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### DIFFERENCES ON JOINT ACTION ON ISRAEL DEVELOP AT U.A.H.C. CONVENTION

TORONTO, April 30. (JTA) -- An attempt to prevent the president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, or any other officers, from participating with representatives of other Jewish organizations in joint deliberations or actions on questions concerning Israel was made here today at the 44th General Assembly of the UAHC, the representative body of Reform Judaism in the United States and Canada.

Delegates from Norfolk, Va., presented a resolution to the Assembly--which is attended by several thousand active members of Reform Jewry from all parts of the U.S. and Canada--stipulating that the Union of American Hebrew Congregations "must avoid helping to create the public impression that all Jews are of one mind on any military, political, economic or diplomatic issue." The resolution demanded that any previous decisions of the central body of Reform Jewry authorizing such participation and actions on the part of the president of the organization or other leaders of the UAHC be rescinded.

The resolution met with strong opposition from many delegates and was immediately balanced by a recommendation presented to the General Assembly by the resolutions committee of the Assembly. The resolutions committee recommended that the "Norfolk Resolution" be disapproved. The text of the recommendation of the resolutions committee reads:

"The resolutions committee recommends that the resolution (proposed by delegates from Norfolk, Va.) be disapproved on the ground that it is contrary to the historic and fundamental principles of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and of Reform Judaism which openly concern themselves with matters of social justice and universal brotherhood, necessarily requiring the expression of moral judgments on controversial matters of political and economic import.

"One of the first actions of the Union was to sponsor a board of delegates on civil rights which was concerned principally in the diplomatic field. Our competence to speak on questions of social justice, and to declare our attitude toward Palestine, now Israel, has long been settled by unanimous action of previous councils of the Union. We see no reason to open this question," the recommendation of the resolutions committee concludes.

#### Text of the "Norfolk Resolution" Opposing Joint Action

The "Norfolk Resolution," which provoked a heated debate at today's session of the Assembly, was especially opposed from the floor by Mortimer May, of Nashville, Tenn., former president of the Zionist Organization of America and member of the UAHC executive board, and by Judge Joseph J. Shapiro of Bridgeport, Conn. The "Norfolk Resolution" reads:

"Be it noted that the participation of the president of the Union, with the heads of other organizations, for the purpose of issuing public statements and taking action on military, political, economic and diplomatic matters goes beyond the clear objectives of the Union" as set forth in its constitution. Judaism sets down the broad principles of social justice and social service.

"The Union's mission is to instill in each congregant's heart and mind an understanding of those principles and a firm commitment to advance them in daily action. Its constituents' members, through proper secular channels, may translate these principles into constructive action. The Union itself must avoid helping to create the public impression that all Jews are of one mind on any military, political, economic or diplomatic issue.

"Be it therefore resolved that any resolutions of the General Assemblies authorizing such participation and actions on the part of the president of the Union, or of any other officers or agents thereof be and hereby are rescinded."

### BEN GURION RETURNS FROM VACATION; HEARS REPORTS ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion returned to his desk today after his vacation. He spent the day at his desk, being briefed by aides on foreign affairs and military matters.

## U.S. REQUESTED NO PASSAGE RIGHTS THROUGH ISRAEL TO REACH JORDAN

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- The United States has not requested any passage rights through Israel to reach Jordan, nor have there been any communications between the United States and Israel concerning the American Sixth Fleet, Foreign Ministry officials said here today.

They were commenting on a statement by U.S. Secretary of the Army Wilbur Brucker who pointed out yesterday that in the event of aggression American troops could be in Jordan within three days: through the Gulf of Akaba; across Lebanon and Syria or across Israel.

Asked what Israel's position was on overflights of planes carrying American troops to Jordan, the same Foreign Ministry officials refused comment, asserting that this was an hypothetical question which the Israel Government would have to answer if and when it arose.

## MOSCOW USES JORDAN CRISIS TO FURTHER ANTI-ISRAEL PROPAGANDA

LONDON, April 30. (JTA) -- Israel was charged with plotting to invade Jordan in a Soviet Government statement broadcast over Radio Moscow today. A monitored broadcast heard here charged that "extremist ruling circles" in Israel were preparing military action against Jordan if the regime in that Arab country did not please "the colonial powers and the members of the aggressive Baghdad Pact."

The Soviet Foreign Ministry statement declared that in this development "Israel is playing a particularly unsavory role." It charged the United States and the other Western Powers with responsibility for the current Jordan crisis.

## EISENHOWER REPORT TO CONGRESS STRESSES RISE IN PRICES IN ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, April 30. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower submitted today a report to Congress on the Mutual Security Program for the six months ended last December 31 in which it is reported that commodity prices in Israel have "soared." The report said "existing plans for economic improvement were highly uncertain."

In Egypt, the report said, the sequestration of foreign business establishments contributed toward widespread unemployment and seriously reduced imports. The report said: "The new political climate in the Middle East and the economic consequences of the Suez closure and subsequent military actions posed complex problems in the planning and execution of economic activities in the area."

