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ISRAEL, YUGOSLAVIA, SIGN AGREEMENT ON FISH-BREEDING VENTURE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Israel and Yugoslavia, which have no diplomatic relations, reached an agreement yesterday on a cooperative fish-breeding venture, it was announced today by the Oceanographic and Limnological Research Co. of Haifa. The accord, which must be ratified by both countries, followed a 10-day visit to Israel by three Yugoslavian fish-breeding experts.

The agreement calls for Israel to send its experts to Yugoslavia to establish a breeding farm for grey mullet, a salt-water fish that can breed in fresh water. Israel will also assist Yugoslavia in the breeding of St. Peters fish. Yugoslavia is to export trout eggs to Israel for breeding in cold water ponds at Kibbutz Dan. Hitherto the trout eggs have been imported from Italy.

GERMANS MUST PAY FOR ARABS' RETURN

BONN, Dec. 19 (JTA)--A court in Mainz, West Germany, has ordered a state government to pay full costs of returning to Germany three Arabs who were expelled following the slayings of Israeli athletes in Munich Sept. 5; it was reported this weekend. Some observers saw this order as setting a precedent for some 100 Arabs who were expelled last Sept.

The three Arab students at Mainz University who were expelled, denied at the time that they were members of the Palestinian Students' Organization or the Palestinian Workers' Organization, two groups which later were banned in West Germany but which at the time of their expulsion were still legal.

The three-judge court said that in their opinion, police had offered no proof to support their charges that the men had endangered public security. In ordering the state of Rhineland-Palatinate to pay the costs of returning the three men to Germany, the court did not rule on the question of whether they constituted a threat to the security of the state.

ARABS EXPELLED FROM HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Police expelled 30 Arabs from Holland last week as part of a large scale crackdown on illegally settled foreigners. Twenty-five Moroccans, 4 Egyptians and one Tunisian were arrested and expelled in what police announced was "only the first" of many actions. According to observers here, the crackdown serves a double purpose: to alleviate growing Dutch unemployment, and to weed out possible terrorists. There are nearly 22,000 Arabs living in Holland legally: 21,000 Moroccans, 100 Algerians, 200 Egyptians, and 400 Tunisians. An estimated 3-4,000 Arabs live here illegally.

56,000 IMMIGRANTS IN ISRAEL BY YEAR-END

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Louis Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, said that 56,000 immigrants will have come to Israel by the end of 1972 compared to 42,000 last year. He said that more than 30,000 of the newcomers are from the Soviet Union. But immigration from the Western countries has decreased. Only 5800 new olim came from North America this year compared to 8200 last year. Pincus told a meeting of the Executive.

HERUT URGES ANNEXATION OF WEST BANK, CREATION OF GAHAL 'SHADOW GOVERNMENT'

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Creation of a Gahal "shadow government" and annexation of the West Bank were urged by speakers at the 11th convention of the Herut Party here last night. Gen. Ezer Weizman, chairman of the Herut Executive, said a "shadow Cabinet" of 12 "ministers" headed by Herut leader Menachem Begin was necessary so that the voters would know who would be carrying out the programs proposed by the Herut and Liberal parties which comprise the Gahal bloc. "Shadow governments" are features of the British and other parliamentary democracies where elections may be called for at any time.

Weizman proposed the creation of Gahal "think tanks" to prepare economic, social, cultural and educational programs to put before the nation's voters. He said that Gahal would have to garner a half-million votes to gain a position in which no decisions could be made without its concurrence. The former Air Force commander and former Minister of Transport, took a hard line on Israel's political problems. He said Israel had the right to demand a total settlement with the Arabs, not half measures.

Weizman vehemently opposed any interim accord with Egypt to reopen the Suez Canal and scorned "flirting with (King) Hussein" who, he said, was just "a passing episode in the Middle East." Weizman contended that President Anwar Sadat of Egypt was in a difficult position. "Why then should we help him by a partial agreement and thus reopen the Suez Canal?" he asked.

