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## DR. GOLDMANN URGES FULL RIGHTS FOR JEWS IN THE SOVIET UNION

NEW YORK, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, asserted today that "one of our primary objectives" is to bring about an altered attitude by the Soviet Union towards the three million Jews residing in that country who, he said, had not been accorded the same facilities "to pursue their own national and cultural existence as all other minorities."

The newly elected world Zionist president spoke at a rally of Zionist leaders, held in the Hotel Roosevelt under the sponsorship of the American Zionist Council, representing all national Zionist organizations in this country. This was his first public address following his return to the United States since his election to his new post by the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem last spring. Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council, presided. Mrs. Rose Halprin, a member of the Jewish Agency who serves as acting chairman of the Agency during Dr. Goldmann's absence, extended greetings.

Declaring that the fate of the Jews of Eastern Europe, especially in the Soviet Union, constitutes a major problem of great consequence, Dr. Goldmann said: "More than 3,000,000 Jews live there, and for decades they have been isolated from the main stream of Jewish life and denied the facilities of living and performing within the tradition of Jewish continuity. This is not anti-Semitism in the usual sense. Jews individually are now treated on the basis of equality.

"However," Dr. Goldmann continued, "while all other minorities in Soviet Russia are provided with facilities to pursue their own national and cultural existence, within the framework of Communist doctrine of course, the Jewish community has not been accorded similar accommodations. Soviet leaders have contended that the Jewish minority in the Soviet Union is treated differently because it is not territorially concentrated. We cannot accept this as a justification for the denial of the Jews' right to their own schools, newspapers and books, their right to the fullest possible opportunities for religious education and religious worship, their right to maintain contact with the Jewish communities of the world.

"No people," he said, "is more deeply interested in co-existence and in diminishing international tensions than the Jewish people, always the first to be martyred when nations fall out and when society is thrown into chaos. However, the Jewish people, with its keen interest in true co-existence, shall never cease to demand for itself equity and justice, the elementary right for Soviet Jewry to absolute equality with all other minorities in the development of its culture. To bring about an altered attitude by the Soviet Union on this point becomes one of our primary objectives. The happiness, the self-realization of 3,000,000 Russian Jews depend on the results of our preoccupation with their status."

## Reports on Jews in North Africa; Says Israel's Security Improved

Touching upon the situation of the Jews in North Africa, Dr. Goldmann said that notwithstanding difficulties, there has been until recently considerable immigration into Israel from Morocco and other North African countries. "Whether this will be possible in the future we cannot say," he declared. He added that while the North African nationalist leaders "have kept their promise to treat the Jews as equals, and to prevent anti-Jewish violence, only their conduct will test their acceptance of the principle that every Moroccan, whatever his faith, has the right to emigrate if he so desires."

"The Jewish people has demonstrated sincere sympathy for the desires of the North African people for independence. It has the right to expect the Moroccan leaders to create no artificial difficulties for the tens of thousands of Jews in Morocco whose only future, economically and spiritually, lies in their resettlement in Israel," he said.

Speaking on current developments affecting the Middle East, Dr. Goldmann voiced the view that Israel's security situation has improved greatly. "During the past six months Israel has obtained additional arms as the result of a concentrated effort by Western Powers who realized how truly precarious her position has become." He further said that "the United States," supplying only little of these arms, concurred in the effort, however.

Maintaining that "the morale of the Israel army and its technical proficiency have never been better," he voiced the view that "it can be assumed that the swashbuckling Arab states are informed of this situation and will hesitate before attacking Israel." He

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stressed the peaceful intentions of the people and government of Israel, and cited as convincing proof the fact that Israel, notwithstanding provocations, had done nothing to militarily embarrass Egypt and the Arab states during the Suez crisis.

