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UNIFORM GLOOM OVER RABAT DECISION RECOGNIZING ROLE OF THE PLO Peace Prospects Appear To Be Destroyed By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Oct. 29 (JTA) -- Initial reactions to the Rabat decision recognizing the Palestine Liberation Organization as the "sole representative of the Palestinian people" were uniformly gloomy today. The consensus was that the Arab summit meeting may have effectively destroyed the prospects of a peace settlement between Israel and its neighbors in the foreseeable future. "The general feeling here is that the decision is bad--bad for hopes of peaceful progress," one highly placed observer said.

(See separate story for reaction of President

Ford.)

Another observer suggested that "Likud will have a field day," referring to the opposition party's increasingly militant and emotional campaign against any territorial concessions by Israel on the West Bank. The Rabin government, like its predecessor headed by Golda Meir, is on record that it will never negotiate with the PLO under any circumstances.

One source remarked today that it was difficult to see how Israel could negotiate a settlement on the West Bank now even with King Hussein inasmuch as the Arab leaders meeting in Rabat have declared in advance that any territory restored by Israel would be put under the control of the PLO.

The declaration unanimously adopted by the Arab summit conference yesterday, with the concurrence of Jordan's King Hussein, who was reportedly under severe pressure to go along with it, reaffirmed "the rights of the Palestinian people to set up an independent national authority under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people on any Palestinian land that is liberated. Arab countries must support this authority when it is established in all fields. and at all levels," the declaration added.

U.S. Peace Efforts Appear Grave

The advance recognition of a PLO controlled state on the West Bank of the Jordan, without plebiscite or referendum by the inhabitants of that region, represented a stunning victory for PLO and El Fatah chieftain Yasir Arafat. It was a severe blow to Hussein's prestige and to the future of his Hashemite state inasmuch as it forces him to relinquish any claims to the West Bank which. before 1967, comprised about one-fifth of his small kingdom.

The implications for Israel and for the peace moves of U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger were viewed as grave by some here and abroad. The Israeli position has been that it would negotiate a West Bank settlement when the time is ripe only with Jordan, though it had no objections if Palestinian representatives were included in the Jordanian delegation. The Rabat decision apparently has removed Jordan as a potential negotiating partner and substituted the PLO which Israel regards as a gang of killers and saboteurs.

It also frustrates Kissinger's strategy of a step-by-step approach to a Middle East settlement which relegated the Palestinian issue to a

later stage, possibly after further agreements between Israel and Egypt. Meanwhile the possibility loomed that the PLO would soon set up a government in exile. The head of the RLO's information office, Majed Abu Sharar, said in Beirut today that the Rabat declaration clearly gave it the right to do so. He said such a government would be estab-

lished "at the proper time."

One result of the Rabat developments may be the emergence of a more hawkish trend in Israel. The Rabin government has stated that it was prepared to negotiate for an exchange of territory on the West Bank for concrete peace moves by the Arabs. Opposition to that policy is now likely to grow. Most observers here do not doubt Likud's claim that it obtained close to a half million signatures on a petition opposing territorial concessions.

One of the signers was former Defense Minister Moshe Dayan. Pressure is also expected to mount on the Rabin government to remove restrictions on Jewish settlement in the Judaea-Samaria regions. The Rabat decision is widely viewed here as an indication that the Arabs have no serious intention to negotiate on those regions.

GUESS WHO SUBSCRIBES TO THE JTA? By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, Oct. 29 (JTA) -- The Jewish Telegraphic Agency discovered here today that a mysterious "Mr. Isac," one of its oldest and most faithful subscribers, was none other than the Egyptian Embassy in Paris. The JTA is distributing its Daily News Bulletin by special motorcycle teams since the start of the French postal strike last week.

One of the messengers, a young Jewish student, was looking for 56 Avenue de Iena near the Etoile to deliver the Bulletin addressed to Mr. Isaac Isac when he saw the Egyptian flag floating over the building. The porter told him that it was the Egyptian Embassy and said that Mr. Isac was the name under which the Embassy subscribed to a number of publications. "Just leave it with us, it is alright," the porter said picking up the Bulletin.

De Gaulle's Niece Helps Deliver Bulletin

Among the seven messengers riding Honda midget motorcycles and distributing the Bulletin is one of Gen. Charles de Gaulle's nieces, Laurence Vendroux. The 19-year-old Ms. Vendroux, whose father is the brother of Mrs. de Gaulle, heard from Jewish student friends that the JTA was looking for messengers. She was one of the first to apply for the job, and got it. A strange twist of fate for de Gaulle's family to deliver the JTA Bulletin.