Evidence Of Split In Herut

Knesset member Yochanan Bader demanded the immediate "unification" of the Judea and Samaria regions with Israel and said that must be included in the Gahal platform. Mrs. Esther Razieli Naor, another Knesset member, called for an education system based on "Jewish morality and national spirit" to combat "permissiveness" and leftist trends among the youth.

Itzhak Shamir, who heads Herut's Russian Jewry department said the immigration of 30-40,000 Russian Jews a year does not end "the danger of annihilation which threatens many more Jews" in Russia. He also demanded that the government make an all-out effort to bring in American Jews.

Most speakers emphasized the need for internal unity in Israel. But evidence of a serious split in Herut was visible at the convention. The party appears to be divided between two main groups, one centered around Begin, and the other, including the younger party circles, around Weizman. As the convention entered its third day there was still no steering committee and no agreement between the rival groups as to the nomination of one.

TEKOA: ASSEMBLY VOTE ON TERRORISM RESOLUTION COUP DE GRACE TO UN

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoa exoriated the United Nations last night for succumbing to Arab states which support terrorism and charged that the outcome of the debate on terrorism "is virtually a coup de grace to the stature and role of the United Nations in international life." The Israeli diplomat addressed the General Assembly just prior to the vote approving the resolution on terrorism co-sponsored by 15 African-Asian nations and Yugoslavia last week in the Assembly's Sixth (Legal) Committee.

The resolution calling for withholding UN action against terrorism pending a 40-state study of its root causes, was adopted last night by a vote of 76-35 with 17 abstentions. This vote was almost identi-

cal with that of the Sixth Committee vote of 76-34 with 16 abstentions. As in last week's vote, the United States, Israel, Britain, Canada, Italy and Japan were among the opponents.

Tekoa declared that three months after the debate on terrorism began "the General Assembly is concluding its deliberations on this problem in failure, frustration and futility." The world body, he stated, "can no longer pretend to be what it is not. In the present circumstances our organization cannot claim to represent international law and morality." The Israeli noted that it was expected that UN members, in particular the Arab states which support international terrorism, "would attempt to prevent the inscription of the item on the agenda and then try to sabotage its constructive considerations."

But what was far more ominous, Tekoa observed, was the fact that governments "opposed to international terrorism, and even some which had suffered from it, should have been drawn into voting against their own interests." He also charged that "certain delegates have been even threatened with letter bombs and other forms of intimidation" to keep them in line. In view of the vote on terrorism and previous votes dealing with the Middle East, "even the most idealistic and hopeful find themselves constrained to conclude that if the United Nations is unable to deal effectively with terrorism it obviously cannot cope with matters more controversial and more complex."

Bush Cites Tragic Failure Of UN

United States Ambassador George Bush also questioned whether the UN "has the ability to respond to the needs of mankind." The outgoing envoy scored the Arab-sponsored resolution on terrorism and declared that it was "aimed at raising rather than lowering the level of violence in our troubled world." Bush predicted that the tragic failure of the UN to come to grips with terrorism would force nations to look outside the world body for decisive action to deal with the threat of terrorism. He added that the U.S. would continue to seek a solution to terrorism through the machinery of the UN.

Other delegates spoke in terms of regret and disappointment. Sir Colin Crowe of Britain expressed criticism of what he termed a "seriously defective resolution" which contained language that "could be taken to suggest that recourse to violence may be legitimate in the exercise of the right to self-determination."

IS ANTI-ZIONISM DISGUISED ANTI-SEMITISM?

LONDON, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The Board of Deputies of British Jews agreed this weekend to debate at a future meeting the question of anti-Semitism disguised as anti-Zionism. The debate was called for by a number of members at the meeting after Victor Mison, vice-president of the Board and chairman of its Jewish defense and group relations committee, cautioned that "We must not make the mistake of thinking that everyone who supports the Arab cause in the Middle East confrontation is necessarily anti-Semitic."

