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McCloskey, Eban Agree Truce Violations Not Within Framework Of Jarring Talks

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (JTA)--The United States and Israel were in agreement today that Egypt's violation of the Suez cease-fire was a matter to be settled outside the framework of the stalled Jarring peace talks. Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel made that point when he was asked by newsmen today whether Israel would agree to resume the Jarring talks if the Egyptian violations were the first item on the agenda. Mr. Eban said that Israel would not and observed that under the terms of his mandate from the United Nations Security Council, Dr. Jarring could not deal with the cease-fire but only with a settlement of the issues of the Middle East conflict. At his daily press briefing later, State Department spokesman Robert J. McCloskey said in reply to the same question that he "would agree with the (Israeli) Foreign Secretary." Referring to the cease-fire violations, Mr. McCloskey said, "This is a matter to be settled between and among the parties and in which the U.S. has a role." He said the U.S. was standing firm on its demand for rectification of the violations. "We want a rectification to make it possible for the talks to resume," he said. Asked to define what the U.S. means by "rectification," the State Department spokesman said the only "sensible" definition was that given by Secretary of State William P. Rogers at his Oct. 9 press conference. Mr. McCloskey quoted Secretary Rogers as having said that "rectification means a condition which we might bring about which would satisfy both parties and then to start negotiating."

Eban, Rogers Confer On Mideast, Truce Violations; Eban For Truce Extension

Foreign Minister Eban met for 65 minutes with Secretary Rogers today. According to informed sources, the meeting was "useful" and focussed on a general review of the Middle East situation. According to the sources, Mr. Eban indicated that Israel wanted to see the cease-fire extended beyond its Nov. 5 deadline. They also reportedly discussed the cease-fire violations and Mr. Rogers was said to have expressed his full sympathy and understanding of the Israeli position. The U.S. offered no new proposals and did not press Israel on the issue of the violations. Mr. Rogers reportedly reiterated the hope that the Jarring peace talks would be resumed soon. Mr. Eban told reporters afterwards that Israel was satisfied that the U.S. was impressing the Soviet Union and Egypt with the importance of keeping agreements and restoring confidence in them. He said the need to restore confidence was the main obstacle to resuming the Jarring talks. Mr. Eban rejected that Soviet contention that it had violated no agreement because it had signed none. He said that as far as Israel is concerned there was a definite Soviet commitment with regard to the standstill cease-fire.

Report Israel Assured Rogers Will Press For 'Rectification' In Talks With Gromyko

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13 (JTA)--Israel has been assured that Secretary of State William P. Rogers will press for "rectification" of Egyptian cease-fire violations in the Suez Canal zone when he confers with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko at the United Nations this week, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned today. According to reliable sources, Israel was informed that Mr. Rogers regards this as his main diplomatic task at the present juncture. The sources said it was not clear whether the U.S. idea of what would constitute rectification is identical with Israel's but it is assumed that the demands of the two nations will overlap to a very large extent. Israel has publicly demanded the removal of all Soviet missiles allegedly installed in the standstill cease-fire zone after the truce went into effect on Aug. 7 and the dismantling of missile bases constructed after that date. There have been reports that Washington would be satisfied with a partial withdrawal as a token of Egyptian-Soviet good faith. The Israeli Foreign Ministry announced today that all matters concerning Israel's relations with the Arab world have been consolidated under the authority of the Ministry's deputy director general, Mordecai Gazit. Mr. Gazit is also in over-all charge of relations with North America.

Big Four Continue To Press For Mideast Settlement; Israel Denies Malik Charges

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 13 (JTA)--The Big Four met for two hours this morning and later re-affirmed the need to "continue and accelerate" their consultations in pursuit of a peaceful settlement of the Middle East conflict. The next Four Power meeting was scheduled for Oct. 28. Last week's suspension of the Big Four deputies' meetings at the insistence of the United States over Suez Canal cease-fire violations was understood to have been discussed at this morning's meeting. Sir Colin Crowe, the British Ambassador, reiterated his government's objections to the suspension but observed that there was "no alternative but to accept it." He added, however, that a "short break" may not be too harmful after all. The statement issued after today's meeting stressed that the Four Powers continued to seek a Mideast settlement based on the UN Security Council's Resolution 242, "which should be carried out in all its parts."

