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SADAT CALLS FOR ISRAEL AND PALESTINIANS TO BE BROUGHT TOGETHER FOR MUTUAL RECOGNITION

By Maurice Samuelson

LONDON, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- President Anwar Sadat of Egypt today urged Britain and the European Economic Community (EEC) to combine with the United States in bringing Israel and the Palestinians together "for a mutual and simultaneous recognition."

Addressing a press conference after a two-day visit, Sadat described this as "the proper approach" to solving the Middle East question. He also stated that the cease-fire between Israel and the Palestinians in south Lebanon could open the doors for a comprehensive peace settlement in the Mideast. He declared:

"Before I came here a great event had taken place, a cease-fire had been reached between Israel and the Palestinians for the first time since 1948 since Israel came into being. I consider this a turning point and the proper approach should be to build on this cease-fire towards the mutual and simultaneous recognition. This will open the doors for the comprehensive settlement that we are all after."

Asked what role Britain could play, Sadat said he had discussed this yesterday with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary. Noting that Carrington was currently the chairman of the EEC for the next six months, Sadat said the United Kingdom's role was "very important." He also praised Saudi Arabia's efforts, and those of the United States, in working towards the cease-fire.

Critical Of Begin

Sadat also agreed with a questioner who had said that progress towards a settlement had been "undermined" by the "new militancy" of Israeli Premier Menachem Begin. The Israeli raid on Iraq's nuclear reactor and those on terrorist headquarters in Beirut were, he said, "very tragic action from the side of Israel -- but this should not dishearten us. On the contrary, this should enhance our efforts to reaching peace."

Sadat, who flew later today to the U.S., said he would ask the Americans to drop their condition of not contacting the Palestinians. "The PLO should not be excluded by the United States."

Despite his criticism of Begin, Sadat said, "I have been convinced that the man is genuine for peace and strong enough." He also stood by the Camp David agreements as long as there was no better alternative.

When he arrived for the press conference at the Egyptian Embassy, Sadat had been booed by Palestinians and Iranians, who shouted slogans and held banners. On emerging one hour later, to go to a farewell luncheon with the Queen, Sadat was surrounded by admirers who threw flowers at his car.

SADAT TO MEET U.S. JEWISH LEADERS

By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- A group of

Jewish leaders will meet with President Anwar Sadat of Egypt this Friday in Manhattan at the home of Egypt's Ambassador to the United Nations, Dr. Ahmed Abdel Meguid. According to Howard Squadron, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, who will take part in the meeting, about "eight or ten" Jewish leaders will attend. The meeting, he told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, was requested by the Egyptians.

Among the Jewish leaders scheduled to be at the meeting are, according to Squadron: Max Fisher, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Jewish Agency; Edgar Bronfman, president of the World Jewish Congress; Frieda Lewis, president of Hadassah; Alexander Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; and Ivan Novick, president of the Zionist Organization of America.

Issue Of The Autonomy Talks

Squadron said that during the meeting, "which will probably not be very long," the Jewish leaders will make the point that it is important to conclude the autonomy negotiations for the Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza District as soon as possible.

"But we are going to tell President Sadat that a speedy autonomy agreement will not be reached if Egypt will insist on resolving the issue of Jerusalem in the context of the autonomy talks," Squadron said.

The meeting this Friday will be the second Sadat has had with Jewish leaders in the United States. He met for the first time with American Jewish leaders, as a group, after signing the peace treaty with Israel in 1979.

While in New York, Sadat will also meet with United Nations Security Council President Dr. Carlos Ozores Typaldos, will be hosted by the Council on Foreign Relations and will be guest of honor at a reception hosted by Mayor Edward Koch at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

HABIB TO RETURN TO MIDEAST TO DEAL WITH ENTIRE FUTURE OF LEBANON, NOT JUST A PARTICULAR CRISIS

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- When President Reagan's special envoy Philip Habib returns to the Middle East for his fourth peace-making mission since May, he will be dealing with the entire "future of Lebanon," not just a particular crisis, a State Department spokesman said today.

Department spokesman Dean Fischer said he did not know when Habib would be returning to the area. Habib returned to Washington July 27 after negotiating a "cessation of hostilities" across the Israel-Lebanon border.

