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SOVIET VETO BLOCKS SECURITY COUNCIL MAJORITY ON ISRAEL COMPLAINT; COMAY SAYS ISRAEL HAS BEEN VINDICATED, SYRIA 'MORALLY CONDEMNED'

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 3. (JTA) -- The Soviet Union exercised its veto today to nullify the action of a majority of the Security Council in passing a resolution introduced by the United States and Britain condemning "the wanton murder at Almagor in Israel territory of two Israel citizens on Aug. 19, 1963."

Eight members of the Security Council had voted in favor of the resolution which also rejected the Syrian counter-complaint against Israel and called on both parties to the dispute to cooperate with the Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization in maintaining peace along the border. The Soviet Union and Morocco alone voted against the resolution and Venezuela abstained.

Earlier, a series of Moroccan resolutions aimed at watering down the draft resolution failed of adoption when only the Soviet Union and Morocco voted in favor while the other nine members of the Council all abstained.

Michael S. Comay, Israel's permanent representative, thanked the eight members of the Council who had voted in favor of the draft, declaring that the vote by the "overwhelming majority of the Council" showed "Israel has been clearly vindicated and Syria has been morally condemned."

Mr. Comay expressed his regret for the Soviet veto, stating that the negative vote by the USSR was "even more regrettable" during the present period when the Soviet Union might have been expected to aid peace. However, he stated: "No veto can wipe out the fact. No veto can delete from the Council records the clear views expressed by every one of the members of the Council except the Soviet Union, and, naturally, Morocco."

Americans, British Resisted Intensive Arab Pressure to Compromise

At the very beginning of this afternoon's session, both the United States and Britain made it clear that, in spite of tremendous pressures upon their governments by the Arab states over the long weekend, they had not budged from the position stated in their draft resolution.

The Moroccan representative, Dey Ould Sidi Baba, delivered a bitter attack against the Western Powers after the voting had been completed, declaring that their draft may have exacerbated the tense situation along all the Israel-Arab borders. He proposed that Lt. Gen. Qdd Bull, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, be instructed to file a factual report showing the exact condition of the manner in which, the Moroccan contended, Israel violates the Armistice agreements and United Nations rules concerning demilitarized zones. Secretary General U Thant announced immediately he would request Gen. Bull to file such a report detailing "the factual, not the political" situation within the next two months.

However, Ambassador Charles W. Yost, acting as the U.S. representative today, told the Council it was not bound by the Moroccan proposal. He said the American Government would reserve judgment on that proposal made verbally by Morocco until it had an opportunity to study the written text.

In closing the meeting, Jacinto Castel Borja, of the Philippines, this month's president of the Security Council, called upon both Syria and Israel to cooperate fully with the Chief of Staff of the UNTSO and specifically to undertake a mutual exchange of prisoners as proposed by Gen. Bull. In his post ballot remarks, Mr. Comay announced that he has been authorized by his government to state that Israel "would welcome the immediate and simultaneous exchange of all the detainees including the three Israelis abducted by Syria on July 17." Mr. Comay was referring to an incident on Lake Tiberias when Syrians captured six persons on a boat on the lake. The Syrians have since released three Belgians who were among the kidnaped but are still detaining the three Israelis taken from the boat.

The failure of the Anglo-American resolution to pass juridically was regretted in a statement to the Council by Mr. Yost. He noted that "the Security Council was unable to act because a veto by the Soviet Union blocked action voted by eight members." This failure, he said, "does not detract from the majority opinion of the Council." He also called on both Syria and Israel to cooperate with UNTSO and endorsed the prisoner exchange proposal.

JEWISH LABORER KILLED BY JORDANIAN FIRE IN JERUSALEM AREA

JERUSALEM, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- A 60-year-old Israeli civilian workman was killed today when Jordanians opened fire on a group of workers near Orah settlement southwest of Jerusalem. The men were working about 100 yards from the demarcation line when they were suddenly fired upon from the Jordanian side of the border.

