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## Gen. Bar Lev Discloses At Least Two Soviet SAM-3 Missiles Fired At Israeli Aircraft

TEL AVIV, July 6 (JTA)--Israel's Chief of Staff, Gen. Haim Bar Lev, disclosed today that at least two Soviet SAM-3 missiles have been fired at Israeli aircraft over the Suez Canal zone in recent days. He reported that the Egyptians and Russians were inching their missile bases ever closer to the canal zone and that Israeli jets have been attacking those bases and have destroyed five of them. Three Israeli jets were lost in the attacks so far. Gen. Bar Lev made his dramatic disclosures at a press conference here. Asked if any Russians were killed in the Israeli attacks on the missile bases, he replied, "I don't know, but I think so." Gen. Bar Lev said that Russian pilots were not detected in the canal zone, adding, they do not need to come in view of the anti-aircraft defence. Gen. Bar Lev said that the first SAM-3 missiles known to have been fired in combat were reported by Israeli pilots returning from one of their daily sorties. He did not indicate whether any of the Israeli planes were hit. But he disclosed that the three Israeli jets downed last week--two on June 30 and one yesterday--were hit by SAM-2s, missiles that had hitherto been ineffective against low flying aircraft.

According to Gen. Bar Lev they were fired from improvised, non-concrete launching pads which the Egyptians set up during the night between last Monday and Tuesday. He said tens of missiles were fired at the Israeli attackers but only three scored hits. Gen. Bar Lev said that the Egyptians, aided by the Russians, have succeeded in moving a dozen or more ground-to-air missile bases within range of Israeli jets flying missions over the canal zone. He said the missiles were mainly SAM-2s but were supported by at least two batteries of SAM-3s manned exclusively by Soviet personnel. The Egyptians are manning the SAM-2s, Gen. Bar Lev said, but with Russian advisors who are "more than advisors." He said, "We feel the Russian hand in almost every field of planning, operating and directing the SAM-2 missiles. According to Gen. Bar Lev, the missiles are now deployed within a rectangular area the eastern line of which is located 15-20 miles west of the Suez Canal and its western limit, midway between the canal and Cairo. He disclosed that Israeli planes flying over the canal were fired on by SAM-2s and in one case a missile exploded in midair and fragments fell on an Israeli outpost on the east bank of the canal. This indicates that the missile launching pads are located within 20 miles of the canal since 20 miles is the range of the SAM-2.

Replying to questions, Gen. Bar Lev said the new development was considered "rather serious" but, he added, "This does not mean we have lost our air superiority as the number of missile bases is rather small." He warned, however that "under cover of these batteries, the Egyptians and Russians can move their missiles further eastward toward the canal and then it would be more difficult for Israeli planes to act over the canal zone." He said the Russians and Egyptians were trying to deprive Israel of freedom of operation along the waterway and to build up Egyptian forces for an offensive operation. (The problem of Soviet military escalation in Egypt was raised in the House of Commons today by Paul Rose, a Labor MP. In a question addressed to Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home, he wanted to know if, in view of Soviet operational flights and missile escalation he would authorize the sale of Chieftain tanks to Israel. The Foreign Secretary said in a written reply that "It is not our practice, nor has it been the practice of previous governments, to comment on the details of particular arms transactions. We will, however, continue to consider each application for arms sales carefully on its merits, taking into consideration the situation in the area.")

## Mrs. Meir's Response To U.S. Peace Plan Sent To Nixon; More Moderate Than First Intended

JERUSALEM, July 6 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir has sent President Richard M. Nixon her government's response to the new American peace proposals for the Middle East announced by Secretary of State William P. Rogers ten days ago. According to reliable sources, the response was more "moderate" than initially intended because President Nixon's television remarks on the Mideast last Wednesday went a long way to reassure Mrs. Meir and senior members of her cabinet of U.S. intentions to keep Israel strong. However, Israel is not entirely satisfied with the U.S. initiative. No details of the Rogers' proposals were released, at the express request of the U.S. government. But purported details, leaked to the press in several foreign capitals included the establishment of a temporary cease-fire in the Suez Canal zone to be followed by a pull-back of Israeli and Egyptian forces to points 12 miles behind their present lines. In a speech to the Knesset last week, Premier Meir categorically rejected the idea of a cease-fire with a time limit attached. According to diplomatic sources here, Mrs. Meir's reply to President Nixon was "courteous and restrained" and stressed, among other things that a strong Israel was the best guarantee for Mideast peace. She urged the United States to take note of the dangerous imbalance now prevailing in the region, the sources said. Her reply was said to have the full support of Foreign Minister Abba Eban.