Dr. Goldmann urgently stressed the need by the Jewish people in the years immediately ahead to "undertake a maximum effort to assist Israel in coping with a financial dilemma not of her making." He pointed to the disastrous effect of the mounting and unhappy burden which Israel has assumed and as revealed in Israel's economic and financial situation which he termed as "far from satisfactory, although Jewish communities throughout the world, and especially American Jewry, have made an extraordinary effort to help Israel cope with its tremendous financial problems. Israel is still far from becoming economically self-supporting."

#### BRITAIN HAS NO NEW PLAN ON SUEZ CANAL ISSUE, FOREIGN MINISTER SAYS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 10. (JTA) -- British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd emerged late this afternoon from a secret meeting here with an announcement that Britain has not switched its plan for a solution of the Suez Canal crisis and holds to the plan he advanced earlier at the U. N. Security Council. The secret meeting was attended by the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and Egypt and by UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld.

Earlier, reports were circulated here that Britain is willing to accept a compromise plan whereby Egypt would grant some kind of international control but could receive assurance at the same time that the West would continue to blind its eyes to an anti-Israel blockade as far as the Suez is concerned. The reports here also held that Britain and France had split on the terms of the proposed compromise.

The United Nations correspondent of the New York Times today published an account reporting Britain's so-called "dump Israel" plan. The Israel delegation was known to have investigated this report. The Israel delegation reportedly hesitates to ascribe authenticity to the report of the British move, since in the Israel viewpoint such a move would violate both the 1888 Constantinople Convention and the Security Council resolution of 1951. Furthermore, it is reported authoritatively here that Britain has in the past assured Israel both privately and publicly that it would not fail to adhere to both the convention and the Council resolution prohibition against an Egyptian blockade of Israel shipping.

In Washington today Ambassador Abba Eban called on Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. It was learned in Israeli circles that the Secretary drew the Ambassador's attention to the fact that on a number of occasions, including his address this week at the Security Council, Mr. Dulles has publicly opposed the blockading of the Suez Canal against Israel as a violation of the Security Council resolution of Sept., 1956.)

#### ISRAEL BRINGS CHARGE AGAINST KING OF JORDAN TO U. N. TRUCE CHIEF

JERUSALEM, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- The Israel Government directly accused Jordan's King Hussein today of freeing avowed assassins and giving encouragement to anti-Israel sentiment in Jordan. The charges have been sent to Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, United Nations truce chief.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman charged that the murderers of three Israeli Druze guards at an oil drilling camp in the Negev had been apprehended by the Jordan police. The murderers, the Israeli authorities have learned, were found in possession of guns stolen from their victims. They also confessed to the Jordan police. A few days ago, the Foreign Ministry spokesman continued, the King himself issued an order to free the murderers without trial or punishment.

The facts as learned by the Israelis have been submitted to Gen. Burns in a letter. "This order," the Israeli letter to Gen. Burns said, "given by the King himself is a direct encouragement by the highest authority in Jordan to the continuation of Jordanian aggression against Israel."

An investigation of the murder yesterday of two Israeli workers in an orange grove near Neve Hadassah, on the outskirts of Nathanya, has revealed that three infiltrators returned to Jordan after killing the Jews, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said today.

#### LAST MINUTE NEWS

##### HEAVY EXPLOSIONS IN JORDAN HEARD IN ISRAEL; RETALIATORY RAID SEEN

TEL AVIV, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- Heavy explosions across the Jordan border were heard tonight in Israeli border settlements in Central Israel. It was assumed that a retaliatory raid against Jordan was taking place.

It is believed that the target of the Israeli attack was the main Arab Legion and command base in Central Palestine. Central Israel has been the scene of a number of attacks on Israelis including gunfire directed at a passenger train and the murder yesterday of two Israelis in an orange grove near Neve Hadassah. The murderers were tracked to the Jordan border.