Mison added that "It is true, however, that a great deal of what is truly anti-Semitic is concealed under the umbrella of anti-Zionism." He emphasized the need for extreme vigilance in connection with Arab terrorist activities. Referring to a warning from Scotland Yard last week that letter bombs were being mailed from Singapore, Mison said that they could also come from elsewhere "or even from this country, and everybody should exercise great care with the mail."

JEWISH GROUPS HAIL COURT DECISION ON COMPULSORY CHAPEL ATTENDANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The U.S. Supreme Court's unanimous decision yesterday not to hear a government appeal against a lower court's ruling banning compulsory chapel attendance at the nation's three service academies, was hailed by the American Jewish Congress today as "a significant victory for the country's vital traditions of religious freedom and church - state separation."

The AJCongress, together with 12 other organizations comprising the Joint Advisory Committee of the Synagogue Council of America and the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, had filed a friend-of-the-court brief in *Laird v. Anderson* in Nov., 1970, when the case came before the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C.

The Circuit Court ruled last June that the requirement of weekly attendance at Protestant, Catholic or Jewish services by cadets at West Point, Annapolis and the Air Force Academy violated the First Amendment's ban on government "establishment of religion."

Leo Pfeffer, the special counsel of the AJCongress who wrote the amicus brief for the 13 Jewish organizations, said today that the Supreme Court's ruling was "consistent with the American tradition against compulsory church attendance, one of the practices of Establishment that the First Amendment was written to forbid."

B'NAI B'RITH LEADER URGES U.S. JEWS TO AVOID MIDEAST MAP-MAKING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The Israeli policy of "not an inch of withdrawal without a negotiated peace" was firmly supported yesterday by a former president of B'nai B'rith. Label A. Katz, who headed the organization for six years from 1959 through 1965, also urged Jewish leadership in the United States to avoid "any suggestions of map-making" in the Middle East, although differences on the future of the administered territories, which can affect future boundaries, are often debated by Israel's leaders and the Israeli public.

Addressing the annual meeting of the policy-making B'nai B'rith Board of Governors, Katz declared that map-making is "a policy for Israelis and their opposites in the Arab lands. The commentary of outsiders, including well-meaning brokers' efforts by other governments obscures a critical point that has persisted since June 1967: a real peace still depends on face-to-face negotiations." Katz visited Israel last month, his first trip there since suffering loss of eyesight shortly after completing his term of presidency.

New York Congressman Emanuel Celler, retiring after 49 years, was honored yesterday at the B'nai B'rith luncheon. David M. Blumberg, B'nai B'rith president, presented Celler with the President's Medal for his distinguished service in Congress and to the Jewish people. Celler had the record of sponsoring 350 bills and four amendments to the U.S. Constitution. He was the longest presiding member of the Senate Judiciary Committee in the history of Congress.

RECORD \$1.5 M FOR 1973 SET BY WEST COAST HISTADRUT

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19 (JTA)--A record goal of \$1.5 million for 1973 was adopted at the West Coast annual conference and banquet of the Israel Histadrut Campaign here Sunday night. The sum is 50 percent more than the 1972 target. One-third is in cash pledges and the balance in long-term com-

mitments to the Histadrut Foundation, according to Abraham Frank, West Coast director. Max Zimmer was elected Western regional campaign president succeeding Julius Fligelman who was named honorary president. Victor M. Carter and John I. Marder were elected vice presidents. Carter is a member of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency Board of Directors. Morton J. Bloom was elected city chairman.

ROGERS, STATE DEP'T. OFFICIALS TO HONOR RABIN AT FAREWELL DINNER

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Secretary of State William P. Rogers will be the guest speaker at a farewell dinner to Yitzhak Rabin, Israel Ambassador to the United States to be given in his honor by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations on January 17 at the Hotel Pierre. Announcement of the dinner at which the American Jewish community will officially pay tribute to Ambassador Rabin on the conclusion of his services in the United States was made by Jacob Stein, chairman of the Presidents Conference, who will preside.

