

which was made by the representative of the Liberal Government—or the Labour Party—referred not to a Jewish state, but to a Jewish national home ?

My third question is concerned with Dr Silver's reference to European Jewry. Will he be so kind as to provide us with some idea of the age of the various committees of National Jewry living in Europe, who would now like to go back to the national home ; how long have they lived in Europe ; and are they easily assimilable in Palestine ?

My fourth question is as follows : He has made a statement to the effect that at Paris in 1919 an extremely conciliatory statement was made by a great Arab leader who welcomed the Jews to Palestine. Is there any reason why the Arabs are resisting immigration now ?

My fifth question relates to the refugees from Nazi oppression. The Nazi Government in Europe has been completely suppressed, and Nazi Germany is now under the control of the Security Council or, at any rate, the United Nations. If that is so, is there any reason why these refugees cannot be resettled in their natural German home where they speak the language of the country and where they find themselves far more easily assimilable.

My sixth and last question would be about the conditions which are currently prevailing in Palestine. It is very gratifying to learn that Dr Silver, on behalf of the Jewish Agency, has recognized the noble role which the people of the United Kingdom have played in recognizing the urgency of the Jewish problem. May I know why public servants of the Government of the United Kingdom, who are doing their duty under extremely difficult circumstances are being picked off today by violence ?

Mr FIDERKIEWICZ (*Poland*) : I would like to ask the representative of the Jewish Agency, Dr Silver, just two questions.

First of all, who represents the Jewish Agency, how many organizations, how is the Executive Committee established and organized, and how does it work ?

The second question : Have there been any attempts at collaboration between the Jews and Arabs in Palestine ?

SIR ALEXANDER CADOGAN (*United Kingdom*) : I am not quite sure, Mr Chairman, that I shall be in order. I was not strictly intending to address a question to Dr Silver, but rather to make a comment on a certain passage in his speech. I should be in a sense perhaps rather replying to a question he put to me. I did want to make a very short declaration in one sentence which I thought might be helpful. I merely wish to say that I would like to dispel any misunderstanding which might still exist, which may have arisen out of the terms of the letter in which I had the honour to request the Secretary-General to summon a meeting of the Special Assembly. In that letter there was a passage stating that my Government would be prepared to give full and complete information to the Assembly. I wish to make it quite clear, and formally, that, if the General Assembly sets up a Special Investigating Committee, my Government, of course, will be entirely at the disposal of that Committee and will give all possible information, which will include an account of their stewardship.

Mr GONZALES-FERNANDEZ (*Colombia*) : I hope to be quite in order. According to our resolution we are going to hear the views of the different agencies with regard to constituting and instructing this committee.