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## PREPARATIONS FOR COMPLETE ISRAELI PULLOUT CONTINUE

### Egyptians Demolish 4 SAM Missile Sites

TEL AVIV, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Israeli forces continued preparations today to complete their pullout from the Israeli bridgehead on the west bank of the Suez Canal, an operation officers said would be finished by Feb. 21 when the last Israeli units will cross the canal back to the Sinai Peninsula. Sources here reported that the Egyptians were implementing their share of the agreement to the letter. A report from the west bank said that the Egyptians have demolished four of the five SAM missile sites they built on the canal's east bank since the Yom Kippur War.

At noon on Feb. 21, an Israeli officer, will hand over the bridge at the Israeli salient to United Nations Emergency Force officers who, six hours later, will turn the bridge and the salient over to the Egyptians. Until then, Israeli sources said, Israel will maintain significant forces of paratroops, armor and artillery in the bridgehead.

Israeli sappers meanwhile continued to deactivate the mine fields they planted with a target of de-fusing and removing a half million mines out of the 750,000 mines that were placed. Maps on the location of the still active mines will be given to the Egyptians. Maps of booby-trap mines also have been prepared and handed to UNEF and the Egyptians.

In an incident last night an Israeli soldier was killed when a patrol clashed with a terrorist gang near Kibbutz Dan in Upper Galilee. The terrorists had penetrated from Lebanese territory.

## ELAZAR DEFENDS DISENGAGEMENT ACCORD Says New Lines in Sinai Are Defensible

TEL AVIV, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Army Chief of Staff Gen. David Elazar, speaking at Bet Soko-  
low, the headquarters for journalists here last night, defended the disengagement agreement with Egypt, said there had been no violations so far and claimed that the new Israeli lines in Sinai were defensible ones. Elazar acknowledged that there were some problems in connection with the separation of forces, such as the Egyptian SAM missile sites east of the Suez Canal. (He referred to the missile sites prior to today's report that four had been demolished.) But he said all of them would be solved within the 40 day period allotted to carrying out the disengagement accord. "We did not leave the critical problems for the end," he said.

Elazar stated that the positions the Israeli forces would take up just west of the Gidi and Mitla passes in Sinai were good from an operations point of view, for defense and for the concentration of strength to achieve any desired mission. He said that once disengagement is completed, the army would concentrate on reorganizing its ranks. He said that some of the lessons of the Yom Kippur War have already been put to practical use and others are still under study.

## SCHUETZ CALLS FOR A SECURE ISRAEL

BONN, Feb. 7 (JTA)--West Berlin's Lord Mayor Klaus Schuetz has called for guaranteed

and secure frontiers for Israel. Speaking at the 40th anniversary celebrations of the Children's and Young People's Aliya at the Axel Springer Publishing House in West Berlin, Schuetz declared:

"We have called for secured frontiers and a secured existence for Israel in past years, and also at the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War, and we shall make the same call again and again, 'whether it suits certain people or not.'"

About 300 guests from the West Berlin Jewish community and from public life attended the ceremony. Schuetz, who will shortly visit Israel, paid tribute to the founders of the Jewish Children's Aid Campaign, Recha Freier and Baroness Alix de Rothschild.

## EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH COALITION GOVERNMENT HIT FURTHER SNAGS

TEL AVIV, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Labor Alignment efforts to establish a new coalition government shifted toward the ultra-Orthodox Aguda bloc yesterday as a rift developed between Labor and the Independent Liberal Party. The bargaining position of the ILP, which has four Knesset seats, was weakened when the three-seat Civil Rights List of Mrs. Shulamit Aloni dropped out of the coalition talks. Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, apparently relieved at not having to make concessions to the stubbornly liberal Mrs. Aloni, moved closer to an understanding with the so-called "Torah Front."

In a relaxed mood after making some progress in talks with Agudists Menachem Porush and Shlomo Lorincz, Sapir allegedly dropped a gratuitous insult in the direction of ILP leader Moshe Kol, enraging the Liberals and making it less likely than ever that they would join a Labor-led coalition.

According to press reports--which Sapir has vehemently denied--he remarked to Porush and Lorincz that with the Aloni faction out of the coalition picture, "Moshe Kol can no longer be Moshe Groise." ("Moshe Groise" is a Yiddish expression denoting a person who thinks too highly of himself.) The ILP demanded an apology. Sapir refused but telephoned Kol to tell him he had never made the derogatory remark. The upshot was that the ILP negotiators boycotted the coalition talks yesterday and today.

