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MRS. MEIR SAYS ISRAEL IS FIGHTING TERRORISM EVERYWHERE

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--Premier Golda Meir said last night that a large number of Israelis and diaspora Jews were alive today "because of our ability to prevent the horrors of the terrorist gangs." But details of the fight against terrorism could not yet be revealed, she told the closing session of the Religious Zionists of America convention here.

The terrorist war had transcended the borders of Israel, she said. The State of Israel was fighting "practically all over the world," the Premier declared. This was the reality of the world. It was pointless to preach at countries who let terrorists go free to try again. It was pointless to look "with horror" at the goings on at the UN Security Council last week. "It all depends on us here--and you there. We must have the courage and the strength to distinguish between real peace and an illusion of peace."

Mrs. Meir said that given the choice of safe borders which are unrecognized and borders which would not be safe, she would choose the safe borders. This brought thunderous applause from the packed audience.

The Premier said the 70-year partnership between Labor Zionism and religious Zionists had never been idyllic, but it had been the foundation of the Jewish State. She pledged that even if her party won an absolute majority at the polls, it would still seek "constructive coalition partners and foremost among our partners are you, the religious Zionists."

Assimilation In U.S. A Nightmare

Mrs. Meir said that assimilation figures in the United States were "a nightmare" to her and urged the creation and support of Jewish day schools in the U.S. Many American Jews who used to oppose day schools had now, in the face of a 40 percent intermarriage rate, come around to supporting them.

Welfare Minister Michael Hazani who spoke before the Premier, said the National Religious Party could rest assured that as long as Mrs. Meir and her generation of "founders" headed the Labor Party they would protect "the unity of the people" and would remain staunch "against the Hausners, the Shulamit Alonis, Mapam and the anti-religious elements in their own party." Knesseter Gideon Hausner heads the Independent Liberal Party. Shulamit Aloni is an attorney, author and journalist who specializes in civil rights and civil liberties cases and was a Mapai Knesset member. Mapam is part of the Labor Alignment.

But Hazani said the NRP was worried about what would happen later, when the founding fathers stepped down and younger leaders took over.

The RZA convention passed a resolution strongly supporting Senator Henry M. Jackson in his efforts for Soviet Jewry. Dr. Maurice Sage, the RZA president, called Jackson "hassid oomot haolam," a righteous gentile.

ISRAEL TO TELL ENVOYS OF ITS DISPLEASURE WITH COUNCIL VOTE

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--The ambassadors of Australia, Britain, Austria and perhaps

some other Security Council members are expected to be summoned to the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem this week to be told of Israel's displeasure at their support of the anti-Israel draft at the Council last week.

Officials said the Foreign Ministry was launching a two-pronged campaign to express its displeasure to the Council members with which Israel has relations: in Jerusalem their envoys would be called in, and in the various capitals Israel's envoys would make the government's views known to their host governments.

The political director of the Austrian Foreign Ministry, Dr. Ludwig Steiner, is due to begin tomorrow a visit to Israel and he is expected to be asked to explain his delegation's vote when he meets with Avraham Kidron, director general of Israel's Foreign Ministry. Dr. Steiner is due to lunch with Immigration Minister Natan Peled who is expected to tell him of Israel's great appreciation for the transit arrangements for olim in Vienna.

LETTER BOMB FOUND IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--A letter bomb was discovered this morning in the Jerusalem sorting office, police announced this afternoon. It was defused harmlessly. The letter was addressed in Arabic and mailed in Nablus with Israeli stamps and a Nablus postmark. It contained 60 grams of explosive and a detonator.

'SIEGE' PRODUCER SAYS ISRAELI FILM WAS A HIT IN MOSCOW

TEL AVIV, July 30 (JTA)--The Israeli producer Yaacov Agmon, whose film "Siege" was screened in Moscow, returned today to Israel and said the film was screened five times before special invitees. The screening was not open to the general public but many of the invitees, personalities of the Soviet film industry, were Jews who were greatly impressed and moved by the film, he said. At the end of the festival three Israeli delegates attended the reception held at the Kremlin: Yaacov Agmon, Dr. Shaul Levin of the Film Council, and Israeli film critic Shlomo Shamgar.

CONCERN EXPRESSED OVER THAILAND'S REFUSAL TO INVITE ISRAELI SOCCER TEAM TO ASIAN TOURNAMENT IN 1974

TEL AVIV, July 30 (JTA)--Israeli sports circles were surprised and very concerned over reports from Bangkok that Thailand has decided not to invite the Israeli junior soccer team to compete in the Asian junior tournament next year in Bangkok. This was regarded as a further setback to Israeli participation in Asian games.

