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This, said Tekoah in a letter to Secretary General Kurt Waldheim for circulation among United Nations members, means that "Syria is duty-bound to eliminate the terrorist bases within its borders, to stop enrolling officers and soldiers of the Syrian Army in the ranks of the terror organizations, and to prohibit all activities by these groups on Syrian soil."

Syria's failure to do this means that "its complaints concerning Israel's counter-war against terrorism must be regarded as mere sanctimoniousness." Tekoah wrote.

The Israelt envoy contended that Israel's Oct. 30 action "was part of its war on Arab terror warfare of wanton bloodshed and atrocities which is directed against innocent civilians and threatens to plunge mankind into barbarism." Referring to Ainbassador Haissam Kelani's description of those killed in the raids as "innocent victims," Tekoah stated that "All Arab news media confirm that the targets struck...were terrorist bases."

## HERZOG: 'STRIKE BACK' AT ALL COUNTRIES THAT HARBOR TERRORISTS, INCLUDING LIBYA

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (JTA)—Israel must "strike back" at all countries—including Libya—that harbor terrorists, but preferably the international community should impose effective "political sanctions," in the opinion of Maj. Gen. Chaim Herzog, the commentator and former commander of the Israel Defense Forces in the West Bank.

In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, he said it would be a "big mistake" to discuss anti-terrorist action in advance, but said he was "convinced that Libya must be made to pay just like any other Arab country for the maintenance of (Errorist) base."

Herzog, chairman of Keter Publishing House, publishers of the new Encyclopaedia Judatea, added that the terrorist movement has "fatled," and "from a political and military point of view we don't have to worry about it in any way." He predicted that war with Egypt will not occur "in the foreseeable future," because President Anwar Sadat is "weak."

Regarding the American elections, Israelis, he noted, are interested in "policy, not politics." While they are not satisfied with "iall aspects" of current American policy, "it has changed in the past and can change in the future." Herzor said.

#### BERT F. KLINE, MANAGING EDITOR OF BALTIMORE JEWISH TIMES, DIES AT 56

BALTIMORE, Nov. 2 (JTA)--Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Bert F. Kline, managing editor of the Baltimore Jewish Times for 22 years, who died today of cancer at the age of 56. He was an active member of Brain Brith and the Jewish War Veterans of the US, a member of Congregation Har Sinal and the recipient of may awards and citations for service to the Jewish community.

Born in Newcastle, Pa, where his father edited as a newspaper, Mr. Kline was educated at Duguesne University and the University of Pittsburgh. Before joining the Jewish Times in 1950 he worked for United Press in Philadelphia, was sports editor of a daily in Homestead, Pa, and edited the Squirrel Hill News in Pittsburgh. During World War II, Mr. Kline served as a cryptographer with the US Fifth Air Force in the Pacific and was a member of the Guard of Honor that accompanied Gen, Douglas MacArthur to Tokyo to receive the Japaneses surrender in 1945.

The Military Government, the largest single employer on the West Bank, announced 28 percent salary increases for 9300 Arabs in the Judaea and Samaria regions. The largest group to benefit from the raises will be 6000 teachers.

## MACK TRUCKS BUYS \$1 M IN ISRAEL BONDS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (JTA)—A purchase of \$1 million in State of Israel Bonds to further the economic growth of Israel was announced here yesterday by the chief executives of Mack Trucks, Inc. Zenon C. Hansen, chairman of the Boart, and Henry J. Nave, president of the firm which has its executive headquarters in Allentown, Pa., presented a check for that amount to Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin of Israel at a press conference at the Israel Embassy,

In announcing the \$1 million Israel Bond purchase, Hansen said that "Israel is a country of growth with a promising future." He added that "we are impressed with the rapid growth of industrialization and with the progress of the economy which had to rely on the productivity of its human resources to make up for the deficiencies of its natural resources."

Rabin, accepting the check, expressed gratitude to Mack Trucks and appreciation of the warm friendship towards Israel displayed by its executives. He said he was conflident that the close ties between the company and Israel, now being cemented by a further step, would continue to prove equally beneficial to Mack Trucks and to the Israel economy.

