

Enclosure Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : R. T. HARBO

DATE: Sept. 2, 1949

FROM : D. J. Parsons

SUBJECT: The Legal Attache
London, England
105-3037

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There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 22, 1949

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: TENUAT HACHERUT, also known as
Freedom Movement; ET AL
REGISTRATION ACT;
INTERNAL SECURITY - ISRAELI
(Bureau file 105-3037)

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Rebulet September 14, 1949. On September 9, 1949, a report in the captioned matter was submitted to the Bureau.

It was impossible for this office to comply with Bureau instructions contained in your letter of August 18, requesting a report within fifteen days, since the agent to whom this case is assigned has been primarily engaged in investigation in the [REDACTED] case, which investigation must necessarily be expedited for the retrial which is scheduled for the very near future.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 14, 1949

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: TENUAT HACHERUT, AKA
FREEDOM MOVEMENT, ET AL
REGISTRATION ACT
INTERNAL SECURITY - ISRAELI
(Bureau file 105-3037)

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A review of the above-captioned file in this office reflects that considerable investigative attention has been devoted to this matter since February, 1948. This has included investigation of recruitment activities of the now disbanded Irgun Zvai Leumi, investigation of various known Irgun leaders including MENACHEM BEIGIN, its Commander-in-Chief and investigation of Irgun sympathizer groups in the United States including the American League for Free Palestine, Tenuat Hacherut or Freedom Movement.

[REDACTED]

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In view of the nature of these groups, the inter-relation of their activities and leaders, and the considerable investigation conducted to date, it is felt that the sole logical investigative step to be conducted is a thorough interview of each of the individuals previously named as a prominent leader of these groups, with a view to determining as far as possible the true purposes, activities and plans of these organizations.

[REDACTED]

It is highly probable that even should they consent to an interview by agents of this office they would insist on being represented by counsel during these interviews.

In view of the above facts, it is believed desirable to withhold further investigation or interview of these persons until the Bureau or the Department directs that such interviews be conducted.

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Mr. Glavin	Mr. Clegg.....	M
Mr. Harbo	Mr. Glavin.....	[REDACTED]
Mr. Nichols	Mr. Nichols.....	[REDACTED]
Mr. Rosen	Mr. Rosen.....	[REDACTED]
Mr. Tracy	Mr. Tracy.....	[REDACTED]
Mr. Q. Tamm	Mr. Harbo.....	[REDACTED]
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November 7, 1949

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In response to your request of October 28, 1949, for information concerning the Irgun Zvai Leumi, you are referred to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated 2-28-47, at New York City, in the case entitled "Brith Trumpeldor of America, Inc., also known as Betar; New Zionist Organization of American, Inc. - Voorhis Act," which was furnished to the local office of Immigration and Naturalization Service in New York City in May, 1948. In particular you are referred to local INS file No. A-7032327 and 56280/438 in re: Betar Zionist Youth Organization, also known as Brith Trumpeldor. (105-8805-47)

As reflected in the afore-mentioned report of Special Agent [redacted] the New Zionist Organization of America, Inc. and its Youth Movement, Brith Trumpeldor of America, Inc., also known as Betar, represents the extreme right wing of the World Zionist Organization. These are New York corporations having national offices at 55 West 42nd Street in New York City. The National Zionist Organization advocates large scale immigration to Palestine, the creation of a Jewish army and militant political action for the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine.

The facts in the case concerning Brith Trumpeldor, Inc., were presented to the Department of Justice with a view toward ascertaining whether the activities of the organization as outlined above and as set forth in the report of Special Agent [redacted] constitute a violation of any of the statutes of the United States. In reply to the question which had been posed the Department of Justice advised that several conferences with representatives of Brith Trumpeldor of America, Inc. were held by members of the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the Department of Justice and the obligations of the Brith Trumpeldor of America, Inc. under the terms of the Foreign Agents Registration Act as well as the Voorhis were discussed. The position taken by the representatives of Brith Trumpeldor of America, Inc. was that their activities were not such as to come within the purview of either act. Thereupon the Department of Justice further advised that pending further study of the policy to be pursued in this matter no further investigation was being requested. In view of the above you may wish to consult the files of the Department of Justice for information concerning Brith Trumpeldor of America, Inc., particularly since it has been alleged that the New Zionist Organization of America organized and controlled the Irgun Zvai Leumi originally and that Betar members constitute the majority of the members of the Irgun and Stern gangs in Palestine. (105-8805-26)

