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### SAYS ARABS MISSED CHANCE TO DESTROY ISRAEL DURING CUBAN CRISIS

AMMAN, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- King Hussein, of Jordan, has told the Arab world, in a broadcast monitored here and reported today, that he is sorry the Arabs missed the chance of a lifetime "to destroy Israel while the rest of the world was embroiled in a crisis."

During that "many of us used to say that progress in the Palestine Question could be made until a suitable situation arose," Hussein stated: "The suitable world situation is this crisis." He blamed the tactics of Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser for intra-Arab rivalries for missing this opportunity "to recover the right to our land," and said Jordan "could have been the nation" to make such "recovery."

### WHITE HOUSE AIDE, ISRAELIS REPORTED IN VITAL POLICY DISCUSSIONS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 6. (JTA) - White House aide Myer Feldman left Israel today after a brief visit during which he conferred with key Israeli officials and reportedly urged to drop any plans for renewing at the current United Nations General Assembly a resolution for direct Israel-Arab peace talks.

White House aide insisted at the airport, however, that "this was purely a private matter and that his talks with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion and Foreign Minister Golda Meir were informal." He said the talks "did not touch on missiles, refugees or direct peace talks problems." He added that he would meet with President Kennedy this week but would not tell him how he enjoyed his trips in Israel during this visit.

At the airport statement, it was learned that, during his informal talks with various Israeli personalities and other Israeli statesmen, Mr. Feldman had expressed that, in view of the Cuban crisis and such internal American affairs as the integration in Mississippi and the Congressional elections, the time was not ripe for direct peace talks at the United Nations. It was also reported that he and the White House understood Israel's fears concerning the Arab refugee problem.

Prior to his departure, Mr. Feldman met with Finance Minister Levi Eshkol. They reportedly discussed various aspects of financing the purchase of Hawk anti-aircraft missiles, which the United States has agreed to sell to Israel. It was reported previously that the United States had decided to assist Israel with the problems of such purchases.

### BAKER LAUDS ISRAEL TO CANADIAN ZIONISTS; FRANK NAMED PRESIDENT

TORONTO, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Canadian Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker lauded Israel last night as a bastion of freedom in the Middle East, and praised the Canadian Jewish movement for its 60 years of activity in this country as "a partnership among Jews and the Jewish people with history."

Addressing the 36th national convention of the Zionist Organization of Canada, the Prime Minister told the delegates that they had shared in the achievement of the creation of the State of Israel.

"To few in history," he declared, "has it been given to see a dream come true, to hand in the handwork of destiny, to know that an effort now made is being rewarded, not at some distant time when the giver cannot share the fruits."

He said that Israel's accomplishments since its creation 14 years ago "are there for all to see." The Premier said: "Small states everywhere, poor in resources but rich in spirit, have learned much from the Jewish people, who, undaunted, have brought into being a politically strong, socially helpful to the needy, and economically ever stronger."

Dr. N. Frank of Montreal, was elected president of the ZOC at the final session of the convention today. He succeeded Lawrence Freiman of Ottawa, who served two terms. Other officers were Bertram Loeb of Ottawa, and John R. Devor of Toronto, vice-presidents; Dr. N. Frank of Montreal, treasurer; and Robert H. Soren, Toronto, secretary.

EUROPEAN CONFERENCE AIDS NORTH AFRICAN REFUGEES WITH \$750,000

GENEVA, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- More than \$750,000 to aid North African Jewish refugees in France was pledged today to the recently formed Emergency Aid Fund of the Standing Conference on European Jewish Community Services, at the organization's third annual assembly here.

The funds, of which more than \$300,000 has already been raised, were pledged by Jewish leaders from 11 European countries. The money will be used to supplement the aid given to the newcomers by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the French Government in efforts to absorb some 180,000 North African refugees now in France. The funds were raised after a warning yesterday by Charles H. Jordan, JDC director-general for overseas operations, who said that, even with French Government aid, there would be need for help to the refugees "for a sustained period."

Claude Kelman, vice-president of the Fonds Social Juif Unifié, the central French Jewish welfare agency, and Dr. A. Chouraki, president of the Oran Consistory in Algeria, told the assembly that the influx from North Africa had created "a new geography" of France with some Jewish populations quadrupling in size. They cited as a "striking example" the situation in Marseille whose Jewish population has rocketed from 12,000 to more than 60,000.

The complex of new needs created for the Joint Distribution Committee by the mass movement of Jews in recent months, was stressed in reports presented to the JDC's 16th annual Country Directors Conference, simultaneously in session here. In a summary statement, Moses A. Leavitt, of New York, JDC executive vice-chairman, pointed out that, due to the uprooting of over 200,000 Jews from their homes in the past 18 months, the needs which JDC must meet in 1963 must be substantially greater than those of the past year.

The scope of JDC's activities in various parts of the world was revealed in reports presented by country directors attending the conference from Europe, North Africa, Iran and Israel. The remaining Jewish inhabitants in Moslem countries, according to the reports, are estimated at 300,000. In these countries, the JDC network of activities aids some 100,000 persons each year. In spite of emigration from some of these countries, the needs for 1963 will be greater rather than less, because of the weakening of local leadership and the worsening of economic conditions, the reports showed.

