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LEBANESE AIRLINER HIJACKED BY "DRUNKEN MADMAN" AND FORCED TO FLY TO LOD AIRPORT; HIJACKER CAPTURED AS PASSENGERS CHEER

TEL AVIV, Aug. 16 (JTA)--A Lebanese Middle East Airways Boeing 707 jet with 119 passengers and crew members aboard was hijacked this afternoon over Cyprus and forced to fly to Lod Airport. The plane, on the way from Benghazi to Beirut, was hijacked by a man who brandished two guns and told the pilot to head for Israel. As the plane entered Israeli territory the pilot reported that the plane was being hijacked and that a gunman was ordering him to fly to Lod. Israeli military planes intercepted the Boeing 707 and guided it to the airport where it landed at the far end of the landing strip.

The plane was immediately surrounded by Israeli security troops and commando units. Less than an hour after it landed, commando troops stormed the plane and captured the hijacker and freed the passengers. Lod Airport, which had been alerted to the hijack, was under tight security wraps.

Israeli officials described the hijacker as a "drunken madman." This tallied with the description given by passengers who described the hijacker as a "crazy drunken man who kept smiling as he brandished his two guns and ordered the pilot to change course." First reports had it that there were two hijackers aboard, but this proved to be false. It was also reported that the hijacker asked Israeli authorities for political asylum but this could not be confirmed.

Pilot Offered Aid By Israelis

Defense Minister Moshe Dayan and Army Chief of Staff David Elazar rushed to Lod Airport as soon as the news of the hijack and its diversion to Israel was reported. Both officials offered the pilot of the plane any aid he required. Passengers applauded the Israeli commandos when they seized the hijacker. The passengers were taken to an area of the airport landing space and given refreshments and cookies.

The hijacker, identified as Muhammad Zaitouni, 37, was being held by Israeli authorities for questioning. There was no immediate disclosure of his nationality. There were reports that Zaitouni was wounded during the capture as the sound of a gun being fired was heard. Later, however, it was reported that the firing occurred when one of his two guns fell to the floor and went off by accident.

The hijacker was apparently kept talking at the door of the plane by Israeli security agents while another group forced their way through an emergency exit on the other side of the plane. Three of them jumped the hijacker and overpowered him.

Premier Golda Meir, speaking at a political rally later, said the incident was an example of what is happening in commercial air travel today. "A young drunken madman with two pistols can endanger the life of passengers," she said. Mrs. Meir said that there was an Arab envoy aboard but he would be allowed to leave with the other passengers. She was apparently referring to the Libyan Ambassador to Iraq.

A spokesman for the Palestine Liberation Organization in Beirut said that Israel at first re-

fused to allow the plane to land at Lod Airport but subsequently agreed. Today's incident happened just six days after Israel intercepted a Lebanese airliner over Beirut and forced it down in Israel and less than 24 hours after the Security Council condemned Israel for the action.

The only time previously a plane was hijacked to Israel was in May, 1972, when Arab terrorists took over a Belgian Sabena Boeing 707. Israeli commandos, disguised as maintenance men, bluffed their way aboard killing two of the hijackers.

ALPA ASKS U.S. TO BAR ISRAELI COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS UNLESS IT PLEDGES TO HALT INTERCEPTIONS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Secretary of State William P. Rogers was asked by the U.S. Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA) to consider taking steps to suspend Israeli commercial air service to and from the U.S. unless Israel promises not to repeat interception of an Arab airliner. In its message to Rogers, ALPA stated that Israel should give assurance "to the international aviation community that illegal acts such as those engaged in last Saturday against an Iraqi commercial airliner over Lebanese airspace will not occur again." The interception actually occurred Friday night.

The letter to Rogers followed action by the Canadian Airline Pilots Association which yesterday urged the Canadian government to bar flights to Canada by Israeli commercial airliners if Israel did not immediately guarantee that it would "never again" conduct or condone interference with civilian flights.

The ALPA letter to Rogers also stated that if Israeli assurances are not "forthcoming, the U.S. government should consider the possibility of suspending commercial air services by Israeli aircraft, to and from the U.S., until they are obtained." The letter added that the Administration should consider developing a similar policy to deal with any future violations of international civil aviation law by any country.

