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PSYCHOLOGICAL HARPOONING OF KISSINGER SEEN IN APPROVAL OF REAGAN'S 'MORALITY IN FOREIGN POLICY' AMENDMENT TO REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

By Joseph Polakoff

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 18 (JTA)--The Republican National Convention's approval by voice vote early today of Ronald Reagan's "morality in foreign policy" amendment to the party's platform was generally regarded as a psychological harpooning of Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger which the Ford Administration felt it had to accept to avoid further hostility from Reagan supporters.

The platform itself as it came from the drafting committee was formally adopted by a voice vote without any debate. Loud opposition was voiced when Rep. John Rhodes, of Arizona, the Minority Leader in the House and chairman of the convention, called for a vote. Most of it seemed to come from the Reagan forces, but the basis for the opposition was not indicated.

On the Middle East and other matters of concern and interest to the Jewish community, unanimity appeared to prevail within the leadership of both the Ford and Reagan forces.

The convention earlier in the night rejected by ill votes the Reagan proposal to force Ford's announcement of a running mate prior to the Presidential selection process tonight. The White House strategists thus tried to placate their adversaries by a total surrender on the diplomacy issue without impairing their main goal--Ford's own nomination tonight.

This was virtually conceded by Presidential strategists when they told reporters the amendment was acceptable since, they rationalized, 90 percent of it was agreeable and the remaining 10 percent was not worth fighting for.

Kissinger's Diplomacy Under Attack

The speculation now is that Ford could explain all this to Kissinger and advise him that his tenure is as secure as ever. But, whether the Secretary would accept it in the same light was regarded as problematical.

Kissinger, who was scheduled to arrive here late today, will not be here until tomorrow. Other Cabinet members have been here since Sunday. His belated visit was set last week long before he knew the Administration would not contest the bitter attack on his diplomatic style. Although he has been a target for the Reagan forces for months, Kissinger was not personally named in the amendment.

The amendment concentrated on attacking current Soviet-American relations, including "detente" and the Helsinki accord and a "foreign policy in which secret agreements (are) hidden from our people." The Middle East was not mentioned either in the amendment itself or by the array of pro-amendment speakers that preceded its acceptance. However, Reagan's campaign manager, John Sears, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency Monday that the amendment did have implications bearing on the area.

The Sinai agreement Kissinger engineered between Egypt and Israel, the original U.S.-

Egyptian discussion on American nuclear equipment and the uncertainty of U.S. contacts with the PLO and the outlook for post-election tactics in the Mideast were noted here as incidents of the Kissinger style that has invoked criticism.

EGYPTIAN VIOLATIONS OF SINAI ACCORD VIEWED AS TECHNICAL ONES Defense Ministry Is Down-Playing Them

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Defense Ministry sources stressed last night that any Egyptian violation of the Sinai disengagement agreement is of a technical nature and Israel believes Egypt still wants to abide by the accord. Gen. Ensis Sillasvuo, commander of the United Nations forces in the Middle East, was due to return to Israel from Cairo today after discussing charges of Egyptian violations given him by Defense Minister Shimon Peres last week.

These violations include having 16 battalions in the Sinai, twice the number allowed by the agreement; helicopter fly-overs of the buffer zone for intelligence purposes; and the crossing of Bedouins from north to south, another action prohibited by the accord.

While the Defense Ministry is playing down the violations, political sources here see it in a more serious light if taken together with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's strongly-worded attack against Israel at the non-aligned conference in Colombo this week. Sadat said Israel should be given another lesson to rid it of its attitude of arrogance.

The political sources said that while Sadat's remarks can be seen as part of his campaign against Libyan President Muammar Qaddafi and Syrian President Hafez Assad, it may be that Sadat was responding to Israel's new confidence in its military strength following the Entebbe operation. They contend that Sadat may have felt it was necessary to threaten Israel while at the same time ordering violations of the Sinai agreement, an accord that is constantly under attack by Syria.

