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AMERICAN-ISRAEL RELATIONS DISCUSSED BY EBAN WITH STATE DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, June 14. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban met today with Deputy Undersecretary of State Robert D. Murphy for a review of problems which arose in Mr. Eban's last talk with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. Ambassador Eban said today's discussion covered all grounds--economic, political and security. He was accompanied by Reuven Shiloah, Minister of the Embassy.

It is understood that the Israel Ambassador told Mr. Murphy that Israel feels it was unwise and superfluous for Britain to have withdrawn a portion of a UN Security Council resolution expressing hope for peace. He indicated that in Israel's opinion it was an unnecessary retreat and that the resolution would not have been rejected if the issue had been fought through. As a result of the retreat, a feeling in Israel of United Nations weakness has been intensified, Mr. Murphy was told.

It is believed that Israel has also directed the attention of the State Department to recent developments in Egypt, including the continued Communist arms arrivals and the visit of Soviet Foreign Minister Dmitri Shepilov.

Radio Moscow today gave added weight to reports that Shepilov might negotiate an arms deal with Syria during his visit to Damascus. A broadcast quoted an article in the Moscow periodical "New Times" building up the Shepilov visit to the Arab states and noting significantly that his last visit to Egypt was followed by the arms deal with that country. A Syrian arms purchase mission is now in Prague. Mr. Shepilov might finalize an agreement with Damascus authorities, it is believed here.

BEN GURION WARNS ARABS ON WAR; SAYS FIGHTING WILL BE ON ARAB SOIL

TEL AVIV, June 14. (JTA) -- A warning to the Arab states not to dare attack Israel lest the Israel Army of Defense destroy the attacking forces in their own countries, was sounded in Acre today by Premier David Ben Gurion.

Addressing the massed troops of the Golani Brigade, the Premier said that the army had "proved itself" since the War of Liberation. He also praised it for having been a "melting pot" and a unifying force for newcomers from many different lands. Mr. Ben Gurion and Army Chief of Staff Maj. Gen. Moshe Dayan, took the salute. Earlier, Mr. Ben Gurion was cheered wildly as he drove through the streets of Acre in a jeep.

FRENCH MINISTER TO RAISE IN WASHINGTON THE ISSUE OF ARMS TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, June 14. (JTA) -- French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau is expected to discuss the question of arms sales to Israel among other matters when he arrives in Washington in the next few days to confer with Secretary of State Dulles and other top U.S. officials. He is slated to leave Paris tonight.

It is believed that the French Foreign Minister would propose a four power meeting including the Soviet Union, to consider Middle East problems. M. Pineau recently visited Moscow where he conferred with top Soviet Government leaders. It is considered possible that Israel Ambassador Eban will meet here next week with M. Pineau.

NO. AFRICAN JEWS SEEK URGENT ACTION ON MOROCCAN BAN ON EMIGRATION

TEL AVIV, June 14. (JTA) -- A demand for urgent international action to force cancellation of the Moroccan ban on organized emigration by Jews was voiced here today at an emergency meeting of the North African Immigrants Association.

Delegates to the meeting expressed fear that the ban would permanently separate families some of whose members have reached Israel and some of whom are still in the Arab state. Representatives of the organization will meet with Premier David Ben Gurion and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett to discuss action against the ban.

ADENAUER REVEALS TALKS ON GERMAN-ISRAEL DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION

WASHINGTON, June 14. (JTA) -- West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer revealed late yesterday that negotiations are under way for the establishment of diplomatic relations between West Germany and Israel. He made the disclosure at a press conference here.

DECISION ON SHARETT'S POST DUE SUNDAY; COMMITTEE HOLDS DISCUSSIONS

JERUSALEM, June 14. (JTA) -- The political future of Israel's Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett will be determined next Sunday, it was reported here today in the wake of a meeting of a special nine-man Mapai committee last night which failed to come to a conclusion on whether Mr. Sharett should remain as Foreign Minister or take over the leadership of the party.

