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### OUTLINE OF NEW U. S. POLICY ON MID-EAST EMERGES IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, April 14: (JTA) -- The outlines of a new United States Government policy toward the Middle East emerged here today. The policy is highlighted by a plan to provide limited arms to Israel and four Arab nations, while cautioning Israel to restraint on the Jordan River water issue, and patience until desalination objectives are achieved.

United States officials said Israel has been warned that the U. S. will not tolerate Israeli military actions to prevent blockade of Israel's water sources. These officials said that the most immediate threat of war in the region arises from what they see as Israel's plan to use armed force, if necessary, to prevent Arab diversion of rivers flowing toward the Israel frontier. (These rivers are the headwaters of the Jordan.)

According to the latest American assessment, the Sino-Soviet attempts to penetrate the Middle East region have not achieved their aims, and Egyptian President Nasser is indicating a friendlier response to the United States.

The State Department has found a formula for making a "very limited" response to Israel's arms needs in a way that may prove least offensive to the Arabs. The new policy would withhold major arms but make minor shipments, on a case-by-case basis, to Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, and Iraq, as well as to Israel.

The quantities will be "modest" in all cases. The shipments to Israel will not be on the scale of Soviet military equipment received by Egypt. The reason given is that the national security interests of the United States require the avoidance of a Soviet trap, in which the Russians would like to see America linked with Israel in an arms race, while the Arabs turn to Moscow for arms and training.

The new policy will create a situation in which both the United States and the Soviet Union are supplying the Arabs. It is apparent that the American response to Israel's needs will be exceedingly reluctant, cautious, and probably far below Israel's actual requirements.

### Washington Reported Determined to Shun Open Link to Israel's Security

America is determined not to link itself openly with Israeli security requirements. The arms sent to Israel will be on a piecemeal basis, accompanied by simultaneous shipments to the surrounding Arab states. Experts have advised President Johnson that Israel Premier Levi Eshkol will accept the State Department's formulation in public terms, but will strive behind the scenes to appeal directly to the President.

U. S. officials are privately saying that Israel has no real objection to American arms sales to Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, and Saudi Arabia. According to these officials, Israel is vitally interested in Jordanian internal stability; Lebanon poses no real threat to Israel; Iraq is removed by geography and concerned with other problems; while Saudi Arabia is embroiled with Egypt in the Yemen dispute. Also, it was said here, the Israel Government does not want to see these countries turn to Communist sources for arms.

The State Department is currently hopeful for a stabilization of the region, but is deeply concerned lest Israel undermine present trends by armed action in the water dispute. In this connection, officials have pointed out that the latest studies show that the cost of converting sea water may prove very economical, and that it might be available within five years. President Johnson is depicted as believing that the joint U. S. - Israel desalination program now in progress may solve Israel's water problem. Meanwhile, it is hoped that Israel will display patience and restraint on the water issue despite Arab provocations.

Another new tendency which emerged here concurrently with apprehension over Israeli military moves was a reluctance to reiterate the standing American commitments to support Israel in event of war.

### ISRAEL WINS GERMAN ENVOY'S AGREEMENT ON ARMS, AID, SCIENTISTS

JERUSALEM, April 14: (JTA) -- Full agreement has been reached in talks between West Germany's special emissary and Israeli Government leaders on conditions for establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, it was announced today as the Bonn envoy, Dr. Kurt Birrenbach, left for Germany. Under the agreement, West

Germany has agreed to complete the final part of a shipment of several million dollars' worth of weapons to Israel, but through a third party. The agreement also provides for \$40,000,000 in West German economic aid to Israel annually. It was also reported that the agreement incorporates a solution for the problem of West German scientists and technicians working on advanced weapons systems for President Nasser in Egypt. The West German Embassy will be located in Tel Aviv. Names of ambassadors have not yet been submitted.

The agreement will be presented for ratification to the next session of the West German Cabinet and to Israel, with a joint communique expected within two weeks. The communique, it was understood, will avoid any declaration that West Germany will not send any more arms to Israel, as West Germany had proposed before the talks began. The "third party" formula will enable West Germany to complete shipment of the arms to Israel while still adhering to its stand of not sending arms to "areas of tension."