"It is particularly appropriate," Stein said, that Rogers, with whom Rabin worked so closely during the past four years, should be the principal speaker at the farewell to the Israel Ambassador. "It was during this period that relations between the United States and Israel achieved a new high level of cooperation," Stein noted. "As Secretary Rogers joins with the American Jewish community in honoring Ambassador Rabin, we also honor the Secretary of State for the role he played in cementing further the always good relations that have existed during the twenty-five years of Israel Statehood."

Among other leading American officials who have worked closely with Rabin who will be present at the dinner are American Ambassador to the UN, George Bush; Joseph J. Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs; and Alfred L. Atherton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs.

SANBAR REFUTES DAYAN ON TERRITORIES

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The Governor of the Bank of Israel, Moshe Sanbar, has joined the debate on the Israeli policy in the administered territories and took a dovish approach. Sanbar said in a television interview several days ago that the territories cost Israel about IL 150 million yearly. He was refuting the statement made earlier last week by Defense Minister Moshe Dayan who claimed that Israel was not losing any money because of the former Arab territories and that all expenses must be considered in light of the economic benefits.

Sanbar did not question the benefits. He mentioned the work force which comes to Israel from the West Bank and Gaza and "the help we have in accelerating the economic process in the country." But, he added "we should not establish facts in the territory under our control which might hinder us in negotiating and signing a peace treaty when and if the opportunity may come." Sanbar rejected Dayan's proposal of building Yamit, a city south of the Gaza Strip, or the establishment of industry by Israeli investments.

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DROUGHT THREATENS NORTHERN ISRAEL

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per day. Many fields have had to be resown and are watered artificially. A temporary dam has been built at the confluence of Lake Tiberias and the Jordan River in order to reduce the outflow of water from the lake.

ISRAEL, YUGOSLAVIA, SIGN AGREEMENT ON FISH-BREEDING VENTURE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Israel and Yugoslavia, which have no diplomatic relations, reached an agreement yesterday on a cooperative fish-breeding venture, it was announced today by the Oceanographic and Limnological Research Co. of Haifa. The accord, which must be ratified by both countries, followed a 10-day visit to Israel by three Yugoslavian fish-breeding experts.

The agreement calls for Israel to send its experts to Yugoslavia to establish a breeding farm for grey mullet, a salt-water fish that can breed in fresh water. Israel will also assist Yugoslavia in the breeding of St. Peters fish. Yugoslavia is to export trout eggs to Israel for breeding in cold water ponds at Kibbutz Dan. Hitherto the trout eggs have been imported from Italy.

GERMANS MUST PAY FOR ARABS' RETURN

BONN, Dec. 19 (JTA)--A court in Mainz, West Germany, has ordered a state government to pay full costs of returning to Germany three Arabs who were expelled following the slayings of Israeli athletes in Munich Sept. 5; it was reported this weekend. Some observers saw this order as setting a precedent for some 100 Arabs who were expelled last Sept.

The three Arab students at Mainz University who were expelled, denied at the time that they were members of the Palestinian Students' Organization or the Palestinian Workers' Organization, two groups which later were banned in West Germany but which at the time of their expulsion were still legal.

The three-judge court said that in their opinion, police had offered no proof to support their charges that the men had endangered public security. In ordering the state of Rhineland-Palatinate to pay the costs of returning the three men to Germany, the court did not rule on the question of whether they constituted a threat to the security of the state.

