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### Dayan Reports to Cabinet on Action Against Snipers; House in Nablus Blown Up

JERUSALEM, August 6, (JTA) -- Israel announced officially today that its military forces this morning blew up a house in Nablus, on the West Bank of the Jordan, from which several shots had been directed at Israeli border police and at an Israeli jeep.

The announcement stated that the trajectory of the shot fired at the jeep had been traced to the house, and it was found that all the shots had come from the same building, fired by a single person. Last week, Israel blew up a house in the Gaza Strip after arms were found concealed in the dwelling.

General Moshe Dayan, Minister of Defense, reported these actions to the meeting of the Cabinet today. He also reported about the sporadic firing by Jordanians on four successive days, ending yesterday, to which Israel responded. Those shootings took place in the area of the Damiya bridge over the Jordan River.

### Cabinet Discusses Deadlock on Issue of Readmission of Arabs

The Cabinet discussed today the issue of the Arab refugees who fled the West Bank of the Jordan River into Jordan, following Israel's occupation of the river's western shores. The discussion took place after Foreign Minister Abba Eban reported on the issue.

An agreement with Jordan on the return of the West Bank refugees who had fled to Jordan during the war were still deadlocked today, Foreign Ministry sources declared. The beginning of the return of those refugees had been scheduled for August 10. But the Jordanians are still refusing to distribute to the refugees the applications they must fill out because the documents bear the stamp of the Government of Israel.

Nils-Goran Gussing, Secretary-General Thant's personal United Nations representative sent to the area to supervise humanitarian affairs, came here today from Jordan, where he had conferred with officials of the Jordanian Government. He was scheduled to open talks with Israel's Foreign Ministry officials here tonight. His terms of reference include the return of the refugees to Israel-held territory.

It was hoped today that some compromise formula might be worked out, so that the applications could be returned to Israel by the August 10 deadline. The possibility of extending the deadline was also envisaged if the deadlock should continue.

### Secret Agreement on Middle East Between Johnson and Kosygin Reported by Yugoslavia

LONDON, August 6, (JTA) -- Official circles in Belgrade, capital of Yugoslavia, believe that the Middle East crisis has been "effectively sealed off" through a secret understanding reached by President Johnson and Soviet Premier Aleksei N. Kosygin during their recent conferences at Glassboro, N.J., The Sunday Observer here, as well as newspapers in India, reported today from Belgrade.

Details of this understanding have recently been made known to the Middle East states directly concerned, as well as to other powers, such as Britain, India and Yugoslavia, which have a special interest in the Middle East, the reports said. They quoted Yugoslav officials as stating that President Johnson and Premier Kosygin had agreed on the following points aimed at prevention of the outbreak of more warfare in the Middle East:

1) The desirability of direct negotiations between the Arab states and Israel; 2) Israel's gradual withdrawal of its military forces to the prewar frontiers, except for some minor border adjustments -- the withdrawal to be matched by Arab recognition of Israel; 3) Israel to be guaranteed security and freedom of navigation through the Suez Canal and the Strait of Tiran; while Israel, in turn, is to guarantee the prewar Arab borders; 4) the Soviet Union and the United States are to stop shipping arms to either the Arab states or Israel, and both powers are to underwrite the peace settlement.

### 60 Leading World Jewish Financiers to Act as Advisory Council to Israel Government

JERUSALEM, August 6, (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol informed the Cabinet here today that a conference of 60 leading businessmen, financiers, industrialists and economists from various parts of the world outside of Israel will convene here Wednesday to act as an advisory council to the Government in the fields of investments and exports. Among the personages to attend the session, he reported, will be Samuel Rothberg, of New York, one of the top leaders of the Israel Bond Organization; Charles Clore, of London, a leading British financier; and Baron Edmon de Rothschild, of Paris.

## U.S. to Give Israel \$27,500,000 in Agricultural Commodities; Pact Signed in Washington

WASHINGTON, August 6. (JTA) -- Israel will receive about \$27,500,000 in agricultural commodities under the Food for Peace program as the result of an agreement signed this weekend by Lucius D. Battle, assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, and Ephraim Evron, Minister of the Israeli Embassy here.

The commodities will help Israel conserve some of her foreign reserves for other imports needed for capital development programs. The first such transaction since the beginning of the Arab-Israeli war on June 5, it offers favorable credit terms to Israel and will be repayable only partly in dollars and the rest in Israeli pounds. Items included in the sale are primarily feed grains.

