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SOVIET MISSILE BUILD-UP IN CUBA MOTIVATED U. S. SALE OF HAWKS TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28. (JTA) - The Soviet missile build-up in Cuba may not be entirely dissociated from other world trouble spots and developments, including the introduction of missiles in the Arab-Israel cold war, members of Congress were told here this weekend at a top-level briefing.

The American decision to provide defensive, Hawk ground-to-air missiles to Israel was cited as motivated as a response to the Soviet supply of jet bombers and missiles to a number of Arab states, including the United Arab Republic. This was mentioned in a review of the world scene related to the current Soviet-American showdown in Cuba.

Officials said the Hawk decision resulted from a conclusion that an arms imbalance had occurred in the Arab-Israel situation because of Soviet weapons provided to the Arabs. Israel was at a disadvantage, it was said, that increased danger of Arab aggression or a preventive war by Israel, to restore a balance and maintain regional peace, the United States sold the Hawks to Israel.

Lebanon Is Test Case As Its Ship Is First Boarded in U. S. Blockade

State Department sources said this weekend that, although the Foreign Assistance Act stipulates that no U. S. economic assistance be given nations permitting their ships to carry cargoes to Cuba, this probably would not be applied to an Arab League state, Lebanon, whose Cuba-bound freighter was the first to be boarded in the U. S. naval blockade operation. The ship, S. S. Marcula, carried a Soviet cargo.

After some foreign ship owners ignored the American request, and foreign governments failed to act, Congress added a clause to the aid bill. It provided that "no economic assistance shall be furnished to any country which sells, furnishes or permits ships under its registry to carry items of economic assistance to Cuba, as long as it is governed by the Castro regime." The only exemption from this clause is a determination by the White House that severance of aid "would be contrary to the national interests."

There was speculation here that the Lebanese ship would furnish a test case of the new provision. But the Lebanese Government has reassured Washington of its support of President Kennedy's Cuban stand. It was still undetermined whether other Lebanese freighters would continue in the Soviet-Cuban trade.

Through the year 1961, Lebanon received from the United States \$77,000,000 in economic aid, and \$9,000,000 in military aid.

(At the United Nations, yesterday, Israel's delegation chairman, Michael S. Comay, accompanied by his ranking mission aide, Gideon Rafael, deputy director-general of Israel's Foreign Ministry, conferred briefly with Acting Secretary-General U. Thant. The fact that this meeting had been squeezed in between Mr. Thant's world crisis talks with U. S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson and Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian Zorin gave rise to broad speculation as to whether the visit of the Israelis had any direct connection with the Russo-American impasse over Cuba.)

BERT KENNEDY LINKS FIGHT VS. COMMUNISM TO RELIGIOUS, RACIAL FREEDOMS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy said here tonight the American struggle against Communism cannot be won "just by confronting the enemy" but depended on accelerated efforts "to banish religious prejudice, racial discrimination and any intolerance" which denies Americans their constitutional rights.

Mr. Kennedy spoke in accepting the American Jewish Congress 1962 Stephen S. Wise Award for advancing human freedom. Dr. Joachim Prinz, president of the AJC, presented the award to Attorney General Kennedy. Another Stephen Wise Award, for exemplifying individual achievement, was presented to Frederick W. Richmond, president of the Urban League of Greater New York.

Mr. Kennedy praised the work of the American Jewish Congress in its programs aimed at promoting "full equality in a free society for all Americans." He said American troops

are stationed abroad "for the same reason the Maccabees stood their ground against Antiochus--for human dignity and freedom."

Shad Polier, chairman of the national governing council of the American Jewish Congress, presiding, said the AJC sought "in the spirit of our founder and long-time leader, Stephen S. Wise, to seek justice with honor for the Jewish people everywhere, and to enlist in the battle for justice to all men."

Mr. Kennedy was presented for the award by Dr. Alfred J. Marrow, former chairman of the New York City Commission on Intergroup Relations. Mr. Richmond was presented for his award by Frank Abrams, a national vice-president of the Congress.

