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## ISRAEL GOV'T. ADOPTS TOUGH NEW ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

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**JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)**--The government adopted a tough new economic program today intended to extract up to IL 4 billion from the consumer market as a means of halting galloping inflation. The plan, adopted after a five-hour Cabinet meeting that ended just before dawn today, calls for new taxes, new compulsory loans, cuts in the cost-of-living allowances and a temporary moratorium on government spending on new building projects. It also provides incentives for export industries and puts a damper on imports by increasing tariffs.

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz explained the new measures in a radio address last night. He said that while Israel's economy had returned to normal "quite rapidly" after the Yom Kippur War, proving its intrinsic strength, "we have returned too fast to a regular life style but conditions do not allow it." He referred to the immense defense needs which, he said "dwarfed" the pre-war needs. "We have to make sure that the State has the money which is needed for building the armed forces along with essential economic activities," Rabinowitz said.

The government's new plan received a generally favorable reception from economists and industrialists although reservations were expressed over whether it will work as intended. The Histadrut Central Committee met today to consider the government's proposal for waiving half of the 20 percent cost-of-living allowance payable to wage earners beginning with this month's salaries. The atmosphere in Histadrut is not favorable to the idea.

Property owners will be hit by a five percent levy on all property valued over IL 3000. Residential apartments are exempted. The property tax, subject to Knesset approval, is a one-time levy and is payable in six monthly installments. Economic experts estimated that higher tariffs will push up the prices of imported cars, electrical appliances, clothing, jewelry, cameras and similar consumer items three to five percent. They will also affect Israel-made goods using imported parts.

The government promised, however, that the prices of 14 basic commodities including oil will not go up until the beginning of next year and that any price rises abroad will be absorbed by the government in the form of increased subsidies. Exporters will be encouraged by a higher exchange rate. They will receive IL 5.88 instead of IL 5.46 for every dollar earned, an increase of 42 agorot.

The war loan imposed on wage earners since last Oct. will be raised from a minimum of seven percent to 10 percent of monthly income which will mean less net income for Israeli workers. Most ministries will be expected to shave their budgets and the halt in public building is expected to save up to IL 500 million. Prof. Michael Bruno, a Hebrew University economist, called the plan a "right step in the right direction." Some businessmen expressed fear of a business slowdown. But Avraham Shavit, acting chairman of the Israel Manufacturers Association, summed up the industrialists' view. "It is good that there is a plan. Even a bad plan is better than no plan," he said.

## Rubin Faces Treason Charge SCIENCE GROUPS PROTEST FORCED CLOSING OF SEMINAR IN MOSCOW

**NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA)**--Two groups of American scientists have issued a statement deploring "the destruction by Soviet authorities of the unofficial scientific seminar" which was to have begun yesterday in the Moscow apartment of Prof. Alexander Voronel. The statement, issued by the executive board of the Committee of Concerned Scientists and the International Board of Sponsors and Advisors of the International Seminar, protested against "the harassment and imprisonment of many of the seminar's organizers" including Voronel.

"We protest the Soviet government's refusal to permit these scientists neither to exercise their internationally-recognized right to emigrate, nor to function as scientists within the Soviet Union," the statement declared. "We are convinced that these repressive actions by the Soviet government against leading scientists wishing to emigrate and other outspoken scientists, violate fundamental scientific and human principles and endanger the implementation of bi-national cooperative scientific agreements."

At the same time, it was reported here today that Vitaly Rubin, a leading sinologist and one of the organizers of the aborted seminar, is being charged with treason. The Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, in reporting the charge, said that the maximum sentence for that offense, under Soviet law, is death.

Scientists from the two organizations, including 10 Nobel Laureates, cabled President Nixon and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger in Moscow last week warning of the threat to the fulfillment of cooperative scientific agreements between the U.S. and the USSR caused by the Soviet Union's continuing violation of basic principles of international scientific cooperation. "The establishment of and participation in bi-national scientific cooperation and exchange programs must be conditioned on the right of scientists to freely communicate and travel for scholarly purposes, to function as scientists inside their countries, and if not so permitted, to emigrate without harassment," the cable warned.

Rubin had been rebuffed repeatedly in his efforts to emigrate to Israel, Soviet authorities reportedly saying they did not want a man with Rubin's expertise on China to go to the West. Rubin was arrested last Thursday after repeated warnings he would be charged with treason if he went ahead with his plans to participate in the seminar. The New York Conference said it had appealed to President Nixon and Soviet leaders on Rubin's behalf.

