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GERMAN CHANCELLOR OFFERS FULL DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION TO ISRAEL

BONN, March 7. (JTA) -- Chancellor Ludwig Erhard, in an official statement issued to the press announced today that the West German Government is ready to establish diplomatic relations with Israel and to compensate Israel for the rest of the promised arms aid which was set off after a protest from Egypt. The statement also said that the Bonn Government will stop all economic aid and further credits to Egypt.

The statement emphasized that the West German Government rejects any kind of intervention in her affairs, and particularly in her relationship with Israel. At the same time it pointed out that the granting of diplomatic recognition to Israel is not directed against any of the Arab states. The Chancellor's statement stressed that President Nasser of Egypt has jeopardized the traditional German-Arab friendship and that the state visit made by Premier Ulbricht of Communist East Germany to Egypt, at Nasser's invitation, is bound to influence this friendship.

The chancellor's statement was read at an extraordinary press conference by State Secretary Karl-Gunther von Hase who declared that the Chancellor, empowered by the Federal Republic's constitution, has spelled out his Government's foreign policy, as well as his own position. The statement made it clear that the policy has been formulated after consultation with Germany's principal allies--the United States, France and Britain. It noted that all of Germany's political parties represented in the Bonn Parliament have been informed of the policy statement.

(Official circles in Jerusalem told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that the statement by Chancellor Erhard is a "surprise," in view of the Bonn Government's position of the last week. Observers in Jerusalem wondered today whether Dr. Erhard's mention of fulfilling his Government's arms aid agreement with Israel meant that he was now ready to carry out the Israeli-German pact and will resume Germany's arms deliveries upon which Israel insists.)

A summary of Chancellor Erhard's statement, as issued, follows:

"The Federal Republic has investigated the Middle East situation thoroughly in several conferences dedicated to this subject. The heads of all parties represented in the Bundestag were informed. The United States, Britain and France were consulted because of their particular responsibility toward Germany as a whole.

Says Nasser Opens Path for Communist Incursion into Arab World

"The Federal Government states that, through the Ulbricht invitation and his visit to Egypt and his reception, which is a provocation to any German, the political relations between Egypt and the Federal Republic have been put in heaviest jeopardy. After Ulbricht's visit, all Arab states must know that President Nasser's policy is bound to disturb or even to destroy the long-proven and traditional, friendly policy existing between Germany and the Arab world as a whole. The Federal Government deplored this development caused by President Nasser, which opens an increasingly free path to Communist incursion into the Arab zone.

"The German people on both sides of the demarcation line expects that its vital interests should be safeguarded, and Ulbricht is the representative of a Communist minority which is able to keep millions of Germans behind walls and barbed wire, only due to the intervention of a foreign power. This fact is not unknown to Egypt, yet she has accepted this injustice in the face of all peoples who have arrived at their independence due to the right of self-determination.

"There is only one German people. The Government of the Federal Republic is the sole representative of all Germans, and all of Germany's allies have supported this principle. Our relations with 97 sovereign nations which do not maintain any relations with the Soviet zone of Germany are a convincing proof of this assertion. After very careful consideration of the problems as a whole, and through weighing all possible developments, even those outside of the immediate interests of Germany in the Middle East, the Chancellor has decided:

"1) The invitation of Ulbricht by Egypt has been countered by the Federal Republic by the stopping of economic aid. This means that the Federal Republic will not

participate in Egypt's second five-year plan. The Federal Government will not grant to Egypt any further capital aid, and refuses to grant Egypt any delays in the payment of Government-guaranteed debts due for long-period credits. Running obligations will be reconsidered, of course in accordance with international law.

"2) That part of the German people living in the Soviet Zone has been deprived of the self-evident right to self-determination. The justification of this rule by force will be considered by the Federal Government of Germany an unfriendly act and countered in each case by appropriate measures.

