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### ZOA, REVISIONISTS ASK MRS. GANDHI FOR NEW INDIAN STAND TOWARD ISRAEL

NEW YORK, March 30: (JTA) -- The Zionist Organization of America and the Zionists-Revisionists of America voiced requests to India today -- as India's Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, came to New York for a three-day visit -- to establish formal diplomatic relations between India and Israel.

The New Delhi Government has recognized Israel since 1950, but has never established diplomatic relations with the Jewish State. Israel has only one Consul in India, stationed in Bombay. He has often been snubbed by the Indian Government. At the same time, however, India was the first country in the world to give formal recognition to the Arab League, whose 13 members seek the destruction of Israel.

The ZOA request was voiced by Jacques Torczyner, president of the ZOA. The Zionist-Revisionists made their demand in a telegram to Mrs. Gandhi from Beinish Epstein, executive vice-chairman of the Revisionist group. Both also referred to the fact that, only last week, India had shown discourtesy to Israel's President Shazar while he stopped in Calcutta on his way home from a state visit to Katmandu, Nepal.

In his statement on the issue, Mr. Torczyner said: "American Jewry was most sympathetic toward India at the time of her struggle for independence. The improvement of diplomatic relations between Prime Minister Gandhi's country and the State of Israel would be in keeping with India's traditions and lofty ideals."

The telegram from Mr. Epstein stated: "We are at a loss to understand how the Government of India, whose stated aim is the championing of justice, prevention of aggression and fostering peace, maintains its anti-Israel stand to curry favor with the Arab states and give aid and comfort to their belligerency, contrary to the spirit and charter of the United Nations, undermining the cause of world tranquility."

Mr. Torczyner made his statement at a rally conducted in his honor last night by the metropolitan district of the ZOA. The principal guest speaker at the event was U.S. Undersecretary of Labor John F. Henning. Identifying himself as a "fellow Zionist," he told the meeting that Israel was justified in its resolve to defend its security against the 40,000,000 hostile Arabs surrounding the Jewish State. "Surely," he said, "Israel is no threat to them."

### CANADIAN JEWS START PROCESS FOR POSSIBLE ENTRY OF RUSSIAN JEWS

MONTREAL, March 30: (JTA) -- The Canadian Government has been asked to approve applications filed by Canadians for the immigration into this country of their Jewish relatives in the Soviet Union, even though it is not known whether the Soviet Government would issue the needed exit visas, it was disclosed here today by the Canadian Jewish Congress.

The request was made during a meeting in Ottawa between Jean Marchand, Canadian Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, and a delegation representing the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services. The delegation had called on the Minister to discuss projected changes in Canadian immigration policy.

Noting that the difficulties connected with emigration from the USSR were numerous, the delegation pointed out to Mr. Marchand that no attempt could be made to induce the Soviet authorities to grant exit visas to Jewish relatives of Canadian citizens unless there was some evidence that Canada is prepared to admit potential immigrants from Russia.

### Jewish Immigration Under Way and Planned from Three Other Areas

The delegation, which was headed by Saul Hayes, executive vice-president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, also asked the Minister to seek an end to protracted delays in the processing of immigration applications by Canadian Jews on behalf of relatives from Morocco, who are now in Spain; and for potential immigrants from Rumania, now residing in Italy and awaiting entry approval by the Canadian Government. The Immigration Minis-

try was also urged to ease the regulations affecting immigration applications from various other East European countries to allow Jews in this country to file such applications, even though they are not yet Canadian citizens.

The Jewish Immigrant Aid Services also disclosed today that inquiries regarding immigration to Canada have been received during the past few months from some 250 Indian Jews. The JIAS said that most of these Jews seeking to come to Canada are of "satisfactory educational background" and "appear to be desirable immigrants."

Regarding proposed changes in Canadian immigration policy, the delegation stressed in its meeting with the Minister that "sight should not be lost of the humane quality of Canada as a 'have' country with enormous resources, with the corresponding duty to discharge its universal moral obligation which would be substantially hampered if efficiency were to remove those qualities."

Other members of the delegation included Lavy Becker, Monroe Abbey, Samuel Harvey, Louis Herman and B.J. Goldfarb, all of the Canadian Jewish Congress; and Louis Orenstein, George Hollinger and Dr. Joseph Kage, for the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services.

#### Senator Urges USSR Communist Congress to Alter Policy on Jews

WASHINGTON, March 30: (JTA) -- Sen. Hugh Scott, Pennsylvania Republican, said today in a Senate speech that a shift away from "anti-Semitic prejudices" at the 23rd congress of the Soviet Communist Party, now in session at Moscow, would be the first signal to the world of a major change in Russian policy. He also called on the Soviet Union to permit emigration of Jews to rejoin families separated during the upheavals of the 20th Century, by allowing departure for Israel, America, or elsewhere.

Sen. Scott said: "One great area of Soviet life has been left virtually unaffected by the gradual departure from Stalinist policy -- and that is the continuing Soviet policy of repressing the Jewish community, of destroying its spirit, of preventing a revival of Jewish cultural and religious institutions." He asserted that "the Jews remain a pointed exception to a noticeable process of liberalization occurring inside the USSR today. Of all the ethnic, religious and cultural groups in that country, the Jews are the only ones that are denied their natural right to group existence."

