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## Nasser Tells Parliament 'War' and 'Bloodshed' Are Solution To Arab-Israel Conflict

LONDON, Nov. 6(JTA)--President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt told his nation today that "war" and "bloodshed" are now the only solution to the Arab-Israel conflict because all political solutions have failed. In what observers described as his most belligerent speech since the June, 1967 Six-Day War, Col. Nasser said Egypt is now in a position to put 500,000 armed men in the field against Israel.

"What was taken by force must be reclaimed by force." he said in a radio and television address the opening of the Egyptian Parliament, President Nasser denounced the United States for aiding Israel, U.S. militarists are fighting against Egypt, he said, "from behind guns and from aircraft that carry the Star of David." He said Russia was Egypt's friend--"the arms of the U.S.A, are in Israel's hands."

The speech was the first by President Nasser in three months and was delivered following three apparently successful Egyptian commando raids on Israeli forces across the Suez Canal in the last 24 hours, He urged a new Arab summit meeting to coordinate action against Israel. He described Egypt's situation as "to be or not to be. There is no alternative but to continue to fight against Israel."

President Nasser claimed that Egypt had tried to implement the United Nations Security Council's Nov. 22, 1967 Mideast resolution but said the Big Powers failed to find a solution. "The definite conclusion we must take from this is that there is no longer a way out of our present situation except by forging a road toward our objective violently and by force, over a sea of blood and under horizons blazing with fire." The Egyptian leader said his Government had spen 500 million Egyptian pounds to re-arm its forces since the Six-Day War. He claimed that Israel was "fighting with its back to the sea." Turning to the recent crisis in Lebanon, Nasser said, "fall secondary side-battles in the Arab world must stop or our cause will slip from our hands."

(Rashid Karami, who resigned as caretaker Premier in Lebanon in opposition to Army attacks on Arab guerrillas, said today he would try to form a new Government. Mr. Karami had been trying since last April to form a Government. He resigned little more than two weeks ago after fighting broke out between Lebanese Army troops and guerrillas in South Lebanon. He claimed he had nothing to do with the Army's decision to crack down on the guerrillas.)

## Egyptians Hit Israeli Side Of Canal For 3rd Time in 2 Days

TEL AVIV, Nov. 6(JTA)--Egyptian commandos made two hit-and-run attacks across the Suez Canal today, their second and third in the past 24 hours. An Israeli military spokesman said five Israeli soldiers were wounded in the first commando attack near el Shatt at the Canal's southern entrance and none were hurt in the second attack at El Kaff, 50 miles to the north. One wounded Egyptian was captured.

Israeli jets retaliated with bombing and strafing runs on Egyptian positions along the west side of the Canal and returned safely to their bases, a spokesman said. Cairo claimed that one Israeli jet was shot down and one was damaged. The Egyptians also said that all its commandos returned safely and that only two were wounded.

Israeli artillery and Air Force jets hammered positions in Jordan today following an attack on Kfar Ruppin in the Beisan Valley. The jets were sent to knock out the Jordanian's "long Toms," their biggest cannons, which were firing from the Gilead plateau miles from the border. Kfar Ruppin also came under fire from 120-mm. Russian-made mortars fired by guerrillas. There were no casualties and only slight damage reported in Kfar Ruppin, Nahal Golan, in the southern sector of the Golan Heights, was attacked with mortars and bazookas by Arab guerrillas in Syrian territory last night. There were no casualties and only minor damage.

The renewed Egyptian commando raids across the Suez Canal were intended to coincide with the radio and television address by President Nasser, Israeli officials said, to give credence to his claim that the war of attrition against Israel is successful. An Egyptian commando raid yesterday killed two Israeli soldiers and wounded two others. A third wounded Israel was taken prisoner by the Egyptians. An Egyptian spokesman claimed in Cairo today that the latest raids destroyed Israeli fortifications, armored vehicles and killed all of their occupants. The Egyptians said aslao that the Wednesday raiders killed 10 Israelis and captured one soldier who later died in a hospital.

# Israel foreign Ministry Denies Knowledge of New U.S. Peace Proposals

JERUSALEM, Nov.6(JTA).—The Foreign Ministry said today that it had no knowledge of a new American Mideast peace plan having been presented to the Soviet Union. Reports of such a plan appeared in the New York Times which said today that the U.S. and the USSR were "close to agreement on the principles" for a Mideast peace formula. One Israeli official said "the people who dream up these formulas of possible American-Soviet agreements must be living on the moon."

According to Foreign Ministry sources there have been no signs of any change in Soviet policy on the Middle East. They said Moscow is still rigorously opposed to the idea of direct Arab-Isreal negotiations at any stage, does not accept the fact of a unified Jerusalem nor would it demand that the Arabs affirm a wish for a just and lasting peace with Israel.

