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## MOSCOW'S ANTI-SEMITISM SPELLS WAR PREPARATION, SHARETT SAYS

LONDON, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- "The anti-Semitic and anti-Zionist policy of Moscow can be taken as a clear indication that the Communist leaders have entered a new stage in preparing their countries for war," Israel Foreign Minister declared in an interview with the Sunday Times which was published here today.

Mr. Sharett told Eric Sosnow, Sunday Times correspondent in Tel Aviv, that "the recent purges and anti-Semitic outbursts are a process of blood-letting inside their system with the aim of strengthening it for war. Its purpose is to make clear to all peoples of the Soviet Union, as well as the satellites, that the Communist system cannot tolerate any group within its midst which forms part of a world-wide unit. The Jewish people are singled out as an example that even a spiritual allegiance is not permissible at a time when the Soviet Union is preparing itself for the next war," the Minister declared.

Commenting on the Anglo-American plans for the creation of a Middle East defense organization, Mr. Sharett is quoted as saying that these plans cannot be carried out in cooperation with the Arab states alone. "The Arabs now, as in the past, are sitting on the fence. Their calculations are based on the assumption that they have everything to gain and nothing to lose by waiting," the Israel Foreign Minister stated.

## British Government "Appalled" by Soviet Anti-Jewish Drive

LONDON, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- The British Government is appalled by the recent developments behind the Iron Curtain including the Prague trials and the Moscow accusations against Jewish doctors, Anthony Nutting, Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, told an Agudas Israel delegation that called on him this week-end. The British official said that "these sad events have a horribly familiar ring about them."

Mr. Nutting revealed that the British delegation to the U.N. will submit to the world body full details of "discriminatory practices in the Iron Curtain countries against religious and political minorities." He added that developments of the new situation would be carefully studied.

Pleas to the Soviet Union and other Communist countries to let the Jews in those countries emigrate to Israel if the Communist authorities "do not want" them, were voiced here today at a mass meeting held in London's East End by the Zionist Federation of Great Britain. Barnett Janner, M.P. presided. Prof. Selig Brodetsky and Dr. S. Levenberg of the Jewish Agency were among the major speakers.

JEWISH COMMUNITY LEADERS CONTINUE TO FLEE SOVIET GERMANY

BERLIN, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Leaders of more Jewish communities in the Soviet part of Germany continued to find their way into West Berlin this week-end escaping from the Communist regime where anti-Jewish propaganda shows no sign of waning. Among 50 Jews who fled from East Germany to West Berlin yesterday were the leaders of the Jewish communities of Magdeburg and Eisenach.

The Communist authorities in East Germany have begun to "reorganize" the Jewish communities in the Soviet zone, it was reported today. New heads of Jewish communal institutions are being appointed, the report said. Some of them succeed the Jewish community leaders who found asylum in West Berlin last week, while others replace the heads of institutions who are suspected of being "pro-Zionist."

Heinz Galinski, head of the Jewish community in West Berlin, issued an appeal during the week-end to world Jewry to aid the Jews from the Soviet zone who have found refuge in West Germany. The flow of Jewish refugees into West Berlin is presenting a problem to the Jewish community in view of the fact that many of the 400 Jews who escaped from East Germany are in need of assistance.

DRIVE AGAINST JEWISH DOCTORS STARTED IN SOVIET BYELORUSSIA

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- A campaign against Jewish doctors has been started in Soviet Byelorussia, it was reported from Moscow today in a cable to the New York Times. The report said that the leading Soviet newspaper in Minsk, capital of Byelorussia, charges seven Jewish doctors with malingering and giving each other false excuses for illness, to cover each other on absences from their jobs.

Among the doctors involved, the newspaper, "Soviet Byelorussia," named Drs. Asya Epstein, Tsilya Nisnevich, Regina Blok, Kantorovich, Slobodskaya, Kokash and Dora Moiseevna Paperno. The newspaper charged that Dr. Epstein had been absent 64 days in one year on excuses given by Dr. Nisnevich. The paper said that Dr. Blok got an illness excuse from Dr. Epstein whenever she wanted one, and added that this also was a case of malingering. Similar cases were said to involve Dr. Kantorovich, who was absent 131 days in one year; Dr. Slobodskaya, who missed 100 days, and Dr. Kokash, 194 days. Dr. Paperno, who was chief of the consulting commission, also was said to have received absence excuses often.

