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Amin, who expelled Israeli diplomats and advisors from Uganda last spring and more recently ousted Asian non-citizens, said the Israelis should be condemned rather than the terrorists who murdered 11 Israeli athletes in Munich last week. He added, "Germany was the right place where, when Hitler was the Prime Minister and supreme commander he burnt over six million Jews because Hitler and all German people knew that the Israelis are not people who are working in the interests of the people of the world."

USSR LIMITING NUMBER OF
JEWS ALLOWED TO EMIGRATE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--A Moscow radio Arabic broadcast today assured its listeners that the Soviet Union was limiting the number of Russian Jews allowed to emigrate to Israel. "Jews can leave the Soviet Union like all other citizens but exit visas for Jews going to Israel are considered in relation to the Middle East situation," the broadcast said.

It claimed that "There is no foundation to the recent reports in reactionary circles, Western and Arab, that there had been an increasing Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union." The broadcast said this was "a lie purveyed by the imperialists and their Zionist henchmen." According to Moscow radio "the number of Jews who have left the Soviet Union since 1945 does not exceed 21,000."

The Golan Heights was shelled this morning from the Syrian line. There were no casualties and no damage reported.

**RIBCOFF APPEALS TO CONGRESS TO OPPOSE
TRADE LEGISLATION WITH USSR AS LONG AS
EMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS ARE APPLIED**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Sen. Abraham Ribicoff (D. Conn.) appealed to both houses of Congress today to "go on record" in "making clear our strong opposition to any trade legislation granting the Soviet government better trade terms as long as the ransom decree" and "similar draconian measures" are applied to restrict the emigration of Soviet Jews.

Ribicoff, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee's subcommittee on international trade, said he was prepared to explore other "more immediate legislative means to deny the Soviet Union the trade terms it desires" from the United States.

The Connecticut law-maker also urged Congressional condemnation of the "extortionist Soviet visa fees and to make clear" its "determination to link improved trade relations with this issue." Ribicoff was referring to the exorbitant fees demanded by Soviet authorities for exit visas sought by Jews who received a free State education in the USSR.

In his speech, which followed consultations yesterday among the legislative aides of a bi-partisan group of Senators and Representatives on the issue, Ribicoff said, "There is still time to save Soviet Jewry. I appeal to all men of good will everywhere to raise their voices in loud protest against this latest injustice and to pledge their efforts to its total elimination."

He disclosed that Benjamin Levich, a Russian-Jewish scientist and member of the Soviet Academy of Science, had appealed to him directly to help Soviet Jewish scientists who wish to emigrate. He said the appeal was in a handwritten letter delivered to Ribicoff by an American scientist who met Levich at the recent International Biophysical Congress in Moscow.

Ribicoff said he welcomed the easing of tensions between the US and the Soviet Union and that he has actively sought to expand trade between East and West and has introduced legislation to that effect. "I still feel that economic ties should be improved but the question is at what price," he said. "When the US supports increasing economic and commercial ties we do so in the hope that the contacts act as a moderating, civilizing influence on relations between nations," he added.

**MRS. MEIR: WAR AGAINST TERRORISTS
WILL BE LONG AND COMPLICATED**

JERUSALEM, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir told the Knesset today that the war against the Arab terrorists would be complicated and long. At the same time she praised the US veto of the resolution introduced Sunday in the Security Council by Somalia, Guinea and Yugoslavia which demanded an end to Israeli raids on terrorist bases in Lebanon and Syria but failed to mention the murder of the 11 Israeli Olympians.

In praising the veto, Mrs. Meir said: "...It can be stated that the US decision to exercise the veto right is of universal human value, worthy of appreciation. I am convinced that in this I express not only an Israeli interest. I am certain that the move taken by the US belongs to the measures which might possibly save not only the honor but also the future of the international organization."

The Premier said that many terrorist acts had been prevented by Israeli security forces though she could not reveal the details. "We cannot exempt any justice-loving country from the duty to fight the terrorists," she said, adding that Israel would approach every state with a detailed proposal of methods and means to fight terrorists operating on their territory. As for Israel itself, she said,

"We have no option but to hit them wherever we can reach them and we will fulfill that duty with all our might."

