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EGYPT AGREES TO 3-MONTH EXTENSION OF UNEF SECURITY COUNCIL TO MEET By Yitzhak Rabi

UNITED NATIONS, July 23 (JTA)--Egypt agreed today to extend the mandate of the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF) in Sinai for three months until Oct. 24. The mandate was due to expire tomorrow. The official announcement was made in Cairo by Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy and was followed by an announcement here by Egyptian Ambassador Abdel Meguid after his 25-minute meeting with Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and Security Council President Eugenio Plaja of Italy.

Meguid told Waldheim and Plaja that Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's reply to the appeal made to him by the Security Council to extend the UNEF mandate was "positive." He said he would brief the non-aligned members of the Security Council on this development later today. A UN spokesman said the Security Council will meet tonight or tomorrow following Plaja's consultations with Council members. Waldheim said through his spokesman that the Egyptian answer "is a positive development which will enable UNEF to continue to operate."

The Council is expected to vote for the extension of the UNEF mandate with 13 members voting for it, and China and Iraq not participating as they haven't done in the past. Sadat, in his speech last night on Egyptian television, said Egypt still did not have sufficient ground to agree to a renewal of the mandate. The Egyptian leader had met with U.S. Ambassador Hermann Eilts who returned to Cairo from Washington Sunday with the latest proposals by Israel. Egypt precipitated a crisis last week when she announced she would not extend the UNEF mandate. A flurry of diplomatic activity in Washington, Jerusalem and Cairo followed this announcement.

6 ISRAELI SOLDIERS WOUNDED, 1 KILLED IN TERRORIST AMBUSH DURING INCURSION INTO LEBANON

TEL AVIV, July 23 (JTA)--Seven Israeli soldiers were wounded, one of them fatally, in a terrorist ambush this morning while searching for terrorist collaborators in the Lebanese village of Kila. The casualties were evacuated by helicopter. Most of the wounds were described as slight, but one man died in the hospital. His name was withheld pending notification of his next of kin.

The Israeli unit continued its operation, demolishing several terrorist houses and killing an unspecified number of terrorists inside. They returned safely to Israel with seven suspected terrorist collaborators as prisoners. The force entered Kila which has been used as a base for terrorist infiltration into Israel apparently aided by some local residents. The village lies just west of Metullah where three terrorist infiltrators were killed earlier this week. Settlers at Metullah took to bomb shelters during the operation. Several mortar shells were fired at Metullah later today from Lebanese territory but no casualties or damage was reported, Israeli forces returned the fire.

The Israeli force was combing Kila when it was hit by a burst of fire from one of the buildings falling seven men. The buildings were subsequently demolished. It was learned, meanwhile, that Israeli soldiers on anti-terrorist missions inside Lebanon are under strict orders not to engage the Lebanese army or gendarmerie and not to open fire when women and children are in the vicinity. The men on the search mission had a list of suspected collaborators wanted in Israel for questioning and these were apparently the people taken prisoner. No other villagers were harmed.

TRUDEAU SCORES ARAB BLACKMAIL THREAT

OTTAWA, July 23 (JTA)--Premier Pierre Elliott Trudeau said today the Canadian government would not "bow to blackmail" from Arab countries over its decision to postpone indefinitely a United Nations-sponsored Congress on the Prevention of Crime which had been scheduled for Toronto Sept. 1-12.

News men who met the Premier as he emerged from the House of Commons told him of reports from Beirut that the Arab states planned to retaliate against Canada for the postponement decision, and asked him for his reaction. He replied: "If the report is true, I can only say that we do not bow to blackmail. If some countries do not like our decision, they can lump it."

HOPES ARE BUOYED BY EGYPT'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNEF EXTENSION By David Landau and Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, July 23 (JTA)--The response of President Anwar Sadat to Israel's latest proposals for an interim settlement in Sinai remained uncertain today following the Egyptian leader's televised speech in Cairo last night. But Egypt's agreement to extend the UNEF mandate, announced in Cairo and at the United Nations shortly after noon today, raised hopes of a successful outcome to the current negotiations.