The Bangkok report said that the reason for the decision was given as the need for extra security precautionary measures to safeguard the Israeli team from Black September attacks which would entail high expenses.

An Israeli Soccer Association official said regretfully that Thailand was within its rights not to invite Israel based on a recent amendment to the Asian games regulations introduced by Burma. The Burmese amendment enables any host country not to invite one or more countries to an Asian tournament.

The General Secretary of the Soccer Association, Joseph Dagan, who is about to leave for Kuala

Lumpur, Malaysia, where the Asian Sport Federation will meet Aug. 10, has been instructed to make every effort possible to rescind the Burmese amendment. Iran used the amendment last April to not invite Israel to the tournament in Teheran.

Israel was holder of the Asian junior cup since the Bangkok games of last year but was prevented from defending its title in April and now will not be able to try again in Bangkok early next year. An Israeli boxing team was in Thailand recently and was heavily guarded.

SINGLE IMMIGRANTS NOT GETTING FAIR DEAL IN HOUSING

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--Unmarried immigrants are not getting a fair deal in housing, and as a result the number of singles applying for aliya is dwindling, a meeting of more than 200 singles was told in Jerusalem last night. "Years after having arrived here," said Sybil Kaufman, "most of us are still living in hostels and absorption centers, or staying with relatives. There are no government sponsored housing with small flats for single people."

On the private market in Jerusalem, Ms. Kaufman said, "a one-bedroom flat costs between IL 90,000-IL 100,000. There are only limited possibilities of finding a small flat on a key money basis, and even that is very risky in view of the possible change in rent that can come at any time. We, too, are here to help in the up-building of Israel, so why shouldn't the government help us settle?"

Replying for the government, Yitzhak Wolfson, Deputy Director of the Absorption Ministry's Jerusalem office, told the meeting that the housing shortage was general, and also affected family units. If there was inept planning, he noted it was the Housing Ministry's fault, since the Absorption Ministry cannot allocate more than it receives from the Housing Ministry. Wolfson advised the unmarried immigrants to move to development towns such as Arad, Dimona and Carmiel, where there is ample housing available for single immigrants.

Eliezer Kroll, a senior official of the Jewish Agency's immigration department, conceded that the singles' demands were well founded and justified. He praised the unmarried olim as "the most absorbable type of immigrants we get," and suggested that the only way for them to seek relief was to become more vocal and begin to exert pressure at the highest levels of government.

STATISTICS ON IMMIGRANTS RELEASED

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--Fifteen percent of the 7500 adult immigrants and potential immigrants who arrived here during the four month period between Sept. and Dec. 1969 left Israel by the end of their third year. Of the remainder, 88 percent definitely decided to stay, and 9 percent are not yet sure, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics. These findings are included in the latest periodical report on a sample group, the subject of a continuous follow-up study by the statisticians.

Sixty percent of those still here are in the labor force, compared to 49.8 percent of the population at large. Within this total, which represents both employed persons and job seekers, 8 percent are jobless, as against 2.6 percent in the population at large. The great majority of this immigrant group is in what was described as permanent housing: 39 percent are in purchased homes, 52 percent in rented property and 2 percent in kibbutzim.

Nearly all--98 percent--have an electric refrigerator, 81 percent have a TV set, 68 percent have a washing machine, and 35 percent have a car or commercial van, as against 25 percent of the population at large. Twenty-five percent say they cannot yet converse in Hebrew, and 44 percent do not read a Hebrew newspaper even occasionally.

The greatest satisfaction is with housing: 41

percent are "absolutely satisfied" with their dwelling in general terms, 45 percent are "absolutely satisfied" with its size and 47 percent with its location. If the "reasonably satisfied" are included, approvals total 80 percent. Absolute satisfaction with work is only 28 percent, though "absolutely" and "reasonably satisfied" together account for 79 percent.

