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## CARTER SAYS WORK ON ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN TREATY 'PARTLY UNDONE' BY DIFFERENCES OVER LANGUAGE

By David Friedman

NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- President Carter said today that some of the agreements worked out by Israeli and Egyptian peace treaty negotiators in Washington were "undone" when they took it back to their home governments.

On more than one occasion the negotiators had reached agreement on the language of the text of a part of the agreement, he told a news conference in Kansas City, where he had come to address the Future Farmers of America. "When they refer that text back to the leaders at home in Egypt and Israel, sometimes the work that has been done is partly undone," he said.

Answering questions from local reporters, Carter stressed that both Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Premier Menachem Begin agree with him that an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty must be linked with efforts to achieve a comprehensive settlement in the Middle East, although they differed over the language. "There has been some difference of opinion between the two leaders (Sadat and Begin) about how specifically that (the linkage) should be expressed in the Sinai treaty," Carter said. "I personally favor the presently negotiated language which in the preamble does say that both nations commit themselves to carry out a comprehensive peace agreement as was agreed at Camp David."

The President at one point said this included an agreement on the Golan Heights as well as the West Bank although the Camp David agreements did not mention the Golan. Syria has been a leader of the rejection of the Camp David accords by Arab states. Carter stressed that the differences over language do "not violate" the Camp David agreements. He reiterated that the U.S. was "not trying to impose" its beliefs on Egypt and Israel but would leave it to them to negotiate. "We hope they will rapidly reach a conclusion," he said.

(Reports from Cairo today quoted Egyptian President Anwar Sadat as saying that a quick agreement on a peace treaty with Israel may not be possible because of differences over linkage of the treaty and an overall Middle East settlement that Egypt wants. The Middle East News Agency reported that Sadat told a Kuwaiti journalist that the talks in Washington may have to be interrupted before an agreement is reached.)

## BEGIN DECIDES NOT TO CUT SHORT VISIT TO CANADA

By Michael Solomon

MONTREAL, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- Premier Menachem Begin considered the possibility yesterday of cutting short his visit to Canada to return to Israel, after a long telephone conversation with Defense Minister Ezer Weizman from Washington. Informed sources here said that Begin decided to continue his tour. He left Montreal early this afternoon for Toronto where he was received by Ontario Premier William Davis and his Cabinet.

It was believed that Weizman proposed an early return to Israel in view of the Cabinet's

rejection of some of the language of the draft peace treaty with Egypt now being negotiated in Washington. Weizman was expected to fly to Toronto tomorrow to brief Begin on the latest developments.

## Have Made 'Real Effort' For Peace, Begin Says

Yesterday, Begin spoke at a luncheon given by the Federal government, which was hosted by Marc Lalonde, Minister of State for Federal and Provincial Relations. Addressing an array of important leaders and dignitaries and 400 Jewish community leaders of the Montreal Jewish community, Begin said, "There may be other problems to solve, but what we know is that we have made a real effort to achieve peace and never has a greater effort been made by any other nation." Lalonde, raising his glass to Begin, said that at the recent Camp David peace talks, agreements were reached and there was "a clear evidence that painful concessions can be made by all parties in the interest of peace."

Last night, Begin addressed a huge rally at the Shaar Hashamayim Synagogue in Westmount, and his limousine outflanked a small group of PLO demonstrators chanting, "Down with Fascist Begin." Begin was given a long standing ovation by 3000 people who packed the synagogue. Several hundred had to watch Begin on TV circuits, for lack of space inside. He said, "There has been enough bloodshed, suffering and tears. We wanted a peace where there were no victors, no vanquished, just equals. They used to say war is inevitable. I tell you that what is inevitable now is peace."

## CARTER NAMES COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH MODES FOR HONORING HOLOCAUST VICTIMS

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- President Carter today named a commission and an advisory board of 51 distinguished Americans, Jewish and non-Jewish citizens, to recommend ways for the United States to honor the six million victims of the Nazi Holocaust.

A commission of 24 Americans and an advisory board of 27 others who will contribute scholarly expertise and community service will work to arrange the funding and an appropriate memorial to the victims. In addition, they will recommend ways for the United States to commemorate next April 28-29 as "The days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust." In addition, the President has asked the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to name 10 members of the Congress, five from each House, to serve with the commission.

