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ISRAEL TELLS U.N.: ARABS MUST CLARIFY AIMS ON WAR OR PEACE

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 20. (JTA) -- Israel requested today that the Security Council get an "unequivocal" statement from the Arab states as to whether they "are willing to renounce the use of force" and abide by the peaceful provisions of the United Nations Charter. The request was made in a letter from Ambassador Michael Comay, Israel's permanent representative here, to Sir Patrick Dean, of Britain, this month's president of the Security Council.

In his letter, Mr. Comay referred to his earlier complaint against the Arab intentions to destroy Israel, as enunciated at the recent Arab summit conference in Alexandria, as well as to the answer to that charge, filed here by the representatives of the 13 hostile Arab states.

Mr. Comay noted that, in their reply, the Arab representatives had repeated the full text of the Alexandria proclamation against Israel. He stated the official text, supplied by the Arabs themselves, establishes beyond any doubt the Arab aims to liquidate Israel.

Noting that the Arab reply had used "evasive and ambiguous language," Mr. Comay told the Council: "Either these 13 Arab states have set themselves the aim of liquidating another member state, or they are willing to renounce the use of force and abide by the provisions of the Charter. It is the right of the United Nations and the international community to expect an unequivocal answer to this question. The letter from the Arab representatives, by evading the real issue, only bears out the need for the United Nations and its members to take serious note of the threat to international peace and security involved in the anti-Israel policies of the Arab states as proclaimed in the Alexandria declaration."

The Israel letter did not ask for a meeting of the Council on the issue, but requested only that the contents of the Comay missive be circulated officially as a Security Council document.

London Reports Syria Massing Tanks Along Israel's Border

LONDON, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- Syria has stationed tanks near the demilitarized zone on the northern sector of the Israel border, where tributaries of the Jordan River supply water to Israel's Negev Irrigation Project, press dispatches reported here today.

The Daily Telegraph noted that this was the first time since the Israel-Syrian Armistice Agreement was signed in 1949 that the Syrians have stationed tanks in this demilitarized zone.

Shukairy Says He Will Turn to Moscow, Peiping for Military Help

LONDON, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- Ahmed Shukairy, chairman of the "Palestine Liberation Organization" set up by the 13 Arab states at their recent Alexandria summit meeting, for the express purpose of wiping out Israel, said in Damascus today that he is ready to turn to the Soviet Union and Communist China for military help, according to Syrian dispatches received here today.

Complaining that "the doors of the West are closed to us," Shukairy declared he would send delegations to Moscow and Peiping to seek help for his "Palestine Liberation Army." That "army," to be made up of Arab refugees now living in United Nations camps along Israel's borders, was instructed at the Alexandria meeting to cooperate with a new, unified Arab military command, aimed at Israel, under the command of Egyptian officers.

GERMAN OFFICIAL SEES NO NEED FOR EXTENDING WAR CRIMES STATUTE

DUSSELDORF, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- Erwin Schuele, head of the Nazi Crimes Investigation Center at Ludwigsburg, asserted last night it would not be necessary to extend the statute of limitations for the prosecution of Nazi war criminals.

He argued that legal action was being taken against all known criminals, and would be taken until May 1965, when the present statute will expire. He said that, in cases where full names and dates and addresses were not known, the authorities still could prepare

and deliver indictments against such persons, both before and after the 1965 expiration date; The demand for extension of the limitations law has been widespread and, reportedly, an extension is being planned by the West German Government. The Ludwigsburg Center coordinates the gathering of information against Nazi criminals for transmission to local prosecutors for trial.

Meanwhile, the West German Government was disclosed today to have sent urgent appeals to a large number of European and other Governments, as well as to institutions and individuals, to provide material which could be useful in indictments of additional Nazi war criminals.

Available information indicates that about 1,000 more trials of former Nazis will be held, based on indictments against nearly 6,000 defendants, 2,000 of whom are still being investigated. Experts believe that it could take six to eight years to complete all pending cases.

