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KATZ FAMILY ON WAY TO BOSTON

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The family of Boris and Natasha Katz of Moscow, which attracted international attention because their one-year-old daughter Jessica required treatment for a digestive disorder which Soviet doctors admittedly could not treat, arrived in Vienna today after finally receiving permission from Soviet authorities to emigrate. According to the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, which reported their arrival in Vienna, the Katz's nine-day-old daughter, Gabrielle, whose birth delayed the family from leaving Moscow, was carried off the plane by Natasha.

The family will fly tomorrow to Boston where Jessica will undergo an operation. Boris Katz thanked Sen. Edward Kennedy (D. Mass.) for making the final breakthrough in the family's struggle to join his mother and two brothers in Cambridge, Mass. Kennedy helped clear the way for the Katz family to leave the Soviet Union during a visit in September when he met with Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev. In Washington, Kennedy said today he would meet the Katz family when they arrive in Boston. He said he thought American doctors would be able to cure Jessica of her ailment.

THOUSANDS MARCH IN PROTEST AGAINST PALESTINIAN SOLIDARITY DAY

By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The United Nations-sponsored "International Day of Solidarity With the Palestinian People" opened here this morning amid tight security measures, a snub of the events by the United States and most Western countries and noisy but peaceful demonstrations and counter-demonstrations near UN headquarters. (Related stories P. 3.)

President Anwar Sadat of Egypt sent a special message on the occasion of Solidarity Day which was read to the delegations by Egyptian Ambassador Ismat Abdel Meguid. The Egyptian leader declared that the Camp David agreements created the framework which would "open the road to the Palestinian people for the restoration of its rights and the creation of its national authority in its own land." He said that Egypt is working, at the Washington conference, to translate this framework into concrete steps in order to realize the hopes of the Arab nation "and especially the Palestinian people."

In what was seen as an attempt at conciliation with the Palestine Liberation Organization, Sadat said that "Egypt's peace initiative, which was supported by the entire world, came to emphasize the lessons and results of the October (1973) war and to underline that the Egyptian people is determined to shoulder its national responsibilities and to continue steadily on the road of establishing a just, durable and comprehensive settlement" in the Middle East.

Sadat noted that Solidarity Day is celebrated at a time when Egypt is undertaking "one of the most difficult battles, the battle to establish peace in the area, based on justice, the principle of international law and respect for the right of peoples to self-determination."

Some 2000 people, most of them students, massed in Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza opposite the UN headquarters to protest Solidarity Day in a demonstration organized by the North American Jewish Students Network. They denounced the PLO and carried signs reading "Israel Wants Peace -- The PLO Wants Israel," and "Jewish Blood is not Cheap."

At the Isaiah Wall, four blocks away, about 150 American Palestinians and their supporters, many dressed in traditional Arab headgear, marched in support of the PLO. They handed pamphlets to passers-by denouncing the Camp David accords and calling for rallies in major American cities to protest "Zionist settlers colonialism." The pro-PLO rally was sponsored by the Organization of Arab Students in the U.S. and Canada.

Western Powers Snub Event

The UN events on behalf of the Palestinians included an exhibition of Palestinian posters, screening a PLO-produced film and speeches by the members of various delegations participating in Solidarity Day and by Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

Although no Western powers were represented, the West German delegation circulated a statement on behalf of the nine member states of the European Economic Community (EEC). The statement recalled the position of the EEC countries as presented by West Germany's Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher in his speech to the General Assembly last Sept. 26.

It quoted Genscher as saying that "in the establishment of a just and lasting peace, account must be taken of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians" and that "a peace settlement in the Middle East will be possible only if the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people to give effective expression to its national identity is translated into fact. This would take into account the need for a homeland for the Palestinian people."

Waldheim, in his remarks, declared that "however formidable the difficulties, we cannot afford to relax for a moment the efforts to find a peaceful way forward" in the Middle East. He stressed in that connection "the crucial importance of the Palestinian people in any search for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East."