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It will be recalled that subsequent to the Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel on May 14, 1948, the Irgun Zvai Leumi hereinafter referred to as IZL, emerged from the underground and incorporated its military forces into the Israeli Defense Army with the exceptions of such forces as it kept in Jerusalem.

As a result of the ultimatum of the Provisional Government of Israel, Temuat Hacherut declared itself a political party, the successor to IZL with its principal objectives being the procurement of immediate free elections and opposition to the present liberal government of Israel.

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In connection with the activities of Temuat Hacherut it is to be pointed out that this Bureau is presently conducting an investigation to

ascertain whether or not that organization should be registered under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. (105-3037-139)

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A further review of the records of this Bureau has indicated that you may wish to consult the files of the Department of State for information concerning the Irgun Zvai Leumi and that you may wish to consult your own files concerning [REDACTED]

The above information is furnished for your confidential use only and is not to be distributed outside of your agency.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

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DATE: November 21, 1949

FROM : D. M. Ladd *DL*

SUBJECT: IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI
INTERNAL SECURITY - IS
(Bureau file 105-3037)

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

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PURPOSE:

To advise you that the American Ambassador in Israel has recently urged the Department of State to change its policy of considering former members of captioned organization as ineligible for admission into the United States.

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BACKGROUND:

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Bureau files contain no references in the name [redacted]. It may be noted that on October 28, 1949, Immigration and Naturalization Service requested the Bureau to make a name check on [redacted] who probably is identical with [redacted]. The Immigration and Naturalization Service did not state why the name check was being requested. The Bureau replied to this request by stating that no investigation has ever been conducted by the FBI pertinent to the inquiry.

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You will recall that the Irgun Zvai Leumi is an extreme rightist organization. Its members in the past have been accused of numerous terrorist acts, especially against the British who formerly exercised a mandate over Palestine. On numerous past occasions the Bureau has conducted investigations concerning members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi who have entered the United States. For the most part these investigations have been in the nature of a Registration Act case. Last year Menachem Beigin, the former head of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, was in this country. Mr. Beigin presently heads the political party in Israel known as Tenuat Hacherut. This party is not in power but represents one of the major opposition parties to the Mapai, the party of the present Israeli Premier, David Ben-Gurion. When the State Department was advised that Beigin desired to enter the country last year, the matter was given careful consideration. It was finally decided to admit him in view of the fact that he headed a political party which might very well some day come into power in Israel. The State Department felt that the United States Government could not put itself in the position of having refused admittance to this country of an individual who may well become the Premier of Israel.



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BY [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE: Bureau File 105-3037.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated September 9, 1949, at New York.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

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TITLE TENUAT HACHERUT, aka Freedom Movement, etal		CHARACTER OF CASE REGISTRATION ACT INTERNAL SECURITY - ISRAELI	
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DETAILS:	<u>AT WASHINGTON, D. C.</u> [REDACTED]		
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: November 29, 1948

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles
SUBJECT: IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI
REGISTRATION ACT

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It may be noted that [redacted] was mentioned in the report of SA [redacted] dated at Los Angeles December 2, 1948 in the case entitled "PALESTINE SITUATION - RECRUITMENT PROGRAM: NEUTRALITY ACT, REGISTRATION ACT" Bureau file 97-2912. [redacted]

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No further investigation is contemplated for the present.

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Assistant Attorney General
Alexander M. Campbell
Director, FBI

December 30, 1949

IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI
REGISTRATION ACT



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The above is being forwarded for your information and such consideration as you deem appropriate. These data have also been made available to the Department of State. No action in connection with this matter will be taken by this Bureau in the absence of a request either by you or by the Department of State.