The Senator said "the irony of it all is that the Soviet Union is unique even among Communist countries for its repressive discrimination against the Jews. In Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, and other East European countries, the Jewish communities are not only permitted to exist; their communal, cultural and even religious institutions are supported and encouraged by the State."

He stressed that "this Soviet Party congress has a historic opportunity to redress this wrong. Let it take decisions to restore and enhance Jewish religious and cultural institutions. Let this congress undertake a major nationwide educational campaign to eradicate anti-Semitism in all walks of Soviet life, so that the Soviet atmosphere may be freed of this poison."

The Senator urged: "Above all, let this Soviet Communist conclave take a decision to permit free emigration for the many tens of thousands of Soviet Jews whose families were shattered by the traumatic events of the 20th Century war and holocaust, and who ardently seek to rejoin their remaining kin in the United States, Israel, and other countries; This would be an act of justice and of mercy."

#### ARABS REPORTED EYEING U THANT ACTION TO BREAK DEADLOCK IN REGION

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- Prime Ministers of four Middle East countries have invited United Nations Secretary-General U Thant to visit the Middle East, ostensibly in connection with budgetary problems of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, a World-Telegram and Sun correspondent reported today from Beirut, Lebanon.

The correspondent reported that, if the Secretary-General is persuaded to visit the Middle East, hope has been expressed by "observers" in Beirut that he might succeed in breaking the deadlock in the Middle East crisis. The invitations from the Prime Ministers were extended on a "personal visit" basis, the correspondent reported, to avoid the "acrimonious debate that would surely erupt" if Mr. Thant asked for an official mandate from the Security Council or the General Assembly.

The correspondent quoted "diplomatic sources" in Beirut as asserting that the UN official should spend at least two days in the capitals of each of the four "host" countries in which UNRWA conducts its activities for Palestinian Arab refugees -- Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Egyptian-administered Gaza Strip.

(No mention was made in the dispatch of a possible visit by Mr. Thant to Israel. But it was pointed out at the United Nations that, if the Secretary-General were to go to the Middle East, he could not avoid including Israel in his itinerary.)

ISRAEL'S PARLIAMENT ADOPTS NEW BUDGET TOTALING \$1,500,000,000

JERUSALEM, March 30: (JTA) -- Premier Levi Eshkol's record \$1,500,000,000 budget for the next fiscal year, starting April 1, was approved today in Parliament by a straight coalition-opposition vote, 36 to 24.

The budget, which is a balanced one, is 600,000,000 pounds (\$200,000,000) higher than that of the past fiscal year. About 10 percent of the budget is allocated for education. Following the vote, Parliament adjourned for a six-week Passover recess.

SYRIAN MORTARS FIRE AT ISRAEL TRACTORS NEAR BORDER; ONE WOUNDED

TEL AVIV, March 30: (JTA) -- Syrian positions opened mortar fire this morning at Israeli tractors near the border. A cease-fire arranged by United Nations observers was ignored by the Syrians, who resumed shooting.

Israeli units returned the fire on the second attack, after which the shooting ended; Israeli tractors continued their ploughing despite the gunfire from Syrian positions and finished their work in the afternoon. One Israeli tractor driver was wounded, and a van was damaged. A Syrian tank was seen burning. Israel filed a complaint with the UN Syrian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission.

PINCUS STATES AGENCY GOALS; TO TACKLE ZIONIST DISPUTES IN U.S.A.

JERUSALEM, March 30: (JTA) -- Aryeh L. Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, said today the three main goals of the Agency were to take in 250,000 immigrants in the next few years, increase immigration from Western countries, and solve Israel's current absorption problems.

Mr. Pincus, who will leave tomorrow for France and the United States, held his first press conference since becoming chairman. He said the Agency will work through five interdepartmental committees, which will deal with aliyah and absorption; youth aliyah; settlement; education; youth and pioneering; and organization, press and information.

He said the Agency must cooperate more closely with international groups such as the B'nai B'rith and the World Jewish Congress. Referring to assimilation of Jews in Western countries, he said the current time was "a period of the greatest opportunities but also of great danger."

During his United States visit, Mr. Pincus intends to deal with differences in the American Zionist movements on whether cooperation between the movements should be assured through an additional umbrella organization.

HEBREW U. HEAD WARNS OF 'COLLAPSE' IN GRAVE FINANCIAL SITUATION

JERUSALEM, March 30: (JTA) -- Hebrew University President Eliahu Elath told the university's board of governors today that the university's financial position had never been so serious and that the task of the governors was finding means to avert the school's "financial collapse."

The meeting was opened by Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia, board chairman, who called on the Israel Government to chart overall policies on a long-range basis. Special mention was made of the proposed Harry Truman Peace Center, which will be erected at the university, as one of the most important accomplishments of the university in recent years.