'PEACE IN JUSTICE,' FREEDOM FROM RACISM URGED BY LATIN AMERICAN JEWRY

SAO PAULO, Brazil, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- A resolution appealing to all men of good will to cooperate "towards the eradication of prejudice and the promotion of mutual respect and understanding between communities, religions and nations" was adopted here this weekend at the conclusion of the fourth conference of Latin American Jewish communities, sponsored by the World Jewish Congress.

The resolution, which was approved by delegates from 10 Latin American countries, declared that: "In this instant of grave tension, we reaffirm the ancient teaching of our faith that the fruit of justice is peace."

Other resolutions adopted at the meeting expressed concern over the resurgence of Nazism and fascism, and the situation of Soviet Jewry; reaffirmed the right of Jews throughout the world to belong to international organizations; and appealed to all Latin American governments to ratify the international convention against genocide.

Brazil's President Joao Goulart sent a message to the conference, declaring: "The city in which you meet is eloquent proof of the participation of the Jewish community in the progress of our common country. Your contribution to arts, letters and great enterprises has significant expression in Sao Paulo and deserves the recognition of the Brazilian nation."

BRITISH LEADER WARNS NEO-NAZISM IS NOW AN INTERNATIONAL CONSPIRACY

MANCHESTER, England, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- A stern warning to British Jewry to adopt "emergency measures" in the face of a growing threat from "the forces of prejudice and evil" was issued here today by Sir Barnett Janney, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

Reporting to a meeting of the Board here on recent critical developments affecting British Jewry, Sir Barnett said that the fundamental feature of neo-Fascism and neo-Nazism was that they were now, to a large extent, internationally organized. "European, North European and other international movements had been formed, and linked with organizations outside Europe," he declared.

Reporting on the recent trials and executions of Jews charged by Soviet authorities with economic crimes, Sir Barnett reiterated the Board's appeal to the Soviet Government to "mitigate the severity of the sentences having regard to the offenses for which they were inflicted." He appealed to the Soviet authorities "to conduct a campaign of enlightenment against anti-Semitism and, in other ways, to allay the apprehensions which are widely felt regarding the position of the Jewish community in the USSR."

SHALOM SHTARKES RETURNED TO ISRAEL, LOST FINAL APPEAL IN ENGLAND

TEL AVIV, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Shalom Shtarkes, 24, uncle of Yossele Schumacher, arrived here from London in the custody of an Israeli policeman. He was taken to jail immediately to await a detention order by a magistrate, pending trial for alleged perjury and participation in the kidnaping of Yossele. Shtarkes, who has been fighting extradition to Israel for more than a year, lost his final appeal before Britain's Lord Chief Justice after a hearing Friday.

U. J. A. MISSION HEARS OF ISRAEL'S SECURITY NEEDS, IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Israel's needs for maintaining its security in view of critical events throughout the world as well as in the Middle East were detailed here tonight to the 145-member United Jewish Appeal Mission by Shimon Peres, Israel's Deputy Minister of Defense.

At the same time, the American leaders heard from Israel's Finance Minister, Levi Eshkol, a prediction that the country's Jewish population would rise to 3,000,000 in the next 10 years. Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, told the American leaders about the urgent needs posed by increased immigration and the problems of immigrant absorption, while Abba Eban, Minister of Education, spoke of the necessity for greater funds to help "close the gap in education between various sections of the Israel population and the newcomers."

Earlier in the day, the UJA group visited the Jordan-Negev Water Project, touring the Sea of Galilee and a nearby water pumping station.

AMPAL ANNOUNCES \$50 MILLION ISRAEL INVESTMENTS IN NEXT TEN YEARS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Investments totaling \$50,000,000 will be made in Israel in the next 10 years by AMPAL, the American Israeli Corporation, it was announced here today by Abraham Dickenstein, president of the AMPAL group. He made the announcement at a meeting of 1,500 of the group's more than 40,000 American investors. Another major address at the meeting, detailing the vast economic strides made by Israel in the last decade, was made by Pinchas Sapir, Israel's Minister of Commerce and Industry, who praised the investor's group highly for being "among the first to help us financially."

