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## TASK FORCE RESOLUTION, CLIMAXING TWO YEARS' WORK, PRESENTED AT CJF ASSEMBLY

Calls For Creation Of New Structure To Enhance Quality Of Jewish Life

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 11 (JTA)--A new initiative and direction in American Jewish concern and commitment was called for today by Irving Blum of Baltimore, chairman of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds' Task Force on Jewish Identity. Blum called for the creation of a special institute, the sole purpose of which would be to carry out innovative projects designed to enhance the quality of Jewish life.

Addressing 1,500 delegates from 300 Jewish communities in the United States and Canada attending the opening breakfast session of the CJF's 40th General Assembly at the Hilton Hotel here today, Blum, a CJF vice-president, presented a consolidated report climaxing the two-year study and work of the Task Force, viewed by delegates as a landmark in the Jewish federation movement. Blum urged the delegates to act upon its recommendations embodied in a resolution to be voted upon tomorrow.

The resolution calls for the establishment of a new program under CJF auspices to experiment and develop new models for strengthening the quality of Jewish life in America. The program, tentatively called the "Institute for Jewish Life," does not intend to duplicate nor compete with existing organizations but will cooperate with them. An initial limited lifespan of three years with review thereafter is projected for the program which will range across the total fabric of Jewish life and emphasize action projects in local communities.

All projects undertaken must have the potential for local implementation. Minimum national cost of the program will be \$350,000 for the first year, \$460,000 for the second year and \$550,000 for the third year by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. A supplemental sum of \$900,000 is to be sought over the first three years from selected foundations and individuals. In addition to this national budget, the direct financing of local projects by individual communities, with national guidance and evaluation, would be a critically vital part of the program.

### Experimentation, Innovation Key

Emphasizing that these elements do not offer a finished program, Blum said "Our object is to provide a framework within which the basic thrust of the Task Force recommendations--namely, a call for experimentation and innovation--can take place in order to produce the basic changes that will reshape our Jewish community life. The tool is the 'Institute for Jewish Life' and these recommendations provide a perspective of program and money to give it a cutting edge."

Blum noted that the Task Force, consisting of 44 communal leaders, rabbis, educators, academicians, sociologists and students, reflected in its composition "the same diversity of attitude and opinion encountered by it all over the country." Blum stated that through its massive accumulation of information, the Task Force thoroughly explored the realities and motivations in every section of the country.

The CJF board of directors approved the recommendations of the Task Force last September in NY

following slight modifications incorporated in the document under consideration at the Assembly. Blum said the Task Force is saying in effect that "It is time for us to look back on what we have been doing, to where we have been deficient and to look toward the future in an effort to reshape our Jewish communal life, so that it is more relevant to the problems we face in the decades ahead."

He said the recommendations would provide the means for developing "a thrust and a movement that has now welled up all over this continent." In his concluding remarks, Blum said "we must and we can build a house of Judaism to withstand the violent turbulence of our time with both storms of alienation and detachment and its aimless apathy. The Task Force report meets this challenge head on because it creates a unique and effective tool with which to do the job."

## HASSIDIC JEWS TO BE TAUGHT ENGLISH TO HELP THEM COMPETE FOR JOBS

Pioneering City Funded Program Announced By Mayor Lindsay

NEW YORK, Nov. 11 (JTA)--A pioneering city-funded program to teach English to Hassidic Jews to enhance their ability to compete for jobs was announced today by Mayor John V. Lindsay. The program, funded at about \$400,000 for two 26-week cycles, will be administered by the Manpower and Career Development Agency of the city. Commissioner Joseph R. Erazo, who will administer the program, said it was designed to train Hassidic Jews whose principal language is not English to give them enough command of the language to enter the job market.

Initially, he said, the program will involve 50 Hassidic Jews divided evenly between the United Talmudical Academy, which will draw students from the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, and the Lubavitcher Yeshiva, which will serve the Crown Heights section. Both are among the city's 26 designated poverty areas.

Dr. Marvin Schick, the Mayor's Assistant for Intergroup Relations, who organized the project, said though many Hassidic Jews are second and third generation Americans, few speak or write English with enough mastery to enter the city's job market. He said it was a strong Hassidic tradition to cling to the language of a European cultural heritage which is, for the most part, Yiddish.

### Hassidic Jews Among Poorest

Lindsay said that many Hassidic Jews were among the poorest residents of the city and that they often face discriminations in employment because of their religious practices. He added that many do not attend college and usually use Yiddish as their primary language.

