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ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OUTLAWS TERRORIST CROUPS; HUNDREDS OF STERNISTS ROUNDED UP

TEL AVIV. Sept. 19. (JTA) -- Emergency regulations to halt the spread of antigovernment torror, outlawing underground terroristic organizations and making membership in them illegal as well as declaring all aid to such extremists a crime were promulgated in Israel today following a four-hour meeting of the Cabinet. All Cabinet officers have been armed and provided with armed escorts.

Issuance of the regulations, approved in principle and in draft form by the Cabinet and not requiring further authorization from the State Council, came during a day which saw vigorous action to apprehend the murderers of Count Folke Bernadotte and Col. Andre Serot, his aide. Although the curfew imposed in Jerusalem early vesterday was lifted today to permit life to return to normal, raids were being carried out on all known and suspected Sternist centers.

In parallel actions in Wel Aviv, Haifa, and other parts of Israel hundreds of Sterniets were rounded up and their documents and files confiscated. Two hundred Sternists have been transferred to Jaffa where it is planned to draft them into the Israeli Army.

Meanwhile, a Sternist underground appeal declared that the "Ben Gurion Government is using the methods of the Buttish" against the Sternists although their party is now legally registered with the government. "Because somebody shot Bevin's representative -- Bernadotte -- and although the government has no proof of our complicity, our people are being arrested and our offices are being closed."

A confession of responsibility for the assassinations was sent to all foreign consulater in Jerusalem yesterday by a group which signed itself "Hazith Hamoledeth-Fatherland Front. The government asserts that this is a splinter group of the Sternist movement, but a Starniat source insisted that "we never heard of it." The Fatherland Front note said: "We killed Bernadotte because he worked for the British and carried out their orders."

Shertok and Bunche. Temporarily Bernadotte's Successor, Meet

Foreign Minister Moshe Shertok and Dr. Relph Bunche, American U.N. official who has been named temporarily to succeed Bernadotte as head of the mediation and truce machinery, conferred here today for ever an hour. Shartok expressed Israel's sympathy and sorrow at the murder and outlined the measures which the government is taking to apprehend the assassins. Dunche reported that U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie had placed the Palestine situation on the General Assembly agenda and that Gen. Aage Landstroem, U.N. aide to Bunche, has been ordered to make an investigation of the incident. Bunche's earlier statement holding the Iaraeli Government responsible for the deed was not discussed.

Bunche's blast, addressed to Shertok, yesterday said, "the act constitutes 280 a breach of the truce of the utmost gravity for which the Provisional Government of

reel must assume full responsibility." He added that statements by Shertok and gal Yadin, Army Chief of Operations, to the effect that the truce was not being served carefully and that the observation staff was too small to do the job, re "not the kind of statements which would be calculated to discourage repremaible acts of this kind."

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Last night, a government statement deplored Bunche's "recriminatory" note in pointed out that the murder was carefully precediated and could not have been influenced by Shertok's statements which were published only Friday morning. In dittion, the spokesman said, the Shertok and Yadin criticisms were not aimed at ernadotte but at the observation set-up.

Bodies of Bernadotte and Serot Flown to Geneva From Haifa

The bodies of Bernadotte and Serot were today placed aboard a plane for leave after a solemn ceremony at Haifa where they had lain in state overnight; epresentatives of the Israeli Government were present at today's ceremony. The bodies were brought to Haifa yesterday from Jerusalem under armed escort.

Lundstroem was informed today that he and other U.N. personnel who witnessed the murders would be asked to check all arrested suspects in a line-up in an attempt to identify the killers. Shortly after the Cabinet's first session on the assasination, an official statement was issued. It declared that the government was taking all steps to mobilize the power of the state to stamp out this "treason at home." It added that the "Jerusalem outrage is a stab in the back of the Israeli Army" and the "act also attempts to sever the good relations between the state of Israel and the United Nations and it is a descreation of Jerusalem's holiness."

given additional support today with the announcement that the U.N. staff had finally worked out an agreement whereby the Israelis will be permitted to use a disputed road in the Negov for supplying settlements behind the Egyptian lines. Under the agreement the Jews will be permitted the use of the road for six hours out of each 24 and the Arabs will use the road for a like period.