3 TERRORISTS KILLED IN CLASH IN UPPER GALLEE: FULL ALERT DECLARED B/Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Oct. 29 (JTA) -- Three Arab terrorists who infiltrated from Lebanon were killed at noon today in a clash with Israeli forces near Kibbutz Iftah in Upper Galilee. There were no Israeli casualties. The trio is believed to have penetrated the Israeli border during the night or early this morning.

A massive manhunt is continuing throughout northern Israel for another group of terrorists believed to have entered Israel two weeks ago but who have so far eluded security forces. Chief of Staff Gen. Mordechai Gur, who visited the site of today's clash said "We do not know how many of the other infiltrators remain inside Israel but the fact is that no acts of terror have occurred until now."

An Israeli soldier was wounded yesterday when his patrol came under terrorist fire in the Har Dov region at the junction of the Israeli, Syrian and Lebanese borders. The fire was returned. Israeli artillery shelled terrorist concentrations in the "Fatahland" region of southeastern Lebanon last night in what was described as "preventive fire" to deter infiltration.

A full alert was declared in Upper Galilee when the infiltrators' tracks were spotted this morning. Police and army units combed the area and sound trucks drove through towns and settlements warning the populace that terrorists were at large in the region. Schools, shops and markets remained open but were under heavy guard. When contact was finally made with the terrorists the area around Kibbutz Iftah was cordoned off. Three Kalachnikof assault rifles and ammunition were found on the bodies. There were no explosives or pamphlets that might have indicated the nature of the terrorists' mission.

U.S. STUDYING MEANING OF RABAT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29 (JTA)--President Ford said today that the United States was uncertain of what impact the Arab states' recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole rep resentative of the Palestinian people would have on U.S. efforts to promote a peace settlement in the Middle East. He made the remark during an unscheduled press conference at the White House this morning. He said he had not had an opportunity yet to assess the decision taken at the Arab summit conference in Rabat, Morocco yesterday but that the U.S. was studying it. "I can only say I think it is of maximum importance that continued movement toward peace on a justifiable basis in the Middle East is vital to that area of the world and probably to the world as a whole," the President said.

ZIONIST LEADERS ASSAIL ARAB SUMMIT

NEW YORK, Oct. 29 (JTA)—Two Zionist leaders expressed grave misgivings today over the implications of the Rabat decision for peace efforts in the Middle East. Commenting on the recognition by the Arab summit conference in Rabat yesterday of the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole representative of the Palestinian people, Mrs. Faye Schenk, newly elected chairman of the American Zionist Federation, said it "constitutes a setback for Secretary Kissinger's efforts, a setback for those moderate Arab forces who are not bent on Israel's destruction, and most ominously a major setback for peace in the Middle East."

Dr. Joseph P. Sternstein, president of the Zionist Organization of America, said the development in Rabat "unmistakably signals a rejection by the Arabs of any intention of working seriously toward a negotiated settlement."

Mrs. Schenk called on "American Zionists, and indeed upon all friends of Israel in this country, to be vigilant and alert to the implications of this development and to inform the American people of the true nature and intent of the PLO as it itself has frequently stated: The establishment of a PLO-dominated state between Jordan and Israel is but a first step in a master plan calling for the destruction of the State of Israel."

Sternstein observed that "The Arabs know beyond doubt that Israel cannot possibly accept the establishment of PLO dominion over any area of the West Bank. This decision has done a grave disservice to the Palestinian people and has erected further barriers to the possibility of any just and lasting peace in the Middle East," he said. He added that under the circumstances, "Israel has no choice but to stand firm and proceed to take the steps necessary to provide for her security." He also suggested that Israel "must now intensify her efforts to engage the Arab population indigenous to the West Bank in dialogue" for an understanding that provides for expression of their Arab national identity and "for the realization of Jewish historic rights to settlement in the area."

REPORT 'FANTASTIC RESPONSE' TO RALLY AGAINST THE PLO

NEW YORK, Oct. 29 (JTA)—Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations reported a fantastic response' today to a call for a massive rally outside the United Nations Nov. 4 to protest its invitation to the Palestine Liberation Organization. Rabbi Miller said that trade unions and Jewish community groups from 13 states along the Eastern seaboard would participate in the demonstration.