The agreement on the issue of West German scientists in Egypt provides that, while West Germany will not adopt legislation against the scientists, it will take steps to ensure their return and to keep additional scientists from accepting contracts for such work in Egypt.

#### GOLDA MEIR TALKS WITH SOVIET ENVOY ON MATZOH CHARGE IN IZVESTIA

JERUSALEM, April 14; (JTA) -- A charge by the Soviet Government newspaper, Izvestia, that two Israeli Embassy officials in Moscow engaged in anti-Soviet activities among Soviet Jews was understood to have been raised by Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, when she received Soviet Ambassador Dimitri Chuvalkhin here.

According to Izvestia, Meir Biran and Yosef Govrin visited a synagogue in Odessa, and sought to donate matzoh to the congregation in the belief that matzoh baking was banned by authorities in that city. Izvestia, which called the Israelis "uninvited guests," reported that members of the synagogue told the visitors that the reports were not true and that "we have a special bakery at the synagogue willing to take orders for matzoh."

#### Jews in Lithuania, Uzbekistan Cannot Bake Matzoh; 150,000 Affected

LONDON, April 14; (JTA) -- The Jewish communities in Lithuania which have 50,000 Jews, and in Uzbekistan where 100,000 Jews live, have not been permitted to bake matzoh this year, according to authentic information received here today from the USSR. The Jewish community in Georgia, however, has been permitted to bake matzoh for Passover.

#### TIMES REPORTS ANTI-SEMITISM IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN POLAND NOW

NEW YORK, April 14; (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism has become one of the most serious problems in postwar Poland, a cause of concern among Polish intellectuals who fear it is worsening, the New York Times reported today from Warsaw.

The development has occurred despite the fact that, of the 3,000,000 Jews who lived in prewar Poland, the Nazis left only 30,000 alive and, of these, about 1,000 emigrate annually to other countries. It has occurred also despite the fact that the attitude of the Polish Government toward Jews, Jewish emigration and Israel is considered "scrupulously correct," according to the report.

However, one major element in the ruling Polish Communist Party was reported to be seeking to exploit anti-Semitism to increase that element's influence in the party. That element is the "partisan group," a highly nationalistic faction of younger men considered "hard-line Communists and who are probably the party's most dynamic force," the Times stated, continuing that these Communists are working hard to replace older party officials, many of them Jews, with the stand that party jobs should go to people "with Polish names."

#### SPAIN ENDS SHIP DISPUTE WITH ISRAEL, PERMITS 'FULL' RIGHTS

JERUSALEM, April 14; (JTA) -- An official of the Zim Israel Lines said today that agreement had been reached with Spanish officials to provide full rights for Zim ships at Spanish ports, ending a month-long controversy. Israeli ships were barred last month from all but two Spanish ports in what Israeli sources called a Spanish bid for Arab favor, a charge denied by Spain.

#### ISRAEL ORDERS STRIKING TELEPHONE, CABLE WORKERS BACK TO WORK

JERUSALEM, April 14; (JTA) -- Labor Minister Yigal Allon, in an unprecedented action, cracked down today on Israel's three-day strike of communication workers with an order to the strikers to return to work or face fines or jail terms.

The interurban and international telephone exchange and cable operators walked out Monday in a strike for higher grading under the new Civil Service classification program. Under the emergency regulations, strikers face up to a year's imprisonment for failing to obey return-to-work orders. A spokesman for the strikers said that "we will all go to jail but we will continue striking."

## JUSTICE GOLDBERG URGES U. S. TO CHAMPION U. N. HUMAN RIGHTS PACT

NEW YORK, April 14: (JTA) -- Associate Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg called on the United States tonight to take the lead in international cooperation for the protection of the rights of the individual. He spoke at a dinner meeting of the American Jewish Committee's Appeal for Human Relations at the Hotel Plaza, where the 1965 Herbert H. Lehman Human Relations Award was presented to Joseph Klingenstein. The dinner launched the AJC's 1965 Appeal for Human Relations, a nationwide drive for a total of \$4,700,000.

