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## SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS TODAY ON SUEZ; ISRAEL INSISTS ON PARTICIPATION

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Israel today pushed hard on its request that it be heard by the Security Council on the Suez issue, but all eight of the Arab states ganged up in as vigorous a move to make Israel's appearance impossible before the meeting, which opens tomorrow.

Abba Eban, head of the Israel delegation, filed a letter today with Bernard Cornut-Gentille of France, this month's president of the Security Council, reiterating the demand he made last week that Israel be heard and pledging himself to "limit" his end of the debate "solely to the aspect of the problems which arise from the resolution of the Security Council of Sept. 1, 1951." That resolution called upon Egypt to end restrictions on the passage of all international shipping through the Suez Canal "wherever bound."

Immediately after Israel filed this letter, a request that they be permitted to participate in the Suez debate was sent to M. Cornut-Gentille by the representatives of Syria, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Iraq, Lybia and Jordan. Since Egypt, represented here now by its Foreign Minister, Dr. Mahmoud Fawzi, has already been assured of a seat at the Council table, the Arab League would have all eight of its UN members participating, if the request of the seven governments were granted.

Mr. Eban's reiteration of his request was backed by a statement in which he not only pledged Israel to limit its debate to the issue of Suez passage, but also made an appeal to small nations that they should support Israel's stand.

"It is not conceivable to us," Mr. Eban's statement declared, "that any member of the United Nations will fail to uphold our right to address the Security Council fully on a matter in which the Council already had an intimate responsibility and in which Israel's interest is amply attested."

Pointing directly to the self-interest of the six non-permanent members of the Council, Mr. Eban said: "Access by a small member nation to the Security Council on an agenda item in which it has a recognized interest is both a principle and tradition of United Nations life. The principle has never been violated. The tradition has never been broken."

### Eban 'Confident' Council Will Make Israel's Appearance Possible

Mr. Eban expressed himself as "confident" that the Council "will find a suitable arrangement for Israel's appearance at its table to discuss the specific issue which concerns us in the context of the present debate."

That Israel's insistence on participation in the Council debate has made some headway was indicated here by a number of delegations including some of the most influential members of the Council itself. It was understood that virtually every Council member interviewed this week by Mr. Eban or by other members of the Israel delegation has agreed that as a matter of procedure Israel's case is very strong.

Some of the Council members, however, indicated that they have as yet not received their government's instructions on this specific point. Two members are understood to be of the opinion that Israel should be permitted to make a statement of its case regarding the Suez situation, but not to participate in the ensuing debate.

Meanwhile, however, the request of the seven Arab states, clearly intended as a roadblock to Israel's demand, complicated the issue and was seen by some of the Council members as a powerful countermove by the hostile Arab states.

Some observers here interpreted Israel's latest letter and statement to mean that Mr. Eban would be satisfied only with the opportunity to state his government's case without necessarily participating fully in the debate. Israeli circles, however, disagreed with that interpretation, insisting that Israel had not backed off one iota from its original request. All agreed that Israel was obviously eager for the opportunity to state its case before the assembled Foreign Ministers of the United States, Soviet Union, Britain, France, Yugoslavia and Belgium.

# U. N. ARMISTICE UNIT SCORES ISRAEL FOR RETALIATORY RAID ON JORDAN

JERUSALEM, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- In the absence of the Israel delegation which is boycotting the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, the MAC today condemned Israel for the retaliatory raid on the Jordan police post and army positions at Husan.

The MAC charged that the attack was "unprovoked and premeditated." The raid came after the killing of four and the wounding of 15 Israelis at an archaeological outing at Ramath Rachel by an "insane" Jordan soldier. The MAC took the "most serious view" of the incident in view of the open admission by Israeli authorities of the action.

# ARABS ATTACK ISRAEL PASSENGER TRAIN BETWEEN HAIFA AND JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- A Haifa-Jerusalem passenger train was fired upon near Tulkarm last night by Jordanians with rifles and machine guns, an Israel spokesman announced. The only casualty was the engineer, who was wounded.

Israeli policemen aboard the train returned the fire, which came from across the border. The engineer put on steam and sped away. He remained at the throttle until the train pulled into Jerusalem, where he was relieved and hospitalized. The passengers lay on the floor of the train during the exchange.

A 25-year-old Arab, member of an Egyptian fedayeen (suicide) squad captured inside Israel last April, went on trial before a military tribunal today charged with a number of crimes punishable by death. Hassan Hassin admitted to being sent to Israel by the commander of the intelligence department of the Egyptian army in Gaza.

# Z. O. A. CONVENTION OPENED; SILVER ASKS FOR AMERICAN ARMS FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The 59th annual meeting of the Zionist Organization of America opened here today with an address by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver calling for the United States to supply Israel with defensive arms and urging the West to extend to Israel a binding military pact.

Rabbi Silver told the Z. O. A. that "if our government is persuaded that the vast armaments which the Soviet Government has poured into Egypt and other Arab lands" endangered Israel "and that the situation calls for urgent rectification, then it should not pass the buck to other governments to correct the imbalance. Such a position possesses the virtue neither of rightness nor of forthrightness."

