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ISRAEL TO PRESENT REVISED LIST OF ARMS REQUIREMENTS TO BROWN

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- Israel has prepared a revised list of its future weapons requirements to present to U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown who is expected here Tuesday after visits to Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries. The list is said to reflect a new assessment of Israel's defense needs in light of the probable military alliance between Syria and Iraq and Israel's projected withdrawal from Sinai under terms of a peace treaty with Egypt.

It was prepared by the planning department of General Headquarters and the equivalent department of the Defense Ministry and replaces the so-called "Treasure C" weapons list that was submitted to the Americans over a year ago. The new list is reportedly smaller but no less costly than the earlier one, inasmuch as Israel is seeking some of the latest and most sophisticated electronic weapons systems.

Meanwhile, new differences have developed with Washington over Brown's itinerary while he is in Israel. He has agreed to inspect installations in Sinai, the Golan Heights and the Negev but so far has declined to visit the West Bank. The Israelis consider it essential that Brown tour that territory because of the possible emergence of a powerful new Arab force on the eastern front consisting of Syria and Iraq as well as Jordan.

They want to impress upon the Defense Secretary Israel's view that the West Bank is vital to its security and believe this can best be done if he sees for himself the vantage points from which Jordanian guns once menaced Israel's coastal plain.

It is understood that Brown agreed to go to two sites, one in Judea and one in the Samaria region but the Israelis are not satisfied and the issue remains unresolved. Brown will be received by a military guard of honor. The Defense Ministry has assigned Gen. Nathaniel Sharoni, head of the Army Planning Division, to serve as his escort.

FIRST JEWISH MAYOR IN RIO'S HISTORY

By David Markus

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- Dr. Israel Klabin, a leading Brazilian industrialist, will take office as Mayor on March 15, the first Jew to hold that post in the 400-year history of Rio de Janeiro. He was appointed by Governor-elect Chacac Freitas of Rio de Janeiro State.

Klabin, 53, stems from a traditional Jewish family that settled in Brazil early in the century. His grandfather was born in Vilna. Klabin heads Klabin Industries, a major corporation that owns paper mills and manufactures cellulose and glazed tiles. He has been active in Jewish community affairs and served as an advisor to the Israeli government on several occasions.

Klabin participated in the so-called "millionaires conference" on Israel's economic development convened some years ago by the late Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. Klabin is also a member of the Board of Governors of Hebrew

University in Jerusalem. His son, Leonardo Klabin, 25, was elected last November to a four-year term as a member of the Rio State Assembly. His uncle, the late Maracio Later, once served as Brazil's Minister of Finance.

The Governor-elect has also named a Jewish journalist, Arnaldo Niskier, 43, as Secretary of Education in the State government. Niskier is a professor of journalism at the State University and an editor of "Manchete," the leading illustrated weekly in Latin America. Ten years ago he served as Secretary of Science and Education in the State government.

CABINET ACCEPTS CARTER'S INVITATION FOR SECOND ROUND OF MIDEAST TALKS

Dayan Alone Will Represent Israel

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- Premier Menachem Begin announced today that Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan will, alone, represent Israel at the talks with Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance at Camp David, Md., later this month. Begin made the announcement following today's Cabinet meeting at which President Carter's invitation to a second round of talks at Camp David was formally accepted.

Begin also disclosed that the new talks will be held in two stages, with an intermission in between to permit Dayan and Khalil to report to their respective governments and receive further instructions. The feeling in policy-making circles here today was that whatever progress may be made at the new ministerial level talks, a second summit meeting between Carter, Begin and President Anwar Sadat would be required before an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty can be signed.

(Carter hinted to visiting editors in Washington yesterday that he may be a participant in the new Camp David talks. In disclosing that the Israelis and Egyptians will be meeting with Vance, he remarked "and I'll undoubtedly be meeting with them as well while they are here." He did not say specifically that this would be at Camp David. According to Carter, Israel and Egypt have already resolved 95 percent of their differences but the remaining five percent remained "a basic deadlock.")