## ISRAEL STARTS PRODUCING MANY MILITARY WEAPONS PREVIOUSLY IMPORTED

TEL AVIV, April 30. (JTA) -- An exhibition of Israeli-made arms and ammunition was opened at nearby Rishon L'Zion yesterday by the director general of the Defense Ministry, Shimon Peress. Among the many guests at the exhibition was President Itzhak Ben Zvi.

Mr. Peress revealed that within the last few months investment in the military arms industry in this country had doubled. He disclosed that within the last two weeks that industry had begun to manufacture its own TNT and had developed a "super-bazooka" and many other types of weapons previously imported.

## U.S. GOVERNMENT IS COLLABORATING WITH NASSER, Z.O.A. PRESIDENT SAYS

NEW YORK, April 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America, charged today that the U.S. Government "has collaborated with Nasser in producing a repudiation of the very principles governing the operation of the Suez Canal which the United States had itself proclaimed."

In a statement to the press, the ZOA president asserted that while "our government had previously stood on the unanimous Security Council Resolution of 1951 condemning the Egyptian blockade of the Israeli shipping it now seems to have abandoned that sound legal and moral position and, by its collaboration with Nasser has brought about a worsening of Israel's plight." Referring to the U.S. stand toward the declaration by Col. Nasser regarding the Suez Canal, Dr. Neumann further charged that "we are reaching the point-of-no-return in our dealings with Nasser."

## SYRIAN TROOPS ATTACK ISRAELI FARMERS AT KFAR SZOLD

TEL AVIV, April 30. (JTA) -- Syrian troops opened fire on farmers in the fields of Kfar Szold, in Upper Galilee, yesterday. There were no casualties.

## DR. GOLDMANN CONFERS WITH CHANCELLOR ADENAUER ON REPARATIONS

BONN, April 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, flew here today from London to confer with Chancellor Konrad Adenauer. The two spent 20 minutes discussing a variety of questions pertaining to German reparations and other matters of current concern.

PLAN FOR SECURING CONTACT WITH SOVIET JEWRY PRESENTED TO W. J. C.

LONDON, April 30. (JTA) -- A three-point program for securing contact with Soviet Jewry was placed today before the current world executive session here of the World Jewish Congress. The program was outlined by Israel M. Sieff, chairman of the WJC European executive, to the delegates of Jewish organizations from 20 different countries. It suggests:

1. An attempt be made by the president of the WJC, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, and the executive of the organization to obtain permission for the sending of a delegation to make contact with Soviet Jewish communities.
2. If this cannot be done, an approach should be made to a United Nations body for guidance on action to be taken to "preserve a traditional culture which has grown and developed for centuries and is now being forced to perish."
3. A delegation representing Jewish communities in the USSR and the East European countries interested in the survival of Jewish culture be invited to meet the president and executive of the World Jewish Congress to discuss how contacts can be resumed between these communities and the remainder of world Jewry with the approval of the appropriate governments.

Mr. Sieff granted that it might be difficult to implement his proposals, but insisted that an attempt had to be made to prevent the death of a center of Jewish life and culture. He reported that on two occasions the European executive had approached important members of the Soviet Government asking for interviews to discuss proposals to enable the Congress to re-establish contact with the East European Jewish communities. Both requests were ignored, Mr. Sieff said.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress, voiced the concern of American Jewry for the plight of East European Jews who, he said, had kept alive a "Jewish spark." Pointing out that the treatment accorded a small, weak minority which for centuries had been a victim of prejudice was an indication of the character of a civilization, Dr. Goldstein said that this was one of the tests by which the USSR would be judged.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, left by plane today for Bonn to meet with West German leaders in his capacity as president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. He was scheduled to return tomorrow for the final sessions of the four-day conference of the World Jewish Congress executive. He will leave Thursday for South America to inaugurate United Jewish Appeal campaigns in various countries there.

GERMANY DELIVERS ISRAEL'S LARGEST PASSENGER SHIP AS REPARATIONS

HAMBURG, April 30. (JTA) -- The 10,000-ton luxury liner "Theodor Herzl," largest passenger vessel ever built for the Jewish State and the flagship of the Israel merchant marine, was transferred today to the Zim Navigation Co. of Haifa, her new owners. Under the command of veteran Israeli merchant marine Captain Eliezer Acel she set out on the first lap of the maiden voyage that will take her to Haifa via London and Marseille.

Within the framework of the reparations pact, she was built and outfitted at Germany's largest shipyard, the "Deutsche Werft." When she sailed from Hamburg harbor today she was still under the flag of the Federal Republic. As she left German territorial waters north of Cuxhaven to head into the high seas, director William Scholz of the "Deutsche Werft" handed the sleek and beautifully equipped passenger liner over to Dr. A. A. Blum, chief legal officer of the Israel Purchasing Mission in Germany.