The committee, headed by Premier David Ben Gurion, will meet again Sunday. Yesterday's session lasted five hours and was attended by Cabinet Ministers and other top leaders of the Labor Party, including Mr. Sharett, who left for a half-hour in the midst of the discussion.

ARAB PROPAGANDA BANNED IN SWITZERLAND; ARAB DIPLOMATS INDIGNANT

GENEVA, June 14. (JTA) -- The Swiss Government has refused to permit the establishment of an Arab propaganda office here, it was revealed today. Arab diplomats in this city have taken no pains to conceal their indignation at this turn of events.

The request for permission to open an "information office" coincided with the creation of a permanent Egyptian delegation at the European headquarters of the United Nations. Since then the comings and goings of various Arab notables has fairly clearly indicated the nature of their activities. Some time back, the Swiss authorities refused to permit the holding of a meeting of representatives of Western European Jewish communities to pledge their support to Israel.

Meanwhile, at the International Labor Organization session here today, Zvi Barniv, an Israel Government delegate, pictured Israel's agricultural progress, with particular emphasis on what had been accomplished for Arab farmers. Irrigation, he revealed, had been tripled for Arab agricultural villages and in some areas occupied by Bedouin tribes modern water installations had been built.

BRITAIN FIRM ON REFUSAL TO SUPPLY ISRAEL WITH DEFENSIVE ARMS

LONDON, June 14. (JTA) -- British Laborites made another unsuccessful attempt today to get the British Government to agree to supply Israel with arms to offset huge supplies of war materiel obtained by the Arab states from Soviet bloc countries.

This time Barnett Janner asked whether the government would take steps, together with the United States and France, to enable Israel to obtain arms to match warships obtained by Egypt from Poland, including two destroyers. Mr. Janner pointed out that the destroyers were capable of laying mines as part of the blockade of Israel, an action inconsistent with the conditions laid down in the Tripartite Declaration.

In reply, Anthony Nutting, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, insisted that the government has "no definite information" of the matter raised by Mr. Janner and that in the meantime Britain's "policy on arms to the Middle East countries remains as stated" by Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd March 28 when he spoke of maintaining a balance of arms. "If we get definite information, we shall take it into account in deciding on arms delivery policy," Mr. Nutting promised. He said also that both quantity and quality of arms are taken into consideration in deciding on arms deliveries to both sides.

TRUCE POSTS ON ISRAEL-EGYPTIAN BORDER MANNED BY U. N. PERSONNEL

JERUSALEM, June 14. (JTA) -- Truce observation posts set up along the Israel-Egyptian border in the Gaza area have been manned by United Nations observers since yesterday, it was announced here today by the UN Truce Supervision Organization. The posts were constructed under agreements obtained by UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold from both countries.

The six posts established on each side of the demarcation line command about 25 miles of border strip. The observers are equipped with walkie-talkie radio sets and will be able to report infiltrators immediately after they are spotted. This is expected to cut the number of frontier outbreaks. The Gaza strip-border area has been relatively calm for the past fortnight.

ISRAEL AND YUGOSLAVIA SIGN \$11,000,000 TRADE PACT; PROVIDE FOR BARTER

JERUSALEM, June 14. (JTA) -- Israel and Yugoslavia signed an \$11,000,000 trade agreement yesterday, the fourth since the establishment of the Jewish State.

The pact provides for a barter arrangement in which Yugoslavia will exchange \$5,500,000 worth of timber, metals, chemicals and agricultural products for similarly valued Israeli citrus products, tires, textiles and pharmaceuticals. Last year's pact provided for an exchange of only \$7,000,000 worth of goods.

U.S. ZIONIST GROUP SEEKS TO FORM NEW NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK, June 14. (JTA) -- A decision to appoint a provisional committee on organization "to consider the problem of forming a national membership organization based on the principle of non-affiliation with Israeli political parties," was adopted at a meeting held here under the auspices of the Independent Zionist Group of America under the chairmanship of Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia.

