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### BEN-GURION REPORTS TO CABINET ON EICHMANN; WANTS TRIAL HELD IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, May 30. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion told the Israel Cabinet yesterday that there was no question but that the trial of Adolf Eichmann, who directed the Nazi annihilation of 6,000,000 Jews, could properly be held in Israel.

He told the Cabinet that the widest possible airing should be given to the proceedings, in view of the historical significance of the event and the need to expose the enormity of the Nazi crimes which, he said, were gradually being forgotten.

Additional details of Eichmann's capture were given at the Cabinet meeting but the manner and place of the Nazi killer's seizure were still being kept secret. After the head of Israel's security services addressed the meeting, the Prime Minister explained the reasons for the secrecy about the place of Eichmann's capture.

In a report on the Cabinet meeting, The Jerusalem Post declared today that unless members of Eichmann's family, or his friends, make a formal complaint of his absence, the government of the country where Eichmann was seized is not expected to take any action. That government so far has not taken any official cognizance of his disappearance.

It was considered highly unlikely here that Eichmann's immediate family would make any complaint about his capture since the family is living under a false name and would not want its true identity revealed. In that connection, it was learned that the Argentine Ministry of the Interior has officially denied press reports that a man named Eichmann had lived in Argentina and had recently disappeared.

### Indictment Against Eichmann Expected to be Presented Within Seven Weeks

It was also disclosed today that the indictment against Eichmann will be presented by the Attorney General's office within seven weeks because otherwise under Israel law, Eichmann would have to be released. A court may issue twice a detention order for a two-week period without specific charges. The Attorney General can extend the detention for another 30 days. At the end of the 60-day period, however, police must either release a suspect on bail or present a court with a formal charge sheet. The defendant has the right to demand a preliminary hearing.

In another development, Joel Brand, described as the man who during the war negotiated with Eichmann on the latter's offer of Jewish lives for trucks, said that many more arrests of former Nazi leaders could be expected after the seizure of Eichmann and the arrests in West Germany of Herman Krume, Eichmann's adjutant, and Heinz Beckerle, Hitler's Ambassador to Bulgaria.

(Heinz Beckerle, the Nazi Ambassador in Sofia, was taken into custody in West Germany this weekend. He has been accused of organizing the deportation of Jews from Bulgaria in 1943. He was arrested on these charges last October but the lower court here released him for lack of evidence. Dr. A. Bauer, the German prosecutor, said that after the arrest of Eichmann, there was a danger that former prominent Nazis might try to escape.)

Mr. Brand brought back with him from a visit to West Germany, large quantities of microfilmed documents on Nazi crimes. He said that Ireland was one of the principal centers of neo-Nazism with branches in many countries.

Reliable sources were quoted in Tel Aviv to the effect that Eichmann had agreed to a request of his investigators to write his biography, which will include the Hitler era. According to the report, Eichmann was expected to reveal many aspects of the extermination of European Jewry which are still not known.

Two film producing groups were reported today to have discussed with Israel authorities the possibility of making a documentary film on Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi arch murderer of Jews, and on his forthcoming trial in Israel.

Israel and French film makers are negotiating a joint production, according to Davar, which reported that the producers hoped that during the trial enough details would emerge on Eichmann's hiding and capture to make possible a dramatization of the role of Israel's Secret Service in apprehending him. Officials of the American team, now shooting a film version of Leon Uris' "Exodus" here, have contacted Israel authorities about making a documentary on Eichmann.

### ARGENTINE PAPER SAYS EICHMANN WAS CAPTURED IN A BUENOS AIRES SUBURB

BUENOS AIRES, May 30. (JTA) -- La Razon, Buenos Aires' principal newspaper, has carried a front page report that Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi who directed the killing of 6,000,000 European Jews, was captured by Israel agents in Argentina.

The Israel Embassy here firmly declined to comment on the report. Abba Eban, Israel Minister without Portfolio, who is here on an official visit, also refused to comment during a press conference.

