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### ISRAEL SUGGESTS U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION CONDEMNING SYRIA

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 3. (JTA) -- Israel today suggested to the Security Council here that it adopt a resolution condemning "all violations" by Syria of the Israel-Syrian Armistice Agreement of 1949, calling upon it "to abide fully by all the provisions of the agreement and in particular, to refrain from forays into Israel territory." The Israeli suggestion would also call upon Syria "to desist from any threats against the territorial integrity or political independence of Israel."

The suggestion was made by Michael S. Comay, chairman of the Israel delegation, after a resolution sternly condemning Israel for "wanton attack" and issuing a Council warning of possible sanctions against Israel, was introduced by Salah Terazi, of Syria.

Mr. Comay delivered a brief, but firm reply to Mr. Terazi, who had addressed the Council for a full hour, repeating all the traditional anti-Israel charges voiced here over the years by Arab delegations. Today's meeting was attended by Major General Carl C. von Horn, Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, who had been summoned here to clarify for the Council the issues and actions surrounding Syrian and Israeli charges and counter-charges of aggression which culminated in an Israeli military action against Syrian gunpost positions on March 17.

Various members of the Council directed questions to General von Horn, who is scheduled to reply to all of the questions when the Council resumes its Israel-Syrian debate tomorrow afternoon.

### U. S. A. Asks Whether UNTSO Could Be More Effective

The United States delegation, which had proposed that General von Horn be brought here, asked the following questions: 1. "Can you suggest ways in which UNTSO's effectiveness could be increased? 2. Is UNTSO afforded the necessary freedom of movement which is essential to the performance of its responsibilities under the General Armistice Agreement? 3. Does General von Horn have any suggestions as to how observance of the Armistice Agreement with special reference to deployment of forces in the demilitarized zone and the defensive area could be improved? 4. Could he comment further in addition to the remarks in his report on the status of the Israel-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission?"

In his report of a week ago, General Von Horn had pointed out that the Israel-Syrian MAC has not been effective since 1951. Mohamed H. El-Zayyat, of the United Arab Republic, a member of the Council, had asked the General the same question about the MAC, which, he said, Israel was boycotting. He also asked General von Horn whether he expects "further Israeli attacks against Syrian territory." Platon D. Morozov, of the Soviet Union, asked the UNTSO chief whether he knew how long it had taken Israel to prepare for the March 17 attack. Alex Quaison-Sackey, of Ghana, asked the General whether he could report on violations of the Armistice Agreement by either Syria or Israel in the past six months and what UNTSO has done to prevent such violations.

Mr. Comay's suggested resolution came as a distinct surprise to the Council. However, neither the Israeli suggestion nor the Syrian draft can come to a vote unless such resolutions are sponsored by a member of the Council. Neither Syria nor Israel holds Council membership.

Replying to a challenge by the Syrian to state Israel's objectives, Mr. Comay said: "All we want is peace with our neighbors. If our neighbors refuse to negotiate peace, we insist upon freedom from attack and aggression. We will not acquiesce to any impairment of our rights. My Government looks to the Security Council to take action on our complaints."

### Congressmen Seek to Prevent Anti-Israeli Resolution at U.N.

WASHINGTON, April 3. (JTA) -- Members of New York City's Congressional delegation appealed to President Kennedy today in separate telegrams to intervene against an expected United Nations Security Council resolution censuring Israel for its role in the recent Syrian border clash.

The appeal, organized by Democratic Congressman Emanuel Celler, got immediate responses from Democrats Leonard Farbstein, Victor Anfuso, Edna Kelly and Hugh Varey and Republican Seymour Halpern. Other members were also expected to respond and send their own telegrams of appeal to the White House. The only member contacted who indicated an unwillingness to go along was Brooklyn Democrat Eugene Keogh. The Brooklyn lawmaker was unavailable for comment as to the reasons for his refusal.

