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Eban Discloses New Cease-Fire Violations; Says Laird Does Not Have All Pertinent Data

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Abba Eban said today that Egypt was continuing to violate the cease-fire agreement and that Israel lodged a complaint today with Maj. Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, the chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization. Mr. Eban told a press conference that five sites in the standstill zone, which had earlier been empty now revealed construction activities which is forbidden under the cease-fire agreement. The Foreign Minister said that yesterday "a site that had been empty on August 13 was seen to be occupied by missiles and auxiliary equipment." The formal complaint to UNTSO stated that "Work was underway for the preparation of a number of missiles and auxiliary equipment." Furthermore, the complaint stated, a site which on August 9 had been "empty and unfit for installation of missiles and auxiliary equipment was complete and ready for such installation." The complaint also stated that at another site work had been started on August 13. All these activities, Israel's complaint to UNTSO stated, are within the 32-mile standstill zone within which all buildups are prohibited under the cease-fire agreement. Mr. Eban stressed that the cease-fire with its standstill component was an essential element of the United States peace initiative. He said the cease-fire demanded the "strictest level of precision" regarding adherence to its terms.

His disclosure today of new violations came less than a week after Israel detected and reported the movement of SAM missiles by the Egyptians toward the Suez Canal and followed by a few days another complaint lodged with UNTSO that the Egyptians had fired across the Canal in the Ismailia area. "In the event of peace, what would Israel have to rely on?" Mr. Eban asked. "Signatures and commitments. But the violations of the standstill raise the larger issues of the validity and credence that can be given to Egyptian and Soviet signatures. The Six-Day War is a case history in fragility." Asked by newsmen about United States Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird's television remarks yesterday that it would be impossible to determine who was right regarding the standstill violations, Mr. Eban appeared hurt by the suggestion that the U.S. might doubt Israel's intelligence information. "If there is a suggestion of insincerity, then nothing can be more urgent than to clear it up. I do not regard Mr. Laird's words as final because he is not yet in possession of the full facts. The supply of data on which we base our complaints is still going forward." Mr. Laird had dismissed as "debate" whether the missiles movement reported last week "went on 12 hours before (the cease-fire) or 12 hours afterward." Mr. Eban said "I cannot agree that it is immaterial whether missiles were moved up into the forbidden zone 12 hours before or 12 hours after."

The Foreign Minister stated that it was intolerable to "have our security threatened by the moving of missiles and at the same time have our sincerity impugned," in answer to a question by newsmen who asked about the U.S. claim that it has a more effective means of establishing cease-fire violations than Israel. Mr. Eban added, however, "If the United States turns out to be right, we shall pay full tribute." He said that there is no crisis between Jerusalem and Washington. "There is a frank discussion," he declared and added that it was important for Israel and the U.S. to "establish the facts together." Mr. Eban hinted that it was not Israel that was holding up the appointment of a representative to the peace talks with Egypt and Jordan under the United Nations special peace emissary Gunnar V. Jarring. "Dr. Jarring is now trying to get a different approach from one of the parties as to the level of representation," Mr. Eban stated. He said the Arabs would like to hold the talks in New York with their permanent representatives to the UN. He did not say which of the parties - Egypt or Jordan - Dr. Jarring was trying to convince of a different approach. Both Arab nations have indicated that their negotiators would be their UN ambassadors while Israel has been opting for talks on a ministerial level. It was reported over the weekend that Dr. Jarring also favored talks on the ministerial rather than on the ambassadorial level. "It has, for many years, been a principle of the Arabs," Mr. Eban declared, "that never should an Arab foreign minister be in the same city with an Israeli foreign minister except in New York during General Assembly sessions," to avoid any impression of any contact. Israel, on the other hand, he stressed, feels that the level of representation is of paramount importance.

McCloskey: State Department Has Reached No Conclusions On Charges Of Cease-Fire Violations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (JTA)--A State Department spokesman today said there would be no further comment beyond that of Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird's regarding Israeli complaints that Egypt had moved Soviet-built missiles closer to the Suez Canal after the cease-fire went into effect. Sec. Laird said yesterday on the American Broadcast Company's television program "Issues and Answers" there had been no Egyptian violations of the truce since the United States began "reliable" verification procedures about 24 hours after the cease-fire had begun. He said it was impossible to "prove or disprove" Israeli charges that Egypt had violated the cease-fire in the first few hours after it had come into effect. Meeting with newsmen today Robert J. McCloskey, State Department spokesman, said the State Department had not yet reached a conclusion on Israeli charges of Egyptian violations of the cease-fire but was continuing "contacts and conversations" with the Israel government.

