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## CABINET CONDEMNS UN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CAMP DAVID AGREEMENTS AS INVALID

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- The Cabinet today strongly condemned the United Nations General Assembly's resolution declaring the Camp David accords invalid. The resolution, adopted Thursday night by a vote of 75-33 with 37 abstentions, was denounced in a Cabinet communique as "another proof of the decline of the United Nations. The international organization designed to keep the peace 'condemns' a peace agreement," the communique said.

The General Assembly resolution declared that the Camp David agreements signed in September, 1978 by Israel, Egypt and the United States, "have no validity insofar as they purport to determine the future of the Palestinian people and the Palestinian territories occupied by Israel since 1967." Although the General Assembly and other UN bodies have expressed opposition to the agreements in the past, this declaration was the first by the General Assembly to reject the accords by name.

The resolution also condemned "all partial agreements and separate treaties which constitute a flagrant violation of the Palestinian people," a reference to the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty, and rejected those provisions of the Camp David agreements "which ignore, infringe upon, violate or deny the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, including the right of return, the right of self-determination and the right to national independence and sovereignty in Palestine."

The resolution was opposed by Israel, Egypt, the U.S. and eight of the nine member states of the European Economic Community. France, the ninth member, abstained. An earlier attempt by Egypt to delete the references to the Camp David accords was defeated by a vote of 56-51 with 30 abstentions.

The resolution was supported by Third World countries. The Cabinet communique criticized the non-aligned bloc for "voting automatically for resolutions proposed by the most extreme of the Arab states which are backed by the Soviet bloc."

## FOREIGN AID BILL STALLED

By Joseph Palakoff

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- Much of the current U.S. governmental fiscal year may have elapsed before the Congress adopts new foreign aid legislation, already two months overdue, and President Carter signs it into law. The Senate-House conference held its last session Nov. 1 in attempting to iron out differences between the appropriation bills passed in the two chambers and the likelihood is that the conferees will not reconvene until late January at the earliest.

The hangup involves a dozen items on which they disagree or have not decided but the main issues are on U.S. funding for the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund with the Senate being more liberal. Agreements have been reached with no dissent on most Middle East appropria-

tions but until the legislation is formally determined all decisions are considered merely tentative.

The legislation calls for \$1.8 billion in military aid and economic supporting assistance for Israel; \$750 million for Egypt in economic supporting assistance exclusive of some \$250 million in Food for Peace products; and \$180 million for Jordan in economic and military support. The Senate bill is for \$8.140 billion while the House measure is for \$7.746 billion for the fiscal year 1979-1980 that began last October 1.

The conferees agreed to pare down the funding for Syria to \$45 million from the \$60 million asked by the Administration but they disagreed on the Senate-approved measure that would prohibit use of the U.S. funds to the United Nations to be diverted to programs helping the terrorist Palestine Liberation Organization. The item concerning the PLQ includes a ban on funding also for Rhodesian guerrillas.

Congress will enter its year-end holiday recess either Dec. 14 or Dec. 21 and not return until probably Jan. 22. Should the conferees report to their respective chambers that they are unable to reach agreement, it is indicated that the Congress will vote a continuing resolution to fund the foreign aid programs on the last fiscal year's limitations until the new programs are legislated, which may not take place until late winter.

## NEO-NAZIS SENTENCED, FINED

BONN, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- A West Berlin court has sentenced a 28-year-old coal dealer to 11 months in jail and fined two 17-year-old youths \$170 and \$115, respectively. They were found guilty of spreading neo-Nazi propaganda in a television broadcast and for displaying Nazi Party symbols. The Nazi Party is illegal in West Berlin.

The three appeared before a West German TV team last March in a Berlin cafe where they described themselves as members of the Kampfgruppe Grossdeutschland and demanded the abolition of the ban on the Nazi Party. The trio displayed placards with swastikas and distributed them to the patrons.

The judge sharply criticized the television station which, he said, stood morally accused for televising the three. The mild sentence and low fines were justified, the judge said, because the TV station bears part of the responsibility. The TV station's reporter was criticized for screening the 90-second scene. The TV station had paid a \$140 fee to the trio.

