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## ISRAELI CABINET REJECTS BEN-GURION STAND REGARDING LAVON CLEARANCE

JERUSALEM, July 16. (JTA) -- In the face of Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's insistence to the contrary, Israel's Cabinet today reaffirmed approval of a report made to the Cabinet last January 31, absolving Pinhas Lavon of responsibility for a "security mishap" in 1954.

The Knesset, Israel's Parliament, will hold another special meeting, to deal with the explosive Lavon issue. There were predictions today that all of the parties in the Knesset, except Mr. Ben-Gurion's Mapai Party, will form a coalition to reject the Prime Minister's efforts to nullify the findings of the earlier, seven-man ministerial committee that had cleared Mr. Lavon.

Mr. Ben-Gurion had already told a special meeting of the Knesset, which is in recess pending the scheduled August 15 elections, that he considers that the ministerial committee "exceeded its terms of reference and usurped a juridical prerogative." But Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen countered with a vigorous denial of Mr. Ben-Gurion's charge.

Prior to the vote in the Cabinet today, Mr. Ben-Gurion explained his "irrevocable" stand which had led to his resignation and the subsequent fall of the Government. That step, in turn, was followed by the dissolution of the Government, and the necessity of new elections. Meanwhile, Mr. Lavon had been ousted from his post as secretary-general of Histadrut, Israel's Federation of Labor.

Israel has been governed by a caretaker government since Mr. Ben-Gurion's resignation which followed a Cabinet decision to uphold the ministerial committee's findings. Mr. Rosen had been chairman of that committee.

### Rosen Hits Back at Premier; Broad Knesset Coalition Expected

Mr. Rosen rejected particularly Mr. Ben-Gurion's claim that, by clearing Lavon of a charge that as Defense Minister in 1954 he gave the order which led to the security disaster, the committee in effect "convicted" a senior army officer for the mishap.

Mr. Rosen retorted that, if the Prime Minister wanted to find out who actually gave the decisive order, he could have called the un-named senior officer to account under normal investigative procedures. If that had been done, the Justice Minister said, Lavon would have been obliged to testify.

The Justice Minister also charged that the Prime Minister's complaint about the lack of validity of the committee's findings on procedural grounds was not made when the committee was set up and began its investigations, but only after the committee brought in a report which the Prime Minister found distasteful.

### Government Criticized on Shavit-II Announcement, Arms Sales Curbed

At today's Cabinet meeting, the Government was also criticized for the manner in which it announced the launching of its meteorological rocket, Shavit-II. The Cabinet decided that, in the future, reports on experiments of international significance be submitted first to a ministerial committee for approval prior to public announcement.

Today's session of the Cabinet also approved a series of recommendations by a special committee which examined proposals restricting Government sales of arms to foreign countries. One clause in the new recommendations would ban re-sale of Israeli arms to a third party, if the nation buying the arms from the one that had purchased from Israel would use such weapons to maintain a colonial regime.

This rule was proposed as a result of recent reports--denied both here and at Bonn--that West Germany had re-sold to Portugal a large quantity of Israel-made Uzzi submachine-guns. Portugal, according to that report, was said to have used the Israeli-originated weapons against the independence movement in Angola, Africa.

During that discussion, Foreign Minister Golda Meir explained that, in all previous arms sales, her Ministry was consulted. Where there was "the slightest doubt" about such a proposed deal, she said, the Foreign Ministry's veto of such a deal was always accepted "without question."

# GERMANY TO COMPENSATE ITALIAN JEWRY FOR NAZI RANSOM, STOLEN LIBRARY

ROME, July 16. (JTA) -- The West German Government has agreed to pay the Italian Jewish community a total of 4,500,000 Deutschmarks (\$1,125,000) in compensation for the 110 pounds of gold and the 70,000-volume library which the Nazi occupation authorities exacted from the Jews of Rome in October 1943, in return for a pledge by the Nazis guaranteeing their safety. The Nazis later broke their pledge, when thousands of Rome's Jews were deported to death camps.

