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Dayan States If Israeli Planes Did Hit School It Was Inside Military Installation

TEL AVIV, April 9 (JTA)--Defense Minister Moshe Dayan declared last night that he was "convinced beyond any doubt" that Israel Air Force jets struck a genuine military target in a bombing raid West of the Suez Canal yesterday. Gen. Dayan said that if a school was hit, as Cairo claims, it was located inside a military installation. "We have checked and re-checked and there was no mistake this time," he said. Reconnaissance photographs made of the target before and after the attack were produced for newsmen and shown on television last night. They showed a rectangular building with a barbed wire fence around it. At least 19 trucks, 11 jeeps and four trailers were parked in the courtyard of the building and more military vehicles were parked nearby. Many of them were dug in and some were covered with camouflage nets. Near the building were fox holes, sentry posts and a check post surrounded by trenches. A photo made after the raid showed that the building was hit twice on its northern and northwestern sides.

[Israel's representative to the United Nations charged Egypt today with disseminating a distorted account of the Israeli air raid. In a letter to Secretary General U Thant, Ambassador Yosef Tekoah declared that Israel regretted any loss of life but if there were casualties, including a number of youths, the responsibility lies with the Egyptian authorities for having placed them in a distinctly military installation within a zone of hostilities. Ambassador Tekoah said the target of the Israeli air raid was a military installation at Salahiye. He said that Egyptian authorities later conducted foreign newsmen to a hospital at El Husseiniyeh, about 12 miles away and refused to permit them to go to Salahiye on the excuse that the road was poor.]

Mr. Tekoah quoted news dispatches from Cairo stating that some of the wounded youths seen by the correspondents were dressed in green khaki, the uniform of the Egyptian school home guard composed of pupils who receive civil defense training. "The Egyptian communique and the UAR representative both stated that the target was 80 kilometers north of Cairo but they omitted to add that this is a zone of hostilities about 30 kilometers west of Kantara" in the Suez Canal zone, Mr. Tekoah wrote. He observed that seven hours elapsed between the air action at 9:15 and the first Egyptian communique at 4 p.m. "Obviously this long interval was needed to enable the government of the UAR to make up its mind how to present its distortions to the outside world," Ambassador Tekoah wrote.)

UAR Spokesman Charges U.S. Aid To Israel Enables 'Such Barbaric Attacks'

(The United Arab Republic Ambassador Dr. Mohamed Hassan El-Zayyat submitted a letter today to Secretary General U Thant condemning the bombing. The letter presented the UAR's view of the incident. A United Nations spokesman said Dr. El-Zayyat's letter did not contain any request that the bombing incident be taken before the Security Council. In a statement released to the press today by the UAR Mission to the UN, Dr. El-Zayyat told Dr. Bunche that "American supplied Phantom jets and other forms of assistance from the United States enabled Israel to carry out such barbaric attacks.") (New York Times correspondent Raymond H. Anderson reported from Cairo today that foreign newsmen were taken to El Husseiniya to view dead and wounded children. "About 12 bodies were in the morgue. The other dead, a hospital official said, had already been removed by their parents," Mr. Anderson wrote. Cairo radio claimed yesterday that 30 children in Bahr el Bakr primary school were killed and 46 other persons including 36 children were wounded. Mr. Anderson said the bodies in the morgue were torn by shrapnel and children in the hospital, aged seven to 12 were covered with blood and bandages.)

According to Egyptian sources the bombing was carried out by two American-built Phantom jets. In a broadcast statement last night, Gen. Dayan said, "What could have happened here was irresponsibility of high order, that the Egyptians had set aside a floor or some rooms in a military structure for civilian purposes such as a school." Last Feb. 13 Israeli bombers hit a metal factory at Abu Zabal, killing 86 civilian workers. Israel promptly admitted that raid and said it was a tragic accident due to a navigational error. (In London today Israel's Minister of Welfare, Dr. Joseph Burg said there could have been an error in yesterday's bombing. He insisted that Israel attacks only military targets in Egypt and there has been no deviation from that policy. "But a pilot flying at 1550 m.p.h.--two seconds of flying time equals one mile--may commit the slightest human error and the result may be a tragedy. When this happens, and we do not know what happened in Egypt yesterday as yet, we are deeply unhappy.")

