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## State Dept. Condemns Israel Action on Housing Development in Jerusalem

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (JTA)--The U.S. Department of State today officially condemned the action by the Israel Government involving designation of land in the Mt. Scopus and Sheikh Jarrah area of Jerusalem for a new housing development, State Department spokesman Robert McCloskey stated: "We have repeatedly made it clear that we do not recognize any unilateral actions affecting the status of Jerusalem."

The spokesman said: "This remains our policy. Furthermore, we believe the status of Jerusalem must necessarily be considered in the context of a settlement of all problems arising out of the recent conflict."

State Department sources said later that this prepared statement had been cleared with the White House, and fully reflected the thinking of President Johnson. The statement was termed a reiteration of previous expressions by the State Department on the incorporation of the Old City as part of Jerusalem.

## U.S. Commission Finds Bias Against Jews in 'Executive Suites' of Major Corporations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (JTA)--Discrimination against Jews at management levels of business and industry and their exclusion from the "executive suite" of giant corporations were charged in a survey made public today by the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The commission, under the chairmanship of Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., opened hearings at the United States Court House in Foley Square, New York, today, on discrimination in employment affecting Jews.

A summary of the Commission's report on aspects of white-collar bias affecting Jews revealed that "under-utilization of Jews at the management level apparently exists throughout New York industry." The report asserted that "the representation of Jews among corporate executives contrasts sharply with their educational level and share of the city's population." It was noted that Jews represent approximately 25 percent of New York's population, and 50 percent of its college graduates. The Commission cited an Anti-Defamation League report and other studies that revealed that major corporations employed only 4.5 to 8.9 percent Jews among corporation officers.

A 1967 list of officers available for 91 of the 100 major corporations considered in the hearings showed 8.9 percent Jews. This pattern was confirmed by Dr. Philip Harris, of the Baruch School of the City College of New York. He studied six huge companies with headquarters in New York, and found only 198 Jews among 2,216 executives -- or 8.9 percent.

The Commission maintained that under-representation of Jews at the executive level is a national as well as city-wide pattern. Study of the insurance industry in Hartford, Conn., where Jews represent an estimated 10 percent of the total population, showed only 1.2 percent Jews among the executives of 10 major companies.

### Discriminations Found in Auto Industry, Among Shipping Lines

Among the three largest auto manufacturers in Detroit, where the Jewish population is about 3 percent, only two-thirds of one percent of white-collar employees at all levels were identified as Jews. Fourteen major shipping lines nation-wide had 0.9 percent Jewish officers.

According to the Commission, the extremely limited participation of Jews in industry management cannot be explained by Jewish career preference but must be laid primarily to employer attitudes and practices. Studies at Harvard and Cornell showed little distinction between the goals of Jewish and non-Jewish students. But both the Harvard research and a study at the University of Michigan uncovered attitudes held by recruiters and personnel staff which reflected and influenced company hiring and promotion of Jewish candidates. The companies sought to "minimize risk" by seeking conformist candidates with "undistinctive" social characteristics.

Jewish representation was studied in utility businesses, banking, insurance, transportation, oil, electronics, securities, and other corporate structures. An ADL study showed fewest Jews in oil and most in the securities firms. The Commission made note of the fact that, in using findings obtained by "surname recognition" -- as incorporated into the ADL study -- the Government did not endorse the validity of this method. But "by the same token, we have no reason to believe that the method produces data that are grossly discrepant from the true state of affairs," the Commission said.

Reference was made by the Commission also to the American Jewish Committee studies on banks that found only 1.3 percent of bank officers to be Jewish. Discrepancies between various ADL and AJC studies were cited by the Government to show the difficulty of compiling statistics on anti-Semitism. Yet the main point was accepted that the number of Jews in the banking business, for instance, was far smaller than their percentage in the population. The Commission cited studies indicating that "although Jews share the same career goals as non-Jews, they encounter employer attitudes that prevent the fulfillment of these goals. The under-utilization of Jews is a reflection of this encounter."

## Pearson, Eshkol Agree in Talk in Ottawa to Back Mission of U.N. Mideast Peace Emissary

OTTAWA, Jan. 15 (JTA)--Canada's Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson and Israel's Prime Minister Levi Eshkol agreed here today that "all concerned" in the Middle East crisis must cooperate fully with the peace-making efforts being undertaken in the Middle East by Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring, the special United Nations emissary active in the region now.

A spokesman for the Canadian Ministry of External Affairs issued, this afternoon, the following communique: "The Prime Ministers of Israel and Canada discussed the special task of U.N. Ambassador Gunnar Jarring and the vital need for all concerned to cooperate with him for the success of his difficult and all important mission of bringing the parties together in a spirit of the Security Council's resolution."

