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## PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TAKEN IN THE AFTERMATH OF LATEST BOMBING TRAGEDY By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 16 (JTA)--A mobile police station was set up in Zion Square today to maintain strict control over traffic in the aftermath of Thursday's bomb explosion in downtown Jerusalem that took six lives. It was the third terrorist perpetrated blast in the Zion Square area since last July and the second to cause fatalities. As a result, maximum precautionary measures have been instituted and Police Minister Shlomo Hillel asked the Cabinet today to approve additional security measures.

Many of the 60 Arabs arrested for questioning directly after the blast remained in detention this morning. Police conducted spot checks and searches of all Arabs passing between East and West Jerusalem. The mobile police station will remain in Zion Square "until further notice," police sources said.

Police had the additional task of preventing hot-headed Jewish youths from invading Arab quarters for reprisals. Two explosions rocked the West Bank towns of Ramallah and El B'irrah yesterday injuring two persons and causing damage, but it was not clear whether they were caused by revenge-seeking Jews or PLO terrorists opposed to Israeli plans to extend administrative autonomy to West Bank Arabs.

### 21 Remain Hospitalized; Dead Identified

Meanwhile, 21 of the persons injured in Thursday's explosion remained hospitalized today, four of them reported to be in poor condition. The death toll, originally given as seven Thursday night, was revised to six Friday after the dead were identified. All were teen-agers: Mahluf Baluti, 17; Malka Cohen, 16; Leah Harari, 15; Eliezer Karni, 17; and Shlomo Deri, 16, all of Jerusalem; and Malka Nahum, 17, a resident of a moshav outside of the city.

The explosions on the West Bank were caused by bombs planted under automobiles with Israeli license plates. They occurred after a week of sometimes violent demonstrations by students in both towns in favor of the PLO and against Israel autonomy plans which are regarded as an attempt to weaken PLO influence in the administered territories.

### Warns Against Arab Violence

Defense Minister Shimon Peres, who publicly proposed administrative autonomy several weeks ago, warned on a radio interview yesterday that demonstrations and violence would solve nothing. "Some Arabs are trying to make it appear they will be doing us a favor by managing their own affairs," Peres said. "The Arabs must realize they will achieve no real solution by force, demonstrations or threats."

Peres noted that only 500 out of 16,000 civil servants on the West Bank are Israelis and said the government wanted to transfer more responsibility for commerce, industry, health and education to senior Arab administrators in the territories who would be selected by the local populace.

He said such autonomy was not linked to any final peace settlement or solution of the Palestinian problem that may eventually be reached. "If an agreed solution is found, self-government won't present an obstacle," he said.

### UJA KOACH MISSION MEMBERS DONATE BLOOD FOR VICTIMS OF LATEST BOMBING

JERUSALEM, Nov. 16 (JTA)--More than 200 of the almost 1000 members of the UJA Koach Mission now in Israel, converged on Hadassah Hospital to donate blood in an immediate response to last Thursday's act of terrorism in the center of Jerusalem. During the weekend, special units were brought to the Diplomat Hotel in Jerusalem, where four rooms were made available to enable the rest of the Koach participants to donate their blood.

On learning of the mission members' spontaneous decision, Lucien Harris, director of Hadassah Information Services in Israel, said, "We are absolutely thrilled by this voluntary gesture by the UJA young leaders. What they are doing is giving us added hope and strength, and providing us with additional help in healing our patients. We are all deeply touched...we haven't had a display like this since the Yom Kippur War."

In response to questions by reporters at the scene, mission members expressed their sentiments: "At times like these," said Richard Rudnick of Palm Springs, Calif., "if we don't give blood from our bodies, we will have it on our hands." Trudy Emanuel, from New York, had never given blood in her life. "After what happened here, what else could I do?" she said. Michael Bennet of San Diego, Calif., declared, "I want to give more than money...I'm giving something of myself."

R. Alan Rudy, chairman of the Young Leadership Cabinet and leader of the Koach Mission, spoke for the entire group when he stated, "This deeply personal demonstration of unity and concern proves that we are one...in strength, in determination, in action. This is the true meaning of Koach, of Jewish solidarity."

### ISRAEL CONCERNED THAT THE U.S. MAY SHIFT ITS MIDEAST STANCE TO SUPPORT PLO UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Nov. 16 (JTA)--Israel has expressed serious concern that the United States is embarking on a new policy approach in the Middle East that would imply support for the PLO under certain conditions as a means of leverage on Syria to negotiate a second disengagement agreement with Israel on the Golan Heights.