PERES DENIES ISRAELI NAVAL BLOCKADE OF LEBANESE PORTS

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Defense Minister Shimon Peres called in military correspondents last night to officially deny that Israel was carrying out a naval blockade of south Lebanese ports. What Israel had done, he stressed, was to increase its naval patrols to prevent the landing of terrorists and arms on the Israeli coast.

Peres' explanation was reportedly also given to Washington after the United States had asked what the Israeli navy was doing off the coast of Lebanon. The American query was in response to a note from the Soviet Union that made it clear to Washington that the USSR will not stand for a blockade of Lebanon by anyone. American and Soviet sources, who confirmed that the Soviets had sent the note, said that Moscow did not make any threat against Israel.

The Soviet action is believed to have been a

response to a call for aid from the Palestine Liberation Organization which is suffering from a lack of supplies, blaming this on an Israeli naval blockade. It was learned that PLO leader Yasser Arafat may go to Moscow soon to plead for material aid for his organization.

The USSR, while appearing to aid the PLO with its note to Washington, is also pouring arms into Syria whose troops are fighting the PLO in Lebanon. Syria is known to be getting new and sophisticated arms from the USSR, such as the latest Soviet tanks, airplanes and SCUD surface-to-surface missiles.

Defensive Measures Noted

Israeli sources note that the Soviet Union faces a dilemma over the Lebanese conflict. The USSR does not want a break with Syria in which she has invested so much. At the same time, it is trying to keep its obligations to the PLO since it has given that organization its support.

On the naval patrols, Israeli sources noted that Israel was preventing any terrorist penetration from the sea the same way it tries to prevent them by land. There was no question of preventing access to Lebanon and any ship that had been stopped by Israeli patrol boats was allowed to proceed to its destination.

Israeli sources have indicated that since June 1, the Israeli navy has stopped six vessels sailing to or from Lebanese ports. These boats either sent distress signals, had entered Israeli waters or were checked to make certain that they did not contain terrorists heading for Israel.

TRUDEAU NO STRANGER TO JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau, who will arrive with his wife in Israel at the end of the month as part of a private tour they are making of Europe and the Middle East, is not a stranger to Israel. Veteran journalists here recall that as a young man Trudeau visited Jerusalem and spent some time in an Old City detention cell. This happened in 1949, when he visited Israel and then went into Jordanian-occupied East Jerusalem.

Trudeau took a walk close to the armistice line, arousing the suspicions of Jordanian authorities. He was detained overnight in the old police station within the Old City walls. If, as expected, Trudeau stays at the King David Hotel during his current visit, he will not be too far away from the prison. And when he completes his visit to Israel, he will be going to Jordan.

WELCOME MAT FOR ISRAELI SAILORS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 18 (JTA)--The Yaffo and Tarshish, the two Israeli missile boats that represented Israel in the American Bicentennial celebration in New York July 4, returned to Haifa to be greeted by a warm welcome from the Israel navy and the friends and relatives of the 105 officers and sailors who made the trip.

The boats, in addition to participating in New York's Operation Sail, visited other ports and Washington, D.C. They reported warm welcomes by the Jewish community in each city they visited.

On their way back, the two Israeli ships stopped in the Azores for fuel and supplies. The request for the stopover was made to the Portuguese naval attaché in the United States who visited the two missile boats. Israeli sources believe that the granting of permission has political implications. The new Portuguese government has

hinted at establishing diplomatic relations with Israel.

HUSSEIN MEETS WITH HEBRON MAYOR

JERUSALEM, Aug. 18 (JTA)--King Hussein of Jordan met with Fahed Kawasme, the Mayor of Hebron, for the first meeting in many years between a West Bank leader and the Hashemite King. The meeting Sunday in Jordan was described by Arab experts in Jerusalem as an attempt by Hussein to open a dialogue with the new leadership of the West Bank which was elected earlier this year, and described so far as supporters of the PLO.

Kawasme asked Hussein to increase Jordan's financial aid for Hebron and encourage other Arab countries to do the same. The King reportedly expressed interest in the problems raised by the Hebron mayor and asked for details about the ongoing merchants' strike in the West Bank. Kawasme also met with Jordan Premier Mudar Badran.

