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## ISRAEL AMBASSADOR TO HEAD BODY CO-ORDINATING U.J.A. - BOND DRIVE

NEW YORK, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- A committee to co-ordinate the drives of the Israel Bond organization and the United Jewish Appeal is expected to be formed this month following discussions held between the Ambassador of Israel, representatives of the Israel Bond campaign, leaders of the United Jewish Appeal and representatives of the American section of the Jewish Agency, it was learned here today.

The discussions have been based upon decisions reached by the Government of Israel on July 20. The main principles approved by the Israel Government and conveyed to the Israel Ambassador in Washington for implementation include:

1. Full support for both the Bond drive and the United Jewish Appeal.
2. The establishment of a committee with representatives of the Bond drive, the United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish Agency under the chairmanship of the Israel Ambassador.
3. This committee is to plan co-ordinated activity by both drives and to issue binding directives for reconciling any differences or conflicts.
4. The acceptance of agreed time schedules to eliminate conflicts in communities.

Details affecting the composition and program of the committee are now under consideration by all parties concerned. The facts were confirmed on inquiry by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency at the Israel Embassy in Washington.

## AMERICAN-ISRAEL PACT ON ACQUISITION OF ARMS ANNOUNCED IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- The State Department announced today that the Government of Israel and the American Government completed an agreement on July 23, 1952, where by Israel became eligible to receive military assistance on a reimbursable basis from the United States under the provisions of the Mutual Security Act of 1949, as amended.

Israel is now entitled to make applications for the purchase of munitions from United States stocks "in return for payment at fair value." Israel presented its official request for military assistance early this winter. Other governments in the Near East already eligible to purchase equipment on a reimbursable basis, the State Department said, are Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

The permission granted by the United States to Israel to purchase arms from this government has nothing to do with the application of Israel for grant aid provided under the terms of Paragraph 202 of the Mutual Security Act of 1952. This was learned today when the State Department pointed out that under the new government Israel will

have to pay for everything it gets and that the arrangement merely means that Israel can buy directly from the government rather than from private American companies.

It is considered a step forward because Israel may now be able to buy certain categories of munitions previously unavailable. But it is not the implementation of the free arms provided in the Mutual Security Act and requested by Israel last February 7.

A spokesman for the Department of Defense said that the Department does not consider Israel to be earmarked as a country guaranteed free arms under the Mutual Security Act. However, funds are contained in the Act, the spokesman said, for both Israel and the Arab states totalling approximately \$50,000,000 and could be extended if recommended by President Truman, following consultation with the Secretary of State, Joint Chief-of-Staff, and the National Security Council.

Before an outright grant would be made, it was learned, a bilateral agreement must be signed. Then an American military mission would go to Israel and survey the Israel Army and the defense needs of the state. The mission would then return and its recommendations would be screened by the joint Chiefs-of-Staff. Actually, however, the State Department has not yet indicated officially its views on the extension of such free grants of arms to Israel.

#### FLOOD OF U. S. INVESTMENTS EXPECTED IN ISRAEL UNDER NEW FACT

TEL AVIV, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- A flood of American investments in Israel's industry was foreseen here today following the agreement reached yesterday between the United States and the Israel Government under which American private investors in the development of Israel will get their money back in dollars and will receive American protection against losses from possible expropriation.

Government circles here said that the new agreement indicates that the U. S. Government has confidence in Israel's economic future and regards the Jewish State as a safe place for American investments. "It is now expected that the new agreement will greatly contribute to the promotion of investments by American individuals and companies in Israel," a government spokesman stated.

(In Washington, a spokesman for the Israel Embassy today hailed the new agreement as representing "a definite encouragement to American investors in initiating or joining investment undertakings in Israel.")

The view of the American Government with regard to the new agreement was expressed here by Bruce MacDaniel, director of the Technical Cooperation Administration in Israel, under whom the guarantee agreement will be carried out. In a statement issued here last night, Mr. MacDaniel declared:

"The American Government is calling on private productive forces to fill a vital and natural role in our foreign policy. Our main task is to help other nations increase their productive power and productivity as speedily and economically as possible. Dollar appropriations (by the American Congress) are not the permanent answer to our mutual problems. Private capital, with its wealth of technical and managerial skills and intimate contact, is the natural agent for handling the job. When private enterprise can be induced to play a full part in Israel economic effort the need for direct governmental assistance from the United States will be minimized."

