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## FIGHTING RESUMED AT ISRAEL-SYRIAN BORDER; NO TROOP WITHDRAWALS

TEL AVIV, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- Syrian gunners resumed their shooting today at Israel targets in the demilitarized zone southeast of Lake Tiberias, wounding an Israel patrolman. The fire was returned.

Reports from the sector indicated that the latest attack came from Syrian positions in Tel Azaziat, the source of earlier Syrian firing. The new casualty was the second in 24 hours. One patrolman was seriously injured last night in Syrian shelling of the Beit Katzir village in the zone.

Neither Syria nor Israel had yet replied today to the request of Col. Raymond Piriou, chairman of the Syrian-Israel Mixed Armistice Commission, for immediate withdrawal of their armed forces from the zone, according to a MAC spokesman.

The spokesman said that Gen. Carl C. von Horn, chief of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, was continuing efforts to reactivate the commission in a bid to reduce tension in the zone. The last time the commission met, in 1957, the Syrian members sought to open a discussion of the status of the zone which Israel considers as entirely within Israel territory and therefore excluded from any Syrian claims.

The Israel position in regard to talks with Syria under UN auspices, it was officially reiterated today, remained one of readiness to discuss reduction of tension and restoration of peaceful conditions within the framework of the commission, or in informal talks with UN officials participating. In either case, it was emphasized, Israel participation was conditioned on an explicit UN guarantee that the status quo of the demilitarized zone was not open to discussion by Syria.

(At the United Nations, Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld told a press conference today that Israel and Syria had both committed themselves to demarcation of the border "but nothing very much has happened." He said that on the basis of the information which he received, "things on the Israel-Syrian border are gliding toward a quiet period which, I hope, will lead into negotiations between the two parties under the aegis of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization." The line of the United Nations, he stressed, must be implementation of the Syrian-Israel Armistice Agreement which requires that the demilitarized zone should be demilitarized.)

In a formal written complaint to the UN Security Council, Israel last night charged that the clash with Syrian forces in the Lake Tiberias area is due to "Syrian acts of aggression in the demilitarized zone" which came "in the wake of an intensification by the United Arab Republic of her policy of active belligerency towards Israel." This policy according to the Israeli charges, "creates a constant threat to peace in the area."

### State Department Denies Cairo Report That U.S. Sent Note to Israel

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- The State Department said today there was "absolutely no substance" to a Cairo report that the United States sent a note to Israel concerning the Israel-Syrian frontier friction. State Department spokesman Lincoln White said there was no truth to the report "in any way, shape, or form."

Senator Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, today urged affirmative American action to avert a new outbreak of Arab-Israeli warfare. In a Senate floor speech, Sen. Javits drew attention to the increased new flow of Soviet-bloc munitions into the United Arab Republic. He said that an emergency session of the United Nations General Assembly might be desirable.

## JORDAN REPORTED READY TO GRANT CITIZENSHIP TO ALL PALESTINE ARABS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- The Government of Jordan was reported today to be ready to grant citizenship to all former Palestine Arabs. Jordan newspapers arriving here reported that a decision to that effect was taken yesterday by the Jordanian Cabinet.

The grant of citizenship would be automatic, regardless of present residence of the Arabs. The projected citizenship granted was viewed here as a bid to the Arabs residing in the Gasa Strip.

## 'INGE TOFT' SURRENDERS ISRAEL CARGO TO EGYPT; IS RELEASED AT SUEZ

LONDON, Feb. 4, (JTA) -- The Danish freighter, the Inge Toft, was scheduled to leave Port Said today, after completing the unloading of its Israel cargo, to end an eight-month detention in the newest victory for the United Arab Republic in its fight to bar Israel from the Suez Canal, a report from Cairo said.

The ship's agents were notified by the vessel's owners to unload the cargo, which was promptly confiscated by the UAR authorities. The cargo included 1,500 tons of potash, ten tons of copper and 4,000 tons of cement, most of it loaded in Haifa and consigned to Japan, Hong Kong and the Philippines. The ship was halted at Port Said last May 21 and detained when its captain declined to yield his cargo.

