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STATEMENT ON ISRAEL PRESENTED FOR ADOPTION BY REPUBLICAN PARTY

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6, (JTA) -- Thirty Republican Senators and Representatives today submitted a statement on the Israel-Arab problem to the Platform Committee of the National Convention of the Republican Party, which started meeting here this morning in preparation for the Convention opening next Monday. They requested that the statement be included in the platform declaration which the National Convention will adopt. The statement will come up for discussion tomorrow, with proponents and opponents testifying.

The statement, as proposed today, pledges to work for direct Arab-Israel peace negotiations, endorse the Jordan water-sharing project, and favors continued American economic aid to Middle East countries to be used for development to raise living standards "but not to finance preparations for aggressive war."

The statement deplores "reckless" Soviet shipping of arms to Egypt and the persistent Arab threats to destroy Israel. It urges the integration of Israel into the United States defense system, "so that she may be strong enough to defend herself and to deter attack." It also advocates measures to prevent an imbalance of arms between the Arab states and Israel.

The text of the proposed statement reads:

"In the Near East, we will work for an Arab-Israel peace as a major objective of our policy. To that end, we will support the integrity and independence of all the states of the area and we will urge the Arab states and Israel to negotiate directly to resolve all their differences at the conference table.

"We deplore as a setback to the attainment of peace the opposition of our UN delegation to the resolution calling for Arab-Israel peace negotiations at the United Nations, in December 1961.

"We favor regional economic cooperation, an end to boycotts and blockades, freedom of navigation in the Suez Canal, the resettlement of the Arab refugees in Arab countries where there is land and opportunity for them. We oppose discrimination against American citizens on the ground of race or religion.

"We will continue to support the equitable and constructive use of the water resources of the Jordan-Yarmuk system, as recommended by the Eisenhower Administration, and we support the water programs of Israel and Jordan, which are within the framework of that plan.

"We will continue economic assistance to the peoples of the Near East but we will insist that our assistance be used for development to raise living standards and not to finance preparations for aggressive war.

"The peace of the Near East is menaced by the reckless Soviet arms shipments to Egypt and other Arab states, by Egypt's expansionist policies and persistent Arab threats to destroy Israel. To avert new hostilities and to ensure stability we will take measures to prevent an arms imbalance and to integrate Israel into our defense system so that she may be strong enough to defend herself and to deter attack."

Sponsors of the statement include: Senators Case (N.J.), Javits (N.Y.), Kuchel (Calif.), Prouty (Vt.), Scott (Pa.), Simpson (Wyo); Representatives Anderson (Ill.), Andrews (N. Dak.), Broyhill (Va.), Clausen (Calif.), Cunningham (Neb.), Dwyer (N.J.), Halpern (N.Y.), Horton (N.Y.), King (Calif.), Kunkel (Pa.), McIntire (Me.), Osmer (N.J.), Ostertag (N.Y.), Pelly (Wash.), Robison (N.Y.), Schweiker (Pa.), Sibal (Conn.), Tollefson (Wash.), Tupper (Me.), Utt (Calif.), Wallhauser (N.J.), Wharton (N.Y.), Wilson (Calif.).

Republican Hearings on U.S. Policy Toward Israel Start Today

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6, (JTA) -- American policy toward Israel will come under attack here tomorrow from anti-Israel elements at hearings by the Republican Party's Platform Committee, while supporters of Israel will testify subsequently, along with a number of other witnesses, on issues of special Jewish interest. A Platform Committee panel will hear, tomorrow, the testimony of Harold B. Minor, representing the Citizens'

Committee on American Policy in the Near East, a pro-Arab propaganda organization; and William S. Loucheim, spokesman for the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism;

Later this week, statements will be made on the Israel policy issue by Norman Raikes, spokesman of the Cedar Society, an organization of Americans of Syrian-Lebanese ancestry; A prediction was made here today that these witnesses will attack a pro-Israel plank already drafted for the G. O. P. platform and supported by a large number of Republican Senators and House of Representative members;