Background Of Solidarity Day

Solidarity Day, which was opposed by the U.S. and brought a storm of protest against the UN from American Jewish organizations and others, was sponsored by the Committee for the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People which was established by the General Assembly last year. The date coincided with the 31st anniversary of the UN resolution of Nov. 29, 1947 to partition Palestine, opening the way to the establishment of Israel's independence. On the committee's recommendation, the General Assembly also approved the establishment of the Special Unit for Palestinian Rights in the UN Secretariat which has a \$500,000 budget, the sole purpose of which is to advance PLO propaganda goals.

The UN was closed to the public today. The complex of buildings that make up the headquarters of the world organization was surrounded by hundreds

of policemen, police cars and barricades and traffic was diverted to other streets. The credentials of all persons entering the building were carefully checked by security guards. According to some reports, a number of anonymous telephone threats were received at UN headquarters.

Anti-Israel Resolutions Approved

Apart from Solidarity Day, other anti-Israel activities took place at the UN. Yesterday, the General Assembly's Special Political Committee approved three resolutions protesting alleged practices by Israel in the occupied Arab territories in contravention of international conventions.

One resolution called on Israel to acknowledge that the Geneva Convention on the protection of civilians in time of war applies to all the Arab territories occupied since 1967 including Jerusalem. The vote was 104-1 with Israel casting the only negative ballot. Guatemala, the Soviet Union and all other East European countries except Rumania abstained. Rumania voted for the resolution.

The second draft expressed grave anxiety and concern of Israel's alleged actions to change the legal status, geographical nature and demographic composition of the occupied territories and declared those actions illegal and "a serious obstruction of efforts aimed at achieving a just and lasting peace in the Middle East." The resolution was adopted by 110-1. Israel voted against it and the Bahamas, Guatemala and Venezuela abstained. The U.S. and Bolivia joined the abstainers in a separate vote on some provisions in the draft.

The third resolution, commending the work of the three-nation committee on Israeli practices in the occupied territories, was adopted by a vote of 83-3 with 29 abstentions. Israel, the U.S. and Guatemala voted against the draft.

Meanwhile, the General Assembly continued its debate on the "Question of Palestine." Yesterday, the Jordanian delegate, Hazem Nuseibeh, told the Assembly that there could be no viable peace without a comprehensive settlement, of which, he asserted, the fate of the Palestinian people was the central single issue. A just peace, he said, must include Israeli withdrawal from all the territories occupied in the Six-Day War, foremost of which was what he termed Arab Jerusalem.

JORDAN USES ISRAELI-MADE FILM FOR USE IN SOLIDARITY DAY EVENTS

By Barbie Zelizer-Meyouhas

JERUSALEM, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The ever-increasing popularity of videotaping has been put to novel -- if distorted -- use by Jordan television, which videotaped an Israeli-made TV drama in order to screen it tonight for "International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People."

The film, "Hirbet Hiza," is an adaptation of a play by S. Yizhar about the expulsion of Arab villagers by Israelis during the 1948 war. Although purely fictitious, the Jordanian broadcasters have termed the film a documentary account about "occupied Arabs" suffering at the hands of Israeli soldiers. The film caused considerable controversy in Israel at the beginning of the year when it was televised.

"I can only regret that the film is being used by the Jordanians for propaganda purposes," Yizhar said. "The film was intended for Israeli audiences mature enough to judge its message in the correct proportions. The story is not political. Its objective is to draw attention to all actions which cause suffering to persons of all creeds."

Perhaps now Arab writers, too, will become more sensitive to the suffering of all nations."

This will be the first time an Israeli film, with Hebrew subtitles in places where the dialogue is Arabic, will be shown on Jordan television."

Meanwhile, minor disturbances marked the observation of Solidarity Day on the West Bank. Student demonstrators were dispersed by police in Ramallah and other towns. West Bank activists called for a general strike and shut-down of schools and shops to protest the Israeli occupation. Arab students at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem were denied a permit to hold a demonstration on the campus. Jewish students organized a seminar on the subject of Zionism and peace.

