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**BEGIN, REAGAN MEET AT WHITE HOUSE;  
MOOD REPORTED AS SERIOUS; PREMIER  
HAS BUSY AGENDA IN WASHINGTON**  
By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, June 21 (JTA) -- Premier Menachem Begin arrived today at the White House a few minutes before his 11 a.m. appointment with President Reagan, his limousine flying both the American and Israeli flags. The usual honor guards from the United States Armed Forces lined the drive way at the northwest entrance of the White House.

The Israeli Premier was accompanied by Moshe Arens, Israel's Ambassador to Washington, and Yehuda Blum, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations. Secretary of State Alexander Haig met Begin outside and escorted him into the Oval Office.

At a brief photo session inside the Oval Office, the mood appeared very serious. Begin asked the President about his recent European trip and Reagan replied that it had gone very well. After the opening session the two leaders had a working lunch. (See story page 3.)

The Premier has a busy agenda while in Washington. He will meet with the House Foreign Affairs Committee in closed session on Capitol Hill this afternoon. He will talk with members of the House tonight at his hotel, and late this evening, he will meet with members of the Senate.

Tomorrow morning, Begin is scheduled to meet with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, also in closed session on Capitol Hill. Begin is also scheduled to meet with Haig tomorrow.

**BEIRUT QUIET, BUT TENSE**  
By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, June 21 (JTA) -- The Beirut area remained quiet but tense this afternoon following intermittent artillery exchanges which Israel said were initiated by Palestinian and Syrian forces in west Beirut against Israeli forces south and east of the Lebanese capital. Israeli gunners returned the fire and claimed to have destroyed four Syrian tanks.

Meanwhile, thousands of Lebanese civilians were reported pouring out of west Beirut to seek shelter in areas of south Lebanon held by Israel. An Israeli military spokesman stressed that Israeli forces were observing the cease-fire around Beirut and shooting only when shot at.

Defense Minister Ariel Sharon told the Cabinet yesterday that the Palestinians in west Beirut were using the cease-fire to reorganize their defenses around that section of the capital and to maintain their political position abroad.

Although Premier Menachem Begin was telling audiences in the U.S. over the weekend that the Lebanon campaign was over, Sharon told Israel Radio that the army has not achieved all of its objectives because some of the Palestine Liberation Organization infrastructure and fighting capacity remained intact inside Beirut.

**EEC MULLS SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL**  
By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, June 21 (JTA) -- The European Economic Community (EEC) is seriously considering imposing economic sanctions on Israel if the political situa-

tion in Lebanon does not show signs of returning to normal by next week when the Foreign Ministers of the 10 member states are due to meet, again.

European sources in Luxembourg, where the 10 concluded a three-day session last night, said that several member states have "energetically pressed" for sanctions but that the majority decided to postpone a decision until the Ministers' next meeting in Brussels June 28.

Among the countries reportedly in favor of sanctions are France, Britain, Italy, and Spain. Only West Germany and Holland have energetically opposed immediate sanctions and suggested that the issue be reexamined at a later session.

French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson declared after the Luxembourg meeting "This possibility (sanctions) is being seriously considered by the 10. We already imposed a first sanction (on Israel) by refusing to sign a financial protocol." The EEC and Israel were scheduled to sign an agreement providing for \$40 million of European aid last Monday. It has been indefinitely postponed.

French official sources deny however that there are any plans for a possible visit to Paris by Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat. Several French newspapers, presumably on the basis of PLO reports, claimed today that such a visit is in the offing. Most of the reports are based on Saturday's visit to France by the head of the PLO political department, Farouk Kaddumi, who conferred with Premier Pierre Mauroy and Foreign Minister Cheysson.

The Israeli Ambassador, Meir Rosenne protested yesterday against these meetings and warned France not to invite Arafat.

**RENEWED TERRORISM FEARED**  
By Henriette Boas

AMSTERDAM, June 21 (JTA) -- Informed sources in Jordan have predicted a new wave of terrorist activity by Palestinians in Western Europe, directed primarily against Jewish targets but at American institutions as well, the newspaper NRC Handelsblad reported today. The paper's correspondent in Amman, Hamm Botje, said that according to the Jordanian sources, a fierce debate is going on among Palestine Liberation Organization and other terrorist leaders who have taken refuge in west Beirut after the defeat of the PLO by Israel in Lebanon.