Says Diplomatic Relations with Israel Will Normalize Conditions

"3) The Federal Republic of Germany wishes to establish diplomatic relations with Israel. This step is bound to normalize conditions. It is not directed against Arab country;

"4) By its decision not to supply arms to areas of tension, and by deciding to compensate for the rest of deliveries pending, in agreement with Israel, the Federal Government has contributed considerably to the evolution of a clear Middle East policy. The Federal Government thinks it necessary to declare in this context that it rejects endeavors to influence its policy in this area particularly as regards its relations with Israel, be it the 'conflict partner' who tries to do so or whoever he may be.

"5) Together with its allies, who have repeatedly asked Germany to be responsible for peace and quiet in the Middle East, the Federal Republic will endeavor through its presence to diminish tensions;"

The Bonn Government and West German industrial circles, meanwhile, started a vigorous campaign to persuade German technicians to quit their jobs in the Egyptian aircraft and rocket industry. In letters and other matter circulated among the hundreds of West Germans working in Egypt, the technicians have been warned against "playing with your life." The campaign is believed to have been triggered by the arrest last week in Cairo of several West German citizens on espionage charges.

LIBERAL PARTY IN ISRAEL SPLIT OVER TALKS WITH HERUT; NEW PARTY FORMED

TEL AVIV, March 7. (JTA) -- Formation of a new political party was announced here tonight by the members of the old Progressive Party who had joined the General Zionists to form the present Liberal Party. The new groups will call itself the Independent Liberal Party.

The decision to form a new grouping was made by the former Progressives at a meeting here, where they objected strenuously to the plans for the merger of the Liberal Party with Herut. The principal speakers at tonight's meeting--Moshe Kol and former Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen --blamed the former General Zionists for causing the new split.

All efforts to mediate the differences over Herut alignment inside the Liberal Party failed. Those seeking to avert the split had proposed that the planned Herut-Liberal merger be postponed until after next November's scheduled general elections.

LOYALTY TO U. S. IS CONSISTENT WITH TIES TO ISRAEL, HUMPHREY STATES

NEW YORK, March 7. (JTA) -- Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey declared here tonight that "unquestioned, unqualified loyalty to this country is wholly consistent with strong spiritual and emotional ties to Israel." Asserting that, "in diversity there can be unity," he lauded the contributions of the Jews to the growth and welfare of the United States. "Jews, like people of all religions and all races, have made their special contribution to the America of yesterday and today," he stated.

Mr. Humphrey was the principal speaker at a convocation, followed by a dinner, celebrating the 20th anniversary of Yeshiva University. At the convocation, he was awarded Yeshiva's honorary degree of doctor of humane letters. (See page 3).

Recalling that he was a retired teacher of a course on social ethics and the teachings of the Prophets, the Vice-President told his audience: "For many years, I have personally believed that the best we have been able to create in this country--the enduring aspects of our accomplishments--the noblest aspects of our aspirations--bears a striking kinship to the vision of the Prophets of ancient Israel. The American tradition and the Hebraic tradition have always agreed, not only on the possibility of building a society which men might call Great, but also on the social and ethnic foundations upon which such a society must rest. To a remarkable degree, that similarity, that common vision, can be traced to the teaching of the Prophets."

The Vice-President enumerated various challenges faced today by the American Jewish community, emphasizing that those challenges are "fateful" to Jewish survival. One of these challenges, he said, is the question: "Can the American Jew continue to 'assimilate' without sacrifice of his faith and tradition or risking an atrophy of those qualities of heart and mind which were the genesis of the distinctive Jewish contribution to the American experience?"

NAZI INVOLVED IN KILLING JEWS IN RIGA FOUND DEAD IN URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO, March 7. (JTA) -- Police officials last night found the body of a dead man believed to be Herbert Cukurs, a suspected Nazi war criminal involved in the killing of 30,000 Jews from the Riga ghetto during World War II.

The police started their investigation here after receiving from the Associated Press Bureau in Bonn, Germany, copy of a letter sent to that office. The letter, carrying a signature "Those Who Can Never Forget," reported that Cukurs had been killed in Montevideo, giving the address of a house in a fashionable suburb here, where the body was found. The man had been shot and his body stuffed into a trunk.

