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Says Soviet Gave Notice of Disapproval of Jarring Formula For Direct Talks

JERUSALEM, May 6 (JTA)--Yakob Malik, chief of the Soviet Mission to the United Nations, told the Israeli chief delegate, Ambassador Yosef Tekoah at a secret meeting, that the Soviet Union does not approve of U.N. peace envoy Gunnar Jarring's formula calling for a meeting between Arab and Israeli representatives under his auspices, the morning daily Davar reported here today. The paper said the meeting took place some time ago at U.N. headquarters in New York.

Ambassador Gunnar Jarring, will return here Wednesday for talks with Gideon Rafael, director-general of the Foreign Ministry. He is scheduled to visit Cairo on Thursday. Dr. Jarring will meet with Mr. Rafael in the absence of Foreign Minister Abba S. Eban who is on an official tour of the Scandinavian countries.

According to Davar, Mr. Malik told Ambassador Tekoah that the Jarring formula was not acceptable to the Arabs because it does not contain safeguards for the "implementation" of last November's Security Council resolution on the Middle East. The resolution called for an agreement between both sides on certain issues including the withdrawal of Israeli forces from occupied territories. The Arabs and the Soviet Union have been interpreting the resolution as a blanket order for Israel's withdrawal without any prior agreements between the two sides.

Observers here said today that the Davar report was further proof that the Soviet Union was behind Arab intransigence over talks with Israel. They noted that the United States had been urging Jordan to meet with Israel and that Dr. Jarring's efforts for the past few weeks have been centered around bringing such a meeting about. But the Russians instructed Egypt to warn Jordan away from talks with Israel. The Russians believe that such talks would be interpreted as an American success, it was said here.

News Magazine Says Soviet Union Is Preparing Arabs Militarily For War

WASHINGTON, May 6 (JTA)--The Soviet Union is preparing the Arabs militarily for a new war against Israel but the United States position now is "that Israel can defend itself with the arms it has, that more would upset the Mideast arms balance," the U.S. News & World Report said today. The magazine quoted former U.S. Ambassador to Moscow Foy Kohler as stating that the Soviet feud with Red China and the Soviet penetration of the Mideast are "Moscow's principal preoccupations today and will continue to be for the historic period immediately ahead." The critical time for the Mideast was set for mid-1969 because by then Soviet training teams in Egypt, Syria and Iraq will have trained enough Arabs to handle new weapons.

The ratio of Arab airpower over Israel is "four to one now and growing rapidly on the Arab side - thanks to Russia. The Arabs have nearly 150 Sukhoi-7 attack planes and some 210 MIG-21 jets. What Israel now wants most is supersonic fighters to restore at least the three to one adverse ratio - but Washington has failed to act," the magazine said.

Instead of establishing bases flying the Russian flag in the Mideast, the report said the new technique of base building "involves saturating countries like Egypt, Syria, Iraq, with modern Soviet arms, equipment for airfields, ports, repair facilities, small armies of Soviet technicians... Thus, if war comes, these Arab countries are themselves bases, ready and waiting for warships, planes, and even airborne troops of their Soviet ally."

Israel May Protest Against Activities of U.S. Consular Officials in East Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, May 6 (JTA)--The Foreign Ministry was reported today about to take up with the United States State Department the recent activities of certain American consular officials in East Jerusalem which it considered detrimental to Israeli interests.

Among those activities, according to the report, was the giving of "advice" to Arab women who demonstrated in East Jerusalem last week against Israel's Independence Day parade. According to information received by the Israel Foreign Ministry, a delegation of the women visited an official in the U.S. Consulate whom they informed of their plans. Two consular officials subsequently appeared on the site of the demonstration, although it had not been announced beforehand, and was, in any event, illegal. Israel is expected to ask the State Department to instruct consular officials to confine their activities to their legitimate tasks which are to take care of the interests of U.S. citizens.

Reveal Terrorist Attempt Against Military Governor of Jenin on West Bank

TEL AVIV, May 6 (JTA)--A military spokesman disclosed today that three bazooka shells were fired Friday night at the home of the Military Governor of Jenin in the northern Samaria district. Seven more bazooka shells with a timing mechanism attached, were found concealed under tree branches, about 400 yards from the Governor's home. A guard reported that he heard the shells in flight at about 2:00 a.m. local time Friday. They exploded in an onion field near the Jenin refugee quarter, about 200 yards from the Governor's home.

