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KNESSET REFUSES TO GO ON RECORD IN FAVOR OF J-M-V Regards It As Internal U.S. Matter

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19 (JTA)—The Knesset, meeting in special session today, rejected a motion by the Likud faction to go on record in favor of the Jackson/Mills-Vanik legislation now before the U.S. Congress. The 30-21 vote in effect upheld the government's position of non-interference in what it regards as an internal U.S. matter, There were three abstentions.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban, speaking for the government, said the government had no cause to adopt a position on the Jackson/Mills-Vanik bills which are supported by a majority of Congress but opposed by the Nixon Administration. Recalling that Premier Golda Meir has praised both Congress and the Administration for their efforts on behalf of Soviet Jews' emigration rights, Eban said the opposition parties were not giving enough credit to the U.S. and other friends of Israel for what has been achieved up to now in that area,

Eban-objected to the opposition's counterposing President Nixon and Sen, Henry M, Jackson on the issue, <u>recalling</u> that the Knesset in the past has praised both the President and the Democratic Senator from Washington for their endeavorsto help Russian Jews. This was and is the correct path for Israel's parliament to follow, Ebansaid.

He noted that some 80,000 Jews have left the Soviet Union since the first crack appeared in the Iron Curtain three years ago. "This hasn't satisfied us entirely, but it should not be discounted as an achievement made possible by, among other things, the fact that the Soviet Jewish Issue has become a subject high on the U.S.-Soviet diplomatic agenda," Eban said.

No Neutrality On Issues Of Jewish Concern

Menachem Beigin, speaking for the Gahal wing of Likud, claimed that a Knesset stand on the Jackson Amendment would not constitute undue interference in American internal affairs. He claimed that the concept of interference "perished in Auschwitz." He said no Jawish parliament or Jewish government could remain neutral on an issue, such as the Jackson Amendment, which concerns the fate of Jews.

Beigin, describing continued harassment of Soviet Jews, said that only a few on the list of 1000 presented by Dr. Henry Kissinger to the Kremiin last May had been allowed to leave, and that while the mointhly rate of Jewish emigration from Russia was 2500, hundreds of thousands of Russian Jews want to come to Israel:

Zalman Shuval-of the State List, another constituent of Likud, said the Nixon Administration's policy of "quiet diplomacy" has been given a fair trial and failed. Shmuel Tamir of Likud's Free Center faction called it a "betrayal" for the Knesset not to debate the Jackson Amendment. Rabbi Moshe Zvi Neriah, of the National Religious Party, breached calition discipling to vote with Likud. He said he felt free to act according to his conscience since he is not running for reelection to the Knesset.

IFALPA HEAD RAPS ICAO

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- The Interna-

tional Federation of Airline Pilots Associations (IFALPA) is polling its membership in 65 countries on direct action against aerial hijacking and other forms of terrorism directed against civil aviation, it was learned here.

Capt. James O'Grady, president of the 50,000member group charged today at a press conference in Rome that the General Assembly of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), which winds up a month-long meeting in Rome on Friday, has "almost certainly been a failure" as far as coming up with effective measures against air piracy is concerned,

O'Grady disclosed that the IFALPA membership is being asked for its views on imposing an automatic 48-hour ban on air traffic in and out of any country which diverts a civil airliner from its scheduled course. The proposal was first suggested following Israel's diversion of a Lebanese airliner last Aug. 10.

The IFALPA official said that if ICAO, individual states and international airlines eyided their responsibilities "the time will come or drastic action on the part of our membership to halt the senseless terror that has infected the world."

CHARGE CHILE'S PROBLEMS WERE DUE TO 'JEWISH COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY'

NEW YORK, Sept. 19 (JTA)—According to a report received here this morning a "Jewish Communist conspiracy" is being held responsible for the economic and social problems that developed while Dr. Salvador Allenbled Gossens

was President of Chile.

A letter to the editor of "El Mercurio," one of two major daily newspapers that is being allowed to publish by the military junta which overthrew the Allende government last week, stated in part that "the Jewish Communist conspiracy had to be destroyed. There should be a Jew hanging from every lamp post in Providencia (a large upper and middle class section in Santiago)."

The report was broadcast by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's "As It Happens" news feature radio program. According to CBC, the letter to the editor was prominently displayed in an issue of "El Mercurlo" this week.

