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## CARTER, IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS, FOCUSES ON WORLD FREEDOM, PEACE

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- Jimmy Carter became the 39th President of the United States today. In his inaugural address on the Capitol steps he pledged a strong America that will demonstrate "that our democratic system is worthy of emulation." He said that "Because we are free we can never be indifferent to the fate of freedom elsewhere" and that "our moral sense dictates a clear cut preference for those societies which share with us an abiding respect for individual human rights."

President Carter observed that "The world is still engaged in a massive armaments race" and pledged "perseverance and wisdom in our efforts to limit the world's armaments to those necessary for each nation's own domestic safety. We will move this year a step toward our ultimate goal -- the elimination of all nuclear weapons from this earth."

Carter addressed the entire world in a special pre-recorded message that was beamed via satellite to 70 countries in 36 languages following his inaugural speech. In it he said, "I want to assure you that the relations of the United States with the other countries and peoples of the world will be guided during our administration by our desire to shape a world order that is more responsive to human aspirations. The United States will meet its obligations to help create a stable, just and peaceful world order," he said. "We will not seek to dominate or dictate to others."

He said the U.S. now has "a more mature perspective on the problems of the world" and recognizes "the fact that we alone do not have all the answers to the world's problems." He concluded his message abroad by saying that "As friends you can depend on the United States to be in the forefront of the search for world peace. You can depend on the United States to remain steadfast in its commitment to human freedom and liberty. And you can also depend on the United States to be sensitive to your own concerns and aspirations, to welcome your advice, to do its utmost to resolve international differences in a spirit of cooperation."

### Quotes From Prophet Micah

Carter took the oath of office on a Bible given him a few years ago by his mother. In his address he opened it "to a timeless admonition from the ancient prophet, Micah: 'He hath showed thee, O man, what is good and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God,' (Micah 6:8)

He said in the course of his inaugural speech that "To be true to ourselves, we must be true to others. We will not behave in foreign places so as to violate our rules and standards here at home, for we know that the trust which our nation earns is essential to our

strength. The world itself is now dominated by a new spirit. Peoples more numerous and more politically aware are craving and now demanding their place in the sun -- not just for the benefit of their own physical condition, but for basic human rights."

The inaugural ceremonies were opened with an invocation delivered by United Methodist Bishop William Cannon of Atlanta who called for prayer to the God "who we all call by different names." The benediction was by the Roman Catholic Archbishop John Roach of Minneapolis.

For the first time since the inauguration of President Harry S. Truman in 1949 no rabbi or priest of the Greek Orthodox Church participated in the ceremonials. The ceremony closed with the singing of The Star Spangled Banner by Cantor Isaac Goodfriend, of Congregation Ahavath Achim in Atlanta, a Holocaust survivor.

### Concern Modified Over Absence Of Rabbi

Commenting in New York on the inaugural service, Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, American Jewish Committee interreligious affairs director, who previously had criticized the absence of a rabbi from the service, said he felt his concern over that absence had been "somewhat modified" by the fact that Roach "had the wisdom and the sensitivity to acknowledge he was addressing the pluralistic audiences of America."

Tanenbaum added that Roach "delivered a very sensitive and universal prayer without invoking any special Christian liturgical formulae."

Tanenbaum commented that it was "an honor" to have a cantor participate but added it was nevertheless "a nationalistic act, an expression of patriotism which is worthy in itself but is not an act of the Jewish religious community expressing itself on peer terms with its Christian neighbors."

He added his "concern" that the Carter inaugural arrangement, "not be allowed to become established as a model for future public ceremonies of this importance. Such a model of excluding Jews from a peer position with their Christian neighbors could have negative consequences for the place of Jews in America's pluralistic society, which is the keystone of our democracy."

### RABIN EXPRESSES APPRECIATION OF FORD'S, KISSINGER'S CONTRIBUTIONS

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- Premier Yitzhak Rabin was on the telephone for seven minutes yesterday with President Ford in an exchange of good wishes. The outgoing President spent his last day in the White House making calls to key world leaders. He told Rabin he would like to visit Israel in the near future. Rabin had extended an invitation in a letter to Ford in which he thanked him for his assistance and friendship for Israel. In

their conversation, Ford said, "I am acquainted with the will and leadership you have shown for the good of the region and of Israel and will continue to work to support what we have done together for the interests of our countries and people of the world." Rabin reiterated his appreciation of Ford's contribution to Israel's security and Middle East peace. "Our activities contributed much to improve the chances for a movement toward peace and increased stability in our region," Rabin said.

Earlier Rabin cabled a message to outgoing Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger in which he expressed the hope that he and Mrs. Rabin may soon play host to Dr. and Mrs. Kissinger in Israel. "Our acquaintance is too long and significant to use a formal style," Rabin said. He described the Kissinger era in the State Department as a fateful period for the U.S. and the entire world.