A statement by Commissioner Santana W. Cabria, security chief of the Uruguay police, said the man was apparently the victim of "Jewish revenge," and was believed to have been killed here on February 24, the day he arrived in this country from Sao Paulo Brazil. A note, in English, pinned to the body, gave the details of his crimes against the Jews, Mr. Cabria said. His record was said to have included charges of mass murder of Jews before the Nuremberg War Crimes trials.

The home where the body was found had been rented on February 1, according to Commissioner Cabria, by a man saying he was Waldo Heinz Taussing, of Austria. The latter's whereabouts are not known here.

NEW YORK MAYOR PLEDGES SITES FOR JEWISH MONUMENTS FOR NAZI VICTIMS

NEW YORK, March 7. (JTA) -- New York's Mayor Wagner this weekend assured a delegation representing 34 Jewish organizations that the city will provide an "appropriate site" for the erection of two memorials to the martyrs of the Nazi holocaust and the heroes of the Warsaw Ghetto rebellion.

He made that pledge to the group, headed by Dr. Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress. Previously, the Municipal Art Commission had ruled that neither of the monuments could be erected in Riverside Park, calling one of the designs too tragic and "distressing" to be viewed by the children playing in the park.

Mr. Wagner did not say where the new sites would be, but assured the committee that the location will be one "readily accessible to millions of residents and visitors. Both monuments will be designed by the famous Jewish sculptor, Nathan Rappaport, whose monuments commemorating the 6,000,000 victims of the holocaust have been built in Warsaw and in a number of other cities. Dr. Prinz thanked the Mayor for "his intercession in this matter and for his determination to see to it that a fitting monument in honor of the Jewish victims of Nazism" would be erected in New York.

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES \$29,000,000 BUILDING PLAN; HONORS HUMPHREY

NEW YORK, March 7. (JTA) -- Plans for a \$29,000,000 building program to be started this year for expansion of academic, physical teaching and research facilities of Yeshiva University here were announced tonight by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva. The plans, he said, include a \$5,000,000 central library, a \$15,000,000 science center and a \$5,000,000 classroom and residence facility for the University's Stern College for Women and the Yeshiva's Teachers Institute for Women.

Dr. Belkin announced the plans at a dinner where one of the principal guests of honor was Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey. Earlier, at a special convocation, celebrating Yeshiva's 20th anniversary, Mr. Humphrey was awarded the honorary degree of doctor of humane letters, along with Dr. Donald F. Hornig, professor of chemistry at Princeton University, and Samuel H. Golding, a member of the board of overseers of the university's Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Dr. Hornig is science advisor to President Johnson.

NEW YORK JEWISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE CELEBRATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, March 7. (JTA) -- The Jewish community must build a reservoir of educated adolescents to furnish Jewish intellectuals and leaders for the next generation, Dr. Azriel Eisenberg, executive vice-president of the Jewish Education Committee of New York, declared here today. He spoke at a dinner marking the 25th anniversary of the JEC, which serves more than 700 Jewish schools in the Greater New York area.

"We need the earnest support of the synagogue, the community, the school and the home," he told the 400 Jewish communal leaders and educators at the event. He called the JEC "living proof of a living community" and urged a firm stand against attrition, assimilation, intermarriage and indifference.

In the JEC's 25 years, he said, pupil enrollment in New York Jewish schools had doubled, from 72,492 to 155,517, schools had increased from 576 to 719, parents associations had risen from 40 to 400, school standards had been raised by creation of school accreditation programs, teacher welfare programs had been expanded and the Hebrew teaching profession elevated, modern Hebrew has been fostered in public high schools and colleges and a burgeoning publications program had been developed. Maurice Samuel, noted author and lecturer, was the principal speaker at the dinner.

JEWISH COMMITTEE DELEGATION GOES TO ISRAEL; WILL MEET POPE IN ROME

NEW YORK, March 7, (JTA) -- A delegation of 50 American Jewish Committee leaders from more than 20 cities throughout the country will leave tomorrow on a three-week mission to Israel, Rome and Paris. The delegation is slated to have an audience with Pope Paul at the Vatican on March 24.

