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## JEWS IN ALGERIA VIEW THEIR FUTURE WITH APPREHENSION, REPORT STRESSES

WASHINGTON, May 1. (JTA) -- Jews in Algeria are viewing their future with as much apprehension over what is not being said as in regard to what is being said, it was reported here today by the Washington Post.

Waverly Root, a Washington Post correspondent, reported from Tunis that Algerian Jews view the situation as a threat to their future as a result of a statement attributed to--and later denied by--Mohammed Ben Bella, Vice Premier of the Algerian Provisional Government. Mr. Ben Bella had been quoted by the Middle East News Agency of Cairo as saying that Algeria would send troops to fight Israel, but he denied it this week.

"The denial of Ben Bella's words," reported Root, "was received in Tunis with some skepticism, partly because the form of the denial made it possible to believe that it was the exact wording of the Middle East News Agency report which was being contested. What was significant--and Algerian Jews are not missing the point--is that Moslem opinion is such that a declaration of war against Judaism was hailed while an expression of peaceful intentions toward Jewish communities can be politically damaging."

### Large Influx of Jewish Refugees in France Evokes Call for Aid

PARIS, May 1. (JTA) -- British and other European Jewish communities, as well as the Jewish Agency executive, were called upon here last night to extend immediate aid to the French Jewish community, which is facing a large influx of immigrants from North Africa. The call was issued at the conclusion of a session of the European Conference of Labor Zionist organizations, presided over by Dr. S. Levenberg, of London.

A resolution adopted by the conference stressed the fact that, while "the best solution" for the new wave of immigration would consist of directing the immigrants to Israel, "it would be a serious mistake to overlook the urgent problems facing the refugees from Algeria and other countries arriving in France."

There is an urgent need, the conference warned, to take care of Jewish education for the children of the newcomers, the establishment of communal clubs for the younger people, and the development of cultural activities for the adults. There is a need, the conference declared, for rabbis, teachers and social workers to aid the newcomers and guide them spiritually. "Unless these measures are taken," the conference said, "there is the danger of assimilation threatening the younger immigrants who could be absorbed completely in the non-Jewish environment."

### Pooling of Jewish Resources Urged to Aid Refugees in France

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- R. N. Carvalho, president of the Anglo-Jewish Association, tonight urged the Jewish organizations to pool their resources and develop a central plan for coping with the great influx of Jewish refugees from North Africa into France. He lauded the Joint Distribution Committee and local French Jewish Welfare groups for the work they have been doing until now to ease the situation arising from the heavy North African immigration into France.

Addressing a meeting of the Anglo-Jewish Association's Council here, tonight, Mr. Carvalho also deprecated anti-Jewish persecutions in Soviet Russia. "It is heartening to note," he said, "that despite every effort made by the Communist regime toward complete assimilation and conformity, Russian Jewry has found the means, somehow, to preserve its identity."

The recent Soviet ban on matzoh-baking in state factories, and the death sentences meted out against Russian Jews accused of "economic crimes," he declared, "were really an attack against any kind of organized Jewish life in the USSR." However, he advised, "public demonstrations" against Russian anti-Semitism are "purposeless." Some efforts, he said, are being made privately, quietly, by various persons, and "we must pray that they will have some useful results."

Mr. Carvalho also reported that there have been discussions here with the new Ambassador from West Germany regarding alleged resurgence of neo-Nazism in Germany. He said the Bonn Ambassador was "convinced that the German Government is anxious to maintain careful control over the resurgence of Nazi ideas and the danger from neo-Nazi organizations to the future of the country and the world."

## NEW FEDERATION OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES FORMED IN MOROCCO; GREETED BY GOVT.

CASABLANCA, May 1. (JTA) -- A new federation of Jewish communities of Morocco was formed here today at the Congress of the Council of Jewish Communities of Morocco. Dr. Leon Benzaquen, a former member of the Government Cabinet, was chosen honorary president. David Amar was elected president, and Meyer Obadia was named secretary-general.

Held under the auspices of the Union of Jewish Communities in Morocco, the Congress was attended officially, for the first time in four years, by representatives of the Casablanca Jewish Committee. The Casablanca Committee represents two-thirds of the Jewish population in the country. A high official of the Ministry of the Interior greeted the Congress on behalf of the Government. The inclusion of Benzaquen, Amar and Obadia in the presidium of the new Federation was welcomed by Moroccan Jewry with great satisfaction.

