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ISRAEL REJECTS U. S. VIEWS ON SINAI DEVELOPMENTS; INFORMS WASHINGTON

JERUSALEM, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Israel Government today forwarded a note to Washington outlining to the State Department Israel's negative views on a number of American ideas presented to Premier David Ben Gurion several days ago by U. S. Ambassador Edward B. Lawson.

It is assumed that the American views were on problems arising out of the Sinai action. At the same time, it is understood that contrary to widespread assumptions Ambassador Lawson discussed President Eisenhower's new Middle East policy, this was not the case.

(From Washington it was reported today that details and clarification of the new Eisenhower Middle East policy will be given by the State Department to Israel Ambassador Abba Eban tomorrow afternoon.)

EVACUATED AMERICAN TECHNICIANS MAY SOON RETURN TO MIDDLE EAST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- State Department sources indicated today that the government may soon return 185 Point Four technicians to the Middle East. These experts were ordered out of Israel, Egypt, and Jordan two months ago when warfare erupted. Technicians who may be returned to the area soon include 55 assigned in Israel, 75 in Egypt, and 55 in Jordan.

While an early return of the technicians is expected there is no sign here of resumption of aid, U.S. officials said. It was pointed out that a resumption of U.S. aid would be facilitated by a greater return of "tranquillity" to the region. This, it was said, could be brought about by withdrawal of Israel forces from Egyptian territory and co-operation by Egypt with moves to clear the Suez Canal.

In Jerusalem, headquarters of the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration announced today that permission had been granted for the return of the families of UNTAA personnel who had been evacuated last October 30 when Israel launched its Sinai action. It is expected that the return of the families of UN personnel would be followed by similar moves on the part of families of American diplomatic and consular personnel.

U. S. JEWS "DEEPLY TROUBLED" BY U. N. ACTION AGAINST ISRAEL, LIPSKY SAYS

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Jews in the United States are "deeply troubled by the growing perils that beset Israel," by arrogant speeches made by hostile states in the United Nations, as well as by unchecked and unrebuked aggressions against Israel, Louis Lipsky, veteran Zionist leader, declared here tonight at a dinner given in his honor at the Hotel Pierre. The occasion was his 80th birthday and marked his contributions to the development of the Zionist movement.

The proceedings of the United Nations, Mr. Lipsky told the distinguished audience of Jewish leaders from all walks of life who attended the dinner, give the impression that "Israel lives in the United Nations in a state of isolation and under calculated discriminations. It is a humiliating exhibition of the low state of international procedures and practices," he declared. "It gives evidence of a lack of fairness and statesmanship. It reveals behind the mask of diplomacy ominous ambitions and aggressions."

The American Zionist leader pointed out, however, that there is a democratic world which sympathizes with "the ideals and achievements of Israel and are not misled by the artifices that hide the real ambitions and purposes of the corporate political bodies constituting the membership of the UN. There is a liberal world that appreciates the moral values of the sanctuary created by Israel for the reception of refugees from the persecutions and hatreds generated and fostered by the same states who, many of them, prate in the UN of peace and justice and who would apply sanctions eagerly against a small state like Israel by closing their eyes tight to the wrongs they themselves and their favorites pursue year after year, decade after decade."

Tributes to Mr. Lipsky were paid at the dinner by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Meyer Weisger and others. Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency, presided at the affair, which was arranged by a committee representing presidents of major Jewish organizations.

EXPULSION OF JEWS FROM EGYPT CONTINUES, JEWISH AGENCY REPORTS

TEL AVIV, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Despite official denials by Egypt, the Nasser regime continues to expel Jews and to confiscate the property of Jews, Jewish Agency leader S. Z. Shragai told a press conference today. A stream of Egyptian Jews continues to arrive at various Mediterranean ports, he said.

Mr. Shragai warned against a repetition of the "Moroccan mistake" when the opportunity to transfer the entire Jewish population of that Moslem state was "missed." He disclosed that 55,000 Jews had entered Israel in 1956 and forecast that 70,000 would arrive in 1957.

In a report on the Hungarian Jewish refugee situation, Mr. Shragai said that 1,000 Jews have already arrived in Israel from Austrian refuge. He asserted that religious elements associated with Agudas Israel movement and the Satmar Rebbe are conducting propaganda among the Hungarian Jews, most of whom were extremely religious, not to go to Israel.

ISRAEL RABBINATE PROTESTS JORDAN'S DESECRATION OF WAILING WALL

JERUSALEM, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Israel Chief Rabbis Isaac Herzog and Isaac Nissim voiced a strong protest today against Jordanian desecration of the Wailing Wall, which is located within the Jordan-held Old City of Jerusalem.

Photographs were received here showing that during the recent election campaign in Jordan posters of various parties were plastered on the Wall, Jewry's most sacred Holy Place. The photos evoked considerable indignation here. The statement by Rabbis Herzog and Nissim noted that this was another in a long series of desecrations of Jewish Holy Places and shrines in Jordanian territory.

A patrol of Jordanian soldiers penetrated Israel territory in the vicinity of Beit Jibrin in the South Judean Hills, yesterday and attacked a tractor driver. Other settlers from the nearby settlement of Amatzia returned the fire. After a ten-minute exchange during which there were no casualties, the Jordanians withdrew.

