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#### Israelis Close To American Labor

Yosef Almog, Israel's Minister of Labor, said that Israelis welcome the friendship of the American people, their institutions, Congress and the Administration and feel especially close to the American labor movement. Noting that there is "some unrest in labor relations" in Israel due to the shortage of labor, heavy taxes and rising prices, Almog said that Histadrut and the Israeli government are doing their best to settle disputes peacefully.

He also commented: "We are employing 50,000 Arabs in the administered areas and in this we are fulfilling two tasks. We are giving full employment in the administered areas where the Arab refugees and others have suffered through years of unemployment. They are now enjoying a rising standard of living. The Arabs are getting equal wages for equal jobs. For the first time in their lives, they enjoy a wide range of fringe benefits."

Uzi Blach, the Histadrut representative to the American labor movement, said that "years ago American labor put an end to sweat shops. Let's hope that American labor will put an end to terror in the skies," he said, citing Arab terrorist actions. He said that last month American labor representatives were among the representatives of aviation workers from all over the world who decided to notify those countries which harbor terrorists that if they don't change their attitudes by Jan. 1, aviation service to those countries will be discontinued.

#### PINCUS: MUTUAL ISRAEL-DIASPORA CRITICISM SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED BUT FINAL DECISION OF ISRAELI MATTERS MUST REST WITH ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Responding to complaints from American Jewish leaders attending the final session of the special meeting of the Con-

ference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, Jewish Agency Chairman Louis Pincus said that mutual Israeli-diaspora criticism should be encouraged but that the final decisions on Israeli matters must rest with Jews living in Israel. Pincus said that centrality of Israel in the life of the Jewish people does not conflict with independence of diaspora Jewry, and added that Israelis must demonstrate more interest in diaspora problems.

The critical American Jewish leaders said that they wanted to play a more active role in criticizing defects in Israeli society but that Israeli leaders were unwilling to listen. Rabbi David Polish, president of the (Reform) Central Conference of American Rabbis, said American Jews were concerned about morality in Israeli society and wanted to criticize internal Israeli affairs. Rabbi Louis Bernstein, president of the (Orthodox) Rabbinical Council of America, said that in order for American Jewish identity with Israel to be complete there must be mutual criticism like that between members of a family.

Rabbi Israel Miller, president of the American Zionist Federation, scored Israelis who emphasize their country's physical and economic accomplishments instead of its spiritual significance. Israeli leaders, he added, should go to the United States not only to collect funds but to strengthen Jewish identity there.

Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, head of the American section of the World Zionist Organization, maintained that diaspora Jewish leaders should study Israel's problems first-hand before leveling criticism. She said many U.S. rabbis were willing to use Israel in their sermons but unwilling to work on Israel's behalf. Isaiah Minkoff, executive vice chairman of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, contended that American Jewish leaders should hold discussions not just with Israeli political leaders but also with intellectuals and educators on the basic problems of Israeli society.

Rabbi Judah Nadich, president of the (Conservative) Rabbinical Assembly, expressed concern that aliyah of young American Jews to Israel would remove an important element from the American scene and endanger the future of U.S. Jewish leadership. The time has come, he said, to devote more effort to strengthening American society.

#### MADDOX: LIKES THE WAY JEWS AND ARABS LIVE TOGETHER IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Lester Maddox, a Georgia restaurant owner who became governor of his state as a champion of segregation and white supremacy, said today that he appreciated the way Jews and Arabs live together in Israel. "I accept their living this way as their custom, but no one is forcing a Jew to live in a certain place or an Arab to live somewhere. They've got freedom to associate or dissociate and that's my position whether in the United States or here," Maddox told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

The ex-governor who is presently Lt. Gov. of Georgia, is visiting Israel with a group of 200 pilgrims and supporters. It is his first trip outside the U.S. Maddox told the JTA he was inspired by the friendliness of Israelis and was convinced that Israel deserves to exist because "it was prophesied in the Bible."

Maddox said he "stands behind the policy of my government which is to preserve an independent Israel." He said "I don't do this because my government says it is militarily wise to support Israel -- I believe that too -- but because I am a strong

believer in the Holy Bible and the Bible prophesies that the Jewish people will come back here."