Israel submitted a sharp complaint to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission charging the Jordanians with a grave breach of the truce agreement.

SYRIA AND IRAQ ANNOUNCE JOINT 'BATTLE OF DESTINY' AGAINST ISRAEL

LONDON, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- Syria, currently at odds with Israel in new border clashes now under consideration at an emergency session of the United Nations Security Council, announced jointly with Iraq yesterday plans for a joint "battle of destiny" against Israel.

(In Washington, the United States Government announced a new long-term dollar credit of \$6, 856,000 to Iraq for purchase of agricultural commodities. The loan covers purchases of wheat, tobacco and poultry.)

The plan for an attack on Israel was listed as one of the objectives of a tightening of economic and military ties between the two countries. The economic union announced in Damascus was described as open to "all other revolutionary Arab Governments."

The agreement followed an eight-day visit to Syria by Iraqi President Abdel Salam Aref, who holds the rank of Field Marshall. The "battle of destiny" against Israel will be carried through in a joint army commission to advance the "military and defensive cooperation" of the two countries.

The joint statement also praised the Soviet Union for its "objective and sincere stand in supporting right and peace" in the current Security Council meeting, a reference to the Soviet announced intention of vetoing a joint United States-British resolution which would condemn Syria indirectly for the August 19 murder of two Israeli farmers at the Almagor collective settlement near the Syrian border.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS TELL PRESIDENT THEY OPPOSE AID TO NASSER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- National Commander Daniel Heller of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. informed President Kennedy today that while the JWV supports restoration of House cuts in the Foreign Assistance Bill, the organization is unalterably opposed to any further aid to the United Arab Republic because of President Nasser's aggressive military expenditures.

Mr. Heller, in a letter to President Kennedy, cited Nasser's August 11 statement that the UAR economic structure was now so "strong" that he could divert "12 per cent of our budget on the armed forces." Nasser went on to announce preparations for war against Israel.

Commenting on State Department claims that the United States must continue massive aid to Nasser because America allegedly enjoys new "influence" in Cairo, Mr. Heller asked: "What evidence is there that we have such influence and that it has been effectively used?" He noted that in recent days both Egypt and Syria had perpetrated aggressive infiltrations into Israeli territory. "The border situation is more volatile than at any time in recent years," said Mr. Heller, "Nasser and his Arab henchmen are growing bolder."

Mr. Heller told the President, "Nasser's economic structure is so heavily subsidized by American assistance programs that the UAR is able to spend lavish sums on rockets, for offensive purposes, and for the purchase of Soviet jet bombers and other Russian equipment as well as for the training of Egyptian officers in Soviet Union military bases... Even the financing of salaries of ex-Nazi technicians."

The JWV served notice it would oppose assistance to the UAR until Nasser's aggressive preparations were terminated.

ZIONIST PARLEY SEEKS IMPROVED SOUTH AFRICAN-ISRAEL RELATIONSHIP

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- The annual conference of the South African Zionist Federation concluded last night with an expression of hope that friendly relations between the South African Republic and the State of Israel would be restored soon.

The conference, attended by more than a thousand delegates and observers, expressed regret that the old tradition of sincere and active sympathy of the Government and people of South Africa for the "Zionist aspirations of the Jewish people" had been "impaired by international events." This was a reference to the response of the South African Government to Israel's votes against it in the United Nations General Assembly on the apartheid question.

South African-Israel relations were freely and frankly discussed during the conference. Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, who was the keynote speaker, noted that while it was unfortunate that in some cases Israel's foreign policy displeased some countries, that was no valid ground for those countries to impede the flow of Zionist funds to Israel.

SWISS JEWISH LEADER IS NOMINATED FOR SEAT ON THE HAGUE TRIBUNAL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 3. (JTA) -- Paul Guggenheim, prominent Swiss Jewish attorney, was nominated today for membership on the International Court of Justice. The General Assembly, to open its sessions here September 17, will vote on five vacancies on the 15-member court for terms beginning next February. There are about 20 candidates for the five judicial posts.