## U.S. SUPREME COURT HEARS ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST PRAYER IN SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON, April 3. (JTA) -- Oral arguments in the case involving the constitutionality of a prayer that is now being read daily in some New York public schools were heard here today by the United States Supreme Court.

The case involves a 22-word prayer--which proponents argue is non-sectarian--and which was adopted by the New York State board of Regents and recommended for use by local boards of education throughout the state. The high court is expected to hand down its decision before the expiration of the present term in June.

The presentation today concluded the oral arguments. Written briefs had been entered previously by both sides. At a two-hour session this morning, New York attorney William J. Butler, representing five New Hyde Park, Long Island, N.Y., parents who are challenging the constitutionality of the prayer--reading, contended that the basic objective of the prayer was "an attempt by the state to impose religious education in the public school system."

The attorney conceded that the prayer itself did not violate any constitutional law, but that the question involved was the context in which it was recited. He argued that the prayer was being read in a public school where attendance was compulsory, and that in addition to being in what he described as "this teaching environment," it was "being participated in by state officials--teachers." He referred to the same two objections when asked how the prayer reading in school differed from invocations and other such practices which take place in the U.S. Congress and similar public and official functions.

Mr. Butler who was sharply questioned by several justices, argued that the machinery provided for excusing children from prayer-reading tended to single them out as different and "could leave an indelible mark on them." He told the high tribunal that because "the law of imitation is strong in children" the prayer-reading sessions--even though voluntary--had "a coercive effect on children."

### Jewish Parents Divided on Issue; Each Side Represented by Lawyer

Mr. Butler argued that the five parents--two Jews, one ethical culturist, one unitarian and one agnostic--were not attacking religion or prayer, but were concerned only with the preservation of religious freedom. "Prayer is good," he said, "but prayer recitation in the public schools is the beginning of the end of religious freedom."

Questioned in detail about the nature of the Jewish parents' objections, he told the court that the Jewish parents were motivated first by the feeling that "religious education is not the proper function of the state." He described this as their basic objection, asserting that the other objections were "projected reasons."

Among these he cited the belief among some Jews that no prayer may be recited without the wearing of a head covering, the fact that prayers must be recited in Hebrew, that praying Jews must face east and that prayers are to be recited only in synagogues. Among the justices challenging some of Mr. Butler's contentions was Felix Frankfurter, the court's lone Jew, who pointed out that prayers are often recited outside of the synagogue, in English and without the benefit of head covering.

Bertram B. Dailer of Port Washington, N.Y., representing the New Hyde Park school board, contended in his argument that the fact that children are not under compulsion to participate in the prayer recitation keeps it clear of constitutional controversy.

The basic purpose for the adoption of the prayer-reading, Mr. Dailer told the court, was "to promote the belief in tradition and spiritual values." Mr. Dailer called the practice "a reaffirmation of what we take for granted," asserting that it was "a religious practice in the same sense as the ceremonies which precede the start of any public occasion."

New York attorney Porter Chandler, appearing for 16 New Hyde Park parents--three Jews among them--who want to keep the prayer, said his clients are concerned over what he called "an attempt by a minority to drive out from the public schools long-established practices." He argued that elimination of the prayer, and "removal of all reference to a deity" would deny "the free exercise of religious practice."

### CONGRESS RESOLUTIONS ASK KENNEDY TO PROCLAIM A 'WARSAW GHETTO DAY'

WASHINGTON, April 3. (JTA) -- Resolutions calling on President Kennedy to issue a proclamation setting May 1, 1962 as a day of commemoration for the victims of the Warsaw Ghetto were introduced in the House and Senate today. The measures were sponsored by Democratic Congressman Emanuel Celler of New York and New York Republican Senator Kenneth Keating.

Both men had been visited earlier by officers of the Jewish Nazi Victims Organization of America who had asked their support for the proclamation. The date on the Hebrew calendar is the 27th day of Nissan which world Jewry has agreed to be the commemorative date for the event.