Addressing hundreds of delegates, Rabbi Silver said "the free world cannot, on the one hand, undertake to sell or to give arms to countries in all parts of the world as part of an over-all policy to strengthen them against possible aggression--realizing that an arms race of vast proportions is on between the East and the West--and on the other hand deny the right to the young Republic of Israel to acquire weapons to defend itself against threatened aggression on the ground that this would encourage an arms race."

Dr. Silver charged that recently "international conferences were called and associations were set up in connection with the seizure of the Suez Canal which pointedly excluded Israel." He said "such attempts to achieve peace and stability in a region of the world of which Israel is a vital part and ignore Israel are doomed to failure. Israel must be regarded as a focal point in any peace strategy in the Middle East. The Western world will recover the diplomatic initiative which it lost in that part of the world as soon as it comes to acknowledge this simple fact."

Rabbi Silver said that "neither the United Nations nor the Western Powers have ever used their full power and authority to induce the Arab states to negotiate a peace settlement with Israel any more than they used their full authority and the sanctions indicated in the Charter of the United Nations to compel Egypt to lift the blockade against Israeli shipping in the Suez Canal."

Defending Israel's defense policy, Rabbi Silver said "it serves no purpose at all to brand every act of self-defense on the part of the Israeli an act of reprisal. Just what is expected of the people of Israel? Is it expected of them that they should sit there on the borders as clay pigeons to be shot at will by Arab terrorists and then to have the families of the slain and wounded comforted by the fact that a representative of the United Nations has rebuked the nation to which the assailant belonged? And is this to continue indefinitely?"

# ESPIONAGE TRIAL OF FOREIGN NEWSPAPERWOMAN TO END IN ISRAEL TODAY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The secret espionage trial of an unnamed foreign newspaperwoman continued in the Jerusalem district judge's chambers today. The case is expected to be completed today.

The court continues to refuse to divulge the name or in any other way describe the defendant so as not to identify the country of which she is a national. A representative of her country is attending the trial. Haim Cohen, Attorney General of Israel, is personally prosecuting the case.

## POLISH GOVERNMENT AGREES TO TRANSFER JEWISH WAR ORPHANS TO ISRAEL

LONDON, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The Polish and Israeli Governments have reached an agreement for the transfer of hundreds of Jewish war orphans from Poland to Israel, Moshe Kol, director of the Youth Aliyah, revealed here today.

Mr. Kol added that Israel intends to press for similar agreements with other Eastern European governments. He estimated that there were some 1,500 Jewish children in orphanages in these countries. Mr. Kol reported that some of the Polish Jewish children who are already in Israel have presented the child rescue movement with problems, including the fact that they were educated to be citizens of the "new Poland" and that they know nothing of Judaism.

Oriental children also present problems for Israel, he said, because in the countries from which they come agriculture is looked down upon as among the lowest of pursuits. Both the children and their parents, he continued, feel that the children should be busy earning money as soon as they are physically able, a view which has given Youth Aliyah and other child welfare authorities a headache.

The number of schools for maladjusted children has decreased, Mr. Kol reported, chiefly because of selective immigration. Where Israel accepts an entire Jewish community, it takes the healthy and the ill, he noted, but from countries where there is no mass emigration, maladjusted children are not taken. Israel cannot afford to act as a "hospital for the Jewish people," he declared.

## GERMAN WORKER SENTENCED TO MONTH IN JAIL FOR ANTI-JEWISH UTTERANCE

BERLIN, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- A local jury court has sentenced a 24-year-old German machinist to a month in jail for public insult, because he had turned to a Jewish businessman in a restaurant and, without provocation, snapped: "You, too, are one of those whom Hitler forgot to burn!"

Such a statement, said the judge, is "an abomination for which there can be no excuse." A most unprecedented sequel to the affair, however, was the action of the trade union plant council at the factory where the machinist worked. After the trial, the council chairman approached the Jewish businessman and informed him that the colleagues of the sentenced machinist would henceforth refuse to work with him.

## JEWISH WOMAN TESTIFIES ON NAZI STERILIZATION; WAS VICTIM IN CAMP

TEL AVIV, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Another victim of sterilization "experiments" by Nazi Dr. Karl Clausberg at the Auschwitz concentration camp came forward today to testify before the president of the Tel Aviv district court. Testimony is being taken at the request of a West German court which will try Dr. Clausberg for crimes against humanity.

The victim, a young woman, explained how she was brought to the Nazi death camp as an adolescent and given injections which destroyed the possibility of her ever having children. One result of these experiments, she said, was the break-up of her post-liberation marriage. She testified that a number of other women who were human "guinea pigs" for Dr. Clausberg died following injections. She still feels pain even now, the woman said.

## JEWS IN ITALY PROTEST BURIAL OF JEW IN GENOA CATHOLIC CEMETERY

GENOA, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The Jewish community of Genoa has addressed a strong protest to the municipal authorities against the burial of a Jew in the Catholic cemetery.