Retaliation Not Enough

Menahem Beigin, Gahal opposition leader, said that the "philosophy of retaliation" as exemplified by the Army action last weekend was not good enough. Israel, he contended, must strike at the terrorists all over the world all the time without waiting to react to their next act. Referring to the probe being conducted into the Munich event, Beigin said that a vital question which the investigation must answer was why the Israeli squad did not have guns with which to defend themselves. He claimed that they should have had guns with or without the official permission of the German authorities because there had been many warnings that terrorists were planning atrocities in Europe.

DEATH PENALTY URGED FOR TERRORISTS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Two leading Knesseters and Gahal opposition leader Menahem Beigin voiced the opinion today that the government should reconsider its position on the death penalty for Arab terrorists. Speaking during the debate in the Knesset on Premier Golda Meir's report on the Munich tragedy, Yizhar Harari of the Alignment and Gideon Hausner of the Independent Liberals both made a strong plea for the death penalty after Beigin issued this plea earlier in the debate.

The Knesset adopted a resolution which placed the responsibility "for the crime in Munich, committed by the terrorist groups, with the Arab states which provide these groups with bases, political support and the weapons they need for their crimes." It added that Israel will fulfill "its obligation and exercise its right to defend its representatives and citizens, and will act with perseverance against the terrorist organizations, and those who aid them, until an end is put to their criminal activities."

Concluding, the resolution stated: "The Knesset demands that all states and governments act efficiently to put a stop to the terrorist activities and to liquidate their bases." Only Rakah, the pro-Moscow Communist Party, voted against the resolution.

FOOTBALL TEAM THREATENED

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Police have taken special precautions to protect members of the Ajax Football Club which has been the target of anonymous threats. Police said they received numerous phone calls Friday threatening the team because of the Dutch government's expression of sympathy for the Israeli Olympic athletes murdered by Arab terrorists in Munich last week.

Airport security police were on hand when the team returned from a cup match in Buenos Aires Friday. The team, whose chairman Jacob Van Pragg and player Jacques Swart are Jewish, left the airport under police escort.

Meanwhile the Dutch relatives of Andre Spitzer, one of the 11 Israelis slain in Munich, reported several anonymous telephone threats. The threats were aimed at Spitzer's wife and three-month-old daughter who have been hospitalized here since the Munich tragedy. Police said they have been transferred elsewhere.

Twenty-three Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union and Rumania, arrived this afternoon on two separate flights landing at Kennedy Airport, United Hias Service reported. The arrivals will settle in N.Y., N. J. and Chicago.

AVIATION GROUP URGED TO BOYCOTT COUNTRIES HARBORING TERRORISTS

MONTREAL, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The B'nai B'rith of Canada urged the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) currently meeting in London, to adopt a convention sponsored by the US and Canada that would impose a boycott on any country harboring or otherwise supporting terrorists.

In a statement released here today, Sydney Maislin, president of the Canadian B'nai B'rith, called on Canada's Foreign Minister for a renewed effort to secure positive action by the ICAO on the measure. "If terrorism is not to be commonplace, the criminal hijackers are to be curbed, nations must cut through political and legal argument inhibiting international action," Maislin said.

The US-Canadian draft calls for airline boycotts "against countries that offer sanctuary to hijackers; fail to return pirated aircraft, passengers and crew; and do not either punish the criminals or send them back to the country where the flight originated." Maislin noted that "It is a sad commentary that on the very day of the Munich tragedy (last Tuesday) the ICAO reportedly failed to agree on an effective treaty."

ALMOST AN ISRAELI ISSUE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The current number of "Sovietish Heimland," the officially-sponsored Yiddish monthly in Moscow, is almost an Israeli issue. It carries a survey of modern Israeli writing by Ruth Levin, and translations from the works of Israeli writers and poets, non-Communists and Communists, including Yehuda Amichai, Abraham Halpi, Mordechai Avi-Shaul, Amos Oz, Amir Gilboa.

According to Miss Levin, modern Hebrew writing "reflects the protest movement against the government," and "fight against the wrongs within society." She charges the Israeli media of persecuting critical writers but fails to substantiate her accusations. The article was written in Hebrew and translated into Yiddish.

