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STATE DEP'T. PROPOSES TO CUT NUMBER OF 'HAWK' MISSILES TO JORDAN Senate Committee Postpones Vote Until Thursday To Await Administration's Plan

WASHINGTON, July 22 (JTA)--The State Department in an effort to get Congressional approval of its proposed sale of a \$350 million air defense system to Jordan has proposed to cut the number of "Hawk" missile batteries in the system from 14 to six. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today decided to postpone a vote on the sale until Thursday so it can receive the Administration's new plan.

The new plan came after negotiations between the State Department and Sen. Clifford P. Case (R,NJ). The legislator has led Senate opposition to the sale because of fear it would upset the military balance in the Middle East. Case told newsmen after the committee's closed-door meeting that his main concern was to retain an effective Congressional voice on the arms sale. He said that Foreign Relations Committee members had also proposed cutting down the eight batteries of "Vulcan" anti-aircraft guns that the Administration plans to sell Jordan.

Case said the proposal to sell Jordan 300 shoulder-fired "Redeye" missiles had not been discussed today but he felt they should be reduced proportionally. He said there was general agreement that the proposed sale was too big, although he said the committee wanted to approve some arms for Jordan.

At the State Department, spokesman Robert Anderson said that "the purpose of these consultations we are now having with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is to find a way in which we can carry out our commitment to Jordan and also meeting Congressional concerns." He said as far as he knows there were consultations with Congress before the sale to Jordan was decided upon. "I can't tell you exactly when and exactly the nature of it but this was done right after King Hussein's visit to the United States," Anderson said.

ISRAEL CONCERNED ABOUT JORDAN'S DEPLOYMENT OF ARMED FORCES

JERUSALEM, July 22 (JTA)--Defense Minister Shimon Peres said today that "Jordan is prepared for at least a joint war effort with Syria against Israel." In reply to questions in the Knesset, he stated that Israeli Defense Forces regarded very seriously the deployment of the bulk of Jordan's armed forces in positions facing Israel. He said the Jordanian formations at the moment were of a defensive nature but could be switched quickly without much difficulty to offensive formations.

Israel is extremely concerned over the pending sale of a \$350 million U.S. air defense system to Jordan. The deal is being pressed by the Ford Administration against mounting opposition in Congress on grounds that it would tip the balance of military power in the Middle East against Israel.

Israelis and their supporters in the U.S. contend that the advanced ground-to-air missile systems would provide Jordan with the air defense

umbrella it would need to attack Israel from the east. The lack of air defense is believed the primary reason why Jordan refrained from participation in the Yom Kippur War.

Peres made his remarks against the background of an apparent easing of tensions on Israel's southern front with Egypt. Israeli proposals for a new interim agreement in Sinai are under study in Cairo and the Egyptians are expected to reverse their decision not to renew the UNEF mandate after it expires July 24.

JERUSALEM COMMENDS OTTAWA DECISION AGAINST HOLDING CRIME PARLEY

JERUSALEM, July 22 (JTA)--Israel showered warm official praise on Ottawa today for the Canadian government's decision to postpone the United Nations-sponsored conference on crime if the PLO is invited. The parley was to have opened in Toronto in September. A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Canada had, by its decision, dissociated itself from the practice of exploiting international conferences of a professional nature for political purposes.

"Israel appreciates the fact that the government of Canada made a public declaration of its adherence to the universality of the UN and of its opposition to any attempt to adversely affect the participation in the UN General Assembly of Israel or any other country," the Foreign Ministry said. "The government of Israel joins in the hope of the government of Canada that the negotiations now taking place between Israel and Egypt through the good offices of the U.S. will be successfully concluded and will promote peace in the region."

McEACHEN LAUDED FOR STAND ON CANADA'S REFUSAL TO HOLD UN-SPONSORED CRIME CONFERENCE

By Michael Solomon

OTTAWA, July 22 (JTA)--Canadian Jewish organizations hailed today the announcement in the House of Commons yesterday by Allan McEachen, Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs, that he had advised the United Nations "that Canada does not wish to proceed with the Fifth United Nations Congress for the Prevention of Crime" scheduled for Toronto Sept. 1-12.

