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## KNESSET APPROVES ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GERMANY

JERUSALEM, March 16. (JTA) -- Israel's Parliament approved today the offer by West Germany of full diplomatic relations. The vote was 66 for, 29 against and 10 abstentions. Voting against the motion were the members of Herut, Mapam and the Communist Party. The abstentions came from Ahdut Avoda and the Agudat Israel parties.

The Parliament took the historic vote after Premier Levi Eshkol presented the decision of the Cabinet for establishment of such relations. Describing the issue as "no routine matter," the Premier said that "in the balance of the struggle between emotion and reason, the need to strengthen and consolidate Israel must tilt the scale."

He told the Parliament that "the account of conscience and history emerging from the Nazi holocaust lies far beyond the limits of any political act, but even that account--unparalleled ingenuity--cannot exempt us from the duty to carry out the central decisive task--to consolidate the State of Israel."

The Premier noted the series of disagreements existing between the two countries. He said that even as Israel was engaged in "grave debate" over the presence of West German scientists in Egypt, working on advanced weapons for the Nasser regime, it was "shocked" by the West German Government's decision to halt fulfillment of an obligation it had undertaken regarding various security matters. This was a reference to Bonn's decision last month to halt the final portion of a multi-million dollar arms shipment to Israel under Egyptian threats to recognize Communist East Germany.

The Premier said that the Jewish people's tragedy in the Nazi era "lends particular gravity to any German act of commission or omission which might injure the position or feelings of Israel or the Jewish people." Hence, he said, while Israel had acted vigorously over its differences with Bonn policies in the Middle East it had not at the same time given up hope of seeing Germany lay new foundations for its relations with Israel and the Jewish people.

He added that the Israeli dialogue with West Germany was not conducted in a vacuum but was subjected to the influence of international factors, particularly considerations originating in the Middle East. He emphasized that in the past, West Germany had allowed Arab pressure to influence its attitude concerning diplomatic relations with Israel. For this reason, he said, Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's proposal stemmed from dual motives. He said it was a weighty political proposal which, in view of the circumstances, was highly significant and an example of resistance to Arab blackmail.

## GERMAN CHANCELLOR SAYS RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL WAS RIGHT ANSWER TO NASSER

BONN, March 16. (JTA) -- West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard declared today that his Government had weighed fully its decision to offer diplomatic recognition to Israel and that this had been the right answer to the "crisis provoked by the Egyptian Chief of State," President Nasser.

The Chancellor reported on the tumultuous Middle East situation at a meeting of the Christian Democratic faction in the Bundestag, the West German Parliament lower house. The party members met to discuss the burning of the West German Embassy in Baghdad as a protest against the West German decision to recognize Israel.

(A mob of 10,000 Arab students attacked and burned part of the West German Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq, today in protest against the impending German exchange of diplomatic relations with Israel. Unconfirmed reports from Tripoli said that several Arab students were killed in anti-German riots in Tripoli, the Libyan capital. There were confirmed reports that a school was burned and several students injured.)

The West German Chancellor criticized "inadequate" security measures for protection of the Embassy in Baghdad and strongly protested the attack. But, he added, West Germany would try to maintain relations with the Arab countries. He noted that previously the Arab countries had considered West German delivery of arms to Israel as the crucial issue and now, suddenly, Bonn's proposed diplomatic ties with Israel had become the main issue.

## STATE DEPT. SEEKS TO PREVENT SENATE ACTION AGAINST ARAB BOYCOTT

WASHINGTON, March 16. (JTA) -- The State Department today made a bold but unsuccessful attempt to prevent Senate action against the Arab boycott by blocking hearings on the Williams-Javits Bill.

The anti-boycott bill's sponsors, Sen. Harrison Williams, New Jersey Democrat, and Sen. Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, were asked by high State Department officials to abandon plans for hearings because President Nasser of Egypt might take offense at testimony on Arab boycott tactics.