When Habib first went to the Mideast, it was to calm the tension caused by Syria's placement of SAM-6 anti-aircraft missiles in Lebanon and Israel's threat to remove them by force, Fischer pointed out. He said the mission was later expanded to include the violence across the Israeli-Lebanese border while Habib was on his third mission to the area.

One of the things the U.S. is considering is expanding the role of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) Fischer said, although he could not be specific on what the expansion would cover. He said that Habib presumably discussed this possibility

when he met with Secretary General Kurt Waldheim at the UN last week.

Discussing Ways To Strengthen Lebanon

Fischer said the US was discussing ways to strengthen the central government of Lebanon with the UN, its European allies, the members of the Arab League and "internal parties" in Lebanon.

He said one of the internal parties is Bashir Gemayel, commander of the Phalangist military force in Lebanon who is in Washington meeting with members of the Reagan Administration. Fischer, noting that Gemayel is a Christian, said the U.S. was involving all the religious communities and political groupings in Lebanon in the talks. He stressed that the parties do not include the Palestine Liberation Organization.

U.S. Unlikely to Change Policy Toward PLO

Fischer had no comment on Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's remarks today in London that he would ask the Reagan Administration to drop its condition of not contacting the Palestinians and for the U.S. to start a dialogue with the PLO. Fisher said he did not think this was a "new" position of the Egyptian President. He said the U.S. position against recognizing or dealing with the PLO is "unchanged."

White House spokesman David Gergen said he did not foresee President Reagan altering U.S. policy because the President felt strongly that the PLO had to accept Israel's right to exist.

U.S. To Look Into Charges By Israel

Meanwhile, Fischer said that Secretary of State Alexander Haig will look into charges by Israel that Saudi Arabia is supplying arms to the PLO in Lebanon. The charges were formally made by Israeli Ambassador Ephraim Evron when he met with Haig after yesterday's ceremony in which Egypt and Israel signed an agreement for an international peacekeeping force in Sinai after Israel's final pull-out in April 1982.

Evron told reporters that since the cease-fire the Saudis have been sending light arms to the PLO. He did not specify what kind of arms or whether they were American made. Evron said that the fact that the Saudis were sending not only money but arms to the PLO should negate the claim that they are moderates.

Evron told reporters he hoped that the 10 F-16 fighter-bombers which the U.S. held up delivering to Israel after the Israeli raid on the nuclear reactor in Iraq and the terrorist headquarters in Beirut, will be released soon. Fischer said last week a decision should be made by Aug. 10, the date when four more F-16s are scheduled to be flown to Israel.

TWO PASSION PLAYS ARE BEING PRESENTED IN ISRAEL

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- An American non-Jewish stage director is presenting two Passion Plays in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, as a special attraction for Christian pilgrims. Francisco de Araujo and a cast of 200 is alternating nightly between an 800-seat amphitheatre on Mount Zion, where the passion and crucifixion of Jesus is enacted, and a site in Beit Sahur near Bethlehem, where the Christmas story is retold.

The scripts of the two presentations have been carefully edited to avoid offense to Jews, the producers say. They say they have the written

support of Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and the tacit agreement of the Ministry of Religious Affairs, as well as support from the Ministry of Tourism.

De Araujo brought with him 10 actors to play the major roles, including that of Jesus, and has hired about 180 local residents, including Jews, Arabs and American tourists to play the supporting roles.

Financing for the project was raised by the Globus Travel Agency of New York, which has a branch in Israel. About \$1 million was raised from evangelical churches and sources in the U.S. The two passion plays involve recitation of Biblical texts from the New Testament, with a sound and light show from taped music. The producers say they hope to perform to packed audiences for three months, from August through October.

PRO-ARAB, ANTI-ISRAEL ARTICLES WIDESPREAD IN MEXICAN MEDIA

By Chaim Lazdeiski

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- The Central Jewish Committee published in a local daily, Excelsior, a statement condemning a large number of pro-Arab and pro-Palestinian articles and cartoons in other local media which the statement called "openly poisonous" against Israel and opposed to Jewish rights to Jerusalem.

