Sees New Anti-Israel Plot in State Dept.

Daniel Frisch, recently-elected president of the Zionist Organization of America, charged yesterday that pro-Arab officials in the State Dept. were "plotting anew against the State of Israel." He urged President Truman to intervene.

Speaking at a press conference at the American Zionist Emergency Council, 342 Madison Ave., Frisch stated that "all indications point to a new campaign by unfriendly officials of the State Department inspired by the irreconcilable attitude of the British Foreign Office in a concerted attempt upon the territorial integrity of the new state."

He declined to identify the officials.

Frisch, who leaves by plane today for Israel declared his belief that Truman was unaware of the pressures being exerted, and called on him to "further champion the just and legitimate claims of Israel." He expressed his fear that if the President did not intervene, "there is danger that the much needed consummation of a peace treaty between Jews and Arabs will be prevented."

Frisch's flight to Israel has a twofold purpose—to convey to the government of Israel the spirit and determination of American Jewry to "stand by, happen what may," to see that the new state does not succumb, and secondly, to complete arrangements for the building of an American Zionist House in Tel Aviv and launch a number of other ZOA projects in Israel.

He said the campaign against Israel had been marked by misleading propaganda concerning Arab refugees, Jerusalem and the Holy Places. The original estimate of Arab refugees, 400,000, now has been "blown up" to 900,000, he said.