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held in Toronto September 1-12 because the Canadian authorities "cannot allow entry, sojourn and exit" to any members of the PLO.

Mr. MacEachen, in an earlier statement before the Canadian House of Commons, had stated that "it is with reluctance that the Government has decided to seek postponement of the Congress, but we concluded that it would not be possible to hold a successful Congress on Crime Prevention" with the presence of criminals.

"We are all aware of the public outcry for and against admission to Canada, for this Congress, of Observers from the PLO," he stated. "We have all been worried by its divisive effect upon Canadian public opinion; we could not ignore the risk of public disorders. These factors would have led any Government to reconsider a decision to host an international conference. But in the final analysis," he added, "two factors dominated in our discussions. First was the inevitable intrusion of unrelated political considerations into the proceedings of the Congress. Second, was the re-escalation of violence in the Middle East and the consequent spread of its bitterness into Canada and subsequently into the Congress itself."

Taking into account the present Arab and Third World campaign to have Israel ousted from the UN, MacEachen took the occasion of his speech to affirm the universality of the world organization. "We will resist any attempt to exclude Israel or any other country from the proceedings of the General Assembly," he said. "We have always supported and defended the right of the State of Israel to exist in peace with its neighbors, behind secure and recognized borders."

Although Mr. MacEachen spoke of the rights of the legitimate Palestinians and that a solution must eventually be found to the conflict, he made it clear that Canada has condemned the use of violence and terrorism -- the policy of the PLO and that it would be a mockery to include criminals, murderers of innocent people, as co-partners in an international Congress dealing with the Prevention of Crime and Treatment of Offenders.

He said that at the Fourth Congress, held in Tokyo in 1970, his Government had proposed that the Fifth Congress be held in Toronto and that this proposal was confirmed by the General Assembly. He added, however, that "since that time there has been a steady deterioration of the atmosphere in which international conferences were held." He then mentioned the discord that had marred the Sixth Special Session and the last General Assembly which acclaimed Arafat and his PLO. He also referred to the anti-Israeli actions at the recent conferences of UNIDO, of ILO and at the International Women's Year confab in Mexico which adopted a Declaration calling for the elimination of Israel. "A minimum of cooperation is essential to any progress in the international field," he stated, and in recent times, he added "we have witnessed excessive confrontation on issues that were not related to subject matter of conferences."

The Government of Ontario Province, under Premier William Davis, initially took the lead in opposing the presence of the PLO. Mr. Davis personally appealed to Trudeau to prohibit the delegation from entering Canada.

Thus Canada, as it did in 1947 and in 1948 in championing Jewry's cause for statehood, has once again shown itself a staunch champion for the rights of a resurrected Israel threatened by enemies from all sides.

NEW YORK -- A new Action Plan has been undertaken by the Ministry of Education in Israel, directed to education of disadvantaged children and youth, for which 100 million Israeli Lira will be allocated, it was announced, by Dr. Chaim Adler, Director of the National Council of Jewish Women's Research Institute for Innovation in Education.

CANADA MIXES CRIME PREVENTION CONGRESS

OTTAWA (WNS) -- The Canadian government's announcement "that Canada does not wish to proceed with the Fifth United Nations Congress for the Prevention of Crime" scheduled for Toronto September 1-12 has been hailed by the Canada - Israel Committee.

The committee, which represents the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Canadian Zionist Federation and B'nai B'rith, said that the statement by Allan McEachen, Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs, "in total thrust represents a morally and politically courageous stand supported by the overwhelming majority of Canadians." McEachen in making the announcement to the House of Commons said that he had sought UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim's cooperation and that Waldheim "has undertaken to study the situation in order to clarify his position." The Foreign Secretary added that the Canadian government believes that "this Congress cannot be held successfully anywhere this year."

At the UN, the 22-member Committee on Conference, which includes Canada, has decided to hold a meeting to consider all the options including postponing the conference.

The Canadian government's decision came after strong opposition in the country to admitting representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization to Canada to attend the conference as observers. The opposition was voiced within Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau's own Liberal

party as well as the opposition Conservative and New Democratic parties. In addition, the provincial government of Ontario, whose capitol is Toronto, refused to host the conference if the PLO attended.

CRISIS AVERTED WHEN EGYPT EXTENDS MANDATE

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Negotiations continued for an interim agreement between Egypt and Israel as a crisis was averted when Egypt agreed to a three-month extension of the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF) in the Sinai only one day before the mandate was to expire.

The announcement was made in Cairo by Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy and was followed by an announcement at the UN by Egyptian Ambassador Abdel Meguid after a 25-minute meeting with Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and Security Council had earlier appealed to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to renew the mandate saying that the continuance of UNEF would contribute "to creating an atmosphere conducive to progress toward an agreement on a just and lasting peace in the area."

Meanwhile in Washington, Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz met with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger to receive Egypt's counter-proposals for an interim agreement and has forwarded them to Jerusalem. The Egyptian proposals came after U.S. Ambassador Hermar Eilts returned to Cairo and relayed

JORDAN SALE DANGEROUS, UNWISE

By Sen. Henry M. Jackson

The Administration's proposed sale of some 500 HAWK missiles to Jordan along with radar controlled anti-aircraft guns is dangerous and unwise. Such an extensive deployment far exceeds Jordan's requirements for a defense of Jordanian territory. Deployed along Israel's border, such a deployment would cover a Jordanian invasion of Israel in the event of another Middle East war. It would, therefore, become an obvious target for Israeli forces in such a conflict. The bottom line is thus clear: the transfer of a massive air defense system to Jordan virtually assures that any future conflict in the Middle East will be widened to include fighting between Israel and Jordan, something that was mercifully avoided in 1973.

Had the Administration consulted with the Congress before arriving at the excessively large program it now proposes for Jordan, I believe that a more modest proposal could have been agreed upon. In the time remaining before the Senate votes, to disapprove the Administration's proposal, as I am confident it will, I hope that Secretary Kissinger will revise his package in the interests of a more stable peace in the Middle East.

Israel's proposals for the agreement. In another development, Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin has demanded that there must be face-to-face talks between Egyptian and Israeli teams before the negotiations are concluded and the Sinai agreement is signed. Rabin spoke at the convention of the American Mizrahi Women at the Jerusalem Theater. Informed sources said that Rabin wanted a face-to-face session similar to the one held before the disengagement agreement was signed in January, 1974.

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