Maddox who rose to prominence in the 1960s when he defied Federal anti-segregation statutes by refusing to serve Blacks in his restaurant and kept them out with axe handles, said he thought both Israelis and Arabs would have to be flexible to achieve peace in the Middle East.

#### TWO NAZI HUNTERS SKEPTICAL ABOUT NEW BORMANN-IS-ALIVE REPORT

LONDON, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Two of the most prominent Nazi hunters have expressed skepticism over reports that Martin Bormann, Hitler's deputy, was alive in Latin America. Tuvia Friedman of Haifa, the man responsible for tracking down Adolf Eichmann in Argentina 12 years ago, and Simon Wiesenthal who heads the war criminal documentation center in Vienna, placed little credence in a claim by the London Daily Express that it had "incontrovertible evidence" that Bormann, now 72, was a prosperous businessman in Latin America.

Friedman observed that if the report proved true the World War II allies should arrange to carry out the death sentence imposed on Bormann at the Nuremberg war crimes trials. "Better he should be killed than brought back to Germany" where there are still many Nazis who would greet him as a hero, Friedman said.

Wiesenthal who has written many newspaper articles over the years claiming that Bormann was alive, said he now believed there was only a 50-50 chance that this was true. He said the latest report was "a mixture of truth and fantasy" and added, "I am very, very skeptical as there have been about 25-30 false Bormanns since the war."

(Israel, meanwhile, has finally closed the Eichmann case with the payment of a \$10,000 reward to Dr. Luther Herman, a blind attorney living in a Buenos Aires suburb, who tipped off Friedman as to Eichmann's true whereabouts. Dr. Herman wrote to Friedman in Oct. 1959 that Eichmann was living in a Buenos Aires suburb and that his daughter was dating Eichmann's 17-year-old son. Friedman passed the information on to the Shin Bet, Israel's secret service. Friedman said in a recent interview, "I don't want to take anything away from the secret service. They did a fantastic job . . . but they didn't do it alone.")

#### EBAN: TERRITORIAL COMPROMISE IN PEACE TALKS IS GOVERNMENT POLICY

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Abba Eban asserted that territorial compromise in peace negotiations was consistent with governmental and Labor Party policy. Eban told the party's central committee Thursday night that he opposed those who want to perpetuate the present cease-fire lines and are delighted when peace seems far-off. He said he favored reaffirmation of the "true Zionist dream of having a country with an absolute Jewish majority"--a position counter to that of those who would have Israel remain in control of the more than one million Arabs in the administered areas.

Eban endorsed the plan of Deputy Premier Yigal Allon for demilitarization of the West Bank and a string of settlements along the Jordan River and held open the possibility of a pact with Jordan. The Foreign Minister rejected the notion that the Arabs living under Israeli administration are now less inclined to fight Israeli occupation. He said "Palestinian" self-determination could be achieved, but not at Israel's expense.

Aharon Yadlin, secretary general of the Labor Party, said today that it was the party's wish that Premier Golda Meir remain in office.

## UOJCA LEADER WARNS NEW FORM OF ANTI-SEMITISM DANGER TO WORLD JEWRY

BOCA RATON, Fla., Nov. 26 (JTA)--A warning was issued here last night by the newly-elected president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America (UOJCA) that Jews generally were underestimating the dangers of a new form of anti-Semitism. Harold M. Jacobs of Lawrence, N.Y., in his acceptance address said this new form stemmed from ongoing revolutionary changes in many parts of the world and that it had generally replaced "classic anti-Semitism" which had been "primarily supported by reactionary, nationalistic forces."

Speaking at the banquet session of the 74th anniversary biennial convention of the UOJCA, Jacobs told the 2000 delegates and guests that this new wave of anti-Semitism, in a different garb, was now a major problem for the world Jewish community. He declared that leaders of organized Jewish life must find ways to work out an effective approach to deal with what is "obviously a world conspiracy against Jews."

He noted that the classic anti-Semite "refuses to be identified as an anti-Semite and declares fervently he has no prejudice against Jews. Instead he has now become an anti-Zionist, placing himself in the camp of those who consistently denounce 'Israeli imperialism' as some sort of nefarious world conspiracy from which he is seeking to save peace-loving world humanity."