Very highly placed sources here expressed the view last night that Sadat's omission from his speech of any reference to the ongoing talks for an interim settlement in Sinai was in fact an indication that he was hopeful of a successful outcome and would agree to the continued presence of UNEF to facilitate further progress in the talks. That assessment was partially confirmed by the announcement that Egypt's reply to Monday's appeal from the Security Council to extend UNEF was "positive." (See Yitzhak Rabin's reaction P. 3.)

Israel Will Not Be Bullied

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, in a Knesset speech delivered several hours before the UN announcement, warned Sadat that "if Egypt believes that by threatening the existence of UNEF she threatens us, or she will manage to squeeze concessions which we are not willing to make otherwise, she is making a grave mistake. The concessions we are willing to make as our contribution in the peace efforts we shall make without threats, without pressures and without maneuvers to create them," Allon declared.

"Whatever we cannot give up we shall not give up, even if they will threaten or press us," he

said, "The unquestionable authority and undisturbed existence of UNEF are an integral part of the separation of forces agreement with Egypt."

Allon spoke in reply to two agenda motions in the Knesset and was evidently reacting to Sadat's assertion last night that he had not yet decided whether to accept the Security Council's appeal to extend UNEF and would not make a decision before consulting with his national security advisors. Allon did not go into details about the prospects for an interim agreement nor did he react to reports that Egypt opposed Israel's suggestion that American personnel man and supervise the advance warning systems in Sinai as part of an interim accord.

Warns Against Expulsion From UN

The Foreign Minister dwelt at great length on moves by the Moslem states and some of their Third World allies to try to expel Israel from the UN this fall. He said he did not foresee such a possibility as long as the decision remained the prerogative of the Security Council. However, he warned that Israel would regard any steps in the UN to harm her as a threat to the entire world organization and to the advancement of peace in the Middle East and throughout the world.

Allon said that Israel, therefore, would not only seek to muster votes against any anti-Israel initiatives but would seek to prevent the issue from arising at the UN. He said Israel was greatly encouraged by events such as Canada's "brave decision" to refuse to host the UN-sponsored conference on crime prevention to which the Palestine Liberation Organization had been invited and by strong expressions by the United States and the European Common Market countries rejecting Arab plans to expel Israel.

Allon warned that if the Arabs manage to harm Israel's position in the UN, the world would not accept it quietly and in such case Israel would re-evaluate her position toward UN activities including the role the UN and its institutions are playing in Middle East peace efforts--which includes the UN forces in the Mideast and perhaps even the Geneva conference at a later stage. He said he expected all of Israel's friends to take a clear position that if Israel's status is harmed they will assume the same status. "The fate of Israel should be the fate of the organization itself," Allon said.

HADASSAH SENDS MEDICINES FOR RUMANIAN FLOOD VICTIMS

JERUSALEM, July 23 (JTA)--A gift of medicines, for the relief of Rumanian flood victims, has been sent by the Hadassah Medical Organization to the Israel government to dispatch to the Rumanian government. The gift consists of about half a ton of medicines and comprises a large quantity of penicillin tablets, about 300,000 analgesic tablets (aspirin) and about 400 kilos of sulfamylon burn ointment.

Last week the Rumanian Charge d'Affaires in Israel asked the Israel government to help his country with provisions of phosphates, cattle feed and also long term credit. Foreign Minister Yigal Allon and Commerce Minister Haim Barlev assured him that the requests would be carefully considered. Meanwhile the Israel-Rumanian Friendship League in Tel Aviv has launched an appeal among the Israeli public to aid Rumanian flood victims.

B'NAI B'RITH TO SILENCE DISSIDENT STAFF

WASHINGTON, July 23 (JTA)--The top-level

personnel policy committee of B'nai B'rith International has urged "strict disciplinary action" against any member of its professional staff who takes a public position in opposition to any "Supreme Lodge policy." The new initiative, broad in its wording but specific in its application, is directed against employees of B'nai B'rith or B'nai B'rith Women who advocate any kind of accommodation between Israel and the terrorist Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), or even public discussion of the issue.

Earlier this year the B'nai B'rith Board of Governors took a policy position which declared "unconditional support of the government of Israel. In its refusal to negotiate with the PLO." This governmental policy, which has been questioned by a few leaders of the political opposition in Israel and by left-leaning critics in America, may, according to the proposed action, no longer be debated or discussed by B'nai B'rith professionals in any public forum.