The editor, Aaron Vergelis, attacks Israeli and Western Jewish writers for what he calls "indulging in the cold war," and accuses them "of anti-Soviet attitudes which are dangerous for the Jewish people." There are also book reviews by Tel Aviv writers. Despite the editorial criticism, this is a departure for "Heimland," which may indicate a slight change in the official policy.

ZIONISTS PLEDGE UNSWERVING SUPPORT OF ISRAEL, CHART NEW EDUCATIONAL GOALS

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Resolutions pledging unwavering support of Israel and charting new goals for education and fund-raising came at the culmination of four days of intensive debates at the recent 32nd South African Zionist Conference.

Other resolutions expressed "gratification to the people of South Africa for their understanding attitude towards Israel," appreciation for "the transfer and trade facilities provided by the South African government" and hoped for "an ever-increasing two-way trade between the two countries." The conference also denounced the Soviet "ransom price" being placed on Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate.

Ambassador Michael Michael, charge d'affaires of the Israel Legation in South Africa, brought greetings from the Israel government and stressed Israel's desire to achieve peace in the Middle East. Israel Consul-General Itzhak Unna emphasized the importance of concentrating on the advancement of Jewish education in South Africa and on allya to Israel, and urged greater efforts to support the Israel United Appeal.

The financial session of the conference noted that there had been a decline in contributions to the Israel United Appeal. As a result, delegates voted to upgrade information and organization work as the best means of securing a heightened appreciation of Israel's needs. Julius Weinstein, a member of the Revisionist Party, was unanimously endorsed as chairman of the South African Zionist Federation.

REGENTS BOARD URGED TO SUPPORT TAX CREDITS FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL PARENTS

ALBANY, N.Y., Sept. 12 (JTA)--Rabbi Moshe Sherer urged the New York State Board of Regents today to publicly endorse a bill pending in Congress to grant income tax credits to the parents of children attending non-public schools. Rabbi Sherer is executive vice president of the Agudath Israel of America and president of "Credit" (Citizens Relief for Education by Income Tax), an organization of Orthodox Jews, Catholics and others who support the legislation.

He claimed in testimony at a legislative hearing of the Board of Regents that the tax credit bills currently under review by the House Ways and Means Committee meet constitutional and legal requirements and prevent any abuse for racial segregation. He said the measures conformed with guidelines issued by the Board of Regents in a March, 1971 policy statement.

In a statement issued earlier by the Agudath Israel, Rabbi Sherer denounced the leaders of eight national Jewish organizations who testified last week against the tax credit bills at a House committee hearing. He called on them to "repent of their die-hard and unrelenting efforts to deprive Jewish education of any and every form of indirect governmental assistance."

JEWISH GROUPS ASSAIL USSR EXIT TAX

NEW YORK, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The American Jewish Congress today firmly rejected "any suggestion that extortionate fees" for the exit of Soviet Jews be paid to the USSR. A resolution adopted at a meeting of the Congress' national Executive Committee, declared that "Blackmail has no limit, and the demands of the blackmailers can never be finally satisfied." The resolution added: "Instead, we rededicate ourselves to support of international efforts now under way to induce the Soviet government to revoke this infamous decree." In a similar action yesterday, Leon H. Keyserling, president of the National Committee for Labor Israel, assailed the exit tax as a "blatant anti-Semitic act" and called upon "all free men and women to protest against the continuation of this policy."

PRO-ARAB GROUP MEETING A BUST

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The second World Conference of Christians for Palestine, a pro-Arab group, opened at the University of Kent today but only half of the expected 40 delegates are attending. A spokesman for the conference said "the rest could not get away because of the tense situation," but according to observers many of the scheduled participants stayed away because of the Munich outrage. Clovis Maksood, an Arab writer and diplomat said in his opening address that "there is a new form of anti-Semitism, this one directed against the Arabs."

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AMIN PRAISES HITLER FOR GENOCIDE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--President Idi Amin of Uganda praised Hitler for killing six million Jews in a telegram he sent today to United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and claimed that Britain should solve the Middle East problem by settling Israelis in Britain and leaving Palestine to the Palestinians. The vitriolic message was handed to Robert Gardiner, executive secretary of the UN Economic Commission for Africa, in Kampala and copies were sent to Premier Golda Meir of Israel and El Fatah leader Yassir Arafat.