The officials were Douglas MacArthur 2nd, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional relations, and Phillips Talbot, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs. They called in person on the two Senators with an urgent appeal that Egypt be spared criticism by the Senate because the American position in Cairo might be weakened.

The Williams-Javits measure would protect American commerce from the Arab boycott practices. It has gained the support of 31 Senators and hearings are expected to be held this spring by the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency.

Both senators rejected the State Department appeal. MacArthur and Talbot warned the Senators that the bill might infuriate Nasser and cause a worsening of the boycott situation. They pointed out that American diplomacy now seeks to improve relations with Cairo--an objective they said would be undermined by the bill.

## JEWISH DELEGATION MEETS WITH SECRETARY RUSK ON MIDDLE EAST ISSUES

WASHINGTON, March 16. (JTA) -- Secretary of State Dean Rusk was told today at an hour-long meeting with American Jewish leaders on recent Middle Eastern developments that "a firm and clear statement by the United States Government and firm and clear action would be the most effective deterrent to aggression."

This was made known after the meeting in which the Jewish delegation voiced concern over events in the Middle East, especially Arab plans to block Israel's water sources and the military imbalance caused by the continued flow of Soviet arms to Egypt.

The group was headed by Dr. Joachim Prinz, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. Included were Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, chairman of the America-Israel Public Affairs Committee; Mrs. Rose Halprin, chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel--American Section; George Maislen, president of the United Synagogue of America; Mrs. Joseph Willen, president of the National Council of Jewish Women, and Yehuda Hellman, executive director of the Conference of Presidents.

Rabbi Prinz said his group was not at liberty to make known Mr. Rusk's response but felt the Secretary had given careful attention to the points raised. Among the subjects covered were "problems arising from Nasser's blackmail" including boycott measures affecting American commerce. Rabbi Prinz said it was not enough for the United States merely to condemn the Arab boycott. He thought concrete steps against it, such as the pending Williams-Javits anti-boycott bill were needed. He urged support of this measure.

Emphasis was placed on the rising danger from the Arab water diversion threat and the regional arms imbalance. Rabbi Prinz said that a proper arms balance would act as a deterrent to aggression. The issue of continued American aid to Egypt was not raised.

### Johnson Urged to Express U. S. Support of Bonn's Decision on Israel

WASHINGTON, March 16. (JTA) -- President Johnson was today urged by Sen. Jacob Javits, to express American support of West Germany on Bonn's decision to recognize Israel diplomatically despite Arab threats. Sen. Javits depicted such a move as an effective answer to Egyptian President Nasser's "blackmail" tactics.

The New York senator lauded Tunisian leader Habib Bourguiba for his courage in dissenting from Nasser's extreme anti-Israel line. In a Senate speech, Sen. Javits said the German-Israeli rapprochement could serve as a lesson for the Arabs to follow.

## ISRAEL CONFIRMS INSPECTION BY U. S. EXPERTS OF DIMONA ATOMIC REACTOR

JERUSALEM, March 16. (JTA) -- Israeli quarters today confirmed reports that engineers of the United States Atomic Energy Commission had inspected Israel's atomic reactor at Dimona. But the Israelis added that the Government has not promised to permit regular inspections of that facility and will, in the future, consider any such request on its merits. (The reports from Washington in the American press stated that the American AEC engineers had found that Israel is using the reactor for peaceful purposes only.)

The American scientists who visited Dimona had been accompanied by Robert Komer a White House aide, it was revealed today. Mr. Komer was here a week before W. Averell Harriman, President Johnson's ambassador-at-large, had come here to discuss the German question, among other issues. The White House aide returned to the United States with Mr. Harriman.

### KIEV SYNAGOGUE PERMITTED TO BAKE MATZOH, SOVIET AMBASSADOR CLAIMS

JERUSALEM, March 16. (JTA) -- A denial of a report that the Kiev synagogue had been refused permission to bake matzoh for the Passover holiday this month was made by Soviet Ambassador Dimitri Chavakhin today to Chief Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman of Tel Aviv.