The two-stage structure of the new talks was taken to mean that the first round will not be conclusive and that the final outcome will be determined when the negotiations resume after the intermission or, possibly, at a Carter-Begin-Sadat summit conference. This view was expressed by a Cabinet source in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today. The source expressed confidence that a treaty eventually would be concluded.

Extent Of Dayan's Authority

Begin told reporters that the issue of the extent of Dayan's negotiating authority was not raised at today's Cabinet session although the ministers had discussed "the question of how the Foreign Minister is to react. He will react according to the Cabinet decisions and, of course, he will be consulting with me," Begin said.

Government sources said later that it was decided not to broaden Dayan's authority beyond what it had been in the Blair House talks in Washington last November when Dayan and Defense

Minister Ezer Weizman headed the Israeli negotiating team. At that time, the instructions were for the Israeli negotiators to hear out the Egyptian and American views, to discuss various proposals with them and to report back to the Cabinet for instructions before committing Israel to any changes of position.

Weizman will be absent from the new round of talks and the Cabinet rejected suggestions that other ministers accompany Dayan. There had been speculation that Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir and Interior Minister Yosef Burg might attend. Aides to Dayan said he would not have objected. But sources close to Begin noted that Carter's invitation referred specifically to Dayan and Khalil as the representatives of their respective countries and there was no reason therefore to send additional ministers, at least at this stage.

Dayan's aides also said the Foreign Minister was satisfied with the Cabinet's decisions and felt that he would be able to carry out his tasks in accordance with Carter's invitation. The Army Radio reported this evening that there would be preliminary diplomatic contacts before the Camp David meeting, including talks with U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown, who is due in Israel Tuesday.

REPORT POLISH GOVERNMENT AGREES TO RECEIVE DELEGATION FROM ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- The Polish government has agreed to receive a delegation from Israel, it was announced here at the Fourth Congress of the World Federation of Polish Jews by Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Federation of Polish Jews in the U.S. Schindler said he was informed of this by Polish officials during his recent visit to Poland. He said the Minister of Religions offered to arrange an audience for the Israeli delegation with Pope John Paul II, who is of Polish origin, during their journey to Poland.

Schindler, who is also president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, said he was also informed that the Polish government has agreed to recognize the World Federation of Polish Jews as the sole body authorized to negotiate with it over reparations for Jewish public property in Poland and such matters as research and memorial projects.

Shimon Shornei, director of the Yiddish theater of Warsaw, told the conference that a number of memorial institutions, including a research center, have been established in honor of the famous educator Janusz Korczak. The contributions by Polish Jewry to the development of Israel were also discussed.

RABBI BORUCH SOROTZKIN DEAD AT 61

NEW YORK, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- Thousands of Jews attended a funeral today in the Borough Park section of Brooklyn for Rabbi Boruch Sorotzkin, dean of the Rabbinical College of Telshe in Wickliffe, Ohio. Sorotzkin, a leading Orthodox scholar and a member of the Council of Torah Sages, the highest body of Agudath Israel of America, died here Friday at the age of 61. Burial will be in Jerusalem.

A descendant of generations of Orthodox scholars, Sorotzkin was the son of the late Rabbi Zalman Sorotzkin of Jerusalem, who was formerly rabbi in Lutsk, Lithuania. He was the son-in-law of Rabbi Avraham Y. Bloch, a pre-World War II dean of the Rabbinical College of Telshe, Lithuania, where the yeshiva was established more than 100 years ago.

After Nazi Germany attacked the Soviet

Union in 1941, Sorotzkin fled with other students first to Siberia, then to Shanghai and later to the U.S. where he helped rebuild the Telshe school in Cleveland. The rabbinical school built branches later in Chicago and Jerusalem.

Sorotzkin was also a member of the presidium of Agudath Israel, the Rabbinical Advisory Board of Torah Umesorah, and the presidium of Chinuch Atzmai, the Torah schools for Israel network.

MEXICO'S PRESIDENT HONORED BY 900 NORTH AMERICAN JEWS

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- President Jose Lopez Portillo was honored last Thursday night at a special convocation where he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The degree was conferred by Avraham Harman, president of the university, with the participation of Sam Rothberg, chairman of its Board of Governors, Prof. Shlomo Avineri, and Bernard Cherrick, university vice president.