#### U.S. Officials Silent on Reports New Proposals Move Toward Arab Position

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 6(JTA)—Reports that the United States was moving toward the Arab position in the Mideast deadlock were circulating here today but the official spokesman of the U.S. Mission would neither confirm nor deny them.

The New York Times reported today that the Nixon Administration was awaiting a definitive Soviet statement concurring with basic guidelines for a settlement that have emerged in a long series of confidential talks between Joseph J. Sisco, the Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, and Anatoly F. Dobrynin, the Soviet Ambassador to the U.S.

The Times also reported that both super-powers were nearing an agreement on principles for a peace settlement to be negotiated between Israel and the Arabs. One U.S. official was quoted as saying that the coming week "will be a watershed--one way or the other" in the peacemaking

According to reports here, if Soviet concurrence is forthcoming, the new guidelines would be placed before the Big Four Ambassadors in secret talks that are expected to resume here in Mid-November. John M. Stuart, the official, U.S. Mission spokesman, said he would neither confirm nor deny the reports and that reports that the Washington consultations had reached a "watershed" level were "diarrely speculative."

Formal official statements issued at the UN and in Washington said: "For the past several weeks, we have been trying to develop common formulations for a joint document which will provide a basis for Ambassador Gumar V. Jarring's (the UN Midesst envoy) renewal of contacts with the parties. That process has moved ahead and is continuing. In the course of the process, there have been some new formulations which are now being discussed."

Guidelines Call For Arab Commitment To Conclude Binding and Lasting Peace

The Times reported that the guidelines were understood to include the following:

Israel and the Arab states would determine a detailed settlement by themselves, negotiating under a formula like one that brought the sides together in 1949 armistrice talks on the island of Rhodes;

The Arabs would formally state their intention to conclude a "binding and lasting peace" to replace the armistice. Israel would agree to a detailed timetable for withdrawal of her forces from occupied territories to new frontiers that the parties in the area would agree upon.

An internationally constituted military force would be set up in the area as a buffer along the negotiated frontiers, with its presence to be controlled and guarateed by the major powers.

The State Department maintains that the content of the Sisco-Dobrynin discussions has not been "leaked" and that "premature leakage" might cause the Arabs and Israelis to reject any peace formulas before they are presented to the Big Four.

#### Soviet President Assails U.S. For Backing Israel In 'Violating "UN Decisions

LONDON, Nov. 6(JTA)--President Nikolai V. Podgorny of the Soviet Union today denounced United States policies in the Middle East and Vietnam in a wide ranging Kremlin speech marking the 52nd anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution, President Podgorny nevertheless called for improved American-Soviet relations and an end to the arms race. He pledged solidarity with the Arab states and demanded that Israel withdraw from the occupied Arab territories. "The Government in Tel Aviv is rudely violating the decisions of the United Nations: and in this policy it is supported by the imperialistic circles and certain Western nations, including the United States," Mr. Podgorny said.

# Yost Objects to UN Circulation of Soviet Charges America Intervened in Lebanon

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. Nov.6(JTA)--Ambassador Charles Yost, the United States representative to the United Nations, objected strongly yesterday to a Soviet request that its charges that the US sought to intervene in Lebanon be circulated as a Security Council document. The charges were contained in a statement issued by Tass, the official Soviet news agency, on Oct. 25. Mr. Yost, who is this month's president of the Security Council, stated in a letter in effect addressed to himself that Soviet allegations about U.S. policy in the Middle East were untrue and "do not contribute to the goal of a just and lasting peace." The letter was in response to one addressed to the Security Council president by Soviet Ambassador Jacob Malik asking that the Tass document be circulated.

Tass objected to a statement by the U.S. Embassy in Beirut several weeks ago saying that "on the pretext of expressing concern for the safeguarding of the independence and territorial integrity of Lebanon" the U.S. claimed the right to intervene in Lebanese affairs.

## Swiss Set Trial For Arab Terrorist Accused Of Attacking El Al Airliner At Zurich

GENEVA, Nov. 6(JTA)---Three Arab terrorists accused of attacking at El Al airliner at Zurich Airport last Feb. 18 will go on trial in a Zurich cantonal court in Winterthur Nov. 27. The three have been formally charged with murder in the death of an Israeli pilot trainee, Yoram Perez, who was fatally wounded in the attack.

