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### ISRAEL NOT AFRAID OF FLOW OF ARMS TO ARABS, BEN GURION INDICATES

TEL AVIV, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, addressing the Israeli Military Academy today, indicated that Israel was not afraid of the flow of arms to certain Arab countries. "The flow of arms to Arabs," he said, "will not be helpful to them in overcoming Israel, since our strength is with the human being and his spirit and morale."

The Prime Minister reviewed Israel's achievements after the Sinai campaign and emphasized that Israel's name now enjoys more esteem throughout the world than during the pre-Sinai days. Among the achievements he listed was the freedom of passage of Israeli shipping to the port of Elath which had been hampered by Egypt before the Sinai campaign. However, he emphasized that he was not sure whether "we shall not have to struggle, or even fight, for this waterway again."

Another achievement was that the Sinai campaign made Israel a factor in the Middle East, Mr. Ben Gurion said. He also enumerated other achievements, including rapprochements with a number of countries. In his speech he also suggested a possibility existed that Jews might emigrate to Israel from countries which hitherto had not been even thought as a possible source of Jewish emigration. Although he mentioned no names, it was taken for granted he meant the Soviet Union and other Communist countries.

### Chief of Staff Says Soviet and Western Arms Strengthen Arabs

Gen. Moshe Dayan, Israeli Army Chief of Staff, told the same audience that Russian help to some Arab countries as part of the Soviet campaign to establish a firm foothold in the Middle East, and Western assistance to "pro-Western" Arab countries, had resulted both in strengthening the Arab countries and increasing their hostility toward Israel.

He said the increased hostility was due to the fact that the Arab countries no longer feared any foreign power intervention on behalf of Israel. Against this anti-Israel development, Gen. Dayan listed the widening split in the Arab world with Syria and Egypt ranged against Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Lebanon, and changes in Jordan's Arab Legion, which he listed as "positive factors" from Israel's viewpoint.

He did not describe the "changes," but it was assumed he meant the decline in the effectiveness of the Arab Legion, once considered the best Arab army in the Middle East, as a result both of the ouster of its British officers and of the exposure by King Hussein of pro-Nasser elements in the Legion.

Gen. Dayan said that, "for the time being," fedayeen activities were not continuing and that quiet existed on Israel's borders with Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt. He added that the recent outbursts along the Syrian border were probably due in part to the Russian arms gifts build-up of Syrian military strength. He also warned that Syria threatened to use force to prevent completion of Israel's Jordan Valley water project.

### FOREIGN OIL FIRMS READY TO TAKE OVER SHELL CONCESSION IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government reportedly was hammering out a policy today of refusal to take any initiative toward talks of the transfer of British Shell Company operations in Israel to a successor firm. This policy was being considered, it was understood, because of the silence of the British company as to how it plans to wind up its Israeli operations.

Israeli sources noted that because the Shell concession authorizes the government to take over the Haifa refineries in the event of any effort by the company to shut down refinery operations, the government was in a strong position to influence the terms of Shell's withdrawal. This position, these sources added, was strengthened by the existence of both foreign and local oil firms ready to take over most of the Shell company's marketing here.

A difference of opinion on the issue between the Israeli Foreign and Finance Ministries was reported. The Foreign Ministry was understood to still have hopes that worldwide pressure might result in modification of the original Shell withdrawal decision. Finance Ministry officials were understood, however, to be more concerned with getting the best terms in a transfer to a successor company than about the political implications of the Shell withdrawal.

RELEASED ISRAELI SEAMAN REPORTS ON MISTREATMENT IN EGYPTIAN JAIL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- Raphael Eylon, the Israeli seaman detained for 23 days by the Egyptians and released yesterday, told a press conference here today that he was mistreated during the first three days in prison.

His hair shaved off and his beard in wild disorder, Eylon said that during the first three days he was threatened cruelly, during non-stop interrogation and that he was not fed until the fourth day. He also reported that when he was escorted yesterday by the Egyptians to the Gaza Strip border checkpoint--where he was turned over to Israeli authorities--a Gaza mob tried to grab him to lynch him.