Amin, who expelled Israeli diplomats and advisors from Uganda last spring and more recently ousted Asian non-citizens, said the Israelis should be condemned rather than the terrorists who murdered 11 Israeli athletes in Munich last week. He added, "Germany was the right place where, when Hitler was the Prime Minister and supreme commander he burnt over six million Jews because Hitler and all German people knew that the Israelis are not people who are working in the interests of the people of the world."

USSR LIMITING NUMBER OF
JEWS ALLOWED TO EMIGRATE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--A Moscow radio Arabic broadcast today assured its listeners that the Soviet Union was limiting the number of Russian Jews allowed to emigrate to Israel. "Jews can leave the Soviet Union like all other citizens but exit visas for Jews going to Israel are considered in relation to the Middle East situation," the broadcast said.

It claimed that "There is no foundation to the recent reports in reactionary circles, Western and Arab, that there had been an increasing Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union." The broadcast said this was "a lie purveyed by the imperialists and their Zionist henchmen." According to Moscow radio "the number of Jews who have left the Soviet Union since 1945 does not exceed 21,000."

The Golan Heights was shelled this morning from the Syrian line. There were no casualties and no damage reported.

**RIBCOFF APPEALS TO CONGRESS TO OPPOSE
TRADE LEGISLATION WITH USSR AS LONG AS
EMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS ARE APPLIED**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Sen. Abraham Ribicoff (D. Conn.) appealed to both houses of Congress today to "go on record" in "making clear our strong opposition to any trade legislation granting the Soviet government better trade terms as long as the ransom decree" and "similar draconian measures" are applied to restrict the emigration of Soviet Jews.

Ribicoff, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee's subcommittee on international trade, said he was prepared to explore other "more immediate legislative means to deny the Soviet Union the trade terms it desires" from the United States.

The Connecticut law-maker also urged Congressional condemnation of the "extortionist Soviet visa fees and to make clear" its "determination to link improved trade relations with this issue." Ribicoff was referring to the exorbitant fees demanded by Soviet authorities for exit visas sought by Jews who received a free State education in the USSR.

In his speech, which followed consultations yesterday among the legislative aides of a bi-partisan group of Senators and Representatives on the issue, Ribicoff said, "There is still time to save Soviet Jewry. I appeal to all men of good will everywhere to raise their voices in loud protest against this latest injustice and to pledge their efforts to its total elimination."

He disclosed that Benjamin Levich, a Russian-Jewish scientist and member of the Soviet Academy of Science, had appealed to him directly to help Soviet Jewish scientists who wish to emigrate. He said the appeal was in a handwritten letter delivered to Ribicoff by an American scientist who met Levich at the recent International Biophysical Congress in Moscow.

Ribicoff said he welcomed the easing of tensions between the US and the Soviet Union and that he has actively sought to expand trade between East and West and has introduced legislation to that effect. "I still feel that economic ties should be improved but the question is at what price," he said. "When the US supports increasing economic and commercial ties we do so in the hope that the contacts act as a moderating, civilizing influence on relations between nations," he added.

**MRS. MEIR: WAR AGAINST TERRORISTS
WILL BE LONG AND COMPLICATED**

JERUSALEM, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir told the Knesset today that the war against the Arab terrorists would be complicated and long. At the same time she praised the US veto of the resolution introduced Sunday in the Security Council by Somalia, Guinea and Yugoslavia which demanded an end to Israeli raids on terrorist bases in Lebanon and Syria but failed to mention the murder of the 11 Israeli Olympians.

In praising the veto, Mrs. Meir said: "...It can be stated that the US decision to exercise the veto right is of universal human value, worthy of appreciation. I am convinced that in this I express not only an Israeli interest. I am certain that the move taken by the US belongs to the measures which might possibly save not only the honor but also the future of the international organization."

The Premier said that many terrorist acts had been prevented by Israeli security forces though she could not reveal the details. "We cannot exempt any justice-loving country from the duty to fight the terrorists," she said, adding that Israel would approach every state with a detailed proposal of methods and means to fight terrorists operating on their territory. As for Israel itself, she said,

"We have no option but to hit them wherever we can reach them and we will fulfill that duty with all our might."

