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### SOVIET PRESENTS NOTE TO ISRAEL; JERUSALEM CABINET REJECTS CHARGES

JERUSALEM, May 30. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet categorically rejected today accusations leveled by the Soviet Union that Israel was planning to topple the Syrian regime in conspiracy with the United States and British governments. Official Government circles here had disclosed earlier today that the Soviet Government, in a note handed to Israel Ambassador in Moscow Katriel Katz, warned the Israeli Government against "interference in Syrian affairs."

It is understood that the contents of the note, which was delivered to Ambassador Katz by a senior official of the Soviet Ministry for Foreign Affairs, was similar to the warning carried by the Tass News Agency and other Soviet radio and press media last Thursday which claimed that Israel, Britain, the United States and "certain imperialistic circles in Jordan" were plotting to overthrow Syria's leftwing government. The warning said that the USSR would not stand aloof from alleged Israeli "provocations" in the Near East, "a region located in direct proximity to the borders of the USSR."

The Soviet charges were discussed in talks between Ambassador Katz and the Soviet Government and between the Israel Foreign Ministry and Dmitri Chuvakhin, the USSR Ambassador in Jerusalem. Foreign Minister Abba Eban said that it was the Syrians who have been concentrating their forces on Israel's border and making aggressive statements -- not the Israelis. It has been Syrian marauders who murdered two Israeli farmers inside Israeli territory only three weeks ago. Statements like those of the Soviet Union, he declared, only increase the tension in the area.

The Cabinet approved Foreign Minister Eban's position which was also expressed this morning in Paris by Prime Minister Levi Eshkol who was enroute to a visit to Africa. Observers here today explained the Soviet move as a double-pronged effort to establish the claim that, if the Syrian regime remains in power, it would owe its existence to Moscow; if it falls, even due to internal reasons, the Soviet Government will be able to claim that it was the work of "imperialistic plotters."

### Premier Eshkol Rebukes Moscow for Anti-Israel Allegations

PARIS, May 30. (JTA) -- Israel's Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, who stopped here this weekend enroute to a visit to Africa, said that there was "absolutely no basis for insinuations and allegations in a Tass statement that, in relations with other states in the Middle East, Israel acts as an agent of any other country."

Commenting on the charges carried by the Soviet news agency that Israel, the United States and Britain were "plotting to overthrow" the Syrian Government, Mr. Eshkol said that the allegations of Israeli troop concentrations on the Syrian border were "entirely without foundation."

"Time and again Israel has expressed the sincere desire as a sovereign state in the Middle East for peace with her neighbors," Mr. Eshkol said. "It is Syria which is constantly engaged in provocations on the frontier. From Syria, infiltrators come to murder peaceful agricultural workers on Israeli territory as in the recent Almagor incident. It is Syria which, from time to time, proclaims the intention to attack Israel."

"It should not be too difficult," the Prime Minister added, "for the Soviet Union to ascertain the aggressive military order of battle on the Syrian frontier with Israel, its range, categories of its weapons and concentration in areas where it is forbidden under the armistice agreement."

"One cannot avoid the suspicion," he said, "that Syrian allegations are being made with the purpose of hiding malicious designs. Israel's fervent desire for peace and quiet on the frontiers oblige her to maintain the maximum possible restraint on humanitarian grounds. It should be clear to Syria and to her friends and indeed to international opinion that she must abstain from acts of provocation, sabotage and murder."

Mr. Eshkol recalled his suggestion in Israel's Parliament earlier this month that the abstention in Moscow from offensive statements could help to strengthen peace in the Middle East. "I regret to say that the latest Tass statement and articles in a similar vein in the Soviet Union in the last days, do not constitute a positive contribution in this direction."

SOVIET CAMPAIGN AGAINST ISRAEL WATCHED WITH INTEREST IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, May 30. (JTA) -- Competent circles here are watching with utmost interest the campaign which the Soviet press started against Israel under the pretext that Israel is preparing for "provocations" against Syria. Soviet newspapers are also attacking Israel for acquiring jet bombers from the United States.

