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U. N. SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS ON SYRIAN-ISRAEL BORDER CLASHES

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 16: (JTA) -- Israel today sharply accused Syria at a meeting of the Security Council here of deliberately planning an "act of provocation" by attacking three Israeli villages on the northern frontier last Friday and alleged that Friday's "sinister" attacks "suggest that there were forces in Syria bent on stirring up trouble in the broad context of Arab affairs."

It requested that the Council insist that Syria refrain "from all further attacks upon or interference with Israel activities in the border zone, and in particular, all firing across the border" as well as "from all further threats against the political independence and territorial integrity of Israel."

The charges against Syria and the request for stern action against repetition of attacks like those that occurred last Friday and "hundreds" of others were voiced by Israel Ambassador Michael Comay before a crowded emergency session of the Council this afternoon when the 11-member body met to consider charges and counter-charges of aggression by Syria and Israel.

Immediately after Adlai E. Stevenson, chairman of the United States delegation and this month's Council, convened the meeting Secretary General U Thant made the following statement:

"I wish to inform the Council at the outset of this discussion that, as a matter of course, I have asked the Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, Lt. General Odd Bull, to submit to me a full factual report on this recent and unfortunate outbreak of fighting between Israel and Syria, which will be as thorough and accurate as General Bull and his observers can make it on the basis of the investigation they are conducting."

"I have received some information already but it is preliminary and fragmentary, and I feel that it should not be submitted until the investigation is concluded and the full report has been received. I will, naturally, submit the report to the Security Council as quickly as possible, which should be available shortly."

Rafik Asha, Syria's permanent representative here, was the first of the disputants on the speakers list, accusing Israel in a lengthy, emotion-packed speech of having initiated the last weekend's hostilities "by wanton aggression against my country." He charged that Israel's use of airpower, which Israel insists was purely a defensive measure, had constituted a "carefully planned and premeditated, treacherous and savage aerial bombardment."

Contrary to Israel's assertion that Israel's air strike did not take place until Syria had refused to accept a cease fire arrangement made by UNTSC, Mr. Asha claimed that Israeli planes had attacked not gun emplacements but "three peaceful villages in addition to our defensive positions." As a result, he said, the Syrian losses were seven dead and 26 injured.

Ambassador Comay Presents Details to Security Council

In his calm presentation of the facts to the Security Council, Mr. Comay told the body that Syria has been violating the United Nation's Charter and the 1949 Syrian-Israeli armistice agreement consistently and repeatedly for the last 15 years. He told the Council that only ten days prior to last Friday's fighting a party of Israeli workmen repairing the road on the Syrian border where Friday's attack had occurred "were fired at from the Syrian side and were rescued only after a sharp exchange of fire in which two Syrian tanks joined."

Mr. Comay said that as a result of that attack Israel had complained to the Mixed Armistice Commission "and the investigation showed that the Syrian charge of encroachment across the border was unsubstantiated." Asserting that the roadway where an Israeli patrol was attacked by Syria last Friday "is wholly on the Israel side of the border," Mr. Comay declared "the Syrian story that the Israel patrol launched a suicidal attack against their position is too absurd for serious attention."

The Israel ambassador told the Council that he has learned that three Israeli villages and not two had been attacked by the Syrians. In addition to bombarding Kibbutz Dan and

Shear Yashuv the Syrians had also attacked the Kibbutz of Dafna. "Here too," he said, "extensive damage was inflicted to the buildings, orchards and crops."

He expressed an assumption that fuller particulars about the Syrian bombardment will be contained in the forthcoming United Nations investigation report. He circulated to the members of the Council a map showing the relative positions of the Syrian gun emplacements on the heights overlooking the border and the Israeli villages below those hills.

"What I wish to stress," Mr. Comay said, "is that these villages contain peaceful civilian communities, not involved in the initial attack or the response to it. The heavy and accurate shell fire poured onto the villages had no military reason. This action ranks among the most brutal and large-scale onslaughts on the population which even this unhappy border has seen. If the inhabitants had not immediately taken shelter, and if the Syrian guns had not been silenced, the casualties and destruction would have been far greater than they actually were."

"Israel planes went into action as a last resort, after the shelling of the villages had continued for 45 minutes, and after an appeal by the United Nations representatives for a cease-fire had been accepted on the Israel side but ignored by the Syrians. No other effective means was available in the area by which the shelling could have been halted. The sole purpose of this air strike was to suppress gun positions which were operating at the time against our population and territory. That purpose was achieved, and the cease-fire was accepted and came into operation immediately afterwards. My government accepts full responsibility for this defensive measure. It was left with no alternative course of action, in discharge of its obligation to defend the state against attack."

Council Recesses to Await Full Report from General Bull

After some further but brief attacks against Israel by Mr. Asha and by Dey Ould Sidi Baba, of Morocco, who is a member of the Council, Mr. Stevenson recessed the meeting pending the receipt of a full report on the Syrian Israeli situation from General Bull. Mr. Stevenson said he would consult the other members of the Council about the date and time for the next session after Mr. Thant informs him of the receipt of the Bull report.