La Razon asserted that Eichmann was captured in Vicente Lopez, a suburb of Buenos Aires, and that he was doped by the Israel agents on May 11 and held in a secret place until May 21 when he was put on a private plane and flown to Israel. He lived in Argentina under the name of Ricardo Clemens, the paper said.

### MEIR LEAVES FOR U.S.; ISRAEL AMERICAN RELATIONS CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY

JERUSALEM, May 30. (JTA) -- Satisfaction with the present state of relations between the United States and Israel was expressed here today following the departure yesterday for the United States of Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister.

Informed sources here indicated that some of the promises received by Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion during his recent visit to Washington are already in the stage of negotiation for early implementation. Others, which were less promising, are still being discussed.

It was also indicated that an economic aid project of major importance had already been approved in principle in Washington. On the other hand, it was reported reliably, Israel has failed to attain American support of its desire to affiliate in some fashion with European or Atlantic economic organizations. The State Department in Washington was understood to desire to avoid possible complications which might develop from such American support.

Mrs. Meir, who will remain in the United States for about five weeks, and will also visit Canada, said in a statement before her departure that she would meet with State Department officials including Secretary of State Christian Herter and Undersecretary C. Douglas Dillon. She will tour the two countries on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and the Israel Bond Organization.

### INCLUSION OF NON-ZIONIST GROUPS IN W. Z. O. APPROVED IN JERUSALEM

TEL AVIV, May 30. (JTA) -- The proposal by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, to include non-Zionist organizations within the framework of the Jewish Agency, was unanimously approved and described as a "correct step" in a resolution adopted here last night at a joint meeting of the Israel Government and the Jewish Agency executive.

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion and members of the Cabinet, as well as Dr. Goldmann and members of the Agency executive, participated in the meeting which lasted more than ten hours in three separate sessions. The joint resolution approving Dr. Goldmann's plan stated:

"The Israel Government and the Jewish Agency executive declare their unshaken determination to maintain close mutual relations according to the charter of 1954 and in accordance with the spirit of the Zionist Organization's statutes of 1952, stipulating that the State of Israel sees itself as the creation of the entire Jewish people and expects from the Jewish Agency to unite the nation for the upbuilding of the State. The joint meeting regards the plan to expand the Zionist Organization as outlined by the Zionist General Council as a step in the right direction.

"The Israel Government will give its full support to the implementation of this plan and to the endeavors of the Zionist movement to unite the Jewish people behind the State, expand Hebrew and Jewish studies among the younger generation, strengthen personal bonds with Israel and foster immigration."

In the discussion which preceded the adoption of the resolution, nearly all the participants in the meeting took part. The discussion was not divided along party lines, and was described as "keen, earnest discussion on an individual basis." Dr. Goldmann opened the discussion, after which Premier Ben-Gurion presented his views on the future tasks of the Zionist Organization.

Mr. Ben-Gurion, reportedly skeptical with regard to the efficient activity of the various Jewish organizations abroad, said that if the Jewish organizations were established to aid Israel, they should work separately, not united and every such organization should have a representative in Israel. This view was opposed by Foreign Minister Golda Meir, Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen and Transport Minister Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, who favored strengthening the Zionist Organization rather than weakening it.

At a midnight press conference held after the meeting, a spokesman for the Government and Agency denied that there was any discussion of the possibility of establishing a special Ministry to deal with Jewish world organizations.

## JEWISH CONGRESS URGES ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRAL REPRESENTATIVE BODY

NEW YORK, May 30. (JTA) -- A resolution calling for the establishment of a "central body representing the entire American Jewish community," to be its spokesman in domestic and international affairs, was adopted here today at the closing session of the five-day convention of the American Jewish Congress.

In another resolution, the AJCongress voiced a complaint of "indifference" by the United States Government to "affronts" against American citizens by Arab countries and called on the executive and legislative branches to prevent racial or religious discrimination by foreign nations against American citizens.

