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SECOND AGRANAT COMMITTEE REPORT CAUTIONS AGAINST TOO MUCH CRITICISM OF ARMY, INTELLIGENCE

By David Landau and Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, July 11 (JTA)--The Agranat Committee submitted its second interim report on the Yom Kippur War last night. It went to the Premier and other Cabinet members and to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee for study but was not made public, except for the introduction, because of classified material in its contents. The committee urged that the report be circulated among senior military officers who could benefit from its findings.

The introduction said it would be wrong to put too much emphasis on criticism of the army and army intelligence. The danger was of distorting the picture which, on the whole, was one of most servicemen performing their duties efficiently and ably before the war broke out. The committee acknowledged that public interest would normally demand publication of the full report. But because it contains so much sensitive material, it was decided not to publish any portions rather than unrepresentative selections out of context, the introduction said.

The second interim report deals with intelligence information received by Israel in the days immediately prior to the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War, its evaluation and the degree of preparedness of the armed forces at that stage. The Agranat Committee has yet to start the next phase of its investigation which will cover the actual waging of war up to the point when the enemy offensive was halted. That investigation is expected to take at least another six months during which top military officers, active and retired, will be called on to testify.

A Very Difficult Report

The committee, appointed by former Premier Golda Meir to determine mainly why Israel was caught by surprise when Egypt and Syria attacked last Oct. 6 and to evaluate Israel's response to the attack in the early days of the war, submitted its first interim report earlier this year. That report found that Israel had ample warning of the impending attack but that senior officers misread the intelligence and acted too late.

The first interim report led to the resignation of Chief of Staff Gen. David Elazar who it held responsible for many of the shortcomings. Gen. Elazar will testify at the next stage of the hearings. The report submitted last night explains the line of reasoning followed by the committee, headed by Supreme Court Chief Justice Shimon Agranat, in reaching the conclusions contained in the earlier report. A source who saw the document described it as "a very difficult report."

PERES: ISRAEL READY FOR PEACE BUT MUST BE READY TO REPULSE ENEMIES

TEL AVIV, July 11 (JTA)--Defense Minister Shimon Peres said today that Israel was ready for peace but must be ready "to repulse the enemy's threat that hides itself behind negotiations." Peres addressed a pilots' graduation at an air base somewhere in Israel on the occa-

sion of Air Force Day.

Chief of Staff Gen. Mordechai Gur and Air Force Commander Gen. Benjamin Peled pinned the wings on the uniforms of the newly commissioned pilots as their families, friends and Air Force veterans looked on. The graduating ceremony was followed by an impressive air show in which the Air Force demonstrated precision flying and its capacity to transport large numbers of men and heavy equipment.

Construct New System Of Forces

Peres' emphasis was on preparedness. He noted that the disengagement agreements did not bring about a reduction of the forces arrayed against Israel. The Arabs regard the political moves as a basis for additional military moves, he claimed. In the next five years the Arab countries will spend billions of dollars to double their air forces, triple their armor and fill their arsenals with sophisticated ground-to-ground, air-to-air and sea-to-sea missiles, Peres said. He said Israel "must construct a new system of forces to meet the future systems of enemy might."

Peres referred with pride to the qualitative superiority of Israeli airmen and the Air Force's versatility. He said that in the Yom Kippur War the enemy lost 55 aircraft to every Israeli plane downed. He said the Israeli Air Force had successfully passed all tests against sophisticated Soviet technology and against the lowest forms of Arab terrorist extremism.

"Today, the eyes of the nation are fixed upon this courageous, professional and consolidated force, confident that what it lacks in quantity will be complemented by your greatness," Peres told the graduates. A feature of the air show was the giant Hercules transport planes which took off from a 100-yard strip with the aid of booster rockets and landed, disgorging from its fuselage a jeep, command car and truck and a large unit of paratroopers.

1000 SURVIVORS OF NAZISM PROTEST SENTENCE IMPOSED ON MRS. KLARSFELD

PARIS, July 11 (JTA)--More than 1000 survivors of Nazi concentration camps together with other Nazi victims demonstrated last evening in front of the West German Embassy to protest the two-month prison sentence imposed on Nazi-hunter Beate Klarsfeld.