More than 900 leaders from the United States, Canada and Mexico, meeting at the first North American Conference of Friends Organizations of Hebrew University, attended the dinner honoring the President.

In accepting the honorary degree Lopez Portillo described the birth of the State of Israel as an extraordinary phenomenon of history. He praised the Jewish people for maintaining their identity as a nation through centuries of dispersion and persecution until "they could reclaim and return to their promised land where they established a state and government in accordance with democratic principles." The President said the Hebrew University served as a vehicle for bringing Jewish cultural heritage and values to the rest of the world.

The citation, inscribed in Spanish and in Hebrew, hailed the Mexican President for his achievements as an illustrious leader, legal authority, political scientist, teacher and author, and for his support of the program of mutual cooperation with Israel in agricultural development and cultural and educational exchange projects. One of Lopez Portillo's books is soon to appear in a Hebrew edition in Israel, Harman said.

First Time For Mexico's Leader

Rothberg, toasting the President, said: "Mexico and Israel speak the common language of democracy, share a common interest in human rights and social justice and common goals of peace and economic independence." Isaac Becker, vice president of the Mexican Friends of the Hebrew University, who presided, called the special convocation an event of outstanding historic significance for Israel.

The festive occasion marked the first time Lopez Portillo had appeared before a Jewish audience since his election in December, 1976. It was also his first address on the subject of Israel as head of the government. Speaking for the Mexican Association of University Friends, David Brucilovsky, president, lauded Lopez Portillo as a humanist and a symbol of freedom and rights enjoyed by Jews of Mexico on the level of complete equality with the rest of the country's population.

LEAKED AUTONOMY-BLUEPRINT CAUSES ANGER IN GOVERNMENT CIRCLES

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- The leak of portions of a 300-page blueprint for the West Bank and Gaza Strip envisaging the continuation of virtually absolute Israeli military control of those territories

ies after the Camp David autonomy plan goes into effect, caused consternation in government circles today.

Fear was expressed that the premature disclosures could have serious adverse effects on the new round of negotiations due to open at Camp David later this month. They have already brought angry attacks on the government from leaders of the Labor opposition. There was a growing suspicion that the leak was the work of certain highly placed individuals irrevocably opposed to the Camp David accords and bent on sabotaging them.

Moderate government circles sought to minimize the possible repercussions by insisting that the blueprint was a collation of ideas rather than a definitive plan for autonomy, that the leaked portions were taken out of context and that, in any event, the blueprint was intended as an initial negotiating position, not an ultimate stance. Under the Camp David agreements, Israel and Egypt are to begin negotiating the modalities of autonomy one month after they sign a peace treaty. It was hoped that Jordan would join.

The blueprint was prepared by a special committee consisting of the directors general of key ministries under the chairmanship of Eliahu Ben-Elissar, director general of the Prime Minister's Office. The committee was appointed after the Camp David frameworks were signed last Sept. 17. Its report was submitted to the Cabinet two weeks ago and leaked to Israel Radio over the weekend.

Elements Of The Blueprint

According to the blueprint, the Israeli military government would continue on the West Bank and Gaza and would be the legal source of authority for the autonomy authorities. The military government would retain control of "State lands" which comprise about one-fifth of the combined area of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and would also control the water sources for those territories. The military government and the Shin Bet, Israel's secret service, would continue to be in charge of internal security. The autonomous councils would be barred from printing currency, issuing passports or levying customs duties, but would be empowered to levy local income taxes.

The blueprint also recommended firmly that certain basic elements should not be open to negotiation. These include that the autonomous authority would apply only to Arabs, not to Jewish settlers in the occupied territories and that Jewish settlement activities would continue under Israeli supervision. It made clear that the autonomous authorities would be barred from any moves that could lead to the evolution of a Palestinian state.

Taken Out Of Context

Premier Menachem Begin said today that he hoped "nothing will disturb" the upcoming peace talks. He was replying to a reporter's question about the leak. He said it was "out of context" and stressed that the Cabinet had not yet discussed the recommendations, much less adopted them. Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir and Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan reportedly were infuriated by the leak. Tamir hinted that it was clearly intended to sabotage the peace process.