Mr. Dickenstein outlined a broad program of Israeli investments during the next decade, including the financing of industry, housing, shipping and agriculture. To raise the \$50,000,000, he said, the AMPAL group would market common stock securities and convertible debentures or the Israel Development Corporation, totaling \$10,000,000 plus several types of AMPAL debentures amounting to \$15,000,000. Additionally, AMPAL will undertake several long-term financing projects in new housing construction in Israel, amounting to \$15,000,000.

The AMPAL president also informed the investors, for the first time, about formation of Israfund, a diversified investment company which will invest only in securities listed on the Tel Aviv stock exchange. He announced that the AMPAL group would undertake a real estate ownership venture in Israel and that it has acquired a large commercial building in the center of Tel Aviv, housing a supermarket.

AMPAL, which was established in 1942 with total assets of \$99,000, has formed a number of additional subsidiaries and affiliates in the last 20 years, and now has total resources exceeding \$71,000,000, Mr. Dickenstein said. Since the establishment of Israel in 1948, he said, the group has sold securities worth over \$60,000,000, of which \$40,000,000 was in debentures.

Mr. Sapir told the investors in his address that Israel's financial position has changed so much that, now, Israel will not permit the acceptance of loans for a period shorter than 10 years. "We don't need short-term loans," he said, "and are stopping them to avoid inflation." His office is now working on a new plan for the extension of industry, beyond the five-year plan drawn up in 1959. In spite of large, recent influxes of immigrants, he declared, Israel is now enjoying full employment. The Government, he declared, hopes to complete its Jordan River plan within the next 12 to 18 months.

SELMAN WAKSMAN, NOBEL LAUREATE, TO HEAD NEW TECHNION RESEARCH CENTER

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The establishment of an important new research center in Israel under the leadership of Dr. Selman A. Waksman, Nobel Prize winner in medicine, was announced here today at the fifth annual Conference on Science and Technology in Israel and the Middle East.

Addressing more than 600 guests from all parts of the United States at the closing session of the two-day Conference at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, Dr. Waksman revealed that the new research facility would be established on the campus of the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa, through the cooperation of the American Technion Society.

The society provides financial and technical assistance to the Technion. In furtherance of its program to foster better relations between the United States and Israel through science and technology, the society also sponsors the annual sessions of the Conference. For the last two days, sessions at the Conference have been devoted to a series of papers on research, transportation and chemical industry-problems common to all nations in the Middle East.

Dr. Waksman, who returned recently from a visit to Israel, said that the new research center would carry out intensive studies of comparatively new fields of general, industrial and marine microbiology. It is hoped, he added, that this new area of scientific research may open the road to the growth of new industries, both in Israel and in the surrounding countries.

Paul Screvane, president of the City Council of New York, told a luncheon session of the conference today that private industry with a stake in the Middle East, "should take the initiative in finding means to seek a settlement of differences that have too long existed among peoples who have more in common than they have in contrast." Other speakers included the Nobel Prize winning physicist Dr. I. Rabi; Alexander Goldberg of Haifa; David Rose, chairman of the board of the American Technion Society; and Anthony Peranto, a member of the Technion faculty.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION SPONSORS STUDY OF EUROPEAN YIDDISH DIALECTS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The National Science Foundation has undertaken the sponsorship of an extensive study of Yiddish dialects spoken in Central and Eastern Europe before the Second World War, it was announced here today.

The project, which will be directed by Professor Uriel Weinrich, of the linguistics department of Columbia University, will attempt to reconstruct the cultural and dialect boundaries of Jewish communities in Eastern Europe, most of which were annihilated by the Nazis.