## Egypt Reported Violating Agreement with Israel on Suez Canal Patrol Boats

JERUSALEM, August 6. (JTA) -- Egyptian boats carrying armed soldiers were reported here today to be patrolling the west bank of the Suez Canal in apparent violation of an Egyptian-Israeli agreement that neither side is to use the canal for one month. The agreement was negotiated last week by Lt. Gen. Odd Bull, the United Nations supervisor for cease-fire arrangements ordered by the Security Council in the June war.

The U.N. agreement provided that no shipping would move on the waterway except traffic of boats bringing provisions to ships stranded in the Canal after the Egyptians sank a number of vessels at strategic points to block the waterway. Israeli officials said no naval craft are moving along the eastern bank except on Bitter Lake. Israeli officials were considering a warning to Egypt, through Gen. Bull, that if the Egyptians continued patrolling, Israel would follow suit.

## Israel Repatriates 500 Civilian Arabs to Egypt Under Red Cross Arrangement

JERUSALEM, August 6. (JTA) -- A group of 500 Arab women, children and elderly men caught by the June war in the Gaza Strip crossed the Suez Canal at Kantara yesterday under arrangements negotiated by the International Red Cross. They were taken across the Canal into Egypt by Egyptian ferries.

Twenty Egyptian doctors and 30 nurses remained in Gaza under arrangements between the United Nations Relief and Works Agency and the Israeli military governor for the Strip. No progress was reported meanwhile to Red Cross offers to work out a prisoner exchange. Israel holds some 5,000 Egyptian war captives and Egypt holds about a dozen servicemen. Israel has requested the inclusion of civilian prisoners in the exchange.

## Trading Brisk in Israel-Held Arab Areas Following Introduction of Israeli Currency

JERUSALEM, August 6. (JTA) -- Trading was brisk today in all Israel-occupied Arab areas after the introduction of the Israeli pound as legal tender. Some attempts at boycotting of Israeli-made products were still being reported in the Nablus section of the occupied West Bank.

The Israeli pound is now the only legal tender in the Gaza Strip and in the Golan Heights in Syria. In the West Bank both the pound and the Jordanian dinar are legal tender. Most West Bank shops now carry Israeli-made consumer goods, particularly groceries and soft drinks. A few still have stocks of foreign-made merchandise but these are mainly such durables as furniture and mechanical toys.

Meanwhile refugee traffic in both directions across the Jordan River was reported here today as increasing, partly because some refugees are going into Jordan to visit relatives and others are going there to cash checks which cannot be cashed in the West Bank area because banks have been closed in the section. The arrangement of transit across the river has become a routine operation handled by professionals who charge a fee for acting as guides.

## Israeli Police Open Probe into Theft from Church of the Holy Sepulchre

JERUSALEM, August 6. (JTA) -- Israeli police opened an investigation of the theft last Thursday of a priceless gold tiara and a gold heart-shaped locket from the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in the old section of Jerusalem. The tiara was taken from the head of a wooden statue of the Virgin Mary.

The church, one of Christianity's holiest shrines, has been guarded for decades by one Moslem guard under arrangements with Christian denominations using the church. Similar arrangements were established with Israel after occupation of the sector in the June war. Church leaders were considering today an Israeli offer to post a Christian, Moslem or Jewish policeman inside the church to prevent further thefts.

## 7,000 Arabs Reported Given Permanent Employment by Israel in West Bank Area

JERUSALEM, August 6. (JTA) -- Seven thousand Arabs have been given permanent employment in the West Bank area of former Jordan, now occupied by Israel, it was reported today by Israel's military government in that region. Of the total, 4,000 are teachers. The others are employed in various Government agencies as day laborers.

The wage scales for employes hired on a monthly basis have been fixed at the same rates paid by the Jordanian Government. However, to ensure a decent standard of living, the minimum salaries have been raised from eight Jordanian dinars a month to 15 dinars a month. The dinar, pegged to the British pound sterling, is valued at \$2.80.

## Moscow Compares Zionist Movement with 'Mafia' and 'Cosa Nostra' Gangster Organizations

WASHINGTON, August 6. (JTA) -- The Soviet Novosti Press Agency has released from Moscow a vicious attack on the Zionist movement throughout the world, calling it "a dangerous weapon of the imperialist West" and comparing it with the Mafia and Cosa Nostra gangster organizations.