ARRESTED MAPAM LEADER REPORTED BY PRAGUE "IN BEST OF HEALTH"

TEL AVIV, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- The Czechoslovak authorities, replying to a series of questions from the Israel-Legation in Prague about the state of health of Mordechai Oren, Israeli citizen and Mapam leader imprisoned in the Czech capital on charges of anti-state activities, have indicated that Mr. Oren is in the best of health, the Israel Foreign Ministry announced here today.

After delaying publication for a week of an article by Dr. Itzhak Gruenbaum, Mapam leader, attacking Moscow, the party's newspaper Al Hamishmar today printed it without changes. In it, Dr. Gruenbaum warns of danger to the Jews in the U.S.S.R. and says that the only solution for them is immigration to Israel.

Speaking at a Mapai-sponsored mass meeting here, Jonah Kesser, Mapai deputy in the Knesset, charged that there was no difference in important detail between the extremist and moderate wings of the Mapam Party. The extremists defend the "Prague and Moscow libels" while the other factions of the party refuse to fight the Communists anyway, he said. He also warned the Israel Communists that the government would not hesitate to "use severe measures" against anyone who commit treason.

ISRAEL CABINET, JEWISH AGENCY TO CONFER ON MOSCOW ANTI-SEMITISM.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Urgent conferences on the latest Iron Curtain developments affecting Jews will be held in Jerusalem this week between members of the Israel Government and leaders of the World Zionist Organization which has been the target of Moscow's attack. Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency and president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, announced on his departure yesterday for Europe and Israel.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann's first stopover will be Bonn, where he will meet with Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and other members of the West German Government to discuss the Israel-Bonn reparations treaty and the early delivery of goods to Israel under this agreement. The agreement, signed last September, provides that Germany is to deliver to Israel goods in the amount of \$822,000,000 as partial compensation for the material losses suffered by the Jewish people under the Nazi regime.

"The latest events behind the Iron Curtain carry implications of the most grave nature for a large remnant of the surviving Jewish people in Europe," Dr. Goldmann declared. "The Moscow allegations, the Prague trial, the incessant press campaign in all Iron Curtain countries have evoked the greatest anxiety among Jews everywhere. Jewish leadership throughout the world is now deliberating on steps that may be taken to arrest this campaign, to bring to bear upon the Communist world the feelings of moral indignation and outrage over the recent development and to outline all possible measures for bringing relief to our imperilled brethren.

"The Jewish Agency has been in constant consultation on this issue with the Government of Israel and with Jewish groups in this country and Jewish communities throughout the free world," Dr. Goldmann continued. "The Jewish Agency at a meeting in New York City last Friday decided that I should proceed to Israel to consider this emergency with the Israel Cabinet."

Agency Surveys East German Press on Bonn-Israel Pact

The Jewish Agency made public today a survey of East German press opinion showing that the East German Communist Government is engaged in a last ditch campaign against the Bonn-Israel settlement. The Agency believes that this campaign is obviously aimed in two main directions: To curry favor with Nazi and other anti-Semitic elements in Eastern and Western Germany by attacks on the Luxembourg Agreement; to woo the Arab states, particularly Egypt, with grandiose offers of trade. Another aim of the campaign is to smokescreen East Germany's refusal to restore or make compensation for Aryanized Jewish property inherited from the Hitler regime.

The Berliner Zeitung, published in East Berlin, claims: "The possibilities of East Germany's trade with the Arab countries are by far not exhausted. The Arabs can be wooed. East Germany can import and export many goods in addition to those already traded with the Near East."

Neues Deutschland, Communist Party organ in East Berlin, wrote: "The German-Israel agreement is a business deal between West German and Israeli big business. They want to secure high profit markets for themselves for years to come. The financial burden... will be borne by the working masses whose tax pennies it will extract... This dirty deal will benefit not only Israeli and West German big business but the American imperialists who stand behind it."

The Maerkische Volkstimme, of Potsdam, wrote: The restitution agreement with West German monopoly capitalists was engineered by the Americans in order to help the Israel bourgeoisie and to make the Adenauer state and the West German Nazis

acceptable for inclusion in the framework of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The agreement makes it possible for the big capitalists of Israel to erect armament plants. The whole scheme is an unspeakable betrayal of the Israeli people."

