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## ISRAEL CABINET DISCUSSES KHRUSHCHEV-NASSER STATEMENT; COMMENT DELAYED

JERUSALEM, May 18. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet discussed major world developments and their relations to Israel today, with Premier David Ben Gurion reporting on the Lebanese and Algerian situations and on the Khrushchev-Nasser communique summing up the United Arab Republic President's 18-day visit of state to the USSR.

Israeli circles refuse to comment on the Lebanese and Algerian situations, preferring to consider them for the time being, at least, internal affairs of the countries concerned. There is no comment on the Moscow communique for an entirely different reason. Israeli circles are awaiting an official Russian text of the statement, feeling that every word in it may be significant.

It is understood here that the Israelis were concerned over the sentence in which "both governments (of the USSR and UAR) reaffirm their full support for the legitimate rights of the Arabs in Palestine." If the translation is accurate, and the communique reads "in Palestine" rather than "of Palestine," Moscow was seen here as endorsing a far wider Arab position than it has ever supported in the past.

Support of the right of Arabs "of Palestine" would refer, Israeli circles feel, to the Arab refugees, but support of the rights of Arabs "in Palestine" could mean Moscow's support of Arab political and even territorial claims in Israel.

Though the communique can be easily viewed as a full endorsement of the Arab line, some observers here feel that it is still couched in phrases which give Moscow an opportunity to retreat if international reactions to it are sharp.

## MOSCOW WARNS U.S. ON AID TO LEBANON; THREATENS WAR IN MIDDLE EAST

WASHINGTON, May 18. (JTA) -- The Soviet Union today warned the United States not to intervene in the Lebanese crisis, cautioning that it might mean war in the Middle East. The warning was conveyed by Tass, the Soviet news agency.

Meanwhile, the United Arab Republic charged in Cairo that UAR subjects were being persecuted and tortured in Lebanon. Cairo hinted that it would take steps to "protect" its subjects. Beirut reported today the continued infiltration into Lebanon of UAR agents.

A large number of United States Globemaster transport planes have arrived in West Germany. Washington authorities declined to state the intended use of these planes, but they could be used to carry U.S. armed forces in Lebanon or to withdraw American nationals from that state. Additional police equipment has been dispatched to Lebanon along with tanks and other weapons.

## JEWS IN FRANCE CONCERNED OVER SITUATION OF 140,000 JEWS IN ALGERIA

PARIS, May 18. (JTA) -- Official Jewish circles here have given considerable thought to the situation of the 140,000 Jews of Algeria in the current military-political crisis which grips that country. At the moment there is still no news of the Jewish position since direct communications between France and Algeria have not yet been restored. The Algerian Jews are all French citizens.

Political opinions among Algerian Jews are known to vary as widely as among other elements of the population. The attitude of the military government in Algeria toward Jewish affairs, it is felt, will vary depending upon whether Lt. Gen. Raoul Salan or Brig. Jacques Massu is actually in control. The former is pictured as being "pro-Jewish" in his attitude, while Gen. Massu may have a negative attitude toward the Jews, it is felt. In the past, extreme rightist elements in Algeria have either been indifferent toward the Jews or negative.

## Israel Envoy Seeks Two Jewish Agency Men Kidnapped in Algeria

PARIS, May 18. (JTA) -- A special envoy of the Israel Embassy in Paris went to Algeria last Monday, before the current crisis in that country burst into the open, it was learned here today. The envoy was sent to establish the fate of two Jewish Agency representatives who were kidnapped by Algerian rebels last February 17. The two, who were reported by Algerian nationalist sources to be living, are J. Hasan and R. Gera.

# CONVENTION OF AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS VOICES DEMANDS TO WASHINGTON

MIAMI BEACH, May 18. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress ended its national biennial convention here today by electing a new president, Dr. Joachim Prinz of Newark, N. J., and calling for stronger action by the Washington Administration in civil rights and support of Israel. Dr. Prinz succeeds Dr. Israel Goldstein.