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Date: December 20, 1949

BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

To: Mr. Jack D. Neal
Associate Chief
Division of Security
Department of State
215 2nd Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

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From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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The above is forwarded for your confidential information with the request that no dissemination be made thereof outside the departments and agencies receiving copies of this communication. The above data has also been forwarded to Mr. Alexander H. Campbell, Criminal Division, Department of Justice. No further action will be undertaken by this Bureau in connection with this matter unless a request is received from Mr. Campbell or from the Department of State.

cc - Director of Intelligence
General Staff
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Chief
Security and Training Group

BY SPL. MSGR.
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C. J. M. - FBI

cc - Director of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
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cc - Director of Special Investigations
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SO seriously are Jewish terrorist threats to "fight the British all over the world" regarded, that special V.I.P. guards have been posted by Scotland Yard in Britain, and picked Palestine police officers are to be attached to British Embassies and Legations in France, Italy and elsewhere.

It was to arrange this latter precaution that Col. W. N. Gray, Inspector-General of the Palestine police, flew to London during the week-end, cables Geoffrey Hoare, News Chronicle Special Correspondent in Jerusalem.

Close watch is being kept on airports and both the Channel coasts—here by Scotland Yard and in the Pas de Calais area by a large number of French Surete Nationale agents.

To emphasise the gravity of the threats the Jewish terrorist organisation Irgun Zvai Leumi last night broadcast over its secret radio, "Voice of Fighting Zion," that: "No security measures in Britain or in British Embassies abroad will prevent Irgun soldiers from reaching their goal."

Irgun has already claimed responsibility for the recent bomb attack at the British Embassy in Rome.

First of Scotland Yard's plans for the protection of the Royal Family, and members of the Government, from possible attack was put into operation at the Remembrance Day ceremony yesterday.

Scores of Special Branch men were placed in rooms in the Home Office, where the King and Queen, the Princesses, Mr. Attlee and members of the Cabinet waited before and after the Cenotaph service.

Detectives in crowd

Detectives stood in window balconies overlooking the area around the Cenotaph; others were among the crowds lining the walls by the Home Office door through which the King and the Cabinet passed.

Many police stood near at hand when the King placed his wreath on the Cenotaph.

At the same time, people entering Whitehall buildings to occupy positions overlooking the Cenotaph had their credentials and special passes checked and rechecked.

Detectives mingled with Remembrance Day crowds in Whitehall last night. At Scotland Yard the Embankment entrance was again padlocked.

Since information reached England that terrorists were making their way to this country a special watch has been kept on members of the Cabinet, on Government offices and on important buildings in London.

Parliament tomorrow

Tomorrow protective measures will be increased when the King opens Parliament.

Departments having dealings with Palestine, the Colonial Office and Foreign Office will, in particular, exercise greater supervision of visitors.

Last night, at his Ewell (Surrey) home, Mr. Chuter Ede, the Home Secretary, had a special police guard patrolling the lane outside.

When a News Chronicle reporter arrived two uniformed constables challenged him. One escorted him to Mr. Ede's flat.

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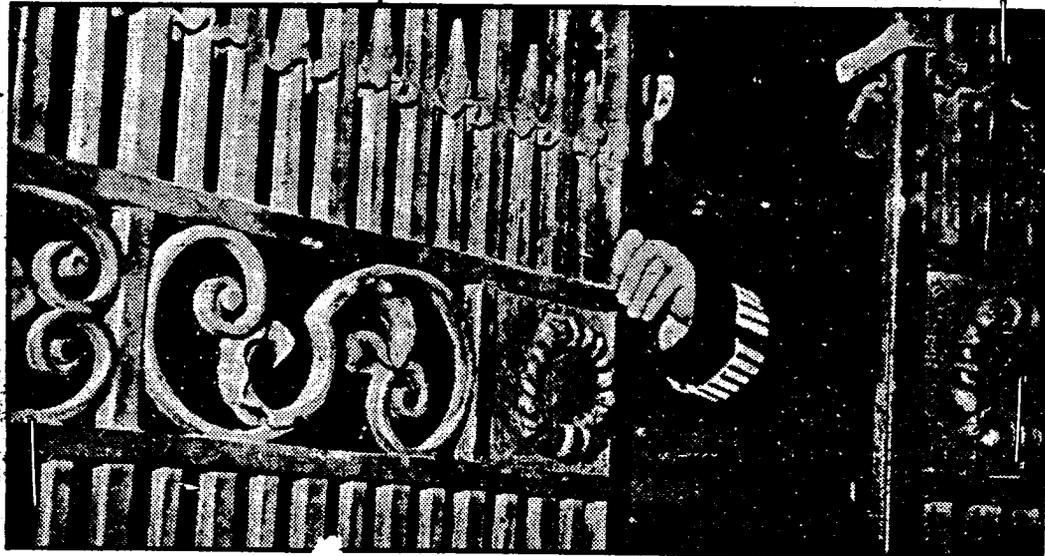
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Police inspectors, constables and naval police have a cheerful chat outside the Royal Albert Hall. They were waiting, last night, for the arrival of the King and Queen for the Festival of Remembrance.

