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401 HOUSE MEMBERS SIGN RESOLUTION URGING GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO REPUDIATE THIRD COMMITTEE ANTI-ZIONIST DRAFT

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Demonstrating a tremendous outpouring of sympathy and support for Israel and the Jewish people, 401 of the 435 members of the House of Representatives had signed as of today the resolution introduced earlier this week urging the UN General Assembly to repudiate the UN Third Committee's draft equating Zionism with racism.

A preliminary tabulation of the resolution's sponsors showed that 269 Democrats and 132 Republicans from all 50 states and the four areas—Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam and the Virgin Islands—with delegates in the House have joined in asking the Assembly "to disapprove" the action of the Third Committee "if and when it is presented for a vote." It is expected that the Third Committee's action, adopted by a coalition of Communist, Arab and Third World nations, may come before the Assembly in November.

The 401 signers in the House represent what is believed to be a historically record number to sign a resolution. "I did not think anybody could get 401 House members to agree on anything," a Capitol legislative specialist told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. The Senate has an identical bi-partisan resolution which it is expected to consider next week.

Rep. Sidney Yates (D, Ill) was credited with "an amazing personal achievement" for the success of the resolution of which he was a prime mover. Working ceaselessly among his colleagues, Yates personally canvassed members all this week in their offices and in the Capitol itself to tell them the meaning of the UN action. "He literally did it alone," an observer told JTA. "He probably can get five or ten more sponsors but many of the 34 not yet on the list are ill at home, in hospitals or away on business in their districts or abroad."

TOON PLEDGES U.S. EFFORT TO KILL 'POISONOUS RESOLUTION' IN UN

TEL AVIV, Oct. 23 (JTA)--U.S. Ambassador Malcolm Toon pledged here today that the United States will make every possible effort to kill the "poisonous resolution" against Zionism when it comes up in the United Nations General Assembly. He described the measure as "an attempt to give an official seal to anti-Semitism which, as a matter of fact, is the oldest form of racism in history." Toon spoke at a luncheon of the Israel-America Society which served as an official welcome to Ambassador and Mrs. Toon.

The envoy declared that the U.S. is committed to defend Israel. He warned that the Arab-inspired resolution equating Zionism with racism would, if adopted by the Assembly plenary, undermine the UN itself. Toon noted that the U.S. Congress was in the process of making its powerful voice heard in condemnation of the resolution.

UNEF MANDATE EXTENDED 1 YEAR

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 23 (JTA)--The United

Nations Security Council approved today a resolution to extend the mandate of the United Nations Emergency Force in the Sinai for one year. The vote was in line with a clause in the second Sinai interim accord specifying renewal annually for a period of three years. The vote was 13-0 with China and Iraq abstaining, the usual pattern of voting by the Council on the UNEF mandate. The vote today was the first time that the current UNEF contingent had had its mandate extended for a full year.

Before the vote, the Council's president read a letter from Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy, calling for the reconvening of the Geneva peace conference "in the immediate future." The operative paragraphs of the resolution called on Egypt and Israel to implement the Council's Resolution 338 of October, 1973, which called for a cease-fire and peace negotiations.

Secretary General Kurt Waldheim told the Council that the new tasks facing UNEF under the latest Israeli-Egyptian accord would require deploying the UN forces over a line twice as long as at present. In his report to the Council last Friday, Waldheim asked for an addition of 840 men to the 3987-member UNEF contingent to meet the new tasks.

BRITISH MP, FRIEND OF ISRAEL, ESCAPES DEATH IN BOMB BLAST

LONDON, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Hugh Fraser, a Conservative MP, who narrowly escaped death along with his house guest, Caroline Kennedy, daughter of the late President John F. Kennedy, when a bomb exploded under his car this morning, is a life-long Zionist. He is chairman of the Parliamentary group of the Conservative Friends of Israel, which comprises 88 Conservative MPs. Fraser was about to leave his home when a phone call from a fellow MP detained him, causing him to escape the bomb blast.

