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## MIDDLE EAST STABILITY DISCUSSED BY DE GAULLE WITH SOVIET LEADERS

JERUSALEM, June 26. (JTA) -- French President Charles de Gaulle stressed the need for Big Power guarantee of the territorial integrity of the states in the Middle East, in discussing the Near East region on his current visit to Moscow with Leonid I. Brezhnev, general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, it was reported here today. The report, broadcast here over Kol Israel, Israel's government-owned radio network, came from the network's correspondent who is a member of the news corps that accompanied President de Gaulle to Moscow.

During one of their talks in Moscow, the Kol Israel correspondent reported, Mr. Brezhnev told President de Gaulle that the Soviet Union maintains good relations with the countries in the Middle East, and wants peace in the area. Gen. de Gaulle then said that France also has good relations with the countries in the Middle East, mentioning Israel specifically among the states in that region.

The French leader then stressed the need for maintaining the territorial status quo in the Middle East. France, along with the United States and Britain, is a partner to the Tripartite Declaration for the guarantee of the Middle East borders, issued by the three powers in 1950. Israel's Ambassador to Paris, Walter Eytan, was understood to have requested in a visit to the French Foreign Minister, Maurice Couve de Murville, a week ago, that President de Gaulle raise the point of including the USSR in the 1950 Declaration.

### Israel Premier to Seek Meeting with President de Gaulle

Lamerhav, organ of Achdut Avodah, the party that entered into a political alignment last year with the dominant Mapai Party, reported today that Prime Minister Levi Eshkol will request a meeting with President de Gaulle in the near future. The principal aim of that meeting would reportedly be a discussion of France's attitude toward Israel's desire to become an associate member of the European Economic Community.

Israel's Foreign Ministry sources were not prepared to discuss that report today. However, it was indicated that Israel will launch a strong political and diplomatic offensive on that issue soon in the capitals of the six Euromart states -- France, West Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Israel is disappointed over what officials here call the "meager and disappointing" results of its long drive to establish a link with the EEC. In the view of the Israeli officials, firmer action than ever must be undertaken to assure Israel's ability to export goods to the Euromart countries, and such results can be achieved only through associate membership in the EEC.

(In Brussels, headquarters of the Euromart, a joint committee of the EEC and Israel signed a protocol yesterday defining Israel's current link with the EEC, which Israel's delegation called "a disappointment." The protocol was signed after a warm debate in which Israel pointed out that the present trade arrangements between Israel and the Euromart are too limited. Israel's delegation told the joint committee that only associate EEC membership would resolve the mutual trade concerns of Israel and the EEC members.)

## ISRAEL GOVT. WORKING ON PLAN TO END UNEMPLOYMENT; MINISTER REPORTS

TEL AVIV, June 26. (JTA) -- Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir reported here that the Government was working on a plan to end unemployment within two to three years. He also said the Government believed a period of "restraint" was essential to prevent a strain on Israel's balance of payments.

The Finance Minister linked the campaign against joblessness with greater exports in two addresses, one at a meeting of the Mapai kibbutz movement and the other given at the opening session of the first meeting of the World Council of Associations of Bi-National Chambers of Commerce.

He told the Mapai meeting that the new anti-unemployment program would be part of a drive to step up production for export. He said Israel's efforts to restrain the economy was not a goal in itself but rather an instrument "to strengthen those branches requiring such treatment." He reiterated his belief that Israel could increase its exports by \$100,000,000 a year.

SHAZAR LEAVES URUGUAY TODAY FOR CHILE; ENJOYED EXTRAORDINARY HONORS

MONTEVIDEO, June 26. (JTA) -- After a state visit to Uruguay that started last Wednesday, during which the most extraordinary Government honors were paid to him, Israel's President Zalman Shazar is leaving tomorrow for Chile, the next stop on his six-week-long Latin American tour. He is due to arrive in Santiago de Chile tomorrow afternoon.