In a series of resolutions, the convention:

1. Urged the Federal Bureau of Investigation to probe recent bombings and violence in the South, and recommended support of a bill that would remove all doubt of Federal jurisdiction in such cases;
2. Asked President Eisenhower to abandon his "neutral attitude" toward the 1954 segregation decision of the Supreme Court and to take vigorous steps to protect the right to vote and to attend schools regardless of race, color or creed;
3. Called upon the United States to take the lead in solving the Arab refugee problem by pressing for "resettlement of the bulk of the refugees in the sparsely populated lands of their Arab kinsmen;"
4. Suggested that the U.S. make a public declaration guaranteeing the territorial integrity of Israel and the Arab states in the Middle East against aggression and should press for direct peace talks between Israel and the Arab states;
5. Asked for U.S. help in appealing to Iron Curtain countries to allow Jewish cultural life in those lands and to permit emigration of Jews to Israel for other lands if they wish to leave;
6. Hailed the tenth anniversary of the State of Israel and urged that American Jews redouble their material and moral support of the Jewish State;
7. Affirmed its "uncompromising adherence" to the principle of strict separation of church and state. "We oppose religious education in the public schools no matter what form or guise it may assume," the resolution stated;
8. Opposed financial aid by Federal, state or municipal governments to religious groups, "either directly or indirectly" and expressed its opposition to compulsory Sunday laws;
9. Attacked government acquiescence in the Arab boycott which it said was aimed at making American Jews "second-class citizens." The Congress resolution asked that all U.S. treaties and Executive Agreements forbid racial or religious discrimination against American citizens;
10. Pledged full support for anti-discrimination laws and programs as well as educational campaigns to wipe out de facto segregation of Negroes in public schools in the North.

## Fate of Jews in Iron Curtain Lands Stressed by Dr. Prinz

In his acceptance speech, Dr. Prinz said that the most important and the most difficult problems facing world Jewry today concerns the 3,500,000 Jews living behind the Iron Curtain. He urged American Jews to play a "significant role" in growing efforts aimed at allowing Jews in Soviet Russia, Rumania and other Eastern European lands to "freely develop" their cultural life where they live and to emigrate to Israel if they want to.

The new AJC president noted that during the organization's five-day convention, Egyptian dictator Nasser had completed his visit to Communist Russia. The Khrushchev-Nasser summary of that visit highlights the "failure of American policy in the Middle East," Rabbi Prinz said.

Calling for wide and full participation by American Jews "toward the fulfillment of the American dream," Dr. Prinz said: "The Jewish people do not live in a ghetto either of geography or mentality. We call for integration of the Jewish people--a deep understanding of himself as a Jew, full participation in the life of America and a sense of kinship with Jews all over the world and Israel."

The convention was addressed last night by Burmese Ambassador U. Thant, who said that "no one can in the long run prevent the acceptance of Israel as an equal member in the Asian family of nations." Other speakers included Israel Ambassador Abba S. Eban and Michigan's Gov. G. Mennen Williams.

Judge Justice Wise Polier was re-elected chairman of the executive committee of the Congress. Dr. Goldstein was named honorary president.

## YAAKOV FICHMAN, ISRAEL'S OUTSTANDING POET, DIES; WAS 78 YEARS OLD

TEL AVIV, May 18. (JTA) -- Yaakov Fichman, Israel's outstanding poet, died here today at the age of 78. He was eulogized at today's meeting of the Israel Cabinet by Premier David Ben Gurion. During the last few months he was confined to bed. He was placed in a hospital last week after suffering a leg fracture, complications of which caused his death.

Born in Russia, he settled in Palestine in 1912. He edited various literary publications and was the author of several novels. His poems won him the Ussishkin Prize, the Bialik Prize and other literary prizes.

### GOLDMANN FORESEES NEED FOR WORLD LOAN TO HELP JEWS LEAVE RUSSIA

MEXICO CITY, May 18. (JTA) -- An international loan to assist in the emigration of Jews from the Soviet Union to Israel will be needed, should the Soviet Government decide to permit Jews to leave the USSR, Dr. Nahum Goldmann declared at a press conference here.

The president of the World Zionist movement, who was the principal speaker at a huge meeting opening the United Israel Campaign for this year, said that funds from Israel, or even from the Jews all over the world, would not suffice to finance a Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union. "An international loan of hundreds of millions of dollars would be required," he stated.