He also announced that former Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, former Foreign Minister Abba Eban, Sens. Henry M. Jackson and Jacob K. Javits and former U.S. Attorney General Ramsay Clark would be among the speakers at the antiterrorist rally at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza next Monday.

race, color and creed and all crafts and industries are going to protest against the PLO terrorists," Rabbi Miller said. He reported that more than a dozen unions were joining in half page advertisements to appear Friday in New York City's three major dailies urging union members to leave their jobs to take part in the rally. He said that local Jewish groups, from Massachusetts to Georgia, in efforts coordinated by the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, will be sending busloads and car caravans to the demonstration sponsored by the Presidents Conference.

NRP AGRES TO ENTER GOVERNMENT

JERUSALEM, Oct. 29 (JTA)—The Cabinet met briefly this evening to give its formal stamp of approval to a new coalition agreement signed earlier today by the National Religious Party. The signing ceremony at Premier Yitzhak Rabin's office, was followed by the appointments of Yosef Burg, Yitzhak Raphael and Michael Hazani as the ministers of Interior, Religious Affairs and Social Welfare, respectively. They had previously held those posts in the short-lived last government of former Premier Golda Meir. The coalition agreement was also identical with the one in effect during the Meir government.

Rabin, who spoke briefly at the signing, stressed the difficulties facing Israel at home and abroad and expressed satisfaction that his government has been strengthened. He said that as far as he is concerned, all 10 NRP Knesset members were now part of the coalition and that the party's internal difficulties were not his concern.

That remark was an oblique reference to the split between the NRP leadership and its militant "young guard" which was opposed to joining the Rabin government. The "young guard" faction will meet this weekend to decide whether its two MKs, Zevulun Hammer and Yehuda Ben Meir, would support the government on crucial issues.

Meanwhile Rabin is engaged in a last ditch ef-

fort to prevent the defection of Shulamit Aloni's Civil Rights Party from his Cabinet. He has offered Ms. Aloni the vacant communications ministry portfolio in an effort to retain the CRP's three Knesset votes. He has also reportedly assured her that any legislative solution to the Who is a Jew controversy that may be recommended by the projected ministerial committee on the conversion issue would have to have the agreement of all coalition factions.

Effort To Avert CRP Defection

Ms. Aloni was incensed by her exclusion from Urge Intensification Of Struggle the planned committee--at the insistence of the NRP-and the fact that the body is to be headed by Yitzhak Raphael. "We cannot agree to that," Ms. Aloni said last night. The NRP's entry to the government "closes options and introduces a Trojan horse into the Cabinet." She said she saw no reason to remain in the Cabinet. The CRP executive committee was scheduled to meet late tonight to take a final decision.

Mapam Gives Conditional Approval

Yesterday, the Secretariate of Mapam gave its conditional approval to the admission of the NRP into Rabin's coalition government. The Mapam leadership made it clear that the NRP would be expected to adhere to the coalition guidelines-established by the government of former Premter Meir--which include a national referendum or election prior to Knesset ratification of any agreement that involves the future status of the Judaes and Samaria regions (West Bank).

Mapam also stressed the necessity for an NRP undertaking to observe coalition discipline and insisted that the religious party endorse the government's opposition to illegal settlement in the administered territories. Earlier in the week Rabin said he expects the NRP to vote with Labor -against the Likud--on the future of the West Bank. However, once an agreement--even a partial and not overall accord--with Jordan is reached, elections would be held and the NRP could campaign in favor of keeping the administered territories, Rabin said.

CITY HALL WELCOME FOR ZALMANSON By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, Oct. 29 (JTA)--Silva Zalmanson, whose struggle for freedom has made her "the symbol" of Soviet Jews who are fighting for their freedom, was welcomed at City Hall today by Mayor Abraham D. Beame and more than 100 Jewish community leaders and activists on behalf of Soviet Jewry. She was greeted with champagne, a huge birthday cake (for her 30th birthday) and firm promises that the fight for Jews in the Soviet Union will continue.

Miss Zalmanson, who arrived here last night from Israel, will spend three weeks touring the U.S. to help spur a national effort to secure freedom for nearly 40 Jewish "Prisoners of Conscience" in Soviet jails and labor camps. She herself was sentenced in 1970 to 10 years in a Soviet prison for alleged plotting to hijack a Russian airliner. She spent four years in a labor camp and was released last Aug.