The communique was issued on the conclusion of the talks here between the two Prime Ministers. Their conversations, with the participation of Canada's Minister of External Affairs, Paul Martin, "concerned questions of topical interest, especially the situation in the Middle East," the Ministry spokesman said, and also covered "various aspects of Canadian-Israel relations."

Mr. Eshkol arrived in Ottawa this morning and later lunched with Mr. Pearson and members of his Cabinet at the Prime Minister's residence. Mr. Eshkol was accompanied at his meeting with Mr. Pearson by Dr. Yaacov Herzog, director-general of the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem and Aryeh Eshel, Israel's Ambassador to Canada. Also present at the talks, in addition to Mr. Martin, were Under-secretary for External Affairs Cadiux, and Assistant Under-secretary for Middle East Affairs, Ralph Collins. The talks lasted an hour and a half.

### Communique Stresses Friendly Relations; Eshkol Thanks Canada for Its Efforts

The communique noted that this was Prime Minister Eshkol's first visit to Canada and "provided the Israeli Prime Minister with an opportunity to outline the position of his Government with respect to a settlement of the Middle East question in accordance with the principles of the Security Council's November 22, 1967, resolution" on the Middle East. The statement went on to say that Mr. Eshkol expressed appreciation to the Canadian Government for "its continued efforts to reduce tensions throughout the world, and especially for its valued contributions to United Nations efforts for peace in the Middle East."

"In recognizing the friendly relations which have existed between Canada and Israel, Mr. Pearson and Mr. Eshkol reaffirmed the desire of both governments to maintain these ties," the statement said, and expressed satisfaction that "the visit of the Prime Minister (of Israel) and the formal exchange of views that have taken place have made a useful contribution to these ends."

As Prime Minister Eshkol neared the end of his brief visit to Canada, Canadian circles indicated that, in their view, there are no immediate prospects for direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states, but that every avenue of contact must be explored. The Canadian sources further indicated their belief that the Viet Nam question is the core of international tensions today, and that a solution of the Viet Nam crisis will make a solution of the Middle East crisis easier.

It was learned that Mr. Eshkol and his aides analyzed the trends in the Middle East today, and emphasized to Canadian leaders that positive trends in that region can be strengthened only by the maintenance of Israel's military capacity there.

Mr. and Mrs. Eshkol were received for tea this afternoon by Governor General Rowland Michener of Canada and Mrs. Michener at the Governor's Mansion. Later, Mr. Eshkol was scheduled to hold a press conference and broadcast a television interview for the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. This evening he held a reception for his hosts, and attended a reception given in his honor by the Jewish community of Ottawa.

### Stresses Themes of Jewish Immigration, Return of Those Who Left Israel

The themes of aliyah — movement of Jews to Israel for settlement — and the return of the "yordim" — Israelis who left their homeland — have been stressed by Mr. Eshkol in the course of his visit to Canada.

On a number of occasions in the course of his visit, he stressed the need to fight assimilation throughout the world and increase the settlement of Jews in Israel. In Toronto, he voiced an appeal to former Israelis, calling "on those thousands who have left Israel trying to find their destiny in other countries including Canada," to come back.

He told thousands of Israelis who left Israel: "Israel is awaiting you. I call on the parents, and even more, on the children — return to your homeland. We shall greet you with open arms." He asserted: "Let it not, God forbid, be said in the future that the Jewish people in our time created a state and lost a people."

In various speeches in Canada, he emphasized that Jews, especially young people, should come to Israel "from the countries of affluence" because of what Israel is doing to rehabilitate the Jewish people.

Mr. Eshkol was, on the whole, well received in Canada but some newspaper editorials urged Israel to make concessions to the Arabs. In Toronto, a group of less than 100 — mainly university students and Arabs — demonstrated against Mr. Eshkol when he addressed a public meeting at Beit Zedek Synagogue.

### Addresses Bond Dinner, Hadassah-WIZO in Montreal; Calls for Fight Against Assimilation

Addressing 500 persons at an Israel Bond dinner held in Montreal yesterday, Mr. Eshkol traced the 20-year history of hostilities between the Arab and the Jews, emphasizing that Israel must depend on it-

self, rather than world opinion and the great powers, to bring about peace in the Mideast. Mr. Eshkol again said that Israel will not settle for anything less than an "unequivocal, unambiguous peace treaty negotiated directly with the Arab states." He had pressed the same point last week in a speech before American Jewish leaders.

Later yesterday at a Montreal gathering of some 10,000 representing Hadassah WIZO (Women's International Zionist Organization), Mr. Eshkol was presented with 50 Youth Aliyah scholarships. The Prime Minister challenged his audience to fight assimilation throughout the world, to "assure the peace and progress of Israel."