A highlight of the Congress was a memorial service honoring the late King Mohammed V, conducted by Grand Rabbi Saul Danan.

## EICHMANN REFUSES TO HELP AUSTRIA AND YUGOSLAVIA ON NAZI WAR CRIMINALS

JERUSALEM, May 1. (JTA) -- Adolf Eichmann, who was visited Sunday at Ramleh prison by his wife, Vera, received a visit there today from Magistrate Yehuda Weiss who tried, unsuccessfully, to question the prisoner about Nazi war-crime collaborators awaiting trials in Vienna and Belgrade.

The Austrian and Yugoslavian Governments had requested the questioning of the ex-Gestapo colonel, who is awaiting disposition by the Israel Supreme Court of his conviction and death sentence by the Jerusalem District Court for directing the annihilation of 6,000,000 European Jews. Vienna and Belgrade authorities feel that Eichmann may throw further light on the activities of the men charged with war crimes in Austria and Yugoslavia. However, Eichmann refused to answer Magistrate Weiss' questions under the pretext that his appeal is still pending.

Minister of Police Behor Shitreet said today that, in prison, Eichmann is maintaining an unemotional posture. "He showed no emotion whatever," said Mr. Shitreet, "when he met his wife under the prevailing conditions in prison, while awaiting a decision on his appeal from the death sentence. That man must be stronger than steel."

## HIGH EX-NAZI SECURITY OFFICERS FACE TRIAL FOR KILLING 11,000 JEWS

BERLIN, May 1. (JTA) -- Six former high officers of the Nazi Security Service and police will go on trial here, May 14, accused of having murdered 11,000 Jews, including men, women and children, between July and October 1941, in German-occupied territory in Russia, the prosecutor's office announced today. The trial is expected to last 16 days.

The principal defendant is Alfred Filbert, 56, an attorney and former high officer in Hitler's Elite Guard. He is accused of having not only ordered the murder of 11,000 Jews, but also of having done some of the killing in person. When he was arrested, three years ago, he was holding a job as the manager of a bank here.

The others were allegedly subordinates of Filbert. They are Gerhard Schneider, 51, who had been employed as a councillor by a Ministry in the State Government at Hannover; Bodo Struck, 53, former high police official at Hannover; Wilhelm Greiffenberger, 61, a bookkeeper, of Bavaria; Konrad Fiebig, 52, formerly employed in a Federal office in Munich; and Heinrich Tunnat, formerly deputy manager of the Chamber of Trades at Oldenberg. All are accused in the death of several thousand Jews.

## NEW YORK GOVERNOR DESIGNATES MAY 9TH AS ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY

NEW YORK, May 1. (JTA) -- In an official proclamation designating May 9 as the Fourteenth Anniversary of the establishment of Israel's statehood, Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller today declared that the "stability of Israel offers the possibility of permanent peace in the Middle East."

Attending the ceremonies in the Governor's New York office were Dr. Miriam Freund, chairman of the executive committee of the American Zionist Council, who accepted the proclamation; Mr. Nathaniel S. Rothenberg, a vice-chairman of the Council; and Miss Julie Harris, the noted Broadway actress. In his proclamation, Governor Rockefeller said:

"Fourteen years ago the establishment of the independence of Israel created a new member of the family of free nations of the world. This was the consummation of decades of struggle and heartaches and of centuries of aspiration which too long appeared to be futile. It was of tremendous importance to people of the Jewish race and faith throughout the world. It was an historic achievement.

"The rebirth of Israel signified the end of the diaspora, a new status for Jewish people throughout the earth. It is also of great and valued significance to people who are not of the Jewish faith since the stability of Israel offers the possibility of permanent peace in the Near East, so long a center of potential conflict. This great event deserves to be commemorated by men and women of good will throughout our State."

ALL ISRAEL HONORS MEMORY OF 6,000,000 JEWS KILLED BY THE NAZIS

JERUSALEM, May 1. (JTA) -- At 8 o'clock this morning, sirens blew their mournful walls throughout Israel, continuing their sounds for two full minutes. All traffic throughout the country halted. In synagogues and on the sidewalks, on balconies fronting homes and in the fields, hundreds of thousands of men, women and children stood silent and erect. Israel thus launched the official commemoration of the Day of the Six Million, the day dedicated to the memories of those who perished during the Nazi holocaust.

