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## JEWS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD START NEW YEAR IN PRAYERS FOR WORLD PEACE

NEW YORK, Sept. 26; (JTA) -- Jews throughout the world will start the New Year of 5726 tonight with prayers for world peace, security of Israel and the granting of equal cultural and religious rights to Soviet Jewry. Rosh Hashanah services had been arranged by the National Jewish Welfare Board in all U. S. military installations in this country and overseas, including Viet Nam.

Louis Stern, president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, issued a statement calling upon all Jewish communities in this country to rededicate themselves "to creative action, adding a vitality ever new to our lives and to our communities."

"Today and through a thousand tomorrows, with probing honesty and clarity, the organized Jewish community must re-examine who we are, what we do and what we want to be. We must survey not only how well we are doing, but also why we are doing what we do," Mr. Stern said.

"In recent years, a period of vast economic, social and scientific development has made the idea of change the most significant characteristic in American life. American Jewry, too, is experiencing fundamental changes.

"American Jewry is hardly 'vanishing'; in most respects it flourishes. Jews in this country have a pluralistic opportunity -- integrated as part of the total American environment while attaining greater cultural, religious, educational and communal fulfillment. In our relatively open society, the purposes and priorities of Jewish institutions must be continually reviewed to come to terms with change in all places and at all levels, public and private."

Dr. Dewey D. Stone, chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., pointed out in his Rosh Hashanah greeting to the Jews in this country that, during the past year, tens of thousands of new immigrants have been added to the more than 1,200,000 who have reached the shores of Israel since the establishment of the State. "To them, as to earlier newcomers, American Jewry -- through the United Jewish Appeal -- has extended invaluable assistance," he said.

"In the past year," he continued, "we have been fortunate in being spared the headlines telling of emergencies and cruel suffering among Jewish communities overseas. Yet our task has been no less crucial and no less urgent. The rescue of Jewish life is a sacred obligation; but the work of rebuilding, not only individual lives but through these lives young struggling communities from the hills of Galilee to the shores of the Red Sea, is a challenge no less sacred and no less worthy of our utmost efforts," he stressed.

### U. J. A. General Chairman Reviews Achievements of Past Year

Max M. Fisher, General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, declared in his statement that "thanks to the benevolence of our Jewish community, we have been able to inscribe nearly three-quarters of a million needy and distressed Jewish men, women and children in the Book of Life;

"In the course of the old year 5725 we have brought thousands of them to a new life of dignity and security in Israel, and have given thousands of others the opportunity to share the fruits of freedom in our own country and other democratic lands. In other areas of distress we have brought sustenance, medical care, education to children and other humanitarian aid. Because of our acts of loving kindness Jews in every state of need can look forward to the New Year 5726 with unbounded hope," Mr. Fisher stated.

Edward M. M. Warburg, national chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, and Charles H. Jordan, JDC Director General, issued statements emphasizing that the need for aid from American Jewry is still great in Jewish communities overseas. Mr. Warburg urged American Jewry that in meeting the New Year they should not forget that there are still Jews in numerous countries who require assistance and who seek new homes for themselves. Mr. Jordan stressed that "what will happen to those Jews in the year to come de-

pends entirely on the Jews in the affluent and secure parts of the world." He pointed out that "a difficult year of the Jews of the world is a difficult year, full of work and woes and problems, for the Joint Distribution Committee."

Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization, reviewed in his Rosh Hashanan message the accomplishments in the development of Israel during the past year, reached partly with funds secured through the sale of Israel bonds in this country. He called for strong participation in the Israel Bond effort during the High Holy Days.

Among the leaders of human relations agencies in the Jewish field who issued New Year greetings were Morris B. Abram, president, and Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president, of the American Jewish Committee; Rabbi Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress; and Dr. William Wexler, B'nai B'rith president. In the areas of migration and rehabilitation, High Holy Day messages were voiced by, among others, Murray I. Gurfein, president of United Hias Service, and Dr. William Haber, president of the American ORT Federation.

#### Dr. Neumann Greets U. S. Jewry on Behalf of Zionist Movement

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the Jewish Agency - American Section, greeted the Jewish community on behalf of the Zionist movement. Greetings were also issued by Jacques Torczyner, president of the Zionist Organization of America; Mrs. Mortimer Jacobson, national president of Hadassah, and the following other Zionist organizational heads: Max Bressler, president, Jewish National Fund of America; Dr. Max Nussbaum and Nathaniel S. Rothenberg, of the American Zionist Council; Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mrs. Rose Halprin, co-chairmen of the World Confederation of General Zionists; Mrs. Rose Kaufman, national president, Pioneer Women; and Joseph Schlossberg, president, National Committee for Labor Israel.

Rabbi Seymour J. Cohen, of Chicago, greeted the Jewish community on behalf of the Synagogue Council of America, which he heads as president of the overall lay and rabbinical organization of Orthodox, Reform and Conservative Judaism in this country. Separate messages were issued by Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, president, Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform); Moses I. Feuerstein, president, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America; Rabbi Jacob K. Shankman, president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism; Jacob J. Weinstein, president, Central Conference of American Rabbis; and Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, the Lubavitcher Rebbe.

