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### BEN-GURION APPEALS TO U.S. JEWS TO INCREASE THEIR INVESTMENTS IN ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18, (JTA) -- American Jews were asked today by Israel Premier David Ben-Gurion to increase their investments in Israel in order to enable the country to absorb additional hundreds of thousands of immigrants. He expressed hope that the new immigration would include Jews from Eastern Europe.

Mr. Ben-Gurion made his appeal in a message to the national planning conference of the Israel Bond Organization which concluded its three-day session here today. His message was read at the concluding session by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-president of the organization. In response to the message, the 600 Jewish community leaders from all parts of the United States who attended the conference agreed on efforts to intensify the drive for the sale of \$75,000,000 in Israel bonds in this country and in Canada.

The Israel Premier stressed in his message that the partnership between Israel and American Jewry "which was given a new form 10 years ago at the founding of the Israel bond campaign must be continued and strengthened into the future, for the task that lies ahead is great." He listed the following main objectives requiring bond financing: Immigration of additional hundreds of thousands, including Eastern European Jews; completion of Jordan River irrigation project to irrigate the Negev; establishment of new Negev industrial plants and agricultural settlements; preparations for use of atomic energy, and expansion of the educational system.

#### \$450,832,500 in Israel Bonds Reported Sold During 10 Years

Dr. Schwartz told the conference that a total of \$450,832,500 in Israel bonds was sold as of September 15, at the end of 10 years of the issuance of the first bonds. He reported that Israel bonds are now sold in 29 nations and 1,300,000 persons have subscribed.

Commenting on the need for expansion of the bond effort, Israel Finance Minister Levi Eshkol told the delegates that Israel had fallen behind in its schedule of irrigation and industrial growth. He asked new assistance in accelerating Israel's rate of economic development. "With your loans through Israel bonds we must prepare Israel to sustain a population of 3,000,000 by 1970 and even 4,000,000 not long after that," he stated.

Reporting that Israel has embarked on a drive to win the markets of Europe, Africa and Asia to strengthen her economic stability, the Israeli Finance Minister said: "Only through exporting can we reach our goal of economic independence." He called for expansion of the bond investment program to provide greater industrial output for export. He predicted that Israeli exports, less than \$46,000,000 in 1950, would reach \$340,000,000 this year.

Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman told delegates that in less than 10 years "the Israel Bond Organization has flowered into a potent and dynamic vehicle of constructive effort for the State of Israel. It has established a pattern of cooperative endeavor which has enhanced the dignity of the people of Israel and enabled them to demonstrate their capacity to achieve economic self-reliance." Mr. Harman said that without the bond drive, Israel could not have attained the point of progress in which it is "a model for other young and new nations."

#### Nasser's Seating on the U.N. Security Council Criticized

Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization, addressing the concluding session today, questioned whether American Jews could regard the seating of the United Arab Republic on the United Nations Security Council "without a sense of outrage." He asked if President Nasser was to be rewarded for disobeying UN resolutions by proclaiming hostility, blockading the Suez, threatening neighbors, and most recently assassinating the Premier of Jordan.

While Nasser exported hate and murder, said Mr. Feinberg, Israel extended "friendship, know-how and understanding" to Afro-Asian states. He pointed out that ties were established by Israel with a number of Afro-Asian nations despite Nasser's attempts to isolate Israel through a "system of boycott and blockade." He said that "in helping Israel

build trade and technical cooperation with Afro-Asian states, we are not only advancing Israel's economic growth, but also enabling Israel to perform a great service to the cause of world democracy."

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the board of governors of the Israel Bond Organization, said Israel faced many problems but demonstrated a political maturity far above "the chaos that now exists in the Congo or the strife and disorders which have attended the birth of other new states in Asia and Africa."

Dr. Silver speculated on "how many more bombings and killings of Arabs by Arabs will have to take place before a new statesmanship will arise in the Arab world which will finally turn the page of futile intransigence and will open a new chapter of friendly cooperation with Israel which will prove to be a boon to every state and people in the Near East."

