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**GOLDMANN PREDICTS INCREASING U.S. PRESSURE ON ISRAEL TO RETURN TO PRE-1967 BORDERS NO MATTER WHO IS ELECTED AS THE NEXT PRESIDENT**

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, May 3 (JTA)--Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, predicted today that no matter who is elected President of the United States this year, Israel will come under increasing pressure soon after the elections to withdraw to its pre-June 1967 borders with only minor modifications. Goldmann, who arrived here from a series of meetings with statesmen and other leading personalities in several countries, based his forecast on his belief that the U.S. is fed up with the Middle East problem and wants a final settlement.

He told a crowded press conference here that he was optimistic over the chances of a final settlement in the Middle East because of several factors, including the American desire to end the status quo which may lead to another war and a corresponding desire by the Soviet Union. He said the Americans have reached the conclusion that a Pax Americana is unattainable and that the Soviets will have to share in the peace-making process.

Another factor, Goldmann said, was the Arabs' realization that they cannot win a military victory over Israel and their desire to concentrate on building up their own countries while they still control much of the world's oil wealth with almost no competitors.

Goldmann said that Arab terms for a settlement with Israel are admittedly tough but not insuperable. They want withdrawal from the occupied territories, demilitarization and guarantees. The most difficult problem would be the status of Jerusalem, but a solution may be found without dividing the city again, he said.

According to Goldmann, the American solution for the Palestinian problem envisions a plebiscite on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip to decide whether there should be a Palestinian state federated with Jordan or an independent state and whether there should be an economic confederation with Israel or with both Israel and Jordan. There are Arabs who will accept such a settlement guaranteed by both the U.S. and Russia, Goldmann said.

**No Progress On Soviet Jewry Issue**

The WJC leader said that no progress has been made toward solving the problem of Jews in the Soviet Union. He said the Soviet attitude has become tougher because the Soviet bloc is constantly being strengthened while the Western bloc has become correspondingly weaker. The result is that the number of Jews seeking to emigrate from the USSR has declined, Goldmann said. He said he had information that a number of the visa offices that were opened in the Soviet Union to deal with exit permits for Jews have been closed down because of a lack of applicants.

Goldmann confirmed a report, referred to yesterday by Yosef Almog, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency Executives, that 60 percent of the Jews who left the

USSR last month did not continue to Israel after reaching Vienna. Goldmann also said that the Soviet authorities were issuing exit visas to many non-Jews to go to Israel because they were dissenters unwanted in Soviet society. (See related story P. 4.)

**Recent Arab Phenomenon**

Goldmann referred to another recent phenomenon--Arab efforts to demonstrate friendship toward Jews as separate from Zionists. He noted that the King of Morocco announced he would welcome the return of Moroccan Jews who emigrated, even if they held Israeli passports. In Lebanon, both sides in the civil war tried to protect the Jewish community in Beirut, Goldmann said. He also revealed that "quite amazingly, a prominent Jew from the 500-strong Jewish community in Egypt asked if his community would be accepted in the WJC."

Summing up his views, Goldmann predicted a very difficult year for Israel in 1977 when vital decisions will have to be made.

**SENATORS ASK FORD TO MEET WITH THEM TO DISCUSS FOREIGN AID MEASURE**

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, May 3 (JTA)--Three Senators favoring additional U.S. government economic support for Israel and ceilings on exports of American arms abroad have asked President Ford to meet with them before he finally decides whether to approve or veto the foreign aid authorization measure on his desk.

However, a feeling persists at the Capitol that while the President will accept the request for a meeting he has already made up his mind against the measure and will announce it within the next few days. He has until the end of the week to announce his decision. The meeting, if held, will not be before tomorrow as the President is campaigning in the Presidential primary in Indiana today.

Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), Clifford Case (R-NJ) and Jacob K. Javits (R-NY), all members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, wrote Ford asking for the meeting last Thursday, the day after the Senate and House passed the authorization bill adopted by a conference committee of both houses.

The President had indicated, through Republican Congressional leaders in a surprise move only 48 hours earlier that he opposed the bill because of six of its provisions that include limiting U.S. arms sales to \$9 billion a year and giving Congress authority to block sales of weapons by American companies that exceed \$25 million in value.

