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BODY OF MURDERED ISRAELI DIPLOMAT BROUGHT HOME FOR BURIAL Must Hit Terrorists Wherever They

Are. Davan Declares

TEL AVIV, July 2 (JTA) -- The body of Col. -- Yosef Alon, who was murdered Sunday at his home in Washington, where he had been an Air Attache of the Israel Embassy, was returned to-day to Israel by a U.S. Air Force jet. Four Israeli Mirage jets escorted the American plane to Lod Airport.

Awaiting the plane at the airportwere Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, Chief of Staff Gen. David Elazar, Air Force Commander Gen. Benjamin Peled, former Commander Ezer Weizmann, Yitzhak Rabin, former ambassador to the United States, and a large group of American Embassy officials. When Mrs. Alon and her three daughters alighted from the plane, accompanied by a U.S. Air Force colonel, Gen. Dayan and the other Israeli military leaders hurried to the plane and helped legit them to the black-covered command car to which the coffin was brought by six soldiers. Six Cadet pilots also stood by the coffin as the army cantor rectied El Mole Rachamim and a relative rectied the prayer for the dead.

### Funeral Rites Today

Officials said funeral services had been postponed until tomorrow in the hope that efforts would succeed to find Col. Alon's only brother, a sole survivor of the family in the Naxi Holocaust, so that he could be present at the rites.

Speaking to newsmen at the airport, Gen— Dayan, in an apparent belief that Arab terrorists were responsible for Alon's murder, said that "the only way" to do what should be done is to hit the terrorists—not the members of the diplomatic missions in other countries—but the terrorists themselves. (In Washington, police officials and the Israel Embassy indicated today no evidence had yet been found to indicate either the identity or the motives of the killer.)

Gen. Dayan said also that the terrorists should be hit in their bases and camps "and everywhere they can be found, We-have\_done that, and we shall go on doing this. We hope that the governments will do everything, not only after a murder is committed, to prevent it by variousmeans." He suggested one of these means would be action to prevent members of terrorist groups from moving about freely.

WASHINGTON JEWRY APPALLED BUT NOT FRIGHTENED BY MURDER OF ISRAELI Arab Terrorists Blamed By Rabbi; Embassy Says No Facts Available Yet

'WASHINGTON; July 2 (JTA) - Jewish community leaders here expressed sorrow, anger and bewilderment today over the murder early yesterday morning of Col. Yosef Alon, the Israeli Air Attache, by unknown gumen in front of hishome in suburban Bethesda, Md. But they insisted that the Jewish community was not "frightened" by the possibility that the murder was committed by Arab terrorists.

Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz, president of the Washington Board of Rabbis, put responsibility for the murder on the Black September organization. The Israel Embassy said, however, that "As of now we have no facts on which to base a

theory as to who were the perpetrators." The FBI's Baltimore office which is handling the investigation will not comment at this time.

(In New York today, Elmer L. Winter, president of the American Jewish Committee, extended condolences to Israel and the Alon family in a letter to the Israeli Ambassador in Washington, Simcha Dinitz. Winter wrote, "It seems particularly shocking to us that the Palestine terrorist groups, through the Voice of Palestine terrorist groups, through the Voice of Palestine radio in Cairo, have associated themselves with this horrendous act,")

The Embassy flag will fly at half mast until after Col. Alon's funeral in Israel tomorrow. The Embassy has cancelled receptions and other diplomatic functions including a farewell reception set for tomorrow evening for Information Counsellor Zvi Brosch who is completing his tour of duty here. Rabbi Rabinowitz, who is spiritual leader of Congregation Adas Israel, a Conservative congre gation attended by many members of the Israel Embassy staff and their families, noted that Col. Alon and his family had been part of the Jewish community here and participated in many of its affairs "That the murderous hand of Black September has reached the Jewish community causes more anger than fright, more determination than fear." he told the JTA.

### Diplomatic Community Upset

Dr. Isaac Franck, executive vice-president of the Tewish Community Council of Greater Washington, said that "To say there is a reaction of fear in the Jewish community would be a complete misrepresentation." He described the Jewish mood today as one of "sadness," "bewilderment" and "moral indignation."

An Embassy spokesman said the local Jewish community was no more appalled by the murder than the rest of the community. He said the diplomatic community "obviously was very much upset" because the Alon killing "was believed to be the first murder of a diplomat in Washington in many years."

