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ISRAEL WILL NOT RECOGNIZE COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON JERUSALEM AS VALID

No Envoy From UN Will Be Allowed
Into Jerusalem To Study Situation

JERUSALEM, Sept. 26 (JTA)--The Cabinet made it clear today that Israel does not recognize the resolution on Jerusalem adopted yesterday by a vote of 14-0 by the Security Council ordering a "halt" to changes in the status of East Jerusalem. The Cabinet adopted a resolution by consensus, without a vote, declaring that there was "no justification" for the Security Council's debate and subsequent resolution on Jerusalem and that "the government of Israel will not enter into discussions with any political factor on the basis of this resolution." The Cabinet's resolution was regarded by political observers here as a warning to any mission or emissary of the Security Council that they would not be welcome in Jerusalem and as an attempt to discourage United Nations bodies from trying to make on-the-spot investigations into the situation in Jerusalem.

The Security Council's resolution, introduced by Somalia, called on Secretary General U Thant to take whatever measures he deemed fit to implement its intent and to report back to the Council. The most likely possibility was that Thant would appoint a representative or delegation to go to Jerusalem although Israel has served notice in advance that it would not admit emissaries for that purpose. The text of the resolution included a Syrian amendment calling on Israel to "rescind all previous measures and actions" to alter the status of Jerusalem. The amendment was adopted 13-0 with the United States and Nicaragua abstaining. Syria, a non-permanent member of the Security Council, abstained in the final vote after withdrawing three other amendments at the behest of other powers.

Israel To Remain Firm On Jerusalem

Officials here believe the issue will not receive much attention in the world. Jordan has achieved its aim of having another resolution on the record. However, no state in the Security Council except Somalia, was sufficiently interested to sponsor the resolution. While the United States voted for it, the American Ambassador, George Bush, made it clear that a return to the pre-June, 1967 status of Jerusalem was undesirable, Israeli circles said. Today's Cabinet resolution stated that "Israel's policy with regard to Jerusalem remains unchanged. Israel will continue to persevere in the development of the city for the benefit of all its inhabitants, in respecting the religious rights of all communities and in scrupulously safeguarding the holy sites of all faiths and the freedom of access to them."

According to government sources, the main objection to the admittance of Security Council emissaries to Jerusalem is that it would stir up unrest in the city which has been prosperous and tranquil for some time. Late in 1967, an emissary of the Secretary General visited Jerusalem and reported on the economic integration of the two sections of the city and another emissary was admitted later on. But Israel refused entry two years ago to a UN commission appointed by the president of the General Assembly to investigate

the treatment of Arab civilians in Israel-occupied territory. Israel boycotted that commission on grounds that its intent was anti-Israel. The General Assembly refused an Israeli demand that the group inquire as well into the treatment of Jewish citizens in Arab countries.

Yesterday's Security Council session was marked by an acrimonious exchange between Israel's Ambassador Yosef Tekoah and the Soviet Ambassador Yakov Malik. The undercurrent of ill-will was established by Malik's insistence that the session begin Saturday morning, the Jewish Sabbath. A compromise postponed the opening until 5 p.m. but the Israeli delegation did not show up until 7:30. Malik used the occasion to denounce Zionism as a racist concept and Israel as a persistent aggressor. Tekoah said there were some "Stalinist echoes" in Malik's statement and reaffirmed that Jerusalem was "a living city." Tekoah stated that Christian and Moslem leaders from various countries had commended Israel for what it had accomplished in Jerusalem as a labor of love.

ZOA CHARGES AZF STIFLES DEMOCRACY IN ELECTIONS TO ZIONIST CONGRESS

API-HH Says AZF Failed To Carry Out
Mandate To Democratize Community

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--The American Zionist Federation was assailed today on two fronts by two of its constituent groups. The Zionist Organization of America charged that the AZF was thwarting democratic elections for the 152 delegates from the United States to the World Zionist Congress scheduled in January in Jerusalem. Herman L. Weisman, ZOA president, charged that the mail ballot method chosen by the AZF to elect delegates was "a travesty of the democratic process" and stated that the ZOA had filed an appeal with the World Zionist Court to have that method invalidated.

At the same time, in a separate attack on the AZF, the Americans for Progressive Israel-Hashomer Hatzair, a Socialist-Zionist group which identifies itself ideologically with Mapam in Israel, charged that the AZF "has stifled attempts to invigorate the Zionist movement by a sharp debate of the ideological issues within it" and that it has failed to carry out its mandate given it at the founding conference in May 1970 to invigorate the Jewish community with a deeper consciousness of Zionism and community democracy.