Platform Committee to Hold Hearing on Soviet Treatment of Jews

U. S. Sen. Jacob K. Javitt and Sen. Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republicans, along with Sen. Hugh Scott, Pennsylvania Republican who is a member of the Platform Committee, have indicated that they will support the proposed pro-Israel plank in testimony. Ogden Reid, former United States Ambassador to Israel, a New York Republican now in the House of Representatives, also will testify;

On July 10, the Platform Committee will devote a panel hearing to the subject of Soviet anti-Semitism. Brock Maisland will testify on behalf of the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry. It is expected that the question will be raised of the need for stronger U. S. Government action to relieve the plight of Soviet Jews;

Testimony on various other subjects of Jewish interest will be offered by Daniel Neal Heller, national commander of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States; Mrs. B. Abbott Goldberg, of the National Council of Jewish Women; I. L. Kenen, of the America-Israel Public Affairs Committee, and Bernard Katzen, of the National Republican Committee;

HUGE CROWDS PARTICIPATE IN JABOTINSKY FUNERAL PROCESSION IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, July 6, (JTA) -- Huge crowds participated today in the funeral procession of the coffins containing the exhumed remains of Vladimir Jabotinsky, late founder of the Zionist-Revisionist movement, and his wife Yohanna, which were brought to the Young Israel Synagogue for memorial services, prior to being placed on a plane for Israel where they will be reburied on Mt. Herzl in Jerusalem.

The memorial service at the synagogue was led by rabbis and cantors including Moshe Kushevitzki, Ambassador Katriel Katz, Israel's Consul-General in New York, represented President Shazar, and read the Israel Government's order for the reinterment at the service. Leaders of the Herut Party, including Joseph Klarman and Dr. Ariele Altman, who came to the funeral services from Israel, were also present;

Many Jewish dignitaries and representatives of Latin American Jewish communities participated in the service, which culminated in the reciting of the kaddish by Professor Eri Jabotinsky, the son of the late Zionist-Revisionist leader. An impressive rendition of the "Kol Berama Nishma" (Jeremiah 31:15-), by 40 New York cantors, highlighted the service.

New York City's famous "Times Square" was renamed "Jabotinsky Square" for the day in tribute paid by the city to Jabotinsky's memory. Leaders of the American Zionist movement, delegates from all major Jewish organizations as well as representatives from the Israel Government and Jewish communities abroad participated in this ceremony, and later attended the special memorial service at the Young Israel Synagogue;

Following the memorial service, the funeral procession departed for Kennedy Airport from where the remains were taken by El Al-Israel Airlines to Israel, with a stopover at the Paris airport;

(The hangar at Orly Airport in Paris in which the coffin of Vladimir Jabotinsky will be placed briefly tomorrow enroute to Israel, has been decorated with hundreds of Israeli and French flags in anticipation of the arrival of the El Al Israel Airlines plane carrying his remains; Israel Premier Levi Eshkol, now visiting Paris, will be among the many Israeli and French Jewish personalities who will participate in tomorrow's special memorial service at the airport. French generals, deputies and ministers are also expected to attend;)

PREMIER ESHKOL STUDIES FRENCH FARMS; IS ACCOMPANIED BY FRENCH MINISTER

PARIS, July 6, (JTA) -- Israeli Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, continuing his 12-day visit to France, spent the day today studying the workings, administration and research projects of French agriculture, showing keen understanding of many aspects of agricultural pursuit, and comparing methods here with those employed in similar work in Israel;

Accompanied by Edgar Pisani, French Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Eshkol visited an agricultural research and experimental station, inspected the French National School of Agriculture, and toured the Zootechnical Research Institute; In the latter place, he was shown an aspect of French agriculture that does not apply to Israel--the breeding and raising of prize pigs; an important element in the French meat industry;

Tonight, Mr. Eshkol returned to Paris, where he met with members of the Israel Embassy staff here, and with other Israelis at work in this city for other Israel Government agencies;

ISRAEL'S CHIEF OF STAFF REPORTS TO CABINET ON SYRIAN ATTACKS

JERUSALEM, July 6, (JTA) -- The shootings by Syrian armed forces against Israeli farmers and border patrols during the last week, resulting in the wounding of three Israelis, were appraised by members of Israel's Cabinet here today as probably due to internal tensions in the Syrian Government, aimed at diverting local public opinion from the domestic Syrian problems to the alleged "Israeli threat."