KHALIL TO MEET CARTER ON FRIDAY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil will meet President Carter at the White House Friday afternoon after he has a working lunch with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance at the State Department, the Department said yesterday. Khalil, who will arrive here tomorrow afternoon, will bear Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's latest thinking on "linkage" of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty with Palestinian Arab autonomy on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Blair House conference spokesman, George Sherman, in confirming Khalil's schedule Friday, said that he did not know how long Khalil will stay in Washington. In response to questions, Sherman said that no trip is "being planned" by Vance as a next step in the Egyptian-Israeli treaty talks. "The next step remains to be seen," Sherman said. He also said that the U.S. government was not informed in advance of the publication, first in Egypt of the Egyptian-Israeli treaty text, and Annex III later in Israel. He said the U.S. prefers that the texts not be published prior to agreement.

Sherman was asked whether Edward Sanders, Carter's special assistant on Jewish affairs and other matters, is participating in the Blair House negotiations. Sherman replied that Sanders is not a member of the U.S. delegation. He has taken part in "consultations," Sherman said. "A number of people take part," he added, noting that they had "no special role."

WZO OFFICIAL WANTS 27,000 JEWISH FAMILIES TO SETTLE IN WEST BANK

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The head of the World Zionist Organization settlement department, Matityahu Drobless, has suggested that some 27,000 Jewish families settle in the West Bank within the next five years, Israel Television reported yesterday. A master plan for settlement in Judeaea and Samaria was presented by Drobless to Premier Menachem Begin, chairman of the Ministerial Settlement Committee Ariel Sharon and members of the WZO Executive.

The plan has not yet been approved by the various bodies which deal with settlements, but the report said Drobless estimated the expense involved at IL 54 billion. Under the plan, IL 16 billion should be invested next year to settle 8000 families in 46 new settlements in the West Bank.

The settlements strip would run from the Jenin area in northern Samaria, through the heart of Samaria, all the way south to the Hebron mountains. The plan calls for building new settlements alongside the existing ones, in order to "thicken" the Jewish presence in the area. There are now only 1300 Jewish families in the West Bank.

JEWISH GROUPS CONDEMN SOLIDARITY DAY

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- A delegation of high level B'nai B'rith leaders met for one hour today with Ambassador James Leonard, Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States to the United Nations, to express the organization's concern with the "so-called International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People."

The delegation, headed by Seymour D. Reich, president of B'nai B'rith District 1, embracing New York State and New England, told the Ambassador the observance was a desecration of UN principles and a subversion of the Camp David peace process. The meeting took place a few hours before a demonstration was staged by Jewish and non-Jewish groups in Dag Hammarskjold Plaza opposite the United Nations to protest Solidarity Day.

Reich told Leonard that the chief moving force behind the Solidarity Day observance was the UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People which Reich called "merely an instrument of the terrorist Palestine Liberation Organization and, therefore, ought to be strongly opposed by all men of good will."

Leonard reaffirmed that the U.S. delegation to the UN would not participate in any activities of Solidarity Day. He further noted that the U.S. had "strongly opposed" the creation three years ago of the Committee on the Inalienable Rights and the annual extension of its mandate. He added that the committee's functions, including Solidarity Day, constituted "misuse of UN funds."

The B'nai B'rith delegation urged the U.S. government to issue a "strong denunciation of Solidarity Day" to provide a "signal that would encourage the moderate force in the Arab world." Leonard indicated the State Department was considering when and under what circumstances it should issue a formal statement on the Palestinian issue.

In a related development, Yehuda Blum, Israel's Ambassador to the UN, responding to a reporter's question on Solidarity Day, said: "The glorification by the UN of a terrorist organization bent on the destruction of a member state of the UN is not only a grave breach of the UN's own charter. It is also a grave insult to the memory of the murdered athletes of Munich, of the murdered school children of Maalot and of the countless victims of these criminal elements in Israel and the world over. The UN has never had an international day of solidarity with the victims of terrorism. Yet it has seen fit to celebrate its solidarity with the terrorists themselves."

Bnai Zion, the oldest American Zionist fraternal organization, today lowered the UN flag to half mast from its five-story building, the America-Israel Friendship House in Manhattan, as a symbol of mourning of what the president of the organization, Paul Safran, said was "the demise of the lofty principles set forth in the UN Charter."

Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, chairman of the American Section of the World Zionist Organization, declared in a statement issued today that "November 29, 1947 was one of the great moments in UN history, and will remain such regardless of efforts by the Arabs and their supporters to distort its meaning and betray its promise."