## SPECIAL REPORT

### THE ANTI-SEMITISM OF THE USLP

By Rochelle Saidel Wolk -  
(Part 1 of a 3-Part Series)

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism is an integral component of the United States Labor Party (USLP) headed by Lyndon LaRouche, Jr., a candidate for President of the United States in 1980, according to reports published by Our Town, a weekly Manhattan newspaper. The New York Times, and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The ADL has charged the USLP, the political

am of the National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC) with conducting an anti-Jewish hate propaganda campaign that adds "an insidious dimension to its bizarre conspiracy theories and political hallucinations."

ADL recently issued an 18-page report linking the USLP with Liberty Lobby, the far right group headed by "long-time anti-Semite" Willis Carto, and with Iraq and the Soviet Union, from which it reportedly received laundered funds. The report compares USLP leader LaRouche to "the father figure so characteristic of religious and other cults that have surfaced in the U.S. and elsewhere."

The report also says that LaRouche has created a "conspiracy fantasia" in which Jews supposedly instigate anti-Semitism as part of a conspiracy involving the British monarchy, the British nobility and upper classes, the British Secret Intelligence Service and cults and secret societies such as the "Cult of Isis" and the "Black Guelph nobility."

### Three Anti-Semitic Themes Cited

The three basic anti-Semitic themes cited by ADL are: the Nazis did not kill six million Jews during the Holocaust; the Jews were responsible for the crucifixion of Christ; and Zionism is racism.

LaRouche, 57, is a veteran of the far left and is a former Marxist teacher and theoretician, and a former member of the (Trotskyist) Socialist Workers Party. He also founded various extreme left groups, including one allied with Students for a Democratic Society in the late 1960s. He ran for President in 1976, and polled a total of 40,043 votes in 26 states.

The USLP has approximately 3,000 members, according to ADL. Both The Times and Our Town report that, despite their anti-Semitism, NCLC-USLP have a significant number of Jewish members, but ADL does not discuss this phenomenon.

Both NCLC and USLP are part of an "international complex of affiliated, parallel and front organizations, plus various publications controlled by LaRouche, and active in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Latin America and Europe," the apparatus reportedly spends \$3 million a year for its activities," the ADL report says.

Publications include a twice-weekly newspaper called "New Solidarity," with a circulation of about 25,000; a magazine called "The Campaigner," a technological monthly called "Fusion," and "Executive Intelligence Review," a weekly political-economic analysis for business and industry that sells for \$10 per issue and \$400 per year. Affiliated and front organizations controlled by LaRouche in the U.S. include the tax-exempt Fusion Energy Foundation, according to ADL.

### Anti-Semitic Campaign Traced

The report traces USLP's anti-Semitic campaign to March 1978, about the same time that Liberty Lobby's weekly newspaper "Spotlight" was giving front page coverage to a lawsuit brought against the ADL by Liberty Lobby. A similar article appeared in USLP's "New Solidarity," and in the following months, the USLP paper carried a barrage of articles attacking ADL, B'nai B'rith, the Jewish community and Israeli officials.

In April 1979 the USLP and NCLC filed suit against the ADL in Supreme Court of New

York County, charging ADL with slander, libel, invasion of privacy, assault and harassment, and seeking \$26 million in damages. ADL has filed a motion for dismissal of the suit.

Explaining the link between NCLC-USLP and Liberty Lobby, the ADL report says it began during LaRouche's 1976 Presidential campaign. On Oct. 11, 1976, Liberty Lobby's "Spotlight" published a generally favorable review of a USLP report entitled "Carter and the Party of International Terrorism."

ADL says that "the shared perception of a pervasive conspiracy spearheaded by a so-called Rockefeller-CIA-Carter axis and seeking to control the U.S. and the world, was the tie that made possible cooperation between USLP on the far left and Liberty Lobby on the far right."

