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### STATE DEPT. CONSIDERS ISRAEL 'ADEQUATELY PROVIDED' FOR DEFENSIVE NEEDS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- "We are satisfied that Israel's current defensive needs are adequately provided for," a high State Department official declared today rejecting the argument that the renewed U. S. aid to Egypt would facilitate Egyptian arms acquisition;

Douglas MacArthur 2nd, Assistant Secretary of State, wrote Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat, that Israel was not in immediate jeopardy of Arab attack and that "those who most closely follow Near Eastern policy think a case can be made for decreased tensions over the past six months;" The Department is "cautiously optimistic that this trend will continue;"

Mr. MacArthur cited reports that the Arabs agreed at the recent Casablanca summit meeting that it would take at least four years to match Israel's military power. "A concomitant was that it would be prudent to move slowly on proposals to divert the headwaters of the Jordan for Arab use since this was expected to precipitate an attack by Israel," said Mr. MacArthur. "While we are not in a position to confirm the accuracy of these reports, there appears to be little visible diversion activity at present," he said.

The official said Egypt "counseled against resort to military force against Israel" and "advocated deferment of Arab waters diversion until the United Arab Command is strengthened;" The State Department now believes "that an increasing number of people on both sides of this issue recognize that a solution to the dispute over Palestine must be by political, not military, means;"

The time it will take to move toward an Arab-Israeli accommodation "will depend on a variety of factors including the rate of economic and social evolution in the area, a reduction of fears and suspicions, and the wisdom of area leaders. We believe, also, that the state of American-Arab relations could be a significant factor in this equation," said Mr. MacArthur.

The military strength of Israel was "recognized as surpassing that of the Arabs," he asserted, thus explaining the motivation of the unified Arab command. He repeated the previously stated American position that this Government is "firmly opposed to any form of aggression in the area;" He said measures must be taken that men undergoing military training in the "Palestine Liberation Army" be denied refugee rations from the United Nations Relief and Works Agency.

### PREMIER ESHKOL'S CONDITION REPORTED 'SATISFACTORY BUT UNCHANGED'

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol's condition, as a result of exhaustion for which he was hospitalized Saturday night, was reported by his physicians here today as "satisfactory but unchanged." His doctors at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Hospital said he "feels better" and spent most of the day reading; However, the physicians have still forbidden the Premier to hold any business meetings.

Occupied with efforts to form a new coalition Government, necessitated by the change in the political complexion of the Knesset (Parliament) following the November 2 elections, Premier Eshkol will continue the negotiations through his political secretary; It is understood that he will have to remain in the hospital for at least 10 days; However, the exact length of his stay, the doctors said, will not be determined until the end of this week.

### RITUAL SLAUGHTERERS IN JERUSALEM DECLARE STRIKE; DEMAND HIGHER PAY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- Twenty-six ritual slaughterers in Jerusalem went on strike today, demanding higher pay. More than 70 workers employed by the city's Religious Council announced they support the demands of the strikers. The Religious Council is an official body providing for the population's religious needs, financed mainly by the Government.

A spokesman for the strikers said the slaughterers will not, during the strike, discontinue some services, like supervision of kashrut in hotels, that might cause observant Jews "to err." During the walk-out, however, Jerusalem will be without its chief supply of meats; Slaughterers employed by Agudath Israel are not on strike, but their work involves only the supply of meat to their own small community.

DUTCH PARLIAMENT GETS RESOLUTION TO INTERVENE FOR SOVIET JEWRY

THE HAGUE, Dec. 6; (JTA) -- Members of all major factions in the Dutch Parliament today urged Foreign Minister Dr. Josef Luns to make strong representations on "the deplorable situation" of Jews in the Soviet Union when he meets with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko who is scheduled to visit this country.

