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40 LEADING FRENCH JEWS URGE ISRAEL TO ESCHEW TERRORIST METHODS

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, June 26 (JTA) -- About 40 French Jewish intellectuals and community leaders have signed a petition condemning terrorism "from wherever it may come," and urged Israel to ban violent methods which "risk destroying the peace effort."

The appeal, addressed to Israeli public opinion, was signed among others by writers Elie Wiesel, Albert Memmi and Bernard Henri-Lévy; by the president of the French Zionist Federation, Albert Najman and the president of the International League Against Anti-Semitism and Racism (LICRA), Jean Pierre-Bloch.

The petition is clearly, if not openly directed at Jewish terrorist acts. According to some of the signatories it was prompted by the June 2 bomb attacks against West Bank mayors. Although the perpetrators have not been apprehended or identified, it is widely suspected in Israel and abroad that the outrage was the work of Jewish extremists.

The petition stated that "Certain declarations made in Israel suggest that a minimal fraction of the population accepts or even justifies a Jewish terrorism." It warned that "Terrorism once started, knows no limits and none can escape its blind madness."

Other signatories include Chief Rabbi Max Warshawsky of Strasbourg and Chief Rabbi Simon Fuchs of Colmar; author Andre Schwartz-Bart; Nobel Laureate Etienne Wolf; and philosopher Vladimir Jankelevitch.

The petition indicated that a certain segment of the French Jewish community is increasingly willing to publicly express sentiments concerning Israel and the Israeli government's actions even at the risk that they will be interpreted in a manner adverse to Israel.

CONFESSED ACCOMPLICE IN MISGAV AM ATTACK IMPLICATES NORWEGIANS

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, June 26 (JTA) -- A south-Lebanese youth in custody in Israel claimed today that two members of the Norwegian contingent of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) were involved in the preliminary preparations of the Arab terrorists who attacked Kibbutz Misgav Am in April.

Ibrahim al Tawil, 21, who says he was a cook employed by the Norwegian battalion, made the charge in a television interview. He claimed that two Norwegian soldiers met with representatives of the Arab Liberation Front at his home in Hirbet el-Salm village to discuss the possibility of obtaining permits from the Norwegian force for the terrorists to pass through the area it controls to the Israeli border.

Tawil was arrested last weekend by Maj. Sood Haddad's Christian militia in south Lebanon and turned over to Israeli authorities. He admitted to serving as a guide for the terrorists. He said on the television program that he was selected because he is a native of the area and knows its topography. He said he made a preliminary tour of the route chosen by the terrorists and acted as their scout on the night of the attack on Misgav Am. He said he saw them safely up to the Israeli border.

GISCARD SAYS THERE CAN BE NO OVERALL MIDDLE EAST PEACE SETTLEMENT UNLESS ISRAEL ACCEPTS WITHDRAWAL TO ITS '67 BORDERS

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, June 26 (JTA) -- President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing called today for Israel's withdrawal to its pre-June 1967 borders and warned that the international "guarantees" for "just and recognized borders" exclude the territories occupied by Israel in 1967.

Giscard, who was addressing a press conference, said that the Venice declaration by the Prime Ministers of the nine European Economic Community (EEC) countries, calling for Palestinian "self-determination," was adopted without any difficulty. He added, in reply to a question, that the nine were now preparing diplomatic steps to put their declaration into practical effect but refused to say what those moves may be or when they will occur.

The French President, who artfully avoided using the words "Palestinian state," said that Palestinian recognition of Israel and Israel's recognition of Palestinian "rights" must take place within the framework of a global peace settlement. The basis for any such settlement, Giscard said, was "Israel's acceptance that it should evacuate the territories" (occupied during the Six Day War).

Warns Israel Of New Weapons

The French President ruled out any possible long-term settlement for the Middle East as long as Israel fails to accept the principle of evacuation. He said the Camp David agreement, establishing peace between Israel and Egypt, is based on the very same principle: "evacuation of the territories gradually accompanied by the creation of a situation of peace."