#### PRESIDENT JOHNSON, VICE-PRESIDENT HUMPHREY GREET JEWS ON NEW YEAR

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26: (JTA) -- Special greetings on the occasion of the celebration by Jews of the New Year 5726 were issued here by President Johnson and Vice-President Humphrey. The President declared in his Rosh Hashanan message:

"As another year on the ancient Jewish calendar draws to a close, I am delighted to express to all my fellow Americans of the Jewish faith my cordial greetings as they observe the High Holy Days:

"These days of penitence and renewed hope are a fitting reminder to us all that each of our individual fates is part of the fate of mankind. We are called not to the negation of despair, but to the stern duty of hope. We are reminded that no period in human history has been easy for those who seek freedom, justice, and brotherhood;

"Difficult though it may seem, it is up to us to bear the burden of conscience during a time of aggressive international challenge and profound domestic change. Encouraged by the fortitude of those before us who have suffered and endured, we are renewed in our determination to preserve and uphold their time-honored aspirations;

"By sharing with us its deep devotion to individual dignity and human right, the Jewish faith has enriched our American heritage. May the contributions of this Faith, revitalized through the observance of Rosh Hashanan be a continuing source of strength and inspiration for all Americans."

Vice-President Humphrey, declaring he was "happy" to extend his greetings to the Jewish people on their celebration of Rosh Hashanan, stated:

"God grant that the year 5726 will be a year of peace, of liberty and happiness. This is the heartfelt prayer of the Jewish people. It is their prayer for all the family of man -- everywhere. God grant that in lands of freedom, such as our own, 5726 will witness our mutual achievement of still greater heights of brotherhood.

"In those countries, unfortunately, where the Jewish people still live under a cloud of persecution, in second class citizenship, denied their political, cultural, economic and other rights, may this year see progress toward fullest justice and equality."

SHAZAR, ESHKOL GREET JEWRY ON ROSH HASHANAH; MESSAGE TO JEWS OF RUSSIA

JERUSALEM, Sept. 26: (JTA) -- Special greetings on the eve of Rosh Hashanah, to the people of Israel and to Jews the world over, were issued here today by President Zalman Shazar of Israel and Prime Minister Levi Eshkol:

Both pointed to the great economic and social progress made by Israel in the last year, and the absorption of Jewish immigrants which, Mr. Eshkol said, included "tens of thousands" of newcomers "from the ends of the earth." Both noted that the current Israeli political campaign for the election of members of the Knesset (Parliament) is a sign of Israel's viability as a firm democracy:

President Shazar stated in part: "Our blessing goes particularly to all who have come this year from many lands to live among us and who are still experiencing the difficulties of adjustment to new conditions. Even though homes are ready and work is available, there are inevitably social and cultural hardships troubling every newcomer; It is our hope and prayer that these will be borne with understanding and love and overcome quickly, so that those newly arrived this year will soon be truly integrated in their land and its culture, and themselves become ready and able to absorb great numbers of future newcomers."

Mr. Eshkol, speaking not only as Prime Minister but also as Minister of Defense, stated that "Israel's defensive and deterrent strength have increased, as did the circles of Israel's friendships in the world, particularly among the new states." He singled out Israel's negotiations with the United States on the project to build a dual-purpose nuclear plant for the provision of electric power and desalination of sea water, as well as the agreement with France for joint oceanographic research.

"The gamut of achievements," he declared, "is great. In those achievements, the Jewish communities overseas are partners who aided us materially and morally." He concluded his message with the sending of special greetings to the Jews of the Soviet Union. "We hope for the day when they will be able to join us in this, their forefathers' heritage. We wish them that the gates may be opened and we call upon the authorities of that great country to permit their emigration and to give substance to their national and cultural rights."

Jerusalem to Hold Rosh Hashanah Services in 700 Places; Many Tourists

JERUSALEM, Sept. 26: (JTA) -- Housewives were milling about the streets of Israel's main cities today as they completed last-minute shopping and preparations for the holiday, while a record number of tourists poured into the country on the eve of Rosh Hashanah:

Half of Israel's population was also traveling today with a fleet of 1,800 busses and all available trains carrying more than 1,000,000 passengers en route to visit relatives and friends in various parts of the country:

A record number of prayer services were scheduled for the holiday with nearly 700 slated for Jerusalem alone -- about 200 more than the permanent houses of worship in the city. As the holiday approached, quiet settled on the country and the first white-clad members of congregations could be seen walking slowly toward the synagogues. In Rosh Hashanah messages, both of Israel's chief rabbis -- Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman and Sephardi Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim -- called for good will among Jews throughout the world and voiced prayers for strength for the tasks ahead:

RADIO LIBERTY TO BROADCAST ROSH HASHANAH PROGRAM TO SOVIET UNION

NEW YORK, Sept. 26: (JTA) -- Radio Liberty, a broadcasting service beamed to all parts of the Soviet Union, has expanded its programs for the High Holy Days and has scheduled special broadcasts for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Succot, it was announced today by Dr. Gene Sosin, head of the privately-sponsored network's United States Division.

