

## **WEIZMAN WARNS ISRAEL WILL REACT SWIFTLY AGAINST TERROR ACTIVITIES** By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7 (JTA)--The Katyusha rocket attack that killed two Israelis in Nahariya yesterday has shifted national attention from economic problems to those of security. Defense Minister Ezer Weizman warned last night that Israeli forces would react swiftly and decisively against any flareup of terrorist activity along the Lebanese border. Weizman, accompanied by Chief of Staff Gen. Mordechai Gur and the commander of the northern district, paid condolence calls on the bereaved families of Louis Levy and Shmuel Mintz, the victims of the Katyusha barrage.

The army determined that Ras A-Naqoura, a Lebanese village just north of the border on the Mediterranean coast, was the launching point for the attack on Nahariya. Israeli sources said the village was evacuated by its civilian population some time ago and is in the hands of terrorists who control the coast road from Beirut to the Israel border.

Israeli forces opened a retaliatory artillery barrage against the terrorist stronghold at 9 p.m. last night, some five hours after the attack on Nahariya. The delay was attributed to Israel's reluctance to precipitate a new round of fighting while negotiations with Lebanese authorities continue.

### **Army Exercising Restraint**

Israeli and Lebanese army officers have been meeting at regular intervals to work out plans for a Lebanese army take-over of terrorist strongpoints in south Lebanon as required by the terms of the Sept. 26 cease-fire. Israeli units along the border are under orders to exercise utmost restraint in the hope that the Lebanese will be able to prevail upon the terrorists to pull out of their positions.

There is an extremist element among the Palestinians that has been defying the cease-fire. They are abetted by PLO chieftain Yasir Arafat who declared in Sidon yesterday that Palestinian forces will not withdraw because that would mean surrender to the Israelis. So far, the rehabilitated Lebanese regular army has not made its appearance in south Lebanon.

The attack on Nahariya was justified by the terrorists on grounds that Israeli artillery shelled the Moslem stronghold of Nabatiyeh in southern Lebanon three days ago in support of Christian forces. Israel has denied intervening in the latest Moslem-Christian fighting.

Meanwhile, sporadic terrorist acts continued inside Israel. A small bomb exploded in a trash bin in the Petach Tikva central bus terminal this morning. There were no casualties.

### **ISRAEL TO ABIDE BY UN EMBARGO ON MILITARY SALES TO SOUTH AFRICA**

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7 (JTA)--A Foreign Ministry spokesman said today that Israel will not violate the embargo on arms and ammunition sales to South Africa voted by the UN Security Council last week. He said, in a briefing for foreign newsmen here, that Israel has open relations with South Africa and would honor the decisions of international

bodies "just like other countries." He added that although Israel opposed apartheid it would not interfere in South Africa's internal affairs.

Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said much the same thing last night when asked by a group of visiting American college presidents if it was worthwhile for Israel to maintain close relations with South Africa in view of President Carter's strong condemnation of that country's racial policies.

"It is not the business of the President of the United States whom we have for friends so long as we are within the law," Dayan said. He said Israel's relations with South Africa were "above board" and while Israel has said publicly it opposes apartheid, that has nothing to do with commercial relations.

The American college presidents represent schools in the New York State University (SUNY) system and the New York City University (CUNY). They are here on a study mission and have signed student exchange agreements with seven Israeli universities. There are presently 250 students from SUNY and CUNY studying in Israel.

## **DISMISSAL PROCEEDING ORDERED AGAINST GERMAN ARMY MEN INVOLVED IN SYMBOLIC 'JEW BURNING' INCIDENT**

By Jon Fedler

BONN, Nov. 7 (JTA)--West German Defense Minister Georg Leber has ordered "dismissal proceedings" against 11 Munich officer trainees who participated in a symbolic "Jew burning" at an army academy last February. The State Prosecutor has also been asked to consider charges against them for breach of laws forbidding incitement against particular population groups, use of banned symbols and insignia, and defamation of deceased persons.

Disciplinary inquiries are also being instituted against three of their superior officers who are charged with failure to report the incident to the Defense Ministry as required under army regulations.

Condemning the acts, Leber said in an interview that he had no wish to be in charge of soldiers who "even symbolically burn people, and I do not wish to lead people who observe such things without taking action." But the Minister said there was less extremism percentage-wise in the army than among the central population.

