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## LENIENCY TOWARD TERRORISTS SEEN AS CAUSE FOR ATROCITY IN ATHENS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Communications Minister Shimon Peres said today that the leniency shown by some countries to Arab terrorists led to yesterday's attack in the Athens International Airport in which three persons were killed and 55 injured. He said every country must make an energetic effort to "behead this dangerous snake of terrorism."

(At the United Nations, the Ad Hoc Committee on International Terrorism met today in a closed session to examine the meaning and causes of international terrorism, but did not mention yesterday's tragedy. A few weeks ago, when Arab terrorists hijacked a Japan Air Line jumbo jet, the committee then holding its general debate also made no direct comment on the matter.)

(In New York, the Jewish Defense League announced that it will conduct an all-night vigil beginning at 10 p.m. tonight in Dag Hammarskjold Plaza to mourn the victims of the terrorist attack at Athens International Airport. A JDL spokesman said "we feel the United Nations is responsible for this latest tragedy because it has failed to act to curb international terrorism.")

(In Vienna, it was reported today that the Soviet news agency Tass in reporting the Athens attack stressed the claims by the Palestine Liberation Organization that it was not responsible for the attack. Tass published in part an article from the Damascus newspaper, La Baath, the official voice of the ruling Socialist Baath Party, which suggested that Israeli intelligence agents ordered the attack in an attempt to shift the publicity away from the killing of a Moroccan in Norway.)

## Israel Feared Attack Was A Diversion

Meanwhile in Athens, the two Arabs who threw hand grenades and opened fire with pistols in the crowded airport transit lounge have refused to answer questions, according to authorities. Earlier it was reported that they claimed to be members of the Black September terrorist organization and said that "we have done what we came for--our mission is accomplished." Police are also questioning two Arabic-speaking women who were taken from the airport kicking and screaming.

The two men surrendered after crouching with 35 hostages behind the lounge's marble bar for two hours while they tried to get a plane to take them to the Middle East. Four hours after the attack police disarmed a time bomb, which had not been set to go off, found inside a letter box in the transit lounge.

Witnesses said passengers were prepared to board TWA flights to Tel Aviv and New York when one of the Arabs, about to have his baggage checked for the New York flight, threw his hand grenade to the ground. Both men began firing pistols. Originally reports said both TWA planes were bound for Tel Aviv.

First reports of the incident in Israel resulted in placing Lod Airport under a state of emergency. It was feared that the Athens attack might have been a diversion for another attack else-

where or that the Arabs were planning to hijack a plane bound for Tel Aviv.

## May Have Planned To Attack El Al

Police in Athens speculated that the two Arabs may have planned to attack an El Al plane which left 10 minutes before the attack began. The Israeli flight was still listed on the information board and this may have confused the Arabs, according to police.

The emergency at Lod was relaxed after passengers arrived from Athens. One of them, Dr. Gerald Stern, a 41-year-old Brooklyn dentist, said there were four persons waiting to go on the Tel Aviv-bound plane and many for the U.S. flight when he suddenly heard shots and explosions.

"I suddenly fell to the floor and wished it would open," he said. I saw people falling, blood covering them. Blood was everywhere, and then there was quiet." Dr. Stern said when he boarded the plane he found that the passengers did not know "that a bloody attack was just carried out in the nearby terminal."

Two Americans killed in the attack were positively identified as Mrs. Jeannie Salandi, 23, of Highland Park, N.J., and Elbert Kersen, 53, a Union, N.J. plumbing contractor. Kersen's wife, Kate, and Mrs. Salandi's husband, William, were among the wounded. The third person killed was an Austrian.

The two gunmen, who reportedly had no passports, identified themselves to police as Zechod Mohammed, 21, of "Palestine," and Palatt Hussam, 21, of Cairo. Palestinian terrorist organizations in Beirut denied any connection with the attack and blamed it on "enemies of the Palestinian revolution."

## JUST LIKE NEW YORK

JERUSALEM, Aug. 6 (JTA)--The police have asked drivers who buy gasoline at night to buy a "round price" quantity and pay in small banknotes. "Round price" buying, IL 10 or 20 worth, would eliminate the need for the attendant to carry cash for change and would thus be less of a target for robbers. Gas station holdups have proliferated in Israel in recent years.

