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361. (H) 21 May  **Levavi to the Israeli Legations in Eastern Europe**
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362. (H) 23 May  **Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Israeli Legation in the USSR**
Soviet position on Israel's Hula drainage project; Israeli–Syrian border incident.

363. (R) 25 May  **Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sharett**
Sharett requests Vyshinskii's mediation in normalization of Israeli–Romanian relations; appeals for release of arrested Zionist activists; unfavourable publications in Soviet and Israeli press.

364. (R) 2 June  **Meeting: P.I. Ershov and M.P. Kalugin – M. Sharett**
Sharett informs Ershov that recommendations regarding Russian property in Israel have been submitted to the government.

365. (R) 14 June  **Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sneh**
Israel–American friendship agreement; Ben-Gurion's trip to the US; developments within the Israeli left.

366. (R) 11 July  **A.I. Lavrent'ev to P.I. Ershov**
Visit of the Syrian chargé d'affaires to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Syrian initiative to settle conflict with Israel.
367. (H) 12 July  
Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Impressions of Moscow; meetings with Jews; police surveillance of the legation.

368. (R) 13 July  
P.I. Ershov and M.P. Kalugin to A.A. Gromyko  
Suggestion to draft a note to Ben-Gurion protesting Israel’s delay in transferring property to the Soviet government.

369. (H) 16 July  
A. Eban to M. Sharett  
Meeting with Malik: Suez Canal blockade; border incidents; Korean peace initiative.

370. (R) 17 July  
Meeting: A.A. Gromyko – Sh. Eliashiv  
Suez blockade; emigration of Soviet citizens with relatives in Israel.

371. (H) 17 July  
Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Transcript of conversation with Gromyko: Suez Canal blockade; emigration of relatives.

372. (R) 19 July  
A.I. Lavrent’ev to P.I. Ershov  
Instructions to visit Sharett and urge transfer of Russian property in Israel.

373. (R) 23 July  
Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sharett  
Sharett explains delay in government treatment of Russian property issue.

374. (H) 27 July  
Memorandum by A. Levavi  
Analysis of Soviet policy in the Middle East.

375. (R) 13 Aug.  
Excerpt from the Political Report of the USSR Legation in Israel  
Israel’s anti-Soviet policy.

376. (R) 25 Aug.  
P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Sneh’s report on Ben-Gurion’s negotiations with Mapam to form a coalition government; Ben-Gurion on conditions for friendly relations with the USSR; Mapam leader Yaari on negotiations with Ben-Gurion.

377. (R) 31 Aug.  
Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sharett  
Sharett’s critical assessment of Soviet position regarding the Suez blockade; requests USSR to support four-power draft resolution.

378. (R) 3 Sept.  
Meeting: P.I. Ershov – Sh. Eliashiv  
Anti-Soviet position of the Israeli press; endorsement of Israeli immigration certificates by Soviet consular officials; emigration of Soviet citizens with relatives in Israel.

379. (R) 3 Sept.  
Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sneh  
Sneh’s report on Mapam’s negotiations with Mapai over forming a coalition government; Mapam’s position on domestic policies.
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Vyshinskii suggests that Eliashiv submit a memorandum on ‘reunification of families’ living in the USSR and Israel.

381. (H) 13 Sept. Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Eliashiv’s transcript of a conversation with Vyshinskii; notes that Vyshinskii addressed him as the ‘representative of the Jews’ and not only of Israel.

382. (H) 4 Oct. Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Meetings with Jews in the Moscow synagogue.

383. 21 Oct. Sh. Eliashiv to A.Ia. Vyshinskii
(381 H) Problem of ‘divided families’ as a result of WWII and the Holocaust; emphasizes need to permit emigration of relatives in order to accomplish reunification of families.

Recommendation to ignore Israeli note demanding reparations from Germany.
Editorial Note
Vyshinskii’s unfinished draft memorandum on Jewish emigration.

385. (R) 26 Oct. Meeting: S.T. Bazarov – Sh. Eliashiv
Request to support J. Robinson as chairman of the UN Judicial Committee.

386. (R) 15 Nov. A.A. Gromyko to P.I. Ershov
Quarterly report of the Soviet legation in Tel Aviv; criticism of its inadequacy and adoption of some of its recommendations.

387. (R) 21 Nov. Note of the Government of USSR to the Government of Israel
Soviet objections to Israeli participation in the Middle East Command.