Questioned as to whether Israeli intelligence was not as good as that of the U.S., Mr. McCloskey replied, "I wouldn't say that." He admitted the American government was seeking to hurry peace talks but, he said, "We are not parties to the talks. It is up to the parties involved to bring the matter of violations to the attention of Mr. (Gunnar V.) Jarring." Mr. McCloskey said if violations could be proved the U.S. would take up the matter with the governments involved. He also said the State Department would have a

statement on the Middle East "sometime this week, but not today" and admitted the alleged missile violations were being discussed with Egypt in both Washington and Cairo.

Mrs. Meir Says In View Of Cease-Fire Violations Shooting Could Resume Soon

TEL AVIV, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir said last night that in view of the cease-fire violations by the Egyptians and Russians "I would not be surprised if shooting should commence before the 90-day temporary truce was up. It could happen tomorrow or the day after." Mrs. Meir, referring to the movement of the missiles by the Egyptians toward the Suez Canal within hours after the cease-fire went into effect, said this "was not an encouraging beginning to peace talks." Mrs. Meir made her remarks at a meeting of the Labor Party's Central Committee. Explaining the acceptance by her government of the United States peace proposals, Mrs. Meir stated that "Israel is entering the new phase in political affairs which include peace talks without any illusions. We must not allow our desire for peace to blind our eyes or minds to the cruel realities of life." The Premier, who was referring to talks Israel is now conducting with the U.S. over the standstill violation, was seen here by some observers as defending her government's reliance on the U.S. against mounting concern and impatience in some Israeli quarters with the Nixon administration's slowness in accepting Israel's evidence of missile movements and shooting violations by the Egyptians. (Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird, appearing on ABC "Issues and Answers" program yesterday expressed impatience with the debate over the Egyptian missile buildup in violation of the cease-fire agreement and called for a start of the Arab-Israeli talks. "I think the important thing for us is to move forward toward negotiations and not to debate what went on 12 hours before (the cease-fire) or 12 hours afterward." According to some observers in Washington, Mr. Laird's remarks were the first public evaluation by a high ranking administration leader.)

Mrs. Meir noted that Israel regarded the movement of missiles as one of utmost gravity. Regarding the pending peace talks under the auspices of the United Nations special Middle East negotiator Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring, she said that the voices coming from Arab countries are not encouraging "but with all the difficulties involved we must try because there is always the slight chance that perhaps something would move." Foreign Ministry officials had been reported giving serious thought to delaying the start of the talks with Egypt and Jordan until the military status quo in the canal zone was restored. In an apparent move to mollify critics in the government and among Israel's citizens Mrs. Meir declared that Israel was entering the talks not out of a sense of weakness nor with any illusions but because of a desire to prevent a renewal of the fighting. "We would have never agreed to talks if we thought we would be weaker than before," she said. Some political observers here viewed this approach as a way of letting Washington know that if Israel received some assurance that the administration would do more than just study Israel's evidence of the standstill violation, Israel would not view this incident as an impediment toward beginning the peace negotiations.

Discussing the economic situation, Mrs. Meir explained the need for new taxes which Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir announced last night would become effective at midnight. Mr. Sapir called for a sweeping increase in taxes to support defense needs which he said was likely to reach 30 percent of the gross national product next year. The Finance Minister stated the new taxes would be mainly on imported goods and consumer items aimed at raising an additional \$500 million in revenues over the next seven months. Mrs. Meir also appealed to world Jewry to increase their financial aid to Israel. She said that although, for example, American Jews cannot help Israel by buying military equipment they can alleviate the burden of civilian expenditure. Summarizing her remarks, Mrs. Meir said that she would oppose dealing with the question of borders in the first meeting with Dr. Jarring. "What we seek is peace and security not areas, not borders," she said. "For a true peace I am ready to make concessions. If there is no genuine peace I am not prepared for any concessions on my part."