DINITZ: ARABS KILLING ARABS

IN LEBANON SHOWS THAT ARABS

WOULD NOT HESITATE TO KILL JEWS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Simcha Dinitz, Israel's Ambassador to the United States, told delegates to the 62nd annual national convention of Hadassah at the Washington Hilton Hotel that the killing by Arabs of Arabs in Lebanon meant that Arabs would have "no hesitation" in killing Jews "if they only could."

Speaking at the same session, Joseph Sisco, former Undersecretary of State, declared that "the security and survival of Israel must be a non-negotiable premise of American foreign policy." Sisco, now president of the American University here, added that "this commitment to Israel transcends administrations."

He also said that as a global power, the interests of the United States "go beyond the Middle East" and "we do have to cultivate Arab friends." He added that, as former Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan once said, "The more friends the United States has among the Arabs, the more it will redound to Israel's interests."

Dinitz denounced countries which "even tried to find qualities of moderation" in the Palestine Liberation Organization, adding that others suggested that Israel should negotiate with the PLO "as if national suicide is an international obligation."

Israel Must Rely On Itself

Declaring that "this bubble is bursting" for "all the world to see," Dinitz observed that the PLO "policy of establishing a 'secular democratic state' for Christians, Moslems and Jews has gone up in flames in the ruins of Lebanon; and its real character as a coalition of murderers has been demonstrated in Athens, Entebbe, Istanbul, Munich and Maalot," sites of terrorist attacks on Israelis.

He said that "no one came to extinguish the flames in Lebanon" and that Israel "should never rely on anyone to come to fight for our life and survival in Israel. What we need are tools. We are quite capable of doing the job."

Reiterating that Israel would "pursue vigorously any possibility for peace" and that "no one needs to preach the virtues of peace to Israel," Dinitz warned that "any attempt to base Israel's security on components other than on negotiated,

secure and defensible boundaries is self-defeating."

He said that one of the lessons to learn from Israel's dramatic rescue of more than 100 hostages at the Entebbe Airport was that "the world must change its attitude toward international terrorism, blackmail and extortion if we are all to make it a safer place to live." Another lesson he said was that "no more will Jewish life be threatened anywhere in the world with impunity."

EGYPTIAN REPORTER COMPLAINS THAT GOP PLATFORM FAILS TO EXPRESS REAGAN'S VIEWS ON PALESTINIANS

By Joseph Polakoff

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Ronald Reagan's campaign manager John Sears answered a complaint of an Egyptian newspaperman today on why Reagan's previously expressed views on "Palestinians" are not included in the Republican plank on the Middle East by saying the GOP platform is a "party document as well as a candidate document."

Identifying himself as a correspondent for Cairo's influential daily, Al Ahram, the Egyptian reporter, Levon Keshishian, said to Sears at his news conference that "the Middle East plank does not reflect truly the public views of Reagan" because "in public statements he has time after time said that they should also speak to the Palestinians and not a single reference to Palestinians is found in that plank." The correspondent did not clarify whom he meant by "they."

Sears replied that "other positions taken by Reagan in the past" are "not quite included" in the platform. "You have to read the platform as a party document as well as a candidate document," he continued. "Therefore, smaller issues--I don't mean to say this is a smaller issue, it is not, but issues that are of a more particular variety than general--have to be taken into the context of whether the whole platform is a good document or not."

The Mideast plank makes no mention of "Palestinians" or "refugees." The drafting committee had included "parties" in its language regarding negotiations for a Middle East settlement but on reconsideration, the committee rejected "parties" and replaced it with "states" and "nations."

Plank Warmly Endorsed

Both Ford and Reagan delegates, including state delegation chairmen and platform committee members who were interviewed by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, warmly endorsed the plank. Of a dozen delegates from heavily pro-Reagan Rocky Mountain states, only one voiced objection. A Wyoming delegate felt the United States should "call the shots" about Israel because the U.S. gives her aid.

The JTA asked Sears to interpret the Ford leadership's decision not to oppose the "morality in foreign policy" amendment to the platform and whether dropping the fight indicated the Administration considered Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger as "expedient." Pointing out that Kissinger is not mentioned in the amendment, Sears said he thought the Ford people's decision was "more a matter of politics."