The radical wing of the PLO appears to be prevailing, the sources said, particularly the group around George Habash who heads the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Habash and his followers have concluded that as a result of the route of the PLO in Lebanon, large scale terrorist activity abroad is the only way to enforce the rights of the Palestinian people to self-determination and a homeland, Botje reported.

**JEWISH LEADERS SEE FOR THEMSELVES**  
By David Landau

BEAUFORT CASTLE, Lebanon, June 21 (JTA) -- "It is the duty and privilege of the Jewish people worldwide to share with Israel the tremendous economic burden created by the war in Lebanon.

This is the message which must emerge from our meetings here."

With those words of exhortation Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executive chairman Leon Dulzin introduced the members of the Jewish Agency Board of Governors to sites of the recent Israeli military action in Lebanon.

Standing on the ramparts of this ancient Crusader fortress, Jewish leaders from the United States, Europe and South America were told of the military threat posed to Israel's northern settlement by Palestine Liberation Organization artillery and rockets concentrated here before Israeli forces captured this commanding spot.

Escorted by army officers, the Board of Governors and members of the Jewish Agency Assembly who convene in Jerusalem this week, travelled in convoy to Beaufort and Nabatiye, the main PLO stronghold until three weeks ago.

#### Dulzin: Israel Freed of 1973 Trauma

In his address to the Jewish Agency leaders before their tour, Dulzin said he fully endorsed Premier Menachem Begin's assertion that the "Peace for Galilee" operation freed Israel from the trauma of the Yom Kippur War. That war raised doubts in people's minds whether the young generation here were really up to it, Dulzin said, and this operation in Lebanon had certainly proved them were.

Dulzin listed three recent major military exploits which he said all Jews could be proud of—Entebbe, which proved that there was no place too far for Israel to rescue Jews; the bombing of the Iraqi nuclear facility which proved that Israel would do everything possible to prevent the destruction of Jews; and "Operation Peace for Galilee" which proved "the great Jewish Genius." Dulzin was referring to the Air Force success in destroying the Syrian SAM missile batteries and downing more than 80 Syrian warplanes.

Dulzin said he saw this war as a turning point. "A new page in the history of the Middle East is being written. The day will come when Lebanon, free of the Syrians and Palestinians, will indeed be the second country to make peace with Israel, as we always hoped it would be," Dulzin said.

He warned however that "These great days impose a great burden." The mobilization could go on for months. While the situation was not one of national emergency like in 1967 or 1973 there was still a tremendous burden for Israel to shoulder, and it was here that the Jewish people around the world could come to its aid.

#### ISRAEL OPERATION CALLED 'INEVITABLE'

SPRING GLEN, N.Y., June 21 (JTA) -- The transformation in recent months of the Palestine Liberation Organization from a "guerrilla" force into a conventional army posing a threat to Israel's security "made it virtually inevitable that sooner or later the Israelis would push the PLO back from its vulnerable northern border," Sen. Alan Cranston (D. Calif.) said last night.

"We all deeply regret the terrible loss of life, Arab and Jewish, in Israel's perhaps necessary -- but inevitably bloody -- military action in Lebanon," Cranston told some 500 people attending the 70th annual convention of the National Council of Young Israel. "All human life is sacred, the lives of our enemies no less than the lives of our friends. But as Israel saw it, she had no choice but to move when she did against terrorist gunmen of the so-called Palestine Liberation Organization."

According to Cranston, who is the Senate Democratic Whip, "some long lasting good" may come about as a result of the Israeli action. He said this would include a chance for Lebanon to rid its territories of foreign forces and "to become once again a unified, democratic nation at peace with itself and with Israel." He called on the United States to take a strong active leadership role to meet these ends.

#### U.S., WEST GERMAN AGREEMENT ON EXTRADITING WAR CRIMINALS By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, June 21 (JTA) -- The United States and West Germany have agreed to cooperate in the extradition of non-German-Nazi war criminals found to be residing illegally in the United States, U.S. Attorney General William French Smith has announced.