Austin J. Tobin, executive director of the Port of New York Authority, who visited Israel last spring for the World Bank, told an earlier session of the conference that Arab hostility has made of Israel "a virtual island whose survival depends upon the freedom to sail the seas and upon the ports which make these seas accessible. He said that the World Bank's \$27,500,000 loan for the building of Israel's new port of Ashdod--a loan to which his Israeli port survey contributed--was urgent "because of the very real expectation that Israel's trade will double within the next ten years."

Other speakers at the conference included Aryeh Manor, Economic Minister of the Israel Embassy here; Samuel Rothberg, national chairman of Israel Bond Trustees; Michael Stavitsky, of Newark, and Julian B. Venezky, national chairman of Israel bond regions. Mr. Stavitsky estimated that more than \$8,500,000 worth of Israel bonds will be sold during the High Holiday drive.

#### PARIS PARLEY SEEKS TO ARRANGE A MEETING BETWEEN KHRUSHCHEV, GOLDMANN

PARIS, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- The Conference on Soviet Jewry decided to send a delegation to A. Winogradov, the Soviet Ambassador to France, in an effort to arrange a meeting between Soviet Premier Khrushchev and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, it was disclosed today. The conference took place last week. The Russian Ambassador is currently in New York for the United Nations General Assembly meeting and was expected to return to Paris at the end of September.

The Conference Secretariat meanwhile planned an effort to obtain additional signatures from leading world figures who did not attend the conference, which closed with an appeal to the Soviet Union to give Soviet Jewry equal cultural and religious rights with other minorities.

Dr. Goldmann told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency he was prepared to go to Moscow "only if I am assured of meeting Premier Khrushchev. Such an assurance would indicate that the Soviets are prepared to compromise and to grant Jewish communities equal rights with other minorities in the Soviet Union."

The Conference participants planned to remain in contact with Daniel Mayer, head of the League for the Rights of Man who served as chairman for the conference with some hope of forming a permanent "Committee for Russian Jewry." Dr. Goldmann said it was too early to talk about a new organization but indicated that a committee would be set up of leading Jewish and non-Jewish personalities known for their support of the idea of relaxation of international tensions who would act on behalf of Russian Jewry.

#### ISRAEL MINISTER FOR RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS RETAINS HIS FRENCH CITIZENSHIP

JERUSALEM, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- Eighty-year-old Rabbi Yaacov Toledano, Minister for Religious Affairs, who created a sensation recently by marrying a divorcee in her twenties, was in the headlines here again today. He was discovered holding foreign citizenship in addition to his Israeli nationality.

Rabbi Toledano had been Chief Rabbi of Cairo before coming to a rabbinical post in Tel Aviv. It has been found that he still retains his French citizenship which he held when he lived in Egypt.

Israeli citizens may retain their old foreign citizenship. Under the Civil Service regulations, one who is on the Civil Service list may hold dual citizenship, as long as he is also an Israeli citizen. However, it is considered unusual here for a member of the Cabinet to hold dual citizenship.

The discovery of Rabbi Toledano's dual citizenship was made by the Ministry of the Interior, when it investigated the citizenship status of one of the rabbi's aides in the Ministry for Religious Affairs. That official, Rabbi Saadiah Lopes, assistant director-general of the Ministry, was found holding Brazilian citizenship. Under the Civil Service regulations, he has applied for Israeli citizenship, but requested permission also to hold on to his Brazilian status.

## JEWISH AGENCY, INC. RE-AFFIRMS ITS ALLOCATION POLICY; CLARIFIES POSITION

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- To clarify misunderstanding concerning allocations made by the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., the Agency's chairman, Dewey D. Stone, in a statement issued here today re-affirmed that the disposition of all Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., funds will be for completely philanthropic purposes, and that there will be no relationship to political parties in any shape, form or manner. The full text of Mr. Stone's statement follows:

"In view of current press reports, it is important to clearly re-state the position of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., with regard to allocating funds to the constructive enterprises of the political parties in Israel.