Giscard also warned Israel that unless a settlement is reached, "advanced arms potentially dangerous for Israel's security might be introduced into the area. He said "It is not a narrow river of a few additional kilometers (of territory) which could protect Israel from new weapons which could be far more powerful and have a far longer range" than any now existing in the Middle East. Giscard said that he had personally intervened on at least one occasion to prevent the introduction into the Middle East of such types of weapons. He said he acted "while negotiations were actually in progress" and observers believe he was referring to French promises to sell bomb producing nuclear piles to either Libya or Iraq or both.

No Reaction To French Jewish Protests

The French President refused to comment, in spite of repeated proddings, on his reactions to the French Jewish community's protests against his Middle East policy or to say why he refuses to visit Israel although he has paid several visits to Arab countries in the Middle East.

According to diplomatic observers, the President seemed confident of West European support and Elysee Palace sources said that his eight EEC colleagues "fully backed" France's position with certain countries actually pressing for faster and more concrete action in recognizing the Palestine Liberation Organization as a partner in the peace talks. Giscard himself did not mention the PLO.

Israeli sources were not surprised by Giscard's

statement but were worried by the indication of West European support in following France's lead. The sources were especially anxious about reports that the EEC nine will jointly submit an amendment to Security Council Resolution 242 recognizing the "rights of the Palestinian people."

This is expected after the American Presidential elections in November. Giscard himself said in his statement today that 242 "remains the basis for France's Mideast policy by calling for Israel's withdrawal from the territories it has held since the 1967 war."

STATE DEPT. SAYS UN RESOLUTION ON JERUSALEM WOULD SERVE NO 'USEFUL PURPOSE'

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, June 26 (JTA) -- A resolution expected to be brought before the United Nations Security Council by 40 Moslem nations denouncing Israel's position on a unified Jerusalem was criticized by the State Department today. "We do not believe that the debate is warranted by developments on the ground or that it is likely to serve a useful purpose," Department spokesman Thomas Reston said.

Recalling Secretary of State Edmund Muskie's remarks three weeks ago, Reston said "we believe there should be future negotiations to determine the final status of that city. In absence of such negotiations, we do not believe the issue can be resolved by the Security Council. We approach the prospect of a debate and a vote on a resolution with those considerations in mind." Reston, however, declined to forecast whether the U.S. would abstain or veto such a resolution.

KUWAITI WARNS OF RELIGIOUS WAR ON ISRAEL IF BEGIN MOVES OFFICE TO EAST JERUSALEM

By Yitzhak Rabi

UNITED NATIONS, June 26 (JTA) -- The Security Council resumed its debate on Jerusalem today and heard various Arab speakers denouncing Israel and warning that Israel's intentions in regard to East Jerusalem can provoke a war between the Jewish State and the whole Islamic world.

Abdalla Yaccoub Bishara, Kuwait's UN Ambassador, warned that if Premier Menachem Begin moved his office to East Jerusalem it would set off a religious confrontation between Islam and Judaism. "It would be like the religious wars of nine centuries ago," he said. He claimed that there could be no peace in the Mideast until Moslem rule is returned to Jerusalem.

The Kuwaiti envoy also warned that the flow of oil to the West is in jeopardy unless the Palestinian problem is resolved. He called on the U.S. government to make clear its position on Jerusalem.

Another Arab speaker in the Security Council this morning was Lovis Maksoud, the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the UN, who acknowledged that Jews have a spiritual association with Jerusalem. But this, he said, "does not constitute under any circumstances a claim to legitimize conquest, annexation and aggression." He urged the Council to adopt measures that would put an end to "the usurpation" that Israel undertook day after day in "our Jerusalem."

The Council, which opened its debate on Jerusalem Tuesday, resumed it today despite the lack of a draft resolution. Diplomats here said negotiations on a draft resolution, which will allow the U.S. at least to abstain rather than invoke

a veto are still underway and the debate might continue until next week.

SHAMIR WARNS INFUX OF ARMS TO MIDEAST COULD TRIGGER WW III

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 26 (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir claimed that the flow of both American and Soviet arms into the Middle East endangers the military balance in the region and could ignite a local war or even World War III.

Addressing the Knesset yesterday on four agenda motions related to U.S. arms supplies to Egypt, Jordan and Saudi Arabia, Shamir said he had expressed Israel's concern to American officials. He said the supply of arms to countries which rejected the Camp David accords only encouraged them. Shamir said he understood the American motivation in supplying weapons to Saudi Arabia in order to secure its oil. But he observed that the Iranian experience proved that arms did not necessarily save a pro-Western regime and warned that in the long run they would be used against Israel.