Just the same, the Yard shuts its gates



Shutting the Embankment gates of Scotland Yard last night—a precaution against possible attack by Jewish terrorist visitors.

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HERE YET—Police**

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Commonsense precautions

Express Crime Reporter

EVERY available man will be mustered to guard against the possibility of action by Jewish terrorists at today's state opening of Parliament.

A Scotland Yard official said last night that many more than the usual number of uniformed policemen will be along the route: plain-clothes armed men will mingle with the crowds.

When the King and Queen, the Princesses and Queen Mary went to the Albert Hall last night for the Festival of Remembrance precautions were stricter than usual.

These are commonsense safeguards; for although there is no evidence that any members of the Stern Gang or any other Jewish terrorist organisation have entered the country, the authorities are not taking too lightly the threats that have been made.

It is extremely improbable that any terrorists have been able to get past the police barrier placed at our seaports and airports several weeks ago.

Neither is there any indication that a few anonymous and threatening telephone calls received at Government buildings in the past week have originated from anyone more dangerous than a few weak-minded cranks who sometimes use this form of recreation.

V.I.P.s GUARDED

Yet extra protection has been given to important people threatened by the "Voice of Fighting Zion," the secret radio in Palestine: Field-Marshal Lord Montgomery's movements are no longer announced.

On Scotland Yard advice Government buildings, which might be the target of terrorists, are adopting greater protective measures.

The precautions were put into operation several weeks ago.

More Special Branch men were then drafted to the seaports and airports. Each officer was given photographs and descriptions of Jewish terrorists who might try to get into the country.

Frequent exchange of information is going on between Deputy Commander Leonard Burt, of the Special Branch, and the authorities in Palestine and on the Continent.

Stern Gang chief



NATHAN FRIEDMAN
Polish Jew, aged about 31,
leader of the Jewish terrorist
Stern Gang. Reports that he
had arrived in Paris to direct
operations against Britain have
not been confirmed.

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Six Palestine Officers Killed in Ambushing Of Railway Patrol

Handcar Is Blown Up on Jerusalem Outskirts in Starting Inspection

By the Associated Press.

JERUSALEM, Nov. 13.—Attackers described by police as Jewish extremists today ambushed a police dawn patrol which daily combs railway lines for bombs, blasting its ramshackle hand-propelled car and killing all six officers aboard.

The "suicide patrol," which was instituted two weeks ago when Irgun Zvai Leumi said it was launching an antirailway drive was ambushed at Beit Safafa on the outskirts of Jerusalem. The patrol had been appearing daily at the same spot, a few minutes after starting its track inspection tour from Jerusalem yards.

Killed were two British constables, one Arab sergeant and three Arab police officers.

Passenger Train Stranded.

Another train attack near Jaffa left a fireman and an Arab police guard wounded and stranded the day's first passenger train. In both attacks police said explosives buried between crossties were electrically detonated.

Railway schedules have been restricted to daytime runs only since attacks against trains reached their height.

Today's attacks raised to 14 the number of blasts at railways in the past month.

Damage to tracks today at both places was negligible and traffic was scheduled to be resumed during the day.