Mr. Nixon, in his televised question-and-answer session with three network correspondents last Wednesday emphasized the gravity of the situation and stated that the U.S. had no intention of letting the military balance shift in favor of Israel's enemies. But he indicated that the U.S. does not believe that such a shift has occurred. The daily, Haaretz, stated today that while President Nixon's remarks were intended as a warning to the Soviet Union against its military involvement in Egypt, they came too late because Russia is already deeply involved. Haaretz quoted an Israeli Cabinet Minister whom it did not identify as warning that "The United States, in an effort to avoid a grave conflict with the Soviet Union, might resort to imposed solution." (Mr. Eban, in a taped television interview broadcast

in West Germany last night, said he did not believe any secret agreement existed between the U.S. and the USSR for a common peace settlement to be imposed on the Middle East. Mr. Eban said he could not recall any period in past history when a greater conflict existed between the interests of the two superpowers. He said he expected no special results from President Gamal Abdel Nasser's current visit to Moscow and added that he saw little chance for peace between Israel and the Arabs because Russia resists every effort to achieve peace in the Mideast. (A joint communique by Soviet leaders and President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt, expected today, has been postponed until Thursday. The Egyptian leader, who suffers from diabetes and sciatica, was reportedly undergoing medical treatment in Moscow today.)

There was no indication here of when Mrs. Meir sent her reply to President Nixon, though it appears likely that it was after the President's television appearance last Wednesday. When Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, Israel's Ambassador to Washington, returned to his post last week after being called home for consultations, he told newsmen prior to his departure that he carried no message from the Prime Minister to President Nixon. (Spokesmen at the summer White House at San Clemente, California, took pains yesterday to quash speculation that the Nixon administration is even remotely considering the likelihood of sending U.S. personnel to the Middle East. The speculation was the outcome of a series of briefings at San Clemente and at the White House in Washington last week at which aides to the President emphasized his concern over the presence of Soviet military personnel in Egypt and said he was determined to do something about it. Yesterday however, they said it was at no time intended to suggest that American personnel might be sent to the region and in fact, such an option "is not even under consideration." The spokesman expressed dismay that such an impression might have been left in the public mind. Sources close to the President said the Nixon administration has been making a conscious effort to stress the dangers of the Mideast conflict but did not intend to "frighten anybody with the thought of sending combat personnel or advisors.") The unidentified Israeli Cabinet Minister cited by Haaretz today was quoted as saying, "With all due respect to President Nixon, no American verbal deterrence has ever removed one single Soviet expert."

### British Foreign Secretary Warns Mideast War Would Follow Tipping Of Power Balance

LONDON, July 6 (JTA)--The greatest current threat to world peace is the war in the Middle East, Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home said today during a debate on foreign affairs in the House of Commons. He added, "If the balance of strength in the Mideast is seriously tipped towards one side or the other, that seems to be to me the surest recipe for war. The right answer is direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab countries, but for one reason or another that has been refused. I would submit that the most useful thing we could do at this moment would be that Doctor Gunnar V. Jarring should continue to implement his peace mission."

### Israeli Pilot Rescued After Bailing Out Over Egyptian Territory; Two Others Captured

TEL AVIV, July 6 (JTA)--Israel Air Force jets continued their daily attacks on Egyptian targets in the Suez Canal zone today and returned safely to their bases. A military spokesman disclosed the rescue of an Israeli pilot who bailed out over Egyptian territory when his jet was shot down by a ground-to-air missile last Tuesday. His co-pilot and two pilots of another downed jet were captured by the Egyptians. The rescued pilot's name was not disclosed. According to a military spokesman he hid out for several hours and was then "successfully extricated" and brought back to Israeli territory. Cairo identified two of the captured Israeli pilots as Capt. Amos Zamir and First Lt. Amos Levi. The Israel Army today released unusual aerial photographs of Egyptian military cemeteries in the Suez Canal zone indicating that Egypt has suffered severe casualties during the past year. The photographs showed 1800 graves this year where only 200 appeared the year before. Israel's fatalities in the canal zone for the same period amounted to about 200. The photographs were made in May, 1969 and June, 1970, of cemeteries at Fayed, Ismailia and Port Suez.

