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ATTORNEY APPEALS TO NORWEGIAN SUPREME COURT TO RELEASE TWO ISRAELIS HELD IN MURDER CASE

OSLO, Aug. 9 (JTA)--The defense attorney for the two Israelis jailed here in connection with the slaying of a Moroccan citizen, appealed yesterday to the Norwegian Supreme Court to obtain their release. The lawyer, Annaeus Schajoedt, has asked the court to set them free promising that they will not leave the country without proper authorization. The two Israelis, arrested July 21 after the slaying in Lillehammer of Ahmed Boushicki, are held on suspicion of murder and espionage. An investigating magistrate has remanded them for 12 weeks and a local court has confirmed this order.

Schajoedt, who has been retained by the two men's families, has not yet conferred with his two clients. A spokesman for his law firm told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he has not yet seen the relevant documents of the case.

The Norwegian government is due to meet tomorrow to consider possible action against the Israeli Embassy attache, Yigal Eyal, at whose home the two Israelis were arrested. Although Eyal enjoys diplomatic immunity, certain Norwegian officials would like to see him expelled for having harbored the suspects.

Well informed sources told the JTA that no concrete steps will probably be taken against Eyal till after the trial. The sources added that the Norwegian police have issued "wanted bulletins" through Interpol for four other people wanted in connection with the Boushicki slaying.

DENY EGYPTIANS DOWNED ISRAELI PLANE

TEL AVIV, Aug. 9 (JTA)--An Israel Army spokesman denied today a report by an Egyptian Army spokesman regarding an aerial dogfight over the Gulf of Suez and the Egyptian claim that one of the Israeli planes was hit. The Egyptians claimed that their jets intercepted a flight of six Israeli planes penetrating the Egyptian airspace.

The Israeli spokesman said that at the time mentioned by the Egyptians--2:40 p.m. local time--there were Israeli planes over the Gulf of Suez near the border line. However, all Israeli planes returned safely to their base. This was the first incident since June 28 when Egyptians claimed to have downed an Israeli Phantom. Israel at that time also denied any downing of its planes.

9 JDL'ERS FOUND GUILTY OF HARASSING MISSIONARIES

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)--A Jerusalem District Court found nine Jewish Defense League members guilty today of criminal violation of private limits and of conspiracy to damage two missionary institutions in the city last Feb. One of the defendants was acquitted. The nine were charged with illegal entry in a church on the Mount of Olives and a Christian book store, and with harassing its occupants.

Following the disturbance, a fire occurred in the book store and many of the books were burned or damaged. The court did not find any of the defendants guilty on a charge of arson because police could not identify any of them as directly responsible for the fire. The court will pronounce

sentence in another session.

GRAY'S REMOVED ON HELPING JEWS SHROUDED IN SECRECY

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--A remark by L. Patrick Gray III during his testimony before the Senate Watergate Committee has perplexed many Jews and non-Jews. The former acting director of the FBI, asked whether he was aware of any agents involved in "dirty tricks," replied on Monday: "I don't know what you mean by 'dirty tricks.' I have told you that I authorized a surreptitious entry on one occasion solely to protect the lives of innocent Jewish men, women and children and I would do it again. But this was in the course of national security and domestic peace and tranquility but I know of no agents of mine engaging in dirty tricks."

In an effort to discover the details and meaning of Gray's remark, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency contacted several members of the Watergate Committee and was told by an assistant to Sen. Herman Talmadge (D.Ga.) that Gray had elaborated on the incident in executive session and that the transcript is privileged information. The assistant said that he could not reveal the details of the matter. The JTA called Gray three times in two days at his law office in Stonington, Conn., but was told each time by a secretary that he was either on the phone or not available, after the JTA told the secretary the reason for the calls.

SPECIAL KNESSET MEETING DUE TO DEAL WITH SEAMEN'S STRIKE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu has called the Knesset back from vacation for a meeting Monday to discuss the seamen's strike now in its fifth day. The session was scheduled after Gahal, the Free Center and the State List presented the necessary 30 signatures necessary to call the Knesset back into session.

With no solution of the strike in sight, the Zim Co. has sent letters of dismissals to seamen of two ships now anchored in port and plans to send similar letters to all the striking seamen, including those in foreign ports. The Seamen's Union ordered its men not to accept the letters. In Tel Aviv, Zim general director, Moshe Kashti, said that seamen in foreign ports will be issued tickets for return flights home. "The seamen themselves have brought this upon themselves," he said. "They have made the ships idle."