A statement from Moscow distributed here today by Soviet diplomats alleged that "high ranking United States officials recently held conferences with the Government and the general staff of Israel." It claimed that "aggressive and extremist forces in Israel are being spearheaded against neighboring Arab states" and that "provocations by Israel in areas bordering on neighboring countries have become more frequent."

The Soviet statement quoted press reports as stating that "the Israeli army has been alerted, leaves for officers and men have been cancelled, Israeli troops are being concentrated on the borders with Syria. The Chief of General Staff of the Israeli Army, Yitzhak Rabin, is making provocative speeches against Arab states, evidently, depicting matters as if Israel can lay down what policy countries bordering on her must pursue," the Soviet statement asserted.

The Soviet Army organ "Red Star" reaching here today carries an article criticizing the U.S. sale of arms to Israel. The newspaper said America was trying to "drive a wedge between the Arab countries." Another newspaper "Sovetskaya Rossiya" said "The new American-Israeli agreement on arms supplies to Israel has constructed a direct bridge between Washington and Tel Aviv." Leaders of Israel, it said, "wish to serve as a spearhead directed by imperialism into the heart of the Arab national liberation movement."

ISRAEL ACCUSES SYRIA OF INCITEMENT TO WAR; COMPLAINS TO U.N. COUNCIL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., May 30. (JTA) -- Israel today accused the Syrian Government of "direct and open incitement to war, contrary to the Charter of the United Nations," against the provisions of the Israeli-Syrian armistice agreement of 1949 and in violation of "the basic principles of international law." The charge was made in a letter to Dr. J.G. de Beus, of the Netherlands, this month's president of the Security Council, from Ambassador Michael S. Comay, Israel's permanent representative to the United Nations.

Mr. Comay's letter was a reply to one addressed to Dr. de Beus last week by Syria's Ambassador, George J. Tomeh, who denied his government's responsibility for raids into Israel by El Fatah, the Arab terrorist group, and charged Israel with aggressive intentions. Among other claims, Syria contended that, during March and April, it had filed 220 complaints against Israel with the Syrian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission.

"It is unclear," Mr. Comay wrote, "whom this statistic is meant to impress or mislead. These are routine complaints, and the Mixed Armistice Commission has a backlog of approximately 60,000 like them. It might be added that Israel complaints against Syria for the last month, April, alone total 358, some of them of grave character."

On the other hand, Mr. Comay pointed out, Syria's president, Dr. Nureddin al Atassi, had called for open war against Israel only 10 days ago, while Israel's Prime Minister Levi Eshkol had reiterated his Government's "sincere desire for peace" only last week. Mr. Comay's letter did not call for a meeting of the Security Council on its dispute with Syria, requesting only that his letter be circulated as a Security Council document.

Eban Discusses Syrian Sabotage with Ambassadors of Big Powers

JERUSALEM, May 30. (JTA) -- A Foreign Ministry spokesman reported last night that Israel was continuing its campaign to impress foreign governments with the danger to regional peace stemming from Syrian sabotage.

He said Foreign Minister Abba Eban had met in recent days with ambassadors of France, Britain and Russia and informed them that Israel took a grave view of the situation created by Syrian attacks. He will meet with other envoys, including Walworth Barbour of the United States, for the same purpose. Political sources emphasized that Israel would stop being concerned only when all Syrian aggression ended.

Four Israel Arabs Arrested; Charged with Spying for Syria

HAIFA, May 30. (JTA) -- Four Israeli Arabs who were arrested in the northern part of the country, were brought before the Haifa District Court here today and charged with spying for Syria. They were accused of transferring material to Syrian intelligence since 1958. All pleaded not guilty, and were detained for further hearings to be held June 14.

**ANTI-SEMITISM REPORTED STRONG AMONG SOVIET OFFICIALS IN KIEV**

LONDON, May 30. (JTA) -- Responsible travelers returning here from the Soviet Union report unrestrained anti-Jewish activities by Kiev officials, intimidation of worshippers at the Kiev synagogue and an increase of arrests of Kiev Jews on economic crimes charges.

