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## KHRUSHCHEV AGREES TO COME TO SUMMIT TALKS AT U. N.; WANTS ARABS INVITED

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., July 23. (JTA) -- Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev today announced his willingness to come to the United Nations to attend a summit meeting of the Security Council, as suggested by the United States and Britain. However, he stipulated that the Security Council should place the Middle East issue in the hands of a subcommittee "including Mr. Jawarlahal Nehru and representatives of the Arab states."

Mr. Nehru, Prime Minister of India, had already indicated his willingness to attend a Council meeting at the summit. Word was received here earlier from Cairo that United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser was also willing and ready to come here. Gen. Charles de Gaulle announced in Paris that he would not attend such a meeting here. No one among leading diplomats or Secretariat officials has yet mentioned the possibility of including Israel's Premier David Ben Gurion among the members of the special Council subcommittee.

## ISRAEL'S NEED TO RE-EQUIP ITS ARMED FORCES WITH HEAVY WEAPONS STRESSED

TEL AVIV, July 23. (JTA) -- The need for Israel to re-equip its armed forces with heavier weapons in view of the possibility that the Jewish State may soon be completely surrounded by the United Arab Republic headed by the Egyptian dictator, Col. Nasser, was emphasized here today. It was also stressed that the time was ripe for a request for such arms from the Western Powers, particularly from the United States.

Middle East experts in Israel are of the opinion that the Arab states in the area are permanently lost to the West. They foresee no change in the situation in Iraq without direct intervention by the Western Powers, and they think it highly unlikely that such intervention will take place.

This lack of a strong Western reaction to the revolt in Iraq, it is believed, will spur President Nasser of the United Arab Republic to further plans aimed at attaching to the UAR the whole of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia and, eventually, to the extension of UAR influence over Sudan and all of North Africa.

This prediction is based by the Israel experts on the assumption that both Lebanon and Jordan will become UAR satellites very soon. King Hussein of Jordan is seen as remaining in power only with the help of British troops while the Lebanon rebels, who might have agreed to the succession of President Chamoun by a Maronite, now were believed determined to join Nasser's "federation."

The rush of events in Iraq has revived here suggestions for the construction of a 32-inch pipeline from Elath, on the Gulf of Akaba, to the Mediterranean coast as an alternative to Western dependence on pipelines through Arab territory or on the Suez Canal. The present line from Elath to the Mediterranean is an eight-inch diameter tube with a capacity of about 5,000,000 tons annually.

## British Government Evades Answers to Questions on Israel in Commons

LONDON, July 23. (JTA) -- The debate on Middle East policy in the House of Commons would up last night with government spokesman Commander A. H. P. Noble evading replies to all questions dealing with Israel's stake in the current crisis.

Earlier, a number of Labor MP's underlined the meaning of current developments for Israel. Several Laborites, including Philip Noel-Baker and Dingle Foot, suggested that Israel had better understand that its existence depends on coming to an agreement with the Arab states. Mr. Foot proposed the establishment of a United Nations frontier adjustment commission, hinting broadly that Israel should make territorial concessions.

On the other hand, a number of backbenchers, including Harold Lever, warned against any attempt to reach a Middle East settlement at Israel's expense. "Israel," he said, "has no intention of being sacrificed or of committing suicide."

## LAST MINUTE NEWS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., June 23. (JTA) -- U. N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld late today named a seven-nation advisory committee on the Middle East composed of Brazil, Colombia, Ceylon, Norway, Pakistan, India and Canada.

SECRETARY DULLES CONFERS WITH ISRAEL MINISTER; EBAN SEES HAMMARSKJOLD

WASHINGTON, July 23. (JTA) -- Secretary of State John Foster Dulles today conferred for a half-hour with Israel Embassy Minister Y. Herzog on developments in the Middle East in connection with the current tense situation.

Mr. Herzog called on Secretary Dulles in the absence of Israel Ambassador Abba Eban who was in New York in connection with Israel's interests at the United Nations. Mr. Herzog said his conversation with Mr. Dulles today was supplementary to a talk Ambassador Eban had with the Secretary here last Monday.