The shipping companies want Histadrut to act on what is considered a wildcat strike by one of its unions. But Histadrut does not plan to deal with the matter until its regular meeting Sunday.

Meanwhile the Seamen's Union is reportedly upset by the Gahal move to convene the Knesset. The union feels it may involve their strike in a political struggle on the eve of national elections. They sent a cable to Gahal leader Menachem Begin protesting what they called "party intervention in the efforts of the seamen to improve their working conditions and social benefits."

'7TH SUICIDE COMMAND' SEEN AS COVER FOR TERRORIST GROUPS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Political observers here believe that the "Seventh Suicide Com-

mand," reportedly claiming responsibility for the Athens Airport attack last Sunday, is a fictitious cover for the regular Arab-terrorist organizations. The observers noted that the official Arab organizations claimed they were not involved in the last three major incidents involving Arab terrorism--the murder of Yosef Alon in Washington, the Japan Air Line hijack and the attack in Athens.

The observers interpreted this new information as a clear indication that after the experience of the Israeli April 10 raid on Beirut, the terrorists are more careful about claiming any involvement with incidents of international terrorism. The terrorists are also aware of the decline in sympathy toward the Palestinian cause with any such incident. Israeli observers insisted that the regular terrorist organizations, or groups inside those organizations, are responsible for the last three terrorist incidents.

The observers said the organizations came up with the recent "Seventh Suicide Command" announcement, published in the Beirut paper Al Nahar, saying the Athens attack was purposely directed toward the American people, as a clear attempt to frighten the Greek government out of plans to try the terrorists captured after the airport incident. However, the observers said, the Greek government made it clear that they intended to try the terrorists.

Israel has received no word that the Greek government had any second thoughts about completing legal procedures against the terrorists for fear of another terror blackmail attack. Greek officials denied to the Israeli Charge d'Affaires in Athens reports that a Fatah representative came to Greece to negotiate the freeing of the terrorists who last Sunday killed three persons and wounded 55. Israeli observers believe the Greeks now realize the importance of bringing the terrorists to trial.

The Israeli interpretation of the attack contradicts a statement made yesterday by the Fatah organization that it had nothing to do with the "Seventh Command," and attacking it for saying it carried out the massacre in revenge for the killing of terrorist leader Yussuf Alhajar in the April Beirut raid.

ISRAELI SEEKS ASYLUM IN NORWAY

OSLO, Aug. 9 (JTA)--An 18-year-old Israeli pacifist has asked for political asylum in Norway, official circles announced here today. The youth, Yuval Ronen, arrived here on a tourist visa from Sweden. He faces a two-year jail sentence in Israel for refusing to serve in the armed forces. Israeli law does not allow for conscientious objection.

Ronen's application has been turned over to the Ministry of Justice which must decide on the issue. Officials here doubt that his request will be granted as Norway does not want to further deepen its rift with Israel caused by the arrest of two Israelis believed to be involved in the murder last month of a Moroccan citizen, Ahmed Bou-shicki.

Talking with reporters here this morning, Ronen accused the Israeli government of "waging an imperialist war" in the Middle East, "I refuse to persecute people or chase them from their homes and I also refuse to bomb political opponents," Ronen said.

\$5 M GOAL IN SIGHT FOR COJO EDUCATION FUND

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Arye Dulzin, acting chairman of the World Zionist Executive, said

that it appears the \$5-million needed to operate the Conference of Jewish Organizations (COJO) Education Fund will be received sooner than expected. He spoke to the central committee of COJO's national board for Jewish education, which convened here this week.

Yehuda Hellman, general secretary of COJO, said American and Canadian members of the Executive will meet in New York next month and that Dulzin will present an additional progress report on the fund. Moshe Krone, chairman of the WZO's department for religious education, was elected acting chairman of the central committee. Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, chairman of the American Section of the WZO, is acting chairman of COJO. Both posts were held by the late Louis A. Pincus.

HISTORY PUBLISHED OF PRE-NAZI JEWISH PRESS IN EUROPE

TEL AVIV, Aug. 9 (JTA)--A monumental publication, "The Jewish Press That Is No More," which provides the history of some 1000 Jewish publications, dailies, weeklies and periodicals in Europe that vanished through the Holocaust, has been published here by the Federation of World Jewish Journalists. The 540-page book includes a first-hand story of the Jewish publications written by editors, correspondents, writers and community leaders who participated in these newspapers or periodicals.

