

REDS WITH ARABS

JERUSALEM (WNS) --- Defense Minister Moshe Dayan has asserted that Russian advisors were directing Egyptian forces in their military operations against Israel and that this Soviet operational advice was narrowing the technological gap between the two sides.

Gen. Dayan said that while the Soviet advisors were not

actually engaged in direct combat with Israel forces, "They are in the operation room....they are in the front lines and they tell (the Egyptian) not only how to use the machines but also what to do."

Speaking to a United Jewish Appeal study mission, the Defense Minister reported that 96 percent of the nation's casualties were sustained along the cease-fire lines,

two percent were suffered, in Israel and the other two percent in the occupied territories. This, he said, indicated the low level of resistance in the occupied areas.

The Israeli leader added that despite the Russian help, the over-all quality of the contending forces, including fighting ability and motivation, continues to remain in Israel's favor.

Two objectives were cited by Gen. Dayan as the aim behind Israel's daily strikes across the Suez Canal. The immediate one, he said, "is to keep the Egyptians in their positions. If we let them hit us without striking back they will be swarming over all the borders."

The long-range aim is to "remind them that they are not yet ready to renew the war," he said. "It is important to keep them on the other side of the canal until they realize that if they want to settle the conflict they have to do it through peaceful means and now war."

STILL CITIZENS

TEL AVIV (WNS) --- Americans who become citizens of Israel or serve in its armed forces cannot lose their United States citizenship, a U. S. Embassy spokesman said. He noted that the reasons for revoking U. S. citizenship is not likely to arise in Israel except for the case of an American running for public office.

A new "interpretation" by Washington of U. S. regulations concerning dual citizenship provides that Americans can lose their U. S. citizenship only if they renounce it, injure American interests of fight against the U. S. Voting in a foreign election was not a cause for revocation of citizenship.

TAX EXEMPT

JERUSALEM (WNS) --- The East Jerusalem consulates of five Western nations have been declared exempt from local taxes by the city of Jerusalem after the officers were acknowledged to be part of the diplomatic missions of the states.

The five countries -- The United States, Britain, France, Belgium and Italy -- had boycotted a Jerusalem municipality co-sponsored function in East Jerusalem to indicate their non-recognition of Israel's sovereignty over Jerusalem and East Jerusalem. The municipality then threatened to impose taxes on the East Jerusalem

consulates on the ground that they were not diplomatic missions exempt from taxes.

Greece, Turkey and Spain have so far not affirmed the diplomatic status of their East Jerusalem consulates and they will be required to pay taxes.

U.S. AIDS ARABS

WASHINGTON (WNS) --- The United States sold \$300,000 worth of military equipment of Egypt after the Six-Day War and deliveries of the communications items, generators and spare parts took place during fiscal 1969. Rep. R. Lawrence Coughlin, Rep. - Pa., disclosed.

Rep. Coughlin expressed dismay that the State Department issued export licenses for the war material despite the fact that Egypt broke diplomatic relations with Washington and thousands of Soviet advisors were now training Egyptian forces. He added that the sales were unfair to Israel and was contrary to the national security interests of the U. S.

The Defense Department

has confirmed that \$1.40 million worth of military hardware has been sold to Egypt between 1962 and 1968. The latest shipments were apparently sent under a determination made after the Six-Day War to continue a secret policy of supplying Egypt with a limited quantity of equipment that Cairo could not obtain from Russia.

ARABS CRYING

JERUSALEM (WNS) --- Both the Lebanese Government and the Palestine Liberation Organization have accused Israel of being responsible for a rocket attack on the headquarters of the terrorist organization in Beirut.

Reports from that Arab capital stated that four rockets were fired into the organization's headquarters building by a launcher equipped with a timing device. Ten persons were injured in the attack and extensive damage was done to the office.

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