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FRENCH LEADER RAPS ISRAEL, CHRISTIAN MILITIA FOR BLOODBATH IN LEBANON

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, Oct. 16 (JTA)--French Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud today blamed the Christian militia and Israel for the recent Lebanese bloodbath. The Minister charged that the militia had started the recent fighting with Israel's help so as to bring about an international intervention which would ultimately lead to Lebanon's partition.

The Minister, who was addressing an Anglo-American press luncheon, said Israel had encouraged the Christian militia of former President Camille Chamoun by supplying it with heavy weapons, including American-made Sherman tanks. De Guiringaud said that both France and the United States had asked Israel last week to stop supplying the Christian forces with heavy weapons. He said that as far as he knew neither Washington nor Paris "have received a specific reply from Israel."

De Guiringaud's statement was the strongest anti-Christian and anti-Israel attack to have been voiced in the West since the start of the fighting. France has up to now energetically supported, at least orally, the Christian cause, and de Guiringaud's statement is expected to provoke a storm of opposition from within both government backers and opposition leaders.

The Minister said the fighting broke out in Lebanon when the Christian militia launched an attack against the Syrian forces in the country. He said the attack was carried out "after careful planning," and added, "We knew since early September that an attack against the Syrian forces (in Lebanon) was being planned."

Will Raise Issue With Dayan

De Guiringaud, who did not mince his words, said the Christian militia "received very bad advice from a neighboring country," making it clear in his next phrase that he meant Israel. He said that Chamoun does not have more than 5000 followers among Lebanon's half million Christians and stressed that "partition is unworkable and suicidal. It is a hope which the Christians must abandon in the interest of peace and for the sake of their own security."

French officials said after de Guiringaud's statement that the Minister intends to raise the Lebanese issue with Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan when the two will meet in Paris later this month. Dayan is due to pay an official visit to France between Oct. 30-31.

The officials said France will use this opportunity to press Israel to stop the delivery of arms, and especially heavy weapons such as tanks and artillery to the Christian militia in accordance with the Camp David agreement and the spirit of peace. The French explained that their views on the subject are similar to those prevailing in Washington and that the two countries act in unison on this subject.

REPORT SERIES OF VERBAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CARTER, SADAT AT SUMMIT TALKS

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 (JTA)--Newsweek

magazine reported today what it said was a series of verbal agreements between President Carter and President Anwar Sadat of Egypt at the Camp David summit conference last month covering U.S. aid to Egypt and strategic matters. According to sources which Newsweek did not identify, Carter promised that a consortium of Western nations organized by the U.S. would compensate Egypt for any cut off or reduction of aid from Arab sources in retaliation for the Camp David accords.

U.S. economic and military aid to Egypt and Israel would be roughly equal after the two countries implemented their peace treaty, Carter reportedly told Sadat in what Newsweek said was a private statement of intentions rather than a specific commitment. Other points, according to Newsweek were:

The strategic redeployment of Egyptian forces from Sinai to the Libyan border; secret cooperation between Egyptian and Israeli intelligence, begun at the time of the Libyan-Soviet build-up against Egypt in 1976, would be expanded; reduction of the Egyptian army by half while increasing its fire power with U.S. armor and weapons to protect Egypt from the Soviet Union or its surrogates; agreement between Carter and Sadat that U.S. arms deliveries would be linked to progress in implementing the Camp David accords, including the West Bank issue.

Israel, for its part, would benefit from American technology to advance its own armaments industry and would be allowed to purchase the full quota of F-15 and F-16 jets that it has requested, Newsweek said.

Time magazine reported today that the American draft peace treaty under discussion by Israel and Egypt at their peace talks in Washington is an eight-page document spelling out the main issues. Time said it learned that the chief issues under discussion are normalization of relations between Israel and Egypt, including open borders and exchange of ambassadors; a timetable for Israel's withdrawal from Sinai; and future economic relations, including trade and possible joint ventures.

Time said that one possible sticking point concerned Israel's oil installations in Sinai for which it may seek compensation from Egypt or an Egyptian guarantee to sell oil to Israel.

LEADING ARGENTINE OFFICIAL BELIEVES TIMERMAN WILL SOON BE RELEASED AND ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 (JTA)--Admiral Emilio Massera, formerly of the Junta that has governed Argentina since March, 1976, has expressed the belief that imprisoned Jewish journalist Jacobo Timerman will soon be released and permitted to leave Argentina. Timerman is presently under house arrest, Massera said, although the Argentine Supreme Court cleared him of any crime two months ago.

