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SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS TODAY ON ISRAEL'S GRIEVANCES AGAINST SYRIA

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 13, (JTA) -- The Security Council will convene here tomorrow morning on Israel's request for an "urgent" meeting on complaints that Syria has committed "acts of aggression" by committing armed groups to invade Israel for purposes of murder and sabotage. The formal complaint also accused Syria of violating the United Nations Charter and the Syrian-Israeli armistice agreement of 1949 by openly inciting to threats and to war against Israel. Lord Caradon, of Britain, this month's president of the Security Council, fixed the date and time of the session in response to Israel's urgent request.

Meanwhile, press dispatches received today reported that the Soviet Union had delivered a stiff note, in Jerusalem, to Israel's Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, purportedly repeating charges previously made in the official Soviet press, accusing Israel of trying to overthrow the Syrian Government, which is a leftist regime. The USSR envoy to Israel, Dmitri Chuvakhin, met with Mr. Eshkol yesterday, in the second session on two successive days. The reports today stated that Mr. Chuvakhin had handed such a note to Mr. Eshkol at yesterday's meeting.

In the past 13 years, the USSR has vetoed all Security Council resolutions favoring the Israeli case whenever an Arab-Israeli case had come up for Council action, and has consistently supported Arab views against Israel on all U.N. issues.

When the Council meeting is held tomorrow, Israel's Foreign Minister, Abba Eban, who has been here for a month attending the General Assembly, is expected to address the opening session. Mr. Eban, who had been scheduled to leave tomorrow for other official appointments in Europe, postponed his departure to participate in the Council deliberations on the complaint against Syria.

Other Governments Seen Sympathetic to Israel's U.N. Diplomatic Move

Aides close to Mr. Eban indicated today that the decision to convene the Security Council was taken in consultation between Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and the Foreign Minister, in the light of conversations in friendly capitals which revealed understanding of Israel's security problems and of the urgent necessity to halt infiltration and border tension.

It is understood that governments sympathetic to Israel suggested that a Council discussion might be a useful course, despite the past history of parliamentary deadlocks in the Council. Another factor in the decision was Israeli belief that world opinion would be receptive to a further development of Israel's case. The statement by Syrian leaders of their intention to maintain and encourage guerrilla activity against Israel played a decisive part in Israel's decision.

It is the Israeli view here that Syria should be challenged to define its basic policy on whether it accepts its United Nations Charter and contractual obligations toward Israel. Israeli circles indicated today that Mr. Eban's address to the Security Council tomorrow would be a major pronouncement on Israel's policy toward Syria and on the measures necessary to prevent threats and acts on aggression in the Middle East.

Ambassador Roger Seydoux, head of the French delegation to the U.N., conferred here with Mr. Eban today. It is understood that the discussion concentrated mainly on the forthcoming discussion in the Security Council of Israel's complaint against Syria. (A Jewish Telegraphic Agency dispatch from Paris today reported that Israel's envoy to the French capital, Ambassador Walter Eytan, held a conference on the same issue last night with French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville.)

Earlier, Mr. Eban conferred with the Foreign Minister of Sweden, Thorsten Nillsson. The Swedish statesman expressed his appreciation of Mr. Eban's address to the General Assembly on problems of the Middle East and Southeast Asia. (Sweden is not now a member of the Security Council.) The two ministers also discussed the Arab refugee problem. Mr. Nillsson invited Mr. Eban to pay an official visit to Sweden in 1967.

ESHKOL PRAISES BORDER POLICE WHICH LOST COMRADES IN SYRIAN ATTACK

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol paid tribute today to Israel's border police for their "vigilance" that enabled Israeli settlers along the nation's borders to sleep and work.

Mr. Eshkol praised the Israeli border units during a tour of various frontier posts and stations. The tour was to have been part of the celebration of "Border Police Day," which was canceled after four border policemen were killed early last Sunday morning at Shaar Hagolan in northern Israel by a mine planted by Syrian El Fatah infiltrators. During his tour of the border units, Mr. Eshkol was accompanied by Police Minister Behor Shitreet.