(In Jerusalem, an Israeli military spokesman denied today a charge last Friday by Soviet Ambassador Yakob A. Malik that Israeli aircraft were violating the cease-fire agreement "almost daily." The spokesman told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that "The Israeli planes in the Suez Canal zone fly only within the limits prescribed by the cease-fire agreement." Israeli spokesmen have repeatedly declared that Israel does not and has not violated the truce. The spokesman did not, however, offer any immediate reply to Mr. Malik's charges of on-the-ground violations, including "new emplacements (for) missile installations.")

Egyptians Girding For Anti-Israel Moves In General Assembly

LONDON, Oct. 13 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad of Egypt left Cairo today for the United Nations in New York amid reports that he will call for a General Assembly debate on the Middle East and a resolution condemning Israeli "aggression." An Egyptian-Soviet political offensive at the UN is expected to be directed against the United States as well as Israel. According to observers here the Egyptians believe the hard line taken by the Nixon administration on alleged cease-fire violations stems from consideration of the "Jewish vote" in next month's elections. Egypt's acting President Anwar Sadat accused the U.S. yesterday of hoping for a power vacuum in Egypt following President Nasser's death so that it can exert "pressure and threats" to weaken Egypt's stand against Israel. He told newsmen in Cairo that his instructions to Mr. Riad were to "be open to all, but any talks based on pressure or threats are rejected." The Egyptians are expected to seek a new UN resolution that will define more sharply the elements of the Security Council's Resolution 242 of Nov. 22, 1967 which call for Israel's withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories. The Egyptians are said to believe that if they can bring such a resolution to a vote the U.S. would be in the awkward position of having to support it, at Israel's displeasure, or reject it and thereby destroy the credibility of Washington's insistence that Resolution 242 is the basis of its Mideast policies. If the U.S. opposes such a resolution the Egyptians claim, it will be isolated from other Western countries nervous over Arab threats to Western oil interests and anxious to have the Suez Canal re-opened.

Oil And Gas Journal Denounces Nasser For Misadventures, Misleading Arabs

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (JTA)--The Oil and Gas Journal, the leading publication serving all segments of the American petroleum industry, has denounced the late President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt for misleading the Arab world and dissipating its resources in a quest for the "mirage" of Arab unity. Frank J. Gardner, international editor of the weekly, said in a column published here last week that Nasser was "a strong and capable leader, but a leader who misleads can be worse than no leader at all." Mr. Gardner questioned whether the widespread pessimism over Middle East peace prospects that emerged after Nasser's death on Sept. 28 was justified. "With Nasser gone, the Arab lands may have the opportunity to get on with their individual internal development problems," he wrote. "The time, energy and money that has been funneled into the pursuit of Arab unity may now be diverted to more productive channels in the absence of the messiah of pan-Arabism." Mr. Gardner claimed that Nasser was personally responsible for the June, 1967 war. "It was he who ordered withdrawal of United Nations peace-keepers from the Gaza Strip. It was he who closed the Strait of Tiran and it was he who called for the destruction of Israel," Gardner said. Perhaps it is well, he went on, that there is no longer any "Galahad" to prod the Arabs into "more misadventures. The individual Arab countries may turn to the tasks at home and tensions may ease," Mr. Gardner said. The unflattering opinion of Nasser and the Arab world generally was surprising, emanating from the organ of an industry long regarded as the bastion of pro-Arabism in the United States.

Israeli Patrol, Saboteurs In Clash Near Lebanon Border; Six Terrorists Arrested

TEL AVIV, Oct. 13 (JTA)--An Israeli patrol clashed with a saboteur gang near the Lebanese border today, killing one and driving the rest back into Lebanon. It was the third such encounter this week. There were no Israeli casualties. Security forces announced the arrest of six Arab terrorists in the southern section of the Gaza Strip including one regional commander. The gang is believed to be implicated in the murders of a number of Arab civilians in the area around Khan Yunis. The leader was identified as Abd Sarai, said to be the regional commander of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine in the Gaza Strip. An Army spokesman said today that Israeli forces foiled a recent attempt to smuggle arms into the Gaza Strip by sea. Two men were arrested and a boatload of weapons and ammunition from Beirut was confiscated. Twelve Arab workers from Gaza were injured this morning when their bus hit a mine south of the town. They were on their way to jobs in Israel. Security forces are investigating the incident.