388. (R) 21 Nov. Reception by A.A. Gromyko of Diplomatic Representatives of Egypt, Iraq, Israel, Lebanon and Syria
Delivery of Soviet note on a Middle East Command; Eliashiv’s comments.

389. (E) 8 Dec. Note Verbałe from the Government of Israel to the Government of the USSR
Israel’s position on a Middle East Command; emigration of Soviet citizens with relatives in Israel.

390. (R) 8 Dec. Meeting: V.A. Zorin – Sh. Eliashiv
Delivery of Israeli note on a Middle East Command.

391. (H) 9 Dec. Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Eliashiv’s transcript of conversation with Zorin; Soviet press report on foreign bases in Israel.
392. (R) 16 Dec. **P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Report of Sharett's conversation with Acheson: reasons for Israel's hesitation to join the Middle East Command; emigration from the USSR; request for US grant-in-aid; reparations from Germany.

393. (R) 21 Dec. **Meeting: A.D. Shchiborin – Z. Argaman**
Invitation of Soviet scientists to a conference in Israel.

Emigration to Israel; Israel's support of American proposals at the UN.

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395. (R) 1 Jan. **Report on VOKS Activities in Israel**

396. (H) 2 Jan. **S. Kaddar to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Meeting with Soviet diplomats in Brussels: immigration of Soviet Jews to Israel.

397. (H) 6 Jan. **Meeting: M. Sharett – A.Ia. Vyshinskii**
Sharett expresses desire to meet Stalin to discuss emigration; Vyshinskii on lack of reciprocity in Israeli policy vis-à-vis the USSR; emigration as contradicting the essence of the Soviet state system.

398. (H) 29 Jan. **G. Rafael to the Head of the Israeli Delegation to the United Nations**
Meeting with Soviet ambassador to Poland Sobolev: antisemitism in Poland; the situation Soviet Jews.

399. (H) 1 Feb. **Sh. Eliashiv to M. Sharett**
Eliashiv's reservations on Sharett's approach in the conversation with Vyshinskii; Israel's shift away from a policy of non-alignment at the UN.

400. (R) 23 Feb. **A.A. Gromyko to I.V. Stalin**
Israeli government statement of 8 December 1951 regarding emigration of Soviet Jews; surveys applications for emigration permits.

401. (R) 24 Feb. **Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sharett**
Ershov's makes an official statement on Russian property in Israel; possibility of turning the issue over to the courts.

402. (R) 24 Feb. **Statement by P.I. Ershov on Russian Property in Israel**
Delay of the Israeli authorities in handling the issue of Russian property; request to transfer the property and income derived from it.

403. (H) 25 Feb. **A. Levavi to M. Sharett**
Assessment of Sharett's talk with Vyshinskii. Finds no correlation between Israeli foreign policy and the Politburo’s Jewish policy.
404. (R) 8 March  A.A. Gromyko to I.V. Stalin  
Instructions to Ershov to visit Sharett and give Soviet response to Israeli note of 8 December 1951 on the Middle East Command; Foreign Ministry memorandum on Israeli request for Jewish emigration to be submitted.

405. (R) 21 March  P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Reaction to Ben-Gurion’s statement on plight of Soviet Jews.

406. (H) 25 March  Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Israeli claims for reparations from Germany.

407. (R) 6 April  B.F. Podtserob to A.Ia. Vyshinskii  
Memorandum addressed to Molotov on emigration of Soviet Jews to Israel; recommendation to grant six Soviet citizens permission to emigrate.

408. (R) 19 April  V.A. Zorin to P.I. Ershov  
Instructs Ershov to urge Sharett to hasten the transfer of Russian property in Israel.

409. (R) 24 April  P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Sharett states that a decision on Russian property will be made on 27 April; asks that the Soviet government influence East Germany to take a positive approach to Israeli demands for reparations.

410. (H) 27 April  A. Levavi to Z. Argaman  
Report on Sharett – Ershov conversation: Russian property in Israel; Israeli demand for reparations from Germany.

411. (R) 29 April  Meeting: P.I. Ershov – M. Sharett  
Sharett conveys Israeli note on Russian property in Israel. Ershov’s comment on the Israeli position; text of the note.

412. (R) 10 May  USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Israeli Legation in Moscow  
Soviet decision not to participate in the international conference on desert research.

