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## ISRAEL CABINET TO CONSIDER U.N. APPEAL FOR TROOPS TO FIGHT IN KOREA THIS WEEK

TEL AVIV, July 16. (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary-General Trygve Lie's appeal for troops to fight in Korea has not yet been considered by the Israel Cabinet but will probably figure at the coming week's regular session, Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett today told a specially convened press conference for the foreign correspondents stationed in this country.

Mr. Sharett declared that he anticipates that "the most relevant consideration which will guide the Cabinet's decision is the fact that the Arab countries obstinately and persistently refuse to conclude peace, while the troops of two of our neighbors are still located outside their borders." He reiterated that Israel's stand on Korea is based on its adherence to the United Nations.

(At Lake Success this week-end, an Israel spokesman said that it is not likely that his government could send troops to Korea. Every man capable of bearing arms is needed in Israel, he added.)

Commenting on the tri-partite policy on arms to the Near East, the Foreign Minister pointed out that the threat of a second round of warfare is implicit in the prevailing situation with the Arabs refusing to conclude peace. He added that the Jewish state is engaged in exploring the possibilities of acquiring arms.

## Israel Withdraws Offer to Accept 100,000 Arab Refugees

Turning to the question of the Arab refugees, Mr. Sharett stressed that they must now settle in their present countries of residence and that Israel is prepared to contribute financially toward this settlement from funds available in payment for land abandoned by Arabs in Israel. However, he pointed out that this could be done within the general framework of the peace negotiations.

He stressed that the Israel Government's offer to accept the return of 100,000 Palestine Arab refugees is no longer valid. He asserted that it had been made at a certain stage and within a specific context of conditions prevailing at that time. Conditions are changing daily in Israel and the country is gradually filling up, he continued, therefore Israel can no longer be bound by its original offer.

## U.N. CONCILIATION COMMISSION RELEASES CORRESPONDENCE EXPLAINING FAILURE OF PEACE TALKS

GENEVA, July 16. (JTA) -- The United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine today released an exchange of correspondence between itself and the Arab states and between itself and Israel which led up to its decision to abandon for the time being attempts to bring about direct negotiations between the parties concerned in the Palestine issue.

The Commission's failure led it to call off its meetings with representatives of both parties in Geneva yesterday and schedule a new set of talks in Jerusalem at the beginning of August. The exchange of notes is included as an annex to the commission's progress report to U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie. On March 29, 1950, the

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Commission made specific proposals for the establishment of a new procedure combining direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states in mixed committees with mediation by members of the three-nation commission.

The Arabs replied, stating that their representatives would sit in on mixed committee sessions if Israel agreed in advance to implement that part of the General Assembly resolution of December 11, 1948 dealing with the Palestine Arab refugees. Israel's reply made no requests for concessions, and agreed in advance to negotiate a peace settlement directly with any Arab state that wished to.

At this point, the Commission decided on its own that the task of conciliation would not be furthered by communicating the Arab terms to the Jews. It addressed two more notes to both the Arab states and Israel, clarifying certain aspects of its proposal for a new procedure and setting forth in broad terms the principles which should govern direct negotiations. In particular, the commission pointed out that the principles laid down in the Assembly resolution "must be respected by all parties and one of them cannot be singled out for special recognition without impairing the equilibrium" of the resolution.

In subsequent replies the Arabs again indicated that their attitude had not changed. Transjordan, however, explained on June 26, 1950, that its refusal to begin direct negotiations was dictated by its solidarity with the other Arab states as well as by "want of evidence of goodwill on the part of Israel." In the same letter, the Transjordan representative added that if evidence of such goodwill were forthcoming, "we would certainly be willing to reconsider the situation on the basis of safeguards for Arab rights, and bearing in mind the wishes of the Arab states."

On the basis of these replies the Commission decided to call off the meetings here and wait a while before making a new attempt at settling the Palestine war.

#### BEN GURION CALLS FOR INCREASED PRODUCTION AS BAR TO FURTHER AUSTERITY IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 16. (JTA) -- Israel can no longer depend for its upbuilding on donations and contributions from abroad which are meant for bringing in large masses of immigrants rather than for helping to maintain Israel's standard of living, Premier David Ben Gurion declared here today. Speaking at a meeting in honor of a Histadrut delegation which has just returned from America where its members studied American technical "know-how," the Premier warned that Israel might face further austerity and rationing unless production can be increased in the Jewish state.