The envoy and the Chief Rabbi met during the ambassador's visit to the Heichal Shlomo, the religious center in Jerusalem. Rabbi Unterman said that the envoy had authorized him to say that the report was without foundation. Rabbi Unterman then asked the envoy, in view of his denial of the report, whether it was necessary to send matzoh to Kiev and that the envoy replied "Let them send if they like."

The meeting reportedly was a cordial one. However, when Rabbi Unterman raised questions about some aspects of Soviet Jewry's religious life, an issue widely discussed in the West, the Ambassador said this was a "purely internal matter."

### FORMER NAZI CHIEF IN GALICIA GOES ON TRIAL FOR KILLING 10,000 JEWS

VIENNA, March 16. (JTA) -- The former chief of the "Jewish Department" of Tarnopol, in Galicia, under the Nazi regime, went on trial here today for the murder of 10,000 Jews in the Lublin and Tarnopol districts in 1942 and 1943. The area was then Polish territory.

The defendant is Friedrich Lex, 63. According to the indictment, he personally murdered a number of Jews, and ordered the transport of many thousands of others to the Belzec death camp. Between April 1942 and June 1943, 43,400 Galician Jews were murdered by the Nazis, of whom 40,000 were from the Tarnopol district.

As the trial opened today, Lex admitted to the court that he was present during mass shootings of Jews, but denied he had engaged "in personal activity" in those occurrences. The prosecutor told the court he expects to call 22 witnesses, including 12 from Israel. Only 30 persons were in the court room's visitors' gallery when the trial opened this morning.

### AUSTRIAN CABINET ABOLISHES STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR NAZIS

VIENNA, March 16. (JTA) -- Austria's Cabinet voted today to amend the Criminal Code, providing that no statute of limitations would operate in this country in regard to arrest, prosecution and punishment for capital crimes.

The amendment included specifically "all crimes committed by Nazis between 1938 and 1945," specifying that prosecution for such crimes may be begun any time in the future "without any time limitation."

### GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATS SEEK SPEEDY DECISION ON STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

BONN, March 16. (JTA) -- The opposition Social Democratic Party gave notice today to the Bundestag, lower house of Parliament, that the legislation to extend the statute of limitations on prosecution of Nazi war criminals must be passed finally by the end of next week if the statute is to be extended beyond the present cut-off date of May 8.

Both the Bundestag and the Bundesrat, the upper house, have approved the extension in principle, but are awaiting a draft bill to come from the Bundestag's legal committee. The committee is to spell out the details, either setting a new cut-off date or, possibly, subjecting Nazi war criminals to future prosecution without any limitation as to date.

The Social Democrats noted today that the final bill must be passed on both second and third reading in time for publication in the Government's official gazette, so that the measure would take effect before May 8.

### 57 PERCENT OF GERMANY'S VOTERS WANT END OF PROSECUTION OF NAZIS

BONN, March 16. (JTA) -- A West German polling institute reported today that 57 percent of West Germany's eligible voters want an end to trials of Nazi war criminals.

The Institute fuer Demoskopie said that its nationwide poll had shown also that 32 percent of those over 21 favored continued prosecution and 11 percent had no opinion. Among respondents over 30 years of age, 46 percent said they had heard of Nazi atrocities against the Jews during the war. Six percent did not answer the question and 48 percent said they had learned about such crimes only after the end of the war.

Police announced today the arrest of two men on suspicion that they had written threatening leaflets, decorated with swastikas to all members of the Bundestag, West Germany's lower house of Parliament, who had indicated they favored extension of the statute of limitations on prosecution of Nazi war criminals.

The leaflets were mailed last week shortly before the Bundestag voted in principle for extension of the statute beyond next May 8. The leaflets said the "fuhrer" of the area would kill each deputy who voted for extension.

### SYRIAN ARTILLERY ATTACKS ISRAELIS THREE TIMES; ONE ISRAELI KILLED

JERUSALEM, March 16. (JTA) -- Syrian gun posts across Israel's northern frontier, near the Sea of Galilee, attacked Israeli field workers in the fields near the settlement of Korazim three times today, killing one Israeli and damaging a tractor. Israel returned the fire each time.

