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## EISENHOWER ORDERS INVESTIGATION OF NEO-NAZI ACTIVITIES IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, June 7. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower today asked Attorney General Rogers to look into neo-Nazi activities in the Washington, D.C., area. The President acted as a result of a long talk with leaders of the Jewish War Veterans.

National JWV Commander Bernard Abrams, of Jersey City, N.J., and national executive director Joseph F. Barr, of Washington, called at the White House. In their presence, Mr. Eisenhower issued instructions to an aide that the Attorney General be advised of the concern of the White House over the increasing neo-Nazi nuisance. The Justice Department is currently considering whether to place Lincoln Rockwell's "American Nazi Party" on the Attorney General's list of subversive organizations.

The White House asked the Justice Department to investigate the Nazi activities here with a view to determining whether a finding of subversion should be made. The JWV leaders asked Mr. Eisenhower to convene a White House conference of civic and veterans leaders to consider the neo-Nazi problem. They said that subversive neo-Nazi activities had emerged in Washington "in the very shadow of the Capitol building." They expressed dismay that a member of the Marine Corps is permitted to participate in the local Nazi group.

Rep. Seymour Halpern, a member of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs, today expressed concern to Attorney General Rogers over members of the armed forces, veterans, and government employees in the so-called "American Nazi Party." The New York Republican said the actions and aims of the local neo-Nazi group were not in conformity with traditions of free government. Rep. Halpern asked for a report on a current Justice Department study of possible subversion.

## ARGENTINA REPORTED DISSATISFIED WITH ISRAEL'S REPLY ON EICHMANN

BUENOS AIRES, June 7. (JTA) -- President Arturo Frondizi was personally studying today Israel's reply to the Argentine Government denying that Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi murderer of 6,000,000 Jews, had been kidnaped in Buenos Aires by Israeli secret agents, and that he had agreed voluntarily to leave Argentina with a group of Jewish volunteers for Israel to stand trial there.

A high official of the Argentine Government meanwhile said that neither Mr. Frondizi nor his advisors were satisfied with the Israeli explanation and that the Argentine Government may request the withdrawal of Israel Ambassador Arich Levavi. The official said that there was no doubt that Eichmann was kidnaped aboard an Israeli plane that came to Buenos Aires with an Israeli delegation to the Argentine Independence Celebration.

Foreign Minister Diogenes Taboada, in making public last night the text of Israel's reply, did not indicate whether Argentina had accepted Israel's statement as satisfactory. However, he said that Israel had not given legal justification for the capture of Eichmann.

The Israel Embassy here said today it had "nothing to add" to the note sent by Israel to Argentina in connection with the Eichmann case. "We hope that authorities and public opinion in Argentina will receive it with the same spirit of sincerity and honesty in which it was formulated," the Embassy said.

### Israel Certain Argentine Government Will Show Understanding

Israel's reply was considered here as a definite notice that under no circumstances would Eichmann be returned to Argentina. The Israel Government emphasized in its reply that "in case the group of Jewish volunteers" who found Eichmann "have violated the Argentine law, or have interfered in the Argentine sovereign rights, the Israel Government wishes to express its regrets in this respect."

The note also said that the Government of Israel "entertains the full certainty that the Argentine Government will show understanding" for the act on moral grounds because Eichmann carried the responsibility for the murder of millions of Jews.

In its reply, Israel declared that not until Argentina asked for information did Israel suspect that the Nazi war criminal had been seized in Argentina. The Israel note listed

the historical background of the search for the man who implemented the Nazi decision to exterminate European Jewry and said that a Jewish group found Eichmann in Argentina and asked if he would give himself up voluntarily for judgment in Israel. The group gave Eichmann 24 hours to decide. On the next day he expressed his willingness to go to Israel.