In accordance with Hebrew custom, the commemorative observations designated for today by a formal resolution in Israel's Knesset, the Parliament, were opened last night, when at least 55 memorial meetings were held throughout the country. The streets in the large cities took on the appearance of mourning. Movie houses and other places of entertainment were closed. Street lights were dimmed. The rustle of shuffling feet and slow traffic carrying many thousands to the meetings only emphasized the atmosphere of solemnity pervading the entire country and its populace.

Every synagogue in the land held memorial services last night. At Tel Aviv, 3,000 persons jammed the Mann Auditorium, while thousands filled the Great Synagogue where the city's Chief Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman officiated over the services. At Haifa, Chief Rabbi Yehoshua Kaniel presided over the principal memorial service. In school buildings and houses of worship, in the communal halls of kibbutzim and in every other conceivable gathering place, large masses turned out to usher in the Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust, co-sponsored by the Government and the Yad Vashem Authority.

Non-Jews Who Saved Jews from Nazis Attend Jerusalem Ceremony

A moving ceremony, attended by many members of the diplomatic corps and leading members of Israel's Government and Parliament, was held this morning on Har Hazikaron, Mount Remembrance, on the outskirts of Jerusalem. Here, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, homage was paid to non-Jews who, during World War II, saved many thousands of Jewish lives at the risk of their own safety. Two rows of trees were dedicated, to be known as the "Avenue of the Righteous Gentiles." First saplings were planted along this avenue on the mountain dedicated to remembrance.

Twelve non-Jewish men and women, brought here by the very Jewish survivors whose lives they had saved, attended these ritualistic ceremonies. One was a Russian woman, Maria Babicz, 84. Another was a Polish Army officer, Col. Vladislav Kovalsky, who, at the risk of his own life, had sheltered 40 Jews during World War II. There was a man and his wife from Holland, another couple from Belgium, a seamstress from Czechoslovakia.

"These heroic people," said Mrs. Meir in her address, "saved more than Jewish lives. They also saved faith in the human race. Together with the trees we plant here today in honor of our dead, we plant also trees of Light and Hope, we raise beacons dedicated to the human values dear to all mankind."

Not only atop Har Hazikaron, but on every flag-pole on every building in Israel, private or public, the Israeli flag flew at half-mast. Israel remembered.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY LAUDS HEROISM OF JEWISH MARTYRS IN WARSAW GHETTO

NEW YORK, May 1. (JTA) -- President John F. Kennedy stated today that "time has not dimmed the heroism of the people of the Warsaw Ghetto, nor the cruelty that they were made to suffer," emphasizing at the same time the indestructibility of the dignity and spirit of man.

The statement of the President was made in a telegram addressed to Dr. Sidney Marks, executive director of the Zionist Organization of America, extending greetings to the organization and its constituent branches on the occasion of their commemorating the 19th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising. The message reads:

"Time has not dimmed the heroism of the people of the Warsaw Ghetto, nor the cruelty that they were made to suffer. This stark act of courage serves to remind us again and again that the dignity and spirit of man can survive the most crushing circumstances, and that faith in mankind outlives inhumanity."

Mass Meeting in New York Honors Memory of Jewish Martyrs

NEW YORK, May 1. (JTA) -- Several thousand persons attended a mass meeting here tonight honoring the memory of the 6,000,000 Jews annihilated by the Nazis. Louis Segal, member of the Jewish Agency executive and secretary-general of the Farband-Labor Zionist Organization, presided at the meeting which took place at the Biltmore Hotel here. The gathering was arranged jointly by a number of Jewish organizations.

JOHANNESBURG, May 1. (JTA) -- The martyrdom of Europe's 6,000,000 Jews annihilated during the Nazi regime, and the heroism of the Jews who fought in the Warsaw Ghetto rebellion 19 years ago, were memorialized in virtually every Jewish community in the Union of South Africa today. Commemorative meetings here today were preceded yesterday with solemn ceremony at the Martyr's Monument of the Johannesburg Jewish cemetery. Among the speakers were members of the Chamber of Deputies and leaders of the Jewish community.