

### On Immigration To Palestine Habonim Protest Probable Ban

The National Council of the Zionist Organization of Canada cabled the following resolution on August 30, to the Rt. Hon. Wm. G. Ormsby-Gore, Secretary for the Colonies in the British Cabinet:

"The National Council of the Zionist Organization of Canada respectfully submits the following resolution adopted by one of its affiliated groups, the Zionist Order Habonim:

"The Zionist Order Habonim assembled in twelfth annual convention at St. Agathe, Que., on August 30, 1936, is gravely concerned to hear that the

British Government is considering suspension of Jewish immigration into Palestine even before the recently appointed Royal Commission has made its report. The fundamental principle, inherent in the Mandate, that Jews enter Palestine as of right and not on sufferance has never been questioned by any British administration. Relying on a declaration made in the House of Commons on June 19, 1936, by the Colonial Secretary to the effect that there was no question of the Government being influenced by violence or attempts at intimidation, Zionists in Canada and throughout the world felt confident that Britain would not be diverted from the fulfillment of the solemn obligation assumed under the Mandate.

"A reversal of policy such as is now apparently being contemplated fills us with deep anxiety, for to suspend immigration at this crisis could only be interpreted as a capitulation to violence and a reward to the Arabs for rebellion, arson, and murder, giving tacit encouragement to a repetition of lawlessness. To the Jews in Palestine who have shown superhuman courage and

self-restraint only because they believed that the supreme right of their people to enter Palestine would be upheld, such a step would bring the worst kind of suffering and utter despair at having to realize that their sacrifices have been futile.

"The plight of Jews in many parts of the world, whose forlorn hopes are centered on Palestine as a last salvation, imposes on the British Government a grave moral obligation in addition to the responsibility undertaken by virtue of the Mandate. This convention, representing large numbers of Zionists in Canada, while reiterating its loyalty and respect, nevertheless records emphatically its stand that the curtailment of Jewish immigration for any other reason than that dictated by economic conditions in Palestine, will be regarded by the world as a breach of the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate, both of which are held as sacred covenant between Great Britain and the Jewish people."

A. J. FREIMAN, President,  
National Council of the Zionist Organization of Canada.

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Like glass bulbs by night;  
At the poet's touch  
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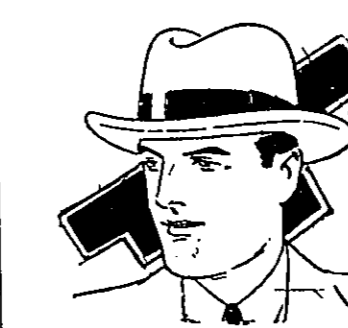
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