In Chile, as he did in Uruguay, the Israeli chief of state will attend ceremonies at which the two governments will sign an agreement for cooperation in the field of the use of atomic energy for peaceful purposes.

Mr. Shazar will have spent almost a week here, during which, in addition to concluding the nuclear pact, he was given a state dinner by Uruguayan President Alberto Heber, addressed a joint session of the Uruguayan Congress, met with the entire Supreme Court of Uruguay, and visited with leaders of the entire Jewish community in this country.

At the dinner tendered in his honor by President Heber, Mr. Shazar voiced a hope for ultimate peace with Israel's neighboring Arab states. He told the brilliant gathering of 600 leaders of the Government, foremost notables in the country's intellectual life and leaders of local Jewry that "We have not given up our hope that the day will come when our neighbors will be numbered among our friends."

The significance of the atomic energy pact for peaceful purposes was spelled out here by Foreign Minister Luis Vidal Zaglio, who signed the agreement on behalf of Uruguay. Said the Foreign Minister: "This agreement is one of the most modern expressions of international law which seeks, through new formulas, to utilize all the conquests of science and technology to help build a better world for all of us."

Perhaps the most dramatic of the events here during the weekend was President Shazar's appearance before the joint session of Uruguay's Congress, with all members of the Assembly and the Senate attending -- except for the Communist faction, which boycotted the gathering. Addressing the session, Dr. Martin R. Echegoyen, president of the Assembly, delivered a half-hour greeting during which he lauded Israel and mentioned all of the most prominent leaders of Zionism from Theodor Herzl and Chaim Weizmann to David Ben-Gurion, Golda Meir "and all the others who were called 'fanatics of social justice and labor agitators, but proved to the world that they were prophets of peaceful civilization.'"

A scene charged with emotion took place when President Shazar and his wife, Mrs. Rachel Shazar, received at their temporary residence in the Presidential palace leaders of the Uruguayan Jewish community. Mr. Shazar told Jaime Balter, president of the Montevidean Jewish Community, that he hoped, in the future, to maintain still closer contacts with the Jews in this country. President Shazar and Mrs. Shazar visited Jewish schools, some of them conducted by the Government on a nonsectarian basis, the Jewish Home for the Aged here, and other Jewish institutions.

KING FAISAL 'CLARIFIES' HIS STAND ON JEWS; SPEAKS TO ARABS ONLY

NEW YORK, June 26. (JTA) -- King Faisal, of Saudi Arabia, who delivered anti-Jewish remarks in Washington last week, and was, as a result, snubbed by New York's Mayor Lindsay and Gov. Rockefeller, made an effort yesterday to "clarify" his attitude.

In a statement for the Arab press, broadcast to Saudi Arabia through the facilities of the Voice of America, which is owned and operated by the United States Government, he said: "We are not against the religion of the Jews, but against the Zionists and the Jews who help the Zionists."

A spokesman for the king also quoted the monarch as counseling the acceptance of those Jews who had made their home in Palestine long before it became the independent nation of Israel in 1948. "Those Jews who were in Palestine have a right to stay there, but the Jews who came from outside are intruders," the king was reported to have asserted.

The spokesman then added that Islam had always regarded itself as "a continuation of Judaism and Christianity," but he did not make it clear if the king had made this point, or if he considered this as further evidence that no attack on the Jews as a whole had been intended.

CEREMONY MARKS UNVEILING OF TOMBSTONE ON SHARETT'S GRAVE IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, June 26. (JTA) -- A tombstone was unveiled Friday over the grave of the late Moshe Sharett, at Tel Aviv, and impressive memorial services in his honor were held here today. Mr. Sharett, one-time Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, and chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, died July 7, 1965.

NCRAC SPLIT ON VIET NAM RESOLUTION; JEWISH WAR VETERANS USE VETO

WASHINGTON, June 26, (JTA) -- The plenary session of the National Community Relations Advisory Council, central advisory body of eight national Jewish organizations and 78 local Jewish councils, was split here today over a resolution concerning the Viet Nam war, and expressing fear that the right of protest and dissent is threatened.