In its favorable review, however, "Spotlight" complained that the USLP report failed to mention any of the "major Zionist groups such as the notorious Anti-Defamation League" in the list of organizations and institutions which were allegedly controlled and coordinated by the Rockefeller-CIA-Carter forces. LaRouchite attacks on Jewish organizations soon followed.

### Other USLP Activities

Other USLP activities include their attempt to capture control of the AFL-CIO, with the ultimate goal of taking power in the U.S., ADL says. In December 1978 a "Michigan Anti-Drug Coalition" was announced, involving cooperation between the USLP, the Black Muslims and others. LaRouchites have also organized the "Humanist Academy of America," which is "apparently geared to attract potential members of academic bent."

By running political candidates at the local and Presidential levels, the USLP achieves access to the media and a certain degree of respectability. Although LaRouche, to date, has not created a "substantial political movement," the American experience indicates that "any group, however small, that attracts political zealots, that disseminates anti-Semitism and that cooperates with other anti-Semites and extremists, can insert an impact far out of proportion to its members and is a cause for concern to all decent Americans," the ADL report concludes.

USLP claims to have units in 36 cities in 19 states and the District of Columbia, with headquarters at 304 West 58th Street in New York City, ADL says. The New York regional office is listed as 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, in "New Solidarity."

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency has made several attempts to reach USLP officials and discuss the ADL report with them. An Albany, New York phone number listed in a recent issue of "New Solidarity" had been disconnected. There was no answer at the New York regional office. The JTA then called Campaigner Publications in Manhattan, publishers of "New Solidarity," asking for information about USLP. "We only print their paper" was the reply, but the person answering the telephone provided another Manhattan phone number for USLP. However, there was no answer at this number. According to telephone company information, neither USLP nor NCLC is listed anywhere in Manhattan. (Tomorrow: Part 2)

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Senate passed a bill last Friday authorizing a special Congressional gold medal to honor Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal. Passed by voice vote, it now goes to the House.

## BRZEZINSKI: THE U.S. WILL NEVER MINIMIZE THE SECURITY OF ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- President Carter's National Security Advisor told 350 delegates to the Jewish Labor Committee's biennial convention here last Friday night that he considered Camp David "one of the greatest achievements" of the Carter Administration.

Zbigniew Brzezinski, who spoke at the opening session of the JLC's 45th anniversary convention, said that "we hope to draw, with Camp David as the beginning, more Arab nations who want to live together with the West, into the treaty process. We want to make Camp David in to a wider reality. We will never do anything to minimize the security of Israel." Brzezinski also stated that "Islam is not our enemy" and the seizing of the U.S. Embassy in Teheran is "an aberration" that goes against the teachings of the Islamic religion.

Shimon Peres, leader of Israel's Labor Party, told the delegates yesterday that "the free world" is being "too free" by abandoning its democratic allies at their moments of crisis. Stating that "we in Israel knew in our hearts about the secret links between" Iran's ruler Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat, Peres warned that "unless we stand united against the PLO-type terrorists, we shall suffer separately."

He said that neither Moslems nor Arabs were the enemies of the free world, but that terrorists, aided and abetted in the main by the Soviet Union, were. Peres stressed that the links between the PLO, the Red Brigades and the Baader-Meinhof gangs made it incumbent on the democratic nations to unite against such terrorist acts.

Commenting on the situation in Iran, he said the free world seems to be abandoning the United States. "I thought that after all the U.S. has done for Europe, they would act more united with her," Peres said. "France's President has putted himself on the back because Khomeini was given refuge near Paris. France's attitude seems to be: better the U.S. than us."

### U.S. Labor Steadfastly Supports Israel

Jacob Sheinkman, president of the JLC and secretary treasurer of the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union, AFL-CIO, said the failure of the world community to curb and condemn terrorism by the PLO "only serves to encourage more of such acts by others. The events in Iran, Saudi Arabia and Pakistan are but the fruit of such reaction."

Lane Kirkland, president of the AFL-CIO, in a message to the convention, said the American labor movement "will remain steadfast in its support of Israel, strengthened by the knowledge, made surer in recent months, that to hold the fort for democracy and reason in the Middle East is to hold it for Americans."