The joint effort came about as the result of an exchange of letters earlier this year between Smith and Juergen Schmude, Justice Minister of the West German Federal Republic. Smith asked Schmude if his government would consider requesting the extradition of identified war criminals such as Ukrainians, Lithuanians, Latvians and others of non-German origin who worked for the Nazis in occupied countries during World War II.

Schmude noted in his reply that while German jurisdiction normally does not extend to crimes committed beyond German borders, he agreed with Smith that each case must be considered on its own merits and that special circumstances in a particular case could lead to a conclusion that the basis for an extradition request exists. Schmude asked for further evidence in specific cases under investigation by the Department of Justice.

#### Four Cases

Four cases have been heard or are pending in which the U.S. seeks to revoke the citizenship of alleged war criminals who gained admission to this country by concealing their Nazi past and were naturalized later. Conrad Schellong, alleged to have been a guard at the Dachau and Sachsenburg concentration camps, was tried in Chicago May 25-June 3. The judge has not yet announced a verdict.

Luidas Kairys, an alleged supervisor at the Treblinka forced labor camp, went on trial in Chicago on June 14. The trial is expected to end this week. Juozas Kungys, a Lithuanian accused of leading a detail which slaughtered large numbers of Jews in Lithuania is scheduled to go on trial in August. A fourth trial has been postponed until October.

#### LIBBY KLAPPERMAN, DEAD AT 60

NEW YORK, June 21 (JTA) -- Libby Klaperman, author, writer and educator on Jewish history and religion, died Friday, after a long illness. She was 60 years old. The author of a number of children's books, including novels and books on religious subjects, Klaperman wrote a four volume history, "The Story of the Jewish People," published in collaboration with her husband, Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, a leader of the Rabbinical Council of America and its incoming president. Klaperman, who came to this country as a young child from her native Minsk, in Russia, was a former professor of religious studies at Stern College and a member of the humanities faculty at Far Rockaway High School. She was also active in American Mizrahi Women and served as national education chairman of the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America for more than 20 years.

# ISRAEL, U.S. HAVE 'COMMON UNDERSTANDING,' REAGAN SAYS AFTER TALKS WITH BEGIN

By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, June 21 (JTA) -- President Reagan said, after 2 1/2 hours of meetings with Premier Menachem Begin at the White House today that there was "a common understanding" between the United States and Israel "of the need to bring peace and security to the Middle East" and that both countries agreed to "seek an end to the violence" in Lebanon and the establishment of "a sovereign, independent Lebanon under the authority of a strong central government."

Reagan stressed, in a prepared statement read to reporters on the White House South Lawn, that "Israel must not be subjected to violence from the north" and that "The U.S. will continue to work to achieve ... the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Lebanon."

Reagan and Begin met privately in the Oval Office in the presence only of the U.S. Ambassador to Israel, Samuel Lewis, and Israel's Ambassador to Washington, Moshe Arens. The two envoys took notes. The President and Premier held a second meeting later attended by Secretary of State Alexander Haig, Nicholas Veliotes, Assistant Secretary of State for Near East and South Asian Affairs and other Administration officials. Begin was accompanied by Arens and by Yehuda Blum, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations.

## Begin Says Withdrawal Will Be 'Soon As Possible'

Standing beside the President on the South Lawn, Begin told reporters that he had "held a very fruitful discussion with the President and his advisors." He said that "Israel will withdraw all of its troops" from Lebanon "as soon as possible," adding that "As soon as possible means as soon as arrangements are made that never again will our citizens be attacked, maimed and killed by armed bands operating from Lebanon, armed and supported by the Soviet Union and its satellites."

Begin said "There is hope and belief that such arrangements will be made so that all foreign forces, without exception, will be withdrawn from Lebanon and there will be an independent, free Lebanon." He predicted that "The day is near when such a Lebanon and Israel will sign a peace treaty and live in peace forever."

## President Communicates 'Deep Concern'

Later, a senior Administration official briefing reporters on the contents of the Reagan-Begin meetings, said "The President communicated to the Prime Minister his deep concern that the hostilities in Lebanon be terminated at the earliest possible date, that the withdrawal of Israeli forces be accomplished expeditiously and, above all, that humanitarian activities be undertaken immediately to provide for the welfare of non-combatants involved as well as combatants."