The restitution agreement, which followed two years of negotiations, was signed in a Berlin Civil Court this weekend by Fritz Becker, the World Jewish Congress representative in Italy, on behalf of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities and the Rome Jewish community, and by a representative of the West German Foreign Ministry. Half of the restitution funds are to be paid immediately, according to the agreement, while the remainder will be paid when additional funds are allocated by the Bonn Government.

Italian Jewish circles expressed satisfaction today with the terms of the agreement, and said they considered the total adequate compensation. Most of the gold was reportedly found in Silesia at the end of the Second World War. The missing library, which included priceless manuscripts and volumes dating to the 15th century, has never been found.

## U.S. CONSUL IN JERUSALEM CONTENT WITH PROTECTION GIVEN TO MISSIONARIES

JERUSALEM, July 16. (JTA) -- Eric Wendelin, the United States Consul-General in Jerusalem, has expressed satisfaction with the assurance of police protection for the Church of Christ missionary center here, after complaints by church officials of harassment by Orthodox Jews in the area.

The assurance was given at a meeting attended by S. B. Yeshaya, the head of the Jerusalem district administration, Jerusalem police officials, and Christian ministers of the missionary center.

It was reported that both Mr. Yeshaya and police officials suggested to Mr. Wendelin that it might not be coincidental that such difficulties had arisen around the Church of Christ mission, while many other Protestant and Catholic churches conducted their activities in Jerusalem without protest. It was noted that the Church of Christ mission, operating in a suburb with many Orthodox Jews, conducted missionary activities blatantly in contrast to other churches.

## 10 ARRESTED, TWO HURT AS ULTRA-RELIGIOUS MOB ISRAELI HOSPITAL BUSES

JERUSALEM, July 16. (JTA) -- Ten persons were arrested here yesterday, and two were injured, when ultra-religious Jews staged a demonstration against bus transport from the Hadassah-Hebrew University Hospital at Beit Hakerem to Jerusalem.

The Grand Rabbinate had granted a special dispensation, permitting Sabbath travel for physicians and nurses employed at the hospital. However, the demonstrators, members of Neturei Karta, charged that the bus company was also carrying other passengers along with the medical personnel. A boy and an adult, passengers on one bus, were injured when the demonstrators stoned the vehicle. At dusk, when a second demonstration was staged, police arrested 10 of the demonstrators. Members of Neturei Karta said they would not object to travel by medical personnel if the nurses and doctors went to and from the hospital by ambulance.

## EICHMANN CROSS EXAMINATION ENTERS SEVENTH DAY, SUMMATIONS TO FOLLOW

JERUSALEM, July 16. (JTA) -- As Adolf Eichmann's cross-examination goes into its seventh consecutive day here tomorrow, before the three-man tribunal that has been judging his case since April 11, Israelis are awaiting eagerly the next phase in the proceedings--the summation of the prosecution and the defense by, respectively, Attorney General Gideon Hausner and the Nazi's chief counsel, Dr. Robert Servatius.

It is fully expected that Mr. Hausner's summation will certainly take a full day. It is possible that Dr. Servatius, too, may make a very lengthy statement, claiming that he has proven that Eichmann, as "a small sausage" in the Nazi apparatus, was only a conscientious bureaucrat, carrying out superior orders without the power to alter the will of his superiors.

In any event, the case is coming to another climax--with the ultimate peak still ahead. That peak, of course, will be reached when the three judges--Presiding Justice Moshe Landau, and District Judge Binyamin Halevi and Yitzhak Raveh, deliver their decision. No one would venture a guess here today as to how long that may take, once the jurists have taken the case, with its millions of words of testimony, and other millions of words in documents, into their chambers for final deliberations.

## U.N. STEPS AGAINST PREJUDICE, DISCRIMINATION ADVOCATED BY W.J.C.

GENEVA, July 16. (JTA) -- A proposal that the next session of the United Nations General Assembly adopt a resolution calling upon all governments to rescind discriminatory laws and to "discourage, in every possible way, the creation and propagation in whatever form, of all prejudice and intolerance," was made here before the United Nations Economic and Social Council by Dr. Maurice Perlzweig, representative of the World Jewish Congress.

## AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE CHARGES U.S.A. BOWS TO ARAB BOYCOTTS

NEW YORK, July 16. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee asserted today, in a lengthy document submitted to Secretary of State Dean Rusk, that the United States Government is suffering "a loss of integrity and prestige" by "accommodating" to "discrimination against American citizens by nations affiliated with the Arab League. In a comprehensive fact sheet backing up its charges, the AJC noted that the Arab League countries, through activities directed out of offices in Syria and Kuwait:

"1. Blacklist many American companies having Americans of the Jewish faith among their officers, owners, directors, or even personnel.

"2. Refuse visas to American citizens of the Jewish faith and forbid them to disembark in some Arab League countries.

"3. Prevent American servicemen and civilian employees of the Jewish faith from serving at an American airbase built in an Arab country with American funds, and maintained by the United States."

### Specific Charges List Departments of Defense, Agriculture

The document, entitled "Invasion of American Rights on the Part of Arab League Nations," made these specific charges:

The Department of Defense "has deferred to Saudi Arabia's exclusion of American Jews" at the Dhahran Air Base, and also imposes restrictions on Christian worship in Saudi Arabia.

The Department of Agriculture and the Commodity Credit Corporation "have accommodated to the Arab boycott" in contracts for dry cargo vessels owned by American citizens that carry surplus commodities sold to Arab countries under the Agricultural Trade Act of 1954. The contracts, according to the AJC, "state explicitly that the vessels are prohibited from calling at Israel waters or ports" and "trans-shipment is prohibited."

The Arab boycott, according to the AJC, is "partially prosecuted in this country" with the result that "American principles are flouted by representatives of foreign governments on American soil." The document cites the fact that Kuwait requires "that the absence of Jews in American companies be certified by an agency of the U.S. Government."

### No 'Effective' Protest by Dept. of State; Equality of Citizenship Denied

In recent years, according to the AJC, officials of some airports in Arab countries have forced American Jews to remain in their planes during stop-overs in Arab countries. Although citizens who have suffered this "indignity" have complained to the U.S. Department of State, declared the AJC, the "there is no indication that a forthright protest" was effectively lodged.

The issuance of visas by some Arab governments, the document reported, "adheres to a similar discriminatory pattern." Americans of any faith who carry an Israel visa on their passports "are denied entry by most Arab League countries especially those neighboring Israel." Americans "who are identified as Jewish are automatically barred from Jordan, Yemen and Saudi Arabia" whether they intend to visit Israel or not, stated the AJC.

All these acts, the fact sheet said, "deny the equality of American citizenship." The AJC added:

"Foreign countries have no sovereign right to discriminate among American citizens. As recent court decisions have underscored, no such right is vested in our own states, or in the Federal Government. That any other power should presume to tread on liberties declared inviolate by our Constitution is an assault upon the American people, an invasion of American rights. The dignity of the United States, its status as a champion of universal human rights, demands that this invasion be promptly repelled."

## WORLD ORT UNION SETS \$7,000,000 BUDGET FOR WORK IN 20 AREAS

GENEVA, July 16. (JTA) -- A \$7,000,000 program for providing vocational training to underprivileged communities in 20 countries, was announced today by the World Ort Union, at the closing session of a meeting of the organization's executive committee here. The meeting, which was attended by Jewish leaders from 27 countries, was held under the chairmanship of Daniel Mayer.

A decision was also announced to establish an Ort vocational training school for boys in India, which will provide that community with badly needed skills.

Max Braude, director general of the World Ort Union, presented a report on the Ort vocational network in the various countries and the organization's plans for the coming year. WOU director Vladimir Halprin discussed organizational and fund-raising activities. The two-day meeting closed with an assembly of the Women's International Ort.

## ISRAEL COST OF LIVING UP, WORKERS TO GET TAX-FREE WAGE INCREASES

JERUSALEM, July 16. (JTA) -- Israel's cost-of-living index rose by 5.3 percent between last December and June, reaching an index figure of 110.4--as against a base of 100 for January 1959, according to figures announced here today.

### ARLINGTON OFFICIALS DEMAND PROBE OF NAZIS AFTER ABDUCTION OF CHILDREN

ARLINGTON, Va., July 16. (JTA) -- Two members of the Arlington County Board this weekend demanded an immediate and complete investigation of the latest incident involving George Rockwell's "American Nazi Party." They charged that the emboldened, uniformed Nazis actually abducted from the public streets a number of children "suspected" of being Jewish.