Massera, an influential figure in Argentine political life and chief of the Navy until recently, was a guest of honor last Friday at a reception given here by the American Jewish Committee, attended by various Jewish leaders. Answering questions about the relations between Argentina's Jewish community and the Junta, Massera said the Timerman affair by no means could be interpreted as indicating anti-Semitic feelings on the part of the Argentine government.

"The arrest of Timerman was not an anti-Semitic act on the part of the Junta," he stressed. He explained that Timerman's connections with the left "created problems and put him in a vulnerable position with the military government of Argentina which declared an all-out war against the left in that country."

Timerman, 55, was the editor and publisher of the newspaper *La Opinion* until his arrest on the night of April 15, 1977 by army officers in plainclothes armed with submachineguns. The next day the army announced that Timerman was arrested for "economic crimes." Last July the Argentine Supreme Court ruled that there is no legal ground for holding Timerman any longer. But until today, two months after the Supreme Court's ruling, Timerman is still under arrest.

No Basis For Charge Of Anti-Semitism

Asked to respond to the charge that the present Argentine regime is anti-Semitic because Jews are leading members of leftist guerrilla movements in Argentina, Massera said that this theory has no ground in reality. He said that at no time were leftist terrorists represented by one ethnic group, and if any ethnic group was to be pointed out in the Argentine terrorist left it is the Catholic group which, Massera said, had originally planted the seeds of the present guerrilla left.

Massera repeated several times during the Friday reception that Timerman's arrest should not be seen as an anti-Semitic move on the part of the Junta. Massera also added that his position on the Timerman affair is "very clear and different than the rest of the Junta."

Richard Maass, president of the AJCommittee, said in his welcoming remarks that Massera "has always been close to the Jewish community and strongly condemned the anti-Semitic events that took place in Argentina in recent years. He was particularly active in urging the freedom of Jacobo Timerman, asking his complete release in opposition to the attitude of many members of the army and air force."

Massera, who said he has an invitation to visit Israel, recently visited Saudi Arabia. He said his impression was that the Saudi government is more concerned with the problems it might face from the Palestinians than from the Jews.

SIMON WINS NOBEL PRIZE FOR ECONOMICS

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (JTA)--Prof. Herbert A. Simon of Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, whose forebears, including a Civil War soldier, were Jewish, won the 1978 Nobel Prize for economics today. Simon, 62, was cited by the Swedish Academy of Sciences "for his pioneering research into the decision making process within economic organizations." He is the seventh American to win the economics prize. Several of them were Jewish.

While primarily an economist, Simon, who has been affiliated with Carnegie Mellon since 1949, has been prominently associated with science theory, applied mathematics, statistics and business administration.

Simon was not immediately available for a telephone interview, but Ms. Janet New, his secretary at the university, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that Simon is "not a practicing Jew religiously" and that he "belongs to the Unitarian church."

Reading from autobiographical material in his office, Ms. New said the professor's father

was Arthur Simon, who emigrated from Germany. His mother, Edna Merke, a native of Missouri, was a "third generation German" of the 1848 German emigration wave, whose forebears came from Prague. The passage in the material on her descendant, Ms. New reported, was followed by the name Goldsmith and "Jewish" in parenthesis.

Her grandfather and the Nobel Prize winner's great grandfather is identified in the autobiographical material as Alexander Goldsmith, "a Civil War veteran," Ms. New said. Whether on the Union or Confederate side, she was unable to say. Prof. Simon's wife is the former Dorothea Pie.

SOVIET POCS REMEMBERED IN SUCCAH-FETE

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (JTA)--Twenty-one Soviet Jewish Prisoners of Conscience were remembered by name and photograph in a Succoth celebration in Lafayette Park opposite the White House and Blair House yesterday. In commemorating the festival, the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington erected a temporary succah on the lawn within sight of both the Presidential residence and the Presidential guest house where Egyptians, Americans and Israelis are seeking to arrange an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

A score of children danced and sang Hebrew songs and carried photos of the prisoners within the succah. Clergymen of the three major faiths addressed an audience of several hundred persons. Msgr. Ralph E. Kuehner of Our Lady of Victory Church, quoted from the declaration of the last Brussels Conference on Soviet Jewry that called on Christians to join in seeking the release of Jews who wish to leave the Soviet Union.

