although postal communications are almost normal again. A letter from Jerusalem to the Israeli metropolis sometimes takes one day to arrive, but the inadequate and difficult "Burma Road" has to be used chiefly for passenger and commercial traffic and, in addition, is expensive and not always reliable. Among the major reasons for Jerusalem's economic collapse were the removal of the Jewish government office from the city and also the removal of a series of commercial enterprises and private firms closely connected with the government. Economic experts maintain that there cannot be any remedy for Jerusalem's ills unless the Israeli Government returns to this city.

AMERICAN TROOPS WILL BE USED IN PALESTINE ONLY AS PART OF U.N. FORCE, TRUMAN SAYS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- President Truman said flatly today at his news conference that no American troops will be used in Palestine, or anywhere else in the world, unless they are part of a United Nations force.

The President stressed that U.S. troops would not be used in Palestine, or anywhere else in the world, on a unilateral basis. This government will contribute troops only through the United Nations and only if other nations do likewise, he indicated.

Replying to a correspondent's question, Truman confirmed that the United States is considering a \$100,000,000 loan through the Export-Import Bank for Israel. He noted that the Bank is the only possible source of an American loan to Israel.

ISRAEL TO BUILD MODERN 250-MILE HIGHWAY; TEL AVIV-HAIFA SUBWAY PLANNED

TEL AVIV, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- An auto highway from Metula, northernmost point of Palestine, running all the way to the Gulf of Aqaba, a distance of more than 250 miles, is being planned by the Israeli Government, Mordecai Bentov, Minister of Labor, stated today.

A second plan on which Israeli engineers are working is the construction of an underground railway extending from Tel Aviv to Haifa, a distance of about 50 miles, the Cabinet member said. This will reduce traveling time between the two cities from two hours to 45 minutes. He also said that extensive Jewish colonization was expected along both Palestine routes.

Bentov stated that his ministry expected a total of 3,000,000 Jewish immigrants within ten years and that all future settlement projects would be based on that figure. He asserted that at least 250,000 Jews must be expected within two years and that they would need 80,000 dwellings, costing an estimated \$200,000,000. This construction program would give employment to 20,000 workers.

ISRAEL PROTESTS TO U.N. OFFICIAL OVER EGYPTIAN CONFISCATION OF CARGO FOR NEW ARRIVALS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government today protested to U.N. liaison officer John Reedman over the Egyptian Government's confiscation of 140 cases of clothing and shoes contributed by the South African Jewish community to the Joint Distribution Committee for new immigrants to Israel. The shipment was seized from the vessel Cliffontein which was passing through the Suez Canal.

A government spokesman revealed today that the Arab community in Israel is receiving the same food rations as Israelis. He noted that the Arabs are being given more flour than the Jews since they consume more bread. In Nazareth, the spokesman disclosed, the resumption of industrial activity has already begun under the direction of the Israeli military governor and 100 Arabs are employed by the Israeli department of public works in that town.

Half of the supply of water left for the Nazareth population by the British was used up when the Israelis took over the town and the supply had become dangerously low. The Jewish military governor arranged for bringing in water through an Israeli water company and the population's supply is now sufficient. The spokesman also announced that the Israeli Government is planning to take a census of Jaffa.

## GENERAL ZIONIST PARLEY DEMANDS RIGHT OF EVERY JEW TO SETTLE AND WORK IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- The World Confederation of General Zionists concluded its session here today, adopting a platform which emphasizes that every Jew must have the right to come to Israel to settle and to work there. A resolution regretting the absence from the conference of the General Zionist group, which is led by Israeli Minister of Interior Dr. Itzhak Gruenbaum, was also adopted.

The platform adopted by the Confederation also emphasizes that the General Zionists will fight against the present system of allocating Israeli immigration certificates along party lines. It urges that aid to new immigrants be given by the state of Israel as a whole and not on the basis of political groupings. The delegates elected a world executive of 43 members and a council of 78.