In Tel Aviv, Labor Party chairman Shimon Peres criticized the blueprint as "ridiculous... in utter contradiction of the Camp David accords." He pointed out that under the Camp David agree-

ments, the agreements to be reached with Egypt, and hopefully, Jordan, on the autonomy program would constitute its legal source, not the Israeli military government. Similarly, he noted, Camp David provided for a "strong local police force" which hardly jibed with the blueprint.

Labor MK Yossi Sarid introduced an urgent motion in the Knesset attacking the blueprint. He contended that it made it appear that Israel's signature on the Camp David accords was a subterfuge intended not to give the Palestinians self-rule but to perpetuate Israeli military rule. Moshe Shahal, chairman of the Labor Party's Knesset faction, called the blueprint "a mixture of elements of Beginite ideology and of Dayan's military pragmatism." It is certainly not a genuine effort to solve the Palestinian problem, he said.

Other Recommendations Of The Blueprint

The leaked portions of the blueprint recommended that the army pull back to specified areas as called for in the Camp David framework but that training exercises would be continued in all parts of the West Bank in accordance with the army's needs. The military government's offices would be withdrawn from its present locations in accordance with Camp David but the military government would continue its overall presence and would function as before in all areas outside of the autonomous localities.

The plan also recommended that the autonomous body should comprise about 10 departments. Its interior affairs department, for example, would be responsible for population registry, in coordination with Israel's Ministry of Interior. The trade department would supervise trade and could levy taxes but not customs duties. West Bank and Gaza Strip residents would be given the choice to hold either Israeli or Jordanian passports but the autonomous authority would be forbidden to issue its own passports because of the implication of national sovereignty.

LATE NEWS BULLETIN

JERUSALEM, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- Israel Radio reported Sunday that the Israeli trade mission office in Teheran was attacked by demonstrators and that the Egyptian Embassy was also attacked. An earlier radio report referred to the Israeli "Legation." Officially there are no diplomatic ties between Israel and Iran. The report said pictures of the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini were put up in the Israeli building after the demonstrators forcibly entered it.

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- An explosive charge went off in Petach Tikva early Sunday morning but caused little damage. Although the bomb was planted on Pinsker Street, one of the city's main thoroughfares, it detonated before many people were out. Several Arab workers in the vicinity were interrogated. On Friday, police sappers safely dismantled a bomb found in a package on a soldier's hitchhiking station near Ashkelon. A soldier had spotted the suspicious-looking parcel.

NEW YORK (JTA) -- A major program of charter flights to Israel will be inaugurated April 9 from New York's Kennedy Airport, according to the Israel Government Tourist Office here. Charter flights (round-trip between New York and Tel Aviv by 380-seat DC-10 jet aircraft of World Airways will operate on a weekly basis from April 23 through Oct. 29. The round-trip air fare will commence at \$550; one-way transportation is also available at \$229 in either direction.

STATE DEPT. REPORT ON ISRAEL SEEN AS MORE BALANCED THAN MEDIA REPORTS

By Joseph Palakoff

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (JTA) -- The State Department's third annual "Report on Human Rights Practices" in 115 countries, formally issued yesterday, is considered by Congressional sources as presenting a "much better, much more balanced" assessment of Israel's treatment of Arab prisoners on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip than "precarious" media accounts published earlier in the week.

The sources also observed that the 706-page volume dealing only with those countries receiving U.S. economic assistance or proposed as recipients of security aid put "a rosy face" on many countries with which the United States has major economic ties, particularly oil-producing Arab states. The report was released by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee whose members said, in an accompanying statement, that it "will be carefully studied and taken into account" as the two committees consider the foreign assistance legislation this year.

Neither committee had plans for separate hearings on the report itself, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed, but it will doubtlessly be used as a reference in the discussion on

with Israel's practices concerning prisoners occupying wide media attention, to the complete exclusion of the 114 other countries in the report. Congressional sources noted that the same situation prevailed last year when Israel's situation underwent intensive intense media scrutiny before the official documentation was made public.