"When you depart from your desk at the State Department you may derive satisfaction from knowing that you are leaving the international arena at a somewhat better stage than which you found it when you assumed office," Rabin said. "During our long sessions, both personal and official, we have not always seen eye-to-eye but I am sure that we have always understood each other." Rabin added that he was aware how much Kissinger contributed to strengthening Israel in those areas where it is now stronger than before.

#### THE POLITICAL POT IS BUBBLING

By Yitzhak Shargil and Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- Israel's political pot is bubbling vigorously these days as the various factions and new movements prepare for the May 17th elections. Reports and rumors abound of new alignments, possible mergers, defections and reconciliations among office-seekers and the strains are already showing.

The Labor Party suffered another jolt yesterday when Dr. Yizrael Katz, former head of the National Insurance Institute, resigned and joined Prof. Yigal Yadin's new Democratic Movement for Change. Katz, who once headed a special commission set up by Premier Yitzhak Rabin to tackle the problem of children of underprivileged families, delivered a parting shot. He charged that the Labor Party lacks social leadership and said its failure to adopt his commission's recommendations was a severe disappointment.

Yadin's group, which seems to be attracting poor urban dwellers, is having internal difficulties of its own. The affiliation with it of Shmuel Tamir, of the Free Center faction, a former constituent of Likud, and Tamir's colleague, Akiva Nof, troubles some of Yadin's original supporters who view the move as a shift to the right. They want to balance Tamir by merging with the leftist Civil Rights Party but so far the CRP is ignoring all overtures.

Before joining Yadin's movement Tamir and Nof announced their resignations from the Knesset. Yadin, who attended a press conference by Tamir, termed the resignations unprecedented in the country's political life.

#### Shlomzion Seems Bugged Down

Meanwhile, Gen. Ariel Sharon whose new Shlomzion movement is having difficulty getting off the ground, had a meeting at his

Rehovoth home with a key figure of Likud. This gave rise to rumors that the Yom Kippur War hero may re-join Likud which he quit last year to form his own movement. But Sharon denied this and one of his supporters, Prof. Ezra Zohar, said there was little chance that Shlomzion would merge with Likud after the elections.

Stress and strain is evident in the National Religious Party where former Interior Minister Yosef Burg is trying to form an alignment with the NRP's "young guard" and religious settlement movement headed by former Welfare Minister Zevulun Hammer and Yehuda Ben Meir. If he succeeds it would isolate former Religious Affairs Minister Yitzhak Rafael. The latter has indicated that if he is given a low spot on the NRP's election list he would quit the party and run on a list of his own.

Labor, meanwhile, is trying to prevent a similar split by Rabbi Menahem Hacohen who is thinking of running for the Knesset on a separate religious workers list. Both Rabin and Defense Minister Shimon Peres have met with Hacohen to try to convince him to remain in Labor ranks. Labor's moment of truth will arrive at its convention next month when the party must decide whether to rally under the leadership of Rabin or switch to Peres.

#### 700 TEENAGERS TALK WITH GOLDA

ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 20 (JTA) -- More than 700 teenagers from the St. Paul-Minneapolis area shared the unique experience of talking with former Israeli Premier Golda Meir by international telephone hook-up at the St. Paul Jewish Community Center this week. In a 25-minute conversation, Mrs. Meir answered questions asked by the young people, delivered her personal message and was saluted by the teenagers who sang three Hebrew folk songs.

The call was arranged by two St. Paul teenagers who wrote to Mrs. Meir last October. "We cannot bring you here. We cannot go to Israel this year. But if we could hear your or listen to you on the phone, we promise to do our best to reach out to every single Jewish youth in the Twin Cities, have them meet in a big room and listen to you. Can you do it? Tell us the time and day." The youngsters, Fabi Cheistwer, 16, and Tony Horwitz, 17, were answered last month and the "Day With Golda" plans were set in motion.

The call was placed to Kibbutz Revivim where Golda answered four questions and delivered her "message." Her words were piped through the Center's sound system. In response to the first question, she said Israel will never negotiate with terrorists because "their purpose is to destroy Israel." She added that her country always is ready to negotiate with legitimate governments but will not "compromise" by talking with terrorists.

#### Soviet Dropout Issue

Asked how she felt about Soviet Jews who go to the U.S. rather than Israel after finally getting out of the USSR, Mrs. Meir stated that the only objection is that it inhibits the chances of others leaving to come to

Israel, because only so many can get permission to leave. She commented that she is "happy when any Jew can get out of Russia."