The statement said one of the journalists is a Communist member of the Mexican Parliament, Graco Ramirez, who accused Israel of "genocide" against the "Palestinian people in Lebanon" and demanded that the Mexican government halt oil shipments to Israel.

Similar declarations were published by the local branch of the Arab League and a group of Mexican leftist politicians, intellectuals and writers supporting the "just cause" of the Palestinians. The Central Jewish Committee said these declarations contained even the signatures of some Jewish anti-Zionists.

Concern and uneasiness at the volume of anti-Israel and anti-Zionist material published in the local Mexican press was expressed at a meeting of the boards of the Central Committee, leading to a decision to issue the committee's statement.

MITTERRAND TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA, CHEYSSON TO VISIT JORDAN

PARIS, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- President Francois Mitterrand will pay an official visit to Saudi Arabia next month, his first trip to the Middle East since his election last May. Official sources added that Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson will visit Jordan later this month for talks with King Hussein and members of his government. It will be Cheysson's first trip to the Middle East since he became Foreign Minister.

Mitterrand promised during his campaign to visit Israel at the earliest but Cheysson last week told Israeli correspondents that the trip "could not take place immediately after the Tammuz and Beirut bombings." The Minister said at the time that no date for the President's trip to Israel has been set and that this will have to wait "appropriate circumstances." Cheysson also explained that the bombings have prevented the establishment of "an intimate Franco-Israeli dialogue" which is being postponed for when calm will have returned to the area. Mitterrand, who conferred with the Saudi King in Paris shortly after his election, is due to arrive in Riyadh during the last week of September and Cheysson is due to visit Amman around Aug. 25.

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LONDON (JTA) -- The first consignment of British coal to be sold to Israel was loaded Tuesday aboard the Israeli chartered ship Mika.

COALITION AGREEMENT SIGNED

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- The coalition agreement between Premier Menachem Begin and the three religious parties -- the National Religious Party, Aguda Israel and Tami -- was signed tonight in a brief ceremony and a round of "le-haims." The last session of the outgoing Cabinet will take place tomorrow at 9 am. The first session of the new Cabinet will take place a half hour later. The presentation of the new government to the Knesset will take place at 10 am., followed by eight hours of debate.

The following is the list of Ministers in the new Cabinet:

Menachem Begin -- Premier

Yitzhak Shamir -- Foreign Minister

Ariel Sharon -- Defense Minister

Yoram Aridor -- Finance Minister

Yaacov Meridor -- Economic Coordinator

David Levy -- Housing Minister (with responsibility for Project Renewal).

Haim Corfu -- Transport Minister

Mordechai Zipori -- Communications Minister

These eight ministers are all members of Herut.

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Eliezer Shostak -- Health Minister

Shostak is a member of the La'am wing of Likud.

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Simcha Ehrlich -- Deputy Premier and Agriculture Minister

Gideon Pait -- Commerce and Industry Minister

Yitzhak Modai -- Minister-without-portfolio

Avrahm Sharir -- Tourism Minister (The Ministry of Tourism will be separated from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry)

Moshe Nissim -- Justice Minister

Yitzhak Berman -- Energy Minister

These six ministers are all members of the Liberal Party.

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Yosef Burg -- Interior, Religious Affairs and Police Minister (with continuing involvement in the autonomy talks)

Zevulun Hammer -- Education Minister

Both ministers are members of the National Religious Party.

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Aharon Abu Hatzeira -- Labor and Social Welfare (which is now one Ministry) and Absorption.

Hatzeira is the leader of Tami.

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There are 18 Ministers in the Cabinet. Aguda Israel has no ministerial portfolio but holds key Knesset committee chairmanships. In addition, there are also Deputy Ministerships:

Pessach Grupper (Liberal Party) and Michael Dekel (Herut) -- Agriculture

Miriam Glazer-Tassa (Herut) -- Education

Moshe Katzav (Herut) -- Housing

Haim Druckman (NRP) Religious Affairs

Aharon Uzzan (Tami) -- Absorption

Bension Rubin (Tami) -- Labor and Social Welfare

Haim Kaufman (Herut) -- Finance

Yehuda Ben-Meir (NRP) -- Foreign Ministry

NEW BOOK ATTACKS SOLZHENITSYN, JEWS

By Maurice Samuelson

LONDON, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- A Russian-language publishing house operating here issued a

long two-volume book about the Russian novelist Alexander Solzhenitsyn which depicts him as being of Jewish origin and a person of doubtful sexual morals.

