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## U. N. VOTES FOR DIRECT ARAB-ISRAEL PEACE TALKS; ARABS OPPOSED

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 11. (JTA) — The United Nations Special Political Committee today approved a call by eight neutral powers for direct peace negotiations between Israel and the Arab states. The vote was 32 in favor, 13 against and 13 abstentions.

The resolution, which had been revised twice in an attempt to meet Arab objections, was opposed by the Arab states and some Asian delegations. Israel voted for it. The Soviet bloc abstained.

Immediately after the vote, Israel Ambassador Abba Eban pledged that his government would take immediate steps to open negotiations for a peace settlement. He was answered by Syrian delegate Ahmed Shukairi, who stated that the Arabs would not negotiate with Israel until the Jewish State "respected" the U. N. decisions on Palestine.

The U. N. committee then proceeded to vote on and reject two resolutions which had the support of the Arab bloc. The first was a Palestinian resolution requiring expansion of the membership of the Palestine Conciliation Commission from three to five members, and the transfer of its headquarters Jerusalem from New York. The second proposal which was turned down, was a demand made late yesterday by the Syrian delegate that the question of the rights of the Palestine Arab refugees be referred to the International Court of Justice for an opinion.

The eight power resolution called on the parties to the dispute to "enter at an early date, without prejudice to their respective rights and claims, into direct negotiations" for a settlement "bearing in mind the resolutions, as well as the principal objectives of the United Nations on the Palestine question, including the religious interests of third parties."

### Eban Says Resolution Is Step Towards Peace in Middle East

Explaining his vote on the resolution, Mr. Eban said his delegation considered the resolution to "represent significant progress toward peace in the Middle East." It contained "no unnecessary compulsions" in its call for "the normal method of pacific settlement between sovereign states," he stated. While the wording of some provisions might have been more satisfactory, his delegation had supported it, believing that "the central will of the United Nations" was for "a free and directly negotiated settlement."

Israel would now, he said, "think, plan and act" to carry out its aspirations for regional peace, encouraged by the reception given to its recent efforts in that direction, outlined to this committee the other day. Israel would also seek the



contacts and procedures to enable this process of negotiation to begin, said Mr. Eban. He was "hopeful of success." He added that "the counsels of moderation and peace in the Near East have been strengthened by the action taken by this committee today." The resolution conferred no privilege but imposed heavy obligations, he said in conclusion.

(In Tel Aviv this evening, the Foreign Ministry welcomed the Special Political Committee's passage of the eight power resolution. "This welcome resolution will bring stability and prosperity to this part of the world," a Ministry spokesman said.)

### EGYPT'S "STRONG MAN" SAYS HE DOES NOT TRUST ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- Gen. Mohammed Naguib, the "strong man of Egypt" last night expressed his views on Israel in an interview granted in Cairo to C. L. Sulzberger, chief correspondent of the New York Times. Premier Naguib criticized the Western powers for having supported the new Israeli state and said that "in order to create a nation of 1,000,000 you have spoiled relationships with 50,000,000 Arabs who own, among other things, great quantities of oil."

He said Egypt did not trust Israel's intentions, that Israel had violated every United Nations decision and that the expulsion of almost 1,000,000 Arab refugees had left a "bad stain." He added that Israel must accept the refugees' return before she could be considered "trustworthy."

He also explained that the Israeli-West German agreement for the payment of hundreds of millions of dollars worth of German goods in restitution for Nazi brutality and the dispossession of Jews was vigorously opposed here because it was designed to strengthen Israel militarily. The United States, he said, could have prevented this agreement had it wished to do so.

A Cairo broadcast said today that an "informed source" reports that Premier Naguib will be invited to visit the United States as a guest of the Government when President Dwight Eisenhower takes over at the White House.

### AMBASSADOR EBAN MEETS WITH BOND LEADERS ON THEIR RESIGNATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban today met Henry Morgenthau, Henry Montor, Julian Venerisky, Rudolf Somelhorn and other leaders of the Israel Bond drive who had offered their resignation. The Ambassador later said:

"I am more confident than ever that the Government of Israel will succeed in its objective of retaining the valuable leadership which has won such great successes for the bond drive and for Israel."