NYET TO LEVICH ON BOSTON MEETING

LONDON, Sept. 19 (JTA)--Jewish sources in the Soviet Union reported today that Prof. Benjamin Levich has been denied permission by Soviet authorities to attend a meeting Oct. 9 of the American Electro-Chemical Society in Boston. The Society invited him to address its conference and to accept its 1973 Palladium Medal. (In Boston, a spokesman for the Society said that if Dr. Levich is not labowed to attend the meeting the gathering will conduct an in absentia presentation of the medal.)

Jewish sources in the Soviet Union also reported that Prof. Levich has received a total of 17 invitations from foreign universities and institutions of higher learning to come and lecture to them. Meanwhile, he continues to be boycotted by Soviet scientific institutions.

ISRAEL WITHDREW VOTE REQUEST TO AVOID OPENING A PANDORA'S BOX

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- Israel withdrew its request for a separate vote on the admis-2-

sion of the two Germanys to the United Nations yesterday in order to avoid possible serious embarrassment to the West, the Israeli delegation said in a statement issued here. The statement explained that Ambassador Yosef Tekoah told the General Assembly his country was "not pressing" for a separate vote because of objections by the 72 sponsors of a draft resolution for the simultaneous admission of the two German a states by acclamation.

The sponsors feared that pressing the matter of a separate vote "might open up a Pandot" ... box," the Israeli delegation said, It said that the result might have been that more states would vote for the East German regime than for West Germany, "a development which is obviously undesirable as the objective of Israel's move is to highlight the fact that it is East, and not West Germany that is unworthy of admission."

Israel's intention in requesting a separate vote was to place on record its specific objections to the admission of the East German Demoratic Republic. According to informed sources here, Israel came under severe pressure, notably from the United States, to withdraw its request.

It was feared by the U.S. and other sponsors of the two Germanys "package" that votes for East Germany by the Arab and Soviet blocs and by many non-aligned nations, particularly the African states, would greatly outnumber the votes cast for the Bonn regime, the sources said Moreover, they pointed out that the two Germanys "package" was a major element in moves toward East-West detente.

Tekoah Contrasts The Two Germanys

Addressing the General Assembly yesterday, Tekoah said that the wounds of the Nazi holocaus "have not yet all healed." He declared that "by history, by law and by morality Germany as a whole bears responsibility for the holocaust. The Federal Republic of Germany has consistently recognized this heavy responsibility.... Throughout the years, the Federal Republic of Germany has tried to steer a course towards a new epoch in its international conduct and in its relations with the Jewish people."

"At the same time, however," Tekoah said, "Israel notes with regret and repugnance that the other German state has ignored and continues to ignore Germany's historical responsibility for the holocaust and the moral obligations arising from it. It has compounded the gravity of this attitude by giving support and practical assistance to the campaign of violence and murder waged against Israel and the Jewish people—by Arab terror organizations...."

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The Government of Israel: 'has alway-tavored the principle of universality et the United Nations,' Tekoah stated, "It has always welcomed and attached great importance to international detente....It cannot, however, pass in silence over the policy of the German Democratic.Republic,' Accordingly, Israel "supports the admission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations, but desires to place on record its opposition to the admission of the German Democratic Republic," the Israeli-envoy sald,

KEATING: ISRAEL SHOULD VIEW U.S. IN ECONOMIC, NOT ONLY MILITARY, TERMS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- U.S. Ambassador Kenneth Keating said here today that the U.S. places high value on the Israeli market which has imported from America as much as Israel's four Arab neighbors combined and as much as a large nation like India.

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Lately, however, Israel's purchases from the U.S. have been dwindling, Keating said at a luncheon of the Israel-American Chamber of Commerce, "Israel should not think of America only as a supplier of Phantoms, Skyhawks and tanks" but also as a source of commodities and materiel, he said. The Ambassador added that "the U.S. seeks fair access to all markets for our goods and this definitely includes Israel."

His remarks were related to the forthcoming "Technology-73" exhibit on the Tel Aviv Fair - Grounds where the U.S. will display new industrial machinery for the benefit of Israeli customers.