President Hafez Assad of Syria has stated repeatedly that he will make no further political moves if the Palestinian problem is not taken up and the U.S., which continues to say it will not tolerate stalemate or stagnation in the Mideast peace process, appears to take him at his word, Israeli sources said today.

The Cabinet angrily denounced what it described as testimony by Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders before a Congressional committee in Washington last week in which

York this weekend to study the United Nations, met today with Chaim Herzog, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations. The study group was reportedly impressed by the Israeli envoy. The group had earlier met with UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim; the U.S. Ambassador, Daniel P. Moynihan; the Ambassador from Sri Lanka, representing the Third World; the Argentine Ambassador, representing Latin America; the British Ambassador, representing Western Europe; and the Egyptian Ambassador.

#### EGYPTIAN CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATION TAKES OVER RAS SUDAR 48 HOURS AFTER ISRAELIS WITHDRAW IN ORDERLY FASHION By Yitzhak Shargil

RAS SUDAR, Sinai, Nov. 16 (JTA)--An Egyptian civilian administration took over this town on the southwest Sinai coast this morning some 48 hours after the last Israeli soldiers withdrew in orderly fashion ending nearly nine years of Israeli control of this area of Sinai. Ras Sudar, which is surrounded by oil fields, was the first area evacuated by Israel under the terms of the second interim accord with Egypt signed in September.

The Israeli flag was hauled down from the town hall at precisely noon Friday and replaced by the United Nations' blue flag. Contingents of the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF) handed the town over to Egyptian civilians today. The first Egyptian tanker, the Salam, is due here tomorrow to load oil and the Egyptian oil minister and other top officials from Cairo will make a formal inspection of Ras Sudar later this week.

They will find a freshly scrubbed, sparkling white town from which all evidence of Israeli military occupation was carefully removed. Israeli soldiers spent their final week at Ras Sudar in a clean-up and repair operation that left Ras Sudar in a better condition than it probably was at any time in the past. The Israelis washed floors, walls and windows, swept the streets, even white-washed the local mosque that hadn't been used for years.

The Israelis even left behind their air conditioners, sure to be a comfort to the 100 Egyptian policemen and oil technicians moving in. More important, the oil pumping machinery, much of it new, modern equipment installed by the Israelis, is in tip-top condition and did not miss a beat during the change of administration.

Israeli engineers instructed blue overalled Italian technicians in the operation of the equipment and the Italians in turn will train the Egyptian technicians who will be joined by a small number of American oil personnel. The Italians expect to be home for Christmas.

#### Change-Over Without Ceremony

There was no ceremony when the Israelis pulled out Friday, just an exchange of salutes and handshakes with the UNEF officers. The local UNEF commander, Brig. Gen. Bengt Liljestrand, of Sweden, shook hands with the chief Israeli liaison officer, Col. Shimon Levinson, and expressed thanks for the cooperation of the Israeli government and military in the change-over. "I hope our activities here will contribute toward peace. I want to thank the Israeli soldiers stationed here for keeping the place in perfect condition," the Swedish general said.

The Israeli flag was lowered by a bearded Jewish soldier, identified only as "Benny." The UN colors were raised by two UNEF soldiers, one

from Finland, the other from Indonesia. An Israeli naval patrol boat made its last sweep of the Ras Sudar coast just before noon Friday and then sped off to the south.

The new Israeli lines are only a few miles east of the Ras Sudar coastal strip and the town remains in full view of Israeli forces. Meanwhile, preparations were underway for the evacuation later this month of the much larger Abu Rodeis oilfields south of Ras Sudar where 80 land-based and offshore wells continue to pump oil.

#### JEWS, BLACKS AND WOMEN ARE BARRER FROM JOBS IN SAUDI ARABIA

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 16 (JTA)--The California State Department of Transportation has announced that Jews, Blacks and women will be excluded from a plan to send as many as 500 soon-to-be jobless highway engineers to build roads in Saudi Arabia. Robert Best, chief deputy of the Transportation Department, said that under the program in which the state will technically keep the engineers on the payroll while Saudi Arabia pays their salaries, they will comply with Saudi Arabia's policy "not to issue a visa to anyone connected with the Israeli government." He said to the Saudis this means anyone who is Jewish.