The volume, in Yiddish, also has some 300 photographs of Jewish writers, editors and journalists and the various newspapers of pre-Hitler Europe. The publication, to be followed by a Hebrew and English translation, is regarded as a first-class research source on the Jewish press of Europe. The Jewish Agency and the Memorial Fund were helpful in publishing this book. Yehuda Gotherl edited the book with the aid of David Flinker, Mordechai Zanin and Shalom Rosenfeld and Moshe Ron, general secretary of the World Federation of Jewish Journalists.

NEWS BRIEFS

Two young Black Hebrew women who arrived last night in Lod Airport on a TWA flight from the U.S. were turned back a few hours later. Police at the airport were under instructions from the Interior Ministry not to allow members of the sect into Israel unless they have special permission. The women, who protested against being denied entry, said to police they had come to fulfill a divine commandment to join other members of the sect in Dimona.

A resolution urging the Polish government to declare Jewish cemeteries in Poland as national monuments was adopted at a joint meeting in Buenos Aires of the Central Union of Polish Jews in Argentina and the Argentine Association of Survivors of Nazism. Marc Turkow, honorary president of the central union and general secretary of the Latin American Jewish Congress, said there is danger that the cemeteries will completely disappear. The resolution was sent to the Polish Ambassador to Argentina.

The Ivory Coast Embassy was opened today in Jerusalem amidst dedication ceremonies attended by Premier Golda Meir, the Ivory Coast Ambassador and other public figures. Today is also Independence Day for the Ivory Coast.

Jerusalem now has a capital within a capital, with the opening of the "Youth Capital" in a park near the Knesset. The Youth Capital program will end next Friday when Shelly Lehman, 17, and Mahmud Abassi, 18, become Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

JERUSALEM TO HAVE LIVE-IN ARTS CENTER

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Five world famous musicians; expected to take up temporary residence in Jerusalem and to work in quarters in the picturesque section of Yemin Moshe, announced today activities for the opening of Mishkenot Shaananim -- "the dwelling place of tranquility" -- a live-in arts center. Cellist Pablo Casals is the dean of the group which includes violinist Isaac Stern, pianist Eugene Istomin, cellist Leonard Rose and conductor-violinist Alexander Schneider.

In their Yemin Moshe quarters the musicians will devote their mornings to a "festival youth orchestra" and their afternoons to chamber music groups. American building magnate and United Jewish Appeal leader William Levitt is expected to arrive in Haifa tomorrow and to come to Jerusalem to dedicate the center Monday. He donated \$2 million to the project.

Stern stressed that the Mishkenot Shaananim Center, a project of the Jerusalem Foundation, will not compete in any way with existing music institutions. The center will be part of a complex including studios for painters, sculptors, and a retreat for artists.

ISMAIL CONFERS WITH LEADERS OF YUGOSLAVIA, RUMANIA ON MIDEAST

VIENNA, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Hafez Ismail, President Anwar Sadat's advisor on national security affairs, was received by Yugoslavia's Vice-President Mitja Ribicic in Belgrade today, diplomatic sources said. Ismail arrived in Belgrade last night for talks on the Middle East crisis, the sources said. He was welcomed at the Belgrade Airport by Yugoslavia's Deputy Foreign Secretary Jaksa Petric, Assistant Foreign Secretary Milos Lalovic and other officials.

According to the sources, Ismail is scheduled to have talks with Milos Minic, the Yugoslavian Vice-Premier and Foreign Secretary. Ismail ended a five-day visit to Rumania yesterday, the Rumanian News Agency, Agerpres reported. In Bucharest, he met twice with Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu to discuss the Middle East problem, Agerpres said. Before his departure to Belgrade Ismail conferred with Emil Bodnaras, Deputy Chairman of the Rumanian State Council. Bodnaras is the military and security expert in Rumania's Presidium.

RUMANIAN JEWISH CALENDAR PUBLISHED

LONDON, Aug. 9 (JTA)--The calendar of the Federation of Jewish Communities in Rumania--which also bears the Hebrew title "Luah"--for 5734 -- has just appeared. In addition to the routine material, the diary also includes a list of Jewish laws and customs relating to the various periods of the year and covering all festivals, as well as days of rejoicing and mourning which are not days of rest.

