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by the Knesset's Finance Committee which spells out the payment they will receive for abandoning their farms when Israel completes its withdrawal from Sinai April 25.

According to Yitzhak Regev, chairman of the Yamit region farmers committee, the provisions of the bill contradict promises made the farmers by government officials. The promises were said to relate to how much of the compensation will be paid in cash and how much in long term government bonds, and what proportion of the payments will be subject to income tax.

The farmers charged that they were not consulted about those provisions, despite personal assurances by Premier Menachem Begin that they would be before the bill goes to the Knesset plenum for approval. Finance Committee chairman Shlomo Lorincz said today that lawyers representing the Yamit settlers would be shown the draft bill before it is presented to the Knesset. The farmers said they would not permit the removal of any more equipment until the issue is settled.

RABBI ZVI YEHUDA KOOK DEAD AT 91

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, March 9 (JTA) -- Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kook, spiritual leader of the Gush Emunim movement and son of Israel's first Chief Rabbi, Avraham Yitzhak Ha'ohen Kook, died here today at the age of 91. He was buried at the Mount of Olives cemetery.

Kook, head of the Merkaz Harav Yeshiva in Jerusalem founded by his father, was spiritual mentor to many thousands of young Israelis in the Greater Israel Movement.

In a statement of mourning, Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren termed him a "Crown of Torah scholarship" and "the champion of the fighters for Eretz Israel and its integrity." Rabbi Haim Druckman, a Gush Emunim leader and one of Kook's closest collaborators, said he had been a major influence on the spiritual lives and world outlook of "literally tens of thousands of our people."

There was a certain symbolism in Kook's death, coming just as his most ardent followers were facing their most trying moments -- against army units sent to evacuate them from the Rafah region of Sinai. Leaders of the Stop the Withdrawal Movement, among them MK Geula Cohen, tried to prevent a mass exodus from the region today as hundreds of youngsters left for Jerusalem to attend Kook's funeral.

The movement leaders tried to organize a small delegation of Rafah region residents and their sympathizers to attend the funeral and to represent the others, who would remain in the region to face and, if possible to thwart army evacuation attempts.

Kook was a long-time supporter of the Young Guard section of the National Religious Party, headed by Zevulun Hammer and Yehuda Ben-Meir. But he broke with the party over the Camp David agreements, which he opposed, and also severed relations with Premier Menachem Begin who had visited him and consulted with him periodically before Camp David.

GERMAN LAWMAKER UNDER FIRE FOR CRITICIZING BAN OF NEO-NAZI PARTY

By David Kantor

BONN, March 9 (JTA) -- Henrich Lummer, a Senator in the West Berlin legislature,

is under fire for publicly expressing regret that the Allies have banned the neo-Nazi National Democratic Party (NPD) from West Berlin. The three opposition parties in the city and the trade union movement are demanding the resignation of the 49-year-old Christian Democratic Union (CDU) official.

Lummer reportedly made his remarks at a meeting of his party's trade unionists. He told reporters that he had criticized the situation in which only rightwing extremists were banned while leftwing extremists enjoyed full political rights.

Wilhelm Wiegrefe, the Berlin spokesman for the Social Democratic Party (SPD) called Lummer's remarks a disgrace to the city. He recalled that only a few weeks ago, Berlin took note of the 40th anniversary of the infamous Wannsee Conference where the Nazi leadership decided on the "final solution" for the Jews.

Harold Loch, of the Free Democratic Party (FDP) accused Lummer of attacking the status of West Berlin under Allied protection. Reinhold Ossowski, a member of the CDU's trade union organization, said Lummer's scandalous remarks rendered him unfit for his job.

The Allied Powers recently confirmed the ban on the NPD in West Berlin and prevented it from holding its national convention in the city. The ban is based on the 1945 Potsdam accord in which the Allies are committed to the total destruction of the Nazi party or any similar organization. The NPD is legal in the Federal Republic.

CIA OFFICIAL DISCOUNTS REPORTS THAT PLO IS AIDING NICARAGUA GOV'T.

