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## ZIONIST CONGRESS POSTPONED TILL NEXT SUMMER TO ALLOW FOR ELECTIONS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7 (JTA)--The 29th World Zionist Congress, scheduled to open in Jerusalem Jan. 17, will have to be postponed until next summer in order to carry out the mandate of the Congress Court to hold elections for delegates in all of the 30 countries participating. Yosef Almog, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency Executives, said the Congress would be held some time between June and August, 1977.

He said he would have preferred not to have a Zionist Congress during the heat of campaigning for Israel's national elections, scheduled to be held in October, 1977. But there is no alternative in view of the Court's order, he said.

The Congress Court overturned a decision taken by the Zionist General Council in Jerusalem last July to waive elections for Congress delegates in countries where 90 percent of the Zionist constituency agreed on a single slate. At the time of the Court ruling, seven countries had decided to hold elections, 11, including the U.S., agreed to forego them and the rest were to have decided this month.

## 1 TERRORIST-BOAT SUNK, 2 CAPTURED; 1 TERRORIST KILLED, TWO WOUNDED

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7 (JTA)--An Israeli naval ship yesterday sank one vessel carrying Palestinian terrorists and captured two others. One terrorist aboard the sunken ship was killed and two others wounded. The two injured Palestinians and 10 other terrorists aboard the two other vessels are being held in Israel.

An Israeli army spokesman issued a communique last night, some 15 hours after the incident, saying that the Israeli naval ship spotted the three vessels in international water off Lebanon and asked them to identify themselves. After warning shots were fired two of the vessels surrendered, but the third tried to escape, the spokesman said.

The spokesman said some of the terrorists wore camouflaged uniforms. The boats contained arms and ammunition, including Kalachnikov rifles and bazookas and explosives. Israel is not excluding the possibility that the terrorists were on their way from Sidon, Lebanon to carry out sabotage acts in Israel. Israel has been carrying on patrols off southeast Lebanon as part of the intensified sea security since a group of terrorists landed in Tel Aviv two years ago seizing a seashore hotel.

## DEMONSTRATORS PROTEST NAZI RALLY

BONN, Nov. 7 (JTA)--About 300 demonstrators marched through Mannheim today to protest a rally of about 800 Nazi supporters, many of whom wore black shirts and Nazi insignias. The pro-Nazi group handed out literature praising Hitler and other Nazi leaders and claiming that it was a myth that the Nazis were responsible for the extermination of six million Jews.

Before the rally began, police confiscated a stone memorial inscribed "Glory to Our Dead War Heroes." They also seized a wreath for Col-

Joachim Peiper, a convicted Nazi war criminal presumed to have died in a fire at his home in a French village last July. The Mannheim City Council had banned the rally but the Karlsruhe Court had approved the meeting provided the stone memorial was not unveiled.

The unveiling had been planned by the tiny ultra-rightist German People's Union Party, whose leader, Gerhard Frei, said, "Other countries can honor their fighting heroes. Why can't we?" He charged that France had asked the German government to ban the demonstration.

Meanwhile, West Berlin police said they seized a bust of Hitler and a machinegun in a raid on an apartment today where 13 people were planning to set up a neo-Nazi party. Police said the group planned to establish a West Berlin branch of the outlawed National Socialist German Workers Party.

## U.S. LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO INSPECT ISRAEL'S NUCLEAR NEEDS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7 (JTA)--A 12-member delegation of Senators, headed by Democrat Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut and Republican Howard Baker of Tennessee is due to arrive in Israel today for an inspection of Israel's nuclear needs and the supervision of its nuclear projects.

The visit is part of an 18-day study mission to Israel, Egypt and Iran to inspect their needs for the proposed sale of American nuclear reactors. Israel and Egypt each want two reactors, Iran wants eight. The visit comes in the context of President-elect Jimmy Carter's election pledge to push for tighter control of nuclear power distribution in the world. The delegation is scheduled to present its findings to Congress. Israel, therefore, places much importance to the visit.