The note said that the Jewish group, with Eichmann's full agreement, took him from Argentina. It quoted a handwritten letter from Eichmann which declared: "I stated voluntarily, since my real identity is already known, that I am disposed to travel to Israel to present myself before a tribunal. I will explain the details of my last years of activity in Germany for the knowledge of future generations. I freely make this statement not having been promised anything nor threatened. I ask cooperation in gathering the documents and the facts."

#### JEWISH AGENCY EXECUTIVE HEARS REPORTS ON ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROBLEMS

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) -- Plans of the Jewish Agency during the past three years have been carried out from 90 to 100 percent despite enormous difficulties, Dr. Dov Joseph, Jewish Agency treasurer, reported today at a plenum of the Agency executive. He stressed the urgent need to consolidate the Agency's short term indebtedness into long term loans to establish a sounder financial position for the Agency's program.

Speaking with pride of the Agency's achievements in turning many thousands of new immigrants into farmers, he said many grave problems remained to be solved, particularly in the field of housing. He said millions of pounds were needed to renovate and expand existing housing in agricultural settlements as well as in other immigrant housing. The Agency is negotiating with the Israel Finance Ministry on means of solving the most urgent of these problems, Dr. Joseph reported.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann reported on the recent joint session with members of the Israel Cabinet on cooperation between the Government and the Agency. He expressed satisfaction with the joint communique emerging from the meeting which stated the Government's support for expansion of the World Zionist Organization.

He reported also on a meeting of a Cabinet-Agency subcommittee named to formulate practical steps to strengthen the Zionist movement abroad and to strengthen cooperation between the movement and the Israel Government. He added that proposals of the subcommittee would be submitted to Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion for final approval at the earliest possible time.

#### ISRAEL GOVERNMENT TO SETTLE 10,000 NEGEV BEDUINS IN URBAN AREAS

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) -- A four-year program to settle 10,000 semi-nomadic Israeli Beduins from the Negev in urban areas will begin soon, it was reported here today. Some 15,000 Israeli Beduins now roam the Negev. In recent years, they have suffered considerably because of drought damage to pastures for their camel and cattle herds.

The 10,000 to be settled in urban sections will get new housing at a cost of 11,000,000 pounds and will be given permanent employment. The 5,000 who will remain in the Negev also will get permanent housing in areas best likely to assure year-round grazing for their herds.

Half of the costs of transfer and housing will be a Government grant and the rest will be provided as a long-term loan. The decision on which Beduins will remain in the Negev and which will go to cities will be made by the Beduins themselves. Areas selected for resettlement include Lydda, Ramleh, Beersheba and Jaffa.

#### IMPACT ON ISRAEL OF U.S. SURPLUS FOOD SHIPMENTS TO BE STUDIED

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) -- An agreement for a study of the impact of American surplus food shipments on Israel agriculture was signed here today by the Bank of Israel and Murat Williams, the American Charge d'Affaires, on behalf of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The United States is contributing \$50,000 toward the cost of the study which will be made by the Bank of Israel and which will be the first of its kind ordered abroad by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The study will investigate the influence of the American food surpluses on Israeli price and nutrition levels and on the development of Israel's agriculture and industry. Other aspects of the study will deal with the impact of the surpluses on foreign trade and the influence of Israeli counterpart funds on development projects financed by such funds.

#### NEPAL ANNOUNCES DECISION TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH ISRAEL

NEW DELHI, June 7. (JTA) -- The Nepal Foreign Ministry has announced officially the decision to establish diplomatic relations with Israel on the ambassadorial level, it was reported here today. Israel's Ambassador in Burma, Daniel Lewin, will be appointed Ambassador to Nepal, while Nepal's Ambassador to London is slated to be named his country's envoy to Israel, the report indicated.

### ISRAEL AGREES TO START TALKS WITH MOSCOW ON RUSSIAN PROPERTY

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) -- The Israel Government has agreed to open negotiations with the Soviet Government on the legal status of Russian property in Israel dating back to Czarist times, the Israel Foreign Ministry announced today.