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, March 9 (JTA) -- A high ranking Central Intelligence Agency official indicated today that he discounted reports that the Palestine Liberation Organization has sent advisors to help the Sandinista government in Nicaragua.

Adm. Bobby Inman, deputy director of the CIA, said in response to questions at a briefing for reporters at the State Department, that there was a build-up of Nicaraguan forces beyond that country's defense needs. He noted that there have been reports of PLO advisors in Nicaragua.

With respect to those reports, he said it is "not clear to me" whether the PLO advisors were helping to build the Nicaraguan force which could only be a threat to neighboring countries, or if the PLO was training Nicaraguans for the "export of revolution." But Inman conceded that these reports, which he said were several months old, have never been "confirmed with a degree of certainty." The briefing was confined to the Nicaraguan military build-up and did not deal with the situation in El Salvador. PLO chief Yasir Arafat has boasted that the PLO was helping the guerrillas in El Salvador by flying reconnaissance planes and helicopters.

HEINE MEMORIAL TO BE ERECTED

BONN, March 9 (JTA) -- The city of Hamburg has announced plans to erect a memorial to the poet Heinrich Heine to replace the one destroyed by the Nazis because of Heine's Jewish origin. The project was announced less than a month after the University of Dusseldorf, the city where Heine was born, voted 44-41 to reject proposals to re-name the university after Heine. Hamburg commissioned sculptor Waldemar Otto of Bremen to build the new Heine memorial modeled on the old one. It will be erected in front of the Hamburg City Hall and is expected to be officially dedicated in May.

SOLON SAYS CUTS FOR ENERGY RESEARCH WILL CONTINUE U.S. DEPENDENCY ON ARAB OIL, ENDANGER ISRAEL'S FUTURE

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, March 9 (JTA) — Sen. Carl Levin (D. Mich.) has charged that the Reagan Administration's budget cuts for research in alternative energy sources will continue U.S. dependency on Arab oil and endanger Israel's future.

"We will spend \$9.7 billion on a Rapid Deployment Force designed to protect Arab oil interests," Levin told a Jewish audience in Miami last week, "but in the same period of time, we may not spend even a billion dollars on efforts which reduce our reliance on that oil."

Speaking to the Combined Jewish Appeal-Israel Emergency Fund of South Dade County, Levin warned that acceptance of the Reagan energy budget is acceptance of a situation which "once again put our foreign policy independence at the mercy of the Arab oil-producing states."

He called the battle last year over the sale of AWACS radar planes and F-15 jet fighters to Saudi Arabia "skirmishes," while "the Armageddon issue is energy." He declared that "Israel's future is threatened by America's energy dependence as well as (Arab) military might."

Councils Against 'Strategy Of Silence'

As for the AWACS debate last year, Levin denounced what he said were efforts to make the issue not one of national security but whether Jews control foreign policy. "It seems very clear to me that acceptance of the AWACS decision is one thing, but acceptance of the tactics used to sell it is totally inappropriate and totally ineffective," he said. Levin urged the Jewish community to reject advice that it should not speak out on foreign affairs.

"Our obligation, to our community, to our country, is to speak out: to defend our mutual interests and preserve our mutual freedom," he said. "To accept the strategy of silence is to accept a second class status. To embrace the need for restraint is to be embraced by the charge of dual loyalty."

"To adopt a protective disguise of muffled dissent is to be colored by a course which can only lead to disaster and divorce from America."

Levin also called on American Jews, Democrats or Republicans, to work together to ensure that the Administration's cuts for social programs be made "less burdensome to those already burdened, less hurtful to those already hurt, less harmful to those who have been harmed far too much already."

He said the American Jewish community has led the fight against social injustice for generations. "Even if you believe in the President's economics, can anyone really believe that his theories have been implemented in a way which is consistent with the Jewish tradition?" Levin asked.