Toward the end of his detention, he said, he won the confidence of his captors and was taken for a tour of the shores of the Nile river and to Cairo sites, including the Egyptian broadcasting offices where he was interviewed on a tape-recorder. He assumed that his remarks were "amended" later for Cairo radio broadcast. He related that he became friendly with the Egyptian lieutenant-colonel who was questioning him and asked permission to interview President Nasser and to meet Egyptian Jews but received no reply.

Eylon told a hair-raising incident of being visited the day before his release by a guard who measured his neck with a piece of cord. The seaman said he was sure this meant he was scheduled to be executed until the guards later told him the measurement was for the size of a new shirt which the Egyptians gave him prior to his release.

JERUSALEM CONFERENCE URGED TO STUDY MOODS OF U.S. JEWS IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- A proposal for a research study of the attitudes of American Jews settled in Israel, to determine why they came and the reasons why some returned to the United States, was made today by one of the emigrants at the International Jewish Ideological Conference taking place at Hebrew University. The suggestion was offered by Murray Weingarten, a kibbutz member.

Rabbi Robert Gordis of New York, former president of the Synagogue Council of America, told the conference there was no reason for worry about the continued existence of American Jewry as a religious group. Haim Finkelstein of Argentina asserted that Israeli youth must take the lead in pioneering in Israel. He said it was easier to get pioneers for the Negev from Buenos Aires than from Tel Aviv.

ISRAEL EXPORTS WILL REACH \$200,000,000 THIS YEAR, MINISTER REPORTS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- Israel exports during the current year will reach \$200,000,000, P. Sapir, Minister for Trade and Industry, reported today. This, he said, will include \$83,000,000 in industrial products, \$50,000,000 in agricultural products and \$67,000,000 from tourism and shipping. Industrial products exported include polished diamonds, while the chief agricultural export is citrus fruits.

Four tons of Israeli grapes were loaded this week aboard the S.S. "Messapia" bound for West Germany. This is the first shipment of Israeli grapes this season. Other shipments will be sent to England. At the same time, smaller quantities of honeydew melons have been sent via air freight to England where high prices were received for them.

Israeli exports to East African countries are increasing and orders with Israeli firms received during the first five months of this year are estimated at \$500,000. The two main importing countries are Kenya and Ethiopia. Both countries imported during all of 1956 only \$350,000 worth of Israeli products. The figures already indicate a 50 percent increase for the first half year. Another important aspect of the trade with East Africa is that the goods list is very long and the fact that a regular service from Elath proved that the ports of both Kenya and Ethiopia have become outlets for Israeli exports for the whole East African region.

At the same time, Israeli goods are being exported for consignment to Mozambique. Goods include mainly Kaiser Frazer cars, Assis food products and Amcor refrigerators. A special bonded company "The Israel Stores Ltd." has been established with Israeli and Portuguese investors participating equally. This company has currently ordered some \$150,000 worth of goods part of which has already been sent out to Mozambique.

ISRAEL COST OF LIVING GOES UP; MAY LEAD TO INCREASE IN WAGES

JERUSALEM, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- The Israeli consumer price index jumped another six points during July to reach a new peak of 264 points, it was established today. Israeli economic experts expressed fears of a new jump in living cost allowances in forthcoming wage negotiations. The index is based on the price level of September, 1951, as one hundred.

Wage agreements are due for routine talks on cost of living allowances in November; it was pointed out. If the current rate increase continues, the experts said, a "great jump" in such allowances would be certain.

### SOVIET GOVT. MAY NOT HESITATE TO HARM ISRAEL, GOLDA MEIR WARNS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israeli Foreign Minister, expressed the opinion last night that the Soviet Union, in its eagerness to penetrate into the Middle East, would not hesitate to harm Israel to achieve that goal.

Speaking at a closed meeting of the Reserve Air Force Officers Association, Mrs Meir also warned that the Eisenhower Administration policy, based on "good Arabs" like King Saud of Saudi Arabia and King Hussein of Jordan, might bring American reconsideration of present support of free and innocent navigation rights in the Suez Canal for all nations.