SYRIA REPORTED READY FOR WAR WITH ISRAEL; MAY INVOLVE JORDAN TOO

LONDON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Syria announced yesterday it had completed "all preparations" to counter "any attack" by Israel, it was reported here today from Baghdad. More Syrian troops reportedly have been moved up to the Syrian border facing Israel. A Baghdad Radio broadcast has issued a call for uniting Syrian, Iraqi and Egyptian armed forces against Israel.

The Daily Telegraph reported that Jordanian authorities were deeply concerned over the possibility that the unstable leftist Syrian regime might provoke a war with Israel, which would involve all the Arab states. The Telegraph declared that tension between Israel and the Arab states was "higher today than at any time since Suez" in 1956. It also reported that Syria had been "inciting the Palestine Liberation Organization to intensify attacks on Israel, and to stage them so as to involve Jordan more deeply than Syria."

The Telegraph also reported that Premier Yussef Zayyan, of Syria, had armed groups of Syrian workers "on the patterns of Communist China's Red Guards," and that President Nasser of Egypt seemed to be with the Syrian regime in its "firebrand policy" against Israel. Maj. Gen. Ahmed Sweidani, the Syrian chief of staff, was quoted as saying that the Syrian population would soon form "an armed front from the Israeli border in the south to the Turkish border in the north." He added that threats by Israel or King Hussein in Jordan "do not frighten us."

ETHIOPIAN EMPEROR TELLS ARABS ISRAEL IS FACT; ASSAILED BY SYRIANS

LONDON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Haile Selassie, the Ethiopian Emperor, became the target of Syrian charges yesterday, on his arrival in Jordan from Beirut, of being part of the "Imperialist, Zionist plot against the Arabs," it was reported here today from Beirut. The Emperor evoked Syrian wrath by a statement he made at a banquet in his honor in Beirut at which he said: "That we recognize Israel is a fact. We accord this recognition to Israel not out of any urge to harm our Arab brothers but because of historical factors and national policy."

The Damascus press immediately interpreted his explanation as demonstrating that his visit to Jordan, with which Syria is currently in sharp dispute, was part of the "imperialist plot." In his Beirut address, the Emperor said that, when Ethiopia recognized Israel, "we neither lost sight of the misfortune in which the Palestinian refugees find themselves today, nor our responsibility to seek solutions to their problems. That is why we made it our policy to support at the United Nations their repatriation or compensation for their property in Israel."

Another press dispatch today reported that Ethiopia had asked Israel to train an Ethiopian force in counter-insurgency techniques, to cope with Egyptian efforts to enable Arabs in Eritrea to revolt against Ethiopia. Eritrea came under Ethiopian jurisdiction in 1962.

JOHNSON ORDERS RENEWAL OF U.S. MOVES ON ISRAEL DESALINATION PLANS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- President Johnson today told a press conference that he has instructed Ellsworth Bunker, new U.S. Ambassador-at-Large, to review proposals for a nuclear desalination project in Israel. He said he hoped for a "substantial breakthrough" on the problem of desalting during his administration.

Following a favorable feasible prognosis several months ago, the Israeli-American cooperative plan remained dormant. The President's announcement today indicates that a new look will be taken at proposals and the question of financing. The President described desalination as a prospect that "holds so much hope for mankind."

YOUNG ISRAELI JEW SURRENDERS TO POLICE, SAYS HE SPIED FOR JORDAN

TEL AVIV, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- An Israeli Jew, Jacob Zimmerman, 19, surrendered to police today, confessing that he had several times crossed into Jordan on espionage assignments for the Jordanian intelligence. He confessed that he had crossed into Jordan on various occasions, returning each time with money and instructions for material required by the Jordanian intelligence.

