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U.S. AIRLIFT VISIBLE TO PUBLIC

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TEL AVIV, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The growing American airlift of war materiel to Israel is visible to the public. The most welcome sight these last two days is the huge C-5A "Galaxie" transports roaring in low from the Mediterranean to land at a military air base somewhere in the hinterland.

At first, the unfamiliar sound of the giant Lockheed's alarmed Israelis whose ears have become finely tuned to the "nuances" of different aircraft--ours and the enemies--since the war began. But people smile now when they look skyward and identify the black-nosed fuselage and high tail of the largest American military transport available.

The "Galaxies" have been arriving at increasingly frequent intervals. The fields where they land are out of bounds to civilians. Their stay is as brief as possible. Their cargos of equipment and ammunition are loaded quickly onto trucks and the planes are serviced for take-off.

But there is enough time for Israeli officers at the bases to entertain the American pilots and air crews. The Israeli version of the inevitable "Airmen's Bar" serves more orange and grapefruit juice than whiskey, but the latter is not entirely absent. Yesterday, the U.S. Ambassador, Kenneth Keating, visited one of the C-5A landing fields to watch the airlift in action. He would tell reporters only that he had gone there "to look around." The daily visitations of the American transports are heartening to Israelis. They are seen as evidence that Israel has at least one good friend in the world.

NIXON: U.S. MIDEAST GOAL IS FAIR, JUST, PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT

By Joseph Polakoff, JTA Washington Bureau Chief

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (JTA)--President Nixon, speaking to newsmen at the White House in the presence of four Arab ministers, declared today that "our goal" in the Middle East is a "fair, just and peaceful settlement and we are dedicated to that goal." The President described this objective as a "major goal and an urgent goal at this time which we believe can, must and will be achieved." "Whatever differences with regards to means we have and certain ends," the President added, "this goal is a fair and equitable peace." While Nixon mentioned a just peace the Arab foreign ministers in their comments spoke only of peace.

The Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister, Omar al-Sakhaf, saying he was speaking for 18 Arab countries, declared in English that the hour-long meeting between the President and the foreign ministers of Saudi Arabia, Algeria, Morocco and Kuwait was "fruitful." After saying the four ministers were "well received" and had a "very good" discussion the Saudi added, "We think a man (Nixon) with his achievements for peace all over the world can easily be able to play a good role in having peace in our area in the Mideast."

When a reporter asked al-Sakhaf if oil was discussed at the meeting, Nixon intervened to say: "It is not fair to ask him. He speaks for 18 countries." Nixon told reporters gathered on the White House lawn that "all aspects" of the situation were discussed at the meeting and their conversations will continue. There was no elaboration of these points. The meeting was held at the request of the Arab ministers.

Before the meeting, Nixon told the Saudi foreign minister that he will visit the Arab nation but did not specify when. "I was supposed to be there in your country," the President said, "but there was a little war." This was in reference to the Six-Day War in 1967 when Nixon was out of office and visited Morocco before the war and Israel shortly after. President Nixon made his remarks as they were photographed in the President's oval office with the three other Arab foreign ministers, Abdelaziz Bouteflika of Algeria, Ahmed Benhima of Morocco and Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah of Kuwait.

The four foreign ministers were closeted with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs Joseph J. Sisco for 45 minutes before the group joined the President. As the Moroccan minister was getting into his car to leave the White House, Dr. Kissinger was overheard saying to him: "I'll be seeing you in five months." There was no explanation given. After leaving the White House the four Arab ministers joined Dr. Kissinger and Sisco at the State Department for lunch and further talks. The Department said no reports would be given on any of the three discussions.

EBAN: ISRAEL WILLING TO GIVE SUBSTANTIAL COMPROMISES IN RETURN FOR PEACE AND A CEASE-FIRE IN RETURN FOR A CEASE-FIRE

By Yitzhak Rabi, JTA UN Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban declared today that "in return for a cease-fire Israel will give a cease-fire" and in return for peace Israel will give "most substantial compromises." Speaking at a luncheon of the United Nations Correspondents Association, Eban stressed that the return of Israeli prisoners of war is an "absolute condition" for a cease-fire. He said Israel will consider any cease-fire proposal when one comes.