The sponsor of the proposal, which must be ratified at the forthcoming meeting of the Board of Governors in Houston, Texas, is New York attorney Lawrence Peirez, long prominent in the affairs of the Anti-Defamation League and now chairman of the personnel policy committee. "In these times of peril for the people and State of Israel," notes Peirez, "we can no longer allow our employees to take positions which are inimical to our interests as we perceive them."

The action is intended as a warning to B'nai B'rith staff that vague slogans about "free speech" and "academic freedom" do not apply to those whose salaries are paid by the dues of the half-million strong B'nai B'rith family. Although the ruling does not yet apply to B'nai B'rith members, it is the hope of the sponsor that they will voluntarily accept the discipline which is being imposed upon the professional staff.

B'nai B'rith is the first American Jewish organization to take this pragmatic position as an affirmation of the ideal of Jewish solidarity. Should the leadership of B'nai B'rith vote favorably on the measure, it is anticipated that they will urge other Jewish organizations to initiate similar action within their own ranks.

DINITZ, KISSINGER CONFER ON EGYPTIAN COUNTER-PROPOSALS

By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, July 23 (JTA)--Ambassador Simcha Dinitz told reporters after a meeting with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger at the White House this morning that he had received Egypt's counter-proposals for an interim agreement in Sinai and would relay them to the Israeli Cabinet in Jerusalem. There was no hint from any quarter as to the content of the Egyptian counter-proposals. They were apparently Egypt's response to the latest proposals from Israel which were conveyed to Cairo last Sunday by the U.S. Ambassador Hermann Eilts.

There was no significance attached to the fact that the Israeli envoy met with Kissinger at the White House rather than at the State Department. The secretary was attending other meetings at the White House today.

Compromise On 'Hawks' Still Sought

Meanwhile, State Department spokesman Robert Anderson told reporters today that the U.S. was "in touch with the Jordanian government and the Congress, primarily the Senate Foreign Relations Committee" on a compromise over the proposed sale to Jordan of a \$350 million air defense

system including "Hawk" surface-to-air missiles. The sale has encountered mounting opposition in Congress on grounds that it could tip the military balance of power in the Middle East against Israel.

Anderson said "We are discussing Jordan's reaction which we heard or read about with Congress today....Secretary Kissinger has not testified before any committee on the sale recently but he has been in touch formally during some of the meetings he has had with members of Congress. Obviously he is very much concerned about this bill and is an active participant in having it resolved."

Meanwhile, the House International Relations Committee today gave the Ford Administration 24 hours to come up with a compromise on the sale of missiles to Jordan. The committee agreed to a one-day postponement on a vote to block the sale at the request of Republican members after hours of behind-the-scenes maneuvering by State Department officials to work out a solution that would satisfy opponents of the plan. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has scheduled for tomorrow a vote on a resolution to prevent the sale.

Surveillance Proposals Not Received

Anderson also commented on an American role in the advance warning surveillance system in Sinai in the event of an interim agreement between Israel and Egypt. Although such a role was reportedly part of Israel's latest proposals, Anderson insisted that so far the U.S. has not received such proposals from either Israel or Egypt, but if such a proposal were made "we will examine it when we get it. Whether it would turn out to be technicians who will be military or civilian we have to wait and see."

He also observed that "If we decide it will be in the national interest to participate in such a proposal, we will be in very close touch with Congress before anything is done about it."

Anderson said yesterday that it was premature to say whether Kissinger would make any U.S. proposal that would be helpful in the Egyptian-Israeli negotiations. He also said the Secretary of State had not mentioned the possibility that President Ford would meet with either Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin or President Hafez Assad of Syria when the President is in Europe this month for the Conference on European Security and Cooperation in Helsinki. But, Anderson added, he did not exclude the possibility that the Middle East would be discussed at the Helsinki conference.