(At the United Nations headquarters, Ambassador Eban conferred today with UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold, but the subject of their talk was not disclosed. Mr. Eban left UN headquarters before any announcement was made that he had been there.)

KNESSET TO DEBATE EMIGRATION FROM ISRAEL; 145,000 LEFT SINCE 1948

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- The Israel Parliament today approved a motion to debate the issue of emigration from Israel which, according to current estimates, has totaled 145,000 since the establishment of the Jewish State in 1948.

Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, speaking for the Government, supported the proposal for the debate but warned against any discussions which would create the impression that the departures might be justified.

Benjamin Avniel, Herut deputy who proposed the debate, called the emigration "grave" and said the problem was not merely one of quantity but also of quality. He said that while in 1955, one quarter of the emigrants were made up of veteran settlers and sabras, last year, they accounted for 40 percent and that three-fourths of them were under 45.

Noting that incoming migration was diminishing, with only 20,000 newcomers expected this year, he said the problem was "most acute," particularly since the emigrees included many skilled workers and professionals.

ISRAEL RABBINATE TO COOPERATE WITH GOVERNMENT ON IDENTIFICATION

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- The Chief Rabbinate will cooperate with a ministerial committee, headed by Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, set up to study the issues in the dispute over state identification of Jewishness, contrary to reports of a possible rabbinical boycott of the committee, it was learned today.

Mr. Ben Gurion named the committee, consisting of himself, Interior Minister Israel Bar Yehuda and Justice Minister Pinchas Rosen, in an effort to end a religious-secular conflict sparked by an identity card issued by Minister Bar Yehuda. The identity card would make it possible for an Israel citizen to identify himself as a Jew without proof acceptable to the rabbinical authorities. The dispute resulted in the resignation of National Religious Party representatives from the Cabinet.

The secretariat of the Chief Rabbinate, denying reports of a boycott of the committee, said today that the Supreme Council of the Chief Rabbinate would meet next week to consider means of cooperation with the ministerial committee.

The Prime Minister's office, meanwhile, had not yet publicized the names of the Jewish scholars, both in Israel and abroad, who will be asked for opinions on settlement of the issue of state identification of Jewishness. Some names that have been suggested include the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of New York, Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik, noted Orthodox scholar in Boston, Dr. Nelson Glueck, Reform leader, Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan of New York, Reconstructionist philosopher, and Prof. Martin Baber.

ISRAEL PRESIDENT RETURNS FROM VISIT ABROAD; MET BY BEN GURION AT AIRPORT

TEL AVIV, July 23. (JTA) -- President and Mrs. Itzhak Ben Zvi returned last night from a short visit to Holland and Belgium. They were met at the airport by Premier David Ben Gurion and Knesset Speaker Joseph Sprinzak. The El Al Britannia on which they returned was met far out at sea by an escort of four jet planes.

Foreign diplomats in Israel stated privately today that the President's decision to continue his visit to the Low Countries in the face of the rapidly moving Middle East developments had made a "reassuring impression" in his host countries.

COL. YAFFE NAMED COMMANDER OF ISRAEL'S SOUTHERN FORCES; VISITED U.S.

TEL AVIV, July 23. (JTA) -- Col. Abraham Yaffe, commander of the Israeli Ninth Brigade which, during the Sinai operation, made its famed forced march from Elath to Sharm el Sheik, the southernmost point on the Sinai Peninsula, was today named commander of Israel's Southern Command. The 45-year-old veteran of the Haganah and War of Liberation, who returned a few days ago from the United States, which he toured in behalf of the Israel bond drive, succeeds to a command previously held by Maj. Gen. Chaim Laskov, currently Army Chief of Staff.

#### U.S. SENATE HEARS DENIAL THAT IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL IS THREAT TO ARABS

WASHINGTON, July 23. (JTA) -- Sen. Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, today took issue with Sen. Ralph E. Flanders, Vermont Republican, on the latter's recent allegation in the Senate that unrestricted immigration of Jews to Israel was a threat to the Arab states.

