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### LORD RUSSELL LASHES OUT AGAIN AT SOVIET MISTREATMENT OF JEWS

LONDON, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- Lord Bertrand Russell, the British philosopher who has repeatedly spoken out against Soviet discriminations against Russian Jewry, charged today that "conditions of assimilation" were being imposed on the Jews in the Soviet Union "in which they have virtually no choice but submission."

Declaring that he was speaking "as a sincere friend" of the Soviet Union and its "policy of co-existence," Lord Russell made his charge in a letter to Aaron Vergelis, editor of the Sovietische Heimland, the only Yiddish-language publication in the USSR. The letter, dated October 29, was made public here today by Lord Russell. He charged that he had written earlier to the Sovietische Heimland for publication, but that its editor did not publish that letter.

Lord Russell assailed dismissal by Moscow of the expression of concern for Soviet Jews in progressive pro-Soviet and even Communist circles in the West as a "cold war attitude." He also denounced "the ridiculous charge" that the motive for such concern was "the diversion of attention from 'the racist and anti-Semitic orgy rife in some countries across the water.'"

The British philosopher noted that "Communist parties in Italy, France, the United States, Canada, Scandinavia, Australia and elsewhere have publicly criticized anti-Semitic literature in the USSR, discrimination against the Jewish religion and degradation of Jewish culture." He accused Vergelis of "grossly misleading" his readers "if you suppress this important fact and misrepresent honest criticism of the inequality experienced by Soviet Jews."

Lord Russell criticized assertions by the Soviet Yiddish editor that Soviet Jews today "have less of a yearning for Jewish culture than in the twenties and thirties" and that "one cannot artificially expand without rhyme or reason the scope of cultural work done in Yiddish in the Soviet Union."

### Says Stalin's Anti-Jewish Acts Are Not Sufficiently Rectified

"During the personality cult of Stalin, Jewish culture and its leading exponents were assassinated," Lord Russell pointed out; "Restitution since has been quite inadequate. This seems to many of us an unacceptable way of diminishing the yearning for Jewish culture," he stressed.

He noted that "only five or six books in Yiddish have been published in the Soviet Union since 1948, and not one by a living writer." Adding that he was fully aware "of the cultural facilities accorded to Soviet Jews since 1956," Lord Russell said he welcomed them as "some mitigation of the crimes of Stalin committed against the Jewish people."

"But," he added, "they are meager, grudging and inadequate to the needs of a vigorous intellectual community of some 3,000,000 Jews of whom almost half a million speak Yiddish as their mother tongue. Cultural amenities supplied to even the smallest Soviet national and linguistic minorities illustrate the injustice at present imposed on Soviet Jews."

He also expressed concern "that little has been done to reunite survivors of Jewish families broken up by the war and so to terminate their prolonged sufferings."

### Asks for Quick Action to Restore Justice to Soviet Jews

The charge of forced assimilation was made by Lord Russell in reply to a question in an "Open Letter" by Vergelis published in the Moscow Yiddish magazine, asking why the philosopher had not expressed anxiety about the unavailability of Jewish and Yiddish cultural institutions in Britain. Lord Russell retorted that the British Jewish Yearbook of 1964 listed hundreds of Jewish organizations of every kind, scores of institutions and a wide selection of book titles on Jewish history, sociology, politics and philosophy, and that many of the listed institutions "have facilities in both Hebrew and Yiddish."

Lord Russell stressed that "all this exists for a total Jewish population of 450,000 less than the number of Soviet Jews whose mother tongue is Yiddish and about one-sixth of the whole Soviet Jewish community." Moreover, he noted, Jews in Britain "are clearly at

liberty to decide for themselves if they wish to assimilate, what form that assimilation shall take and in what way they shall express their interests as Jews."

He added that, if Jews in the Soviet Union had a comparable choice within the framework of the Society--or if they had opportunities equal to those of other Soviet nationalities--outside interventions would be presumptuous. "Unfortunately they do not," he stressed; "Authority imposes upon them conditions of assimilation in which they have virtually no choice but submission."