"Another aspect of the situation is we would want to protect Jewish people by not sending them there because it is a very emotional issue," Best said. Another department official reportedly said that in addition to Jews, Blacks are not welcome in Saudi Arabia and women don't participate in the country's business life.

#### PERONIST GROUP DENOUNCES ZIONISM

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 16 (JTA)--The Peronist newspaper "Mayoria," published a communique Friday issued by a national Eva Peron group formed by the National University Movement, National Peronist Youth, and National Union of High School Students, stating that the nature of Zionism is closely linked to the existence of the State of Israel, "founded after a genocidal and usurping process against Palestinian people."

The communique also said that former President Juan Peron, in his book, "The Hour of the Peoples," published during his exile, condemned Zionism as an instrument of international synarchy. The statement further condemned several agreements signed by Argentina with Israel during the Presidency of Arturo Frondizi.

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TEL AVIV (JTA)--Aharon Yariv, a former Israeli Cabinet minister and chief of military intelligence, left Sunday for a two-week visit to the United States. He said he would explain Israel's arms purchase needs to government leaders and attend United Jewish Appeal fund-raising events.

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TORONTO (JTA)--The Canadian government has issued a ministerial permit to Shafik al Hout, vice-chairman of the PLO delegation to the UN, to come to Canada for a series of lectures on the topic, "How Can Zionism be a Form of Racism?" The government policy is that PLO members are admitted to Canada if they have no terrorist record. Protests were raised in the Parliament by Liberal MP Herb Gray of Windsor West, and Progressive-Conservative MP Claude Wagner of St. Hyacinthe.

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PARIS (JTA)--Saudi Arabia and France are due to negotiate a massive French arms sale to Saudia.

Saunders allegedly intimated that the U.S. would be open to the idea of a Palestinian state on the West Bank and Gaza Strip if the PLO recognized Israel and accepted UN-Resolutions 242 and 338 as prior conditions. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger met with Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz after Saunders' appearance before the committee to assure him that there has been no change in the U.S. position on the PLO.

Kissinger asked Dinitz to convey to the Israeli government that the U.S. still believes that the Palestine issue must be incorporated in eventual negotiations between Israel and Jordan and that the U.S. has no desire to raise the issue at this time. That is more or less the policy of Israel which holds that a Palestinian solution must be found within the framework of a future settlement with Jordan.

### Rabin, Ministers Not Fully Convinced

But Premier Yitzhak Rabin and his ministers apparently were not fully convinced by Kissinger's assurances, relayed to them by Dinitz. A Cabinet communique issued today said it had the full transcript of Saunders' testimony before it and agreed unanimously that it was replete with "errors and misrepresentations." The communique said that Israel's "reservations and qualifications" would be brought "in full" to the attention of the U.S. government.

Unofficially, it is understood here that Kissinger told Dinitz he had not seen Saunders' testimony before it was presented to the House committee. Although Kissinger specifically denied to Dinitz that the testimony represented the beginning of an Administration effort to prepare public opinion for a shift in U.S. policy on the Palestinian issue, the feeling here tonight is that such indeed is the case.

By shifting to a possible Palestinian solution involving the PLO, Washington will seek to persuade Syria that its step-by-step Mideast policy would, in due time, incorporate progress on the West Bank-Palestinian issue, sources here said.

### INTELLECTUALS, NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS PROTEST ANTI-ZIONIST RESOLUTION

PARIS, Nov. 16 (JTA)--Some of the world's best known intellectuals, including six Nobel Prize winners, issued a joint protest last Friday against the UN vote on Zionism which they called "a disservice to peace and a blow to the United Nations."

The signatories included Jean-Paul Sartre, Pierre Mendes-France, Simone de Beauvoir, Socialist leader Francois Mitterand, and Nobel Prize winners Rene Cassin, Francois Jacob, Alfred Kastler, Andre Lwoff and Andrei Sakharov. The protest termed the vote "a forgery of historical truth" which "forgets the genocide of six million victims."

### PROTEST ACTIONS CONTINUE AGAINST ACTION BY UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 16 (JTA)--Protest actions against the anti-Zionist resolution that was adopted last Monday in the General Assembly continued in many cities throughout the country over the weekend. Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley joined with a large contingent of city, county and state officials and representatives of a wide cross-section of organizations to lead the local community in a mass demonstration and rally last Thursday night to express contempt and outrage over the Assembly resolution.