Representatives of the Dutch Labor Party introduced in Parliament a resolution, endorsed by both the Liberal and Catholic blocs, requesting Dr. Luns' intervention with Mr. Gromyko; Dr. Cornelis Berkhouwer, a member of Parliament representing the Liberal Party, called Dr. Luns' attention to a resolution adopted last spring by the European Parliament, calling for amelioration of the situation of Soviet Jewry.

Frans Goedhart, a Socialist member of the House, urged that Dr. Luns call Mr. Gromyko's attention to the possibility of permission by Soviet authorities for the emigration of Russian Jews to Israel. The entire Roman Catholic faction in Parliament also drew Dr. Luns' attention to a resolution adopted by the European Council, requesting members to intervene with their governments on behalf of Russian Jewry.

ARGENTINE JEWISH YOUTH FEDERATION APPEALS TO MOSCOW ON SOVIET JEWRY

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 6; (JTA) -- The Argentine Jewish Youth Federation published today in the general press a series of appeals to Soviet authorities asking better treatment for the Jews in Russia.

The statement was based on a resolution adopted at a recent youth territorial congress. It urged Soviet officials to allow Russian Jews to develop Jewish cultural and religious institutions. Soviet authorities also were asked to act energetically against anti-Semitism in the USSR and to allow Russian Jews to emigrate for reunion with members of their families living in other countries.

AUSTRIA DETERMINED TO ERADICATE ANTI-SEMITISM, CHANCELLOR SAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- Austrian Chancellor Josef Klaus, who is now visiting the United States, said here that both major parties in the Austrian Parliament have repudiated anti-Semitism and are determined to eradicate it from public life. He made the statement to a delegation of the World Jewish Congress who had voiced concern over recent anti-Semitic incidents in Austria and particularly over the fact that a number of persons in public positions were guilty of anti-Semitic activities under the Nazi regime. He noted that one of his first acts on assuming leadership of his party was to condemn every manifestation of anti-Semitism.

The WJC delegation included Dr. Maurice L. Perlzweig, director of the organization's international affairs department; Dr. Gerhart M. Riegner of Geneva, secretary general of the WJC; Monty Jacobs, executive director of the North American executive; and Dr. Natan Lerner of the international affairs department.

AMERICAN NAZI PARTY PROPERTY TO BE SOLD BY U. S. AT PUBLIC AUCTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6; (JTA) -- The U. S. Internal Revenue Service today announced that a huge picture of Adolf Hitler, swastika arm-bands, and other Nazi paraphernalia seized from George Rockwell's American Nazi Party for non-payment of taxes will be sold at public auction before December 31.

The Nazi items and anti-Semitic material would be sold to anti-Semites if they are the highest bidders, the Government indicated; Rockwell said he would not attend the auction himself because he lacked funds and "it would break my heart to see the Nazi goods, assembled over several years, sold to others." Government sources said that the auction will be open to all persons interested without regard to their political orientation or pro-Nazi sympathies.

The Nazi headquarters in nearby Arlington, Va., was seized and padlocked by the Government last week. All contents will be auctioned including printing presses used to produce anti-Semitic pamphlets. The presses are of late design and good quality.

BONN SEESKS TO PREVENT PUBLICATION OF 'MEIN KAMPF' IN ARGENTINA

BONN, Dec. 6; (JTA) -- The West German Foreign Office was understood today to be seeking means to satisfy a demand of the Central Council of Jews in Germany for action against the publication of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" in Argentina. The Council protested the publication and asked the Bonn Foreign Office to act on the matter.

The Council, meanwhile, today awarded its Leo Baeck Prize for 1965 to Dr. Ernst Blum, a German official who has launched plans for cooperation between the West German Blind Society and that of Israel. Dr. Blum is blind himself.

VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY CALLS FOR 'PEACE AND SECURITY' IN MIDDLE EAST

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey called here tonight for "peace and security" in the Middle East and for "freedom from outside agitation" in that region of the world. He voiced those sentiments in delivering the principal address to 1,200 guests attending a dinner celebrating the 21st anniversary of the initiation of the basic plans for the Weizmann Institute of Science, at Rehovot, Israel.