Such conditions, he added, require "all of us to explain the need for an enlightened Jewish policy to the Soviet Government;" He recalled that, more than two years ago, he had told Soviet authorities that this situation would do much harm to the reputation of the Soviet Union; This indeed has proved true. It will be unfortunate for both the Soviet Union and the Jewish people if something is not done quickly to accord dignity and injustice to Soviet Jews," he emphasized;

#### GEN. DAYAN INDICATES HE MAY LEAD OPPOSITION AGAINST ESHKOL POLICY

TEL AVIV, Nov. 5: (JTA) -- Moshe Dayan, who resigned yesterday as Agriculture Minister, may lead an opposition group against Premier Levi Eshkol within the Mapai party, evening newspapers predicted today.

That possibility was raised in an address by the former Chief of Staff at a Mapai branch last night in which he said his "non-identity" of views with the Premier was not restricted to state matters; He said he did not see eye-to-eye with the Premier on a variety of issues, ranging from economic to security to foreign affairs; Gen. Dayan will continue as a member of Parliament and as a member of the Mapai Secretariat;

Meanwhile, it was indicated that while Premier Eshkol maintained an optimistic view about future struggles within the party, there were rumors that more resignations might develop among Mapai foes of plans for alignment with the left Ahdut Avodah; Talks have been stalled for several weeks on a complex plan for an independent Ahdut faction in the Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation, as part of an agreement for a joint Mapai-Ahdut slate in the next general elections.

In a related development, a meeting of Mapai leaders in Haifa with former Premier David Ben-Gurion indicated that the former Premier was determined "to get to the end" of the Lavon affair; The former Premier still opposes any invitation to Pinhas Lavon to return to the Mapai leadership and remains totally opposed to the proposal for alignment with Ahdut in its present form;

Mr. Lavon, who was forced out as Israel Defense Minister in 1954 in connection with a disastrous security mishap that year and later from the post of Secretary General of the Histadrut, is deeply involved in the alignment talks. His supporters in Mapai and in the Histadrut insist on his being included on the joint election list for national elections but Premier Eshkol has indicated he has no interest in an all-out fight for such listing;

Mr. Ben-Gurion paved the way for a new inquiry into Lavon's role in the 1954 mishap by presenting what he called new evidence recently to Justice Minister Dov Joseph; Premier Eshkol, who has sought to end the decade-old controversy, has warned against reopening the Lavon case;

In another development more and more Liberal party leaders have been expressing views in favor of alignment with the right-wing Herut against the proposed Mapai-Ahdut alignment; In a number of places, Liberal party members have indicated they will seek to form united lists with Herut in future and municipal elections even if the Liberal party central committee opposes such local joint slates.

#### ISRAEL'S PRIVATE FLOUR MILLS RESUME OPERATIONS; ORDERED BY GOVERNMENT

TEL AVIV, Nov. 5: (JTA) -- Israel's 19 privately owned flour mills, shut down by owners in protest against alleged labor contract violations, resumed operations today under an emergency order issued by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir.

Owners of the mills, which produce 85 percent of Israel's flours, decided to shut the mills when workers at a mill in B'nai Brak started a slowdown for better terms than those being discussed at a national level for a new contract.

The manufacturers told officials of Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation, that they would reopen the mills only when the Histadrut would assure orderly production by all employees in all the mills. Mr. Sapir issued his order to assure flour for Israel. No agreement has yet been reached between workers and mill managements;

#### 18,000 JEWISH TOURISTS REMAINED IN ISRAEL AS PERMANENT SETTLERS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 5: (JTA) -- Almost 18,000 Jews who came to Israel as tourists since statehood have remained as settlers, Government officials reported today. A total of 2,278 tourists settled in Israel last year and almost 1,300 of them received Israeli citizenship; Thirty-seven percent of those settlers last year were from Asia and Africa and the rest from Europe and the United States.

