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(Foundation of Israel) No 10 from August 8th to Aug. 22nd, 1946 Map Review The Bureau of Current Affairs

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Map Maker: Bureau of Current Affairs

Date: 1946 (August 31)

Place: London
Color: Color
Condition: VG

Size: 40 x 30 inches Whole Sheet

Price: SOLD



Description:

"Palestine: Refugees at the Gate"

Fascinating U.K. government propaganda map from just after World War II, showing primarily "Germany in Transition", but most interestingly with information about Jewish immigration to what is now Israel.

The map includes a picture of Jewish refugees, called "Illegal immigrants" in the caption; British soldiers searching for bombs under a school in Tel Aviv, and a map of the region. The box contains a description of the situation from the perspective of the British government:

On August 12th the Government announced that it had decided to bar illegal immigration of Jews into Palestine, and already some of the immigrants have been taken by sea to Cyprus and lodged in camps there, where they are fed on Army rations. The decision was inevitable. Not only is the quota for immediate Jewish immigration into Palestine still a matter of debate. The Government claims that it is unfair to those people who want to settle in Palestine, still in camps in various parts of Europe, who are not attempting the illegal run that their less scrupulous fellows should acquire all the advantages that come from an actual landing in that country, even though it is only to go into a segregated camp. The Government are also attempting to stop the trouble at its source, that is, by asking those countries which facilitate the departure of Jews from their territories-and sometimes drive them to go-to enforce their existing laws controlling people's movements.

In the meantime Haifa is under strict Military control. Jerusalem is divided into defence zones, the



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United States reply to Britain's proposals for separate Jew and Arab areas is still delayed, and the Governments projected talks with Jews and Arabs are still in a very preliminary stage. Jew and Arab are still disinclined to meet round the Conference table.

The map also includes an image of the world showing the regions most productive of silver, a note on the death of H.G. Wells, a map of the Dardanelles with a focus on its strategic importance to the U.S.S.R., and a few other notes relating to the nascent Cold War.

Detailed Condition:

Folding map printed on two sides. Minor wear at folds.