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### DULLES ISSUES NEW STERN WARNING TO SOVIET UNION ON ARMING ARABS

GENEVA, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The United States warned the Soviet Union today that continued supplying of weapons to Egypt and other Middle East states threatened the foundations of any peace between the Communist and non-Communist worlds.

In a stern warning at today's meeting of the Big Four foreign ministers here, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles bluntly told Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov that he was concerned "that Russia is serving bellicose intentions by stepping up its arms supplies to the Middle East area." He noted that the "Soviet Union, at the present time, has stockpiles of discarded arms recruited from the production of new models for the Soviet's own use."

### ARAB ENVOYS IN WASHINGTON ASSAIL U.S. JEWRY; ACT AGAINST SHARETT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Arab diplomatic representatives in Washington initiated a violent campaign today against American Jewry and against Israel's Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, who is now visiting the United States.

The Egyptian Embassy was reported today to have sent a communication to the State Department asking the United States Government to "prevent" Mr. Sharett's "interference in internal American affairs" by participating in the Israel bond campaign in this country.

At the same time, Syrian Ambassador Farid Zeineddine strongly attacked American Jews, asserting that they were not really Semites, but for the most part descendants of Russian Slavs who had embraced Judaism. He revived the Nazi racial theory on Jews in the course of a speech delivered before the Women's National Democratic Club here.

The anti-Jewish address by the Syrian Ambassador embarrassed the administration of the Club to a point where a Democratic spokesman found it necessary to declare after the meeting that speeches at the Club do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Club or of its members. The spokesman pointed out that the Club has also invited Israel Ambassador Abba Eban to speak and that he has accepted the invitation and will speak on Jan. 30.

The Syrian Ambassador said that an American security pact with Israel would create a situation of "American youths fighting against Arab youths in great bloodshed." He charged that Jews are trying to incite Arabs and Americans against each other for their own "Zionist" purposes. "Why not let New York be a homeland for the Jews?" he asked.

Declaring that Jews throughout the world consider themselves "different" rather than an integral part of the country in which they reside, Mr. Zeineddine alleged that Jews do not try to assimilate and that their allegiance goes only to Zionism. He said that the Arabs are determined to "liberate" Palestine and compared this goal with the aspirations of George Washington and the early American colonists who sought to rid America of British domination.

The Syrian Ambassador claimed that a "curtain of confusion" is thrown about the American mind by "misinformation" that the "Zionist pressures" exert on the United States Government. He asserted that American-Arab relations were based not on fact, but on Zionist propaganda.

### BRITAIN CLAIMS EDEN'S PROPOSAL TO ACT AS MEDIATOR WAS "MISUNDERSTOOD"

LONDON, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The sharp criticism evoked by Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden's proposal advocating modification of Israel's borders and expressing his readiness to act as mediator between the Arabs and Israel on that basis, brought an indication today from official circles here that the proposal "was misunderstood."

It was explained that the Prime Minister was only proposing a compromise between the borders set by the United Nations resolutions of 1947 and those established under the 1949 armistice pacts and that the proposal envisaged "concessions on both sides." At the same time, it was emphasized that "there would be no question of large transfers of territory such as would be necessary if the 1947 resolutions were enforced, though more would be involved than 'minor mutual adjustments' which Foreign Minister Sharett implied in New York were all the Israel Government could contemplate."

## SHARETT SAYS MOSCOW IS ATTEMPTING TO UNDERMINE ISRAEL'S EXISTENCE

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The Soviet Government was charged last night by Israel's Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett with attempting to undermine Israel's existence by supplying arms to Egypt. At the same time, Mr. Sharett emphasized that contrary to reports in the foreign press, Israel does not contemplate a "preventive war."

The Israel Foreign Minister made these statements in a nation-wide television interview. He was critical of the suggestion for "compromise" on the Israel-Egyptian boundaries proposed by Sir Anthony Eden, British Prime Minister, and had nothing favorable to say on a proposal by Adlai Stevenson that a United Nations international force keep the peace along the Israel-Egyptian frontier. Such a force, he stated, would not be able to prevent infiltration of marauders who commit sabotage, murder and robbery in Israel. He did express agreement with the proposal on Arab refugees voiced last August by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Mr. Sharett expressed the hope that the United States would grant Israel the defensive arms requests which will be forwarded to Washington. He insisted that Israel is determined not to start a war and that the concept of a "preventive war" is one built up about Israel in the foreign press. He denied that Israel has more arms than the Arab countries and said that even before the Czech-Egyptian arms deal, Egypt was better armed than Israel. However, he added, it is true that Israel is superior in morale and spirit than the Arab lands.

The Israel statesman emphasized that Israel is willing to sit down with the Arabs at a peace table to discuss various problems raised by either side, but will not make concessions in advance of a peace conference. "Before there is any certainty whatsoever that a peace conference, peace negotiations will eventuate, our proclaiming in advance a readiness to make certain concessions will merely result in the prejudicing of our position and further encourage unjustified appetites for the Arabs to keep up their pressure in order to wring greater concessions from us," he declared.