Referring to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's missile rattling speech yesterday, Eban termed it "ridiculous" and described it as "extremely hardening an already extreme position." He said Sadat wants Israel to put itself in "full vulnerability" and then he will offer no peace, but a cease-fire. Eban said there was no proposals for a cease-fire and the reason is "unjustified euphoria" by the Egyptians.

Yesterday, Israeli sources here characterized Sadat's speech as "boastful arrogance born of an initial military advantage which is proving to be meagre and transient." They said that Sadat was offering to attend a peace conference only if he gets 100 percent of what he wants before the conference begins.

In his opening remarks, Eban dismissed the Arab claim that there is no alternative to war. He reiterated that before the war broke out that there was an agreement that after the Israeli elections Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger would discuss with the Arabs and Israel procedures toward negotiations. Instead, he said, the Arabs decided "to shoot instead of negotiate." Asked what guarantees Israel had for its existence after four wars, Eban replied flatly, none except its own strength.

Eban said Israel faced no shortages of oil and as far as he is concerned there is no such problem for the rest of the world because the Arab oil producers must sell their oil since it is their only source of strength. The Israeli Foreign Minister denied that Israel was negotiating to establish diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union before war broke out. He said there was no change in regard to Soviet Jews emigrating from Russia.

U.S. will Not Give Up Commitment

Eban said the only cease-fire proposal so far is the call by the United States for re-establishing the cease-fire line that existed before Oct. 6. He said he was aware of the U.S. contacts with the Soviet Union on the Mideast crisis but he did not believe that the U.S. will give up its commitment to Israel and its security. Eban was responding to a question about reports that the U.S. and the USSR were today in their second day of talks on drafting a UN Security Council resolution that will wind up calling for an in-place cease-fire and a settlement later with terms similar to former Secretary of State William P. Rogers' Dec. 1969 plan calling for substantial alterations of Israel's post June-1967 borders.

Eban said the war "is a resumption of the 1948 war" and was a war for Israel's very existence and independence. He asked if anyone believes that the Arabs would have stopped at the 1967 line and would not have gone into Israeli villages and urban centers, and pointed out that the size of the Arab attack indicates that they would have gone on.

He said the problem of the Arabs is that they went from an excessive inferiority complex to one of excessive euphoria. Eban reiterated Israel's policy: first a cease-fire, then negotiations, and then peace. He said Egypt and Syria have decided to make it more difficult now to achieve peace.

ISRAEL SCORES MAJOR SUCCESS IN SINAI Egyptians Now Hold "Decreased Area"

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Israel indicated today that it has scored a major success in a fierce tank and artillery battle raging in the Sinai desert and said its task force which crossed the Suez Canal yesterday was still battling on the west bank behind Egyptian lines. According to the latest communique which came after a day of ominous silence from the battlefield, nearly 100 Egyptian tanks were destroyed in a major battle waged in the central section of the Suez Canal area.

Gen. Uzi Narkiss told reporters tonight that Egyptian forces were now holding a "decreased area" on the canal's east bank. He said Israeli forces were "superior in potential, and after today's battle much more so." He said the Israeli task force on the west bank of the waterway continued attacking missile sites and artillery batteries "and whatever it meets up with on its way."

Israel claimed that its Air Force shot down five Egyptian planes today and continued to attack military targets in the Port Said area, the Katamiyeh air base and anti-aircraft missile sites on the west bank while flying close support missions for Israeli troops and armor locked in battle with the Egyptians on the ground.

Israel's Chief of Staff, Gen. David Elazar, told Israeli reporters today that the initiative in Sinai has been completely in Israel's hands for the past 24 hours. "We are managing to

wage the battle the way we want on this (eastern) side of the Suez Canal as well as on the other (western) side. This gives us a good chance of making changes on this front," he said. Gen. Elazar said that the battle picture was favorable on the Syrian front as well. He said there had been some counter-attacks but all were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy.

Israel reported today that 38 Egyptians were captured during the last 24 hours in the area of southern Sinai known as Merhav Shlomo. The report said that 18 of the POWs were taken yesterday and 20 more during the night. They were described as commandos air-dropped in the Sharm el-Sheikh area with the apparent mission of attacking Israeli targets. The Israeli Air Force today attacked bridges in the vicinity of Latakia and Tartous, Syria's two main ports, with the objective of disrupting the flow of supplies from the ports to the interior, a military communique said. Seven Syrian planes were shot down. Otherwise the Syrian front was reported relatively quiet.