A third question was "Do you think Israel should resign from the UN?" Mrs. Meir said she did not think so, but added, "I think there are many countries in the UN which think we should resign." Questioned about her thinking on how the change from a Ford to a Carter Administration will affect Israel, Mrs. Meir said her country always has had good relations with the U.S. and there is no reason to think that Carter's Administration will be any different.

In her final message to the packed crowd in the JCC auditorium, Mrs. Meir advocated, "Be Jews. That's the first thing. Know who you are. Know the history. Know that the Jewish people and the Jewish faith are one. We can't be without you, and I say you can't be without us... This is my message, and I love you."

#### **KATZIR HOPES MANY MACCABIAH GAMES PARTICIPANTS WILL RETURN AS OLIM**

JERUSALEM, Jan. 20, (JTA) -- President Ephraim Katzir told the International Maccabiah Games Committee IMGC delegates from 17 countries attending a week-long conference in Israel that he hopes many of the 2,000 Jewish athletes who will appear in the 10th Maccabiah Games in Israel July 12-21 "will return to us as new immigrants in the not too distant future."

Katzir, who hosted the delegation at a reception in the Presidential Residence, also told them "That we are grateful for your help and involvement in this great set of international Jewish games." Later, at a Knesset luncheon, Avraham Katz, chairman of the Knesset committee on education, culture and sports, told them that "the past Maccabiads have been inspiring events and have served as an encouraging factor for the promotion of aliya to our homeland."

Culture and Education Minister Aharon Yadin told the group that "It is our fondest hope and expectation that this country of ours belongs to all Jews wherever they are and the Maccabiah Games symbolize our people." Noting that questions are constantly raised about whether Jews are a race, religion or culture, Yadin said: "We are a unique people.... We are a universal people in all cultures throughout the world." He added that "Israel is a wonderful country if you do not read the newspapers. We have faults besides miracles and achievements. We are trying to cope with our mistakes."

#### **Problems Facing Jewish Youth**

The problems facing Jewish youth in many parts of the world today was a subject of discussion during a meeting of the delegation at the Maccabiah village. Dr. Israel Peled, chairman of the Maccabi World Executive, said that Jewish communities abroad, especially in South America and to some extent South Africa, find themselves involved in a crisis that may not have any direct connection with Jewish issues but could, nevertheless, hurt the Jewish community.

He urged the training cadres of youth leaders and Jewish leadership generally. He reported that because of its non-partisan nature, the

Maccabi movement has become a center of Jewish activities in many countries where Maccabi clubs have been transformed into communal centers where Jewish youths can find their identity in the Jewish spirit and heritage.

Peled reported that efforts are being made, in cooperation with other organizations, to bring teams from Cuba, Iran and Turkey and from several Eastern European countries to Israel for the Maccabiah next summer.

The IMGC elected Robert Rosenberg, of Manhasset, L.I., past president of the United States Committee Sports for Israel to be chairman of finance for the 1977 Maccabiah. Alan Sherman, of Washington, D.C., was elected co-chairman of the Sports Committee. William Steerman was appointed to the Accommodations Committee and Haskell Cohen to the press, television and media committee. Cohen is the sports columnist for the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. The IMGC will convene in New York to work out final plans for next summer's games.

#### **ISRAEL BOND LEADERS TO MEET WITH RABIN ON ECONOMIC NEEDS IN 1977**

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- A delegation of 300 top community leaders from the United States and Canada will leave for Israel Jan. 25 to take part in a high level conference with Premier Yitzhak Rabin and other government leaders on Israel's economic needs for 1977.

The conference, which will consist of a week of sessions on the country's political, defense, and economic situation, will officially launch the 1977 worldwide campaign for the sale of Israel Bonds. In addition to meeting with Cabinet members and economic experts, the Israel Bond leaders will participate in the opening celebration of the 10th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem, which will be observed this year by Israel and Jews throughout the world.

As a dramatic example of Israel's determined efforts to expand its sources of energy, the conference participants will take part in a special ceremony marking the beginning of construction of a giant electric power station at Hadera, which will be the largest installation of its kind in the country.

The Prime Minister's Israel Bond Conference will be followed by a national top leadership inaugural dinner with Moshe Dayan, former Minister of Defense, in Miami on Saturday evening, Feb. 19 and an official 1977 campaign opening event in Miami March 6.

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MEXICO CITY (JTA) -- The Mexican government today appointed Licenciado Roberto Casellas Leal as the new ambassador to Israel. He has served in diplomatic posts in Nicaragua and various European and Latin American countries. Meanwhile, in an unrelated development, the American film, "Victory at Entebbe," is being shown in seven cinemas here to great success and without any incidents.

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AMSTERDAM (JTA) -- Dick Houwaart, a 47-year-old journalist, has been appointed new chairman of the Anne Frank Foundation.