The reports are based not only on personal impressions of the visitors but also on discussions with Jews and non-Jews in Kiev. The travelers give a population of Jews in Kiev as about 200,000, which contrasts with the 153,000 reported in the official census.

The visitors assert that authorities in Kiev seem to have complete freedom in pursuing anti-Jewish policies, and that the Moscow authorities do not seem to intervene. The Jewish situation in Kiev was reported as worse than in any other major Jewish community in the USSR.

Since 1959, there has not been a single Jewish stage performance in spite of many requests from Jews courageous enough to speak out, and despite applications by Jewish touring companies to be allowed to perform in Kiev, the visitors stated. The congregation of the Kiev synagogue was reported by them to be constantly intimidated by synagogue officials who are believed to be acting as agents for Soviet security authorities. The chief wardenman, named Gendelman, is particularly feared, the travelers said. He is rude to tourists.

They also reported that on the week before Passover, last April, Soviet police entered a house on Gorky Street where matzoh was being baked by Jews who did not want to register for matzoh at the synagogue. The Jews were dragged out of the house, their flour was spilled into the gutter and their baking implements broken.

The visitors said Kiev Jews are exposed to anti-Semitism both at work and in society. Arrests on economic charges have increased since the end of 1965, and one 70-year-old Jew was arrested several months ago, along with his son and daughter-in-law, on charges of dealing in foreign currency. The old man was sentenced to death, and the son and daughter-in-law to long terms in jail. The elderly Jew was not allowed to appeal, and his relatives were later informed that he died in prison.

There were unconfirmed reports that a Jewish milkman was arrested on charges of diluting his milk with water and that he was tortured in an effort to force a confession. However, he refused to confess. Other reports referred to prolonged interrogations of Jews about their sources of income. This was a common practice a few years ago, when 90 percent of those sentenced to death for "economic crimes" were executed.

**CONFERENCE OF CANADIAN JEWRY APPEALS TO SOVIET ON JEWISH RIGHTS**

MONTREAL, May 30. (JTA) -- Over 300 leaders of national Canadian Jewish organizations, at an unprecedented one-day conference on the plight of Soviet Jewry, unanimously adopted resolutions last night, calling on the Soviet Government to restore its Jewish citizens to a position of equality with all other nationalities.

The resolutions also urged the Moscow Government to enable the Jews of the USSR to freely practice, enhance and perpetuate their culture and religion by removing all obstacles designed to restrict this freedom. The Soviet Government was also urged to make available all the institutions, schools, textbooks and materials necessary to teach Jewish children the languages, history and the beliefs of the Jewish people.

In other resolutions, the Soviet Government was asked to: "1) Permit the Jews of the USSR to freely develop Jewish life and to associate and work with Jewish groups inside and outside the Soviet Union; 2) Use all the means at its disposal to eradicate anti-Semitism and permit Soviet Jewish families separated as a result of the Nazi holocaust to be reunited with their relatives abroad."

The conference also recommended that the national executive committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress, which sponsored the parley, "immediately study the feasibility of establishing a special national committee, inviting to it representatives of major national, central and local Jewish organizations, whose function it would be to implement the resolutions emerging from this conference and to direct itself to the matter of devising an ongoing program of action on behalf of Soviet Jews."

The Canadian Government was urged by the conference to convey to the Soviet Union "the deep and abiding concern" of Canada's 270,000 Jews for the rights being denied to the 3,000,000 Jews in the Soviet Union. The Government was also asked to direct an appeal to the Soviet authorities that Russian Jewry be accorded the same treatment as other religious and ethnic groups enjoy within the limitations of the Soviet constitution.

In an address at the morning session, James E. Walker, Liberal member of the Canadian Parliament, demanded the diplomatic intervention of the Canadian Government

"in order to put an end to the violation of human rights against Soviet Jewry." He said that only an official intervention "at the highest level of government" will help to change the tragic situation.