DULZIN SAYS JEWISH AGENCY'S ALIYA BUDGET WILL NOT BE CUT

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19 (JTA)—Leon Dulzin, treasurer and acting chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, denied press reports that the Agency's aliya budget would be cut this year because funds raised overseas are less than expected. "The aliya budget was always open and always will be. There never was and never will be a Jew who wants to immigrate to Israel and will not be able to do so because of financial difficulties," Dulzin said vesterday at a press conference here.

He said that in absolute figures, income from the United Jewish Appeal has not dropped. But he conceded that cash income from the United States has declined by \$60 million from last year's income of \$262 million. Dulzin said, nevertheless, that he was optimistic about fund-raising nextyear.

He said his confidence was based on three factors: The leadership of the UJA has already committed itself to larger contributions next year; a fund-raising party was held last month in the Washington, D.C. home of the Ispaeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz, at which 40 Jewish community leaders pledged contributions amounting to \$6.4 million compared to the \$5.2 million they raised this year. Finally, Dulzin said, the 135 UJA leaders who participated in the recent Prime Minister's Mission to Israel committed themselves to \$14.4 million next year compared to \$11.2 this year.

Dulzin said he was also encouraged by a meeting of European contributors and by the recent meeting of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds which announced that American and Canadian Federations and welfare funds will raise \$85 million more in 1974 than the record \$390 million raised this year.

CJF LEADERS MEET WITH FSJU, CRIF HEADS

PARIS, Sept.-19 (JTA).—The 20-member delegation of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, currently visiting France, metwith the executive board of the Fonds Social Juff Unific. The two groups discussed the democratization measures currently being taken by the FSJU to make the French organization more representative.

The American delegation, led by CJF president, Raymond Epstein, and CJF overseas services chairman, Harold Friedman, told of efforts taken in the U.S. to stimulate the participation of larger sectors of the American Jewish community. The talks are due to continue until Friday. The American delegation also met with the permanent commission of the Representative Council of Jewish Institutions (CRIF), and discussed in particular the problems of North African settlers in France. Members of the delegation were later guests of honor at a reception given in the evening by FSJU president, Guy de Rothschild.

MRS. MEIR APPEALS FOR LABOR UNITY By Yitzhak Shargil, JTA Tel Aviv Correspondent

TEL AVIV. Sept.19 (JTA) -- Premier Golda Meir made an urgent appeal last night for unity within her Labor Alignment. Although her words

were directed primarily at the internal contro-

versy generated by charges made by Histadrut Secretary General Yitzhak Ben Aharon, the Premier was also responding to the growing concern that the ruling Labor Alignment is no longer the "impregnable fortress" it was once considered to be as indicated by last week's Histadrut elections. The Labor Alignment dropped 3.76 percentage points below its 1969 showing. Far more significant were the gains recorded by the Likud in certain key Labor strongholds and the surprising support given the Black Panthers -- in their first

political try-out--in new immigrant townships and poverty areas Mrs. Meir replied sharply to accusations by Ben Aharon that the Labor Party leadership-veterans of Mrs. Meir's Mapai faction -- deliberately dragged their feet in the Histadrut election campaign in order to discredit him. The Mapai wing has refused to guarantee their support for Ben Aharon's reelection to the Histadrut post and

he has threatened to resign. The Premier said she had no cause to "come on bended knee and apologize" to Ben Aharon, "not I and not other leaders like (Finance Minister Pinhas) Sapir." She said there was no reason for the Labor Alignment to enter next month's Knesset elections with an inferiority complex. In appealing for unity, she said: "The question is not so much the Likud opposition from outside, but unity from within that mat-

ters.' With the Histadrut election results widely regarded as a preview of the forthcoming Knesset elections, political observers scanning the returns from individual cities and townships noted that Likud amassed more than 25 percent of the vote in such predominantly Labor centers as Tel Aviv, Haifa, Kfar Saba and Rishon LeZion. Likud's best showing was 31 percent in Eilat, the most remote of Israel's important cities; it polled 27.08, 27.10 and 27.70 respectively in

Dimona, Ashdod and Bat Yam which have large immigrant populations. Similarly, the Black Panthers, which had previously been active in street demonstrations and rallies, displayed a capacity for political organization. They won a surprising 11.35 percent of the vote in Lod which has a large population of immigrants from Soviet Georgia and took 7.27 percent of the Dimona vote. In Beersheba the

vote giving them four seats on the 41-member Labor Council. OIL IS POLITICAL WEAPON AGAINST U.S.

