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## EISENHOWER'S STAND ON SYRIA GREETED; FAILURE TO ARM ISRAEL NOTED

NEW YORK, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower's pledge yesterday to use whatever powers might be necessary to protect the countries neighboring on Syria from "acts of aggression" with Soviet weapons was received with satisfaction by American Jews interested in the fate of Israel, one of Syria's neighbors and the one with whom Syria is still in a state of war.

However, it was noted that while expediting military aid to Syria's Arab neighbors, the President failed to send such aid to Israel. The President's determination to check possible Syrian aggression was emphasized in a statement released by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles following a White House conference on the Syrian situation. The Secretary announced U.S. economic aid and munitions shipments are being expedited to the Arab nations bordering Syria.

(In Jerusalem, replying to a question on Israel's attitude toward the airlifting of American military supplies to Jordan, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said that while the tanks which Jordan will receive will not enhance its abilities to destroy Israel, the Jewish State must continue to look with concern upon the shipment of arms to any Arab country which continues a policy of aggression against it.)

Declaring that President Eisenhower appraised the Syrian situation in the light of the United Nations Charter "which denies Syria the right to use force except in self-defense," Secretary Dulles told reporters: "The President affirmed his intention to carry out the national policy, expressed in the Congressional Middle East resolution which had been adopted, and exercise as needed the authority thereby conferred on the President. In this connection, the President authorized the accelerated delivery to the countries of the area of economic and other defensive items which have been programmed for their use. The President expressed the hope that the international Communists would not push Syria into any acts of aggression against her neighbors and that the people of Syria would act to allay the anxiety caused by recent events."

(In Washington, the appointment of John O. Bell as regional director of the International Cooperation Administration for the Near East region including Israel was announced this week-end. Mr. Bell served as director of the U.S. Mutual Security program in Pakistan since June, 1955. His new title is "Regional Director for the Near East and South Asia.")

## Eban Returns from Israel; Will Discuss Syrian Situation in Washington

JERUSALEM, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Ambassador Abba Eban explained yesterday for the United States where he will discuss the latest Syrian and other Middle East developments with top State Department officials who, meanwhile, have been studying the implications of the Loy Henderson report on the Syrian shift toward the left.

The impression here is that Israeli students of the Middle East believe that the United States must now take firm action if it wants to prevent the Soviet Union from consolidating its position in Syria and using it as a base for a new victorious round in the East-West struggle over the Middle East.

Western European diplomats here are of the opinion that United States inaction or partial action may have as deleterious an effect on the overall situation as Soviet positive attempts to spread Communist influence throughout the region. These diplomats feel that Syria's economic ties with the West, its lack of a common border with the USSR and its being surrounded by anti-Communist neighbors gives Washington the edge over Moscow, if the advantage is not thrown away by default.

In the first incidents along the Syrian border since the political shift in Damascus several weeks ago, two Israeli settlers were wounded this week-end. One was driving a tractor near Kibbutz Dan when the machine struck a landmine and was damaged. The second Israeli was shot by Syrian troops from across the border when he came to investigate the first incident.

## ISRAEL PREMIER ADDRESSES WORLD CONFERENCE OF NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion hailed as an outstanding demonstration of the unity of the human race the International Conference on Nuclear Structure which opened in Rehovoth tonight. The Conference is attended by some 200 nuclear physicists from both sides of the Iron Curtain, including 37 from the United States.

Speaking at the opening session at the Weizmann Institute of Science to some of the world's leading nuclear physicists, the Premier asserted that the gathering was not only an important scientific and intellectual event, but an undertaking of great human and moral significance.

"The healthysurvival of humanity is conceivable only on the basis of partnership and cooperation across the frontiers of states and peoples," Mr. Ben Gurion declared. He buttressed his emphasis on the supremacy of the human spirit with the example of Israel's survival over the centuries in the face of attempts by powerful, hostile empires to overcome the Jewish nation and uproot the spiritual beliefs which were responsible for its survival.

Referring to the powerful latent forces of the atom, the Premier underlined that the atom was the source of limitless creative energy as well as the potential to destroy mankind. "Unfortunately," the scholar-politician said, "it is not entirely the scientists but those individuals who may ultimately decide the use that is to be made of this tremendous energy."

Mr. Ben Gurion questioned whether government should be taken out of the hands of politicians and turned over to wise men and philosophers who are not "contaminated by the unpleasant and unsavory" nature of politicians' work. On the other hand, he suggested, it might be better to "establish harmonious cooperation among students of nature and rulers of nations to induce statesmen to adopt two distinctive characteristics of scientific research, namely, truth and universality."

Before bidding the scientists, in the words of Zachariah, "You shall love truth and peace," Mr. Ben Gurion noted that in Israel, despite its small size, abundant energies had been brought into play for both the development of science and the strengthening of world peace.

## BEN GURION STARTS TWO-WEEK VACATION; ESHKOL BECOMES ACTING PREMIER

JERUSALEM, Sept. 8. (JTA)-- Premier David Ben Gurion began today a two-week vacation from his Cabinet duties. Finance Minister Levi Eshkol will take over as Acting Premier.