JEWS IN ARGENTINA MOURN DEATH OF LOUIS A. PINCUS

BUENOS AIRES, July 30 (JTA)--Jewish circles here expressed deep grief and sorrow over the death of Louis A. Pincus. Various organizations sent condolences to Mrs. Chasya Pincus and her two sons. The Argentine Zionist Organization held a special meeting to pay tribute to the late world Zionist leader. Among the speakers were Dr. Lazaro Rubinson, AZO chairman, Chaim Chamiel, director of the AZO's religious education department, and Marcos Korenhandler, vice-president of the Kehilla. Korenhandler said that Mr. Pincus was intensely involved in Latin American Jewish affairs and understood their problems, especially the problem of education. All Argentine Yiddish and Yiddish-Spanish newspapers and journals carried long obituaries.

ARAFAT: PLO DISCLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIJACKING JAPANESE AIRLINER

Israeli Communist Youths Snubbed In East German World Youth Festival

BONN, July 30 (JTA)--At a press conference in East Berlin today, Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yassir Arafat disclaimed any responsibility by the PLO for the recent Japan Air Line hijack and said the perpetrators should be punished. Arafat also attacked Bonn's policy on Israel. He said thousands of millions of dollars had been sucked out of the German workers to support Israel. Arafat has been in East Berlin for talks on cooperation and on establishing a PLO office in the East German capital and to attend the East German World Youth Festival.

Meanwhile, 20 young Israeli Communists were snubbed at the festival. According to reports reaching Bonn, this was on Moscow's orders to East Germany because of the presence of Arafat.

The Israelis were ousted from their alphabetical place between Iceland and Italy in the opening procession yesterday although they represented Israel's pro-Soviet Communist Youth League. Arafat, frequently clenching his fist, watched the procession from a dais. East Berlin sources claimed Arafat was invited to the festival to deter any Munich-style terrorist attack on Israelis attending.

At first the East Germans said the Israelis had not arrived, then their presence was admitted but their address was kept a secret, reportedly to protect them. But the presence of Palestinians in the procession and posters linking "anti-imperialism" in the Middle East and in Vietnam showed that power politics as well as security was involved. Festival seminars and discussions were designed to muster support for Moscow's Middle East policies. There were unconfirmed reports that the Israelis have threatened to leave the week-long festival unless they are given a proper place among the 134 national delegations.

NORWAY REFUSES TO RELEASE TWO ISRAELIS HELD IN MURDER CASE

COPENHAGEN, July 30 (JTA)--Norwegian authorities today refused a request by Israel to release the two Israelis arrested in connection with the murder July 21 of 30-year-old Moroccan, Ahmed Boushicki. The two were arrested last Thursday in the apartment of Israeli Embassy security officer, Yigal Eyal. Authorities here have also refused Israeli officials permission to see the two men.

Norwegian newspapers today published the names of nine persons wanted by police as suspected accomplices: Kalles Damnj, 30, Argentinian; Jonathan Ingery, 39, British; Maria Jamon, 28, nationality not given; Lora Heffner, 30, West German; Gerard Emile, 28, French; Rolf Baehr, 42, West German; Jean-Luc Sevenier, French, and Gustav Pistauer, 44, Austrian.

In a related development, all Scandinavian airports were on the alert today for a possible hijacking attempt after threats were received in the Norwegian Embassy in Israel last Friday that a Scandinavian plane would be hijacked or a diplomat kidnapped if the two Israelis were not released.

NEGEV U. AIDS HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

TEL AVIV, July 30 (JTA)--A special course for high school teachers in the Gaza Strip and the northern Sinai has been completed at the Negev University in Beersheba. The course was designed to present modern methods of teaching science which emphasizes the training of students to think creatively.

It was the first time that male and female teachers from the Gaza Strip and northern Sinai had worked side by side. There was some difficulty at the beginning, but the teachers adjusted and when a woman teacher scored the highest grade the attitude of her male colleagues changed. At the end of the course two of the teachers, who met during the session, announced they would be married.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR BENJAMIN ROTHMAN

NEW YORK, July 30 (JTA)--Funeral services were held yesterday for Benjamin Rothman, a Yiddish theatrical press agent and a stage and film producer, theater operator and publisher, who died Friday at the age of 76. Born in Poland, he came to the U.S. in 1920. During the last 45 years he handled publicity for more than 300 Yiddish-language theatrical productions including "The Megilla of Itzik Manger" when it played in New York.

Mr. Rothman represented such personalities as Boris Tomshefsky, Itzek Feld, Maurice Schwartz, Menasha Skulnik, Molly Piccn, Jacob Ben-Ami, Cella Adler and Ola Kaminska. In 1954, he produced the first Israeli play in English, "Sands of the Negev," and in 1959 he produced a touring version of the play, "The World of Sholom Aleichem." Mr. Rothman also produced in 1966 a documentary film, "The Last Chapter," depicting 1000 years of Jewish life in Poland.