### VICE-PRESIDENT JOHNSON ASKS AMERICANS TO HELP ERASE DISCRIMINATION

PIKESVILLE, Md., April 3. (JTA) -- Vice-President Lyndon B. Johnson tonight appealed to all Americans for support "to erase from our society the blot of racial and religious discrimination." He spoke at a banquet in his honor given by the Maryland chapter of the American Jewish Congress at which he was presented with the 1962 Stephen S. Wise Medallion Award of the organization. He said government could not do the job alone.

"When we stand up against bigotry, we are not being charitable to 'other' groups," he said. "We are protecting our own liberties. We must have confidence that we can make ours a society in which men and women of all races, religions and backgrounds can live under conditions of mutual respect and true equality of opportunity."

Some 500 persons attended the dinner at which the presentation was made by Dr. Joachim Prinz, AJCongress president. The award contains the inscription: "For distinguished service to the cause of democracy and inspiring leadership as Vice President of the United States and Chairman of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunities."

A medallion award for Jewish community service was presented at the dinner to Harry Greenstein, executive director of the Associated Jewish Charities of Baltimore and former adviser on Jewish affairs to Gen. Eisenhower when he was commanding general of United States occupation forces in Germany at the end of World War II. The award was presented by Louis E. Shecter of Baltimore, national co-chairman of the organization's commission on international affairs.

### CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS LAW BANNING DISCRIMINATION IN BUSINESS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3. (JTA) -- The California Supreme Court has upheld a state law banning discrimination by business establishments of all kinds, including real estate firms.

The decision also held constitutional the Hawkins act barring discrimination in publicly assisted housing. Chief Justice Phil S. Gibson declared in the opinion that "discrimination in housing leads to lack of adequate housing for minority groups and inadequate housing conditions contribute to disease, crime and immorality."

In a related case, the court ruled that a real estate broker who tried in good faith to find housing for a member of a minority group but failed could not be held liable if he could not complete the transaction because of the owner's refusal to sell.

The San Francisco Board of Supervisors, which has before it a city fair housing ordinance, was studying the Supreme Court decision. The City Attorney was asked to determine whether the state anti-bias act upheld by the Supreme Court preempted the field and made housing discrimination laws entirely a state matter.

### NOTED CHRISTIAN URGES STUDY OF ARAB PROPAGANDA AGAINST JEWS

LONDON, April 3. (JTA) -- Dr. James Parkes, a noted Christian clergyman who has written many books on anti-Semitism, proposed today an inquiry into the degree to which the anti-Israel campaign of the Arab countries served as a medium for the dissemination of anti-Semitism of a general character.

Dr. Parkes made the proposal at the concluding session of the Conference on Jewish Life in modern Britain. He also said there was a strong possibility that the 19th Century pattern of anti-Semitism in Europe might be reproduced in Latin America and other places.

Professor Shaul Fish of Jerusalem and Dr. G. Wigodorr presented a joint paper in which they said there was a field for research in Zionism particularly in the history of the relationship between the British Government and the British Jewish community during the crucial years of the British mandate in Palestine.

### ORTHODOX RABBIS APPEAL TO STATE LEGISLATURES FOR SUNDAY LAW RELIEF

NEW ORLEANS, April 3. (JTA) -- A resolution appealing to State legislatures to enact "without further delay" measures that would lift Sunday closing restrictions from businesses that observe their Sabbath on Saturday was adopted here at the closing session of the annual Southeast Region convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. The resolution said the Sunday closing laws "penalize religious observance by imposing economic sanctions upon Jewish-owned business firms."

The extensive use of specially developed teaching machines "to acquaint both young and old alike with the basic tenets of traditional Judaism" was advocated in an address to the convention by Joseph Kaminitzky, director of Torah Umesorah, the national society for Hebrew day schools.

## ISRAEL BANK OPENS BRANCH IN NEW YORK; MRS. ROOSEVELT OPENS FIRST ACCOUNT

NEW YORK, April 3. (JTA) -- The Israel Discount Bank, Ltd., Israel's largest private bank, opened its first branch in the United States on Manhattan's Fifth Avenue today in a ceremony at which Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt cut two ribbons placed across the front doors. The Israel bank has been licensed by the New York State Banking Department to accept deposits and conduct commercial banking operations.