### London Reports Nasser and Hussein Agree to Talk Peace Terms With Israel Next Month

LONDON, Jan. 15 (JTA)--A report that President Nasser of Egypt and King Hussein of Jordan have agreed to the opening of peace talks with Israel on the island of Rhodes next month, with the blessings of most of the other Arab countries in the Middle East, was published by Jon Kimche in the Evening Standard today. According to Mr. Kimche, the plan calls for talks to be arranged by the United Nations, under U.N. chairmanship, and to be held on neutral grounds. It was to be submitted by President Nasser to U.N. envoy Gunnar Jarring, who was scheduled to arrive in Cairo tomorrow.

Mr. Kimche wrote that the plan originated with King Hussein. It presumably calls for a delegation representing all Arab countries except Syria and the North African states, to confront Israel across a peace table during the second week of February, and compel the Israelis to state publicly their terms for peace. Hussein reportedly received the approval of King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, the president of Iraq and the ruler of Kuwait before flying to Cairo last weekend to present the plan to President Nasser. Nasser reportedly assented and agreed to advise Ambassador Jarring, Mr. Kimche wrote.

### Vatican Denies Officially Reports of Alleged Papal Plan for Mideast Peace

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (JTA)--Official Vatican sources have denied knowledge of a reported papal peace proposal for the Middle East that would give Jordan the Gaza Strip and put the former Arab sector of Jerusalem under neutral foreign control. This was reported here today by the National Catholic News Service in a dispatch received from Vatican City.

The alleged papal peace plan was widely publicized last week after a report in the Beirut newspaper, *Al Nahar*. The newspaper claimed that Pope Paul VI had discussed the plan with President Johnson at their meeting in Rome in December, and that the President then discussed it with Israeli Prime Minister, Levi Eshkol at their talks this month in Texas. The papal proposals were alleged to have been carried to King Hussein of Jordan and Israeli officials by a special papal envoy.

### Fierce Gales, Snows Hit Israel; Jerusalem Isolated, Coast Buffeted

TEL AVIV, Jan. 15 (JTA)--Fierce gales and snowstorms -- the worst in 27 years, according to local meteorologists -- blanketed most of Israel today, isolated Jerusalem for hours and forced the cancellation of a scheduled meeting between the U.N. Mideast envoy Ambassador Gunnar Jarring, and Israel's Foreign Minister Abba Eban. Ambassador Jarring's headquarters at Nicosia, Cyprus, was notified when it became apparent that the storm was not abating. No new date for the meeting was announced.

Emergency crews of Jerusalem's public works department, unused to the heavy snow -- 12 inches blanketed the streets of Jerusalem last night -- nevertheless managed to clear the Shaar Hagai road with heavy equipment, thus reopening communications between the capital and Tel Aviv. Their work was hindered by a power blackout that darkened large sections of the city when trees felled by the gale-force winds knocked down electric power lines.

News dispatches, including those of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, were routed via Tel Aviv. Kol Israel, the Government-owned broadcasting network, was the only means of communication during most of the day. Schools were shut down and shops closed. Hadassah Hospital requested police assistance for transportation in emergency cases.

While Jerusalem was probably hardest hit by the storm, snow fell heavily in the Golan Heights, in Galilee and in Beersheba in the Negev. Tel Aviv on the coast was buffeted by a hailstorm and suffered sub-zero temperatures, as did Jerusalem and many normally mild regions of the country. Shipping was at a standstill at Haifa, Israel's largest seaport, where gale winds ripped the roofs off some buildings. Safad, in the hills of central Galilee, was buried under snow and was accessible only by vehicles having four-wheel drive.

Police were called upon to rescue a group of school children stranded in the hills near Jerusalem. They had come from near Tel Aviv to see snow for the first time in their lives. The youngsters were taken to a nearby village and given hot drinks and beds for the night.

Weather forecasters could see no end to the storm. The latest forecast this evening was for more snow and high winds for most of the country.

### Paris Newspaper Says USSR Has Restored 85% of Egypt's Former Military Strength

PARIS, Jan. 15 (JTA)--Egypt's military power has been restored to 85 percent of its former strength through Soviet infusions of new supplies and equipment, according to an article by Roger Massip in *Figaro* today. Military experts believe that Russia will soon supply Egypt with the MIG-23, a brand new warplane which up to now has been manufactured only in small quantities, and is found exclusively in the Soviet air force, the article said.

## Two Congressmen Urge Ratification of Genocide Convention in Resolution Before House

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (JTA) --Representatives Herbert Tenzer, New York Democrat, and Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, today co-sponsored a House resolution urging U.S. ratification of the international genocide convention and three other treaties as part of American participation in International Human Rights Year, being observed by the United Nations in 1968.