## 'Last Hour' Says Justice Cohen CONCLAVE TO SAVE JEWS IN ARAB COUNTRIES OPENS IN PARIS TODAY

**JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)**--Supreme Court Judge Haim Cohen, who will head the Israeli delegation to the International Conference for Deliverance of Jews in the Middle East which opens in Paris tomorrow, said here yesterday that this was the last hour to save Syrian Jewry. Cohen, chairman of the Public Committee for Jews in Arab Countries, said he would use the opportunity of the Paris forum to draw world attention to the plight

of Jews in Syria, who he said "have reached the limits" of their endurance. "Prospects for official exit visas are slim," Cohen said. "Perhaps with the disengagement agreement, the Syrian government will be somewhat more open to public opinion on this issue."

Delegates from some 30 nations are expected to attend the conference which is being held in an attempt to gain the release of Jewish minorities being held as hostages by Arab nations. They will hear first-hand accounts on the persecution of Jews in Syria where two young Jews were killed last year and four young Jewish women were murdered while trying to escape into Lebanon. Special attention will be given to the case of two Jews, Josef Shalouh and Azour Zalta, believed to have been falsely accused of murdering the women.

The conference will also attempt to shed light on the disappearance of 18 Iraqi Jews who were arrested in 1972 and have not been heard from since. Alain Pöher, President of the French Senate, will preside over the conference which will also be attended by representatives of major human rights leagues and humanitarian organizations.

#### WANTED NAZI SAID TO BE CHIEF OF CHILEAN INFORMATION UNIT

PARIS, July 2 (JTA)—The newspaper *Le Monde* said today that a wanted Nazi war criminal has been named head of the Chilean government's information services, the "Direccion de Inteligencia Nacional." The paper identified him as Walter Rauff, a former SS chief responsible for the deaths of some 100,000 Jews from Poland, Yugoslavia and the Ukraine during World War II. The *Le Monde* report was the latest to charge that the former Nazi held a high post in the military junta-ruled Chilean regime. Only last week, the Chilean Embassy in London denied those reports in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, stating that "nothing could be further from the truth."

According to *Le Monde*, Rauff was in charge of deporting Tunisian Jews to forced labor camps during the war. On one occasion he personally commanded troops who broke into a synagogue in an attempt to round up 2000 Jews, *Le Monde* said. In 1944, Rauff served as head of security police in Milan. After the war, he settled in Chile where he became a merchant. In 1961, West Germany demanded his extradition to face war crimes charges but it was denied because Chile's 15-year statute of limitations had expired, the paper said.

#### MAPAM MOVEMENT VOTES TO SET UP NEW KIBBUTZ ON GOLAN HEIGHTS

TEL AVIV, July 2 (JTA)—The Kibbutz Haartzil Council voted 200-100 last night to establish a kibbutz on the Golan Heights. The Mapam-backed kibbutz movement will set up the kibbutz at Geshor. During the meeting at Kibbutz Beth Zera, there was unanimous agreement that Israel should negotiate a border with Syria that would run through the Golan Heights. But those opposing the establishment of the kibbutz argued that settlements represent accomplished facts and contradict the movement's contention of "no preconditions for negotiations." Supporters of the decision led by veteran leader Yaacov Hazan said that the Yom Kippur War proved the essential need to settle the Golan so that the Golan settlements would be the defense line to safeguard the Hulah and Galilee settlements in Israel.

#### SOVIETS THREATEN BOLSHOI HALT

LONDON, July 2 (JTA)—The Soviet Union has

threatened to terminate the visit of the Bolshoi Ballet to London if Jewish demonstrators continue to disrupt performances and harass the dancers outside the theater. The warning came in a strong protest to the British Foreign Office following an incident last Thursday in which white mice were let loose among the audience and nails were thrown on the stage.

A spokesman for the Soviet Embassy complained of "intolerable demonstrations." He said that the Bolshoi tour had three more weeks to run, but unless the safety and health of the dancers were guaranteed the Soviet government would end the visit. He added that "only a few" demonstrators had been arrested by the police and demanded stronger action.

A Foreign Office spokesman said "We have told the Russians that we regret the demonstrations because we want the Bolshoi to be a success." The Soviet Embassy was also told that the British authorities will do whatever they can "to ensure that the law is not broken."