"On May 11, 1960, at the first meeting of the reorganized board of directors of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., it was voted to terminate allocations to the constructive enterprises of the political parties in Israel effective, December 31, 1960. It is a basic and fundamental policy that no such allocations to the constructive funds be made in the future. On behalf of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., I wish to re-affirm this policy. There has never been a change in this decision, and there is no intention of doing so now or in the future.

"A subcommittee of our board is studying ways and means of mitigating the effect of this basic policy decision on the various institutions, such as agricultural settlements, youth services, rehabilitation and medical facilities aiding immigrants in Israel. It is the recommendation of this committee that the philanthropic institutions affected by this policy decision be treated in the same fashion as are all other institutions receiving aid funds, i. e. solely on the basis of the merits of the services they extend to Israel's newcomers.

"It is the function of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., to allocate funds for transportation, absorption and rehabilitation of immigrants in Israel. Each year, our board will receive from the Jewish Agency in Israel budgetary proposals covering every activity for which our funds are allocated. These proposals will receive on the spot study and approval from our own representative in Israel, Dr. Isador Lubin. Based upon Dr. Lubin's recommendation, our board of directors will then approve allocations for specific purposes. These allocations will be paid directly by the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem to the individual institutions or settlements in Israel."

## POSTAL FACILITIES USED FOR DISSEMINATION OF ANTI-SEMITIC LITERATURE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- The United States Post Office Department today revealed that a huge volume of anti-Catholic and anti-Semitic hate literature is being mailed during the election campaign.

But Herbert Warburton, general counsel of the Department, said the two laws that might conceivably restrict such mailings were limited in scope. One clause makes it against the law to mail anything that would "incite the reader to arson, murder or assassination." The other makes it unlawful to mail matter defaming identifiable individuals on envelope surfaces or post cards. This law does not apply to covered material.

Judicial interpretation of these laws makes it impossible to apply them to "the mailing of literature which speak disparagingly of a group of people or of a religious or political belief," said Mr. Warburton. He added that the Post Office Department has taken no stand on whether tighter laws should be written.

Mr. Warburton pointed out that it was a widely held legal view that any law that would outlaw hate literature would violate the First Amendment to the Constitution, guaranteeing freedom of speech. The mailings have mainly involved attacks on Senator John F. Kennedy, Democratic Presidential nominee, and have reflected considerable anti-Semitic and anti-Negro propaganda in addition to anti-Catholicism.

## REFORM JEWS URGED TO FIGHT RELIGIOUS BIAS IN PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- The Union of American Hebrew Congregations, organization of 605 Reform temples with more than one million members, today urged its Social Action committees in local congregations to pursue "informal dialogues" with Protestants and Catholics in an effort to "restore a climate of fair play and objectivity" in the Presidential campaign.

In a memorandum sent to Reform congregations throughout the United States, the UAHC urged synagogue groups to meet with local Christian leaders "to make it clear that Jewish religious representatives are as concerned about anti-Catholic bigotry as we would expect our Christian friends to be about anti-Semitic swastika-daubings or similar depredations directed against us."

The memorandum sharply criticizes efforts to "establish a religious test for public office" and to judge men by their "religious labels." Jews cannot sit back "in silent acquiescence" while religious bigotry is being stirred up and the democratic process is being degraded, the memorandum states.

### PIONEER WOMEN CONFERENCE HEARS REPORT ON STATUS OF WOMEN IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- Women in Israel have obtained a degree of equality and emancipation greater than that prevailing in any other nation in the world, Mrs. Beba Idelson, deputy speaker of the Israeli Parliament, tonight told 1,000 leaders of Pioneer Women, the Women's Labor Zionist Organization of America, at the opening session of a two-day conference at the Statler-Hilton Hotel here, marking the 35th anniversary of the organization.

