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BODY AGREES ON NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL FORCE; WILL APPEAL TO SECURITY COUNCIL

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- The five-nation Implementation Commission unanimously agreed that an international force would be necessary to implement Palestine partition decision, and decided to ask the Security Council to provide a force.

The decision came after a discussion on the Philippine resolution of last week, asking for the establishment of an international force. The main knotty problem facing the Commission is how to ask the Council for troops before the Commission arrives in Palestine. However, a spokesman for the Commission said there was "pretty general understanding" that the Council is to be approached.

At an official briefing to the press after today's session concluded, it was indicated that the Commission is paving the way for an approach to the Council on the basis of its legal rights under the Assembly decision; secondly, the Commission will submit to the Council the facts of the prevailing situation in Palestine as established by the British, Jewish Agency and other reports as well as daily press reports.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, chief British delegate at the United Nations, will appear tomorrow before the Implementation Commission to reply to questions concerning Jewish immigration and the British withdrawal from a port in the Jewish area of the country.

ARABS REFUSE NEW INVASION OF PALESTINE BY ARABS FROM LEBANON; FOUR JEWS KILLED

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19. (JTA) -- A five-hour attack on a Jewish settlement in northern Palestine by a band of some 200 Arabs who crossed the frontier from Lebanon was beaten off today by a Haganah guard unit and the settlers.

The raid, the second invasion of Palestine within the past few weeks, came shortly after dawn and opened with the Arabs encircling the settlement of Yechiam, 10 miles east of Nahariya. The guerrillas, reported to be headed by Iraqi army officers, used machine guns and mortars. A Haganah source said that two former German officers were among the raiders.

For some two hours the Haganah held advance defense positions and then counterattacked when it seemed as though the raiders were short of ammunition. The Jews were thrown back and then retreated to the perimeter of the settlement. A second counterattack failed, but a third, in the form of a pincers movement, sent the Arabs pushing back toward the border in confusion. The battle cost the defenders four dead and five wounded. There are no figures immediately available concerning Arab losses.

Haganah scouts have spotted another Arab force of some 450 men concentrated on the Palestinian side of the border at Hurfeish. They are apparently waiting for

arrival of 300 men being mobilized in Lebanon before opening a full-scale attempt to destroy all Jewish settlements in northwest Palestine.

Another American Jew Killed; Explosion in Omar Mosque Kills Five Arabs

An American Jew, Dov Seligman, 25, was killed by Arab snipers today while driving a field near Tira. The other three men, with the aid of a hastily summoned party of settlers from a nearby Hashomer Hatzair colony, chased the snipers off. A second Jew was severely wounded in an attack on another Hashomer Hatzair agricultural settlement, Kfar Kisch. Seligman was formerly a resident of the Bronx, New York. In Lifta, Hanan Flach, a Jew, was killed by an Arab Legionnaire.

One Jew was killed, a second wounded and a British soldier was wounded in Jerusalem in a fight which started between Arabs and Jews. A British armored convoy escorted a Jewish field ambulance unit, consisting of three doctors and a number of medical orderlies, into the encircled Jewish quarter of the Old City where they will remain until the Arab siege is lifted. An arms cache in the Omar Mosque, the most revered Moslem temple in Jerusalem, last night killed five Arabs and wounded twelve others.

Sniping by Arabs was resumed in the Sheikh Jarach quarter of this city this morning after a night of relative quiet which followed constant firing all of yesterday. This morning several Jews in the neighboring Jewish section were wounded and could not be given first aid for several hours because the snipers fired at a Red Magen David ambulance. Yesterday one Jewish woman and an Arab sniper were killed and several Jews were wounded.

The Haganah last night blasted a three-story house in Lifta, a Jerusalem suburb, which was serving as a base for Arab raiders. Three more buildings used to house Arab fighters were blasted in Bet Dajan, while at Tamara, near Acre, another Arab base was destroyed. Here, the Arabs lost three men and the Haganah, two. The Jewish militia insisted that despite a government estimate of three Arabs killed in another Jewish raid yesterday on Tamara, the number of dead was actually 25.