Carter, in marking the 30th anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel, announced last May 1 that he would name a commission for these purposes. On Nov. 1, he established authority for the commission by executive order. Legislation supporting the effort was sponsored by Sen. John Danfor (R. Mo.). Eli Wiesel, whose literary works mirror the world's moral response to the Holocaust, is chairman of the 24-member commission. Rabbi Irving Greenberg of New York is the commission's executive director.

April 28 and 29, 1945 were the days when American troops liberated the inmates of the Dachau concentration camp in Germany. They are also the days when many are observing in remembrance of the Holocaust victims.

## RESEARCH GROUP WARNS OF PROBLEMS RESULTING FROM PEACE WITH ARABS

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- A memorandum submitted recently to the Ministry of Social Betterment listed a long series of negative effects that a peace treaty with Egypt and eventually with Israel's other neighbors may have on Israeli society. They include the possible take-over of the economy by foreign capital, an increase in the size of the Arab work force in Israel, polarization of relations between Western and Oriental Jews and an increase of intermarriage between Jews and Arabs.

The memorandum was prepared by the research and planning branch of the Labor Ministry which is part of the Ministry of Social Betterment. It was the result of internal discussions of the social and economic implications of the peace agreements and the withdrawal from Sinai.

The subjects covered will be discussed shortly by a committee of the directors general of the ministries concerned. The memorandum recommended that the government establish a supervisory apparatus to forestall the possible control of Israel's economy by Arab wealth. "It also warned that "opening the border for a foreign, inexpensive and unprofessional labor force may shake the social and national independence of the country. This is an existing problem and it may become worse." The memo added that it could lead to the development of an exploiting class in Israel and harm the work ethic among Jews.

On social polarization, the memo warned that open borders could speed up the "Orientalization" process of Eastern Jews whose mother tongue is Arabic and thereby widen the existing gap between the Western and Oriental Jewish communities. Intermarriage was seen as another problem. According to the memo, it will increase not only among the lower strata of Israeli society but among the educated in the event of peace.

The memo expressed concern that an influx of Arab capital could strengthen the existing ties between Arab and Jewish criminal elements, especially in drug trafficking and prostitution. An increase in white collar crime was also anticipated. Finally, the memo suggested that peace might strengthen nationalistic and separatist sentiments among Israel's Arab population. However, according to the memo, Israeli Arabs may also serve as a bridge between Jewish society and the rest of the Arab world.

## STRAW POLL RESULTS SHAKE ISRAELI POLITICOS

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- A straw poll conducted yesterday among Israelis who voted in the municipal elections has created a stir in Likud and Labor political circles. The voters were asked which party they would favor if a Knesset election were to be held now. The first results showed Labor and Likud running practically neck-and-neck and the results after adjustments for several factors put Labor ahead.

The poll was commissioned by Israel Television and conducted by statistician Hanoch Smith. The question now being asked by politicians of all parties is how reliable the results are. The initial count gave Labor 44 seats in the new Knesset, a gain of 11 and Likud 46, a gain of one. Critics contended that the poll was inaccurate because of the low turnout of voters in the municipal elections -- only 50 percent of the eligible voters cast

ballots -- and because kibbutz members were excluded since yesterday's elections were limited to municipalities.

But Smith said these factors were corrected by computer last night. The new results showed Labor leading Likud by 48-46 in the hypothetical election. They also predicted the elimination of such splinter factions as Shulamit Aloni's Civil Rights Movement and the one-man Samuel Flatto-Sharon faction. The former Democratic Movement for Change (DMC) which has split into two small factions also fared poorly in the poll.

## Early Elections Possible

Likud politicians generally scoffed at the results. Nevertheless, Likud Minister Moshe Nissim mentioned them to Premier Menachem Begin when he briefed him on the municipal election results by telephone yesterday. Begin was reportedly not impressed by the television poll forecasts but agreed to convene the party leadership when he returns from Canada to consider the possibility of calling early elections. Avraham Sharir, chairman of the Likud Knesset faction, said he was certain of a Likud victory in a general election and that he would recommend that the government call one immediately after a peace treaty is signed with Egypt to get a fresh mandate.

