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WHITE HOUSE DENIES REPORTS THAT CARTER, BRZEZINSKI FEEL ISRAEL'S FINAL BORDERS SHOULD INCLUDE PARTS OF WEST BANK, GAZA STRIP, SINAI

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, March 23 (JTA)--The White House emphatically denied today widely circulated reports that President Carter and his National Security Advisor, Zbigniew Brzezinski, had privately expressed the view that Israel's final borders should include parts of the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and the Sinai peninsula. "The story is inaccurate. There has been an official denial. We have taken no position on any of those matters," Presidential Press Secretary Jody Powell told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency this morning.

The denial followed reports of unknown origin that Carter had told foreign diplomats in private conversations that he believes Israel's 1967 borders are indefensible and that adjustments of up to 32 miles in Israel's favor may be required in any formal settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The President was also reported to have expressed the view that the Jordan River is a natural defense line for Israel in the east, implying that in the U.S. view Israel could maintain patrols along the river after a final settlement. In addition, Carter was reported to have said that his recent assertion that the Palestinian refugees should have a homeland meant a homeland within Jordan's orbit, not an independent state but one linked to Jordan in a definite way.

Another report said that Brzezinski had conveyed to the Israeli Embassy here assurances that Israel would not have to return to its 1967 borders in a final peace settlement and that Carter believes that total withdrawal to the 1967 lines is a dead issue. A White House source said today that Brzezinski has denied that he made any such remarks and called the account "a complete fiction." According to the sources, Brzezinski made no statements outlining any specific borders.

A delegation of the American Jewish Committee's Board of Governors, headed by AJ Committee President Elmer Winter, met with Brzezinski for 45 minutes on Monday. But Hyman Bookbinder, the AJ Committee's Washington representative who was present at the meeting, said today that the matter of Israel's borders did not arise. "Absolutely not," he told the JTA.

FRANCE GETS ORDER FROM LIBYA FOR PATROL BOATS WITH STRIKE POWER 2000 MILES FROM LIBYA'S SHORES

See Deal As Response To Daoud's Release
By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, March 23 (JTA)--Libya has ordered in France 10 fast patrol boats armed with sea-to-sea missiles and described as having a firing power superior to a World War II cruiser.

The boats, which will be manufactured in the Cherbourg shipyard where Israel had ordered its own "Cherbourg boats," will cost three billion francs or some \$600 million. According to French naval experts; they will give Libya a strong deterrent force and a strike power for ac-

tion 2000 miles from Libya's shores.

The 250-ton boats are armed with four sea-to-sea missiles manufactured by "Matra" and a 76 mm. anti-aircraft gun described as one of the best in the Western world. The boats have a cruising speed of 15 knots per hour and reached a top speed of 40 knots during tests on the high seas.

The French paper, Le Monde, reports that France managed to get the deal thanks to the decision to free Palestinian terrorist Abu Daoud after his arrest last January.

SADAT TO HOLD MEETINGS WITH GERMAN LEADERS NEXT WEEK ENROUTE TO U.S.

By Jon Fedler

BONN, March 23 (JTA)--Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy will pay an unexpected two-day "working" visit to West Germany next week, enroute to Washington. Arriving March 31, the two will have talks with President Walter Scheel, Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

It is exactly one year since Sadat paid his last official visit here and only six weeks since Genscher met Sadat in Cairo during a swing through the Arab capitals. Genscher is expected to inform the visitors of his impressions gained during last week's visit to Israel, and observers expect Sadat to brief his German hosts on the latest Palestine National Council summit and his subsequent meeting with PLO leader Yasir Arafat.

But observers expect the visit to be dominated by economic themes. Egypt is already the second largest recipient of German financial aid after India, and is known to be seeking additional foreign assistance.

After Sadat's last visit, Bonn hiked its low-interest credits to Cairo from \$360 million to \$480 million and promised a \$50 million contribution to a planned European Common Market special credit for Egypt. Sadat was reportedly planning to come later this year, but is coming earlier because the timing was more convenient for Genscher.