The resolution was presented at today's meeting of the four-day NCRAC session, which is being attended by 250 delegates from all parts of the country. It was vetoed by the Jewish War Veterans of America, one of the eight national organizations affiliated with the NCRAC. Immediately, the seven other national organizations voted for it. Under NCRAC procedure, any of the eight national constituent groups can exercise a veto on a policy action, to prevent its issuance in the name of the NCRAC. Thus the resolution is not an NCRAC measure but an expression of the seven groups which voted for it.

The seven groups were the American Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and the Anti-Defamation League, Jewish Labor Committee, United Synagogue of America, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, and the National Council of Jewish Women. Many affiliated Jewish community councils also endorsed the measure.

The resolution vetoed by the JWV said in part: "We deplore all action which threatens expression of dissent in connection with U.S. foreign policy, particularly in the case of the Viet Nam war; or to discredit such expressions by the propagandistic association of dissent with the most bizarre, disreputable, or unpatriotic elements in society. Such action threatens to recreate the hysteria of the McCarthy period, which happily we overcame." The resolution cited President Johnson's recent comments supporting the right to dissent as the "life breath of democracy."

In a statement of its position against the proposed NCRAC resolution, the Jewish War Veterans said they "strongly disagree with any statement of Jewish organizations that alleges the existence of a so-called spirit of McCarthyism is abroad in our land, allegedly inhibiting the exercise of the right of protest and dissent. Our Government, like any American, is entitled to the presumption of innocence until proven guilty; critics of our Viet Nam policy should debate the issue on its merits, and should not cry foul when the debate becomes heated on both sides, so long as there are no acts of repression or retaliation."

Mutual American-Russian Understanding on Middle East Urged

The NCRAC session -- which reelected Aaron Goldman as national chairman -- adopted a resolution voicing opposition to the proposed Dirksen amendment or similar legislation that would amend the U.S. Constitution to undermine recent Supreme Court decisions barring Bible reading and prayer recitation in public schools. Singling out the Dirksen amendment as the specific target of NCRAC concern, the resolution envisaged a distinct threat to the concept of separation of church from state.

Another resolution adopted called for Jewish communal actions against the "Radical Right." This resolution viewed "with grave concern the continuing activities of radical right organizations in general, and the John Birch Society in particular." Such groups were charged with exploiting fears and prejudices in the name of anti-Communism.

The plenary session also adopted a resolution calling for American initiative for discussions between the United States and the Soviet Union to de-escalation of the Near Eastern arms race. The NCRAC said the U.S. should persuade the Soviet Union to join in reducing and allaying fears in the Near East through a mutual understanding that would include a guarantee of the security of the nations in the region. The resolution also voiced appreciation of the U.S. role in sending balancing arms to Israel, but said that a long-range solution was required.

The NCRAC also adopted a policy declaration on international human rights, asking the U.S. Senate to ratify, with certain reservations, the United Nations Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, adopted by the U.N. General Assembly at its last session. The reservation voiced by the NCRAC delegates pertained to a provision of the Convention that requires participating nations to outlaw within their borders those groups that seek to promote racial hatred and superiority. The NCRAC statement also denounced the Government's failure to ratify the Genocide Convention and other U.N. human rights accords.

Another policy declaration said that, despite "a few token concessions," the Soviet policy toward Jewish citizens of the USSR "continues to be one of spiritual and cultural attrition." However the minor concessions, "while not altering the fundamental discriminatory policy toward the Jews, testify to the Soviet Government's increasing sensitivity to world public opinion on the issue of its treatment of its Jewish citizens," the NCRAC declared. The NCRAC reaffirmed the call sounded by the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry.