Her husband, Edward Kuznetsov, who was originally sentenced to death for his role in the alleged "hijacking," had his sentence commuted-after world-wide protest--to 15 years. Her two brothers. Vulf and Israel, are serving terms of 10 and 8 years respectively. Her 19-day tour through the U.S. is under the auspices of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and her meetings here are sponsored by the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry.

Beame, who presented the visitor with a key to the city, told the gathering: "On behalf of all New Yorkers, it is my pleasure to welcome Miss Zalmanson to our city. Her heroic struggle to reach Israel typifies the plight of many Jews in the USSR who have been imprisoned solely for the 'crime' of wishing to emigrate to that nation. I am hopeful that Miss Zalmanson's visit will inspire even more extensive activity on behalf of the Soviet Jewry movement here and around the world."

Miss Zalmanson, visibly moved by the warm reception, thanked the Mayor and all those who fought for her freedom. Speaking in Russian she said that the letters and news about the efforts made here on behalf of Soviet Jewry are a great encouragement to the imprisoned and harassed Jews in the Soviet Union.

Kings County District Attorney Eugene Gold, chairman of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, presented Miss Zalmanson with a gold Mogen David with her name inscribed on it in behalf of the Conference. Gold urged the gath-\ ering to intensify the struggle for Soviet Jewry in this "historic moment" when the Soviets and the U.S. have reached an accord on immigration. He warned, however, that this agreement is valid for only 18 months and that period will be "a test for Soviet intentions."

He added that unless the U.S. maintains vigilance and keeps the pressure on the Soviets to adhere to the principles of the recent U.S.-USSR accord on Jewish emigration, "the agreement could collapse and dash the hopes of hundreds of thousands of Jews who desperately want to leave the Soviet Union."

KLEINDIENST NOT ANSWERING CALLS By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29 (JTA) -- The Jewish Telegraphic Agency has been unable to communicate with former U.S. Attorney General Richard S. Kleindienst for comments on his services as an agent in the United States for the government of Algeria. The JTA, which revealed Kleindienst's. activities for Algeria, placed telephone calls to his law office here but the former highest ranking U.S. law officer has not responded. One request was taken on his recording device and another telephone call was accepted by a receptionist at his office.

Kleindienst was hired last Dec. by Algeria's Minister of Industry and Energy, M. Abdesselam, at \$12,000 a month in salary and expenses as "legal counsel for business circles. Congressional relations, and relations with various official governmental bodies in Washington, D.C. and the rest of the United States." In addition, Abdesselam wrote him that he would be entrusted with "specific missions" that would be described in detail "when the moment arrives."

As required by the Foreign Agents Registration Act, Kleindienst filed a report last May at the Department of Justice on his activities and expenditures. In this report, Kleindienst denied expending any funds, either his or Algeria's or giving gifts in connection with an American election of any kind. He also denied preparing or issuing political propaganda. Kleindienst is to file his next report in Dec.

JERUSALEM (JTA)--A new forest, named after the Swiss city of Basel was inaugurated this week in the Galilee. The forest was burned down during the Yom Kippur War, and Basel citizens raised money to replant the 50,000-tree forest.

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ANTI-SEMITIC PROPAGANDA PUBLISHED IN ARAB STATES BEING DISTRIBUTED WORLD-WIDE, AJCOMMITTEE REPORTS

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 29 (JTA)—Anti-Semitic propaganda of the most scurrilous sort is being published in the Arab states and distributed world-wide on a scale that compares with the worst efforts by the Nazis, according to a report released by the American Jewish Committee here this weekend. The study, titled "Political and Religious Anti-Semitism: Weapon in the Arab-Israeli Conflict," found that "there are now more editions of the notorious forgery 'The Protocols of the Elders of Zion' published in Arabic than in any other language."

The report was made public at the closing session of the four-day annual meeting of the AJCommittee's National Executive Council which ended Sunday. It noted that anti-Jewish propaganda, including the "Protocols" is currently being introduced into Africa, Asia and Latin America.