Major focus of the program will be Israel where the delegation will spend thirteen days. Through the Committee's Israel office in Tel Aviv, conferences and briefings will be arranged with top Israeli officials and leaders in cultural and related fields. A special feature of the program will be a number of small workshops which will bring together members of the delegation with prominent Israelis in similar occupations to exchange views and information on human relations and other problems. "

Co-chairman of the delegation, the first of its kind for the American Jewish Committee, are: Richard Maass, of White Plains, a vice-president of the Committee and Gerard Weinstock, of Scarsdale, a member of the Committee's executive board. They announced that the mission's program has been organized to fulfill two major purposes: to provide a group of younger community leaders with direct experience of the committee's overseas program; and to help develop human relations projects in the areas visited. At the same time, members of the delegation are expected to serve in their home cities as sources of interpretation and information on the Committee's diverse human relations program abroad.

PRESIDENTS OF J. N. F. COUNCILS IN U. S. HOLD TWO-DAY PARLEY IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, March 7, (JTA) -- Presidents of Jewish National Fund Councils from all parts of the nation held a two-day conference here to map plans to redouble JNF income for the next four years. The conference, convened by Max Bresler, JNF president, unanimously adopted a resolution, in response to a message from the JNF headquarters in Jerusalem, reading in part as follows:

"Cognizant of the additional financial obligations assumed by the Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael, we solemnly affirm our determination to come to the aid of the State of Israel, by redoubling the contribution of American Jews through the Jewish National Fund, to the end that the financial assistance be commensurate with the urgency of this crucial moment in the development of the Jewish Homeland."

RED MOGEN DOVID HONORS HUMPHREY; DEDICATES BLOODMOBILE IN HIS NAME

NEW YORK, March 7, (JTA) -- A new bloodmobile, first of a fleet destined for Magen David Adom, the Israel Red Cross Service, was dedicated today in honor of Vice-President and Mrs. Hubert H. Humphrey in Dag Hammarskjold Plaza here. The vehicle was presented by the Women's Division of American Red Mogen Dovid for Israel, the supply and support wing of Magen David Adom.

The Vice-President, who was introduced by Congressman Emanuel Celler, national chairman of American Red Mogen Dovid, paid warm tribute to the work of the Israeli national ambulance and First-Aid service. The bloodmobile and three ambulances are to be shipped to Israel this week.

MRS. MEYER NAMED RECIPIENT OF 1965 N. C. C. J. NATIONAL BROTHERHOOD AWARD

WASHINGTON, March 7, (JTA) -- Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer, a prominent leader in the fields of education and the arts and widow of Eugene Meyer, former chairman of the board of the Washington Post, was today named the recipient of the 1965 National Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The award will be presented by Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz at a dinner on Wednesday which will also be addressed by Adlai E. Stevenson, U. S. representative at the United Nations. Mrs. Meyer, who is chairman of the National Committee for the Support of the Public Schools, is being honored by the NCCJ for "her numerous contributions to the nation and to all communities in which she has lived."

JEWS IN ENGLAND MOURN DEATH OF LORD MORRISON; WAS FRIEND OF ZIONISM

LONDON, March 7, (JTA) -- Jews throughout England today joined the nation in mourning the death of Lord Morrison of Lambeth - better known as Herbert Morrison until he was knighted in 1955 - who passed away yesterday at the age of 77. He was a life-long and ardent friend of Zionism who had held many high offices in Britain, ranging from Home Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary.

A leading member of the Labor Party, he fought tenaciously against the British White Paper promulgated in 1939 in an effort to halt Jewish immigration into Palestine, and often acted as one of the foremost British spokesmen on behalf of Zionism. He visited Palestine several times and fought inside the postwar Labor Government for a more liberal policy regarding the Jewish settlement in Palestine. When he went to the House of Lords in 1955, he continued openly to show his friendship to Israel.