CONTROVERSY CONTINUES ON CANADIAN SAUDI ARABIAN STUDENT PROGRAM

By Michael Solomon

MONTREAL, March 9 (JTA) — More than 300 faculty members, administrators and students at Concordia University here demanded today that Rector John O'Brian make it absolutely clear that the university is unequivocally opposed to any exchange agreement with Saudi Arabia which dis-

criminate against Jewish members of the university community. See Background Story in March 9 Daily News Bulletin, P. 4.)

"Everything we have been hearing until now is very vague. We want a clear statement saying the university will have nothing to do with this type of discrimination," said Frederick Krantz, principal of the liberal arts college, commenting on a proposed student and faculty exchange agreement with King Faisal University in Riyadh.

The agreement has stirred a controversy between faculty and the administrative heads of Concordia University because of Saudi Arabia's well known policy of denying entry visas to Jews. Krantz's statement referred to assistant vice rector Douglas Potvin's assertion that there was no indication that Saudi Arabia would insist on barring Jewish professors from the exchange program at Concordia. O'Brian was out of town this week.

"There has been a storm of protest by people both inside and outside the university," Krantz said. "The acting rector's statement to the effect that the Saudi Arabian authorities have not raised the question of Jews still might be in favor of a discriminatory program. We want to make sure people know that isn't true."

June Chaikelson, academic dean, charged that the proposed agreement condones racism. But she and Krantz said their statements do not mean they oppose exchange programs. Essam Scheich, director of Saudi Arabia's education mission to Canada, said last week that the exchange with Concordia would not exclude Jewish faculty or staff because Saudi Arabia does not discriminate against Jews.

UN LEADER MEETS WITH B'NAI B'RITH OFFICIALS

WASHINGTON, March 9 (JTA) — United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar was urged by B'nei B'rith International to use all of his powers to discourage member-nations from violating the UN's Charter and rules of procedure affecting due process for every member state.

Such violations "have stigmatized the United Nations as a lawless institution," said Jack Spitzer, B'nei B'rith president, who led a delegation from the Jewish organization's International Council in a meeting with the new leader of the world body. Perez de Cuellar responded by reaffirming his inaugural commitment to be "independent, impartial and politically active."

The delegation voiced particular concern over what it described as illegal attempts by the UN General Assembly to impose sanctions on Israel or to mandate the Jewish nation's exclusion from the world organization. The B'nei B'rith group suggested "a more balanced" flow of information about the Arab-Israeli conflict than the "distorted and one-sided publications" emanating from the UN's special unit charged with dealing with the Palestinian issue.

The delegation said the Secretary General should consider speaking out on transnational terrorism and citing the 1975 resolution that equated Zionism with racism, asked him to "intercede forcefully" against anti-Jewish bigotry in the UN.

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A special national rescue squad designed for immediate activation in cases of mass disasters, has been formed by Magen David Adom (MDA), Israel's Red Cross Society. The equipment and training facilities are provided by donors in the U.S. through the American Red Magen David for Israel.

BACKGROUND REPORT POPE JOHN PAUL II, THE VATICAN AND THE JEWS

By Marc Tanenbaum

(Editor's note: Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum is the national interreligious affairs director of the American Jewish Committee and a founding member of the joint Vatican-International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations. He was among a group of world Jewish leaders who participated in the first audience with Pope John Paul II in March 1980 in Vatican City.)

NEW YORK, March 9 (JTA) -- The consultation in Vatican City March 2-6 of some 40 Catholic and other Christian clergy and lay leaders who met to study the present state of Christian-Jewish relations was significant for a number of reasons.

First, this was the first time that experts in Christian-Jewish relations from throughout the world were assembled on an official basis under Vatican auspices to review the progress made in understanding between Christians and Jews on a global basis, as well as to probe means for dealing constructively with outstanding problems of a theological, sociological, and political character.

Second, the statement by Pope John Paul II before this conference in which he called for the abandonment of "any and all attempts to convert the Jews" is the first time that any Pope in the 1,900 years of the Roman Catholic Church has officially and explicitly proclaimed an end to the missionary pressures on the Jewish people.