However, with a public storm brewing over illegal, government-authorized wiretapping, and with the main coalition party, the Social Democrats, having this week suffered both a major defeat in local elections in its one-time stronghold, Hesse, and a militant left-wing takeover of its youth wing, the Sadat visit, some observers say, could hardly have come at a worse time.

U.S., SOVIET TALKS WILL FOCUS ON CURBING ARMS FLOW TO THE MIDEAST

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, March 23 (JTA)--The American and Soviet delegations, which will meet in Moscow next week for overall discussions of major global issues, will devote particular attention to possible means of curbing the flow of arms to the Middle East, the State Department indicated. The American group, headed by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, leaves for Moscow Friday.

State Department spokesman Frederick Z. Brown said yesterday the agenda would contain all of the items covered by Communist Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev in his speech Monday to the Soviet Trade Union Congress. These included the human rights issue and the Middle East. Brown noted that Brezhnev gave "considerable prominence" to the Middle East and said, "We look forward to the elaboration of the Soviet views, especially his suggestions" regarding control of the flow of arms to that region.

Asked by reporters why he singled out the arms flow issue among the many other remarks by Brezhnev related to the Middle East, Brown replied that he would not "characterize" the arms race as being primary. But he said a discussion of the arms race in the Middle East and elsewhere would be "indeed appropriate."

Brezhnev proposed in his speech that the Soviet Union, the U.S. and other countries supplying arms to the Middle East should study ways to end the arms race in that region. He said that "in general, the problem of the international arms trade seems to merit an exchange of views."

The 14-member delegation of specialists accompanying Vance to Moscow includes Paul Warnke, the U.S. arms control director and Marshall Schulman, Vance's consultant on Soviet trade matters.

Human Rights On The Agenda

In his speech, Brezhnev expressed displeasure with President Carter's position on human rights in the Soviet Union as interference in Soviet internal affairs. Brown said that Brezhnev had laid out the Soviet position on a number of issues and "it is intended that these matters will be discussed in detail" at Vance's meetings with Soviet officials. He said that Carter has "spoken clearly" on human rights and that Brezhnev has "put forward his views."

Asked if the views of the two leaders would interfere with the talks, Brown replied that "the public positions will not be an impediment" to the talks and added that this would be a "fruitful discussion." He said he didn't know if Brezhnev himself would participate.

Replying to another question, Brown said he did not know if Egypt will be asking the U.S. for arms in the near future. When the U.S. agreed to sell Egypt six C-130 military transport planes last year, Congress was told that the Egyptians would make no further requests for American military equipment in 1976. But the subject is expected to be raised during Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's visit to Washington, beginning April 4.

Lewis Seen As Envoy To Israel

It was reported, meanwhile, that Samuel W. Lewis, 46, a career foreign service officer who was Assistant Secretary of State for International Organizations under Henry A. Kissinger, will be appointed the next U.S. Ambassador to Israel. He will replace Malcolm Toon who has been named ambassador to Moscow. The choice of Lewis was conveyed to Israel in the last few days and no objections are expected.

Lewis won out against two other candidates who had been top runners for the post: Marvin Kalb, diplomatic correspondent for CBS, and George S. Vest, a career diplomat. The choice of ambassador to Israel is considered particularly important in view of Carter's attention to the Middle East.

RUSSIANS GET JEWISH HOSPITALITY

LONDON, March 23 (JTA)--Seven members of a visiting Soviet badminton team got an example of Jewish hospitality here. Members of Herut and the Committee for the Release of Soviet Jewish Prisoners were picketing Aeroflot at London Airport Monday night when the members of the Soviet team arrived. There was no official delegation to meet them so the Jewish demonstrators drove them to their London hotel. During the demonstration at the Soviet airline office, pieces of matzoh were distributed to protest against Moscow's latest crackdown on Jewish activists. It was one in a series of demonstrations in London and the provinces organized since the arrest last week of Anatoly Sharansky.

FRENCH INTELLECTUALS DENOUNCE SOVIET 'STATE ANTI-SEMITISM'

PARIS, March 23 (JTA)--French intellectuals last night denounced "the state anti-Semitism" now prevalent in the Soviet Union. Andre Lwoff, French Nobel Prize winner for medicine told a public meeting that the situation of Jewish scientists in the Soviet Union "has seriously deteriorated in recent months." Lwoff stressed that "a government which does not respect the rights of its own citizens can certainly not respect those of other states and other peoples."