Citing a "large increase" in the city's Hassidic population, Lindsay declared that "It has become apparent that government has a responsibility to meet the needs of these people." He noted that for some time, the city has had a number of special programs to provide job training and other services for Hassidic youth "and now we are reviewing plans for an extension of these efforts," including the new English language program.

Erazo said that the MCDA program was part of the agency's effort to bring the poverty program to all areas of poverty, particularly among various ethnic groups. He said there are some 100,000 Hassidic Jews who meet the definition of a minority in that it is a group small in size, separate and identifiable, suffering discrimination, living in ghettos and having a separate cultural heritage.

Erazo noted that around 30 percent of Hassidic Jews in the city are unemployed or underemployed. Their traditional industries--the garment and diamond trades--have been severely depressed in recent years. Dr. Schick said the program would get underway as soon as teachers could be engaged and other phases of the program put into operation.

#### STATE DEP'T SAYS IT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE REUNION OF GLUZMAN FAMILY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The State Department indicated today that it would not be able to negotiate the reunion of the Gluzman family. Mrs. Rita Gluzman testified before a House subcommittee yesterday that she was allowed to migrate to Israel two years ago but that her husband, Yakov, was suddenly prevented from going with her and has since had emigration applications rejected.

State Department spokesman Charles Bray explained today that the US preferred to concentrate on those Jews in the USSR who want to join relatives in the US. He recalled that last February, Secretary of State William P. Rogers asserted that the US supports freedom of expression and freedom of emigration.

Bray made his comments in reporting that Rogers had received a wire sent him by Rep. Benjamin S. Rosenthal (D., N.Y.), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee's European subcommittee, before which Mrs. Gluzman and other witnesses testified on the situation of Soviet Jews. The message--addressed separately to Rogers, President Nixon and Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin--urged action in the Gluzman case.

#### CHINESE UN DELEGATION TO MAKE MIDEAST TOP PRIORITY ITEM

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The delegation of the People's Republic of China intends to make the Middle East issue a top priority item on their agenda, according to political observers here. The Chinese also will be mobilizing all their resources to unite the non-aligned "Third World" countries to support a pro-Arab position. This view has been confirmed by a report in Cairo's semi-official newspaper Al Ahram.

According to the report, Chinese diplomats, stopping in Cairo on their way to the United Nations, told a high official of the Foreign Ministry that the Chinese support Egypt's struggle against international imperialism and for Egypt's efforts to obtain a "just peace" in the Middle East. Al Ahram also reported that China and Egypt have had "important diplomatic contacts" on the Mideast situation.

At the same time, China and Lebanon have announced the establishment of diplomatic ties. This, according to observers here, is another move to consolidate a base for the Chinese in their effort to play a leading role in the Middle East and Africa and to isolate Israel in the UN. The announcement yesterday of the Peking-Beirut ties followed China's reestablishment of diplomatic relations with Tunisia and Burundi three weeks ago and an announcement several days ago by Premier Chou En-lai that China cannot open normal relations with Israel. On Oct. 25 Israel voted to seat mainland China in the UN and to oust Taiwan.

Burundi broke relations with China in 1965 and

Tunisia broke relations in 1967. Each charged China with subversion. A letter sent last week by the Israel government to the Chinese government congratulating Peking on being admitted to the UN was returned to Israel unopened and marked "Undeliverable - No Diplomatic Relations."

#### ISRAEL, ITALY SIGN CULTURAL EXCHANGE

ROME, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The cultural agreement signed today here by Israel's Ambassador Emile Najjar and Italian Foreign Minister Aldo Moro will serve as a framework for private and official agreements concerning cultural and educational exchanges, sources close to the Ambassador said here today. Among the subjects covered by the new agreement, the first of its kind to be signed between Israel and Italy, is the study of Hebrew in Italy and of Italian in Israel. Students, artists, scientists and academicians will exchange delegations, and cooperation between the two countries in the artistic, educational and scientific fields will be actively encouraged.

#### TWO INJURED IN BUS EXPLOSION

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11 (JTA)--A Petach Tikvah woman and a boy from Kfar Saba were slightly injured when a hand grenade exploded in the rear of a bus as it entered the terminal here this morning. Both were hospitalized. Arab passengers on the bus were detained by police for questioning. A police detachment was sent to the Arab village of Tira where the bus had stopped to conduct an investigation. The vehicle was damaged. The bus served the route from Tira to Tel Aviv with stops at Kfar Saba, Petach Tikvah and Ramat Gan. Last month an explosion heavily damaged a bus in Haifa moments after its passengers and driver evacuated the vehicle when they spotted a suspicious looking parcel. Explosives that failed to detonate were found the same day on an empty bus in Haifa. Both busses had stopped at Arab villages in Western Galilee.