The Jew, who was en route from the United States to Israel, was removed from a vessel after suffering a severe fall. While he was in the hospital he was visited by members of the Jewish community to whom he repeatedly professed his Jewish faith.

On the morning after his death, Jewish community members who went to the hospital were told that in his last moments he had asked to become a Catholic and had received the sacraments. His family in Israel had been informed of his death, but no mention had been made of his alleged conversion. The community here has demanded that the body be sent to Israel for burial by the family.

## SO. AFRICAN JEWISH BOARD OF DEPUTIES AVOIDS STAND ON RACIAL ISSUE

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The South African Board of Jewish Deputies refused today to take any stand on the "Group Areas Act," a piece of government legislation which critics charge will create ghettos for Indian and Colored citizens of South Africa.

Board chairman N. Philips, replying to a request by a member for an official view of the legislation, said that it was not the function of the Board to speak for the Jewish community except on matters directly affecting the Jewish community. He noted that on this as well as other political matters the members of the community held varying views and it was impossible for the Board to speak for South African Jewry. Mr. Philips admitted that the question raised humanitarian as well as political questions, but held to his position that the Board could not comment.

## AMERICAN ZIONIST BODY REPORTS ON GOAL IN ELECTION CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The major Zionist goal in the current political campaign is to strengthen American policy in the Near East by winning support for a vigorous program for Israel from as many candidates of both political parties as possible, the American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs reported here today.

Stressing the traditional non-partisan attitude of the Zionist movement, the Committee expresses satisfaction over the agreement on Israel's independence and security slated in the Near East planks of the Republican and Democratic parties. It noted that Israel has gained strength in recent weeks and that there has been a change in U.S. policy. To the constituents of the Committee, it recommends the following course of action:

"Both platform declarations should be emphasized in the current campaigns. All candidates for the United States Senate and the House of Representatives should be visited by community leaders within the next few weeks.

"There should be a thorough discussion of the current situation in the Near East. Each candidate should be requested to issue a public statement affirming his support of his own party's declaration on Near East policy. Republican candidates should be urged to amplify their statement by outlining their views on the best way to implement the party's commitment to 'support the independence of Israel against armed aggression.'"

Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein is chairman and I. L. Kenen is executive director of the American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs. The Committee conducts public action, bearing upon relations with governmental authorities with a view to maintaining and in proving friendship and good will between the United States and Israel.

## "LUIGI ANTONINI STADIUM" DEDICATED IN HAIFA; U. S. LABOR LEADER WELCOMED

HAIFA, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- "Luigi Antonini Stadium" was dedicated here today by Haifa's Mayor Abba Khushi at ceremonies attended by Mr. Antonini, vice-president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, and a delegation of Italian-American trade union leaders. The stadium, which will commemorate American labor's aid to the State of Israel, can seat 20,000 persons.

Yesterday, when the delegation arrived, it was welcomed by leaders of the Histadrut, including Reuven Barkat and Isaac Hamlin, both American representatives of the Israel labor movement at one time. Also on hand to hail the Italian Americans were representatives of the American and Italian Embassies in Israel, Histadrut general secretary Pinchas Lavon and representatives of the Israeli Labor and Foreign Ministries. Mr. Antonini, visibly moved by the reception, pledged his union's continued support of the State of Israel.

## NEW YORK FEDERATION RAISES \$3,000,000 AT DINNER LAUNCHING ITS DRIVE

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- More than \$3,000,000 in contributions were pledged tonight to the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York as it launched its 39th annual appeal to raise \$18,100,000 for its 116 affiliated health and welfare agencies at a dinner at the Hotel Plaza. It was the largest amount ever raised by the Federation at an opening dinner for the maintenance of local medical and welfare needs.

More than 500 prominent business, professional and civic leaders from Greater New York attended the dinner, which served also as a testimonial to Dr. Maurice B. Nexter and Joseph Willen, executive vice-presidents of the organization for the past fifteen years.

## JULIAN FREEMAN TO HEAD COMMISSION OF AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Julian Freeman, Jewish communal leader of Indianapolis, has been appointed chairman of the American Jewish Congress' National Commission on Organization; it was announced by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president. Earlier this year, Mr. Freeman was elected a national vice-president of the American Jewish Congress.

Mr. Freeman was for five years president of the National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. He is a director of the United Hias Service and a vice-president of the United Synagogue of America. In his new capacity as chairman of AJC Commission on Organization, Mr. Freeman will direct the expansion of the Congress movement in Jewish communities throughout the nation. In consultation with national and local leadership, he will work to strengthen existing chapters and to form new units.

## LABEL KATZ, B'NAI B'RITH LEADER, RECEIVES ALEPH ZADIK ALEPH AWARD

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Label A. Katz, 38-year-old New Orleans attorney, yesterday was named by B'nai B'rith as 1956 recipient of the Sam Beber Distinguished Alumnus Award. The award is made annually by Aleph Zadik Aleph, a constituent of B'nai B'rith's youth organization, to an alumnus who has made notable contributions to Jewish life in America. The award is named for Sam Beber, Chicago attorney, who founded the B'nai B'rith youth movement in 1924 in Omaha, Nebraska.