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## U.S., BRITAIN AGREE U.N. TROOPS MUST STAY IN GAZA, MACMILLAN SAYS

LONDON, April 1. (JTA) -- The British and American Governments are in agreement that the continued presence of United Nations troops in the Gaza Strip is necessary, Prime Minister Harold Macmillan told a cheering House of Commons today as he reported on the results of his recent Bermuda conference with President Eisenhower.

"The United States Government agreed with us that the continued presence of UNEF in the Gaza Strip is essential if any solution of permanence is to be achieved. We both consider the UN force should not leave until its mission has been completely fulfilled," the Prime Minister said.

"Both our governments," he went on, believe that there exists the right of innocent passage for all shipping through the entrance to the Gulf of Akaba. "This does not in any way run counter to Egypt's legal rights. On the contrary, our two governments considered that under the armistice this applies equally to Israeli ships and vessels of other nations plying to Israel." He noted that the presence of UNEF on the Akaba coast of the Sinai Peninsula is an added guarantee that these rights will be respected.

Mr. Macmillan said that he and the President had considered longer term problems involved in a Palestine settlement. "Here," he said, "we both had regretfully to conclude that while our common interest continued to lie in bringing about a permanent peace, the chances of achieving this are not presently too hopeful."

"It will therefore be necessary," the Prime Minister continued, "to concentrate on the solution of individual problems as they arise and in trying to keep the atmosphere calm, with the hope that in the passage of time a more general settlement can be achieved. And here again the continued presence of the UN force can play an important role."

Israel Ambassador Eliahu Elath was in the gallery while the Prime Minister spoke.

## HAMMARSKJOLD SAYS EGYPT HAS 'EXCLUSIVE' RIGHT TO RUN GAZA STRIP

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 1. (JTA) -- Egypt has the "exclusive" right to the administration of the Gaza Strip, and the United Nations Emergency Force has "the duty to assist" in the enforcement of Egyptian regulations to prevent fedayeen raids into Israel, Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold announced here today.

Mr. Hammarskjold buttressed his announcement, interpreted here as the major "accomplishment" of his negotiations in Cairo with Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser, by referring to his own previous statements in which he had agreed that Egypt's right to the Gaza administration is "exclusive."

He declared that the government of Egypt had advised him that it is informing Arab refugees in the Gaza Strip "that it is Egyptian policy to prevent infiltration across the demarcation line." Nasser's government also told the Secretary General that "the Egyptian regulations against infiltration, which include penalties, are being again put into force."

The role of UNEF "in assisting in the prevention of infiltration will be made clearly known to the population of the Gaza Strip by the appropriate authorities," according to Egypt's promise to Mr. Hammarskjold.

In case these arrangements don't work out, Mr. Hammarskjold said, his UNEF Advisory Committee will have to reconsider the issue. Israel has demanded that the Secretary General obtain from Egypt a declaration of non-belligerence. Today's statement indicates that he has received no such pledge from Nasser.

Mr. Hammarskjold issued his statement immediately before he was to hold his first conference, since his return from Cairo, with Abba Eban, Israel's delegation chairman here.

## U.S. ASKS NASSER TO HEED U.N. STRICTURES ON SUEZ OPERATIONS

WASHINGTON, April 1. (JTA) -- The United States made known today that it has dispatched suggestions to President Nasser on revising Egyptian Suez operations plans in line with the six principles adopted last fall by the United Nations Security Council. These six points included freedom of navigation for the vessels of all nations.

State Department spokesman Lincoln White said the United States considers the six principles adopted on October 13 by the Security Council should provide the basis for the future operation of the canal. He said "the suggestions which we have made to Egypt are in terms of achieving an arrangement consistent with those principles."

## BEN GURION QUESTIONS CONTINUANCE OF U.S. BAN ON TRAVEL TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion departed from a routine presentation of the budget of his office today to express in Parliament his "surprise at the attitude of the United States Government which still forbids travel to Israel on grounds of security considerations."

Mr. Ben Gurion also reported to the Knesset on the establishment of a Desert Research Institute in Beersheba, the hub of Negev industry and communications. The institute is a joint project of the Scientific Research Council, headed by the Premier, and the Hebrew University, Weizmann Institute of Science and the Israel Technical Institute. The new research unit will engage in meteorological study, with special emphasis on dew research.

In a review of the work of the Scientific Research Council, which he insisted had achieved international recognition, Mr. Ben Gurion said that studies of desalinization of water would be put to use shortly to recover brackish wells. He also spoke hopefully of the industrial value of Israeli work on the problem of producing steam from solar energy.

### Israel's Scientists Must Make Up for Country's Poor Resources

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Israel's development problem is the application of "high grade brains to low grade resources," Sir Benjamin Lockspeiser, chairman of the all-European commission on atomic power, told a press conference here this week-end. He summed up the results of a week-long meeting of the Israel Government Technological Advisory Board, consisting of foreign and Israeli scientists, engineers and research leaders.

