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MOSCOW AND ISRAEL ANNOUNCE RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

JERUSALEM, July 20. (JTA) -- The immediate resumption of diplomatic relations between Israel and the Soviet Union was announced simultaneously here and in Moscow this evening. Relations were broken off by Moscow last February after the explosion of a bomb in the garden of the Soviet Legation in Tel Aviv.

The communique announcing resumption of relations--which contained an exchange of letters between Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and Soviet Foreign Minister V. Molotov--revealed that contacts leading to an agreement to renew relations took place in the capital of one of the East European countries. Preliminary talks took place in April and May, when an Israel representative informed the Russians of his government's desire for resumption of relations.

The talks continued and on July 6, Mr. Sharett wrote to Mr. Molotov: "The Israel Government has, of late, been aware of a noticeable improvement in the atmosphere surrounding international affairs and of a renewed and widespread desire to arrive at peaceful and constructive solutions of major international issues still pending.

"In pursuance of its consistent policy of seeking friendship with all peace loving nations and to contribute to the measure of its ability to the establishment of normal harmonious relations with all peoples, the Israel Government wishes at this juncture to raise the question of resumption of relations with Israel which were broken off after the explosion in the Soviet legation in Tel Aviv of a bomb placed by unknown criminals, causing damage to persons and property.

"The Israel Government recalls that in its note of February 10, 1953 to the USSR Legation in Tel Aviv it expressed its profound regret over the crime committed against the Legation and offered its apologies as well as full compensation for injuries and material losses which the legation and its personnel sustained."

Mr. Molotov's letter, dated July 15, 1953, declared that in view of the assurances given by Israel that it would make every effort to apprehend and punish those responsible for the bombing and the fact that it had apologized for the incident, the Soviet Union was prepared to restore relations. He made special note of the fact that Mr. Sharett, in his letter, said Israel will not be party to any aggression against the USSR.

Mr. Sharett this evening informed the Israel Parliament's Foreign Affairs Committee of the resumption of relations. At the same time, the Israel Government expressed its satisfaction with the new state of affairs, asserting that this development "will serve the cause of world peace." It also expressed its "deep gratitude" to the Netherlands Government for protecting its interests in Russia during the period when relations between Moscow and Tel Aviv were ruptured.

ARABS WILL RECEIVE MORE AMERICAN MILITARY AID THAN ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- The Arab states will receive considerably more military aid from the United States than Israel, it was revealed here today when the House Appropriations Committee published previously secret testimony on Mutual Security Aid.

The testimony discloses that Assistant Secretary of State Henry Byroade told the Committee that the State Department planned heavier arms shipments to the Arab states than to the Jewish state. "I think when you compare one-third of the world here with an area of the size of Israel, it should not be secret that our plans are to do more in all the rest of the area than in that one country," Mr. Byroade said.

House Democratic whip John W. McCormack today challenged President Eisenhower to lead a fight against the proposed reductions in the Mutual Security bill, including a slash in the amount for Israel. Sen. McCormack offered the President the help of Democrats in restoring at least \$700,000,000 of the \$1,100,000,000 reduction.

ARABS ATTACK HOUSE IN JERUSALEM OUTSKIRTS; WATCHMAN KILLED

JERUSALEM, July 20. (JTA) -- One watchman was killed Thursday night when Arab infiltrators attacked a house under construction in Jerusalem's northwestern outskirts. The Arabs opened up a round of concentrated automatic fire on two Israel watchmen, one of whom was killed instantly. The other, who was unhurt, returned the attackers' fire.

An Israel Army spokesman said that this was not an isolated incident, since a similar attack occurred a week ago in the Jerusalem hills, when two Israel soldiers were killed. "It is clear that the attacks were carried out by well-organized and trained bands, whose sole aim is to kill and to sabotage," the spokesman said.

ARABS MAY SEEK DEBATE ON JERUSALEM STATUS AT U. N. ASSEMBLY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., July 20. (JTA) -- The Arab countries represented at the United Nations may ask for a debate on the status of Jerusalem at the U. N. General Assembly which is scheduled to open in September, it was indicated here today.

The provisional agenda for the Assembly, which was made public several days ago, does not provide for any discussion of the Jerusalem issue. However, it was pointed out today that a political item on the Palestine question can be included at the last moment before the Assembly starts its session.

The provisional agenda includes only one item of particular interest to Israel. The item deals with the question of the Palestine refugees and provides for a report by the director of the U. N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees.