413. (R) 12 May  Excerpt from the Political Report of the USSR Legation in Israel  
Concludes that in 1951 Israel lost its independence in domestic and foreign policy to the US; hostile attitude towards USSR; recommends: refraining from giving Israel political support in the UN; stopping emigration of Jews from Eastern Europe; increasing the size of the Soviet legation in Israel.

414. (R) 13 June  A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Eliashiv’s report to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee on his visit to Moscow.

415. (R) 27 June  A.Ia. Vyshinskii to the USSR Minister in Israel  
Transfer of the seat of government from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem; Syrian and Lebanese Foreign Ministries appeal to USSR to refrain from moving its legation to Jerusalem.
416. (R) 10 July  
**A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  
Arguments against moving the Soviet legation to Jerusalem.

417. (R) 11 July  
**A.Ia. Vyshinskii to V.A. Kholodkov**  
USSR support for recognition of the emblem of the Red Shield of David and the organization’s admission to the International Federation of Red Cross societies.

418. (R) 28 July  
**A.N. Abramov and M. Popov to G.M. Pushkin**  
Dissemination of Soviet books in Israel.

419. (H) 12 Aug.  
**A. Levavi to Sh. Eliashiv**  
Draft note to USSR regarding reparations from East Germany; the halting of emigration from Eastern Europe; commercial and cultural ties with Moscow.

420. (R) 13 Aug.  
**A.Ia. Vyshinskii to USSR Minister in Israel**  
Urgent request for a report on efforts to set up a Middle East defence organization.

421. (R) 16 Aug.  
**A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  
Israel position on the creation of a Middle East defence organization; Sneh on Israeli government option to participate in the Middle East Command together with Turkey, Greece and Yugoslavia.

422. (R) 20 Aug.  
**A.I. Denisov to M.A. Suslov**  
Dispatch of a congratulatory telegram on the 10th anniversary of the League for Friendly Relations with the USSR; VOKS’ rejection of Sneh’s proposal to exchange cultural delegations.

423. (R) 20 Aug.  
**A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  
Ben-Gurion’s views on the Middle East Command; Israeli shipping rights in the Suez Canal; emigration of Soviet Jews to Israel.

424. (R) 21 Aug.  
**A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  
Sneh’s report on the statement by Sharett at the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee regarding Israel’s global orientation.

425. (H) 3 Sept.  
**G. Rafael to M. Sharett**  
Meeting with Malik; the USSR and the Palestine problem; transfer of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to Jerusalem; Ben-Gurion’s address to Naguib; the Suez Canal; a Middle East pact; global issues.

426. (H) 4 Sept.  
**Meeting: Sh. Eliashiv – G.M. Pushkin**  
Israel’s demand for German reparations; British and French legations in Israel raised to the level of embassies.

427. (R) 15 Sept.  
**Note of the Israel Legation in the USSR to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  
Israel’s demand for reparations from Germany; appeal to the Soviet government to influence the GDR in this regard.
428. (H) 18 Sept. M. Kehat to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Visit of the Israeli volleyball team to Moscow.

Session of the UN General Assembly.

430. (R) 19 Oct. A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Recommendation to delay return of the Soviet minister from his home visit as a protest against deteriorating relations with Israel.

431. (H) 28 Oct. Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Eban and Eliashiv’s meeting with Zorin at the UN General Assembly: British and American efforts to put the Palestine question on the agenda of the Ad Hoc Committee.

432. (R) 9 Nov. P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Celebration of the 35th anniversary of the October Revolution.

433. (R) 9 Nov. P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Reception in honour of the 35th anniversary of the October Revolution.

434. (R) 10 Nov. Ia. Malik to I.V. Stalin
Condolences on the death of President Weizmann.

435. (R) 19 Nov. M. Popov to N.N. Chigar’kov
Opening in Tel Aviv of a club sponsored by the League for Friendship with the USSR.

436. (R) 8 Dec. P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Protests in Israel against the Slànsky trial.

437. (H) 10 Dec. East European Division of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Israeli Legation in Moscow
Official Israeli condemnation of the attempt to set fire to a Soviet legation car in Tel Aviv.

438. (H) 23 Dec. W. Eytan to Israeli Missions Abroad
Codes of conduct in encounters with representatives of East European countries and the USSR.

439. (R) 23 Dec. G.M. Pushkin to P.I. Ershov
Difficulties in exporting Soviet books to Israel.