Mum. On Leaks

"These leaks definitely come from the State Department," one source said. "People hostile to Israel or friendly to her enemies give selected materials to selected reporters for use as a club with which to beat Israel. They will, of course, continue to do this in one way or another."

The State Department has not indicated it will investigate how classified documents, such as the two Alexander U. Johnson cables from East Jerusalem and other materials on human rights assessments, have become available to the media here. Miss Johnson was a Consulate officer in the East Jerusalem American Consulate who has been dismissed from the Foreign Service and is now in Washington.

Arab Group's Demand Rejected

Meanwhile, Carter Administration officials told the JTA that they have rejected the demand by the self-styled "Arab Human Rights Campaign" group to President Carter for a U.S. Commission of Inquiry to go to Israel and investigate Arab allegations of "mistreatment" reported in sections of the media. These officials said that they do not think a commission is necessary. "The State Department's report made it very clear that this -- the allegations -- is something certainly not condoned by the Israeli government, and the reported incidents are not a matter of Israeli policy."

The Campaign group held a press conference last Friday at the National Press Club where they introduced two men who alleged they had been tortured during their imprisonment. The group, which was given space at the Club under the sponsorship of Mohammed Hakkai, the Egyptian

Embassy Minister-Counselor for Press and Information, distributed a press kit which showed that the call for a Commission of Inquiry was endorsed by, among others, I. F. Stone, James Abourezk, Prof. Richard Falk, Rev. Ralph Abernathy, Nadim Chomsky and Dr. James Zoogy who was chairman of the press conference.

Another statement in the press kit named, among others, Daniel Berrigan, Henry Schwartzchild, Chomsky, Falk and Abourezk as the sponsors of the Campaign and that it has "21 regional working groups throughout the United States."

Begin's Reaction To State Department Report

(In Jerusalem, Premier Menachem Begin today again hit the Washington Post story of last week for publishing unchecked accounts of torture allegations. But he added that the State Department report had not reflected the Post story. On the contrary, he noted, it had praised Israel's democracy.

"Granted," Begin said, "the State Department report had pointed to instances where 'for security reasons not all human rights on the West Bank and Gaza' -- Begin's words -- are maintained. And we have our opinion about that sentence" in the report. However there was certainly "nothing in the Department report about torture. God forbid."

(The Premier again branded the torture allegations "a vicious, baseless calumny." He noted that "tens of countries trampled on human rights" and yet "moralized" to others. "We reject the allegations utterly," he asserted. "There is nothing more to comment about.")

(Actually, the State Department report said, in reference to human rights on the West Bank and Gaza: "Under the military regime that governs the occupied territories... certain of the normal human rights guarantees that are taken for granted in Israel proper have been suspended on security grounds." See Feb. 5 Bulletin for excerpts from State Department report.)

Other Elements In The Report

The report's eight-page Egyptian section is replete with praise for President Anwar Sadat's "liberalization in the political, economic and social spheres of Egyptian life" but noted that this movement was "uneven in 1978." In discussing Jordan, the report notes that "the Jordanian government is sensitive to monitoring or criticism of its policies with respect to human rights, which it views as an internal matter." However, the report states, Jordan "has been particularly active in international forums on the question of the treatment of prisoners in the occupied West Bank."

Similarly, Syria's President Hafez Assad is lauded in the report for "significant improvement in human rights practices." Nevertheless, the report observes, "a formal ban on emigration exists on professional personnel, those liable for military service and members of the Jewish community." It says that "the prohibition against Jewish emigration has been lifted in a limited number of cases, primarily involving unmarried women and family reunions" and that the Assad government has allowed American Jews "to establish and maintain contacts" with Jews in Syria.

In an appendix, devoted to Freedom House ratings for 1978, the report shows Israel on a level with Finland, India, Greece, Italy, Japan, Portugal, Spain and Turkey on political rights; and with Finland, France, West Germany, Greece, India, Italy and Portugal in civil liberties. Egypt is rated "less free than such countries as El Salvador and Guatemala and about on a par with South Africa, Kenya, South Korea and Indonesia."