King Hussein of Jordan today held in Amman his first press conference since the war started. He said that Jordanian troops were fighting in Syria and had suffered their first casualties. Hussein took a hard line against Israel. He claimed that the present war was the result of Israel's "arrogant, intransigent and vain policies," and affirmed that Jordan will never give up its claim to the territories lost in the 1967 war. He said that apart from Jordanian units sent to Syria, his army was guarding Jordan's long frontier with Israel. He made no mention of outside Arab demands that Jordan open a third front against Israel.

USSR Involved Before War Erupted

Gen. Chaim V. Herzog, a leading Israeli military commentator, charged tonight that the Soviet Union was involved in plans for the new Middle East war well before the Egyptian and Syrian forces attacked Israel on Oct. 6. "The U.S. and the Western world had better take a second look at detente" in this light, Herzog said. He claimed that while Russia was talking to the West about global peace, it was incubating plans for war in the Middle East.

Herzog said that contention was supported by the fact that the Soviet airlift to Egypt and Syria was in full progress as soon as the war started, demonstrating that it was planned beforehand. He said that even stronger evidence of Soviet complicity with the Arabs was its sea lift which was at the Syrian port of Latakia when the war started. To load ships and sail them to Syria takes time. They were loaded and sailed for Syria before the war started with full knowledge by Russia of what was going to happen, Herzog claimed.

SELASSIE SENDS WARM MESSAGE TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Ethiopia's Emperor Haile Selassie has sent the Israeli Government and people his "Sincere feelings and hopes for an end to the human suffering and for an agreed solution to the Mideast problem which will provide lasting peace for the good of all peoples in the region." The message was conveyed through Israel's Ambassador in Addis Ababa, Hanan Eynor who had a 45-minute audience with the Emperor yesterday.

Officials here said Eynor had briefed Selassie on the military and political situation. They did not say at whose initiative the meeting was held, but seemed cheered at the Emperor's message since so many African states have taken up pro-Egyptian positions.

U.S.-USSR EXCHANGE IDEAS ON RESOLUTION FOR UN ACTION ON WAR

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The United States and the Soviet Union have discussed "ideas" on a possible resolution for United Nations Security Council action on the Mideast conflict but no specific presentation has been formulated, the State Department disclosed today.

Department spokesman Robert J. McCloskey sidestepping a question by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency whether the Soviet Union had drafted a specific proposal for the Security Council replied: "In our discussions (between the U.S. and USSR) ideas have been exchanged on a possible resolution. These are a little more general in nature than citing specific resolutions. Yes, we have talked about that kind of matter."

Proposals But No Consensus

McCloskey said earlier that it would be correct to say there were specific proposals but no consensus. He said America's "preferred course" for Security Council action was stated by John Scali, U.S. Ambassador to the UN on Oct. 8. The U.S. is open to views of others, McCloskey added, and some views have been presented in bi-lateral conversations. But, he said, "No one could tell you at this time the form of a resolution that may develop."

The Department spokesman, pressed on reports that France, Italy, Spain and Britain have denied facilities for U.S. planes flying military supplies to Israel, said it would not be correct to speak of a denial but would not otherwise comment. He gave a "no comment" on the statement by Sen. Henry Jackson (D.Wash.) that American planes are landing in the Azores on the way to Israel.

McCloskey, replying to another question on whether NATO bases in Europe were ruled out as landing spots, declared he was not ruling "anything in or out." He added, "We have established a means by aircraft and we won't outline where that is. It is working and we are satisfied."

FRANCE TO CONTINUE SENDING MIRAGES

PARIS, Oct. 17 (JTA)--French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert told the French National Assembly today that France will continue to send planes to Libya. The Minister said that the government intends to continue its policy of applying its self-imposed embargo only to those countries directly involved in the Middle East fighting. According to France these countries are Israel, Jordan, Syria and Egypt.

Jobert said that Israel has failed to supply any proof that Libyan Mirages are participating in the fighting. He said that he has asked Egypt and Libya for information and that "the governments of these two countries have declared without the slightest reservation that Libyan planes are not participating in the fighting and are not stationed on Egyptian territory." The Minister said that France considers their answer as "a state document" and should this be proven false "it will draw the necessary consequences."