ESHKOL REPORTS NEW ECONOMIC POLICY HAS SUCCEEDED SINCE DEVALUATION

JERUSALEM, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Finance Minister Levi Eshkol told Israel's Parliament tonight that the Government's new economic policy, since the devaluation of the pound last February had proved to be a success both at home and abroad. Comparing the first nine months of this year with the same period of 1961, he said that production rose and the level of employment increased despite the large scale immigration of the period. He added that 15 percent more goods had been exported in the comparable periods.

The Finance Minister expressed cautious optimism concerning the negotiations for some kind of an Israeli trade link with the six-nation European Common Market scheduled to be resumed this month in Brussels. He said he anticipated an "overall dynamic arrangement" with Euromart and forecast that exports to the six nations and to England would total \$250,000,000 annually as compared with the \$105,000,000 exported by Israel last year.

ISRAELI PARLIAMENT HOLDS COMMEMORATIVE EXERCISES HONORING WEIZMANN

JERUSALEM, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- The country-wide commemorative exercises honoring the name of the late Dr. Chaim Weizmann, who died 10 years ago, were joined last night by the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, which held a special solemn session in memory of Israel's first President.

Dr. Vera Weizmann, the late leader's widow, shared a box with President and Mrs. Izhak Ben-Zvi. Dr. Chaim Weizmann's son and sister were present, as were Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization; members of the Jewish Agency executive, members of the academic and administrative staffs of the Hebrew University and the Weizmann Institute; Lord Rothschild and other dignitaries.

Speaker Kaddish Luz traced the career of the first President from his schoolboy days in Pinsk, where he distributed Zionist leaflets, through his Presidency of Israel.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II CONGRATULATES VISCOUNT SAMUEL ON 92ND BIRTHDAY

LONDON, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Queen Elizabeth II today sent a framed portrait of herself, with warm congratulations, to Viscount Herbert L. Samuel, Britain's High Commissioner in Palestine from 1920 to 1925, who celebrated his 92nd birthday. Professor Edwin Samuel, of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, son of Viscount Samuel, attended a gathering of friends and relatives honoring his father's birthday.

#### MOROCCAN PARTY HITS JEWS AS KING DECORATES PROMINENT JEWISH FAMILY

CASABLANCA, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- The Movement Populaire, a rural rightist political party, demanded at its annual Congress at Marrakech today that the Moroccan Government "take action" against Moroccan Jews for allegedly "working in the interests of many foreigners, rather than in the interests of their native Morocco." The party is a member of the Government, holding two posts in the Moroccan Cabinet.

Some months ago the movement published in Arabic a translation of the notorious "Protocols of the Elders of Zion," a classic forgery in the literature of anti-Semitism. As a result, Daniel Mayer, a Moroccan Jewish community leader, sent a letter of protest to Minister of National Defense Aherdane.

At the same time today, King Hassan conferred medals of Chevalier of the Order of the Throne on four members of the prominent Moroccan Jewish family of Botbol. The royal citations particularly singled out for high distinction "for services rendered to the Royal Family over a number of years" by Haim Botbol and his son Raphael. The Botbols had previously been honored with official Moroccan Government medals 10 years ago.

#### KEY NAZI IN MASS MURDER TRIAL SAYS HE KILLED TO ADVANCE SELF

COBLENZ, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Georg Heuser, the chief defendant in the trial of 12 former Nazis charged with the mass murder of more than 35,000 Jews in Minsk during the Second World War, told the court here today that he did not hate Jews but killed them to advance his career. "It was a sort of political schizophrenia," he declared.

Asserting that he had never discussed the killings with other members of the execution squad, Heuser, who was a Rhineland-Palatinate police chief until his arrest, said that he "saw family men line up at the mass graves and shoot Jews. They behaved as all others did."

The court admitted as prosecution exhibits a number of historic documents, including a 1939 speech by Adolf Hitler in which, the prosecution pointed out, Hitler had "passed the death sentence" on all European Jews.

#### ITALIAN PARLIAMENT GROUP MOVES TOWARD COMPENSATION FOR NAZI VICTIMS

ROME, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- The Foreign Affairs Commission of the Italian Parliament began discussion today on ratification of a law on the Italo-German agreement of June 1961, to provide for the payment of 40,000,000 West German marks (\$10,000,000) to indemnify Italian victims of the Nazi persecution. The number of Jewish beneficiaries has been estimated at nearly 7,000, or about a third of all Italians who would be eligible for such indemnification.

The ratification law contains a provision which would empower the Italian Government to enact within six months a special measure to stipulate that all Italian citizens deported by the Nazis because of religion, race or political reasons would be indemnified in proportion to the length of time they spent in Nazi camps. There would be adequate provisions for the survivors of those who died in the camps or elsewhere as a result of Nazi persecutions.

