

UNITED NATIONS PALESTINE COMMISSION

Communication Received from the Palestine
Communist Party

The following communication has been received from the Palestine
Communist Party in response to a letter addressed to it by the Commission
on 20 February 1948:

BUNCHE IN REPLY YOURS 20/2 (1) THE PALESTINE COMMUNIST PARTY AGREES IN
PRINCIPLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (2) IN VIEW
OF URGENCY OF MATTER THE PARTY AGREES THAT JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH AUTHORIZATION GIVEN BY VAAD LEUMI SHALL CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS
WITH PALESTINE IF COMMISSION REGARDING SETTING UP PROVISIONAL COUNCIL OF
GOVERNMENT (3) AFTER CONCRETE PROPOSALS REGARDING SETTING UP PROVISIONAL COUNCIL
ARE KNOWN OUR PARTY RESERVES RIGHT TO SUBMIT DETAILED COMMENTS (4) AT SAME TIME
WE PROPOSE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT OF JEWISH STATE BE ESTABLISHED ON
FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES (A) REPRESENTATION ON COUNCIL MUST BE ACCORDING TO RELATIVE
STRENGTH OF POLITICAL PARTIES AMONG JEWISH COMMUNITY (B) ONLY PARTIES PUBLICLY
DECLARING THEMSELVES IN AGREEMENT WITH UNITED NATIONS PLAN FOR ESTABLISHMENT
OF TWO INDEPENDENT STATES IN PALESTINE ONE JEWISH ONE ARAB WITH ECONOMIC UNION
MAY PARTICIPATE IN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (C) THE DEMOCRATIC ELEMENTS AMONG
ARAB POPULATION OF JEWISH STATE SHALL BE REPRESENTED ON COUNCIL. SHOULD
CIRCUMSTANCES NOT PERMIT IMMEDIATE PARTICIPATION OF SUITABLE ARAB REPRESENTATION
VACANCIES SHALL BE LEFT FOR THEIR FUTURE PARTICIPATION.
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