## 2 CONGRESSMEN CHARGE STANDARD OIL PLACES ITS OWN INTERESTS ABOVE THAT OF THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Two Congressmen have accused Standard Oil of California with putting its own interests above those of the United States in a letter sent to its stockholders urging more positive support by the U.S. for "the aspirations of the Arab people."

Sen. Alan Cranston (D. Calif.) in a letter sent to Otto N. Miller, chairman of the board of Standard Oil, said that the company is far more dependent on Arab oil than is the United States. "I do not share your apparent inference," Cranston wrote, "that what is good for Standard Oil is necessarily good for the United States."

In fact, he said, the best guarantee of continued oil production is peace in the Middle East, "and American support of Israel is the best guarantee of peace in the Middle East. It is a stabilizing force designed to maintain a balance of power by offset-

ting Soviet-aid-to-the Arab-nations.

Cranston pointed to the recent Senate decision to proceed immediately with the Trans-Alaska pipeline as an indication of "American determination not to become dependant on Mideast oil."

Rep. Bertram Podell (D,N.Y.), in a speech on the House floor before Congress adjourned for its summer recess, said that Saudi Arabia "supplied more than three times the crude oil that Standard Oil produced in the U.S."

"It becomes immediately apparent," he said, "why Standard Oil is so concerned about U.S.-Arab relations." He said Standard Oil has in effect told "the Arabs that their political blackmail has found a willing victim...A letter such as this can be no stretch of the imagination be in America's best interests."

#### STRIKE BY SEAMEN SPREADS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 6 (JTA)--A strike by some 1500 seamen prevented 11 Israeli ships from loading or unloading today. The strike which began Friday originally hit only ships sailing from Israel but now has spread to include incoming ships.

Transport Minister Shimon Peres, who was empowered to issue "back to work" orders, said he would use the power only if the strike affected the import of essential commodities or if shipping in the Gulf of Eilat was blocked. "We fought twice already to ensure the free passage of our ships in the Red Sea and ships will be going there," he said. Peres said that the 86 percent wage increase sought by the seamen would open a crack in the government's wage policy that would undermine all labor agreements.

The shipping companies, which are considering counter measures against the Seamen's Union, said they have offered increases in line with that given to merchant marine officers. But union spokesmen said the seamen's increases should be higher since their salaries are lower.

#### LABOR PARTY APPEARS UNITED ON ISSUE OF ADMINISTERED TERRITORIES

TEL AVIV, Aug. 6 (JTA)--A six-hour debate was held Thursday at Premier Golda Meir's office, with the Labor Party ministers participating, over the future policy in the administered territories. While there seemed to be a general agreement that as long as Israel was holding the areas, pending a peace settlement Israel would have to continue aiding in the development of the areas, it was argued that the problem of the refugees will have to be dealt with and extended on an even wider scale.

An indication that an agreement on this was reached was given by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir who told a Labor Party meeting in Holon Thursday night that the party will appear united before the public during the elections and that the difference of opinion over the administered areas can be bridged. He added that "as long as we stay in the areas we shall continue to render and even deepen services, help and development and deal with other problems." Defense Minister Moshe Dayan warned last month that he might leave the party unless it adopted a clear program on the territories.

#### Yamit Appears As New Issue

A new issue appeared to be erupting within the Labor Party over Dayan's proposal to establish the "Yamit" township in northern Sinai. During the six-hour meeting it was reported that Foreign Minister Abba Eban, Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati and Sapir opposed the idea. They claimed that money should be applied to developing town-

ships in Israel.

Opposition to Yamit was also expressed by Haim Barlev, Minister of Commerce and Industry, who felt that construction of this Sinai town might detract from aiding in the development of Israeli townships. Dayan criticized this remark and stated that he never intended to play Yamit against Israeli towns but saw the development of Yamit as a step toward alleviating the overpopulated Tel Aviv area.

Another issue within the Labor Party, that of purchasing land tracts in the administered areas, was seen as capable of compromise. There is some anxiety that a general permission to buy tracts in the areas might result in land speculation. To prevent this from occurring there was a suggestion that only public or semi-public construction companies will be permitted to buy land in the areas. It was agreed by those present at the meeting that Mrs. Meir will prepare a summary of the discussion for approval.