The anomaly, as political observers pointed out, is that Sapir, an old-line Socialist, feels more comfortable negotiating with the right-wing religiously militant Aguda bloc than with the Liberals whose philosophy would seem to be much closer to that of Labor. This was explained by the fact that the Agudists are ready to go along with Labor on foreign policy matters as long as they can get their way in the religious sphere. Sapir also sees the Agudists as an instrument with which to bring the National Religious Party in line.

## 'Who Is A Jew' Still Controversial

The main obstacle to a Labor-Religious bloc coalition is the controversial "Who is a Jew?" issue. Both the NRF and the Agudists are equally adamant in demanding an amendment to the Law of Return to specify that only conversions performed by Orthodox rabbis are recognized in Israel. Labor has said it would never agree to this. But there were indications this week that it was

amenable to a formula that would give the Orthodox de facto control over conversions without changing the law.

The NRP itself has reportedly suggested administrative decrees that would give the Chief Rabbinate the authority to review conversions performed abroad before they are certified here. A similar proposal is that any convert wanting to be registered as a Jew would have to get confirmation by a special rabbinical tribunal.

These proposals would be raised by the NRP in the form of private Knesset bills thereby avoiding a fight within the coalition but would have Labor support. So far the ILP has rejected all such proposals as attempts to change the Law of Return without formally amending it. Apart from the conversion dispute, Labor and the NRP are in accord on foreign policy except for the religious party's refusal to countenance withdrawal from any part of the West Bank (Judea-Samaria). Here too, a "way out" has been proposed whereby the NRP, on joining a coalition, would declare its right to leave it should the government agree to withdrawals from the West Bank.

#### KOLLEK FLAYS GOVERNMENT FOR NEGLECTING JERUSALEM'S HONOR

JERUSALEM, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Mayor Teddy Kollek has written a sharply critical letter to Premier Golda Meir upbraiding her and her ministers for once again disparaging Jerusalem's status as the capital. He complained that David Rockefeller, chairman of the Chase Manhattan Bank, who visited Israel on his way back from Egypt over the weekend, met with Mrs. Meir and other top ministers in Tel Aviv.

Kollek noted that Rockefeller had said that the most extreme expressions he had heard during his travels through Arab lands, and especially from King Faisal, related to Jerusalem. "We are no doubt giving satisfaction to Israel's enemies through the continuous affront to the status of Jerusalem on the part of the government and its ministers," Kollek wrote. He himself received Rockefeller in the capital—but the banker went back to Tel Aviv for his meeting with the ministers.

#### WJC PLEDGES SUPPORT FOR THE UNITY OF JERUSALEM

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (JTA)--At a meeting in Zurich, Switzerland last month of its Governing Council, the World Jewish Congress unanimously adopted a resolution in which it called for the preservation of the unity of Jerusalem, praised Israel for its provision of effective guarantees of free access to and the reverent safeguarding of the holy places of other faiths, and expressed confidence that, in all circumstances, the freedom of worship for members of other faiths and their right to access to their holy places would continue to be respected and implemented.

In the same resolution, the WJC warmly welcomed the opening of direct negotiations between Israel and Egypt, and reiterated "its consistent view" that only face-to-face contact and negotiation between the parties could lead to mutual understanding and to the atmosphere of reconciliation in which alone "a complete normalization of relations between the two countries in all spheres, diplomatic, economic and cultural" could be achieved.

The WJC pledged that it would continue to give its utmost support to Israel in its quest for a peace based on the security of all states in the region, within secure and recognized

boundaries to be determined at the negotiating table, and expressed the "confident hope" that the achievement of a just and unequivocal permanent settlement with Egypt would pave the way for similar accords with other states in the region and the opening of a new era of cooperation and prosperity in the Middle East.

#### URGE NO U.S. VISAS FOR SOVIET BALLET GROUPS UNTIL PANOV'S PLIGHT ENDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (JTA)--B'nai B'rith urged today that Soviet ballet companies be denied American tours until the "cruel treatment" of Valery and Galina Panov, the embattled dancers, is ended. David M. Blumberg, B'nai B'rith's president, accused Soviet dance groups of "indifference and silence" toward the fate of the Panovs, principal dancers with the Kirov Ballet of Leningrad until the couple applied for visas to emigrate to Israel.