The attacks were mounted only 24 hours after United Nations military observers had ruled that the Israeli farmers at work in the fields near Korazim were on Israeli territory, and not, as the Syrians contended, in the demilitarized zone between the two countries.

Syria used recoilless guns, 120-millimeter mortars and machineguns in their attacks, while Israel replied with mortar fire and tank-mounted guns. The victim was fatally wounded in the first of the three attacks.

U.N. military observers arranged a cease-fire after the second of the attacks, but the Syrians violated that arrangement until Israel's guns silenced the Syrian positions. Except for the one Israeli farmer, there were no other casualties on the Israeli side. When the shooting was over, the farmers outside Korazim returned to their work in the fields.

The chairman of the United Nations Syrian-Israel Mixed Armistice Commission upheld today the complaint of Israel that a tractor the Syrians fired on earlier this month was working inside Israeli territory. The findings of the chairman called Syria's attention to the conclusion that the firing "constituted a serious breach of the armistice agreement."

### JORDAN FILES TWO COMPLAINTS AGAINST ISRAEL AT UNITED NATIONS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 16. (JTA) -- Jordan filed two complaints against Israel here today, charging alleged Israeli "dangers" to the "peace and security" of the area. The complaints today continued a fresh Arab campaign of anti-Israeli moves, launched in the Council by Jordan yesterday, when the Amman Government had been welcomed as one of the 11-nation body's new, non-permanent members.

In today's letters, both addressed by Abdel Monem Rifai, Jordan's permanent representative here, to Arsenne Usher, of the Ivory Coast, this month's Council president, Mr. Rifai accused Israel of "aggressions" in the Latrun border area and of endangering peace by planning a military parade in Jerusalem on May 6.

In connection with Latrun, Mr. Rifai charged that Israel violated the 1949 Jordan-Israel agreement in that section, without detailing any specific actions. It was learned here that Jordan aimed at Israel's alleged cultivation of agricultural lands in the demilitarized zone known as the Latrun Area, a section between Lydda and Jerusalem, where both Israel and Jordan have been for years plowing the lands without objections from either side.

Concerning the parade, Mr. Rifai said in a separate letter that his Government had received assurances from Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, the UN Undersecretary for Special Political Affairs, concerning Israel's plans to conduct its annual Independence Day parade this year in Tel Aviv, instead of in Jerusalem. The Jordanian complained, however, that Israel still plans to hold a "symbolic" military parade that day in Jerusalem.

In both letters, Jordan asked only that the contents be circulated to all members of the Security Council, without requesting Council meetings or debates on the issues.

### ISRAEL REQUESTS ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP ON U. N. COMMISSION FOR ASIA

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, March 16. (JTA) -- A letter from Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, requesting that Israel be admitted to full membership in the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, was circulated today to the delegates attending the opening meeting of the Commission's 21st session. The letter was circulated to the 300 delegates from 34 countries by U Nyun, of Burma, executive secretary of ECAFE.

Mrs. Meir stated in her request that Israel is entitled to full membership in ECAFE because, as an Asian state, it is "an integral part of the continental area within which the Commission operates." The Arab states have, thus far, successfully kept Israel from ECAFE membership. She asked that action on Israel's membership be taken at the current session, scheduled to last until March 29.

### TURKEY AND ISRAEL SIGN \$30,000,000 TRADE AGREEMENT IN ISTANBUL

ISTANBUL, March 16. (JTA) -- A \$30,000,000 trade agreement was signed in Ankara today between Turkey and Israel under which Israel will export to Turkey \$13,500,000 in products. That will be \$2,000,000 more in Israeli exports than last year.

The agreement also includes provisions for Israeli investments totaling \$1,500,000. Israel will export phosphates, chemicals, parts and other industrial products and will import mainly farm products from Turkey.