**SPECIAL INTERVIEW****ISRAEL NEEDS ALIYA**

By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- Ehud Avriel, Israel's Consul General in Chicago, believes that Israel should tell American Jews simply and directly that the Jewish State needs aliya now more than anything else and that the tasks and challenges facing Israel are too many to be fulfilled by the people of Israel alone.

In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency while visiting New York, the 59-year-old veteran diplomat, who assumed his post in Chicago two years ago, said: "For many years Israel did not present to American Jewry the need for more people to help us build the country and develop Israeli society. We approached American Jewry only with regard to financial matters. We were careful not to mention the word aliya and up to the present time we do not say clearly that we need the support of American Jews in terms of aliya."

Avriel contended that any Jew who considers himself a Zionist "must understand that his personal involvement in the building of Israel is a must. The State of Israel is not yet standing on a solid ground. The tasks are numerous and I believe that if we make this clear the response of the American Jewish community will be one of understanding." Israeli representatives in the United States and elsewhere, Avriel asserted, must be identified completely with the "Zionist solution" which, he said, means aliya to Israel.

**Financial Contributions Are Important**

But Avriel, a kibbutz member who was a key figure in the pre-State arms procurement organization and who served in numerous diplomatic posts, most recently as Israel's ambassador to Italy, said he does not discount the financial support given to Israel by American Jewry. "Contributions to Israel are important not only because of the financial aspect but also because of the fact that any contributor, by the act of giving money, creates a personal contact with Israel and gets involved in the Jewish community where he lives," he said.

According to Avriel, Israel can be a special answer for American Jewish youth who seek new meaning and new challenges in their lives. "Israeli society can give young American Jews the feeling that with their activity they can shape the society they live in," he stated. "Israeli society, unlike American society, is in a process of development and formation, and American youngsters can take part in its molding and future."

During the 1960s Avriel was identified with the Rafi faction of the Labor Party then headed by former Premier David Ben Gurion. Recently Avriel announced that he joined Yigal Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change. He said, however, that he has not yet reached a decision whether he would leave the Foreign Ministry to run for office on Yadin's list in the May 17 Israeli general election.

**CHURCH: HUMAN RIGHTS AND FOREIGN POLICY ARE NOT SEPARABLE**

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- A United States foreign policy that ignores the invasion of human rights abroad will ultimately endanger civil liberties here at home, Sen. Frank Church

(D. Idaho) warned here at the Annual Dinner of the Jewish Community Relations Council. He told the more than 400 persons at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel that the U.S. government must use its foreign policy to aid the struggle of Soviet Jews "because we cannot resign from the human race and say that these problems are not our own."

In accepting JCRC's seventh annual Jules Cohen Memorial Award, the Senator issued a strong call for support of Israel -- "not only because it is the proper moral thing to do but because it is in the best strategic interests of the U.S." He added that the French release of Abu Daoud illustrates that "there is no redemption, no goodwill and no sense in selling our souls for Mid-East oil."

Church said the terrorist's release by France "will only expand the web of terrorism that has so far claimed the lives of Israeli athletes, the life of an American ambassador, and resulted in human tragedies that can only fan emotions in the Middle East."

Church called on the Soviet Union to honor the pledges it made by signing the Helsinki Accord by allowing religious freedom and the free emigration of Soviet Jews. "Human rights must be interwoven with all other considerations. I define human rights in universal terms. We must recognize that human rights abroad, wherever they are in trouble, cannot be ignored, especially if they are to be protected at home."

**BRONFMAN TO HEAD MAJOR UJA PROJECT**

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (JTA) -- Edgar M. Bronfman, chairman and chief executive officer of the Seagram Company Ltd., will lead a group of liquor industry executives on a week-long study tour of Israel sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal. Frank R. Lautenberg, UJA general chairman, announced that the first UJA National Liquor Industry Mission will depart from New York March 6 and return March 13.

The focus of the mission is on in-depth study of the present political, military, economic and humanitarian situation in Israel and will include meetings with key government and Jewish Agency officials and home visits with private Israeli families. Membership in the program is open to executives in the American liquor, beer and wine industries, including distillers, bottlers, wholesalers, distributors and retailers.

This is the second time in recent history that the UJA has sponsored an industry-wide mission on a national basis. A similar program for metals industry executives in February, 1975, proved to be a strong incentive to fundraising both within the industry and in the home communities of participants, Lautenberg said.

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JERUSALEM (JTA) -- Prof. Yehoshafat Harkabi, a noted Mideast researcher, will become Premier Yitzhak Rabin's adviser on intelligence on Feb. 1. Harkabi, who served as chief of army intelligence in the 50s, has since embarked on an academic career and wrote several books analyzing the Israeli-Arab conflict. For a short time he served as adviser to Defense Minister Shimon Peres. He replaces Rehavam Zeevi.