Ben-Gurion Cheered As Festive Knesset Session Marks Israel Anniversary

JERUSALEM, May 6 (JTA)--President and Mrs. Zalman Shazar, the entire Cabinet and General Staff and an array of dignitaries representing the Supreme Court, the Chief Rabbinate, the Jewish Agency and Israel's Arab and Druze communities, assembled in the Knesset (Parliament) today for a special festive session marking the 20th anniversary of Israel's independence. There was only one speaker, former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, who had been invited to address the chamber on the occasion. He held his audience for a full hour which was punctuated by bursts of applause, something usually proscribed by the House. Following a recess after the Ben-Gurion speech, the Knesset formally opened its summer session with consideration of the IL 500 million (\$143 million) addition to the defense budget. Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir said that two-fifths of the sum will be diverted from development projects but the rest must be raised through what he called a semi-voluntary internal defense loan.

Mr. Ben-Gurion, who at 82 still speaks with a clear, energetic voice, recalled the history of Zionist efforts to establish a Jewish national home. He told the assemblage that the over-riding problem today is massive aliyah (immigration). He advised the Government to make that the first priority of the State. The Nazi holocaust, he said, deprived Israel of just those Jews who had most of the will and desire to identify themselves with Jewish settlement in Israel, Israel, he declared, should remain a "chosen people."

Israel Challenges Soviet Union's Right To Question Treatment of Jerusalem Arabs

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., May 6 (JTA)--Israel challenged the right of the Soviet Union today to question Israeli treatment of Arabs in Jerusalem when it was guilty of the mistreatment of Jews in the Soviet Union. The challenge was made by Ambassador Yosef Tekoah arising on a point of order after Ambassador Yakov Malik of the Soviet Union and Ambassador Agha Shahi of Pakistan had made extensive attacks on Israel, including its alleged mistreatment of the Arab population in Jerusalem.

Ambassador Malik protested against Mr. Tekoah's description of the treatment of Soviet Jewry and Lord Caradon of Britain, president of the Council, instructed Mr. Tekoah to keep to the issue. Mr. Tekoah replied that he wanted to draw "a legitimate comparison" between the situation of the Arabs in Jerusalem and the Jews in Moscow and said he wanted to ask a simple question: "How could the Council allow the Soviet representative to speak about the continuation of Arab cultural, religious and public life in Jerusalem when the Jewish citizens of the Soviet Union were deprived of these rights?"

The Israeli spokesman told the Council that "the Moslems in Jerusalem enjoy fully freedom of religion, freedom to operate their own institutions, the use of Arab clubs and the Arab schools in Jerusalem are operating normally. When the Soviet government will grant equal rights to its Jewish citizens, we will consider the Soviet Union justified in speaking about Arab rights in Jerusalem." The Council adjourned until Tuesday afternoon when the Jordanian representative is scheduled to speak again.

Spokesman Asserts Vatican Still Supports Internationalization of Jerusalem

ROME, May 6 (JTA)--The Vatican still supports the internationalization of Jerusalem and has neither proposed nor contemplated any other alternatives up to the present time, a Vatican spokesman said at a press conference here today. The spokesman said that the term "holy places" in Palestine referred to the creation of a "corpus separatum" consisting of Jerusalem and environs under international administration in accordance with the 1947 United Nations resolution that decreed the partition of Palestine. The term also refers to international guarantees for holy places in the rest of the country, the spokesman said. He added, however, that the problem is intricate and a solution seems distant.

Peres Says Israeli Policy Is Winning Arab Cooperation in Occupied Territories

JOHANNESBURG, May 6 (JTA)--Former Deputy Defense Minister Shimon Peres expressed the belief today that the future Arab-Israeli peace pattern might emerge from the manner in which Israel administered the areas it occupied in the June war. He told a dinner meeting here launching the South African Jewish day school campaign that in these areas, "our policy is tough only when necessary, liberal wherever possible, and it is bringing about on-the-spot cooperation that may produce the conditions for peaceful coexistence."

The former defense official stressed however that while Israel would win any further war the Arabs might try to mount, "our main concern is not military victories but a permanent peace settlement in the Middle East. We don't," he said, "want to become victims of our military successes. What we want is peace."

Ramallah Residents Lose Access to Israel, Jordan Visits Because of Strike

JERUSALEM, May 6 (JTA)--The West Bank town of Ramallah has not been placed under curfew but privileges accorded to West Bank residents have been withdrawn as a result of the strike there on Independence Day, it was announced here today. The privileges, rescinded by order of Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, include access into Israel, including East Jerusalem, and the denial of permits for Ramallah residents to visit Jordan or to receive visitors from there. Such permits are granted all other West Bank residents almost without restriction. The special measures taken in Ramallah were due to the nature of the strike which was a demonstration against Israel's Independence Day parade in nearby Jerusalem. Unlike some other West Bank towns where Arabs demonstrated individually by shutting down businesses for the day and keeping children out of school, the Ramallah strike was officially organized.

Asks Human Rights Parley To Call For Study of Treatment of Minorities

TEHERAN, Iran, May 6 (JTA)--A resolution calling on the United Nations Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to investigate the situation of minorities in various countries and submit a report to the U.N. Human Rights Commission was introduced in the international conference on human rights here yesterday and was expected to produce angry debate.