## FRENCH JEWS DEMAND SWIFT TRIAL OF NAZI INVOLVED IN KRISTALLNACHT

COLOGNE, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- Fifty French Jews demonstrated here today in front of the home of former SS Col. Kurt Lischka who is expected to go on trial shortly for his role in the deportation of Jews from France during the Nazi occupation. The group, which arrived by bus this morning, was headed by Serge Klarsfeld. He and his wife, Beate, have been active in tracking down Nazi war criminals.

Today's demonstration was to remind the public of Lischka's role in the notorious Kristallnacht -- the night of broken glass -- that spread terror throughout the German-Jewish community 40 years ago. He was then chief of the Gestapo's office for Jewish affairs. The demonstrators carried banners noting that Lischka was directly responsible for the mass arrests of Jews in Germany in June and November, 1938 and their incarceration in concentration camps. He also directed the deportation of thousands of Polish Jews from Germany under brutal conditions on Oct. 28, 1938.

Signs carried called on the public to "demand with us the trial of Lischka and his accomplices as soon as possible." Others urged "No proscription for Nazi crimes against humanity," a reference to the statute of limitations on the prosecution of Nazi war criminals which is due to take effect on Dec. 31, 1979. The demonstration was peaceful and without incident. It took place shortly before a special service commemorating Kristallnacht was conducted at the Cologne Synagogue in the presence of President Walter Scheel of the Federal Republic and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt. A Cologne tribunal will convene shortly to set a date for Lischka's trial.

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- The Sir Henry d'Avigdor Goldsmid Chair in agricultural economics was dedicated at the Hebrew University Faculty of Agriculture in Rehovot last week in the presence of members of the Jewish Colonization Association (JCA). The late Sir Henry, a member of the British Parliament from 1955-1974, served as president of the JCA from 1951 until his death in 1976.

## EHRLICH, HOFFBERGER ADDRESS CJF GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPENING.

By Murray Zuckoff

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- The emerging problems and opportunities for Israel and for American and Canadian Jewry in the period ahead was the dominant theme last night at the opening plenary session of the 47th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations.

Israeli Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich told the 3000 North American Jewish leaders assembled here that peace comes at a time when Israel's economy has reached its coming of age, when it is at a "stage to take off and grow." Israel, he stressed, is "ready and able to become a business center in the Middle East and the free world, in cooperation with America and other countries by intensifying investments, trade and tourism."

Jerrold C. Hoffberger, the outgoing president of the CJF, in his keynote address, challenged the Assembly "to achieve wholly new definitions and dimensions of service at home and abroad, to recognize that new and exciting programs must be undertaken within the North American Jewish communities for 'Jewish renewal' as well as design new development programs for an Israel at peace. Jewish renewal recognizes that we have entered a new era," Hoffberger said. "We have moved from a past fraught with peril to a future filled with promise."

### Ehrlich Stresses Investment Opportunities.

Ehrlich, without mentioning the peace treaty talks now going on in Washington between Israel and Egypt, focused on the opportunities Israel can offer in the aftermath of peace for business ventures from abroad. Noting that there is "a new world to open up" in Israel, he urged North American Jews "to join us, to participate with us, in the opening of these new worlds." The Finance Minister asserted that Israel's government policies are geared toward this end. He pledged an economic policy of government cooperation with foreign business ventures in Israel. "You have our word that we will liberally assist enterprises in becoming established in an economy which is continually growing and offering new opportunities," Ehrlich said.

During the last year, he observed, Israel "established control of foreign exchange and streamlined the process of investment approval which awards the investor generous financial incentives. We are willing to finance up to 70 percent of export-oriented investment and most of the research and development expenses." But, he emphasized, "it is not primarily capital of American businessmen that we are after. We need their experience, knowhow, technology and marketing channels."

But the promise of the future was tempered by the reality of the present and the hurdles that must be overcome to provide the arena and base for investment opportunities. "Let us realize that the days of the Messiah have not yet arrived," Ehrlich said. "It will take a long time to reach the kind of peace which exists between the U.S. and Canada, for example." During the first years of peace, Israel will still have extremely high defense expenses "but many people here and in Israel will have the feeling that it is all over," Ehrlich said. But peace will provide new dimensions to life in Israel and to the mutual relationship between Israel and North American Jewry, he stated. The economic prospects for growth, therefore, require of more intense and innovative

partnership between Israel and North American Jewry.