According to reports received here, Novosti denounced Zionism as a world-ring operating in 60 countries and dealing in everything "from religion to espionage." The article alleged that Zionism was organized by Kaiser Wilhelm II, the Rothschild bankers, and others "to detach Jewish workers from the international labor movement and to perpetuate the rule of property owners." It alleged that Zionism collaborated with Ukrainian anti-Semitism "and, in 1936, when Zionists actively cooperated with the Nazi chieftains, they organized the World Jewish Congress whose president today still is Dr. Nahum Goldmann."

(From London, it was reported today that Soviet newspapers reprinted Novosti's bitter attack on Zionism very widely. Novosti is a Soviet feature agency which, customarily, serves only the foreign press with its Soviet propaganda.)

## Soviet Leaders Meet in Moscow with Delegation of Pro-Arab Communists in Israel

LONDON, August 6. (JTA) -- Tass, the Soviet news agency, reported today that a delegation of the pro-Arab Communist splinter party in Israel declared, after a meeting in Moscow with Soviet ideologist Mikhail Suslov, that Israel's policies were a crime against the cause of peace and against the vital interests of the Arab and Israeli peoples.

The delegation also reportedly said the splinter group condemned Israel's rulers for "supporting United States imperialism against the Arab states." The stand was in sharp contrast with that of Israel's other Communist splinter, which during the June crisis and war appealed to the Soviet Communist Party to seek to induce President Nasser of Egypt to ease his blockade of the Strait of Tiran, which was a key factor in the outbreak of war on June 5.

The Israeli delegates were Meir Wilner, the secretary of the party's politburo and Twefik Toubi, secretary of its central committee. The conference, which was held last Tuesday, was attended by Suslov, a member of the Soviet politburo, and Boris Ponomarev, secretary of the central committee of the Soviet Communist Party, who has special responsibility for relations with foreign Communist parties.

Wilner and Toubi, according to the Tass report, also expressed their full support for the "consistent steps of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Soviet Government to strengthen peace and international security in the Middle East, to uphold the just cause of the Arab peoples in the face of aggression." The Tass statement added that participants in the meeting agreed that "Israel troops must pull out of the seized territories to the positions they held before June 5."

The Communist Party in Israel split in August, 1965, after months of struggle between the two wings of the party -- the largely Jewish section, favoring a more moderate policy toward the Israel-Arab conflict, and the largely Arabic group, which often followed an extreme Nasserite position before the June war.

## Soviet Court in Riga Sentences Two Latvians for Killing Jews and Non-Jews Under Nazis

LONDON, August 6. (JTA) -- Two Latvians were convicted of war crimes in the Soviet Latvian High Court at Riga, one of them sentenced to death, the other given a 15-year prison term, according to the Soviet newspapers here today.

Jan Ladzins and Felix Ulpe were convicted of having killed "a number" of Jews and non-Jews in several provincial Latvian towns in 1941. They were also charged with torturing partisans who had fallen into their hands. Ladzins was given the death sentence, while Ulpe's sentence called for imprisonment at hard labor.

It was noted here that, in the Soviet press, the Jewish victims of the two Nazi collaborators were identified only as "Soviet citizens," while the non-Jews were identified as Latvians.

## Convention of Catholic War Veterans Urged to Support New Status of Jerusalem

WASHINGTON, August 6. (JTA) -- National Commander Malcolm A. Tarlov of the Jewish War Veterans of the USA today asked the Catholic War Veterans for support of the new status of Jerusalem and the holy shrines of all faiths.

Mr. Tarlov, who just returned from Israel, addressed the CWV convention here. He pointed out that Christian shrines will be more available to pilgrims and tourists because of the unified identification of Jerusalem. He reported that negotiations were progressing between Israel and the Vatican on the holy shrines.

Mr. Tarlov said that Israel was in a better position to protect the Christian shrines than pro-Communist Arab governments or the "raging, pro-Communist Arab mobs of Jordan."

## **N.Y. Court Bans Removing American-Born Children to Israel by Divorced Mother**

NEW YORK, August 6. (JTA) -- New York State Supreme Court Justice George M. Carney ruled here this weekend that an Israeli woman, previously married to an American, must be permanently enjoined from removing to Israel her two daughters from her first marriage because their father is an American and they were born in the United States.