The Federal Cabinet still has not reached a decision on extending the statute of limitations on prosecution of war criminals beyond next May 8. Chancellor Ludwig Erhard is on record in favor of extension. Interior Minister Hermann Hoercherl wants to extend the statute to 1970, but Minister of Justice Ewald Bucher and many West German politicians oppose extension.

According to the West German federal law, an extension can be approved only by a two-thirds vote of the Parliament. Considerable discussion has taken place about the proposal and, according to recent polls, West German public opinion is 70 percent against extending the statute.

Israel Expert Says Statute on War Crimes Extends to 1976

JERUSALEM, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- The West German statute of limitations on prosecuting major war criminals, until now presumed to expire May 8, will really expire only in 1976, it was said here today by Dr. Aryeh Kubovy, director of Yad Vashem, the Israeli center for documentation on the Nazi holocaust.

Dr. Kubovy based his statement on an interpretation of the West German law. The presumed expiration of the statute has been dated as May 8, 1965, which is 20 years since the official end of World War II. However, Dr. Kubovy said, the West German Government could not conduct its own trials until it formally regained state sovereignty, which was in 1956. For that reason, he said, the statute will not really expire until 1976.

He notes that East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Poland and the Soviet Union had abolished similar statutes of limitation for Nazi crimes, and warned West Germany that, by not doing likewise, was taking the path to "moral isolation."

TREBLINKA TRIAL TOLD OF 700,000 QUICK DEATHS; MOSTLY POLISH JEWS

DUSSELDORF, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- The 10 former SS officers and guards on trial for war crimes at the Treblinka concentration camp testified here today that 700,000 victims, mostly Polish Jews, were put to death in the camp's gas chambers by 40 Germans and Austrians and 18 Ukrainian guards within a 16-month period, from July 11, 1942 until November 19, 1943.

The court, which began hearing the war crimes trial last week, heard an account today giving the details of the carefully planned operation, which processed the victims in an hour and a half from their arrival by train to their entry into the death chambers. The victims were met on their arrival with a large sign which read: "Welcome to Treblinka," while a five-piece band played marches. After entering the beautifully landscaped grounds of the camp, the victims were told to get undressed and proceed to the "showers," where the lethal gas was administered.

The rate of slaughter was so great in the spring of 1943 that the camp personnel were unable to bury the bodies, the court was told. Photographs presented in court showed naked mothers with babies in their arms on their way to the gas chambers, and acres of charred bones of camp victims.

The first commander of the camp, an Austrian, Franz Stangl, was said by the defendants to have escaped to South America following the war, after he was interrogated by Austrian police who did not arrest him. His successor is the chief defendant here, Kurt Franz, who was described by his comrades as the absolute ruler of the camp who did not spare the use of the pistol and whip.

TERRORISTS FIRE MACHINEGUNS AT HOME OF ISRAEL ENVOY IN CARACAS

CARACAS, Venezuela, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Embassy here reported today that terrorists fired machineguns at the homes of Ambassador Eliashav Ben Horin last Sunday night; Rachel Mizrachi, an Embassy employee, was hit in the leg. At least eight bullets hit the house in the attack on the Embassy residence. There have been attacks on Jewish organization structures here in the past. Last week, terrorists threw home-made bombs at a Jewish school here.

REP. BOLTON SEES ADMINISTRATION MULLING CUTTING AID TO NASSER

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20: (JTA) -- Rep. Oliver P. Bolton, Ohio Republican, said today that he has been assured by high-ranking State Department officials that continued aid to Egypt is under intensive review, and that negotiations leading to extension of the present \$500,000,000 three-year "Food for Peace" agreement, due to expire at the end of the current fiscal year, have been postponed for an indefinite period.