The Minister told the full House that in his view "Israel is not threatened in its very existence." He said that "the image of Israel as a small, brave people fighting for its existence has been marred in the eyes of the world." He blamed Israel's refusal to participate in any of the diplomatic projects put forth since 1967--such as the Jarring mission or the Rogers plan--for this situation.

Jobert had to face an angry House in which party lines between government and opposition

were forgotten as speaker after-speaker, with the exception of the Communists, rapped the government for its "pro-Arab policy." Most of the speakers also called upon the government to impose at the earliest an embargo which would apply to all the Arab countries.

During his presentation of the government position, Jobert was interrupted by the House with Deputies from the government coalition joining the opposition in opposing the government line. The debate is due to continue during the night session, but observers here believe that unless Israel manages to produce clear-cut concrete evidence, the French government seems determined to continue its current policy.

CANADA'S THREE MAJOR PARTIES RAP EGYPT, SYRIA FOR RENEWING HOSTILITIES

OTTAWA, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Leaders of Canada's three major parties criticized Syria and Egypt for renewing hostilities in the Middle East. The criticism came during a special House of Commons debate on the Mideast last night. External Affairs Minister Mitchell Sharp, acting as Prime Minister in the absence of Pierre-Elliott Trudeau, who is in China, said the Canadian government deplores profoundly the launching of a heavily armed attack by Egypt and Syria across the existing cease-fire lines.

David Lewis, leader of the New Democratic Party, said that "never before has the Security Council watched such a lynch-mob atmosphere with most of the Security Council members ready to tear Israel to pieces." Claude Wagner, foreign affairs expert of the Conservative Party, declared that the Soviet Union has committed a very grave offense by assisting militarily the Arabs into the position of being able to start a war. Andrew Brewin, New Democratic external affairs critic, condemned the "unprovoked aggression by the Arab states."

Gerald Laprise, Social Credit member of Parliament, criticized both the USSR and the U.S. for supplying arms to the combatants. All parties called for negotiations and all said Israel must continue to exist behind secure and defensible borders.

Sharp, concluding the debate, said, "There can be no victory but only losers on all sides" if the U.S. and the Soviet Union continue to ship arms to the Middle East. The major arms suppliers for the conflict, the two superpowers, have the ability to prolong the war or to exert a major influence in the direction of peace, Sharp said. If the conflict becomes "a war of attrition," there is a great danger it will spread to major population centers, he said.

PERON HAS MEETING WITH TSUR

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Gen. Juan Domingo Peron, the new President of Argentina, and his wife, Maria Estella Martinez de Peron, the new Vice-President, met with Yaakov Tsur, chairman of the Jewish National Fund and a former Israeli Ambassador to Argentina. Tsur was accompanied by the present Israeli Ambassador, Eliezer Doron. Tsur told reporters he gave Peron a letter from Israeli Premier Golda Meir, written before the outbreak of the war, in which she stressed strengthening of mutual relations between the two countries. Doron gave Peron a later message from Mrs. Meir asking for Argentina's support for peace negotiations and explaining what was taking place on the war fronts.

There will be no Daily News Bulletin on Oct. 22 due to Veteran's Day.

UJA 1974 GOAL IS \$750 MILLION

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (JTA)--"Emergency conditions in Israel, resulting from the new war have enormously increased the need for support of philanthropic, non-governmental services there," Paul Zuckerman, General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal announced today. Zuckerman said that continuation of these vital programs must be maintained and expanded by voluntary contributions from the Jewish communities in the free world.

"As a result," he added, "a decision was reached at a series of regional meetings held throughout the country during the last few days to increase the 1974 National UJA campaign goal to \$750 million. Participants in the meetings included the UJA Executive Committee and other leaders of the American Jewish community. An additional goal of \$150 million is being projected for the local Jewish community needs."

Zuckerman also announced that a study group—comprised of a small number of UJA's leadership—will depart for Israel soon to witness firsthand the current situation and observe the dimensions of need. The response of the American Jewish community to the UJA's one-week emergency cash campaign has surpassed the \$100 million goal, according to Zuckerman. Funds received during this initial effort came primarily from cash payments on existing 1973 pledges.