According to Shamir, even the arms sales to Egypt required caution and should be implemented in stages.

GOREN'S VIEWS ON FAMILY PLANNING

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 26 (JTA) -- Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren explained the halachic view on abortion and birth control in a television interview yesterday. He said that abortion was permissible only in cases where the mother's health might be endangered or where it can be established with certainty that the child would be born with an incurable illness.

He said halacha opposed family planning because Jews were "commanded" to "be fruitful and multiply" and because the Jewish population must be increased. However, he said, birth control methods were permitted "for a reasonable period" in cases where a couple already has a number of children.

DROVE ON SABBATH; GETS 3 MONTHS FOR DRAFT-DODGING

JERUSALEM, June 26 (JTA) -- A young woman accused of avoiding the draft by falsely stating that she was religious was sentenced to three months imprisonment and an 11,000,000 fine by a Jerusalem district court today. She was arrested after a detective working for the Defense Ministry reported he saw her driving a car on the Sabbath.

NEWEST KIBBUTZ WON'T PURSUE AGRICULTURE

TEL AVIV, June 26 (JTA) -- President Yitzhak Navon and his wife Ophira attended the inauguration this week of Kibbutz Kishor in western Galilee, a settlement unique in the history of Israel's kibbutz movement.

Sponsored by Mapam's Kibbutz Artzi, Kishor will be based exclusively on industry. Perched on a hilltop, it is believed to be the first kibbutz with no agricultural land to cultivate.

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- A group of American investors was reported Thursday about to sign an agreement with the Ministry of Housing to build flats for rental. The group, which includes several lawyers, plans to raise \$70-\$80 million from American insurance companies. They are represented in Israel by Jonathan and Joab Hurwitz, sons of Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz.

REAGAN ADVISOR BLASTS BEGIN'S SETTLEMENT POLICY

PHILADELPHIA, June 26 (JTA) — Rita Hauser, currently a member of Ronald Reagan's foreign policy advisory group, believes that the Carter Administration has muffed the Camp David peace process. She also characterizes Premier Menachem Begin's settlement policy "a disaster."

Hauser, who has been prominent in Republican politics for a number of years, expressed her views in an interview with Al Erlick, associate editor of the Jewish Exponent of Philadelphia this week. She stressed that she was speaking as an individual and not as a representative of any organization. Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the American Jewish Committee and a member of its Board of Governors, she was in Philadelphia to address an A.J. Committee dinner.

She served as U.S. representative to the United Nations Human Rights Commission during the Nixon Administration. In her present capacity she assists in formulating positions for Reagan, the apparent Republican Presidential nominee, on such issues as the UN, the Middle East and human rights.

U.S. Vacillates On PLO

"Mrs. Hauser is convinced that the 'foreign policy drift' on the part of the U.S. is dangerous to the State of Israel and to the entire Western world," the Exponent reported. "She considers the Camp David accords and the peace treaty between Israel and Egypt as the one area of success in the Carter Administration's foreign policy, but believes that this achievement has been dampened by an inability to follow it up."

"A consistent U.S. position on such issues as the Palestine Liberation Organization might have brought forward a more moderate Palestinian entity, she believes," the Exponent said. "Instead of clearly stating opposition to the PLO until it changed its covenant and terror tactics, the U.S., according to Mrs. Hauser, has sent conflicting signals, convincing the most extreme elements in the Mideast that there is no reason to change their position."

The Exponent quoted Hauser as saying that "The current settlement policy (of Israel) is a disaster. It is provocative. You just can't establish Jewish settlements in places like Nobilus and Hebron. The sooner Begin is replaced the better. His policies are not accepted by Israelis; they are dangerous policies."

She was quoted as saying further, "Israel is a relatively insignificant issue in the problems of the Western world. Where is Israel if the West goes down?"

NEO-NAZISM ON THE SKIDS, W. GERMAN MINISTER SAYS

By David Kantor

BONN, June 26 (JTA) — Neo-Nazism is on the decline and in disarray in West Germany, according to Interior Minister Gerhard Baum. He told the Bundestag today that the National Democratic Party (NDP), which achieved some local electoral successes in the early 1970s, is steadily losing members. He said other neo-Nazi political organizations are divided and dispersed.