Dr. Guggenheim, 63, has long been prominent in international arbitration. A native of Zurich, he studied at the Universities of Geneva, Rome and Berlin. He is a former chairman of the Federation of Jewish Communities of Switzerland.

EX-GESTAPO CHIEF SAYS HE DID NOT KNOW OF EXTERMINATION OF JEWS

HANOVER, W. Germany, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- Dr. Otto Bradfisch, 70, co-defendant in a trial here on charges of complicity in the wartime murder of some 86,000 Jews, asserted his innocence today. He was brought to Hanover for trial from prison where he is currently serving a ten-year term for complicity in the murder of 15,000 Jews as commander of an extermination squad in occupied Russia.

The other defendant is one of Bradfisch's lieutenants, Gunter Fuchs. More than 100 witnesses from Israel and the United States will give evidence in the trial which is expected to last for six weeks. Bradfisch, who was named head of Gestapo headquarters at Lodz in 1942, is charged with complicity in the murder of 15,000 Jews in Lodz. He also is charged with ordering the execution between May and June of 1944 of another 700 Jews some of whom he personally selected for execution.

Fuchs, 52, is accused of complicity in the murder of 70,000 Jews in the Lodz Ghetto who were slaughtered in the gas chambers of the Kilmhof camp. He also is charged with shooting 46 Jews personally because they resisted transfer to the Kilmhof camp.

Bradfisch also testified today that he had known nothing of any exterminations at Kilmhof, declaring that "orders for transports" of Jews "came from the Reich Security office and there was no mention of exterminations in them."

ISRAEL CHIEF RABBI DENOUNCES DEATH SENTENCE ON RUSSIAN RABBI

JERUSALEM, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim denounced today the death sentences imposed by a Soviet court on a rabbi and two other defendants for alleged currency speculation, calling the sentences a "symptom" of the Soviet attitude toward its Jews.

He called on all "enlightened nations" and "heads of religions" to join in his call for support of the principle of the sanctity of human life in opposition to the sentences on Rabbi G. Gavrilov and two other alleged "ringleaders of a gang" convicted of engaging in speculation in silver and gold tooth fillings.

The Chief Rabbi called the sentences "another in the series of false accusations levelled at Jews" who have been executed recently for "economic crimes." He added that if the charges against the defendants contained "one iota of substance," the judgment still conflicted with "fundamental humanitarianism" in taking a life for such an offense.

Mexican Jews Ask Soviet Union to Give Russian Jews Equality of Treatment

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- The Jewish Central Committee appealed today to the Soviet Union, through its envoy here, to grant equality of rights to the Jews of the Soviet Union. The appeal, signed by Dr. S. Bibring, president, and I. Z. Berebichez, general secretary, asked the Soviet Union to give the Jews the right to leave Russia to be reunited with their families abroad.

UKRAINE REPUBLIC REPORTS 'NO INSTANCES' OF PREJUDICE OR BIAS IN PAST YEAR

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 3. (JTA) -- The Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic asserted in a document submitted here today to the forthcoming session of the United Nations General Assembly that "there are no instances of racial prejudice or of national or religious intolerance, either de jure or de facto" in the Ukraine.

The Ukrainian Republic was one of many governments reporting on actions taken regarding "manifestations of racial prejudice and national and religious intolerance."

The USSR itself did not file a report. However, the third member of the Russian group here, Byelorussia, also filed a report similar in content to the one submitted by Ukraina.

The Ukrainian report set forth clauses of its constitution and its criminal code in its contention that all laws and practices forbidding discrimination on account of race, nationality or religion are forbidden. "Chauvinism, nationalism and racialism are alien to the Ukrainian people," the report stated and there is a total absence of racial or national discrimination in the Ukrainian SSR "since there is no economic, social or political basis for it."

PENNSYLVANIA ATTORNEY GENERAL WARNS SCHOOLS ON PRAYER, BIBLE READING

HARRISBURG, Penna., Sept. 3. (JTA) -- Public school officials in Pennsylvania were warned today against conducting group Bible reading or prayers in a sweeping ruling from Attorney General Walter E. Alessandro.