The two Congressmen joined on the opening day of the new session of Congress to point out that, while it is the responsibility of the Senate to ratify treaties, the genocide convention has been pending for 19 years without Senate action. They said America has failed to act although the genocide convention, covering prevention and punishment of the crime of destroying religious and racial groups, was unanimously approved by the United Nations General Assembly on December 9, 1948, without a dissenting vote. To date, 71 nations, including the Soviet Union, have approved this convention.

Rep. Tenzer told the House, in a speech on the floor, that the "failure of the U.S. to ratify these conventions is a blot on our record as a leader in the protection of basic human rights and the development of international law." He asked how America could effectively participate in the 1968 observances of human rights year without ratifying a convention which even the USSR approved. He said "It is a shame that the U.S. has not approved the genocide convention, and that we do not have the means to effectively protest the oppression of a people — whether it be the Jews in the Soviet Union, Catholics in the Congo or Buddhists in Viet Nam."

Rep. Halpern stated: "It is with a sense of moral outrage that I contemplate this country's failure to acknowledge these basic rights and obligations in the world community." He insisted that "the U.S. should act now to remove the stigma of our non-ratification of these conventions, which embody the basic democratic political ideas on which our nation was founded."

The other conventions advocated included measures banning forced labor, political rights for women, and protection of the right to freedom of association and protection of the right to organize.

## International Tribunal in Washington to Try Communism for Crimes Against Humanity

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (JTA) --An international tribunal to try international Communism for crimes against humanity, comprised of eminent world jurists from Eastern Europe, Southeast Asia and Latin America, will hear testimony about anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and other abuses. The "trial," to be held by experts on Communism, will be held at Georgetown University's Hall of Nations, here, February 19-21.

Attorneys for the prosecution and the defense have been invited to participate. Among witnesses will be Dr. Joseph Dunner, of Yeshiva University, New York, who will testify on the status of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union. The "indictment" was served on the Soviet Embassy here today.

## Canada's Chief Justice Cautions Jews on Recourse to Anti-Defamation Legislation

TORONTO, Jan. 15 (JTA) --Jewish communities were cautioned today that, while "they have a right to ask for state intervention and control" when they are "continually maligned" in hate literature, they must "be careful that the use of anti-defamation legislation does not encroach upon the basic rights of society."

This advice was stated by Chief Justice Dalton C. Wells in an address to the convention of the Toronto Men's and Women's Council of B'nai B'rith. "Complaints about hate literature should only be made when attacks upon any one group are virulent enough to be condemned by the public," he said, adding that "it should be necessary to get the consent either of the Attorney General or the Minister of Justice before proceeding with such cases." "While Jewish people traditionally have been slandered in hate literature, all groups in society must be careful that the use of anti-defamation legislation does not encroach upon the basic rights of society," the Chief Justice stated.

## Extreme Right and Left Seen Similar in Views Regarding Anti-Semitism

LONDON, Jan. 15 (JTA) --Contemporary anti-Semitism and anti-Israelism are shared by the extreme right and the extreme left and "with a few exceptions are strikingly similar, indeed identical," Prof. Ariele Tartakower, chairman of the Israeli branch of the World Jewish Congress, declared here last night. Prof. Tartakower, who addressed the British branch of the World Hebrew Union (Brit Ivrit Olamit), of which he is also chairman, said that the phenomenon dates from last June's Six-Day War. "Since then, the extreme right and the extreme left have been united in their hatred of Israel, which spills over into anti-Semitism of the type we knew before," he said.

## Rabbi Moses Hirsch Segal, Biblical Scholar, Dies in Israel, Age 92

JERUSALEM, Jan. 15 (JTA) --Rabbi Moses Hirsch Segal, professor emeritus of Bible at the Hebrew University, who was considered one of the foremost Biblical and Semitic scholars of the day, died here at the age of 92. Only last June, Prof. Segal journeyed to the newly-liberated campus of the Hebrew University on Mt. Scopus to receive an honorary doctorate from the university.

Dr. Segal was born in Lithuania and educated at rabbinical seminaries, and later studied at Oxford University in England, where he became a tutor in the Old Testament. He served as rabbi in various pulpits in England until joining the faculty of the Hebrew University in 1926 as head of its Bible Department. He achieved prominence as a writer in his field, and was especially well known for his pioneering study of Hebrew phonetics, a comprehensive grammar of Mishnaic Hebrew, and an edition of Ecclesiastes. He was a member of the Israel Academy and, in 1954, was awarded the Israel Prize for Jewish studies.