PALESTINE JEWS BETWEEN 25 AND 40 TO BE REGISTERED FOR "ESSENTIAL SERVICE"

JERUSALEM, Jan. 19. (JTA) -- All Jews in Palestine between the ages of 25 and 40 will be called on to register for "essential service" commencing February 1, Dr. N. Avnieli, chairman of the Jewish community's national manpower commission, announced today. The announcement added that students will not be permitted to go abroad to attend schools.

A source close to the government has disclosed that some \$20,000,000 worth of surplus British army supplies have been offered to the Jewish Agency. The supplies include 25 scout planes, light armored cars, barbed wire and other material. However, only eight or nine of the planes are fit for immediate use and the others need extensive repairs or must be scrapped. The surplus supplies were originally offered to either the Arabs or the Jews, but the former refused to buy them.

(A Foreign Office spokesman said in London tonight that should it be true that the Agency has been offered surplus British arms, the sales would be directly contrary to British policy. Some sources in London were sceptical concerning the accuracy of the report.)

U.N. GROUP DECIDES AGAINST PERMITTING DUAL CITIZENSHIP FOR JERUSALEM RESIDENTS

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- The U.N. working group which is preparing a blueprint for the international government of Jerusalem today agreed in principle against dual citizenship for residents of Jerusalem. Jews or Arabs who choose Jerusalem citizenship will not be able to apply at the same time for citizenship in the Jewish and Arab states.

DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN SECRETARY OF DEFENSE AND TRUMAN ON PALESTINE, OFFICIAL SAYS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- A spokesman for Secretary of Defense James Forrester today indicated that there is no disagreement between the Secretary and the Administration on the policy of the U.S. Government with regard to the partition of Palestine.

The spokesman emphasized that the statement made by Secretary Forrester yesterday before a House sub-committee, in which he declared that the partition decision of the United Nations made American oil interests in the Arab countries secure, should not be interpreted as criticism of President Truman's policy on Palestine, which was greatly instrumental in securing the U.N. partition resolution.

The Palestine issue will probably be brought up again on Friday when hearings will be held by a Congressional sub-committee on the American oil deal in the Arab countries. Mr. Forrester, who appeared yesterday before the House Sub-Committee on Armed Services, said that hostile Arab response to the U.N. partition decision made more insecure the pipelines feeding the Persian Gulf outlet. The danger of their being cut was not absent, he stated, adding that these pipelines were of special importance now to the American armed forces.

TERMINATION OF MANDATE CANNOT BE DELAYED BEYOND MAY 1, HOUSE OF LORDS HEARS

LONDON, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Termination of the Palestine Mandate could not be delayed beyond May 1, but might be advanced, Lord Listowell, speaking for the government, said today in the House of Lords during a full-dress debate on Palestine. Listowell denied that British troops in the country had been "idle spectators" and said that but for their intervention Jews would have suffered great losses of life and property.

Meanwhile, it was revealed in Commons that the overall cost of maintaining British forces in Palestine between July, 1945 and November, 1947 was \$400,000,000. This was disclosed by Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a query by Philip Piratin, Communist.

Speaking in Lords, Lord Altringham, who, as Sir Edward Grigg, was British Minister of State in the Middle East during the war, said that "conditions in Palestine have been enormously aggravated" by the U.N. partition decision and added that the U.N. must assume full responsibility for what may occur. He expressed regret that Britain had not relinquished the Mandate sooner and endorsed its refusal to take any responsibility for enforcing partition.

He stated that as a member of the U.N. Britain must help to maintain essential services before the Mandate ends and should encourage British personnel to volunteer for service under U.N. direction, "but there must be no suspicion that Britain is maintaining a hold on Palestine."

Lord Strabolgi expressed the hope that an international police force would be set up and that both Arabs and Jews would not follow extremist leaders. The Archbishop of York denied charges that he is anti-Semitic, but denounced "violent political Zionism." He added that partition was unjust and impractical.

Britain May Sell Arms to the Jewish State on Same Terms as to Arab States

LONDON, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Authoritative quarters today indicated that the British Government would be prepared to sell arms to Jews, when the Jewish state is established, on equal terms with the Arab states.