#### Mutual To Offer Hate Show On Its 600 Outlets ADL REPORTS ANTI-SEMITIC PROGRAM NOW BROADCAST ON 126 STATIONS

NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA)—"This is Liberty Lobby," a five-minute broadcast of "news" and commentary controlled by one of the most notorious professional anti-Semites currently active in America, is being carried regularly by 126 stations in 39 states and the District of Columbia, a survey by the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League disclosed today. Lawrence Peirez, chairman of the ADL's national civil rights committee who made the survey public, identified Willis A. Carto, an "outspoken anti-Semite" who founded Liberty Lobby 16 years ago as a front for Jew-hating and other racist propaganda as "the unpublicized force" behind the broadcasts.

The program originated in March, 1973 with only four stations, gathered 62 more outlets by Sept. and broke the 100-station mark a month later, according to John L. Goldwater, chairman of the ADL's national fact-finding committee which conducted the survey. As a result of a recent contract signed with the Mutual Broadcasting System, it will soon be available to Mutual's network of more than 600 radio stations, the ADL reported. It is carried by most stations on a paid basis but by some as a "public service," the ADL report noted.

The nature of "This is Liberty Lobby" was indicated by its "daily attacks" on Israel and American Jews during and immediately following the Yom Kippur War last Oct., Goldwater reported. These attacks included descriptions of Israel by the program's commentator, Bob Bartell, as "a bastard state" and charges that American Jews are subversive and disloyal.

According to Goldwater, at the conclusion of each "This is Liberty Lobby" broadcast, listeners are offered "a blatantly anti-Semitic Liberty Lobby pamphlet" titled "America First." Goldwater questioned whether the managements and licensees of the stations carrying the program were unaware of its contents or "uncaring about their role in helping to peddle bigotry." The program is heard in the New York area on radio station WTNE in Mineola, L.I. and WVOX and WVOX-FM in New Rochelle. It has 19 outlets in California, the most in any state.

Goldwater said that Carto, 47, began to work as a "professional bigot and organizer" in 1954. He has served as a director of Congress of Freedom, a right-wing racist organization and as an organizer for the far-right John Birch Society. In

1966 he took over the once venerable "American Mercury" magazine and used its respected name for "a quarterly devoted largely to anti-Jewish hate." Carto founded Liberty Lobby in Washington, D.C. in 1958 as a money-raiser and front for his "seamier operations," Goldwater said. He identified Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin D. Gilbert, the principal owners of the Mutual Broadcasting System, as heavy financial contributors to Liberty Lobby since 1966.

#### RABIN REPORTS 'POSITIVE CHANGE' IN EUROPEAN ATTITUDES TO ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 2 (JTA)—Premier Yitzhak Rabin on his return from London last night said he observed a positive change in the European attitude toward Israel. Rabin, who met with Socialist party leaders, attributed the change to the United States policy in the Middle East which has succeeded in improving U.S. relations with the Arab states while maintaining her close relations with Israel.

Rabin said that in his meetings with British Prime Minister Harold Wilson and Foreign Secretary James Callaghan he found a comfortable atmosphere which could be translated into deeds, but he warned against any expectations of immediate changes.

#### CHILD WHO MAY HAVE HAD RARE DISEASE REMOVED FROM MORGUE TO AVOID AUTOPSY

JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)—A young mother removed her dead infant from the morgue at Hadassah Hospital last week for fear that an autopsy would be performed without her consent. Prof. Alex Russel, head of pediatrics at the hospital, said today that autopsies were never ordered against family wishes but that it was essential to confirm the cause of death in this case because the child is believed to have succumbed to a rare disease that is hereditary.

Three-month-old Itai Moshe Ankari of Kiryat Arba was admitted to the hospital three weeks ago with an acute digestive disorder. He died last Thursday. Doctors asked permission to perform an autopsy and, according to Dr. Russel, the family agreed but later changed their minds. The ailment was diagnosed as necrotizing enterocolitis a rare disease that is usually fatal and difficult to detect. Dr. Russel said it was important for the dead child's brothers and sisters to know whether the diagnosis was correct because the disease is suspected to have a genetic cause and could afflict other children of the family.

#### AMSTERDAM JEWS OFFER LOAN TO AILING JEWISH NEWSPAPER

AMSTERDAM, July 2 (JTA)—The Central Committee of The Netherlands Ashkenazik Congregation has agreed to provide a 40,000 guilder (\$16,000) interest-free loan to the Dutch Jewish weekly Nieuw Israelietisch Weekblad to help it out of its financial difficulties. The paper is running an 80,000 guilder (\$32,000) deficit this year and has recently applied to The Netherlands government for a subsidy usually granted publications in severe financial straits. The NIW is the last surviving Dutch Jewish weekly. It has 4000 subscribers of whom 1700 live in the Amsterdam area.