While the power to enact such a law was expected to shorten procedures leading to payments, it was estimated that two years would elapse between ratification and distribution of the money.

#### TWO GERMAN STUDY GROUPS TO DOCUMENT FATE OF JEWS UNDER HITLER

FRANKFURT, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- The first of a series of documentary reports on the fate of Frankfurt Jews during the Nazi regime, edited by a municipal commission on the history of the Jews in this city will be published soon, commission officials said today.

The first volume of the "Documents of the History of Frankfurt Jews, 1933-1945," deals with such questions as the number of Frankfurt Jews deported by the Nazis, the persons responsible for the deportation orders, and how those orders were carried out. The material is based on previously unpublished material. The commission has been working under the active chairmanship of the Lord Mayor with the assistance of the Frankfurt Archives department.

At Wiesbaden, the Hesse provincial government announced today the creation of an office for research and documentation on the history of the Jews in Hesse. The new office will start its activities at the beginning of 1963.

Working in connection with the present study group for the history of Hesse in general, the new office will seek to portray the contributions made by Jews to the welfare of the province before Hitler, and their fate under the Nazi regime. The study office will seek to collect all relevant documents and historical sources.

#### KENNEDY HAILS 'DEVOTION' OF JEWISH CHAPLAINS IN U. S. SERVICES

NEW YORK, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- President Kennedy has hailed the 100th anniversary of the commissioning of the first Jewish Army chaplain in 1862, as an era "marked by the service, devotion and valor of our Jewish chaplains in times of war and peace."

The statement appears in a book, "Rabbis In Uniform," describing the story of the American Jewish military chaplains during the past century, published this week as one of the events of the year-long observance of the centennial. The book was published by the Association of Jewish Chaplains of the Armed Forces, in cooperation with Jonathan David Publishers.

Ex-President Eisenhower also contributed an introductory statement, describing the record of chaplains "of all faiths" as one "in which Americans take great pride. In the struggle for human liberty and human rights in which we are now engaged," stated Gen. Eisenhower, "the military chaplain stands forth sharply as a living symbol of those principles and qualities which differentiate our world of freedom from the world of tyranny."

Jewish chaplains throughout the United States are handling a flood of hardship problems resulting from the personal needs of servicemen and their dependents uprooted by the Cuban crisis, it was reported here today by the Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy and the Armed Forces of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

#### Jewish National Fund to Plant Grove Honoring John F. Kennedy

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- A tree-planting project, which will culminate in the establishment of a grove in the American Freedom Forest in Israel in honor of President John F. Kennedy, was launched here last night at a Jewish National Fund dinner attended by 1,000 community leaders.

Benjamin Swig, of San Francisco, president of the JNF Western region, announced the tribute to Mr. Kennedy, declaring that "the world owes a great debt of gratitude to this illustrious American leader, whose wise and considered actions averted a world conflagration." A total of \$100,000 was pledged for the project.

#### TARBUTH CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER GOALS OF HEBREW CULTURE IN U.S.A.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Some 300 Jewish intellectuals, educators and community leaders in this country as well as a number of prominent figures from Europe and Israel will take part in a two-day conference in New York November 17 and 18 which will consider the problems and goals of Hebrew culture in the United States, it was announced here today by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Tarbuth Foundation for the Advancement of Hebrew Culture.

The Tarbuth Foundation, which is sponsoring the conference, was established earlier this year through initial gifts by Abraham and Jacob Goodman of New York. It aids in the promotion of Hebrew educational and cultural projects.

Guest speakers at the conference will include Abba Eban, Israel's Minister of Education, and P. E. Gilbert, former French Ambassador to Israel. Professor Harry Wolfson, of Harvard University, and Philip Lowy, president of the American Association for Jewish Education, will be honored at the conference for their contributions to Hebrew scholarship and Jewish education.

#### NINTH AMERICAN STUDENT PROGRAM AT HEBREW UNIVERSITY IS LAUNCHED

NEW YORK, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- A new one-year study program for American college students at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem has been launched for the ninth consecutive year, it was announced here today by Philip G. Whitman, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, which sponsors this educational undertaking. The American Student Program Committee of the organization stated that applications must be received before January 15, 1963. Professor Oscar I. Janowsky, of the City College of New York, is chairman of the committee.

The program encompasses undergraduates who have completed at least two years of college, as well as recent college graduates. Although prior knowledge of Hebrew is not absolutely required, some familiarity with the language is regarded as highly desirable, and candidates are expected to begin to study Hebrew while still in America as preparation for the year in Israel, the committee stated.

#### ISRAELI ENGINEER NAMED AS ECONOMIC CONSUL FOR NEW ENGLAND

NEW YORK, Nov. 6. (JTA) -- Edni Avinoam, a leading Israeli engineer, has been appointed Economic Consul for the Government of Israel in the New England area, it was announced today by Avraham Taiber, director of the Israel Investment Authority of North America. Mr. Avinoam, whose headquarters will be in Boston, succeeds Michael Haft, who has returned to Israel following a two-year tour of duty.