"The 1974 campaign begins immediately," Zuckerman stated. "Many of the ongoing institutions and services in Israel will suffer serious cutbacks or possible elimination unless funds are quickly provided to maintain them. The consequence of our failure would mean human suffering. Immigrants will be without the means to build new lives in Israel. The ill and the aged and the handicapped and the deprived will be literally without the means to survive. Students will be without the means to continue their education. We have no choice but to succeed. Unprecedented giving for the 1974 campaign is the one important way we can encourage the people of Israel through the difficult days that lie ahead."

ISRAEL GRATIFIED BY U.S. JEWRY'S RESPONSE

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Gratification that the United Jewish Appeal has accepted a \$750 million quota for its 1974 campaign was expressed by Leon Dulzin, Acting Chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel, while here on a brief visit in the interests of fund raising for Israel.

"The UJA and the communities of the United States, through the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds," Dulzin said, "unanimously accepted an unprecedented quota to meet Israel's immediate and pressing needs. The response to the appeals made by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, General Hayim Laskov and myself was overwhelming. It demonstrated the solidarity of the American Jewish public to Israel and its sense of great responsibility and urgency in this moment of Israel's dire need and peril. I am confident that American Jewry will meet its commitments fully."

The American quota for Israel's emergency needs, Dulzin explained, is part of a \$1.2 billion goal set for the world, the additional \$450 million to be raised through the Keren Hayesod campaigns outside of the United States. In addition to the \$750 million goal in the U.S. for Israel needs, the community leadership agreed to seek \$150

million for urgent Jewish needs in both the U.S. and elsewhere for a total campaign goal in the U.S. of \$950 million. Dulzin also said that Israelis, in addition to their high taxation, have accepted a compulsory loan of \$250 million.

While expressing optimism about the ultimate victory of Israel, Dulzin painted a portrait of great emergency. He said that the first week of the war cost the Israel government more than 2 billion dollars, and that every hour of shooting costs the country about \$10 million.

Russian Olim Still Arriving

"The cash being collected now," Dulzin continued, "and the \$750 million to be raised by the UJA, plus the additional \$450 million to be raised elsewhere throughout the world, will make it possible for the Jewish Agency this year to take over most of the services in Israel in the fields of health, welfare and education, as well as continue its program of immigration and absorption, which, of course, is highlighted by the housing needs of the new immigrants."

Dulzin reported with great pride that 164 Russian olim arrived in Israel on Sunday, bringing "the total for two weeks since October 1st to two thousand. The Russian olim are continuing to come, and be received, even in the emergency stress of war. The total for the first half of October is at a rate higher than any previous month this year."

Dulzin, Sapir, and General Laskov, a former Israeli Chief of Staff, visited Miami on Monday in behalf of the campaign effort, were in Los Angeles yesterday and in Chicago today. They will go to Toronto and Montreal before returning via London, Paris and Geneva, to Israel.

CORRECTION

Wednesday's News Bulletin inadvertently reported that Premier Golda Meir told the Knesset that development would be cut by IL 250,000. The correct figure should have been one-quarter billion Israeli Pounds.

CHILEAN JEWISH COMMUNITY AIDING NATION

SANTIAGO, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The organized Jewish community of Chile has taken steps to participate in a national campaign conducted by the military junta to reconstruct the country. A number of Jewish organizations have issued a public appeal to its members to contribute to this effort. These groups include: Circulo Israelita, Kehila Askenazi, Bnei Israel (German Jews), Estadio Israelita Maccabi, Mazse (Hungarian Jews), the Sephardic community and the Committee of Ladies. In addition to appealing to members as individuals, each of these organizations will also contribute to the campaign.

Meanwhile, Jewish institutions continue to function unhampered and communal activities are in full swing, it was reported by Dr. Gil Sinay, president of the Representative Committee of Chilean Jews. He also reported that General Jose Berdichevsky, who was chief of Chilean military aviation in the Southern Region during the administration of President Salvador Allende Gossens, is currently "the number four" officer in the Chilean Air Force. Berdichevsky attended yizkor services on Yom Kippur in the temple in Santiago. Among the great many people attending the Yom Kippur service were two representatives of the junta.

Burt Lancaster and Anthony Quayle, filming in Israel with a Biblical script, have refused to leave because of the war and filming continues.