Fraser, a constant and vocal speaker for Israel, incurred the wrath of the pro-Arab lobby when addressing a victory rally after the Six-Day War. While London's police have opened intensive investigations, they are not saying whether they are looking into Arab involvement. Fraser is a prominent member of an old Catholic family. His wife is Lady Antonia Fraser, the historian. Caroline Kennedy is a friend of the Frasers' daughter, Flora.

UNESCO CHIEF URGED TO TAKE ACTION TO RESCIND ANTI-ISRAELI ACTIONS

By Yitzhak Rabi

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Dr. Ahmadou M'Bow, director general of UNESCO, was urged by groups of prominent American scholars, artists and writers in two separate meetings at UN headquarters yesterday and today to take action that will lead his agency to rescind its resolutions aimed at the isolation and censure of Israel. Both groups indicated that they would not cooperate with UNESCO as long as its purposes continue to be distorted and compromised by politicization.

M'Bow was visited yesterday by an academic group headed by Prof. Kenneth Arrow, a Nobel Laureate in economics and professor of econom-

its at Harvard University. Arrow told a press conference after their two-hour meeting with the UNESCO chief that they were impressed with M'Bow's commitment "to the universality of UNESCO."

He said M'Bow was confident that the next general conference of UNESCO, to be held next year, would accept the recommendation made by its executive board two weeks ago, to rescind the resolution barring Israel from the agency's European regional grouping. But the director general was less optimistic about the prospects that UNESCO would lift its censure of Israel for its archaeological excavations in Jerusalem that allegedly altered the character of that city, Arrow said.

Urge Elimination Of Sanctions

This morning, M'Bow received a delegation of writers and artists, headed by playwright Arthur Miller, which included author James Michener; actress Shelley Winters; the Black civil rights activist Bayard Rustin; jazz musician Lionel Hampton; and composer Cy Coleman.

Miller told a press conference later that the purpose of his group, by standing up for Israel's rights at UNESCO, is to "prevent the unravelling of UNESCO" because "if this takes place, the unravelling of the UN itself is on the agenda." He said they appealed to M'Bow to "take the required steps to eliminate the sanctions against Israel and thereby restore UNESCO to its constitutional principles and purposes."

Rustin, who heads the newly formed Black Americans to Support Israel Committee (BASIC), told the press conference that his committee sent letters to all African delegations at the UN before the Third Committee's vote last Friday urging them not to support the Arab-inspired resolution equating Zionism with racism. Rustin said that only eight delegations replied and those abstained in the vote. The delegations that supported the resolution did not even bother to reply, Rustin said.

The scholars who accompanied Prof. Arrow at yesterday's meeting told M'Bow they would not cooperate with UNESCO as long as any member state is excluded from its activities.

SOME 2500 NORTH AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERS TO PARTICIPATE IN CJF-GA

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 (JTA)--More than 2500 representatives from the organized Jewish communities of the United States and Canada will attend the 44th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds (CJF) in Miami Beach Nov. 19-23, it was announced by Raymond Epstein of Chicago, CJF president. It will be the largest Assembly in CJF history.

The leaders of the Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds serving 800 Jewish communities will consider the wide range of human needs at home, in Israel, and other countries overseas. The community leaders will plan how to best carry out Federation's crucial role and responsibilities in maximizing aid and services.

Intensive Assessment Of Critical Issues

According to Epstein, who will complete his three-year term of office as JCF president, the delegates will devote themselves to "an intensive assessment of the critical issues and priority commitments confronting the American Jewish community as they are being shaped by inflation and recession here, by oil, detente and the latest

Middle East moves towards disengagement." The Assembly will include seven plenary sessions, four major forums, and a near-hundred workshops.

"The ever-expanding role of community Federations--which recognizes that the meeting of human needs is indivisible from a concern for the quality of Jewish life--will be central for the delegates," Epstein said. "Providing maximum help on the domestic scene, overseas, and wherever else Jews are oppressed, as well as devising and refining programs to channel American Jewry's historic commitment, will be the subjects of the General Assembly's major forums."

Two annual major CJF awards will be made at the General Assembly. The William J. Shroder Awards, prestigious communal service honors in tribute to the founder and first president of the CJF, will be presented by Mrs. William H. Green of San Francisco, who chairs the Award Committee. The Boris Smolar Awards, honoring the noted columnist and Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, announced by Lavy M. Becker, of Montreal, chairman of the Awards Committee, will honor distinguished reporting, features and editorials in the American Jewish press during the past year.