PLACED JEWS FORCED TO LEAVE IMMIGRANT SHIP WHEN THREATENED BY NON-JEWISH REFUGEES

ROME, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Sixteen Jewish refugees were yesterday forced to disembark from an immigrant ship which would have taken them to new homes in Brazil because they feared bodily harm at the hands of fellow non-Jewish immigrants.

The Jews, part of a group of 2,000 whose immigration had been arranged by International Refugee Organization, were warned that they would be killed during ocean voyage if they did not leave the vessel. They returned to their barracks the Cinacita Camp, near here.

TEST ARMY RULING AUTHORIZING GERMAN POLICE TO SEARCH BELONGINGS OF JEWISH EMIGRANTS

MUNICH, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Jewish officials today filed a vigorous protest with the International Refugee Organization and the Army against a new ruling which permits German police to inspect the belongings of emigrants waiting at Bremen for transportation to the United States.

The police will be authorized to confiscate anything "belonging to the German economy," which will give over-zealous policemen an opportunity to seize many articles legitimately belonging to the DP's.

The I.R.O. has promised to make its own protest to the Army and to investigate the new procedure, which officials here see as a gratuitous humiliation for Jewish refugees.

JEWS DEPORTEES IN FRANCE BARRED FROM BENEFITS GIVEN VICTIMS OF GERMANS

PARIS, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Jewish organizations in France are seeking to annul a recently promulgated law which bars "racial" deportees from benefits given persons deported by the Germans during the occupation.

The law gives deportees 14,400 francs for each year outside of the country and an additional 1,200 francs for each month of internment. However, it specifically excludes persons deported for racial reasons. Among the organizations protesting the legislation is the Jewish Union for Resistance, composed of Jewish veterans of the anti-German underground.

HUNGARIAN PRO-NAZI OFFICER ARRESTED FOR DEPORTING 20,000 JEWS TO "DEATH CAMPS"

BUDAPEST, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Amon Pasztoy, an important police official under the pro-Nazi regime, who is charged with responsibility for the deportation of 20,000 Jews from Hungary "to unknown destinations" in 1942, was arrested today in Kaposvar where he was living under an assumed name. He will be placed on trial before a Peoples Court.

President Tildy this week received leaders of the Zionist Federation and assured them that Hungary will cooperate with the Jewish state in Palestine after its establishment. He expressed confidence that the Jews will eventually win Arab friendship despite the present hostility of the Arab governments.

JEWS SENTENCED TO TWENTY YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR MISTREATING JEWS IN NAZI CAMP

VIENNA, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- A Polish Jew, Herman Gutter, a former inmate of a Nazi concentration camp who became a warden, was today sentenced to twenty years imprisonment by an Austrian court here. He was charged with committing crimes against humanity and with ill-treatment of Jewish fellow internees.

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ISH CONGRESS SEEKS U.N. ACTION AGAINST ANTI-JEWISH LAW DRAFTED BY ARAB LEAGUE

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Urgent action on the part of the United Nations to prevent the adoption of drastic anti-Jewish laws in Arab countries has been asked by the World Jewish Congress in a note submitted to the U.N. Economic and Social Council.

Emphasizing that the Jews living in Arab countries face "extreme and immediate danger," the World Jewish Congress asks that the United Nations open an immediate investigation into the situation of the 240,000 Jews living in the countries which are members of the Arab League. Attached to the memorandum submitted by the Congress was the text of the following draft law prepared by the Arab League for promulgation in Arab countries:

- "1. Beginning with (date) all Jewish citizens of (name of country) will be considered as members of the Jewish minority state of Palestine and will have to register with the authorities of the region wherein they reside, giving their names, exact number of members in their families, their addresses, the names of their banks and the amounts of their deposits in these banks. This formality is to be accomplished within seven days.
- "2. Beginning with (date) bank accounts of Jews will be frozen. These funds will be utilized in part or in full to finance the movement of resistance to Zionist activities in Palestine.
- "3. Beginning with (date) only Jews who are subjects of foreign countries will be considered as 'neutrals.' These will be compelled either to return to their countries, with a minimum of delay, or be considered as Arabs and obliged to accept service with the Arab army.
- "4. Jews who accept active service in Arab armies or place themselves at the disposal of those armies will be considered 'Arabs.'
- "5. Every Jew whose activities reveal that he is an active Zionist will be considered as a political prisoner and will be interned in places specifically designated for that purpose by police authorities or by the government. His financial resources, instead of being frozen, will be confiscated.
- "6. Any Jew who will be able to prove that his activities are anti-Zionist will be free to act as he likes, provided that he declares his readiness to join the Arab armies.
- "7. The foregoing (par. 6) does not mean that those Jews will not be subjected to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this law."

BAHRAIN RULER SAYS JEWISH RESIDENTS WILL BE PROTECTED AGAINST MOSLEM RIOTERS

LONDON, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- Shaikh Sulman, ruler of Bahrain, off the Persian Gulf coast of Saudi Arabia, has assured the British Government that the 40 Jewish families living within his territory will be protected, a spokesman for the Ministry of Commonwealth Relations has told A.L. Easterman, political secretary of the World Jewish Congress. The Congress had intervened with the government after reports that local Moslems had been rioting against Jewish residents of the state, which is a British protectorate.

S. IS HOMELAND OF AMERICAN JEWS, SAYS COUNCIL FOR JUDAISM; ASKS ADMISSION OF DP'S

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- The three-day annual conference of the American Council for Judaism concluded here last night after adopting a resolution declaring that the homeland of American Jews is America and that "our allegiance to the United States is single, indivisible and exclusive."

Rejecting the concept that the Jews are homeless unless they live in Palestine, the Council pledged itself "to take such action as shall make clear that the Jews living outside of the proposed Zionist state have no part in the nationalism of that state." The resolution also provides that the Council make certain "that spokesmen, representatives, agencies and instrumentalities are precluded from representing all American Jews."

Another resolution urged Congress to pass the Stratton Bill for admission of displaced persons to the United States.

S. ZIONISTS ASK U.N. SANCTIONS AGAINST ARAB STATES SUPPORTING VIOLENCE IN PALESTINE

NEW YORK, Jan. 20. (JTA) -- A resolution asking the United Nations to impose through the Security Council appropriate sanctions upon the Arab states assisting or abetting the violation of the U.N. partition decision on Palestine was adopted last night at the closing session of the national executive committee of the Zionist Organization of America, held at the Hotel Commodore.

Another resolution asked for the constituting of a United Nations armed force "to help maintain public security in Palestine during the transition period." The resolution also called upon the American Zionist Emergency Council to make immediate representations to the U.S. Government to the end that "the arms embargo now effective against the Jews of Palestine shall be modified."

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Z.O.A., in his closing address urged the Security Council "to step in, and it is the plain duty of our government to exercise initiative and leadership in that body." He pointed out that the Security Council had intervened in the Indonesian conflict and also in the struggle between India and Pakistan, adding, "it must intervene in Palestine immediately before Arab violence and British policy bring out complete chaos." The Security Council and the organs represented in it have ample power "to enforce respect for the United Nations decision; they must use it now," he added.

Mayor Israel Rokach of Tel Aviv, now on a visit to the United States, told the gathering that the Jews in Palestine mean to live at peace with the Arabs. He urged that the British Government be induced to open the port of Tel Aviv. "Unless this is done at once, I fear that the British will keep us unarmed, untrained and inadequately prepared for the moment of their withdrawal and leave us defenseless against Arab attacks and incursions from the neighboring Arab countries," Mayor Rokach said.

Elias M. Epstein, director of the Overseas Department of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem, emphasized that the Jewish state will not become a practical reality unless the Jewish National Fund acquires the remaining acres in Palestine which are necessary to assure the Jewish population of a majority of the cultivable terrain." He pointed out that approximately \$800,000,000 will be needed to carry out such a program which will include the exploitation of the resources, such as water, roads and reforestation.