Justice Goldberg specifically urged the U. S. A. to champion adoption of the Treaty on Human Rights drafted by the United Nations to implement the Declaration of Human Rights. The time is overdue, he said, for adoption of such a treaty, and he added: "We should adopt such a treaty without reservations, for none is needed or justified." Two draft covenants on human rights--one on civil and political rights, the other on economic, social, and cultural rights--are at present before the United Nations General Assembly, where methods of implementation are being discussed.

Justice Goldberg called the recent appointment of Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee, as the U. S. representative to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights "a happy omen of our country's commitment to such a treaty." He said that Mr. Abram's efforts on behalf of human rights here and abroad "are universally known and widely and properly acclaimed."

Mr. Abram, who also spoke at the dinner, explained that he had just returned from the session of the Commission on Human Rights in Geneva which debated a draft international convention outlawing all forms of religious intolerance. "Who would have thought that we would ever see the day when the nations of the world would consider an international law guaranteeing religious freedom," Mr. Abram asked.

### Abram Rejects Communist Appeals for State Meddling in Religion

Mr. Abram explained, though, that a serious area of debate had arisen between the democracies and the Communist coalition over Communist appeals for stronger state controls over the manifestations of religious belief. He did not believe in the superior judgment of the state in this field. "The United States," he declared, "wants no part of the state apparatus controlling individual belief, conviction & adherence to a religion or a belief. We want no repetition of those black days when the state checked into the existence or non-existence of a religious affiliation. No moral state should want this power over conscience and no healthy society needs it."

The presentation to Mr. Klingenstein of the Herbert H. Lehman Award--in the form of a three-inch silver medallion portrait of the late New York Governor, sculptured in bas-relief--was made by Samuel D. Leidesdorf, a previous winner. Mr. Leidesdorf, prominent business executive who has worked in behalf of many educational, civic, and philanthropic groups, was dinner chairman. Saul Horowitz, Jr., was co-chairman.

Mr. Klingenstein served as president of Mount Sinai Hospital from 1956 to 1962, and since that time has been chairman of its board. A long-time leader of the American Jewish Committee, he has endowed, through the AJC, a chair at Columbia University's Department of Social Psychology, known as the Joseph Klingenstein Chair in Inter-group Relations.

## U. N. RIGHTS GROUP ELECTS ISRAELI JUDGE, REPLACING AN EGYPTIAN

GENEVA, April 14. (JTA) -- Zeev V. Zeltner, relieving president of the Israel district court at Tel Aviv, was elected by the United Nations Human Rights Commission here today to membership on the Commission's 14-member Subcommittee on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities. He succeeds one of the Arab members of the Subcommittee, Mohammed Awad, of Egypt, whose term has expired.

In the voting on Judge Zeltner's candidacy, 14 of the Human Rights Commission's 21 members voted for the Israeli. The balloting was secret but it was held quite certain that the Communist and Arab blocs in the full commission had cast their votes against Judge Zeltner.

Israel also holds membership on the full commission, its delegation chief being Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn. It was pointed out here that it is rare for a small country like Israel to hold memberships on both the full Commission and on the very important Subcommittee. The Commission itself also has an American Jew as one of its members. He is Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee, formerly a member of the sub-group.

## CARDINAL BEA DISCOUNTS FEARS OVER FATE OF DECLARATION ON JEWS

ROME, April 14: (JTA) -- Augustin Cardinal Bea, the prelate responsible for the strong draft Declaration on Catholic-Jewish relations affirmed at the third session of the Ecumenical Council, said today that Pope Paul's Lenten Sermon on April 4 was not intended to offend anyone or to have any relation to the Declaration. In an interview with the Stampa of Turin, the Cardinal insisted there was no reason for any concern over the fate of the Declaration.