ISRAEL WAR VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS SENDS DELEGATION TO TURKEY

ISTANBUL, July 20. (JTA) -- A delegation of Israel war veterans will pay a visit to Turkey early next month, it was reported here today. The Association of War Veterans of Israel, in a letter to the Association of War Veterans of Turkey, said that "an exchange of views will serve both nations to obtain more fruitful results in their efforts for world peace."

COMPROMISE ON GERMAN INDEMNIFICATION BILL EXPECTED THURSDAY

BONN, July 20. (JTA) -- Frantic efforts are being made here to insure last-minute Parliamentary adoption of the bill to indemnify individual victims of the Nazis, many of whom are Jews, which ran into a serious snag Friday when the Upper House of the German Parliament recommended certain changes which the Lower House is unlikely to accept.

The Lower House is scheduled to hold one more session July 29, while the Upper House is to meet two days later. Unless the measure receives a majority in both Houses it will have failed of passage, because Parliament will be dissolved at the end of the month.

The new Parliament will be elected September 6, but it is feared that this time more Nazi-minded deputies, hostile to the idea of indemnification for Nazi victims, will be elected. In any case, the new Parliament could not consider the bill before next year.

Next Thursday a conference committee of both Houses will meet to attempt to reach a compromise on the measure. It is expected that some compromise will be reached along the lines suggested by Hamburg, that the present bill's formula for sharing the costs of the indemnification legislation, throwing most of the cost to the states, will be kept for now and that it be modified before March 31, 1955.

This is expected to win approval in the Lower House and possibly force favorable action in the Upper House which will not want to be burdened with responsibility for scuttling a bill which Germany has repeatedly pledged to enact.

THIRTY NEO-NAZI GROUPS MERGE IN GERMANY; FORM UNITED PARTY

MANNHEIM, July 20. (JTA) -- The establishment of a unified neo-Nazi party, which is to contest the forthcoming Bundestag elections under the name "National Ingathering," was decided upon at a meeting held here by 620 delegates of 30 neo-Nazi splinter groups.

Speakers at the meeting denounced President Roosevelt and the Nuremberg trials of the Nazi war criminals. The meeting sent a message of greetings to former Admiral Karl Doenitz, who is now serving a prison sentence as a war criminal. The new party is to be under the joint leadership of Bavarian Landtag deputy August Haussleiter, head of the "German Community," and of Karl Meissner, creator of the "German Block."

One of the principal speakers was Edward A. Fleckenstein, who said he is an American citizen from Weehawken, N. J., and represents the Voters Alliance of Americans of German Descent of which, he stated, he is the president. He told the audience that Senators Joseph McCarthy and Pat McCarran are Germany's best friends in the United States and ridiculed the democratic system of government as "mediocrity."

NAZI WAR CRIMINALS TO BE RELEASED BY DECISION OF "BIG THREE"

LONDON, July 20. (JTA) -- British official sources were quoted today as predicting the release of "scores" of Nazi war criminals in accordance with a decision taken at the recent meeting of Big Three Foreign Ministers at Washington. (A Bonn announcement said today that the United States has agreed to invite German participation in the formation of boards to review the sentences of Nazis now held as prisoners.)

MCCARTHY DENOUNCED FOR CHARGING SEN. MONRONEY WITH ANTI-SEMITISM

WASHINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- Sen. Herbert H. Lehman today took the floor of the Senate to speak as a member of the Jewish faith to denounce charges of "anti-Semitism" lodged last night by Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy against Sen. A. S. Monroney, an Oklahoma Democrat. McCarthy lashed out on a "Meet the Press" telecast against Monroney, charging that the Senator's opposition to the methods of McCarthy's investigators Roy M. Cohn and David Schine represented "the most flagrant, the most shameful example of anti-Semitism I have ever heard."

Defending Sen. Monroney, Mr. Lehman told the Senate he was moved "to assert that this is a wholly false and ridiculous charge." He said: "many individuals of the Jewish faith, as well as of Christian denominations--without distinction--have repeatedly criticized and repudiated the antics of these two brash young men. For several months in speeches and public statements, I - a Jew, sensitive to any religious bias - have been strongly critical of the behaviour of these young men and have pointed out that they have been doing our country and the cause of anti-Communism great harm both here and abroad. I am very certain that most members of my religious faith, not as Jews, but as Americans, are anything but proud of these two young men."

Sen. Lehman pointed out that "to brand criticism of them (Cohn and Schine) as 'anti-Semitism' is pure and errant demagoguery, raising an ugly symbol in defense of indefensible conduct." He added that it was unnecessary for him to absolve Sen. Monroney of "this cheap charge," yet, he said, he could not forbear from affirmatively attesting that Monroney "is one of the fine characters of the Senate, free of bias, hate, and prejudice--a gentleman of understanding and of courage."

