



daily news bulletin

Published by Jewish Telegraphic Agency 165 West 46th St. New York, N.Y. 10036

Contents copyright: Republication only by previous arrangement

Vol. XL - Fifty-Sixth Year

Monday, July 30, 1973

No. 144

JERUSALEM SATISFIED WITH VETO

JERUSALEM, July 29 (JTA)--The Foreign Ministry spokesman welcomed Thursday night the United States veto of the "non-aligned" Security Council resolution. Other observers in Jerusalem, however, wondered whether it might not have been wiser to have been satisfied with a U.S. abstention on a watered-down resolution that would not have highlighted so starkly Washington's isolation in its support for Israel.

It was suggested here that Israel may have played into Egypt's hands by pressing for the American veto. It might have been better for Israel had it agreed to American attempts to water down the Egyptian draft without demanding that Washington resort to the extreme measure of imposing its veto, these observers thought.

The Foreign Ministry's statement read: "The blocking of the unbalanced and unjust resolution proposed at the Security Council prevented a serious blow at peace prospects in the Middle East by its vote, the United States saved the chance for negotiations, prevented the effective abrogation of Resolution 242 as an agreed basis between the parties and enabled Secretary General (Kurt) Waldheim to make his trip to the Middle East next month without unnecessary obstacles.

"When the Security Council vote is seen in the context of other recent events on the international stage (the Nixon-Brezhnev summit, the European security conference, the International Labour Organization meeting in Geneva) a clear picture emerges: that there is no possibility of breaking through the deadlock by public invective in international forums.

"On the other hand, the gates to negotiations between Israel and Egypt are wide open and it is to be hoped that Egypt, which initiated this sterile debate, will now study the need for negotiations." Israeli diplomats in several of the Council member states, including Britain and France, will now be instructed to register Israel's displeasure at these states' support for the anti-Israeli resolution, Jerusalem sources said.

(In New York, the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith sent messages to John Scali, U.S. Ambassador to the UN, praising his action in vetoing the resolution and noting that his action marked a continued search for peace in the Middle East.)

WALDHEIM HOPES FOR IMMINENT PEACE SETTLEMENT IN MIDEAST

VIENNA, July 29 (JTA)--"I came to Europe without a fixed plan for a solution to the Middle East conflict, but with the hope for an imminent peace settlement," United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim said according to Austrian Foreign Ministry sources at the start of his four-nation East European tour. Waldheim made a short stop yesterday in Vienna before continuing his journey to Hungary where he was scheduled to hold talks with leading Hungarian politicians on international problems, including the Middle East conflict.

Further stops of Waldheim's East European

tour are Prague, Sofia, and Bucharest later this week. The most important topic of Waldheim's talks in East Europe will be the Mideast situation, diplomatic sources said. Waldheim planned to open his discussions with Hungarian Communist Party leaders tomorrow. In a short statement at the airport, he expressed his hope that the talks would be a contribution to improve the international atmosphere, according to MTI, the Hungarian news agency.

DULTZIN ACTING CHAIRMAN OF JEWISH AGENCY, WZO; CHARLOTTE JACOBSON SUGGESTED AS COJO ACTING CHAIRMAN

JERUSALEM, July 29 (JTA)--Leon Dultzin, Jewish Agency treasurer, was elected over the week-end in separate actions by the World Zionist Organization Executive and the Agency Executive as acting chairman of each body to replace Louis A. Pincus. The WZO Executive also resolved to suggest to the Conference of Jewish Organizations that Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, chairman of the WZO-American Section, be acting chairman of COJO until a new chairman is elected. Mr. Pincus headed these three organizations at the time of his death last Wednesday.

Israeli political observers noted that a choice of successor to Mr. Pincus will probably be delayed until after the national elections in October to give Premier Golda Meir more leeway after appointing her Cabinet. Agency leaders from abroad are letting it be known that they want a man of Cabinet rank and are not prepared to accept a Labor Party political appointment unless he fits the bill and would be well-known and acceptable in the diaspora.