Baum reported that the use of violence by neo-Nazi groups has diminished over the past two years and is of less concern to the authorities. However, he added, while the number of neo-Nazi activists has been reduced, they have be-

come more aggressive and are increasingly involved in politically motivated terrorism.

FIRST VICTORY BY ISRAELI SCORED AT WIMBLEDON

LONDON, June 26 (JTA) — Shlomo Glickstein, of Ashkelon, yesterday became the first Israeli to win a match at the Wimbledon tennis tournament when he upset Raul Ramirez of Mexico in five sets. The 22-year-old Glickstein, who is Israel's No. 1 tennis player, may not savor his victory long since his second round competitor is Bjorn Borg, considered the Number 1 in the world. Glickstein, who has been playing tennis since the age of 10, twice lost in the first round of the Wimbledon juniors, in 1975 and 1976, but had not made the senior tournament until this year.

WEIZMANN INSTITUTE HONORS CANADIANS FOR CANCER RESEARCH

By Michael Solomon

MONTREAL, June 26 (JTA) — Two prominent Montreal physicians were honored for their work in cancer research by the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science. Chairs in perpetuity were established at the institute in Rehovot, Israel, in the names of Dr. Samuel Freedman, Dean of the faculty of medicine at McGill University and Dr. Phil Gold.

The announcement was made at a dinner here attended by 300 friends of the Weizmann Institute. The Canadian government was represented by Monique Begin, Minister of National Health and Welfare and John Robert, Minister of Science, Technology and Environment on behalf of Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau. A chair in cancer research was established in Robert's name at the Weizmann Institute two years ago.

MENTEN DEFENSE GAINS POINT; PROSECUTOR UNIMPRESSED

By Henriette Boas

AMSTERDAM, June 26 (JTA) — The defense gained a point in the second trial of accused Nazi war criminal Pieter Menten in a Rotterdam district court yesterday. But the prosecution is sticking to its demand for a conviction and a stiff sentence for the 81-year-old millionaire Dutch art dealer who served with the Nazi SS during World War II.

Menten is charged with participation in the mass murders of Jews and others in the village of Podhoradz in the eastern Galicia district of Poland under German occupation in 1941. At the insistence of his defense lawyer, the court sent an expert, Willem Veder, professor of Slavonic languages at the University of Nijmegen, to Moscow to study the archives of the Soviet War Crimes Commission. Veder reported yesterday that he was unable to find any reference in the archives to the slaughter in Podhoradz or any mention of Menten by name.

The records are based on the interrogations of local people by the Soviet authorities after the Red Army liberated the region in 1944. But Veder told the court that the investigations by the Soviet War Crimes Commission at that time were not always thorough. The prosecutor declared that the results of Veder's investigation would not change a single word of his demand that the court impose a 20-year prison sentence on Menten. The verdict is expected on July 10.

REMINDER: There will be no Daily News Bulletin dated Friday, July 4 because of Independence Day, a postal holiday.

ORT REPLIES TO CHARGES AGAINST ITS TEACHING PROGRAM FOR SOVIET JEWISH EMIGRES IN ROME

NEW YORK, June 26 (JTA) — Paul Bernick, executive director of the American ORT Federation, expressed surprise today over charges made against ORT's English teaching program in Rome for Soviet Jewish emigres waiting to come to the United States. The claim that the program was inadequate and the implication that it contributed to the "drop-out" problem — Soviet Jews who opt to come to the U.S. rather than go to Israel after leaving the USSR — was made by Prof. David Korn of Howard University, in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in Rome last week.

Korn, who teaches Russian studies at Howard, said the people teaching English in the ORT program in Rome have lived outside the U.S. for many years and "even if they had come yesterday but weren't experts in resettlement, they wouldn't be able to help. Most teachers are not even Jewish and do not understand the problems of the Jewish community in America," he told JTA's Rome correspondent Lisa Palmieri-Billig.