The draft resolution was introduced by Justice Zeev Zeltner, of Israel who told the assembly that the United Nations had not looked into the welfare of minorities since World War II and had not paid any attention to questions involving the cultural and religious rights of ethnic, racial and religious groups. The draft resolution was expected to be a source of embarrassment to the Soviet Union and to India and Pakistan because of the minorities issues raised in these countries. Justice Zeltner has frequently brought up in international forums the issue of Soviet discrimination against the Jews in Russia and observers here indicated belief that his draft resolution was motivated by the desire to bring the question of Soviet Jewry before the world agency.

The first committee of the conference, by a vote of 60 to none, with five abstentions, called on the conference yesterday to condemn Nazism, neo-Nazism and similar ideologies based on terrorism and racial intolerance as a blatant violation of basic human rights. It also recommended that the conference call on all states to declare illegal and prohibit Nazi and racist organizations and groups.

Iraq Crippling Remaining Jews Economically, AJC Committee Charges

NEW YORK, May 6 (JTA)--The Iraqi Government has embarked on a policy of economic strangulation of the 2,500 Jews who have remained in that country since last June's Arab-Israel war, the American Jewish Committee reported here today. According to information received by the AJC's office in Paris, the new measures adopted in Baghdad deprive Jews of all rights of control over their own property, freeze all debts owed to Jews and place a poverty level ceiling on salaries that may be paid to Jews.

By these measures, the AJC declared, the Iraqi Government has dropped all pretense of being "anti-Zionist" but not "anti-Jewish." One new amendment to Iraqi law forbids Jews to sell or otherwise dispose of any immovable property or to try to get a mortgage, loan, or lease on it without prior permission from the Minister of Interior. Another provision orders Government offices and private businesses not to pay out any sums "due to the Jews" but to notify the Minister instead. Jewish salaries are exempted but a ceiling of 100 dinars (\$280) per month has been placed on them. The AJC pointed out that this is about the salary paid a beginner clerk in inflation-plagued Iraq and is insufficient to support a family. Moreover, very few Iraqi Jews occupy salaried posts today, the majority of them having been fired during the past year. The new anti-Jewish measures were published in the Official Gazette of Iraq last March, copies of which have been obtained by the AJC office in Paris.

Jewish Editors, Writers Being Removed From Posts on Polish Newspapers

WASHINGTON, May 6 (JTA)--The purge of Jews from Poland's communications and film industries has spread to newspapers in provincial cities, according to reports from Warsaw received here today. In the capital itself, Jewish editors and non-Jews opposed to the regime's increasingly repressive measures and its continuing anti-Jewish campaign, have resigned from their jobs.

Szymon Jakubowicz, a senior Jewish editor of the Government newspaper, "Zycie Warszawy" (Warsaw Life), quit his job in protest against the paper's policies, particularly its vociferous anti-Zionist line. Arthur Hajnicz, another Jew who is foreign editor, asked the Government press commissioners for a transfer to a small, intellectual magazine. Mrs. Kamila Chylinska, a non-Jewish intellectual, and several other editors have submitted resignations. According to Warsaw sources, changes — apparently the removal of Jewish staff members — are expected on two weekly magazines. One of them, the satirical journal, "Szpilki," has been attacked in official quarters for its handling of "current issues." In the textile city of Lodz, ten employees of newspaper or information media, were expelled from the Communist Party which demanded their dismissal from their jobs. Four are Jews and the others are believed to be intellectuals opposed to the Government's anti-Jewish campaign.

ADL Leader Warns Conference of New Anti-Jewish Danger Signals Abroad

NEW YORK, May 6 (JTA)--Dore Schary, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, warned the 55th annual meeting of that organization here today against "anti-Jewish danger signals" — a revival of political anti-Semitism overseas and the anti-Semitic attitudes of the far right and far left in this country. He said that recent events in Poland and West Germany reveal that "for the first time since the Nazi period, the bloody ghost of political anti-Semitism is again beginning to take shape." At the same time, he said, the Middle East crisis and the American urban crisis had triggered renewed anti-Jewish sentiment among extremists in this country.

Mr. Schary charged that under the guise of weeding out an alleged Zionist conspiracy, Polish Communists were reviving the anti-Semitism endemic to the area, even to the point of distorting Polish history during World War II. The new Party line, he told the League commissioners, made the victims of the Nazis their collaborators, and those who had or would tell the truth were branded enemies of the state. In West Germany, he said, the neo-Nazi National Democratic Party, amassed ten percent of the vote in the state's elections in Baden-Wurttemberg. He pointed out that three years before Hitler, "this same political force got twelve percent of the vote."