The statistical columns of the diary record, that there are at present 68 Jewish communities in Rumania based in 27 towns. Some of the towns thus have more than one community, which is a group of Jews centered around a house of prayer. On the other hand, some religious communities run more than one synagogue. The total number of synagogues in the country is 153.

The Federation of Jewish Communities is also engaged in comprehensive welfare work. The welfare program is a joint enterprise of the American Joint Distribution Committee and the Federation of Jewish Communities in Rumania. The diary, like most Rumanian-Jewish publications, appears in three languages: Hebrew, Yiddish and Rumanian.

JWV LEADER SAYS WATERGATE AFFAIR IS CULMINATION OF MORAL DECAY

HOLLYWOOD, Fla., Aug. 9 (JTA)--The national commander of the Jewish War Veterans termed the Watergate episode the culmination of a decade of moral delinquency in the United States in his opening statement yesterday at the 78th annual national convention of the JWV here. Commander Norman Tilles of Providence, Rhode Island, predicted that Watergate could mark the close of one of the sorriest chapters in American history. "Stretching back for at least a decade the American people have been lied to, betrayed, promoted and generally conned by a parade of public officials to whom pious words meant more than pious deeds," he said.

"We sent 50,000 boys to their death and hundreds of thousands to hospitals for a dubious war without end that continues this very day. We have raided bombs in quantities unheard of in modern warfare on countries still emerging into the age of technology without political or military effect. We have eroded the quality of the American dollar. We have blundered into inflation by ignorance and greed and literally destroyed our ability to provide inexpensive food for the American table. We have disgraced our children by our moral laxity and throttled them when they dared to speak out against the excesses of our ignorance."

Tilles stated that it is apparent now that "our young people were certainly right about our moral decay but off the mark about the ability of the system to correct itself." It is time now, he said, "to vindicate both generations and close the gap between the young and the old by sweeping the slate clean and begin the job of restoring the moral position of our country and its leadership." The JWV convention at the Diplomat Hotel here will continue through Sunday.

DAVID VARDI, HABIMAH ARTIST, DEAD AT 83

TEL AVIV, Aug. 9 (JTA)--David Vardi, a veteran stage artist of the Habimah National Theater, died early this morning at the age of 83. He was noted for his theatrical work for the Hebrew stage in the United States, in Palestine and in Israel. Forty years ago he established a school for stage art. He retired 10 years ago. Funeral services will be held tomorrow.

SIX JDL MEMBERS ARRESTED

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Six members of the Jewish Defense League were arrested today in front of the New York Society of Security Analysts at 15 Williams Street where Otto N. Miller, Standard Oil of California board chairman, was to deliver a speech. The six were arrested for unlawful assembly. The JDL was protesting a letter SOCAL sent to its employees and stockholders which urged support of the Arabs. The JDL issued a statement which said, "We will never let corporate interests sell Jewish blood for our oil."

TEMKIN APPEALS FOR HIS DAUGHTER

LONDON, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Jewish sources in the Soviet Union reported that Alexander Temkin, whose 13-year-old daughter, Marina, was abducted from their Moscow home and sent to the "Orlyonok" prisoners' camp, has written an open letter to lawyers all over the world asking them to intervene in his case and to help reverse the decision which deprived him of parental rights. He concluded his letter with the plea: "The tragedy of my daughter is a consequence of injustice. I am appealing to you because without your support I will not be able to procure justice."

Stanley N. Nowinski, a "righteous gentile," will visit Israel next week.

REFORM RABBIS URGED TO BOYCOTT SOCIAL

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Reform rabbis of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in the United States and Canada were urged today to participate in a boycott against the Standard Oil Company of California (SOCAL). In a letter to Otto N. Miller, chairman of the board of SOCAL, Rabbi Joseph B. Glaser, executive vice-president of the CCAR, informed the company that he was cancelling his personal "active" account and informing his colleagues to join him in a boycott against their products and services.

Rabbi Glaser sharply condemned SOCAL's "ill disguised call for one-sided support for the Arabs, in their intransigent struggle against the State of Israel." He further charged SOCAL with "blatantly financially motivated intrusion into the delicate area of Middle East politics."

He added, "It would seem to me that after all of the trouble in which ITT has gotten itself, you would have been a little more cautious about playing the crude game of multi-national corporate power politics. You are particularly vulnerable because of all of the questions that are being asked most seriously about the overall integrity of the major oil companies, which, it is now generally agreed, seem to have deliberately created the so-called energy crisis."