### Israel Denies Reports That She Agreed to Unloading of 'Inge Toft'

JERUSALEM, Feb. 4, (JTA) -- Informed Israel sources asserted today that the confiscation by United Arab Republic authorities of the Israel cargo of the Danish freighter, Inge Toft, would not deter new efforts to send cargoes through the Suez Canal. The sources said Israel was not giving up its rights to peaceful passage through the waterway.

They also denied reports that agreement had been reached between Israel and the ship's Danish owners to permit the unloading of the cargo at Port Said, where the ship has been detained since last May 21. Unloading began yesterday.

It was understood that Israel wanted the ship to remain at Port Said at least until United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold reported on his most recent meeting on the question with UAR President Nasser and until Israel, as well as the UN Secretariat, could decide on the next steps.

### Hammarskjold Says U. N. Will Continue to Oppose Suez Blockade

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Feb. 4, (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold, who negotiated with the Egyptian ruler, Col. Nasser for the passage of the Inge Toft through the Suez Canal, said at a press conference here today that the UN resolutions requesting unhampered passage of ships of all nations through the Suez international waterway--including Israeli ships--still "stand" as adopted and "have not been altered" by Egypt's failure "to acquiesce" to them.

Mr. Hammarskjold, who just returned from a visit to 26 African countries, including Egypt where he conferred with Nasser on the Suez blockade against Israel, would not say what additional steps, if any, he has in mind to force the Egyptian dictator to comply with the UN resolutions against the blockade. Asked whether the United Nations has now reconciled itself to letting the Suez Canal blockade against Israel prevail, whether the United Nations will do anything concrete about the matter and if so, what that action will be, and when, Mr. Hammarskjold replied:

"As regards my own stand, it is well known; it is on record; it is not in any way modified. The fact that certain attitudes of member governments--this one or that one--are not adjusted to what, from my point of view, is the United Nations line does not mean any acquiescence either from the United Nations or from the Secretary-General. That disposes, I think, of your question of principle. There is no acquiescence by anybody in anything. The United Nations decisions stand, and the United Nations decisions as they stand are the law of the Secretary-General.

"As regards the concrete measures to which this can lead, I think that the fact that this matter has been on my desk practically daily for 'X' years is concrete enough. If the concrete measures have not been publicized, it has been in the best interests of the operation itself. If they have so far not succeeded, or succeeded only partly, it is not due to any lack of intensity or energy or consistency in the efforts of the Secretariat."

## BEN-GURION WARNS LEFT-WING CABINET MEMBERS; SAYS COALITION MAY END

JERUSALEM, Feb. 4, (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion has warned Mapam Ministers in his Cabinet to stop their campaign to abolish military government in Arab border villages, it was learned today.

The warning was issued in a letter made public today in which the Prime Minister said that if the left-wing party mustered a majority in the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, for the proposal, that would mean the end of the existing coalition Government.

Mapam's election promises in the November 3 balloting for the present Knesset and Government included a pledge to end the military government arrangements.

## ISRAEL EXPECTS TO OBTAIN SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS FROM U.S.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 4, (JTA) -- Israel expects to obtain substantial quantities of surplus agricultural products from the United States in 1960, it was reported here today.

The largest items on the 1960 list are 200,000 tons of fodder, 182,000 tons of wheat and 15,000 tons of edible oils. Also expected are 4,000 tons of rice, 6,000 bales of cotton and 120 tons of tobacco.

### GERMAN MINISTERS DISCUSS ANTI-SEMITISM; NUMEROUS JEW-HATERS JAILED

BONN, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- The problem of anti-Semitism in West Germany was analyzed today at a meeting of the Ministers of the Interior of the West German states as local authorities cracked down on neo-Nazi and anti-Semitic manifestations.

The jury court in Bad Kissingen sentenced a merchant to three months in jail for insulting Jewish hotel guests. A juvenile court in Dinslaken ordered a month's detention for a 19-year-old painter's helper and a 20-year-old waiter was sentenced to three months in Cologne.