U.S. May Force Israel To Accept Settlement That Will Restore Insecure Borders

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Congressman Richard Ottinger, New York Democratic Senatorial candidate, voiced concern yesterday that the United States may force Israel to accept a peace settlement that would restore its old insecure borders. Such a settlement, Mr. Ottinger said on the NBC television program, "Searchlight" would be "unrealistic." He said he was "very hopeful" that the current cease-fire would lead to negotiations. However, according to Mr. Ottinger, the Nixon administration has "time and time again leaned toward the Arab position."

Two Algerians Taken Off The BOAC Airliner By Israeli Authorities To Be Released

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Two Algerians who were found aboard a British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC) plane which landed at Lod Airport last Friday and were held for questioning by Israeli authorities, will be released within the next few days when questioning is completed, it was learned today. In explaining the detention of the two Algerians, an Israeli spokesman said, "In view of what passengers bearing similar passports have done at the airports of Zurich, Athens and Munich, persons bearing Algerian passports obviously excited the curiosity of airport officials." Some Israelis, including Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, favored keeping the two as hostages to be traded for the exchange of Israeli captives in Arab countries. But a government majority felt detention of the Algerians would tarnish Israel's image as a "state ruled by law." The two Algerians are Major Khatib Jaloul, secretary of the Algerian government and a close associate of President Boumedienne, and Ali Bel Aziz, a senior ministerial secretary. Hannah Zemer, editor-in-chief of Davar, in a front-page article yesterday, recalled how Algeria held the hijacked Israeli passengers two years ago but observed, "We cannot afford to behave like the Arabs...it would be wiser and more correct if we acted like the way we demand the Arabs should... Israel is a state based on law." Foreign Minister Abba Eban said today the matter of the Algerians would have "an Israeli solution, not an Algerian solution." Israeli officials have carefully avoided applying the term arrest or detention to the status of the two Algerians. Officially they have been "held pending an investigation" and a news blackout has been imposed on the case.

France To Deliver First Mirages To Libya In Next Few Days, Nine Months Early

PARIS, Aug. 17 (JTA)--France is due to deliver this week her first Mirage planes to Libya. The French weekly "L'Express" reported today that France will deliver four planes within the few coming days and that these planes will participate in the Libyan Independence Day flyover due to take place on Sept. 1. The French weekly said that the planes will be piloted officially by Libyan pilots, but, that the first planes will be Mirage Three E models with dual controls and that French pilots will be present aboard the planes. The weekly also reported that France is delivering these planes nine months before the actual delivery dates on personal orders of French President Georges Pompidou. The French President reportedly said, when questioned about the matter, that "France will honor its agreements with Libya" and gave definitive orders that the planes should be delivered in advance.

Israeli Patrols Attacked In Beisan Valley, Golan Heights; Arafat Vows Amman Will Be A Hanoi

TEL AVIV, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Israeli patrols were attacked this morning and last night but no casualties were reported. A patrol was attacked near Neve Urr in the Beisan Valley this morning with mortars and small arms fire. The fire was returned. The second patrol was ambushed in the center of the Golan Heights without casualties. Geshur settlement was attacked with rocket fire from Jordanian territory last night. The fire was returned. There were no casualties or damage reported. Yesterday, a single shot was fired by an Egyptian soldier across the Suez Canal. No one was hurt and the fire was not returned. In Gaza, a local Arab was severely injured this morning when a grenade was thrown at an Israeli civilian car and missed. The occupants of the car were not injured. Several arrests were made and a search for terrorists was continuing in the neighborhood.

(Yasir Arafat, Palestinian guerrilla chief, said yesterday in a speech at a graduation ceremony for new guerrilla fighters that "we shall turn Jordan into a graveyard for plotters." The graduates applauded loudly when he added: "Amman shall be the Hanoi of the Middle East." The leader of El Fatah said he anticipated renewed fighting between his guerrillas and the Jordanian army and claimed that four brigades of the Jordanian army were encircling Amman as a prelude to a crackdown on the guerrillas during the cease-fire. "The political solution will never pass through but will be defeated by our rifles," he warned. "This nation never bent down to the Crusaders or the Tartars and certainly will not do so to the Zionists.") (In Cairo, the semi-official newspaper Al Ahram reported that Egypt has asked 140 Palestinian students who are members of guerrilla groups hostile to the U.S. peace initiative to leave the country. At the same time, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine which is headed by Dr. George Habbash announced that its guerrillas had "liquidated" 10 persons accused of collaboration with Israeli occupation authorities in the Gaza Strip.)