Some overseas leaders hinted that if no one of stature is available from the Labor Party ranks--and there is no iron-clad rule that the head of any of these bodies must be a Laborite--they may hold out for Dultzin's permanent appointment. Dultzin is the president of the World Union of General Zionists and heads the Liberal Party in Israel. The overseas leaders also noted that Dultzin is well-known and liked in the diaspora and would make a good Agency and WZO leader.

The WZO Executive decided to hold a graveside service next Thursday at the end of shiva and a public memorial service for Mr. Pincus after shloshim (30 days) on Aug. 26.

LOUIS A. PINCUS BURIED ON MT. HERZL

JERUSALEM, July 29 (JTA)--Louis A. Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency and of the World Zionist Executive was buried on Friday at Mount Herzl alongside other leaders of the Zionist movement. David Ben-Gurion, Zalman Shazar, and Avraham Hartzfeld joined with President Ephraim Katzir, Premier Golda Meir, the Cabinet and the Jewish Agency Executive in accompanying Mr. Pincus on his last journey.

"He was dear to us, he was great and he was young," said Mr. Meir turning to Mrs. Chasya Pincus and her two sons. "Had he lived longer--as by right he should have--he could have done so much more." Mr. Pincus died Wednesday morning at the age of 61; walking in front of the plain coffin wrapped in the national flag, Mrs. Meir said, "We fixed a meeting in a few days' time to talk of Jewish education. This is the first time, you haven't kept your promise."

The Premier said Pincus' life and work were the

proof "that any Jew anywhere on earth is part of the Jewish people and that the link between the Jewish people and the State of Israel is the very life blood of the nation." She recalled Pincus' role as the first director general of El Al and said the later achievements of the national carrier were due in no small part to his efforts. A delegation of El Al officials and stewardesses attended the funeral in their uniforms.

The coffin lay in state for two hours, before the service, in the forecourt of Binyaneh Haoooma convention hall flanked by two flaming torches and with the members of the Jewish Agency Executive standing as a guard of honor. The service was conducted by the Army chief chaplain, Rabbi Mordechai Piron, his deputy, Rabbi Gad Navon, and the chief cantor, Ravsever Avraham Carmel.

A Man Of Vision And Action

Max Fisher of Detroit, the chairman of the Jewish Agency Board of Governors and the man who helped Pincus reconstitute the Agency so that it now embraces the major fund raising bodies, said he mourned Pincus "as a brother. We were very close. He brought me to understand the meaning of Zionist ideology. He was a man of vision. There was nothing small about Louis Pincus. I will miss you Louis. We shared many dreams for the future."

Leon Dultzin, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, hailed Pincus as "the man of Zionist action, the great builder. Only last week we saw him in the full momentum of his work, burning with enthusiasm and the joy of creativity, devising new plans for Jewish education (at the COJO conference in Geneva). Dultzin recalled Pincus' leadership in the struggle for Soviet Jewry in Brussels, in London, in Geneva, in Jerusalem, and in New York. He felt with all his Zionist vision that in this struggle lay the fate of three million Jews. I have no words to comfort the bereaved family. We are all today a bereaved family which has no comfort."

Among the mourners were Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu, Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren, (Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef was ill), Tel Aviv's Chief Rabbi Yedidya Frankel, U.S. Embassy Charge D'Affaires Jack Butten and some of the top Jewish leaders from overseas.

These included United Jewish Appeal leaders Paul Zuckerman, Gottlieb Hammer, Mel Dubinsky; Sam Rothberg, Israel Bonds Organization chairman; Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, chairman, American Section-World Zionist Organization; Jacob Stein, chairman, Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations; Maurice Boukstein, Jewish Agency and WZO counsel; Rabbi Israel Miller, president, American Zionist Federation; Jacques Torczyner, member, WZO Executive and former Zionist Organization of America president; and Keren Hayesot leaders from around the world.

HOUSE APPROVES \$350M TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, July 29 (JTA)--By a narrow vote, the House of Representatives approved Thursday a \$2.8 billion foreign aid authorization measure that will provide \$350 million in economic and military assistance to Israel. After a lengthy debate, the House passed the bill for fiscal 1974 by a vote of 188-183.