There is some indication that the action by ALPA and CALPA will provide additional fuel to the movement generated yesterday by the Security Council resolution which called on the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to consider the Council's condemnation of Israel and warning that such acts should not be repeated. The ICAO general assembly is due to meet Aug. 28 in Rome.

ISRAELIS ANGERED AT COUNCIL VOTE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 16 (JTA)--There was no immediate official government reaction to the United Nations Security Council's resolution condemning Israel for intercepting a Lebanese airliner last Friday. But government officials privately expressed anger at the resolution adopted yesterday unanimously by the 15-member Council, which they said distorted the rules of justice by failing to cite the atrocities of Arab terrorist organizations and the Arab states which give aid and shelter to the terrorists. "It is typical of what happens at the United Nations and within the Security Council," officials declared.

Communications Minister Shimon Peres sent a cable to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) today which said that Israel had acted

in self-defense in an attempt to stamp out international terrorism against civil aircraft.

Right To Exist And Defense

In a speech before the Council vote was taken, Gen. David Elazar, Chief of Staff, said Israel had no way to get at terrorists according to the principles of international law. "But we have the right to exist and defend ourselves," he said. "In the name of these rights," Elazar continued, "and of the moral force that grows out of them we have raided the terrorists' bases, penetrated their command posts and struck at their leaders. Those who continue to murder and to devote themselves to the destruction of Israel will yet feel our hands upon them."

Elazar was speaking at a celebration marking the 25th anniversary of the minorities unit of the Israeli Defense Forces. He said since the international community had not done anything to stop terrorism, the burden has fallen on Israel alone.

Israeli newspapers said today that Israel cannot accept the Council ruling and called for a continuing war against terrorism. Davar, the Histadrut paper, said, "The condemnation of Israel's counter-action will not change the decision to continue to attack Arab terrorists at every opportunity wherever they can be reached." Yediot Aharonot, attacking the U.S. for its vote, commented: "We saw how America reacted when Cuba set up missile batteries aimed at Washington. If they (the U. S.) then demand for us to abstain from hitting the terrorist organizations in Beirut, to conform with international law, we know how to take this."

Meanwhile, one of the 55 persons who was injured during the Arab terrorist attack in the Athens Airport died in an Athens hospital, bringing the number of persons killed to four. The latest casualty was Laura Haack, 16, of New Berlin, Wisconsin.

INTERPOL ASKED TO HELP IN CAPTURE OF TWO DRUG SMUGGLERS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Israel is seeking the aid of Interpol in locating two persons who escaped from the Lebanese boat carrying two tons of hashish. Four other persons were captured when the boat was seized in Israeli territorial waters near the resort town of Nahariya. The four captured included a Lebanese and three Egyptians.

Police sources here said that after investigating the sailors-smugglers it was learned that the boat was heading for Egypt from Lebanon. The two missing persons are reported to be a sailor and the drug merchant. The capture of the fishing vessel marked the largest seizure of drugs in Israel.

LABOR PARTY MAPS PLANS ON FUTURE POLICY IN ADMINISTERED TERRITORIES

JERUSALEM, Aug. 16 (JTA)--The Labor Party leadership emerged this week in near-agreement from its fifth meeting on the future policy in the territories. Meeting at Premier Golda Meir's office here, the ministers went a long way toward Defense Minister Moshe Dayan's demands for a working program in the territories. A final meeting on the subject is scheduled within the next several days, to adopt the lines suggested in a working paper composed by Minister Israel Galili, which is close to Dayan's ideas.

The meeting focussed on two areas of disagreement in past sessions--the creation of the city of Yamit in the Gaza area and land sales beyond the Green Line. It was agreed to bring

Yamit into being in a series of phases over a number of years. It was also agreed to enlarge the proposed urban center from the original 350 housing units to 900. Dayan is reported to have suggested 1000 housing units.

The Labor leaders also agreed in principle that a team of experts should look into Dayan's proposal for setting up a deep sea port on the northern Sinai coast. Dayan has compromised on the timetable, conceding that the deep sea port could wait until the later stages of developing a town that will serve as a strategic outpost blocking the vacant land space between the eventual Egyptian border and Gaza.

Formula For Land Sales

The formula on the land sales issue was somewhere midway between Dayan's demands for wider margin of private trading and the government-controlled sales proposed by Justice Minister Yacov Shimshon Shapiro. It is now agreed that the State Lands Authority will acquire land beyond the Green Line as a general rule.