In 1968 the Islamic Institute in Beirut, printed 200,000 copies of the "Protocols" in French and 100,000 in English for export. Editions in other languages, in large printings, have appeared throughout the Western world and excerpts have appeared in textbooks for Arab school children and in armed forces indoctrination manuals, the report said.

version of religious thought to political ends" in Moslem countries. "Although Islamic tradition holds Judaism to be a religion of true revelation, and the Bible a holy book for both Jews and Christians, Moslem scholars have recently misrepresented and slandered the Hebrew Scriptures and attributed all manner of crimes to the innate depravity of Jews and their religion," the report stated.

Blood Libel Charges Still Propagated

A report in a similar vein from the AJCommittee's European Office was made public at an earlier session of the National Executive Council meeting. It stated that blood libel charges leveled against Jews in medieval times still are being commemorated in ceremony or art in several Western European countries.

Legends alleging Jewish "ritual murder" of Christian children or profanation of holy wafers supposed to have bled or produced miracles continue to be propagated in several Spanish cities and towns and are associated with the annual festival of Lorenzo of Marostica near Vicenza in Italy, the report said.

While Catholic authorities have taken steps to eliminate or attenuate blood libel celebrations, requests to the Spanish Bishops Committee on Ecumenism to abolish the cults of Domingo del Val in Saragossa and of Nino de la Guardia, in the village of that name near Toledo have been unsuccessful, the report said. The objects of both cults are venerated as alleged victims of ritual murder.

The report noted that art works attributing ritual crimes to Jews are still on public view in the cathedral of St. Michael-St. Gudule in Brussels; in ceiling frescos in the Tyrol village of Judenstein; and in paintings in the church sanctuary in the Vienna suburb of Korneuberg. Jewish ritual crimes are depicted in a stained glass window in a Paris church chapel where children are taught their catechism, the report said.

TRIBUTE TO DANES FOR AIDING JEWS

NEW YORK, Oct. 29 (JTA)—A leading Israeli diplomat forecast "another Munich" if the nations of the world continue their "capitulation to the brutal threats and force" of the Arab and Soviet bloc. In an address commemorating the rescue of the Jewish community of Denmark by the Danish resistance movement 31 years ago this Oct., Israeli Consul General David Rivlin compared the global situation today with that of Europe in the 1930s and called upon the free nations to follow the "heroic example of Denmark" instead of that of the appeasers.

Rivlin spoke at a reception Sunday sponsored by Tribute to the Danes. The voluntary organization was established to express tangibly the gratitude of the world Jewish community for the courageous 1943 rescue action of the Danes. In a massive, secret, nationwide operation, the Danish people spirited 6000 Jews to Sweden, thus saving them from the Nazi death camps.

More than 100 people, including members of the Danish Parliament, UN delegation, former freedom fighters, veterans of the Warsaw ghetto battle and concentration camp survivors, were in the audience at the reception at the home of Dr. Leon A. and Mrs. Ruth Falik in New York City. Dr. Falik, president of Tribute, announced that since the organization was founded in 1969 more than 100 Danes—students, professors, journalists, scientists, educators, social workers and community leaders—went to Israel on scholarships, fellowships and for special conferences and study programs.

Remembering Friends Of The Jewish People

He added that Tribute's two-fold objectives are to strengthen relations between Israel and Denmark and to pass on to future generations the spiritual and ethical values demonstrated by the unparalleled Danish action, one which no other people matched. The Royal Government of Denmark was represented by Acting Royal Consul Gunnar Blaer who said that in 1943 his fellow citizens acted out of their regard for their fellow Danes and "a sense of outrage against injustice."

Rivlin, declaring that the Jewish people has a long memory, said that "just as we do not forget the foes who have singled out our people for oppression, torture, discrimination and extermination, we also remember our friends, the just among the nations." Noting that the large nations will have to pay a price as they did in World War II, Rivlin declared, "Today, it is Israel in the Middle East which is victimized by terror, aggression and powerful political and economic forces. Tomorrow, it may be any other state."

BUDAPEST (JTA)--Edward Ginsberg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, has ended a visit of several days here during which he discussed problems facing Hungarian Jews with Geza Seifert, chairman of the Hungarian Jewish community, and other local Jewish leaders. He also met with the Hungarian Secretary of State for Church Affairs. Ginsberg was accompanied by Samuel Haber, JDC executive vice-chairman.

WASHINGTON (JTA)—A community—wide condemnation of the United Nations recognition of terrorists as legitimate representatives" is being organized by the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington for the afternoon of Nov. 3 at the Lincoln Memorial in protest against participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the UN debate on the Palestine Question.