He also reported that inquiries into the February incident showed no evidence that those involved were prompted by a "Nazi-Fascist outlook." Instead, he blamed their parents and schools for making them "inadequately conscious of the past and the conclusions to be drawn from it."

### **PROSECUTOR DEMANDS LIFE SENTENCE FOR FORMER MEMBER OF THE NAZI SS**

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Public Prosecutor Frans Habermehl demanded a life sentence today for Dutch millionaire Pieter Menten accused of complicity in the killing of at least 160 persons, mostly Jews, in Podhorodze and Urcze villages in the Lemberg region of Poland in July and August, 1941. Menten was then serving in a Nazi SS unit.

Habermehl said that the evidence against the 78-year-old art dealer was incontrovertible. He noted that he was present last spring when the

remains of the victims were exhumed at the villages which are now in the Soviet Ukraine. Most were women and children.

The Menten trial began last May, was adjourned during the summer and resumed three weeks ago. Witnesses from several countries including Israel, Sweden, West Germany and the U.S. supported testimony from Poland and the Soviet Union that Menten played a leading part in the mass killings.

The prosecutor said he did not call for the death penalty, allowable under Holland's special war crimes legislation, because so much time has passed since the killings. He suggested that Menten's motives were less anti-Semitism than a lust for power and money. He also recommended that Menten's art collection, seized by the authorities last year, be returned to him because it is unconnected with the present charges. A verdict in the case is expected by Dec. 14.

#### **EBAN, CALLAGHAN DISCUSS MIDEAST**

By Maurice Samuelson

LONDON, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Former Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban met with Prime Minister James Callaghan today for a brief, private and informal talk about the Middle East. Eban was expected to express his own confidence in the foreign policy being conducted by the Likud government under Premier Menachem Begin and Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan.

Eban's meeting with Callaghan follows his discussions with members of the Carter Administration in the United States. Yesterday, Eban confirmed to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency a New York Times report that Zbigniew Brzezinski, President Carter's National Security Advisor, had recently discussed with him Brzezinski's plan for a Benelux-type economic community embracing Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Egypt and a semi-autonomous Palestinian West Bank region.

(According to Times columnist C.L. Sulzberger, Brzezinski outlined his "complex blueprint" to both Eban and Yigael Yadin, leader of the Democratic Movement for Change (DMC) who is now Israel's Deputy Premier, and believes that if it is accepted "immediate tensions could be alleviated." Sulzberger reported that "should this crucial change occur--and as a consequence, once the Middle East started to retreat from existing tensions--Mr. Brzezinski seems persuaded that a fairly rapid psychological and political improvement in the situation might be anticipated.

("His hope is to shift the former Palestinian battleground for which Arabs and Jews have contended in four wars into what he envisions as 'a Switzerland of the Middle East' meaning a region of more than one people, more than one religion, more than one language, living in a kind of loose confederation. The West Bank would be politically associated with Jordan and economically associated with Israel.")

#### **Likud Government Viewed As More Flexible**

Eban also told the JTA that in Washington the Likud government is regarded as more flexible than its predecessor. Talking about his present standing in relation to the Begin government, Eban said that he had been asked to help during the post-election "emergency" by going to the United States to explain the government's stand. However, he said there was no possibility of him quitting the Labor Party as Dayan had done. Nor did he favor Labor joining a government of national unity with Likud.

#### **Eban Sees Kissinger Vindicated**

Talking about his forthcoming memoirs, he said it would vindicate the role of former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in securing the emergency arms airlift to Israel during the Yom Kippur War. Former President Nixon has claimed that Kissinger wanted to delay the arms lift. But Kissinger will emerge as a proponent of it in Eban's book.

Eban told the JTA that he will also present new material about the guarantees which the United States gave Israel in exchange for its withdrawal from Sinai after the Sinai campaign in 1956. This will shed further light on the diplomatic background to the Six-Day War, Eban said.

In the chapters dealing with the post-Six-Day War period, Eban will claim that an opportunity for an interim settlement with Egypt was missed in 1971 during President Anwar Sadat's first year in office. Dayan, then Defense Minister, was in favor of a partial settlement. It was opposed by Premier Golda Meir and the Israeli General Staff. However, in Eban's view, it might have been achieved if Dayan had been more tenacious in pursuit of it. In Britain, Eban's book is to be published by Weidenfeld and Nicolson and extracts will be serialized in the Sunday Times.