The official added that there were "Detailed discussions of the objectives of the U.S. for a Lebanon solution and an exchange of views (between Reagan and Begin) which reflect a degree of similarity between Israel and the U.S., such as Israel agreed that it will and must withdraw from Lebanon." The official said

"There was a reiteration of the need to establish a buffer zone not under Israel's control or occupation but initially under the occupation of some kind of peace-keeping force."

He said "The Israeli side is more skeptical of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) than is the U.S., but neither side concluded that it was prudent to rule out any solution in this area a priori."

## U.S. JEWISH LEADERS WARNED AGAINST INTERFERING IN ISRAELI RELIGIOUS LIFE

SPRING GLEN, N.Y., June 21 (JTA) -- The head of an Orthodox rabbinical organization declared here today that American Jewish organizations should not seek to influence what Jewish religious dominations are accepted in Israel.

"It is not the objective of the World Zionist Organization or the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and the United Jewish Appeal to assure a victory of one or another religious domination" in their struggle to gain inroads in the religious life of Israel, Rabbi Sol Roth, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, told the opening session of the organization's 46th annual convention.

"Those forums in which a Jewish community is characterized by diversity should function in unity," he said. "Jewish leaders have a sacred obligation to preserve that unity." Roth charged that there is a crisis in Jewish leadership because American Jewish leaders "utilize large reservoirs of power for purposes other than those for which they were established."

In his address to several hundred rabbis from across the country, Roth charged that American Jewish leaders often set examples that do "not contribute to the strengthening of Jewish life or even to Jewish survival." We have protested in the past to the election of individuals to leadership in the Jewish community whose personal conduct is such that if it were to inspire emulation, as it inevitably does, the Jewish community would suffer diminution and Jewish life erosion. Jews with non-Jewish spouses and rabbis who officiate at mixed marriages are not the kinds of models that the Jewish community can afford."

## DR. ISAAC CHESSAR MICHAELSON, DEAD AT 79

JERUSALEM, June 21 (JTA) -- Dr. Isaac Chessar Michaelson, head of the department of Ophthalmology at Hadassah Hospital from 1954 to 1975, died here last week at the age of 79. Michaelson, whose textbooks on the eye have been used by medical students throughout the world, began his career in Edinburgh, Scotland, where he was born in 1903. After serving in the British Army in the Middle East during World War II, he became head of the Government Hospital in Haifa in 1948. In 1954 he went to Hadassah Hospital. Since his retirement he has devoted himself to international programs for the prevention of blindness.

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TORONTO (JTA) -- B'nai B'rith Canada is once again sponsoring the Jerusalem Pavilion at this year's International Caravan on behalf of the entire Jewish community in Toronto. According to Charlie Goldlust, co-chairman of the Jerusalem Pavilion over 300 B'nai B'rith volunteers will work together to coordinate the Pavilion. This year one of the most exciting events of the Caravan which runs through Friday, is a rare replica of the 2,000 year old Dead Sea Scrolls, found by a Bedouin in a cave near the ruins of Qumran in 1947, will be featured at the Jerusalem Pavilion.

## ISRAEL UNDERTAKES HUMANITARIAN AID FOR LEBANESE IN WAKE OF FIGHTING

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 21 (JTA) -- Israel disclosed today the extensive humanitarian efforts it has undertaken on behalf of Lebanese civilians in need of medical attention or other forms of relief as a result of the fighting in that country. Many of them, begun during the heat of battle, are continuing today as a result of preparations made during the first week of fighting. They involve joint efforts by government agencies, the Israeli army and volunteer agencies.

The Cabinet appointed a committee headed by Economics Minister Yaacov Meridor to coordinate the various activities. The Defense Ministry set up a special unit to assist the civilian population in Lebanon. Premier Menachem Begin welcomed an American proposal that the two countries work together for humanitarian aid. He appointed David Kimche, Director General of the Foreign Ministry to represent Israel on a joint committee with the U.S.

During the fighting in Lebanon, Israeli military helicopters air-lifted women in the advanced stages of pregnancy to hospitals in Israel. Israeli army doctors were flown to the battle front to treat the civilian population. The medical force established special facilities for the use of local residents. Their purpose was to keep existing medical centers operative in cooperation with local health institutions and with medical representatives of the United Nations and the International Red Cross.