RABIN: THERE MUST BE DIRECT TALKS BEFORE INTERIM ACCORD IS SIGNED

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, July 23 (JTA)--Premier Yitzhak Rabin said here tonight he was "more than disappointed" with President Anwar Sadat's anti-Israel rhetoric in the Egyptian leader's major policy speech yesterday. Rabin said if there was to be an interim agreement a change of attitude, of policies and of rhetoric would have to take place in the relations between the two countries. The Premier said there must be face-to-face talks between teams from the two sides before the negotiations are finally concluded and the signing held.

Informed sources said the timetable envisaged by Israel projected a face-to-face session--similar to those held before the disengagement

signing--some time in September, assuming a Kissinger shuttle is held in August. Rabin did not refer to Egypt's agreement to renew the UNEF mandate, an omission in keeping with Israel's policy all along of reacting coolly to Egypt's obvious pressure tactic in connection with the mandate renewal. The Premier spoke at the convention of American Mizrahi Women, at the Jerusalem Theater. Among the guests was U.S. Ambassador Malcolm Toon.

Rabin said Sadat's speech has shown the Egyptian leader did not understand the deep roots of the Jewish State. Sadat, Rabin said, did "not realize" the real meaning of Judaism or Zionism--as was so clearly shown by his reference to Israel as an imperialist creation. This was "not a good sign for the present or for the future," Rabin said somberly. He had been "more than disappointed" to hear Sadat speak of Israel as a "dagger" in the Arab midst. Without a change in this type of attitude and rhetoric it was "more than doubtful" whether an interim agreement would be achieved.

Compromises Needed On Both Sides

The essence of the projected agreement was the parties' undertaking to renounce force in the solution of their conflict and to undertake that negotiations were the sole method that they would employ. This hardly accorded with the Egyptian leader's sentiments, Rabin stressed. However, he added, Israel would "continue to try our best" to negotiate the agreement. He expressed hope that the negotiations would yet produce the desired change of attitude in the Egyptian approach. It must be perfectly clear, Rabin declared, that the interim agreement is a meaningful step towards peace. If it were not, then there would be no point for Israel in concluding it.

"We are still in the negotiating process," Rabin continued, and there would be further exchanges of views with the Egyptians through the U.S., "but that doesn't mean that Egypt can dictate to us....Both sides must come forward and make compromises...." The Premier asserted that it was unacceptable to argue that Sadat's hard-line statement had been made in lip-service to Arab hard-liners. If the interim agreement was truly to be a step toward peace, then it was Sadat's duty as Egypt's leader to "prepare" his people and the Arab-world for this step, Rabin declared.

AT&T: NO COMPROMISE BECAUSE OF LOAN

NEW YORK, July 23 (JTA)--The loan of \$100 million by Saudi Arabia to the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. "in no way compromises A.T. & T.'s commitment to make every effort to recruit and promote the most qualified candidates into its jobs, including Jewish men and women," Charles L. Brown, executive vice-president of A.T. & T., said today.

Brown made the statement in response to a Jewish Telegraphic Agency inquiry as to the giant utility's reaction to an appeal by the American Jewish Congress that the utility state publicly that the loan would not influence employment policy toward Jews, "either at home or abroad, and that your company has not surrendered to the Arab boycott of Israel or of firms doing business with Israel. Asked whether the reply referred to hiring of Jews for employment in Saudi Arabia, Brown said, "We have no employees in Saudi Arabia.

FLEDGLING CLEVELAND ALIYA COUNCIL SEEKS TO INCREASE NUMBER OF OLIM FROM OHIO AREA

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 23 (JTA)--Projection of a more aggressive stance by the community in support of aliya and, ultimately, to increase the number of Cleveland-area residents making aliya is the task undertaken by the newly-created Regional Aliya Council here.

Meeting this past weekend at an all-day conference, 100 leaders of the Cleveland Jewish community aired their views on the problems facing the aliya movement and how these problems could be overcome through community support and involvement. Participants represented a broad cross section of the Cleveland Jewish community including rabbis, Federation executives, businessmen, students, teachers and other communal leaders.

A conceptual outgrowth of the National Aliya Planning Conference held last March, Cleveland is the third regional unit to be established. Councils were formed in Detroit and Miami last month. Aliya Is Priority Project

According-to-conference chairmen Rabbi Arm and Cohen and Dr. Rowland Moskowitz, the general objectives of the all-day session were to dramatize the need for and support of aliya as a priority of the Cleveland Jewish community; to develop a concept to generate aliya; to produce a climate toward aliya within the community; to assist candidates; to provide opportunities for the creation of contacts with new olim; to follow up on those who have made aliya; and to establish a liaison mechanism with Israel to facilitate absorption.