Before leaving on vacation, Mr. Ben Gurion received this week-end a group of touring American Government officials. The party consisted of State Department and Defense Department officers who deal with Middle East Affairs. They came to Israel as part of a regional tour after attending a series of lectures at the American University in Beirut.

## JORDAN'S COMPLAINT AGAINST ISRAEL FIZZLES OUT AT SECURITY COUNCIL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The Jordanian attack on Israel at the Security Council fizzled out this week-end as the 11-member council decided to suspend consideration of Jordan's complaint against Israel and Israel's cross-complaint pending the receipt of reports from Col. Byron V. Leary, Acting Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization.

Jordan's complaint concerned Israel's afforestation work in no-man's land south of Jerusalem as part of the project to plant a belt of trees around the Israeli capital. Jordan charged that the planting of such a forest would give Israel a "military advantage" in the area.

The Israeli complaint deals with Jordan's refusal since the signature of the armistice pact in 1949 to participate in a bi-governmental committee to prepare certain civilian projects in the Jerusalem area and to grant Israelis access to the Mt. Scopus area and the Wailing Wall.

During Friday's debate in the Council, the Soviet delegate, Arkady A. Sobolev, and the Iraqi representative supported Jordan fully. Most of the delegates, however, warned Jordan and Israel not to aggravate the situation and not to take any action pending Col. Leary's reports.

## RELIGIOUS ISSUE RESUMED IN ISRAEL'S PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The issue of Saturday night public transportation and the objections of Orthodox Israelis to the resumption of public bus schedules before the Sabbath has ended, came to the fore again this week-end. As religious circles threatened to resume demonstrations, the management of the cooperative bus companies insisted that the Ministry of Transportation has ordered them to begin running buses before the Sabbath ended to prevent the formation of huge lines of waiting passengers.

## SOVIET WRITERS ASK COMMUNIST PARTY TO LIFT BAN ON JEWISH BOOKS

VIENNA, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- A memorandum asking for the revival of the publication of Jewish books and the reinstatement of Jewish cultural institutions in the Soviet Union has been submitted to the Central Committee of the Communist Party in Moscow by the Union of Soviet Writers, it was reported here today from Moscow. The memorandum was signed by top Soviet authors, the report said.

The memorandum pointed out that although no Jewish book has been published in the Soviet Union since 1949, nevertheless a large Yiddish literature in manuscript has developed during the last nine years in anticipation that publication of Jewish books would be resumed and in the hope that some of the manuscripts would be translated and published in Russian before they were published in Yiddish.

The memorandum estimated that more than 70 Jewish writers have finished manuscripts which have not been printed because publication of Yiddish books in the Soviet Union has been halted. "The works of Jewish writers must be published in Yiddish, if Jewish literature is to exist," the memorandum stated. It noted that Jewish culture is one of the oldest in the world and must not be "rooted out."

## JEWISH LEADERS IN AUSTRIA PROTEST HOLDING OF PRO-NAZI MEETINGS

VIENNA, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The Federation of Jewish Communities in Austria protested this week-end to the Austrian Government against the holding of pro-Nazi meetings in Salzburg and in the Tyrol. Despite the protest, however, the Austrian authorities made no attempt to interfere with the rallies in Salzburg yesterday and today.

The rallies, described as "memorial meetings," brought together former Nazis and Gestapo members who had been interned by the American occupation authorities at the Glaserbach Camp near Salzburg after the end of World War II. Several thousand Austrians and a number of West Germans attended.

The Jewish protest to Austrian Minister of the Interior Oskar Helmer asked that the Salzburg and Tyrol gatherings--the latter scheduled for later this Fall--be banned under the terms of Austrian legislation. The rallies, the protest said, would be a "provocation" of the Austrian Jewish community and "can only provide the signal for the gathering of former Nazis, members of the SS and Gestapo and offer encouragement for a revival of a neo-Nazi and Fascist movement. It may well start a fateful development in Austria threatening democratic freedom and arousing racial and religious hatred," the statement concluded.

## ANTI-JEWISH ISSUE INJECTED INTO ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN WEST GERMANY

BONN, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- As the West German national election campaign draws to a close, with voting scheduled for September 15, both of the parties in opposition to the Christian Democratic Union have charged that anti-Semitism has been injected in the Adenauer party's campaigning.

The Social Democrats have charged that their election posters in a number of cities have been marred by yellow Stars of David pasted over them. Only a few weeks ago, the Christian Democratic Party manager apologized to the Socialists because a speaker for the majority party had falsely labelled Socialist candidate Erich Ollenhauer a Jew. In addition, the right-wing Free Democrats have also accused Christian Democrats of using the Jewish issue to draw votes.

## GERMAN-AMERICAN COURT ORDERS RETURN OF IMPROVED JEWISH PROPERTY

NUREMBERG, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The Supreme Restitution Court's mixed German-American Division, which is located in this city, has ruled that in cases of aggravated "Aryanization" falling under the Allied Restitution Law, the property must be given back to the original Jewish owner irrespective of any improvements that have in the meantime been effected.