The Rev. John Steinbruck of Luther Place Memorial Church, said, "If the religious community can achieve solidarity there's no doubt the Abraham community could become the mechanism for liberation in our time." Rabbi Stephen Listfield of Adas Israel Congregation, Phyllis Frank, the Council's president and Norman Goldstein, chairman of the Council's Committee on Soviet Jewry, were among other participants in the ceremony.

THYROID PATIENTS IN 35 COUNTRIES BENEFIT FROM ISRAELI INDUSTRY

By Barbie Zelizer-Meyouhas

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16 (JTA)--Thyroid patients in 35 countries are benefiting from diagnostic kits produced by the Ames-Yissum plant in Jerusalem, a joint enterprise of the Hebrew University's Yissum Research Development Co. and the Ames division of Miles Laboratories, Inc., of Elkhart, Indiana. The company, which celebrated its tenth anniversary last week, has reached annual sales of \$2.6 million. Ninety-eight percent of its product is exported.

For the city of Jerusalem, an enterprise such as Ames-Yissum is one answer to the need to establish industries which can sustain the capital's fast-growing population. The company boasts of one of the highest sales-per-worker ratios in the country, and has the added advantage of being smokeless and noiseless.

The company also possesses political significance for Israel. Undeterred by the Arab boycott, it has increasingly expanded its activities in Israel which range from producing sophisticated chemicals to manufacturing chemical intermediaries and nutrients obtained from plants.

According to an executive of Miles Laboratories, the enterprise it set up with Hebrew University in making Ames-Yissum has surpassed all initial production forecasts. Manpower has increased from six

to 160 persons and the company's floor space was increased ten-fold. Although it moved only three years ago to a five-story plant which houses laboratories, production space, administrative offices, animal quarters, and warehousing, it is expected that the new premises will only serve the company's needs for another five-seven years.

The company's testing systems can be used in assessing thyroid function, monitoring the well-being of a fetus, and monitoring drugs. Its scientific staff cover a wide range of disciplines, including biochemistry, immunology, microbiology, virology, organic chemistry and biology.

PEACE TALKS GOING WELL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (JTA)--The depth of the relationship between an Israeli-Egyptian agreement and the Camp David framework dealing with the West Bank and Gaza Strip remained obscure today. A volley of pointed questions, fired at George Sherman of the State Department, official spokesman for the negotiators at Blair House failed to elicit more than a reiteration of President Carter's remark at a press conference last week that the two are not "legally interconnected" but are "interrelated."

Sherman said, in reply to questions at this afternoon's press-briefing that the relationship between the two is "partially dependent" on the treaty that is expected to emerge from the Blair House talks. But he said he "cannot answer directly because it gets me into the content of the treaty." He said at another point that "as a matter of practical fact, there is a connection between the two." He noted that "we see the Egyptian-Israeli treaty as part of the effort to reach a comprehensive agreement" in the Middle East.

Sherman said the State Department prepared the "American answers" to the questions raised by King Hussein of Jordan about the Camp David accords and "they have not been shown to anyone else." The answers were taken to Hussein by Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders who flew to Amman yesterday. Sherman said that Saunders' itinerary--how long he will be in Amman and if he will go elsewhere in the region--has not been set.

There was no formal meeting between the negotiating delegations at Blair House today because of the Succoth holiday. But the Israeli and Egyptian delegates held informal discussions at the Madison Hotel where they are quartered.

The talks at Blair House will be resumed tomorrow. Sherman said the talks continue to go well. He acknowledged that the issue of Jewish settlements on the West Bank has been discussed but would not elaborate. He said the negotiations are being conducted in English, based on the draft treaty text presented by the U.S. which is in English. (By Joseph Polakoff)

BAT YAM RESIDENT CONFESSES TO COLLABORATING WITH TERRORIST GANG

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16 (JTA)--A Jewish resident of Bat Yam with a long criminal record, has confessed to collaborating with an Arab terrorist gang to plant a suitcase loaded with explosives on a busy downtown Jerusalem street 10 days ago, police disclosed. Yosef Nidam, 31, a known drug pusher, addict and gun-runner, said he did it for money, the police said.