Two plumber's helpers were jailed for four and six weeks in Hof and two workers were arrested in Hamburg for shouting "Adolf Hitler will come back soon. Then all of you will be gassed." A few hours after an anti-Semite was sentenced in Woellstein, swastikas were found smeared on the courthouse.

Two technology students in Darmstadt, Gyorgy Safrany, 22, and Sandor Szigeti, 23, received two-month terms for saying publicly that "not enough Jews have been gassed." Both were refugees from the Hungarian revolt.

Herbert Roettcher, 34, received an eight-month term in Northeim and in Oppenheim. Adolf Theiss was suspended from his high school teaching post for making anti-Semitic remarks. A Hamburg court sentenced August Brinker, a taxi driver, to six weeks in jail for insulting a Jewish merchant.

Inquiries were started in Nuremberg against Karl Baier, an engineer accused of publishing Nazi and anti-Semitic statements. In Dimbach, the prosecution dismissed charges filed against Eugen Walter by the father of a 10-year-old boy whom Walter thrashed when he caught the boy smearing swastikas.

### EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS IN GERMANY ACT ON FIGHTING ANTI-SEMITISM

BONN, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- Students and educators in West Germany acted today to fight anti-Semitism and neo-Nazism with protests and study programs.

Prof. Dolf Sternberg, vice-president of the German section of UNESCO, offered the facilities of his institute to the provincial Ministries of Culture for their programs of political education against prejudice.

The Catholic Teachers Association in Baden protested against "the systematic re-employment of Nazi teachers after the war" in West German schools.

Young teachers in Hesse and Lower Saxony organized independent study groups with the goal of informing themselves about the Nazi period and the causes of anti-Semitism.

Students at Bonn University said they were planning an anti-Nazi demonstration on the anniversary next month of Hitler's rise to power.

### WEST GERMANY PREPARES LAW TO INTEGRATE RETURNING VICTIMS OF NAZISM

BONN, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- The Ministry of Justice announced today it was preparing a legal draft on "measures to reintegrate victims of Nazi persecution" who returned to West Germany after the downfall of the Nazi regime.

A Ministry spokesman said the draft was intended to provide housing loans and mediation for employment and sick benefits. The Central Council of German Jews urged passage of such a measure more than a year ago in a petition to Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

Dr. Fritz Schaeffer, West German Minister of Justice, appealed to all parties in the Federal Parliament yesterday to settle their differences and approved the Government's anti-defamation bill. The measure was referred back to the Parliament's Juridical committee last week together with drafts offered by the Free Democratic and Social Democratic parties.

In his appeal, Dr. Schaeffer described as "unfounded" the opposition argument that the bill was a special law to protect only Jews. He said it would also protect other racial, religious and national minorities from slander. He also termed false the argument that the Central Council of German Jews opposed the bill. He said that Dr. H. G. van Dam, the Council's secretary general, had approved the measure "in content as well as in its form."

### BONN 'BASICALLY' FAVORS ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH ISRAEL

BONN, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- A spokesman for the Federal Government said today that diplomatic relations should be established between West Germany and Israel. He stressed that the matter was not a "question of principle but a question of time."

The spokesman, referring to reports that Felix Von Eckardt, Federal Press Chief, had declared that the Bonn Government had no intention of establishing such relations, said that the Federal Government had not changed its "basic attitude" in favor of the step.

A spokesman for the Social Democratic party told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that his party would "most likely" request the establishment of West German-Israeli diplomatic relations during the foreign policy debate in Parliament which begins Feb. 10.

### JEWISH SEMINARY PRESENTS EISENHOWER WITH AN ANCIENT TORAH

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower was presented today with an ancient Torah as a symbol of tribute to his efforts for world peace. The scroll was presented by a delegation representing the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. The delegation included Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Seminary, and Lewis L. Strauss, former U.S. Secretary of Commerce.