Rabbi Israel Miller, president of the AZF, issued a statement today categorically rejecting "the attack" by Weisman. (See separate story.) It was not immediately known whether he will also answer the allegations by API-HH. Weisman said approval of the AZF's election method has been made possible by an "illicit agreement" among some American Zionist organizations which he asserted had predetermined the distribution of 76 percent of the 152 delegates. He said the appeal to the Tribunal, a juridical panel empowered to hear and rule on matters relating to the Congress elections, asked that the AZF method of voting be declared "null and void."

The ZOA, Weisman continued, also sent an appeal to the World Zionist Organization Executive urging it to direct the AZF to "desist and refrain" from implementing the election process until a

decision is reached by the Tribunal. The Federation, composed of 13 American Zionist groups, including the ZOA, is acting as a territorial organization of the World Zionist Organization in the US. It has final power, through its Area Elections Committee, to conduct and supervise the election of US delegates to the Congress. Weisman said that at a New York meeting of the Area Elections Committee on Sept. 8, representatives of Hadasah proposed an election plan which would have allocated 46 percent of the American Congress delegation to Zionist Organizations on a proportionate membership basis. The plan called for the remaining 55 percent to be elected by a nationwide mail ballot of all registered Zionists, he said.

Weisman: Secret Deal Reached

With the Religious Zionists of America (Mizrachi) deferring its vote, Weisman said, the Hadasah proposal failed to achieve the 70 percent majority necessary for passage. Two days later, however, Mizrachi cast its vote in favor of the plan, giving it the required majority, he said. Weisman asserted that Mizrachi's affirmative vote came only after it was drawn into a secret "inter-party agreement" guaranteeing a predetermined distribution of 116 delegates to the Congress from among American Zionist organizations. The agreement was reached, the ZOA declared in its appeals, at a late-night "rump meeting," attended by representatives of Hadasah, the United Labor Zionist Organization of America and Mizrachi, that was held after the Committee's formal meeting on Sept. 8 had adjourned.

The decision agreed upon at this private meeting, Weisman said, "makes a mockery" of a 1970 resolution of the Zionist General Council, governing body of the World Zionist Organization, calling for "democratic polling with the participation of all organized Zionists."

He said the World Zionist Organization Executive and the Congress Tribunal have been informed in his organization's appeals that the ZOA has consistently favored "democratic ballot box elections" to the Congress. Weisman claimed that the ZOA is being "foreclosed" from fair and appropriate participation in the Congress by the action of Israeli leaders of the Labor Zionists and Mizrachi who, at the secret meeting, "improperly influenced and coerced" the other Zionist groups to opt for a mail ballot and a "private arrangement" of the distribution of the 116 US delegates.

He did not identify the "Israeli leaders." Weisman said the Tribunal will now require the groups named in its appeal to file written answers to this complaint within 30 days. The API-HH, in its statement issued by Moshe Kagen, chairman of the group and a vice-chairman of the AZF, declared that the AZF "was given mandates to democratize the American Zionist movement" to involve "American Jewish youth in an active role in the decision making bodies of the AZF" and to give American Jews "an opportunity to be part of the Zionist endeavor by holding secret, democratic elections for the American delegation." Kagen added that none of the resolutions adopted at the AZF founding convention have been "made available to the press, to the public, to the delegates of the convention, nor to the constituent bodies."

AZF LEADER REJECTS ZOA ATTACK; SAYS ELECTION PROCEDURE AFFIRMS DEMOCRACY
Cites Pincus Letter Calling On ZOA To Ensure 'Substantial Unity'

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Rabbi Israel Miller, president of the American Zionist Federation today

strongly defended its plans for a nationwide postal ballot to elect American delegates to the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem. "We categorically reject the attack on the plan" by Herman Weisman, president of the ZOA, Rabbi Miller said in a statement. He noted that the plan was accepted by more than 80 percent of the AZF election committee in which all Zionist organizations are represented. "It offers the entire constituency of 700,000 enrolled American Zionists an opportunity to elect, by secret personal ballot, more than half of the 152 delegates from the United States through a nationwide postal ballot reaching into every corner of the American Jewish community," Rabbi Miller said.