Mack trucks are assembled and sold in Israel by Elkon Brothers an independent Israeli firm which has been the sole distributor of its vehicles for the past 38 years. As part of the cooperation of Mack Trucks in the Israel Bond program, a dinner will be held Nov. 19 in Allentown, Pa., in honor of Hansen.

# UNITED HIAS SERVICE WORKING WITH STATE DEPARTMENT TO RESETTLE UGANDAN ASIANS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (JTA).—United Hias Service is one of seven voluntary welfare organizations that have agreed, at the request of the State Department, to participate in the program of resettling the estimated 6000 stateless Ugandan Asians who have been expelled from their country. The US government has agreed to absorb 1000 Ugandan Asians, admitting them under the Attorney General's parole authority.

Gaynor I, Jacobson, executive Vice-president of United Huar Service, Indicated that his agency will take 50 familites, or about 160 persons, and plans to seitle them in New York, Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and St. Louis. The seven private agencies are members of the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, a group organized after World War II to help refugees and stateless persons and provide other relief services.

"Jews have long memories," Jacobson stated in explaining why his organization has volunteered to help the stateless. "Need I say more?" The first planeload of stateless Ugandan Asians is scheduled to arrive this evening with 80 refugees aboard.

#### McGOVERN SUPPORTED BY LABOR ZIONISTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (JTA)--The Labor Zionist Political Education Committee anounced today that it supports Senator George McGovern for President. The Committee said the Democratic candidate "stands for the reconciliation of the American people," "has steadtly supported Israel's security demands in urging that Phantoms be given, not sold," and has "opposed the Nixon-Rogers plan!" The statement was signed by a number of Labor Zionist leaders in all parts of the country including Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, Dr. Allen Pollack, Dr. Leo Diesendruck and Jacob Katzman.

According to the Committee, McGovern "is calling for the recognition of united Jerusalem as Israel's capital," and has been "a strong voice in the Senate against giving the USSR most favored nation status as long as they maintain their inhuman ransom tactics for Soviet Jews who wish to emigrate." The Political Education Committee is an independent body of individual Labor Zionists. It functions apart from the official Labor Zionist organizations.

#### HEAD TAX LAW TO BE REVISED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (JTA).—A major revision of the laws applying an education head tax to Soviet citizens seeking to leave the Soviet Union is now in preparation, according to Dr. David Korn, chairman of the Soviet Jewry Committee of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington. He told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that the revisions include a lowering of the head tax and an easing of the conditions of payment.

According to Dr. Korn the sum that will be leaved under the revised iaw on persons holding academic degrees will be calculated on the basis of how long that person has worked in his field in the Soviet Union. A recent graduate would have to pay the full fee, but the fee would become progressively lower for persons who have been employed for a number of years.

Under the present law, the amount of the tax depends on the level of the academic degree held by the applicant for an exit visa. The revision apparently takes into consideration that the applicant has compensated the State for part of his education by working in his field.

#### EASING OF EMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS DUE

LONDON, Nov. 2 (JTA)--What appeared to be a general easing of emigration restrictions for Jews seeking to leave the Soviet Union was reported today by Jewish sources in the Soviet Union. The sources said that well over 130 Jewish families in a number of Soviet cities have been exempted from paying the education head tax during the past two weeks.

According to the sources the tax was waived for 100 families in Moscow, though in the cases of 10 of the families in Kishinev, six in Kilev, 15 in Leningrad and three in Riga were exempted from the tax. In addition, the tax was waived recently for an undisclosed number of Jewish families in Tashkent, Minsk, Czernowicz and Vilna, the sources reported.

In a number of other provincial towns, Jewish families were told that their applications for waiver could not be dealt with locally and were advised to apply to the central ovir (visa office) and the Finance Ministry in Moscow to look into their cases.

The sources said that in other cities, Jewish families who filed for exemption from the visa tax were told that their applications would be considered promptly and were promised a reply on Nov. 10. When the families pointed out that their visas expired Nov. 15, which would leave them only five days to get out of Russia, the officials promised that in their cases the visas would be extended, the sources reported.