Last month, Rep. Bolton led a House drive aimed at severance of aid to the Nasser regime on grounds that the United States was indirectly subsidizing Nasser's aggression and arms. The Bolton amendment, which drew some support from Democrats, lost by 117 to 113 on a non-record vote. Subsequently, 16 members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, including members of both parties, petitioned Secretary of State Dean Rusk to halt Nasser's misuse of American aid.

Rep. Bolton said today that, even though his amendment lost by a few votes, Administration leaders admitted that a roll call vote would have seen the amendment carried by at least 50 votes. The Administration has now apparently become convinced, Mr. Bolton said, that Congress is "fed up with the manner in which our aid to Nasser has permitted him to divert resources to satisfy his aggressive Near East ambitions." He pointed out that American policy makers, because of the serious grain shortages in Communist nations, are now in a position to greatly influence the future course of Near Eastern affairs.

"The minimum price for continued United States grain shipments to Nasser," said Congressman Bolton, "should include Egyptian withdrawal from Yemen, guarantees against continued Egyptian development of a ground-to-ground missile capacity which would jeopardize the security of Israel and other Near Eastern nations, an end to Egyptian air attacks on Saudi Arabian targets bordering Yemen, the halting of Egyptian efforts to evict the United States from air bases leased in Libya and Saudi Arabia, and guarantees against further interference by Nasser in the Cyprus crisis."

Rep. Bolton said that, some times, a close loss in Congress produces the same beneficial result as a victory. In his view, a majority of Congress feels that further aid to Nasser, under present circumstances, is against the interests of the American people.

PROBE OF BIAS AGAINST JEWS SERVING IN LIBYA REQUESTED OF U. S. A.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20: (JTA) -- Gen. Robert P. Taylor, of the Armed Forces Chaplains Board, was asked today by Rep. Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, to clarify the situation of U. S. Air Force personnel of Jewish faith, based at Wheelus Air Base in Libya, where they are experiencing some deprivation of free religious expression.

Rep. Halpern said he had learned of "subtle discriminatory measures taken to accommodate the Libyan Government "because of its "anti-Jewish leanings." Families of dependents of Jewish servicemen are unable to follow their faith unhampered, the Congressman said, and are experiencing hardships because of their religious convictions.

Rep. Halpern said that, while it is necessary to respect the institutions of foreign nations, where Americans serve, "it is equally necessary that the United States safeguard its own fundamental concepts." He told Gen. Taylor that he has a reliable report "that the American-operated Air Force radio station for personnel at Wheelus Base has specifically disallowed any public reference to Judaism or Jewish thought."

He said that "some of the Jewish personnel and their families feel a subtle intimidation, understandable with respect to the Libyan climate, but inexcusable when perpetrated or abetted by American authorities." He asked Gen. Taylor to report on the religious situation of the Jewish personnel assigned to Libya.

SOUTH AFRICANS PROTEST AGAINST ANTI-SEMITIC SMEARS, CANARDS

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 20: (JTA) -- The South African Jewish Board of Deputies complained today against articles in a publication, called "Antikom," issued by the Interchurch Anti-Communist Committee, affiliated with the Dutch Reformed Church in this country, challenging the "veracity" of a newsletter issued by the group and calling for a retraction. The newsletter had printed old canards, accusing Jews of having organized Bolshevism, stating that Lenin was "a Jew financed by New York Jews," and claiming that "the Jews have no nationality, and seek to destroy the existing order of things for their own ends."

Two members of the Dutch Reformed Church, both prominent in politics, have demanded that leaders of the Afrikaans Church denounce the anti-Semitic smears. They are S. J. Marain Steyn, a leader of the United Party, and Etienne Malan, a member of Parliament representing the United Party.

At the same time, however, an interview in the South African Jewish Times here quoted Dr. D. J. Vorster, actuary of the Dutch Reformed Church, as saying that the offensive publication was solely the responsibility of the committee that issued the newsletter, and not the concern of the Church. Dr. Vorster is a brother of Minister of Justice Balthazar Vorster.