After Mrs. Roosevelt cut the ribbons, one in the national colors of the United States and the other in the colors of Israel, Mayor Robert Wagner opened the doors as a gesture of good will from the people of the city. Mrs. Roosevelt then opened the first account in the branch and received the first passbook from R. Recanati, resident director.

Other notables participating in the opening included former Senator Herbert H. Lehman; New York State Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz; New York State Comptroller Arthur Levitt; Oren Root, New York State Superintendent of Banks; Michael Comay, Israel Ambassador to the United Nations; Ariele Manor, Economic Minister of Israel to the United States and Ariele Eshel, Israel Consul General in New York. Messages were read from Israel Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, Commerce Minister Pinhas Sapir, Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller, and others.

## BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY GETS \$400,000 GIFT FOR CHAIR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

WALTHAM, Mass., April 3. (JTA) -- Brandeis University announced today it had received a gift of \$400,000 to underwrite a chair in political science and that the first incumbent would be Max Lerner, who has been on the faculty for the past decade.

Funds for the "Max Richter Chair in Political Science" were provided by the will of the New York industrialist and philanthropist and were assigned to the University by his widow, Mrs. Reba Richter. The chair supports instruction in international relations.

## SAN FRANCISCO JEWISH HOSPITAL CLOSES NURSING SCHOOL; NEW PLAN INTRODUCED

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3. (JTA) -- Mount Zion Hospital disclosed today it is closing its School of Nursing, which has been in operation 63 years, and replacing it with a new program for the training of nurses made necessary by the increasing complexity of modern medicine.

Mark Nerke, administrator of the hospital, said that "to stay abreast of the dynamic changes occurring in the medical profession," the hospital had made arrangements to accept nursing students from City College of San Francisco and San Francisco State College to study at both the colleges and at Mount Zion Hospital.

Students at City College will receive an Associate of Arts degree and a Registered Nurse credential after two years and graduates of State College will receive an RN and a Bachelor of Science degree at the completion of four years. During the training period, the students will use the clinical facilities of Mount Zion hospital in conjunction with their classroom work at their respective schools.

The administrator said the hospital hoped to obtain by the new program "top-notch, fully trained nurses with an understanding of the new modern world of medicine." The last graduating class of the School of Nursing will be that completing nurses training next June. With this group, the school will have trained 1,126 nurses.

## DR. KANOF RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PHILADELPHIA, April 3. (JTA) -- Dr. Abram Kanof was re-elected president of the American Jewish Historical Society at the society's 70th anniversary meeting at the American Philosophical Society held here. Elected to vice-presidencies were Supreme Court Justice Edgar J. Nathan, Jr., of New York and Philip D. Sang of Chicago, communal leader. Harry Starr, of New York was elected treasurer.

The society, which fosters the study of the role of the Jew in the settlement and development of America, received special commendation from the Civil War Centennial Commission at its annual meeting. On behalf of the commission, Dr. James I. Robertson, Jr., executive director, presented a Certificate of Achievement to the Civil War Centennial Jewish Historical Society Commission.

## POLAND ISSUES POSTAGE STAMPS HONORING VICTIMS OF NAZI CAMPS

LONDON, April 3. (JTA) -- The Polish Government today issued three special postage stamps honoring the memory of Nazi victims killed in concentration camps, according to a dispatch received here today from Warsaw. The stamps are dedicated, respectively, to the victims of Nazi mass murders at Auschwitz, Treblinka and Maidanek.

## REMAINS OF 2,700-YEAR-OLD ISRAELITE TOWN UNEARTHED IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, April 3. (JTA) -- The unearthing of the remains of an Eighth Century BCE Israelite town near Beisan was reported here today. Pottery found at the site was described as "not unlike" that found near Ein Gev, where a town stemming from the era of King David was found recently.