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440. (H) 5 Jan. A. Eban to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Division among American Jewish leaders with regard to the Slànsky trial; Eban’s suggestion to denounce the trial without passing judgement on the USSR.

441. (H) 13 Jan. Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Soviet publication of the Doctors’ Plot.
442. (H) 14 Jan. **W. Eytan to Israeli Missions Abroad**
Suggestions for an initial cautious reaction to the Doctors’ Plot; attempts to avoid public confrontation with the USSR.

443. (R) 15 Jan. **S. Bazarov to P.I. Ershov**
Objections to the Israeli claim that certain issues regarding Russian property in Israel should be decided by the courts.

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Israeli government statement on the accusations against Jewish physicians in the Soviet Union.

444. (H) 20 Jan. **D. Ben-Gurion to the Members of the Israeli Government**
With regard to the Doctors’ Plot, Ben-Gurion calls for conducting ideological warfare against the USSR and taking legal action against the Israeli Communist Party for their support of a Soviet blood libel.

445. (H) 22 Jan. **Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
The Doctors’ Plot.

446. (R) 24 Jan. **S.T. Bazarov and A. Schiborin to A.Ia. Vyshinskii**
Western Press reaction to the Doctors’ Plot; speculation on breach of relations with Israel; preparation of material on Zionist anti-Soviet activity.

447. (H) 28 Jan. **Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Objections to the tone of Israeli reactions to the Doctors’ Plot.

448. (H) 29 Jan. **A. Levavi to W. Eytan**
Israel's international orientation in the wake of the shift in Soviet policy.

449. (R) 31 Jan. **Excerpt from the Political Report of the USSR Legation in Israel**
Arab hostility to Israel; Israeli public’s reaction to the Doctors’ Plot and the Slansky trial; analysis of anti-Soviet trends.

450. (R) [Jan. 1953] **Report on VOKS Activities in Israel**
Extremely difficult conditions for operation of the League of Friendship in 1952.

451. (H) 2 Feb. **M. Sharett to the Israeli Embassy in Washington**
Instructions for treatment of the Doctors’ Plot; need for cooperation with American Jewry.

452. (R) 9 Feb. **P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Bombing on the grounds of the Soviet legation in Tel Aviv; suggests severing diplomatic relations with Israel.

453. (H) 10 Feb. **Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the USSR Legation in Israel**
Apologies for the incident on the premises of the legation.

454. (H) 10 Feb. **Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Recurring themes in Soviet press publications on the Doctors’ Plot.
455. (R) 10 Feb. P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Statement by Ben-Gurion in the Knesset following the bombing at the USSR legation.

456. (R) 10 Feb. P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Expression of regret by the president of Israel following the incident at the USSR legation.

Transmission of Soviet note on severance of diplomatic relations with Israel; argues that the terrorist act resulted from an anti-Communist campaign.

458. (R) 12 Feb. Note from the USSR Government to the Israeli Legation in Moscow
Note on severance of diplomatic relations with Israel.

459. (H) 12 Feb. Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to Israeli Missions Abroad
Analysis of Soviet motives for severing relations with Israel.

460. (R) 13 Feb. P.I. Ershov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Press and public reaction to the severance of Soviet–Israeli relations.

461. (R) 15 Feb. Ia.A. Malik to G.M. Malenkov
Arrangements regarding representation of Soviet interests in Israel by Bulgaria following the severance of diplomatic relations.

462. (R) 16 Feb. Ia.A. Malik to I.V. Stalin
Recommendation to East European countries to refrain from issuing a statement breaking diplomatic relations with Israel or linking the severance of Soviet–Israel relations with those of Israel.

463. (R) 21 Feb. Ia.A. Malik to G.M. Malenkov
Departure of Israeli and Soviet diplomats to their respective countries.

464. (H) 6 March Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to Israeli Missions in Eastern Europe
Instructions on protocol following Stalin’s death.

465. (F) 9 March Israeli Legation in the Netherlands to the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Request that the Dutch government offer condolences on behalf of Israel to the government of the USSR on Stalin’s death.

466. (H) 4 April Press Release by the Spokesman of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Satisfaction at Soviet retraction of accusations against the Jewish doctors; Israeli readiness to resume diplomatic relations.
467. (H) 10 April  B.Z. Razin to Sh. Bentsur
Friendly meeting in Sofia with the Soviet ambassador to Bulgaria.

468. (H) 14 April  B.Z. Razin to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Soviet feelers to renew relations with Israel.