#### KATZIR: JEWISH CREATIVITY POSSIBLE ONLY IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 6 (JTA)--If the Jewish nation seeks any cultural, moral or national mission, this can be done only through the return to Eretz Israel. This was stated by President Ephraim Katzir speaking at the closing session of the jubilee convention of the Labor-Zionist Movement at Beth Berl. The President said that Israel is becoming more and more the national cultural center of the Jewish nation, "and I am convinced that ultimately the Jewish true national creativity would emerge from Israel. Jewish creativity would be possible only when the Jewish nation will be in its homeland."

Focussing on changes in human life due to the development of technology and science in the era of automation, Katzir said that the socio-economic changes "in the pluralistic society we live in require a reevaluation of the values of the Labor Zionist movement, and maybe of the values in general, with which the world used to live until now." Katzir repeated his theory that in order to prevent a scientific and technological golem from dominating its creator "we must return to raising the socialistic, human and practical values of the human race."

#### PLO TO OPEN EAST BERLIN OFFICE

BONN, Aug. 6 (JTA)--The Palestine Liberation Organization is to open an office in East Berlin, according to Saturday's issue of "Neues Deutschland," the official East German Communist Party newspaper. An agreement has been signed to this effect by Gerhard Gruenberg, Communist Party politburo member, and Yassir Arafat, leader of the PLO. No date has been announced for the opening. A statement said the PLO's job will be "to promote further mutual understanding between the people of the German Democratic Republic and the Arab Palestinian people." The negotiations were described by "Neues Deutschland" as "cordial and friendly."

The construction of the Egyptian oil pipeline between the Gulf of Suez and Alexandria by European, including German, firms, is now in doubt, it was revealed Saturday in Bonn. The Economics Ministry hinted that, even though an agreement had been concluded in July 1972, there was the strong possibility that U.S. firms would get the contract because of a lower bid. The German firm of Mannesmann was to have supplied the project with pipes and was to have built one of the terminals.

U.S. CONDEMNNS ATHENS ATROCITY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (JTA)--The State Department today termed the Arab terrorist attack on Athens Airport yesterday a "despicable action" and called for greater international efforts to "turb" such incidents. State Department spokesman Charles W. Bray said the attack was "clearly a deliberate armed attack against innocent people by terrorists." It is a "grim reminder," he said that the world community "must press rapidly for some effective means to prevent such outrages." The attack, he added, warrants the "strongest condemnation by the world community."

2 FEDERAL GRANTS OF \$500,000 TO HELP JEWISH POOR IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Two federal grants totaling almost \$500,000 to help the Jewish poor in New York City were announced today by Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R.N.Y.). One grant of \$300,000 will provide legal services for the poor in the Brooklyn Jewish community and the other grant of \$198,542 will coordinate and set up programs for the poor.

Javits, speaking at a press conference in his office here, said the funds will come from the Office of Economic Opportunity. If the programs are successful, they will be funded by other federal agencies if the OEO goes out of existence, he said.

The money was made possible by a new law, sponsored by Javits and Rep. James H. Scheuer (D.N.Y.), which provides funds for areas not reached by the regular poverty programs or for poor people living in areas not designated by the federal government as poverty neighborhoods. Javits said that most Congressmen have no idea that there are Jewish poor since most of the Jews they meet are wealthy.

The \$300,000 grant will be administered by the Jewish Urban Legal Services Corp. Its acting chairman of the board, Dr. Marvin Schick, said there will be a staff of 12 full-time lawyers aided by law students and the Legal Aid Society. He said the funds will be used especially to help Jews who are discriminated against because they are observant.

The \$198,542 grant will be administered by the Hasidic Corp. for Urban Concerns. David Farber, its director, said that it is dividing the funds to give \$40,000 to the Metropolitan Coordinating Council on Jewish Poor, \$32,000 to the United Talmudical Academy, and \$30,000 to the United Lubavitcher Synagogue. The four organizations will each be responsible for different areas of the city.

ANTI-SEMITIC DISTURBANCES IN UKRAINIAN TOWN OF BOGUSLAV

LONDON, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Reports of anti-Semitic disturbances in the Ukrainian town of Boguslav at the end of April have only now leaked out of the USSR. According to the reports, a former Ukrainian history student at the University of Uzhgorod, surnamed Lapotetsky, and a friend broke window panes of Jewish houses, shouting abuses such as "zhids, get out of our houses and go home to Israel." In all, 15 houses were attacked on April 28 and 29.

