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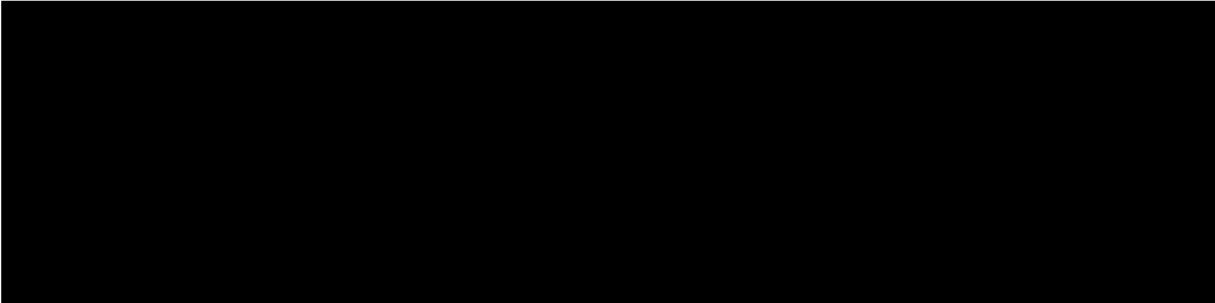
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1. Abraham Friedmann, who, until recently was associated with Jacques Kinche* of Socorex S.A., Importations-Exportations, 3, St. Pierre, Lausanne, dissolved the association when the latter denounced Friedmann as the owner of \$300,000 in gold which was found by the police in Kinche's possession.
2. Friedmann denied the charge and subsequently went to Italy where he joined the Solel Boneh** office in Milan, headed by Ephraim Ilan.
3. Ilan arrived in Geneva on 24 January 1949 to discuss arms requirements for Israel with Pinchas Kozlovsky***. Friedmann is scheduled to visit Geneva where his wife, Dvora Friedmann, is staying at the Hotel Metropole.
4. Ilan is proposing to open an office of Solel Boneh in Geneva and it is thought that Dr. Samuel Scheps**** may be put in charge.

25X1A6a 5. The representative of Solel Boneh in Germany is a certain Grünbaum (fnu) living at the Hotel Frankfurterhof, Frankfurt a.M. 25X1A2g

25X1A6a Comment: [redacted] a Dr. Max Kinche, attorney in Zürich, was reported to have acted as intermediary between the Czechs and Israeli in arms purchases.

25X1A6 Comment: Important Israeli contracting firm .

25X1A6a [redacted] Pinchas Kozlovsky was previously reported to have taken on the functions of Max Kinche. Kozlovsky was described as the representative in Switzerland of the Israeli Ministry of War Supply; see [redacted] 25X1A2g

* [redacted] Comment: For further information on the activities and associations of Dr. Samuel Scheps, [redacted]

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