Critic Hits Administration For Failure to Protest Anti-Jewish Bias in Russia, Poland

KIAMESHA LAKE, N.Y., May 6 (JTA)--The author of a book that accused the Roosevelt Administration of "apathy and inaction" while Hitler massacred six million Jews in Europe during World War II, charged here today that the U.S. Government is still derelict with respect to the plight of Jews in Soviet Russia and Poland. Arthur D. Morse, author of the current best-seller, "While Six Million Died," declared that while the United States had a record of intervening on behalf of persecuted peoples abroad -- the Armenians in Turkey, the Jews in Czarist Russia -- "this country has yet to protest the ongoing religious and cultural repressions of the Jews of the Soviet Union and the current anti-Semitic campaign in Poland against so-called Zionists." The American people is against these repressions, Mr. Morse said, "and the U.S. Government, through the State Department, ought to say so forthrightly."

The author spoke at a seminar session of the 39th annual convention of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, an affiliate of the United Synagogue of America. The convention was attended by 750 delegates representing 350 synagogue clubs in the United States and Canada. Mr. Morse charged the State Department with "deliberate misrepresentation" during World War II by concealing behind a "facade of protocol and politesse" the failure to rescue Jews who might have been saved. He declared that the same situation prevails today. The State Department is "still up to its old ways" in dealing with the Middle East, Vietnam and other areas, he said. He voiced suspicion that the State Department's Middle Eastern personnel "are still selected from Arab-oriented sources."

In another address, Rabbi Harry Halpern, of the East Midwood Jewish Center of Brooklyn who is a member of the New York City Human Rights Commission, scored the Johnson Administration's "do nothing" response to the report of the President's National Advisory Committee on Civil Disorders. None of the Commission's recommendations to curb urban unrest have been the subject of suggested legislation by the President, Rabbi Halpern said, and so far Congress has failed to act on its own initiative.

Speaking at an earlier session of the convention, Rabbi Joel S. Geffen, advisor to the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, declared that it was a "misnomer" to refer to last June's Arab-Israel conflict as the Six-Day War. "In reality, the Israel-Arab war is 20 years old," he said.

Los Angeles CRC Advises Jewish Organizations Not To Endorse Election Candidates

LOS ANGELES, May 6 (JTA)--The Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation-Council of Los Angeles advised Jewish organizations today not to endorse candidates in forthcoming elections here and urged Jewish leaders, in giving their personal endorsement to candidates, to insist that their Jewish organization affiliations not be used.

In a policy statement offering guidelines to the community, the committee suggested that Jewish organizations discourage endorsement of individual candidates and the presentation of awards and citations to candidates. It said opposing candidates should be given an equal opportunity to discuss campaign issues before any group wishing such political discussion. The committee urged strongly that no assertions be made about a candidate's record that implied antagonism toward Jews or issues in which Jews have an interest unless the facts were substantiated by a responsible Jewish agency.

Sephardic Chief Rabbi Urges Training in Israel Be Mandatory For Rabbis Here

NEW YORK, May 6 (JTA)--The Sephardic Chief Rabbi of Israel, Yitzhak Nissim, declared before an audience of over 1,000 Orthodox Jews last night that no one, the Israeli Government included, had the right to return an inch of territory captured in the Six-Day War because that land belonged to each and every Jew the world over and it would be contrary to religious law to give away something that belonged to another Jew.

Speaking at the annual dinner of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, the Chief Rabbi said that he is requesting American yeshivas not to ordain any rabbinical student until he has spent some time studying in Israel. He urged Orthodox Jews to emigrate to Israel, explaining that the dwelling of a Jew in Israel is a primary commandment. Chief Rabbi Nissim, who is called "Rishon Le-Zion," or the first in Zion, spoke in Hebrew. His talk was later translated.

Lubavitcher Rebbe's Campaign Brought Over A Million Men To Prayer

NEW YORK, May 6 (JTA)--Nearly one million Jews around the world have been given "the opportunity to observe the mitzvah of tefillin," many of them for the first time, as a result of the campaign initiated by Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, on the eve of the Six-Day War. The campaign was conducted by the Lubavitch Youth Organization. Many Jews put on phylacteries at the Western Wall at the youth organization's "tefillin booth."

Israel Presents Medals To Two Who Aided Jews During Nazi Occupation

ROME, May 6 (JTA)--A German writer and a representative of a Florentine family who aided Jews during the Nazi occupation of Italy in 1943 and '44, were awarded gold medals today by Ambassador Ehud Avriel of Israel. The recipients were Armin Wagner who helped many Jews escape the deportation round-ups, and Mario Elina Santorini, of Florence, whose family protected Jews in hiding. Mr. Santorini said he always considered his family's actions as normal moral behavior. Mr. Wagner, in a brief emotional response, said he could not accept thanks because it was he himself who should be thankful to the Jews.