### GERMANY SIGNS PROTOCOL FOR FINAL PAYMENT OF REPARATIONS TO ISRAEL

BCNN, March 16. (JTA) -- Israel will receive 300,000,000 marks, (74,000,000) worth of products during the 1965-66 year of the reparations agreement with West Germany, the last year of the pact signed in 1952, A. Boehr, director-general of the West German Economics Ministry, said today in Cologne.

He gave the figure in announcing that the protocol for the final year had been signed by him in Cologne after Dr. Felix Shinnar, head of the Israel Mission at Cologne, signed it in Jerusalem.

The West German official said that, under the agreement, West Germany was paying reparations totaling 3,000,000,000 marks (\$750,000,000) to Israel, and 450,000,000 marks (\$12,500,000) to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. These reparations payments are separate from individual restitution and indemnification payments made by West Germany to victims and heirs of victims of the Nazi holocaust.

He said that, by the end of the agreement, Israel will have received goods from West Germany, totaling in value 2,400,000,000 marks (\$600,000,000). Of that amount, he said, 1,500,000,000 marks (\$375,000,000) was in the purchase of raw oil.

### PROPERTY OF BRITISH JEWS SEIZED AGAIN IN EGYPT; VALUED IN MILLIONS

LONDON, March 16. (JTA) -- The properties of 150 British residents in Egypt, most of them Jews, have been sequestered again or their businesses nationalized since President Nasser's nationalization law of 1961, the press here reported today from Cairo.

The value of the assets involved was estimated at about 8,000,000 pounds sterling (\$20,400,000). These assets were originally confiscated in 1956 after the Suez action, and technically freed under an Anglo-Egyptian agreement of February 1959. In 1961, the properties were seized again, along with those of many Egyptians.

The total bank deposits and properties affected since 1961 were officially estimated as being worth about 800,000,000 pounds (\$2,040,000,000). Those owners living abroad when some of the assets were technically freed last year will not get anything. The British Embassy has raised the issue with the Egyptian Economy Ministry, and talks are expected to start soon.

### BOSTON COMBINED JEWISH PHILANTHROPIES OPENS \$5,040,000 CAMPAIGN

BOSTON, March 16. (JTA) -- With one-third of its goal already achieved, the Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston officially launched its 1965 Appeal for \$5,040,000 at the campaign opening dinner here.

Campaign chairman Abraham Goodman told the capacity crowd of more than 500 CJP leaders that \$1,850,000 had been pledged in pre-campaign activity. This he said marked a substantial increase over the amount raised at this date last year. Noting that the needs of CJP-supported agencies in Israel and throughout the world continued to mount, he urged all contributors to pledge maximum increases during the next two months of intensive campaigning.

Other speakers, stressing the urgent needs of the 1965 campaign which also marks the celebration of CJP's 70th anniversary as the country's oldest social welfare federation, were Sidney Stoneman, CJP president; Bernard D. Grossman, dinner chairman; and Mrs. Irving A. Sisson, women's division campaign chairman. Mrs. Harry Schpiner was dinner co-chairman.

Featured speaker was Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee. He warned that no minority group in America will be free from bigotry until Negroes have won their rights. He also stressed that "in the Soviet Union, Jews are singled out for special attack. The Jewish group is refused the minimal rights granted to other faiths and Jewish congregations must function in utter isolation," he said.

### FRANK GOLDMAN, FORMER PRESIDENT OF B'NAI B'RITH, DEAD; WAS 74

LOWELL, Mass., March 16. (JTA) -- Frank Goldman, 74, honorary president of B'nai B'rith, died here today at the age of 74. Mr. Goldman was international president of B'nai B'rith from 1947 to 1950, and played an important role in aiding the emergence of Israel and in the reconstruction and resettlement of the European Jewish communities in postwar years.

Mr. Goldman was also vice-chairman of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, a member of the national commission of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League and the board of directors of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, vice-president of the National Jewish Hospital at Denver, a member of the board of governors of the Hebrew University at Jerusalem, a member of the board of overseers of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and a leader in many other Jewish and general civic and philanthropic activities.