**Congress Delaying Action**

Ford had previously indicated he would veto an appropriations bill that would provide funds for Israel, Egypt, Syria, Jordan and 50 other countries during the transitional quarter between the current and new fiscal years.

Pending a decision on the authorization bill, Congress is delaying action on the House-Senate conference bill on appropriations to fund the for-

eign aid program as spelled out in the authorization measure. The House members in the conference voted 7-6 to oppose the Senate formula favoring the funding.

### NEW ISRAELI-FRANCO FRICTION

PARIS, May 3 (JTA)--A new source of friction between France and Israel developed over the weekend, Israeli President Ephraim Katzir called off a visit to Paris scheduled for next month because French authorities would not accord him the kind of welcome demanded by diplomatic protocol. Official circles here insisted today that Katzir would have been received "with all the honors due his rank." They said the Israeli Embassy was informed that protocol would have been "fully implemented" for Katzir's visit.

The intended visit was a private one, Katzir, an internationally known bio-chemist, was invited to attend a scientific symposium here in memory of his late brother, Aharon Katzir, who was a victim of the 1971-Lod Airport massacre. He is also to attend a similar event in Britain.

Israeli authorities maintained that even a private visit by a head of state required a measure of ceremonial pomp by the host country. They said that President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing was prepared only to receive Katzir in his office for a talk and did not plan to tender a dinner or even a luncheon for him. Katzir's office in Jerusalem issued a brief announcement yesterday that "In view of the circumstances created, the President has decided, upon the Foreign Minister's recommendation, to travel only to Britain."

French officials said today that protocol does not require a luncheon invitation for a private visit by a head of state. They recalled that when Queen Elizabeth paid a private visit to France last June, she was not invited to meet with the President. Giscard was prepared to meet Katzir on June 21 but a luncheon or dinner were ruled out because the French leader is leaving on an official visit to Britain the next day, sources at the Elysee Palace said.

Observers here said today that the Israelis suspect France of trying to insult Israel while heaping honors on visiting Arabs. French sources accuse Israel of attempting to turn Katzir's visit into an official occasion in order to strain France's relations with the Arab states.

### CANADIAN OLIM HEARINGS CONCLUDE

By Tuvia Mendelson

JERUSALEM, May 3 (JTA)--A three-man committee sent here by the Zionist Organization of Canada to investigate the problems of Canadian olim concluded a week of hearings last night. While most of the immigrants appearing before the panel spoke of difficulties they encountered with bureaucratic red tape, they stressed the positive aspects of life in Israel and made it clear that they had no thoughts of returning to Canada.

Gerald N. F. Charness, of Montreal, chairman of the committee, said last night that the body was formed to pin-point certain problems and find solutions, not to heap criticism on Israeli authorities. The hearings were boycotted by the Jewish Agency which had been invited to participate or to send observers with "special status."

Yosef Almogi, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, told newsmen yesterday that the invitation was rejected because the ZOC is a political organization and not representative of the Canadian Zionist Federation. However, almost all immigrant federations and Zionist groups in Israel

sent observers to the hearings. They were also attended by a representative of the recently formed government-Jewish Agency joint-committee on immigration and absorption problems headed by Amos Horev, president of the Haifa Technion.

At the outset of the hearings, Charness explained that the ZOC decided to establish the committee following its 41st annual convention in Jerusalem last year during which many Canadian olim asked for help from Canadian Jewry in overcoming their problems here. He said the inquiry was also prompted by a statistical survey which showed that 40 percent of Canadian olim returned to Canada within five years of their arrival in Israel.

### Problems Cited By Witnesses

A few of the witnesses complained of low living standards, a poor quality of life in Israel and difficulties educating their children. Others were satisfied with the educational facilities. Most of the problems involved bureaucratic snarls, especially in housing, loan applications and mortgages. They seemed to feel that if settled Canadians handled this paper work it would proceed more efficiently.