The rally, which drew some 6000 persons, was chaired by Rabbi Jacob M. Ott, president of the

city's American Zionist Federation and chairman of the Los Angeles Jewish Federation-Council Commission on the Middle East. They event which included statements by Mrs. Jay Lawrence Weinberg, president of the JF-C, and the Rev. Priscilla Chaplin, executive director of the Southern Council of Churches, was coordinated by the JF-C's Community Relations Committee in cooperation with the Los Angeles Jewish Students Solidarity Committee.

In Cleveland, an Ad Hoc Committee of Students for Jewish Nationhood led a protest march on the campus of Case Western Reserve University. A spokesman said the rally, which lasted an hour, drew some 200 demonstrators. In Albany, N.Y., hundreds of students participated in a rally last Friday at the State University of New York at Albany (SUNYA) in support of Israel and against the UN measure. The rally was organized by the Jewish Coalition and Hillel.

### Scheduled Trips Cancelled

In New York, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations announced that it has cancelled 30 scheduled trips to Mexico and five to Turkey as part of its protest against the two countries for having voted for the anti-Zionist resolution.

In Washington, David M. Blumberg, president of B'nai B'rith, said his organization, which conducts an extensive group-tour program, has cancelled scheduled tours to Mexico and Brazil for the same reason and is reviewing its travel program to consider similar actions against countries "whose governments refused to take a stand against political anti-Semitism." Jamaica and Greece, which abstained in the Assembly vote, have been prominent on B'nai B'rith tour schedules.

Following a meeting in Washington with senior officers of B'nai B'rith, Blumberg said the organization continues to support U.S. participation in the UN but would "campaign vigorously" for the U.S. to reduce its allocation to the UN's regular budget and similarly cut or suspend American contributions to some of the specialized UN agencies and programs. "We advocate such action in the belief that the UN majority's pocketbook nerve is the only nerve sensitive to moral considerations," Blumberg declared.

The Zionist Organization of America announced in New York that it has undertaken a nationwide campaign to distribute lapel buttons with the inscription "Zionism, A Badge Of Honor."

### DOUBTS THAT AHARONSON STILL ALIVE

THE HAGUE, Nov. 16 (JTA)--Doubts prevailed here today as to whether Alexander Aharonson, a Dutch-born Jew reportedly hanged in Baghdad Nov. 3 as an alleged Israeli spy, is actually alive as the Iraqi authorities claim. Iraq has refused to permit the Dutch Charge d'Affairs in Baghdad to see Aharonson in order to confirm that he was not executed as the Iraqi news agency originally reported.

The Iraqis claim that Aharonson, a nurse who was arrested in northern Iraq last March, is an Israeli citizen and that it cannot permit a foreign power--The Netherlands--to interfere in what it regards as its own affairs. Dutch authorities say that Aharonson is a citizen of Holland where his family resides. The provincial council of Friesland where his wife and children live has cabled the Iraqi Ambassador urging Aharonson's release if he is indeed alive.

### LEGISLATORS MEET WITH HERZOG

NEW YORK, Nov. 16 (JTA)--Five U.S. Senators and 15 members of the House, who were in New

### FORD ADMINISTRATION REAFFIRMS ITS OPPOSITION TO ANY CUTS IN AID TO ARAB STATES DESPITE ANTI-ZIONIST STAND

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16 (JTA)--The Ford Administration has reaffirmed to Congress that it opposes any reduction in its planned assistance this fiscal year of \$1.3 billion to Egypt, Syria and Jordan, despite the United Nations anti-Zionist resolution. It also wants approval of \$2.3 billion earmarked for Israel. The figures include military and economic support and agricultural commodities under the Food for Peace program. The same amounts are envisioned for the next fiscal year.

The Administration would find it "extremely difficult to cooperate in any cuts" in the programs for these four countries, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger told the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Assistance last Friday. He suggested that if reductions are required, that they come from allocations recommended for other parts of Asia, Africa and Latin American in the global aid proposals for upwards of \$4.7 billion.

Rep. Garner E. Shriver (R., Kan.) asked Kissinger how he reconciled "these significant amounts" for the three Arab countries with their vote on the UN Assembly resolution on Zionism on Nov. 10. Kissinger replied "we believe the long-term interests of the United States require that we encourage moderation by the Arab countries" and that "we believe their vote does not override these interests."