### MAPAM, ISRAEL COMMUNISTS SEND DELEGATIONS TO VIENNA MEETING

TEL AVIV, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- Separate delegations from the leftwing Socialist Mapam Party and the Israel Communist Party left here today for Vienna to attend a Communist-sponsored peace conference known as the "Congress of the Peoples for Peace."



**NATIONAL U. J. A. CONFERENCE STARTS TODAY; TO DISCUSS 1953 PLANS**

NEW YORK, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- The national three-day conference of the United Jewish Appeal will open here tomorrow at the Waldorf Astoria to formulate the 1953 campaign. More than 1,200 leaders of Jewish communities from all parts of the country will participate in the deliberations.

The delegates will assess programs conducted in 1952 in behalf of more than 700,000 immigrants in Israel, 250,000 dependent Jews in the Moslem countries and Europe, and thousands of recent newcomers to the United States. They will consider in detail the budgetary requirements of the U. J. A.'s constituent agencies -- the United Israel Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee and United Service for New Americans -- and will vote adoption of a campaign goal for 1953.

Speakers at the sessions will include Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency; Abba S. Eban, Israel Ambassador to the United States; Dr. George Josephthal, treasurer of the Jewish Agency and chief Israel delegate at the reparations negotiations with the Bonn Government; Edward M. M. Warburg, general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal; Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-chairman of the U. J. A.; and Jack D. Weiler, chairman of the U. J. A. National Cash Campaign.

Mr. Warburg, in a statement today, noted that the conference will coincide with the first days of Chanukah. "The greatest task facing the more than 1,200 conferees would be to infuse in all American Jews the same spirit of victory that once helped Jews to conquer a threat to Israel's freedom," he declared.

**SUNDAY PROCLAIMED AS "ISRAEL BOND DAY" IN 500 COMMUNITIES**

NEW YORK, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- More than 500 Jewish communities throughout the country will this Sunday conduct an intensive one-day drive to sell Israel bonds. Messages from Israel Premier David Ben Gurion and other members of the Israel Cabinet, exhorting the Jews of the United States to make additional purchases of Israel Bonds on Sunday, were released here today by leaders of the Bond drive.

"Everyone who is part of the Sunday drive is a pioneer in a new enterprise," Mr. Ben Gurion said in his message. "If we stop pioneering, we stop growing. The offering of so many volunteers for the purpose of selling Israel Bonds on Sunday is perhaps one of the finest demonstrations of the determination of American Jews to work with us to build a sound and progressive democracy."

"Israel Bonds are more than financial investments," stated Golda Myerson, Israel Minister of Labor, in her special message. "In the truest sense, they are bonds of friendship and the basis of a living partnership between the people of America and Israel."

Israel Minister of Industry and Commerce Dov Joseph asserted that the effort on Sunday "will have a tremendous effect upon the outcome of the fight for economic independence which we in Israel wage this Chanukah." He pointed out, however, that "the people of Israel seek faith, not favors - a helping hand, and not a handout in waging and winning our fight for economic self-sufficiency."

"To the citizens of Israel," said Israel Minister of Finance Levi Eshkol, "December 14 is not just another day. December 14 is the day when our friends in America will be asked once again to renew their faith and understanding in the achievements of the democratic State of Israel."



**ACHESON SAYS PRAGUE TRIAL MAY AFFECT OTHER EAST EUROPE**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (JTA) — Secretary of State Dean Acheson today said that it is not yet clear what consequences "the anti-Semitic, anti-Zionist and anti-Jewish aspects" of the Prague trial may have for Jewish minorities and in other satellite countries of Eastern Europe.

Mr. Acheson described the trial as "an extraordinary process with innumerable false charges, forced testimony and induced confessions." He said the trial was designed by Moscow to terrify satellite regimes into greater cautions and predicted that such trials would be repeated "whenever it is deemed necessary to teach the lessons of other unimpeaching defendants upon their evasions and unswerving and unsuccessful compliance with its purposes."