The agreement guarantees American investors conversion of up to ten percent of their investment annually in the form of profits, dividends or repatriation of capital. The pact is similar to those concluded previously between the United States and Austria, Denmark, Greece, France, Italy and Norway. For a small "premium" investments will be guaranteed in dollars out of Mutual Security Act funds.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT EXPERT INCREASES EFFICIENCY OF HAIFA PORT

NEW YORK, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- The accomplishment of an American expert in increasing the efficiency of the port of Haifa, in Israel, is reported today from Tel Aviv in the New York Times. The expert, Dr. Boris Stern, a specialist in labor productivity in the U.S. Department of Labor, was sent to Israel under the United Nations technical assistance program.

The report points out that since the establishment of the state of Israel, the country's only major port of Haifa has become one of the most inefficient in the world. Most officials had maintained that nothing could be done about it without a big expenditure for new equipment and expansion. In July, however, the port suddenly raised its productivity in handling cargo by 35 percent compared to last year's average by putting into operation proposals made by Dr. Stein.

"There was no big expenditure," the Times report says. "On the contrary. Whereas in July of last year the port had to pay \$45,000 in demurrage charges to 14 ships as compensation for excessive delays in port, in July of this year the port collected \$6,000 from three ships that were handled so rapidly they became subject to the payment of port dispatch money." In a few months, when shipping becomes heavier, Dr. Stein expects the increase in productivity to reach 50 percent.

Dr. Stein, the report emphasizes, is not the first expert to diagnose the Haifa port's trouble, but he is the first in Haifa or any other part of Israel to persuade labor, management and the Government not only to accept his minimum proposals but also to give him the authority to put them into effect.

AUSTRIA WILL REJECT JEWISH REPARATIONS CLAIMS, GOVT. INDICATES

VIENNA, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- The Austrian Government will reject any possible Jewish reparations claims, it was indicated here from sources close to the government.

Austria's attitude to Jewish reparations claims, it was explained, will be based on provisions contained in the draft of the "State Treaty" which provides that Austria is relieved from making any further reparations payments.

Officials here argue that the State of Israel is unable to raise any claims against Austria. Austria, they say, has never been at war with Israel and had herself been a victim of Hitlerite aggression.

The Austrian Secretary of Interior, Ferdinand Graf, addressing a public meeting at Clagenfurt yesterday, said that his government will maintain the pro-Nazi amnesty laws under which more than 20,000 former Nazis will have their rights and property restored. This, he said, will be done despite America's protest against these laws which were passed recently by the Austrian parliament.

"It appears that certain American circles are still unaware that it was the resistance of the entire Austrian people which so far has saved Austria from sharing the fate of the satellite states," Secretary Graf declared. "Actions and comments which we have heard recently from the United States will not increase but weaken the Austrian people's will for defense."

BERLIN RABBI APPEALS TO CHRISTIANS TO RETURN JEWISH CHILDREN

BERLIN, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- An appeal to all Christian churches and Christian homes in Germany, who have been caring for Jewish children, to return them to Jews, is made in the current issue of the magazine, "Auslandswerte" by Rabbi Dr. Frier of Berlin.

### THREE-DAY ECONOMIC PARLEY FOR ISRAEL TO BE HELD IN ATLANTIC CITY

NEW YORK, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Israel's achievements in economic upbuilding, and her need for greater industrial expansion will be reviewed by experts from Israel and leading Americans at a National Economic Conference for Israel to be held under the auspices of the State of Israel Bond drive, it was announced here today. The conference will open on September 12th at the Chelsea Hotel in Atlantic City and will mark the launching of an intensive Fall campaign for the Israel Independence Bond Issue.

In announcing plans for the conference, Rudolf G. Sonneborn, president of the Israel Bond organization, stated that the major theme of the sessions will be: the transformation of Israel from a Land of Promise into a Land of Performance. "The Conference in Atlantic City," Mr. Sonneborn stressed, "will point up the decisive role of investments through State of Israel Bonds as a major channel for American aid to Israel's economic growth."

Mr. Sonneborn emphasized that the conference sessions will cover not only the economic progress of Israel and its plans for the future, but will also chart a program of action to make possible the fullest mobilization of community support for the State of Israel Bond drive. "The Conference will work out detailed plans to mobilize the entire American Jewish community in the Fall of 1952 in support of this effort, and will develop new projects," he declared.