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONDEMNS UN ANTI-ZIONIST MEASURE

BOSTON, Oct. 23 (JTA)--The city council has adopted a resolution condemning the action by the UN Third Committee in equating Zionism with racism and applauded the action "of the United States chief delegate to the United Nations in vigorously opposing this attempt to defame the Zionist movement." The chief delegate is Daniel Moynihan. It is believed that the city council here was the first in the country to adopt such a resolution.

The council's resolution, adopted three days ago, characterizes Zionism as the national liberation movement of the Jewish people and declares that the UN's draft resolution equating Zionism with racism "is an affront to fair minded people in all lands and is a further indication of the moral decline of the United Nations."

The resolution "condemns the actions of member states of the United Nations who would adopt this form of anti-Semitism in the guise of anti-Zionism and would exploit the agencies of the United Nations as vehicles to spread hatred and maledictions against the Jewish people and Israel."

Some of the newly established members of the UN, the resolution continues, "have adopted a hypocritical position in denying to Israel the right to exercise the same forces of national development which entitled them to achieve independence." The city council sent copies of its resolution to UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, Moynihan, President Ford, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, and members of the Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR BLAST VICTIM

TEL AVIV, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Funeral services were held in Kiryat Shemona today for Gabriel Shlomo, 52, who died of wounds suffered in a terrorist rocket attack on the border village. Shlomo, the father of 11 children, had been in the hospital for two months.

BUCHAREST (JTA)--Charles Vanik (D, Ohio), on a visit here, met with Rumanian Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen, his wife and Jewish personalities.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES**DRIVE ON TO PRESENT SADAT,
DURING HIS 10-DAY VISIT TO U.S.,
AS LEADER OF ARAB MODERATION**

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (JTA)--American and Egyptian officials are cooperating closely in the public relations aspects of President Anwar Sadat's first visit to the United States beginning Sunday. One aim is to present Sadat as "a leader of Arab moderation" and therefore deserving of American economic and military support.

Another is to enhance President Ford's image in the conduct of foreign policy as the first American President in 27 years to achieve a breakthrough toward peace in the Middle East, embodied in the Egyptian-Israeli Sinai accord negotiated last August by Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger.

The nation's first un-elected President who is vigorously campaigning for his party's nomination in 1976 and election to a full four-year term on his own merits; is believed to regard foreign policy and especially American success in the Middle East, as crucial to his ambitions and views Egypt as a key to such success.

Therefore, the red carpet welcome to be extended to Sadat and Mrs. Sadat during their 10-day visit and tour of major American cities and the intensive public relations campaign is considered necessary to blur the negative image many Americans have of the Egyptian leader.

Aiming For Favorable Media Exposure

The activities here surrounding Sadat's visit are aimed at giving him maximum favorable media exposure as well as maximum security. The public relations program opens Sunday with Sadat's appearance on ABC's nationally televised "Issues and Answers" program which was pre-taped in Cairo.

Sadat is expected to try to impress American viewers with his appreciation for the efforts of Ford and Kissinger in the Middle East and the "reasonableness" of his requirements for a Middle East peace. The broadcast is timed to coincide with the Sadats' arrival at Williamsburg, Va.,--a center of America's bicentennial celebrations--where they will rest from their trip before entering Washington.

Sadat's three-day stay in the Capital will include an appearance before the National Press Club, a day after the official White House welcome, which will keep the Egyptian President constantly in the news and on the TV screens.

Selection Of Cities Carefully Considered

The selection of the American cities that Sadat will visit also has public relations and political implications. He will visit Jacksonville when President Ford is in that part of Florida, thus sharing the limelight with the President. Houston, Texas has been selected for a Sadat visit because it is the center of America's giant oil industry and of the National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA).

Chicago and New York will be visited by Sadat because they are two of the nation's three largest cities and important centers of finance and politics. While in New York, Sadat will address the United Nations General Assembly.