The Tagliesche Rundschau, of East Berlin, wrote: "German and U.S. monopolists instigated and favored the Israel agreements at the cost of the people. Now they see their business with the Near East threatened."

The tenor of East Germany's press campaign is echoed in the extremist press of West Germany. However, the West German press, by and large, re-affirms the Government's moral obligation to stand by the Luxemburg agreements.

#### ISRAEL AGREES TO OPEN NATIONAL INDUSTRIES TO FOREIGN CAPITAL

TEL AVIV, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- The Israel Government has agreed in principle to opening the field of national industrial development to private capital, chiefly foreign capital, Joseph Saphir, Minister of Communications, today told a meeting of the Industrial and Commercial Club of Tel Aviv.

The Minister reported that the government had come to the conclusion that the national and local communal budgets cannot be expanded to find sufficient funds to finance all essential development projects and is now considering means of raising foreign and local capital. Among the projects which he listed as likely to be opened to private capital are the exploitation of Negev mines and the building of a cross-country railroad.

An American engineer currently advising the Israel Government on various technical problems has suggested that Israel could free itself from dependence upon expensive imported petroleum fuels by developing an alcohol-manufacturing industry. Alexander Taub, noted American motor designer who designed the engine in the British Churchill tank, pointed out that with slight adjustments present gasoline combustion motors could be converted to alcohol combustion. Local manufactured alcohol would be much cheaper than gasoline which now costs about one dollar a gallon, including taxes.

#### SITUATION ON ISRAEL-JORDAN FRONTIER DETERIORATING RAPIDLY

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet today considered the problem of the rapidly deteriorating situation along Israel's borders with Jordan. Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and a representative of Army headquarters reported on the latest developments, including implementation of the armistice agreements with the other three Arab states on Israel's frontiers.

Meanwhile, four Israeli soldiers captured by the Arab Legion three weeks ago were returned to Israel today, together with the body of an Israeli soldier killed in an outbreak of violence along the Israel-Jordan frontier last Thursday. Tension in Israel mounted when it was learned that the Arabs were returning the body. The Jordanians continue to refuse to meet with the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission.

When the Jordanians failed to surrender the four soldiers three weeks ago, the Israelis refused to implement any portion of the armistice agreement with Jordan. The Israelis informed United Nations truce supervisory personnel of the situation and the latter wired Gen. William Riley, U.N. truce chief, who is out of the country, and urged him to return in an attempt to ease the tension.

EISENHOWER URGED TO INTERVENE AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM IN RUSSIA

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Israel is the "sole hope of resettlement" for any largescale movement of Jews from the Iron Curtain countries provided that the American Jewish community helps to make available the necessary funds through philanthropic sources, Rudolf G. Sonneborn, national chairman of the United Israel Appeal, said here today. He spoke at the 17th annual meeting of the United Israel Appeal's board of directors which was held this afternoon at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

Warning that Israel is currently ill-equipped to handle a mass migration, Mr. Sonneborn stressed that "the people of Israel have the will and the desire to welcome the Jews but the tragic fact is that we have lost precious years when we could have helped to consolidate the economy of the Jewish state were sufficient funds made available." He expressed confidence that Jews of this country "would move heaven and earth to provide the major portion of the funds needed for the gigantic operation of bringing the Jews out of the Iron Curtain orbit."

The U. I. A. national chairman called upon President Eisenhower to use "his good offices and the prestige and influence of our country" against the "official and state sanctioned exploitation of anti-Semitism as a principle of the Soviet government." At the same time, he urged President Eisenhower "to help bring about negotiation of a peace settlement in the Middle East within the greater framework of his avowed and strong desire for world peace."

The meeting elected a new slate of officers headed by Mr. Sonneborn as national chairman for his third one-year term; William H. Sylk, of Philadelphia, as chairman of the board of directors, and Ellis Radinsky as executive director. Mr. Sylk replaces Benjamin G. Browdy who held that post last year.