Police sources expressed apprehension about reaction to today's attacks, commenting that it was "Jewish terrorism but it left four Arabs dead and one wounded and both attacks occurred in Arab territory."

Jewish underground extremists subsided somewhat during the night, but there were unconfirmed rumors that a member of the so-called Stern gang had been arrested at Liverpool and that the Daily Mail in London had been warned its building might be blown up.

Sir Harold Scott, metropolitan police commissioner, issued a call for 6,000 volunteers for part-time service with his forces, badly depleted during the war, to grapple with an increase in the number

of crimes as well as increased security duties.

A Scotland Yard spokesman denied a report published by one newspaper that a agent of the American Federal Bureau of Investigation was here to work with the Yard on the theory that sympathizers with the Jewish extremist movement might come from the United States.

"No FBI agent is here in connection with Jewish activities," said a Scotland Yard statement.

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MI5 SECURITY CHECK ON TWO LINERS

Terrorists "Screen"

"Star" Reporter

ANOTHER security order was issued by M.I.5 today about special precautions to be taken when a great liner docks at Southampton tomorrow, after calling at a Middle East port on her way home.

As first stated in "The Star" yesterday, extraordinary checks are to be made by immigration authorities and detectives when the 15,000-ton Cunarder *Ascania* docks at Liverpool at dawn tomorrow with 1,300 Jews aboard.

Tomorrow's Southampton arrival is the 20,000 tons Orient liner *Otranto*.

Special War Office instructions were given today, and when the vessel arrives only Service chiefs, essential officials and people whose credentials have been checked, will be allowed on board.

The *Otranto's* passengers include a number of the Airborne troops who figured in the recent court-martial trouble in Malaya.

They boarded the liner at a Far Eastern port and intermediate calls were made at Singapore and Port Said, where some civilians were taken aboard. There are 94 civilians out of the total of over 1,800 Service personnel aboard.

A Movement's Officer told me: "This is the only ship docking here for which these special War Office instructions apply. We want as few people as possible from the shore to go on board. People will be allowed on the quay."

The Special Branch officers detailed to screen the *Ascania's* passengers at Liverpool were leaving London today, and the immigration authorities at the port, I was told, have made elaborate plans to ensure that the check is thorough.

Among those aboard the *Ascania* are hundreds of Jews, as well as representatives of almost every European nationality.

And also aboard the vessel are members of the Palestine Police who have kept a close watch over their fellow travellers during the voyage. The *Ascania* is due to tie up at Liverpool landing stage at 7 a.m.



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TERRORIST 'WAR ON BRITAIN'

Underground Jews threaten world-wide campaign

From GEOFFREY HOARE
News Chronicle Special Correspondent

JERUSALEM, Friday.

JEWISH terrorists today announced their intention of fighting the British "all over the world."

This threat is contained in leaflets distributed by Irgun Zvai Leumi—who again claim credit for the recent attack on the British Embassy in Rome. The warning states that they will now combine with their attacks on "British and Empire institutions and installations" throughout Palestine "war against British diplomatic representatives everywhere." In addition, they intend to organise a world boycott of British goods.

"This will teach the British that fighting the Jews in their own homeland is not a paying proposition."

Boycott call

Simultaneously there appeared a more dangerous threat to British commerce—almost, indeed, a declaration of economic war.

Tel Aviv shops received a "Circular No. 1" from the "Organisation for the Protection of Jewish Products." This calls for a boycott of foreign goods, but it appears from the text that "foreign" means "British."

The circular declares that British cigarettes have obtained 25 per cent. of the local market and are fast spreading. It admits local cigarettes are not so good, but alleges this is because the Palestine Government will not allow Jews to import Virginian tobacco.

"Factories closed"

British razor blades have 40 per cent. of the market and toothpaste 75 per cent. British writing materials are so prevalent that "Jewish factories have had to close down."

The circular goes on: "We warn all Jewish shops to take from their windows all foreign goods by the end of next week. We order them to clear their shops of such goods during the next fortnight. Those who disobey our orders will be punished."