This afternoon, Syrian artillery again opened up against two Israeli settlements in the Huleh area, firing at farmers and at an Israeli border patrol, and wounding one Israeli border policeman slightly. The settlements attacked, Ashmura and Notera, were fired upon from the Syrian heights at Djabina and Darbashiya. The Israelis returned the fire. When dusk fell, United Nations observers obtained a cease-fire.

Israel's Cabinet discussed the shooting incidents at its weekly meeting. The Cabinet heard reports about the firings. Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, chief of staff of Israel's armed forces. The political implications were appraised by Mrs. Golda Meir, the Foreign Minister. Israel, which has complained about the incidents to the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization is understood to have informed the U.N.; it takes "a grave view" of the recurrence of violence at the Syrian frontier.

Gen. Rabin also reported to the Cabinet that he doubts that Abbas Hilmi, the former Egyptian jet pilot who had defected to Israel, is now back in Egypt. Discussing the case, Gen. Rabin told the Government leaders that Hilmi, who had left Israel for Argentina, may have been captured by Egyptians in Argentina. However, he doubted that Hilmi is back in Cairo, as reported last week in a Hebrew language newscast by the Egyptian radio.

NAZI CONVICTED OF KILLING POLISH JEWS REPORTED HIDING IN PRETORIA

JOHANNESBURG, July 6, (JTA) -- Ignoring police assertions that they know nothing about the presence in South Africa of the Nazi criminal, Hans Walter Zech-Nenntwich, who escaped from a West German jail two months ago after being sentenced for killing Jews in Poland, the South African press today insisted that the former Gestapo officer and aide to Adolf Eichmann is in this country.

The Johannesburg Sunday Times came out yesterday with a report stating that the Nazi criminal had been brought to South Africa by a Nazi underground movement called "Die Spinne" ("The Webb"). The report said that Zech-Nenntwich is hiding in Pretoria. Other papers reported that the West German Embassy in Pretoria is seeking extradition of the convicted Nazi criminal, but officials of the Embassy said they could make no comment on the report.

According to the press here, members of "Die Spinne" are investigating the feasibility of using South Africa as a hiding place for hunted Nazis, believing that South America is unsafe "because of the success of Jewish agents there." For that reason, it is believed, members of "Die Spinne," aided by local Nazis, have decided to hide the fugitives in this country, where local Nazis would help them obtain work and hiding places.

ANOTHER NAZI SENTENCED FOR KILLING JEWISH CHILDREN, ESCAPES FROM GERMANY

COLOGNE, July 6, (JTA) -- Another prominent ex-Nazi, who had been released on small bail although he had confessed to the murder of about 100 Jewish children, has escaped from Germany, it was revealed here today. The man is former SS officer Kurt Wiese.

Wiese was arrested on the murder charge in October, 1963, and confessed to the murders of the children, committed during the war in Russia, where he had commanded a Jewish concentration camp at Bialystok. Four days after his arrest, he was released on bail of 4,000 Deutschmarks (\$1,000), because he was alleged to be suffering from diabetes. He had been ordered to report to the police three times a week.

Cologne police conceded today they had not seen him since May 25, but had not reported him as missing until 18 days later. The prosecutor's office said it had "forgotten" to protest against his release.

Weise was known as having been a poor man. It is believed, therefore, he had been spirited out of this country by Nazi elements who feared that he might have implicated other ex-Nazis if he had been allowed to go to trial. His disappearance is the second scandal of this type in two months. Announcement of his disappearance recalled immediately the case of Hans Walter Zech-Nenntwich, the former Gestapo officer who escaped from a German jail after being convicted and sentenced for murdering Jews in Poland during World War II.

JEWS IN MEXICO SEEK ACTION AGAINST PUBLICATION OF 'MEIN KAMPF'

MEXICO CITY, July 6, (JTA) -- Legal steps to halt the further publication and dissemination of Adolf Hitler's "Mein Kampf" in Mexico, whence it is spread to other countries throughout Latin America, will be taken here by the new West German Ambassador, Dr. Gunther Seeliger, the Bonn envoy promised here today.

