

PROTECTION OF U. N. SOUGHT FOR JEWS

World Congress Asks Safety
for Residents of Arab Lands
From Pillaging Attacks

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—The World Jewish Congress called upon the United Nations today to take emergency steps to protect Jews living in Arab countries from pillaging attacks and "mass pogroms."

In a message sent to Charles Malik, chairman of the Economic and Social Council's Committee for Non-Governmental Organizations, Jewish Congress officials requested an immediate session to do something about Jews said to be attacked by Arab mobs and forced to go into hiding to save their lives.

The urgent plea, signed by Dr. A. Leon Kubowitzki, secretary general of the organization, and Dr. Robert S. Marcus, acting political director, was transmitted to the Economic and Social Council subsidiary body because this body had been ordered on March 11 to draft a protective program when the anti-Jewish activities in Arab countries were first started.

Not only have the anti-Jewish measures been intensified, according to the complaint, but the "Arab states' declaration of war on the Jewish population of Israel is liable to result in large-scale action against the Jews of those countries."

The situation of the Jews throughout Iraq, it was contended, has become critical, and several Jewish shops in Beirut, Lebanon, were said to have been looted recently and burned. Officials of the organization declared that anti-Jewish acts had been reported also from Alexandria and Cairo, in Egypt.