Touching on the economic development of the Jewish state, the platform reads: "The General Zionist party recognizes the rights and role of the cooperative sector in the upbuilding of the country in the past and the appropriate duties facing it in the future for strengthening and enlarging the state of Israel. The General Zionists will fight against giving any preferential treatment to the collective sector in the community over the private sector wherever there is no need for a collective sector."

### Asks for Restriction of Economic Trusts; Defends Small Enterprises

The adopted program, which will govern the activities of the General Zionists within the ranks of the World Zionist Organization, also urges that the state of Israel follow a policy of legislation with the view of assisting financially all branches of the country's economy "assuring on the one hand economic efficiency and, on the other, assistance to the man in the street and small enterprises." The state of Israel should restrict the powers of any economic trusts with monopolistic aims intended to destroy the man in the street and small enterprise, the platform says.

Concerning social legislation, the platform asserts that Israel should adopt laws which will benefit the population as a whole, with sick funds and old-age pensions coming under state ownership. Israel should ensure free elementary education for all children. State education should be general and in accordance with the traditions of the Jewish people. "No schools should be under the control of any political party or organization," the program adds.

Outlining a "regime for the state of Israel," the platform recommends that the Jewish state shall be based on the "democratic principles of equality and freedom for all citizens, without any hegemony -- political or otherwise." All citizens shall have equal rights, irrespective of faith, sex, language or position, it stressed, adding that Israel should guarantee to all its citizens the freedom of conscience, speech, public assembly and press, as well as of organizations, whether it be social, professional or religious.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, expressed fear that the cleavage within the General Zionist camp in Israel -- which he termed unjustified -- may lead to a separation within the party's ranks abroad and demanded unity among General Zionists.

### U.S. Jewry Contributed \$40,000,000 to J.N.F., Rothenberg Reveals

TEL AVIV, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- American Jewry contributed \$40,000,000 during the last ten months to the Jewish National Fund, Judge Morris Rothenberg, president of the J.N.F. of America, revealed at a large reception given him here today. He was welcomed by Dr. Abraham Cranovsky, head of the world J.N.F. Pledging the continued support of the American Jewish community to Israel, Judge Rothenberg asserted: "Under its good leadership, the state of Israel has proven capable of independence and existence, despite the difficulties the young nation has had to face."

RESURGENCE OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN GERMANY REPORTED BY J.D.C. DIRECTOR IN U.S. ZONE

NEW YORK, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- There has been "a recrudescence of anti-Semitism and bigotry among the native German population," it was reported at a press conference here today by Samuel L. Haber, director of the Joint Distribution Committee in the U.S. zone of Germany.

As evidence of this trend, he cited recent desecrations of Jewish cemeteries, the uprooting of vegetable gardens planted by Jews and "frequent truncheon-swinging" by German police against Jews. "The Germans feel that they are again coming into their own," he said, adding that this gives further reason for the feeling among the Jews in Germany that they cannot remain there long.

The J.D.C. representative estimated that 200,000 displaced Jews in Germany are preparing for mass emigration to Israel with the assistance of agencies of the United Jewish Appeal. Those refugees who had hoped to come to the United States have been disheartened by the passage in Congress of an immigration bill which restricts the entry of displaced Jews, he said. He disclosed that J.D.C. offices in Germany are now surveying the total number of Jewish DP's who would be eligible for immigration into the U.S. under the new bill.

The establishment of Israel has produced "an electric atmosphere in the DP camps," Haber stated. He pointed out that the first group of Jewish DP's has already left Germany with new visas issued by the Israeli Government. He praised the U.S. Army, which provided transportation to the port of embarkation, for their cooperation in this movement. J.D.C., he stated, provides food, clothing, luggage and other supplies for the journey and has drawn plans to have a J.D.C. staff nurse accompany every Israel-bound DP transport to the port of embarkation.

"The attitude of the American armed forces in Germany, from General Lucius D. Clay down, has been one of understanding, cooperation and sincere effort in helping Jewish organizations alleviate the plight of Jewish DP's in Germany," Haber said. He particularly praised the activities of the Civil Affairs Division of the A.M.G. in Germany for its assistance to J.D.C. and the DP's.