The importance of that declaration is underscored by the Pope's providing a theological rationale to the effect that "the special relations of Christianity) with Jews exempts them from being subject to the Gospel commandment to evangelize the world."

A Possible Turning Point

That unprecedented repudiation of the traditional Christian mission to convert the Jews could well mark a turning point in the anguished, 2,000-year encounter between Christendom and the Jewish people.

While addressed primarily to some 720 million Catholic people throughout the world, the fact that representatives of the World Council of Churches (WCC), Eastern Orthodox, World Anglican, and World Lutheran Church bodies were present to hear the Pope's statement cannot be without substantial influence in the attitudes and behavior of non-Catholic churches and peoples toward Jews.

Indeed, the WCC, representing world Protestantism and Eastern Orthodoxy, is in the process of adopting a far-reaching set of "Guidelines for Jewish-Christian Dialogue" which similarly rejects proselytism. The WCC guidelines, in whose drafting I was privileged to participate in June 1981 in London, declares:

"Such rejection of proselytism, and such advocacy of respect for the integrity and the identity of all persons and all communities of faith are urgent in relation to Jews, especially those who live as minorities among Christians."

Pope John Paul II also condemned anti-Semitism. We were informed that the Pope spoke in a warm and feeling way when he confessionally acknowledged "the terrible persecutions inflicted on Jews by Christians" and that "finally (these

persecutions) have opened our eyes and transformed our hearts." He then called on the Christian experts "now to be concerned about transforming ... the misunderstandings, errors and even offenses" that Christians inflicted on Jews into "comprehension, peace, and reciprocal esteem."

Key Areas Were Examined

In seeking to translate the Papal pronouncements into practical programs, the Christian specialists on Jewish-Christian relations then spent three-and-a-half days examining the following key areas in Jewish-Christian relations:

How the Bible can help Christians understand more accurately and truthfully contemporary and ancient Judaism; "the inalienable ties of Judaism to the Land of Israel and the Jewish people;" problems of theological differences; and images of Jews and Judaism in Catholic and other Christian teachings.

It will be some time before a full report of the Vatican deliberations will be made public, but it is now clear that the Vatican authorities with whom Jewish leaders have been meeting regularly every year since Vatican Council II have kept good faith with the Jewish people.

In October 1981 and again in December 1981, a group of Jewish leaders met with the Vatican Secretariat of State in Vatican City, and with the Vatican Secretariat for Religious Relations with the Jews in Geneva. At both those consultations the Jewish leaders discussed their concerns over the rise of anti-Semitism, violence and terrorism -- among other human rights concerns -- in Europe, Latin America, the United States, and the Middle East.

The Vatican authorities listened attentively to the facts placed before them and promised that they would undertake a major effort to counter anti-Semitism, especially in countries where Catholicism predominates. This consultation, and particularly the Pope's stirring and potentially historic address, is a gratifying response to our Vatican-Jewish dialogue, and augurs well for the future of Jewish-Christian relations throughout the world.

REPORT PLO ESCALATING TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN GERMANY, WEST EUROPE

By David Kantor

BONN, March 9 (JTA) -- Interior Minister Gerhart Baum has warned the Bundestag that the Palestine Liberation Organization is escalating its terrorist activities in West Germany and other parts of Europe and cited several recent cases of cooperation between the PLO and German terrorist groups.

In a written report to the Bundestag's Interior Committee, Baum predicted further violence by the PLO but said the police were prepared to cope with it. He attributed these developments to conflicts among the rival factions within the PLO.

Baum also reported that Arab guerrillas from Syria have been active recently in the Federal Republic. He said it is assumed that they are out to assassinate leaders of a Moslem fundamentalist organization that opposes the regime of President Hafez Assad in Damascus. The organization has its headquarters in Aachen, near the Belgian border.

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- The latest developments in the field of medical technology will be unveiled at Medex '82, Israel's second international medical exhibition, May 23-26 in Jerusalem. Some 300 local and foreign manufacturers and distributors of medical apparatus, aids and drugs will display their most recent innovations.