Several visa applicants who were told they could not leave the Soviet Union for the time being because they were allegedly privy to State secrets, have been informed that their cases would be re-considered now. Vladimir Pollakov, a Jewish member of the editorial staff of the popular Soviet magazine, "Gogniok," received an exit visa but the education head tax has not been waived in his case, the sources reported.

An Arab terrorist was killed by an Israeli patrol near Bouquata village last night as he was attempting to plant a mine on a road.

#### SPECIAL JTA INTERVIEW

## RIVLIN: CANNOT IGNORE EDUCATION

VISA EXEMPTIONS FOR EMIGRANTS By David Landau, JTA Middle East Bureau Chief

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2 (JTA) -- "There is no doubt" that a certain change has taken place with regard to the Soviet education ransom, Moshe Rivlin, director of the Jewish Agency, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "We cannot ignore the exemptions in Moscow and the fact that the overall pace of Soviet aliya has not stopped accelerating while the anti-ransom campaign has been going on." These facts proved two things, Rivlin continued; that those who had warned against the anti-ransom campaign or had been sceptical about it were wrong, and that the

campaign must continue with redoubled zeal. Was Rivlin satisfied with the campaign to date? "I could always say that I want to see more," he replied, "but we must not make light of our achievements so far." He listed some of these: dozens of Nobel Prize winners and thousands of professors around the world had signed protests and netitions, an estimated 700-800 articles had appeared on the ransom subject in the world press, there was hardly a noteworthy newspaper or broadcasting station in the western world that had not featured the issue, and diplomats, governments, Socialist and Liberal parties and churchmen had intervened with the Soviet Union and voiced their protest.

Of course, said Rivlin, the main effort is devoted to the United States because of its importance obviously, and because of the projected trade agreement with Russia which offered a concrete practical means of bringing pressure to bear on the Kremlin.

#### Fight For Soviet Jewry On Two Fronts

Rivlin warned that the fight against the ransom and any successes in it must not blind us to the more generalized ongoing struggle for the right of Soviet Jewry to aliya. In effect, he said, there are two phenomena: the ongoing fight for Soviet aliya, and the various fights against various measures taken by the Soviet authorities to persecute the Jews of Russia.

A success in one of these fights of the second type does not mean that the basic problem is solved, Rivlin stated. The fight against the ransom had led to the wrong impression in some quarters, he observed, that the rescue of Soviet Jewry was merely a matter of money. But this was not the case: the ransom was only imposed on those fortunate few who succeeded against the odds in getting exit permits. The basic struggle was to get permits for every Jew who wanted them, and this aim is still a long way from fulfillment, Rivlin declared.

The struggle has been marked by zigzags, Rivlin said. More Jews were allowed out last year than ever before - but on the other hand, there had been the ransom decree and the persecution of both those who receive exit visas and those many others whose applications are refused, and the definitely worsening of the prison conditions of the "Assirei Zion" (prisoners of Zion) in the Soviet labor camps. "We are fighting all these things," Rivlin stressed.

#### Will Take Years To Attain Success

He asserted grimly that the struggle has been going on for years and it will take years more to attain success. The vital change came when the Soviet Jews began to fight too, "and we were then fighting with them, not just for them," Rivlin said, adding: "So many unbelievable things have come true - who believed they (the Jews) would fight in so many towns inside Russia, or that so many Jews would come out...?"

Regarding the many unpleasant incidents involving Soviet immigrants in Israel, Rivlin said. "I learned in the hard school of immigrant absorption and I assure you that if 90 out of 100 are absorbed smoothly, 10 have problems - and it is those 10 that you hear about and read about This minority of problematic Russian immigrants make a loud noise because of the feelings in Israeli society against them."

Rivlin noted that the decision at the London Conference on Sept. 4 not to pay ransom money was taken unanimously and has been followed by virtually all the Jewish organizations working in the field. If an individual or family wants to pay money to help a relative get out he is not discouraged, Rivlin said. What is discouraged is raising money from others for this purpose.