The case involves Mrs. Rozi Marash, and Israeli citizen whose second husband is Joshua Marash, also an Israeli and an employee of El Al Israel Airlines; the woman's first husband, Robert Wechsler, from whom she was divorced in 1963; and her two daughters by Mr. Wechsler, Jessica, 9 and Maura, 6.

After the divorce of the Wechslers, and prior to their remarriage -- Mr. Wechsler has also married again -- the mother obtained custody of the children, while the father had rights of visitation. Recently, Mr. Marash was reassigned by his employers to a post in Israel, and his wife wanted to take Jessica and Maura with her to Israel. Mr. Wechsler complained and had been previously granted a temporary injunction against the removal of his daughters to Israel.

In making the injunction permanent, Justice Carney stated he found it difficult to separate the daughters from their mother. However, he ruled, the children, as American citizens, "are entitled to be brought up as such. They are entitled to the many benefits they can receive here in the land of their birth, which cannot be afforded them in any other country, including Israel."

## **1,000 Adults Attend B'nai B'rith Summer Seminars on Jewish Life and History**

WASHINGTON, August 6. (JTA) -- One thousand adults are attending special B'nai B'rith seminars this summer, studying Jewish life, history and tradition, it was announced here today by Dr. William Wexler, president of B'nai B'rith. Twelve such seminars, he said, are being conducted under the guidance of noted scholars at secluded encampments around the country from Salado, Texas to Camp Tamiment in Pennsylvania to Wild Acres, N.C., in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

At the latter camp, he said, 87 men and women -- including attorneys and physicians, accountants and housewives -- completed this weekend a concentrated five-day course, led by Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, the founder of Reconstructionism; Rabbi Jack Benporat, an official of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; and Dr. David Sidorsky, of Columbia University.

## **Brooklyn Police Maintain 24-Hour Vigil over Desecrated 65-Year-Old Synagogue**

NEW YORK, August 6. (JTA) -- A 24-hour police guard was still maintained today over the 65-year-old Chevre Torah Anshe Chesed synagogue, in the Brownsville section of Brooklyn, which sustained \$10,000 in damages when it was entered and vandalized last Thursday night. The holy ark was broken into, and the Torah scattered; prayerbooks were ripped, memorial plaques were torn from the walls, and windows were smashed. Several religious tapestries were stolen.

Police believe the synagogue, located in the heart of what is now a Negro and Puerto Rican neighborhood, was not the victim of racial or anti-Semitic assault, but of burglars who broke into the synagogue through the side door during the night. When nothing of marketable value was found, they apparently vented their frustration by tearing the place apart. The synagogue was built in 1863 when the first wave of Jewish immigrants arrived in Brownsville. Today, many of its former Jewish residents live in other parts of the city and in the suburbs.

## **Albert H. Lieberman, Noted Jewish Leader, Dies in Philadelphia; Was 80**

PHILADELPHIA, August 6. (JTA) -- Albert H. Lieberman, prominent national Jewish leader and philanthropist, died here at the age of 80. A leading figure in Philadelphia Jewish activities for many years, Mr. Lieberman was responsible for the creation and growth of many social welfare and humanitarian institutions here.

Deeply interested in the refugee problem, Jewish education and other Jewish communal services, he was one of the founders and vice-presidents of the Allied Jewish Appeal of the Federation of Jewish Agencies here, and was a Federation board member and former treasurer. Recently, he and his wife, Elizabeth, donated a building to the Federation that serves as part of the FJA headquarters and which is named for them.

He was one of the top leaders of the Joint Distribution Committee, served as a treasurer of the American Jewish Committee, was a member of the executive committee of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, and was active in the Chicago Medical College and in the National Jewish Hospital of Denver. As president of the Jewish Family Service, he was credited with the establishment of its Committee for New Americans. He was a YM-YWHA board member for many years and helped to bring about the merger of the old Jewish Sheltering Home with the Home for Aged and Infirm Israelites to form the present Home for the Jewish Aged here, of which he was vice-president.

A prominent real estate executive who headed the firm that bears his name, Mr. Lieberman was born in Russia and came to this country at the age of three. He attended local schools and studied law at night while working in a real estate office by day.