He said it was the Soviet Communists who had invented "this new formula," adding that among the aptest pupils have been the Arabs who imported, along with Soviet arms, "the new Russian propaganda method. One has but to listen to debate in the United Nations, notably in meetings of the Sixth Committee on the problem of terrorism--in which the Arabs are so deeply implicated--to hear these scurrilous attacks again and again."

### Aid For Religious Jews In Israel

Delegates attending an informal panel session yesterday heard a proposal from an American Orthodox rabbinical leader for a program to apply the organizational skills of American Orthodox rabbis and Orthodox college students to the goal of increasing religious commitment among Israel's Jews. Rabbi Noah Chodos of New York, a member of the presidium of Poale Agudath Israel, the Orthodox workers organization, said that while Israel had many religious-educational institutions "the great majority" of Israel's Jews do not receive "any religious education or indoctrination," which "aggravated" Israel's growing social tensions.

Rabbi Chodos proposed that American traditional Jews undertake a program to help build community centers in Israel; that American Orthodox rabbis visit Israel to stay in a maximum number of settlements for several months at a time, to act as "spiritual community leaders with the American know-how and experience" to become a part of the life of the community in Israel "to indoctrinate religious understanding"; and that Orthodox students on American college campuses spend time at Israeli universities for the same approach to non-observant Israeli students.

### 24 JEWS IN MOSCOW ARRESTED

NEW YORK, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Soviet authorities have arrested 24 Jews in Moscow during the past

few days and sentenced each of them to 15 days in prison for "hooliganism," it was reported today by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and the Minnesota Action Committee on Soviet Jewry. The 24, which included such activists as Vladimir Slepak, Viktor Polsky and Vladimir Prestin, were part of a group of some 40 Jews who were conducting a month-long hunger strike to demand answers from Soviet officials about their applications for exit visas. The hunger strike began in front of various ovir offices and finally shifted to the offices of the Communist Party's Central Committee.

According to the SSSJ, a number of Jews who applied for exit visas have been told to return to the ovir office between Dec. 2 and Dec. 18. This move was seen by the SSSJ as an effort by Soviet authorities to "remove trouble makers" by permitting them to leave. During the last few days, it was reported, very few Jews have been allowed to leave and those who have were required to pay exit fees despite the fact that several had been informed earlier that they could emigrate without paying the fees.

It was also reported that Viktor Lapidus, one of several arrested during the hunger strike but released after being questioned, had received an exit visa at the end of Oct., with the education-equivalent tax waived for him and his family. In accordance with regulations, the family liquidated their assets and returned their Soviet passports, but at the last moment were told they could not travel. The Lapiduses are reported in dire financial need and desperate to secure emigration permission.

### ISRAEL ASSURED OF NIXON'S FRIENDSHIP

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Max Fisher of Detroit told reporters here that "President Nixon was a great friend of Israel during his first term and will remain a great friend of Israel during his second term." Fisher, immediate past president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and a personal friend of Nixon, said he did not "envisage any changes in American foreign policy toward Israel." Fisher arrived here several days ago for a week's visit.

### TERRORISTS MAY HIT ISRAELI SHIPPING

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Reliable sources said here that Arab terrorists have decided to try to attack Israeli shipping. The targets selected, according to the sources, are Israeli vessels docking in Mediterranean ports and tankers plowing the waves of the Red Sea. The terrorists are known to have strong links to the Southern Yemeni regime and may attempt to use Southern Yemeni territory in their attempt to hit the Israeli tankers, the sources said.

### POOR FAMILIES EXEMPTED FROM PAYING PROPERTY TAX

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (JTA)--An executive order exempting poor families from paying property tax will be signed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir within the next few days, it was reported here today. The measure has already been approved by the Knesset finance committee. The tax relief will be granted to families occupying residential units not exceeding IL50,000 in value occupied by a family of up to five persons and to families of six or more persons in units of up to IL 65,000 value.





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The mutual cooperation between American labor and Histadrut, he continued, "is morally correct, philosophically correct and economically correct." Citing Histadrut as "the preserver of freedom and thus the creator of higher standards of living for workers in Israel," the ACW president declared that corporations which invest in Israel know they must negotiate with Histadrut and thereby provide minimum wages, settle grievances and permit industrial democracy in their plants. This protects Israeli and American workers "because if the trade union in Israel is strong, the multi-national corporation cannot weaken trade unions either in Israel or the U.S."