#### FULL TEXTS OF VISA FEE LAWS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (JTA) -- The following are the full texts of Laws 572 and 573 adopted by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet and by the Council of Ministers on Aug. 3, 1972 and put into effect on Aug. 14:

"Law 572. Citizens of the USSR leaving for permanent residence abroad in other than Socialist countries are under obligation to compensate the State for their education received from institutions of higher learning, for graduate work, medical internship, graduate military studies and for receiving the respective academic degrees. Signed Podgorny, (President of the Supreme Soviet) and Georgavze, (Secretary), "

"Law 573. The Council of Ministers of the USSR adopts and affirms the decree 572 of the Supreme Soviet and directs the Ministries of Finance and Higher Education to institute education fees as compensation for the expenditures for education in institutions of higher education for persons departing for permanent residence in capitalist countries and also authorizes the organs of the Ministry of Finance and Internal Affairs to grant in exceptional cases partial or full exemption from payment of these fees. Signed Kosygin (Prime Minister)."

Dr. David Korn, chairman of the Soviet Jewry Committee of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, released these texts today to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

### 3 NEW CASES OF CHOLERA REPORTED

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2 (JTA) -- Three new cases of cholera were discovered in the Jerusalem area today but Health Ministry spokesmen said there were no plans for a mass vaccination program in any part of the country. The latest to fall ill were a 55-year-old man from the Shilioah quarter, a 16-year-old girl from the Old City and a 30-year old woman from Abu Gosh village.

The first cholera case to be detected here since the 1970 outbreak was a 15-year-old boy from the Gaza Strip who had been living in the Old City. He was hospitalized Sunday. All the victims so far are Arabs

Meanwhile, the Jerusalem Municipality accused the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) of refusing to let it improve sanitary conditions in the Shuafat refugee camp where the first cholera case apparently originated. The Municipality said it wanted to install a better sewage system but was blocked by UNRWA which administers the camp.



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This, said Tekoah in a letter to Secretary General Kurt Waldheim for circulation among United Nations members, means that "Syria is duty-bound to eliminate the terrorist bases within its borders, to stop enrolling officers and soldiers of the Syrian Army in the ranks of the terror organizations, and to prohibit all activities by these groups on Syrian soil."

Syria's failure to do this means that "its complaints concerning Israel's counter-war against terrorism must be regarded as mere sanctimoniousness." Tekoah wrote.

The Israelt envoy contended that Israel's Oct. 30 action "was part of its war on Arab terror warfare of wanton bloodshed and atrocities which is directed against innocent civilians and threatens to plunge mankind into barbarism." Referring to Ainbassador Haissam Kelani's description of those killed in the raids as "innocent victims," Tekoah stated that "All Arab news media confirm that the targets struck...were terrorist bases."

## HERZOG: 'STRIKE BACK' AT ALL COUNTRIES THAT HARBOR TERRORISTS, INCLUDING LIBYA

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (JTA)—Israel must "strike back" at all countries—including Libya—that harbor terrorists, but preferably the international community should impose effective "political sanctions," in the opinion of Maj. Gen. Chaim Herzog, the commentator and former commander of the Israel Defense Forces in the West Bank.

In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, he said it would be a "big mistake" to discuss anti-terrorist action in advance, but said he was "convinced that Libya must be made to pay just like any other Arab country for the maintenance of (Errorist) base."

Herzog, chairman of Keter Publishing House, publishers of the new Encyclopaedia Judatea, added that the terrorist movement has "fatled," and "from a political and military point of view we don't have to worry about it in any way." He predicted that war with Egypt will not occur "in the foreseeable future," because President Anwar Sadat is "weak."

Regarding the American elections, Israelis, he noted, are interested in "policy, not politics." While they are not satisfied with "iall aspects" of current American policy, "it has changed in the past and can change in the future." Herzor said.