**FOREIGN NATIONS PROTEST TO U.S. AGAINST MCCRAN LAW**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (JTA) — The State Department said today that at least a half dozen foreign nations have protested against the provisions of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act, which is slated to go into effect on December 24.

Great Britain and France have delivered notes to the Department while other countries, including Italy, Norway, Belgium, Sweden, and the Netherlands protested orally. The protests were directed specifically against new regulations which require such careful screening of the members of the crew of a ship touching at American ports that friendly nations operating vessels there will seriously hamper the "turn-around schedule" of vessels.

The State Department said today through a spokesman that it feels it is too early to tell if any legislative modification of the act is needed. The Department said it had "no alternative" but to execute the law but it would take "every step" to alleviate the anxiety of foreign governments and shippers.

**"MENTALLY ILL" ISRAELI CAPTAIN Brought Aboard Ship BY FORCE**

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, Dec. 11. (JTA) — After a 24-year-old captain of the Israeli freighter S.S. Abraham Grant, was brought aboard here by tug on orders of his father, one of the owners of the vessel. Port officials described Capt. Grant as "mentally ill."

Reports from Israel, on the basis of which the ship was recalled that the captain be brought ashore, said that the captain had advised Premier David Ben Gurion and other government officials demanding that his father, H.H. Grant, be appointed Minister of Communications and that the Director of that Ministry be brought to trial, or he would sink the ship. When ordered by radio to ignore the captain, the radio man replied to Tel Aviv that the captain was enforcing his orders at the point of a pistol.

On the advice of a psychiatrist, arrangements were sent to the captain that his ultimatum had been accepted and suggesting that he fly back to Israel to attend the trial of the director of the Communications Ministry. After several messages were received in Israel the captain's father flew to the United States en route to the vessel which is due in Halifax some time today.

(In New York last night, David Brodie, vice-president of the Brooklyn Line, which operates the Abraham Grant, said that the captain had issued sailing the messengers. Mr. Brodie said he was inclined to believe the captain's crew members. He added that some of the crew had in all probability resented Capt. Grant's recent handling of a strike situation when the vessel was in Haiti.)



**U.S. LABOR ZIONISTS APPROVE PACT ON AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL**

NEW YORK, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- Approval of the "Jerusalem agreement" under which part of the functions of the American section of the Jewish Agency would be transferred to the American Zionist Council, was voted here today by the central committee of the Labor Zionist Organization of America.

The agreement was reached at Jerusalem last month among Premier David Ben Gurion of Israel, the chairmen of the Jerusalem and American sections of the Jewish Agency and the presidents of the four major Zionist parties in the United States. It aims at strengthening the American Zionist movement, and was approved in principle last Sunday by the national executive of the Zionist Organization of America. The decision taken today by the Labor Zionist Organization reads:

"The Central Committee of the Labor Zionist Organization of America, after hearing the report of its representatives on the agreement reached in Jerusalem to recommend to the respective Zionist organizations in America a five-point program to broaden the scope of the American Zionist Council, approves the agreement in principle and authorizes the president to appoint a committee of six to evolve and to suggest to the Central Committee all necessary details and methods for the implementation of the agreement and, upon approval thereof, to enter upon negotiations with all of the organizations concerned for their effectuation.

"In endorsing the agreement, the Central Committee reiterates the stand previously taken by the L. Z. O. A. and reaffirmed by its national convention last July. This calls for 1. the expansion of the field of activities of the American Zionist Council to include substantially those functions agreed upon in Jerusalem; 2. the granting to the Council of authority to act within the agreed fields without recourse to the individual parties; 3. the assignment to the Council of additional fields of activity, when deemed necessary or desirable, by the agreement of at least two-thirds of all the Zionist parties; and 4. the establishment of a key of representation on the Council which shall approximate as closely as possible the composition of the American delegation to the last Zionist Congress."

