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EBAN PRESENTS ISRAEL'S NEW DEFENSE PROBLEMS TO STATE DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7, (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban in a lengthy meeting with George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, described today the character of new defense problems of Israel as background for Israel's forthcoming request for U. S. munitions to balance the flow of Communist arms to Egypt. It was indicated that Ambassador Eban would present a formal arms list to the State Department soon, possibly this week.

Mr. Eban said after the meeting that today he had explained Israel's impressions of the Geneva conference, and briefly covered the same general ground discussed by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles with Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett at Geneva. Mainly, Mr. Eban outlined Israel's new defense problems which were considered pressing as details became available of the extent and nature of Communist munitions arriving in Egypt. He was accompanied on his visit by Israel Minister Plenipotentiary Reuven Shiloah.

It was learned here today that a list of U. S. arms needed by the Jewish State is now being drawn up by Israel and is expected to arrive in Washington this week, for presentation to the U. S. Government. A demand for jet fighters will be stressed by Israel because of the knowledge that the central item in the Czech-Egyptian deal was MIG fighters and bombers, totalling between 100 and 200, of types so far unavailable to Israel. It is believed that anti-aircraft guns, radar equipment, jet interceptors and ships and equipment for anti-submarine defense will be asked of the U. S.

Some sources here said today the United States probably will supply some anti-aircraft, anti-tank and other armaments to Israel if investigation shows they are needed to balance the Communist weapons being received by Egypt. A basic hope of the United States is to do everything possible to prevent a dangerous arms race in the tense Middle East. "We are going to be strongly opposed to any side which is guilty of aggressive warfare against the other side. I think these are elements which will tend to cause the countries concerned to stop and think," Mr. Allen said last night in a statement on a television program.

State Department press officer Lincoln White said today that he is not in a position to give any details on the estimate made last night by Mr. Allen that \$75,000,000 to \$100,000,000 is involved in the arms transaction between Czechoslovakia and Egypt. Mr. Allen revealed, among other things, that no proposal has been discussed involving the sending of United Nations military forces to the Arab-Israel front to prevent the outbreak of an Arab-Israel war.

Mr. White said that the United States Government has definite information that "several" shiploads of Communist munitions have been delivered to the Egyptian Army and has received reports that Soviet bloc military technicians are in Egypt. He also made known that the State Department is in "constant touch" with Egypt and Israel in view of the gravity of the situation and that the Department is continuing to explore ways of preventing war.

The explorations were "actively going forward," he said. Asked if a reaffirmation of the 1950 Tripartite Declaration was planned, he replied: "All ways and means of being helpful" were under consideration. He stressed that concentration "at the moment" was on the United Nations and said he assumed it would continue in that direction.

U. N. Proposes New Marking of Egyptian-Israel Border

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 7, (JTA) -- One of the major proposals made by Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold and Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, with the backing of the United States, Britain and France, for easing tensions between Israel and Egypt in the Nitzana-El Auja demilitarized zone is a suggestion that United Nations observers under Gen. Burns put up fresh markers along the boundary between the two countries in that area.

According to the proposal, members of Gen. Burns' staff would mark the boundaries without being accompanied by either Israel or Egyptian representatives. Egypt is expected to reject the proposal.

BEN GURION REPORTS TO CABINET ON ISRAEL'S SECURITY SITUATION

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion, at the first meeting of his new Cabinet last night, reported fully on the Israel security situation. Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett reported on international developments affecting the security problem.

The Cabinet approved Mr. Sharett's visit to the United States on behalf of the Israel bond drive. Mrs. Golda Myerson, Labor Minister, was designated Acting Foreign Minister. Before the Cabinet meeting, Mr. Sharett met with the Parliamentary Security and Foreign Affairs Committee.

Meanwhile, Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, who returned to Jerusalem from UN headquarters in New York yesterday and immediately went to inspect the Nitzana-El Auja area, is expected to confer with Mr. Sharett before the latter leaves for the United States. Gen. Burns still has not made known UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's proposals for an arrangement in the Nitzana-El Auja area to either Israel or Egypt.

A military spokesman in Tel Aviv revealed that five Egyptian commandos made an unsuccessful attempt to penetrate the Beit Kama settlement yesterday. The Arabs, who hit a number of cattle at the settlement in an exchange of shots with the settlement's watchmen, went on to Jordan territory. The distance they had come, apparently from the Gaza strip, was longer than the distance to a haven in Jordan. Beit Kama is north of Beersheba.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said today that Israel is aware that Egypt has far more troops in the Nitzana area than authorized by the armistice pact, which calls for the stationing of a total of 30 men in three different check points. He stressed that this excess of troops, coupled with Egypt's failure to accept unconditionally a UN plea of last Thursday for a ceasefire - which Israel has accepted - puts a serious face on the situation.

COMMONS DEBATES BRITAIN'S MIDDLE EAST POLICY; FIFTY QUESTIONS POSED

LONDON, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- The House of Commons held a lengthy debate on Britain's Middle East policy today, with Harold Macmillan, Foreign Secretary, replying to the 50-odd written questions prepared for him.