ARAB GOVERNMENTS HAMPER U. N. RELIEF WORK FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Egypt, Jordan, Syria and to a lesser extent Lebanon have placed so many obstacles in the effort of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees to alleviate the lot of the Arab refugees that it may be necessary to suspend or terminate UNRWA activities in some of those countries unless the governments give the UN "open and full cooperation."

That was part of a blast at the Arab governments delivered here today by Henry R. Labouisse, director of UNRWA, in his annual report to the General Assembly. The report, which touches only on the activities of the last fiscal year, ending June 30, 1956, specifies a number of serious hurdles placed in the path of UNRWA by the four Arab states which are "host" countries where 922,279 officially-designated Arab refugees are now registered with UNRWA.

It has failed to keep its promise to help clear the UNRWA rolls of so-called refugees who may not be entitled to any relief at all, according to the La Bouisse report. Jordan has also insisted on restricting UNRWA activities by imposing import taxes on supplies brought into the country exclusively for relief purposes. Egypt and Syria both have created "particular difficulties" by trying to curb UNRWA's freedom to appoint members needed for its staffs, and in some instances has refused UNRWA personnel the right to leave the countries even on official UNRWA business, the UN director states in his report.

ISRAEL SINGER IN TURKEY ASKED TO ELIMINATE HEBREW SONGS FROM PROGRAM

ISTANBUL, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Israeli singer Bar-Noy who has been appearing at the Taksim Casino, a popular nightclub here, has been asked to drop his entire repertoire of Hebrew songs and replace them with American pieces "for political considerations."

Meanwhile, Turkish authorities have announced the cancellation of all soccer matches between Israeli and Turkish teams. The Turkish Football Federation, communicating this decision to Tel Aviv, attributed it to "political reasons."

Maurice Fisher, the Israeli Minister in Turkey, has returned to Jerusalem on completion of his period of service. Because of Turkey's recent decision to recall its Minister from Tel Aviv, no replacement is planned for Mr. Fisher.

A Turkish Foreign Office official indicated that, with both countries having recalled their ambassadors, it was likely that Turkish-Israeli diplomatic relations would stay at their present level indefinitely.

U. S. REFORM RABBIS SAY EGYPT PROVOKED ISRAEL'S ENTRANCE INTO SINAI

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Central Conference of American Rabbis, central body of the Reform rabbis in this country, issued today a statement emphasizing that "Israel's action in the Sinai Peninsula was the inevitable consequence of years of Arab aggression and was also taken to ward off the murderous assault which a Soviet-armed Egypt would soon have made."

The statement, issued by the Commission on Justice and Peace of the rabbinical body, said that "the Jewish people has had enough experience with tyrants not to have estimated Nasser's intentions incorrectly." The statement also pointed out that it must not be overlooked that "the nations now acting so zealously through the United Nations to protect the interests of Egypt did nothing to insure the security of Israel" against the Arab incursions into her territory, or to secure her legal right of passage through the Suez Canal.

"While from a long-range point of view it may be possible to question the wisdom of France and Britain in moving into the Suez Canal zone, it must be understood as an action prompted by the desperate necessity of keeping their economic lifeline from being placed at the mercy of the Soviet Union," the rabbis declared. "No informed person can now doubt that in his illegal seizure of the canal, Nasser was acting as the willing and conscious tool of Russia. The fact has certainly been underlined by recent developments in other Arab countries.

"We sympathize with the desire of our government to oppose that type of colonialism which until recently exploited and prevented the development into freedom of the peoples of Asia and Africa. But the issue is not so simple. It is permissible to doubt whether turning the destiny of a people over to the rule of a despot like Nasser is sincerely furthering its welfare.

Supports U. S. Request for Israel's Withdrawal from Egypt

"We endorse the action of the United States in supporting the UN resolutions urging Britain, France and Israel to withdraw their military forces from Egypt proper, and the establishment of a UN police force to promote the conditions of pacification in that area," the rabbinical statement continues. "At the same time it must be realized that the goal we are seeking cannot be realized unless the international force remains on the scene of the conflict until the Suez question is satisfactorily resolved, and until the establishment of a permanent peace between Egypt and Israel.

"The Suez Canal should be placed under some type of international authority which will guarantee the right of passage to all nations including Israel, while at the same time safeguarding the sovereignty and legitimate interests of Egypt. Israel's frontiers must be secured against further lawless attacks from neighboring states. It is important likewise, both from human and political considerations, that a program for the resettlement of the Arab refugees be promptly undertaken, in the implementation of which Israel and the Arab states shall assume fair shares. At the same time the rights and persons of Jewish residents of Egypt and other Arab States, now being violated, must be safeguarded," the Reform rabbis suggest in their statement.

The statement urges the U. S. Government "to undertake those constructive measures which will help to lay the foundation for a permanent Arab-Israel peace and speedily to reestablish the closest relationship of friendship and cooperation with our Western allies." It reminds the U. S. that "early in the discussion of the problem in the UN Assembly, our government had contemplated the introduction of a resolution calling upon the United Nations to engage in an immediate effort to establish a lasting peace between the nations of the Middle East."