The event, conducted by the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute, under the presidency of Abraham Feinberg, turned into a glowing tribute to the late Herbert H. Lehman, former Governor of New York and U.S. Senator. An announcement was made that the Weizmann Institute is establishing a research chair in theoretical nuclear physics for peaceful purposes in the name of Mr. Lehman. One of the honored guests was Mrs. Lehman; George Backer, dinner chairman, presented to the late Gov. Lehman's widow a scroll citing her husband's accomplishments as "a humanitarian, statesman, legislator and champion of Jewish interests."

Citing Israel's leadership in the field of science for peaceful purposes, the Vice-President said: "I speak about Israel, that free and democratic society, and the environment in which that nation lives; Israel spends some 33 percent of her total budget for national defense. Elsewhere throughout the Middle East, equally intolerable arms burdens are carried by nations which can even less afford to bear them."

"We, all of us, must continue working toward the day when the nations of the Middle East may live securely in peace with each other, to their common benefit. Peace and security, freedom from outside agitation, the bending of man's efforts toward man's well-being and happiness -- these surely are the things we seek for tomorrow."

He lauded Israel for having emerged "with a first-rate scientific and technological apparatus." He noted that "characteristically, Israel did not husband her good fortune to herself; Limited in her financial resources, she could not give much in material aid to other developing countries. Instead, she put her technologists to work in over 50 countries; an effort second in scope only to that of the United States."

During the dinner, Dr. Dewey D. Stone, chairman of the board of governors of the Weizmann Institute, presented a special award to Theodore R. Racoosin, a governor of the Institute and chairman of the American Committee's executive committee, on the occasion of Mr. Racoosin's 70th birthday. An artistic program featured the famous Jewish violinist, Mischa Elman, the Palestine String Quartette, and other prominent artists.

EXPERTS HOLD TWO-DAY PARLEY ON MIGRATION; SPONSORED BY UNITED HIAS

NEW YORK, Dec. 6; (JTA) -- More than 100 experts on migration and related fields concluded today a two-day conference sponsored by the United Hias Service to consider the local and national impact of the new U. S. immigration law and the Cuban rescue program. Participants in the conference represented 38 communities in the United States and Canada.

Speakers at the conference included Emil Bie, chief of the Division of Employment Office Operations of the U. S. Department of Labor; James L. Hennessy, executive assistant to the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service; James Hines, general counsel of the Visa Office of the U. S. Department of State; Antonio A. Micocci, staff adviser on the Cuban refugee program to the U. S. Department of Health Education and Welfare; Murray I. Gurfein, president of United Hias; Ben Touster, associate chairman of the board; and James P. Rice, United Hias executive director.

JEWISH CONGRESS CLARIFIES STAND ON CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS IN SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Dec. 6; (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress has issued a new set of guidelines for Jewish parents troubled by Christmas celebrations and other sectarian practices in the public schools, it was announced here today by Howard M. Squadron, chairman of the Congress' commission on law and social action.

Noting that the main issue was "the propriety of clearly sectarian practices such as Nativity plays," Mr. Squadron said that "such devotional practices, which amount to turning the schoolroom into a religious chapel, are flagrantly violative of the church-state separation principle."

The guideline issued by the AJC cautioned against combined Chanukah-Christmas observances, noting that "the impropriety of sectarian observances in the public schools is not cured by adding to them." While asserting that religion in the home, church or synagogue "serves incomparably to ennoble the spirit of mankind," the guideline stressed that religion in public schools "serves only to harass, hurt and dislocate children of minority faiths and to impair wholesome classroom relationships."