ARABS EXPELLED FROM HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Police expelled 30 Arabs from Holland last week as part of a large scale crackdown on illegally settled foreigners. Twenty-five Moroccans, 4 Egyptians and one Tunisian were arrested and expelled in what police announced was "only the first" of many actions. According to observers here, the crackdown serves a double purpose: to alleviate growing Dutch unemployment, and to weed out possible terrorists. There are nearly 22,000 Arabs living in Holland legally: 21,000 Moroccans, 100 Algerians, 200 Egyptians, and 400 Tunisians. An estimated 3-4,000 Arabs live here illegally.

56,000 IMMIGRANTS IN ISRAEL BY YEAR-END

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Louis Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, said that 56,000 immigrants will have come to Israel by the end of 1972 compared to 42,000 last year. He said that more than 30,000 of the newcomers are from the Soviet Union. But immigration from the Western countries has decreased. Only 5800 new olim came from North America this year compared to 8200 last year. Pincus told a meeting of the Executive.

HERUT URGES ANNEXATION OF WEST BANK, CREATION OF GAHAL 'SHADOW GOVERNMENT'

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Creation of a Gahal "shadow government" and annexation of the West Bank were urged by speakers at the 11th convention of the Herut Party here last night. Gen. Ezer Weizman, chairman of the Herut Executive, said a "shadow Cabinet" of 12 "ministers" headed by Herut leader Menachem Begin was necessary so that the voters would know who would be carrying out the programs proposed by the Herut and Liberal parties which comprise the Gahal bloc. "Shadow governments" are features of the British and other parliamentary democracies where elections may be called for at any time.

Weizman proposed the creation of Gahal "think tanks" to prepare economic, social, cultural and educational programs to put before the nation's voters. He said that Gahal would have to garner a half-million votes to gain a position in which no decisions could be made without its concurrence. The former Air Force commander and former Minister of Transport, took a hard line on Israel's political problems. He said Israel had the right to demand a total settlement with the Arabs, not half measures.

Weizman vehemently opposed any interim accord with Egypt to reopen the Suez Canal and scorned "flirting with (King) Hussein" who, he said, was just "a passing episode in the Middle East." Weizman contended that President Anwar Sadat of Egypt was in a difficult position. "Why then should we help him by a partial agreement and thus reopen the Suez Canal?" he asked.

Evidence Of Split In Herut

Knesset member Yochanan Bader demanded the immediate "unification" of the Judea and Samaria regions with Israel and said that must be included in the Gahal platform. Mrs. Esther Razieli Naor, another Knesset member, called for an education system based on "Jewish morality and national spirit" to combat "permissiveness" and leftist trends among the youth.

Itzhak Shamir, who heads Herut's Russian Jewry department said the immigration of 30-40,000 Russian Jews a year does not end "the danger of annihilation which threatens many more Jews" in Russia. He also demanded that the government make an all-out effort to bring in American Jews.

Most speakers emphasized the need for internal unity in Israel. But evidence of a serious split in Herut was visible at the convention. The party appears to be divided between two main groups, one centered around Begin, and the other, including the younger party circles, around Weizman. As the convention entered its third day there was still no steering committee and no agreement between the rival groups as to the nomination of one.

TEKOA: ASSEMBLY VOTE ON TERRORISM RESOLUTION COUP DE GRACE TO UN

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoa exoriated the United Nations last night for succumbing to Arab states which support terrorism and charged that the outcome of the debate on terrorism "is virtually a coup de grace to the stature and role of the United Nations in international life." The Israeli diplomat addressed the General Assembly just prior to the vote approving the resolution on terrorism co-sponsored by 15 African-Asian nations and Yugoslavia last week in the Assembly's Sixth (Legal) Committee.

The resolution calling for withholding UN action against terrorism pending a 40-state study of its root causes, was adopted last night by a vote of 76-35 with 17 abstentions. This vote was almost identi-

cal with that of the Sixth Committee vote of 76-34 with 16 abstentions. As in last week's vote, the United States, Israel, Britain, Canada, Italy and Japan were among the opponents.