The chairmen emphasized that the work of the Council would supplement and assist the Regional Israel Aliya Center shaliach. In addition to creating the Council, participants at the conference established seven committees, each charged with a phase of the overall objectives.

Goals Of Working Committees

The seven working committees, and their goals, include: publicity--to foster a better understanding of the promises, problems and facts of aliya and to develop new and more effective techniques and programs; contact--to establish personal contact and dialogue with the aliya candidate and to work closely with the Aliya Center in promoting goals; service and information--to provide in-depth help and consideration of individual problems; to enlist consultants from the community; and to assist in the arrangement of pilot trips and job placement.

Also, aliya mechanics--to clarify steps involved in emigration and offer data on jobs, shipping, housing, schooling, loans, mortgages, customs and taxes; liaison--to establish liaison groups in Israel to receive and welcome the new olim, maintain contact with olim and offer assistance in overcoming problems; and ombudsman--to select and appoint a salaried ombudsman who will report to the Aliya Council, set up effective channels with Israeli government authorities, follow-up, direct and evaluate activities of ombudsman and maintain contact with key government personnel.

Total Involvement Aids Aliya

"The Cleveland Jewish community is to be commended," said Sam Kadison, Israel Aliya

Center consultant, "for the thorough planning and sincere thought that went into the conference." Kadison made special note of the contributions of Herman Eigen, executive vice-president of the Cleveland Jewish Community Center, who conducted steering sessions in preparation for the conference.

"There is no doubt," said Aliya Center shaliach Moshe Avniel, "that the aliya effort throughout North America will be greatly aided by the total involvement of the Jewish community. Such grass roots support, particularly with youth groups and in schools and campuses, should have a marked effect on future aliya statistics."

According to Kadison, conferences will be conducted before the end of the year in Montreal, San Francisco, Washington, D.C., St. Louis, Seattle and Los Angeles.

PRESIDENTS CONFERENCE URGES CONGRESS TO APPROVE MFN FOR ROMANIA

NEW YORK, July 23 (JTA)--Declaring that "the American Jewish community is encouraged by the increase in emigration from Rumania which has developed in recent weeks," Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations urged Congressional approval of the U.S.-Rumanian trade agreement making Rumania eligible for most favored nation status. Congressional action on the U.S.-Rumanian trade pact is expected to be completed by the end of this week.

In a letter to Sen. Russell Long (D.La.), chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Rabbi Miller referred to reports that Rumanian officials have issued over 1000 visa approvals in June which, he said, was "a welcome indication of a positive trend that we trust will be continued and reflected in the actual number of departures." He said that "On this basis we support favorable Congressional action on the U.S.-Rumanian trade agreement." An identical letter was sent to Rep. Al Ullman (D.Ore.), chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Rabbi Miller cited statements by Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs Arthur Hartman before both the Senate and the House committees giving what Rabbi Miller described as "assurances that the Administration will recommend an extension of the waiver of the Jackson-Vanik provisions of the Trade Act only in the event of continued upward movement in Rumanian emigration throughout the waiver period." The Jackson-Vanik measure links U.S. trade with Communist-bloc nations to their emigration practices.

Last month, Rabbi Miller had urged the Senate Finance Committee to defer action on the agreement until the Rumanian authorities demonstrated "the kind of positive movement on emigration that will permit favorable action." He said that earlier this year, Jewish emigration from Rumania was "very low," but reports from Jerusalem July 14 indicated that the exit of Jews from Rumania in June had tripled compared to the previous month, and that a further increase was anticipated in July.

JERUSALEM (JTA)--The Jewish National Fund and the city of Kiryat Shemona near the Lebanese border have launched a joint project of turning the "Snake Mountain" overlooking the city into a large park to serve the city's residents. The JNF has completed during the last few days a network of roads to the park, and is working on paving paths for pedestrians. Groundwork is being completed for the planting of some 50,000 trees.