Mrs. Meir Raps Illusory Peace Efforts; Debate Continues On Goldmann-Nasser Affair

TEL AVIV, April 9 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir voiced some strong criticism of Dr. Nahum Goldmann's political views and his aborted mission to meet with President Gamal Abdel Nasser in Cairo. Mrs. Meir did not refer directly to the affair but her implication was clear when she claimed, "An untrue peace is more dangerous than no peace at all and leads directly to another war." Mrs. Meir spoke at the 12th convention of Tnuat Hamoshavim, the small holders settlement movement. She said, "Three years after war we have not yet achieved peace and it seems those who produce 'special formulas' for peace-making, a shortcut to peace. There is no short cut to peace. Some people are ready

to throw the baby out with the bath water in their hasty pursuit of illusions and they have no assurances that at the end of the road there will be hands outstretched," Mrs. Meir added. "Whoever makes concessions easily is not to be trusted. All of us seek peace, but more dangerous than the absence of peace is the illusory peace that leads to a new war."

Some leading Israeli newspapers were sharply critical today of the way the government handled the "Goldmann affair." The independent daily Haaretz accused Mrs. Meir of lacking the courage to make a decision of her own and thereby "scotched the plan" by bringing the issue before her coalition Cabinet. The paper was also critical of Foreign Minister Abba Eban. Haaretz said that what Mr. Eban rejected "was not the system of unofficial feelers towards a solution but the individual who had offered his services. This is not the way Eban will win the sympathies of the Hawks in our midst." Al Hamishmar, organ of the Mapam faction, said that neither those who supported or those who rejected the Goldmann plan are pleased over the form and content of the Cabinet's negation of it. "Israel would have lost nothing if he had been allowed to discover what was really behind the suggestion that he visit Cairo," the paper said. Davar, organ of Histadrut, urged Dr. Goldmann to clear up the doubts and contradictions that appear in various published versions of the affair. But the Socialist newspaper claimed that "the more details come to light, the more does it appear that the entire affair of Dr. Goldmann's so-called invitation was imaginary and misleading if not worse, for there has not been any hint of a sincere attempt on Cairo's part to put out feelers for peace with Israel." Hatzofe, organ of the National Religious Party, said the Cabinet's decision on Dr. Goldmann's visit was "as superfluous as the Knesset's debate on government initiative." The paper said "it is not Goldmann alone who has caused damage but all those who have dealt with the affair so disastrously since it began."

Arab Boy Killed And Brother Wounded By Grenade Hurlled By Terrorist

TEL AVIV, April 9 (JTA)--A five year-old Arab boy was killed instantly and his three year-old brother was fatally wounded by a terrorist's grenade hurled in a Gaza street today. The grenade was aimed at an Israeli Army patrol but missed its mark and exploded on the pavement. A captured Arab saboteur climbed in court today that the reason he infiltrated Israeli territory with an El Fatah band was to convert to Judaism and then go to the United States. But the court nevertheless sentenced 30 year-old Abed Bakou who was captured in a skirmish with an Israeli patrol. The Arab served with Iraqi units in Jordan but deserted to join El Fatah. The court said his "explanation" did not explain why he had fired on an Israeli patrol.

Stokely Carmichael Contends Palestinian Arabs In Just Struggle Against Israel

WASHINGTON, April 9 (JTA)--Stokely Carmichael, the black militant leader, declared today that the Palestinian Arabs were engaged in a "just struggle" against an Israeli "settler colony" that by definition "must commit genocide" but will be "destroyed." Mr. Carmichael, who recently returned from 14 months consulting with African leaders, was making his first public speech on his return at George Washington University, where he was met with many boos from the largely white, largely Jewish student audience. "It's beginning to look like a bar mitzvah," he commented. Mr. Carmichael, warning his listeners not to confuse anti-Israelism with anti-Semitism, described a "settler colony" as one "where Europeans leave their land, go to an area and completely take it over." He identified other such "settler colonies" as the United States, Canada and South Africa. But, he said, the Palestinian Arabs had "history, justice and truth" on their side, "and you can never beat that combination." He added: "Who is Balfour to give the land of Palestine to a bunch of Zionists?" As to Jewish claims to the land, he said, "The Jews wrote the Bible, that's why it belongs to (them)." "Why not," he asked, "take the land (for a Jewish state) from Germany?" Mr. Carmichael described El Fatah as "a logical and scientific reaction to the Israeli bombing."