Premier Ben Gurion listed Israel's three major economic aims as: 1. Providing the means for mass immigration and absorption in Israel; 2. Economic independence, and 3. Improving the standard of living in the Jewish state. The Premier stressed that these goals can only be achieved by increasing agricultural and industrial production rather than by austerity and rationing.

Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan told the gathering that Israel's agricultural production has failed to keep pace with her population growth. Since statehood, Mr. Kaplan declared, Israel's population has increased by 66 percent, while agricultural output has been boosted by only 50 percent. Another Cabinet member, Dov Joseph, Minister of Supply and Rationing, warned that Israel may soon be unable to buy raw materials because of lack of foreign currency which must be spent for the importation of essential foods.

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SYRIAN PLANES VIOLATE ISRAEL TERRITORY; GOVERNMENT PROTESTS SECOND ARMISTICE BREACH

TEL AVIV, July 16. (JTA) -- The Israel Government today protested to the mixed Israel-Syrian armistice commission the second Syrian violation of the Israel-Syrian armistice agreement within the past four days.

Yesterday, two Syrian planes flew over Safed, Huleh and Rosh Pinah, all within Israel territory. The earlier incident involved the killing of an Israeli and the wounding of another by Syrian troops on the shores of Lake Tiberias.

ARABS TRANSFERRED FROM ISRAEL TERRITORY TO TRANSJORDAN-HELD PART OF PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, July 16. (JTA) -- A group of Arabs occupying two Jewish houses in Israel territory were removed today by the Arab Legion to Palestine territory held by Transjordan, following an ultimatum of the Israel authorities. The transfer was carried out without incident in the presence of United Nations observers.

The Arabs occupied the Jewish houses several weeks ago. Israel authorities then complained to the mixed armistice commission and obtained a ruling from that body that the Arabs had moved into the Jewish houses unlawfully. However, the Arab Legion took no action to remove the Arabs from the Jewish territory until today when they were presented with the Israeli ultimatum.

HAIFA MUNICIPALITY GIVES OFFICIAL RECEPTION TO AMERICAN OFFICERS AND CADETS

HAIFA, July 16. (JTA) -- An official reception was given this evening by the Haifa municipality to several hundred American naval officers and cadets who arrived yesterday on the training ship Empire State to spend a week in Israel.

Ten American women lawyers who were invited by the Israel Bar Association to visit the Jewish state arrived here today. They will attend a Supreme Court session in Jerusalem and will meet the Israel Minister of Justice. The group is led by Judge Florence Allen and Judge Lila Neufeld.

PARTY OF 1,420 ROMANIAN JEWISH IMMIGRANTS ARRIVE IN ISRAEL; GREETED BY MINISTER

TEL AVIV, July 16. (JTA) -- A party of 1,420 Rumanian immigrants arrived at Haifa today. The group, which was greeted by Immigration Minister Moshe Shapira, included a high percentage of aged persons and invalids and some paralytics.

WEIZMANN LAUDED BY SWISS EDUCATION LEADER AT DEDICATION OF CRT LIBRARY

GENEVA, July 16. (JTA) -- Tribute was paid today to the role of President Chaim Weizmann in the moral and political fields by Albert Picot, head of the Geneva Educational Department. Picot, who spoke in behalf of the Swiss authorities at the opening of a new library at the CRT central training school at Anieres, stressed the value of CRT work in the building of Israel.

Other speakers at the ceremony included Dr. Aaron Syngalowski, World CRT Union leader, and representatives of the CRT from the United States, Canada and Australia. The library was named in memory of the late philanthropist and CRT leader, Adolf Neumann, who died recently.

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CONFERENCE OF JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS IN BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OPENS IN LONDON

LONDON, July 16. (JTA) -- A conference of representatives of Jewish organizations from all countries of the British Commonwealth opened here today to consider the problems of Jews in the United Kingdom and the British Dominions as well as the relations of Jews in those countries with Israel. The parley was called by the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

Besides the questions of relations with Israel and the promotion of relations among the Jewish communities in the various Commonwealth nations, the agenda includes a discussion on strengthening Jewish religious values, combating anti-Semitism anywhere in the world, defending Jewish rights everywhere and providing care for Jewish war orphans.

