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### U.S. CONSIDERING OUTRIGHT GRANTS FOR JORDAN; MORE MILITARY AID PLANNED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- Jordan is significantly increasing its arms expenditures and the United States, which bolsters the Jordanian economy, is considering outright grants of some forms of military assistance to the Hussein regime, it was learned here today.

Reliable information available here is that Jordan will spend nearly one-third of its 1967 budget on a military build-up, primarily against Israel. Of a total budget of \$193,000,000, Jordan has designated \$56,300,000 for its armed forces and new weapons. Another \$3,500,000 was allocated for new fortifications on the Israeli border.

Officials are reluctant to discuss the nature and types of new military aid to be provided by the United States to Jordan. The purpose of the new arms is to strengthen the Jordanian military posture, both for internal security reasons and against Israel.

(While quiet prevails on the Israel-Jordanian border, Arab saboteurs are continuing their activities inside Israel near the Syrian border. An Israeli patrol reported today it had found and dismantled a Mark-2 mine of the type used by the Syrian army. The mine had been planted on the patrol's route in the Dan area less than a mile from the Syrian border. Israel filed a complaint with United Nations observers.)

### 40 UNEMPLOYED IN ASHDOD DECLARE HUNGER STRIKE; DEMAND JOBS

ASHDOD, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- A group of 40 unemployed Ashdod residents declared a hunger strike today in the offices here of the Histadrut, Israel's labor federation, to enforce their demands that jobs be found for them.

The Ashdod port area is suffering severe unemployment. The local council and the local Labor Council are making special efforts to find employment.

### BOOK OF FORMER U.N. CHIEF OF STAFF CONDEMNED IN KNESSET BY EBAN

JERUSALEM, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Abba Eban denounced in Parliament today a recent book by a former chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization as "beneath elementary manners and good taste."

The book, "Soldiering for Peace," by Swedish General Carl Von Horn, was published in Sweden recently in Stockholm and touched off a barrage of critical comment in Israel for its assertion, among other comments on the U.N. peacekeeping role in the Middle East that Israel officials had released girls from military service to entice U.N. observers to give information to them about the Arab countries.

Replying to questions in the Knesset, the Foreign Minister said the style and content of the book were "unworthy of comment." He added that the book was "a sorry example of how a high U.N. official can run afoul of the truth with a public display of extreme and unbalanced feelings."

### MOSLEM OFFICIALS PARTICIPATE IN JEWISH CELEBRATION IN NORTH MOROCCO

CASABLANCA, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- A number of Moslem officials attended a ceremony marking the 50th anniversary of the Jewish Cultural Association of Tetuan, capital of North Morocco, it was reported here today.

After Morocco achieved independence, it was divided into two zones. Tetuan, which has some 2,500 Jews, became the capital of Spanish Morocco. At that time there were some 7,000 Jews in Tetuan.

Among the Moslem leaders who attended the anniversary event were the Iraqi Ambassador to Morocco, M. de Nouna; M. Soussi, the secretary general of the Governorate of the Province; and Izquierdo Yanes, the Spanish Consul General in Tetuan. The director of Tanger Radio, also a Moslem, accepted an invitation to participate in a symposium on the problems of birth control organized in Tangier by the Alliance Israelite.

GROUP APPROVES PLAN TO STRENGTHEN ZIONIST CONSCIOUSNESS IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The Israel Committee for World Zionist Problems approved here last night a plan to form a council to increase Zionist consciousness in Israel. The proposal will be presented next week to a world committee examining the structure of Zionist organization.

The proposed council will be made up of 130 members from various organizations and groups in Israel, including Israel's Parliament. It will work through the existing World Zionist Organization structure.

The world committee, which is examining the structure of the Zionist movement, will convene in Jerusalem prior to the session of the Zionist Actions Committee which is to open its session here on January 8. Regional committees are reported to have completed their work of surveying the structure of the Zionist movement locally.

The Zionist Actions Committee, which is the supreme body of the World Zionist Organization between Zionist Congresses, will discuss principally the immigration and absorption problems in Israel of which the Jewish Agency is in charge. A report of the world committee on the structure of the Zionist movement will also be one of the major items on the agenda. The Action Committee session will be addressed by Premier Levi Eshkol and Minister of Finance Pinhas Sapir on Israel's economic problems.

BEN-GURION RESUMES EFFORTS FOR CHANGE IN ISRAEL'S ELECTORAL SYSTEM

TEL AVIV, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- Former Premier David Ben-Gurion resumed today his long-standing effort to win support for his proposals for changes in Israel's electoral system. He struggled unsuccessfully during his many years as Premier to bring about a Parliamentary system similar to that in Britain.

He indicated today that he plans to meet with leaders in various sectors of Israel life and to push formation of committees in many urban areas in support of his plan. He feels that Israel's multiplicity of parties hampers governmental effectiveness.

DUTCH GROUP PROTESTS TO GERMANY ON MILD SENTENCES AGAINST NAZI

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The Dutch Auschwitz Committee sent a letter today to the West German Justice Ministry protesting that many of the sentences imposed last week in a trial of Sobibor death camp personnel were too light.