Pointing out that "this would have been a start in the right direction," the statement says: "It is difficult to understand why that resolution was never presented. Now is the time to pursue the laudable intent behind it, and to support it with the entire weight of the moral authority of our country and the immense prestige of our President as a leader of peace."

ZIONIST LABORITES IN ENGLAND PRESENT 10-POINT PROGRAM ON MIDDLE EAST

LONDON, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Poale Zion of Britain, a constituent section of the Labor Party, presented today a ten-point program on the Middle East situation to the foreign affairs committee of the Labor Party.

The program, which rejected the idea of a return to a status quo in the Egyptian-Israel situation as endangering the security of Israel and enhancing the prestige of the Cairo military junta, also asked:

The United Nations to press for direct Israel-Arab talks; guarantee Israel's rights to navigation through the Suez Canal and the Gulf of Akaba, guarantee that the Gaza Strip would not be returned to Egypt and that the Strip and the Sinai Peninsula would not be used for infiltration of and attack on Israel.

CONFERENCE ON JEWISH CLAIMS AGAINST GERMANY TO MEET IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany announced that its board of directors will hold meetings this month in New York. The meetings were previously scheduled to take place in London but the inability of many board members to leave New York during January made the shift unavoidable.

RABBI FRIEDMAN ARRIVES IN VIENNA TO STUDY JEWISH REFUGEE PROBLEM

VIENNA, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Rabbi Herbert Friedman, executive vice chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, arrived here today to study latest developments in the Hungarian Jewish refugee situation.

Meanwhile, a delegation of the Poale Agudas Israel organization has arrived here to organize refugee immigration to three Israeli villages planned to honor the names of three Hungarian Jewish heroes of World War II.

AMERICAN FUND FOR ISRAEL INSTITUTIONS DECIDES TO CHANGE ITS NAME

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The American Fund for Israel Institutions will change its name to the American-Israeli Cultural Foundation, it was learned here today. An announcement to this effect will be made next Monday at the annual dinner-concert of the organization which will bring to a climax the Fund's 1956 campaign for \$1,450,000.

The American Fund for Israel Institutions is the leading supporter of the cultural life of Israel. The Fund supports Israel's most important institutions in the fields of music, drama, art, dance and letters, through such cultural groups as the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Inbal Ballet, Habimah Theatre and Tel Aviv Museum, as well as an active cultural exchange program between the United States and Israel.

BOSTON JEWISH LEADER INVESTS \$250,000 IN ISRAEL'S CLOTHING INDUSTRY

TEL AVIV, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Fred Monosson, veteran Zionist leader of Boston, has invested \$250,000 in a clothing corporation to get under way in Israel, it was announced here today. The corporation, known as Haifa, is expected to help hold down the growing unemployment problem.

PROF. LISE MEITNER, ATOMIC SCIENTIST, HONORED BY BERLIN UNIVERSITY

BERLIN, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Free University here has bestowed an honorary doctorate in mathematics and natural science on Prof. Lise Meitner, renowned Jewish atomic physicist now associated with the Stockholm Nobel Institute. The ceremony's high point was a eulogy addressed to her by Nobel Prize winner Max von Laue.

Born in Vienna 77 years ago, Dr. Meitner worked in Berlin from 1908 to 1938 with Prof. Otto Hahn, Germany's foremost atomic scientist. In 1938, when they were on the point of splitting the uranium atom by bombarding it with neutrons, she escaped to Scandinavia, although in her case the Nazis were willing to close their eyes to her Jewishness. Many observers believe that it may have been her flight which prevented Hitler Germany from being the first country to produce an atom bomb.

After her emigration, she informed scientists in America about the successful Berlin experiments conducted by Prof. Hahn and herself. This information was instrumental in precipitating the sense of urgency that prompted the setting up of a large-scale U.S. atomic energy research program.

DR. ISAAC STEINBERG, LEADER OF FREELAND LEAGUE, DIES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Dr. Isaac Steinberg, founder and secretary general of the Freeland League for Jewish Territorial Colonization, author, editor and one-time member of the Bolshevik Government, died here yesterday. He was 68.

Born in Dvinsk, Russia, and sentenced by the Czarist regime to Siberian exile for revolutionary activities as a student, Dr. Steinberg was allowed to go to Germany where he completed his law education at Heidelberg University. He became a theorist and writer for the Social Revolutionary Party and, after the Bolshevik Revolution, became Commissar of Justice in Lenin's first government. He soon fell before fleeing to Germany in 1923. He was a strictly Orthodox Jew and observed Jewish religious rituals even when he served in the Lenin government.

Until the rise of Hitlerism, Dr. Steinberg remained in Germany writing books and a prize-winning play on Communism. In 1933 he fled to England where he began working in behalf of Jewish refugees from the Nazis. He founded the Freeland League, whose objective was the agricultural resettlement of Jews in lands outside Palestine. He spent six years in Australia working on plans for Jewish colonization. In 1933 he published "In the Workshop of the Revolution." Dr. Steinberg also edited bi-monthly magazines in English and Yiddish.