Dr. Seeliger made that pledge to a delegation representing the Central Committee of Mexican Jews, headed by Dr. Sigmund Bibring, honorary president; Gregorio Shapiro, president; and Fernando Jeno, president of the United Committee of Tribuna Israelita.

ADMISSION OF NORTH AFRICAN JEWS TO CANADA SOUGHT BY JEWISH GROUP

MONTREAL, July 6, (JTA) -- The Jewish Immigrant Aid Society of Canada today reported that the first Canadian mission on immigration from North Africa to Canada examined about 350 applicants under the occupational criteria; Most of these applicants have now arrived in Canada; The second mission is now in North Africa, and is likely to remain there for about eight weeks;

The Jewish Immigrant Aid Society has submitted applications for a total of 270 families involving some 1,050 persons under the occupational criteria; Within this group there are some 237 families of 883 persons from Morocco and 32 families of 121 persons from Tunisia;

In addition, since the renewal of the movement from North Africa last year, some 350 applications were submitted under the close relatives scheme; About half have received approvals; Some 20 applications were submitted on behalf of teachers of French; It is estimated that about 30 immigrants from North Africa are now engaged as French teachers and specialists by the Protestant School Board of Montreal;

30,000 DISPLACED JEWS SETTLED IN AUSTRALIA, J.D.C. DIRECTOR REPORTS

MELBOURNE, July 6, (JTA) -- Charles Jordan, the Director-General of the Joint Distribution Committee now visiting here said today that since 1945 about 30,000 displaced Jews have been settled in Australia;

Mr. Jordan conferred with those members of the Jewish community responsible for immigrant social services and also visited the homes and schools established primarily for victims of the Nazi holocaust;

ISRAEL'S POPULATION EXPECTED TO REACH 3,000,000 WITHIN FIVE YEARS

JERUSALEM, July 6, (JTA) -- Israel's population is expected to reach 3,000,000 by 1969, according to figures in the annual report of the Ministry of Labor released here today;

Part of the increase is expected to be due to immigration although the proportion is not given since immigration estimates are not disclosed; Europeans are expected to comprise two-thirds of the immigrants; The country's labor force is expected to increase from 843,000 to 1,110,000 and the number of university students is expected to double by 1969;

JEWISH BOARD OF EDUCATION IN AUSTRALIA 100 YEARS OLD, DOCUMENTS REVEAL

MELBOURNE, July 6, (JTA) -- Old documents found at the office of the New South Wales Jewish Board of Education indicate that the board is over 100 years old; Among the newly discovered papers was the first annual report of the Sydney Jewish Sabbath School, the forerunner of the present board;

ISRAELI CONDUCTS LENINGRAD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA; LAUDED BY SOVIET CRITICS

LONDON, June 6, (JTA) -- Israeli conductor Gershon Singer conducted the Leningrad Symphony Orchestra with great success and was acclaimed by the Soviet music critics, according to reports reaching here from Leningrad; Mr. Singer, who is currently visiting Russia, was born in Prague and settled in Israel in 1939;

LONDON, July 6, (JTA) -- The final performance of the Yiddish State Theatre of Poland was given here last night; Ida Kaminska the noted actress, who is leader of the troupe said that she was gratified with the artistic success of their appearance and the reception in the British and Jewish press; She expressed disappointment, however, over what she termed "the inadequate response" of the Jewish community to the troupe's presentation of four plays;

SAMUEL MARSHAK, RUSSIAN-JEWISH POET AND TRANSLATOR, DIES IN MOSCOW

LONDON, July 6, (JTA) -- Samuel Marshak, well-known Russian-Jewish poet, translator and writer of plays for children, has died in Moscow, aged 76, according to a report received here from the Soviet capital today;

The scion of a well-known Jewish family of scholars, writers and active Zionists, Mr. Marshak won a Lenin Prize in literature last year, was the holder of four Stalin prizes and held the coveted Order of Lenin; Born in Voronezh, Central Russia, he studied at Leningrad, and continued his studies in London prior to World War II; He had translated Shakespeare and Robert Burns into Russian, and was to have come here next month to participate in a conference to be held in connection with the celebration of Shakespeare's 400th anniversary;