B'NAI B'RITH INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL HOLDS PLENARY SESSION IN LONDON

LONDON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Efforts by the B'nai B'rith in Britain for British Jewish unity is gaining acceptance, and the movement here has members who belong to all secular and religious groups, Jack Morrison, president of the British B'nai B'rith, reported here today. He spoke at a meeting of the seventh plenary session of the order's International Council.

Dr. William A. Wexler, of Atlanta, B'nai B'rith president, told the council meeting that there were many problem areas for Jews in the world, citing South America, South Africa and Austria. He said that, even in the United States, "we have a George Rockwell and similar phenomena, and the virus of anti-Semitism is being spread over there." He also referred to the situation of Soviet Jewry as additional evidence of his thesis that "we have no right to be complacent."

Dr. Wexler noted that B'nai B'rith was now sponsoring 259 Hillel Foundations throughout the world, including Israel, and added that much more could have been done if the means were available. He said it was his duty as president "to demand more sacrifices" from the movement for the Hillel Foundations program.

Dr. Wexler was honored today at a luncheon at the House of Commons. The event was attended by Dr. Horace King, Speaker of the House, and members of both the House of Commons and the House of Lords. Sir Myer Galpern, a Member of Parliament, served as host for the occasion.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann told the meeting that it appeared certain there would not be a second delay in payments by West Germany of compensation to certain victims of Nazism, and that the West German promise that the first delay was an isolated action would be kept. He said that a considerable amount of money was still due from West Germany in compensation to individuals.

Dr. Goldmann was introduced by Philip M. Klutznick, former B'nai B'rith president, who said "there are guests here from several organizations but we are all one except in names." Guests were present from the World Jewish Congress, the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the Jewish Agency and the South African Board of Deputies.

SO. AFRICAN JEWISH BOARD PROTESTS LAW COMMITTING 'CONSCIENCE CLAUSE'

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The South African Board of Jewish Deputies has issued a statement here, criticizing the omission from a bill passed in new Government legislation doing away with the "Conscience Clause" in the measure to establish a new Afrikaans university in Johannesburg.

The "Conscience Clause" prohibits universities from inquiring into the religious beliefs of staff or students, or from giving or withholding any preference to a staff member or student on the ground of religious belief. In the bill to establish the new Rand Afrikaans University, the "Conscience Clause" is replaced by a clause providing that staff will be engaged, and students admitted, on the grounds of academic and administrative qualifications and abilities and subscription to the principles contained in the preamble to the South African Constitution which acknowledges belief and trust in God.

Following representations by various bodies, the Minister for Education, Arts and Science, Senator de Klerk, amended this by incorporating the reference to the republic's Constitution in the preamble to the bill, and recasting the relevant clause of the bill to provide that staff appointments shall be on the grounds of academic and administrative qualifications only. The Minister said that freedom of belief was guaranteed by South African common law, and the clause as reframed ruled out any possibility of religious discrimination. "A Rabbi, for example," he said, "could be appointed to lecture in Hebrew, because he was best qualified to do so." His assurance was accepted by the main opposition party, the United Party, which voted for the bill as amended. Only Mrs. Helen Suzman, the Progressive Party's solitary Member of Parliament, voted against it, because of the omission of the "Conscience Clause."

The Board of Deputies statement, while welcoming the Minister's assurance, pointed out that "there have been conflicting legal opinions on the efficacy of the proposed amendment to protect religious freedom," and that "no convincing reasons have been given by the promoters of the new University as to why the customary Conscience Clause has been dropped."

Gustav Saron, A Top Leader of So. African Jewry, Off for U.S. Visit

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Gustav Saron, General Secretary of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, left today on a four-month study mission to the United States, Europe and Israel. While abroad, Mr. Saron will interview applicants for senior posts on the staff of the Board of Deputies, and study work being carried on in various Jewish communities among youth and students and in the fields of inter-group relations, community planning, fund raising and social research.