The situation on the Lebanese border is believed to be heating up after a prolonged lull during the recent civil war in Jordan. A military spokesman said the gang involved in today's clash left behind bazooka shells, ammunition, explosive charges and activating devices indicating that they were on a sabotage mission. The dead saboteur was wearing the uniform of Al Saiqa, the Syrian-backed guerrilla organization. Israeli authorities believe the Lebanese government is fully capable of controlling guerrilla activities and may issue a new warning to Beirut if they continue. A military tribunal in Gaza pronounced life sentences on two Arab terrorists today and sentences ranging from two to 20 years on nine others. All were members of a terrorist cell responsible for a variety of crimes including murder, rape, kidnapping and sabotage. Life imprisonment, the maximum penalty under Israeli law, was imposed on Ahman Ibrahim el Giattli, 23 and Aliyan Abu Attaya, 22. They were accused, among other things, of firing on an Israeli patrol wounding two soldiers.

Arabs Assail Israel In General Assembly; Israel Calls For Dialogue Not Propaganda

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 13 (JTA)--Syrian representative Abdallah F. El-Khani charged yesterday that the United States Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean was "preparing with the criminal forces of Israel to attack my country, Syria." He charged further that support of Israeli "aggression" by a nation that "puts its imperialist designs above its moral duties" undermines international law and United Nations action. Mr. El-Khani added that the continued Israeli occupation of Arab territories was the world's biggest post-World War II offense, and that there could be no international peace and security "if this cancer is not cured." The Syrian spoke at the General Assembly's First (Political and Security) Committee near the conclusion of its two-week debate on four draft resolutions and two amendments on the strengthening of international security. The first draft, submitted by the Soviet Union and seven other socialist countries, condemns military occupation and the resisting of "national liberation

movements." Mr. El-Khani called for the rights of self-determination, liberation of occupied areas and UN recognition of struggles for independence. He also sought a strengthening of the Security Council to deal with these issues.

Before the Syrian delivered his remarks, Israeli representative Amiel Najar asserted that international security would be strengthened best by eradicating racial and religious discrimination and encouraging development. He urged that the General Assembly be used as a forum for reconciliation, not for propaganda, and said that attacks on Israel would not help the search for peace. Lebanese Ambassador Edouard Ghorra averred that the UN Charter was adequate for the maintenance of global security, but that the major powers were thwarting its implementation by their tolerance of what he called the destructive nature of the Korean war, the Indochina war and Israeli "aggression" in the Middle East. He again called for total Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab areas. Representative Talib El-Shibih of Iraq said that Mideast security has been "a cruel dream" for too long and threatened to break out into a global war. He charged that the creation of Israel violated the UN Charter because it established what he called an alien and expansionist enclave in the Mideast. Rachid Driss of Tunisia agreed that Israeli withdrawal and Palestinian rights were required for a Mideast peace. He noted that the ceasefire in the Middle East should be encouraged but added that this was not a final solution. The rights of the Palestinian people had to be recognized, Mr. Driss stated, and "they must be associated with any solution."

Eytan Honored On Leaving Post; Pompidou Hopes For Better French-Israeli Relations

PARIS, Oct. 13 (JTA)--Walter Eytan, after 11 years service as Israeli Ambassador to France, left for home today. He will be succeeded in his post by Asher Ben Nathan who is expected to arrive in Paris on Monday. It was revealed today that President Georges Pompidou, prior to his departure for Moscow, had met with Mr. Eytan and expressed hope that relations between their countries would continue to improve. Before leaving for Israel, Mr. Eytan met with Premier Jacques Chaban Delmas and was tendered a dinner by Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann. The city of Paris awarded him its highest decoration, the Vermeil Medal, for "services rendered to Franco-Israeli understanding."