In a letter to Columbia Artists Management, Blumberg commended its decision to cancel an American tour of the Kirov Company. But his organization was "puzzled and disturbed" by Columbia's announcement that it will sponsor a tour of the Bolshoi Dancers, Blumberg wrote to Ronald Wilford, president of Columbia Artists Management. The failure of Soviet ballet groups to oppose the treatment of the Panovs "makes a mockery of détente and cultural exchange," Blumberg said.

#### RABBI MILLER SUCCEEDS STEIN AS HEAD OF CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Rabbi Israel Miller was elected yesterday as chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. He succeeds Jacob Stein, who served two one-year terms as Conference chairman. Rabbi Miller is president of the American Zionist Federation, vice-president for student affairs of Yeshiva University and Rabbi Emeritus of the Kingsbridge Heights Jewish Center of the Bronx.

Rabbi Miller, who is also a former president of the Rabbinical Council of America and of the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry, and is a member of the Executive of the World Zionist Organization Executive and a member of the Board of Governors of the Jewish Agency was elected by acclamation at a plenary meeting of the Presidents Conference. The election followed a unanimous recommendation of the nominations committee chaired by Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, president of the American Jewish Congress.

#### NEW DRUG DETECTION TECHNIQUE

REHOVOT, Feb. 7 (JTA)--New techniques for the detection of drugs and explosives are being developed at the Weizmann Institute of Science by Dr. Jehuda Yinon, of the Institute's Isotope Research Department, in a research project financed by a grant of IL 650,000 from the Israel police, the largest sum ever allocated by the police for research.

Dr. Yinon's method, based on a technique called Chemical Ionization-Mass Spectrometry, which he studied during his recent two-year sojourn at the Jet Propulsion Laboratories of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Cal., involves the introduction of large quantities of gas (methane or isobutane) into the ionization chamber of the mass spectrometer, thus strengthening the "signals" received when the instrument detects the presence of drugs or explosives in a compound under analysis. Dr. Yinon, who has been on the staff of the Institute since 1965, was born in Germany 38 years ago.

**CASE TO ASK KISSINGER FOR 'FULL AIRING' ON U.S.-USSR TRADE PACT**

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (JTA)--The Senate Foreign Relations Committee, at the request of Sen. Clifford P. Case (R.N.J.) has asked Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger to provide "a full airing" of charges that "important parts" of the Soviet-American trade agreement were not transmitted to Congress in accordance with law.

Case is to tell the Senate tomorrow that the parts "have indeed entered into force and Congressional deliberation on granting credits to the USSR has been bypassed by an Executive agreement that extends credits at a preferred rate to the USSR." A copy of Case's prepared remarks was obtained today by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

The House in Dec., adopted by a 4-1 ratio the Mills-Vanik measure forbidding credits or most favored nation tariffs to the Soviet Union until it relaxes its emigration barriers. The identical measure, the Jackson Amendment, is backed by 78 Senators. Hearings on it are expected before the Senate Finance Committee as part of the overall Trade Reform Act late this month or early March.

No date has been fixed for Kissinger's appearance before the Foreign Relations Committee regarding Case's charges relevant to the U.S.-Soviet agreement signed Oct. 18, 1972 as a follow-up to the summit meeting in Moscow in May of that year.

**Subsidized Credit Hidden From Public**

Case is to say in his speech that "neither the Congress nor the taxpayer has been told the extent of the obligation to extend subsidized credit to the USSR." An agreement, he said, between the U.S. Export-Import Bank and the Soviet Vneshtorgbank provides in essence for long-term credits at six percent "on a case by case basis to the USSR" and that the conditions for the credits "will not be less favorable than those usually extended to other purchasers in similar transactions."

The agreement, Case says, put a \$500 million "ceiling" on the credits which, Case says, he is questioning. Thus far, Ex-Im Bank has lent the USSR \$119 million of the \$500 million committed to the Soviet Union. Pending final approval is \$180 million more, mainly for the Occidental Petroleum Company's fertilizer complex for the USSR and \$49 million for gas exploration, Case will say.

**ROSEN, FORD IN COURTESY CALL**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Dr. Moses Rosen, the Chief Rabbi of Rumania, met yesterday for 20 minutes with Vice-President Gerald Ford in the White House Executive offices. Rabbi Rosen was accompanied by Rabbi Harold W. Gordon, executive vice-president of the New York Board of Rabbis; Rabbi Arthur Schneider of New York's Park East Synagogue and president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, and Milton Hoffman of New York, a Jewish communal leader. An aide to Ford said the meeting was "a courtesy call" and that there were "no policy discussions." The aide also said that Ford is scheduled to receive a "courtesy call" late today by leaders of the Zionist Organization of America.