FREEDOM FIGHTERS HONORED

SOFIA, July 30 (JTA)--The Jewish Cultural Center of Sofia recently honored the memory of freedom fighters Leon Tagger and Violetta Yacova Tagger, who would have been 70 years old this month, and Mrs. Yacova, 50, were honored for their "heroism in the fight against Nazism."

The Bulgarian government has awarded the "Order of the Red Flag" to Dr. Samuel Josef Avramov, a specialist in sports medicine. The "Or-

der of Popular Labor" was awarded to Albert Josef Belo on his 50th birthday and to journalist Daniel Shimon Nissim.

Also in Bulgaria, a Jewish cultural center named after the painter Jules Pasquin (Julius Markus Pinkas) opened recently in the town of Vidin. Pasquin, who was born in Vidin, spent most of his life in France. His works are exhibited in galleries throughout the world.

ISRAEL WILL NOT APPLY FOR UNDP AID

UNITED NATIONS, July 30 (JTA)--Israel has decided that it will not apply for United Nations Development Program assistance after the present development cycle ends in Dec. 1976.

Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah said the major factor in the decision is that Israel is aware that during the 1977-1981 period more of UNDP's resources must be allocated to the less economically advanced developing countries in view of their increasing development assistance needs.

At the beginning of this year Israel received assistance of \$5 million from UNDP although the Arabs had launched an organized attack on Israel claiming that it did not deserve the assistance because Israel was not a developing country.

Israel maintains that it still considers itself "a developing country" facing enormous development tasks, and says that it will intensify its relations with UNDP.

MOTHERS AND CHILDREN ON VACATION

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--Three thousand five hundred mothers of large and underprivileged families and 5000 of their children will this summer enjoy free holidays organized by the Welfare Ministry, the Education Ministry and women's voluntary organizations.

Forty-eight holiday sites have been set up around the country from Yeruham in the Negev to Kiryat Shmona on the Lebanese border. This will be the third year that the holiday scheme is operating. Participants are chosen by local committees comprising a district nurse, a social worker, a community worker and a representative of WIZO or another women's organization.

During the vacation the women hear lectures on home economics, child care, cosmetics and first aid. Professional kindergarten teachers mind the children during the lecture periods.

Greville Janner, MP, and Harry Landy, former treasurer, were elected yesterday as the two new vice-presidents of the Board of Deputies of British Jews. The new treasurer is Eric Nabarro.

The following quotations from the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange are provided to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by Leumi Securities, 18 E. 48 St., New York, N.Y. 10017. This is a selected list of the most active stocks.

	Closing Prices	
	7/23	7/30
Africa Israel	\$ 7.09	\$ 6.95
Alliance 'B'	11.90	11.90
ATA 'C'	.321/2	.30 ex div
Bank Leumi	.76	.75
Bank Leumi Investment	.551/2	.53
Delek	.49	.48
Discount Bank Investment	3.30	3.18
Electra	3.07	2.92
Electric Wire & Cable	1.27	1.26
General Mortgage Bank	2.96	2.86
Hassneh Insurance	6.19	6.12
Mehadrin Citrus	.581/2	.53
Shemen	1.36	1.39
Taal Plywood	1.45	1.42

LEGISLATION BEING SPONSORED FOR CONTROL OF TAY-SACHS

WASHINGTON, July 30 (JTA)--Rep. Joshua Eilberg (D. Pa.) announced today that he is sponsoring legislation to establish a national program for the diagnosis, control, and prevention of Tay-Sachs disease. "This inherited disease will affect one out of every four children that are born to parents both carrying the mutations and its highest frequency occurs among Jews of Eastern European descent," Eilberg said. He noted that "recent developments make it possible to identify parents carrying the mutation leading to the birth of a Tay-Sachs child."

The bill, the National Tay-Sachs Screening and Counseling Act, is designed to inform the public and doctors of the nature, existence and means of preventing Tay-Sachs disease. It would provide federal funds for voluntary screening programs and genetic counseling for those parents of child-bearing age.

Eilberg said the program would provide for an inexpensive blood test to identify parents carrying the gene mutations which cause the birth of a Tay-Sachs child. Couples found to be carrying these mutations would then be advised not to have children or to have the pregnancy closely watched by physicians.

