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### GOLDMANN SAYS GERMAN DELAY OF PAYMENTS TO NAZI VICTIMS IS 'IMMORAL'

NEW YORK, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- The West German Government was criticized severely here last night by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress and the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, for seeking to postpone payment of \$50,000,000 to Nazi victims "for a year or two."

The victims involved are mostly Jews who could not file their claims for compensation with the German authorities before October 1953 because they lived in the Soviet Union and other countries behind the Iron Curtain. The West German Parliament decided several months ago to grant them compensation and to make the first payment of \$50,000,000 in 1966. The West German Finance Minister Rolf Dahlgren now claims that the payment cannot be made because of "budgetary difficulties."

"This is an immoral attempt with regard to the obligations of the West German Government to the Nazi victims," Dr. Goldmann said. He pointed out that the affected Nazi victims have already been waiting 20 years for compensation. Postponement of payment, he pointed out, could have serious implications for older claimants who might not live to see any compensation. He also criticized the Bonn Government for evading to enter negotiations with Israel about German economic aid to the Jewish state.

Dr. Goldmann voiced his criticism in an address he delivered at a dinner at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel marking the 20th anniversary of the liberation of the Jews from the Nazi concentration camp in Bergen Belsen. More than 1,000 persons attended the dinner at which Brig. General H.L. Glyn Hughes, known as "the liberator of Bergen Belsen" because of the major role he played in bringing freedom to the camp inmates, was honored.

Dr. Goldmann said that coming generations of Jews must always remember the Nazi holocaust and that "the Germans must always be reminded" about it. General Hughes appealed to the world "never to forget" the crimes of the Nazi regime. The Nazi concentration and annihilation camps were "the worst horror story of the war," he said.

The dinner was arranged by the World Federation of the Bergen Belsen Associations and was presided over by Josef Rosensaft, president of the Federation. Among the principal speakers was Dr. Jacob Robinson, noted expert on international law and coordinator of research in the Jewish Catastrophe of Specialized Historical Institutes. Israel Consul General Michael Arnon brought greetings from the Israel Government.

### Sees Moscow Sensitive to the Situation of the Soviet Jews

Earlier in the day, addressing a meeting of the North American executive committee of the World Jewish Congress, Dr. Goldmann said that the Soviet Government has become more aware of, and sensitive to, the situation of Soviet Jewry. While the situation had not fundamentally changed, he declared, there seemed to be certain indications of positive developments such as permission to allow between 20 to 25 students to attend the Moscow Yeshiva; the fact that the Jewish theater in Vilna will become a state theater and that there will also be a Jewish theater in Moscow.

Presiding over the meeting, Samuel Bronfman, the World Jewish Congress vice-president, stated that the organization is now playing the key role in tracing Jewish witnesses all over the world required to testify in trials of Nazi criminals before West German courts. Mr. Bronfman said that the WJC New York offices, acting as a global tracing agency, are currently involved in the location of Jewish witnesses for more than 250 investigations conducted in preparation of trials, which will take place in the Federal Republic during the next few years, while many new investigations will start in the immediate future.

### FORMATION OF NEW CABINET BY ESHKOL PROPOSED BY OPPOSITION PARTIES

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- The two main opposition parties in Israel -- the Gahal combination of Herut and Liberals and former Premier David Ben-Gurion's dissident Israel Workers party (Rafi) -- proposed today to President Zalman Shazar that he entrust

the formation of a new Cabinet to Premier Levi Eshkol. The Premier led his alignment of Mapai and Ahdut Avoda to a resounding victory in the November 2 municipal and Parliamentary elections;

The Gahal and Rafi leaders made the suggestion in talks with President Shazar who is now in the process of consulting with all political parties, in accordance with Israeli law, on their views concerning the next Government. As head of the country's largest party and of the faction winning the most seats in Israel's Parliament, Premier Eshkol automatically can expect to be asked to form a new Government. The suggestion of the two opposition parties was nevertheless considered significant.

#### GOLDA MEIR PRESENTS PROTECT NOTES TO ENVCYS OF EUOMART COUNTRIES

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Golda Meir today handed identical notes to the ambassadors of the six member countries of the European Economic Community expressing Israel's strong objection to the decision by the EEC Commission to apply "reference prices" for Israeli oranges exported to the Common Market countries. Mrs. Meir explained to the envoys the effect of the move on Israel's citrus exports which would be at a competitive disadvantage.

The notes were presented to the envoys of France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxemburg. Mrs. Meir stressed the need for action to reverse the decision before the December 10 deadline when it is scheduled to go into effect. Haim Zadok, Israel's Minister of Commerce and Industry, and Amiel Najar, Israeli Ambassador to the European Economic Community, are currently visiting Common Market capitals in efforts to secure a reversal of the decision.

#### Israel Seeks Reversal of Decision Affecting Export of Oranges

PARIS, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Israeli Commerce Minister Haim Zadok arrived in Paris today to push Israel's campaign against European Common Market plans to place a 20 percent higher consumer price on Israeli oranges exported to Euromart countries. The plan is scheduled to go into effect on December 10, if the decision will not be reversed. The stakes for Israel are substantial, Israeli sources stressed. About 40 percent of Israel's total exports to the Euromart countries consists of citrus fruits.