INCREASING TENSIONS AMONG AMERICAN RELIGIOUS GROUPS PREDICTED BY FORSTER

NEW YORK, Oct. 28, (JTA) -- Arnold Forster, general counsel of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, warned here today that "increasing tensions" will take place among American religious groups over the issues of separation of church and state. He made his prediction as the principal speaker of an all-day conference held by the Metropolitan Council of B'nai B'rith, attended by 1,500 leaders of 320 B'nai B'rith lodges and chapters in the Greater New York area.

Noting that the United States Supreme Court has agreed to review cases involving recitation of the Lord's Prayer and Bible reading in public schools, he said that, based upon reactions throughout the country to the High Court's June ruling against the use of official prayers in the public schools, "it appears inevitable that, no matter what the Supreme Court now decides, there will be much more expression of hostile intergroup feelings. The decisions, no matter which way they go, may force an even wider cleavage than now exists among religious groups in the United States."

RABBIS DISAGREE ON NEED, FEASIBILITY OF RELIGIOUS TEACHINGS IN SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28, (JTA) -- An appeal to public school educators to "allow children to learn about religion and the religious movements of our forefathers, and to understand and appreciate the divergent religious traditions of the people in America's pluralistic society," was made here tonight by Rabbi Arthur Gilbert, staff consultant of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Addressing a debate on the subject of prayer in the public schools, sponsored by the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation, Rabbi Gilbert urged the Jewish community to "provide more constructive and affirmative response to the question of God in public life" and to utilize the courts only as a "last resort" in "defending their rights in a pluralistic society."

Dr. Ira Eisenstein, president of the Foundation, took issue with Rabbi Gilbert with regard to the teaching about religion in public schools. "In light of the present type of training given to most public school teachers," he declared, "it is questionable whether an adequate conception of contemporary faiths could be transmitted to the children." He urged the adoption of a program calling for the observance of American festivals "in the spirit of piety."

N. Y. STATE OPENS DRIVE AGAINST RACIST BIAS BY LICENSED PROFESSIONS

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 28, (JTA) -- New York State began efforts this weekend to prevent men and women in 20 licensed professions from practicing discrimination among patients and clients for reasons of race, creed or color.

The first step was approval by the New York State Board of Regents of an amendment to its rules governing the licensing and supervision of those professions. The amendment adds discrimination to categories of activities constituting unprofessional conduct. Proof of such conduct can result in imposition by the Regents Board of a number of penalties against the offender, including loss of license. The amendment must be approved a second time at another Regents Board meeting, before it becomes effective.

Medicine, dentistry, nursing, pharmacy and engineering are among the professions licensed by the board. The only major one not so licensed is the legal profession. Dr. James E. Allen, Jr., State Commissioner of Education, said that State Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz and some of the education department's professional licensing boards had said they felt there was a need for an anti-bias clause.

YESHIVA DEDICATES \$3 MILLION FIRST BUILDING, BUILDS \$2.5 MILLION RESIDENCE

NEW YORK, Oct. 28, (JTA) -- A \$3,000,000 classroom-administration building, the first unit in the \$30,000,000 expansion program of Yeshiva University, was dedicated here today in ceremonies which also included the laying of the cornerstone of a \$2,500,000 residence hall. Speakers at the ceremonies included New York Senator Jacob K. Javits, New York City Controller Abraham D. Beame and Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the university. The newly dedicated building was named for Sol and Hilda Furst who gave \$1,000,000.

FRANCO, LEADER OF ZIONISTS-REVISIONISTS, DIES AFTER ISRAEL VISIT

NEW YORK, Oct. 28, (JTA) -- Funeral services were held today for Reuben D. Franco, executive director of the Zionists-Revisionists of America, who died here yesterday. He was 54. He had returned Friday from a three-week visit to Israel.

A native of Bulgaria, Mr. Franco headed the Betar movement in that country before emigrating to Palestine in 1939. He was on the general staff of the Irgun underground movement, and was active in the Herut party after the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948.