Tekoa declared that three months after the debate on terrorism began "the General Assembly is concluding its deliberations on this problem in failure, frustration and futility." The world body, he stated, "can no longer pretend to be what it is not. In the present circumstances our organization cannot claim to represent international law and morality." The Israeli noted that it was expected that UN members, in particular the Arab states which support international terrorism, "would attempt to prevent the inscription of the item on the agenda and then try to sabotage its constructive considerations."

But what was far more ominous, Tekoa observed, was the fact that governments "opposed to international terrorism, and even some which had suffered from it, should have been drawn into voting against their own interests." He also charged that "certain delegates have been even threatened with letter bombs and other forms of intimidation" to keep them in line. In view of the vote on terrorism and previous votes dealing with the Middle East, "even the most idealistic and hopeful find themselves constrained to conclude that if the United Nations is unable to deal effectively with terrorism it obviously cannot cope with matters more controversial and more complex."

Bush Cites Tragic Failure Of UN

United States Ambassador George Bush also questioned whether the UN "has the ability to respond to the needs of mankind." The outgoing envoy scored the Arab-sponsored resolution on terrorism and declared that it was "aimed at raising rather than lowering the level of violence in our troubled world." Bush predicted that the tragic failure of the UN to come to grips with terrorism would force nations to look outside the world body for decisive action to deal with the threat of terrorism. He added that the U.S. would continue to seek a solution to terrorism through the machinery of the UN.

Other delegates spoke in terms of regret and disappointment. Sir Colin Crowe of Britain expressed criticism of what he termed a "seriously defective resolution" which contained language that "could be taken to suggest that recourse to violence may be legitimate in the exercise of the right to self-determination."

IS ANTI-ZIONISM DISGUISED ANTI-SEMITISM?

LONDON, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The Board of Deputies of British Jews agreed this weekend to debate at a future meeting the question of anti-Semitism disguised as anti-Zionism. The debate was called for by a number of members at the meeting after Victor Mison, vice-president of the Board and chairman of its Jewish defense and group relations committee, cautioned that "We must not make the mistake of thinking that everyone who supports the Arab cause in the Middle East confrontation is necessarily anti-Semitic."

Mison added that "It is true, however, that a great deal of what is truly anti-Semitic is concealed under the umbrella of anti-Zionism." He emphasized the need for extreme vigilance in connection with Arab terrorist activities. Referring to a warning from Scotland Yard last week that letter bombs were being mailed from Singapore, Mison said that they could also come from elsewhere "or even from this country, and everybody should exercise great care with the mail."

JEWISH GROUPS HAIL COURT DECISION ON COMPULSORY CHAPEL ATTENDANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The U.S. Supreme Court's unanimous decision yesterday not to hear a government appeal against a lower court's ruling banning compulsory chapel attendance at the nation's three service academies, was hailed by the American Jewish Congress today as "a significant victory for the country's vital traditions of religious freedom and church - state separation."

The AJCongress, together with 12 other organizations comprising the Joint Advisory Committee of the Synagogue Council of America and the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, had filed a friend-of-the-court brief in *Laird v. Anderson* in Nov., 1970, when the case came before the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C.

The Circuit Court ruled last June that the requirement of weekly attendance at Protestant, Catholic or Jewish services by cadets at West Point, Annapolis and the Air Force Academy violated the First Amendment's ban on government "establishment of religion."

Leo Pfeffer, the special counsel of the AJCongress who wrote the amicus brief for the 13 Jewish organizations, said today that the Supreme Court's ruling was "consistent with the American tradition against compulsory church attendance, one of the practices of Establishment that the First Amendment was written to forbid."

B'NAI B'RITH LEADER URGES U.S. JEWS TO AVOID MIDEAST MAP-MAKING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The Israeli policy of "not an inch of withdrawal without a negotiated peace" was firmly supported yesterday by a former president of B'nai B'rith. Label A. Katz, who headed the organization for six years from 1959 through 1965, also urged Jewish leadership in the United States to avoid "any suggestions of map-making" in the Middle East, although differences on the future of the administered territories, which can affect future boundaries, are often debated by Israel's leaders and the Israeli public.