Mrs. Klarsfeld herself was among the demonstrators as well as the International League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism (LICRA), President Jean Pierre-Bloch and many Jews and non-Jews who came to manifest their support. A heavy police guard surrounded the Embassy, but no clashes between police and demonstrators occurred.

Mrs. Klarsfeld declared that she intends to continue her fight against unpunished Nazi war criminals. She arrived here from West Germany where a Cologne court had sentenced her to a two-month prison term for attempting to abduct former Paris gestapo chief, Kurt Lischka. West German officials granted her permission to return to her Paris home pending the appeal she entered following her sentencing.

Traditional Face Of German Justice

Commenting on the sentence, she said it showed "the traditional face of German justice which judges those who combat Nazis and is accommo-

dating towards these Nazis themselves." She further accused the West German judge of "evading the real problem, that of Nazi war criminals living as free men in West Germany."

Mrs. Klarsfeld's two-month sentence was reduced by the 22 days she served in pre-trial detention and the judge has reportedly intimated that if she gives assurances of good behavior the court might change its mind and suspend the sentence. Should this be the case, then the German-born Mrs. Klarsfeld and her French husband will be able to leave as planned on Monday for Israel where they will spend their vacation living in a kibbutz. Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek invited the couple.

MEMORIAL FOUNDATION FOR JEWISH CULTURE ALLOCATES \$2 M FOR PROGRAMS

GENEVA, July 11 (JTA)--The board of trustees of the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture concluded their three-day annual meeting here today after allocating some \$2 million for various training, educational, cultural and research programs, scholarships and fellowships. A symposium on "interpreting the holocaust to future generations" was held. Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Memorial Foundation, told the board of his continuing negotiations with West German authorities for reparations for Nazi victims who came to the West from Eastern Europe after the 1965 deadline and for hardship cases.

He said the talks had been interrupted by the change of leadership in West Germany earlier this year but would be continued this fall with the new Chancellor, Helmut Schmidt. Dr. Goldmann said he was not pessimistic about a final and conclusive arrangement but the issue was far from resolved.

The board re-elected Dr. Goldmann president of the Foundation. Dr. Arnulf M. Pins, executive director for Jewish culture for the past two years announced his resignation at the meeting. He said that he was settling in Israel in the realization of "a lifetime's dream." Dr. Pins will be assistant director general of the JDC-Malben in Israel.

Program To Prepare Jewish Youth Leaders

The meeting received reports from three commissions and accepted them in general outline, leaving implementation to the new executive. The commission on training recommended increased priority for training rabbis, teachers and communal officials; the commission on Jewish studies at universities recommended continuation and expansion of such programs; the commission on Jewish youth recommended that the Memorial Foundation adopt a number of projects including the establishment of an international training institute to prepare Jewish youth leaders and to serve as a model for local institutions of that nature.

The allocations agreed to were the following: training program for teachers, rabbis and communal workers--\$350,000; research and publication--\$1 million; university Jewish studies--\$125,000; educational and cultural program--\$225,000; scholarships and fellowships--\$350,000.

In addition to Dr. Goldmann, Dr. Joseph Schwartz, former Israeli Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir and Dr. Solomon Gaon were elected vice-presidents of the Memorial Foundation. Philip M. Klutznick was re-elected treasurer; Rabbi Israel Miller was re-elected secretary and Shad Polier was re-elected honorary sec-

retary. The meeting confirmed three trustees of the Memorial Fund: Dr. Goldmann, Mark Uveeler and Maurice Boukstein.

Participants in the board of trustees meeting included: Leon Dulzin, treasurer of the Jewish Agency; Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, chairman of the American Section of the World Zionist Organization; Avraham Harman, president of the Hebrew University; Dr. Joachim Prinz; Jacques Torczyner, member of the WZO Executive; and Dr. Gerhard M. Riegner, secretary-general of the World Jewish Congress.