### Mrs. Meir Given Honorary Doctorate In Philosophy By Hebrew University

JERUSALEM, July 6 (JTA)--Hebrew University today conferred an honorary doctorate in philosophy on Premier Golda Meir. The scroll of award states: "Her life has been dedicated to the liberation of the Jewish people and of mankind. Chosen by the people she represents the highest aspirations of the people--its yearning for freedom, its continuous struggle to perfect society." Similar honors were bestowed on Dr. Louis Freedman, member of the executive committee of the Zionist Organization of America and co-chairman of the Pharmaceutical Division of the United Jewish Appeal; Dr. Arthur F. Burns, the new chairman of the Board of Governors of the United States Federal Reserve System, Professor Zvi Ben-Zur, a distinguished scholar in the field of Islamic Jewish philosophy and philology at the Hebrew University and Sir Isaac Wolfson, Anglo-Jewish financier with a distinguished record of service for Israel.

### Nurses' Strike In Second Day; Hardships, Serious Consequences Predicted If Strike Lasts

TEL AVIV, July 6 (JTA)--A strike of 11,000 nurses employed at all Israeli hospitals continued into the second day despite efforts of Labor Minister Josef Almogi to reach a compromise with the strikers. The nurses are seeking higher wages which the government declares will disrupt its fight against inflation. Authorities said emergency medical services were being continued, but many surgical cases were not treated because patients in wards were not being prepared for the operations. Meanwhile doctors worked overtime trying to perform work usually done by the striking nurses. It was stated that if the strike continued much longer it would cause hardships which may result in serious consequences. Mediation efforts continue today. The government claims that if the nurses' wage demands are met the delicate economic balance between wages, prices and taxes would collapse. The nurses say their demands are not outside the framework of the package deal.

## Seven More Soviet Jews Appeal To Mrs. Meir For Aid In Emigrating To Israel

JERUSALEM, July 6 (JTA)--Seven more Soviet Jews have appealed "to you, dear Mrs. Golda Meir" for aid in expediting their emigration to Israel. Their letter, dated April 2 and made public today, characterizes as false the current Kremlin assertions that all "Soviet citizens of Jewish descent" protest Israel's support of emigration demands. "The participants of this campaign purport to speak on behalf of all the Jews living within the borders of the Soviet Union, but have no right to do so," the letter said. The signers identified themselves as Lev Smuelovitch Shenkar, Anatoly Vladimirovitch Dikator, Mark Simonovitch Finkelstein, Norma Zinovievitch Syrkin, Zorlah Vonimooovna Rosenfeldadim, Yakovlevitch Burshevsky and Tissilink Boris Leibovitch. The letter declared that "many thousands of Jews living in the Soviet Union have applied to the competent Soviet authorities for permission to emigrate to Israel," but that "although the Soviet government has recognized the Declaration of Human Rights and has never decreed compulsory citizenship as an official principal of policy, the majority of Soviet Jews have been denied the legal right to emigrate." The letter adds that "On the contrary, sometimes different forms of pressure have been brought to bear on them." The writers said they consider the Israeli government their "representative" and their prime means of aid in their "struggle to enter our homeland, Israel."

## Sen. Javits Urges West European Nations To Aid U.S. In The Middle East

LONDON, July 6 (JTA)--"There is grave danger that with Russian troops in Egypt the Russians might try to hold Europe for ransom," Senator Jacob Javits said today. But, he told a press conference, America "obviously" would not let this happen. The Republican Senator from New York had arrived in London from Brussels where he had participated at the meeting of the Political Commission of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Sen. Javits said he had urged his colleagues in the Political Commission to underscore the need for Europe to help the U.S. directly in Mideastern affairs. He said Europe could help by supplying more naval forces in the Mediterranean Sea. The Mideast should be included in negotiations and contacts between East and West Europe, Senator Javits stated. There was a tendency in Europe, he said, to view the Mideast as something which was American but not European business--despite the strategic importance of Greece, Turkey and Italy; as well as the importance of Mideastern oil.

## Explosion In Luggage Truck At Frankfurt Airport Near El Al Reception Desk

BONN, July 6 (JTA)--An explosion, followed by fire, occurred in a luggage truck in a hall at Frankfurt Airport near the reception desk of El Al airline. A few minutes later flames spurted from a refuse basket nearby. No one was hurt and damage was negligible. No arrests have been made.