"It further calls for the election of the balance of the delegates by the organizations in proportion to their verified membership strengths, thus insuring a proper place for Zionist bodies which have played a meaningful role in Zionist endeavors," Rabbi Miller added. He asserted that "proper conditions and procedures guarantee both the secrecy and honesty of the balloting." He said these were now being worked out with an independent non-profit election agency of proven integrity and with many years of experience in conducting postal balloting in this country. "The AZF plan, therefore, is not a 'travesty of democracy' as Mr. Weisman contends; it is rather an affirmation of democracy," Rabbi Miller said.

He continued, "Mr. Weisman, as is his right, has brought his complaint to the Zionist Congress Tribunal and it would therefore not be proper for me to comment on a matter before that body. But I am dismayed that he issued his statement after receiving a message from Mr. Louis Pincus, chairman of the World Zionist Executive, calling on the ZOA to 'ensure that despite all present differences, the fundamental and substantial unity of the parties will be maintained in this crucial hour.' Mr. Pincus also noted that the issues are now before the Congress Tribunal, but stated that he considered many of the ZOA's allegations to be 'inaccurate and contrary to the facts,'" Rabbi Miller said.

He concluded: "As president of the AZF, it is my hope that the forthcoming elections will serve to enhance the ideological and educational dimensions of our Zionist life and activity, for it is they which give meaning to our movement. I trust they will also insure broad public participation in the selection of delegates to the January, 1972 Congress which will initiate the 75th anniversary year of the World Zionist Movement--and set a much needed example of participatory democracy for all organized Jewish life both nationally and in the communities across the country."

HUSSEIN: READY FOR PEACE WITH ISRAEL

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 26 (JTA)--"We are ready for a separate peace with Israel" stated King Hussein in a televised interview with the correspondent of Danish state television, Ole Sipel, filmed last week in Amman. An extract of the sensational cast containing the King's statement was released here Friday night and shown during the regular Danish newscast. Hussein's declaration came in answer to one of Sipel's questions, after a brief moment of hesitation. Hussein immediately added that such separate peace must be based on "Israel abiding by the Security Council Resolution 242." The full TV interview is to be shown separately again at a later date. Asked about the possibility of direct negotiations between Jordan and Israel, Hussein gave a reserved answer.

MRS. MEIR SUGGESTS ISRAEL-US TALKS ON RENEWED ARMS SHIPMENTS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Official sources confirmed today that Premier Golda Meir has sent a message to the White House suggesting high level consultations on renewed shipments of American warplanes and military supplies to Israel. The sources, however, continued to deny press reports that a meeting between Mrs. Meir and President Nixon was contemplated. The Premier's message was interpreted by officials here as implying a request that the President receive Foreign Minister Abba Eban who is attending the United Nations General Assembly sessions in New York.

Israeli leaders are growing increasingly uneasy over the delay in the administration's response to Israel's long standing request for more F-4 Phantoms and other military equipment. Officials said Mrs. Meir's message also contained a statement of Israel's options for a partial or overall settlement with the Arabs. Eban is expected to elucidate on the subject in detail when he addresses the General Assembly next Thursday.

BARLEV: ISRAEL USED RESTRAINT IN RETALIATION AGAINST EGYPT FOR DOWNING UNARMED MILITARY TRANSPORT

TEL AVIV, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Israel exercised deliberate restraint last week when it retaliated against Egypt for shooting down an unarmed military transport over the Sinai on Sept. 17, Chief of Staff Haim Barlev said on a televised interview Friday night. "We could have hit the Egyptians hard in many spheres, striking at both the missiles and other targets but we did not wish to extend the operation to such an extent that would necessarily lead to a resumption of the fighting," Barlev said. He confirmed reports that Israel possessed American-made Shrike air-to-ground missiles but would not say whether they were employed in the retaliatory strike.

Barlev said Israel's counter-measures after the transport, a propeller-driven Boeing Strato-cruiser, was downed by Egyptian missiles killing seven of its eight crew-members, were intended to make it clear to Egypt that Israel would not acquiesce in any violations of the cease-fire. He said that if full-scale fighting were to break out on the Suez front, the action would not be restricted to missiles against missiles or missiles against aircraft, implying that ground action could be expected.