The book, "Vokrug Solzhenitsyna" ("About Solzhenitsyn"), is written and published by A. Flegon, head of the Flegon Press. Although ostensibly catering to anti-Soviet Russians in the West, the lurid attack on Solzhenitsyn, with its blend of pornography and anti-Jewish smears, resembles some of the latest officially inspired popular writing in the Soviet Union.

Long before Solzhenitsyn was expelled from the Soviet Union in 1974, the Soviet authorities had sought to discredit him by anti-Jewish smears even though he has no Jewish ancestry. Flegon seeks to perpetuate this charge by suggesting that the author of "The Gulag Archipelago" is a baptized Jew and anti-Jewish as well.

Several illustrations in Flegon's book caricature Solzhenitsyn as a stereotype East European Jew. His name is also frequently distorted as "Solzhenitsker" in order to "Judaize" him..

SCHOLARSHIP FUND HELPS POOR KIDS

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Scholarships ranging from 400 to 3,200 Shekels have been given to 349 Jerusalem high school and vocational school students from poor families for lessons, books, clothing and other school expenses in the coming academic year.

The money is from the Mrs. Walter Rothschild Scholarship Fund which annually provides \$25,000 for this purpose. The fund is administered jointly by the Joint Distribution Committee in Israel and the Israel Association of Community Centers. Mrs. Rothschild, who lives in New York, takes a keen and active interest in the allocations and the recipients.

One example of the kind of youngsters the fund helps is Ruth, an 11th grader, the oldest of five children whose mother died of cancer and whose father became mentally ill. In spite of her domestic burdens, Ruth's school marks are good, partly through three years of tutoring paid for by the scholarship fund.

Another example is Hagit, the seventh of 10 children. None of her older siblings completed high school or has a viable job. Last year she received a Rothschild scholarship for books, school clothes and tutoring. Now Hagit is improving at school and also finding time to help her younger brothers. She told the local community worker: "I want to make sure my younger brothers get school diplomas and learn a skilled trade."

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NEW YORK (JTA) -- Although Prisoner of Conscience Anatoly Shcharansky remains in solitary confinement in the notorious Perm labor camp, his name will be in view of the world's assembled representatives when the New York City Council is expected to pass Introduction 1053 this month. This bill will name the story-high, graceful, curving stairway at the Isaiah Peace Wall opposite the United Nations in honor of Shcharansky, completing an effort begun a year ago by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry.

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PARIS (JTA) -- An Israeli was shot to death and another seriously wounded early Tuesday morning in the center of Paris. Police believe the shooting broke out as a result of Israeli gang warfare and are looking for five other men, believed to be Israeli, and suspected of having taken part in the shootout in a cafe near the Paris opera. The dead man is Zion Attias, 29, born in Meknes and who police said had entered France with a Moroccan passport. The wounded man is Joseph Attias, 28, also born in Meknes, and believed to be a distant relative of the dead man.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES THE JEWS OF DENMARK

By Edith Schapiro

(Part Two Of A Three-Part Series)

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Services in the Synagogue in Copenhagen "follows the Orthodox ritual" and all "institutions of the community are conducted in accordance with the strict requirements of Jewish traditional law," to quote the Synagogue brochure. A smaller congregation (of about 35 families) and described in the Jewish Tourist Guide as "a very observant, Aguda-like community" is also located in Copenhagen.

At least among the large number of men and women who attend the main synagogue, Chief Rabbi Ben Melchior sees contentment with the traditional observances. There is little dissatisfaction, he said, among women at being separated from the men, and participating from the upstairs gallery. More women are attending his Jewish studies classes, however, than was true about a decade ago, he remarked.

We were talking in the small study of his home, an apartment on the fourth floor, high above the bustle of stores and traffic in the busy thoroughfare on which it is located, a few blocks from the Synagogue. The study was dominated by a very large desk and the bookshelves which lined its walls. On one rested several large books of "registrations" of the births, deaths and marriages of the people of the community.