Tekoah Scores Iraq For Charge That Israel Is Worse Than Racist Rhodesian Regime

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., April 9 (JTA)--Israel's representative to the United Nations lashed back at Iraq today for alleging that Israel was more reprehensible than the white racist regime governing Rhodesia. In a letter to Max Jakobson of Finland, President of the Security Council, Ambassador Yosef Tekoah, denounced Iraq as a country responsible for "imprisonment, torture and barbaric hangings of innocent Jews in Baghdad's squares" that dared to interject itself into discussions of the rights of man and the freedom of nations. Mr. Tekoah's statement was aimed at a March 16 statement and submitted to Mr. Jakobson April 3 by the Iraqi Foreign Ministry, circulated in the Security Council in connection with the debate on Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe). The Iraqi statement said that "although the rights of the people of Zimbabwe have been flagrantly violated by the white European minority, the people of Zimbabwe are still in their country and homeland, while Israel has been able, with the assistance and collusion of western colonialism, to expel the Palestinian people, the legal inhabitants of the country, from their ancestral homeland."

Mr. Tekoah's letter stated, "It is obvious that a comparison between the restoration by the Jewish people of their sovereignty in Israel after a struggle of 2000 years to liquidate the consequences of the foreign conquests of their land, and the illegal racist regime in Southern Rhodesia is an insidious distortion. The white inhabitants of Zimbabwe have no other connection with the land except colonialist settlement...In Israel every hill and valley are witness to the irrevocable bonds between the people and the land of Israel."

Hartling: Mideast Deadlock Might Be Broken If Big Four Give Jarring Guideline

JERUSALEM, April 9 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Poul Hartling, of Denmark, said here yesterday that the Middle East deadlock might be broken if the Four Powers meeting in New York prepared guidelines for the United Nations special emissary, Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring. Mr. Hartling spoke to newsmen at the conclusion of a visit to Israel. He is scheduled to visit Egypt next month. He said in reply to questions that he carried no message from Israel to President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Rep. Farbstein To Conduct Hearings On Treatment Of Jews In The Soviet Union

WASHINGTON, April 9 (JTA)--Rep. Leonard Farbstein, a New York Democrat, announced today that he will hold hearings in New York City Monday morning on the treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union. Mr. Farbstein, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee's sub-committee on Europe, said the hearings were "to counter the action of the Soviet government in trying to make it appear that Jewish citizens of the Soviet Union are treated in the same fashion and as humanely as other Soviet citizens. The Congressman said witnesses would present the fact of Soviet treatment of Jews "to bring the matter to the forefront of world opinion."

He said, "In my opinion, the Jewish people are being held prisoners in the Soviet Union. While the policy of the Soviet regime is tyrannical and repressive toward all minorities within its borders, it is apparent that the Jewish minority has been singled out as a primary target." The witnesses will be: Jerry Goodman, director of European affairs of the American Jewish Committee; Moshe Dechter, director of Jewish minority research and a specialist in research and consultation on the problems of Jewish communities in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe; Albert I. Chernin, of the Jewish Community Council of Philadelphia; and Stanley Lowell, vice president of the American Jewish Congress and vice chairman of the American Jewish Conference of Soviet Jewry. Hearings will be conducted at U.S. Customs Court House, Ceremonial Court Room, at 1 Federal Square.

European Conference On Soviet Jewry To Urge Russia To Give Jews Constitutional Rights

PARIS, April 9 (JTA)--A European conference on Soviet Jewry will open here next Sunday with the participation of 350 delegates representing 17 European Jewish communities. The conference will launch an appeal to improve the conditions of Russia's three million Jews, said to be suffering "Grievous cultural, religious, social and economic discrimination." The conference plans were announced at a press conference called today by the Board of Deputies of British Jews, represented by Sir Barnett Janner, a Labor MP, and the Representative Council of French Jews, headed by Claude Kelman. A Sorbonne lecturer on philosophy, Robert Mizrahi, told the newsmen that "the Soviet Union should either give its Jewish community the same rights as other minority groups or permit those Jews to emigrate." The conference will hear from a number of experts on Soviet affairs and from Jews who recently left the USSR. The organizers stressed that the conference will not be "anti-Soviet or anti-Communist" and will ask only that Moscow "apply the Soviet Constitution and Socialist legality" to the Jews.