As an example of what he meant by the application of high grade brains to low grade resources, Sir Benjamin, one of Britain's foremost nuclear scientists, revealed that Israeli chemists had developed a new and cheap method of chemically increasing the concentration of manganese in low grade ores. He was unusually cautious about Israel's plans for expansion of potash production, even questioning whether current potash production methods were profitable.

## COURT HEARS MORE EVIDENCE AGAINST ELEVEN ACCUSED OF KILLING ARABS

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Self-incriminating testimony previously given by Lt. Gabriel Dehan, one of the 11 border policemen on trial for killing 47 Arab villagers at Kafr Kassem on October 29, was admitted into the court record here today. The military court trying Dehan, another army officer, and nine enlisted patrolmen, ruled that Dehan's testimony was valid in spite of the fact that he had not been warned, when he made his original statement, that it could be used against him.

Dehan had stated, in pre-trial questioning, that he had shot at the Arabs under orders of the second officer on trial, Major S. Malinski. The latter had ordered him, Dehan said to show "no sentiment" toward the villagers returning home from the fields without warning that a curfew had been imposed on October 29, the day Israel had started its Sinai action. Malinski had reportedly said: "It is better that several should be dead, if that will insure quiet." The prosecution contends that the major's order was illegal and that, therefore, Dehan should have disobeyed it.

The Court later heard a statement by a third of the defendants, Lance Corporal Shalom Offer, who had been in charge of the men who fired on the Arabs. He testified that he had ordered firing on three truckloads of villagers after they had tried to run away. "Lt. Dehan witnessed the shootings and did not intervene," Offer swore.

## THREE CHARGED WITH KASTNER MURDER TO APPEAR IN COURT TODAY

TEL AVIV, April 1. (JTA) -- Three men accused of the assassination of Dr. Israel (Rudolph) Kastner will appear before a magistrate here tomorrow for a preliminary hearing of the charges. The three men accused of killing Dr. Kastner are: Yosef Minkes, Zeev Eckstein and Dan Shemer.

The first charge against the trio will be that of murder, it was revealed. Later, an additional charge of membership in a terrorist organization, may be lodged against them. Thus far, police say, between ten and 20 persons suspected of membership in the group are under detention. All will be arraigned within ten days.

## BRITISH ZIONISTS ASK POWERS TO ENSURE CONDITIONS FOR MID-EAST PEACE

LONDON, April 1. (JTA) -- A series of strong resolutions supporting Israelfs immediate and long-term needs was adopted here last night at the conclusion of the 56th annual conference of the British Zionist Federation. The resolutions called on the major powers to ensure the "indispensable conditions" for peace in the Middle East by securing for Israel free and unhampered passage of shipping through the Suez Canal and the Gulf of Akaba; by preventing fedayeen raids; by making certain that Egypt and other Arab states cease their economic blockade of Israel; and by calling on Egypt and the other Arab states to renounce the "right of belligerence" against Israel.

The Conference also called on Britain to consider favorably the construction of oil pipelines across Israel; the "substantial extension" of British commercial relations with Israel; and the "strengthening of the bonds of friendship between Her Majesty's Government and Israel." It was the unanimous opinion of the Conference that Middle East difficulties could be resolved best by direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states.

### Goldmann Asks End of Shekel System, Retention of Parties

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Abolition of the shekel system in the World Zionist Organization but retention of political parties within the movement was advocated by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the world organization, when he appeared before the committee drafting a new constitution for the movement, it was disclosed today.

He declared that the political parties help to establish ties between their members abroad and those in Israel, but he said the present situation, in which the parties are the only dominant factor in Zionist life, is unacceptable. He urged establishment of territorial organizations which would include non-political organizations and individuals not affiliated with any party as members. He proposed that delegates to the Zionist Congress should be named by conventions of territorial organizations rather than by the shekel system.

### ISRAEL CUTS SALARY OF ALL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY TEN PER CENT

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- The Israel Government decided today to cut the salaries of all government employees by 10 percent, as part of its belt-tightening operation. The cut will extend to the foreign service, too.

### ISRAEL NEWS BRIEFS

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, declared last night that she would again vote for an action like the Sinai campaign, which she favored in the Cabinet last October, after "knowing what has happened in the last five months." Mrs. Meir spoke before a convention here of the International Council of Jewish Women.

PARIS, April 1. (JTA) -- Israel's Finance Minister, Levi Eshkol, accompanied by the country's Ambassador to France, Yaakov Tsur, conferred for an hour here today with the French Finance Minister, Paul Ramadier. Neither side would discuss the subject of their conversation.

TEL AVIV, April 1. (JTA) -- The first direct telephone link between this city and Warsaw was established today. The Israel Minister of Posts and Telegraph, Dr. Joseph Burg, talked to the Minister of Posts of Poland, both officials expressing hope that the telephone line will augur a period of "rapprochement between the two nations."

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Charges of espionage, hurled at Moshe Shatz, a secretary at the Israel Legation in Prague, were categorically denied by an Israel Foreign Ministry spokesman here last night. Mr. Shatz was expelled by the Czechoslovak Government.