The Central Committee of the L. Z. O. A. also adopted a resolution voicing its condemnation of the "farce parading as judicial procedure" which recently sent eleven men to the gallows and condemned three to life imprisonment in Prague, after most of them, who were Jews, had "confessed" to being "bourgeois Jewish nationalists" and parties to an "international Zionist conspiracy."

**ISRAEL AIR LINE CARRIED 70,000 PASSENGERS IN THREE YEARS**

TEL AVIV, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- The Israel national airline, El Al, has carried 70,000 passengers in the three years since its establishment, Arich Pinkis, manager of the line, reported at a press conference here today.

The line, which carried 40 per cent of the passengers arriving in Israel by air during the three years, earned 4,000,000 pounds during the past nine months, 3,000,000 of it in foreign currency. El Al planes also carried 60 percent of all air freight and 42 percent of all air mail entering and leaving Israel during the past three years, Mr. Pinkas revealed.

He said the company hopes to be able to expand its service to and from New York to three flights weekly instead of the present two. Stressing the need for expansion, he said he hope the government would provide some 3,000,000 pounds, its share of the proposed expansion program.



**FEDERAL JURY TO RESUME PROBE OF RACIAL TERRORISM IN MIAMI**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- A federal grand jury which recently concluded the first phase of a sweeping investigation in Miami of anti-racial and anti-religious acts in Florida, will resume its investigation on Jan. 12, it was announced here today by the Justice Department.

The investigation was started in 1951 following the bombing of synagogues and the bomb murder of a Negro leader in Miami. Yesterday, U. S. marshals arrested a prominent woman civic leader in Miami and three alleged members of the Ku Klux Klan on charges of perjury or making false statements during the jury's investigation of the terrorist activities. All four were released on \$1,000 bond each. The date of their trial will be set later.

The Justice Department here said that the arrested woman was Mrs. Helen Russel, leader of the Edison Center Community in Miami. She was charged with perjury. The three men were charged with making false statements to government officers. The three had denied membership in the Ku Klux Klan, but the jury said it had found that all three had been active members of the Hialeah Klan.

**NEW YORK MAYOR PROCLAIMS "WEIZMANN MEMORIAL DAY"**

NEW YORK, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- In honor of the late Dr. Chaim Weizmann, a "Freeman" of New York City, and in recognition of his achievements as a statesman and a scientist, Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri today proclaimed December 17th, Weizmann Memorial Day.

December 17th was chosen by the Mayor to coincide with the "Salute to the Memory of Chaim Weizmann," which will take place at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel with the widow of Dr. Weizmann in attendance. Present at the reading of the proclamation today were Meyer W. Weisgal, chairman of the executive council of the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovoth, and Abraham Feinberg, president of the American Committee for the Institute.

**ZEEV SHAREF, SECRETARY OF ISRAEL GOVERNMENT, ARRIVES IN U. S.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- Zeev Sharef, Secretary of the Government of Israel, arrived in Washington today to survey the official establishments of the Israel Government in this country, the Israel Embassy made known today. Mr. Sharef will remain in Washington until the end of the week when he will proceed to New York.

**CANADIAN JEWS SEND 60,000 POUNDS OF CLOTHING TO ISRAEL IMMIGRANTS**

MONTREAL, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- The S. S. Yaffo, the last Israeli vessel to call at the port of Montreal until next spring, departed this week with a cargo of almost 60,000 pounds of new and used clothing destined for the various immigrant camps in Israel. The clothing was collected through the Materials for Israel of the United Zionist Council of Canada.

**ANFENGER, PRESIDENT OF DENVER NATIONAL JEWISH HOSPITAL, DEAD**

DENVER, Dec. 11. (JTA) -- Milton L. Anfenger, prominent Denver attorney and president of the National Jewish Hospital here since 1946, died last night after a heart attack. He was 78 years old. He was a past president and treasurer of District Grand Lodge #2 of B'nai B'rith; past president and present director of the Central Jewish Aid Society; member of the board of directors of the Allied Jewish Council and was active in other Jewish organizations.