The letter to Miller included Rabbi Glaser's destroyed credit card with the company.

WALDHEIM DISCUSSES MIDEAST WITH COMMUNIST LEADERS; WILL ATTEND CONCLAVE OF NEUTRAL NATIONS IN ALGERIA

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Secretary General Kurt Waldheim has discussed, among other subjects, the Middle East situation with the Communist leaders he has met so far in his East European tour, according to a UN spokesman. Waldheim is due back here Aug. 19. According to the spokesman, the Secretary General will set a date for his Mideast visit after he ascertains when the Arab and Israeli leaders he wants to meet with will be available.

Meanwhile it was learned that Waldheim will attend a meeting early Sept. in Algeria of non-aligned nations. Among those participating will be Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia. It was not known whether Waldheim will visit Israel before or after the meeting in Algeria. He is, however, scheduled to complete his Mideast tour before the UN General Assembly reconvenes Sept. 18.

ISRAEL PREPARING FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Senior Israeli ambassadors and senior Foreign Ministry officials will meet in Jerusalem to map plans for the opening of the General Assembly next month and to discuss various problems that are anticipated during the Assembly session. It was reliably learned that Egypt is preparing a wide-scale diplomatic attack on Israel in an effort to indict her in the world body. The Egyptians, according to reports, are planning to launch this offensive at a meeting of the non-aligned states scheduled to meet in Algeria beginning Sept. 5.

The meeting of the Israeli ambassadors and ministry officials is due to take place when Foreign Minister Abba Eban returns from his visit to South America and the United States. It was reported earlier that Eban is due to meet with United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim while he is in New York. Eban will preside over the meeting of the ambassadors and Foreign Min-

istry officials.

LEVICH APPEALS FOR HIS SON; ALL EFFORTS SO FAR IN VAIN

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--"I am surrounded by stone walls which thus far have proved to be impenetrable to my personal efforts," prominent Soviet scientist, Prof. Benjamin G. Levich summed up the efforts of months of appeals on behalf of his son, Evgeny Levich, a 25-year-old astrophysicist. Evgeny was drafted into the army May 16, in apparent retaliation for his father's activities in his own struggle to obtain permission to emigrate to Israel.

In a telephone conversation, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry reported, Prof. Levich pleaded: "Evgeny has been made to serve in the army in spite of his being totally unfit. The conditions of his service are such that his life is in danger." In response to Prof. Levich's contention that his son is unfit for military duty, officials answered that "since he has been drafted--that means he is healthy."

The case of Evgeny Levich has attracted the attention of prominent political and academic figures who have issued appeals to Soviet authorities on his behalf. According to Prof. Levich, the authorities' activities thus far have been "in violation of all the accepted legal standards in the country...it is necessary to emphasize that what has happened to Evgeny Levich is by no means an ordinary procedure....All this is meant as a severe punishment for his openly expressed national and moral convictions."

REID URGES ADMINISTRATION TO HELP SPEED SOVIET JEWISH EMIGRATION

VIENNA, Aug. 9 (JTA)--A U.S. Congressman on visit here asked the Nixon Administration today to help speed up emigration of Soviet Jews to Israel. "I think there is much more the Administration could do to speed up emigration of Soviet Jews to Israel," Rep. Ogden R. Reid (D.N.Y.) said. Considering this question, the White House should not forget that the Soviet Union is "anxious for more trade," Reid, who changed his party registration from Republican to Democrat in 1972, said the U.S. Congress will have to insist on the freedom to emigrate. "It is the fundamental right of people all over the world," he added.

Reid who is going on an eight-day fact-finding tour to Israel, made a stopover in Vienna today where he was on hand at the railroad terminal to welcome a group of 22 Soviet Jews enroute from Moscow to Tel Aviv. The Congressman, a former U.S. Ambassador to Israel during the Eisenhower Administration, said "top level talks between the United States and the Soviet Union have produced no progress in the question of Jewish emigration from Russia so far."

There are many Soviet Jews waiting for permission to go to Israel, he said, but others are afraid to apply because they fear to be sent to labor camps. Reid will fly to Israel tomorrow for talks with Israeli leaders including Premier Golda Meir. He will also meet with former Premier David Ben Gurion.

The West German weekly magazine "Quack" claims in its latest issue that the air pirates responsible for hijacking the Japan Air Line jet July 20 were directed by radio command from a Palestinian leader in Sweden which the magazine claimed was a leading Black September member.