Mrs. Idelson reported that, in Israel's most recent national elections, women cast 47 percent of the total number of ballots, and that 75 percent of the eligible women voters actually went to the polls. She added that a "remarkably high percentage" of the Arab women in Israel exercised their prerogative to vote. Mrs. Idelson heads the Moetzet Hapoalot, the Working Women's Council of Israel, counterpart of Pioneer Women in America.

Other speakers to address the conference include Levi Eshkol, Israel's Minister of Finance; Avraham Harman, Israeli Ambassador to the United States; Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council; Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Mayor Robert F. Wagner and Binyamin Eliav, Israel Consul General in New York.

In observance of the anniversary of Pioneer Women, which was founded in 1925, Mayor Wagner issued a special proclamation congratulating the organization "on this significant milestone in its history." Mrs. Sidney A. Leff, national president of Pioneer Women, presided at today's session which was opened by Mrs. Israel Goldstein, national chairman of the anniversary committee.

### N. Y. JEWISH POLICEMEN PERMITTED TO EXCHANGE DUTY ON ROSH HASHANAH

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- Individual Jewish members of the New York City police force have been authorized to exchange tours of duty with other policemen if they feel that they cannot work on Rosh Hashanah, it was learned here today.

The entire New York police force of more than 23,000 men has been ordered to cancel all days off, due to the security arrangements for guarding the large number of heads of government attending the General Assembly of the United Nations. There are 1,300 Jews on the force, many of them Orthodox. Some Orthodox members of the Shomrim Society, the organization of Jewish members of the police force, had threatened to resign from the force rather than violate their religious convictions by working on Rosh Hashanah.

The Rev. Isidor Frank, Jewish chaplain of the police force, discussed the dilemma with Chief Inspector Michael J. Murphy, and was informed there would be no objection on the part of the police command if Jewish members of the force made individual arrangements with their colleagues to absent themselves during the High Holy Days.

### 70 HASSIDIM FROM ISRAEL ARRIVE IN NEW YORK TO VISIT LUBAVITCHER REBBE

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- Arrangements were completed today in scores of homes near the Lubavitcher Yeshiva in Brooklyn to accommodate a group of 70 Lubavitcher hassidim from Israel, due to arrive here early tomorrow morning aboard a chartered El Al airliner, for a High Holy Day pilgrimage to visit Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneersohn, the Lubavitcher Rebbe.

The 70 hassidim, most of whom live in Kfar Chabad, a Lubavitcher settlement in Israel, constitute the first such group to make an organized pilgrimage from Israel to spend the holidays with the leader of the hassidic sect. Hundreds of hassidim from the New York area will give the Israeli guests a joyful welcome at Idlewild Airport.

To facilitate the entry of the group with a minimum of protocol, the State Department has issued a single visa for the entire group. The guests will return to their homes in Israel after the holidays.

### PROF. LIPTZIN NAMED HEAD OF AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS' CULTURAL BODY

NEW YORK, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- Professor Sol Liptzin of City College has been appointed chairman of the newly re-established Commission on Jewish Affairs of the American Jewish Congress, it was announced today.

A leading Jewish educator and author, Dr. Liptzin will formulate a series of Jewish cultural and educational activities aimed at studying the changing developments in American Jewish life and strengthening an understanding of and identification with Judaism and its values, according to the announcement.

### ARAB RECTORS REFUSE TO SERVE ON INTERNATIONAL BODY WITH ISRAELI

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 18. (JTA) -- The rectors of the University of Cairo and of the American University in Beirut, Lebanon, refused today to accept nomination to the administrative board of the International Association of Universities after Binyamin Mazar, president of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, was elected to that 12-man body at the final session here of the Third Congress of the Association. In addition to Professor Mazar, Professors Aryeh Dvoretzky and Robert Bachi represented the Hebrew University at the Congress here which was attended by heads of universities from 61 countries.