Religious services were held at Andrews Air Force Base yesterday evening before the USAF jet bearing Col. Alon's coffin and carrying his widow and three daughters took off for Israel. The plane was put at the disposal of the Israel Embasey by President Nixon. The services, at which Rabbi Rablnowitz and Cantor Gershon Levin of Shaare Tefila Synagogue in White Oaks, Md., officiated, were attended by the entire Embassy staff.

Accompanying the bereaved family on the flight to Israel were Maj. Yoram Adar, the assistant naval and air attache who was Col. Alon's assistant and Lt. Col. Merrill A, McPeak, of the USAF, a close personal friend of Col. Alon.

# NO EVIDENCE YET OF TERRORIST INVOLVEMENT IN MURDER, STATE DEPARTMENT SAYS

WASHINGTON, July 2 (JTA) -- The State Department said today that it had no evidence whether or not the murder of Israeli diplomat Yosef Alon Sunday morning was a political act, presumably by Arab terrorists, or an ordinary street crime. "No results or conclusions can be drawn at the present time," Department spokesman Paul Hare told reporters.

Col. Alon, the Israeli Air Attache, was shot five times by revolver bullets at close range in front of his suburban Maryland home. The Arab terrorist radio in Cairo, "Voice of Palestine," claimed today that he was "executed" in retaliation for the bomb death in Paris last Thursday of an Algerian member of El Fatah. Arab newshapers in Beirut with reputed terrorist connections said the killing showed that "the arm of the Palestinians" has reached Washington.

Montgomery County (Md.) police headquarters which has local jurisdiction said that "ar motive" for the killing has not been established. The FBI is known to have issued a-nationwide alert for a "light-colored car with rental tags." A car was heard speeding from the scene of the shooting. FBI headquarters here told the JTA that special arent Tom Farrow of its Baltimore office is in

charge of the investigation.

Replying to reporters' questions today, Hare said that local police, the FBI and the Executive Protective Service have been using their "agencies in the most efficient manner in the circumstances" to provide security for diplomats. He said that "protection" has been stepped up since the murder but declined to give the number of police and agents on duty. The Executive Protective Service is a special detail that guards foreign legations and the White House.

# U.S. INFLATION COSTING ISRAEL HEAVILY, SAPIR SAYS

Wants To Abolish Retroactive
Payments Of Wage Increases

JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)—Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir told the Knesset Finance Committee today that recent price increases in the United States would cost the Israel government \$250 million more this year than last in purchase of such basic foodstuffs as wheat and animal fodder. He made the statement in a report on his visit to

the United States last month.

He also said he had learned that nowhere in
the U.S. or Europe did the concept of retroactive
wage agreements exist. (American sources pointed out that it was a common practice in labor
agreements in the U.S. to apply provisions of new
agreements, approved after expiration of prior
pacts, retroactively to the date of the expiration
of the prior contracts,

Sapir said it was "quite common" for wage agreements in Israel to be signed 12 to 18 months after they were supposed to become effective, forcing employers to pay "massive" retroactive wage bills. He said he would propose to the Cabinet soon legislation to end that practice in Israel,

### Sapir Charges 'Jihad'

Sapir said this would force employers and unions to sign agreements on time and avoid the "phenomenon" of one group of workers holding out until they could see what another group had been able to gain before themselves agreeing to a new pact. He said he hoped that his proposal would be accepted and that new wage pacts for 1974-75 would be signed "on time." He said retroactive wage agreements was one of the main reauses of inflation in Israel. He listed as other causes government subsidies for basic commodities, price rises abroad and construction which he called "inflational dynamite."

Sapir used the term "jihad" --Arabic for a holy war--today to describe criticisms voiced by the Bank of Israel and the Israeli press agains the government's 90-day price freeze.

Speaking at a Ministerial economic committee meeting, he said the criticisms surpassed "even" that of the political opposition. He indicated particular annoyance over the fact that the criticisms were voiced while he was out of Israel on a visit to the U.S.

He denied Bank of Israel reports that the government had poured into the economy some three-quarters of a billion pounds in recent months. He conceded that the government did "take a loan" from the Bank of Israel of that size but declared that most of the money was spent in foreign currency transactions and not in the local market.

# ISRAEL TAKING DM REVALUATION IN STRIDE

JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)--Israel has reacted "calmly" to the Deutschmark's revaluation and Bank of Israel experts described its effect on the local economy as "marginal."