The accused are Ibrahim Tawfik and Abu El Heiga, both 25, and Miss Amina Dahbor, 23. A fourth terrorist, 31-year-old Abdel Menen Hassan, was shot to death by an Israeli security guard during the attack. The guard, Mordechai Rachamim, 23 has been charged with murder under extenuating circumstances. He was released on bail last March and is reported to have joined the personal bodyguard of Israel's Premier, Mrs. Golda Meir. The charges against him carry a maximum penalty of 10 years in jail. The three Arabs face life sentences.

#### Israel Tells FAO Conference Of Its Contribution To World Struggle Against Famine

ROME, Nov.6(JTA)--israel's contributions to the worli struggle against famine were outlined at a "freedom from hunger" conference organized here by the United Nations Food and Agricultral Organization (FAO). The Israeli representative, Mrs. Lotte Roman, told the conference that during the last nine years her country had arranged 142 agricultural training courses for 3,320 students from developing countries.

Mrs. Roman said that Israel was instrumental in organizing many field projects in developing countries including pest control in El Salvador, citrus cultivation in Uganda, agricultural marketing methods in Jamaica and animal husbandry in Chana. She said the Peretz Naftali Foundation provided Latin American countries with experts on workers' banks, cooperative credit and savings establishments. In 1964, Israel started a pilot project in Venezuela which, by 1968, encompassed for formation for firm of \$7 million.

### AJCommittee Officials Testify Before House Committee On Nixon's Welfare Proposal

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6(JTA).—Two officials of the American Jewish Committee have testified before the House Ways and Means Committee on the need for revisions in the public welfare system. Hyman Bookbinder, the AJCommittee's Washington representative, and Alex E, Holstein, Jr., chairman of its national social welfare committee, praised President Richard M. Nixon's statement last August which led to the bill now under reconsideration to revamp the welfare system. But both indicated hopes for more comprehensive legislation,

Mr. Bookbinder, who was executive officer or President Lyndon B. Johnson's Task Force on Poverty, described the Nixon proposal as "the most exciting and promising challenge of the last six years...to wipe out poverty." But he added, "it would be a great tragedy if the combination of those who think the program goes too far and those who think it does not go far enough should succeed in keeping this program from being launched.

#### Philadelphia Agency Announces Successful Completion Of Program For Cuban Children

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 6(3TA)--The Association for Jewish Children has announced the successful completion of a program it undertook eight years ago to resettle 13 Jewish refugee children from Cuba who were sent to the United States by their parents for "safe-keeping" after the Castro revolution. Irving Schwartz, president of the Association, said the youngsters were entrusted to its care by the United Hias Service of New York and the Hias Council of Philadelphia.

The youngsters ranged from 10 to 17 years of age when they arrived in this country. All have since been re-united with their families--five in Philadelphia, five in other parts of the U.S. and three in South America, Mr. Schwartz said. Five are attending college, helped by agency scholarship funds and several others are in trade schools or are employed in business. The last of the group has just left to enter college, Mr. Schwartz reported.

#### America-Israel Cultural Foundation Adopts \$1,704,000 Budget--Its Largest

NEW YORK, Nov. 6(JTA).—The America-Israel Cultural Foundation has adopted a \$1,704,000 budget for cultural work in the United States and Canada during the coming year—the largest budget in the Foundation's 30-year history. According to George M. Jaffin, chairman of the finance and administration committee, the budget will provide continuing support of such Israeli cultural institutions as the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Israel Chamber Ensemble, Habitmah and Cameri theaters, Inbal Dance Theater and others. It will also provide opportunities for public performances in the U.S. by young Israeli artists and travelling exhibits of Israeli art and handicrafts The Foundation elected former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg as a member of its board of directors.

#### Cardinal Wyszinski Sends Jew A Letter Expressing Strong Sympathy For Sufferings

LONDON, Nov. 6(JTA)--A Polish Jew who attended the unveiling of a memorial monument to the victims of Maidenek concentration camp last September has received a letter from Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski of Gniezno and Warsaw expressing strong sympathy for the suffering of the Jews which he said was well understood by Polish Catholics.

The text of the letter has been published in The London Times which received it from an unkown source. The newspaper said it was the first document to reach this country confirming Cardinal Wyszynski's strong stand aginst the anti-Semitic revival in Poland last years. According to the Times, the man to whom the letter was written visited the Cardinal in Warsaw after the memorial ceremonies to which the Polish Primate had not been invited.

The letter said in part: "We have seen among us the common suffering of the war deluge the children of Israel. We have felt with them in their agony and wherever possible we helped them in the common prison which Poland was then, occupied by the invaders. We believe that these sufferings will bring forth the blessed fruit of a better life. Tcday we rejoice that the martyrs of Maidenek are honored with a memorial. Let these stones cry to heaven for a durable peace on earth and a mutual love between nations."