## JEWISH COMMUNAL ORGANIZATIONS URGED TO JOIN TOGETHER FOR FUND-RAISING

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 10. (JTA) -- A resolution urging Jewish communal organizations in the United States and Canada to join together and work together to raise funds needed for overseas Jewish needs as well as for local and national needs was adopted here at the closing session of a two-day conference held jointly by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and the National Jewish Welfare Board. Participating in the conference were more than 150 community leaders from New York State and parts of Canada.

The Jewish leaders called on all communities to select their campaign leadership now and "organize now to meet the needs in 1957." The resolution also urged the communities to recruit and train campaign workers in "the deeper meaning" of the campaigns as well as solicitation techniques. Other resolutions included a call for expanded services for the aged; more closely knit synagogue-center-federation relationships; and a call for greater mobilization of leadership forces in the community.

Mr. Charles Aaron, president of the National Jewish Welfare Board, stressed that every institution in the Jewish community must join in a central planning process to meet total community needs. "Each institution has the responsibility to serve the entire community," he said. "It cannot remain an island unto itself. Only a strong Jewish community can provide adequately for its own local needs; can provide for the national institutions which help make it strong; and will be able to fulfill its obligations in Europe and Israel."

"This means that we must accept some basic premises," he added, "that a central planning and financing body is essential to a healthy and vigorous Jewish community; that the Jewish community centers must help the federations fulfill their function as the overall planning body to strengthen existing services, establish new services and extend cooperation among agencies; and that leaders must assume a full measure of responsibility in the fund-raising efforts of the federations and welfare funds. In turn, federations must give living expression to the appreciation of the center as the community-sponsored instrument for providing constructive leisure time programs for the Jewish community."

### Greater Cooperation Among Jewish Agencies in U.S. Reported

Mr. Philip Bernstein, executive director of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, reported that the trend throughout the country was towards greater cooperation among agencies, greater centralization of the planning and fund-raising processes, and greater coordination of programs and services. "The growing integration of programs and community resources means more and better service at a lower cost to the community," he said. "From this everyone--the agencies and the entire community--will benefit."

Mr. Samuel Gershovitz, executive vice-president of the JWB, declared that "cooperative planning depends upon a sensitive balance between the authority of a central body and the autonomy of the functional agencies." "There are three elements that must be employed in achieving the ultimate in cooperative relationships: They are persuasion, mutual confidence, and patient persistence. These elements, in the democratic traditions of Jewish life, will achieve the highest communal goals."

Dr. Marshall Sklare, who directed the Riverton Study, which probed the attitudes of a typical eastern Jewish community, said: "The Riverton Study showed that Jewish community and religious organizations are vital factors in preserving the Jewish group and strengthening its ties of survival with the past." He also observed that Jews wish to continue as part of a Jewish community while taking part in the total activities of the general community. The study was conducted by Dr. Sklare on behalf of the American Jewish Committee.

In a resolution on the aged, the conference urged the communities to survey their facilities and develop integrated, coordinated programs to provide more adequately for the aged. The conference adopted another resolution, calling on the boards of local federations, community centers and synagogues to work together in meeting community problems in a "planned and cooperative way." The resolution declared that this would "be most helpful in moving in the direction of achieving the cohesive Jewish community towards which we all strive."

### REDUCTION IN JOB BIAS ON GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS; REPORT CITES CASES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- The President's Committee on Government Contracts reported "substantial progress" in eliminating job bias on contracts let by the Federal Government in its third annual report here. Vice President Nixon is chairman of the unit.

Officials of the committee said that of 28 complaints filed by the Bureau on Jewish Employment Problems of Chicago, 15 contractors had changed discriminatory practices, six were still under investigation and the remainder did not involve government contracts. Jacob Seidenberg, executive director of the committee, said that no Federal contract had been cancelled as a result of bias in the year end June, 1956.

#### LEHMAN CRITICIZES DEFENSE DEPT. OVER ARAB BAN ON U.S. JEWISH GI'S

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- Senator Herbert H. Lehman today termed "meaningless" the announcement by the Defense Department that it will eliminate from the Air Force manual reference to the fact that American GI's of Jewish faith cannot fly into Saudi Arabia. The Department made the announcement in a letter to Senator Duff of Pennsylvania.