#### **RADIO INTERVIEW WITH NAZI TOUCHES OFF A DEMONSTRATION**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7 (JTA)--The son of a survivor of a Nazi death camp conducted a two-hour interview with a self-proclaimed Nazi on the American University campus radio last night. The program, on WAMU-AM, touched off an anti-Nazi demonstration by a number of Jewish and non-Jewish students, some of whom broke down the door and invaded the studio during the broadcast. However, there were no injuries and no arrests, a university official told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today.

David Adler, of Wilmington, Del., a sophomore studying communications, told the JTA that he invited Harold Mantius, an organizer of the National Socialist White People's Party of Arlington, Va. to the studio in order to "wake people up against the potential threat of Nazism in America."

Adler said that his father, who died five weeks ago, had lost his entire family in Nazi death camps. "Jews must realize this threat but they do not and non-Jewish groups don't either," said the youth who hosts the campus radio talk show. He said he had asked the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Knights of Columbus to send representatives to reply to the Nazi, but they all refused on grounds that to do so would give the Nazis publicity.

University authorities said they permitted the interview in the "interests of free speech." It had been postponed for a week because of Jewish student protests and was limited to the campus radio. The demonstrators consisted of about 40 students, among them "a sprinkling of Blacks," who belong to a group called "The Committee Against Racism."

Lindsay Miller, the advisor to the university's Jewish Student Association, said some non-Jewish students joined the protest because "they saw it not as a strictly Jewish event but a true protest against Nazism." However, another group of about 50 Jewish students, marched peacefully with candles and then went to a student center to discuss how

best to combat Nazism and educate the public to its threat, the university official said. The university has some 12,000 students, of whom an estimated 25 percent are Jewish.

#### LIKUD, LABOR CONFRONTATION AT THE HISTADRUT CONVENTION

By Gil Sedan and Yitzhak Shargil

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7 (JTA)--The 23rd convention of Histadrut opened here tonight and immediately took on the aspects of a battleground between Labor and Likud over the government's controversial new economic program. Premier Menachem Begin, who had been scheduled to attend the opening ceremonies, was notable in his absence, an indication of the bitter feelings that have developed between the Premier and the trade union federation which has encouraged strikes and work stoppages during the past week to protest the economic measures.

Even Israel's universally respected President Ephraim Katzir, whose office is non-political, was not immune to heckling. When he said it was only natural for Histadrut to struggle for a more equitable distribution of the economic burdens, Likud delegates interrupted his speech, shouting that such remarks exceeded his authority. They began to chant "Begin to the government," their traditional slogan during Likud's long period in the opposition. Labor Alignment delegates countered with cries of "Begin go home."

Histadrut Secretary General Yeruham Meshel, the main speaker of the evening, was also interrupted by heckling. He declared that Histadrut did its utmost to reach an understanding with the new government but would insist that the wage-earner must not be made the victim of the new economic policy and that his living standards must not deteriorate.

#### Singing Of Socialist Anthem Sparks Walkout

Meshel greeted the President and the ministers present who "represent the government" but did not refer to Begin's demonstrative absence. Sources close to the Premier said later that Begin felt that aspects of Histadrut's campaign against the economic program were directed against him personally and was "insulted."

Begin was quoted as saying "Histadrut delegates yelled 'Begin go home' so I stayed at the Premier's office where the people elected me to be." The deep rift between the Labor and Likud elements of Histadrut was emphasized at the end of the opening session. When the delegates rose to sing the "Internationale," the Socialist anthem, the Likud contingent walked out.

The Histadrut convention is attended by 1501 delegates who were elected last June. The breakdown by party is Labor Alignment, 841; Likud, 429; Democratic Movement for Change (DMC) 122; Communists, 46; Religious workers, 27; Independent Liberals and the Civil Rights Movement (CRM) 19; and Sheli, 17. Histadrut has a membership of about 1.4 million workers.