Foreign transactions continued today as usual because the effect of the revaluation of the U.S. dollar, to which the Israeli pound is linked, is impossible to predict. Local experts could not determine the rate of exchange of the Israeli pound for the Deutschmark, but they estimated the costs of German imports to Israel will rise by about one half percent.

Many former German citizens who live in Israel and receive monthly reparations from Germany will now receive more Israeli pounds for their Deutschmarks. Since travel fares in Germany have become cheaper, more German tourists are expected this summer in Israel.

### KOL SAYS ISRAEL MUST CATER TO LOW BUDGET TOURISTS

JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)-Moshe Kol predicted today that tourist traffic to Israel will increase 10-12 percent in the next few years but cautioned that Israel's tourist industry must gear itself to cater to the mass rather than the class trade.

Addressing the Knesset, the Minister of-Tourism said that present world trends indicated a massive low-price tourist market. He recommended an extension of the current policy of curtailing construction of four and five star (luxury) hotels in favor of youth hostels and camping sites. Kol said that to encourage the low budget tourist, his Ministry has entered an agreement with El Al for winter-tours from the U.S. that will cost as little as \$440 for a ten-day excursion including round-trip air fare.

Kol hinted that he was displeased with the government's present policy which bans charter flights except for pilgrims and students from Europe and said the authorities would have to give special consideration to the problem of inexpensive flights from the U.S.

Kol reported that there are presently 307 ~ hotels in Israel with a total of 19,500 hotel rooms and 9300 more rooms under construction.

### JNF PLEDGES TO SAVE FOREST FROM BULLDOZERS

JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)--The Jewish National Fund said today that it would resist to the utmost plans by the Israel Land Registry to uproot some 1500 dunams of forests near Migdal Haemek to provide land for housing.

Sharon Weitz, head of the JNF's forestry program said that some 800 dunams of forest planted oply line years ago was slated to be cut down and an additional 700 dunams were marked for cutting at a later date.

Moshe Hovay, director of Israel radio withdrew his resignation and will remain in office another three years, the broadcasting authority announced yesterday.

There will be no JTA Bulletin on Wednesday, July 4 because of the Independence Day holiday.

# NYBR EXPECTS RESIGNATIONS FOLLOWING

BAN ON RABBIS WHO PERFORM

MIXED MARRIAGES

Reform Leader Claims Resignations 'Pouring' In NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA)--Rabbi William

Berkowitz, president of the New York Board of Rabbis, said today that he expected "a number" of members would leave the NYBR "without further ado!" in response to adoption of its resolution Friday barring membership to rabbis who either officiate at mixed marriages or refer to colleagues couples seeking a rabbi for that purpose.

Rabbi Joseph Glaser, executive vice-president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Reform rabbinate, who said at the meeting he planned to challenge the legality of the vote-for the resolution in civil "Court, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he had been told that letters of resignation by CCAR members were "pouring" into the NYBR office.

Rabbi Glaser said many of those resigning were Reform rabbis who were not in violation of the membership ban but who were "disgusted" by it. Rabbi Glaser called the resolution "short-sighted" and predicted it would lead to the "dissolution" of the NYBR, which represents Orthodox. Conservative and Reform members.

'Honor System' Will Be Used

Rabbi Berkowitz stressed that the NYBR hadno plans at present to set up machinery to expelmembers who refuse to end such officiating or such referrals. He said it was expected that "a kind of honor system" would prevail which would

maké such machinery unnecessary.

Rabbi Berkowitz confirmed reports that the failure of the 84th annual CCAR convention last month to vote a ban on such officiating by its members led to the NYBR meeting Friday and approval of the membership ban, which he said was "unprecedented" for such an organization of rabbis. The CCAR delegates approved a resolution strongly opposing such officiating by members but also approved an amendment upholding the CCAR's standing position that each member had the right to act in such matters in accordance with his interpretation of Jewish tradition.

Rabbi Berkowitz said he had discussed briefly at the meeting with Rabbi Glaser the latter!sstatement he would\_challenge, the ruling in civil court. Rabbi Gläser Told the JTA that he was "extremely reluctant" to bring the issue into civil court and would prefer to have it handled by a Beth Din (rabbinical court) if one could be arranged which would be "objective."

Rabbi Glaser said he had discussed his plans with CCAR officers before placing the matter before his attorney on how to handle such a suit, But he said he would act as a private member of the NYBR, and not as an official of the CCAR, He said he would probably seek a class action suit for an injunction against the resolution on grounds that the vote was allegedly conducted improperly.