Mr. Comay had asked Mr. Asha pointedly a series of questions about Syria's intentions regarding its desires for war or peace. He challenged the Syrian to tell the Council "right here and now" whether Syria intends to honor its 1949 armistice agreement or "at least that his government is prepared to renounce the use of force as a means of resolving conflict." Although Mr. Asha took the floor again after Mr. Comay had spoken, he failed to answer these pointed questions."

Ambassador Harman Confers in State Department on Syrian Clash

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman said today after a lengthy talk with Harlan Cleveland, Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, that Israel was confident the Security Council will ask Syria to obey its obligations under the Armistice Agreement.

Mr. Harman emphasized to the State Department that Israel's action was purely defensive to silence points from which shells were being fired. Mr. Harman cited the escalation of Syrian firing and termed it "very serious" because of the pattern of escalation which began with firing at a patrol and ended with shelling of other targets including two villages. The Ambassador made a thorough review of events which took place. He was accompanied by Mordechai Gazit, Minister at the Israel Embassy.

DECLARATION ON JEWS MAY BE DISTRIBUTED TODAY AT ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

ROME, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- The Vatican document on the attitude of the Catholic Church towards the Jewish people will definitely make it clear that Jesus died for the sins of all mankind and the Jews of his time, or of any time later, are not to be blamed for his crucifixion, it was learned here today. The draft of the document--to be titled "Declaration on the Relations of Catholics to non-Christian Religions"--may be presented tomorrow to the more than 2,500 prelates attending the Ecumenical Council which will have to vote on it.

The drafted document reaffirms that Christianity's roots are in the words of the patriarchs and prophets of the Old Testament and that Jesus, Mary and the Apostles were all of Abraham's stock. The document also stresses the brotherhood of men and exhorts all Christians to reject anti-Semitism.

Members of the Secretariat for Christian Unity, which prepared the document, today doubted whether the final vote on the document will be taken by the Ecumenical Council before Saturday, when the Council's session ends. They said that while preliminary voting on the declaration may take place this week, it would be impossible to do the editing and printing involved in amendments in time to bring it to a final vote on Saturday. The next session of the Ecumenical Council is scheduled to convene in 1965.

BEN-GURION RESIGNS FROM MAPAI CENTRAL COMMITTEE; OBJECTS TO DECISIONS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 15; (JTA) -- Former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion resigned last night from the Mapai Central Committee after that body voted to approve Premier Levi Eshkol's proposal for an alignment with Ahdut Ha'avodah and decided to shelve, for the duration of the next Knesset term, Ben-Gurion's proposal for electoral reform;

Mr. Ben-Gurion had long sought to change Israel's electoral system of proportional representation in favor of a district constituency system similar to that in use in Britain or the United States. The former Premier favored such an electoral change in the hope that it would lead to a two-party system.

The Central Committee vote of 182 to 8 with 25 abstentions in favor of alignment by Mapai with Ahdut Ha'avodah now opens the way for the two parties to present a joint list of candidates for the forthcoming elections to the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, as well as in municipal balloting and elections to the Histadrut, Israel's labor federation. In the latter case, however, the Mapai negotiating committee was instructed to secure a working majority for Mapai in the Histadrut.

An attempt by Housing and Development Minister Yosef Almogi to secure the adoption of a resolution that the question of electoral reform would be referred to a party convention, failed by a vote of 109 to 51 with 18 abstentions.

This morning, Reuven Barkatt, Mapai secretary, expressed the hope that Mr. Ben-Gurion would reconsider his decision to quit the Mapai Central Committee. Mr. Ben-Gurion was reportedly preparing today an appeal to the party convention against last night's action by the Central Committee. In announcing his resignation, the former Premier claimed that the Central Committee was not empowered to change a decision by a party convention to include electoral reform in its platform for the next Knesset elections. Mr. Barkatt, however, maintained that the Committee had not changed a fundamental position, but had only suspended one plank of the platform for one Knesset term.

During the seven-hour meeting in which 20 members of the Committee spoke, Mr. Ben-Gurion called for full disclosure of all details of the alignment agreement. Premier Eshkol, however, read only excerpts from it.

SURGICAL NURSES STRIKE IN TWO ISRAELI HOSPITALS; POST OFFICE STRIKE ENDS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- Surgical nurses in the Beilinson and Meir hospitals of the Kupat Holim Histadrut sick fund extended what had started out as a one-day strike today and remained off duty in efforts to seek higher salaries than those agreed upon by the Nurses Union. The nurses, however, remained near their operating room posts in order to be available for any urgent operations.

Also out on strike today were the members of the Kol Israel "pops" orchestra whose members are only part-time employees of the radio network.

The Jerusalem post office was back in operation today after telephone and telegraph communications workers returned to work this weekend. The stoppage last week had halted all telephone and telegraph communications between Jerusalem and other parts of Israel and abroad. The workers were promised a speedy review of their salary levels.

TRIAL OF EICHMANN'S AIDE OPENED IN VIENNA; SENT JEWS TO DEATH CAMPS

VIENNA, Nov. 15; (JTA) -- Franz Novak, the former SS officer who aided Adolf Eichmann in the annihilation of 6,000,000 European Jews, went on trial here today for his war crimes.