Twelve of the personnel were tried in Hagen. One was given life imprisonment, six received terms of three to eight years, one defendant hanged himself before trial, and the others were acquitted on grounds of lack of evidence in judgments handed down on December 20. At least 150,000 Jewish inmates were murdered in Sobibor in occupied Poland.

ANTI-NAZI FILM DEFENDED IN CANADIAN PARLIAMENT BY STATE SECRETARY

OTTAWA, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- State Secretary Judy Lamarsh defended in the House of Commons a National Film Board production, "Memorandum" dealing with atrocities against Jews committed in the Nazi death camps during the war.

Miss Lamarsh spoke in response to objections to the film voiced by Raymond Langlois, a member of Parliament, who said he was unable to "comprehend or support" the film. Mi Lamarsh said the film had won four film festival prizes and had been hailed by a Montreal critic as "philosophy on film."

ANTI-JEWISH DAUBINGS APPEAR ON JEWISH COMMUNAL BUILDINGS IN WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The Canadian Council of Christians and Jews in Winnipeg, the Diocesan Council of the Anglican Church and the Canadian Jewish Congress made public today a memorandum to the Winnipeg police department on a series of swastika daubings in this city.

The memorandum agreed that the police were determined to act on the problem. The daubings have appeared on synagogues, Jewish communal buildings and Jewish homes in recent months. The daubings have also included direct incitements such as "Juden Raus" letterings.

TWO ATLANTA SYNAGOGUES SMEARED WITH SWASTIKAS; POLICE INVESTIGATE

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 28. (JTA) -- Two Atlanta synagogues have been smeared with swastikas. A single swastika was found on Shearith Israel Synagogue. Two swastikas were found on Beth Jacob Synagogue which has been the target also of a series of recent burglaries. Police authorities are investigating the two cases.

J.D.C. TO PROVIDE \$2,100,000 IN 1967 FOR CRT VOCATIONAL TRAINING

NEW YORK, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee will provide \$2,100,000 during 1967 toward the overseas vocational training program of CRT, it was announced here today by officials of both organizations. This is \$150,000 more than the amount allocated in 1966, reflecting the increased need for vocational training among Jewish youth and unskilled adults overseas, especially in Israel and France.

The grant will help finance technical education and economic rehabilitation services of CRT in Europe, Israel, North Africa, Iran and India. More than 50,000 persons are expected to receive such assistance in these and other areas during the coming year. CRT activities in Israel, with trade schools in 38 cities and towns, comprising the largest vocational school system in the country, will receive by far the largest portion of the 1967 JDC grant. About 25,000 persons are expected to receive industrial and technical instruction in these schools during 1967.

The JDC allocation includes provision for substantial funds to be used by CRT in France for vocational education and other job training programs for North African refugees. CRT trade schools, apprentice programs for youth and special courses for adults, have been greatly enlarged to meet the needs of 250,000 arrivals of recent years. These measures have been insufficient however and will have to be expanded in 1967.

The amount CRT will expend for all its 1967 programs in 22 countries is about \$12,500,000. The agreement between the two agencies stipulates that CRT will make up from other sources the difference between the JDC grant and the total required. Signing the financial pact for the two agencies were Charles H. Jordan, JDC executive vice-chairman; Dr. William Haber, president of the American CRT Federation; and Max A. Braude, CRT director-general. The new pact is the twenty-first consecutive annual financial agreement between the two agencies. JDC has made \$31,368,000 available to CRT in the past 20 years towards the aid of over 500,000 persons.

The new agreement specifies that the American CRT Federation will refrain from conducting independent fund-raising campaigns in the United States, but will continue its membership activities. Vocational training assistance through CRT represents one aspect of JDC's overseas programs. In 1967, JDC requires a minimum of \$23,347,500 to provide welfare and rehabilitation services for hundreds of thousands of needy Jews in 30 countries around the world.

MIXED MARRIAGES IN CANADA SHOW RISE FOR JEWISH MEN; DECLINE FOR GIRLS

OTTAWA, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- A record annual total of 315 Canadian Jews were involved in mixed marriages during 1965, an increase of 29 over 1964, according to the Canadian Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Outside of Israel, Canada is the only country in the world which makes available specific Jewish demographic statistics gathered by government agencies. The data for 1965 also showed that all-Jewish weddings also set a record of 1,450, 88 more than in 1964.

For the year there were 1,655 Jewish grooms of whom 205 married non-Jewish girls, a percentage of about 12.4. There was in 1965, a total of 1,650 Jewish brides of whom 110 married non-Jewish men, or a percentage of seven, the only figure in the Jewish marriage data showing a drop. In 1963 about eight percent of Jewish brides married non-Jews.

JEWISH CONGRESS PRESIDENT DEPLORES U.S. BOMBING OF CIVILIANS IN HANOI

NEW YORK, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- American air attacks on North Vietnam and the "inevitable slaughter of innocent civilians" must be halted, if the Administration seriously intends its offers of peace, the president of the American Jewish Congress declared today.