Sen. Javits told the Senate that "the fact is that Israel's immigration is at one of the lowest levels which that state has experienced since it first gained independence 10 years ago." He cited figures showing that only 8,534 newcomers entered Israel in the current year up to July 1.

"A very important point is that these immigrants are not called, as has been alleged, from lands where Jews do not live under social and economic pressures, but, rather, the overwhelming preponderance comes from within the Soviet bloc satellite nations of Eastern Europe where Jews are under tremendous pressure, and from countries around the Mediterranean and in North Africa, and also Iran, where the situation is made extremely difficult, indeed, for Jews," Sen. Javits stressed.

He did not mention Sen. Flanders by name but it was clear that his remarks were in reply to an attack on Israel's immigration policy voiced several days ago by Sen. Flanders. Sen. Javits said that "misunderstanding" had been spread in the Senate about Israel.

#### WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS OPENS PARLEY; GOLDMANN SPEAKS ON SOVIET JEWRY

GENEVA, July 23. (JTA) -- World Jewry will not relent in its determination to bring Soviet Jewry back into its councils, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, today told the opening session here of the five-day meeting of the WJC executive. Dr. Goldmann expressed satisfaction that for the first time in many years representatives from Hungary and Poland--the latter in the status of observers--were participating in a meeting of the executive.

The WJC, its president said, had never given up hope that the representatives of Eastern Europe's Jewries would be able to resume cooperation with the Congress and the Jewish communities of the world. "As long as the cold war goes on the World Jewish Congress must continue its efforts to maintain a minimum of contact and unity between the Jewish communities in the two camps," he said. "We have tried to reestablish this unity for years.

"We are happy," Dr. Goldmann continued, "that we succeeded in bringing back into the fold of the Congress the Hungarian Jewish community, that we have for the first time in many years delegates from Hungary, and at least observers from Poland, and we hope that time is not far away when other Jewish Communities of Eastern Europe, still absent at this session, will be with us again and try--despite many differences and ideological conflicts--to find a common basis for cooperation and understanding as parts of the same Jewish people."

This refers naturally also to the major Jewish community in Eastern Europe, the Jews of the Soviet Union," Dr. Goldmann stressed. "However difficult it may be to convince the leaders of the USSR that they should grant the possibility of establishing contact with world Jewry to the Jewish community in their country, we will not relent in our efforts to achieve it."

The world Jewish leader noted that "nobody can tell how long it may take and what the chances are. But it is of such tremendous importance for the future of the Jewish people that nobody has the right to despair and give up hope that the day will come when the voice of Soviet Jewry will be heard in the international councils and the Jewish people will welcome this great Jewish community back into its active fold."

Turning to the Middle East, Dr. Goldmann declared: "The cold war has led to the rearming of the Arab states by the two blocs, encouraged Arab extremism, and given the Arab states the possibility of playing each of the two blocs against the other. It has made Israel's position more difficult than it would otherwise be.

"Only an understanding between the two blocs with regard to the Middle East which would deprive the Arab states of the hope that one of them may succeed with the help or acquiescence of one of the blocs in any attempt to eradicate Israel will create the atmosphere and basis for Arab willingness to accept the fait accompli of Israel's existence as a sovereign state," Dr. Goldmann stated.

#### IRVING SALOMON NAMED MEMBER OF U.S. DELEGATION TO U.N. ASSEMBLY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., July 23. (JTA) -- Irving Salomon, industrialist and rancher of Escondido, California, and Chicago, was named today a member of the United States delegation to the 13th session of the United Nations General Assembly which opens here September 16. Mr. Salomon, who served in the U.S. Marine Corps in World War I and the Army in World War II, rising to the rank of lieutenant colonel, served on the board of the Joint Distribution Committee, the University of Judaism, Jewish Peoples Institute of Chicago and the National Jewish Welfare Board. Mr. Salomon is a member of the board of the Ford Foundation and the Fund for Adult Education.