Retaliation Not Enough

Menahem Beigin, Gahal opposition leader, said that the "philosophy of retaliation" as exemplified by the Army action last weekend was not good enough. Israel, he contended, must strike at the terrorists all over the world all the time without waiting to react to their next act. Referring to the probe being conducted into the Munich event, Beigin said that a vital question which the investigation must answer was why the Israeli squad did not have guns with which to defend themselves. He claimed that they should have had guns with or without the official permission of the German authorities because there had been many warnings that terrorists were planning atrocities in Europe.

DEATH PENALTY URGED FOR TERRORISTS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Two leading Knesseters and Gahal opposition leader Menahem Beigin voiced the opinion today that the government should reconsider its position on the death penalty for Arab terrorists. Speaking during the debate in the Knesset on Premier Golda Meir's report on the Munich tragedy, Yizhar Harari of the Alignment and Gideon Hausner of the Independent Liberals both made a strong plea for the death penalty after Beigin issued this plea earlier in the debate.

The Knesset adopted a resolution which placed the responsibility "for the crime in Munich, committed by the terrorist groups, with the Arab states which provide these groups with bases, political support and the weapons they need for their crimes." It added that Israel will fulfill "its obligation and exercise its right to defend its representatives and citizens, and will act with perseverance against the terrorist organizations, and those who aid them, until an end is put to their criminal activities."

Concluding, the resolution stated: "The Knesset demands that all states and governments act efficiently to put a stop to the terrorist activities and to liquidate their bases." Only Rakah, the pro-Moscow Communist Party, voted against the resolution.

FOOTBALL TEAM THREATENED

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Police have taken special precautions to protect members of the Ajax Football Club which has been the target of anonymous threats. Police said they received numerous phone calls Friday threatening the team because of the Dutch government's expression of sympathy for the Israeli Olympic athletes murdered by Arab terrorists in Munich last week.

Airport security police were on hand when the team returned from a cup match in Buenos Aires Friday. The team, whose chairman Jacob Van Pragg and player Jacques Swart are Jewish, left the airport under police escort.

Meanwhile the Dutch relatives of Andre Spitzer, one of the 11 Israelis slain in Munich, reported several anonymous telephone threats. The threats were aimed at Spitzer's wife and three-month-old daughter who have been hospitalized here since the Munich tragedy. Police said they have been transferred elsewhere.

Twenty-three Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union and Rumania, arrived this afternoon on two separate flights landing at Kennedy Airport, United Hias Service reported. The arrivals will settle in N.Y., N. J. and Chicago.

AVIATION GROUP URGED TO BOYCOTT COUNTRIES HARBORING TERRORISTS

MONTREAL, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The B'nai B'rith of Canada urged the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) currently meeting in London, to adopt a convention sponsored by the US and Canada that would impose a boycott on any country harboring or otherwise supporting terrorists.

In a statement released here today, Sydney Maislin, president of the Canadian B'nai B'rith, called on Canada's Foreign Minister for a renewed effort to secure positive action by the ICAO on the measure. "If terrorism is not to be commonplace, the criminal hijackers are to be curbed, nations must cut through political and legal argument inhibiting international action," Maislin said.

The US-Canadian draft calls for airline boycotts "against countries that offer sanctuary to hijackers; fail to return pirated aircraft, passengers and crew; and do not either punish the criminals or send them back to the country where the flight originated." Maislin noted that "It is a sad commentary that on the very day of the Munich tragedy (last Tuesday) the ICAO reportedly failed to agree on an effective treaty."

ALMOST AN ISRAELI ISSUE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The current number of "Sovietish Heimland," the officially-sponsored Yiddish monthly in Moscow, is almost an Israeli issue. It carries a survey of modern Israeli writing by Ruth Levin, and translations from the works of Israeli writers and poets, non-Communists and Communists, including Yehuda Amichai, Abraham Halpi, Mordechai Avi-Shaul, Amos Oz, Amir Gilboa.