DELAY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF DP IMMIGRATION LAW DISRUPTS MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES TO U.S.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- Declaring that the delay in the implementation of the law for the immigration of displaced persons to the United States has disrupted the movement of DP's from Europe to this country, Samuel A. Telsey, president of HIAS, today announced that his organization has allocated an additional \$750,000 to intensify the immigration of displaced Jews to South America, Australia and other immigrant-receiving countries.

Telsey also revealed that HIAS is chartering planes to carry displaced Jews from Europe direct to other countries. HIAS has also arranged sanctuary for Jewish orphans who will be brought from Germany to Amsterdam, where they will be trained in ceramics and will eventually become citizens of the Netherlands, he stated.

Isaac L. Asofsky, HIAS executive director, today reported that the delay in setting up the Displaced Persons Commission has meant the suspension of issuance of U.S. visas in Europe since June 30. "No persons have moved out of the D.P. camps since that time, and the some 1,500 displaced persons in the U.S. zone of Germany, who have been fully processed by the American Consulates and voluntary agencies such as HIAS, and had expected to go to the U.S. in July, still remain in the camps with the prospect of waiting many more months or years before they can reach their goal," he said.

HAYS DISTINGUISHES BETWEEN EMPLOYING "JEWS" AND "AVOWED ZIONISTS" IN STATE DEPARTMENT

NEW YORK, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- Drawing a distinction between "a Jew" and "an avowed Zionist" in matters closely concerning Palestine in this country, Arthur Garfield Hays, special counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, today clarified, in a communication to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, his recent statement to the press in which he said that if he were in the State Department he would not employ a Jew in an office which dealt with matters concerning Palestine.

"What I meant to say, and what I should have said, was that I would not employ an avowed Zionist in any matter that closely concerned Palestine," Mr. Hays wrote to the J.T.A. "I do not believe that a person who is emotionally involved in a problem can approach it with the necessary detachment," he added.

Mr. Hays explained that he had stated at a press conference that if he were connected with the State Department, he would not employ a Communist, not because the man was a Communist but because he would not trust him in any matters concerning Soviet Russia. It was in this connection, he added, that as an illustration he said that he would not employ a Jew in the State Department on matters which involve the Palestine issue.

"I used this illustration because, since I am a Jew, I thought it would make my position perfectly clear," Mr. Hays emphasized. "Nothing was farther from my mind than the suggestion that there should be any racial or religious test for employment in the State Department or any other governmental department. My activities of a lifetime should be sufficient to negate any such absurd idea. I did not think that my statement was subject to misinterpretation. I was probably wrong, and should not have made a statement like that without a full explanation of the point at issue."

U.S. JEWISH LEADERS ISSUE CALL TO PARENTS TO ENROLL CHILDREN IN RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Aug. 19 (JTA) -- Prominent Jewish leaders have issued a call to Jewish parents in all parts of the United States urging them to enroll their children in Jewish religious schools during Jewish Education Month, the annual registration drive sponsored by the American Association for Jewish Education. Jewish Education Month will start this year on September 15th.

Those who signed the call included Michael A. Stavitsky, president of the American Association for Jewish Education; Joseph M. Proskauer, president of the American Jewish Committee; Frank Goldman, president of B'nai B'rith; Dr. Abraham H. Feldman, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis; Stanley C. Myers, president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, president of Hadassah; Mrs. Joseph M. Welt, president of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Also, Frank L. Weil, president of the National Jewish Welfare Board; Rabbi David Aronson, president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America; Rabbi William F. Rosenblum, president of the Synagogue Council of America; Dr. Maurice Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; Samuel Rothstein, president of the United Synagogue of America; Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress; Shimon Pollack, president of the Federation of Hebrew Teachers; Boris Margolin, president of Histadruth Ivrit, and Judah Pilch, president of the National Council for Jewish Education.