A former president of the French Supreme Criminal Court, Maurice Rolland, said "in the Soviet Union it is the state and the government which encourage and shape popular anti-Semitism." He said the only way to make the Soviet authorities stop this practice is through world public opinion. Several university professors, writers, philosophers and other intellectuals attended the meeting.

KREISKY REVEALS ONE OF THE REASONS FOR CLOSING SCHOENAU

VIENNA, March 23 (JTA)--Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky disclosed today that one of the reasons the Jewish Agency-run transit camp for Soviet Jewish emigres at Schoenau was closed down in 1973 was the fact that emigrants staying there had no choice of where to resettle. Every Jew who emigrates via Austria has the right to decide where he wants to go, Kreisky said at a press conference on his return from a visit to the United States.

The Schoenau camp was closed after Arab terrorists took several Jews hostage on a train from the Soviet Union and demanded that the camp be shut down. The Austrian authorities complied on the grounds of security and since then Jewish emigres are housed in transit camps under Austrian supervision.

Kreisky said that "It has happened that in some months about 40 percent of Soviet emigrants decided not to go to Israel but to settle somewhere else." He said that while that may make many Israeli circles unhappy, "every emigrant who passes Austria is granted asylum here and can decide for himself where he wants to resettle. Austria insists that every emigrant must have the right to decide where he wants to go." While in the U.S., Kreisky referred to rumors of a USSR-Israel secret agreement to curb the number of emigrating Jews. He said here, however, that he had no firm evidence confirming the rumors.

STRIKING PORT WORKERS DEFEY TWO LABOR COURT BACK-TO-WORK ORDERS

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, March 23 (JTA)--Striking port workers at Haifa, Ashdod and Eilat defied back-to-work orders by two labor courts today. Their walk-out, now in its second day, has tied up 70 ships and has delayed the loading of some 2.25 million cases of citrus fruit valued at \$11 million. The strike at Israel's three seaports has also idled about 20,000 citrus pickers and another 13,000 will be out of work if it continues. The Citrus Marketing Board ordered a suspension of picking yesterday to prevent the spoilage of fruit on the docks.

Transport Minister Gad Yaacobi conferred with Premier Yitzhak Rabin today on the crisis that is costing an estimated \$500,000 a day in demurrage charges. Later Yaacobi instructed the Ports Authority to withhold pay from the striking workers. He warned them to return to their jobs before "a further deterioration creates far-reaching consequences."

The dockworkers are demanding an IL 600 per month wage increase over and above the wage agreements they signed five months ago. A Beersheba labor court rejected their demands yesterday and ordered the Ashdod and Eilat port workers to end their strike. A similar order was issued by the Haifa court today. But the workers refused to comply. They indicated, however, that they might reconsider tomorrow morning. The strike has hit Israel at the peak of the citrus export season. About 18 ships are waiting to load fruit now in warehouses and on stalled conveyor belts.

Meanwhile, employees of the Bank of Israel, the country's central bank, declared a two-day strike today and workers at Bank Leumi, Israel's largest commercial bank, announced that they would begin another two-day strike tomorrow. The Bank Leumi cashiers and accountants staged a two-day walk-out last week in support of wage demands.

SIT-IN AT LEHMAN COLLEGE TO PROTEST DENIAL OF TENURE TO PROFESSOR OF JUDAIC STUDIES

NEW YORK, March 23 (JTA)--An official of Lehman College said today that some 15 students and rabbis ended a 24-hour peaceful sit-in at the office of college president Leonard Lief around noon when arrangements were made for them to talk to Robert Kibbee, Chancellor of the City University, tomorrow morning. The protesters occupied Lief's office yesterday in protest against his refusal to grant tenure to Prof. Jane Gerber, who teaches Holocaust studies and Jewish courses at the college.

The protesters, headed by Rabbi Avi Weiss of Riverdale, represented the Jewish Action Coalition (JAC), comprising members of Hillel, Yavneh, the Jewish Students Union and other campus groups. Prof. Alice Griffin, director of the Lehman College relations office, reported the departure of the demonstrators. She said the arrangements for the meeting with Kibbee were made by Glenn Nygreen, Lehman dean of students.