However, in cases where the Lands Authority is either not able or not interested in completing a land transaction, private individuals will be allowed to make the purchase. But according to the agreement between the Labor ministers there will be strict limitations based on political considerations and efforts to prevent speculation.

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir agreed last week to find monies in four annual allocations for Dayan's proposals in the territories. These include an Arab refugee rehabilitation program and development projects in the areas, aimed at creating sources of work there to reduce local pressure to find work in Israel.

The funds for Jewish settlement in the territories, it was pointed out, would come from other sources. It is also understood that Dayan's demands for a Jewish housing settlement in the Arab village of Nebi Samwil, north of Jerusalem, had also been accepted.

KIRYAT CANADA GETTING OFF GROUND

MONTREAL, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Ten years after it was proposed, construction is beginning on Kiryat Canada, a housing complex in the sea coast town of Netanya in Israel which is being financed by Canadian Zionists.

Hy Bessin, an Ottawa financier and president of the Zionist Federation of Canada, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that an independent group of Canadian Zionists purchased 65 acres of land along Netanya's coast. Bessin said that several hotels with a capacity of some 1000 rooms and 1600 apartments and villas will be completed in the next year, marking the first stage of construction. He said the area will become the "Israeli counterpart of the French Riviera."

On Sept. 18, the Canadian Zionists will pay IL 15 million to the Land Administration to finalize the deal. Bessin said, "We aim to sell seven out of nine units to olim from the Western world or to people wishing to buy a second home. We estimate that our units due to the economy of manpower and material for such an important project will run 20 percent below the current prices while having all the advantages of western world construction."

Egypt's Minister of Electric Power, Ahmed Sultan Ismail, is to have talks in Bonn Aug. 17 with senior officials of the West German Ministry for Economic Cooperation. It will be the first visit to West Germany by an Egyptian minister since the resumption of diplomatic relations last year.

HIJACKED AIRPLANE LEAVES LOD**Passengers, Dayan Shake Hands**

TEL AVIV, Aug. 16 (JTA)--The drama of the Lebanese Boeing 707 hijacked this-afternoon came to an end when the plane took off from Lod Airport for Beirut with only 118 on board. The 119th passenger - the hijacker - will remain for "some time in Israel," Premier Golda Meir said.

The passengers boarded the plane as Defense Minister Moshe Dayan and Chief of Staff David Elazar bade farewell, shaking hands with them. Earlier the captain told the press how the hijacker entered the cockpit with two revolvers and ordered him to divert the plane to Israel. "I had no choice but to obey, having considered the danger to my passengers," he said. Elazar said that the plane was ordered to remain in the air for some 20 minutes pending the security arrangements at the airport.

The hijacker, Muhammed Zaitouni, a Libyan citizen, told a press conference that he hijacked the plane to prove to the world that not all Arabs hate the Israelis. He said that from childhood he was moved by the persecution of the Jews and that he and many others believe Israel has a right to exist. He said he was not a member of any organization. The pistols he had were purchased in Egypt.

DEMOLITION OF JEWISH CEMETERY

LONDON, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Jewish sources in the Soviet Union report that a systematic demolition of tombstones at the Jewish cemetery in Kishinev has been taking place during the last few months. The tombstones are being removed by municipal workers who are clearing the area for building sites. Among the tombstones demolished were some of the victims of the Kishinev pogrom in 1903 and also of martyrs of the Holocaust. The Jewish cemetery is badly neglected. Tombstones still standing are defaced by anti-Semitic slogans.

A group of Kishinev Jews has written to the mayor, demanding that the desecration of the Jewish cemetery cease, and asking to clean the place up. Twenty-one signatures were appended to this letter, most of them those of Jewish activists but also a few belonging to ordinary, hitherto inarticulate local Jews.

At the beginning of last January, the local authorities in Tashkent began the demolition of the synagogue. Protests by local Jews caused a break in the demolition work. But this week, the municipal workers returned and began to dismantle the walls. It was stated officially that the site was wanted for a housing estate. The local Jews collected money to buy an ordinary house and convert it into a house of prayer, but so far no vendor has agreed to sell them a house for this purpose.

WASHINGTON SYNAGOGUE RECONSECRATED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (JTA)--The Adas Israel Synagogue in downtown Washington, now a national historic landmark, was reconsecrated yesterday afternoon with a mincha service by Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz, Cantor Donald Roberts and about 200 members and friends of the present Adas Israel Congregation.