LONDON, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- Arab oil producing countries are convinced that their use of the product as a political weapon will in the end force the United States to change its policy towards Israel and the Middle East conflict, Dr. Nadim Pachachi, former secretary general of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), said in an interview broadcast tonight by the BBC.

Dr. Pachachi, former finance and economics minister of Iraq, said in the interview that he did not think any Arab country should or would have any scruples or hesitations about using its natural resources as a political weapon, "We

should not use it," he said. The most effective measure in his view was to keep production at its present level.

have this weapon and there is no reason why we.

Asked whether he did not think, in view of West-

ern-efforts to increase exploitation of their own resources, that the Arabs had missed their chance. Dr. Pachachi said he was totally unimpressed by

Western hopes for self-sufficiency. British North Sea oil and American new fields will hardly be able to keep up with the increase in demands over the coming years, let along meet demands which already exist, Dr. Pachachi said, RABBI BERGMAN DEMANDS WITHDRAWAL OF

CHRISTIAN TEXTBOOK IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- Rabbi Dr. Bernard Bergman, president of the National Council for Torah Education, issued an urgent appeal to Israel's Minister of Education, Yigal Allon, to take immediate steps to discontinue the use of the text booklet, "The Early Christianity" published several months ago by the Ministry of Education for the state schools.

The booklet, Rabbi Bergman declared, shows an unmistakeable tendency to depict Christianity in a very favorable light and distorts history by omitting any mention of the countless persecutions inquisitions, discriminations and mass killings of Jews on the part of Christians. 'Rabbi Bergman declared on behalf of National Council for Torah Education of Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi that if the publication is withdrawn the organizations would reimburse the Education Ministry for the expenses incurred to date in printing and dissem-

inating the aforementioned booklet. JARRING MISSION STILL STANDS

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- A United Nations spokesman said today that the Jarring peace mission to the Middle East still stands and could be "reactivated" if the parties so agree. He said that the Jarring memoranda to Israel and Egypt of Feb. 1971 which Israel rejected, remains part of the UN record of efforts to settle the Middle East dispute. Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring arrived at the UN yesterday as the General Assembly began its 28th session. This afternoon Israel's Ambassador to the UN, Yosef Tekoah, met with Secretary General Kurt Waldheim. The meeting was at Tekoah's request, HUNGARIAN JEWISH COMMUNITY URGED

TO PERPETUATE JEWISH TRADITIONS

BUDAPEST, Sept. 19 (JTA) -- On the eve of the High Holy Days, the chairman of the Hungarian Jewish community has called on the community to "perpetuate the ancient Jewish traditions" and Black Panthers chalked up nearly 8 percent of the participate "in greater numbers" in the work of the community. In an editorial in the bi-monthly community paper, "UI Elet" (New Life), the chair man evoked the years of persecution, then turned to the "brighter aspects of Jewish life today." He noted, "We now enjoy equal rights with other religious communities," and that "the agreement concluded 25 years ago with the Hungarian government has been fulfilled" There are presently 100,000 Jews in Hungary. "UJ Elet" has a circulation of 25,000.

The musical, "Fiddler on the Roof" is currently playing to packed houses in Budapest, a city which doesn't usually have many theater goers. With seats sold out weeks in advance, the play has been such a success that a record of it has been released with some of the best-known Hungarian singers.

Mrs. Meir's Rosh Hashana Message: PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS BECOMING LESS REMOTE

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19 (JTA)—There are signs that peace in the Middle East is becoming less remote. Premier Golda Meir said today in a New Year's message to Jews around the world. She noted that the cease—fire had been substantially maintained throughout the year and that "some of our neighbors" have realized "that they have no wars to win." This realization, Mrs. Meir stated, "has given rise to occasional voices in some Arab capitals recognizing the futility of a renewed war."

Continuing, the Premier stated: "The fact that the cease-fire along our frontiers has been substantially maintained is a direct consequence of two factors: the ever-growing deterrent strength of the Israel defense forces and the constantly increasing inner strength of our national enterprise."

Just as these constitute the "basic conditions for muting the enemies' guns, so too do they serve as instruments for the forging of eventual peace. Nobody can foretell when that blessed day will dawn, yet there are factors operative in our region today that make its coming less remote than before," the Premier stated.