The JAC charged that Lief's rejection of a recommendation for tenure for Gerber was the beginning of an attempt to abolish the Judaica department at Lehman College and eventually throughout the City University (CUNY) system of which Lehman is a part. Lief reportedly said that he acted out of "institutional considerations"

and noted that there were already two tenured professors in the Judaica department at Lehman.

According to the JAC, the two are linguists and Gerber, who holds a Ph.D. in Jewish and Islamic History, is the only faculty member teaching ancient, medieval, modern and American Jewish history at Lehman. She also conducts a course on the Holocaust.

Gerber Case Seen As Litmus Test

Gerber has the support of Bronx Borough President Robert Abrams who addressed a campus rally on her behalf Monday and of the American Jewish Congress. On March 9, Sylvia Deutsch, director of the AJCongress' Metropolitan Council wrote to Kibbee to reverse Lief's decision. Deutsch described the Gerber case as a "litmus test" of CUNY's commitment to Jewish studies and noted that enrollment in Gerber's courses represented 50 percent of the students in the Jewish studies unit, about a quarter of whom are non-Jewish.

"Consistently, Prof. Gerber's courses have attracted sizeable numbers of students," Deutsch wrote. According to a JAC spokesman about 168 students are enrolled in Gerber's courses and 257 are enrolled in Jewish studies at Lehman. Total enrollment in the college, located in The Bronx, is about 12,000.

DINITZ SLAMS PLO

WASHINGTON, March 23 (JTA)--Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz has emphasized that the Palestine National Council's resolution adopted in Cairo this week shows it is standing by its call for the destruction of Israel. Dinitz's remarks were made at a dinner meeting Monday night at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel here sponsored by the Prime Minister's Club and the Ambassador's Society of Trustees that opened the Washington State of Israel Bond Campaign.

The text of the declaration in Cairo "as well as the concluding statement published indicates beyond any doubt that the so-called PLO has not retracted from any of its proclaimed aims nor changed its tactics to achieve them," Dinitz said. He emphasized that the declaration reaffirms the Palestinian Covenant which calls for the destruction of Israel and reaffirms PLO intentions to convert the Jewish State into a Palestinian secular state where Jewish sovereignty is abolished.

Dinitz declared that "Israel will continue to strive for peace based on negotiations between Israel and its neighboring states and peace based on security and dignity."

GENEVA (JTA)--Representatives of the Orthodox church and of world Judaism met for a two-day seminar in Luzern last week to review theological matters and possible cooperation between them. It is the first such meeting to be held and the participants decided to meet again. The Jewish delegation was headed by Dr. Lutz Erhlich, B'nai B'rith director for continental Europe. The meeting was organized by the Orthodox Center of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Geneva and the International Jewish Committee for Inter-Religious Consultations.

VIENNA (JTA)--The opening of an Austro-Jewish museum in the former Jewish ghetto of Eisenstadt, some 20 miles south of here, may be delayed for at least one year, sources said this week.

AMERICAN-ISRAEL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FINDS LOOPHOLES IN PENDING ANTI-BOYCOTT LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON, March 23 (JTA)--The American-Israel Chamber of Commerce (AICC) has stated its support for legislation pending in Congress to combat the Arab boycott of Israel insofar as it affects American firms and businesses. But in testimony before the International Finance Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, Max Ratner, national chairman of the AICC, noted certain features and loopholes that could operate contrary to the intent of the Congress if not corrected.

Ratner also stated that his organization was itself a specific injured party of the Arab secondary boycott. He cited an Arab League memorandum stating that a joint Israel-foreign chamber of commerce affiliation would be cause for investigation with a view toward banning firms which enhance Israel's economy. If the secondary boycott is successful, the Chamber will be restricted in its activity to further promote trade and good will between Israel and the U.S., Ratner said.

He described the AICC as a national trade association of non-sectarian and non-political character which has among its members some of the largest and best known American industries, banks and commercial houses.