Mr. Zadok met today with French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville to press Israel's case for French support for reversal of the surcharge plan. It was understood that while the French Foreign Minister showed great "understanding" for Israel's position in the 30-minute meeting, there was no more than "a glimmer of hope" to avert the decision before the December 10 deadline.

The Israeli Minister received virtually the same reaction in his talk yesterday in Brussels with Belgian Vice-Premier for Economic Affairs A. Spinoy. After that meeting, Mr. Zadok told a press conference at the Israel Embassy in Brussels that the plan was adverse to the interests of countries like Israel which supply 93 percent of the citrus sold in Euromart countries, compared with Italy's seven percent.

The "reference price" plan was adopted at the urging of Italy and approved at a European Economic Community Ministers' Council meeting which France did not attend. France has been boycotting the Euromart central bodies for several months for reasons unrelated to the citrus fruit issue.

#### Reprisal by Israel Possible if Euromart Decision Becomes Effective

After the Murville meeting, Mr. Zadok told the press that he had met with great understanding and sympathy for Israel's position in his meetings with the foreign ministers of three of the Euromart countries -- Holland, Luxemburg and France. He was scheduled to confer in Bonn tomorrow with West German Foreign Minister Gerhard Schroeder and Economics Minister Dr. Kurt Schmucker, and on Saturday he will fly to Rome for conferences with the Italian Foreign Minister and other senior Italian officials.

It was pointed out that because of procedural reasons, the EEC commission's hands are tied and that there was little hope left to change the ruling before France decides to resume its place in the Ministers' Council, when and if it decides to do so. This French move was not expected to take place, however, before the forthcoming Presidential election on December 5.

Mr. Zadok told the press here, after his talk with the French Foreign Minister, that the Israeli Government might have to decide whether to take some form of reprisal action against the EEC if the price plan goes through but that such a decision would take place only after his return to Israel.

U. S. CONVENTION FOR LABOR ISRAEL ADOPTS GOAL FOR 1966 FUND-RAISING

NEW YORK, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- The 42nd annual convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel adopted today a \$5,000,000 goal for the 1966 Israel Histadrut campaign and an additional \$2,000,000 for the American Histadrut Development Foundation.

The quota is based on the overall budget of the Histadrut Assistance Fund in Israel, which will amount to \$10,630,000 in 1966, according to the report by Yehoshua Levy, Histadrut treasurer. The Histadrut executive will provide about half of this amount while the National Committee will seek the balance. The budget covers ten categories: health services, education and culture, vocational training, scholarship fund, mutual aid institutions, immigrant absorption, physical training, youth centers, aid to Arab workers and aid to religious workers.

The convention called upon all affiliated organizations and Jewish welfare funds throughout the country to mobilize the money for this ramified program. Special emphasis will be placed on sponsoring major health and cultural projects in immigrant communities in Israel and on the Histadrut scholarship fund for secondary and vocational training, according to Dr. Sol Stein, national director.

Aharon Becker, secretary-general of Histadrut, said in a message to the convention: "Histadrut in Israel is approaching its tenth convention in January, facing problems resulting from major social and economic changes and the increased membership of the Labor Federation, now approaching the first million. We are satisfied with the results of the last Knesset elections which also pose new tasks and commitments for Histadrut. In meeting and fulfilling them, we count on the continuous assistance from devoted friends and partners like those gathered in New York now at your convention for Labor Israel."

Close to \$4,000,000 Raised This Year, Dr. Stein Reports

President Johnson extended greetings to the convention in a message to Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, chairman of the National Committee for Labor Israel. "Over the years," the President said in his message, "Histadrut has played a significant role in helping the people of Israel to advance and achieve a fuller way of life. It has been a guiding force in Israel's remarkable progress in the fields of medical care, vocational training, culture and education. May the future of your enterprise and of Histadrut be as productive and as fine of purpose as in the past."

Dr. Stein disclosed, in his annual report to the delegates, that \$3,008,000 had been raised during the fiscal year ending September 30, with an additional \$902,000 raised by Pioneer Women, the Women's Labor Zionist Organization, one of the highest totals in the 41 years of fund-raising by the organization.

Since its founding in 1924, the National Committee has raised \$72,400,000 to help finance 1,032 projects and institutions in Israel. These include 601 medical centers, clinics, hospitals and related facilities; 146 cultural centers; 70 children's institutions, including five children's villages, old age homes, 47 vocational schools and training projects, 59 libraries, 27 synagogues and other religious institutions, and 25 sports centers and facilities. He said more than \$500,000 had been transferred to the Histadrut Scholarship Fund in Israel during the past eight years, mainly for vocational training.

RISE IN CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ISRAEL REPORTED; INCREASED GOAL FOR U. S.

TEL AVIV, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- World Jewry increased its contributions to the United Israel Appeal by 8 and a half percent during the first six months of this year, as compared with the same period in 1964, it was announced here today by Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of Keren Hayesod, the financial arm of the World Zionist Organization for campaigns on behalf of Israel.