The bulk of Radio Liberty's religious presentations during the holiday period, Dr. Sosin said, will be heard on two simultaneous programs broadcast around the clock in Russian from transmitters in West Germany, Spain and Formosa, along with a special Rosh Hashanah feature program to be heard also in Ukrainian:

While noting that the Kremlin had recently granted certain concessions to Moscow Jewry, Dr. Sosin said, however, that "the wave of hope that has washed over Moscow may take a long time to reach the provinces. In towns far away from the capital, the Jewish communities are still subject to the whims and prejudices of local party officials." He added that scores of synagogues which were closed all over the Soviet Union in the past years remain closed:

Among the Holy Day musical selections included in the broadcasts are Kaddish, Ovinu Malkainu, Kol Nidre and El Moleh Rachamim. Also to be presented are explanations of the significance of the holidays and of the symbolism of such objects as the succah, lulav and etrog:

PRESIDENT JOHNSON 'DELIGHTED' OVER ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES IN CAPITOL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26; (JTA) -- The plan to provide a place in Washington for Rosh Hashanah services for Jewish members of the House of Representatives has the enthusiastic endorsement of President Johnson, it was disclosed today.

The services will be held for the first time in the Capitol Building's non-sectarian chapel to enable the Jewish Congressmen to remain in Washington for a crucial vote tomorrow on a bill to give District of Columbia residents home rule.

From 10 to 15 Congressmen are expected to attend the services, which will be held both days of Rosh Hashanah. A spokesman said that when the President heard about the plan, "he was so delighted that he promised to have his Jewish New Year message delivered by hand so it can be read at the Monday services."

Rabbi Hyman Shapiro of Long Beach, Long Island, and Cantor Aryeh Mandelbaum, were flown to Washington to conduct the services. Yeshiva University of New York provided prayer shawls, yarmulkes, a Torah and an Ark.

NEW YORK GOVERNOR AND MAYOR GREET THE JEWS ON ROSH HASHANAH

NEW YORK, Sept. 26; (JTA) -- Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller, of New York State, and New York City's Mayor Robert F. Wagner issued special Rosh Hashanah greetings today. Gov. Rockefeller, noting that "the Jewish New Year is the oldest anniversary in the history of the human race," pointed out that, "dispersed through many lands, persecuted and driven from country to country, the Jewish people not only survived but also preserved their religion. May the year 5726 be inscribed as a year of increasing endeavor in behalf of human justice and peace to all men of good will."

Mayor Wagner, in a proclamation issued at City Hall, stated: "On the eve of the Jewish New Year, it is appropriate for us all to pause and reflect on the great Judaic principles of faith and justice which formed the basis of Western civilization. In these troubled times, it is incumbent on all men of good will to rededicate themselves to these principles. Let us move ahead together in search of universal peace and well-being."

ARGENTINE INTERIOR MINISTER ADDRESSES JEWISH LUNCHEON IN BUENOS AIRES

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 26; (JTA) -- Juan Palermo, Argentine Interior Minister, reiterated his government's opposition to any extremism in an address today at a luncheon on the eve of the Jewish New Year sponsored by DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry.

Dr. Isaac Goldenberg, DAIA president, praised the Minister's stand in the recent Parliamentary debate, when he condemned extremism of both the left and the right. Mr. Palermo stressed the importance of cordial understanding with the Argentine Jewish community, and declared:

"It is our intention not to underestimate the concern of responsible people, and we are opposed to any extremism." He thanked the DAIA for the "special privilege" of sharing "bread and wine" at the table where six rabbis and many lay Jewish leaders were present.

He asked the Jewish leaders "to show this image of cordiality, the true one of our country," and "to tell those of you who are uncertain that Argentina is a land in which all may live without fears."

ESHKOL INAUGURATES NEW PORT FACILITIES IN EILAT; HUGE WHARF BUILT

TEL AVIV, Sept. 26; (JTA) -- The new port facilities of Eilat, Israel's southernmost port, were inaugurated in the presence of Premier Levi Eshkol. Among the features of the 26,000,000 pound (\$9,000,000) port are a huge wharf, potash and phosphate warehouses and equipment for loading bulk cargoes with a 10,000-ton daily capacity.

The Premier expressed the hope that the port would develop Israel's ties with Asian-African countries. Transport Minister Moshe Carmel said that in 1970, the port would handle more than a million tons annually compared with the present 233,000 tons a year.

WASHINGTON NAZI HELD IN BAIL; DEMONSTRATED IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26; (JTA) -- Robert Felton Bruce, 20, a member of the American Nazi Party who threw a swastika-emblazoned flag onto the floor of the House of Representatives here last Friday, and shouted Fascist slogans after chaining himself to a rail in the House visitors' gallery, was arraigned on serious charges this weekend and held in \$2,500 bail for a hearing October 15. He was charged with assaulting an officer and with three counts of disorderly conduct;