He noted that the Ford forces had won on rules regarding the early naming of Ford's Vice-Presidential nominee and they did not want to risk another roll call. Sears' remarks were in line with informed conjecture that this was actually the

thinking by the White House.

ANTI-BOYCOTT HEARING SPARKS CLASH

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Local Jewish groups collided yesterday with Port of Philadelphia interests over the best strategy to be used in combatting the Arab economic boycott of Israel. David Greig, a reporter for the Jewish Exponent, related that the dispute arose at public hearings on the Pennsylvania Free Commercial Association Act being conducted here by the Committee of Business and Commerce of the State House of Representatives. Similar hearings are slated Friday in Harrisburg and next Tuesday in Erie.

The proposed legislation would outlaw coercive or discriminatory business practices and would provide sanctions and provisions for damages. Similar legislation has already been passed in six other states.

Testifying on behalf of the bill were representatives from the Pennsylvania Regional Advisory Board of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith; the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Philadelphia; the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Jewish Congress; Brith Shalom; and the Metropolitan Christian Council, a coalition of Protestant and Orthodox denominations in southeast Pennsylvania.

Differing Opinions Aired

The Delaware River Port Authority, the International Longshoremen's Association, Philadelphia Port Corp. and the Port Committee of the Delaware Valley Council opposed the measure. Both the Jewish groups and the Port interests agreed that federal legislation was the best method of combatting the Arab boycott.

However, the Jewish groups maintained that state legislation, in addition to being an effective anti-boycott tool in its own right, would also force Congress to move on the issue. The Port interests contended that such legislation would cost the Port of Philadelphia business to ports in states without such laws.

In response to the testimony from the Longshoremen's union, State Rep. Charles Laughlin (D.) pointed out that the longshoremen had united to prevent the shipment of grain to the Soviet Union. If they could do that, he said, they could similarly get together and prevent the transfer of business from port to port as anti-boycott legislation is enacted by various states.

At the conclusion of the hearings, Committee Chairman Reid L. Bennett noted that he would raise the issue of all 50 states introducing anti-boycott measures at the meeting of the National Conference of State Legislators Aug. 30-31 in Kansas City. Similar legislation has been introduced in the State Senate but no hearings have yet been held and none are scheduled.

TEL AVIV (JTA)--Two Israeli yachtsmen, Shimon Bruckman and Eytan Friedlaender, of Sdot Yam, have won the European championship in the 420-class boat contest held in Dublin. The six-course race was held last week with the winners being decided on Saturday. Two French teams were second and third in the race. It is the first time Israel won the European championship in this class. In another sports development, the Israeli girls basketball team lost 96-36 to the Czech team in the first European championship for cadets (up to age of 17) held in Poland.

A NEW JEWISH EXPERIMENT: THE WORLD FUND-RAISING COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (JTA)--"Twenty-eight years of working towards the ingathering of the Jewish people have broadened my view that Israel really numbers all 15 million Jewish people," said Paul Zuckerman, president of the United Jewish Appeal and chairman of the World Fund-Raising Committee of the Reconstructed Jewish Agency for Israel.

Upon his return from Jerusalem, Zuckerman termed his meetings for the World Fund-Raising Committee as "a post-graduate course in Judaism." Each country's Jewish population has a character and a temperament of its own, Zuckerman explained. "But our common love and respect for the people of Israel has enriched our lives and given us new stature in the world."

Emphasizing the primacy of the Jewish Agency and the Keren Hayesod, the world committee issued an appeal to world Jewry to increase the fund-raising as well as educational programs and to avoid duplication of efforts or overlapping that leads to diversity in fund-raising, Zuckerman reported upon his return.

Cross-Fertilization Of Effort

According to Zuckerman, the World Fund-Raising Committee is structured on interchange. He calls it "a cross-fertilization of effort." The "cross-fertilization" scheme includes an interchange of campaign materials and speakers. While by no means denying the capacities of public appeal of Israeli speakers, Zuckerman pointed out that if Baron Rothschild came to America to talk about Jewish issues, the very pride that a man of his standing in the world takes in his Jewishness is as effective and impressive as any statement by the best Israeli speaker.