The conference was formally opened with an invocation by British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie after which Dr. Abraham Cohen, president of the British Board of Deputies, in his opening address, commented on the British Government's interest in the Commonwealth conference as evidenced by the presence of Lord Ogmore, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Commonwealth Relations.

Dr. Cohen also expressed deep concern over renewed manifestations of Nazism on the Continent, particularly in Germany and Austria. Finally, he stressed that the "re-creation of the state of Israel has opened a new epoch in the long history of the Jewish people" and that the Commonwealth conference would give serious consideration to problems bearing upon the relations between Israel and the rest of Jewry.

Lord Ogmore, who as Lt. Col. David Rees-Williams was Undersecretary for Colonies, welcomed the representatives from the Commonwealth nations and those from the United States who for the first time were present at a function of the British Board of Deputies whose history, he pointed out, dates back to 1760. He added that it was most important these days that friends come from all parts of the Commonwealth "to help us realize the brotherhood they represent."

Frank Goldman, president of the B'nai B'rith, who is attending the parley, spoke of the "happy relations" between the Board of Deputies and B'nai B'rith within the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations. He stressed the importance of coordinating the fight against discrimination since "whenever minority rights are violated and endangered, the rights of all human beings are violated and endangered." In reference to the Korean situation, the American leader declared that Jews always side with democracy and oppose totalitarianism.

WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR TO MEET WEIZMANN ON LATTER'S VACATION IN SWITZERLAND

BONN, July 16. (JTA) -- West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer will meet with Israel President Chaim Weizmann while the latter is vacationing in Switzerland, it was announced here today.

In Hamburg meanwhile, the public prosecutor has announced that he is dropping plans for appealing the acquittal of Veit Harlan, Nazi producer of the anti-Semitic film "Jew Sues." He stated that there is insufficient evidence upon which to prosecute.

MIZRACHI RABBINICAL CONFERENCE IN ISRAEL ADOPTS DECISION FAVORING REVIVAL OF SANHEDRIN

TEL AVIV, July 16. (JTA) -- A decision to support the demand of Orthodox elements in Israel for reconstitution of the Sanhedrin, the ancient supreme religious authority which existed in Israel until the dispersal of the Jews about 2,000 years ago, was adopted here today at a national conference of Mizrachi rabbis. The conference also decided to start preparations for the reestablishment of the Sanhedrin.

Rabbi J.L. Maimon, Israel's Minister of Religion, addressing the conference, advanced a number of arguments for the revival of the Sanhedrin. He also revealed that the Agudas Israel, extreme Orthodox organization, demanded the right for itself to establish rabbinical courts. He added that as Minister of Religion he strongly opposed this demand on the ground that if such rights are granted to the Agudah other groups may request similar rights.

"A multiplicity of separate rabbinical courts cannot benefit Israel," the Minister said. "The separate Ashkenazi and Sephardic court system which the rabbinate maintains in Israel is sufficient," he stated.

FRENCH MIZRACHI ORGANIZATION OPPOSES ABOLITION OF PARTY SYSTEM IN ZIONIST MOVEMENT

PARIS, July 16. (JTA) -- The national conference of the Mizrachi Organization of France concluded here today with the adoption of a resolution by the delegates opposing the abolition of the party system in the Zionist movement. The delegates asserted that the Zionist parties still have an important role to play in preparing the Jewish people outside Israel for immigration.

The delegates adopted another resolution congratulating the members of the Religious Bloc in the Israel Cabinet for their struggle to mold the Jewish state along traditional religious lines. The religious ministers were specifically thanked for their battle in behalf of religious education in the immigrant camps in Israel and for the fight waged by Minister of Religion Rabbi Judah L. Maimon against the government's proposal to purchase non-kosher meat abroad. Another resolution supported the establishment of a women's section of the French Mizrachi.