#### Israelis Close To American Labor

Yosef Almog, Israel's Minister of Labor, said that Israelis welcome the friendship of the American people, their institutions, Congress and the Administration and feel especially close to the American labor movement. Noting that there is "some unrest in labor relations" in Israel due to the shortage of labor, heavy taxes and rising prices, Almog said that Histadrut and the Israeli government are doing their best to settle disputes peacefully.

He also commented: "We are employing 50,000 Arabs in the administered areas and in this we are fulfilling two tasks. We are giving full employment in the administered areas where the Arab refugees and others have suffered through years of unemployment. They are now enjoying a rising standard of living. The Arabs are getting equal wages for equal jobs. For the first time in their lives, they enjoy a wide range of fringe benefits."

Uzi Blach, the Histadrut representative to the American labor movement, said that "years ago American labor put an end to sweat shops. Let's hope that American labor will put an end to terror in the skies," he said, citing Arab terrorist actions. He said that last month American labor representatives were among the representatives of aviation workers from all over the world who decided to notify those countries which harbor terrorists that if they don't change their attitudes by Jan. 1, aviation service to those countries will be discontinued.

#### PINCUS: MUTUAL ISRAEL-DIASPORA CRITICISM SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED BUT FINAL DECISION OF ISRAELI MATTERS MUST REST WITH ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Responding to complaints from American Jewish leaders attending the final session of the special meeting of the Con-

ference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, Jewish Agency Chairman Louis Pincus said that mutual Israeli-diaspora criticism should be encouraged but that the final decisions on Israeli matters must rest with Jews living in Israel. Pincus said that centrality of Israel in the life of the Jewish people does not conflict with independence of diaspora Jewry, and added that Israelis must demonstrate more interest in diaspora problems.

The critical American Jewish leaders said that they wanted to play a more active role in criticizing defects in Israeli society but that Israeli leaders were unwilling to listen. Rabbi David Polish, president of the (Reform) Central Conference of American Rabbis, said American Jews were concerned about morality in Israeli society and wanted to criticize internal Israeli affairs. Rabbi Louis Bernstein, president of the (Orthodox) Rabbinical Council of America, said that in order for American Jewish identity with Israel to be complete there must be mutual criticism like that between members of a family.

Rabbi Israel Miller, president of the American Zionist Federation, scored Israelis who emphasize their country's physical and economic accomplishments instead of its spiritual significance. Israeli leaders, he added, should go to the United States not only to collect funds but to strengthen Jewish identity there.

Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, head of the American section of the World Zionist Organization, maintained that diaspora Jewish leaders should study Israel's problems first-hand before leveling criticism. She said many U.S. rabbis were willing to use Israel in their sermons but unwilling to work on Israel's behalf. Isaiah Minkoff, executive vice chairman of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, contended that American Jewish leaders should hold discussions not just with Israeli political leaders but also with intellectuals and educators on the basic problems of Israeli society.

Rabbi Judah Nadich, president of the (Conservative) Rabbinical Assembly, expressed concern that aliyah of young American Jews to Israel would remove an important element from the American scene and endanger the future of U.S. Jewish leadership. The time has come, he said, to devote more effort to strengthening American society.

#### MADDOX: LIKES THE WAY JEWS AND ARABS LIVE TOGETHER IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Lester Maddox, a Georgia restaurant owner who became governor of his state as a champion of segregation and white supremacy, said today that he appreciated the way Jews and Arabs live together in Israel. "I accept their living this way as their custom, but no one is forcing a Jew to live in a certain place or an Arab to live somewhere. They've got freedom to associate or dissociate and that's my position whether in the United States or here," Maddox told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

The ex-governor who is presently Lt. Gov. of Georgia, is visiting Israel with a group of 200 pilgrims and supporters. It is his first trip outside the U.S. Maddox told the JTA he was inspired by the friendliness of Israelis and was convinced that Israel deserves to exist because "it was prophesied in the Bible."