Two other Senators in the delegation are Thomas Eagleton of Missouri and John Glenn of Ohio, both Democrats. (Glenn was incorrectly listed as a Republican in the Nov. 4 Daily News Bulletin.) The delegation will meet with Premier Yitzhak Rabin, Defense Minister Shimon Peres and Foreign Minister Yigal Allon and will also confer with senior army officers. Two other American delegations, one from the House of Representatives and another comprising American Mayors, are expected later this week.

## STORMY LABOR SITUATION IN ISRAEL By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Israel's stormy labor relations deteriorated further today when 13,000 salaried engineers failed to report for work. There was no end in sight of the strike by physicians employed at public and private hospitals and violent demonstrations erupted yesterday at the Assis canning plant where several employees had received dismissal notices.

The engineers announced that they would return to their places of employment tomorrow for a sit-in strike and would not perform their duties. They are demanding implementation of a recommendation by the Barkay Committee that engineers should be compensated for their extra years

of study.

The latest dispute stems from a disagreement with employers who claim that the additional compensation is included in present salaries. A prolonged strike by engineers could disrupt construction projects, radio, television, telex and telephone communications.

Attempts to renew negotiations with the striking doctors broke down on Friday. Both sides said they were ready to resume talks but neither would yield an inch from its position. The doctors want stand-by pay and extra shifts to reduce the work load. Government negotiators say that to comply with their demands would touch off a new wave of wage demands from other sections of labor.

### Labor Violence Erupts

Last week, Israel experienced serious labor violence for the first time in years. It was touched off by the government's decision to reduce subsidies for basic food commodities, fuel and public transportation resulting in an average 20 percent increase in prices. The decision was bitterly opposed by Histadrut which called for demonstrations by local labor councils.

These were intended to be peaceful but in several instances they got out of hand. At noon Wednesday, workers at Israel Aircraft Industries smashed windows and furniture. Police were called but did not intervene. The workers' committee chairman, Shmuel Kishles, said the workers' anger over the sudden hike in prices could not be controlled. "I foresee a very difficult time in many factories and plants," he told reporters.

Several hours after the outbreak at IAI, a group of Black Panthers staged a demonstration at the Tel Aviv bus terminal. Several hundred pickets with signs denouncing the price increases blocked the ramps in and out of the terminal and attempted to board buses to harass passengers. Border police dispersed the demonstrators and arrested their leader, Shalom Cohen, and several others. They were released later.

Moked called for demonstrations at Ashdod but the usually volatile port workers there refused to participate in any action sponsored by the leftist faction. At the same time, however, the Dead Sea potash plant was closed down by its workers who are demanding higher wages.

In other areas, workers have been organizing protest moves. Representatives of the large labor committees in the Tel Aviv area met to discuss a possible one-day or one-hour general strike. MK David Levi, the Likud leader in Histadrut, called the government's subsidy decision a direct slap at the trade union federation and at every Israeli worker. Mapam has also expressed strong feelings over the price increases and its leaders will convene to discuss possible action.

### U.S. OFFICIALS IN EUROPE TO MONITOR, EVALUATE HELSINKI ACCORD

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Despite the refusal of the Soviet Union and its five Eastern European allies to provide visas, nine members of the 15-member U.S. Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe left Friday for Brussels on its first attempt to monitor and evaluate the 1975 Helsinki agreement that includes provisions bearing on Soviet emigration policy.

The Commission, headed by Rep. Dante Fascell (D, Fla.), also had a brush with Secretary of

State Henry A. Kissinger before its departure. Kissinger forbade the three Administration members to go with the Commission beyond Brussels, its first stop on a 13-nation tour lasting 18 days. The Commission consists of six Senators, six Representatives and three Administration officials. Among those on the trip are Reps. Jonathan Bingham (D, NY), Paul Simon (D, Ill.), Millicent Fenwick (R, NJ) and Sen. Claiborne Pell (D, RI).

### Commission Raps Kissinger's Decision

In a rejoinder, the Commission said Kissinger's "last minute decision" to withdraw the Executive branch members is "a deeply regrettable policy reversal" and "will present our allies and our rivals with a confusing picture of divided counsel in Washington on the importance and potential of the Helsinki accords."