Zuckerman said he does not see America's involvement with Israel as a one-way street. "I believe that Israel as the only democracy in the Middle East is very important to us," he stated, pointing out that "any aid which we give to the people of Israel is not merely a token by a large democracy to a small society, but also an expression of a vested interest in perpetuating a democracy."

In this context, Zuckerman welcomed the warning by Jimmy Carter to the oil countries that if they put embargos against America, the U.S. will respond by putting embargos against them. "I think it's always better to warn a man before the fact than to punish him afterwards," Zuckerman commented.

FOLK SONG ON ENTEBBE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (JTA)--Joe Glazer, a popular folk song artist specializing in trade union ballads, was so inspired by Israel's rescue of more than 100 hostages at Entebbe Airport that he decided to commemorate the event in a folk song. Hours after the news of the heroic rescue flashed across radio and television, Glazer and four colleagues--"my mountain music chaverim" as he describes them--were recording the first song commemorating the Israeli exploit.

One stanza is: "My friends, you should have seen/The face on General Amin/When he heard the hostages were flying home/He ranted and he roared/But they were safe aboard.../Goodbye Uganda--Israel Shalom/Hey! Hey!/Goodbye Uganda--Israel Shalom!" ((C) 1976 Collector Records).

Another stanza states: "It was early Sunday

morning. Without a word of warning/Those big Israeli birds swooped from the sky. A hundred years from now/I bet they'll still be telling how/That deed was done the Fourth Day of July." ((C) Collector Records, 8422 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Md. 20015)

An Event For The Ages

"Entebbe was an event for the ages. They're rushing out books and movies on it. A song completes the cycle," Glazer said. Glazer, 58, has been writing and recording songs of social commentary for 25 years with 15 albums to his credit. He can barely read music. His musical education was seven guitar lessons and--as he recounts it--"forced labor in a synagogue choir when I was a kid growing up in Brooklyn. I resented the afternoon rehearsals when my pals were out playing ball." But it got him into singing and composing.

The labor movement, which he joined as an educational director, first for the textile union and later the United Rubber Workers, started him on "those songs of social significance." His book "Songs of Work and Protest," co-authored with folklorist Edith Fowke, has been praised as the best in this field.

"Entebbe was my kind of moon-June song inspiration," says Glazer. "Where could you get a bigger dose of inspiration than a fantastic 2500-mile Jewish rescue? On the fourth of July yet!"

TEACHERS CALL FOR ANNULMENT OF UN ANTI-ZIONIST RESOLUTION

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (JTA)--The American Jewish Committee today congratulated the World Confederation of Organizations of the Teaching Profession, an organization of teachers from nearly 80 nations around the world, on its recent resolution calling for "the immediate abrogation" of the United Nations resolution of last November which equated Zionism with racism.

Bertram H. Gold, executive vice-president of the AJC Committee, said: "It is indeed heartening that this eloquent resolution passed without opposition and with only 16 abstentions. Every American must hope that the United Nations will understand the vital importance of this expression of concern by teachers throughout the world."

The teachers' resolution was passed during the 25th annual assembly of the World Confederation held last week at the Statler Hilton Hotel, in conjunction with the National Education Association. It expressed the assembly's "indignation" at the UN statement which, it said, "in formulating a definition of Zionism, equated the struggle of the Jewish people for the respect of their rights as a nation to a form of racism, risking thereby an aggravation of the situation in the Middle East and justifying the continuation of the conflict."

UNITED NATIONS (JTA)--Ambassador Dov Schmorak, permanent member of Israel's UN Mission, has returned from a visit to several South American countries where he discussed the Middle East situation with the Foreign Ministers of Guatemala, Salvador, Costa Rica, Panama and Mexico. In his talks, Schmorak presented Israel's expectations from these countries in the upcoming General Assembly and other international forums. The issues of the Middle East and the "Palestinian Question" are high on the agenda of the Assembly.