Lundstroem's statement yesterday that the truce is still in effect, was

SKIPING AND SHELLING RENEMED IN JERUSALEM; ARABS DYNAMITE WALL OF NOTRE DAME HOSPICE

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19. (JTA) -- "The shooting truce," was which comparatively quiet this week-end was resumed late today. Shelling and sniping began again along the entire four-mile Jerusalem front.

Arabs dynamited one wall of the Jewish-held Notre Dame hospice which is the narrowest point of the U.N.-designated no-man's-land. Arabs also shelled Jewish positions near the Ein Shemer airdrome.

BERNADOTTE'S ASSASSINATION WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH U.S. RECCENITION OF ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19. (TA) - The State Department "does not see how the assassination of Count Folks Bernadotte would have any bearing upon American recognition of Israel." a Department spokesman said this week-end.

Secretary of State George C. Marshall today flew to Paris to take command of the American delegation at the United Nations General Assembly session which opens there Tuesday.

BERNADOTTE'S REPORT TO U.N. CALLED FOR PALESTINE CONCILATION BODY TO REPLACE HIM

PARIS, Sept. 19. (JTA) - The very day Count Folke Bernadotte was assassinated in Jerusalem, the United Nations at the Palais de Chaillot in Paris had received his recommendation that the mediator's post be absidised and instead a Palestine conciliation commission be established, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned here today.

The suggestion that the present mediation machinery be replaced is one the cardinal points in Pernadette's report to the U.N. which arrived from Rhodes Friday. The report which will be released tomorrow or Tuesday, lists a series of "conclusions," including the following:

- 1. The Negev, which had been awarded to the Jews in the partition plan of November of 1947 would be given to the Arabs, but the Jews in return would receive all Gelilee.
 - 2. Haifa would be a free port, serving both the Arab and Jewish hinterland.
 - 3. Lydda would be a free airport.
- 4. Bernadotte further proposed that the political future of the Arab areas should be determined by the inhabitants, letting them decide whether they wish to affiliate with Transjordan or establish an independent state.

In addition, Bernadotte suggested that the question of Arab refugees be divorced from the political settlement and that it be considered separately by the UN General Assembly.

Lie Places Palestine Issue on Agenda; Security Council Eulogizes Mediator

Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, on his own initiative moved yesterday to reopen the whole Palestine question by putting it on the agenda of the General Assembly.

The U.N. Security Council met briefly yesterday afternoon to pay tribute to the memory of Bornadotto. It adjourned after unanimously adopting a resolution condemning the "cowerdly act which appears to have been committed by a criminal group of terrorists."

Jacob Malik of the Soviet Union, in a briof statement on the death of Bernadotte, warned the Council that any solution which it may consider will have to be based on the partition decision, Aubrey S. Eben, Israeli spokesman compared Bernadotte to Jeen Loon Jaures and Mahama Mohandes K. Gandhi, as a man aiming at nothing but the cessation of violence who foll violently by the my, like the other two. Eben pledged to the Gouncil that it would soon be informed of "measures most drastic and far-reaching in character, with the aim of bringing the criminals to justice and reaching out with the hand of lawful authority into any circles in which a degree of responsibility for such an event may be found."

Philip Jessup of the United States called upon the U.N. to intensify its peace-making efforts at once. The Council president, Sir Alexander Cadogan of Great Britain, condemned the murder of Bernadotte as "senseless and disastrous." Lie said that the murder of Bernadotte and Col. Scrot, could be interpreted only as a direct attempt to interfere with the U.N. in its aim to settle peacefully the Palestine problem.

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.o.a. administrative council endorses \$2,500,000 food project for israelis

NEW YORK, Sept. 19. (JTA) -- The Administrative Council of the Zionist Organization of America today endorsed the Launching of a \$2,500,000 Z.O.A. food project for Israel. At the Council's all-day session it was announced that /merican Jews will be called upon to donate food, particularly in the next three months, for shipment to the people of Israel.