Rosalind Artzi, who came to Israel from Montreal in 1972 with her husband and daughter, charged that the Jewish Agency neglected immigrants from Western countries because their attitude was that all Western olim had the necessary financial resources to get along. By and large, the complaints voiced by the Canadians stemmed from conditions encountered by olim from all parts of the world and, in fact, by many native-born Israelis.

### Almogi Answers Criticism

The Jewish Agency's attitude toward the hearings apparently generated more attention here than the testimony heard. Almogi complained yesterday that the press was playing up the inquiry beyond its true proportions. He noted that the Agency is in touch with immigrants and in contact with organizations and Zionist federations with regard to their problems.

The problems of absorption, Almogi said, should be handled in the "proper framework." He said that if an investigative panel had been set up by a Zionist federation, for example, the British Zionist Federation embracing all Zionist bodies in Britain, the Jewish Agency "would have participated."

Referring to other matters, Almogi insisted that the World Zionist Organization of which he is chairman, took no position in the controversy over the illegal Gush Emunim squatters at Kadum in Samaria. He denied that the fact that the Jewish Agency supplied these squatters with mobile homes indicated any attitude one way or the other.

Almogi also asked the press to give him "time" to implement the changes he promised to make in the Jewish Agency when he became chairman of the Executive. "The changes I am thinking of cannot be carried out in one day," he said.

UNITED NATIONS (JTA)--A UN spokesman said Monday afternoon that Egypt has not submitted an official request for an urgent meeting of the Security Council to discuss the West Bank situation despite reports from Cairo that such a request was made earlier in the day.

## 28 INJURED AS BOMB EXPLODES IN CENTER OF JERUSALEM MINUTES BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF MEMORIAL DAY

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, May 3 (JTA)--At least 28 persons were injured, one of them seriously, when a bomb exploded on a side street just off Ben Yehuda St. in the center of Jerusalem this evening. The explosives were attached to a parked motorbike. The blast set fire to two cars and two motorbikes nearby and shattered windows over a wide area.

The latest terrorist outrage in Jerusalem occurred shortly before 8 p.m. local time, just minutes before air raid sirens sounded to mark the beginning of Memorial Day for Israel's war dead. Crowds were already gathering on Ben Yehuda St., off Zion Square for the observance of one minute of silence. President Ephraim Katzir was about one mile away at the Western Wall in the Old City at the time, preparing to kindle a memorial light. All places of entertainment were closed, lights were dimmed throughout the city and flags flew at half-mast.

The explosion, which was heard in distant suburbs of Jerusalem, brought security forces and ambulances to the scene within minutes. Victims were rushed to Jerusalem's three hospitals as police cordoned off the area and sappers searched parked vehicles for other hidden bombs. At 10 p.m. the hospitals confirmed that only one person was seriously injured. Most of the other injuries were classified as "light."

Jewish youths from the low-income Mosrara quarter bordering the Old City began pelting Arab cars with stones. Some Arab residents fled into the heart of the Old City. Others took up staves and knives, according to a radio report, and made ready to stand their ground. Police and soldiers turned back the Jewish youths before any violence erupted.

This evening's explosion was the third bombing or bomb attempt in the capital in less than a week. Last Wednesday night, two police sappers were killed and four were injured trying to defuse a bomb concealed in a paint can on a side street near the center of the city. On Saturday night, police removed a bomb from Zion Square and detonated it safely in an unpopulated area.

## DINITZ SAYS THERE IS NO GREATER LIE THAN THAT ISRAEL IS SITTING BY WITHOUT CREATING INITIATIVES

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, May 3 (JTA)--Simcha Dinitz, Israel's Ambassador to the U.S., declared today that "there is no greater lie than that Israel is sitting by without creating initiatives" for a peace settlement in the Middle East. Addressing 400 American Jewish leaders at a luncheon during the 17th annual conference of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the Israeli envoy said that "all is now in the Arab court." He asserted that Israel has advanced two initiatives but the Arabs have not responded to either so far.

Israel's first proposal, Dinitz said, was to reconvene the Geneva conference on the basis of its initial terms agreed to by the United States, the Soviet Union and the Secretary General of the United Nations. But now, he said, "some want" the Palestine Liberation Organization invited, an apparent allusion to the Soviet government's statement last week calling for resumption of the Geneva parley with PLO participation at both its informal and formal stages.