JAPAN ASKS ISRAEL TO SUPPORT PROPOSAL IN UN ASSEMBLY FOR 2-CHINA POLICY

JERUSALEM, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Japan has formally asked Israel to support a 19-nation proposal before the United Nations General Assembly calling for a two-China solution to the problem of that nation's representation in the world organization, it was disclosed today. Ambassador Eiichi Tokura called on the Foreign Ministry's director general Gideon Rafael to explain the proposal which would seat Peking's representative in both the General Assembly and the Security Council while retaining the Chinese Nationalists representation from Taiwan in the General Assembly. In a taped interview yesterday on the Israel Radio, Foreign Minister Abba Eban said Israel would support the seating of Peking at the UN but has not decided how to vote on the Taiwan issue because of the complex procedural situation. He recalled that as early as 1950 Israel had recognized Peking as the government of China.

There will be no daily bulletin Thursday, Sept. 30, Yom Kippur.

AJCONGRESS WARNS BILL OF RIGHTS THREATENED BY PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PERMIT PRAYERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--The American Jewish Congress warned today that the "integrity of the Bill of Rights" was threatened by a proposed Constitutional amendment that would permit prayers in public schools. The amendment was released from the House Judiciary Committee by a discharge petition last week and will come before the House in November. In order to be adopted, an amendment to the Constitution must pass both houses of Congress and be ratified by three-quarters of the states. A resolution adopted by the AJCongress' policy-making National Governing Council today warned that all Constitutional freedoms would be "endangered by any move to tamper with the Bill of Rights."

The resolution noted that many Jewish and non-Jewish religious organizations have publicly opposed the amendment. "Once the principle is established that the Bill of Rights can be amended, the way will be open to other limitations of basic liberties such as freedom of speech, press and assembly," the AJCongress resolution said. "Moreover, the effect of the amendment would be to trivialize religion and destroy the function of prayer as a sacred communication."

SIR ALEC RETICENT ON MIDEAST

LONDON, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home was strangely reticent on the Middle East during a briefing for diplomatic correspondents here prior to his departure for the United Nations General Assembly in New York. He made no references to Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories, a move that he said in Cairo last week was a prerequisite for Middle East peace. Observers believe Sir Alec may have been impressed by the strong Israeli reaction to his Cairo remarks. They also believe that he was shaken by evidence of Soviet unreliability stemming from the exposure of the extent of Soviet espionage in Britain. The disclosures resulted in the expulsion of 110 Russian diplomats from Britain yesterday.

Sir Alec repeated that he felt President Anwar Sadat of Egypt sincerely wanted a peace settlement. He expressed surprise when asked whether he would try to bring together Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel and Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad of Egypt during the General Assembly sessions in New York. The British diplomat said that all that could be hoped for at this stage was a reinstatement of the Jarring mission. He did not stress the need to reactivate the Four Power (US, USSR, Britain and France) consultations on the Middle East.

ABRAM PREDICTS GREATER SOVIET JEWISH EMIGRATION FOLLOWING MIDEAST ACCORD

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Morris B. Abram, honorary president of the American Jewish Committee and former US representative to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, has predicted that the Soviet Union eventually would find it advantageous to permit "increased emigration of those Jews who are least assimilable - those who will give the most trouble and provide leadership to others." Abrams, speaking at a news conference at the AJCommittee's national headquarters here following a visit to the Soviet Union where he met with Soviet authorities and Soviet Jews, asserted that emigration will be increased when questions of the Middle East are resolved. Abram asserted that the survival of any significant number of Soviet Jews depends on the numbers permitted to leave.

JACKSON URGES NIXON TO TAKE STEPS TO ALLEVIATE PLIGHT OF SOVIET JEWS

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.), took issue today with opponents of his resolution to alleviate the plight of Soviet Jewry by declaring that the Soviet government will not grant its minority citizens their rights until it realizes that the issue of Soviet Jewry is important to Americans. In remarks to more than 1000 Jewish communal leaders at a gathering sponsored by the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, Jackson, co-author of the Brock-Jackson resolution, said: "No doubt there are some people who are against this proposal on the ground that we must not jeopardize improved relations with the Soviet Union."

But, Jackson added, unless the Soviet Union realizes the issue of Soviet Jewry is important to Americans, the Soviets will continue to "manipulate Russian Jews and the Soviet Union's Arab clients, in the most cynical way, by turning on and off the flow of emigrants, a bit faster when the Arabs are out of line, and slower when they behave." He added that the time has come for President Nixon "to speak out and emphasize the concern of all Americans for the plight of the Russian Jews."

Jackson, who serves on the Armed Services Committee, referred to the Brock-Jackson resolution which calls on the President to take concrete steps to alleviate the plight of Soviet Jewry. Among the steps cited there are that the President demand of the Soviet government that it permit its citizens the right to emigrate from the Soviet Union to the countries of their choice as affirmed by the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights.