Invitation To Address Congress

Whatever Congressional resistance was developing against Sadat addressing a joint session

of Congress--an honor rarely accorded even to a visiting head of state--appears to have collapsed under Administration pressure. The House and Senate, at the State Department's request, extended an invitation today to Sadat to address a joint session on Nov. 5, his last day in the U.S. An aide to House Speaker Carl Albert (D.Okla.) said today that a similar invitation was expected to be extended to Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin when he visits the U.S. again, probably early next year.

GAZA MAYOR RESTORED TO OFFICE

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Rashid al-Shawa was restored to the office of Mayor of Gaza yesterday three years after his removal by Israeli authorities for defying their orders to incorporate the 30,000 Palestinians of the A-Shatti refugee camp into his municipality and for possible terrorist connections. A new town council made up of local Arab notables was installed along with al-Shawa, replacing the Israeli-appointed municipal committee headed by an Israeli, Uri Tzetzik, which has run Gaza since 1972.

Thousands of guests--mayors, chieftains and dignitaries of Gaza Strip towns--attended the installation ceremonies at the Town Hall. But the occasion was marred by renewed tension. Police reported that 15 hours before the ceremonies, a bomb was hurled at the home of Tawfiq Yazgi, a local businessman who is one of the newly elected Council members. Yazgi's son was wounded.

Terrorists apparently regard al-Shawa as a collaborator with the Israelis despite his defiance of their orders three years ago and the fact that he had once sheltered a wanted terrorist leader in his home for six weeks. The re-appointment of al-Shawa as Mayor followed months of relative quiet in Gaza, a city of 100,000, once a hotbed of terrorist bombings, sabotage and assassination.

Some observers viewed the restoration of an Arab Mayor and municipal council in Gaza as part of an Israeli move toward granting administrative autonomy to Arabs in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. Such a proposal was made publicly for the first time by Defense Minister Shimon Peres earlier this week. Foreign Minister Yigal Allon is expected to submit a plan for Arab administrative autonomy to the Cabinet shortly.

SHRIVER; U.S. WILL SUPPORT ISRAEL

MIAMI BEACH, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Sargent Shriver, former U.S. envoy to France and former director of the Peace Corps, told 1000 women attending the Golden Jubilee convention of Pioneer Women here last night that "the United States will stand by Israel as she takes risks toward peace."

Shriver, a declared candidate for the Democratic nomination for President in 1976, said "no comparison can be made between American commitments to Israel and our nation's mistaken commitment to Vietnam. There is a moral commitment to a spiritual union with Israel which we cannot abandon without great peril to our own national interests."

At the same session, Tamara Eshel, secretary-general of Hoetzet Hapaoal, announced the establishment of a women's status study center at Ben Gurion University in the Negev in honor of the 50th anniversary of Pioneer Women. She invited the delegates to visit Israel in May, 1976 for the Pioneer Women Jubilee conference at which time, she said, the study center will be in operation.

CANADIANS CALL FOR ACTION-ORIENTED ALIYA PROGRAMS; CONFAB AGREES ON FORMING ALIYA COUNCILS ACROSS CANADA

TORONTO, Oct. 23 (JTA)--Canadian Jewish leaders from all over the country meeting here agreed that aliya must be the responsibility of the Jewish community itself. They voted to set up a national Aliya Council and Aliya Councils in every community to direct the involvement of all the existing Jewish organizations in the effort--not simply in an advisory capacity, but functionally and operationally.

Gordon Brown, veteran Canadian Jewish communal leader and chairman of the conference, said the involvement of the Canadians themselves would make it possible for the shlichim from Israel to function more efficiently and would, in effect, make every Canadian Jew a volunteer shlich. Dedicated the All-Canada Planning Conference to the memory of the late Pinhas Sapir, Brown reminded the 134 delegates from eight cities that without Sapir's vision and courage the very concept of community involvement in aliya would never have developed.

"It has now been legitimized on the agenda of the North American Jewish community," he said, and has become "the responsibility of all Jews, not just Zionists." For the first time in its history, he told the delegates, the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, meeting in Miami Nov. 19-23, will include a workshop on aliya. Brown will chair that workshop.