JEWISH AGENCY EXECUTIVE APPROVES PLANS FOR FULL REORGANIZATION

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive gave final approval yesterday to a reorganization plan to reduce the number of Agency departments to eight or nine. The executive ordered that work to implement the plan be begun at the earliest possible time.

An Agency spokesman said reunification of departments would be both institutional and administrative, and that each new department will have a single director responsible for all operations of his responsibilities.

The executive suggested that the next World Zionist Congress should elect executive members in line with the reduced number of portfolios, which will be available when the reorganization is completed. Until then, the executive proposed two solutions. One would be that executive members deprived of their departments by the reorganization might remain on the executive without portfolios and do committee work outside of Israel. Under an alternative idea, departments might be headed by more than one member.

ADL OPPOSES N. Y. STATE CONSTITUTION CHANGE ON GRANTS TO SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith voiced opposition today to proposals to amend the New York State Constitutional provision barring state financial aid to schools sponsored by religious groups.

In testimony before the Temporary New York State Commission on the Revision of the Constitution, Seymour Graubard, chairman of the ADL's New York board, said that any move to weaken the prohibition against such aid would "open the door to possible weakening of the principle of separation of church and state and would, thereby, be the precursor of possible interference with freedom of religion and further incursions against the strength and integrity of our public school system."

RABBI SAMUEL SILVER IN LEADERSHIP OF WASHINGTON'S SIX-FAITH PROJECT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Rabbi Samuel M. Silver, of Temple Sinai, Stamford, Conn., has been named vice-president and treasurer of the projected "temple of understanding" which is to be built here to seek amity among the world's six great religions.

The Temple will be a non-profit ecumenical movement to provide education about Christianity, Buddhism, Confucianism, Hinduism, Judaism, and Islam. A site was formally dedicated this week with addresses by Sir. Muhammed Zafrulla Khan, judge of the International Court of Justice at the Hague and former president of the United Nations General Assembly; Dr. Ali Abdel Kader, director of Washington's Islamic Institute; Rabbi Silver, and others. A fund-raising campaign is being initiated to finance the undertaking.

ROCKEFELLER HELPS DEDICATE NEW SYNAGOGUE IN NEW YORK GARMENT CENTER

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller was the guest of honor today at dedication ceremonies for the new synagogue building of the Garment Center Congregation, which serves the religious needs of Jews working in New York's vast garment industry in midtown Manhattan.

Rabbi Zev Zahavy, spiritual leader of the congregation, and Rabbi Jacob Friedman, rabbi emeritus, officiated at the ceremonies. The new synagogue's circular-shaped chapel seats more than 300 persons, nearly three times the capacity of its old quarters, which it occupied since its founding in 1931.

ORTHODOX SYNAGOGUE PRESIDENT IN SAVANNAH CHOSEN AS TEMPORARY MAYOR

SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Ben Garfunkel, president of Savannah's Orthodox B'nai B'rith Jacob Congregation has been elected temporary Mayor of this city. Mr. Garfunkel, who will head the first Republican city administration here since the Civil War, polled the highest vote among the six winning aldermen candidates.

SAMUEL J. JACOBSON, ACTIVE IN UJA, OTHER JEWISH CAUSES, DIES AT 77

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Samuel J. Jacobson, an accountant and active Jewish leader who died Tuesday at the age of 77. Last year he was honored by the United Jewish Appeal for his many years of service. Born in Latvia, Mr. Jacobson came to the United States in 1891. Among other Jewish service and philanthropic causes in which he was active were the American Jewish Congress, the Zionist Organization of America and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of Greater New York.

HARRY KALMANOWITZ DIES AT 81; AUTHOR OF 20 YIDDISH PLAYS, MUSICALS

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Harry Kalmanowitz, a leading Yiddish playwright, who died here Tuesday night at the age of 81. He was the author of more than 20 Yiddish plays and musicals. Born in Russia, Mr. Kalmanowitz came to this country in 1903. His works were staged in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston and other American cities.