RADICAL JEWISH STUDENTS PROTEST ISRAEL AWARD TO REAGAN

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Several hundred radical Jewish students protested last night Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban's presentation of the Israel Medal of Valor to California Governor Ronald Reagan. Reagan was honored by the Israel Bond Organization for signing a bill permitting the state controlled finance company to purchase Israeli Bonds. The protest was staged outside the Century Plaza Hotel where the awards dinner was held. Jill Lewis, spokeswoman for the Jewish Radical Committee stated that "It is the time for Israel to stop assuming that world Jewry has no moral sensitivity, only parochial interest; no political needs, only blind loyalties. It is time for the Jewish community to cease linking the Jewish homeland to the names and actions of men who perpetuate injustice in the United States."

The JRC in the past has voiced protest over similar awards to Los Angeles Mayor Sam Yorty and former U.S. Senator George Murphy. A delegation of 10 protesters was allowed to present their position to the Israelis in a meeting with Eytan Ben-Tsur, Eban's political secretary. Ben-Tsur and local Israeli consulate officials were reported by Lewis to have told the delegation that the government of Israel has nothing to do with issuing the award to Reagan, rather, Lewis said, they were told it was a decision of the Israel Bond Organization. During the dinner, the only reference to politics was made by Bonds chairman Theodore E. Cummings who said: "I am sure that everyone in this room checked their political feeling at the front door." There were no incidents inside or outside the hotel. A spokesman for the Israel Bond Organization could not be immediately reached for comment.

WEXLER: HALT RHETORIC ON MIDEAST

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--Dr. William A. Wexler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, called tonight for a halt in rhetoric on the Middle East, asserting that "the only real guarantee for peace in the Middle East is an Israel that can defend itself." Speaking to several hundred delegates attending the Annual National Installation Rally of B'nai Zion, the American Fraternal Zionist Organization, at the New York Hilton Hotel, Dr. Wexler, who is also president of the International B'nai B'rith, stated that the time has now come for our government to demonstrate clearly and unequivocally by deeds and not by words that the balance of power in the Middle East will not be allowed to shift in Israel's disfavor. He emphasized that it is essential that the government of the United States resume delivery of the planes which Israel needs for its very survival.

Dr. Wexler quoted a letter he had received recently from a high official in the State Department stating our government's "firm resolve that Israel not suffer military disadvantage." Dr. Wexler continued, "these are words. The world is drowning in words and rhetoric and while it is better to talk than to shoot, the only real guarantee for peace in the Middle East is in an Israel that can defend itself." Speaking about the Security Council debate on Jerusalem, Dr. Wexler stated: "Let it be resolved that never again will we go back to the 19 years of disaster and shame of desecration and indignity to which we were subjected while King Hussein was the ruler of Jerusalem. This should be a priority item on the agenda of every decent human being who considers himself to be a part of the civilized world."

JEWISH WOMEN'S GROUPS ASK BUSH TO PLACE SOVIET JEWRY ISSUE ON UN ASSEMBLY AGENDA

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (JTA)--The Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations, today asked the US Ambassador to the United Nations, George Bush, to place the issue of Soviet Jewry on the agenda of the current session of the UN General Assembly. The appeal, sent in a telegram, arose out of a meeting last Thursday between State Department officials and heads of the nine national Jewish women's organizations that make up the Leadership Conference. At the meeting the women urged US intercession with Soviet authorities on behalf of Jewish women prisoners in the USSR. The telegram asked the US Mission to the UN to "exercise every influence and use every opportunity to underscore before the nations of the world the serious plight of Soviet Jewry."

The telegram to Ambassador Bush added: "We ask the representatives of our government to assert moral leadership in assuring this oppressed minority the opportunity to live in dignity and peace." Mrs. Howard Levine of West Orange, N.J., chairman of the Leadership Conference Soviet Jewry Committee and president of the National Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress said the State Department meeting was a "positive" one. The appeal, signed by Mrs. Charles Snitow of Scarsdale, chairman of the Leadership Conference and co-chairman of the national Governing Council of AJCongress, said that "intercession by our government can play a crucial role in helping to alleviate the Soviet Jews' plight." A copy of the telegram was sent to Mrs. Rita E. Hauser, US Representative to the UN Commission on Human Rights, with a letter asking her to continue her activities in the name of the US government on behalf of the Jews of the Soviet Union.