Tekoah Protests Publication Of Anti-Israel 'Diatribes' By UN Office Of Public Information

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., April 9 (JTA)--Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah has protested to the UN Office of Public Information for publishing "the anti-Israel diatribes" submitted in London to the special committee to investigate human rights in Israeli-occupied territories by Michael Adams and John Reddaway. Mr. Tekoah said Mr. Adams is "a well-known Arab propagandist in the employ of Arab information services in London" and "receives regular remuneration from them." The Israeli ambassador said that Mr. Reddaway, former deputy commissioner of UNRWA, had "already gained notoriety by his hostility to Israel and that his activities were the subject of an official complaint by Israel to UNRWA--it was shortly thereafter that he left the agency." "The fact that the special committee opened its hearings with these two persons is 'not surprising in view of the openly biased attitudes of its three members--Somalia, Yugoslavia and Ceylon,'" Mr. Tekoah declared. "It is regrettable, however, that the OPI should lend its services to this type of Arab propaganda." The committee began its hearings last Wednesday in London and has since then continued them in Beirut and Damascus and will continue them further in Cairo, Amman and Geneva.

Disclosure Made That Count Von Spreti Aided In German Reparations For Israel

NEW YORK, April 9 (JTA)--Count Carl Von Spreti, the West German Ambassador to Guatemala who was murdered by kidnappers a week ago, was one of the prime movers behind the ratification of the Bonn-Israel reparations pact by the Bundestag 17 years ago it was disclosed today by Kurt R. Grossman, a specialist in West German affairs who served for many years as a consultant to the Conference on Jewish Claims Against Germany. As rapporteur of the Foreign Relations Committee on March 18, 1953, he submitted the agreement to his colleagues and delivered an impassioned appeal for ratification. Dr. Grossman recalled that in his speech to the Bundestag, Count Von Spreti, a member of the Christian Democratic Union, characterized the past as the "time of dishonesty" and justified Israel's claim for reparations in order to pay for the integration of more than 500,000 Jewish victims of Nazism. "Moreover, he did not only appeal to the sense of justice of his colleagues but also to the Arab world, which must understand the decision of the Federal Republic of Germany to conclude the agreement," Dr. Grossman said. It was ratified by the Bundestag 238-34. Dr. Grossman said that after the vote Count Von Spreti told him, "It was not only our duty to ratify but we did it in the interest of our country and her rehabilitation."

Canadian Anti-Hate Bill Meets With Opposition In House Of Commons

OTTOWA, April 9 (JTA)--The anti-hate legislation introduced by the government directed against neo-Nazi, anti-Semitic and hate groups met with considerable opposition during today's and yesterday's debate in the House of Commons. Liberal, Conservative and New Democratic Party MPs attacked the government project as "eroding the Canadian Bill of Rights." Max Salzman, NDP representative from Toronto said that "the introduction of an anti-hate bill in Germany would not have nailed down Hitler nor saved the Jews from gas chambers. What was necessary was a cure for the ills of society that people suffer from and conditions that generate hate." The legislation passed in the Senate two months ago after being bottled up in various committees for some 18 months. The legislation is now in its final stage in second reading before the House of Commons.

AJCommittee Charges Pattern Of Discrimination Against Jews In NY Co-Op Housing

NEW YORK, April 9 (JTA)—An American Jewish Committee report has concluded that 91 of 139 East Side cooperative apartment buildings surveyed "appear to engage" in discriminatory rental policies which Frederic S. Berman, chairman of a special committee on the subject, described at a press conference today as directed at "various minority groups and particularly Jews." Mr. Berman, a lawyer who recently served as New York City Rent Commissioner, said that from the data collected it was "quite clear" that there "indeed exist patterns" of discrimination intolerable especially in light of the city's "serious, critical housing shortage." Mr. Berman reported that of the 139 representative co-op buildings—comprising some 4,300 apartments—48 "apparently follow a principle of non-discrimination." The 91 apparently discriminatory ones, he said, have either no Jewish tenants or "token" ones. The boards of 44 buildings failed to answer his committee's three letters of inquiry, Mr. Berman reported.