#### BERT F. KLINE, MANAGING EDITOR OF BALTIMORE JEWISH TIMES, DIES AT 56

BALTIMORE, Nov. 2 (JTA)--Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Bert F. Kline, managing editor of the Baltimore Jewish Times for 22 years, who died today of cancer at the age of 56. He was an active member of Brain Brith and the Jewish War Veterans of the US, a member of Congregation Har Sinal and the recipient of may awards and citations for service to the Jewish community.

Born in Newcastle, Pa, where his father edited as a newspaper, Mr. Kline was educated at Duguesne University and the University of Pittsburgh. Before joining the Jewish Times in 1950 he worked for United Press in Philadelphia, was sports editor of a daily in Homestead, Pa, and edited the Squirrel Hill News in Pittsburgh. During World War II, Mr. Kline served as a cryptographer with the US Fifth Air Force in the Pacific and was a member of the Guard of Honor that accompanied Gen, Douglas MacArthur to Tokyo to receive the Japaneses surrender in 1945.

The Military Government, the largest single employer on the West Bank, announced 28 percent salary increases for 9300 Arabs in the Judaea and Samaria regions. The largest group to benefit from the raises will be 6000 teachers.

## MACK TRUCKS BUYS \$1 M IN ISRAEL BONDS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (JTA)—A purchase of \$1 million in State of Israel Bonds to further the economic growth of Israel was announced here yesterday by the chief executives of Mack Trucks, Inc. Zenon C. Hansen, chairman of the Boart, and Henry J. Nave, president of the firm which has its executive headquarters in Allentown, Pa., presented a check for that amount to Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin of Israel at a press conference at the Israel Embassy,

In announcing the \$1 million Israel Bond purchase, Hansen said that "Israel is a country of growth with a promising future." He added that "we are impressed with the rapid growth of industrialization and with the progress of the economy which had to rely on the productivity of its human resources to make up for the deficiencies of its natural resources."

Rabin, accepting the check, expressed gratitude to Mack Trucks and appreciation of the warm friendship towards Israel displayed by its executives. He said he was conflident that the close ties between the company and Israel, now being cemented by a further step, would continue to prove equally beneficial to Mack Trucks and to the Israel economy.

Mack trucks are assembled and sold in Israel by Elkon Brothers an independent Israeli firm which has been the sole distributor of its vehicles for the past 38 years. As part of the cooperation of Mack Trucks in the Israel Bond program, a dinner will be held Nov. 19 in Allentown, Pa., in honor of Hansen.

# UNITED HIAS SERVICE WORKING WITH STATE DEPARTMENT TO RESETTLE UGANDAN ASIANS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (JTA).—United Hias Service is one of seven voluntary welfare organizations that have agreed, at the request of the State Department, to participate in the program of resettling the estimated 6000 stateless Ugandan Asians who have been expelled from their country. The US government has agreed to absorb 1000 Ugandan Asians, admitting them under the Attorney General's parole authority.

Gaynor I, Jacobson, executive Vice-president of United Huar Service, Indicated that his agency will take 50 familites, or about 160 persons, and plans to seitle them in New York, Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and St. Louis. The seven private agencies are members of the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, a group organized after World War II to help refugees and stateless persons and provide other relief services.

"Jews have long memories," Jacobson stated in explaining why his organization has volunteered to help the stateless. "Need I say more?" The first planeload of stateless Ugandan Asians is scheduled to arrive this evening with 80 refugees aboard.

#### McGOVERN SUPPORTED BY LABOR ZIONISTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (JTA)--The Labor Zionist Political Education Committee anounced today that it supports Senator George McGovern for President. The Committee said the Democratic candidate "stands for the reconciliation of the American people," "has steadtly supported Israel's security demands in urging that Phantoms be given, not sold," and has "opposed the Nixon-Rogers plan!" The statement was signed by a number of Labor Zionist leaders in all parts of the country including Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, Dr. Allen Pollack, Dr. Leo Diesendruck and Jacob Katzman.

