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# "Zionist Budget Must Reach One Million Pounds"

COLONISATION, SECURITY, LABOUR AND INDUSTRY ESTIMATES BEFORE ZIONIST GENERAL COUNCIL

LONDON, Tuesday (Palcor).—

Throughout today the Commissions of the Zionist General Council have been at work framing the various resolutions, and a plenary meeting of the Council is expected early this evening.

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Yesterday afternoon, Mr. M. Shertok replied on behalf of the Executive to issues raised in the debate, and categorically rejected the suggestion that the Executive had in the slightest degree weakened its position under the Mandate because it had directed its efforts towards Partition.

Concerning the Revisionists, members of the Executive had met representatives of that faction in an effort to reach an understanding, but it was no fault of the Executive that this had not eventuated.

Mr. Shertok read out an exchange of letters between Mr. Ben-Gurion and the Chairman of the Presidium of the New Zionist Organization.

## PARTITION ISSUE

He went on to point out that, independent of the Jewish attitude, the Partition issue still existed with the parallel danger of a territorial division without a Jewish State, which they must avert.

He concluded by stating that Palestine Jewry had now a proportionately greater weight in Palestine economy than at the beginning of the disturbances.

the framework of the existing constitution, and Mr. Ben-Gurion added that he would endeavour, if the N.Z.O. decided to discontinue its separate action and return to the World Zionist Organization, to secure the appointment of Revisionist representatives on its various organs prior to the next Congress.

Mr. Jacoby replied that he could not accept the counter-proposal and insisted on his own suggestion for an Emergency Committee.

## REVISIONISTS BALK AT ZIONIST UNITY

LONDON, Tuesday (Palcor). —

Efforts made in the last few days to secure an understanding between the Zionist Organization and the Revisionists were reflected in an exchange of correspondence between Mr. D. Ben-Gurion and Dr. S. Jacoby, Chairman of the Revisionist Executive, which Mr. M. Shertok read out at the Zionist General Council session yesterday.

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Dr. Jacoby wrote to Mr. Ben-Gurion that, in view of the abandonment of Partition, it was possible to create a united front under an Emergency Committee of both organizations.

The Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive immediately replied that he was ready for such a meeting and declared that Zionism always needed unity, especially at this critical juncture.

Mr. Ben-Gurion explained that the Zionist Organisation was a democratic body with complete equality of rights and obligations reposing in all its members. If the aims of the New Zionist Organization were identical with those objects, then there was no justification for it to remain outside the Zionist Organization.

A special committee, he went on, was calculated to produce chaos. The Executive had no right to abdicate its responsibilities and must conduct political work in accordance with the instructions of the Congress and other Zionist bodies.

## WITHIN FRAMEWORK

If reforms of the Zionist Organization were needed, that was a matter