The convention will move to Tel Aviv tomorrow for its working sessions and will close on Thursday. Prior to the opening, Meshel said he would not hesitate to attack the new economic policies because "we are convinced they will not achieve the expected goals, will not check inflation but will instead increase it."

Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich expressed other views in a speech to the Likud delegation last night. He said his program would not create unemployment and promised that not only social

welfare cases but workers in the three lowest wage brackets will receive compensation. "Whoever will work will get more but whoever will not work, let him not wait for gifts and donations," Ehrlich said.

#### MONDALE DEFENDS CARTER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7 (JTA)--Vice President Walter Mondale said yesterday that President Carter's address to the World Jewish Congress last Wednesday "was exceedingly well received." Appearing on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press," he said Carter has made it "as clear as any person could that he is totally committed to a secure and permanent Jewish State of Israel."

Challenged as to what the President means by the "legitimate rights" and "homeland" for Palestinians, Mondale did not define the terms. He noted that the President has left them to be "defined in the process of dealing with the Palestinian issue at the Geneva conference."

Mondale said it is "important to observe" that the President is "talking about rights and not national rights." The old formulation was national rights. Deleting the word "national," Mondale said "is a very significant concession." He said the "old formulation was legitimate national rights which implied an independent state."

On another television program yesterday, Defense Secretary Harold Brown told interviewers on ABC's "Issues and Answers" program that questions about Israel having atomic weapons "is a subject of much speculation to which I won't add." Pressed on the subject, Brown repeated that it was "speculation" and added:

"We certainly have made strong representations to the Israelis along the lines that their acquisition of nuclear weapons would not be a factor for stability in the Middle East, and they themselves have said, as you know, that they would not be the first to introduce nuclear weapons into the Middle East."

#### SOVIET ACTIVIST ARRESTED

NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (JTA)--In what the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Union of Councils termed "another turn of the screw in the current anti-Jewish campaign," a Moscow Jew has been arrested as a "parasite" two weeks after being dismissed from work.

According to the groups, 25-year-old engineer Valery Sorin was jailed Nov. 1 for "parasitism," that is, not having a job. On Sept. 15 he had suddenly been fired from his position as a secretary to a writer, told he "was no longer needed." He was originally refused a visa in 1972, then fired from his job, drafted for two years, then again refused exit in July 1976.

Sorin spent the first three days of his arrest in a police station, then was transferred to a prison. Soviet officials have recently told Jews the "parasitism" regulations have been changed to give an unemployed person fewer warnings and less time in which to find a job before facing penalties.

Meanwhile, Natalia Khmel'nitskaya has joined the small but growing band of Soviet Jews whose exit visas have been withdrawn just prior to leaving, making them stateless. She had received her documents on Sept. 15 for an Oct. 10 departure. However, the two Soviet Jewry groups reported that over, the emigration office, told her the last minute that her visa had been withdrawn due to the objections of her brother.

## HEARING AGAINST ACCUSED NAZI WAR CRIMINAL IS ENTERING THIRD WEEK

ALBANY, N.Y., Nov. 7 (JTA)—An Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) deportation hearing against accused Nazi war criminal Vilas A. Hazners went into its third week here today, it was reported by Frederic Dicker, reporter for the Times-Union. Several witnesses from Israel have testified that Hazners, 73, of Dresden, N.Y., some 70 miles north of here, "led the whole operation" at the Riga police station in Latvia during the Nazi occupation.

Witnesses also testified that they saw Hazners pushing and beating Jews and forcing Jews to move inside the burning Choral Synagogue in Riga, where as many as 1000 Latvian Jews may have died.

### Witnesses Provide Testimony

Jacob Wagenheim, 59, of Herzliya, said he heard Hazners giving orders to punish people in the Riga Jewish ghetto. "They were beaten according to his order and many disappeared," he said. Wagenheim, who said he was a prisoner in the ghetto, often saw Hazners there. "He didn't talk, he screamed," the Israeli, speaking softly in Yiddish, testified. Last year in Israel, police authorities showed Wagenheim several pictures of suspected war criminals. He said he "immediately recognized" two pictures of Hazners, Dicker reported.