#### KISSINGER SEEN WILLING TO 'BRUTALIZE' ISRAEL TO FORCE TOTAL WITHDRAWAL

NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA)—An American Middle East expert has charged the Nixon Administration and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger with willingness to "brutalize" Israel so that a

demoralized Jewish State would be willing to make concessions leading to a piecemeal withdrawal to its pre-June 1967 borders which, under 1974 conditions, would make for an even more dangerous situation in the Mideast. According to Prof. Gil Carl AIROY, of the Middle Eastern Studies Department at Hunter College, Kissinger, during the Yom Kippur War, forced a halt to Israel's "rapidly accelerating devastation of Egypt's military might" which caused Israel to be "both frustrated and demoralized...to a degree that has made her more amenable to demands for concessions."

Prof. AIROY made his charges in an article in the inaugural issue of the Bulletin of the National Committee on American Foreign Policy, a group headed by political scientist Hans Morgenthau. He contended that Kissinger's forced concessions from Israel seem to satisfy pressures on the Nixon Administration by appearing "to win Arab good will; save detente with the Soviet Union; alleviate the energy crisis; narrow disagreements with Europe and Japan; and shield the President from domestic woes with triumphal tours of the Arab world and otherwise."

Kissinger's "stoppage" of the Yom Kippur War, according to Prof. AIROY, "simply meant that Israel could neither finish the war by finishing off the Arabs nor finish it by sending her troops home." Israel then had to pay the price of concessions in order to end the war of attrition and bring her troops home, the writer said.

#### ARGENTINE JEWISH GROUPS SEND CONDOLENCES ON PERON'S DEATH

BUENOS AIRES, July 2 (JTA)—The DAIA, the Buenos Aires Jewish community, the Federation of Argentine Jewish Communities, and the Argentine Zionist Organization have sent a joint letter to Mrs. Isabel Peron expressing the sorrow of Argentine Jews over the death of President Juan D. Peron. Peron died yesterday at the age of 73. His wife, who was Vice-President, is now President.

The letter, noting the mutual understanding between Peron and the Jewish community, said that "the Jewish community had numerous proofs of the categorical will of General Peron to avoid any kind of discrimination." It pointed out that Peron placed great value on the cooperation of Argentine Jews in building the country and noted his friendship for Israel. DAIA president Dr. Nehemia Resnisky, and its secretary, Dr. Juan Gurevich, will lead a delegation representing the Jewish community at the funeral.

#### WEST GERMAN JUSTICE MINISTRY REPORTS 6375 NAZIS CONVICTED

BONN, July 2 (JTA)—The West German Justice Ministry has reported that, since the end of the war, 6375 defendants have been convicted for Nazi crimes by West German courts, with 12 sentenced to death and 141 to life imprisonment. More than 6000 Nazis received shorter sentences, 114 were fined and one was warned under West German youth laws.

The Ministry data indicated that 77,820 cases had been opened and of these 67,422 were closed with no punishments imposed because of acquittals, deaths of defendants and similar reasons. Last Jan. 1, 4023 cases were pending. Meanwhile, the Ludwigsburg Center for the Investigation of Nazi Crimes, near Stuttgart, announced it would stop tracing former Nazis in 1980, when, it said, the statute of limitations for crimes committed during the Nazi period comes into force.

## AMERICAN YESHIVA STUDENTS CLASH WITH CHRISTIAN STUDENTS

JERUSALEM, July 2 (JTA)—Police arrested 14 American yeshiva students today, and released all without charges, after a clash between them and students at the Christian American Institute of Holy Land Studies. The yeshiva students were attending the "Diaspora Yeshiva," which neighbors the American Institute on Mount Zion. The squabbling, in the tradition of Jerusalem's inter-denominational squabbling, was over a building on Mount Zion claimed by both sides.

The American Institute apparently took possession of the building Sunday night. The yeshiva students moved in to regain possession. At that point, the police were called. The building apparently belongs to the Anglican Church which has leased it for years to the government-controlled Mount Zion Commission headed by Dr. S.Z. Kahane, former Religious Affairs Ministry director-general. When the lease apparently expired, the church handed the building over to the American Institute.

A "Diaspora Yeshiva" student told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the American Institute, directed by the Rev. G. Douglas Young, was "most definitely a missionary organization." But the Rev. Young is considered here to be a solid friend of Israel and his frequent letters to local newspapers bear out that assessment.

## ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA RE-JOINS AMERICAN ZIONIST FEDERATION

NEW YORK, July 2 (JTA)—The re-entry of the Zionist Organization of America in the Zionist Federation of America was announced at the 77th annual convention of the ZOA by Herman Weisman, outgoing president, and Rabbi Israel Miller, AZF president. The ZOA is expected to participate in a meeting of the AZF executive committee scheduled for July 16. Rabbi Miller and Weisman, in behalf of the AZF and the ZOA, stated that the common goal of the American Zionist Federation and its members, including the ZOA, was to unite all forces in the American communities which are pro-Israel and accept the Jerusalem program.

## PRIME MINISTER'S AWARD, MANGER AWARDS GIVEN YIDDISH ARTISTS

TEL AVIV, July 2 (JTA)—The Prime Minister's Award for Yiddish writers has been awarded to the poet Mosh Yungmann of Kiryat Tivon near Haifa. The award was presented by former Premier Golda Meir at a ceremony in Sholem Aleichem House attended by many Yiddish writers and poets.

Meanwhile, Foreign Minister Yigal Alon has decided to award an annual prize in memory of the late Moshe Sharett, Israel's first foreign minister and second premier. The award will go to a Foreign Ministry official for research or an essay on Sharett's political activities or thoughts or research or essay advancing foreign ministry activities in the political or organizational field. The first award will be on the eighth day of Tammuz, the 10th anniversary of Sharett's death.

The annual Itzik Manger awards for Yiddish writers were presented here previously in the presence of President Ephraim Katzir, Mrs. Meir and a large audience of poets, writers and lovers of Yiddish. The recipients were Prof. Dov Sedan, described by the awards jury as "the prince of Yiddish knowledge"; and the poet and writer Rachel Koren, who received the Manger award for Yiddish creativity outside of Israel. Honorary awards were presented to the late A.M. Fuchs and

the Yiddish stage artist, Yossef Bulloff. Each award has a cash prize of IL 5000. Former President Zalman Shazar, who heads the awards jury, was unable to attend because of illness.

## ISRAELI DELEGATION ATTENDING UN CONCLAVE ON LAW OF SEA

CARACAS, July 2 (JTA)—An Israeli delegation made up of six experts in international law, headed by Ambassador Amiel Najjar, political counselor to the Israeli Foreign Ministry, has arrived here to participate in the third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea. All 135 member states of the world organization are attending the ten-week parlay. The conference opened June 20 but has been bogged down in procedural questions. The major issue so far is the 200-mile "exclusive economic zone" which many of the developing countries are advocating in addition to the traditional 12-mile limit on territorial waters.

Israel constitutes a "special case" as it is one of the few participating countries not affiliated with any bloc, a fact the local press has pointed out. The Arab countries, on the other hand, form a strong group with representation among the conference's 31 vice-presidents (Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Iraq and Kuwait) and on the various committees.

Israel has participated in the two previous Law of the Sea conferences in 1958 and 1968 and is a party to existing conventions ratified at those meetings. The Israeli delegation, in addition to Ambassador Najjar, includes Ambassador Shabetal Rosenne, special legal advisor for the conference; Ambassador Jacob Doron, deputy permanent representative of Israel to the UN; E. Haran and G. Orion.

## ORTHODOX ASSAIL YADLIN PLAN FOR SEX EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

TEL AVIV, July 2 (JTA)—An announcement by Education Minister Aharon Yadlin that he intended to introduce sex education in all State schools has raised a storm in religious circles here. Rabbis and yeshiva heads have organized "action committees" to "safeguard the nation's sacred values." They have flooded Yadlin and some prominent Knesset members with telegrams to ban sex education in order to "keep clean the soul of youth and the boys who have not sinned."

Yadlin announced the proposed sex education courses at an international symposium on sex education attended by several hundred sexologists, educators and psychologists from 30 countries. What aroused the ire of religious elements who have denounced the plan as "impure education" is the fact that State-run schools include subsidized religious schools as well as the secular institutions. They have demanded a meeting with Yadlin and threatened to create turmoil if he refuses.

## SIX BELGIANS RECEIVE YAD VASHEM AWARDS FOR SAVING JEWS FROM NAZIS

BRUSSELS, July 2 (JTA)—Yad Vashem, the holocaust memorial organization in Jerusalem, has awarded the "Medal of the Just" to several Belgians in recognition for their help to Jews during the Nazi occupation. Israeli Ambassador Moshe Alon presented the medals at a special ceremony at the Israeli Embassy here.

The recipients were Madeleine Deruisseau-Berwart, Louis and Jeanne Van Cutsem, Paul Vandergheynst, Herman Bouton and Francis Lassole. Vandergheynst, Bouton and Lassole saved more than 50 Jewish children by hiding them under false names in a mental institution where they worked.