The property is owned by the Russian Orthodox Palestinian Society and a considerable portion of it is in Jerusalem and in Jaffa. The decision to negotiate with the Soviets was approved by the Israel Cabinet last month and an exchange of notes followed between the two Governments.

The Israeli delegation to the talks will be headed by Haim Kadmon, Custodian General, and will include Zeev Argaman of the Foreign Ministry, who has been a counselor in Israel Embassies in Moscow and Washington. The Soviet delegation will include two Foreign Ministry officials and officials of the Soviet Embassy, in Israel.

### FRANCE PREPARES FOR BEN-GURION'S ARRIVAL ON FIVE-DAY STATE VISIT

PARIS, June 7. (JTA) -- Preparations were completed here today for the arrival here of Israel Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion as the guest of the French Government. Mr. Ben-Gurion will arrive by plane on Monday for a five-day state visit. He will be tendered a formal luncheon by President Charles de Gaulle and a dinner by Premier Michel Debre.

Three other important luncheons will be given. One will be by the Israel Embassy here for a score of French officials and other leaders. Another will be provided by the Association France-Israel which is expected to bring together 150 leaders of every political group in France and from all walks of life. The third will be a luncheon of the Diplomatic Press Association at which Mr. Ben-Gurion will answer questions of the French press about Israel's policies, attitudes and objectives on the international scene.

There will be a visit to UNESCO headquarters where Mr. Ben-Gurion will be greeted by acting director general Rene Mahu and a visit to the tomb of the unknown Jewish martyr just off the Paris Jewish quarter which commemorates the 6,000,000 Jewish victims of Nazism. Some 1,000 persons have been invited to a reception to be given by the Israel Embassy in the form of a garden party at a leading establishment.

Various ceremonies also are being arranged including a visit to the Arc de Triomphe where the Prime Minister will place a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Mr. Ben-Gurion was certain to meet privately during his Paris visit with a number of French personalities whom he knows personally and who have visited Israel in recent years. These would presumably include Pierre Gilbert, former Ambassador to Israel, Socialist leader Guy Mollet, former Premier Pierre Mendes-France and others.

### GOLDA MEIR STRESSES ISRAEL'S PROGRESS AT BOND DINNER IN DETROIT

DETROIT, June 7. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, declared tonight that while Israel has had a rapid economic development, "we could have been much farther ahead if we did not have to carry the great burden of security."

Speaking at an Israel Bond dinner here, the first city on an intensive coast-to-coast tour, Mrs. Meir reported that Israel had passed the midway point on the road to economic independence as a result of investment capital received through the Israel Bond drives.

She added that since Israel's Arab neighbors "refuse to make peace with us and declare daily their determination to destroy us and since there are those who supply them with large quantities of arms, we must not fail to do everything possible to maintain our ability to defend ourselves."

### B'NAI B'RITH OPENS EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN FOR CHILEAN EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

WASHINGTON, June 7. (JTA) -- An emergency campaign to aid Chilean earthquake victims was opened today by B'nai B'rith. President Label Al Katz urged members throughout the nation to participate with the National Red Cross in contributing money and clothing to the massive relief effort.

Maurice Bisgyer, executive vice-president of B'nai B'rith, reported the organization headquarters cabled \$1,000, to Chilean B'nai B'rith leaders. It was in response to a request for aid. B'nai B'rith in Chile reported the devastation as "catastrophic." There are four lodges in Chile. Santiago is Latin American headquarters for the B'nai B'rith International Council.

### DR. FREUND, HADASSAH PRESIDENT, INVITED TO RUSSIA TO LECTURE ON SZOLD

NEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) -- Dr. Miriam Freund, president of Hadassah, has received an official invitation to come to Moscow to deliver an address at the 25th Congress of Orientalists, it was disclosed here today. She will give a paper on the centennial of Henrietta Szold, founder of the Hadassah movement, at the Congress which meets every three years in a different country. The 25th Congress will be held August 9-16.