PROTESTANT GROUPS IN ISRAEL TOLD THEY CAN BROADCAST THEIR SERVICES OVER GOVT. RADIO

TEL AVIV, July 16. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben Gurion today addressed letters to five Protestant leaders in Israel notifying them that their communities in the Jewish state are free to use the Hebrew language in broadcasting their religious services over the "Voice of Israel" station in Jerusalem as long as their messages do not constitute an affront to the religious feelings of other religious denominations.

The Premier's letter was in reply to a protest by the leaders of the Protestant groups last month following the refusal of the station to broadcast in Hebrew a portion of Protestant religious services scheduled for the middle of June. The refusal was based on the argument that the Hebrew broadcasts would constitute missionary activities among the Jewish population.

A spokesman for the Israel Government today said: "The fact that all religious communities, Christian and Moslem, are invited to make use of the government broadcasting service is in itself evidence of our desire that all faiths should enjoy every reasonable facility for exercising their religious functions. However, the exercise of these functions by one denomination ought not to be of a nature likely to offend adherents of other denominations."

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PREMIER BEN GURION ACCEPTS STEPHEN WISE AWARD OFFERED BY AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

NEW YORK, July 16. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion of Israel announced his acceptance of the Stephen S. Wise Award for his contributions to the establishment and development of the Jewish state, in a letter to Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the American Jewish Congress. The award is made annually by the A.J.C. to four persons who have achieved outstanding records in furthering civil liberties in the U.S., the interests of Jewish communities overseas, Jewish scholarship and development of Israel--the spheres in which the late Dr. Wise was vitally interested.

In his letter, the Premier of Israel declared: "I appreciate from the depth of my heart the achievements you credit me with in the award citation. However, truth compels me to tell you that whatever I have done, I have done as one of the pioneers of Israel. Not a single achievement which you ascribe to me cannot be attributed as well to thousands and tens of thousands of my colleagues who, humbly and devotedly for decades, met their obligations to their land and people. This is especially so in the case of the tens of thousands of soldiers of the Israeli army."

PRESIDENT OF MEXICO RECEIVES MENAHEM BEGIN; AUDIENCE ATTENDED BY MINISTER OF FINANCE

MEXICO CITY, July 16. (JTA) -- Menahem Beigin, leader of the Herut Party in Israel, who is now visiting Mexico, was received here by President Miguel Aleman. Mexican Finance Minister Ramon Boteta was among those present at the audience, which lasted about an hour.

Direct telephone communication between Mexico and Israel is now available through circuits of the American Telegraph and Telephone Company. A three-minute call costs about 130 pesos, approximately 15 dollars.

J.N.F. COLLECTED OVER \$1,000,000 THROUGH COLLECTION BOXES IN LAST TWO YEARS

NEW YORK, July 16. (JTA) -- The total income of the Jewish National Fund of America from blue-and-white collection boxes in the last two years amounted to \$1,059,606, Dr. Harris J. Lovine, president of the organization, announced here today.

In a move to demonstrate its appreciation of the services rendered by J.N.F. members who collect money for the purchase and improvement of land in Israel through the traditional J.N.F. box collections, the organization has awarded four free trips to Israel to winners of the J.N.F. Box Contest. In addition ten awards of \$100 worth of Israel merchandise were made. Finally, 83 book prizes were given.

Z.O.A. AWARDS THREE PRIZES FOR PLAYS ON DEVELOPMENT OF JEWISH LIFE; TOTAL \$1,000

NEW YORK, July 16. (JTA) -- Three prizes totaling \$1,000 have just been awarded by the Zionist Organization of America to the winners selected by Eddie Cantor, Moss Hart and Norman Corwin in a National Playwriting Contest sponsored by the organization. The presentation was made by Mr. Benjamin G. Browdy, president, at special ceremonies at his offices in New York.

The first prize of \$500 was awarded to Elihu Winor, of New York, for his drama, "Action in Jozrael." The second prize went to Rabbi Louis I. Newman, of New York, for "Son Of His Generation" and the third prize to Dr. Harry T. Zankel, of Cleveland, for "Twilight Sleep." Second and third prizes were for \$250 each. Under terms of the competition, plays were to deal with the problem of developing a full and meaningful Jewish life in the United States or elsewhere.