Dr. Goldmann declared that he favors the establishment of diplomatic relations between Israel and West Germany. He emphasized the fact that Israel's economy has benefited greatly from the reparations paid by Bonn to the Israel Government. He also pointed out that even those who had criticized him for his reparations talks with the leaders of the West German Government have benefited from the reparations payments.

### CONVENTION OF JEWISH PUBLISHERS CONDEMNS TERROR IN SOUTH; GREET'S ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- The American Association of English-Jewish Newspapers, at its 15th annual convention here, unanimously adopted today a resolution condemning terrorism in the South as being fundamentally contrary to American principles. Framed by Jacques Back, editor of the Nashville, Tenn., Jewish Observer, and backed by all the Southern editors in attendance, the resolution reads:

"The American Association of English-Jewish Newspapers joins with men and women of religious faith in deploring the series of dynamiting outrages perpetrated in various communities during recent months. With responsible leadership everywhere, the publishers condemn these acts of criminal violence--aimed, as they were, in pattern and intent, at Jewish houses of assembly and Negro school buildings."

"We hold these attempts to initiate a reign by terror and intimidation to be in bold violation of the fundamental rights guaranteed to Americans: that--asking not of what race or creed or stature in society--each may 'sit under his own vine and fig tree--and that none shall make him afraid.' Assurance, too, that no preachers of hate and bigotry shall erect barriers and deny to even the humblest of God's children the 'right to life and liberty.'"

"Yes, we hold these attacks... be they the work of a lone individual or of groups thus stealthily advancing against the America we know and honor... hold them to be an urging challenge to men in high places: that law and order must prevail... that citizenship--shall remain meaningful... shall never be made afraid."

The Association also adopted a resolution greeting Israel's tenth anniversary. "Representative, as it were, of Jewish life, the associated publishers share the glad spirit of realization in the mastery of the heroic task which crowns Israel's decade of statehood, the resolution states. "Fortitude that taxed human strength, and faith ne'er-faltering in God's promise unto the children of the Book, are written into the history of these years of creation."

### Lauds J. T. A. Services to American Jewry; Fishbein Elected President

The Association warmly greeted the Jewish Telegraphic Agency for its services to the Jewish press and to American Jewry. A convention luncheon meeting, at which Philip Slomovitz, editor of The Detroit Jewish News, presided, was addressed by Boris Smolar and Victor Bienstock, editor and general manager of the JTA, respectively.

The Association elected Jack Fishbein, editor of the Chicago Sentinel, president, to succeed Abe Slabot, of New Orleans. Joseph Weisberg, editor of the Boston Jewish Advocate, was chosen first vice-president and chairman of the executive committee.

Other officers chosen are: Al Golomb, Pittsburgh, and Morris Janoff, Jersey City, vice presidents; Jimmy Wisch, Fort Worth, Texas, secretary; Adolph Rosenberg, Atlanta, Ga., treasurer; Leo Frisch, Minneapolis, Elias Jacobs, Buffalo, Myer Keleman, Los Angeles, Jules Miller, Philadelphia, and Arthur Weyne, Atlantic City, members of executive committee. The ex-presidents, Philip Slomovitz, Detroit, Fred Shocket, Miami, Jacques Back, Nashville, and Abe Slabot, New Orleans were named ex-officio members of the executive committee.

The Association took firm steps to stop unethical advertising solicitations; to elevate the editorial status and standards of the English-Jewish press and to advance circulation promotions. In behalf of John B. Hynes, Mayor of Boston, Joseph Bartozoff and Joseph Weisberg extended an invitation to the Association to hold its next annual convention in Boston.

### JEWISH CEMETERY DESECRATED IN NEWARK; FIFTY TOMBSTONES OVERTURNED

NEWARK, N. J., May 18. (JTA) -- Police were investigating today the desecration this week-end of a Jewish cemetery in Essex County. Some 50 headstones were overturned

ISRAEL TO RELY MORE ON BONDS DURING NEXT FIVE YEARS, DR. SCHWARTZ SAYS

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- "Israel will have to place greater reliance on its bond drive in the next five years as a source of investment capital for basic development projects concerned with the settlement and integration of newcomers, and with the expansion of trade with the countries of the Far East and other parts of the world," Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice president of the Israel Bond Organization, declared here today following his return from Jerusalem.