Claude Ryan, editor of the French-Canadian newspaper, *Le Devoir*, expressed his solidarity with the struggle for human rights for Soviet Jews, emphasized that the attitude of any government to its Jewish citizens is a "test of morality," and said it was regrettable that the Soviet authorities discriminate against Jews.

In another address to the 300 rabbinic and lay leaders attending the conference, Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg, of Toronto, stressed that the problem of Soviet Jewry is not linked with the Cold War "since the Jewish people is the only one divided between East and West, and it would be the first to suffer in any armed conflict." He said that there is no doubt that there is still popular anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and that no measures are being taken to eradicate it. He also stressed that the Soviet Union is sensitive to world public opinion and that, therefore, "we must continue our protests concerning the discrimination against Jewish culture and religion."

Other speakers included Prof. Maxwell Cohen, dean of McGill University Law School; Alvin Hamilton, Progressive-Conservative member of Parliament; and Dr. Harry Stern of Montreal.

#### U.S. LABOR ZIONIST CONVENTION WANTS COORDINATED ACTION ON RUSSIA

CHICAGO, May 30. (JTA) -- The Labor Zionist Organization of America-Poale Zion today called upon the American Conference on Soviet Jewry to establish as soon as possible a permanent body with adequate staff and budget which will be able to execute an effective ongoing campaign "for the freedom of our people in Russia."

The 35th national convention of the Labor Zionists, which ended its weekend parley here today, reelected Hy Faine, of New York, a labor lawyer and executive secretary of the American Guild of Musical Artists, AFL-CIO, as its president. In his presidential address, Mr. Faine told the 300 delegates from 100 LZO chapters in the United States and Canada, attending the convention, that the world Zionist movement must become at least as active in the Jewish communities outside Israel as in Israel itself.

"Our arena," he said, "is the whole Jewish community." He called for the reunification of the American Zionist movement, and declared that the World Zionist Organization must see to it that all members of existing American Zionist parties and organizations be enrolled in an American Zionist movement.

#### Negro-Jewish Relations Discussed; Inter-marriage Growth Reported

One of the main topics explored during the convention was the subject of relations between Negroes and Jews in the United States. One of the principal speakers, Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, of this city, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, assured the delegates that, "in essential tests, there is not very much Negro anti-Semitism."

Dr. Ezra Spicehandler, professor at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati, told the delegates that "the third or fourth generation American Jew has very little inferiority complex about his Jewishness, but seeks identity in terms of a set of ideals and principles rather than only out of a vague idea of ethnic affiliation."

The scholar said that 85 percent of all Jewish children in the United States stopped their Jewish education at age 13. He also said that 18 percent of marriages among Jewish youth were mixed marriages. He said the "sheer drop" in the population growth of the American Jewish community threatened it with "ultimate extinction."

At a luncheon, Prof. Marie Syrkin, a member of the Jewish Agency executive, stressed the need for increased immigration to Israel from the United States, not only for the sake of Israel but for the continued vitality of American Jewry. The convention, in a resolution on American aliyah, recommended that Lag B'Omer be designated as American Aliyah Day.

#### PRESIDENT SCHICK OF NICARAGUA BEGINS OFFICIAL VISIT TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, May 30. (JTA) -- President Rene Schick Gutierrez of Nicaragua, who arrived here this weekend, began his official visit here today when he was welcomed at the entrance to the city by Mayor Theodore Kollek. Accompanied by three Nicaraguan Cabinet ministers, President Gutierrez proceeded to Mount Herzl where he laid a wreath on the tomb of the founder of political Zionism.

The Nicaraguan President will meet with President Shazar when the two heads of state will sign a technical cooperation agreement between the two countries.