According to the Commission statement, Kissinger opposed the formation of the Commission, but he was expected to accept President Ford's decision to implement it when the President signed the Commission legislation into law and the State Department began cooperating with the Commission's planning.

The Soviet Union has attacked the Commission's interest in human rights, a part of the accords signed by both the United States and the Soviet Union, as constituting interference in the Soviet's internal affairs.

The Commission said its trip affords an opportunity to explore with European officials and private organizations on implementing the "sensitive international understandings" of the accords. It noted it is the only Western agency charged with monitoring and encouraging the accords and the only U.S. advisory panel on foreign policy issues to have both Congressional and Executive representation.

The first paper presented to the Commission was a report by Dr. William Korey, director of B'nai B'rith's International Council, who referred to the relationship between the accords and Soviet emigration policy.

### LAMM INVESTED AS YESHIVA U. PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Dr. Normann Lamm, invested today as the third president of Yeshiva University, said in his inaugural address "The crucial problem today is not the absence of education, but its growth without spiritual directions and ethical dimensions."

In a colorful outdoor ceremony held before some 2500 persons, Lamm said that the disparity between technological progress made possible by accelerated accumulation of knowledge and moral stagnation, "goes back to the Biblical tale of the Tower of Babel, those primitive builders who knew everything about bricks and mortar but nothing about heart and sensitivity and people. That condition still obtains; time has only exacerbated it, and we are only eight years away from 1984, the target date set for us by that modern prophet of doom, George Orwell."

Lamm said that "Judaism has taught all of us, Jews and non-Jews alike, that even when learning is pursued for its own sake, intellectually, it must never become an absolute, unrelated to moral dimensions. It must have beneficial ethical and social consequences. One must learn in order to do; and even if he learns for the sake of learning itself, it must be the kind of learning which makes him a different and better human being."

Lamm was presented with the University Charter and the Presidential Medallion, signifying his assumption of office by Max J. Elra, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Max Stern, vice-chairman of the Board, both of whom have been major figures in the university's development over the past 30 years. Dr. Israel Miller, vice-president for student affairs, who was chairman of the Investiture Committee, presided.

Participants in the ceremony included Chaim Herzog, Israel's Ambassador to the UN; State Education Commissioner Ewald B. Nyquist, members of the Board of Regents, local and state government officials, educational and communal leaders, and the heads of some 30 colleges and universities. Also participating were: Herbert Tenzer, chairman of the Board, Rabbi Isaac Elchanaan Theological Seminary; Jack D. Weiler, chairman, Board of Overseers, Albert Einstein College of Medicine; and Morris B. Abram, chairman, Law School Board.

Lamm, a 48-year-old rabbi, chemist, philosopher, teacher and author, was elected president of the 91-year-old institution last August. His predecessor, Dr. Samuel Belkin, who held the office 32 years before resigning to become chancellor in the fall of last year, died last April.

#### DAYAN: ISRAEL SHOULD TALK TO PLO; KNESSET DUE TO EXAMINE RECENT MEETING OF ISRAELIS, PLO IN PARIS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Former Defense Minister Moshe Dayan stated in a television interview Thursday that the Israeli government should talk to Yasser Arafat, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization and help the Palestinians achieve a national homeland within Jordan. Dayan, now a member of the Knesset, said, "It is necessary to speak with the enemy even if we have no compromise proposal. Otherwise, it will be impossible to reach a settlement."

Israel officially refuses to meet with the PLO because it is a terrorist organization. But some doves within the Labor Alignment have said that Israel should be prepared to meet with PLO leaders if that organization announces its official recognition of the Jewish State.

Meanwhile, the Knesset is expected this week to take up the question of the propriety of a recent meeting with PLO representatives in Paris by several prominent Israelis, including a former MK and a former official of sub-Cabinet rank. The question was raised by Amnon Linn of Likud. The government's reply will be given by Justice Minister Chaim Zadok.

The Paris meeting, in mid-October, was unofficial and was held in a private home. Its outcome was inconclusive as neither the Israelis nor the PLO men could agree on a basis for future negotiations. The PLO participants were not identified, at their own request. The Israelis included Meir Payil of Moked; Gen. (Res.) Matityahu Peled, a lecturer on Oriental studies at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem; Dr. Yaacov Arnon, former director general of the Finance Ministry; and Uri Avneri, publisher of the weekly magazine Haolam Haze and a former independent member of the Knesset.