SHIMON LEIB SHIMONI DEAD AT 74

TEL AVIV, July 11 (JTA)--Funeral services were held in Haifa today for Shimon Leib Shimoni, a Yiddish author, who died last night at the age of 74. Mr. Shimoni came to Palestine 50 years ago from Subalki, Poland and was active in the workers movement. He served as director of the control committee of the Histadrut Sick Fund, headed the survey department during the British Mandatory regime and later served with Israel's Labor Ministry until he was pensioned in 1967. During his lifetime he published seven books in Yiddish on Israeli life and other aspects of the country. His eighth book will be published posthumously.

JEWISH REPRESENTATIVES ATSCHEEL PARTY

BONN, July 11 (JTA)--The chairman of the Council of Jews in Germany, Werner Nachmann, and the general secretary, Alexander Ginsburg, were among the limited number of personalities who attended an intimate reception to mark the 55th birthday of the President of the Federal German Republic, Walter Scheel. The presence of Nachmann and Ginsburg was seen here as a mark of friendship for the Jewish community and also, beyond it, for Israel, as the community and its leaders are Zionists.

JNF TO SOLVE NAHAL BOHU EROSION

JERUSALEM, July 11 (JTA)--A large project to prevent floodwaters from breaking out of the Bohu riverbed (wadi) is currently being carried out by the Jewish National Fund. The project, carried out near Moshav Shuva in the northern Negev, enables saving large quantities of water which the wadi carries during the winter months, and prevents the erosion of topsoil. The JNF project involves earth-works with heavy tractors and planting of trees and pushes to reinforce the slopes on both sides of the riverbed.

CENTRAL AMERICAN JEWS MEET

MEXICO CITY, July 11 (JTA)--The problems of Jews in small communities and the problems of Jewish youth were discussed by the 300 delegates attending the seventh conference of the Federation of Jewish Communities of Central America and Panama held in San Salvador. Gen. Yosef Avidar, former Israeli Ambassador to Moscow and Buenos Aires, was the honored guest. Others attending were Gen. Itzhak Pundak, Israeli Ambassador to San Salvador and Guatemala and Sergio Nudelstejer, representative of the American Jewish Committee. Salvador Freud of San Salvador was elected president of the Federation for the next two years. * * *

AMSTERDAM (JTA)--Valery Panov, who recently emigrated to Israel from the USSR, has urged Jews everywhere to support Israel in its struggle for existence. "Israel has the right to exist and each Jew must contribute his utmost to see that it does," he said in an interview with Dutch television in Jerusalem.

U.S. OUTLINES ATTITUDE TOWARD PROSPECTS FOR MIDEAST PEACE

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, July 11 (JTA)--High State Department sources, outlining the U.S. attitude toward prospects for a Middle East peace settlement, said today that each of the six original participants in the Geneva peace conference will have the right to veto the admission of other participants, that the U.S. will continue to seek to strengthen its bilateral ties with Israel, and the Arab states and that the U.S. is advocating restraint, "diplomatically and otherwise" in attempts to curb terrorist acts in the Middle East.

The sources admitted when questioned that no high Arab official has at any time been heard to say specifically that Israel will be recognized as a sovereign Jewish State. But at the same time, "happily," one does not hear with frequency the threat to drive Israel into the sea, the sources said. They said Arab recognition of Israel seemed, however, to be implicit in the adherence of certain Arab states to United Nations resolutions referring to Israel.

The sources disclosed that representatives of the governments of Israel, Egypt, Syria and Jordan will meet with American officials here in the next 6-8 weeks to discuss the next phase of a program toward a Middle East peace settlement. The sources said the U.S. would continue its step-by-step bilateral contacts, hopefully clarifying circumstances for the resumption of the Geneva talks, possibly some time in Sept. An Arab summit session is scheduled for earlier that month, the sources noted.

They indicated that a Jordanian-Israeli "disengagement" possibly will be the next move and a second possibility was between Israel and Egypt in Sinai. But progress need not necessarily advance in tandem, the sources said. They said the U.S. position would be determined by the attitudes of the two sides on each issue.