DELEGATION OF BRITISH JEWS ASKS RUMANIA TO LIFT EMIGRATION BAN

LONDON, July 23. (JTA) -- A deputation from the Board of Deputies of British Jews called on the Rumanian Minister in London today to discuss with him the re-union of Jewish families some of whose members are living in Israel and the others caught by an emigration ban in Rumania.

The Board, at its June meeting, adopted a resolution calling on the Rumanian Government to give its full help to the humanitarian task of reuniting these Jewish families. Leading the delegation this week was Board president Barnett Janner. Other members were B. Lieberman, F. M. Landau, Israel Cohen and A. G. Brotman, all officers of the Board.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE DELEGATION TO GO ON MISSION TO SO. AMERICA

NEW YORK, July 23. (JTA) -- A delegation of American Jewish Committee leaders will embark on a good will mission to South America. It was announced here today by Irving M. Engel, president of the organization. He said that "the State Department has expressed enthusiastic interest in the mission and is facilitating some aspects of the trip."

The delegation will confer with government leaders, Roman Catholic church dignitaries and U.S. Embassy officials in Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo and Santiago. Members of the mission will also visit religious, educational and welfare organizations and hold discussions with leaders of the Jewish communities in Argentina, Brazil and Chile.

"A number of compelling issues bearing on improvement of understanding between our neighbors in South America and the United States--involving peoples of all faiths--requires that we undertake this survey mission to an area of rapidly increasing importance in world affairs," Mr. Engel said. One of the principal subjects of concern, he added, will be the question of opening havens for refugees fleeing religious, political or racial persecution, in keeping with a statement made by Pope Pius XII, to an AJC delegation last summer.

Participating in the delegation in addition to Mr. Engel will be: Jacob Blaustein, AJC honorary president; Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president; Julius H. Cohn, vice-president; Martin Gang, vice-president; Simon Segal, director of the Foreign Affairs Department.

AMERICAN TOURISTS CAN CONVERT ISRAEL BONDS INTO TRAVELERS CHECKS

NEW YORK, July 23. (JTA) -- In pace with the growing volume of conversions of Israel bonds by tourists visiting Israel, the American branch of the Bank Leumi Le-Israel announced today the introduction of travelers checks. These are designed primarily for the convenience of visitors who, after the conversion of bonds, have large sums of Israeli currency in their possession.

The travelers checks can also be purchased against payments in foreign currency. The Bank Leumi issues and redeems its travelers checks at any of its 86 branches located throughout Israel. There is no extra charge for this service. There remains the exchange commission applicable heretofore on foreign currency or bond conversions. Checks are issued in denominations of 10, 25, 50 and 100 pounds.

ISRAEL CENTER, MAINTAINED BY U.S. GROUP, BANS REFORM SERVICES

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- A Reform congregation charged today that officials of a community center organized by the Women's League for Israel refused, allegedly under Orthodox pressure, to permit continued use of the hall in the center for religious services.

The Reform group, which held services in the hall of the Bet Hechalutzot for several months, said the action would deprive its members of a place to worship during the coming High Holy Days. Members of the congregation have started a campaign to win reversal of the local action. They are sending letters to Mrs. H. Cahane, president of the Women's League, at its headquarters in New York City.

POLICE CONFISCATE FORGED ISRAELI CURRENCY NOTES; PRINTED IN EGYPT

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- One hundred forged Israel ten-pound notes, apparently printed in Egypt, were confiscated today by Jerusalem police from a United Nations observer recently transferred to Israel from Cairo.

The UN observer, who has the rank of major, cooperated fully with police and told them he bought the banknotes from a friend in Cairo. The existence of the forged notes was discovered when the major gave some of them to an apartment dealer as down payment on a lease. The dealer, feeling there was something peculiar about the paper money, took it to his bank which identified them as forgeries and called the police.

CORNERSTONE FOR ISRAEL PARLIAMENT NEW BUILDING TO BE LAID IN OCTOBER

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- The cornerstone for the projected Knesset building will be laid at a ceremony here October 14, it was announced today. The building is slated to be opened for use in 1961.