

Demand America Grant Justice To Yishuv

AN EDITORIAL ARTICLE

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WE are deeply grateful to the Soviet Union and its delegate to the United Nations, Andrei Gromyko, for its just and democratic position on the Palestine question.

Gromyko demanded justice for *both* peoples in Palestine—Jews and Arabs. He demanded *equal* justice as befits the delegate of a socialist country that is carrying on a world struggle for a democratic, anti-imperialist and durable people's peace.

Gromyko's heart is with the Jewish people because we had suffered from fascism more than others; because we had paid for the victory over fascism more than others; because we have earned as a people—our six million corpses are proof of this—that the United Nations shall respect and seek to fulfill our national feelings, strivings and aspirations. This is what Gromyko said. And with his speech about Palestine, Gromyko opened a new and happier chapter in the thousand-year martyrdom of our people.

We demand that Truman and Attlee give us the same recognition as Grom-

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yko did! We demand that the American government carry out the obligations assumed by the United States, and support the Jewish national aspirations in Palestine. We demand that the American government shall not sacrifice the people's interests to the imperialist interests of the oil trust, and shall work together with the Soviet government and with the British government for a democratic solution for Palestine in the spirit of Gromyko's speech.

We make a special demand on the British government. We demand that it immediately cease its terror in Palestine, free all political prisoners and institute civil liberties, release at once the inmates of the Cyprus camps and permit their entry into Palestine.

We demand of the United Nations that it shall immediately take over responsibility for the Jewish DP camps; that it immediately adopt all necessary political, financial and other measures to free our brothers and sisters in the camps, to open the doors of all countries of the United Nations for them, and reach an immediate agreement and democratic solution for Jewish immigration to Palestine. We demand that the doors be opened more widely for Jewish immigration to America.

We appeal now *for greater and closer Jewish people's unity*. We say to the Jewish Agency in Palestine: You now have a great opportunity to help realize the thousand-year-old national dream of our people in Palestine. You now occupy a position of grave responsibility in the struggle for the existence of the Jewish people. This imposes great obligations upon you—first, to work for an understanding with the democratic forces among the Arabs in Palestine, and for a Jewish-Arab independent democratic state in Palestine with equal national rights for both peoples; second, to work for the unity and collaboration of America, England and the Soviet Union in the solution of the Palestine question, and to orient yourself politically on the collaboration of these three leading states.

We appeal to the American Jewish Congress, to the American Jewish Conference, and to the World Jewish Congress: Let us create a stronger, closer Jewish people's unity that shall demand from the United Nations the establishment of a Jewish-Arab independent democratic state in Palestine.