Sen. Monroney said "Sen. McCarthy's statement is just as ridiculous as the absurd activities of his two investigators who left a trail of discredit to American traditions across Europe" a reference to their recent, much-criticized investigating tour of Europe.

SEN. WILEY CHARGES OPPONENTS OF DP BILL WITH ANTI-SEMITISM

WASHINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- Senators today received copies of a memorandum from Sen. Alexander Wiley, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which charged that anti-Semitism has been injected into efforts to kill the Administration's emergency bill to admit 240,000 additional Europeans in the next two years.

"The anti-Semitism," Sen. Wiley stated, "is particularly vile in connection with this bill, because so tiny a percentage of individuals of the Jewish faith is involved in any way at all among the potential immigrants."

Sen. Wiley said he and 17 fellow Senators who joined with him in sponsoring the Administration bill and President Eisenhower himself have been targets of "slandorous abuse" from "a poisoned well of anti-Catholicism and anti-Semitism."

The Wiley memorandum said that "by final favorable action on this bill, we of the Congress will be giving the only sort of answer which that tiny, poisonous outside minority deserves - a thundering rebuke - a thundering denunciation of their vicious efforts."

"Those efforts are unworthy of the respected, substantial individuals and groups inside and outside the Congress who, for fair, valid reasons, in their own judgment, oppose the bill," Sen. Wiley pointed out. "I know that these worthy members of the opposition would disassociate themselves completely from the slanderous attacks by the bigots, hate-filled, discrimination-screaming outside minority," he added.

EISENHOWER MAKES NEW APPEAL FOR CONGRESS PASSAGE OF DP BILL

WASHINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower made a new appeal to Congressional leaders who visited the White House this morning for determined action to secure passage of the administration's bill to admit 240,000 additional Europeans in the next two years.

Among those who participated in the White House meeting today were chairman William Langer of the Senate Judiciary Committee and chairman Louis E. Graham of the House Judiciary Subcommittee. Acting Senate Majority Leader William F. Knowland made it known the immigration bill, as approved by the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, "would be acceptable" to the administration. In the House informed sources said there is a "fifty-fifty chance" of securing action on the measure this week.

NON-JEWISH WOMAN CONTRIBUTES \$1,000,000 TO "CITY OF HOPE"

LOS ANGELES, July 20. (JTA) -- A million-dollar gift by a non-Jewish woman to the Jewish-sponsored City of Hope, national medical center at Duarte, was announced here. The contribution, which is the largest ever received by the City of Hope, was made by Mrs. Elsinore Machris, widow of a pioneer California oilman.

Mrs. Machris announced her gift at the 40th annual convention of the City of Hope which was attended by 1,200 delegates. The money will go for the construction of a new heart surgery building at the City of Hope. Recently, Mrs. Machris donated \$80,000 for the purchase and installation of a "cobalt bomb," a deep-ray device used in treating cancer.

WILMINGTON JEWISH LEADER BEQUEATHS \$100,000 FOR NEW YM-YWHA

WILMINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- Milton Kuntz, local Jewish leader who was for many years president of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, bequeathed \$100,000 to the Wilmington YM-YWHA to help the agency secure a new building. It was learned here today when his will was made public. Kuntz died here last month. Numerous other Jewish institutions will receive legacies under the terms of his will.

CORNERSTONE FOR KAPLAN SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS LAID IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, July 20. (JTA) -- A cornerstone for the Kaplan School of Economic and Social Sciences, which will be a part of the Hebrew University, was laid here today at a ceremony presided over by Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Israel Parliament. Mr. Sprinzak pointed out that the school will train professional workers to serve in the administration of the state and to act as consultants to Zionist bodies on economic problems.

A total of \$500,000 dollars was raised in the United States for the building in which the school will be housed. The annual budget of the institution will be covered by funds raised in Israel which will include contributions from the Israel Government, the Jewish Agency, the Histadrut, and the Hebrew University. The Kaplan School, named after Eliezer Kaplan, late Israeli Minister of Finance, will award degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy. Pinhas Lavon, member of the Israel Cabinet, was named president of the school and Professor Umberto Bachi will be the dean of the institution.

AMERICAN ACADEMY AWARDS PRIZE TO JEWISH SCIENTIST IN HOLLAND

THE HAGUE, July 20. (JTA) -- Dr. Hans Freudenthal, Professor at the University of Utrecht, has been awarded a second prize for work in applied mathematics by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. The award calls Dr. Freudenthal's work a "contribution to the unity of science."