The two-story brick structure, consecrated in 1876 in the presence of President Grant, his son and several members of his Cabinet, is being restored by the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington. The building, the first synagogue structure in Washington with a seating capacity of 150 men and 100 women, was marked

for demolition in the construction of Washington's subway system when it was rescued by the Historical Society.

Henry Brylawski, a leader in the organization, arranged to have it moved three blocks away and put on a new foundation. The Society is seeking to convert the building into a Jewish museum and a library in time for the national bicentennial celebration in 1976 when the brick structure and its wooden interior itself will be 100 years old.

YITZHAK AND LEAH RABIN FOREST

JERUSALEM, Aug. 16 (JTA)--The Yitzhak and Leah Rabin forest was inaugurated today near Baram by the Lebanese border. The road leading to the forest was also inaugurated and called after Alexander and Sylvia Hassan of Washington. The forest was contributed by American Jewry as a token of appreciation to Rabin for his "Jewish and Israeli pride" as Israel's former Ambassador to the U.S.

Tens of thousands of trees are planned for the forest and contributions continue to flow into the Jewish National Fund offices in the U.S. Alexander Hassan is one of the leading friends of Israel with close ties to Israeli circles in Washington. He is one of the initiators of the project.

The forest was inaugurated in the presence of Yitzhak and Leah Rabin, Alexander and Sylvia Hassan, Larry Rooder, American Consul General to Israel, Yaacov Tsur, chairman of the JNF board of directors, Shimon Ben Shemesh, director general of the JNF, and representatives of neighboring settlements.

JAPANESE HIJACKER IDENTIFIED

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (JTA)--A 22-year-old Osaka man, who is on the international wanted list in connection with the Lod Airport massacre in May last year, has been identified as the Japanese member of the four-man hijack team of the Japan Air Lines jumbo jet. This was reported by The Japan Times, an English-language newspaper in Tokyo.

The newspaper said that the man, Osamu Maruoka, was identified through his confession to the Libyan police authorities who are holding the four hijackers. The International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) sent a telegram to the Japanese National Police Agency identifying Maruoka. The telegram also named the other hijackers as Mohammed Hassan, Karlos and Yahya Hassan Lagh. Karlos' last name was undecipherable, the police agency said.

Japanese police on Aug. 8 searched the home of Maruoka's parents in Osaka with search warrants charging him with violations of the anti-hijacking law, explosive control law and gun and sword laws.

The Japanese National Police Agency said Maruoka, who originally went to Athens, ostensibly to study fashion designing, underwent military training at a training center for Palestinian terrorists in a Beirut suburb together with Kozo Okamoto, 25, who is now serving a life sentence in Israel for his part in the Lod massacre. Maruoka did not take part in the Lod episode. Maruoka's parents last heard from him in early June when he wrote them a letter from Bern, Switzerland.

The "Diversified Israel Experience," is a new 7-month work, study program initiated this year by the American Zionist Youth Foundation. The first group of between 20-25 participants will leave Kennedy Airport Sept. 6. The first five months of this program will be spent working and learning Hebrew on a kibbutz.

45 JUDGES URGE UN TO PROBE FATE OF SYRIAN, IRAQI JEWS

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Forty-five Philadelphia judges today appealed to the United Nations for an investigation into the fate of Jews in Syria and Iraq. The judges--more than half of the jurists in the city's Common Pleas and Municipal Courts systems--called on the UN to act on reports that Jews in these Arab countries face annihilation at government hands. The text of their appeal was released by Thacher Longstreth, president of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Committee of Concern for Syrian and Iraqi Jewry.

The appeal to the UN was organized by six of the judges after they and other civic leaders attended a recent luncheon sponsored by the Committee of Concern. At that time, three Jews who earlier this year escaped from Iraq--two of them widows of men murdered in public hangings--were brought to Philadelphia by the Jewish Community Relations Council to brief Committee members and guests on the plight of those Jews remaining in Iraq and Syria.

"We have heard reports of midnight trials without counsel, followed by pre-dawn executions," the 45 judges said in a joint letter to Ilhan Lutem, of Turkey, chairman of the UN's Third Committee. The Third Committee is charged with promoting international respect for human rights and freedom. "We have been told of dozens of people who merely disappear and are not heard from again," the judges said, referring to continuing reports that many of the less than 400 Jews remaining in Iraq have been imprisoned and their property has been confiscated.