County Board Chairman Leo Urbanske announced that he was disturbed by the newest episode of Nazi violence and the presence of the Nazi headquarters in Arlington. He said "if any legal way is open to get rid of them (the Nazis) I'm all for it." Board member Ralph Kaul proposed a special meeting of the County Board, the Commonwealth's attorney, and the county manager to consider new measures to protect the public from the Nazis.

Two Nazi "Stormtroopers" are currently charged with felonious assault against teen-aged boys, including a 13-year-old Jewish boy. Ten "Stormtroopers" were said to have been present, some armed with pistols, when children on their way home from high school were dragged into the Nazi building to be interrogated about allegations of Jewish faith. Only one of the boys "arrested" by the Nazis was Jewish.

Mr. Kaul said: "It is shocking if children can be subjected to threats of assault with a deadly weapon, can be actually abducted from the streets, forcibly detained, and subjected to a third degree from an organized (Nazi) group." He indicated the Nazis had become such a menace they could no longer be tolerated.

Commonwealth Attorney William Hassan said that punishment of 20 years maximum imprisonment could be imposed upon the two Nazis charged in the case involving the children, if the Nazis are convicted.

### SKVERER REBBE DISCIPLES WIN RIGHT TO INCORPORATE THEIR OWN VILLAGE

SPRING VALLEY, N. Y., July 16. (JTA) -- An attorney for a community of Hassidic Jews in Ramapo has disclosed that the community has obtained State Supreme Court approval of its long legal fight to incorporate as a separate village under the name of New Square. The village is named after the Hassidic "Skverer Rebbe."

Abraham Stanger, the attorney, said that Supreme Court Justice John P. Donohue ruled in support of the group's request for an order forcing authorities of the Rockland County town to comply with the New York State village law. Under the order, Ramapo officials must forward the incorporation documents to the State capital at Albany for action.

The ruling cleared the way for a judicial order instructing Ramapo authorities to certify a map of New Square, and to deliver to the New York Secretary of State a certificate of the vote on incorporation, which was held August 3, 1960. The Ramapo authorities have 30 days to file an appeal.

The Hassidim have been fighting for a separate community so that they can enact their own village ordinances to assure maximum conditions for fulfillment of Orthodox religious practices. There are 530 Hassidic Jews in the community, totaling 69 families with 250 children. The Hassidim began moving to this rural area seven years ago from the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn to escape the intrusion of new housing developments there.

### 1,000 PAY HOMAGE TO JABOTINSKY; REMOVAL OF REMAINS TO ISRAEL URGED

NEW YORK, July 16. (JTA) -- More than 1,000 persons participated in a pilgrimage today to the grave of Vladimir Jabotinsky, in New Montefiore Cemetery at Farmingdale, L. I., on the occasion of the 21st anniversary of the death of the founder of the Revisionist Zionist movement.

Among the participants were former members of the Jewish Legion, members of the Jewish War Veterans, and a color guard of the Betar Revisionist Zionist organization. Wreaths were laid on the grave by delegations from Israel, South Africa, Canada, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Rumania and Hungary. Biblical passages and excerpts from the writings of Jabotinsky were recited at the graveside.

Rabbis in a number of synagogues throughout the country yesterday devoted portions of their sermons to the life and writings of Jabotinsky, and called for the fulfillment of the request in his last will that his remains be transferred to Israel. Mr. Jabotinsky died in this country in 1940, while on a mission here to enlist recruits for the Jewish Legion.

### FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR SKLARSKY, YIDDISH PUBLISHER, DEAD AT 72

NEW YORK, July 16. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here this weekend for the late Moshe Shmuel Sklarsky, well-known Yiddish book publisher, who died at the age of 72. Born in Lithuania, he came here in 1907 and, for many years, had been one of the most active advocates of Jewish literature in general, as well as a patron of Jewish poetry.

Mr. Sklarsky had visited Israel nine times. Among his many accomplishments was his advocacy of the plan whereby American books have been sold and circulated in Israel under the United States Government's counterpart-fund program.