The bill authorizes the extension of \$300 million in credit to Israel for military purchases and \$50 million for economic support, the same levels of aid that were extended to Israel last year. The Administration had requested a re-

duction in economic support to \$25 million because of a strengthening Israeli economy.

But the House Foreign Affairs Committee approved the full \$50 million amount because of the continued burden of military defense and the substantial cost to Israel of servicing its foreign debt. Israel is one of the few countries to have funds specifically earmarked in the authorization bill itself. Other Middle East countries which may receive aid from the general funds established include Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Lebanon.

\$65 Million To Jordan

In its presentation to the Foreign Affairs Committee during hearings on the bill, the Administration said Jordan would receive about \$65 million in economic supporting assistance. In the House debate, Rep. Lee Hamilton (D-Ind.), chairman of the Subcommittee on the Near East, said that "Jordan continues to need substantial support to build and strengthen itself in the aftermath of the September, 1970 civil war" between the Jordanian army and Palestinian guerrilla groups.

"This request is deemed necessary because of the cutoff in subsidy payments by Libya and Kuwait in 1970, Jordan's need for heavy defense expenditures and the need for substantial infrastructure investments," Hamilton said.

Israel will also receive funds from a \$20 million program established to demonstrate American ideas, practices and technology in education. The program will aid American schools and universities abroad. New restrictions on the distribution of the funds will restrict the aid to four institutions, including one hospital and one university in any single country.

In the House debate, however, Representatives directed that the administrator of the program define the Weizmann Institute of Science as "a research institute" rather than a university. This would clear the way for aid to Hadassah Hospital, and both the Hebrew University and the Weizmann Institute.

JAABARI CALLS FOR PALESTINIAN STATE IN WEST BANK, GAZA STRIP

JERUSALEM, July 29 (JTA)--The only possible solution to the Palestinian problem is the establishment of a Palestinian State in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. This was stated by Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Jaabari in an interview published today in the Arab daily, "El Anba."

Jaabari said a Palestinian State will be a bridge of friendship between the Arab countries and Israel. Palestine and Jordan are different entities, he declared, adding that the Arab countries are incompetent to solve the Palestinian problem. "The Palestinians want to live in a free and independent state," Jaabari concluded.

RZA LEADER CALLS FOR LAWS CURBING MISSIONARY ACTIVITY

JERUSALEM, July 29 (JTA)--Rabbi Bernard Bergman, honorary president of the Religious Zionists of America, urged the Israel government to legislate new laws curbing missionary activity. Opening the 63rd RZA convention in Jerusalem Wednesday night he said the RZA was shocked at this cancerous plague which has spread through the state. "Earlier we met with Jerusalem Christian leaders and urged them to put a stop to this unethical evangelism which has caused a financial drain on the state."

Rabbi Bergman said the RZA had requested the government to legislate laws curbing missionary activity.

has dug its claws into the very heart of Jerusalem," a reference apparently to the Hebrew Union College Branch in the capital. Reform, said Rabbi Bergman, was the path from Judaism to Christianity and there was only a thin dividing line between Reform and Conservative. He warned that the latter movement, too, was increasing its foothold in the Holy Land.

In this connection Rabbi Bergman assailed the present Law of Return which does not differentiate between Reform conversion and Orthodox conversion. He urged the Israeli National Religious Party to demand in negotiations for the next coalition that the law be amended to accept Orthodox conversions only. Finally, he called for unity in the religious camp, suggesting an alignment of all the Orthodox parties.

Urges Religious Guides In Absorption Centers

Rabbi Bergman called upon the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency "to provide religious guides and counsellors to every absorption center." He said that to date there were no more than three in all the absorption centers throughout the country. He also asked that religious centers specifically suited to the needs of young Russians and that adult education centers for the young be immediately established to permit easy access on the part of the immigrants to these centers.

"We must recognize that the immigration of Russian Jews differs completely from that of the previous post-war immigrants," Rabbi Bergman said. "Russian Jews do not come to Israel because of economic deprivation or physical danger. They come to seek Jewish identity, religious expression and cultural freedom. If we fail to provide these for them in Israel we shall have betrayed their heroic rebellion against Russian spiritual oppression, the rebellion for which they gambled with their very lives."