The occupants immediately complained to the authorities who ordered the arrest of those responsible. Following a two-week investigation, a trial took place in the municipal-theater building which was open to the public. Before passing sentence the judge assured the defendants that

they would lose all desire to repeat their actions.

Lapotetsky was given a five-year prison term, and his accomplice, three years. On hearing the sentence, the uncle of one of the defendants said that when his nephew would come out of prison, "he would kill as many zhids as the number of days he served in prison." The two were sentenced on a charge of hooliganism. Anti-Semitism was never mentioned, according to the reports.

KOLLEK SUGGESTS ANNEXATION OF NEBI SAMWIL AND ANATOT

JERUSALEM, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Mayor Teddy Kollek called last night for the expansion of Jerusalem's boundaries to the north and east. He said such expansion was the only apparent way to preserve the areas surrounding the city and to prevent Jerusalem's built up area from merging with the Arab city of Ramallah north of Jerusalem.

The statement, at a meeting of the City Council, was triggered by the dispute over a new suburb proposed for the north slope of Nebi Samwil by Defense Minister Moshe Dayan. Deputy Mayor Yehoshua Matza of Gahal attacked Kollek's opposition to the suburb, which Matza said was necessary from a political point of view since it extended the Jewish presence north of Jerusalem.

Kollek took the wind out of that argument by proposing that the municipal boundaries be extended to embrace Nebi Samwil, presently about one kilometer north of the city line. If this were done, he said, even Matza would probably agree to preserve the Nebi Samwil area as a park rather than to develop a suburb on it, since the matter could then be dealt with as one of urban planning.

Revised boundaries, Kollek said, should include green belt areas around the city and industrial sites to the east--an apparent reference to the Anatot area. The Mayor did not specifically mention expansion to the south in the direction of Bethlehem, but the new boundaries should give Jerusalem a total area of 200 square kilometers in comparison to the present 110 square kilometers.

ISMAIL CONFERS WITH CEAUDESCU ON THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS

VIENNA, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Hafez Ismail, President Anwar el Sadat's advisor on national security affairs, held talks on the Middle East crisis in Bucharest today with Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu, the Rumanian News Agency, "Agerpres," reported. Ismail conveyed to Ceausescu a message of "warm friendship and cordial congratulations" from Sadat.

Rumania is the only Communist Warsaw Pact nation maintaining diplomatic relations with Israel. Last year, Ceausescu, who is also the General Secretary of the Rumanian Communist Party, hosted Premier Golda Meir. From Bucharest, Ismail will fly to Belgrade for similar talks on the Middle East conflict with Yugoslavian officials.

NEW REGIONAL ROAD ON GOLAN HEIGHTS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 6 (JTA)--The blasting of a new regional road connecting the eastern shore of the Kinneret and Mevo Hama in the southern Golan is to begin shortly by the Jewish National Fund. The two lane highway, which will traverse some of the steepest mountain terrain, is expected to be ready for traffic within two years. Meir Shamir, head of the JNF Land Development Authority, explained during a recent press tour to the Golan Heights that this highway is a further link in the road network being established to serve both the needs of the settlements and of the security forces on the Heights.

**CCAR SAYS VOTE ON MIXED****MARRIAGES WAS ILLEGAL**

Asks NYBR Board of Governors  
To Review Conduct of Meeting

NEW YORK, Aug. 6 (JTA)--The Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Reform rabbinic body, has asked the Board of Governors of the New York Board of Rabbis to meet to consider a complaint by the CCAR that a vote by the NYBR on June 29 barring membership to rabbis officiating at mixed marriages was illegal. The request was contained in a letter to Rabbi Harold Saperstein, Board chairman, from Rabbi Joseph Glaser, CCAR executive vice-president.

Rabbi Saperstein, asked to comment, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he had not yet received the letter and would prefer not to comment until both he and other NYBR officers could study the letter. Rabbi Glaser said in the letter that he was requesting a meeting of the Board of Governors early in Sept., when "proper notice" can be given members and to avoid any conflict with the High Holy Days at the end of Sept.

"The purpose of the meeting would be to review the events leading up to the meeting of the Board of Rabbis on June 29, and the conduct of that meeting, and to consider the request that I am now making that the Board of Governors declare the meeting of June 29 illegal because of the counting of the votes of men who came, voted and left before the debate, the call for the question and the action vote," Rabbi Glaser declared.