She said that despite hesitations of Prime Minister Nehru of India about establishment of diplomatic relations between his country and Israel, the policy of the Israeli Government remains one of seeking rapprochement between the Jewish State and the Afro-Asian countries.

### MOSCOW MEETING MARRED BY QUESTIONS ON LIQUIDATION OF JEWISH CULTURE

VIENNA, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- Discrimination against Jewish writers in the Soviet Union and the liquidation of Jewish cultural life there evoked a number of "open questions" at a meeting arranged by the Union of Soviet Writers in Moscow. Warsaw newspapers reaching here reported today.

The Moscow meeting was arranged in honor of the delegates to the World Youth Festival which concluded several days ago. About 800 delegates from various countries attended the gathering and were permitted to ask questions. "Why is there not a single Soviet Jewish writer present at this meeting?" one of the delegates asked. He pointed out that while writers of other national minorities in the Soviet Union had been invited, no such invitation had been sent by the Union of Soviet Writers to Jewish literary men, as far as he had been able to establish.

This question, which proved quite embarrassing to the organizers of the meeting, inspired other delegates to pose other questions dealing with the liquidation of Jewish culture in the Soviet Union. They wanted to know why there was no Jewish publishing house in the USSR where there are so many thousands of Jews, why the only newspaper in the Yiddish language was closed down, and whether the Union of Soviet Writers approved of the existence of a ban on Yiddish culture.

Alexei Surkov, secretary of the Moscow Writers Union, admitted that "it was a mistake" not to have invited Jewish writers to the gathering. "It is too bad," he continued, "that the Soviet-Yiddish authors have not been asked to participate. The fault lies with the group that carried out the organizational details of the meeting. It did a poor job."

Implying that not all Jewish writers have been liquidated in the Soviet mass-execution of Jewish intellectuals, Mr. Surkov told the audience: "I can assure you that groups of Jewish writers do exist in Moscow, Kiev and other Soviet cities. They create in Yiddish, and you can meet some of them right here in Moscow and have a talk with them, if you wish. Our Soviet literature is composed of literary works of writers of various nationalities."

### HEAD OF BANNED ANTI-SEMITIC PARTY SENTENCED IN GERMANY TO JAIL

DORTMUND, Germany, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- Fritz Dorls, who headed the anti-Semitic Socialist Reich party, largest of the postwar neo-Nazi movements, until it was banned in 1952 when he took refuge in Egypt, has been sentenced to 14 months in jail by the local District Court. He was charged with public insult, fraud and with being the ringleader in a subversive organization. He has filed an appeal.

Joining the Nazi party in 1929, he served as a lecturer at one of its Indoctrination and Training Institutes. Military Government authorities interned him for a year, after the Nazi German collapse, because he was deemed politically dangerous. Newspapers of the Christian Democratic Union nevertheless engaged him as a journalist until he openly switched allegiance to a succession of fascist splinter groups. In 1949 he was elected to the Bundestag on the ticket of the German Rightist party.

When the anti-Semitic Socialist Reich party was formed a few months later that year, Dorls was chosen its leader. Soon after the party was outlawed as unconstitutional, warrants for Dorls' arrest were issued by the district attorneys of Dortmund and Bonn. The warrants could not be served because Dorls had gone to Egypt, partly, it was learned later, on behalf of the Office for the Protection of the Constitution, a top Bonn Government agency. The mission involved a suit against key Bonn officials by Joachim Bertelet, German coordinator of the Arab campaign against ratification of the West German-Israeli reparations pact. Dorls sought evidence against Bertelet in Cairo.

The District Court, in sentencing Dorls, refused to consider him to have been a fugitive from justice either during his stay in Egypt or when he was in hiding in Westphalia after his return. Taken into custody in the summer of 1955, he was released after a short time. The custody period was deducted from his sentence.