In a telegram to the White House, Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld referred to the eyewitness reports now being published from Hanoi by Harrison Salisbury of The New York Times and to "the reluctant admission by the Pentagon that civilian centers have indeed been hit by U.S. bombers," and said:

"The dream of the Hebrew prophets was of eternal peace, of a world in which men would turn their swords into plowshares, and nations would not learn war anymore. The ethical demands of our Jewish heritage compel us to call yet again for a halt to the bombings. Only then will it be possible to move toward that peace conference which morality and sanity clearly demands."

Declaring that "the inevitable slaughter of innocent civilians as a result of American bombing raids over North Viet Nam is now verified," the AJCongress president stated: "The conscience of the American people must make itself heard as American bombers invade a foreign state, as American policy earns universal condemnation, as more American and Vietnamese lives are sacrificed daily and as the peace and survival of mankind itself grow increasingly imperiled."

FRENCH-LANGUAGE JEWISH DAY SCHOOLS DEMANDED IN MONTREAL BY RABBI

MONTREAL, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The demand for French-language Jewish day schools to be established in Montreal, supported by the provincial government, was voiced here by Rabbi David Feuerwerker who said he speaks for 15,000 French-speaking Jews in the city.

"My people are in danger of losing not only religious values but French-cultural identity as well," he said in demanding government support for French-language Jewish day schools. He reported that most of the French-speaking Jews are recent arrivals who do not have the resources to create their own day schools, as English-speaking Canadian Jews have done. He said many of the French-speaking Jewish families were suffering conflicts because their children who go to English-language Protestant-sponsored schools cannot communicate with their parents.

The rabbi spoke in support of the Committee for Tax Supported Jewish Schools which presented a brief to the special committee studying the non-Protestant and non-Catholic minorities in the province. The Committee asks that Jews in Quebec have the same educational rights which Protestants and Catholics have, without suffering extra financial burdens. A Jewish parent, to educate his child in a Jewish day school, must pay about \$400 above his annual school taxes.

FOUR YIDDISH AND HEBREW AUTHORS RECEIVE 1966 KESSEL LITERARY PRIZES

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- Four Yiddish and Hebrew writers today were voted the 20th annual Kessel literary awards for 1966, it was announced by the cultural commission of the Central Committee of Jews in Mexico which administers the grants. The awards were established here in 1947 by Zvi Kessel, a prominent Mexican industrialist.

The winners were Jacob Glatstein, a Yiddish poet, of New York; Yefrim Yeshurin, a bibliographer; Simha Rubinstein, a Hebrew author; and M. M. Shafir, a Yiddish poet. Mr. Glatstein and Mr. Yeshurin received the full prize, each getting \$400. Mr. Rubinstein and Mr. Shafir were voted \$200 each.

'SHOP ON MAIN STREET' CHOSEN AS BEST FOREIGN FILM OF THE YEAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The New York Film Critics chose yesterday "The Shop on Main Street" as the best foreign language film of 1966. The Czech-made film drama, depicting the Nazi liquidation of the Jews in a Czech city, was the first film from Czechoslovakia to win such an award from the New York film critics. Ida Kaminska, the noted actress of the Polish Yiddish theater, was the star of the film.

FIRST ISSUE OF MERGED JEWISH WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS APPEARS IN CANADA

MONTREAL, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- The first issue of the Canadian Jewish Chronicle Review, resulting from a merger of the Canadian Jewish Chronicle and the Canadian Jewish Review, was published here this week. The Review was purchased by Jewish Chronicle Enterprises, Inc. according to Stanley R. Shenkman, president of the Jewish Chronicle Company.

Mr. Shenkman announced that David Novek, Chronicle managing editor, had been named editor and publisher of the merged weekly. Max Malemet, editor-in-chief of the Chronicle, will hold that post in the new publication. The Chronicle Review will be one of the largest English-language audited circulation weekly publications in Canada.

DR. BELA FABIAN, HUNGARIAN JEWISH LEADER, DEAD; FOUGHT ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, Dec. 28. (JTA) -- Funeral services will be held here Friday for Dr. Bela Fabian, the Hungarian exile leader and former head of the opposition in the Hungarian Parliament to the pro-Nazi regime of Admiral Nicholas Horthy, who died this week while on vacation in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He was an active leader in Jewish communal affairs.

Born in Talya, Hungary, Dr. Fabian earned a law degree at the University of Budapest, served as a judge in the criminal court of Budapest in 1919 to 1921 and later as a member of Parliament until the late 1930's. As leader of the opposition to the Horthy regime and as a founder of the Hungarian Liberty Party, Dr. Fabian spoke out against anti-Jewish riots and restrictions on Jews. He was seriously injured in a fight with an anti-Semitic deputy.

After the Nazi occupation of Hungary, Dr. Fabian was deported to a concentration camp, but escaped to France and emigrated to the United States in 1948. In the years since he arrived in this country, Dr. Fabian led many anti-Communist demonstrations near the Soviet and Hungarian legations.

Dr. Fabian wrote a book on the life of Cardinal Mindszenty in which he described how the Cardinal had aided Jews and of the Cardinal's opposition to anti-Semitism in Hungary.