#### SUPPORT SOUGHT TO HALT FURTHER BUDGET CUTS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The Defense Ministry is actively seeking public support in opposition to proposed cuts in the military budget. The Ministry has already pared its budget requests for fiscal 1972 by about \$250 million but is fighting further cuts demanded by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir in a general economy drive. Defense Minister Moshe Dayan will go on television tomorrow night to argue that the proposed cuts would seriously affect Israel's military strength at a crucial time.

Sapir has stated that Israel's defense needs are sacrosanct but believes that many items can be eliminated from the armed forces budget which would not reduce Israel's fighting power. He promised not to touch monies needed to purchase aircraft and other essential military hardware abroad. Defense Ministry officials argue that the proposed cuts would hamper the development of Israel's armored strength. They say 1972 will be a year of decision, either military or political, and that in either case Israel must deal with her foes from a position of strength.

The officials stress that Soviet Russia appears ready to increase its active involvement in any military confrontation between Israel and Egypt while the United States is increasingly reluctant to be drawn into any such confrontation. The military men say the national budget can be balanced without further cuts in the defense budget. Labor and management spokesmen expressed opposing views in a meeting with Sapir on a new wage-price policy for next year.

### SENATE VOTES 65-24 TO PROVIDE ISRAEL WITH \$385M FOR MILITARY PURCHASES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The Senate, by a 65-24 vote this afternoon, passed a military authorization bill providing Israel with an \$85 million grant and \$300 million in credits for military purchases in this country. The bill and a companion measure for economic assistance passed by a Senate vote of 61-23 yesterday, will go to the House which is expected to act on both measures shortly.

The economic aid bill contains \$15 million for schools, hospitals and other institutions abroad, the allotments to be determined by the State Department and the Agency for International Development. The Nixon administration, which had opposed the \$85 million grant to Israel, pledged today that the funds would be expended for their intended purpose "as promptly as possible." The assurance followed a bi-partisan effort by Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.) and Sen. Robert Dole (R., Kan.), chairman of the Republican National Committee. Jackson wrote to Secretary of State William P. Rogers yesterday about the funds.

The State Department had contended previously that Israel's economic position indicated that it did not need a grant in aid despite its heavy military burdens. The grant was written specifically into the bill passed today and is apart from a \$350 million fund for supporting assistance to countries which lack the economic means to use the military equipment they require. The House previously authorized a \$200 million grant to Israel but this was reduced by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to \$85 million. The House allocation was lost when the Senate killed the Nixon administration's \$3.2 billion foreign aid bill two weeks ago.

### MANY JEWS LEAVE MOROCCO AFTER MORE ARREST WARRANTS ISSUED

PARIS, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The Moroccan Ministry of Justice announced this morning that the three Jewish businessmen arrested this week on charges of corruption and misuse of public funds will be charged by a special court in Rabat. The three include the secretary of the Jewish Community Council, David Amar. The identity of the two other men has not been officially released but Jewish circles here believe that one of the two men might be Henri Ohana, the brother of Moroccan oil executive, Paul Ohana, who may be in Israel. He is being sought for alleged oil-price rigging.

All of these arrests seem to be based on actual criminal charges and, according to Jewish circles here, seem to have no anti-Semitic or anti-Jewish motives. Morocco's Jews seem, nevertheless, highly upset by these arrests and by unconfirmed reports that a large number of arrest warrants have been issued by the Moroccan Ministry of Justice against Jews currently abroad.

Moroccan Jewish sources told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that these warrants seem to have been issued during the last few days. Most of the people sought are reportedly still abroad. The latest arrests and the reports of more arrest warrants are prompting many Moroccan Jews to leave the country. Although no details have been officially released, Jewish circles here say "several dozen families" a day are leaving. All planes arriving in Paris from Morocco carry a large number of Moroccan Jews, usually members of well-to-do families, who appear to fear being charged under the current "anti-corruption" government drive.

### GOLDMANN IN US FOR THREE WEEKS

NEW YORK, Nov. 11 (JTA)--Dr. Nahum Gold-

mann, president of the World Jewish Congress, arrived here today from Israel for a three-week visit to the United States. He was joined here by Dr. Gerhart M. Riegner, Secretary-General of the WJCongress. Dr. Goldmann will address several meetings during his stay. His schedule includes an address to the Council on Foreign Relations, lectures at Harvard and Princeton, and a report to the Plenary Council of the American Section of the WJCongress. He will visit Washington for discussions with a number of prominent personalities.