#### Government Opposes Such Meetings

The meeting was discussed at a Cabinet session recently where it was stated that Arnon should not have been permitted to meet with PLO representatives because of his former high gov-

ernment post and his present position as chairman of the board of directors of the Israel Electric Corp. Zadok took the position that Arnon is a private citizen no longer bound by the laws that apply to civil servants.

Premier Yitzhak Rabin said that one of the participants had reported to him personally. But he stressed that the government opposes such meetings, that neither he nor the government had been informed beforehand and no one had asked the government's permission.

The Cabinet is reportedly considering whether to adopt a formal resolution with respect to meetings by Israelis with the PLO. Several ministers believe that the failure to reach a decision would create an incorrect and unwarranted impression among the public that such contacts are sanctioned by the government. The Cabinet decided to leave the matter in abeyance until Rabin discusses it with the leaders of the various factions.

#### SEX-ESS WAS RAPE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7 (JTA)--The case of Louisa Margarida, the 36-year-old Brazilian widow convicted on charges of indecent behavior in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre last month; took a complex and tragic turn over the weekend. The woman, sentenced by a district court to six months imprisonment for allegedly having sexual intercourse in the shrine with her Arab lover, Habas Mohammed Abdul Halim, 33, a visitor from Jordan, was released on bail Friday after the court decided to review the case.

She learned then that her three-year-old son Samir who had been left in the care of his three older sisters took ill and died at a Ramallah hospital two weeks ago.

Meanwhile, Deborah Yager, Deputy Consul of Brazil in Israel, was given custody of the three surviving children, Fatima Teresiana 13, Samira 12 and Miriam Sara, six. Mrs. Yager intervened after learning that relatives of their late father intended to remove the children to Kuwait. Mrs. Margarida and her daughters are reportedly staying at the Brazilian Consulate here after the woman's life was threatened in Deir Aboud, the village in the Samaria district where she had lived.

Margarida was said to have confessed to indecent acts at the church. But later she claimed to have been the victim of a sexual assault while visiting the church. In a bizarre twist, Abdul Halim, who was also arrested, was appointed by the court to serve as interpreter for Mrs. Margarida who speaks no Hebrew. She now claims that her alleged assailant wrongly translated her testimony to the court, making it appear that she agreed to have sexual relations with him.

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JERUSALEM (JTA)--The Horev Commission's report recommending a drastic reorganization of Israel's immigration and absorption machinery was approved by a majority of the World Zionist Organization Executive at a meeting here last week. Yosef Almog, chairman of the WZO and Jewish Agency Executives, said he would ask Premier Yitzhak Rabin to convene a meeting of the coordinating committee of the government and Jewish Agency to discuss implementation of the proposals. Before then, however, the report will be discussed by the larger Executive bodies of the WZO and Jewish Agency, including the Jewish Agency Board of Governors which will meet in London later this month.

**ZIONISM IN ACTION****ENCOUNTERS WITH DIASPORA JEWRY**

By Gil Sedan

**JERUSALEM, Nov. 7 (JTA)**--Rabbi Moshe Edelmann, 37-year-old head of the World Zionist Organization's department for cultural services to diaspora communities for the past three years, can recall many encounters with Jews all over the world. But he remembers best his visit shortly before the Yom Kippur War, to Bayonne, a small town in southwestern France bordering on the Pyrenees.

It was there that the Danish-born, youthful-looking rabbi discovered the other diaspora, that of Jews living far from Jewish centers whose hunger for "Yiddishkeit" was rarely satisfied. In the town itself there are several hundred Jews, but thousands are scattered in the vicinity. Edelmann went there to try and organize some form of community services.

Bayonne has a long Jewish history. Inside the old ghetto there is a synagogue and an old community building. The Jewish cemetery contains the gravestones of several generations of Jews. But what the Jewish community there lacked was services. They had difficulties recruiting a cantor for the High Holidays because few cantors had bothered to learn the special style of prayer of the Jews of Bayonne.