"Actually," Senator Lehman said, "the Defense Department's action is meaningless since the department itself points out that American GI's of Jewish faith or descent will continue to be barred from the U.S. air base in Saudi Arabia. The department thus continues to tolerate, tacitly acquiesce in the unjustifiable discrimination by a foreign government against American military personnel on the basis of their religious faith."

#### GERMAN STATES ASSURE SPEEDY IMPLEMENTATION OF INDEMNIFICATION LAWS

NEW YORK, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- The heads of the indemnification offices of Bavaria, Berlin, Bremen, Hamburg, Hesse, Lower Saxony, North-Rhine-Westphalia, and Wuerttemberg-Baden, which have to implement the expanded compensation legislation, stated in a reply to an inquiry conducted by Kurt R. Grossman, who visited Germany on behalf of the Conference on Jewish Claims Against Germany, that they will make efforts to process the claims "liberally, fairly, and speedily," it was announced here today.

Though there are marked differences in these replies on the emphasis, all state officials have become aware that the burden of executing this task has now shifted from the Federal level to the individual states. "All that remains to be done on the former is the promulgation of the executive orders which will be shortly submitted to the Upper-House. They will determine methods and scales of payments, especially annuities," Mr. Grossman said. He emphasized that the leading Jewish organizations "have a definite interest in the formulation of these drafts and have requested to be heard before the draft goes to the Parliament."

According to the received replies, all offices will expand their staffs in order to be able to cope with the increased case-load. Bavaria, however, has taken only "necessary steps" in that direction without indicating whether these steps had been successful.

#### J. D. C. ESTABLISHES CENTRAL EDUCATIONAL LIBRARY IN PARIS

PARIS, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- The creation of a central reference library for the use of Jewish educational institutions throughout Europe was announced here today by Stanley Abramovitch, Joint Distribution Committee education consultant, at the current JDC-sponsored conference of Jewish educators from 13 countries in Western Europe.

The library, which will be housed in Paris, will contain texts, audio-visual aids material and film strips. The 100 educators at the parley each received three manuals listing the reference material available for use by Jewish schools. The manuals have already been issued in Hebrew, Yiddish and English and will be published in French later.

The library will be for reference purposes only, but the JDC is also arranging a central facility for purchasing books and other teaching materials for the schools. A survey of eight European countries revealed a great paucity of teaching materials. The library's facilities are designed specifically for all-day schools in which some six percent of all Jewish children of school age in these countries are enrolled. This compares very favorably with the percentages of children in all-day Jewish schools in the United States and England, Mr. Abramovitch said.

#### CANADIAN JEWS HOLD NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR ISRAEL BONDS

TORONTO, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- More than 300 delegates from 25 Canadian Jewish communities gathered here yesterday in a national mobilization conference for the State of Israel bond drive.

Levi Eshkol, Israel's Minister of Finance and chief speaker, expressed his government's gratitude for the Canadian Government's decision to sell Israel 24 "wings of peace" -- Sabre jet fighters. Other speakers included Israel Ambassador Michael S. Comay and Samuel Bronfman, chairman of the drive, and Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice chairman of the bond organization.

#### LOWENSTEIN RECEIVES ANNUAL HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD AT J. D. A. DINNER

NEW YORK, Oct. 10. (JTA) -- Leon Lowenstein, New York philanthropist, was presented the annual Human Rights Award of Joint Defense Appeal-American Jewish Committee, at a dinner last night in the Waldorf-Astoria. Robert T. Stevens, former Secretary of the Army, made the presentation. Earlier, Mayor Wagner proclaimed yesterday "Human Relations Day" in tribute to Lowenstein.

The dinner opened the Fall Joint Defense Appeal campaign to raise \$5,600,000 for the programs of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.