Praise for McEachen was made by the Canadian-Israeli Committee, representing the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Canadian Zionist Federation and the B'nai B'rith. The Jewish organizations said that McEachen's statement "in total thrust represents a morally and politically courageous stand supported by the overwhelming majority of Canadians."

McEachen told the House that he had sought Secretary General Kurt Waldheim's "cooperation" and that Waldheim "has undertaken to study the situation in order to clarify his position." McEachen added that the Canadian government believed that "this Congress cannot be held successfully anywhere this year."

The McEachen statement followed several Cabinet meetings convened after the refusal of the Ontario provincial government to serve as host for the conclave at which representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization had been sched-

ISRAEL SATISFIED WITH SECURITY COUNCIL'S APPEAL TO SADAT; NO REACTION TO EGYPTIAN LEADER'S SPEECH

JERUSALEM, July 22 (JTA)--Observers here expressed satisfaction today with the Security Council's appeal to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat last night to agree to renew the mandate of the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF) which expires July 24. There was no immediate official comment, however, on Sadat's television speech in Cairo tonight in which he said he has not reached a decision on the Security Council's request and would not announce one until after consulting with his national security advisors.

(There was also no immediate official response at the UN in New York. A spokesman said the UN had no response since Sadat had not reached any decision.)

"We are studying the situation from all its aspects," Sadat said. He also observed that without Egypt's approval, the UN peace-keeping force could not possibly remain in Sinai.

(A UN spokesman said in New York today that the Security Council was awaiting Egypt's formal reply to its appeal and expected it to come in the form of an official message from Cairo. The Council voted 13-0 last night to request Egypt to agree to an extension of the UNEF mandate. Cairo announced last week that it would not agree to an extension unless the Security Council took decisive steps to expedite an Israeli-Egyptian interim agreement in Cairo which would represent progress toward peace.)

According to reports reaching here, the Security Council's request, contained in a letter to Sadat from Eugenio Plaja of Italy, this month's President of the Council, was prepared with the understanding that a favorable response would be forthcoming from Cairo. The letter stated that continuance of UNEF would contribute "to creating an atmosphere conducive to progress toward an agreement on a just and lasting peace in the area."

The fact that Sadat said he had not yet reached a decision on the Security Council's request implied that a decision also has not been reached by Cairo on whether to accept Israel's latest proposals for an interim agreement. Egypt made the extension of the UNEF-mandate contingent on progress toward peace. Reversal of its decision not to continue UNEF could mean that the Israeli proposals provided the basis for Egypt to do so without losing face, observers here said.

The Israeli proposals were conveyed to Cairo this week by U.S. Ambassador Hermann Eilts and Egypt's response is expected to be made privately to Washington before any public announcement. Sadat's speech tonight gave no hint as to what that response might be.

RUSK: U.S. SHOULD WITHDRAW FROM UN IF GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPELS ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, July 22 (JTA)--Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk told the House International Relations Committee today that "If the General Assembly were to repeat what it did last year with respect to South Africa and expel Israel, I think that the United States should withdraw from the United Nations."

Rusk, who served in the Kennedy and Johnson Administrations and is presently a professor of international law at the University of Georgia, testified at the committee's hearings on future foreign policy. He said that the new large majority at the UN causes him concern. "I would hope that

this large majority would not become so foolhardy as to destroy the very organization which gives it its place in the sun by destroying the basic charter and treating it with contempt," Rusk said.

He added: "I think we have to give these nations some friendly warning that if they are not careful they themselves may destroy the UN.... I think it is important for the principal members of the UN to make it very clear that this majority cannot simply run away with it."

ISRAEL APPLAUDED BY MINERS

DURHAM, England, July 22 (JTA)--An estimated crowd of 100,000 coal miners gathered here for the annual gala of this north England town gave a resounding ovation at the mention of the State of Israel, when Israeli Ambassador Gideon Rafael was introduced. He was one of the few foreign guests at the colorful event, together with U.S. Ambassador Elliott Richardson.