469. (H) 25 April  Israeli UN Delegation to W. Eytan and M. Sharett
Verbal clashes between Israeli and Soviet delegations at the UN.

470. (R) 8 May  Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the USSR Embassy in Sofia
Inquires into the possibility of concluding of a trade treaty between Israel and the USSR in spite of the severance of diplomatic relations.

471. (H) 14 May  G. Avner and B.Z. Razin to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Moves towards renewing diplomatic relations between Israel and the USSR.

472. (R) 18 May  P.I. Gerasimov to G.M. Pushkin
Israel’s attempt to renew diplomatic relations with the USSR.

473. (H) 28 May  G. Avner and B.Z. Razin to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Meeting with Soviet Ambassador in Sofia Bodrov.
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Note Verbale from the government of the USSR to the government of Israel.

474. (E) 5 June  W. Eytan to the Israeli Legation in Sofia
Note Verbale from the government of Israel to the government of the USSR.

475. (H) 6 June  G. Avner to A. Levavi
Comments on the Note Verbale: reassessment of Israel’s relations with the Eastern bloc.

476. (H) 23 June  A. Levavi to G. Avner
Response to Avner’s proposals regarding Israel’s relations with the Eastern bloc.

477. (H) 1 July  G. Avner to A. Levavi
Negotiations with the USSR about resumption of diplomatic relations and suggestions for steps to improve relations.

478. (E) 6 July  M. Sharett to V.M. Molotov
Official proposal to resume diplomatic relations.

479. (E) 15 July  V.M. Molotov to M. Sharett
Resumption of diplomatic relations.
480. (R) 28 July  G.T. Zaitsev to V.A. Zorin
Recommends opening Soviet legation in Tel Aviv and monitoring position of other major powers on the issue of moving to Jerusalem.

481. (R) 29 July  Meeting: M.I. Ivliev – B.Z. Razin
Agreement to Eliashiv as Israel's minister to Moscow.

482. (R) 4 Aug.  Decree of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet
Appointment of A.N. Abramov as minister in Israel.

483. (H) 17 Aug.  W. Eytan to A. Eban
Instructions to urge the Soviet delegation at the UN to open the USSR's legation in Jerusalem.

484. (H) 2 Sept.  Resumé of Consultations at the Residence of the Israeli Minister of Foreign Affairs
Renewal of trials of Prisoners of Zion in the USSR; prospects for improving economic ties with the Eastern bloc.

485. (R) 2 Sept.  G.T. Zaitsev and A.N. Abramov to V.A. Zorin
Opposition of Soviet Foreign Ministry to request of Academy of Sciences to close the office of the Russian Palestine Society in Israel.

486. (R) 2 Sept.  Meeting: M.F. Bodrov – B.Z. Razin
Premises for the Soviet legation in Tel Aviv.

487. (R) 5 Sept.  V.A. Zorin to A.V. Topchiev
Recommendation of Ministry of Foreign Affairs to continue the activities of the Russian Palestine Society in Israel.

488. (R) 13 Oct.  Memorandum on Soviet–Israeli Trade

489. (H) 23 Nov.  Z. Argaman to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Desire of USSR Ministry of Foreign Trade to expand commercial activity between Israel and the USSR.

490. (R) 1 Dec.  Meeting: V.M. Molotov – Sh. Eliashiv
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491. (R) 2 Dec.  Meeting: A.N. Abramov – M. Sharett
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492. (H) 3 Dec.  M. Sharett to Sh. Eliashiv
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493. (R) 12 Dec.  D.A. Zhukov to L.A. Shcherbakov
Text of Voroshilov's speech to be made at the presentation of Eliashiv's credentials.
494. (H) 14 Dec. **Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Speeches at the prevention of credentials of the Israeli minister in Moscow.

495. (R) 19 Dec. **A.N. Abramov to the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Relations between Israel's two rival leagues for friendship with the USSR.

496. (H) 21 Dec. **Sh. Eliashiv to the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
Meeting with Gromyko: Gromyko's negative approach to the question of Jewish emigration; the Security Council debate on the Jordan water dispute; the Qibya incident.

497. (R) 22 Dec. **Meeting: A.A. Gromyko – Sh. Eliashiv**
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498. (H) 30 Dec. **Report by Sh. Eliashiv**
The situation of Soviet Jewry during and after the Doctors' Plot; visit to the synagogue; Soviet coverage of Israeli politics.