## Investment Firm In Israel Announced By Amnon Barness; Robert Hall To Import Clothing

TEL AVIV, July 6 (JTA)--Daylin Inc., an American retail firm with an annual turnover of about \$500 million, will establish the Israel-American Investment and Development Co. here, it was announced yesterday by Amnon Barness, of Los Angeles. Mr. Barness, an Israeli-born American millionaire, said the new company would coordinate the activities of Daylin-owned subsidiaries in Israel, some of which already exist and others that are planned. He said the enterprises range from tourism to the manufacture of plastics and helicopters. Among them are the Sharm el-Sheikh Holiday Village and the Blue Line Minibus Co., Dekel Plastics and a helicopter service. Mr. Barness said efforts should be made to get American investors interested in such projects. Robert Hall, Inc., a nationwide American firm specializing in inexpensive ready-to-wear men's and women's apparel, will import about \$3 million worth of Israel-made clothing next year, the newspaper Davar reported today. Robert Hall already has purchased about \$800,000 worth of Israeli clothing, mainly raincoats and swimsuits and is expected to reach a volume of \$1 million by the end of the year, Davar said.

## G.L.K. Smith Says AJCongress Blocked Road To Passion Play; AJC Delighted At Charge

NEW YORK, July 6 (JTA)--Gerald L.K. Smith, the notorious hate monger has accused the American Jewish Congress of blocking the road to his Christ-of-the-Ozarks statue and Passion Play amphitheater--and Congress doesn't mind at all, a spokesman for the AJCongress said today. Smith recently told the Associated Press that AJCongress had led an organized "conspiracy" to stop a Federal grant for the construction of a road leading to his Eureka Springs, Ark. project. An AJCongress spokesman denied the conspiracy charge but said the organization was otherwise "delighted" to accept Smith's accusation. When reports of the pending Federal grant--\$182,000--reached AJCongress late last year, it issued a protest to Transportation Secretary John A. Volpe and Commerce Secretary Maurice Stans asserting that it would be "monstrous" for the Federal government to assist Smith's bigotry. On June 21 the Commerce Department announced its decision to withhold approval for construction of the road. Smith declared that his attorney would give the Justice Department the names of "11 to 16" persons who he said had participated in a "conspiracy of organized Jews" against the road project. He linked this with a worldwide plot "to prevent Christian people from observing Christ's last days on earth." His Passion Play is modeled on the Oberammergau Passion Play in Bavaria, West Germany, which has been condemned as anti-Semitic by Christians as well as Jews and has been the subject of AJCongress protests since 1966.

## World Union Of Jewish Students Conference Delegates From 34 Countries To Attend

LONDON, July 6 (JTA)--More than 200 delegates and observers from 34 countries will gather in Arad, Israel from July 24-31 for the 15th triennial congress of the World Union of Jewish Students. The main topics on the agenda are Soviet Jewry, the Middle East conflict, Zionist ideology, the situation of Jewish students in the diaspora, religious and secular problems in Israel, the relationship between Jewish students and Jewish organizations, and aliyah. A tour of the country has also been organized for the delegates. This will be the first time since the Six-Day War that so many Jewish students from widely different backgrounds will gather and discuss together their future.

## Project To Rediscover Jewish Values Launched By Students At State University Of N.Y.

ALBANY, N.Y., July 6 (JTA)--A group of students at the State University of New York at Albany (SUNYA) is planning to launch a "Jewish Rediscovery Project" on the campus next fall. Its motivation is "a common desire to rediscover Jewish values relevant to current problems and to act upon such problems as a Jewish group," according to a prospectus released here. The youngsters are working with Rabbi Leonard M. Kaplan of Congregation Ohav Shalom, the Jewish religious advisor at SUNYA. They estimate the Jewish student population at 2,370 or 19.5 percent of the 12,125 total, and the Jewish faculty at 200 members, 9.2 percent of the total. According to Rabbi Kaplan, Jewish student activists are already largely responsible for the creation of the first full Judaica department in the entire New York State University system, which will open in September under the chairmanship of Prof. Jerome Eckstein. They are also responsible for a Free University of Judaica, offering courses that would not normally come under the Judaica Department; a kosher food plan provided by the University, and a special Passover food plan administered by the University, Rabbi Kaplan reported.