Dinitz stressed that Israel's refusal to permit the PLO to attend the Geneva conference is not a matter of protocol, but arises from the PLO's charter which calls for the destruction of the State of Israel. "No power in the world can counsel us to do this," Dinitz said, adding that the U.S. was not trying to change Israel's position on the PLO.

He said the second initiative was to end the state of war in the Middle East and wait and see if normalization and lack of suspicion could materialize in time and lead to a "full and positive peace." Dinitz pointed out "a basic difference" between "peace and movement."

## Not Movement For Movement's Sake

The Middle East, he said, needs progress toward peace, not "movement for the sake of movement" because "that creates conditions where a country can consider itself pressured to make movement and not to make peace." He said that movement should not be made "a matter of public relations." Israel won't move just to "have favorable editorials" in the New York Times and Washington Post, Dinitz declared.

The "task" in the Middle East, he said, is "more complicated, sophisticated and more difficult than in the past." Dinitz said the Arab states would recognize Israel only when they recognized that it was indestructible. "The State of Israel and Israel's greatest friend--the U.S.--must coordinate strategic aims if not tactical aims," he said.

Dinitz called on Americans to translate Israel's vital needs into basic strategic terms, "not by this or that administration but by the majority of the American people as the people have done up to this day." In that connection he noted that in the three years since the Yom Kippur War, the U.S. has given Israel one-and-a-half times more aid than in the 25 preceding years. "Keeping Israel strong is vital to American interests in the region of the Middle East and for the cause of democracy everywhere," Dinitz said.

## DUTCH GOVERNMENT RESTRICTS VISIT OF PRINCESS AND PRINCE IN ISRAEL

AMSTERDAM, May 3 (JTA)--The Dutch government today emphasized the strictly "private character" of Crown Princess Beatrix's visit to Israel. The government has forbidden the Princess and her husband, Prince Klaus, to visit the occupied territories and even the holy places in East Jerusalem. The Dutch government's restrictions are such that the couple, who are due to visit Massada during their one-week stay in Israel beginning this week, will have to fly in a roundabout way so as not to fly over occupied Judea.

The government's orders also prevent the Princess from making any public statement or attending any official ceremony apart from the inauguration of the "Princess Beatrix Floor" at the Tel Aviv Medical School, which is the official reason for the visit. Princess Beatrix will thus not be able to attend the ceremony for Israel's war dead and that evening she will be having dinner at the home of the Dutch Ambassador.

The government, apparently in order to avoid unfavorable repercussions in the Arab countries, has asked the Dutch press to play down the visit and Dutch newsmen in Israel are not kept informed of the detailed program of the visit.

## BRITISH JEWRY PREPARING TO MARK ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY

By Maurice Samuelson

LONDON, May 3 (JTA)--British Jewry is preparing to celebrate Israel's independence with the strongest display of solidarity for the Jewish State ever seen here except in times of an acute Middle East crisis. Functions have been arranged in large and small communities throughout the country. They include Independence Day services in synagogues, Israeli fruit and fashion shows, live entertainment and film shows, choral evenings, art exhibitions, parades and speeches.

Teams of local Zionists and Israel Embassy speakers have been reinforced by personalities from Israel, including Nissim Eliad, a prominent Liberal Knesset member, and Prof. Yoram Dinstein of Tel Aviv University. Gad Yaacobi, Israeli Transport Minister, will address the central event in London, featuring a former Israel army entertainment group.

The sheer variety of the functions, and their light-hearted nature, reflect the community's recovery of confidence in Israel after the Yom Kippur War traumas and the new solidarity in the face of the United Nations anti-Zionist proclamations.

This is reflected in other ways: the forecasts that British tourism this year may bounce back to record proportions and that the slump in aliya from the UK--admittedly always modest--has "bottomed out." Nor will the public displays of solidarity be limited to Independence Day. An even more ambitious function is being arranged for the end of the month at London's huge Earl's Court Exhibition Center, which, if successful, will make all previous functions appear trivial.