"Neither 'Palestine Day' nor 'Palestine Week' can obscure the greatness of what the UN achieved 31 years ago. And nothing that is said at the UN on that day or during that week will block Israel's determination to find the road to peace,"

she said.

U.S. TERMS SOLIDARITY DAY 'NOT HELPFUL' IN QUEST FOR MIDEAST PEACE

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The United States described today "International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People" as "confrontational, one-sided and not helpful in the quest for a just regional settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict."

"We oppose and will not participate in this day," the State Department's chief spokesman, Hodding Carter, said. He pointed out that planning for this day "is the responsibility of the United Nations Secretariat special unit for Palestinian rights." The U.S. opposed the establishment of the unit, the committee, Solidarity Day and all preparations for that day, Carter said.

He gave the Administration's views at a news briefing after questions had again been raised by a reporter as to when the U.S. would speak out against the program and also about the Administration's continued silence regarding the written protests by 28 Senators against the U.S. payment of \$190,000 of the \$500,000 the United Nations is spending for what is in effect a glorification of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Opposes Continuation Of UN Unit

Carter said today that the Congress, by amendment to the State Department's authorization bill, had requested President Carter to instruct Andrew Young, United States Ambassador to the UN, to oppose the continuation of both the UN special unit and the committee. The legislation, he pointed out, also asked the President, "to use all means at his disposal to obtain action by the General Assembly to terminate" the committee and the special unit. "We have been doing precisely that," Carter said. He added that Young has "informed" UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim "that we oppose this and related activities at the UN."

Reporting that "only the UN office in Geneva and UNESCO headquarters in Paris will observe the day," outside of New York, the spokesman also said "we have told our missions not to participate in Solidarity Day and to insure that none of their personnel attend the celebrations." He said that "Ambassador Young and his staff have urged other member states to join us in boycotting Solidarity Day."

ISRAEL AND NICARAGUA

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The State Department said yesterday that Israel's "last shipment" of military materiel to the Somoza government "under a set of contracts for light military equipment was made in August." The Department's chief spokesman, Hodding Carter, was asked for the second time in a week about Israeli military assistance to Nicaragua's government. Previously he reported that Israel had denied making shipments "clandestinely" to Nicaragua.

Regarding the contractual shipments, Carter said that "we have been told" by the Israel government that no shipments have been made since August and that the materiel supplied under the contracts consisted of light weapons and uniforms. Asked whether the cessation of Israeli military shipments to Nicaragua include both private and government sales, Carter replied, "I think the answer is yes."

ELIE WIESEL TO LEAD CELEBRATION AT UJA 40TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Elie Wiesel, renowned author and scholar, will lead a celebration of the people of Israel at the United Jewish Appeal gala 40th anniversary banquet Dec. 9, in the New York Hilton Hotel. He is the newly appointed chairman of President Carter's Committee for a Holocaust Memorial. Wiesel's appearance at the banquet will combine a tribute to Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Premier Menachem Begin of Israel and the people of Israel as they carry on their search for a just and lasting peace with a celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Jewish lifeline.

Other events at the UJA national conference Dec. 7-10 include three plenary sessions open to the public. There will also be a series of lifeline workshops on such topics as campaigning, budget and allocations, Project Renewal, Soviet Jewry.

"An Expression of Support and Solidarity: The Destiny of Soviet Jewry, 1978-79" is the opening plenary session Dec. 7. Leon Dulzin, Jewish Agency chairman and chairman of the historic Brussels Conference on the human rights of Jews in the Soviet Union will lead this session. The second UJA David Ben Gurion Award will be presented at this session to the Soviet Jewish Prisoners of Conscience.

The second plenary session, "Project Renewal and the Jewish Agency Lifeline," will be held Dec. 8. Akiva Lewinsky, the new treasurer of the Jewish Agency, will make a definitive presentation of the human needs and aspirations behind the lifeline programs sustained by the Jewish Agency 1978-79 budget. The presentation will include an in-depth account of the aims, dimensions and current status of Project Renewal.