In this connection, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Z.O.A. president, stressed that while American Zionists are urged to give their utmost support to this project and to other projects authorized by the Z.O.A. preference is to be given to the United Stevieh Appeal.

The National Executive Committee, which met proceeding the Administrative Council, heard an announcement of the formation of the "Israel Corporation of America," a \$25,000,000 corporation, by individual members and officers of the Z.O.A. The corporation is dedicated to furthering the economic upbuilding of Israel through a wast program of housing and the promotion of essential industries.

The Council adopted a resolution expressing its shock at the Bernadotte assassination and called for the swift apprehension of the criminals responsible for it. The American Government was called upon, in another resolution, to recognize its solemn pleages and bring "to fruition the contribution" it has made thus far in the establishment of Israel. If hostilities are resumed, the resolution said, it is hoped the U.S. will lift its arms embargo in Israel. A third resolution embodied an appeal calling on American Jewry to match the devotion and courage of the Israelis in guaranteeing the existence and future development of the Jewish state which is now beset by war, economic stress and immigration problems. The stand of the Z.O.A. and General Zionist delegates to the recent Actions Committee session in Tel Aviv calling for separation of function and personnel between the Zionist movement and the Israeli Government was endorsed by the Administrative Council.

Among the resolutions adopted by the Administrative Council was one calling for an expanded program of education for Zionist youth as a major function of the Z.O.A. in the future. It also recommended to the Zionist Youth Counsision that it extend its sphere of operations beyond Zionist groups to all Jowish youth groups in the country. A youth conference to coordinate all Jowish youth activities in relation to Israel was also suggested. A 20 percent membership gain over last year was reported by executive director Dr. Sidney Marks, who said that 66 new districts have been established in the Z.O.A.

Dr. Silver Fears Israeli's Enemies May Use Bernadotte Killing Against It

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency, expressed the fear that Israel's enemies will use the murder of Count Bernadotte against it. He voiced gratification that public opinion in general has sensed that "this desperado act was the act of a few irresponsible individuals who have been condemned by Israel and who are being hunted down for swift punishment."

Asserting that "it is clear that the United States still holds the key to the situation in Israel," he added "it is equally clear that the stand of the United States Government with regard to Israel is still as nebulous as it has been right along." He said granting a lean to Israel would convince the Arabs that the U.S. is "very curnest and serious in its intention of backing the state of Israel and that their intransignance will yield them nothing." (As the Bulletin went to press, the scheduled addresses of Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Dr. Israel Goldstein and others had not yet been made.)

NEWS, COMMENTS ON BERNADOTTE'S MURDER OVERSHADOWS ALL MAJOR EVENTS IN U.S. PRESS

NEW YORK, Sept. 19. (JTA) -- All major events on the national and international scene were overshadowed in the American press this week-end by news and comments on the assassination of U.N. mediator Count Felke Bernadotte in Jerusalem last Friday. New York's leading newspapers carried pages on the details of Bernadotte's murder and were unanimous in emphasizing that he died a martyr's death in the interests of peace. The Israeli Government was urged to act relentlessly in tracking down and punishing the assassins.

The New York Times, in an editorial "U.N.'s First Martyr," states that "we can only hope that his death under such circumstances will discredit the men of blocd on both sides in Palestine--that it will be, in effect, a final act of mediation." The Herald Tribune declared that Ierael must come to grips with the extremists and "cannot afford to be at the mercy, in the eyes of the world, of either nationalist fanatics or those who would use the existence of such fanatics to east cdium upon the state."

The gummen who killed Bernadotte "fired a volley into the very breast of Israel," the Sun asserted, adding that "The Israeli Government properly disclaims responsibility for the murder and repudiates the murderers. Sensible folks will not blame the whole Jewish people for the fanaticism of a few gangaters." The World-Telegram called the killing "the greatest tragedy to the Jews" and stated that "only those whose minds are poisoned by anti-Senitism will condemn the innocent Jewish community for the acts of criminals who disgrace it." However, the newspaper insisted that "no amount of telerance or fair play" can excuse "the Israeli Government from its responsibility for law enforcement within its borders."