But the high point of the season will be the visit here of Israeli President Ephraim Katzir. With the exception of the late President Zalman Shazar's attendance at the funeral of Sir Winston Churchill, this will be the first visit to London by an Israeli head of state. Although he will not be on a state visit, Katzir is to meet Queen Elizabeth, an encounter which will be warmly welcomed by the Anglo-Jewish community.

## CANADIAN LEADER SAYS HIS COUNTRY WILL NOT ACT TO UNDERMINE ISRAEL

By Michael Solomon

OTTAWA, May 3 (JTA)--Allan MacEachen, Canada's Minister for External Affairs, declared here that "the continuous existence of Israel is a cornerstone of Canada's foreign policy" and "we refuse to become part of a plot to undermine the legitimacy of the State of Israel." The Canadian diplomat, addressing the annual conference of the Canada-Israel Committee, also pledged that "Canada will not push around Israel forcing her to adopt policies contrary to her interests."

He cited Canada's stance at the United Nations where "Our decisions are taken in the sense of our principles and on these principles we have rejected the linking of Zionism with racism in the General Assembly last fall." He recalled that the Canadian Senate and House of Commons "are the only legislative body in the world which has unanimously condemned that resolution."

## Israel Aided Third World

MacEachen noted that "Israel has not failed to respond to the call for help of the Third World countries." He said that during his visit to Israel in January "we have examined whether we can

compliment one another in third countries, thus expressing our common values by such cooperation."

Referring to the upcoming Habitat Conference in Vancouver to which the Palestine Liberation Organization has been invited, MacEachen promised that "Canada will do its best to keep the conference on the rails. If extraneous questions are going to be introduced, the Canadian government will take its responsibilities the same as we did" at the UN.

Mordechai Shalev, Israel's Ambassador to Canada, told the conference that a "relentless assault upon Israel's future" was "being waged at the United Nations and its various agencies" with the purpose of making "Israel an outlaw." He said this campaign was "directed not only against Israel but against the ideals of Western democracy as well."

## JEWISH PERIODICALS MAKE THE SCENE

NEW YORK, May 3 (JTA)--A new monthly magazine, "Kahane," which espouses the views of the Jewish Defense League founder Rabbi Meir Kahane, appeared here today. The magazine, whose first issue runs 24 pages and describes itself as "The magazine of the authentic Jewish idea," is written and edited in Jerusalem and New York and published in the U.S. Kahane is the editor and Geraldine Alperin is the managing editor.

In the last few weeks, two Jewish student newspapers also made the scene. At New York University members of the Jewish Culture Foundation, the umbrella organization for all Jewish campus groups at the university, founded "The N.Y.U. Jewish Pride." According to a statement in its first issue, this newspaper will be published monthly and will serve as a forum for all Jewish student activities on the campus. Howard Stephen Barbanel is editor-in-chief and Faith Fisher is associate editor.

At the American University in Washington, D.C., "The Jewish Pickle" was launched as "A paper of Jewish concern for all concerned," published in conjunction with the American University Jewish Studies Program. An open letter to the reader explained that the choice of the word "pickle" is meant to convey the Jewish predicament or plight. Ron Brown is the managing editor and David Slobodien is assistant managing editor.

## DECLINE IN SOVIET ALIYA TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, May 3 (JTA)--Yosef Almogi, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency Executives, reported yesterday that 60 percent of the Jews currently emigrating from the Soviet Union do not continue on to Israel after reaching Vienna. He also disclosed that immigration during the first quarter of 1976 was off one percent from the same period last year. (A similar statement was made today in Tel Aviv by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress. See P. 1 for related story.)

The 60 percent "drop-out" rate is regarded as serious. Last year the number of Soviet Jewish emigres who chose to go to countries other than Israel was about 40 percent. The late Pinhas Sapir, Almogi's predecessor, had warned that if it topped 50 percent it could endanger the whole Soviet emigration movement, because the Russian authorities would then find it difficult to justify the departure of Jews to other minorities in the USSR who want to leave. The Soviet rationale for permitting Jews to emigrate has been re-unification with families in Israel.