### U.S. LABOR LEADER CRITICIZES RENAULT FOR WITHDRAWING FROM ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- A national labor union leader denounced today the cancellation by Regie Renault of its assembly contract in Israel, calling the cancellation an act of "appeasement of dictators and bullies."

Joseph A. Beirne, president of the Communications Workers of America, who is also a vice-president of the AFL-CIO, made the charge at a meeting of the union's collective bargaining policy committee here. The partly French Government-owned auto firm ended its contract for assembly of small cars at the Kaiser-Frazer plant in Haifa, later admitting that it had done so under Arab boycott pressure.

Mr. Beirne, who is an honorary vice-chairman of the American Trade Union Council for Histadrut, told the policy committee: "It was no surprise to learn that the company's sales in the United States have been falling. It is difficult to feel respect for Renault, which has permitted itself to be pushed around by boycott pressures contrary to the most fundamental principles of democracy and peaceful relationships."

### ROGOSIN PROCEEDING TO ISRAEL WITH PLANS FOR MODERN SYNTHETIC FIBER

NEW YORK, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- Plans for developing the most modern synthetic fiber in Israel were outlined at a press conference here today by Israel Rogosin, American Jewish industrialist, who is leaving for Israel to guide the assembling of machinery for producing nylon textile yarn at a plant which he established there and which is now producing viscose textile yarn.

"Our nylon will be manufactured in the most modern and efficient way, enabling us to compete in world markets with any country," Mr. Rogosin said. He also revealed that during his stay in Israel, he will make plans to start production of polypropylene fiber which is the newest synthetic fiber used for textiles, carpets and industrial purposes. "My U.S. company, Beaunit, is already producing some of it here, but we will produce it in Israel and give Israel an opportunity to manufacture the most modern synthetic fiber yet developed," he declared.

Mr. Rogosin lauded the Israel Government and organized Israel labor for the "full cooperation" given to his enterprise in Israel. He said the just received a cable from Israel Finance Minister Levi Eshkol informing him that the Israel Government has invited 120 leading personalities to a celebration marking the 73rd birthday of Mr. Rogosin which will coincide with his stay in Israel.

### DRIVE TO CONVERT JEWS IN U.S. ADVOCATED AT LUTHERAN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Feb. 4. (JTA) -- A high official of the Lutheran Church in America advocated yesterday an "intensive effort" to convert the Jews to Christianity. Addressing the 42nd annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council, Dr. H. Conrad Hoyer, executive secretary of the Council's missions division, said the Lutheran Church has a "special responsibility" to convert the Jews to Christianity since more than 80 percent of American Jews live in cities where Lutheranism is strong.

Dr. Hoyer announced the proposed conversion drive as one of the conclusions of a "theological consultation" on "the church and Judaism" held last year at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. He told the Council meeting that he had discussed the subject of conversion of Jews with "religious leaders" in Israel during a visit there last summer.

### NEW CHIEF RABBI APPOINTED IN ALGIERS; CALLS ON CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP

ALGIERS, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- Rabbi David Askenazi, Chief Rabbi of Oran, has been appointed temporary Chief Rabbi of Algiers, and will hold the latter post until a permanent Chief Rabbi is found. He will also continue as Chief Rabbi of Oran. His appointment filled the vacancy created by the death two years ago of Chief Rabbi Eisenbeth.

Rabbi Askenazi called on the Catholic Archbishop of Algiers and later made a statement that he would work for peace in strife-torn Algeria and for "brotherly union" between the three religious groups - Islam, Christianity and Judaism. He also announced that a new synagogue will be built in the center of Algiers.

### U. N. BODY TO PUBLISH 'BIOLOGICAL' HISTORY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE

PARIS, Feb. 4. (JTA) -- The United Nations Educational, Social and Cultural Organization will shortly publish a "biological" history of the Jewish People as part of a series on the race problem in modern times, it was learned here today. The booklet was written by Harry Shapiro, chairman of the Department of Anthropology at the Museum of Natural History in New York.