Mrs. Meir Calls On World Jewry To Raise \$1 Billion For Israel In 1971

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir has called on world Jewry to raise \$1 billion for Israel next year. It was revealed yesterday that Mrs. Meir met three weeks ago here with leaders of the United Jewish Appeal, Israel Bond Organization and European fund raising organizations to discuss Israel's needs and the ability of world Jewry to help meet these needs. From the deliberations at that meeting, it was learned that the \$1 billion goal was not unrealistic. The UJA and the IBO reportedly agreed to try to raise \$400 million each and Keren Hayesod will seek to collect \$200 million. In the current year a total of \$500 million is expected from all sources. David Horovitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel, told delegates to the 20th anniversary IBO conference here yesterday that in the current trying times Israel has experienced a growth of the national gross product totalling 40 percent over the three year period from 1967 to 1970. Israel's 40 percent growth, he said, should be compared with 15 percent in developing countries and 10 percent in industrialized countries.

Mr. Horovitz noted that Israel devoted more than one-quarter of her gross national product to defense needs. At the same time, he said, since the end of the Six-Day War, 100,000 new immigrants had arrived in the country. During the same period investments in Israel rose to a new peak: \$3 billion. A notable achievement, he observed, was that Israel's industry was gradually changing its structure: investment was flowing principally towards science-based industries such as electronics and chemicals. At a previous session of the IBO conference, David Ben-Gurion was greeted with tumultuous applause by the 300 delegates. Mr. Ben-Gurion was the initiator of the first IBO conference. The former premier, who will be 84 on Oct. 16, told his audience that he welcomed the United States peace initiative, although he was not certain it would bring peace. But, he added, "Peace will come." The speech was said to be Mr. Ben-Gurion's first concurrence with government policy since he broke with the Labor Alignment five years ago.

Mass Rallies Held, More Scheduled In Latin America In Solidarity With Soviet Jews

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (JTA)--A mass demonstration to express solidarity with Soviet Jewry was organized by DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry and an affiliate of the World Jewish Congress, and held in the Teatro Argentino in Buenos Aires last week, it was announced here today by the WJCongress. The date, Aug. 12, was chosen because it was the anniversary of the execution of 23 Jewish intellectuals in the Soviet Union during the Stalin regime. In Mexico, the central representative body, also an affiliate of the WJC, will hold a similar mass meeting in September under the slogan, "Let our brothers in the Soviet Union go!"

Stringent Health Checks Imposed By Israel To Safeguard Against Cholera

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17 (JTA)--Because of cholera outbreaks in neighboring countries stringent health checks have been imposed by the Israeli military authorities on the bridges over the Jordan River. Beginning today, all those crossing from Israel occupied territories to Jordan must undergo vaccination against cholera. For the first few days special medical teams will administer the vaccination at the Al-Ienby and Damia bridges. From August 26 all those crossing into Israel must produce an international vaccination certificate which must be at least six days old.

Scott Tells Hadassah Convention Nixon Intends To Keep Commitments To Israel

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (JTA)--President Nixon means to keep his commitments to Israel, Senator Hugh Scott, Republican of Pennsylvania, last night told delegates to the 56th annual convention of Hadassah. After warning that peace in the Middle East could not be imposed by the Big Powers but must be reached by negotiations between Israel and the Arab states, the Senator departed from his prepared text to say: "The President has said to me many times that 'I have made certain commitments to Israel. I will keep those commitments.'" In a second departure from his text, and referring to the cease-fire violations, the Senator asked: "Have any missiles moved since the first 24 hours? Have they been returned? If not, why not? It is my judgment the U.S. must move energetically to see that this situation is rectified, reversed and whatever else is necessary." Earlier, Sen. Scott had warned that "nothing smacking of an imposed settlement--no advance blueprints, or even suggested maps should be imposed upon Israel and the Arab nations." The Senate Minority leader said it was his conviction that no lasting Arab-Israeli peace was possible under the domination of Moscow or if imposed upon Israel by the U.S. "We cannot dictate peace," the Senator said, "but we can insist that Arabs and Israelis, in direct communication and understanding, negotiate a real peace treaty. We must assure a peace initiated, enforced and adhered to by the people whose lives and nations are affected.