Dr. Goldmann will attend the opening session in Montreal of the Plenary Assembly of the Canadian Jewish Congress on Saturday night. Sunday morning he will be the speaker at a memorial session to the late Samuel Bronfman, one of the creators of the CJC and for more than two decades its guiding spirit. Bronfman was also a vice-president of the WJCongress.

### CANAL CAN BE REOPENED FOR DREDGING WITHOUT ACCORD BETWEEN ISRAEL, EGYPT

JERUSALEM, Nov. 11 (JTA)--Diplomatic circles said today that Israel has always maintained that the Suez Canal could be reopened for dredging and repairs without any specific agreement between Israel and Egypt. The circles were commenting on foreign press reports that Israel has taken such a stand. Premier Golda Meir told the Knesset last month that "the canal could be opened without an Israeli withdrawal" from its east bank.

(In Washington today State Department spokesman Charles Bray acknowledged that Mrs. Meir had made such remarks but said they "reflect the views of the Israeli government and have not been communicated to us officially.")

Other sources said such a possibility may have been mentioned by Israel's Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin in summing up conditions for a Suez agreement in talks with US officials.

The Israeli circles noted that the canal was closed by Egypt and that Israel had no objections if the Egyptians decided to dredge the waterway and repair it for use by shipping. They said Israel was willing to let Egyptian engineers and technicians cross the canal to begin the work though it would not permit Egyptian soldiers. However, they added, Egypt has rejected all such proposals in the past and was not expected to agree at this time. President Anwar Sadat of Egypt has stated that the withdrawal of Israeli forces was more important than reopening the waterway.

(The Nixon administration is preparing a reply to Israel's reported refusal to resume negotiations for an interim Suez agreement unless the US resumes deliveries of Phantom jets. It was reported in Washington today. Sources said the reply would reflect the administration's position that it would be difficult to resume deliveries in face of what it considers a balanced military picture and a reduction of Soviet arms aid to Egypt. Sources said the US reply would deal also with other issues including Mrs. Meir's fear that President Nixon might negotiate a Mideast deal bilaterally with the Russians when he visits Moscow next May.)

### UNITED SYNAGOGUE HOLDS CONCLAVE

NEW YORK, Nov. 11 (JTA)--Jacob Stein, president of the United Synagogue of America, said today that the 3,000 delegates at the group's biennial convention which begins Sunday in Kiamosha Lake will discuss intermarriage, halacha and an analysis of the Conservative movement's approach to Jewish law. Delegates will be called upon to review the basic function and structure of the modern synagogue, Stein said.

# **DR. KOREY CITES SOVIET SCIENTISTS' VIEW ON PLIGHT OF RUSSIAN JEWS**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (JTA)--Congress was told yesterday afternoon that law and reality in the Soviet Union part company when the rights of Jews are concerned. Submitting statements on discrimination against Soviet Jews, Dr. William R. Korey, director of the New York bureau of the B'nai B'rith International Council, cited the views of the noted Soviet nuclear physicist Dr. Andrei D. Sakharov and historian Roy A. Medvedev, both non-Jews.

The B'nai B'rith official testified before the House Foreign Affairs Committee's European subcommittee at the concluding session of its two-day hearings on "denial of rights to Soviet Jews." The subcommittee met to consider pending Congressional legislation expressing concern about the treatment by the Soviet government of its Jewish citizens.

Dr. Korey reported Dr. Sakharov as having "made it clear that since 1939 the top bureaucratic elite of the Soviet Union has been influenced by what he calls zoological anti-Semitism, which extends to its appointments policy." Dr. Korey added that "Most disturbing of all, a quota system operates in the universities, and limits the number of Jews in careers of opportunity." Medvedev, he said, was, like his colleagues on the Soviet Committee on Human Rights, "profoundly concerned with the plight of Soviet Jews."

## **UN Efforts Urged**

Dr. Korey quoted from Medvedev's document detailing "the travail of Soviet Jewry," in which the historian wrote that "there has grown up a whole generation of young Jews who have never breathed the pure air of national equality, who have never felt themselves Soviet citizens enjoying full rights."