President Eisenhower was urged by the delegates to exercise the authority recently granted in the Douglas Amendment to the Mutual Security Act to withhold U.S. aid to any country that obstructs the use of international waterways to countries friendly to the U.S.

The convention appealed to the Soviet Union to reinstate "full cultural and religious facilities" to Russia's 3,000,000 Jews, to end anti-Jewish discrimination in education and professional advancement, and to remove all restrictions on emigration "for the purpose of reuniting broken families." Other resolutions urged:

1. Federal aid should be given to education "but not to parochial schools or school districts in violation of the principles laid down in the Supreme Court decisions condemning state-imposed racial segregation."
2. Political candidates should be judged not on the basis of their religious belief or church affiliation but on their positions regarding major issues, "including the separation of Church and State."

The convention expressed "concern" at what it termed the "continuing deficiencies in German public life," including the role of ex-Nazis in positions of influence and the "essential failure" of the German educational system to promote an understanding among German youth of the brutality of the Nazi regime.

Dr. Joachim Prinz was re-elected national president of the American Jewish Congress to serve a second two-year term. Nathan L. Edelstein of Philadelphia was elected chairman of the newly formed Governing Council, which will be the agency's policy-making body. Paul Annes of Chicago was elected co-chairman. Shad Polier was re-elected a national vice-president and named again to head the Commission on Law and Social Action of the Congress, which he has headed since its establishment in 1945.

At today's final session, the convention voted to re-establish two functioning commissions--the Commission on Jewish Affairs to undertake programs aimed at strengthening Jewish self-knowledge and Jewish identification; and a Commission on Community Interrelations to study the causes of and to map strategy to reduce intergroup tensions.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, vice-president of the World Jewish Congress, told the convention that the world is entering a "new phase in which the moral shock of the Hitler period seems to be wearing off and a considerable receptivity to anti-Semitism exists--even in those societies we had thought were immune to its spread."

Citing the worldwide "epidemic" of anti-Semitic outbreaks since the first of the year, Dr. Goldstein said that the Eichmann trial in Israel would have a "salutary effect in reminding the German people and the world of the horrors of the Hitler era."

## AMERICAN JEWISH INSTITUTIONS SPEND \$60,000,000 A YEAR ON SCHOOLS

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 30. (JTA) -- The average expenditure of \$100 per child per year in the United States for Jewish education "is inadequate to provide for education in depth or for the engagement of properly qualified teachers," Isaac Toubin, executive director of the American Association for Jewish Education, warned yesterday.

Addressing the closing meeting here of the board of governors of the Association, Mr. Toubin noted the vast increase in attendance and in expenditures for Jewish education for children disclosed by the association's recent National Survey of Jewish education. He said the 600,000 children attending various religious schools and the \$60,000,000 expended by communal and congregational institutions annually for this purpose "are unprecedented in all of Jewish history."

He added, however, that "the continuing crisis in Jewish education cannot be blurred by the magnitude of the statistics. The solution to the teacher shortage problem and to the improvement of learning conditions will be found only after we plan the careful consolidation of schools and achieve an increased level of philanthropic support." To reach that goal, he said, Jewish Welfare Funds throughout the country will be asked to double their support of the work of the association.

More than 100 leaders in the field of Jewish education, attending the annual meeting of the board of governors, elected Philip Lown to his sixth term as president and Samuel H. Daroff as chairman of the board. Mr. Lown announced that an initial gift of \$100,000 had been made by the family of the late Samuel Rosenthal of Cleveland, a former founder and long-time leader of the association to establish a National Curriculum Research Institute. Additional contributions totaling \$50,000 to subsidize fellowships in the Institute also were announced by Mr. Lown.

### JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN CHILE HARD HIT BY EARTHQUAKES; DAMAGE HEAVY

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, May 30. (JTA) -- The Jewish communities of Southern Chile have been hard hit by the series of devastating earthquakes that hit that area but, as of today, central Jewish agencies here have not had word of any loss of Jewish lives.