The Sixth Annual Louis A. Pincus Memorial Lecture, "Camp David and After" will be held Dec. 9. Four distinguished scholars will lead this public forum. They are Prof. David E. Apter, Yale University; Prof. Martin Peretz, Harvard University, and editor of The New Republic; and Prof. Richard E. Pipes, Harvard University. The moderator will be Prof. Michael L. Walzer, Harvard University and chairman of the UJA Faculty Advisory Cabinet.

On Dec. 7, Baron Guy de Rothschild will be the guest of honor at the national leadership dinner. There will also be a tribute to Simcha Dinitz, Israel's Ambassador to the United States. Chaim Vinitsky, the UJA director general in Israel, will be honored at a special reception later that night.

SITUATION IN IRAN TO BE REPORTED AT JDC ANNUAL MEETING DECEMBER 6

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (JTA)--Latest developments in Iran will be reported on at the annual meeting of the Joint Distribution Committee in New York Dec. 6, it was announced this week by Donald M. Robinson, JDC president. Michael Schneider, who took over as JDC director for Iran in August, will fly to New York to deliver a first-hand account of the current situation.

More than 100 members of the Board of Directors will attend the meeting, which will elect officers and adopt a budget and program for 1979. Ralph I. Goldman, executive vice-president, will deliver a year-end report on JDC's world-wide operations.

Another feature will be a report on the Jewish community of France by Baron Guy de Roths-

child, president of the Fonds Social Juif Unifié (FSJU). Rothschild, who is the head of the French branch of the famous banking family, will receive the Ma'asim Tovim (Good Deeds) Award at a luncheon session.

The JDC has been conducting health, welfare and educational programs in Iran since 1949, Robinson said. These programs, which aid some 15,000 of the 80,000 Jews living in Iran, incurred expenditures of more than \$1.5 million this year.

Rothschild was active in the resistance during World War II and served in the French army from 1939 to 1945. He served with Gen. Charles de Gaulle and entered Paris with the French army at its liberation. For his role in the war effort he was awarded the "Croix de Guerre."

Rothschild was an active leader of the French Jewish community and helped it to recover from the devastating effects of the Nazi occupation. He served as President of the French Consistoire from the end of the war until 1967. He was one of the prime movers in the creation of the FSJU in 1950 with the help of the JDC. He was nominated president two years later and has served in that office for the past 25 years.

RABBINIC BODIES URGE SYNAGOGUES TO MARK 'PEACE PRIZE SUNDAY' DEC. 10

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- The three major national rabbinic bodies of American Jewry have issued a call to their members to set aside Dec. 10 as "Peace Prize Sunday." On that day, as Israeli Premier Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat receive the Nobel Peace Prize for 1978, a wide-ranging series of public celebrations will be held throughout the United States and Canada, under the sponsorship of the Israel Bond Organization in conjunction with its Rabbinic Cabinet.

The heads of the three rabbinic groups, the Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform), the Rabbinical Assembly (Conservative) and the Rabbinical Council of America (Orthodox) are urging rabbis to organize special events in their synagogues to commemorate this historic day, according to Rabbi Leon Kronish, chairman of the Israel Bond Rabbinic Cabinet and spiritual leader of Temple Beth Shalom, Miami Beach, Florida.

Rabbi Saul Teplitz of Woodmere, L.I., head of the Rabbinical Assembly, explained why synagogues were selected for these observances. "During the Six-Day War in 1967 and the Yom Kippur War in 1973," he said, "the synagogue was the center of an extraordinary outpouring of activity in behalf of Israel." He asked for a response "just as immediate, just as dramatic and just as effective" to support Israel's peace efforts. Begin welcomed the Dec. 10 celebrations in a letter to Israel Bonds general chairman Sam Rothberg and said that these events would be "transformed into the kind of action which will strengthen our economy in the challenging months ahead."

Well-known personalities, including stars of Hollywood and Broadway, will take part in the festive celebrations in scores of cities throughout North America. Community political figures will participate in the programs. Mayors and governors are being asked to issue proclamations designating Dec. 10 as "Peace Prize Sunday."

BUDAPEST (JTA) -- A Jewish senior citizens' club, the first of its kind in Hungary, has opened here. The club, where elderly people will be able to hear lectures, play cards and even have a simple meal, will be operated by the Budapest Jewish community. The club is named after the Jewish artist, Lipt Herman.