He was arrested the evening of Oct. 5 shortly after he deposited the deadly luggage near a

movie theater. According to the police, he confessed under interrogation that he had been promised IL 1 million*for the job.

The explosives were set to detonate at 11:30 p.m. when the street would be crowded with moviegoers after the last show. Police found it a half hour earlier and had it removed and dismantled by the bomb squad. They said it contained 50-70 kilograms of a high quality explosive.

The arrest of Nidam led to the arrests of two of his Arab collaborators, both residents of Hebron. They belonged to a terrorist gang headed by Nur A-Din Al-Jaabari, son of the former Mayor of Hebron, Sheikh Mohammed Ali Al-Jaabari, who was detained several months ago. The gang was said to have planned a series of bombings in the Jerusalem area.

Only Known Jew To Aid Terrorists

Nidam is the only Jew known to have assisted in an actual terrorist outrage. Others have been convicted of collaborating with the enemy but in all previous cases the motivations were political and none was caught in a terrorist act. Nidam confessed that he had been gun-running for terrorists for the past two years, bringing in weapons and explosives from Lebanon for which he was paid between IL 400,000-IL 700,000.

These included Katyusha rockets, at least one of which was used to shell Jerusalem five months ago causing extensive damage but no casualties. According to police, his Arab collaborators intended for Nidam to be blown up with the suitcase and thus save most of the IL 1 million. They reportedly gave him an advance of IL 50,000. Nidam is expected to be tried for treason.

HIGH COURT WON'T CONSIDER SKOKIE APPEAL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (JTA)--The U.S. Supreme Court declined today to consider an application for an appeal by the Village of Skokie, Ill., to air the principles involved in the effort by the National Socialist Party, an American Nazi group, to march in that heavily Jewish-populated Chicago suburb last April.

The Village of Skokie had appealed the Seventh Circuit Court's decision that denied the application to bring the entire case to a judicial hearing in a U.S. court. The U.S. District Court in Chicago had also turned down the application. A significant factor in the Supreme Court's decision was the dissent from the majority opinion written by Justice Harry A. Blackmun and concurred in by Justice Byron R. White.

Blackmun argued in a long opinion that the Supreme Court should hold a hearing and ultimately decide on future cases of this kind. In a previous decision, the Supreme Court had refused to consider an appeal by Skokie that it deny a permit to the Nazis to march through the village. Skokie therefore granted the permit but the Nazis did not use it and did not march.

Gilbert Gordon, senior attorney for the Village of Skokie who has been handling the issue from the beginning, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he has not yet received a copy of today's decision by the Supreme Court. He said, however, that the decision has "no immediate practical effect" because Frank Collin and the National Socialist Party that he heads, received the permit but then "abandoned" it.

"We cannot speculate upon what the village might do should a similar case arise other than to say the village will take whatever action is necessary under proper Constitutional guidelines, to protect the citizens of Skokie from harassment," Gordon said.

NEWS BRIEFS

WASHINGTON (JTA)--Federal and Congressional officials responsible for ferreting out former Nazis living in the United States have declined to discuss reports published here and in Chicago that Liudas Kairys, 57, a native of Lithuania who resides in Chicago's southwest side, is a former SS guard. The House Judiciary Subcommittee dealing with emigration and naturalization acknowledged the media reports but refused to discuss them. A Justice Department spokesman told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency he could not confirm or deny that it is investigating. Qualified sources, however, did not deny the reports were factually accurate and indicated that official U.S. comment is being withheld pending completion of the examination of the matter. According to media reports, Kairys was trained at the infamous Travniki "school for death" in German-occupied Poland and then assigned to Treblinka.

TORONTO (JTA)--"The Boys From Brazil," a movie about the search for Nazi war criminals in South America, was picketed here by a group calling itself "Concerned Parents of German Descent." Ernst Zundl of Toronto, a German-born commercial artist, who led the pickets, told reporters he was protesting the "smearing" and "harassment" of Germans. Last April, when Zundl led a similar demonstration against the NBC-TV "Holocaust" series, it was revealed that he was the author, under the assumed name of Christoff Friedrich, of a book entitled "The Hitler We Loved and Why."