## CANADIAN GOVERNMENT INVITES SHARETT TO CONFER IN OTTAWA

OTTAWA, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The Canadian Government has invited Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett to confer with Lester B. Pearson, Minister for External Affairs, here on December 1. Mr. Sharett, who is currently in the United States on behalf of the Israel bond and United Jewish Appeal campaigns, will be a guest of honor at a bond dinner in Montreal November 30.

Mr. Pearson is returning home tomorrow from a tour of Asia, Africa and Europe, during which he discussed the Middle East situation with Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser. Mr. Pearson did not visit Israel because Mr. Sharett, with whom he wished to confer, had already left for the United States.

Meanwhile, Sir Ellsworth Flavelle, chairman of the non-sectarian Canada-Israel Association, has dispatched identical cables to the Big Four foreign ministers in Geneva urging them "to take steps" to ease the Middle East situation and to "assure the safety and security of the state and of the people of Israel."

## MASS RALLY FOR "DEFENSE OF ISRAEL" TO BE HELD TONIGHT IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- A mass rally for the "defense of Israel and Western security" will be held at Madison Square Garden tomorrow under the sponsorship of nine national Jewish organizations. Thousands of persons are expected to attend.

The meeting will be addressed by outstanding personalities in Jewish and civic life as well as by leaders of the trade union movement. The speakers will include: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, veteran Zionist leader; Mayor Robert F. Wagner; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency; Rabbi Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress; Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman, president of the Synagogue Council of America; Reuben Kaminsky, national commander of the Jewish War Veterans; Rabbi Philip Bernstein, chairman of the American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs; Nathan Chanan, chairman of the administrative committee of the Jewish Labor Committee; and others.

In a statement calling upon the people of New York to attend the rally, Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council, declared: "Peace in the Middle East has been imperiled as a result of Communist arming of Egypt, which has enabled that country to step up its aggressive designs and acts against Israel. The Madison Square Garden rally will demonstrate that the citizens of New York stand squarely in support of Israel, America's only reliable friend in the Middle East. It is in America's interest to help avert war by coming to the support of Israel and by offering a security pact to Israel. The American people will not allow Israel to become another Korea."

## ARAB GOVERNMENTS CHARGED AT U. N. WITH OBSTRUCTING REFUGEE AID WORK

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The Arab governments were accused today of obstructing the work of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Refugees which conducts relief activities among the Palestine Arab refugees. The charge was voiced by Henry R. Labrousse, director of UNRWA, in the course of a report which he made at today's session of the Special Political Committee of the UN General Assembly.

## C. J. F. W. F. ASSEMBLY STRESSES NEED FOR MORE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

CHICAGO, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Jewish communities in this country were urged to develop adequate programs for the recruitment and training of new leadership in a resolution adopted here at the concluding session of the 24th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. The resolution also suggested that the communities should simultaneously continue their efforts toward constant reactivation and retention of veteran community leaders.

The resolution cited "growth of systematic and planned trainee programs" through which the communities are assuring themselves of the availability of able and well-informed leaders. The 500 delegates urged extension of such programs into communities that do not at present have them.

The delegates also re-emphasized the conviction that the McCarran Walter Act is "anti-immigrant, and that its philosophy and administration have proven inconsistent with basic American concepts and directly injurious to American leadership in the battle for democracy and freedom.

The community leaders called for revision of the Act so as to "eliminate the discriminatory national origins quota system." They also decried the "unnecessarily harsh and inequitable exclusionary deportation and naturalization provisions which run counter to United States manpower needs, domestic welfare and foreign policy interests.

The Assembly took note of the impact of "dramatic changes cutting across every field of Jewish health and welfare services in the communities." These changes are based on the rapidly changing character of the Jewish population and its needs. The delegates urged service agencies to intensify studies and planning to cope with the broad changes. They also specifically urged "a thorough community-wide study" of the problem of providing adequate service to the chronically ill through "the mobilization of community agencies related currently or potentially to the problem.

Samuel Goldsmith, executive director of the Jewish Federation of Chicago, declared that future planning of the welfare and medical services must go beyond city limits and encompass huge "metropolitan areas." He added that the movement of people to suburbs and the development of interdependent cities and towns called for cooperation among Jewish community leaders, non-sectarian groups and government welfare officials to meet these conditions. He recommended that these leaders "recast their lines of responsibility and their boundaries of service to include homes and small towns far beyond the city limits" in order to provide the most meaningful services.