But Edelmann's most memorable experience during that visit was not in Bayonne, but in a tiny village some 40 miles away. He was driven there by Ammar, the 25-year-old head of Bayonne's community. He saw a group of people with their children standing outside of the local school. It was Wednesday and there were no regular classes in the village. Parents and children entered one of the classrooms at 1 p.m. and emerged at 5 p.m. after four hours of uninterrupted Judaic studies.

**Still Impressed By Incident**

Edelmann recalls a woman who came with her two daughters from a distant town just to give them those few hours of Judaic studies. "After the class she turned to me and said: 'In the place I live there are 12 Jewish families, perhaps you can do something for them?'" When Edelmann showed signs of doubt, she quickly added: "Even if you don't organize anything, I shall continue coming here."

Three years later Edelmann is still impressed by the incident. "Thanks to this woman," he said, "redemption will come to Israel." Edelmann supplied the community of Bayonne with candles for Chanukah, Megillot Esther for Purim and Hagadot for Passover. When the High Holidays came, there was no Jewish community in the area that did not have a cantor to conduct religious services. Later the WZO department sent an emissary, Rabbi Pinhas Deri of Marseilles, who is in charge of services for the entire southern region of France.

The Bayonne experience convinced Edelmann how important it was to keep continuous contacts with such distant communities. This, indeed is the main function of his department. The department is making an effort to send emissaries overseas who can cope with the religious necessities of relatively remote communities. In addition to the objective difficulties of finding a suitable person, his wife too must be suitable for the task, considering that she too will be an address for appeals by the local community.

A relatively large network of rabbis is currently working in South America, but at least 21 communities are still waiting for their spiritual leaders to come from Israel. Edelmann's department held several courses in Israel to train religious leaders to provide the communities with basic services such as shohatim, mohalim and sofrim.

**Department's Major Functions**

Other major functions of the department are to supply the communities with religious articles which are hard to get in many parts of the world. On every holiday the department undertakes a special operation to send articles that will enable the Jews to celebrate the holiday properly, such as Passover Hagadot translated into the local language, the four kinds of fruit for Succoth, Chanukah candles, Megillot in several languages and shofars for the High Holidays.

Many of the people who have received those parcels from Jerusalem said unless they had gotten the gifts, they could not have observed the holiday. In many of the synagogues the department arranged special activities for the younger generation to assure that they, too, will enjoy the religious services.

Other activities include publication of a Jewish calendar in several languages explaining the ceremonies of feast days and a shortened version of Shulchan Aruch and Birkat Hamazon.

Edelmann is confident that his department's efforts are on target. "Wherever we arrive, we receive red-carpet treatment," he said, adding, "The mission of the bureau is that as long as there are Jews in the diaspora we have to make sure that they remain Jewish."

**CARTER URGED TO HONOR PLEDGE**

**NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (JTA)**--President-elect Jimmy Carter was called upon "not to retreat from campaign assurances to protect the integrity of Israel." The plea came from the national executive board of the Workmen's Circle at its plenary session today.

"Now that the election results are in, there may well be an attempt by Arab nations to escalate their campaign of hostility against Israel," the Jewish fraternal organization's message to Carter said. "The word must go forth unequivocally that in the new Administration there will be no lessening of concern or assistance to assure the security of Israel."

In another action, the Workmen's Circle said that it was canvassing its organizational investments "to make certain that we are not dealing with financial or business institutions which may be involved in aiding the Arab boycott against Israel."

**JERUSALEM (JTA)**--Some 150 students of Jerusalem's high schools will this week begin voluntary work at the American Bicentennial Park in Ness Harim, west of Jerusalem, a giant afforestation project of the Jewish National Fund. This is the first in a series of high school students' work in JNF projects around Jerusalem.

**WASHINGTON (JTA)**--The American Legion is permanently memorializing Israel with a bronze plaque and a resolution ~~on the occasion of~~ for Israel's rescue of hostages held by Palestinian terrorists at Entebbe Airport in Uganda last July. Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz will receive the plaque at a Legion luncheon here Nov. 12.