Rabbi Rosen, who came to the U.S. about three weeks ago on a tour sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal to speak about the Joint Distribution

Committee's program in Rumania, told a meeting of the European Affairs Committee of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League in New York that it was "unbelievable" that Valerian Trifa, an alleged member of the fascist Iron Guard in Rumania in 1941, is today a Bishop of the Orthodox Rumanian Episcopate in the United States.

He recalled how he had personally witnessed the massacre and pogrom in Bucharest in Jan. 1941, which, he said, was instigated by Trifa who at that time was reported to be a leader of the Legion of the Archangel Michael--a youth wing of the Iron Guard. Rabbi Rosen said he himself was pushed to the wall during the riots and a gun was held to his head.

"Something is beginning to move" concerning Trifa's case in the United States, the rabbi noted. He referred to a 20-year effort on the part of the ADL and other Jewish groups to institute a re-evaluation of Trifa's status as a naturalized U.S. citizen. Currently the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Justice Department is deciding whether such a full-scale investigation of the case should be made. "It is the duty of every Jew to bring Trifa to justice," Rabbi Rosen stated.

Addressing a farewell reception for him given by the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, an ecumenical group that seeks to preserve religious freedom for all faiths in all countries, Rabbi Rosen told the New York-based group that the ecumenical movement in both the U.S. and Rumania is vitally important and noted that the Rumanian government had promoted friendship between the various religious groups unlike the hostility taught by previous regimes. He said everyone has freedom of religion as long as they do not preach against the government. He also noted that the first requirements now for being a leader of the Jewish community is that the person is not a member of the Communist Party.

**FELDMAN VICTIM OF NEW FRAME-UP?**

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Aleksandr Feldman of Kiev, the 26-year-old Jewish engineer and Soviet activist who was sentenced last November to three and a half years at hard labor, may be the victim of an attempted frame-up, it was reported today by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry.

According to the SSSJ, Feldman was handed a book in his jail cell and as he opened it a knife fell out. According to the SSSJ this was an effort on the part of Soviet authorities to try to make Feldman to appear as a criminal and thereby give them the basis to charge him further for criminal activity. Feldman was originally sentenced for allegedly hitting a woman and injuring her.

Meanwhile, the SSSJ said there was no further word on the hunger strike that was to have begun last Friday by David Azbel and three of his companions. The Soviet Jewry group said it tried to reach the 62-year-old physics professor in Moscow over the weekend but was told that his telephone was disconnected.

NEW YORK (JTA)--A mortgage fund of IL 50 million will be made available this year for Israeli soldiers, families of men who fell during the Yom Kippur War and veterans of past wars; according to Yerucham Meshel, acting secretary-general of Histadrut. Meshel stated that half the sum would be raised by the Israel Histadrut Foundation in the U.S. and the other half would be advanced by the Israel Ministry of Finance. Qualified Israeli families will be able to get up to IL 50,000 mortgages at low interest.

### METROPOLITAN B'NAI B'RITH MEMBERS TO 'ADOPT' 1000 SOVIET JEWISH FAMILIES

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (JTA)--One thousand Jewish families in the Soviet Union will be "adopted" by metropolitan area residents belonging to B'nai B'rith, in a project under the direction of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League Citywide Coordinating Committee. In making the announcement, Nathan Nagler, a member of ADL's New York board and chairman of the coordinating committee, said that Soviet Jews who want to emigrate are grateful for the personal support extended to them by concerned persons in the Western world. Letters, packages and phone calls are an invaluable aid and indicate to Soviet Jews that they have not been forgotten, he said.

"Harassment and loss of employment are often the prices paid by Soviet Jews who seek to emigrate," Nagler said. "We are undertaking this large scale project to demonstrate our concern for Soviet Jews and to show our solidarity with them. In addition, this will be a form of insurance for them against actions by the Soviet Secret Police." Nagler added that by adopting a Jewish family in the Soviet Union, "we show that someone cares." Judith Shapiro is co-chairman of the project.