The Attorney General held that devotional services were banned in schools "whether or not they were required or permitted by school boards, administrators or teachers, and whether or not the pupils engaged in the practices voluntarily, or even with the express written consent of their parents."

The ruling was prompted by the United States Supreme Court decision last June 17 outlawing such devotional practices in the American public school system. Noting that the Supreme Court decision did not apply to the study of the Bible in public schools as literature or to religion as a subject of the school curriculum, the Attorney General also held that the daily recitation of the pledge of allegiance, a period of silent meditation, messages and speeches of great Americans and material from "other documents of our heritage" were permitted.

He also ruled that there was no official restraint on "unorganized, private, personal prayer, or Bible-reading by pupils during free moments of the day, which are not a part of the school program and do not interfere with the school schedule."

'RESPONSIBLE ENTERPRISE' BULLETIN HIT AS ANTI-SEMITIC CANARDS

DETROIT, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- The most recent issue of the "Responsible Enterprise Association Bulletin," published in Detroit and distributed in business circles, was described today as containing "a thinly veiled repetition of all the age-old anti-Semitic canards which picture Jews as a hidden conspiracy seeking world domination."

The description was made by Sol I. Littman, Michigan regional director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Among the items in the publication were an article seeking to link Benjamin Disraeli with "the forces of international finance which have been the inevitable hidden face of government."

The bulletin editor was identified as Royal D. Rood, described by the ADL as a peddler of the writings of William Carr, a Canadian professional anti-Semite. Charles Helin, a Detroit fishing tackle manufacturer, is the president of the Responsible Enterprise Association.

EDITORIALS SUPPORT JTA IN DEBATE OVER GOLDWATER SPEECH ON JEWS

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- Assertions that the Jewish Telegraphic Agency had accused Sen. Barry Goldwater of anti-Semitism were rejected this weekend by two leading American Jewish newspapers.

The Jewish Chronicle of Pittsburgh termed the charge, first made in a syndicated column in the New York Herald Tribune, "poppycock." The Jewish Floridian, of Miami termed the discussion "a sad one."

The charge that "liberal Jewish sources are implying nothing less than anti-Semitism by Goldwater himself" was made by the Herald Tribune writers on the basis of a column by Milton Friedman, JTA Washington correspondent, dealing with speeches by the Arizona Republican criticizing the political affiliations of American Jewry. The JTA denied that there was any intent or attempt to accuse Sen. Goldwater of anti-Semitism in that column. The Jewish Floridian pointed out editorially that the Herald Tribune column "half-quotes the JTA correspondent and therefore imputes to him attitudes he never even implied."

The Jewish Chronicle declared that the Herald Tribune columnists were "way off the beam." Sen. Goldwater, the editorial said, "can clear this tempest in a teapot through an interview with Milton Friedman in Washington at any time. We'd be delighted to print it."

CAMPAIGN BY AIRMAN'S WIFE LEADS TO CHAPEL FOR NEW YORK NAVAL BASE

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. (JTA) -- A permanent place of worship for Jewish servicemen has been installed in the chapel of the United States Naval Air Station at Floyd Bennett Field, thanks largely to the persistent efforts of a Jewish airman's wife.

Mrs. Rita Fajardo, wife of builder third class Sidney Fajardo, campaigned for the past two years to have a synagogue erected at the base. When she learned that a new interdenominational chapel was being built there, she immediately urged her husband to seek official permission for a synagogue to be included in it.

Airman Fajardo submitted the request through the necessary chain of command and ultimately got approval from the Navy. The synagogue, which is housed in a special hall inside the chapel, was dedicated last week.

Mrs. Fajardo's efforts even won financial support from Protestant and Roman Catholic groups at the base. All of the construction work was done by the servicemen during off-duty hours. The completed synagogue, which occupies an area of 22 by 25 feet, contains an ark, candelabra and fixtures all in modern design. It can accommodate 65 worshippers.