### JEWISH CANDIDATES FOR SENATE DEFEATED IN NATIONAL ELECTIONS IN CHILE

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, March 16. (JTA) -- Two Jews who were candidates for the federal senate in last week's national elections were defeated, due partly to a stiff newspaper and radio campaign against them, final tabulations of the balloting, completed today, showed. The losers were Sen. Angel Faivovich, seeking re-election to the Senate, and Rep. Jacobo Schaulson; Both ran on the Radical Party, against President Frei's Christian Democratic Party.

Mr. Faivovich has been for many years Senator and also was president of the party. He was also Vice-President of the Senate. Mr. Schaulson was till now member of the House of Representatives and for more than a year its president. Both Jewish candidates are professors of law at the university here. They are both active in Jewish life in Chile.

### CONVENTION OF AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS WOMEN OPENS IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, March 16. (JTA) -- American women have failed to take a strong enough role in the American civil rights struggle, Mrs. Martin Steinberg, president of the women's division of the American Jewish Congress, today told 600 delegates at the opening session of the group's national biennial convention here.

She said women could do a lot more "in those areas that concern us most--our children, our neighborhoods, our schools where there are great gaps between the promise of equality and the reality of discrimination." She also said her division was deeply concerned by Soviet anti-Semitism and was seeking action on ratifications of the genocide treaty.

### BUILDING OF BALTIMORE'S ASSOCIATED JEWISH CHARITIES FORMALLY OPENED

BALTIMORE, March 16. (JTA) -- More than 1,000 visitors attended the Open House marking the formal opening of the new Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund Social Service Building in northwest Baltimore. The new building, completed at a cost of \$600,000, was built primarily to make services of the Associated Jewish Charities more accessible to clients, according to Harry Greenstein, executive director.

Mr. Greenstein said that during the past 25 years there had been a mass migration from East Baltimore and the city's Madison Avenue area to the northeast part of Baltimore. He added that in addition to the effect of the migration on the accessibility of the former offices, the greater demands on the welfare agencies had made the old quarters inadequate.

The Jewish Family and Children's Services, largest of the AJC social service agencies, occupy most of the main level of the new building. Special features of the Jewish Family and Children's Services include a Family Room, a therapy room and a playroom and nursery.

Five other agencies will occupy the new building, plus the Women's Division of the AJC. The five agencies are the Hebrew Free Loan Association, the Jewish Big Brother League, the Associated Placement and Guidance Bureau, HIAS and the Jewish Armed Services Committee. The airconditioned building also has a conference room and two fully equipped kitchens.

Joseph Meyerhoff, chairman of the Building Committee and former United Jewish Appeal general chairman, Robert D. Meyers, chairman of the Dedication Committee and Mr. Greenstein took part in the ceremony of affixing a mezuzah to the door. Funds for the building were raised through solicitation of a small group of contributors during the administration of Louis B. Kohn II, immediate past president.

### BILLY ROSE'S COLLECTION OF SCULPTURE READY FOR SHIPMENT TO ISRAEL

NEW YORK, March 16. (JTA) -- Showman Billy Rose's collection of 105 pieces of sculpture, which he has donated to the National Museum of Israel in Jerusalem, was packed today for shipment to Israel. The collection, valued at more than \$1,000,000, will be housed in the Billy Rose Art Gardens at the Museum which will be opened May 11.

Mr. Rose, who began his collection about 25 years ago, said he had decided to give it to Israel "because it is hungrier for culture than any other country in the world." He said he also planned to leave to Israel a collection of 20 paintings, if he finds that Israel is interested in 18th century painters, including Gainsborough, Turner, Romney and Reynolds.

### ARAB STUDENTS' EXHIBIT IN LONDON CLOSED; INCLUDED ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA

LONDON, March 16. (JTA) -- An exhibit organized at Liverpool University by 200 members of the University's Arab Students Society was closed today after complaints that the exhibit included anti-Semitic propaganda.