### GERMANY TO AVOID DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, OFFICIAL SAYS

BETH, Nov. 5; (JTA) -- A West German Foreign Ministry official declared in Parliament yesterday that Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's Government has no intention of seeking diplomatic relations with Israel at the present time.

Answering a question, Dr. Karl Carstens, a State Secretary in the Ministry, repeated the Government position that "a sensitive and difficult complex of German foreign policy" barred such relations for the time being.

This was understood to be a reference to fears that if West Germany recognized Israel, the Arab states would retaliate with recognition of Communist East Germany. West Germany, which does not maintain ties with countries recognizing East Germany, would then have to decide whether to sever diplomatic relations with the Arab countries.

### ISRAEL PRESIDENT AND PREMIER CABLE CONGRATULATIONS TO JOHNSON

JERUSALEM, Nov. 5; (JTA) -- President Shazar and Premier Eshkol sent today messages of congratulations to President Johnson on his landslide election victory.

"From Jerusalem, "the City of Peace, our blessings and hopes go out to you," President Shazar said. Premier Eshkol said in his message that President Johnson's "constructive leadership on behalf of peace, freedom and international fraternity has already given the world renewed hope for a better future." Mr. Eshkol also cabled congratulations to Vice President-elect Hubert Humphrey.

### ISRAEL'S FINANCE MINISTER DENIES RUMORS ON DEVALUATION OF CURRENCY

JERUSALEM, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir declared today there was no foundation for rumors of another devaluation of Israel's pound.

"Devaluation will not solve any problems any more than the 1962 devaluation solved any of the problems of Israel's economy," he said. He also reported that the Government was preparing a new economic program aimed at reducing consumption and limiting expenditures on public construction.

### \$10,000,000 EXPANSION PROGRAM FOR BAR-ILAN UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- A \$10,000,000 expansion program is being launched in the United States and other countries for the Bar-Ilan University in Israel, it was announced today at the concluding session of the international conference of the university's board of governors held at the Croydon Hotel here. The announcement was made by Philip Stollman, chairman of the American Committee for Bar-Ilan University.

Mr. Stollman indicated that "this major expansion project will result in the construction of such buildings as a new library, sports center, secondary school, microbiology center, faculty living quarters, new administration complex, and student dormitories. It is expected that this undertaking will be completed in six years."

Mr. Stollman also pointed out that "the expansion project will enable the university to accept a student enrollment of 4,000 in contrast to the current number of 1,500. As a result of the increase in the student body, over 1,000 gifted American students will be afforded an opportunity to study at Bar-Ilan University," he said.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, acting president of Bar-Ilan University, appealed to American professors, educators and scientists to "join the distinguished faculty of the University for one year and to give courses in their subject field such as American civilization, economic theory, modern scientific developments, and the humanities."

### CHURCHILL AGREES TO ACCEPT AWARD OF AMERICAN ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- Sir Winston Churchill has consented to accept the annual Theodor Herzl Award--a gold medallion--of the Zionist Organization of America following his unanimous selection by the organization as recipient of this year's award in tribute to his historic accomplishments both as "an architect of the Jewish State and protagonist of Zionism," it was announced here today by Dr. Max Nussbaum, ZOA president.

In accepting the award, Sir Winston has designated his son Randolph Churchill to come to New York to receive the Herzl Gold Medallion in his behalf. The presentation ceremonies will be held here on December 16. On this occasion Mr. Randolph Churchill will read a personal message from his distinguished father.

### SPAIN TO PERMIT FULLER FREEDOM OF RELIGION TO ALL DENOMINATIONS

NEW YORK, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- The Spanish Minister of Information and Tourism stated to the American Jewish Committee that his government will soon pass a statute guaranteeing fuller freedom of religious practice for all denominations in Spain. Manuel Fraga Iribarne, the Spanish cabinet officer, met here this week with Morris B. Abram, president of the Committee, and other Committee officers to discuss human relations matters particularly regarding the situation of Jews in Spain and questions of religious liberty.