Maddox said he "stands behind the policy of my government which is to preserve an independent Israel." He said "I don't do this because my government says it is militarily wise to support Israel -- I believe that too -- but because I am a strong

believer in the Holy Bible and the Bible prophesies that the Jewish people will come back here."

Maddox who rose to prominence in the 1960s when he defied Federal anti-segregation statutes by refusing to serve Blacks in his restaurant and kept them out with axe handles, said he thought both Israelis and Arabs would have to be flexible to achieve peace in the Middle East.

#### TWO NAZI HUNTERS SKEPTICAL ABOUT NEW BORMANN-IS-ALIVE REPORT

LONDON, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Two of the most prominent Nazi hunters have expressed skepticism over reports that Martin Bormann, Hitler's deputy, was alive in Latin America. Tuvia Friedman of Haifa, the man responsible for tracking down Adolf Eichmann in Argentina 12 years ago, and Simon Wiesenthal who heads the war criminal documentation center in Vienna, placed little credence in a claim by the London Daily Express that it had "incontrovertible evidence" that Bormann, now 72, was a prosperous businessman in Latin America.

Friedman observed that if the report proved true the World War II allies should arrange to carry out the death sentence imposed on Bormann at the Nuremberg war crimes trials. "Better he should be killed than brought back to Germany" where there are still many Nazis who would greet him as a hero, Friedman said.

Wiesenthal who has written many newspaper articles over the years claiming that Bormann was alive, said he now believed there was only a 50-50 chance that this was true. He said the latest report was "a mixture of truth and fantasy" and added, "I am very, very skeptical as there have been about 25-30 false Bormanns since the war."

(Israel, meanwhile, has finally closed the Eichmann case with the payment of a \$10,000 reward to Dr. Luther Herman, a blind attorney living in a Buenos Aires suburb, who tipped off Friedman as to Eichmann's true whereabouts. Dr. Herman wrote to Friedman in Oct. 1959 that Eichmann was living in a Buenos Aires suburb and that his daughter was dating Eichmann's 17-year-old son. Friedman passed the information on to the Shin Bet, Israel's secret service. Friedman said in a recent interview, "I don't want to take anything away from the secret service. They did a fantastic job . . . but they didn't do it alone.")

#### EBAN: TERRITORIAL COMPROMISE IN PEACE TALKS IS GOVERNMENT POLICY

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Abba Eban asserted that territorial compromise in peace negotiations was consistent with governmental and Labor Party policy. Eban told the party's central committee Thursday night that he opposed those who want to perpetuate the present cease-fire lines and are delighted when peace seems far-off. He said he favored reaffirmation of the "true Zionist dream of having a country with an absolute Jewish majority"--a position counter to that of those who would have Israel remain in control of the more than one million Arabs in the administered areas.

Eban endorsed the plan of Deputy Premier Yigal Allon for demilitarization of the West Bank and a string of settlements along the Jordan River and held open the possibility of a pact with Jordan. The Foreign Minister rejected the notion that the Arabs living under Israeli administration are now less inclined to fight Israeli occupation. He said "Palestinian" self-determination could be achieved, but not at Israel's expense.

Aharon Yadlin, secretary general of the Labor Party, said today that it was the party's wish that Premier Golda Meir remain in office.

## UOJCA LEADER WARNS NEW FORM OF ANTI-SEMITISM DANGER TO WORLD JEWRY

BOCA RATON, Fla., Nov. 26 (JTA)--A warning was issued here last night by the newly-elected president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America (UOJCA) that Jews generally were underestimating the dangers of a new form of anti-Semitism. Harold M. Jacobs of Lawrence, N.Y., in his acceptance address said this new form stemmed from ongoing revolutionary changes in many parts of the world and that it had generally replaced "classic anti-Semitism" which had been "primarily supported by reactionary, nationalistic forces."

Speaking at the banquet session of the 74th anniversary biennial convention of the UOJCA, Jacobs told the 2000 delegates and guests that this new wave of anti-Semitism, in a different garb, was now a major problem for the world Jewish community. He declared that leaders of organized Jewish life must find ways to work out an effective approach to deal with what is "obviously a world conspiracy against Jews."