Addressing the annual meeting of the policy-making B'nai B'rith Board of Governors, Katz declared that map-making is "a policy for Israelis and their opposites in the Arab lands. The commentary of outsiders, including well-meaning brokers' efforts by other governments obscures a critical point that has persisted since June 1967: a real peace still depends on face-to-face negotiations." Katz visited Israel last month, his first trip there since suffering loss of eyesight shortly after completing his term of presidency.

New York Congressman Emanuel Celler, retiring after 49 years, was honored yesterday at the B'nai B'rith luncheon. David M. Blumberg, B'nai B'rith president, presented Celler with the President's Medal for his distinguished service in Congress and to the Jewish people. Celler had the record of sponsoring 350 bills and four amendments to the U.S. Constitution. He was the longest presiding member of the Senate Judiciary Committee in the history of Congress.

RECORD \$1.5 M FOR 1973 SET BY WEST COAST HISTADRUT

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19 (JTA)--A record goal of \$1.5 million for 1973 was adopted at the West Coast annual conference and banquet of the Israel Histadrut Campaign here Sunday night. The sum is 50 percent more than the 1972 target. One-third is in cash pledges and the balance in long-term com-

mitments to the Histadrut Foundation, according to Abraham Frank, West Coast director. Max Zimmer was elected Western regional campaign president succeeding Julius Fligelman who was named honorary president. Victor M. Carter and John I. Marder were elected vice presidents. Carter is a member of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency Board of Directors. Morton J. Bloom was elected city chairman.

ROGERS, STATE DEP'T. OFFICIALS TO HONOR RABIN AT FAREWELL DINNER

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (JTA)--Secretary of State William P. Rogers will be the guest speaker at a farewell dinner to Yitzhak Rabin, Israel Ambassador to the United States to be given in his honor by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations on January 17 at the Hotel Pierre. Announcement of the dinner at which the American Jewish community will officially pay tribute to Ambassador Rabin on the conclusion of his services in the United States was made by Jacob Stein, chairman of the Presidents Conference, who will preside.

"It is particularly appropriate," Stein said, that Rogers, with whom Rabin worked so closely during the past four years, should be the principal speaker at the farewell to the Israel Ambassador. "It was during this period that relations between the United States and Israel achieved a new high level of cooperation," Stein noted. "As Secretary Rogers joins with the American Jewish community in honoring Ambassador Rabin, we also honor the Secretary of State for the role he played in cementing further the always good relations that have existed during the twenty-five years of Israel Statehood."

Among other leading American officials who have worked closely with Rabin who will be present at the dinner are American Ambassador to the UN, George Bush; Joseph J. Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs; and Alfred L. Atherton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs.

SANBAR REFUTES DAYAN ON TERRITORIES

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (JTA)--The Governor of the Bank of Israel, Moshe Sanbar, has joined the debate on the Israeli policy in the administered territories and took a dovish approach. Sanbar said in a television interview several days ago that the territories cost Israel about IL 150 million yearly. He was refuting the statement made earlier last week by Defense Minister Moshe Dayan who claimed that Israel was not losing any money because of the former Arab territories and that all expenses must be considered in light of the economic benefits.

Sanbar did not question the benefits. He mentioned the work force which comes to Israel from the West Bank and Gaza and "the help we have in accelerating the economic process in the country." But, he added "we should not establish facts in the territory under our control which might hinder us in negotiating and signing a peace treaty when and if the opportunity may come." Sanbar rejected Dayan's proposal of building Yamit, a city south of the Gaza Strip, or the establishment of industry by Israeli investments.

Israeli singer Esther Ofarim made a brilliant comeback in West Germany Sunday with a show in Frankfurt. The hall was under heavy police guard after threats on her life were received. The show, her first here in three years, was without incident.