Some of the miners later came up to shake the hand of "The Ambassador from the Holy Land." They recalled the warm friendship for the Zionist cause of the late Durham miners' leader, Sam Watson. Later, at a reception attended by Prime Minister Harold Wilson, Foreign Minister James Callaghan and leader of the House of Commons Edward Short and Mrs. Short joined in with the Ambassador and Mrs. Rafael in a rendition of "Hava Nagila." Rafael also met with the chairman of the National Coal Board, Sir Derek Ezra.

COURT CONFIRMS ANTI-SEMITIC NATURE OF NEWSPAPER SERIES

VIENNA, July 22 (JTA)--A Vienna court confirmed the anti-Semitic character of a recent series of articles on Jews in Austria published by the mass circulation newspaper, "Kronenzeitung." The court turned down a suit presented by Viktor Reimann, the author of the series, "Jews in Austria," against the Socialist newspaper, "Arbeiterzeitung," which had attacked its anti-Semitic character.

Judge Christine Boehm argued that the series, which stressed negative sides of the Jewish character, incited anti-Semitic feelings of the readers of the tabloid. She said that the average readers who still remember anti-Semitic Nazi slogans may have gotten the impression that Nazi propaganda was correct. Reimann appealed the sentence.

The "Kronenzeitung" series last year drew protest from Jewish and Austrian anti-Nazi and democratic organizations. The Press Council condemned the series and Justice Minister Christian Broda said he was horrified. The "Kronenzeitung" terminated the series prematurely.

JUSTICE MINISTER, CATHOLIC BISHOP ATTEND 'PASSION PLAY' PERFORMANCE

AMSTERDAM, July 22 (JTA)--The Dutch Minister of Justice, Andries van Agt, and the Roman Catholic Bishop of Limburg were among the numerous personalities who attended last week the first performance of this year's "Passion Play" in the village of Telegalen. The play claims to describe the sufferings of Christ at the hands of the Jews.

The play, written in 1931 by the Roman Catholic priest and poet, Jacques Schreurs, is performed every five years by the 300 local villagers and draws thousands of spectators. Based on the "Passion Play" at Oberammergau in Bavaria, it will be performed for 12 consecutive Sundays.

uled to attend as observers.

McEachen noted that, during the fourth Congress in Kyoto, Japan, in 1970, the Canadian government, in consultation with the province of Ontario, had proposed Toronto as the site of the fifth Congress and that the site had been confirmed by the UN General Assembly. Since that time, he added, "there has been a steady deterioration of the atmosphere in which international conferences are held."

Discord, Problems Must Be Dealt With

Citing the "discord" which he said had marked the last General Assembly, the UN Industrial Development Organization, the International Labor Organization meeting in Geneva, and the International Women's Conference in Mexico City, the Foreign Minister said those meetings had been marked by "excessive confrontation on issues that were not related to the subject matter of the conferences."

He said the problems before the UN and its affiliated agencies were "real and difficult" and must be dealt with "urgently" in the appropriate international institutions "before they poison the body politic of the United Nations."

McEachen also said it was "necessary and desirable that political factors take their proper place even in the most technical of conferences but they must meet some test of relevance and in recent UN conferences this has clearly not been the case." He also cited "the public outcry for or against the admission to Canada for this Congress of observers from the Palestine Liberation Organization," adding that the government had been "worried by its divisive effect upon Canadian public opinion. We could not ignore the risk of public disorders."

Two Dominant Factors Cited

But McEachen listed two factors which he said had "dominated" discussion of the problem in the Canadian Cabinet. One, he said, was "the inevitable intrusion" of "unrelated political discussions" in the deliberations of the Congress. The other was "re-escalation of violence in the Middle East and the consequent spread of its bitterness into Canada and subsequently in the Congress itself."

He said the government hoped that current negotiations for the reduction of tensions in the Mideast would prove successful in the coming months, adding that "we will actively support the continuing efforts of the parties directly concerned and of the United States government toward that goal." McEachen said he had been invited to visit a number of countries in the Middle East this fall and that he had accepted the invitation. He did not name the inviting countries.

Will Resist Expulsion Moves

McEachen also said that the Canadian government would "resist" any attempt to exclude Israel "or any other country" from the proceedings of the next General Assembly, which opens in September, adding that this principle would guarantee the status of Israel within the community of nations and thus remove one cause of instability in the area.