BEN-GURION STRESSES HEBREW KNOWLEDGE IN FIGHT AGAINST ASSIMILATION

LONDON, March 30: (JTA) -- Former Premier David Ben-Gurion, who was guest of honor last night at a dinner of the Joint Palestine Appeal, appealed to his Jewish listeners to make sure that their children and grandchildren had a Hebrew education. The former Premier, who received a standing ovation at the start and at the close of his address, said that a knowledge of Hebrew and of Jewish history was the only safeguard against the "growing process of assimilation."

More than 250,000 pounds sterling (\$700,000) was raised at the event for the Sde Boker Medrasha, the institute of higher learning sponsored by Mr. Ben-Gurion at his Negev retreat in Sde Boker. Declaring that the area had been explored and investigated, he said much more research was needed because, in addition to gypsum, marble and granite, there were still greater treasures to be uncovered, and the Dead Sea, with its "wealth of minerals," must be fully exploited by Israel.

The greatest wealth, he said, was the Jewish people who in three generations had transformed the face of the land. But, he added, all of these "remarkable achievements" were only the beginning. If Jews are to make the Negev into a thickly populated center of industry and culture, they must use the twin industries of pioneering and science, he said.

U.N. MOVES TOWARD ESTABLISHING HIGH COMMISSIONER ON HUMAN RIGHTS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 30. (JTA) -- The United Nations Commission on Human Rights adopted a resolution here today, marking the first concrete step toward establishment of a U. N. High Commissioner of Human Rights. The task of the new official, when the step is taken finally, would be to use his prestige and moral force to see to it that all human rights are implemented by all countries in the world. No individual's name has as yet been suggested for the position.

After debates lasting a week, during which the United States pressed for the creation of the post, while the Soviet Union opposed the idea, the Commission this afternoon approved a motion proposed by Israel's representative, Associate Israeli Supreme Court Justice Haim H. Cohn, to create a study group on the subject, which is to report back to the full Commission in 1967. The vote on Justice Cohn's motion, by a show of hands, was 16 in favor, two against and three abstentions. There are 21 members on the Commission.

The idea of creating a High Commissioner for Human Rights was first broached three years ago at a Dag Hammarskjold Memorial lecture by Jacob Blaustein, honorary president of the American Jewish Committee, and former U.S. delegate to the U.N. General Assembly. Fighting for the creation of the post was led at the current session of the Commission by Israel and by the U.S. representative to the body, Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee.

Strong support of the proposal was voiced before the Commission today not only by Mr. Abram and Justice Cohn, but also by a number of nongovernmental representatives who have consultative status. These included Moses Moskowitz, representative of the Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations, a world group that includes the Canadian branch of Alliance Israelite Universelle; Sidney Liskofsky, of the International League for the Rights of Man, with which the ACJ is affiliated; and Sean McBride, secretary-general of the International Commission of Jurists.

World Jewish Congress Fetes Chief of U. N. Human Rights Unit

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- Dr. John P. Humphrey, director of the United Nations Division of Human Rights, was feted by the World Jewish Congress at a luncheon here today. Dr. Humphrey is retiring April 30 from the post which he assumed almost 20 years ago. He will join the law faculty of McGill University at Montreal.

Samuel Bronfman, luncheon host and chairman of the North American executive committee of the World Jewish Congress, presented a citation to Dr. Humphrey for his "creative imagination and patient diplomacy with which he has sustained the cause of human rights through the vicissitudes of international crises and diplomatic conflict."

SLAWSON THANKS CARDINAL IN VIENNA FOR WORK AT ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

VIENNA, March 30. (JTA) -- Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president of the American Jewish Committee, was received here tonight by Franziskus Cardinal Koenig, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Vienna. Dr. Slawson, who arrived here today after visiting West Germany and West Berlin for 10 days, expressed the American Jewish Committee's thanks to the Catholic prelate for the latter's efforts in the recent Vatican Ecumenical Council on behalf of the final passage of a decree which repudiated the charge of collective guilt of the Jewish people for the death of Jesus. During his two-day stay here, Dr. Slawson has also scheduled conferences with leaders of Austria's major political parties, as well as with leaders of the Austrian Jewish community.

At Frankfurt, yesterday, Dr. Slawson unveiled a bust of Prof. Max Horkheimer, a Jewish social scientist, at the City and University Library in Frankfurt. Participants in those ceremonies, in addition to Dr. Horkheimer, included the president and prime minister of the German State of Hesse, and the mayor of Frankfurt. Dr. Slawson is scheduled to leave here tomorrow for Athens.

MICHIGAN TO NAME PART OF NEW HIGHWAY AFTER LATE RABBI MORRIS ADLER

DETROIT, March 30. (JTA) -- Mayor James Clarkson of Southfield, a suburb of Detroit, announced today that the Southfield City Council had endorsed a suggestion by Gov. George Romney that a section of a Michigan expressway be named Adler Freeway, in memory of the late Rabbi Morris Adler who was fatally wounded by a congregant in his Shaarey Tzedek Synagogue in Southfield last month. The Synagogue building overlooks the freeway.

Both the Governor and the Mayor were long-time friends of the late Conservative rabbinical leader, who died on March 11 after having been in a coma for about three weeks following the shooting.