18,000 NEW YORKERS FILL MADISON SQUARE GARDEN AT CHANUKAH FESTIVAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- A capacity audience of more than 18,000 New Yorkers filled Madison Square Garden this evening to attend the Chanukah Festival for Israel Bonds. The event was a culminating highlight of the 1965 campaign in Greater New York to raise \$20,000,000 through the sale of Israel bonds to advance the economic development of Israel.

To accommodate a majority of 1965 Israel bond buyers, a second and third performance of the Chanukah Festival will be held on Monday evenings, December 20 and January 3 in Madison Square Garden. Admission is free to those who purchase Israel bonds for the current year.

William Goldfine, campaign chairman of the New York City Israel bond drive, told the audience that Israel bond funds helped to advance every phase of Israel's economy, including the expansion of industry, the building of roads, harbors and railways, the construction of irrigation pipelines, the expansion of agricultural production and the exploitation of mineral resources.

NEW YORK JEWISH TEMPLE BECOMES TEMPORARY QUARTERS FOR EPISCOPALIANS

NEW YORK, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- Episcopal Christmas masses will be conducted in Congregation Rodeph Sholom here during the same week that Chanukah will be celebrated because the church of the Episcopalians was gutted in a fire, it was announced today.

The Reform congregation opened its facilities to members of the Episcopal Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy for at least the rest of 1965. The two buildings stand back to back in upper Manhattan. Episcopal Holy Communion services also will be observed in the synagogue while the church congregation is sharing the facilities.

About 400 Episcopalian members of the Episcopal Church received a warm welcome yesterday from the leadership of Temple Rodeph Sholom where temporary quarters were set up to accommodate the church services. The Episcopalian services were held in the Temple's auditorium. Walter W. Weissmann, president of the Rodeph Sholom congregation, greeted the Christian worshippers. He announced that the congregation would make an initial contribution of \$1,000 to the fund established to rebuild the church.

'EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE' OF BRANDEIS INSTITUTE LAUDED BY HUMPHREY

BRANDEIS, Calif., Dec. 6: (JTA) -- The "educational excellence" of the Brandeis Institute here, which was founded 25 years ago to provide a summer leadership training program for Jewish college students, was acclaimed by Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey and Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg, head of the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, in messages sent to the Institute in connection with its silver anniversary year, it was reported here today.

Vice-President Humphrey said that the Institute "demonstrates the educational excellence which was so much a part of the heartfelt creed" of the late Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis in honor of whom the Institute has been named. Ambassador Goldberg lauded the Brandeis Institute as a "pioneering undertaking in education and community leadership."

The college program was started in New Hampshire but has been operating for the past 18 years at a 2,200 acre site at Brandeis, Calif., in the Simi Valley, 35 miles northwest of Los Angeles. About 6,000 college students from the United States and Canada have participated in the continuing summer college program. In addition the Institute's activities have been broadened to provide a year-round adult program designed to make Judaism meaningful in their lives. It also operates a summer recreational camp with Jewish content for children 8 to 16 years of age.

MERGER OF INSURANCE COMPANIES INVOLVING ISRAELI CAPITAL IS CANCELED

NEW YORK, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- Plans for the merger of Citadel Life Insurance Company of New York, a firm founded partly with capital invested by three Israeli life insurance companies, and Trans World Life Insurance Company of New York, were canceled this weekend after the latter company withdrew from merger negotiations.

Three Israeli insurance companies -- Hasneh, Migdal and Zion -- originally provided 30 percent of the capital to organize Citadel Life in 1960. In recent months, the Israeli firms disposed of the greater part of their holdings in Citadel Life.

SOVIET SOCCER TEAM ARRIVES IN ISRAEL FOR TWO GAMES AGAINST ISRAELIS

TEL AVIV, Dec. 6: (JTA) -- The Soviet Union's championship Spartak soccer team, of Moscow, arrived here today for two games against an All-Israel team, made up of selected players from various soccer aggregations in this country. The first game will be played tomorrow at Ramat Gan. A return match will be held a week later, at Kiryat Haim.