NEEDS OF ISRAEL AND OF JEWS IN EUROPE REVIEWED AT PARLEY IN GENEVA

GENEVA, June 26. (JTA) -- A growing backlog of unmet needs, occasioned by lack of funds, threatens to overwhelm overseas migration and welfare agencies set up by American Jewry and to affect the health, welfare and safety of tens of thousands of Jews in Israel, Europe and the Moslem countries, Max M. Fisher, General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, stated today following a meeting with the executive heads of the Joint Distribution Committee, the Jewish Agency, the World CRT Union and United Hias Service -- all of which have their European headquarters in Geneva.

"The Agencies whose work we support are living on a hand-to-mouth basis, meeting only the most urgent of their clients' needs and putting off or neglecting large areas of service because of the lack of immediate cash," Mr. Fisher said. "They need assurance from us of a steady flow of additional income if they are to cope with the continuing demands of men, women and children who have not the means to take care of themselves in the countries in which they live, and of those whose life and safety depend on them being moved from their countries of origin to more hospitable havens elsewhere."

The meeting with Mr. Fisher was called by Charles H. Jordan, Director-General of JDC, major welfare agency serving needy Jews overseas. Other participants included Max A. Braude, Director-General of World ORT Union; Moshe Haskell and Nafthali Bar Giora, European representatives of the Jewish Agency, and Raphael Spanien and Irving Haber of the United HIAS Service.

The most pressing need of all the agencies according to Mr. Fisher, is additional cash. "Although our campaigns in the United States are well ahead of last year, the flow of cash is somewhat behind," he said. "It is necessary to call upon the communities who have done so well in their campaigns on our behalf to make as much cash as possible available to the United Jewish Appeal so that these agencies we serve can receive the money they need so urgently."

DR. NEUMANN CALLS FOR 'OPEN MIND' ON MODIFYING ZIONIST STRUCTURE

BOSTON, June 26. (JTA) -- Emphasizing that he was expressing his individual, personal opinion "as an American Zionist," Dr. Emanuel Neumann called upon all Zionists to be "open-minded" and receptive to any ideas that may be advanced for modifying the present structure of the World Zionist Organization. He addressed the annual convention of the New England Zionist Group.

Declaring emphatically that "organizational shortcomings are by no means the basic problem that has affected the Zionist movement since the State of Israel was established," Dr. Neumann nevertheless urged serious consideration of plans designed to strengthen the movement by broadening its base, closer unification of Zionist forces, and mitigating the effects of party rivalries. "It is the General Zionists everywhere, who should be in the forefront of such efforts, in keeping with our fundamental outlook," Dr. Neumann asserted.

"As General Zionists we have never been a party in the strict sense of the term, but on the contrary have been historically committed to advance the general interest, setting it above the particular interests of any party, class or section. We have viewed with regret the excessive fragmentation of the movement through numerous parties and splinter parties on the Right and Left. General Zionists have been forced to accommodate themselves to the organizational pattern which developed over the years; but it remains their proper role to help correct the effects of the rigid party system.

"But I must warn," Dr. Neumann added, "that any effort at serious organizational reform in the framework of Diaspora Zionism, will fail unless the problem is first tackled at the source and center -- in Israel. The attitudes prevailing in the Diaspora are largely a reflex of the situation in Israel where the party system has been developed and refined to an unwarranted degree. It is the large and powerful parties, based and centered in Israel, that must first demonstrate a readiness to relax their control and forego past efforts to enhance their influence in the W.Z.O. and the Jewish Agency, with the support of their adherents or partisans in the Diaspora.

"This challenge is addressed more especially to the largest and strongest party enjoying a dominant position in the Government and the Jewish Agency. If Mapai should take the lead in the direction of renunciation, moderation and change, other groups are likely to follow. A change of course initiated in Israel, is indeed a prerequisite and condition precedent to any important, organizational changes in the rest of the Zionist world."

DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CRT IN FRANCE DECORATED BY FRENCH GOVERNMENT

PARIS, June 26. (JTA) -- The Chevalier of the National Order of Merit has been bestowed by the French Government on F. Schragar of the ORT organization in France. He was given the award on recommendation of the French Social Affairs Ministry in special recognition of his accomplishments as director general of CRT in France in the integration of immigrants and repatriates.