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CABLEGRAM DATED 15 MAY 1948 ADDRESSED TO THE  
SECRETARY-GENERAL BY FOREIGN SECRETARY OF THE PROVISIONAL  
GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL

HAVE HONOUR INFORM YOU THAT NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR JEWISH STATE  
CONSISTING OF MEMBERS OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE JEWISH BODIES PALESTINE  
WHICH HAD APPLIED TO UNITED NATIONS PALESTINE COMMISSION FOR RECOGNITION  
AS PROVISIONAL COUNCIL GOVERNMENT UNDER PART ONE B FOUR OF RESOLUTION OF  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON NOVEMBER 29TH 1947 MET YESTERDAY MAY 14TH AND ISSUED  
PROCLAMATION DECLARING FOLLOWING "ON NOVEMBER 29 1947 GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF UNITED NATIONS ADOPTED RESOLUTION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF INDEPENDENT  
JEWISH STATE IN PALESTINE AND CALLED UPON INHABITANTS OF COUNTRY TO TAKE  
SUCH STEPS AS MAY BE NECESSARY ON THEIR PART TO PUT THE PLAN INTO EFFECT.  
THIS RECOGNITION BY UNITED NATIONS OF RIGHT OF JEWISH PEOPLE TO  
ESTABLISH THEIR INDEPENDENT STATE MAY NOT BE REVOKED. IT IS MOPEOVER  
SELFEVIDENT RIGHT OF JEWISH PEOPLE TO BE A NATION AS ALL OTHER NATIONS  
IN ITS OWN SOVEREIGN STATE. ACCORDINGLY WE MEMBERS OF NATIONAL COUNCIL  
REPRESENTING JEWISH PEOPLE IN PALESTINE AND ZIONIST MOVEMENT, MET  
TOGETHER IN SOLEMN ASSEMBLY TODAY, DAY OF TERMINATION OF BRITISH  
MANDATE FOR PALESTINE, BY VIRTUE OF NATURAL AND HISTORIC RIGHT OF  
JEWISH PEOPLE AND OF RESOLUTION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY PROCLAIM  
ESTABLISHMENT OF JEWISH STATE IN PALESTINE TO BE CALLED ISRAEL.  
WE HEREBY DECLARE THAT AS FROM TERMINATION OF MANDATE THIS NIGHT OF  
14TH TO 15TH MAY 1948 AND UNTIL SETTING UP OF DULY ELECTED BODIES OF  
STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONSTITUTION TO BE DRAWN UP BY CONSTITUENT  
ASSEMBLY NOT LATER THAN 1ST OCTOBER 1948 PRESENT NATIONAL COUNCIL SHALL  
ACT AS PROVISIONAL STATE COUNCIL AND ITS EXECUTIVE ORGAN SHALL CONSTITUTE  
PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF STATE OF ISRAEL. STATE OF ISRAEL WILL BE  
OPEN TO IMMIGRATION OF JEWS FROM ALL COUNTRIES OF DISPERSION WILL  
PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTRY FOR BENEFIT OF ALL INHABITANTS WILL BE  
BASED ON PRECEPTS OF LIBERTY JUSTICE AND PEACE WILL UPHOLD FULL SOCIAL  
AND POLITICAL EQUALITY OF ALL CITIZENS WITHOUT DISTINCTION RACE CREED  
OR SEX WILL GUARANTEE FULL FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE WORSHIP EDUCATION  
CULTURE AND LANGUAGE WILL SAFEGUARD SANCTITY AND INVIOABILITY OF  
SERINES AND HOLY PLACES OF ALL RELIGIONS AND WILL DEDICATE ITSELF TO  
PRINCIPLES OF UNITED NATIONS CHARTER. STATE OF ISRAEL WILL BE READY  
COOPERATE WITH ORGANS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF UNITED NATIONS IN  
IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION OF ASSEMBLY OF NOVEMBER 29 1947 AND WILL  
TAKE STEPS TO BRING ABOUT ECONOMIC UNION OVER WHOLE OF PALESTINE. WE  
APPEAL TO UNITED NATIONS TO ASSIST JEWISH PEOPLE IN BUILDING OF ITS  
STATE AND TO ADMIT ISRAEL INTO FAMILY OF NATIONS". ACCORDINGLY I  
BEG DECLARE ON BEHALF OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF STATE OF ISRAEL  
ITS READINESS TO SIGN DECLARATION AND UNDERTAKING PROVIDED FOR  
RESPECTIVELY IN PART ONE C AND PART ONE D OF RESOLUTION OF ASSEMBLY  
AND BEG HEREBY TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION OF STATE OF ISRAEL TO MEMBERSHIP  
OF UNITED NATIONS.

BEHALF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL MOSHE SHERTOK FOREIGN  
SECRETARY