According to Miss Levin, modern Hebrew writing "reflects the protest movement against the government," and "fight against the wrongs within society." She charges the Israeli media of persecuting critical writers but fails to substantiate her accusations. The article was written in Hebrew and translated into Yiddish.

The editor, Aaron Vergelis, attacks Israeli and Western Jewish writers for what he calls "indulging in the cold war," and accuses them "of anti-Soviet attitudes which are dangerous for the Jewish people." There are also book reviews by Tel Aviv writers. Despite the editorial criticism, this is a departure for "Heimland," which may indicate a slight change in the official policy.

ZIONISTS PLEDGE UNSWERVING SUPPORT OF ISRAEL, CHART NEW EDUCATIONAL GOALS

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 12 (JTA)--Resolutions pledging unwavering support of Israel and charting new goals for education and fund-raising came at the culmination of four days of intensive debates at the recent 32nd South African Zionist Conference.

Other resolutions expressed "gratification to the people of South Africa for their understanding attitude towards Israel," appreciation for "the transfer and trade facilities provided by the South African government" and hoped for "an ever-increasing two-way trade between the two countries." The conference also denounced the Soviet "ransom price" being placed on Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate.

Ambassador Michael Michael, charge d'affaires of the Israel Legation in South Africa, brought greetings from the Israel government and stressed Israel's desire to achieve peace in the Middle East. Israel Consul-General Itzhak Unna emphasized the importance of concentrating on the advancement of Jewish education in South Africa and on allya to Israel, and urged greater efforts to support the Israel United Appeal.

The financial session of the conference noted that there had been a decline in contributions to the Israel United Appeal. As a result, delegates voted to upgrade information and organization work as the best means of securing a heightened appreciation of Israel's needs. Julius Weinstein, a member of the Revisionist Party, was unanimously endorsed as chairman of the South African Zionist Federation.

REGENTS BOARD URGED TO SUPPORT TAX CREDITS FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL PARENTS

ALBANY, N.Y., Sept. 12 (JTA)--Rabbi Moshe Sherer urged the New York State Board of Regents today to publicly endorse a bill pending in Congress to grant income tax credits to the parents of children attending non-public schools. Rabbi Sherer is executive vice president of the Agudath Israel of America and president of "Credit" (Citizens Relief for Education by Income Tax), an organization of Orthodox Jews, Catholics and others who support the legislation.

He claimed in testimony at a legislative hearing of the Board of Regents that the tax credit bills currently under review by the House Ways and Means Committee meet constitutional and legal requirements and prevent any abuse for racial segregation. He said the measures conformed with guidelines issued by the Board of Regents in a March, 1971 policy statement.

In a statement issued earlier by the Agudath Israel, Rabbi Sherer denounced the leaders of eight national Jewish organizations who testified last week against the tax credit bills at a House committee hearing. He called on them to "repent of their die-hard and unrelenting efforts to deprive Jewish education of any and every form of indirect governmental assistance."

JEWISH GROUPS ASSAIL USSR EXIT TAX

NEW YORK, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The American Jewish Congress today firmly rejected "any suggestion that extortionate fees" for the exit of Soviet Jews be paid to the USSR. A resolution adopted at a meeting of the Congress' national Executive Committee, declared that "Blackmail has no limit, and the demands of the blackmailers can never be finally satisfied." The resolution added: "Instead, we rededicate ourselves to support of international efforts now under way to induce the Soviet government to revoke this infamous decree." In a similar action yesterday, Leon H. Keyserling, president of the National Committee for Labor Israel, assailed the exit tax as a "blatant anti-Semitic act" and called upon "all free men and women to protest against the continuation of this policy."

PRO-ARAB GROUP MEETING A BUST

LONDON, Sept. 12 (JTA)--The second World Conference of Christians for Palestine, a pro-Arab group, opened at the University of Kent today but only half of the expected 40 delegates are attending. A spokesman for the conference said "the rest could not get away because of the tense situation," but according to observers many of the scheduled participants stayed away because of the Munich outrage. Clovis Maksood, an Arab writer and diplomat said in his opening address that "there is a new form of anti-Semitism, this one directed against the Arabs."

The State Department today scoffed at a Cairo Radio report that Israel "in agreement with the United States" is readying large-scale military attacks against Syria and Lebanon.