STATE DEPT. REPORTS ON SETTLEMENT OF SLAVE LABOR CLAIMS IN GERMANY

WASHINGTON, May 30. (JTA) -- The State Department today revealed that prior to signing a "framework agreement" with the German Ministry of Defense for purchase of Rheinmetall guns, "the Departments of State and Defense had on appropriate occasions made known their interest in an equitable settlement on the question of World War II slave labor claims against Rheinmetall by the Conference on Jewish Materials Claims Against Germany."

Assistant Secretary of State Douglas MacArthur II, said "We have been informed by Jacob Blaustein, senior vice-president of the Conference, that this matter has been resolved." The State Department expression was made in a communication to members of Congress.

SEN. JAVITS HINTS HE WOULD RUN FOR U.S. PRESIDENT, NOT VICE-PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, May 30. (JTA) -- New York Senator Jacob K. Javits indicated last night that any bid he made for national office would be as the Republican candidate for President, not Vice-President. Sen. Javits was mentioned by New York Governor Rockefeller last week as a possible candidate on the Republican national ticket along with Michigan Governor George Romney.

When the question was raised in a taped television interview last night, the Jewish Senator said "You have got to back a favorite son for the Presidential nomination. That is how the vote of the delegation will be cast." He said that Governor Rockefeller had not backed him for Vice-President. "He started to do that months ago and found that he was wrong," he declared.

PROBLEM OF ANTI-SEMITISM DISCUSSED AT CONVENTION OF ARGENTINE JEWRY

BUENOS AIRES, May 30. (JTA) -- Argentinian Jewry was advised today by Dr. Isaac Goldenberg, president of DAIA, the central body of organized Jewry in this country, to maintain contacts with all sectors of the Jewish community in the United States but to reject "unrequested protection." Dr. Goldenberg made that statement in summarizing the proceedings of the DAIA's fifth national convention, which had been in session since Thursday, at Mendoza. The parley was attended by 218 delegates from every Jewish center in the country.

Throughout the conclave, stress was laid by many speakers on DAIA's ability to fight anti-Semitism in Argentina, and on the need to continue such activities. Ferzl Gessang, secretary-general of DAIA, told the convention that, since the end of World War II, 1,800 German Nazis had found refuge in Argentina. Dr. Jaime Pompas, of Cordoba, declared that "the present tranquility enjoyed by the Jews of Argentina is due mainly to the efforts of DAIA." Dr. Goldenberg had warned that a recent survey indicated that "more than 50 percent of the working population of Argentina shows totalitarian inclinations."

One of the proposals discussed at the end of the convention was the establishment of closer contacts between Argentinian Jews and the local Arab population.

More than 400 guests last night joined the delegates in attending the annual DAIA banquet. Prominent among the guests were Mendoza Province Gov. Francisco Gabrielli, Vice-Gov. Felix Aguinaga and Mendoza City Mayor Jorge Peltier. Gov. Gabrielli, in an address greeting DAIA, lauded Argentine Jewry's contributions to the country's development. Another of the speakers was Aba Geffen, counsellor of the Israel Embassy here, who had also addressed the convention's opening session.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR PARLEY TO DEAL WITH RELIGIOUS BIAS URGED

UNITY HOUSE, Fa., May 30. (JTA) -- A proposal that an international labor conference be summoned to deal with religious bias in countries around the world, including the question of Soviet anti-Semitism, was adopted here today by the Jewish Labor Committee's sixth national Trade Union Conference on Civil Rights, which concluded its four days of deliberation today.

The proposal was made by Charles S. Zimmerman, chairman of the JLC National Trade Union Council on Human Rights, who is also vice-president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Mr. Zimmerman told the 200 delegates attending the parley that the international conference is needed to consider "the increasing tempo of racial and religious prejudices in many countries where labor is in power or plays a decisive role."

One of the topics that resulted in vigorous debate during the conference session yesterday was the issue of alleged anti-Semitism among members of the Negro community in the United States.

TWC-DAY COLLOQUIUM ON JEWISH EDUCATION HELD AT BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

WALTHAM, Mass., May 30. (JTA) -- Methods for improving the quality of Jewish education and of meeting the teacher shortage in Jewish schools in this country were among the principal topics discussed at a two-day Colloquium that concluded here today. The Colloquium was held under the auspices of the Philip W. Lown Graduate Center of Brandeis University.

