

ITEM V.

Translation.

SUMMARY OF A REPORT BY THE ALGERIAN JEWISH  
COMMISSION OF SOCIAL STUDIES ON THE SITUATION  
OF THE JEWS OF ALGERIA.

Paradoxical situation of the Jewish population of Algeria.

The survival of a regime of oppression supported by official  
decrees systematically stretched to cover Jewish activities  
of every sort, applied to the letter and indefinitely in-  
terpreted, in the most unfavourable sense, under the com-  
plaisant eye of the Administration.

Systematically distorted presentation of the facts to the  
Allied authorities.

Outrageous military measures, injurious to the health and  
the security of the Jews, who are conscripted as "Labourers"  
and not as soldiers. Non-recognition of the most element-  
ary rights of freed ex-prisoners. Disparity between the pay  
of these labourers and that of other mobilised groups, both  
European and native. Differences in the rates of alloca-  
tions to the wives of mobilised Jews (on the basis of a  
reduction of 1/3).

Preliminary numerus clausus, and later total eviction of  
Jewish children from all the schools.

Nearly three months after the allied landing in North Africa,  
measures of eviction and interdicts, of which the enclosed  
newspaper cutting is one proof among many others.

Briefly, an array of facts overwhelmingly demonstrating  
a state of mind and a feeling of deep hostility, on the part  
of the higher French authorities of North Africa; indeed a  
well-defined intention to regard measures based on discrimina-  
tion as desirable, if established and definitive.

That these measures have included spoliation, eviction,  
bullying direct or indirect matters but little (for example,  
at the expiry of the term of validity of a professional card,  
the refusal to renew it).

Whether he will or not, the Jew is eliminated from French  
life in all its phases, political, economic, social and  
spiritual.

However, he is not excused a single one of the charges and  
duties by which rights are created. The tax which he pays  
serves to compensate the officials of whom he no longer forms  
part, to provide an education from which his children are  
excluded, to support the Services which are closed to him,  
to maintain an army in which, by an odious subterfuge, he

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serves as a slave sharing the same dangers as his masters.

Are the United Nations going to permit this modern form of slavery to be perpetuated in a country to which they have come?

Will they allow it to be supposed by those who are looking up to them, what even their enemies cannot understand, that they are in tacit agreement with proceedings which their whole history and all their actions eloquently condemn?

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