According to the Committee, McGovern "is calling for the recognition of united Jerusalem as Israel's capital," and has been "a strong voice in the Senate against giving the USSR most favored nation status as long as they maintain their inhuman ransom tactics for Soviet Jews who wish to emigrate." The Political Education Committee is an independent body of individual Labor Zionists. It functions apart from the official Labor Zionist organizations.

#### HEAD TAX LAW TO BE REVISED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (JTA).—A major revision of the laws applying an education head tax to Soviet citizens seeking to leave the Soviet Union is now in preparation, according to Dr. David Korn, chairman of the Soviet Jewry Committee of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington. He told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that the revisions include a lowering of the head tax and an easing of the conditions of payment.

According to Dr. Korn the sum that will be leaved under the revised iaw on persons holding academic degrees will be calculated on the basis of how long that person has worked in his field in the Soviet Union. A recent graduate would have to pay the full fee, but the fee would become progressively lower for persons who have been employed for a number of years.

Under the present law, the amount of the tax depends on the level of the academic degree held by the applicant for an exit visa. The revision apparently takes into consideration that the applicant has compensated the State for part of his education by working in his field.

#### EASING OF EMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS DUE

LONDON, Nov. 2 (JTA)--What appeared to be a general easing of emigration restrictions for Jews seeking to leave the Soviet Union was reported today by Jewish sources in the Soviet Union. The sources said that well over 130 Jewish families in a number of Soviet cities have been exempted from paying the education head tax during the past two weeks.

According to the sources the tax was waived for 100 families in Moscow, though in the cases of 10 of the families in Kishinev, six in Kilev, 15 in Leningrad and three in Riga were exempted from the tax. In addition, the tax was waived recently for an undisclosed number of Jewish families in Tashkent, Minsk, Czernowicz and Vilna, the sources reported.

In a number of other provincial towns, Jewish families were told that their applications for waiver could not be dealt with locally and were advised to apply to the central ovir (visa office) and the Finance Ministry in Moscow to look into their cases.

The sources said that in other cities, Jewish families who filed for exemption from the visa tax were told that their applications would be considered promptly and were promised a reply on Nov. 10. When the families pointed out that their visas expired Nov. 15, which would leave them only five days to get out of Russia, the officials promised that in their cases the visas would be extended, the sources reported.

Several visa applicants who were told they could not leave the Soviet Union for the time being because they were allegedly privy to State secrets, have been informed that their cases would be re-considered now. Vladimir Pollakov, a Jewish member of the editorial staff of the popular Soviet magazine, "Gogniok," received an exit visa but the education head tax has not been waived in his case, the sources reported.

An Arab terrorist was killed by an Israeli patrol near Bouquata village last night as he was attempting to plant a mine on a road.

#### SPECIAL JTA INTERVIEW

## RIVLIN: CANNOT IGNORE EDUCATION

VISA EXEMPTIONS FOR EMIGRANTS By David Landau, JTA Middle East Bureau Chief

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2 (JTA) -- "There is no doubt" that a certain change has taken place with regard to the Soviet education ransom, Moshe Rivlin, director of the Jewish Agency, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "We cannot ignore the exemptions in Moscow and the fact that the overall pace of Soviet aliya has not stopped accelerating while the anti-ransom campaign has been going on." These facts proved two things, Rivlin continued; that those who had warned against the anti-ransom campaign or had been sceptical about it were wrong, and that the

campaign must continue with redoubled zeal. Was Rivlin satisfied with the campaign to date? "I could always say that I want to see more," he replied, "but we must not make light of our achievements so far." He listed some of these: dozens of Nobel Prize winners and thousands of professors around the world had signed protests and netitions, an estimated 700-800 articles had appeared on the ransom subject in the world press, there was hardly a noteworthy newspaper or broadcasting station in the western world that had not featured the issue, and diplomats, governments, Socialist and Liberal parties and churchmen had intervened with the Soviet Union and voiced their protest.

Of course, said Rivlin, the main effort is devoted to the United States because of its importance obviously, and because of the projected trade agreement with Russia which offered a concrete practical means of bringing pressure to bear on the Kremlin.