The New York Post editorial, "One More Murder," said that the killing is a symbol of the "harvest reaped upon the field in which we as a nation have helped to plant the evil seeds of injustice." It lumped Bernadotte's assassination with the murders committed by the invading Arab armies in Palestine and condoned by British and American policy.

Yiddish Press Condemns Assassination; Says It Strikes At Jews

The Day declared that "the assassination of Count Bernadotte and his aide was a bullet in the heart of the civilized world. The entire Jewish world conderns the brutal murder of these two high officers of the United Nations and shares with their families the sadness and pain." The Jewish Daily Forward stated that the terrorists who committed the crime "hit the vory heart of the Jewish state." It called upon Israel to "redeem itself" by uprooting the "terrorist organizations and groups which consider themselves above the law and justice."

The Morning Journal called the shooting an "act which borders on madness," adding that what makes the crime even greater is that "it places Israel in danger" because it "can only play into the hands of Israel's enemies." The newspaper concludes that "it is to be hoped that this criminal act will serve as a lesson" to the United Nations so that it will see the "hocessity of settling the Palestine question according to its own criginal plan."

Jewish leaders throughout the week-end continued issuing statements expressing their horror and indignation at the deed and asking the speedy apprehension and punishment of those responsible. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American and World Jewish Congresses, declared that "men everywhere and especially the Jewish people will mourn the assassination of Count Bernadotte and Ccl. Serot." No one

fore deeply deplores the crime than Jews, Dr. Wise stated, adding: "Jews will remember ith gratitude the noble humanitarian services which Count Bernadotte as president of the Swedish Red Cross rendered, and particularly during the last few months of the war when his efforts resulted in the rescue of thousands of Jews from death by the Nazie."

Lessing J. Rosenwald, president of the American Council for Judaism, in a latter to Secretary of State George C. Marshall asking him to convey condolences to Bernadotte's femily and the United Nations said: "All Americans of Jewish faith, who are at all concerned that there be peace in Palestine and amity among all its people, are bowed down with grief at his dreadful crime." He called for imposition of a solution of the Palestine problem "without regard to the fanatical nationalisms that have up until now, impeded the efforts at peace and conciliation."

measure by the assassination of Count Bernadotte and Colonel Serot, the French officer accommanying him. This cold blooded murder was a completely inexcusable act of terrorism. I condemn this revolting outrage with all my force. Whoever the criminals are they must be promptly apprehended, tried and summarily punished."

Similar sentiments were stated by Mrs. Joseph M. Welt, president of the Matical Council for Jewish Women, Justice Meir Steinbrink, chairman of the Anti-

A statement by former Gov. Herbert H. Lehman, declared" "I am shocked beyond

U.S. WILL SUPPORT ISRAEL'S ADMISSION TO U.N. REP. JAVITS TELLS U.J.A. PARLEY

Defamation League, and many others.

sentenced by an American military court.

CAMDEN, N.J., Sept. 19. (JTA) -- The United States will support the application of Israel for membership in the U.N. at the General Assembly session which opens in Paris Tuesday, Rep. Jacob K. Javits of New York today told 300 Jewish leaders from New Jersey, Delaware and Eastern Pennsylvania attending a regional conference of the United Jewish Appeal here.

Javits told the assembled Jewish leaders that he had received "authoritative information" from the Secretary of State that the U.S. will support Israel's application. Urging the granting of a \$100,000,000 loan to Israel by the Export-Import Bank, Javits added that a \$300,000,000 Middle East Recovery Program is actually necessary for Israel to take the lead in the economic recovery of that area. The delegates to the tri-state parley unanimously adopted a resolution to "mobilize all resources of devotion, manpower and funds for the supremely urgent needs of the United Jewish Appeal."