There is no civil registration of these events, Melchior explained, as the custom in Denmark is to have the religious authorities handle these matters. Under any circumstances, Melchior would have such duties for the next several months.

The motion to oust Melchior by a vote of 4-3 by the seven-member board of directors of the Mosaiske Trossamfund (MT), following the June 14 screening of a TV documentary on Jewish life and customs which, it was charged, breached the security of Copenhagen's Jewish community, had specified that the full effect was not to be realized until 1982. Melchior believes that the passage of even that relatively short time might see developments toward the healing of the rupture. The seven MT directors are elected from among a 20-member council elected by "tax-paying members," and there has been talk of action in that body, although there is no official procedure to form a guide for such action.

Problem Of Assimilation

Melchior has pointed to the rites of passage registry to note that he was in the best position to chart the course of "assimilation" of Jews in Denmark. A few paragraphs on "sociological aspects of the Jewish population" prepared for the Jewish Tourist Guide, not an official publication of the community, contain the statement that intermarriage is as high as four in five "among the younger population."

"It is more like half and half," Melchior observed, adding that he has also noticed an increase in the number of such mixed marriages in which the decision is made to give the children a Jewish education, including conversion where necessary.

The still significant rate of assimilation is quickened by the ease with which Jews can make the transition to being just Danes. There is almost no anti-Semitism in Denmark, official or otherwise, according to Melchior. Jewish contributions to cultural and academic life in Denmark are welcomed by the general population, and an entire

department of Hebraica and Judaica occupies a wing of the Royal Library in Copenhagen.

In such an atmosphere, the struggle becomes even harder to preserve a distinctly Jewish lifestyle, not as a treasured relic, but as a vibrant, on-going community.

Efforts To Instill Jewish Identity

"We will need some infusion of vitality from abroad," said Uri Yaari, the editor of the monthly magazine published by the official Jewish community, in discussing the situation of Jews in Denmark. He said such a stimulus occurred following the immigration of approximately 2,000 Polish Jews to Denmark during the period of 1969-72. Many are now elderly, but their children are in the main hard-working and ambitious, Yaari commented, and many are also active in Jewish as well as academic, cultural and occupational pursuits. They have their own club, whose meeting hall is open daily.

That the Jews of Denmark are making a strong effort to educate and interest their youth Jewishly is apparent from a directory of community organizations, most of which are designed for youngsters, teenagers and young adults. The Scandinavian Jewish Youth Federation headquartered in Copenhagen, is a "roof organization" for 23 member organizations. Established in 1919, it arranges seminars and sports activities as well as issuing publications.

A Danish youth organization plans cultural and social activities for Jews between the ages of 13 and 30, "divided into respective junior and senior groups." For sports activities, young Jews turn to Hakoah, and it is reported that 300 youngsters participate each week in some aspect of the daily program of football, handball, badminton and table tennis. The society is also "the starting point for the Danish participation in the Maccabiads in Israel," according to a descriptive brochure.

As the organizations for youth, particularly in sports, try to maintain the precarious balance of general and Jewish interests, efforts are sometimes undercut by Jews themselves. Melchior described his success at getting teams to respect the Sabbath, both in the Jewish leagues and even in scheduling of games between Jewish and non-Jewish teams. And then an Israeli basketball team comes to play in Denmark -- and negates the concept by making no objection, and actually playing, on the Sabbath.

Israel, however, is a strong attraction for Jewish concern in Denmark and the land has its Zionist federation, and other international groups, such as B'nei Akiva, again with its concentration on youth. The Kol Torah Organization, which claims a membership of about 50, was organized specifically "to fight the assimilation by organizing study circles and social activities."

(Tomorrow: Part Three)

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TEL AVIV, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- The Italian Olivetti Company has won what is described as Israel's biggest computer supply bid, to install computer terminals in Bank Leumi's 330 branches throughout Israel. The deal is reportedly valued at about \$15 million. The bank management said they had decided on the Olivetti offer over a competitive bid from the American IBM firm, as the Italian models were more suited to the bank's requirements over the next decade. The bank uses IBM equipment for its main data processing work. Installation of the computer terminals in all branches will take about two years, bank sources said.