Senior police officers are of the opinion that both threats are to be taken seriously.

[The Jewish resistance movement's secret radio "Voice of Israel" last night declared: "Hagana's drive against the Irgun Zvai Leumi and Stern gang terrorists has already begun." No details were given, the radio adding: "we shall not be informed."]

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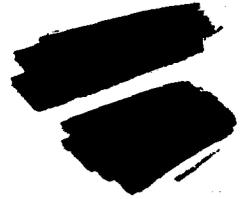
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Smertenko barred

Asked if he was aware that Professor Johan Smertenko, vice-president of the American League for a Free Palestine, was openly inciting terrorist organisations of Palestine, and whether it is intended to allow him to form a branch of his organisation in the United Kingdom, Mr. Oliver, Under Secretary, Home Office, replied: "This foreign visitor left this country on December 18 and steps have been taken to exclude him for the future."

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WARTIME 'GENU' LEADS DRIVE TO COUNTER THREATS



BURT—of the Yard.

CO-ORDINATING all the anti-terrorist plans behind the scenes in Britain is 55-year-old Deputy Commander Leonard J. Burt, head of Scotland Yard's Special Branch, whose war-time work the War Office

"approaching... Helping him are... officers who... to M.I. 5 dur... to combat sabot... build up the dossier... eventually led to the... of traitors.

Yard Checks Up On The Woman From Palestine

By W. A. E. JONES

SCOTLAND YARD at midnight last night was checking up on a Jewish woman, said to be the fiancee of a prominent member of the Argun Zvai Leumi, Jewish terrorist organisation.

I was told early today that the woman is aged 32 and holds a British passport.

She is believed to have reached this country from Palestine in a ship that docked at Liverpool some time before an official description of her was wired to Britain from Jerusalem.

Last night police traced her movements to an hotel in Bloomsbury.

A search was made of the Houses of Parliament late last night, and extra guards were put on duty as a precaution against any move by Jewish terrorists at today's State opening of Parliament by the King.

Before the King and Queen set out from the Palace this morning the Yeomen of the Guard will make their traditional tour of the vaults below the Houses of Parliament—but this time it will be more than a token "Plot" search.

Marked Men

These searches are part of swiftly-widening precautions taken by the authorities throughout the country.

A full description of seven members of the Stern Gang, including two of the ringleaders, is now in the hands of every Special Branch officer in Britain.

They are the members of the gang who are believed to have left Palestine ten weeks ago in a ship for Marseilles, and who entrenched themselves in Paris to direct terrorist activities in this country.

Today, from the Mall onwards, along every yard of the Royal route, the Brigade of Guards lining the way will be strengthened by Metropolitan uniformed police detailed for special duty over and above normal State...
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Every member of the t Branch will be on duty. Every Government building Whitehall will have a reinforcement, inside and out.

Army and police reserves will be held ready in police stations and barracks in the Westminster area.

I was told late last night: "Every available police officer in the central London area will be on duty or held in reserve."

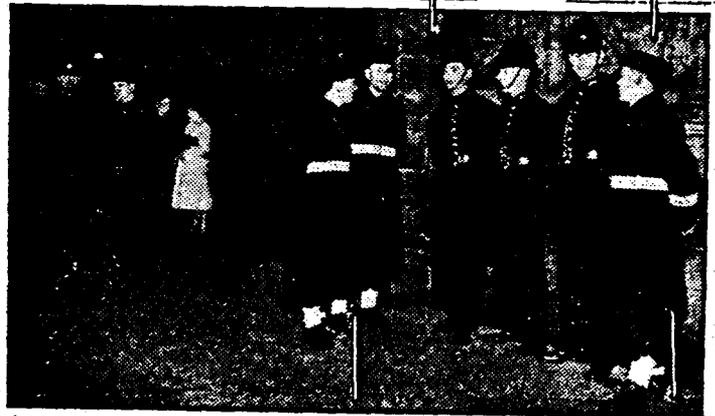
As extra guards were placed in Whitehall yesterday, including armed men in Downing-street, who worked to a four-hour rota system, more conferences were held at the Yard and the War Office.