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- The Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, with Israel absent because it boycotts the group, censured Israel today for an alleged "violation of the armistice agreement" because four Israelis crossed the Jordan border last month. The four were killed by Jordanians.

TEL AVIV, April 1. (JTA) -- Two Maronite archbishops from Lebanon today completed a three-day visit to the Maronite Catholic congregations in Israel. The prelates visited their church in Haifa then toured isolated Maronite communities in Galilee.

TEL AVIV, April 1. (JTA) -- A party of eleven Arabs, including a woman and three babies, were picked up in a small boat in Israel waters off the southern coast today. They were en route from Gaza, where economic conditions have worsened since the Israeli withdrawal, to Lebanon.

## DENVER GETS LAW EXTENDING F. E. P. C. JURISDICTION TO PRIVATE INDUSTRY

DENVER, April 1. (JTA) -- Governor S. L. R. McNichols has signed Colorado's new Fair Employment Practices Act, which was enacted by the State Legislature during the current session. The measure extends the authority of the State's Anti-Discrimination Commission over all private employers who have six or more employees, as well as over employment agencies and labor organizations.

## NEGRO STUDENT ELECTED PRESIDENT OF JEWISH FRATERNITY IN VERMONT

BURLINGTON, Vermont, April 1. (JTA) -- William Pickens III, a Negro, has been elected head of the University of Vermont chapter of Tau Epsilon Phi, national Jewish fraternity. Mr. Pickens, an honor student and popular student leader, was the first Negro ever pledged by the fraternity. He will live at the fraternity house.

Tau Epsilon Phi, the largest fraternity on the University of Vermont campus, although a Jewish fraternity, has opened its membership rolls to students of all faiths and has several Christian members.

## C. J. C. ASKS CANADA TO AID PRIVATE GROUPS WORKING WITH REFUGEES

MONTREAL, April 1. (JTA) -- The Canadian Government was asked by the Canadian Jewish Congress today to furnish financial support to private agencies aiding refugees from Hungary. The private agencies are exhausting their budgets in this work, Congress officials informed the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration.

At the same time, Congress officials asked the Dominion Government to transfer hospitalized Jewish Hungarian refugees from isolated hospitals to institutions in larger cities where the Jewish-Hungarian ill could be provided with facilities for celebrating Passover. The government was also requested to admit Jewish immigrants from Poland who have close relatives in Canada.

## WORCESTER CENTER FOREGOES NEW BUILDING TO AID U. J. A. RESCUE DRIVE

WORCESTER, Mass., April 1. (JTA) -- In order not to interfere with the raising of the maximum funds needed by the United Jewish Appeal's \$100,000,000 Emergency Rescue Fund, the board of directors of the local Jewish Community Center voted this week-end to postpone plans for a fund-raising drive for the construction of a new center.

The board has informed the Worcester Federation that it believes "the situation is so perilous that all considerations for building programs should be delayed until the current emergency has passed." In its resolution, the board urged "that all other Jewish institutions contemplating new buildings consider similar action at this time."

## GU'S AT ARMY BASE IN GERMANY FIGHT CLOSING OF JEWISH CENTER

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany, April 1. (JTA) -- American Jewish servicemen and Jews employed as civilians by the huge Army base here have organized in an effort to keep the servicemen's center operated by the National Jewish Welfare Board from being closed. The JWB plans to close the center April 30 for financial reasons.

The JWB center, which moved here two years ago from Heidelberg, is the only one of its type in Europe. Jews on duty here, who would be left without a local synagogue or Jewish community center if this one closes, have organized a committee to raise funds--the JWB provides a \$25,000 annual subsidy--and at the same time appeal to Jewish public opinion back home.

## JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE UNIT ACCEPTS SINGLE ADOPTION POLICY

DENVER, April 1. (JTA) -- A rule forbidding couples who already have one child or more, natural or adopted, from adopting another child, was enacted here today by the Jewish Family and Children's Service Board. The board said there is greater demand for adoptions than "the limited number of children available" and that the policy would be reviewed in the event that the supply and demand relationships change.

## INTERFAITH CHAPEL AT STATE HOSPITAL ALMOST A REALITY

WATERTOWN, N. Y., April 1. (JTA) -- Almost \$250,000 has been raised in this northern New York State community for the construction of a building that will house a Protestant chapel and a Jewish synagogue at the St. Lawrence State Hospital in nearby Ogdensburg. Both religious worship units will be under a single roof, connected by a covered walk.

## IRISH AND JEWS HAIL DUBLIN MAYOR BRISCOE ON LOS ANGELES VISIT

LOS ANGELES, April 1. (JTA) -- The Irish and the Jews alike gave an enthusiastic welcome this week-end to Robert Briscoe, Dublin's first Jewish mayor, on his arrival for a three-day visit. A bagpipe band played "Wearing of the Greer" as Mayor Briscoe stepped from his plane at the Los Angeles International Airport where Mayor Norris Poulson greeted him.