The division's verdict in the suit at issue provided for the return to the Jewish claimant, former hotel owner Julius Schuster, of a vacant lot which he had been forced to sell in 1938 while he was a prisoner in a Nazi concentration camp. The lot, located in the resort town of Bad Bruckenaue, was purchased from the Nazi Party by a German veterinarian, who built a two-family house on it.

During the past eight years the courts habitually held that, where so substantial an increase in value had occurred due to investments by the "aryanizer," the erstwhile Jewish owner is entitled merely to reimbursement of the market price of his property at the time it was taken.

The Nuremberg tribunal reversed that judicial interpretation in an important decision several weeks ago. "By virtue of the generally recognized principles of law," argued the five judges, "he who acquired an object by means of aggravated despoliation is presumed to have known, already at the time of acquisition, that no legal validity attaches to such a purchase." Expenditures by the "aryanizer" were made at his own risk, continues the verdict, and it is not incumbent upon the rightful Jewish owner to provide reimbursement.

# U. S. CONGRESSMAN ADVOCATES ISRAEL'S INCLUSION IN FOOD STOCKPILING PLAN

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Israel should be included in the worldwide United States stockpiling of foods for emergencies in friendly nations, Victor L. Anfuso, New York Democrat, said here today at a press conference at the U. S. Embassy.

Rep. Anfuso, chairman of a Congressional subcommittee on agricultural surpluses, which recently held hearings on the national and international stockpiling project, said "furnishing of arms is not the best way to peace." The best weapon for fostering peace is supplying food, he declared.

He disclosed Israel had asked the Eisenhower Administration for surplus food for 1957 and 1958 of an approximate value of \$100,000,000 double the amount Israel was provided during 1955 and 1956. He said the Israel request for the next two years, like that of the previous two, was mainly for wheat, corn, beef, dry milk, butter and edible oil, adding he would support the request because he had become convinced during his visit here that Israel was making excellent use of such American aid.

## ISRAEL FOREIGN MINISTER TO ADDRESS U. S. JEWISH LEADERS IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, will be the principal speaker at the national Economic Mobilization Conference for Israel Bonds, it was announced today by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice president of the Israel Bond Organization. The Israeli leader will be a special guest of honor at the dinner session of the three-day conference which will be held on Saturday evening, September 21st at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York.

The conference which will begin on Friday, will have as its principal objective the launching of the most intensive phase of the campaign to raise \$75,000,000 in 1957 through the sale of State of Israel bonds in this country, Canada Latin America and Western Europe. Dr. Schwartz pointed out that this year's Israel bond drive will be required to furnish a large proportion of the \$90,000,000 fund which the Government of Israel must gather for the construction of 30,000 family housing units to solve "the critical housing shortage resulting from the renewal of mass immigration in 1957."

The current situation in Israel and the surrounding region will be discussed at the conference sessions by outstanding Israeli and American leaders. In addition to Mrs. Meir, Israel will also be represented at the conference by Ambassador Abba Eban, Dr. David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel and Dr. Renana Ben Gurion, daughter of the Prime Minister.

## TEXAS JEW PRESENTS SUPERSONIC WINDTUNNEL TO HAIFA TECHNION

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The release of pressurized air at more than 600 miles an hour marked the formal dedication this week-end of the Haifa Technion aeronautical laboratories in the presence of Charles Bender of Texas, who presented the technical school with the supersonic windtunnel, which has a top wind speed of 2,800 miles per hour. Mr. Bender, who appeared for the ceremony in a colorful cowboy costume, described his many years of interest in the Haifa Institute of Technology.

In a special message to the donor, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion lauded Mr. Bender's generosity and aid to Israel science. "I consider the training of scientists and technicians as one of Israel's most vital needs," he said. "Your contribution in widening the scope of Technion's research activities is of inestimable benefit for current and future technological development in Israel."

## 30,000 IN LONDON WATCH ISRAEL'S FIRST TURBOPROP PASSENGER PLANE

LONDON, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- More than 30,000 people stood on line to see the new Bristol Britannia owned by Israel's national airline, El Al, at the Farnborough Air Fair which closed today.

All during the week, huge queues of experts from this country and abroad and ordinary citizens filed into the huge four engine turboprop transcontinental liner. The British-manufactured Israeli craft was easily the most popular grounded exhibit at the aviation show.

Brig. Ephraim Ben Artzi, general manager of El Al Airlines, said today the first of four giant Bristol Britannia turbo-prop passenger planes purchased by the airline will be flown Thursday to Israel. "It will be a major event in the progress of civil aviation when El Al leads the way in turboprop air transport over the North Atlantic," he declared. He disclosed that December 1 had been tentatively listed as the date for the start of Lydda-New York service with the Britannia plane.

## FIFTY AMERICAN ATHLETES HONORED PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE FOR ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Fifty American athletes who will participate in the fifth world Maccabiah games beginning in Israel next Sunday were honored at a farewell brunch at the Hotel Roosevelt here this morning. The party was scheduled to fly to Israel later in the day.