Donald Slaiman, of Annandale, Va., deputy director of the AFL-CIO's department of organization and field services, was elected JLC president, succeeding Sheinkman who served in that post for two years. Slaiman has held many posts in the labor movement locally and nationally since 1940. These included serving as director of the AFL-CIO Department of Civil Rights from 1964 to 1974.

## KLUTZNICK FORMALLY TAKES LEAVE OF ABSENCE AS WJCONGRESS PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- Philip Klutznick, president of the World Jewish Congress, who has been nominated by President Carter to be Secretary of Commerce, announced here that at a meeting of the WJCongress Executive several days ago he had formally taken a leave of absence from his post as WJCongress president during his government service.

Klutznick also announced that the Executive had decided that during his absence and pending a review of the situation by the WJCongress Governing Board when it meets in April, 1980, the powers and duties of the president will be entrusted to the chairman of the WJCongress' four regional branches, with Edgar Bronfman, chairman of the North American branch, as convener, and in cooperation with WJCongress secretary general Gerhart Riegner.

The three other regional chairmen are Zalman Abramov, Israel branch; Gelgorio Faigon, Latin American branch; and Maurice Gryngol, European branch. Klutznick, expressing satisfaction with the Executive's decision, said that to the extent that his new responsibilities permit, he intends to maintain his interest in the educational and cultural activities of the WJCongress.

## UN SELECTS A COMMITTEE OFFICIAL TO LEAD CONCAVE IN THAILAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- The United Nations has selected the director of the American Jewish Committee's division of International Organizations to introduce a discussion on a proposed UN declaration against discrimination at a special international consultation this week in Bangkok, Thailand.

Sidney Liskofsky, an internationally recognized authority on human rights issues, who is also program consultant to the Jacob Blaustein Institute for the Advancement of Human Rights, will open the discussion, which will be held through Dec. 7. The international consultation, sponsored by UNESCO, will bring together some 20 experts on the subject from all parts of the world, as well as about 40 non-governmental organization observers.

The consultation was organized at the request of the UN's Human Rights Commission. Several UN bodies have been working for about two decades on a "draft declaration on the elimination of all forms of intolerance based on religion or belief." The Human Rights Commission asked UNESCO to organize the consultation "embracing various established schools of religious thought, on the cultural and religious basis of human rights in relation to the phenomenon of religious intolerance." Its conclusions will be considered by the Human Rights Commission when it next takes up the draft declarations this February.

WASHINGTON (JTA) -- Iranian students who demonstrated last Friday at the State Department seemed to change their tactics in regard to Arab-Israeli problems. Three weeks ago, a group of such demonstrators carried placards urging "Down with Zionism" and shouted "Long Live the Soviet Revolution." But on Friday, there was no indication in the demonstration of support for the Soviets. Students carried placards saying "Christians, Jews and Moslems Are Brothers."

**SUSPECT ARRESTED IN MURDER OF RABBI**

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- The arrest of a suspect in the killing of an elderly Hassidic rabbi and an incident at a pre-trial hearing of two Hassidim in the assault last year against a Black youth dramatized last Friday's racial tensions between Blacks and Hassidim in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn, center of the Lubavitch movement.

Police reported the arrest Friday of Carl Miller, 19, on charges of the murder on Oct. 25 of Rabbi David Okunov, 68, a recent immigrant from the Soviet Union, who was murdered on his way to synagogue services. Okunov was shot in the head. His assailant stole a small case containing his prayer shawl and prayer book.

A police spokesman said Miller used the name Melhar as a member of a group called "Five Percenters," a group of young Blacks, whose group name reportedly reflected a belief that only five percent of Black people resist "exploitation" by whites and that they are among the five percent.

The pre-trial hearing was held in State Supreme Court in Brooklyn for Lewis Bremar, 25, and Jonathan Hackner, 22, charged with taking part in the beating of Victor Rhodes in June 1978. Rhodes, then 16, was in a partial coma for nearly two months before he recovered. The defendants, both Lubavitcher Hassidim, denied having taken part in the attack. They were arrested soon after a group of 30 to 50 Hassidim allegedly attacked Rhodes.