SENATORS, CONGRESSMEN DEMAND ARMY INVESTIGATION OF COMMUTATION OF KOCH SENTENCE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19. (JTA) -- Senators and Congressmen this week-end condemned the commutation to four years imprisonment of a life sentence imposed on lise Koch, widow of a former commandant of the Buchenwald death camp and a convicted war criminal in her own right, by Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American commander in Germany. Senators Raymond E. Bäldwin, of Conn., Leverett Saltonstall, of Mass., and Charles W. Töbey, of New Hampshire, and Rep. Emanuel Celler, of New York, all demanded an investigation into the incident by Secretary of the Army Kenneth C. Royall.

The Army report on the Koch case stated: "The evidence of her participation (in the Buchenwald murders) did not warrant imprisonment for life and the sentence was considered excessive." At her trial last year, Frau Koch was accused of having been responsible for the death of numerous prisoners, including Jews, and of having used their skins as lampshades, gloves and book covers. She was convicted and

EIL, AT ANNUAL PARLEY, URGES MAXIMUM COMMUNITY SUPPORT OF JEWISH CENTER MOVEMENT

NEW YORK, Sopt. 19. (JTA) -- Maximum community support for the Jewish Center povenent was urged this week-ond at the Jewish Center Division Committe's annual two-day meeting at the Ectel Commodore. The appeal for full community support of Jewish Centers was voiced by Frank L. Well, president of the Jewish Welfare Board, sponsor of the Center Committee, who emphasized that "in these decisive times the Jewish Genter has a vital role to play in its service to the total community." The Jewish Centers by their efforts to "enrich with significant Jewish content the community's cultural rosources" are making giant strides toward achieving a "more meaningful and positive Jewish life in America," he declared. Well denounced the assassination of Count Folke Bernadotte as an "utterly insensate and brutal murder. It makes no difference who committed the crime. It is harmful to the cause of international peace."

Reporting on the Contor Committee's activities last year, Philip Klutznick, its chairman, stated that 1,750 organizations in 47 states commercated Jowish Book Month, that the Jewish Music Fostival attracted interest and participation in and beyond America and that the Center Division's publications department distributed over 26,000 items of literature. S.D. Gershovits, J.W.B. executive director, disclosed that some \$3,000,000 worth of construction was begun this year by various Jowish centers.

2,000 delegates. Guests attend literary session at world congress for yiddish culture

NEW YORK, Sept. 19. (JTA) -- Some 2,000 delegates and guests to the World Congress for Yiddish Culture this week-end attended a special literary session and heard a review of the history and status of current jewish literature by leading Yiddish poets, novelists and essayists in this country and abroad. An art exhibit, featuring the works of 90 Jewish artists and sculptors, was opened at the Jewish Museum tonight under the sponsorship of the Congress.

Earlier, Dr. Ernst Simon, fraternal delegate to the parley and a lecturer at the Foundation of Education at the Hebrew University of Jerusalen, disclosed that the University plans to establish a chair in Yiddish scon. "All of us have begun to realize that Hebrew and Yiddish have a complementary function in the while framework of Jewish culture," Dr. Simon said. "Recognizing this, the Hebrew University decided to establish a Chair of Yiddish Language and Culture." Reports were also presented by the executive secretaries of the Congress, Pinchos Schwartz and M.L. Brown, dealing with the proparatory work for the Congress for the past year.

EMIL LUDWIG, NOTED JEWISH BIOGRAPHER, DIES IN SWITZERLAND; WAS 67 YEARS OLD

ASCONA, Switzerland, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Emil Ludwig, world-famous Jewish biographer of many prominent world figures, died in his sleep here, it was reported over the week-end. He was 67 years of age.

Born in Germany, he became a citizen of Switzerland following the rise of Mazism. His biographical works on Christ, Lincoln, Kaiser William II, Gootho Bismarck and Beethoven, besides many others, were burned by the Nazis. He was a Prolific writer, not only with biographical studies of famous personalities but also was the author of plays and political essays.

He was active in a number of Jewish causes. He attended the Universities of Breslau and Heidelberg, receiving his law degree from the latter institution. His main interest as a lawyer was social welfare, but he soon turned to writing on the lives of Napoleon, Hindenburg, Masaryk, Cleopatra, F.D. Roosevelt, Stalin, Sigmund Freud and Summercus others.