The property losses of the Jewish community in Valdivia have been heavy. Damage was not so great at Concepcion and Temuco. No word has yet been received from the community at Puerto Monte because communications with that city have been disrupted.

The Santiago Jewish community has set up an emergency relief committee to raise funds and gather supplies for the quake victims. The committee today turned over the sum of \$10,000 to the Minister of the Interior for the general relief funds.

### AMERICAN GROUP GRANTS \$3,000,000 LOAN TO TEL AVIV MUNICIPALITY

NEW YORK, May 30. (JTA) -- A \$3,000,000 loan for expansion projects has been granted the Tel Aviv Municipality by the Ampal-American Israel Corporation with the participation of the Bank of America International, it was announced here by Tel Aviv Mayor Mordechai Namir and Peretz Naphtali, chairman of the Finance Committee of the Tel Aviv Municipality.

The loan will be used primarily for expanding Tel Aviv's school building program, for a sewage disposal plant and for the purification of the city's beaches, according to the two officials. Mayor Namir and Mr. Naphtali came to the United States to negotiate the loan and to attend the International Conference of Municipalities held in Chicago earlier this month.

The Ampal Corporation has also opened preliminary discussions with various brokerage houses regarding the placement of a Tel Aviv Municipal bond issue of \$15,000,000 repayable in 25 years, the Tel Aviv officials said. They also announced that an agreement in principle had been reached with a group of private investors from Cleveland concerning the building of parking facilities in Tel Aviv.

### MICHIGAN AUTHORITIES ACT ON CURBING DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING

DETROIT, May 30. (JTA) -- The Michigan Corporation and Securities Commission has issued a broad ruling, effective August 14, aimed at ending such discrimination in housing sales as was revealed in a recent hearing on a "point system" for rating prospective buyers of homes in the swank Grosse Pointe suburb of Detroit.

Under the ruling, announced by Corporation and Securities Commissioner Lawrence Gubow, the state would have authority to revoke the licenses of real estate brokers found guilty of such discrimination. The ruling will apply to brokers and salesmen who discriminate against home buyers on the basis of race, religion or national origin. Its effective date will be preceded by a public hearing.

### PENNSYLVANIA UNIVERSITY ORDERS FRATERNITIES TO END DISCRIMINATION

PHILADELPHIA, May 30. (JTA) -- Three of the 39 fraternities at the University of Pennsylvania were under orders today to end racial and religious discrimination in membership practices required by their national charters.

Gene D. Gisburne, University vice-president for student affairs, said none of the other 36 fraternities had such admission restrictions. Under the University order, the national fraternities--Sigma Chi, Alpha Tau Omega and Sigma Nu--must either eliminate the discriminatory clauses from their constitutions or give the University of Pennsylvania chapters exemptions from these clauses.

The University trustees said failure to use either alternative would mean that the local chapters could not continue their affiliation with the parent organizations.

### JEWISH THEATRE FOR CHILDREN ANNOUNCES \$1,000 CONTEST FOR PLAY

NEW YORK, May 30. (JTA) -- The Jewish Theatre for Children announced today that it will again this year conduct its Golden Pen Playwriting Contest. A \$1,000 prize will be awarded for the best full-length script written for children in English on a Jewish theme.

Manuscripts for this year's competition must be submitted by April 15, 1961. The theatre group, which is sponsoring the contest for the fifth consecutive year, will produce the prizewinning play during the 1961 season.

### BORIS M. JOFFE, DIRECTOR OF DETROIT JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL, DEAD

DETROIT, May 30. (JTA) -- Boris M. Joffe, executive director of the Jewish Community Council of Detroit for the past 11 years, died here this weekend. He was 57 years old. He had been awarded numerous honors for promoting civil rights and defending religious freedom.

Born in Russia, Mr. Joffe was a graduate of the Far Eastern Imperial University in Vladivostok. He had taught at Stanford University in California and the American University in Washington. Before coming to Detroit, he had served as executive director of the National Wage Stabilization Board. He had also been assistant secretary of the Joint Distribution Committee.