Dr. Abraham L. Sachar, president of the university, announced today that Mr. Lown, a philanthropist particularly interested in Jewish education, has provided a \$50,000 fund for graduate fellowships in Jewish education. The fund, he said, will be administered jointly by the university and the Institute of Contemporary Jewish Studies of the Hebrew University, in Jerusalem.

Some of the most prominent Jewish educators in the United States participated in the Colloquium. Among the scholars who presented papers and took part in the discussions were representatives of all religious branches of Judaism, Hebrew and Yiddish educators, and the heads of Jewish teachers colleges and bureaus of Jewish education from many principal Jewish centers in the United States.

In addition to tackling the problem of teacher shortages and improvement of the quality of Jewish education, the discussions centered on accreditation of Jewish teachers colleges, the curricula of those colleges, and the courses of Judaic and Hebrew studies in American colleges and universities.

New insights for the improvement of Jewish education have emerged from the discussions, according to Dr. Oscar Janowsky, professor of history at City College of the City University of New York, general chairman of the Colloquium. Brandeis will make the results of the conference available to the Jewish community by publishing the proceedings of the Colloquium in book form.

NEW YORK CITY OFFICIAL PROPOSES EDUCATION EXCHANGE WITH ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, May 30. (JTA) -- An exchange of teachers and pupils between New York City and Israel was proposed here by Dr. Bernard Donovan, New York City School Superintendent. New York City already has such exchanges with Norway, Britain and Japan.

He made the proposal at a ground-breaking ceremony for the Lea and Monroe Goldwater Comprehensive High School, honoring Mr. Goldwater who was president for 17 years of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York. Dr. Donovan said that, on his return to New York, he would start work on an exchange plan for teachers for a one or two year stay.

The Goldwater School is one of 32 educational projects, 12 of them comprehensive high schools, activated by the Israel Education Fund of the U.J.A., since its inauguration in September, 1964. Speakers at the ground-breaking ceremony, in addition to Dr. Donovan, were Charles J. Bensley, president of the Israel Education Fund; Zalman Aranne, Israel Minister of Education and Culture; Jewish Agency chairman Louis A. Pincus, and Yosef Levy, Mayor of Eilat. Mr. and Mrs. Goldwater were present.

CORE EXPELS CHAPTER FOR ANTI-SEMITIC REMARK BY ITS OFFICER

NEW YORK, May 30. (JTA) -- The Congress of Racial Equality disclosed here that it had expelled its Mount Vernon chapter as an aftermath of an anti-Semitic remark made by a chapter officer.

Clifford Brown, then educational chairman of the chapter, told an audience of 100 persons, including Jews, that "Hitler made one mistake, he didn't kill enough of you." The shouted remark came at the height of a heated meeting on school integration of the Mount Vernon Board of Education last February 3.

James Farmer, then CORE national director, called the remark "intolerable" and ordered an investigation. Several members of CORE's national board, including Will Maslow, American Jewish Congress executive director, were not satisfied with Mr. Farmer's reaction and resigned. Later, Mr. Brown apologized and he resigned. In announcing the expulsion, CORE said it had "to spend thousands of man-hours disavowing bigotry." A spokesman said that there had been a sharp drop in contributions to CORE which currently has a \$200,000 deficit.

RABBI WOHLGELERNTER DEAD; WAS AUTHOR OF NUMBER OF SCHOLARLY BOOKS

TORONTO, May 30. (JTA) -- Rabbi Jacob Isaac Wohlgelernter, a prominent Toronto rabbi, educator and writer, died this weekend of a heart attack at the age of 65. Born in Poland, Rabbi Wohlgelernter, a sixth generation descendant of a family of Polish rabbis, emigrated to Canada in 1922. He had served as principal of Talmud Torah Eitz-Chaim in Toronto since 1941 and was the author of a number of scholarly works.