He noted that the classic anti-Semite "refuses to be identified as an anti-Semite and declares fervently he has no prejudice against Jews. Instead he has now become an anti-Zionist, placing himself in the camp of those who consistently denounce 'Israeli imperialism' as some sort of nefarious world conspiracy from which he is seeking to save peace-loving world humanity."

He said it was the Soviet Communists who had invented "this new formula," adding that among the aptest pupils have been the Arabs who imported, along with Soviet arms, "the new Russian propaganda method. One has but to listen to debate in the United Nations, notably in meetings of the Sixth Committee on the problem of terrorism--in which the Arabs are so deeply implicated--to hear these scurrilous attacks again and again."

### Aid For Religious Jews In Israel

Delegates attending an informal panel session yesterday heard a proposal from an American Orthodox rabbinical leader for a program to apply the organizational skills of American Orthodox rabbis and Orthodox college students to the goal of increasing religious commitment among Israel's Jews. Rabbi Noah Chodos of New York, a member of the presidium of Poale Agudath Israel, the Orthodox workers organization, said that while Israel had many religious-educational institutions "the great majority" of Israel's Jews do not receive "any religious education or indoctrination," which "aggravated" Israel's growing social tensions.

Rabbi Chodos proposed that American traditional Jews undertake a program to help build community centers in Israel; that American Orthodox rabbis visit Israel to stay in a maximum number of settlements for several months at a time, to act as "spiritual community leaders with the American know-how and experience" to become a part of the life of the community in Israel "to indoctrinate religious understanding"; and that Orthodox students on American college campuses spend time at Israeli universities for the same approach to non-observant Israeli students.

### 24 JEWS IN MOSCOW ARRESTED

NEW YORK, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Soviet authorities have arrested 24 Jews in Moscow during the past

few days and sentenced each of them to 15 days in prison for "hooliganism," it was reported today by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and the Minnesota Action Committee on Soviet Jewry. The 24, which included such activists as Vladimir Slepak, Viktor Polsky and Vladimir Prestin, were part of a group of some 40 Jews who were conducting a month-long hunger strike to demand answers from Soviet officials about their applications for exit visas. The hunger strike began in front of various ovir offices and finally shifted to the offices of the Communist Party's Central Committee.

According to the SSSJ, a number of Jews who applied for exit visas have been told to return to the ovir office between Dec. 2 and Dec. 18. This move was seen by the SSSJ as an effort by Soviet authorities to "remove trouble makers" by permitting them to leave. During the last few days, it was reported, very few Jews have been allowed to leave and those who have were required to pay exit fees despite the fact that several had been informed earlier that they could emigrate without paying the fees.

It was also reported that Viktor Lapidus, one of several arrested during the hunger strike but released after being questioned, had received an exit visa at the end of Oct., with the education-equivalent tax waived for him and his family. In accordance with regulations, the family liquidated their assets and returned their Soviet passports, but at the last moment were told they could not travel. The Lapiduses are reported in dire financial need and desperate to secure emigration permission.

### ISRAEL ASSURED OF NIXON'S FRIENDSHIP

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Max Fisher of Detroit told reporters here that "President Nixon was a great friend of Israel during his first term and will remain a great friend of Israel during his second term." Fisher, immediate past president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and a personal friend of Nixon, said he did not "envisage any changes in American foreign policy toward Israel." Fisher arrived here several days ago for a week's visit.

### TERRORISTS MAY HIT ISRAELI SHIPPING

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26 (JTA)--Reliable sources said here that Arab terrorists have decided to try to attack Israeli shipping. The targets selected, according to the sources, are Israeli vessels docking in Mediterranean ports and tankers plowing the waves of the Red Sea. The terrorists are known to have strong links to the Southern Yemeni regime and may attempt to use Southern Yemeni territory in their attempt to hit the Israeli tankers, the sources said.

### POOR FAMILIES EXEMPTED FROM PAYING PROPERTY TAX

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (JTA)--An executive order exempting poor families from paying property tax will be signed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir within the next few days, it was reported here today. The measure has already been approved by the Knesset finance committee. The tax relief will be granted to families occupying residential units not exceeding IL50,000 in value occupied by a family of up to five persons and to families of six or more persons in units of up to IL 65,000 value.