Judge Levinthal reported to the meeting, held at Waldorf Astoria Hotel, on the proceedings of the last World Zionist Congress and emphasized the decisions adopted by the Congress with regard to the establishment of territorial unions. He then submitted a resolution which, following discussion, was adopted unanimously. The resolution reads:

"Whereas it is our firm conviction that Zionist groups in the Diaspora should refrain from affiliation or identification with any Israeli political party in order to avoid interfering in the democratic processes of government in Israel and that Israeli party differences and controversies should not crowd the agenda of Zionist groups in the Diaspora; and whereas these views are shared by countless Jews in the United States and there is a need for a national Zionist group that shall be based on the above principles:

"Therefore we, independent Zionists of America, recognized as a group by the 24th Zionist Congress, agree to appoint a provisional committee on organization to consider the problem of forming a national membership organization based on the principle of non-affiliation with Israeli political parties and subject to the general policies of the World Zionist Congress of which it shall be a part.

"It is understood that such a provisional committee named at this meeting may be enlarged. It is further agreed that the provisional committee shall draft a plan of organization and a program of action for the new organization, which shall be circulated among its members as well as among other interested parties in order to establish a consensus on which its final report shall be based.

"It is further agreed that when the committee completes its preliminary draft of plan and program it shall call a special meeting of its members to consider the completed report; and should a majority of the members present or voting by mail at said meeting accept the same, the Provisional Committee shall be authorized to invite all Zionists sympathetic to the new organization to join its ranks; and call a constituent assembly of delegates at a time and place it shall decide; to prepare an agenda and the rules of representation for submission to the constituent assembly, which shall establish the new organization on a permanent basis."

The provisional committee on organization named at the meeting includes the following: Judge Levinthal, Dewey Stone, Ezra Shapiro, Fred Monosson, Louis Lipsky, Benjamin G. Browdy, Samuel H. Daroff, Sol Luckman, Frederic R. Mann, Philip Lown, Jacob M. Alkow, Abe S. Kay, Lawrence Lasky, Louis P. Rocker, Benjamin Harris, Robert Silverman, Louis Falk, Judge Jacob Schwolsky, Adolph Hamburger, Irving Norry, Rabbi Isidore Breslau, and others.

RABBI BICK APPEARS BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

WASHINGTON, June 14. (JTA) -- The House Committee on Un-American Activities today summoned Rabbi Abraham Bick of New York to testify whether he writes for Communist newspapers, whether he attended the Communist-sponsored peace conferences in 1951 in Prague or in 1952 in Vienna, and whether he was a member of the Communist Party. Rabbi Bick invoked the fifth amendment 73 times during his testimony today.

Two members of the House Committee urged referral of his testimony to the Justice Department with a view to prosecution for perjury. Rep. Gordon H. Scherer, Ohio Republican, suggested that perjury charges be brought against the rabbi. Rep. Scherer said it was "a clear case of perjury," referring to Rabbi Bick's statements about losing his passport when he attempted to go to Canada in 1953.

The perjury charges arose from Rabbi Bick's statement to the committee that his passport was picked up at the Canadian border. A Committee official, however, displayed a photostat of what he described as an affidavit filed by the rabbi with the State Department October 13, 1955, claiming his passport was lost on his way back to New York. Rabbi Bick identified the document and said: "I wrote either it was lost or you have it, please send it back to me."

The rabbi told the Committee he was an ordained rabbi but did not have a synagogue since he resigned in 1949. He was asked if he resigned under "persuasion." "No, I did not," he replied, "I wanted to write books." Committee chairman Francis E. Walter, Pennsylvania Democrat, asked if he had obtained a visa to Austria in 1952 from a "Communist apparatus in Paris." Rabbi Bick refused to answer.

Rabbi Bick used the Fifth Amendment against possible self-incrimination when asked if he was bound for a Communist caucus in Canada when his passport was confiscated. He maintained that his application for another passport was pending.

BRITISH CHIEF RABBI "FASCINATED" BY GROWTH OF JEWISH RELIGION IN U.S.

NEW YORK, June 14. (JTA) -- Dr. Israel Brodie, Chief Rabbi of the British Commonwealth, addressing the annual dinner of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America here tonight, said that he is "fascinated by the phenomenal return to religion in a big way that is evidenced among Jews in the United States."