WASHINGTON, June 7. (JTA) -- The United States Office of Education today made known that modern Hebrew has been designated among 18 languages selected as deserving special attention by a national conference of Near and Middle East language experts conducted by the Modern Language Association of America. Announcement was made that approximately \$1,400,000 of current appropriations are being expended for support of Near and Middle East language and area studies under National Defense Education Act programs.

For 1960-61, two centers are designated to teach modern Hebrew. They are the universities of Utah and California. A center for modern Hebrew supported by the program exists at Harvard University. Reference grammars of both spoken and modern literary Hebrew will be prepared, one by Professor Haim Blanc of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem working under supervision of the Center for Applied Linguistics of the Modern Language Association of America, the other by Professor Gene Schramm of the University of California at Berkeley.

Modern Hebrew was placed on a par in importance with such languages as modern Greek, Turkish, and Pashto, the Afghan national tongue. A total of 38 language fellowship awards in Arabic were made for the 1960-61 academic year. Nine similar awards were made for study of Hebrew, eight for Persian, and six for Turkish.

#### NEW YORK ZIONISTS ENDORSE MAX BRESSLER FOR Z.O.A. PRESIDENCY

NEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) -- Max Bressler of Chicago was endorsed for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America in resolutions unanimously adopted in New York by the Manhattan and Bronx ZOA regions at their respective annual conventions, it was reported here today. More than 200 delegates attended the sessions of the Bronx Region. The Manhattan Region convention was attended by 150 delegates.

In its resolution the convention of the Manhattan Region declared that "it is happy to join other regions and districts throughout the United States in endorsing Mr. Max Bressler of Chicago, Ill., as candidate for the president of the ZOA at the forthcoming national convention," which will be held August 25-28 in New York.

#### 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH OF BAAL SHEM TOV OBSERVED IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) -- President Izhak Ben-Zvi, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, Cabinet Ministers and members of the Parliament were among the thousands attending the opening yesterday of Israel's National Hassidic Conference, marking the 200th anniversary of the death of the Baal Shem Tov, founder of the Hassidic movement.

The audience, which included many servicemen and non-Orthodox Israelis, heard the Baal Shem extolled for his love of the common people and his devotion to the land of Israel. Papers on Hassidism and the Baal Shem's influence on Judaism's revival, were read by Rabbi Y. L. Maimon, Dr. Yehuda Even Shmuel and Rabbi S. Y. Zeivin. Jerusalem Mayor Mordechai Ish-Shalom greeted the assembly. The conference is continuing today.

#### ISRAEL'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO PRESENTS CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT

MEXICO CITY, June 7. (JTA) -- Israel's new Ambassador to Mexico, Mordechai Schneerson, presented his credentials today to President Adolfo Lopez Mateos at the National Palace here. President Lopez Mateos, in his reply to Ambassador Schneerson's greetings, asked the Israeli envoy to convey his personal good wishes to President Ben-Zvi of Israel.

A delegation of Jewish communal leaders and prominent Zionists accompanied the new Ambassador on a visit to the Mexican Independence Monument, where Mr. Schneerson laid a wreath.

#### ISRAEL ENVOY TO COSTA RICA AND NICARAGUA PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

GUATEMALA CITY, June 7. (JTA) -- The Costa Rican-Israeli Cultural Institute will shortly sponsor a trip to Israel of a Catholic priest, who will tour the country and learn Hebrew with the view of teaching the language in Costa Rica.

This was reported here today by Joshua Shai, Israel's Ambassador to all the Central American Republics, who returned from a visit to Costa Rica where he presented his credentials as Israel's first Ambassador to that country. Before returning here, Mr. Shai stopped in Managua, where he presented his credentials to Nicaraguan President Luis Somoza Debayle.

#### SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA RE-ELECTS RABBI DAVIDSON AS PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) -- The Synagogue Council of America today re-elected Rabbi Max D. Davidson of Perth Amboy, N. J., as president to head an administration of Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform rabbinic and congregational officers for a second one-year term.