### Partnership Discussed

Hoffberger, in dealing with this situation, stressed that to achieve this partnership American and Canadian Jewry must develop new and bold approaches to communal activities in order all the better to be a full and viable partner with Israel and the coming historic epoch. He said that one of the first steps in this direction is to streamline CJF activities in order to reduce to a minimum all programs that are dead ended or obsolete. "Priorities must be selected with care and set with courage," he said. "There will be hard choices. On some occasions it may be necessary to override powerful interests. We must have the strength to say 'no' and the grace to accept this decision. We must have the vision to say 'yes' and the vigor to pursue the right course of action."

Hoffberger suggested increased understanding and cooperation between the CJF and other national Jewish institutions and organizations in North America, not in order to create a monolith, but to unify Jewish forces and resources. "We must reach out to our colleague organizations in a spirit of shared confidence and good will. Debate and diversity within the private circle of our diaspora; unity and solidarity in confronting the total world."

In the final analysis, Hoffberger said, CJF programs and activities must take into consideration and make their focal point the fact that Israel, "which has lived on borrowed time and borrowed money can see beyond survival. We have the opportunity to offer them more than a handout. By assuming part of their burden for human development, Israel can concentrate on long neglected economic development. By sponsoring Israel's internal aliyah, we can encourage sabras to stay, captive nation refugees to remain and speed new immigration into the mainstream." All these elements, he stated, are what constitutes the survival and renewal of Judaism in North America and Israel.

### HIGH COST OF HOUSING DEcriED

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- The Patriarch Jacob had to toil for seven years to get a wife. An average wage-earner in Israel must work seven years to afford to purchase an apartment, a senior official of the government housing company told the Knesset's Economic Committee yesterday.

According to Itamar Gelem, this situation stems from a lack of foresight by the government during the years 1975-77. He said there were far too few housing starts in those years and urged the government to speed up the construction of housing for young couples and the needy. Another official charged that the government bureaucracy was directly responsible for the fact that the cost of a flat for a young couple increases by IL 60,000 (\$3000) every six months. The MKs were warned that the widening gap between the price of housing and what young couples can afford could lead to a revival of the Black Panther movement. The Black Panthers, mainly Jerusalem slum dwellers, launched anti-government demonstrations in 1971 when the cost of housing rose at a similar rate.

Housing Minister Gideon Patt told the committee that his ministry is currently building about 3000 new units that will be leased to young couples for five years at low rent with the option to purchase.

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- An academic chair in the history of Eastern European Jewry was established at Bar Ilan University in the name of Mexican-Jewish lawyer Shimon Feldman.

## JEWISH GROUPS MARKING 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF KRISTALLNACHT

NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- Jewish groups throughout the nation solemnly marked the 40th anniversary of the infamous Kristallnacht -- the night of broken glass -- the first mass manifestation of Nazi brutality against German Jews and an ominous portent of the Holocaust that was to come.

Kristallnacht occurred during the night of Nov. 9-10, 1938 when Nazi-inspired mobs pillaged and destroyed Jewish homes, businesses and institutions throughout the Reich. As Philip M. Klutznick, president of the World Jewish Congress noted in a statement released yesterday, "Tens of thousands (of Jews) were arrested and sent to concentration camps and many of those who were not arrested were subjected to humiliation and assault."

"Today, Kristallnacht is largely forgotten by the world," Klutznick said, "and tragically even the Holocaust that followed is in danger of being forgotten. Indeed, there are even attempts being made to deny that the Holocaust actually took place. The Jewish people must not allow the world to forget the Holocaust or to permit future Kristallnachts," he said.

He warned that "74 years after Kristallnacht, anti-Semitism has re-emerged as a threat and no Jewish community anywhere can feel itself impervious to its menace." Klutznick appealed, on behalf of the WJC "to all governments and peoples to remember Kristallnacht and what followed it, not to permit those who committed murder and crimes against humanity to escape punishment and not to allow democracy to shelter those who have no purpose other than its subversion."