Bernick told the JTA here, "We are running and have been running for a long time, English language classes in cooperation with HIAS and the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC)" in Rome. He noted that 99 percent of the program is financed by the U.S. government and its task is to give the emigres "some knowledge" of the English language sufficient to help them in their first few weeks in the U.S. He said the time for this instruction is limited because the emigres are also undergoing processing during the 3-5 weeks before they leave for the U.S.

Hires Expatriates

Bernick said that ORT hires expatriate Americans living in Rome as teachers because it is economical inasmuch as they are paid local salaries. He said some of them are non-Jewish but suggested that this was an advantage for the immigrants because they would be meeting all kinds of people in their new lives in the U.S.

Bernick noted that ORT works closely with HIAS and the JDC. HIAS handles visas and travel arrangements, the JDC is responsible for maintenance and ORT conducts the English classes. He said ORT and the JDC jointly conduct classes for emigre children where the teachers are Jewish and the content is Jewish. He said he could not comprehend what prompted Korn to make his charges.

Korn is chairman of the Resettlement Committee for Soviet Jews in the Greater Washington area and a member of the board of directors of the Jewish social services agency there. He is traveling in Europe as part of a study mission on "foreign issues" headed by Rep. Jack Keam (R, NY) on behalf of former Gov. Ronald Reagan of California in connection with the Republican Party platform.

Korn claimed that the high drop-out rate among Soviet Jews is due to lack of realistic information as to what problems they will encounter in the U.S. "They think they will be met by someone in New York who will be ready to give them a job," he said. He claimed that several emigres told him that if they had been better informed they would have gone to Israel or stayed in the USSR. "But there is no one here (in Rome) to tell them the true facts about unemployment,

retirement, pensions, jobs or medical problems in the U.S.," he said.

Korn said the JDC and HIAS are both doing excellent jobs and "the accusation that HIAS is stealing people is not true." He said he felt the main problem lies with the ORT program. He said the English teachers for the Soviet emigres should be Jews from the U.S. who would go to Rome for six months or a year and who were familiar with resettlement problems.

HOUSTON COMPANY ACCUSED OF HELPING ARAB BOYCOTT

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, June 26 (JTA) — The U.S. Department of Commerce has accused the Kintetsu World Express Inc., of Houston, Texas, of 26 violations of federal laws prohibiting support for the Arab boycott of Israel by discriminating against American companies doing business with Israel or managed by American Jews.

Kintetsu is an air freight forwarder and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Kintetsu World Express Inc., of Tokyo. A copy of the charges was made available to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. Specifically, the company is alleged to have supplied "negative statements of origin" in making 19 shipments of U.S. manufactured goods, principally oil-drilling equipment, from Houston to Egypt and Kuwait and also to have failed to report to the Department seven boycott requests that it is required by law to make known.

In connection with these shipments, the Department said, Kintetsu certified to recipients in Egypt and Kuwait that the goods originated in the U.S. and not Israel, nor did the raw materials used in their manufacture originate in Israel.

The charges were outlined in a letter to Goro Ito, president of Kintetsu which has an office in Jamaica, N.Y., from Richard M. Seppa, head of the Department's Office of anti-Boycott Compliance. Kintetsu is described by the Department as the first "intermediary" in the export process to have been charged and also the first to have been charged for failure to report U.S. administrative sanctions against Kintetsu include a civil penalty up to \$10,000 for each violation; revocation of export licenses, denial of export privileges, and exclusion from practice before Department agencies.

JDC INAUGURATING NEW HQ BUILDING

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 26 (JTA) — The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) in Israel will inaugurate its new headquarters here on a hill adjacent to the Givat Ram Hebrew University campus, leaders of the JDC announced at a press conference yesterday. The new building will house several agencies which are either a part of the worldwide service agency or closely linked with it.

The latter include Eshel, the Association for the Planning and Development of Services for the Aged; the Brookdale Institute of Gerontology and Adult Human Development in Israel; mental health programs; the Israel Committee for UNICEF; and the headquarters of the Matnassim — a network of youth and sports community centers which spread throughout the country.

Some 50 members of the JDC board are currently in Israel to celebrate the inauguration of the new building. Ralph Goldman, executive vice president of the JDC, stressed in the press conference that the JDC, which now operates in 25 countries, sees as its main function to act as a catalyst to get community work started.