The statement by the Jewish organizations said "We applaud the decision" of the Canadian government "to make every effort to prevent further deterioration of the world organization and we oppose attempts to rob it of its universality by excluding Israel or any other nation."

(It was announced this afternoon at the UN that the 22 members of the UN Committee on Conferences, where Canada also sits, will meet at the UN headquarters July 29 to discuss all options, including the Canadian suggestion that the conference be delayed.)

SAPIR ACCUSES USSR OF DOUBLE-DEALING ON PROVIDING EXIT VISAS TO JEWS

JERUSALEM, July 22 (JTA)--Pinhas Sapir accused the Soviet Union yesterday of deliberately issuing exit visas to Jews who had no intention of going to Israel in order to prove that Soviet Jews seeking emigration had no interest in Israel.

In a radio interview, Sapir, who is chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives charged that the Soviet authorities continued to take measures against Jews seeking to immigrate to Israel, including the interrogation and arrests of ally activists. The measures were designed to intimidate Jews who want to go to Israel, Sapir said.

He also reported on continuing efforts to increase emigration from Western countries by easing the absorption process in Israel. He said there was less bureaucratic red tape, an easier housing situation and generally more job opportunities in Israel than in some Western countries. Consequently, he said, there were initial signs of increased immigration from the West.

PARTICIPANTS IN HELSINKI PARLEY URGED TO EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT TREATMENT OF JEWS IN THE USSR

LONDON, July 22 (JTA)--The Board of Deputies of British Jews has urged all governments participating in the final stage of the European Conference on Security and Cooperation in Helsinki this month to express their great concern to the Soviet authorities over the treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union and to urge immediate steps to grant Soviet Jews their elementary human rights.

In a statement issued at the Board's monthly meeting, Board President Lord Fisher of Camden, declared: "We naturally welcome any steps toward security and cooperation between East and West, yet such steps are incompatible with the present position and are meaningless if the situation of Jews in the USSR is not immediately alleviated." He said he was confident that if the Soviet Union heeded these calls it would contribute to a better understanding between East and West.

According to Lord Fisher, the situation of Soviet Jews has deteriorated since the European Security Conference first convened two years ago. He noted that the Soviet authorities had reduced Jewish emigration from 3000 a month in 1973 to under 100 a month at present. The ranks of Jewish "Prisoners of Conscience" sentenced to long prison terms increased this year and three more Jews--Anatoly Malkin, Yacov Vinarov and Lev Roitburd--have been imprisoned and await "show trials."

Lord Fisher also listed the latest methods of harassment against Jewish activists in the USSR. He said these included an additional tax on monies sent from abroad to alleviate the hardship of Jews fired from their jobs; mass disconnection of telephones; interference with the mails; and threats against "tourist-Zionists." He said all of these measures were coupled with increasing anti-Zionist, anti-Israel and anti-Judaism propaganda and the denial of proper facilities for Jewish cultural and religious observances.

ADL FILES COMPLAINTS WITH FEDERAL, STATE AGENCIES CHARGING SHIPPING BUREAU WITH BIAS

NEW YORK, July 22 (JTA)--The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith filed complaints yesterday with federal and N.Y. State agencies charging a division of the American Bureau of Shipping (consultants to the international maritime industry) with illegal discrimination against two American Jews seeking engineering posts with ABS operations in Arab countries.

According to Seymour Graubard, national chairman of the ADL, ABS Worldwide Technical Services, Inc. rejected the two engineers--Erika Wagner of Manhattan, and Leonard Messer of Elmont--under different circumstances. Ms. Wagner was turned down after she identified herself as a Jew. Messer, asked if he or any member of his family is Jewish, said "no" because he wanted the job. However, he later informed ABSTech his wife is Jewish and was told by a corporate official that this disqualified him even though she would not be accompanying him overseas. Both Ms. Wagner and Messer had answered classified advertisements for the jobs which are in Iraq and Bahrain Island.

The ADL complaints were made to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Maritime Administration, and the New York State Division for Human Rights. They charged the ABS subsidiary with violation of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and Executive Order 11246, which prohibits American companies from discriminating on the basis of religion, national origin, race or sex in hiring.