Mr. Radinsky, making his annual report, disclosed that the agencies of the U. I. A. in 1952 had spent a total of \$80,459,353 for their program of immigration, resettlement and general development of the country. More than half of this amount was provided by American Jews through the U. I. A. campaign while the balance was made up by campaigns in other countries, loans and open accounts.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE WARNS OF DANGER TO JEWS IN U.S.S.R.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Jews in the United States were warned today that "the security of 2,500,000 Jews in the Soviet Union and satellite countries is at stake." The warning was issued by Benjamin J. Butenwieser, chairman of the 46th annual meeting of the American Jewish Committee which will take place here this coming week-end.

The growing anti-Semitism in Soviet Russia and the satellite countries will be one of the major topics of discussion for the 500 Jewish leaders who will attend the three-day meeting. One of the principal speakers at the gathering will be John J. McCloy, former U.S. Commissioner for Germany, who will give a behind-the-scenes report on events in Europe.

Soviet U.N. Delegation Picketed; Anti-Jewish Drive Protested

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- More than 150 Jewish and non-Jewish workers staged two picketing demonstrations yesterday in front of the headquarters of the Soviet delegation to the United Nations in protest against the anti-Jewish drive in the Soviet Union and the satellite countries. The pickets carried placards reading: "Stop Communist Anti-Semitism" and "End Communist Oppression of Catholics, Protestants and Jews." The demonstrations were arranged by the Committee to Combat Soviet Religious Persecution and Genocide.

TURKISH JEWRY ELECTS FIRST CHIEF RABBI SINCE 1931

ISTANBUL, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Rabbi Ephraim Saban of this city has been elected Chief Rabbi of Turkey, filling a post that has remained vacant since 1931. Seventy-seven year old Rabbi Saban served as secretary to the Turkish Chief Rabbi in the latter part of the 19th century. For the last 15 years he has been president of the Religious Council of the Grand Rabbinate, Turkish Jewry's representative body.

SAMUEL DAROFF TO HEAD U. J. A. CAMPAIGN CABINET FOR 1953

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Samuel H. Daroff of Philadelphia has accepted the chairmanship of the United Jewish Appeal's 1953 National Campaign Cabinet which for the fourth successive year will hold top-level responsibility for the planning and direction of the Appeal's nationwide campaign for funds, it was announced today by Edward M. M. Warburg, general chairman of the U. J. A.

Mr. Daroff, a prominent industrialist and philanthropic leader who is also a board member of the Joint Distribution Committee, informed Mr. Warburg that he would accept the cabinet chairmanship "as a measure of my deep concern for the safety and future of Jews in Iron Curtain countries." Mr. Daroff succeeds Morris W. Bernstein of Syracuse, N. Y., who is now serving as one of five national chairmen of the U. J. A.

Mr. Warburg, in announcing Mr. Daroff's acceptance, lauded the new cabinet chairman as one of the country's outstanding Jewish communal leaders, adding that he has made notable contributions by his leadership to every United Jewish Appeal campaign since the end of World War II. "Mr. Daroff's assumption of his new post at this time would add immeasurable strength to the campaign leadership group," he said. "He will be a potent force in carrying the drive forward to a successful conclusion."

ISRAEL'S FORMER CHIEF OF STAFF INSPECTS U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY

WEST POINT, N. Y., Jan. 25. (JTA) -- General Yacov Dori, Israel's first Chief of Staff and now president of the Technion, Israel's Institute of Technology in Haifa, laid a wreath on the grave of Colonel David Marcus, West Point graduate who was killed in 1948 while fighting with Israel's army during the new state's War of Liberation.

General Dori was a luncheon guest of Major General Frederick Irving, Superintendent of the United States Military Academy here. He inspected the school's facilities, showing great interest in its training program.

DR. KUBOVY, ISRAEL DIPLOMAT BANNED BY PRAGUE, ARRIVES IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Dr. Arich Kubovy, Israel's Minister to Czechoslovakia and Poland, arrived here to undertake a tour of American cities in behalf of the State of Israel bond drive. Dr. Kubovy was recently proclaimed persona non grata by both the Czechoslovak and Polish Governments. The Israel Government emphatically rejected the Czech and Polish charges against Dr. Kubovy and against the State of Israel.

DR. GRUENBAUM NAMED EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT OF P. E. C.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (JTA) -- Dr. Heinz Gruenbaum of Tel Aviv has been named executive vice-president of the Palestine Economic Corporation, Robert Snod, chairman of the board of P. E. C. announced. Dr. Gruenbaum, one of Israel's leading economists, formerly served as director of the Israel Investment service.