GERMANY HONORS MEMORY OF JEW; ISSUES STAMP BEARING HIS PORTRAIT

BONN, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- The West German Post Office placed on sale today a 20-pfennig postage stamp bearing the portrait of Albert Ballin, Jewish merchant marine tycoon who killed himself when his good friend, Kaiser Wilhelm, fled to Holland at the end of World War I. The issuance marked the centenary of Ballin's birth.

A pioneer in large-scale passenger traffic across the Atlantic, Ballin developed the Hamburg-American line. Spurning many suggestions from leading German sources that he become baptized, he remained a member of the Hamburg Jewish community until his death.

Another leading German Jew, Dr. Gottfried Fischer, head of the S. Fischer Publishing House, was honored on his 60th birthday with the award of the City of Frankfurt's Goethe Plaque. A Berlin physician, Dr. Fischer went into publishing after marrying the daughter of noted Berlin publisher Samuel Fischer, whose family name he later adopted.

During the Nazi regime, he maintained his publishing activities, first in Vienna then in Stockholm and later in New York City. In 1950 he re-established the S. Fischer firm in Frankfurt and has since developed it again into one of the most respected institutions in German literary life.

ISRAEL DEVELOPING TECHNICAL AID PROGRAM FOR GHANA REPUBLIC

JERUSALEM, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- The new Republic of Ghana is interested in obtaining technicians and similar experts to help build up the new nation, Kogo Botsio, Ghana's Minister of Commerce and Industry, said today at a press conference.

It was learned meanwhile that Israeli Government officials were developing plans for a technical aid program for Ghana along the lines of United States technical aid to Israel. It was noted that Ehud Avriel, the first Israeli Ambassador to Ghana, had been director general of the Prime Minister's office and in that capacity, he headed the Israeli group which made the initial arrangements for receiving American technical aid.

Although Israel has been sending technical aid experts to Burma for several years, Ghana will be the first country to receive Israeli technical aid which will incorporate what Israel has learned from American technical aid experts. Mr. Botsio told the press conference, which marked the end of a ten-day Israeli tour by a Ghana governmental delegation, that Ghana expects to increase exports of raw material to Israel and to boost imports of Israel industrial products.

A group of Ghana trade union leaders will visit Israel in the near future, it was disclosed today after a meeting of the Ghana delegation with Histadrut leaders. The union leaders will remain in Israel three months. A second delegation will be made up of workers from a Transport Cooperative, who will study methods of similar cooperatives in Israel.

W. J. C. REPORTS ON NEW FORMS OF JEWISH EDUCATION IN ENGLAND, FRANCE

NEW YORK, Aug. 15. (JTA) -- The development of a wide range of forms of Jewish education in England shows a tendency to strive for improvements in quality and depth, rather than quantitative success, the World Jewish Congress reports in a study by its Institute of Jewish Affairs on Jewish Education in England and France.

The report said the British Zionist Federation has been concentrating this year on Jewish Day schools, "where the Jewish child spends his youngest and most tender years in a Jewish atmosphere, associates mainly with Jewish children, feels he belongs to a distinctive ethnic group and finally, is not morally obligated to adjust to non-Jewish school fellows with different ideas and customs."

The work of the British Zionist Federation and of Zionists in other countries in support of day schools did not mean that "the Zionists are striving for a maximal isolation of the Jewish child from the surrounding world," the report stressed. It said that "the Zionists look upon the education of the Jewish child in its earliest years in a purely Jewish school environment as the minimum necessity to stem the inundating waves of assimilation."

Jewish education activities in France, the report noted, deal with a complicated situation in which one half of the Jewish community is deeply assimilated and the other is a mass of East European Jews most of whom came to France after the war from camps and for a long time did not feel rooted in the new environment nor ready to build thorough and long-term institutions."

The greatest achievement of the French Zionists, in the face of this gulf, said the report, was "the summer camp which they have established in Israel. It revealed that some 1,400 children have visited Israel during the past six summers and about 150 have remained permanently in Israel. "The rest have become the best means of propaganda for Zionism in general and for the Hebrew language and culture in particular," the report stated.