The complaint to EEOC, signed by Justin J. Finger, assistant director of the ADL's civil rights division, seeks the following: a finding of "probable cause" that ABS Worldwide Technical Services discriminated and continues to discriminate against Jews in their hiring policies; that an action be brought by EEOC to end the discriminatory practices and to obtain damages of back pay to those not employed because of them; and that, alternatively, EEOC grant ADL a right to sue letter in federal court.

Demands End To Discrimination

The complaint to the Maritime Administration, also signed by Finger, called upon the civil rights office of the Federal agency to direct ABS Technical Services "to cease and desist all discriminatory practices affecting American Jews, and to institute immediately a program of affirmative action to correct and eliminate" all vestiges of discrimination.

Graubard questioned whether the "Industrial giants" associated with the American Bureau of Shipping "are aware that its subsidiary ABS Worldwide Technical Services is violating U.S. law to satisfy Arab demands."

The ABS annual report lists among those serving on its Board of Managers and Committees officials of a broad spectrum of American ship and shipbuilding companies, steel and oil corporations, insurance, underwriters, colleges, and government agencies. They include Todd Shipyards, U.S. Steel, Atlantic Mutual Insurance, Texaco, Exxon, Getty Oil, Bethlehem Steel, General Electric, General Motors, Westinghouse, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Maritime Affairs.

The League on June 10 filed complaints with

EEOC charging Aramco, the world's largest oil combine, Bendix-Sylvania of Maryland, Hospital Corporation of America, Tenn., and International Schools Services of Princeton, N.J., with accepting and complying with the anti-Jewish practices of Saudi Arabia and Dubai. These complaints are pending before EEOC which had 90 days to respond.

ISRAEL, CANADA SIGN ACCORD TO AVOID DOUBLE TAXATION

OTTAWA, July 22 (JTA)--Israel and Canada signed today an agreement to avoid double taxation. This agreement will allow investors in one country to establish businesses in another country to repatriate their earnings without having to pay taxes on such earnings a second time.

Dr. Theodor Meron, the outgoing Israel Ambassador to Canada, said that "the agreement will encourage Canadian businessmen to invest in Israel, widening the economic scope of business between Israel and Canada and increasing opportunities for trade and cooperation between the two countries."

With this agreement, Canada joins the United States, France, West Germany, Britain, Sweden and several other countries which, in concluding similar agreements with Israel, have created a unique investment climate, Meron said. The agreement on behalf of Canada was signed by John Turner, Minister of Finance, and by Dr. Meron for Israel.

IRANIAN TROOPS TO REPLACE PERUVIAN TROOPS ON GOLAN HEIGHTS

UNITED NATIONS, July 22 (JTA)--Iranian troops will replace the Peruvian forces on the Golan Heights, it was announced here today. According to a United Nations spokesman, Iran informed Secretary General Kurt Waldheim of her willingness to provide one battalion to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF).

The Peruvian troops will complete their departure at the end of the month and according to the UN spokesman, the Iranians are already preparing to take their place. Waldheim is reportedly very pleased with the Iranian offer and was in touch today with Israel and Syria on this matter.

SCHOOL WILL HAVE COURSES ON ISRAEL

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 22 (JTA)--The cornerstone for an elementary municipal school named "Estado de Israel," in the city of Teresopolis near here was laid in the presence of Israeli Consul General in Rio, Efraim Doweck. The school, for more than 300 non-Jewish children, will open after the construction is finished, in about two years. The children will be taught about Israel and its history. The cost of the construction, not specified, will be paid by Dr. Jacob Korolik, vice-president of the Herzl Library in Rio, an institution of the General Zionists.

JERUSALEM (JTA)--Some 25,000 Dutchmen, including Queen Juliana, are among the regular contributors to the Jewish National Fund, the JNF reported. The Dutch Queen purchases annually JNF lottery tickets, a project approved by both the Israel and Dutch governments. Only 10 percent of the Dutch contributors are Jews, the JNF said. Many Dutchmen regard the conquest of the barren land as a project similar to that of drying the sea in The Netherlands. The JNF will shortly inaugurate a forest named after the Queen.