Orthodox Body Urged To Quit 'Mixed Religious Groups'

The mixed marriage issue was raised today by the Rabbintcal Alliance of America, an Orthodox group opposed to Orthodox participation in any organization that includes representatives of Reform-and-Conservative-Jewry.

The Alliance issued a statement assailing the Rabbinical Council of America, another group of Orthodox rabbis, for adopting a resolution at its convention last week which called on members to dissociate themselves from rabbinic bodies

that perform mixed marriages. The Rabbinical Alliance charged that the resolution was based on "the unavoidable and dangerous implication" that if the "non-Orthodox clergy" do not perform mixed marriages, "all their other actions that are clearly contrary to the Torah can be overlooked."

The Rabbinical Alliance claimed that even opposition to mixed marriages which are "the sole target" of the Rabbinical Council's resolution would accomplish nothing as long as the Council continues its association with the NYBR, the Synagogue Council of America "and other similar mixed religious groups."

WIDOW OF HANGED IRAQI JEW

DESCRIBES ORDEAL
She And Another Refugee Say Baghdad Regime
Still Murders, Kidnaps, Tortures Jews

NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA)-The widow of an Iraqi Jew hanged in Baghdad four years ago, charged here today that Jews in Iraq continue to be murdered, kidnapped and tortured by the Iraqi government. Mrs. Adile Dalal, 38, who said she managed to escape from Iraq a few months ago, appeared at a private press conference arranged by the Committee of Concern for Jews in Arab Countries, an organization headed by Gen. Lucius Clay, U.S. Army, Ret.

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Appearing with Mrs. Dalal was an Iraqi Jewish youth in his 20s who said he was spirited out of Iraq recently by a professional smuggler who charged him \$500. The young man identified himself as David Abraham, a pseudonym he assumed to protect members of his family still in Iraq. He and Mrs. Dalal said they were here to "tell the world about the worsening condition" of the remaining 350 Jews in Baghdad.

Mrs. Talal, speaking fluent English, described her personal ordeal. 'She said the harassment of Iraqi Jews started immediately after the Baa'th regime took power in July, 1968. She said her husband, Yitzhak Dalal, was arrested on Jan. 4, 1969 by "four people with tommy-guns who knocked on our door in the evening of that day." She said she had no word from her husband from that time until Aug. 24, 1969 when she heard on the radio that he was about to be hanged. Dalal was 43 at the time of his death.

"II was not allowed to see him before he was executed. No rabbi was called to the death scene. He did not get a proper burial," Mrs. Dalal said. She said that when she visited the supposed site of his grave two days later, she found it vandalized.

Urge Continuing Pressure On Iraqi Regime

Mrs. Dalal and her two sons and David Abraham arrived in the U.S. from London June 21. Abraham said that a few months ago 18 members of his family disappeared in Baghdad and the rest of his family has had no news of their fate since then.

According to the two refugees, the only way to aid Jews in Iraq is by the pressure of world opinion on the Iraqi government. They said the harassment of Jews is a tactic of the Baghdad regime "to divert the attention of the public from the conflict within the Ban'th regime."

### CORRECTION

A story in the JTA Daily News Bulletin of June 29 stated erroneously that the United Jewish Appeal Executive, at the annual retreat which ended June 24, had decided to increase its contribution to the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. The story should have stated that the UJA Executive responded to the needs of the JDC and world Jewry by increasing their gifts for the UJA's 1974 campaign.

# BEHIND THE HEADLINES

### ARAB-DOMINATED OIL CARTEL SEEKS PRICE HIKE FROM WESTERN GONSUMERS

By Richard Bruce, JTA Vienna Correspondent

VIENNA, July 2 (JTA) -- Militant Arab voices within the world's richest oil cartel want new talks with Western oil companies before the end of this year aimed at higher oil prices, oil industry sources said today.

This was revealed after a two-day meeting of the cartel, called the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), whose 11 members, mainly Arab states, produce 85 percent of the world's oil. The meeting was held late last week at OPEC's Vienna headquarters.