### JEWS DEMAND OUTLAWING OF DISCRIMINATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE RESORTS

BOSTON, Mass. Aug. 11. (JTA) -- The New England regional office of the American Jewish Congress has submitted to the New Hampshire legislative council a draft for legislation to outlaw discrimination in resorts of that state, Attorney Abraham T. Alper, president of the region, announced.

The draft was prepared by Attorney Gerald A. Berlin, director of the region's commission on law and social action. The legislative council is expected to study the proposed legislation in view of introducing it in the 1953 session of the state legislature.

For some time there has been wholesale discrimination in New Hampshire resorts. In the resort area of Hampton Beach there is an owners' covenant whereby Jews are being kept out of the beach area and find it almost impossible to either buy or rent summer cottages.

### JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER DAMAGED BY HOOLIGANS; POLICE INVESTIGATE

GREENBELT, Md., Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Police are investigating damages inflicted on a partially-completed Jewish Community Center here that included the defacement of a sign which was changed to say "Jewish Communist Center."

Part of a wall was kicked down and a water hose was riddled with nails. Most of the members of the Center are government workers in nearby Washington, D. C. The building will be used as a combined synagogue and center. Construction work is being done by the members themselves.

### JEWISH GRAVES IN AUSTRALIA DESECRATED; IMMIGRANTS SUSPECTED

SYDNEY, Australia, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Several graves in the Jewish section of the Fawcner cemetery, in Melbourne, have been desecrated and badly damaged, it was reported here today. The vandalism was described as typical of action that had once been prevalent in Europe, but previously unknown in Australia. It was indicated that the action might have been directed from a nearby immigrants camp.

WORLD CONGRESS OF JEWISH PHYSICIANS OPENS IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- The second world congress of Jewish physicians opened here last night with more than 300 delegates from 18 countries participating. Sixty physicians from France, 50 from the United States, 20 from Britain, and ten from Turkey and Yugoslavia are among the participants. The four-day meeting will consider Israel's medical problems and will hear monographs read by specialists.

Premier David Ben Gurion, in greeting the congress, said that the Jews were the first to make medicine their life vocation in ancient as well as in modern times. The delegates were also greeted by Dr. Joseph Burg, Israel's Minister of Health; Dr. A. Sherman, president of the Israel Medical Association; Professor Mazor, new Rector of the Hebrew University and others.

OSE WILL SPEND SIXTY PERCENT OF ITS BUDGET IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Abel Shaban, chairman of the world OSE--Jewish health society--said here at a press conference that more than 60 percent of the organization's annual budget next year would be devoted to recreation and rehabilitation programs in Israel and for health projects in behalf of Jewish children in North Africa.

The OSE at present cares for 5,000 children in Israel in 20 institutions and is considering establishing recreation centers in the Negev and in other southern parts of the country.

JEWISH CHOIRS FROM MANY COUNTRIES APPEAR AT CONCERT IN ISRAEL

RAMAT GAN, Israel, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- More than 2,000 Jewish singers from all parts of the world participated in a huge musical performance given at the stadium here last night. They were given an enthusiastic reception by the many thousands who filled the stadium. New York's women choir received the greatest applause. The concert was part of Israel's Song Festival in which Jewish choirs from many countries participate.

AMSTERDAM UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHES CHAIR FOR HEBREW LITERATURE

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- A new department in Medieval and Modern Hebrew Literature has been established at Amsterdam University today. The head of the new chair is Dr. Josef Melkman, editor of the Dutch Jewish weekly, "Nieuw Israelitisch Weekblad," who is also the representative of the Jewish Agency in Holland.

NORWEGIAN JEWS TO PLANT FOREST IN ISRAEL IN HONOR OF KING

OSLO, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Marking the 80th birthday of King Haakon, Jewish congregations throughout Norway have collected funds for a forest in Israel to be named after their sovereign, it was reported here today. The first 1,000 trees will be planted this month and a certificate will be presented later to King Haakon.

DR. HERMAN FRANK, YIDDISH EDITOR, DIES IN NEW YORK; WAS 59 YEARS OLD

NEW YORK, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Dr. Herman Frank, editor of the Jewish weekly Freie Arbeiter Stimme, died of a heart attack at his home. He was 59 years old. A native of Byalostock, Russia, he studied at the University of Berlin and came to the United States in 1922. He was the author of several books on the cooperative movement.