#### Fight For Soviet Jewry On Two Fronts

Rivlin warned that the fight against the ransom and any successes in it must not blind us to the more generalized ongoing struggle for the right of Soviet Jewry to aliya. In effect, he said, there are two phenomena: the ongoing fight for Soviet aliya, and the various fights against various measures taken by the Soviet authorities to persecute the Jews of Russia.

A success in one of these fights of the second type does not mean that the basic problem is solved, Rivlin stated. The fight against the ransom had led to the wrong impression in some quarters, he observed, that the rescue of Soviet Jewry was merely a matter of money. But this was not the case: the ransom was only imposed on those fortunate few who succeeded against the odds in getting exit permits. The basic struggle was to get permits for every Jew who wanted them, and this aim is still a long way from fulfillment, Rivlin declared.

The struggle has been marked by zigzags, Rivlin said. More Jews were allowed out last year than ever before - but on the other hand, there had been the ransom decree and the persecution of both those who receive exit visas and those many others whose applications are refused, and the definitely worsening of the prison conditions of the "Assirei Zion" (prisoners of Zion) in the Soviet labor camps. "We are fighting all these things," Rivlin stressed.

#### Will Take Years To Attain Success

He asserted grimly that the struggle has been going on for years and it will take years more to attain success. The vital change came when the Soviet Jews began to fight too, "and we were then fighting with them, not just for them," Rivlin said, adding: "So many unbelievable things have come true - who believed they (the Jews) would fight in so many towns inside Russia, or that so many Jews would come out...?"

Regarding the many unpleasant incidents involving Soviet immigrants in Israel, Rivlin said. "I learned in the hard school of immigrant absorption and I assure you that if 90 out of 100 are absorbed smoothly, 10 have problems - and it is those 10 that you hear about and read about This minority of problematic Russian immigrants make a loud noise because of the feelings in Israeli society against them."

Rivlin noted that the decision at the London Conference on Sept. 4 not to pay ransom money was taken unanimously and has been followed by virtually all the Jewish organizations working in the field. If an individual or family wants to pay money to help a relative get out he is not discouraged, Rivlin said. What is discouraged is raising money from others for this purpose.

#### FULL TEXTS OF VISA FEE LAWS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (JTA) -- The following are the full texts of Laws 572 and 573 adopted by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet and by the Council of Ministers on Aug. 3, 1972 and put into effect on Aug. 14:

"Law 572. Citizens of the USSR leaving for permanent residence abroad in other than Socialist countries are under obligation to compensate the State for their education received from institutions of higher learning, for graduate work, medical internship, graduate military studies and for receiving the respective academic degrees. Signed Podgorny, (President of the Supreme Soviet) and Georgavze, (Secretary), "

"Law 573. The Council of Ministers of the USSR adopts and affirms the decree 572 of the Supreme Soviet and directs the Ministries of Finance and Higher Education to institute education fees as compensation for the expenditures for education in institutions of higher education for persons departing for permanent residence in capitalist countries and also authorizes the organs of the Ministry of Finance and Internal Affairs to grant in exceptional cases partial or full exemption from payment of these fees. Signed Kosygin (Prime Minister)."

Dr. David Korn, chairman of the Soviet Jewry Committee of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, released these texts today to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

### 3 NEW CASES OF CHOLERA REPORTED

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2 (JTA) -- Three new cases of cholera were discovered in the Jerusalem area today but Health Ministry spokesmen said there were no plans for a mass vaccination program in any part of the country. The latest to fall ill were a 55-year-old man from the Shilioah quarter, a 16-year-old girl from the Old City and a 30-year old woman from Abu Gosh village.

The first cholera case to be detected here since the 1970 outbreak was a 15-year-old boy from the Gaza Strip who had been living in the Old City. He was hospitalized Sunday. All the victims so far are Arabs

Meanwhile, the Jerusalem Municipality accused the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) of refusing to let it improve sanitary conditions in the Shuafat refugee camp where the first cholera case apparently originated. The Municipality said it wanted to install a better sewage system but was blocked by UNRWA which administers the camp.