Restraint In Face Of Terrorist Acts

The sources expected continuation of "individual acts of terrorism" which they regarded as designed to block a peace settlement and said the U.S. was advocating restraint "diplomatically and otherwise." With regard to the Palestinians, the sources said that while U.S. diplomats have met with Palestinian representatives on numerous occasions they have not been high level contacts.

Neither Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, Undersecretary Joseph J. Sisco nor Assistant Secretary Alfred Atherton has ever been in contact with Yasser Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organization leader, the sources stressed.

The sources said the U.S. will continue to be centrally involved in the ongoing Mideast peace negotiations and that the Soviet Union indicated at the recent Moscow summit talks that it will work with the U.S. to bring about resumption of the Geneva conference and a durable peace. According to the sources, both sides at the Moscow summit talks felt that what is needed over the next two months is a "breathing spell" so that the Geneva talks can be resumed.

The sources referred to today's departure of Treasury Secretary William Simon on a visit to Egypt, Israel, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait as a mission to put "meat on the bones of bilateral cooperation" with those countries in the economic, scientific and cultural fields.

Meanwhile, the Defense Department announced today that a five-man U.S. military team is scheduled to arrive in Egypt Sunday to study the Egyptian armed forces role in the Yom Kippur War. Reports that the team will survey Egyptian arms needs have been denied by the Pentagon. But it has acknowledged that Egyptian officers may use the opportunity to tell the team what American weapons they might want.

PARTIAL WALKOUT OF ARAB DELEGATES AT UN CONFERENCE DURING ISRAELI'S SPEECH

CARACAS, July 11 (JTA)--A partial walkout of Arab delegates took place yesterday at the third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea when Israeli Ambassador Amiel Najar approached the rostrum to read Israel's general statement. The heads of the Arab delegations left the hall while their deputies remained.

Najar called for "liberty and cooperation" as the two central approaches to future decisions on uses of the sea. Najar stressed Israel's position on such questions as freedom of navigation on all seas, particularly through straits, fishing rights for small and developing nations and pollution in the Mediterranean Sea.

Israel had previously announced that it would oppose Arab demands for admission to the conference for the Palestine Liberation Organization and similar organizations on grounds that the UN General Assembly decided a year ago on the participants in the conference and that the decision could not be changed at this time.

Najar made no reference today to that dispute but the issue was raised by the Iraqi and Bulgarian delegates, who spoke before Najar did. Earlier this week, Lebanon announced its support for admission of the PLO. Khalil Haddad, head of the Lebanese delegation, argued that it was "incumbent on the international community" to allow the PLO and other "liberation" organizations to contribute to the formation of an international charter on the seas and their use.

The issue was raised at the start of the conference when the Organization for African Unity and the Arab League contended that the "liberation" movements represented national entities in embryo which should have a part in determining laws that would one day affect them as nations.

10,000 BOOKS IN HEBREW SENT TO USSR

GRINDELWALD, Switzerland, July 11 (JTA)--Some 10,000 books in Hebrew have been sent to the Soviet Union by the World Hebrew Union (Brit Ivrit Olamit), Simcha Raz, WHU director general told the closing session of the European Hebrew Assembly here. He said the WHU's next publication will be "Jewish Thought in the Soviet Union," with contributions by Soviet Jews. This is a follow-up to volumes on Jewish thought in Europe and the United States.

The assembly adopted a declaration proclaiming the resolve of the WHU to continue to spread the teaching of Hebrew throughout the diaspora. Hans Bernet, the Mayor of Grindelwald, told the gathering that his city sends "gallant Israel" its best wishes and declared that "Hebrew, the language of the Bible, is dear to us, too."

TEL AVIV (JTA)--The government ran into opposition from both labor and management Thursday in its attempt to levy new taxes in various forms to raise revenue and stem inflation. Histadrut said no to a compulsory loan program based on a worker's entire wages. Employers meanwhile balked at paying a five percent payroll tax.