### Israeli Hospitals Open To Lebanese

At the same time, Israeli hospitals were opened to Lebanese civilians in need of medical treatment and special attention was given mothers with new-born infants. The government hospital in Nahariya is currently treating 10 patients with kidney ailments who need dialysis. Israeli authorities estimate there are presently about 100 Lebanese receiving treatment at hospitals in Israel.

A medical delegation consisting of 70 doctors, other staff and 20 ambulances was sent to Lebanon at the end of last week to help rehabilitate civilians in the coastal towns which were especially hard hit in the fighting. The government has provided a grant of 600,000 Shekels for the needs of 15 hospitals in Tyre and Sidon.

In another area of relief, the army began the distribution of food products and commodities in Lebanese cities and towns within a day or two of their capture by Israeli forces. The army also supplied water tanks, tents and temporary housing for bombed-out civilians. The Central Fuel Administration is supplying gasoline and heating oil to Lebanese towns.

### Volunteer Relief

Large scale volunteer relief projects have been established by Abie Nathan, the former "Peace Ship" broadcaster, the Magen David Adom and Na'amat, (Pioneer Women). All Magen David Adom stations in the country collected thousands of food items, clothing and blankets for Lebanese civilians. The organization also established a bank account to receive donations for the Lebanese people.

Na'amat, in cooperation with the newspaper Yediot Achronot and Voice of Israel Radio, opened temporary shelters for mothers and babies in Tyre and Sidon. More than 1000 Jewish and Arab families in Israel have volunteered to host mothers

and children from Lebanon. Kibbutzim have offered shelter for hundreds of Lebanese war refugees and Lebanese merchants are being permitted to buy goods in Israel.

The army is working to restore public order in cities and towns occupied by Israeli forces. It appointed commanders to work jointly with the local mayors. In some towns, the local police have resumed their duties. Work has also begun to restore commerce and banking systems. The army meanwhile is repairing damaged roads and water pipes. As a result, hundreds of civilians who fled south Lebanon as the Israelis advanced, are returning to their homes.

### JDC RELIEF AID FOR LEBANON

NEW YORK, June 21 (JTA) -- The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) is making an "immediate emergency relief commitment of \$100,000 in support of humanitarian assistance in Lebanon," it was announced here by JDC President Henry Taub.

The announcement was made following a meeting held of a Jewish communal task force, comprising representatives of national Jewish organizations, including the Council of Jewish Federations, National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress and the World Jewish Congress. It followed consultations with the United Jewish Appeal and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. The meeting was chaired by JDC Executive Vice-President Ralph Goldman.

According to Goldman, the JDC action parallels that of Catholic, Protestant and non-sectarian voluntary agencies in America, which have already announced Lebanon relief programs, and will be coordinated with the humanitarian programs announced by the United States government and the government of Israel.

### HIAS JOINS WJC-AMERICAN SECTION

NEW YORK, June 21 (JTA) -- The World Jewish Congress has admitted HIAS as a full member of the American Section. HIAS, the worldwide Jewish migration agency assists refugees from Eastern Europe, the Middle East, North Africa, and Latin America to find new homes in the United States and other countries. It also assists, at the request of the U.S. government, in the resettlement of Indo-Chinese, Cubans and other refugees.

With its acceptance into the American Section, HIAS joins 25 other national Jewish organizations. Rabbi Arthur Schneier, spiritual leader of the Park East Synagogue, was re-elected American Section Chairman. He is the representative of Mizrachi Hapoel Ha-Mizrachi.

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- The government has offered to help repair the Zaharani oil refineries near Sidon in south Lebanon which were heavily damaged in the fighting there a week ago. The refineries are owned jointly by Caltex and Mobil, both American oil companies. Energy Ministry officials estimated it would take about three months to repair tanks, pipes and pumps. The refineries themselves were not damaged, they said.

Meanwhile, Israeli oil companies said they would supply fuel to restore service in south Lebanon where motorists have been lining up for hours at the few gasoline stations not damaged in the fighting. (By Hugh Orgel)