In a 70-page indictment, Novak was accused of cooperating with Eichmann in the "final solution" of the Jewish question. The prosecutor charged that Novak was guilty of "active murder" when he provided transportation for millions of Jewish men, women and children who later perished in Hitler's gas chambers. He was accused of having issued more than 1,000 orders for the transportation of Jewish victims.

Novak, who served as Eichmann's transport officer in the Second World War, disappeared after the war and worked under a false name as an agricultural laborer and later in several printing shops. He was arrested in a Vienna printing shop in 1951.

Seventeen witnesses from the United States, West Germany and Hungary are expected to testify during the trial which is to last more than four weeks. Two men from Israel have already given statements in preparation for the trial.

ANTI-JEWISH SLOGANS DAUBED ON BUILDINGS IN ENGLISH TOWN; POLICE ACT

LONDON, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- Swastikas and anti-Jewish and anti-Negro slogans were found today daubed on the walls of several buildings including a Catholic school in the town of Warwick. Police are questioning four men in connection with the incident.

B'NAI B'RITH SURVEYS SENTIMENTS OF JEWISH YOUTHS ENTERING COLLEGE

NEW YORK, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- Fifty-five percent of Jewish boys and girls in this country who intend to go to college would be influenced in their choice of a college by the number of Jewish students and programs in such a school, a survey sponsored by the B'nai B'rith Vocational Service revealed here today;

The survey, conducted among 6,600 Jewish youngsters affiliated with the B'nai B'rith Vocational Service, also showed that 71 percent of those who planned to go to college gave as their prime motive the desire to train for a future occupation. Engineering was the top major choice for boys, with medicine, business and law following in that order, while 30 percent of the girls planned to go into education. Approximately 75 percent of both boys and girls were interested in professional careers. In many instances, the occupational choices differed "considerably" from the occupations of the parents;

The data also showed that 84 percent of the fathers were high school graduates, and 34 percent were college graduates. The educational level ratio in both instances was shown to be higher than among parents of college-bound youths in the general American population. Most of the fathers were in white-collar occupations, 21 percent of them being professionals;

One-third of the mothers held jobs, the survey showed. Seventy-one percent of the students planning to go to college said financing would involve sacrifices by the parents. Nearly all expected to work during summer vacations, and 25 percent already held summer jobs. Most of the parents, 86 percent, were shown in the survey to be members of synagogues or temples. The youngsters showed strong ties to the Jewish community. Two-thirds said they would be willing to work for a year in Israel after completing their college education;

ARGENTINE PRESIDENT RECEIVES DELEGATION OF JEWISH NEWSPAPER

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- President Arturo Illia today received a delegation of Jewish journalists of El Diario Israelita, a Yiddish-language daily, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

The delegation was headed by Mrs. Catalina Stoliar, publisher, and Jacob Glaser, editor of the newspaper and was accompanied by Gregorio Fainguersch, president of the Buenos Aires Kehilla. President Illia said that the creation of the newspaper 50 years ago proved that Jews had come to Argentina to establish themselves "firmly and creatively." He stressed that Jews have the "grace of loyalty" to the countries where they live;

All Argentine newspapers, both general and Jewish, highlighted the anniversary and congratulations poured into the offices of the Yiddish newspaper.

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR INSTITUTE IN ISRAEL

WALTHAM, Mass., Nov. 16; (JTA) -- Brandeis University today announced plans for its fifth annual Jacob Hiatt Institute in Israel, a six-month foreign study program in the liberal arts for junior and senior year college students. The Institute, made possible with the cooperation of the U.S. Department of State, will begin in July 1965, and conclude the following December.

Dr. Howard M. Sachar, Institute director, stated that applications should be made to Brandeis on or before March. The Institute concentrates on the study of Israel's political, social and historical institutions and is under the direct supervision of the Brandeis faculty. It has no formal affiliation with colleges or universities in Israel.

Students, who live in a pension in Jerusalem, are taught jointly by Brandeis faculty members and Israeli faculty with American training. Courses, except for the summer language study of Hebrew, are taught in English. Classes and seminars are supplemented by field trips to farm settlements, industrial areas, desert drilling stations and port areas. After completing course study and travel in Israel, students will spend several weeks in Europe before returning home in mid-January.

The Hiatt Institute is open to all students who have completed a minimum of four semesters' work in an accredited college or university, and who will have attained junior or senior status by June 1965. A total of 25 students, 13 from Brandeis and 12 from nine other institutions, are currently taking part in the 1964 Hiatt program.

CREATION OF HEBREW CHAIR AT LENINGRAD UNIVERSITY SUGGESTED IN RUSSIA

LONDON, Nov. 16; (JTA) -- The Congress of Orientalists in Leningrad approved a resolution asking for the creation of a Chair of Hebrew Language at Leningrad University, it was reported here today from Moscow. Currently, according to the report, Hebrew instruction is part of the faculty for the science of Asiatic peoples but there is no Hebrew Chair;