Dr. Goldstein announced at the same time that new goals for the United Israel Appeal have been decided upon by Keren Hayesod. The United States quota, he said, has been fixed at \$39,000,000, compared with last year's target of \$36,000,000. The quota for the rest of the world, he stated, has been set at \$16,000,000, as against the previous goal of \$14,000,000.

The campaign in Israel, to open next month, will aim to raise 6,000,000 pounds (\$2,000,000), he announced. Last year, Israel raised 4,000,000 pounds (\$1,333,333) "which is considered a pretty good figure abroad," he declared. However, he added, "we know that our potential here is much greater. Much remains to be done here in developing the spirit of voluntary public giving."

Abroad, too, he said, the Keren Hayesod income would be much greater "if there were more participants in the campaign." As examples, he cited Britain, where only 38,000 Jews contributed last year; France, where the contributors numbered only 11,000; and Canada, with a total of 30,000 contributors.

PRESIDENT OF BUENOS AIRES JEWISH COMMUNITY OBJECTS TO 'MEDDLING'

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Protests against "certain" American organizations "meddling in South American Jewish community life" were reiterated here today at a meeting of the Kehilla, the Buenos Aires Jewish community. Gregorio Fainguersch, president of the Kehilla, said that South American communities will not tolerate such interference.

Earlier this week, Dr. Isaac Goldenberg, president of the DAIA, the representative organization of Argentine Jewry, criticized plans by the B'nai B'rith Board of Governors in Washington to provide aid in human relations activities in Latin American countries.

A 21-member American Jewish Congress delegation headed by Will Maslow and Phil Baum, was received today at a special session of the DAIA executive. The visitors were briefed on problems affecting South American Jewry, including anti-Semitism and relations with the Church and trade unions. Speakers at the session included Dr. Goldenberg, Mr. Fainguersch and Mark Turkow, secretary of the South American executive of the World Jewish Congress.

DR. PERLZWEIG HONORED BY WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS ON 70th BIRTHDAY

NEW YORK, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- More than 100 Jewish leaders from the United States, Canada and Mexico paid tribute yesterday to Dr. Maurice L. Perlzweig, the World Jewish Congress' Director of International Affairs, at a luncheon marking his 70th birthday. Dr. Nahum Goldmann, WJC president, presented to Dr. Perlzweig an engraved album containing tributes from Jewish leaders and communities in over 60 countries. He praised Dr. Perlzweig's "loyalty to his people and devotion to the ideas of the World Jewish Congress."

Tributes were also paid to Dr. Perlzweig by Professor John P. Humphrey, the director of the Human Rights Division of the U.N.; Michael Arnon, Consul-General of Israel; and Rabbi Dr. Max Nussbaum, chairman of the American Section of the World Jewish Congress. Samuel Bronfman, presiding at the luncheon, said that Dr. Perlzweig had done "a yeoman's job for Jewry, for human rights, for all mankind."

ELI WIESEL, NOTED AMERICAN-JEWISH WRITER, WINS \$2,500 'REMEMBRANCE AWARD'

NEW YORK, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Eli Wiesel, well-known American Jewish writer and author of a number of books dealing with the life in the Nazi camps, of which he was an inmate as a child, and with the destruction of Jewish existence in countries held by the Nazis, was the first winner last night of an annual "Remembrance Award" established by the World Federation of the Bergen-Belsen Associations. The award carries with it \$2,500.

The establishment of the "Remembrance Award" was announced last night at a dinner at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel marking the 20th anniversary of the liberation of the Jews from the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in Germany. Josef Rosensaft, president of the World Federation, said that the award will be given annually for the next 10 years, and probably for longer, for the best creation in literature, art, music and research dealing with the Nazi terror.

CHILDREN IN FRANCE SHOW KNOWLEDGE OF SCOPE OF THE NAZI CRIMES

PARIS, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Entries for an essay prize for school children in Paris showed today that an overwhelming majority of the children knew about the scope of Nazi crimes during World War II.

The subject for the annual contest sponsored by the Association of Former Deportees and Concentration Camp Inmates was "What Do You Know About the Concentration Camps of the War?" The 7,000 responses submitted so far showed that the children knew a great deal about France's travail during the war and about the Nazi record.

ORTHODOX JEW IN AMSTERDAM DECORATED BY QUEEN; ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Queen Juliana has conferred the officership of the Order of Orange Nassau on Jacob Passer, president of the Amsterdam Jewelers Club on the 75th anniversary of the club. Passer, an Orthodox Jew, is a wellknown Jewish social worker and a member of the executive of the Ashkenazi Jewish community of Amsterdam.

GEORGI LIEB, HEAD OF SYNAGOGUE IN MOSCOW SUBURB, DEAD; WAS 75

LONDON, Nov. 25: (JTA) -- Georgi Lieb, chairman of the Synagogue of Marina Roshcha, a Moscow suburb, died yesterday at the age of 75, it was reported here today from the Soviet capital. He was active in pressing Jewish community causes before the Soviet authorities and he succeeded in securing a permit for the baking of matzoh in Moscow last Passover.