On the question of Britain's continued supplying of arms to Egypt, even while the Arab country brought weapons from Czechoslovakia and appeared to be considering still closer ties with the Communist bloc, Mr. Macmillan refused a direct answer. At one point, R. H. Turton, Parliamentary Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, said that no British Centurion Tanks--50-ton monster tanks mounting a 20-pound cannon--had been delivered to Egypt since mid-August. He refused, however, to give any other information about deliveries to Egypt. Secretary Macmillan dodged the arms question despite repeated cries from the MP's of: "Answer."

The Foreign Secretary, beset by searching questions from both sides of the House, asked the MP's not to press for "the answer to "supplementary questions" on a problem of "great difficulty and complexity" upon which very large issues depend and which are "not made easier by the inclusion into this sphere by the policy of the Soviet Government."

Britain Opposes Egypt's Blockade of Suez and Eilat

He revealed that United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold, in his proposals to Israel and Egypt last week, had suggested the evacuation of the Nitzana-El Auja demilitarized zone by both parties and completion of the demarcation of the Israel-Egyptian border line in that area. He said that there were 12 UN observers along the Israel-Egyptian line in the Gaza and Nitzana areas and that last Friday Minister of State Anthony Nutting had informed Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, UN truce chief, that Britain would support any request Gen. Burns might make for more observers. The Foreign Secretary praised the work done by Gen. Burns in reducing to "manageable proportions" the Israel-Egyptian situation.

In reference to Egypt's blockade of the Suez Canal, he noted that Britain refused to accept the legality of the blockade against Israel. "But," he continued, "it is not easily dealt with under existing conditions." He expressed the hope that a general settlement would see the end of this problem as well as many others.

Questioned about the blockade of the Gulf of Akaba, where Egypt is attempting to bottle up the Israel port of Eilat, the Secretary again noted that Britain had refused to recognize the legality of the Egyptian regulations and had protested them. Discussions between Britain and Egypt on this matter are continuing, he noted, and the Egyptian Government had indicated that some modification of the regulations might be expected. "I hope an acceptable arrangement can soon be arrived at," he added.

DRILLING FOR OIL WELL STARTED BY AMERICANS IN CENTRAL NEGEV

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Drilling for an oil well was begun today at Halutza, in the central Negev, by an Israel-American oil company.

U. J. A. SUMMONS EXTRAORDINARY PARLEY TO PLAN MORE AID FOR ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Leaders of Jewish communities from all parts of the country will gather in New York at an extraordinary one-day conference called by the United Jewish Appeal to weigh American Jewry's role in the light of Israel's being thrust into an emergency of grave danger, it was announced today by Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, UJA executive vice-chairman. The meeting will take place on Friday, November 18, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

"The meeting," said Rabbi Friedman, "will seek to formulate plans to relieve the people of Israel of financing refugee immigration at a time when they find themselves threatened by Communist arming of Egypt. These plans," he continued, "involve the taking over by American Jews of full responsibility for financing the transfer and resettlement of Jews who are anxious to quit North Africa for Israel."

Rabbi Friedman pointed out that, "despite present dangers, the Israel Government and Israel's people are determined to keep their doors open to continued Jewish immigration. Any abrogation of this policy, especially at this time, would serve to condemn to hopelessness scores of thousands of Jews in North Africa who feel they have no future, save in Israel."

The November 18 meeting will be presided over by William Rosenwald, general chairman of the UJA. Principal speakers will include Avraham Harman, Deputy Director-General of Israel's Foreign Ministry, UJA president Edward M. M. Warburg and Rabbi Friedman. The three UJA leaders headed a 60-member UJA Overseas Study Mission which has just returned from an intensive survey of Jewish needs in Europe and Israel. The meeting will provide the first opportunity for the mission to report its findings.

So. African Jewry Starts Emergency Fund-Raising for Israel

JOHANNESBURG, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- An emergency country-wide fund-raising effort to assist Israel at this time of crisis was opened here last night at a meeting of the South African Zionist Council, which was attended by delegates from the chief centers of the Union of South Africa and Rhodesia.

The council immediately established a fund, to which substantial contributions were made then and there by some delegates, and called on every Jew in the country to "give unstintingly and on a scale commensurate with the emergency of the hour." I. A. Maisels, president of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, pledged the support of his organization.

A resolution adopted by the council noted that "events in the Middle East have created a grave emergency which threatens the very existence of the State and people of Israel. Conscious of the gravity of the crisis, this meeting of the South African Zionist Council, expressing the will of the entire Jewish community of South Africa pledges full and unwavering support to our brethren in Israel."

U. S. Urged to Provide a Policy of Insurance for Israel

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- The United States was urged today to provide a policy of insurance for Israel and all other Middle East nations ready to negotiate a peace treaty, which would include a security guarantee and sufficient arms for defense against attack. The appeal was made by Philip M. Klutznick, world president of B'nai B'rith, speaking at the meeting of the B'nai B'riths Board of Governors, now taking place here.