### Survivors Urge Observance

The American Federation of Jewish Fighters, Camp Inmates and Nazi Victims also issued a call for observance of the 40th anniversary of Kristallnacht as a "time for reflection on the past, a time to be alert to any form of anti-Semitism, and a time to renew a vigorous commitment for the future that there never be another Holocaust." Solomon Zynstein, president of the organization, noted that 40 years after the Holocaust, there are many ominous signs, "too many incidents of neo-Nazism across the globe for us to remain calm."

The Kristallnacht anniversary was commemorated at a United Jewish Appeal-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies Joint Campaign dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria here last night. Today a group called The Generation After, an organization of young adults, many of them children of Holocaust survivors, demonstrated outside the West German Mission to the United Nations. They protested against the statute of limitations on the prosecution of Nazi war criminals which goes into effect in Germany at the end of 1979.

The Jewish Community Relations Council of New York conducted a candlelight ceremony at the Isaiah Wall opposite United Nations headquarters here tonight to mark the Kristallnacht anniversary. It also called on the West German authorities to extend the statute of limitations. Meanwhile, it was announced that Dr. Curt C. Silberman, president of the American Federation of Jews from Central Europe and co-chairman of the Council of Jews from Germany, has been invited by the city of Wuerzburg, West Germany, to deliver a memorial address at a public meeting sponsored by the city on Nov. 14. He will speak on "The Lesson of the Kristallnacht."

## STATE DEPARTMENT CLEARS DIPLOMAT OF BEING ACCOMPLICE OF NAZIS

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- Undersecretary of State Ben Read has given a clean bill of political health to Constantine Warvariv, the American career diplomat who has been accused by Soviet authorities of being "an accomplice of the Nazis during World War II." In a letter to Warvariv dated Oct. 27, which was made available to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by the State Department, Read wrote that "the Department's investigation found no evidence whatsoever to support the allegations and charges against you" and that "the Department reaffirms the confidence in your loyalty and character as represented initially by your commissioning as a foreign service officer of the United States."

Warvariv emigrated to the U.S. under the Displaced Persons Act from Germany in 1948 and joined the State Department in 1962. A Soviet press review last July, issued by the Soviet Mission to the United Nations in New York, revived the Soviet allegation that Warvariv was involved in the murder of 17,000 Jews in Rovno between Nov. 7-9, 1941. The Soviet report said Warvariv "was identified as a Nazi accomplice" when he attended a UNESCO conference 13 months ago as a U.S. delegation member.

Read's letter also "commended" Warvariv "for your courageous and forthright action in immediately bringing to the attention of your superiors the attempt by Soviet representatives to suborn you."

A spokesman for the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration which is investigating alleged Nazis who entered the U.S., said that it does not have Read's letter and does not consider the case closed. The spokesman told the JTA that a letter last month from Douglas Bennett, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, reported the Department's office of security had discussed the Soviet charges with Warvariv and that "to date the investigation has resulted in the development of no information which would support the Soviet assertion that Constantine Warvariv was involved in war crimes." Noting that Rep. Joshua Eilberg (D. Pa.), the subcommittee chairman, had written to Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance on Sept. 18 regarding this case, the spokesman said that the subcommittee would review the case when its members return to Washington.

## ONTARIO PASSES TOUGH ANTI-BOYCOTT LAW

By Michael Solomon

TORONTO, Nov. 9 (JTA) -- The Ontario legislature yesterday passed what observers here say is the toughest anti-boycott legislation adopted by a parliament anywhere in the world. The measure, known as an act to prohibit discrimination in business practices, was adopted virtually without opposition and with the support of all three parties in the provincial parliament. It will be signed into law today by Lt. Gov. Pauline McGibbon.

The measure outlaws compliance with any aspect of the Arab boycott of Israel by any firm doing business in the province of Ontario. Penalties range from a \$5000 fine for individuals to \$50,000 for corporations. A corporation found in violation of the law would also be prohibited from doing business in the province for five years. The bill's definition of discriminatory practices includes "solicitation of information as to geographical location," meaning that a firm must not comply with an Arab request as to the geographical origin of any goods or services.