## ANTI-SEMITISM NO LONGER PROBLEM FOR AMERICAN JEWS, SURVEY FINDS

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism is no longer a major problem for American Jews except in a few cities where prejudice remains strong; it was disclosed in an extensive nationwide survey of the Jewish people in America, published today in the new issue of Look magazine. The survey was undertaken by William Attwood, one of Look's editors, with the cooperation of leading Jewish community organizations throughout the country. It established:

1. Best records on lack of prejudice against Jewish people are held by the South, San Francisco, Cincinnati, and Washington, D.C.
2. The last major barrier between Jews and other Americans is "a social one," barring them from social groups, country clubs, and fraternities. Prejudice now is more of an "irritant" than a problem in this country.
3. At the present rate of advancement, "Jews will eventually have the same social and economic status as other Americans in a few short years."
4. The American Jewish community will never "lose its identity" or "disintegrate." Their religion and cultural history has become "the binding element."
5. The current religious revival in America has affected Judaism as well as other religions. Synagogue affiliation was up ten percent last year. More than half the nation's Jewish children are now getting formal religious training in synagogues--an increase of twenty percent in two years. Only one out of seven Jews go to weekly services, while 60 percent attend on the High Holy Days.
6. Jews tend to be Democrats rather than Republicans largely because most of them live in big cities. They are inclined to be liberal rather than conservative in politics.
7. American Jews have superior earning power as compared with either American Protestants or American Catholics. It is estimated that though the Jews number 3.5 percent of the population, they received ten percent of the total personal income. Of America's 9,000 millionaires, about 20 percent are Jewish.
8. The crime, divorce, delinquency, and alcoholism rates among Jews are lower than the national average. They have a smaller proportion of prison inmates and a larger proportion of college graduates.

## J. D. C. LEADER STRESSES UNCERTAINTY OF FUTURE OF NO. AFRICAN JEWRY

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Plans for an expanded 1956 program to meet the needs of the Jews of North Africa will be presented to the National Emergency Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, which will be held this Friday in New York, it was revealed here today by Moses A. Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, upon his return to the United States from a two-month survey of JDC operations and current needs in Europe and Israel.

"Nobody knows what the future will bring for the Jews of North Africa," Mr. Leavitt said. "Many will no doubt stay on, many others will no doubt migrate, seeking security and greater opportunity in Israel, France or elsewhere. They cannot make their decisions wisely, however, in the atmosphere of fear and unrest that has prevailed until now."

Reporting his impression from Israel, Mr. Leavitt said he found the people there "resolute and determined" to continue with the work of construction, despite the obvious dangers that surround them and the tense atmosphere that prevails. "There can be no question regarding the sincerity of Israel's desire for peace with its neighbors," he stated. "More than anything else they want to carry on their program of building up a country and a democratic way of life for their present citizens and for those who will continue to come. For this they need--above all--peace within their borders, and freedom from fear of aggression from without."

## GROWTH OF CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM MOVEMENT REPORTED AT CONVENTION

KIAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The five-day biennial convention of the United Synagogue of America, representing 520 Conservative congregations, opened here last night with a report stating that Conservative Judaism has gained 150,000 members during the last two years.

The report was made by Rabbi Bernard Segal, executive director of the organization. He attributed the growth of the Conservative movement to a general resurgence of religion among Jews, especially those who live in the suburbs. He claimed that the Conservative synagogues in this country now have about 1,000,000 members.

Maxwell R. Rabb, adviser to President Eisenhower, told the delegates that "Jews have contributed their talents to the growth of America," he asserted, "now they must contribute their collective talent to its greatness." Mr. Raab added that traditional religious values are foremost in meeting attacks from totalitarian ideologies.

## MIZRACHI WOMEN'S CONVENTION ASKS U.S. SECURITY PACT WITH ISRAEL

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- An appeal to President Eisenhower to adopt a four-point formula for peace in the Middle East was telegraphed last night from the 30th annual national convention of the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America which is taking place here. The convention is attended by 1,000 delegates representing 50,000 members from all parts of the country.

The proposed four-point formula asked Mr. Eisenhower to: 1. Speed arms to Israel for its "legitimate self-defense";

2. Enter into a security pact guaranteeing Israel's frontiers against aggression;
3. Announce that the U.S. will sponsor in the United Nations an economic boycott of any aggressor in the Middle East;
4. Establish sizeable grants-in-aid for economic development for all countries of the Middle East, pending a formal commitment from the Arab States that they will negotiate for peace with Israel.

Addressing the convention, Congressman Emanuel Celler called for the immediate shipment of defensive arms to Israel. "Our diplomacy has woefully failed in the Middle East," he said. "Containment has failed. Russia, for centuries excluded from the Mediterranean and the Middle East, now has a toe hold there. She will force her way in completely unless we reappraise and revise our policy. The United States must send defensive arms to Israel--anti-aircraft and anti-tank guns, subchasers, heavy artillery and jets to equalize Egypt's newly acquired strength."

Reuven Dafni, Israel Consul in New York and director of Israel's information services for the western hemisphere, told the convention: "Israel has never started a war and never will do so. However, as in the past, it will again defend itself whenever attacked and by whomever. Israel is willing and anxious to have peace with its neighbors and would be willing to meet with the Arab states either collectively or individually to discuss peace settlements any time and any place they wish."

## MAYOR OF HAIFA ARRIVES IN U.S. TO HELP ISRAEL BOND CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Mayor Abba Hushi of Haifa arrived here today to help in the current campaign for the sale of Israel bonds in this country. He will visit a number of cities in the United States where he will appear as principal speaker at Israel