**Voting Procedure Termed Illegal**

He said the procedure, which had been "insisted upon" by Rabbi William Berkowitz, NYBR president, "is an illegal procedure because it is clearly voting by absentee ballot, and where the constitution of an organization does not provide for absentee balloting, it cannot be permitted." He added that the fact that Rabbi Berkowitz "was able to get approval from the group for such counting of absentee ballots does not make the procedure any more legal."

Rabbi Glaser also contended that the 32 of the 36 absentee ballots which were for the amendment barring from membership performers of mixed marriages "thereby accounted for the amendment carrying by a two-thirds majority. Without those 32 votes the amendment would have failed." The amendment also bars membership to rabbis who refer to colleagues couples seeking a rabbi to perform such a marriage.

Both Rabbi Berkowitz and Rabbi Glaser had agreed that the number of Reform rabbis who resigned from the NYBR in protest was between 25 and 30. However, Rabbi Berkowitz gave the number of Reform rabbis who are NYBR members as 250, making the proportion of resigning Reform rabbis about 10 percent. Rabbi Glaser told the JTA that no more than 100 New York area Reform rabbis belonged to the NYBR.

**PROTESTANT CLERICS RAP PORTRAYAL  
OF JEWS IN 'JESUS CHRIST - SUPERSTAR'**

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6 (JTA)--Six leaders of area Protestant denominations have sharply criticized the portrayal of Jews in the film "Jesus Christ - Superstar." In a letter to nearly 2000 colleagues in Greater Philadelphia, the six urged clergymen "to counteract the negative impact the film can have on Jewish-Christian relations."

Rev. Rufus Cornelison, executive director of

the Metropolitan Christian Council, disclosed in a letter to Albert D. Chernin, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC), that the Protestant clergymen had screened the film "to review any possible effects it might have on interreligious relations."

Joining Rev. Cornelison in the appeal are Rev. Robert Strommen, of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ; Rev. Philip Martin, of the United Presbyterian Church Presbytery of Philadelphia; Rev. David Gracie, of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania; Rev. Bruce Theunissen, of the Northwest Interfaith Movement; and Rev. William E. Ramsden, of the Training Ecumenically to Advance Mission.

**Images Are Negatively Overdrawn**

"While it is true that the New Testament's images of Priests and Pharisees are not positive, especially when taken out of their Biblical context, the film consistently moves toward a more negative portrayal in its attempts at dramatic intensification," the six said in a joint statement mailed to their colleagues. The Protestant leaders attacked the story line as following the tradition of the Passion Plays, rather than of the New Testament, "in implying the now discredited concept of Jews and Christ-killers."

The images used for Jewish leaders "are negatively overdrawn," the statement said, adding that "the film contributes openly or subtly to reinforcement of negative stereotypes of Jews. After viewing the film we felt that Christians discussing its meaning would be so caught up in the questions of faith, theology and esthetics that they would not consider critically its portrayal of Jews."

The six clergymen told their colleagues, "That very situation requires your special help, for three reasons: because otherwise its images of Jews would probably go unchallenged; because some people might accept them as accurate, especially since the film is made in Israel; and because the portrayal is negatively based."

The American Federation for Clinical Research has adopted a resolution assailing the Soviet Union for subjecting some of its leading Jewish scientists to harassment "merely because they have applied for permission to emigrate." The New York based Federation includes the majority of medical researchers in the U.S.

The following quotations from the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange are provided to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by Leumi Securities, 18 E. 48 St., New York, N.Y. 10017. This is a selected list of the most active stocks.

	Closing Prices	
	7/30	8/6
Africa Israel	\$ 6.95	\$ 6.86
Alliance 'B'	11.90	11.90
ATA 'C'	.30 ex div	.29
Bank Leumi	.75	.74
Bank Leumi Investment	.53	.52
Delek	.48	.47
Discount Bank Investment	3.18	3.12
Electra	2.92	2.85
Electric Wire & Cable	1.26	1.26
General Mortgage Bank	2.86	2.84
Hassneh Insurance	6.12	6.06
Mehadrin Citrus	.53	.50
Shemen	1.39	1.37
Ta'al Plywood	1.42	1.46