Dr. Schwartz, who conferred in Israel with Prime Minister Ben Gurion and Finance Minister Eshkol on the bond campaign in the United States, reported that the Israel leaders expressed satisfaction with the progress of the Israel bond drive, which has sold more than \$335,000,000 in cash since May, 1951. "We can take great pride in the share which Israel bonds have had in the country's remarkable tempo of industrial and agricultural growth. But Israel must continue to concentrate on economic development as the central ingredient of undiminished progress in her second decade of independence," Dr. Schwartz stated.

A city-wide campaign to raise \$500,000 in Israel bond investment funds this year opened today in New York at a tenth anniversary salute to Israel sponsored by Farband-Labor Zionist Order of America in the Assembly Hall of Hunter College. The celebration, attended by 2,200 persons, resulted in the sale of \$150,000 in Israel bonds and brought to \$6,000,000 the amount of Israel bond capital provided by the 30,000-member Labor Zionist group since the inception of the Israel bond drive in 1951. Speakers included Mordecai Kidron, member of the Israel delegation to the United Nations; Meyer L. Brown, president of Farband, and Louis Segal, its general secretary.

U. J. A. GETS URGENT PLEA FROM ISRAEL FOR FUNDS; SEEKS \$40,000,000 IN CASH

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- An urgent plea from Dr. Dov Joseph, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, for help in establishing "their personal day of independence" for thousands of unabsorbed immigrants in Israel was relayed today to the American Jewish community by Samuel H. Daroff of Philadelphia, National Cash Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

Dr. Joseph's plea was made in a message cabled from Jerusalem to Mr. Daroff citing the desperate need for cash to speed the real integration of scores of thousands of newcomers into the creative life of Israel. Mr. Daroff, who recently accepted his new post in addition to serving as a UJA national chairman, already has pressed ahead with an intensive nation-wide drive to bring in \$40,000,000 in cash before June 24th, the day the UJA Anniversary Conference opens in Jerusalem.

Dr. Joseph's cable to Mr. Daroff said: "All Israel is rejoicing and celebrating its independence. But for 120,000 in Maabaroth huts who have been waiting for five and six years for homes and the tens of thousands in agricultural settlements who have been left for several years without livestock and farm equipment because we lack funds, their personal day of independence has not yet arrived. American Jewry can help spread the absorption of these newcomers and provide for the steady and continuing influx of new immigrants by making the current cash campaign a success."

FOUR PROMINENT AMERICAN NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS LEAVE FOR ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- Four prominent American nuclear scientists left this week-end for Israel to attend the dedication on May 20th of the Institute of Nuclear Science, the newest and largest unit of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovoth.

The four are: Drs. Harold C. Urey, Joseph E. Mayer, Maria G. Mayer of the University of Chicago, and Dr. S. Chandrasekhar of Yerkes Observatory. They will be joined in Israel by Prof. Niels D. Bohr of the Copenhagen Institute for Theoretical Physics, Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer of the Princeton Institute for Advanced Study, and Dr. Felix Bloch of Stanford University, who will participate in a nuclear symposium to be held in the newly opened Nuclear Science building under the auspices of the Weizmann Institute.

Dewey D. Stone of Brockton, Mass., chairman of the board of governors of the Weizmann Institute of Science, presided at the farewell luncheon for the four scientists given at the Plaza Hotel here. He said that "the opening of the new Institute is one of the most significant events on the threshold of Israel's second decade and may well usher in a new era in the development of atomic energy for peaceful purposes."

ISRAEL'S FIRST MINISTER TO JAPAN PRESENTS CREDENTIALS TO EMPEROR

TOKYO, May 18. (JTA) -- Emil Najar, former deputy director of Israel's Foreign Ministry, presented his credentials to Emperor Hirohito this week-end as Israel's first Minister to Japan. Avigdor Dagan, Charge d'Affaires until Mr. Najar arrived, became first secretary of the Israel Legation.

MARCUS SLOSS, FORMER MEMBER OF CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT, DEAD; WAS 89

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18. (JTA) -- Marcus C. Sloss, leading Jewish figure on the West Coast, philanthropist and former justice of the California Supreme Court, died here yesterday at 89. He was a president of the Jewish Welfare Board and was active in the American Jewish Committee.