EBAN DUE IN SOUTH AMERICA, U.S.

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 29 (JTA)--Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban is scheduled to arrive in Brazil on Aug. 8 for a four-day official visit at the invitation of Brazilian Foreign Minister Mario Gibson Barboza. Eban's visit, which will take him to Brasilia, Sao Paulo and Rio, is in return for that made by Barboza to Israel earlier this year. Eban is also due to visit Bolivia and Peru.

(In Jerusalem it was reported that on his way to South America, Eban is scheduled to stop for a short while in London, but no meetings are planned. On his way back from South America the Israeli diplomat is expected to spend several days in New York where he may meet with United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and senior administrative officials. Eban may also go to Washington to meet with U.S. Secretary of State William P. Rogers.)

THREE RUSSIANS VISITING ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 29 (JTA)--A three-member delegation representing the Russian League for Friendship with Foreign Countries arrived in Israel for a fortnight visit as guests of the Israel-Russian Friendship League. The delegation is headed by Moscow University Professor G. V. Ivanov.

One of its members is Jewish writer and journalist D. S. Dobrushin. Asked about the numerous decorations he was wearing, Dobrushin, who speaks some Hebrew and Yiddish said,

"My true name is David Salomon. I am a general in retirement. I am a veteran fighter of the Russian Cavalry units." Dobrushin, who said he is also a writer and a military correspondent, added, "I intend to give my impressions in writing when I return to Russia."

Prof. Ivanov said the visitors were not an official delegation but one that represents the Russian public. "We came to learn and see for ourselves what goes on in Israel and also to meet friends," he said. Ivanov refused to reply to questions on aliyah from the Soviet Union. He said this question is dealt with by the competent authorities, but to the best of his knowledge there are "no difficulties or restrictions as to Jewish emigration from Russia."

SEEK RELEASE OF TWO ISRAELIS IN CONNECTION WITH KILLING

JERUSALEM, July 29 (JTA)--Meir Rosenne, the Foreign Ministry's legal advisor, has gone to Oslo to seek the release of two Israelis arrested there in connection with the killing of a 30-year-old Moroccan, Ahmed Boushicki, who was allegedly linked to the Scandinavian branch of the Black September movement.

Meanwhile, the Israel government remained tight lipped about the situation. The Cabinet meeting today heard only a perfunctory report on the official efforts in Oslo from the acting director general of the Foreign Ministry, Ephraim Evron. Premier Golda Meir said she had asked that all information on the arrests be collated and this had not yet been completed. It was also learned that top ministers and officials have been consulting on the problem throughout the day.

A statement yesterday by the Foreign Ministry said Rosenne was in Norway "to take care of the release of two Israeli citizens arrested at the home of a member of the Israel Embassy staff in Oslo." The statement was the first official announcement since six persons were arrested Thursday by Norwegian police in connection with the murder. Legal sources here said Israel will claim that since a diplomat has diplomatic immunity his home is covered by that immunity to prevent the arrest of anyone there.

Rosenne, who met with the deputy legal advisor to the Norwegian Foreign Ministry, has requested that the Israeli Embassy staff in Oslo be allowed to visit the two Israelis. The Norwegians agreed to this in principle although no time has been set as yet.

Meanwhile in Tel Aviv, police and the Norwegian Embassy there did not take seriously a threat received by phone Friday night warning that if the two Israelis were not released a Norwegian plane would be hijacked or a diplomat kidnapped. However, a police car is patrolling the area.

Last Thursday, Itzhak Kenan, the Israeli Ambassador to Norway said the only information he had on the killing was that given him by the Norwegian Foreign Ministry. Isi Fogel, chairman of the Jewish community of Copenhagen, was refused permission by Norwegian police to visit an arrested Danish Jewish suspect, Dan Erteschik. His family had asked Fogel to intervene.

Rio De Janeiro honored Dr. Albert Sabin last week by naming a square for him, the "Praca Albert Sabin." The world-renowned scientist, who was visiting Rio with his Brazilian wife, told newsmen that he is optimistic about finding a cure to certain kinds of cancer. But he noted this was still some way off and that for the time being the best "cure" was a systematic preventive examination.