Meyer Loewenstein, 63, of Yaffo Daled, said he was taken to the ghetto with his family from his Riga home in early August, 1941. While returning to the ghetto from a forced work detail in October, 1941, he was forced to stand in line as guards searched the prisoners for food. While there, Loewenstein testified, he saw Hazners dressed in a Latvian army uniform with a revolver at his side. "It was just seconds but I succeeded in seeing him (Hazners) pushing and shaking the people," Loewenstein said.

Ber Mandelkorn of Tel Aviv, testified that Hazners was the Latvian police officer who, in July 1941, beat him so hard that "two or three" of his teeth fell from his mouth a few days later.

In addition, Mandelkorn, speaking in Hebrew, testified he saw Hazners, armed with a revolver and dressed in a military uniform "push people inside" the burning Choral Synagogue. "He pushed the people inside. People went out and he yelled at them and pushed them back into the synagogue," Mandelkorn said. The INS provided an interpreter for translations from Hebrew and Yiddish.

### Judge Refuses Line Of Questioning

Hazners is a nationally prominent Latvian emigre who once made broadcasts for the U.S.-sponsored Voice of America and for Radio Liberty. He is accused by the INS of having entered the United States in 1956 from Hamburg, Germany by failing to declare his role in Nazi-sponsored war crimes during World War II. "If found guilty, Hazners, who is not a citizen, but who holds permanent resident alien status, could be deported."

Hazners' attorney, Ivars Berzins of Babylon, L.I., has attempted to link the three witnesses to Soviet Communist authorities and to the Soviet secret police, KGB. He claimed the government's charges have "made in Moscow" written all over them. However, the IRS Judge, Anthony De Gato, has refused to allow Berzins to pursue that line of questioning.

### Report Sloppy INS Preparation

Meanwhile, the Times-Union, which has given extensive coverage of the trial, reported that the INS' nationwide effort to deport suspected Nazi war criminals has been severely damaged by sloppy preparation of cases and those responsible for the breakdowns may be disciplined. Among the cases endangered are those of Hazners and two who are alleged to have been his subordinates in Latvia: Boleslav Maikovskis, now on trial in New York City, and Karlis Detlavs, whose trial is scheduled to begin today in Baltimore.

The government's principal problem, the Times-Union reported, is believed to be a lack of coordination of the various prosecutions which may eventually number more than 20 and the incompetence of some of the INS authorities.

Attempts are now underway at the INS Washington headquarters to correct the situation and disciplinary action may result against the lawyers, investigators and administrators responsible, it was learned. Martin Mendelsohn of Washington, a lawyer in private practice, was named last month special chief prosecutor by David W. Crosland, the INS general counsel, to spearhead the effort. The government has been preparing the cases for more than a year.

"I am dismayed at what has been happening," Mendelsohn, who attended the Hazner hearing last week, said from his Washington office. Crosland said he was unfamiliar with Mendelsohn's view but would speak to him soon about it, the Times-Union reported. Crosland conceded the INS had suffered from "diffused responsibility" in the war crimes cases but he said he had taken several steps, including the appointment of Mendelsohn, to correct the problem.

### 'BETTER THAN THE ORIGINAL'

NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (JTA)—Former Israeli Premier Golda Meir, after seeing herself portrayed by Anne Bancroft last night in William Gibson's play "Golda," said "It was better than the original." Mrs. Meir, Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz, Sen. Jacob Javits (R,NY), Mayor Abraham Beame and other local officials saw a preview of the play which opens Nov. 14.

The former Premier is scheduled to meet with President Carter tomorrow at the White House in a whirlwind visit of Washington. She is also due to meet with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D,Minn.) and AFL-CIO president George Meany. Tonight, Mrs. Meir will see Vance and his chief political aide, Undersecretary of State Philip Habib, at a private party at the residence of Israeli Ambassador Dinitz.

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NEW YORK (JTA)—A Cabinet-level officer and department to monitor violations of human rights at home and abroad is advocated by the Executive Board of The Workmen's Circle. In a message to President Carter, Bernard Backer, WC president, recommended that "a Secretary for Human Rights be established within the Cabinet to draw up and administer a program that will place our country in the forefront of the timeless struggle for the rights of man, and when a violation occurs in our own nation or in another that it be spotlighted and Cabinet-level action be taken."

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LONDON (JTA)—Eric Moonman has been re-elected chairman of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland. He is a Labor MP and chairman of British Poale Zion.