"The great Western powers," Mr. Klutznick said, "must provide a policy of insurance to the nations of the Middle East who desist from an arms race and who are prepared to face up and negotiate peace and tranquility. The only way open is to guarantee and secure the borders of such enlightened nations. The fact that one nation would be Israel should not make such a policy less desirable but more desirable. It is an essential concomitant of such a policy that the Western powers must prepare any nation that is willing to hazard its existence by joining in this campaign for peace by supplying these essential armaments to defend itself if attacked." The B'nai B'rith leader expressed confidence that the U. S. would not "stand idly by and permit Israel to be destroyed."

Sen. Wiley Outlines Program for U. S. Middle East Policy

LIBERTY, N. Y., Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Senator Alexander Wiley, ranking Republican member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, outlined today a basic program of short and long range goals in the American Middle East policy. Speaking at a dinner of the American Friends of the Weizmann Institute, Sen. Wiley said that the following goals appear "imperatively" advisable:

1. Direct talks between Israeli and Egyptian leaders under UN auspices and insistence by the UN on the achievement and maintenance of a genuine cease fire;
2. Prompt United States consideration of export of defensive arms, at appropriately low prices, to Israel, in order to assure equitable balance of strength;
3. Further exploration of the type of security pact, guaranteeing just boundary arrangements, such as was proposed by Secretary of State Dulles.

J. N. F. CONCLUDES THREE-DAY FESTIVITIES; OPENS NEW HOME IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Three days of festivities by the Jewish National Fund of America which marked the dedication of the new five-story JNF House, acquired and remodeled at a cost of \$300,000, ended here today. Albert Schiff, chairman of the dedication committee, announced that the JNF, in the course of its existence, has raised \$200 million in the United States for land redemption and development in Israel.

Dr. Harris J. Levine, president of the JNF of America, revealed that more than 500,000 individual donors in the United States have contributed from a dime to \$50,000 to the Jewish National Fund this year. Dr. Levine stated that the JNF House will also serve as a cultural center for Jewish Youth, for affiliated Zionist organizations and for Jewish national groups.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, honorary president of the JNF and president of the American Jewish Congress, delivered the dedication address. The Zionist leader declared that "the people of Israel, with the help of the JNF, are making one reclaimed acre of land do the work of ten barren acres." He stated "the people of Israel want only to be left in peace, free to pursue their efforts to transform barren wastes into productive farms." He lauded the land reclamation program of the JNF and called the organization "a tangible and sentimental link between every Jew and Israel."

Mendel N. Fisher, JNF executive director, urged immediate consideration of "the broad-gauged program of the JNF which has been brought to us from Jerusalem by Dr. Abraham Granott, world chairman of the JNF, and which is aimed at the strengthening of Israel's security as well as its agricultural expansion."

CITY OF VIENNA AWARDS "MEDAL OF HONOR" TO J. D. C. REPRESENTATIVE

PARIS, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- The award of a "medal of honor" by the city of Vienna to Theodore Feder, Joint Distribution Committee representative for Austria, for his contributions to the health and welfare of the city, has been announced here by Moses Beckelmann, JDC director general. Mr. Feder has been appointed Joint director in Germany.

The dinner in his honor was attended by James K. Penfield, deputy head of the United States mission to Austria, and Arie Eshel, Israel Consul General in Vienna. Mr. Feder's successor in the Austrian post is Fred Ziegellaub, former director of the JDC community relations department in Germany.

SIDNEY NELSON APPOINTED J. D. C. DIRECTOR FOR LATIN AMERICAN LANDS

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- The appointment of Sidney Nelson, social service executive and consultant on community organization, to head the activities of the Joint Distribution Committee in South and Central America, was announced today by Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the JDC.

Mr. Nelson, who returned to the United States only this week from a survey of JDC activities in Europe, North Africa and Israel, is leaving by air tomorrow to take up his position at JDC Latin American headquarters in Buenos Aires. He is a veteran of many years of service with community organizations, and has been teaching for the past eight years at Brooklyn and Hunter Colleges, and New York University.

COMBINED JEWISH APPEAL OF BOSTON CLOSES DRIVE; RAISES \$4, 624, 000

BOSTON, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- The Combined Jewish Appeal of Greater Boston closed its 60th anniversary campaign here tonight with a "Salute to Workers" dinner at which general chairman Louis P. Smith announced that the campaign had received a total of \$4, 624, 000 this year. The figure represents \$103, 000 more than was raised last year and the campaign total is the highest since 1951.

Funds raised by the Combined Jewish Appeal support a network of 201 agencies, including the United Jewish Appeal, the Associated Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Greater Boston and scores of national, overseas and Israel institutions.

LORD SAMUEL GREETED FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD ON HIS 85TH BIRTHDAY

LONDON, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Lord Samuel, first High Commissioner of Mandated Palestine, received hundreds of greetings from groups and persons in all parts of the world yesterday as he celebrated his 85th birthday.

Lord Samuel will appear today on a special television program scheduled in his honor. Tomorrow, he will be honored at a dinner arranged by a committee of outstanding British Jews and at which leaders of the Conservative, Labor and Liberal parties will speak. Last night, a dinner was held in Manchester in his honor and a recorded message from Lord Samuel was played at the affair.