Year Of Unprecedented Growth

This was also a year in which Israel moved "from strength to strength dedicated to its task of national rebirth and to an ingathering that has brought to our welcoming shores almost a quarter of a million immigrants since 1967. Many of them as you know come from the Soviet Union and their courageous national resurgence represents one of the proudest chapters of our history." the Premier said.

She urged her fellow countrymen and Jews all over the world 'Never to tire in demanding the widening of that door so that every Jew who wishes to join us may do so freely and without intimidation. Likewise we shall continue to raise our voice in the name of the remnant of Jewish communities in certain Arab countries who are still hostage to persecution and who seek freeder in their sectors here lead.

freedom in their ancient homeland."

Focussing on the growth of aliya from the West and the growing involvement of the younger generation of the diaspora in Jewish life and their interest in Israel, Mrs. Meir said that "much remains to be done in promoting aliya and bolstering Jewish education." She praised the aid diaspora Jewry provided to help the Jewish State to grapple with the many challenges it still faces and urged rededication "to the values and to the heritage that are the core of Judaism and which serve as the inspiration of Israel."

FORMER CHILEAN COMMUNIST PARTY SENATOR REPORTED TO BE IN ROME Still No News About Other Leading Jews

By Murray Zuckoff, JTA News Editor

NEW YORK, Sept. 19 (JTA)—Volodia Toitlebaum, the Communist Party Senator during the Allende Administration, is in Rome, according to reports reaching here from Italy. This is the first news about the fate and whereabouts of any of the leading Jewish members of the government of Dr. Salvador Alfehde Gossens which was overthrown last week by a military coup. According to the reports from Italy, Toitlebaum and other left-wing Chilean diplomats and politicians who oppose the military junta met yesterday with Carlos Vassalo, Chile's Ambassador to Italy.

Tottlebaum was respected by friends and enemies alike as a leading intellectual and the man who was most influential in formulating the political program and ideology of Allende's left-wing coalition, this correspondent was told last spring when he visited Chile.—He was regarded as a brilliant orator and writer.

Despite his intellectual dazzle and his staunch support of the Soviet Union, Totitebaum found it difficult to defend the Soviet Union's policy toward the Jews, During a television interview last spring he was asked to define his views on this question but parried the interviewer's question. His criticism of the Soviet government's policy on this issue was expressed only privately to close friends.

Meanwhile, there is still no information about other leading Jews who were part of the Allende government or who were prominent in public life during Dr. Allende's term in office. Among those involved are Oscar Waiss, editor-in-chief of "La Nacion." which was the former official government newspaper: Jacobo Shaulsohn, a member of the five-man Constitutional Tribunal; Dr. Enrique Testa, head of the Defense Council: Leon Chimino. president of the Zionist Federation; Dr. Isaac Icekson, vice-president of the Zionist Federation; Jaime Faivovich, Mayor of Santiago; Jose Berdichevsky, chief of military aviation in the Southern Region; Daniel Silberman, director of the Copper Mining Corporation; and Jacobo Kogan Bercovich, a member of the Radical Party (part of Dr. Allende's Popular Unity Coalition) and a member of the Ministry of the Interior.

Widespread Anxiety, Expressed

In the past few days word did arrive from Santiago that Jewish institutions had not been damaged during the takeover of the country by the junta. Yesterday this correspondent received a telegram from Moises Yudelevich Goldbaum, director of the 'Der Idishe Votr - La Palabra Israelita' (The Jewish Word) that "Jewish institutions working normally, no national harm, no human harm in the community."

Meanwhile the waiting continues and the anxiety mounts as the junta rounds up more and more "foreign extremists" among whom are some Jewish youths, former political leaders are held incommunicado and further arrests are being made.

The widespread anxiety over the fate of the Jewish political personalities under the Allende Administration is expressed each day by the numerous telephone calls from all parts of the country that come into the Jewish Telegraphic Agency's editorial office in New York. The questions are always the same: "What's-happening and is thereany word about Mr. ..." The answer must continue to be, until there is positive evidence to the contrary, that some of the former leaders may be in trouble.

On Sept. 28, from 9-10 p.m., WEVD will present a special hour-long documentary commemorating the 30th anniversary of the rescue of Danish Jewry from the Nazis. The program includes on-the-spot interviews with people involved in various facets of the rescue operation 30 years ago.

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