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COMMUNICATION FROM CAPTAIN L. KOTZ

The following letter has been received from
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Sir,

Subject:- The Palestine Problem.

Could authority please be granted for the undersigned to appear as a witness before the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine, or for the following to be used as written evidence before the Commission.

The reasons for this application are as follows:

I believe I found a solution to the difficult PALESTINE problem. This solution has a great bargaining power and should be able to satisfy all parties concerned.

The following is a rough outline of my plan:

Taking into consideration that:

1. The Arabs as well as the Jews will insist on creation of an independent State;
2. The Arabs will not agree to any further Jewish immigration;
3. The Jews will insist on unlimited Jewish immigration.

The following arrangement satisfactory to both parties is therefore proposed:

1. Palestine is to be divided. An Arab State and a SMALL Jewish State (or possibly a Dominion) to be created. The Jewish State to be limited to an area mostly inhabited by Jews. As an example the proposed southern boundary could run along the Jaffa-Jerusalem Road.

* See document A/AC.13/SC.2/9, page 4,
last paragraph.

2. Unlimited Jewish immigration to be allowed into the Jewish State

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for every immigrant entering the State, one immigrant has to leave the country. (in accordance with para 3.) Thus the total Jewish population in the Jewish State will not exceed $3/4$ of a million.

3. A Jewish Colony to be created on the African Coast. Immigration into this Colony would be controlled by the Government of the Jewish State.

The above arrangement would enable to:

a. Satisfy the Arabs through a reassurance that the Jewish State will not become a threat to the stability of the Arab State or Arab Nations. That no further expansion of world Zionism would take place. That a large part of Palestine would be included into the territory of the Arab State. That Arabs left in the Jewish territory would get compensation through acquisition of lands and transfer to land at present in possession of Jews (e.g. Rehovoth).

b. Satisfy the Jews i.e. enabling them to receive considerable numbers of Displaced Persons into Palestine. These could be trained, equipped and sent in batches large enough to establish self-supporting settlements. It would give them a spiritual mother-country, though small, yet in accordance with Zionist demands. Jews left in the Arab part of Palestine could be gradually moved to the Jewish State or to the Colony in Africa.

c. This arrangement would allow the British Government to come to an agreement with both parties. The British Government or U.N.O. would be asked to provide a territory of approx. 20,000 square miles and if possible with a low native population. A part of one of the mandated territories in Africa could be considered for this purpose. The Colony could come under U.N.O. trusteeship or become a British Mandated Territory.

d. This arrangement would allow U.N.O. to solve the Jewish Problem once and for all. There would be no more Zionist claims to a state in Palestine and would at the same time solve the burning question of displaced persons in Europe.

PART 2

After the completion of arrangements as suggested in Part 1, the remainder of World Jewry could be given a BILL OF RIGHTS

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every Jew who reaches the age of 21 years with effect from 1950, must declare himself as one, falling under one of the following categories:

1. Either he undertakes to emigrate within 5-10 years to the Jewish State or Colony.

2. Or else, renounces all connections with Zionism i.e. moral or financial support and elects to remain a loyal citizen of the state he lives in.

I hope that this application will receive your kind

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consideration and approval of the Sub-Committee. If necessary an additional approval could be obtained by me from the Army authorities.

I have the honour Sir,
to be your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) L. KOTZ

Capt. R.A.S.C.
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