Authorities Coping With Rise In Drug Abuse; Old Jerusalem Main Center

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13 (JTA)--Israeli authorities are grappling with a problem they believed to be foreign to their soil and to Jewish society generally--the alarming increase in the use of narcotics. According to an inquiry currently underway by the Criminological Institute of Tel Aviv University, narcotics use jumped sharply during 1970 compared to the preceding three year period. Police opened 373 prosecution files and brought charges against 405 individuals on narcotics counts during the first half of this year alone, the inquiry disclosed. They confiscated 3179 kilograms of hashish and 812 kilograms of opium. Major quantities were seized at Haifa port and Lydda Airport. Authorities tend to blame the rising use of drugs here on the influx of visitors, especially youths, from Western countries in recent years and the closer contacts with Arabs since the Six-Day War. The Old City of Jerusalem has been pin-pointed as the main center of the wholesale drug trade. Most of the recent narcotics cases originated in Israel's southern district which includes Jerusalem and the Negev. Last year 345 tourists were arrested in Israel on charges of illegal possession of drugs. About 200 of them came from the United States or Canada. According to authorities, they included "quite a few Jews and non-Jews" who came to Israel to buy narcotics intending to smuggle it into their own countries.

Cases of narcotics use have cropped up in kibbutzim and at ulpanim where tourists and new immigrants study Hebrew. Among the users arrested were students, volunteer youths and Orthodox yeshiva students. In many cases fines imposed by the courts were paid on the spot by the kibbutzim concerned. Authorities say the influx of foreign dope smugglers this year stems from the low price of drugs on the Israeli market. The price of hashish in Israel was \$160 per kilogram compared to \$2500 per kilogram in North America. Israeli police are said to have information that organized narcotics gangs in North America are in regular contact with dealers in Old Jerusalem. They have passed on their information to narcotics authorities in the U.S. and Canada. Drug traffic is not new to the Middle East. But the narcotics smugglers who once used ships passing through the Suez Canal now route the drugs through Israel. According to Dr. Louis Miller, director of mental health services at the Health Ministry, the problem would not have assumed serious proportions were it not for visiting foreign youths whom he described as "drifters" rather than bona fide tourists. He said that they and some foreign students at Israeli universities were introducing a drug culture to hitherto untouched Israeli youths. Dr. Miller noted that among Israeli drug offenders there has been a significant shift to the higher social and economic levels of the population. According to statistics, in 1966 one in ten offenders was a juvenile; in 1970, one in three was under 18 years of age.

Kollek Scores Hypocritical Tributes To Nasser; ORT To Open Junior College

LONDON, Oct. 13 (JTA)--Mayor Teddy Kolek of Jerusalem remarked last night that "one was amused" at the "most hypocritical" tributes "in many quarters" following the death of Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser. "After all," he told members of the British ORT at its 90th anniversary dinner, "the late President Nasser has caused the death of more Arabs than any other ruler before him." Mr. Kolek also declared that "Jerusalem should be, must be and will be a united city for ever more." He noted that "there are many desirable things which cannot be achieved in a short time, but we are making progress continually." He added, in that connection, that an ecumenical university will be opening next year in Jerusalem. It will be a junior college, established by ORT and located on the grounds of the Hebrew University, that will train engineers on the technological level. Gabriel Sacher, chairman of British ORT, reported that ORT was currently training 55,000 persons, almost all of them youngsters, at 657 ORT schools and centers in 24 countries. He said the equivalent of \$192,000 had been raised from last night's dinner.

1 Million-Signature Petition Condemning Hijacking To Be Sent To Nixon, UN

NEW YORK, Oct. 13 (JTA)--City Council President Sanford D. Garelik launched a public opinion drive against the condoning of skyjacking when he signed a petition today recommending sanctions against nations failing to act against such offenses. A dozen other City Council members added their signatures in a ceremony on the City Hall steps. The drive, which seeks to obtain 1 million signatures in the metropolitan area, is sponsored by the People's Coalition to End Air Piracy and the Free Sons of Israel, the latter a 121-year-old "national patriotic fraternal order of ethnic American Jews." The petition, which will be submitted to President Nixon and to the United Nations, recommends in part "international sanctions against any country that fails to adhere to this declaration in full by banning all aerial traffic to and from the airports of the offending country."

The petition also declares that "any country where a hijacked plane lands must return immediately to the country from which the flight originated the plane, the passengers, the crews and the hijackers." Lou Norris, grand master of the Free Sons Of Israel, said that the petition "will be the test of the United Nations--whether it will remain an ineffectual debating society or prove that it can exercise its will and power to end international gangsterism." He said airline abductions "will end only when the hijackers realize that their crimes are futile, and that they will be returned to face the consequences of their madness." Mr. Norris said there were plans to extend the drive internationally, including behind the Iron Curtain. Jack E. Levine, general counsel to the Free Sons said that air and pilot groups were "impatient" to implement sanctions, and that "all they need is an authorization from the United Nations."