## Capital's Jewish 'Establishment' Shows Mixed Feelings About Identifying with Moratorium

WASHINGTON, Nov.6(JTA)--The so-called Jewish "establishment" has evinced mixed feelings about identifying with peace marchers who will converge on the capital Nov. 13 for three days of anti-war demonstrations. While some elements of the "establishment" have taken steps to cooperate with the Vietnam war opponents, others are shying away.

Jewish youth organizers who are planning to participate in the war moratorium demonstrations say some Washington synagogues and temples are refusing to permit their premises to be used to house and feed the marchers. There appears to be a fear of possible violence arising from the moratorium demonstrations and a number of Jewish leaders have indicated that President Nixon might be "annoyed" to learn that Jewish facilities accommodated persons opposed to his Vietnam policies.

Jewish officialdom appeared to be particularly upset by plans of Jewish radicals to march around the White House blowing shofars. The radicals are being organized by Jews for Urban Justice in Boston, New York, Philadelphia and other cities. The shofar-blowing idea has caught on among non-radical Jewish youth, But some local community leaders fear that President Nixon might regard them as a "loud minority." In his Vietnam speech Nov. 3, the President appealed to the "silent majority" for support of his Vietnam policies against the "loud minority" that oppose them.

Jewish anti-war activists say that local rabbis have offered to pray for peace but there is little disposition among some of them to provide sleeping space for the thousands of Jewish youth expected to come here. Some synagogues and temples have said they cannot permit their social halls to be used as dormitories because bar mitzvahs may be held over the week-end.

But others are offering facilities and will even participate in the moratorium. Peace services will be held at Temple Micah and Temple Sinai, An Ad Hoc Peace Committee has been formed by Rabbi Bernard Mehlman, of Temple Micah, His group, known as "Sim Shalom", is composed of those desiring more active Jewish participation in the demonstrations. The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism has provided facilities for the Student Assistance Center and will allow people to sleep on the floors in sleeping bags. Peace services and a teach-in will be held at the Washington Hebrew Congregation on Friday, Nov. 14 and a community-wide havdala service will be held there Saturday night.

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations have rallied to organize facilities and dormitories are being prepared at the Hillel Rouses of George Washington University and the University of Maryland. A seminar on "Vietnam, the Middle East and the New Left?" will be held under B'nai B'rith Hillel auspices at B'nai B'rith national headquarters. Radical Jewish workshops will include a session on organizing the Jewish community. A teach-in on the Middle East will be conducted by David Gelber, editor "Liberation" magazine. The Jewish Students Assistance Center will be manned on a 24-hor basis to provide housing aid to the many thousands of Jewish youth and Hillel members expected.

About 50 Jewish leaders, rabbis and others have gathered under the auspices of the Jewish Community Council to discuss needs for organizational housing, teach-ins, assemblies, speakers, films and the distribution of peace literature. The Council itself has avoided taking a stand on the Vietnam issue, but it will permit out-of-town youths to sleep on the floor of its downtown offices.

## Cleveland Jews Have History of Cooperation With Mayor Carl Stokes

CLEVELAND, Nov. 6 (JTA)—The Jewish community of Cleveland followed local election developments with close interest despite the absence of any specific Jewish interests. Most Cleveland Jews live in the suburbs and thus had little part in the voting which led to the re-election of Mayor Carl B. Stokes, by a narrow margin. Mr. Stokes was the first Negro to win election as mayor of a major American city two years ago.

A Jewish community spokesman pointed out that "the Jewish community has a history of cooperation with Carl Stokes and there was a great deal of interest in the election because of the human relations component." Jews were in evidence lending support to both Mayor Stokes and to his opponent, Ralph J. Perk

# U.S. Investors Will Finance Half Of New 16-Story Hilton Hotel In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Nov. 6(JTA)—A 16-story 400-room Hilton Hotel will rise in Jerusalem in 30 months, Minister of Tourism and Development Moshe Kol announced here today. Mr. Kol signed a contract with a group of American investors who will supply half of the \$12.5 million needed to build the hotel. The balance will be supplied by an Israel Government Ioan. The lands authority of the Tourism Ministry has provided five-and-a-half acres in the heart of Jerusalem to the investors. The hotel will be located between the Knesset building and the Convention Center. The Americans who attended the contract signing were Abraham Feinberg, Philip M, Klutznick, Sol Kitay and Lester Crown. Hilton International will manage the hotel as it does the 20-story Tel Aviv Hilton which opened in 1965.

In another business development, a half-million dollar plant to turn out high quality leather handbags will be established by a group of 37 French businessmen in a new development area of Israel. According to the October issue of the France-Israel Chamber of Commerce journal, the French investors will supply capital in the amount of \$270,000 toward construction of the plant and will provide the technical know-how.