Chief Rabbi Brodie, who arrived from London yesterday for a month's visit to this country, said: "The latter-day phenomenon of a return to religion by Jews is evidenced in the ceaseless building of synagogues and community centers, the establishment of communal institutions of various kinds, increased attendance at worship and a conscious identification with the Jewish community."

"But the Judaism I have in mind is the Judaism of Orthodoxy," he continued. "It is the type of Judaism so often challenged and misrepresented. It is the Judaism of our fathers and ought to be the faith and way of life of our children. It is pervasive and at all stages of our life tests our will. It calls for the concentration and consecration of our intellect and the refinement and discipline of our instincts. It is consequently an integrated Judaism, robust and invigorating, demanding and rewarding."

Moses I. Feuerstein, president of the Orthodox Union, speaking at the dinner, urged the formation of an international association of the orthodox Jewish communities of Great Britain and the United States. Mr. Feuerstein asserted that the orthodox communities of both countries "in reality encompass the bulk of their Jewish populations." He pointed out that "while American Jewry was numerically stronger than British Jewry, religious Jews in the United States look with envy at the structural set-up of the Jewish community of Great Britain—with its Chief Rabbinate, its Beth Din (Ecclesiastical Court), and religious institutions."

"As the representative of 3,000 orthodox synagogues serving more than 3,000,000 American Jews," Mr. Feuerstein said, "the Orthodox Union welcomes the opportunity of sharing experiences and ideas with the distinguished spiritual leader of the British Commonwealth. His presence on our shores is an honor to all American Jews."

MOROCCAN-YESHIVA STUDENTS ARRIVE IN U.S. TODAY FOR FIVE-YEAR STUDY

NEW YORK, June 14. (JTA) -- A party of 20 young Jewish religious students from Morocco is scheduled to arrive here tomorrow to begin a five-year course of study at the Mirrer Yeshiva Central Institute. This is the second group of Moroccan religious youths to come to the U.S. for such purposes.

Eight years ago a similar group arrived and, after education, its members became rabbis in Morocco, Israel and the United States. One of their number who returned to Morocco, Abraham Portal, is with the new group which he will serve as an instructor while he himself takes advanced courses at the institute.

The Mirrer Yeshiva was established in Poland more than 140 years ago. In 1941, chiefly through the efforts of Rabbi Abraham Kalmanowitz, president and dean of the institute, the faculty and student body were rescued from the Nazis and transferred to Japan and then Shanghai. In 1947 some 500 students and faculty of the school, together with its complete library, came to the United States and reestablished the institute in New York.

BRITH SHOLOM CONVENTION URGES U.S. SALE OF DEFENSIVE ARMS TO ISRAEL

KIAMESAH LAKE, N.Y., June 14. (JTA) -- A three-day convention of Brith Sholom, Jewish fraternal order, concluded here with the adoption of 24 resolutions dealing with civil liberties and the Arab-Israel situation. The convention urged that Federal aid for education be denied to school districts practicing segregation and demanded liberalization of the present immigration laws.

In other resolutions, the convention also called upon the United States Government to oust Arab officials "who use their official positions to slander Americans of the Jewish faith," and urged that permission be given to Israel to purchase arms to "deter her hostile Arab neighbors from executing their announced plans for aggression against Israel."

TOMBSTONE FOR SPINOZA'S GRAVE SENT TO HOLLAND BY ISRAEL GROUP

HAIFA, June 14. (JTA) -- A tombstone of Galilee black basalt is being sent to Holland to be placed on the grave of Baruch Spinoza by the Israel Spinoza Society, which is this year marking the tercentenary of the excommunication of the famed philosopher from the Jewish community of the Netherlands. The stone, which will be placed on the grave in The Hague, bears the Hebrew word "amcha," meaning "your people."

DR. CHAIN, JEWISH NOBEL PRIZE WINNER, DECORATED BY ITALIAN GOVT.

ROME, June 14. (JTA) -- Dr. Ernst Chain, British biochemist and Nobel Prize winner, was awarded Italy's Order of the Republic yesterday. The presentation was made by Foreign Minister Gaetano Martino.