Ratner appeared before the Senate subcommittee in the course of its hearings on the Williams-Proxmire Bill (S. 92) and the Stevenson-Moynihan Bill (S. 69). They are sponsored, respectively, by Sens. Harrison Williams (D.NJ), William Proxmire (D.Wisc.), Adlai Stevenson (D.Ill.) and Daniel Moynihan (D.NY).

Implications Of Provisions

Ratner said the Chamber supports the provisions of S. 92 with respect to certificates of origin requested by a foreign customer of an American firm. The bill requires such certificates to be formulated in positive terms, i.e., to state in which country the goods in question have been produced. Ratner pointed out that this is a traditional requirement in international trade.

Bill S. 69 would allow American firms to file any kind of certificate of origin, including the Arab demand of certification that the goods were not produced in Israel. According to Ratner, the implication would be psychological pressure on American firms because any time they file a certificate, even an innocuous one for goods of American origin, they will have in mind that doing business with Israel endangers their status with the Arab countries.

Ratner also wants the legislators to close a loophole in both bills whereby American firms could circumvent anti-boycott legislation by doing business with Arab countries through foreign subsidiaries located in third countries. Ratner said that such transfer might frustrate the goals of the anti-boycott legislation and adversely affect the exports of the United States by reducing them for the benefit of foreign countries.

The AICC chairman found fault with permission given by Bill S. 69 to American individuals to comply with any immigration and passport requirements of a boycotting country. He called such a provision a stamp of approval of foreign bigotry because, if enacted, it would enable a boycotting country to legally extract from U.S. citizens asking to enter that country information regarding the ethnic origin of the U.S. principals of their firm or the fact that the firm did business with a

boycotted country.

Finds Technical Drafting Error

Finally, Ratner said the AICC discovered a technical drafting error in both bills. At present they permit a boycotting country to require an American firm to stop imports from a boycotted country. The intention of the legislators, as interpreted by the Chamber, has been to allow the boycotting country to forbid imports from the boycotted country to the boycotting country via the United States, Ratner said.

But, he pointed out, this is not what is written presently into the official text of the bills and the provision could amount to a license to boycott the imports from Israel due for use in or consumption within the U.S.

In general, Ratner said, "We welcome and support the proposed bills before this subcommittee.... The Senators who have sponsored these bills have done a great service to the American people. We are also encouraged by the readiness of Secretary of State Cyrus Vance to outlaw secondary boycotts in the United States." Vance testified before the subcommittee earlier this month.

VANCE TO BE GIVEN LIST OF POCs, REFUSNIKS BEFORE GOING TO MOSCOW

NEW YORK, March 23 (JTA)--Prior to his departure for the Soviet Union, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance will be given tomorrow a list of hard-core Soviet Jewish refusniks and prisoners of conscience from Eugene Gold, chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, and Rabbi Alexander Schindler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. The list was prepared by the Soviet Jewry Research Bureau of the NCSJ.

In advance of the meeting, Gold pointed out that "the recent events in the USSR are of grave concern to the American Jewish community. I intend to voice our concern to the Secretary. It is the view of Moscow activists that we face a growth of Soviet anti-Semitism as evidenced in the Soviet media. We intend to protest the recent harassment and arrests of Soviet Jewish activists and the rumors of possible major show trials in the USSR."

ERNEST GUGGENHEIM DEAD AT 61

PARIS, March 23 (JTA)--Ernest Guggenheim, Chief Rabbi of the French Rabbinical School, died here yesterday at the age of 61. A descendant of a famous family of rabbis in eastern France, Guggenheim was born in Westhofen near the German border. After studies at Sorbonne University and the Rabbinical School, he volunteered for military service at the outbreak of World War II.

Taken prisoner by the Germans, he returned to France in 1945 and was appointed Talmud lecturer at the Rabbinical School in Paris where he continued to serve until his death. He was also vice-president of the Paris Rabbinical Court. Guggenheim was considered a world expert of Talmud interpretations of current medical problems and also wrote extensively on Jewish law and modern science.

CORRECTION

Due to faulty transmission from Israel a story in Tuesday's Bulletin said the Pound had been devalued to 9.93 to \$1. It should have stated 9.81 to \$1.