### NEW YORK AREA SEEN FLOODED WITH HATE MATERIALS FROM ALABAMA

NEW YORK, April 14: (JTA) -- Brooklyn and other communities in the New York metropolitan area are being flooded with scurrilous hate sheets and pamphlets, many of them coming from the National States Rights Party in Birmingham, Ala., Abraham Lindenbaum, president of the Brooklyn Jewish Community Council, reported to the Council's board of directors today;

Mr. Lindenbaum said that the Council "will seek to have the postal laws tightened so that scurrilous material can be barred from the mails." He also announced the appointment of a committee of attorneys to study the postal mailing laws to seek the preparation of legislation aimed at combating hate publications. The committee members are Howard J. Fisch, Harold Kalb, Solon Hanft and Moses Hoenig.

He said that the Council will coordinate its campaign against hate publications with other groups such as the Brooklyn Division of the Protestant Council. He added that postal officials admit that they are helpless to bar this type of mailing under present law.

### BALTIMORE RABBINICAL COLLEGE DAMAGED; TWO YOUTHS JAILED, FINED

BALTIMORE, April 14: (JTA) -- Two teenagers were sentenced yesterday to maximum jail terms of 60 days and fines of \$50 each for taking part, along with 18 other youths, in the stoning of the Ner Israel Rabbinical College here, in which windows of a dormitory building were smashed and doors damaged. The college had been the target of other attacks by youth gangs during the past year. The 100 students housed in the college dormitory remained inside the building under orders, to avoid a repetition of an incident a week ago when two students were whipped with automobile antennas.

In sentencing the youths, who were identified as Haywood Matthews, 17, and Barry Watson, 16, Judge Robert L. Hammerman declared: "In this particular case, I wish the maximum sentence were more. I have no illusions that these people are responsible enough that this will guarantee an end to this," he said of the gang.

The Ner Israel Rabbinical College recently acquired a 50-acre tract of land upon which a new campus will be built at a cost of \$3,500,000.

### HARTFORD BOY ARRESTED FOR DESECRATING, SETTING FIRE TO YESHIVA

HARTFORD, Conn., April 14: (JTA) -- A 16-year-old youth was held in Hartford prison today, in default of \$2,000 bail, awaiting a hearing on charges that he broke into the Yeshiva of Hartford last Sunday, and set a fire that gutted one wing of the day school, causing damages estimated at \$100,000. The youth, Michael Lawton of Hartford, also was accused of desecrating the sanctuary, throwing a Torah scroll on the floor, ripping open Jewish National Fund collection boxes and breaking furniture.

The suspect was traced by identification of his voice on a tape recorder, according to Dr. Aaron Baer, school principal. Before going on his alleged damage and arson spree, the youth had recorded his plans on the recorder, police said, and he was traced through the voice on the tape.

### ORTHODOX JEWISH LEADERS LAUD JOHNSON FOR EDUCATION-AID ACT

WASHINGTON, April 14: (JTA) -- Three Orthodox Jewish leaders expressed gratitude to President Johnson for passing the education aid bill, at a White House reception tendered by the President yesterday in honor of congressional and civic leaders who helped passage of this act.

Rabbi Morris Snerer, executive vice-president of Agudath Israel of America, Moses I. Feuerstein, president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, and Amos Bunim, chairman of Torah Umesorah, told the President that the Orthodox Jewish community is indebted to him for passing an education bill which includes some forms of aid to students of religious schools.

Rabbi Snerer declared that the White House reception, in which educational leaders of all faiths participated, was "a clear indication that the American public has granted recognition to the partnership that exists between public and private schools in shaping the American future." He called upon those groups who had previously opposed this legislation to "bow to the will of the consensus of the American public as expressed by the law passed by Congress with overwhelming majority, and joint forces to help the implementation of the new education law."

### \$4,000 PRIZE TO BE GIVEN FOR NON-FICTION BOOK ON JEWISH LIFE

NEW YORK, April 14: (JTA) -- An annual \$4,000 award for a non-fictional, book-length manuscript on any subject of Jewish life, past or present, has been established by the Jewish Publication Society of America and the Columbia University Press, it was announced here today.

The award will be named for the late Adolf Amram of New York, whose estate is providing the funds: The first award will be made by December 31, 1965.