In behalf of the Purchasing Mission, Dr. Blum transferred title to director Zvi Yehieli of Zim-Shoham. He entrusted the ship, with her accommodations for 550 passengers and her crew of 176, to Captain Acel, a 46-year-old native of Budapest who has been a sailor since 1929. Until the first year of the war he commanded the "Har Zion" and then the freighter "Antar," which in 1941 was sunk by an Italian submarine. In 1949 he took over the "Kedmah," four years later the old "Jerusalem," with which he pioneered Zim-Shoham's transatlantic route, and in 1955 the "Israel," a combined cargo-passenger vessel sailing on the Haifa-New York run.

As his first act, the new master gave the Hebrew command of "lehaniv degel!" The blue-white flag rose on the mast and the strains of "Hatikvah" rang out in the spring sunshine. Then the "Theodor Herzl" set course for London, from where she will put to sea next Tuesday with a full complement of passengers. Some, mainly from Scandinavia, came aboard in Hamburg.

She will be assigned to the regular express run from Haifa to Marseille, via Naples. With her normal speed of more than 18 knots, the route can be covered in three and a half days. After completion of her sister ship, the new "Jerusalem," she may also be employed for cruises to South America and the Bermudas during the tourist season.

# COUNCIL FOR JUDAISM URGES U.S. TO ADMIT JEWISH REFUGEES FROM EGYPT

NEW YORK, April 30. (JTA) -- The American Council for Judaism last night urged the United States to accept "its share" of Jewish refugees from Egypt "in accord with the American principle of assisting victims of political oppression. The resolution on refugees was adopted at the closing session of the organization's 13th annual conference here.

Another resolution condemned the United States agreement with Saudi Arabia by which American Jewish military personnel are barred from the American airbase at Dhahran. The resolution said that it had always opposed any idea that Americans of Jewish faith owed national obligations to Israel and "we therefore now object with equal emphasis when the Government of the United States acquiesces to a confusion of our faith and national rights on the part of Saudi Arabia."

In another resolution, delegates expressed the hope that the citizens of Israel "will develop a stable, peaceful and prosperous society" and urged support for needy co-religionists in Israel "without subsidizing the political program of Zionism." The delegates also declared that "a just peace between Israel and her Arab neighbors is essential to world peace."

## UNITED HIAS RECEIVES AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP IN RESETTLING REFUGEES IN U.S.

NEW YORK, April 30. (JTA) -- United Hias Service today received a Joseph P. Chamberlain Award from Governor Averell Harriman, for leadership in the task of receiving and resettling refugees in this country.

The award, in the form of a scroll, was given at a luncheon chaired by Isador Lubin, State Industrial Commissioner, who is chairman of the N.Y. State Refugee Committee. It was received on behalf of United Hias president, Abner Bregman, by the agency's executive director, James P. Rice. The Chamberlain Awards are named after the former Columbia University professor who became a foremost figure in the immigration field.

## JEWISH COMMUNITIES OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY OF WARSAW GHETTO UPRISING

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- Memorial meetings throughout Israel and special programs in the schools marked yesterday the fourteenth anniversary of the Jewish revolt against the Nazis in the Warsaw Ghetto.

At the largest meeting, here, President Ben Zvi, the two Chief Rabbis, members of the Cabinet and representative survivors of the ghetto battle paid homage to the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis. Among the observances were the planting of trees in the Martyrs Forest along the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway and the unveiling of memorial plaques in various communities.

VIENNA, April 30. (JTA) -- Austrian Jewry commemorated today the fourteenth anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Revolt. In every apartment and home occupied by Jews six candles were lighted to commemorate the 6,000,000 Jews martyred in Europe by the Nazis.

The Vienna Jewish Community announced today plans to unveil a stone in memory of the Jews who died in the Warsaw uprising. The memorial will be placed in front of the main synagogue.

LONDON, April 30. (JTA) -- The fourteenth anniversary of the uprising in the Warsaw Ghetto was marked in London's East End by a commemorative meeting organized by major Jewish organizations. Among the chief speakers were Dr. Isaac Schwartzbart, head of the World Jewish Congress organization department, and Rabbi Morris Swift, principal rabbi of the Federation of Synagogues.

MEXICO CITY, April 30. (JTA) -- The fourteenth anniversary of the uprising of the Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto was observed here tonight at a mass meeting arranged by the Jewish Community. A meeting was also held yesterday under the auspices of the Jewish Central Committee.

Buenos Aires, April 30. (JTA) -- The Warsaw Ghetto revolt was commemorated here in one of the largest local theater halls in a setting dominated by six huge candles, representing the 6,000,000 Jews murdered by the Nazis.

SYDNEY, Australia, April 30. (JTA) -- Large crowds attended gatherings in various state capitals of Australia marking the Warsaw Ghetto uprising. Israel Minister Max Nurock was the principal speaker at the Sydney meeting.

## MICHAEL MICHALESKO, FAMOUS YIDDISH ACTOR, DIES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 30. (JTA) -- Michael Michalesko, world renowned Yiddish actor, died here yesterday. He was 72. A native of Russia, Mr. Michalesko came to the U.S. in 1921. He also played in Poland, London, Paris and South America.