As a result of "a tremendous outcry of world public opinion," Dr. Korey testified, "this year some recognition has been given (by the Kremlin) to the right-to-leave principle," with "perhaps as many as 10,000 Jews" having been permitted to leave by the end of this year. "But," he continued, "a total of approximately 80,000 applications to leave have been filed, which, when one adds entire families, means that one-quarter-million Jews are still hemmed in by what the Soviet physicist and humanitarian Sakharov calls a gilded cage." Dr. Korey called on the US to place the Soviet Jewry issue on the UN General Assembly agenda.

Also testifying late yesterday was Prof. Hans J. Morgenthau, the political analyst with the City University of New York, who recommended that the government "not over-emphasize" but "not exclude" its UN efforts to alleviate the restrictions on Soviet Jews. He urged that the US place "much more important stress" on bilateral efforts to eliminate Soviet Jews' "spiritual terror." Prof. Morgenthau spoke as chairman of the Academic Committee of the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry.

## **JLC ASKS NIXON TO REPUDIATE STATE DEPARTMENT VIEWS ON SOVIET JEWRY**

NEW YORK, Nov. 11 (JTA)--The Jewish Labor Committee called today on President Nixon to repudiate the State Department's "attempt to minimize anti-Jewish repression in the Soviet Union." Judge Jacob T. Zukerman, president of the JLC, called the statement made on Tuesday by Richard T. Davies, Deputy Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, before a House Foreign Affairs subcommittee headed by Rep. Benjamin Rosenthal (D,N.Y.), "a shocking distortion of the oppressive conditions under which Jews live in the Soviet Union." Davies testified that the picture of the Jewish community living in a state of terror seemed "overdrawn."

Zukerman noted that, "the Soviet policy of repres-

sion is not restricted to the issue of emigration but is aimed at stifling the desire of Jews who wish to assert their identity as Jews." Zukerman also labeled as a "travesty of the true state of affairs" Davies' assertion that Russian Jews are receiving such "back-handed benefits" as the publication of some material in Yiddish and the availability of matzoh for Passover because of Soviet sensitivity to charges of anti-Semitism. These Soviet actions, Zukerman said, are mere "tokenism." The existence of a "handful of decaying synagogues and the publication of one Yiddish magazine represent a mockery of Jewish aspirations," Zukerman stated.

## **PROTESTS AGAINST PLIGHT OF SYRIAN JEWS FORWARDED TO UN, SYRIAN MISSION**

BALTIMORE, Nov. 11 (JTA)--Residents of this community are being urged to write to the United Nations Secretary General U Thant and to the Syrian Mission to the UN to protest the mistreatment of Syrian Jews by the government, according to Alan D. Hecht, president of the Baltimore Jewish Council.

In asking Baltimoreans to express their concern over Syrian anti-Semitism, Hecht cited a statement recently published by the non-sectarian Committee of Concern headed by General Lucius D. Clay, which describes not only the general persecution threatening the survival of the Syrian Jewish community, but the specific tortures that a number have been subjected to.

"The Committee statement reports," Hecht said, "that Jews who try to leave Syria are singled out for especially oppressive measures. They are interrogated, held in solitary confinement for up to three months, and those who are eventually released are, without exception, physically ill, maimed or deranged." The Committee of Concern has called on the Syrian authorities to cease their persecution of their Jewish minority, to free those imprisoned, and to permit those who wish to emigrate to do so.

## **LECTURESHIP IN ETHICS ESTABLISHED AT JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

NEW YORK, Nov. 11 (JTA)--A Lectureship in Ethics in honor of Gen. David Sarnoff, honorary chairman of the board of Radio Corporation of America (RCA), has been established at The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, by Harold L. Fierman of New York, a lawyer and businessman. The new endowment was announced today at a meeting of Seminary leaders by Dr. Bernard Mandelbaum, Seminary president. Fierman will be one of five men who will receive the Louis Marshall Memorial Medal at the Seminary's 1971 awards dinner Sunday.

Fierman explained that the David Sarnoff Lectureship in Ethics has been endowed by himself and his wife in honor of General Sarnoff, a Fellow in the Seminary's Society of Fellows and a friend and benefactor of the 85-year-old institution since World War II. It was General Sarnoff and Dr. Louis Finkelstein, then president and now chancellor of the Seminary, who conceived and launched the "Eternal Light" program of religious broadcasts on the NBC radio network in 1944. The series is now entering its 27th year--one of the longest lived programs on radio, as well as the first religious show in dramatic form.

Dr. Arthur Burns, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, will be designated a Fellow in the Society of Fellows of the Seminary at the annual awards dinner. Dr. Burns will make the principal address at the dinner.