It was disclosed that the committee findings have been submitted to the New York City Commission on Human Rights. The report will also be submitted to the New York State Commission on Human Rights and the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York. Mr. Berman, calling current anti-discriminatory laws "not sufficient," recommended legislation requiring co-op buildings and agents to file data on applicants, acceptances and rejections and to notify rejected applicants within 10 days as to the reasons; expansion of laws to include penalties for discrimination on the basis of sex, occupation and children; and creating an AJCommittee Cooperative Mediation Committee. Mr. Berman described the area surveyed as from Fifth Avenue east and from 50th to 98th Streets in Manhattan.

Sit-In Demonstrators Supported By Rabbis; Petition Asks Federation To Drop Charges

NEW YORK, April 9 (JTA)—Seven rabbis, writer Elie Wiesel, professors and other community leaders issued yesterday a statement of support for the "fully peaceful and non-violent" student protest Wednesday at the offices of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York. They called on the Federation to withdraw criminal trespass charges against the 41 arrested activists and meet with them in "good faith" on their "just" demands for more equitable financial aid to Jewish religious education and social projects. They said they "deplore Federation's arrest" of the students and its "insensitivity" to their demands, which included \$10,000 aid to the April 26 Exodus March for Soviet Jewry. They said Federation's "refusal" to date tended to "weaken respect and support" for it, and that it should "reconsider its priorities and meet its obligations to Jewish youth and education."

The 100 students, who staged the six-hour sit-in, the ad hoc Community for a Jewish Federation, charged Federation with procrastination and obstinacy in regard to their proposals. Federation executives, in turn, said their demands were under consideration and that no dialogue could be held under a state of siege. They said they felt "the utmost reluctance and deepest regret" at having to call the police. The 41 arrested were released yesterday afternoon on summonses returnable April 18. Among those joining Mr. Wiesel in signing the statement were Dr. Emanuel Rackman of the Fifth Avenue Synagogue; Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, Tzohar Yeshurun; Rabbi Norman Lamm, Jewish Center; Rabbi Steven Riskin, Lincoln Square Synagogue; Rabbi Charles Sheer, Jewish chaplain at Columbia University; and Prof. Eugene Borowitz, Hebrew Union College.

17 Students Chain Themselves To Soviet Embassy To Protest Russian Treatment Of Jews

WASHINGTON, April 9 (JTA)—Seventeen college students from Philadelphia chained themselves to the fence in front of the Soviet Embassy this morning to protest the Soviet refusal to allow Jewish families to emigrate to Israel. The students—most of them from the University of Pennsylvania—were all members of the Pennsylvania Committee for Human Rights Now. The university is in the middle of Soviet Jewry week. Police arrested the demonstrators, after cutting their handcuffs, and took them to the police station. The group sang "Let my people go" all during the proceedings.

This is the second group of college students that has been arrested for the same type of demonstration in front of the Soviet Embassy, just a few blocks from the White House. The last demonstration was December 1 by the New Washington Committee for Human Rights Now. That case is presently in court. The Pennsylvania students brought a petition to the Soviet Embassy signed by 300 Pennsylvania University professors, asking the Soviets to free the Jews. A woman walking past the demonstrators with a bouquet of spring flowers stopped and gave a flower to each of the girls. "I admire you because you are doing something big," she said.

Three Teenagers Arrested For Recent Burglary At Synagogue In The Bronx

NEW YORK, April 9 (JTA)—Three teenagers were arrested yesterday in connection with a recent burglary at Ahavoth Torah Synagogue in the West Bronx. The police said they had sold the synagogue's large candelabra, which has been recovered, for \$4 and had also taken bottles of wine and other items. Rabbi David Toiv recalled yesterday that five torahs had been destroyed in an arson attack on the synagogue several weeks ago. The teenagers have not been linked by police to the arson attack. He told the JTA that the Orthodox temple, at which some 50 mainly elderly worshippers attend services, had taken to rescheduling night-time activities to the day-time in the wake of these incidents and similar ones at synagogues throughout the city. He noted that Mayor John V. Lindsay was serving as honorary chairman of a campaign to restore damaged or stolen religious property, and that the Police Department had initiated a "worship patrol."

Herman L. Weisman To Succeed Jacques Torczyner As President Of ZOA

NEW YORK, April 9 (JTA)—The National Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization of America has endorsed Herman L. Weisman, a Zionist leader and New York attorney, for president of the ZOA to succeed Jacques Torczyner who is completing five years in office. The election will be held at the next ZOA National Convention, September 3-6. Mr. Weisman is presently president of the Jewish National Fund of America and chairman of the Administrative Board of the ZOA.