This legislation would provide funds for literature concerning the prevention and treatment of Tay-Sachs disease and would establish health care programs for use in administering voluntary screening and counseling programs of the disease. "It is important to note," Eilberg said, "that this is a one-time Federal expenditure. The program will pay for itself by the minimal payments of those persons voluntarily taking the screening tests."

JNF SEEKS TO ACQUIRE LAND WHEREVER POSSIBLE, INCLUDING THE ADMINISTERED TERRITORIES

JERUSALEM, July 30 (JTA)--Yaacov Tsur, chairman of the Jewish National Fund, said here that the JNF's policy was to acquire as much land as possible, wherever it was possible, including the territories. But Tsur, in a radio interview, would not go into details, saying it was better to talk less about these matters. He did say that land is being acquired in the Gush Etzion area for the development of existing settlements.

Tsur said land was bought from anyone willing to sell it, including companies and religious institutions. But he said it was governmental policy that the land be bought only by public bodies.

Meanwhile, the JNF has announced it will build a 6.5 kilometer road to link Nazareth to the British Royal Forest which was planted earlier this year to honor Queen Elizabeth II's silver wedding. The forest, on Mount Deborah, will have one million trees. The road, which will be constructed by blasting out bedrock, will provide a scenic view of the Jezreel Valley, one of Israel's most beautiful spots.

BONN URGED TO WAGE RELENTLESS WAR AGAINST TERRORISM

BONN, July 30 (JTA)--A leading member of the Christian Democratic Union-Christian Socialist Union opposition in West Germany, Alfred Dregger, who is chairman of the Hesse CDU, has called on the Bonn government "to wage relent-

less war on international terrorism." Dregger said the fight against terrorism could only succeed if all states proved their determination to pursue acts of violence independent of political opportunism. He said he fully supported the Japanese government's demand on Libya for the extradition of the terrorists who hijacked the Japan Air Line jumbo jet.

Dregger also demanded that the West German government should go back on their decision not to ask, for legal and political reasons, for the extradition from Libya of the three surviving Arab assassins responsible for the Munich Olympic massacre last Sept. He said this decision made "a sheer mockery of the system of international law."

It was recently revealed that the Bonn government had refrained from making an extradition request to the Libyan government. In Nov., 1972, the West German authorities released the three surviving terrorists without a struggle when Arab hijackers sought to obtain their release by threatening to blow up a Lufthansa Airliner at Zagreb, Yugoslavia.

The Foreign Office said in response to Dregger's demand that the Bonn government would not revise its decision not to ask for the extradition of the three surviving Munich assassins from Libya, and that no one could be sure, in any case, whether they were still in Libya.

On Libya's apparent decision to bring the hijackers of the JAL to court, the Foreign Office spokesman said it was not for the West German government to welcome or in any way comment on the internal actions of another state. An opposition MP noted that the Bonn government had been only too ready to "express regret" or "condemn" other acts of violence in the past, including those perpetrated by Israel.

JEWISH-ARAB-CATHOLIC-DRUZE PEACE DELEGATION IN DENMARK TO DISCUSS MIDEAST CONFLICT

COPENHAGEN, July 30 (JTA)--An eight-member peace delegation consisting of three Jews, three Arabs, a Druze, and a Catholic nun arrived here Thursday to discuss the Mideast conflict with Scandinavian political leaders. On hand to meet the delegation were the Lord Mayor of Copenhagen and representatives of the Social-Democratic Party.

One of the Israeli delegation members, Kalmon Jaron of the Martin Buber Center in Jerusalem, quoted the group's motto: "If we cannot achieve big things immediately, let us begin by the small." An Arab member of the delegation, Musa Jouin, said that militant Palestinian organizations had not tried to interfere with the group's activities. The group appeared on Danish television Thursday evening.

Abraham David Shlonsky, the Israeli poet who died May 18 in Tel Aviv at the age of 73, was honored last week in Brasilia by the Brazilian Cultural Foundation, a government sponsored body. Pereira Lira, president of Brasilia's branch of the Academy of Literature, presided. The renowned Brazilian poet Valdemar Lopes, and Dr. Flavio Prates, head of the governor's office in Brasilia, read some of Shlonsky's poetry which had been translated from Hebrew into Portuguese by the late Brazilian poetess Cecilia Meirelles. Israeli Ambassador Yitzhak Harkavi, and Israel Consul General Itiel Pann, introduced the works of Shlonsky.