**Preferential Treatment Denied**

At the pre-trial hearing, some 30 Blacks, charging that 10 Hassidim were being given preference in admission to the courtroom, began shouting protests. Judge Elliot Golden explained that no preference was being given to the Hassidim and the Black protests ended.

Crown Heights Black leaders charged the two Hassidim were part of a vigilante patrol which had beaten Black men in the neighborhood who refused to submit to unofficial identification checks. Lubavitch leaders said that the accused Hassidim were yeshiva students returning home from a wedding party who had "overreacted" to taunts by Rhodes who, they charged, snatched a skullcap from the head of one of the Hassidim.

**INTER-RACIAL GROUP LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN TO REDUCE CRIME IN NYC**

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- A campaign to reduce crime in New York City was launched in lower Manhattan at a rally of some 700 New Yorkers, most of them Jews. The rally represented a cross-section of New Yorkers, from actors to elected officials and rabbis to small business operators. It was spearheaded by the Crown Heights Coalition, an inter-racial group organized to cope with problems in a racially-troubled section of Brooklyn which is the center of Lubavitcher settlement.

Rabbi Mendel Shemtov, co-chairman of the coalition which also led to formation of the New York Mobilization against Crimes, said that "everyone agrees that crimes are deplorable and criminals are reprehensible" but that "it's mostly like the weather -- unpredictable. Everybody seems helpless." He urged all levels of government to move in against crime in New York and

everywhere else in the United States.

The rally last Thursday grew out of the murder of a Hassidic rabbi, David Okunov, 68, in Crown Heights last month. The organizers, describing the "chilling horror" of vicious crime in their neighborhoods, called for a review of the judicial system, a federal department dedicated to crime prevention, and "immediate overhaul" of the penal system.

City Council President Carol Bellamy, co-chairman of Citizens Action on Crime, said "crime hurts everyone in our city." Earlier in the day, civic, theater and labor leaders announced a campaign to "blow the whistle on crime" by educating New Yorkers on ways to protect themselves. The group is offering handbooks on crime prevention, TV and radio public service announcements and information on free crime prevention services by the Police Department.

**DENIES DELEGATES GORGED THEMSELVES**

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- Simon Schwartz, president of the United Synagogue of America, disagrees with a report in the Nov. 28 Bulletin that most of the 2000 delegates attending the United Synagogue biennial convention in Kiamesha Lake, N.Y., on the night of Nov. 11 "gorge(d) themselves on the Concord delicacies, a la 'Goodbye Columbus'." He says they were not there to gorge themselves that night.

"That day, the anniversary of Kristallnacht, was specifically devoted to commemorations of that event in ways that were meaningful," with an address by Jacobo Timerman relating how he was tortured and imprisoned in Argentina and with a presentation of "a dramatic rendering of 'Dear Kitty,' a program in remembrance of Anne Frank produced by the American Friends of The Anne Frank Center," Schwartz says. In addition, he notes the reason many of the delegates tried to ignore the presence of a young rabbi wearing the uniform of an SS officer that evening was "for fear of inciting an incident."

RIO DE JANEIRO (JTA) -- Fifty legislators have sent letters to President Joao Baptista Figueiredo urging the government to allow the Palestine Liberation Organization to open an office in Brazil. They said Brazil should follow the example of other nations which have permitted the PLO to open offices. Farid Sawan, the PLO's representative in Brazil, has said frequently he believes it is only a matter of time before the Brazilian government authorizes an office.

WASHINGTON (JTA) -- The Department of Commerce has accused the Core Laboratories, Inc., at Dallas of 28 violations of the U.S. anti-boycott laws. The Department said that during 1978, Core supplied a statement to "entities" in Egypt, Iraq, Libya and Bahrain that it had "no direct or indirect connection whatsoever with Israel." The Department pointed out that "this is a violation of the prohibition against furnishing information about business relationships with a boycotted country." It said that Core could be fined up to \$280,000 and its authority to export could be suspended or revoked. This is the fourth action against such violators in the last three months.