Steps In Aiding Aliya Process

The first step for Canadian Jewry, Brown said, is the establishment of stable effective aliya councils, rooted in the Jewish community. Then, "when we have sent Canadians in good numbers to Israel, we will have earned the right to sit down with our brothers and sisters to enhance klitah (the absorption process)."

Yechiel Leket, director of the Israel Aliya Center in New York, told the delegates that he had been astonished to find that contrary to the impression most Israelis had, aliya was not a dead issue in North America.

Describing the aliya situation in the Western world, Leket told the gathering that although "we didn't promise you a rose garden," there are roses waiting for the oleh and roses come with thorns: "We must make aliya less thorny," so that the oleh can enjoy the roses.

Stressing that aliya is "Israel's lifeline," Leket listed three ways in which Canadian Jews can help in their own communities: to create a favorable atmosphere and to extend a hand to those Jews who are in the process of making aliya in order to provide encouragement to ease the process; to encourage and promote the distribution of information about opportunities in Israel among the communities; and to organize trips and encourage the young generation to visit Israel as often as possible.

Need For Innovative Methods

Dealing with specifics, a series of work-shops stressed the importance of maintaining contact with olim to support their absorption, and discussed "temporary aliya" as a step towards total commitment. One of the important themes sounded repeatedly, as it had been sounded at the first conference in New York last March, was the funding problem; many would-be olim simply lacked the funds to make aliya.

Brown, however, reported that there were funds available and during the past few years more than 600 loans had been made to Canadian olim; in addition to direct, outright grants to students, for aliya. Of all those to whom such loans were extended, only 11 reportedly did not "make it," and returned to Canada. An important aspect of the Canadian communities' effort would be their "aliya retention" program, to raise the level of successful aliya-absorption even higher, it was agreed.

Summarizing the proceeding, Dr. Leon Kronitz, executive vice-president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, declared that the conference, which took place last Sunday, affirmed the centrality of aliya in current Jewish thought and need, and pointed out that despite the acknowledged difficulties, it was up to Canadian Jewry "to find compassionate and innovative ways" to ease the problems of aliya and absorption and so make possible even greater numbers of olim from Canada.

Organizations represented at the conference included the entire Zionist movement, B'nai B'rith, the Canadian Jewish Congress, the United Israel Appeal, the Canadian Jewish Welfare Funds, Jewish centers and delegates-at-large. They came from Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Toronto, Hamilton, Montreal, Nova Scotia and Winnipeg.

MIZRACHI WOMEN ADOPT \$2.9 M BUDGET FOR PROGRAMS IN ISRAEL, U.S.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (JTA)--A budget of \$2.9 million for the maintenance and development of its nine major projects in the field of youth aliya and child restoration; vocational training and education; and social services and adult welfare in Israel, and self-education in the United States, was adopted by American Mizrahi Women yesterday at the close of a four-day 50th anniversary convention. American Mizrahi Women is a major women's religious Zionist organization in the United States.

Mrs. Sarah Shane of Baltimore, AMW president, pointed out that more than 8000 persons in Israel are part of AMW's network of nursery schools, settlement houses, community centers, vocational, agricultural and academic high schools and teaching seminars. Also included in the budget is \$200,000 for the Jewish National Fund. The budget includes funds for services for persons from the age of two, who are in AMW sleep-in nurseries in Israel, as well as aged adults who participate in activities in AMW centers for senior citizens.

LOUIS PINCUS FUND ESTABLISHED

JERUSALEM, Oct. 23 (JTA)--A \$5 million fund for Jewish education abroad will be named in memory of the late Louis Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives, who initiated the project, it was announced here. Contributions to the fund will come from the Israeli government; the Jewish Agency and the Joint Distribution Committee.

The Pincus Fund will be headed by Max Fisher of Detroit, chairman of the Jewish Agency Board of Governors. Moshe Krone will serve as deputy chairman of the Fund which is scheduled to commence its activities next spring. Other members of the Fund's Council are Leon Dulzin, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency and WZO Executives and Jewish Agency treasurer; Haim Finkelstein; and Jack D. Weller and Samuel Haber of the JDC. Haim Zohar will serve as coordinator.