"The Jewish Rediscovery Project" is the tentative name for a series of programs expected to attract large numbers of students who find traditional Jewish organizational hierarchies and programs repellant and irrelevant to their interests and their intellectual and spiritual needs. The series eschews formal leadership structure in favor of what the students call sub-cooperatives without chairman and officers, in which leadership is expected to rise spontaneously according to the project's needs. The student most responsible for the program, according to Rabbi Kaplan, is Tobi Goldstein a sophomore. The prospectus calls for four sub-cooperatives--a Study Cooperative, an Information Cooperative, an Action Cooperative and a Religion Cooperative. In the latter, students will explore Hassidism as an avenue to mystical experience. "Many college students turn to drugs and the Eastern religions searching for a mystic and deeply spiritual experience," the prospectus said. "Most of these are not at all aware of Judaism's great mystic and spiritual tradition. Especially relevant to this quest is Hassidism, which stands unique as the world's only popular mystic movement."

According to the prospectus, "Many Jewish activists claim that they are not working as Jews when pursuing goals of peace and social justice, not realizing the very deep commitment of Judaism to these goals." The proposed Study Cooperative would include in its curriculum Jewish pacifism; environment; Jewish attitudes toward women; Jews and blacks as oppressed peoples; Zionism and Jews, and revolution. The program of the Action Cooperative lists liaison between Jews and blacks, liaison with Black Panthers, activism for Jewish needs on campus, civil liberties activism and drug counseling program. "We hope to demonstrate that a group organized along the above-mentioned lines with the aforementioned goals would indeed be a viable and successful Jewish group," the prospectus said. "We also feel that the loose structure and built-in flexibility will lead to many new areas of meaningful Jewish activity, and furnish new insight into the needs of the Jewish campus community."

## No Plans For Thant-Jarring Meeting; Thant Concedes UN Failed To Pacify Mideast Conflict

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., July 6 (JTA)--A United Nations spokesman said today that Secretary General U Thant has no plans to meet with his special Middle East envoy, Dr. Gunnar V. Jarring, during Mr. Thant's current week-long stay in Geneva, which ends Thursday. It was reported last week that Dr. Jarring, who is vacationing in the south of Sweden, would be available on "short notice" if Mr. Thant summoned him. The Secretary General, who is attending meetings of the UN's Economic and Social Council, conceded at today's opening session that the world organization has shown an "inability to turn the dissensions and power neuroses of nations into common and constructive endeavors for mankind" and a "failure to pacify two theaters of conflict--the Middle East and Southeast Asia." Mr. Thant met Saturday for 40 minutes with King Faisal of Saudi Arabia on the Mideast and on other matters described by a spokesman as of mutual interest.

## American Nazis Blame Blacks, Jews For Domestic Racial Crisis; Urge 'Social Surgery'

WASHINGTON, July 6 (JTA)--A rally of the National Socialist White Peoples Party, formerly known as the American Nazi Party, on the Washington mall yesterday drew an audience of about 250 which appeared to consist largely of hecklers. Police kept them apart from two dozen khaki-shirted party members sporting swastika arm bands who surrounded the speakers platform. The speakers, greeted with jeers and obscenities, ranted against Negroes and Jews. Dr. William Pierce, the party's information officer, called President Nixon a traitor because he allegedly tolerated "Communist demonstrations" against the Vietnam war. Another party leader, Robert A. Lloyd III, claimed that America's racial crisis was "caused by the presence of two alien races, blacks and Jews" and urged "drastic social surgery." Dr. Pierce was identified in the Senate last week as the voice on a party-sponsored telephone message urging "a bullet between the eyes" for three well known Liberal senators opposed to the Vietnam war.

## Arabs In Latin America Reported Whipping Up Anti-Semitic, Anti-Israel Hatred

NEW YORK, July 6 (JTA)--"Palestinian and Jordanian Arabs illegally enter Latin American countries by the thousands, turn to peddling for their income and dispense hatred of Jews and Israel along with their wares," according to a report by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Rudy Reis, chairman of ADL's Latin American Affairs committee, charged that the Palestinians have allied themselves with both leftist and rightist extremists in that area in an attempt to alienate Latins from Israel. He noted that till now the Latin lands have been the only solid pro-Israel bloc in the UN. He cited a range of Arab terrorist attacks on Jews and Jewish institutions in Paraguay, Argentina, Guatemala, Chile and Puerto Rico. Mr. Reis contended that progress against these intrusions is being made, with ADL serving as the rallying point for the various Latin American Jewish communities. But he called for a redoubling of efforts.