NEW YORK (JTA)--The Workers League, a Trotskyist-oriented organization, is sponsoring the first showing here of the film, "The Palestinian," Oct. 21 at Columbia University's Earl Hall. The film, made by British actress and Trotskyist spokesperson Vanessa Redgrave, was denounced by Jewish groups last spring as a one-sided pro-Palestinian anti-Israel production.

WARSAW (JTA)--Evangelist Billy Graham, on a 10-day trip to Poland, visited the site of the former Nazi concentration camp of Auschwitz and called on world leaders to learn the lesson of Auschwitz. Speaking after laying a wreath at the site last Thursday, Graham said: "Auschwitz stands as a warning for all humanity that man is capable of repeating and even multiplying the barbarism of Auschwitz." He said that if the "present insanity of a global arms race" is continued, it will "lead inevitably to a conflagration so great that Auschwitz will seem a minor rehearsal."

BUCHAREST (JTA)--The Sephardic synagogue here, which was destroyed by the recent earthquake, has been restored by the Federation of Jewish Communities of Rumania. The inauguration ceremony took place on the second eve of Rosh Hashanah in the presence of Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen, leaders of the Bucharest Jewish community and Mordechai Avagar, the Charge d'Affaires of Israel in Rumania. There are no more than 300 Jews of Sephardic origin left here and most of them are elderly.

NEW YORK (JTA)--During Rosh Hashanah the Lubavitch Youth Organization sent Hasidim to visit hospitals and nursing homes within walking distance--some as far as two hours each way--to sound the shofar to some 2000 people; it was

reported by Rabbi Shmuel M. Butman, the youth organization's director. At the Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, two Hasidim were sent to sound the shofar for one Jewish patient. Instead of one, however, they found 25 Jewish patients there, Butman said. The youth organization also sent a team to Allenwood, Pa., to conduct services and sound the shofar in the jail. The actions were in response to a call by the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, that "no Jew should remain without an opportunity to listen to the sound of the shofar."

MONTREAL (JTA)--The Canadian Jewish Congress, Eastern Region, recently presented the premier performance of the commissioned work, "Three Songs of the Holocaust," at the Samuel Bronfman House. The work is a song cycle inspired by "O the Chimneys" written by Nobel Laureate Nelly Sachs in 1961. It was composed by Prof. Marvin Duchow of McGill University at the request of the Jewish Music Committee. This work and selections by other composers presented at the concert was recorded for broadcast on the CBC Stereo Network and will be presented nationwide on the Arts National Program on Wednesday, April 18, 1979 at 4:04 p.m. local time.

NEW YORK (JTA)--President Yitzhak Navon of Israel will address more than 3000 leaders of North American Jewry at the 47th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations which is being held Nov. 8-12 in San Francisco. Appearing in his first official visit to the U.S., Navon will speak at the GA plenary session Saturday, Nov. 11, 9:15 p.m., at the Fairmont Hotel. Simcha Dinitz, Israel's Ambassador to the U.S., in a farewell appearance before he returns to Israel, will also speak at the session.

MINNEAPOLIS (JTA)--More than 2000 members of the Twin Cities Jewish community gathered in Rice Park, downtown St. Paul Oct. 7 to protest treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union. Across from Rice Park in the Landmark Center was the opening of an exhibition of 19th Century Russian art--attended by 1000 Twin Cities dignitaries and three official emissaries from the Soviet Union. The theme of the demonstration was: "Cultural Exchange, Yes! Cultural Extinction, No!" The rally--the largest Jewish protest demonstration in the Twin Cities in three years--involved approximately a tenth of the area's Jewish population. It included speeches, songs and a candlelight march around Landmark Center. The Jewish Community Relations Council-Anti-Defamation League, Minnesota-Dakotas Action Committee for Soviet Jewry organized the demonstration.

NEW YORK (JTA)--Premier Menachem Begin of Israel will participate in two major Jewish community events here during his visit to the U.S. next month. He will be guest of honor Saturday, Dec. 9 at a gala banquet celebrating the United Jewish Appeal's 40th anniversary during the organization's national conference at the New York Hilton Hotel. On Sunday, Dec. 10 Begin and some 1000 invited guests will join the Zionist Organization of America in a dinner tribute to Dr. and Mrs. Nessim D. Gaon at the Americana Hotel. Begin will present the Louis D. Brandeis award to the Gaons. Dr. Gaon is the president of the World Sephardi Federation.