Continuing, the judges wrote: "In our lifetime we have seen an example of the shame and tragedy that can result when the most fundamental principles of law and justice are disregarded. Although the numbers of people involved may be small, the legal and ethical concepts involved are of the highest importance to the dignity of man. We urge your committee to conduct a full investigation of the charges that have been made, so that the community of nations may be assured that law and justice exist for these minorities in Iraq and Syria."

Organizing the appeal among their colleagues were Judges Richard B. Klein, Lois G. Forer, Joseph T. Murphy, Paul Ribner, Herbert W. Salus Jr., and Calvin T. Wilson. Judge Klein predicted that other judges will add their names to the appeal when the vacation period ends.

ICAO TO CONSIDER LEBANESE COMPLAINT

MONTREAL, Aug. 16 (JTA)--The 30-member council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) will meet here Monday to consider a request by Lebanon that it censure Israel for intercepting a Lebanese jetliner Aug. 10 and forcing it to land at an Israeli military airbase. The Lebanese request was sent by the country's Director of Civil Aviation, Zouhair Beydoun.

WALDHEIM TRIP CONFIRMED

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 16 (JTA)--A United Nations spokesman said today that Secretary General Kurt Waldheim will be in the Middle East at the end of August and the beginning of Sept. But he would not confirm a report from Cairo that Waldheim will visit Israel on Aug. 29 and Egypt two days later. Waldheim, going to the Middle East for a first-hand study of the Arab-Israeli

conflict, is also scheduled to visit Lebanon, Syria and Jordan.

SUBWAYS ARE NOT FOR RIDING

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Special notices have been posted in Hasidic synagogues in the Boro Park and Williamsburg sections of Brooklyn urging congregants not to use subways during rush hours to go to or from work. According to these notices, posted by Hasidic rabbis, subways should be avoided at these times because the crowding of men and women is often improper and because the attire of many women is immodest.

One synagogue notice states: "We call upon all those who have the fear of God touching their hearts to arrange their travel by bus because once there is an available way of avoiding travel by subway there is a special obligation to do so." Citing the Talmud, the notice states that it is written that "All who have a possible way of doing something and do not do it are evil." Special buses have been started from the two sections of Brooklyn, which have large populations of Hasidim, to Manhattan.

EBAN GREETED IN PERU

LIMA, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban, during a brief stopover in Peru enroute from Brazil to Bolivia, met with his Peruvian counterpart, Brig. Gen. Miguel Angel de la Flor Valle. The meeting was seen as important to Israel since Peru is a member of the United Nations Security Council.

Eban later told reporters that agreements were indispensable to obtain peace in the Middle East, but they could only be arrived at through dialogue and negotiations. Unfortunately, he added, the Middle East is the only area in the world where there is no dialogue. "I really hope," he said, "that the day will some time arrive when the Arab countries will realize that negotiation is the only real way towards peace."

Gen. de la Flor Valle invited Eban to visit Peru officially in the future and Eban extended an invitation for the Peruvian official to come to Israel. In addition to an official welcome by the Peruvian government, Eban was greeted at the airport here by Moshe Avidan, the Israeli Ambassador to Peru, and by leaders of the Lima Jewish community.

TORCZYNER FETED BY CHILEAN JEWS

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 16 (JTA)--Jacques Torczyner, U.S. Zionist leader, at a dinner given in his honor, expressed hopes for peace between Israel and the Arabs. He said Russia wants no war in the Middle East and stated that President Nixon's administration helped Israel more than all other administrations together. American Jewry, he said, is aware of its duties, of its historical moment and helps Israel in every sense.

Torczyner, former leader of the Zionist Organization of America, was greeted by Dr. Miguel Maldavsky, president of the General Zionists in Chile, and Dr. Gil Snay, president of the Representative Committee. Dr. Maldavsky, in an analysis of Chilean Jewry, said Chile has absolute freedom; there is no anti-Semitism and Jews are as Zionist now as before. Torczyner, who was visiting Chile with his wife, aroused great enthusiasm in the General Zionist ranks.

A delegation of eight youths from the Jerusalem Youth Capital left yesterday for a four-day visit aboard Abie Nathan's radio ship, "Shalom."