The sources said Arab members want an extraordinary OPEC conference here in Sept. to plan strategy for the new price talks. A present agreement between OPEC and the companies which buy its oil provides for a 2.5 percent inflationary factor clause. But the Arabs say inflation is running as high as eight percent and they want a revision of the agreement plus compensation for the money they say they are losing,

OPEC got more money for its oil just two months ago by demanding "full compensation" for the 10 percent devaluation of the U.S. dollar. The companies offered 6 percent at first and in the end agreed to pay 12.5 percent. The Arabs were said to have wanted to make the new demands at last week's meeting, but more moderate non-Arab OPEC members were against it. OPEC members are: Abu Dhabi; Algeria;

Saudi Arabia; Libya; Iran; Iraq; Qatar; Nigeria; Indonesia; Venezuela; and Kuwait. OPEC is also making plans to combat a U.S.-initiated "consumer bloc" or "consumer's OPEC" which is expected to be formed within the forseeable future to uniformly tackle OPEC's demands. Most of OPEC's oil goes to Japan and Western Europe. The industries of those nations are entirely de-

pendent on OPEC exports. As energy demands increase, however, U.S.

consumers will find their fuel oil and gasoline stems more and more from Middle Eastern wells A British report earlier this year said oil demand in the U.S. was doubling every 16 years and that country will be 50 percent dependent on imports in 12 years time. OPEC is also gearing up for the future and looking at the possibility of the

often-referred-to "world energy crisis." Many economists in the U.S. and Europe say

that unless the West forms a consumer front, the crisis will arrive within the next decade. By 1985, the experts say, oil demands will have doub led -- but the supplies won't have. There will be a competitive scramble by the billion-dollar oil concerns, trying to buy up the last drops of Arab oil--unless the consumers agree to limit their

imports and keep prices stable. At the moment, OPEC is not too worried about

a consumer's front. If one is formed, the billionaire oil sheikhs say, they will simply turn off the oil taps on the Western world's industries and homes .. ~

### Libya Nationalizing U.S. Oil Firms

(Libya, the most militant of the oil-producing Arab states, has moved to nationalize the remain ing major American oil interests in that country. Deputy Petroleum Minister Omar Muntasser Said at a press conference in Tripoli Saturday that Libya would pay only the "net book value" for the the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation and others,

American installations.

The three U.S. groups involved are the Oasis consortium comprised of five companies; Occidental Petroleum; and American Overseas Petroleum, composed of Texaco and Standard Oil of California. The three firms produce 1.3 million barrels of oil a day out of Libya's total daily production of 2.3 million barrels.

According to Muntasser, Libya proposes to pay them only the original cost of their installations less depreciation for tax purposes. They will not be compensated for the value of their annual production or for the cost of duplicating their installations. American oil investments in Libya are estimated at slightly over \$1 billion but their current value is calculated at four times that amount.)

# SEPHARDIC FEDERATION FORMED IN CANADA

MONTREAL, July 2 (JTA) -- Leaders of Canada's Sephardic community were told by the Israeli Ambassador last night that his government was making progress in reducing the educational and social gap in Israel. But according to Ambassador Theodor Meron, the gap is due, at least in part, to the emigration of affluent Sephardic Jews to countries other than Israel.

Ambassador Meron spoke at the founding convention of the Sephardic Federation of Canada attended by 350 delegates and observers representing Sephardic communities in Canada, the U.S., Europe and Israel. There are some 12,000 Sephardic Jews in Canada, almost all-of them of Moroccan origin.

Meron said, "The fact is that the North African community suffered in its evolution in Israel because the educated and rich among them preferred to emigrate to the U.S., France and other countries, leaving the main body of their community beheaded." He stressed that the Israeli government is striving to eliminate the poverty gap. He noted that in 1965, 50 percent of the Oriental families in Israel lived three or more to a room, a figure now reduced to ten percent. Elias Malka, leader of Montreal's Sephardic

community, was unanimously elected president of the newly formed Sephardic Federation of Canada.

# BROOKLYN COLLEGE CAMPUS PAPER WARNED ON ANTI-ISRAEL ARTICLES

NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA) -- The president of Brooklyn College has threatened to withhold-funds from a student-supported newspaper if it violates recently established guidelines which demand restraint in articles dealing with racial or religious groups. Dr. John Kneller, president of the college which has an 80 percent Jewish student body, issued the warning to the "editorial collective" that puts out "Third World Edition," a campus newspaper supported by student fees.

The warning was prompted by allegedly anti-Jewish and anti-Israel articles that appeared in a recent edition. The edition was published before the guidelines were issued and the penalties therefore are applicable only to future violations, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was told today by Harold Harris, a spokesman for the college administration.

According to Harris, the newspaper spent \$2960 of student funds on its two issues during the 1972-73 school year. It-has a press run of 10,000 but has not been readily available on the campus, he said. The articles in question were termed "offensive" and "slanderous" in complaints from

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