Dogs At Dumps

After the King has made the formal opening of Parliament, the Debate on the Address will be opened and a special watch will be kept on all persons entering the public and other galleries.

The War Office has tightened up its watch on arms dumps throughout the country.

Guard-dogs, motor-cycle and jeep patrols have been instituted at the larger dumps on day and night basis.



NAVAL police strengthened the normal police guard at the Albert Hall last night during the British Legion's Festival of Remembrance.

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British Tell Jewish Agency Stoolpigeon on Underground

British High Commissioner Sir Alan ~~Cunningham~~ delivered an unprecedented ultimatum to the Jewish Agency yesterday, demanding its full cooperation in capturing all "terrorist groups" in Palestine within the next seven days, UP reported from Jerusalem.

Unofficial sources said the alternative was a forced dissolution of the agency, which was organized to represent the Jewish community under Britain's League of Nations mandate, and the imposition of martial law.

Sir William Fitzgerald, Chief Justice of the Palestine High Court, yesterday turned down a stay of execution for condemned Irgunist ~~Dov Gruner~~ and British civilian evacuation of the Holy Land continued at top speed.

Jerusalem was stripped for action as the British showdown with the Jews approached. Streets, cafes and shops were almost deserted. Three-man patrols—one policeman and two soldiers armed with submachine guns—walked the silent streets.

NOT HANGED YET

A high government source said that, despite the high court's decision, Gruner probably would not be hanged "for some weeks yet." Nevertheless, martial law was expected momentarily and it was believed the British army would make every effort to get an iron grip on Palestine before announcing Gruner's execution.

Trucks continued to bring British women and children to Lydda airfield outside Haifa, where they were packed into planes for Cairo, London and Cyprus.

The Palestine government's ultimatum to the Jewish Agency and its affiliate, the Jewish National Council, was announced by Mayor Israel Rokah of Tel Aviv. Rokah said the ultimatum was delivered in the form of a letter and will expire next Monday.

He said the ultimatum asked the agency and council "to publicly call on the Jewish population within seven days to lend aid to the government by cooperating with police and the armed forces in locating and bringing to justice members of terrorist groups."

The ultimatum was considered the most far-reaching measure taken by the government since the Balfour declaration of 1919 which pledged a Jewish national home in Palestine.

A spokesman for the Jewish Agency said the agency's reply would be made public after the letter had been published. Unconfirmed reports said the agency's reply would reiterate its stand that Palestine's 600,000 Jews will refuse to inform on their fellow Jews even if they are underground members.

It is believed Britain will withdraw recognition of the Jewish Agency's international status if the ultimatum is refused. Then, it was expected, Britain would go ahead with plans for a showdown fight against the underground after completing the evacuation of 5,000 non-essential British civilians, which was proceeding at top speed.

It was understood the British ultimatum specifically requested the agency to place the ~~Haganah~~ and the ~~Palmach~~—Haganah's mobile striking force—at Britain's disposal for one swift, supreme strike against the ~~Agun Zvai Leumi~~ and ~~other~~ groups.

Most of the 600,000 Jews in Palestine prayed today for Gruner's soul, at the request of Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog. Formal prayers were scheduled in all synagogues. Orthodox Jews fasted.

Jewish Agency leaders submitted to Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin yesterday three demands for a solution of the Palestine problem, including large-scale Jewish immigration in the shortest possible time, according to United Press reports from London.

The other demands were: (1) Setting up of a satisfactory Jewish state in an adequate area, and (2) freedom for full development of land and material resources and for raising the country's productivity.

Jewish Agency leaders made it known also that they want any formal proposal for the partition of Palestine between Jews and Arabs to come from the British Government. They have indicated that in case of a breakdown of the present talks they will consider taking the Palestine question to the United Nations.

Colonial Secretary Arthur Orde Jones, Sir Norman Brook, Secretary to the Cabinet, and numerous technical advisers were with Bevin at yesterday's conference.

David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, led the Jewish delegation.

It was announced that the formal Palestine conference between British and Arab leaders would be resumed today. It was believed Bevin would tell the Arabs what the Jews told him yesterday.

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