### CHILEAN PRIMATE SAYS VATICAN MUST ABSOLVE JEWS OF DEICIDE CHARGE

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- The Ecumenical Council sitting in the Vatican must adopt a declaration "clearly absolving the Jewish people" of the charge of deicide, Raul Cardinal Silva, Chile's topmost Catholic primate, declared here today upon his return from Rome.

"The Church," he said, "must declare clearly that absolution of the Jewish people from the charge of deicide is not a political matter; with or without reason, many Jews have believed that part of the cause for their persecution and for the painful sufferings of their people is from the disgrace suffered by them due to the charge of deicide. We want to rub out this charge as an act of mercy and love to these people. We must remember that many of Christianity's leaders were themselves Jews."

### \$1,579,450 BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1965 BY NATIONAL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD

NEW YORK, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- A 1965 budget for the National Jewish Welfare Board totaling \$1,579,450 was adopted by the JWB board of directors at its fall meeting this week, it was announced here today. The JWB is the national association of YM-YWHA's and Jewish Community Centers, and is the government-authorized agency for religions, morale and welfare services to Jewish men and women in the U.S. Armed Forces, their dependents and hospitalized veterans.

The JWB's expenditures projected for next year show a net increase of \$22,775 over anticipated expenditures for 1964. The budget was presented to the Board by Jacob Goodstein, Newark, chairman of the JWB Budget and Finance Committee. In setting the figure of \$1,579,450, the committee balanced priorities in the program plans of each of JWB's service units against anticipated income from all sources.

### U.S. HONORS ORT STAFF AT MALI FOR AID TO THE WEST AFRICAN COUNTRY

NEW YORK, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- The staff of ORT at Bamako, Mali, has received the United States Meritorious Honor Award for its technical assistance in the West African country under a contract from Agency for International Development, it was reported here today.

The award was given to the ORT staff at Bamako by the United States Ambassador there, G.E. Handly, citing the group for "unusual effectiveness and unusual initiative despite handicaps" in the conduct of the country's first science center and advanced technical school.

Along with the citation, Ambassador Handly informed ORT that it has had its AID contract renewed until 1967 by the agency, which has its headquarters in Washington. ORT's Bamako school has graduated 16 future instructors who, under the renewed contract, will now be sent to the Central Ort Institute in Switzerland for further advanced training.

At the Swiss school conducted by CRT, the students from Mali will be joined by others trained by CRT at Conakry, Guinea, also under an AID contract. Both African CRT projects are now in their third year. The Mali and Guinea courses conducted by CRT are training instructors in refrigeration, diesel engines, electrical mechanics, secretarial skills and drafting.

### ISRAEL DELAYS PERMISSION TO MANUFACTURE ORAL CONTRACEPTIVE PILL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- Health officials intimated today that delays in permitting manufacture of an oral contraceptive pill stemmed from considerations of a social and moral nature and from the Government's policy of encouraging large families.

A local drug company said the delay was endangering possibilities of establishing an export trade in such contraceptives. The company said it had already received large orders for the pill from a number of Far Eastern countries.

### JEWISH PEOPLE'S SCHOOL OF MONTREAL CELEBRATES FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

MONTREAL, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- Jewish and general community leaders and educators participated here in a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Jewish People's School of Montreal. Among the participants were representatives of the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal and the Montreal Catholic School Commission. Featuring the celebration was an exhibit depicting the school's activities over the last half-century.

### MRS. ROSE BENDER, HADASSAH LEADER, DIES IN PHILADELPHIA; WAS 69

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 5. (JTA) -- Mrs. Rose I. Bender, a former national official of Hadassah who was active in a wide range of Zionist and Jewish causes, died yesterday. She was 69.

She had been president of the Hadassah Philadelphia chapter and national chairman of Hadassah for fund-raising. She was a delegate to World Zionist Congresses in 1939 and 1943, and also executive director of the Philadelphia Zionist Organization of the Philadelphia chapter of the American Technion Society.