When Shriver pressed as to why no U.S. action should be taken "even against that verbally abuse our country," Kissinger replied, "we will have to take those case by case." He added that the U.S. should assist countries "in our own national interest." Kissinger referred to the UN vote as "a passion of the moment." In Pittsburgh last Wednesday, he said he viewed it "an emotion of the day" and said the resolution was aimed at condemnation of the State of Israel.

#### Dangerous Precedent Cited

"It would be a very dangerous precedent for Congress to go through the United Nations vote and start cutting aid on the basis of UN votes," Kissinger told Rep. Clarence Long (D., Md.), who suggested that course.

Taking issue with Kissinger on U.S. policy on sales of arms to the Middle East, Long pointed out that Egypt is to get \$7 billion in weapons, much of them with funds from the Arab oil countries. "Where would Egypt use them?" Long inquired. Kissinger replied that he had not seen "such figures." But he added that "obviously," Egypt fixes its needs by its views of its conflict with Israel. Egypt, he pointed out, is taking "a moderate course."

"That's what we hear," Long responded, "but what guarantee is there that this will continue?" Kissinger replied if U.S. assistance is not forthcoming, "Egypt would go back to its traditional supplies," the Soviet Union.

#### Temptation To Start War

Rep. David Obey (D., Wis.) challenged the requests for military aid for Israel. Gen. Mordechai Gur, Israel's Chief of Staff, had told him Israel can defeat the Arab states. Obey said, Kissinger responded that if aid is not continued to Israel, "the Arabs might be tempted to start a

war." He added that Israel must take "its place in line" for weapons being produced and those ordered this year may not be delivered until 1980.

Kissinger also said Israel is "probably slightly stronger" now than in 1973, "but remember, we had to have a massive airlift" to help Israel in the war that year. "A country of three million surrounded by 180 million that haven't even recognized its existence can never feel secure." He noted that "all the intelligence people" had envisaged in October, 1973, that "Israel was overwhelmingly superior and would win in 48 hours. But at the end of the week, for all practical purposes, Israel was running out of munitions."

When Rep. William Chappel (D., Fla.) questioned the position of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, in supporting the anti-Zionist resolution, Kissinger said that "all the countries of the Arab world are under domestic and inter-Arab pressure." On Third World countries that attacked Zionism, Kissinger said the votes of at least some Third World countries were "fairly accidental," and in a few cases, their ambassadors were "uninstructed." He added that "if countries continually thwart our national interests, we will take this into account but not in the legislative process."

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GRANTS, AID

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16 (JTA)--The recommendations of the Ford Administration to Congress in grants and credit for Israel and its three Arab neighbors for the current fiscal year are:

Israel: -- \$1.5 billion in military aid; \$740 million in economic assistance; \$25 million in housing guarantees; \$20 million for settling Soviet refugees; \$18 million in agricultural commodities in the Food for Peace program.

Egypt: -- \$750 million in economic aid and \$150 million in farm commodities; Jordan: -- \$175 million in military assistance, \$93 million in economic aid and \$8 million in farm products; Syria: -- \$90 million in economic aid and \$20 million in food for peace.

The legislative process requires approval by the House and Senate of both authorization and appropriation measures that have to be approved by the President.

#### JNF ANNOUNCES THREE PRIZES

JERUSALEM, Nov. 16 (JTA)--Three authors will receive this year the Menahem Ussishkin Award, granted by the Jewish National Fund for works on the history of Israel, Zionism and Hebrew literature. The award, named after the Zionist leader, will be given to Dr. Alex Bein, the biographer of Theodor Herzl and the author of several books on the history of settlement in Eretz Yisrael; to poet Dalia Rabikowitz, for a recent book of poems; and to the late writer Shlomo Grodzinski for publications that appeared after his death. The awards will be given by JNF chairman Jacob Tzur in a ceremony to take place on Chanukah in Jerusalem.

UNITED NATIONS (JTA)--Secretary General Kurt Waldheim is expected to go to the Middle East this week to seek Syrian agreement to renew the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observers Force (UNDOF) on the Golan Heights, which expires Nov. 30, it was reported here Sunday. The status of the 2,200-member force will have to be taken up by the Security Council before the deadline. The Syrians, who have not yet indicated their intentions, may wait until the last minute before agreeing to another UNDOF extension.