Mrs. Max Schenk, president of Hadassah, told the 2,500 delegates attending last night's opening session that Israel's "physical existence" was endangered by the presence of Egypt's Russian-built missiles in the Canal Zone. And she urged President Nixon to use his influence to have the missiles removed from the area. Referring to Israel's statement that it has agreed to the 90-day cease-fire only upon American assurance that no missiles would be moved forward in the Canal zone during the cease-fire period, Mrs. Schenk said, "Our confidence and hope are steadfast in our President, his promise, in his assurance that out of this attempt at peace there may not come disaster. We hope that President Nixon will not abdicate by one iota the position he has taken. The hinge that opened the door to the present cease-fire was made by the reassurances of the President. Rabbi Israel Miller, president of the American Zionist Federation told the delegates last night that "as we enter the early stages of the acceptance of Secretary (of State William P.) Rogers' initiative, we must realize that what is involved in the Middle East is not merely the fate of Israel, but the fate of the entire free world." The confrontation in the Mideast, he said, is no longer simply stated as a battle "in which the Arab states wish to destroy Israel." The adversaries now are an "expansionist Soviet Union against a small nation representing all democratic countries valiantly fighting not only for its own life, but for the concept of freedom and liberty."

Rabbi Miller: Self-Hating Jews Sow Seeds Of Anti-Semitism Under Guise Of Anti-Zionism

Rabbi Miller said that Zionism has been maligned as much as Americanism in recent days "by those who maliciously, willfully or through ignorance reject the basic concepts upon which they are both based." He scored the "ignorant self-hating Jews who mouth the canards of the New Left and who have joined the venom brigade of spokesmen for the Black Panthers." Rabbi Miller warned that these Jews are destroying themselves spiritually and culturally and that they are sowing the seeds of anti-Semitic hatred under the false facade of anti-Zionism. In the light of the "abysmal ignorance" of Jewish values and the meaning of Israel which prevails among American Jewish students, Rabbi Miller called for an intensified educational program to reach students more effectively. He observed: "The organized Jewish community, it must be said, has been woefully lacking in the proper techniques and funding for carrying out such programs which could, among other things, provide our students with the means for combatting the highly-organized and well-financed propaganda of the 10,000 Arab students in the United States who are propagandists first and students second." Focusing on the theme of the relationship between anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism, Mordechai Bar-On, member of the Jewish Agency Executive and head of the Youth and Hec alutz Department, said today there is a difference between these two. "However," he noted, "many anti-Semites hide their prejudices under the guise of anti-Zionism." Mr. Bar-On said that the older definitions of Zionism do not apply today, when the test is a very simple one: the acceptance of the existence of a Jewish state.

"Whether a persons believes in aliyah, immigration, for himself or not, is not the issue," Mr. Bar-On said. Talking of radical Jewish youth, he said that they do not seem to understand that, "The Jews should have the same right of self-determination as other peoples." The type of radical Jewish youth who scorns Zionism today stems from the classical "liberal" tradition of the French Revolution which said: As human beings you will receive everything; as Jews nothing. "Conceptually, this position deprives the Jews of their collective rights," Mr. Bar-On explained. "This point of view is intellectual anti-Semitism, which is counter to the current democratic philosophy of pluralism." Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, national chairman of Hadassah's Medical Organization announced today that American Hadassah had pledged \$1 million for research in honor of the staff of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center on the 15th anniversary of the medical center at Ein Karen. The center trains students from as far away as Burma and Nigeria and patients have flown to Israel for treatment at the center from Iran, Greece, Turkey, Cyprus, Europe and other parts of the world, Mrs. Jacobson said. By 1972 Hadassah will have a 300-bed hospital at Mount Scopus in full operation to serve the 70,000 Arabs in Old Jerusalem and nearby areas.

Rabbis Condemn Greek Government For Freeing Terrorists

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (JTA)--The New York Board of Rabbis today expressed its shock to the Greek Ambassador at his government's freeing the seven Arab terrorists who were found guilty in a Greek court for their attacks on an El Al airliner at the Athens airport and on an El Al office in Athens, attacks which resulted in the death of a two-year old Greek child and an Israeli citizen and causing injury to other innocent people. The terrorists were freed last week in return for the promise of the hijackers of an Olympic Airlines plane not to blow up the plane and kill its passengers. "It is incredible for us to believe," declared the rabbis, "that the Greek people, whose long and honorable history of civilization and humaneness is such an integral part of world progress, allowed itself to be blackmailed in such an ignominious manner."