CJFWF General Assembly To Deal With Domestic, Overseas, Israel Needs For 1971

NEW YORK, Oct. 13 (JTA)--Jewish needs, arising from the social welfare crisis of the 1970s in America and overseas, will be discussed by 1500 Jewish leaders from communities throughout the United States and Canada at the 39th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 11-15. According to CJFWF president Max M. Fisher, the five-day assembly will bring together representatives of 225 Jewish federations and welfare funds in over 800 communities. They will determine priorities in the allocation of funds raised by Federation campaigns in 1971 between domestic needs and the needs of Jews in Israel and other countries overseas. In 1968, the last year for which complete statistics are available, Federation campaigns raised \$153 million of which 56 percent was allocated to overseas needs, primarily Israel, four percent to national agencies and 40 percent to local community services, according to a CJFWF spokesman. An additional \$83 million was raised exclusively for Israel by the Israel Emergency Fund, a separate campaign. The same pattern of allocations is expected to continue, the spokesman added.

Mr. Fisher indicated that a primary area of concern was the "mounting social, educational, health and social welfare problems in Israel. He noted that the CJFWF board of directors, at its recent quarterly meeting here, endorsed a resolution recognizing the need to double support for humanitarian projects in Israel and mounting needs at home. Mr. Fisher said that workshops and discussion groups at the General Assembly would be devoted to Federation endowment fund programs, the impact of current tax legislation on philanthropic giving and the priorities of Jewish education. The delegates will also take up urban and inner city problems including drug abuse and the programs that can be offered by Jewish hospitals. Other subjects include the development of young leadership, Jewish family and child service agencies, women in communal service, Jewish cultural development and health planning.

More Than 1 Million Jewish Books, Confiscated By Nazis, Recovered By An Israeli

NEW YORK, Oct. 13 (JTA)--One of the least known activities of the Nazi era was the confiscation of Jewish books which went into a special library where scholars of the Third Reich were assigned to interpret their contents in ways that would discredit Jews. Countless books and manuscripts disappeared into the Nazi archives. Many were destroyed during World War II or scattered all over Europe. But an Israeli bibliographer, Shlomo Shumani, working under the sponsorship of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, has managed to track down and recover more than one million volumes, it was reported here. Mr. Shumani's activities during the 25 years since World War II were described by Yeshiva University here which has appointed the 70-year-old bibliophile acting librarian at the university's Mendel Gottesman Library of Hebraica-Judaica. Mr. Shumani's efforts so far have resulted in the addition of more than one million volumes to libraries in Israel and another 200,000 to the United States. In addition, hundreds of Hebrew manuscripts were recovered and sent to Jerusalem, Yeshiva University reported. The detective work took Mr. Shumani to West Germany, Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Rumania. More than 200,000 rabbinic volumes were salvaged from Poland and tens of thousands of books from other countries. Among the rarities recovered was a late 17th century Megillah Esther written in Spanish on parchment.

Judge Mounts Campaign To End Elks Lodge Bias Against Jews

KENOSHA, Wisc., Oct. 13 (JTA)--Eight recent Jewish applicants for membership in the Kenosha Elks Lodge were "blackballed" as the lodge continued its "white Christian only" membership policy, according to the Monthly Reporter of the Madison (Wisc.) Jewish Welfare Council. The lodge has 1,100 members, but only one "blackball" is required to deny an applicant membership, the Reporter story said. In its High Holy Day Special Edition, the Reporter said Circuit Judge Harold Bode, who formerly headed the lodge and who is attempting to bring in Jewish members, has threatened to file charges with the national lodge if he can "find out who the bigots are." The national lodge limits membership to "whites only" but there are no restrictions against Jewish members. The Reporter said that six years ago, when a Jewish member from Green Bay became the Exalted Ruler of all Wisconsin Elks, he was unsuccessful in his attempt to have the Kenosha Lodge change its policy. Despite the condemnation of its policies by members of the clergy, bar and others who refuse to speak before or attend meetings of groups using the lodge facilities, the local lodge has continued its anti-Semitic membership policy, the Reporter said.