### EFFECTS OF BEING JEWISH AS SOURCE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL CONFLICT UNDER STUDY IN PIONEER SEMINARS

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (JTA)--Efforts to evaluate the effects of being Jewish on the individual's role in the family and the community are the focus of a series of pioneer seminars announced today by the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies for resident psychiatrists of Federation agencies. Sponsored by the Federation's Commission on Synagogue Relations through its Task Force on Mental Health and Judaism, the in-service training program has been funded by the Board of Jewish Education of New York as part of its Jewish Orientation Training Seminars.

Designed to introduce psychiatrists to the significance of Jewishness in character structure, symptom formation and values, the six two-hour seminars are being held every two weeks in February and March. Dr. Mortimer Ostow, chairman of faculty of the pastoral psychiatry department of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, who is chairman of the task force, is presiding.

Dr. Ostow said the program was organized as "an experimental project to emphasize more directly this religious component in child care and family relationships." He cited the sharp increase in the number of referrals by Jewish day schools of disturbed children to Federation agencies.

### Need For In-Depth Study

He said the referrals "have dramatically underscored the need for an in-depth course concerned with the practical application in therapy of psychoanalytic understanding related to the theme of these seminars, namely, the dynamic interplay between individual conflicts in a religious context and social institutions and traditions." Dr. Ostow said the course would cover development of moral values, the personal myth versus the group myth, the function of ritual, self-esteem, self-hatred and problems of identity.

Dr. Jacob Arlow, clinical professor of psychiatry of the State University Medical School

of New York, introduced the first session. He is also editor of the Psychiatric Quarterly, which published extracts from four papers by members of the Commission Task Force dealing with the social and family implications of being Jewish.

Dr. Arlow said "such implications have generally been ignored in the psychiatric treatment of Jewish patients. In the present era of concern with ethnicity and community, the tendency by both Jewish and non-Jewish psychiatrists to minimize Jewishness as a source of the individual's internal conflict appears to warrant review."

### CATHOLIC LEADER SAYS BERRIGAN CASE VERY CLOSE TO BEING ANTI-SEMITIC

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (JTA)--A Roman Catholic leader has joined other Jewish and Christian leaders in criticizing the Rev. Daniel Berrigan for a recent speech attacking Israel and Jews who support it. In an article recently released by the National Catholic News Service, Msgr. George G. Higgins, director of Social Action for the Catholic Bishops Conference, writes that if Berrigan is not anti-Semitic "it's obviously up to him to straighten out the record."

Noting that "a number of Jewish and Christian leaders have charged that the speech was blatantly anti-Semitic," Msgr. Higgins argues that Berrigan "has yet to face up to the fact that the burden of proof in this regard is his and his alone. Time alone will tell whether or not he is capable of doing so. Meanwhile his name is mud in the Jewish community, and for this he has no one but himself to blame."

Msgr. Higgins said the speech which Berrigan delivered before Palestinian graduate students in Washington "was an extremely shoddy performance from almost every conceivable point of view and, objectively speaking, came perilously close to being anti-Semitic in tone as well as in content. Closer, in fact, than any recent public statement by an American commentator on the ins-and-outs of the Israeli-Arab conflict.

"In other words, if Berrigan is in trouble because of his recent speech, the trouble is entirely of his own making. At the very least, he skirted around the edges of traditional anti-Semitic bigotry and, in my opinion, added insult to injury by presuming, in a very patronizing manner, to speak for the Jewish community after having viciously attacked its leaders." Msgr. Higgins also stated: "Berrigan's unfortunate speech on the Israeli-Arab conflict--again, regardless of his subjective motivation--can serve as a timely warning against the danger of using the Middle East crisis as a camouflaged occasion or excuse for stirring up anti-Semitic propaganda."

TEL AVIV (JTA)--Rabbi Meir Kahane, leader of the Jewish Defense League, began a hunger strike outside the U.S. Embassy here Wednesday. His followers claimed that Israeli authorities were acting at the request of the U.S. government when they refused to return Kahane's American passport confiscated by police last year.

HAIFA (JTA)--Carmel Containers, the plant that produced one-third of the country's corrugated cardboard boxes, was gutted by a fire that started Wednesday and continued through the night. Damage was estimated at IL 30 million.

BUCHAREST (JTA)--The 33rd anniversary of the death of 120 Jewish martyrs, killed in a pogrom, was commemorated here by a memorial service in the Choral Synagogue and a pilgrimage to their graves at the Jewish Cemetery outside the capital.