GEORGIA CATHOLIC ORGAN CONDEMNS USE OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN CAMPAIGN

ATLANTA, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- The Georgia Bulletin, official organ of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta, today denounced "purveyors of hate" in the South who are distributing hate literature in the current election campaign and who "openly boast of being Catholic."

The publication said editorially that it was no surprise that some of the anti-Negro racists "are also anti-Jew," but that it was a matter of "disgust" that they boasted of their Catholicism. The Bulletin added that the fact that "a Catholic could promote anti-Semitism has always been a cause of shame for us."

Declaring that "Catholicism is full of Judaism," the publication said that Catholics must respect Jews as individuals and in their faith, and that "our acknowledgment of our adherence of our own beliefs does not give us license for bad faith in relation to others." "Catholics as well as other Christians, have a lot to atone for in relation to our apathy and lethargy concerning the Jews," the periodical declared. "We have done little to honor our birthright or our baptism in this regard."

The editorial continued that "only warped minds" could "hate so much," and added that all Catholics should "work together to eradicate any form of anti-Semitism in our hearts. Hate and prejudice have no place in political campaigns, be they local or national. Catholics, especially, should lead the way and give their fellow-citizens the perfect Christian example--love of neighbor," the editorial concluded.

MRS. ESHKOL HELPS SELL \$3, 000, 000 IN ISRAEL BONDS IN U. S. A.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Bond Organization reported here today that two weeks of appearances by Mrs. Levi Eshkol, wife of Israel's Premier, in five major cities, produced nearly \$3, 000, 000 in Israel bond sales.

Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Israel bond executive vice-president, hailed Mrs. Eshkol's tour, declaring that her participation in launching the fall bond campaigns in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Detroit and Philadelphia "gave decisive stimulation to the Israel bond effort in communities which hold the key to success of our drive" in the United States. The campaign goal is \$85, 000, 000.

Mrs. Eshkol, who arrived in this country on October 8, described to her audiences the human aspects of the growth of Israel. She is scheduled to return to Israel this weekend.

RALPH L. GOLDMAN NAMED CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF ISRAEL EDUCATION FUND

NEW YORK, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- Ralph L. Goldman, for four years director of the department of technical assistance in the office of Israel's former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, and more recently executive vice-president of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation with headquarters in New York, was appointed today as executive director of the United Jewish Appeal's Israel Education Fund.

Announcement of his appointment was made by Joseph Meyerhoff and Charles J. Bensley, respectively chairman of the board and president of the Fund. As the principal executive of the Fund, Mr. Goldman will direct the new UJA project in a five-year capital fund campaign for \$127, 600, 000 on behalf of secondary education in Israel. The fund's projected program includes construction and equipment of 72 high schools, granting of 105, 000 student and teacher-training scholarships and creation of national networks of youth centers, pre-kindergarten schools, libraries and fully equipped science laboratories.

In accepting his new post, Mr. Goldman said: "I consider the broadening of educational opportunities one of the most critical problems facing the people of Israel today. I am hopeful that the Israel Education Fund will be instrumental in helping to make secondary education available to all students in Israel's near future."

Raised in Boston, Mr. Goldman holds an MS degree from Boston University, and studied at Harvard University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and Boston Hebrew College. He served as executive director of the Canton, Ohio, Jewish Community Center and Welfare Fund early in his career.

JEWISH SCIENTIST GIVEN 'EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE' AWARD BY NASA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. (JTA) -- The National Aeronautics and Space Administration today conferred its "Exceptional Service Award" on I. Edward Garrick, of Hampton, Va., chief of the Dynamic Loads Division of the Langley Research Center.

Mr. Garrick, a charter member of the Jewish Community Center of Newport News, Va., received the award for "sustained outstanding contributions" to the aeronautical and space sciences during 34 years of research in the two fields. The citation lauded his "exceptional ability to provide an academic environment and scholarly leadership, resulting in noteworthy contributions in many fields of aerospace technology."