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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT URGES EEC TO RESUME RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, LIFT SANCTIONS

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, June 9 (JTA) -- The Parliament of Europe called on the European Economic Community (EEC) today to resume normal relations with Israel and lift the economic sanctions it imposed in June 1982 after Israel's invasion of Lebanon.

The Parliament, which has a consultative role and whose resolutions are not binding on the 10 EEC member states, said that by signing the withdrawal agreement with Lebanon Israel has returned to the status quo ante and the Common Market Commission should act accordingly.

Last June the Commission decided to postpone indefinitely a \$36 million credit it had previously granted Israel. Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and other Israeli leaders have asked the 10 to lift the sanctions which, in spite of the relatively small sum involved, is considered a blow to Israel's prestige in Western Europe.

The Foreign Ministers of the EEC are due to examine its relations with Israel next week. West Germany and Holland are known to favor a resumption of normal ties with Israel but other member governments insist that relations should be "unfrozen" only after Israel withdraws its troops from Lebanon.

The Strasbourg Assembly of the European Parliament also called on the commission to grant "as soon as feasible, substantial financial and material aid" to the Palestinian refugees in Lebanon, especially to those living in the south of the country, under Israeli administration. The Assembly said the Commission should set up schools and other social and educational projects to "help relieve the plight" of the refugees.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR 2 SOLDIERS KILLED IN BEIRUT

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 9 (JTA) -- Funeral services were held today for two Israeli soldiers killed in Beirut yesterday when a booby-trapped car exploded near their patrol. Two other soldiers, slightly injured by the blast, were hospitalized in Haifa. Five Lebanese passers-by also were hurt.

The dead soldiers were identified as Sgt. Moshe Edelstein, 31, of Kibbutz Ramat David and Yosef Ben-Or, 33, of Kibbutz Givat Haim. Israeli authorities did not immediately confirm the casualties, first reported by Beirut radio yesterday morning. Later however, they gave details of the incident.

According to a military spokesman it occurred at about 10 a.m. local time as two Israeli armored personnel carriers were passing through the Galerie Semaan, a busy intersection between east and west Beirut which has been the scene of several terrorist attacks in recent weeks. The first APC passed safely. The second was rocked by the explosion of a car less than 10 yards behind it. The car was identified as a Mercedes containing 100-200 kilograms of high explosives. Nearby buildings were heavily damaged.

The Israeli army beefed up its security arrangements immediately after the explosion. Israeli soldiers set up

road blocks on the road leading to local headquarters in the Yarze section of Beirut, something they have rarely done in that part of the city. The perpetrators were not caught.

A military spokesman explained that terrorists frequently shoot at Israeli patrols in the Galerie Semaan, which takes its name from a large furniture store, because they can easily escape into west Beirut policed by the multi-national force where Israeli forces cannot pursue them.

141 Killed Since Sept. 1

Yesterday's fatalities brought to 141 the number of Israeli soldiers killed in Lebanon since last September 1 when the Palestine Liberation Organization was evacuated from west Beirut under a safe conduct guarantee. Another 255 Israeli soldiers were wounded in that period. Israeli casualties in Lebanon last month alone amounted to eight dead and more than 130 wounded in 60 separate attacks, four of them in the vicinity of the Galerie Semaan.

A military spokesman reported that several shots were fired today at an Israeli army road block south of the Zaharani river but no casualties were reported. There have been four similar attacks from passing cars since the beginning of the week, indicating cooperation between the local population and the terrorists.

RABIN BLAMES U.S. MISCONCEPTIONS

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 9 (JTA) -- Former Premier Yitzhak Rabin blames American misconceptions for the present impasse in Lebanon. He said Secretary of State George Shultz relied on erroneous information when he insisted that Syria would accept the Israel-Lebanon agreement.

The Syrians should have been brought into the negotiations from the outset, Rabin declared on a television interview yesterday. "I had a difficult argument with Shultz when he was here, and asked what made him think the Syrians would accept an American-Israeli-Lebanese agreement," Rabin said. "He relied on information that the Syrians were ready to do so in principle. I nearly fell off my chair when I heard what American policy was based on and I am still worried by their conception," Rabin said.

He was referring to his meeting with Shultz last month when the Secretary of State spent 17 days in the region shuttling between Jerusalem and Beirut in an effort to secure the Israel-Lebanon agreement signed May 17.

According to Rabin, a Knesset member and a leader of the opposition Labor Party, he is concerned that as the stalemate in Lebanon continues, the U.S. will link a solution in Lebanon to wider issues such as the future status of the Golan Heights which Israel annexed in 1981.

JACKSON URGES 'UNWAVERING' SUPPORT

By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, June 9 (JTA) -- Sen. Henry Jackson (D. Wash.) last night praised the Israeli-Lebanese agreement "as a courageous, constructive

hopeful achievement. If it is to be followed by a wise and tough diplomacy, it could become another historic turning point in reaching stability and peace in that region."

Jackson spoke to some 800 persons at a dinner of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, marking the start of the ADL's 70th anniversary meeting being held here through Sunday.

"It begins to look as though the Reagan Administration has finally grasped a basic truth about the Middle East -- that a strong, unwavering United States-Israel relationship must be the core of American policy in the area," Jackson said. "I salute the President for his release of the 75 F-16 fighter planes to Israel, also in the decision to proceed with the delayed transfer of the technology needed for the production of the Lavie fighter."

Jackson added that "efforts to implement the Israeli-Lebanese agreement are turning into quite a lesson for the Administration on what friends and allies are -- and what they are not. The contrast with Israel is obvious when compared to Syria, to mention only one."

Ams Not Only Approach

Jackson contrasted the standard of living and political stability in Israel with the poverty, illiteracy, tyrannical governments and political instability of the Arab states which he said continues to make the area "fertile ground for Soviet infiltration and exploitation by oligarchic elites and terrorist leaders in that area."

He said that the lesson to be drawn is that "military approaches alone are not enough to achieve stability and security in this troubled world. Ams alone will not do the job. The underlying economic, political and social causes of instability and violence must be dealt with, and dealt with effectively."

The ADL honored J. Willard Marriott, chairman of the board of the Marriott Hotel Corp., with its Americanism Award, presented to "individual whose contribution to democracy has been outstanding in the private and public sector of American life."

ADL's International Award, the Joseph Prize for Human Rights, was awarded jointly to Violinist Isaac Stern and conductor Zubin Mehta, musical director of the New York Philharmonic and musical director for life of the Israel Philharmonic. Stern accepted the award for Mehta, who could not attend. The award recognized the contributions of the two musicians "to the improvement of human relations and the growth of human rights."

SEEK TO CALM DRUZE FEARS

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 9 (JTA) -- The government is trying to allay the concerns of Israel's loyal Druze community over the plight of their Druze brethren in Lebanon who have been in almost constant warfare with Lebanese Christian Phalangists in the Shouf mountains in recent months.

Sheikh Amin Tarif, spiritual leader of the Druze in Israel, headed a delegation of local Druze who met with Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir today to express their anxiety. Tarif assured Shamir that the cooperation of the Druze in Lebanon with the Syrians was limited and demanded that Israel protect the Lebanese Druze from attacks by Christian militias. He warned

that if the situation continues, it would be "hard to restrain" Israeli Druze.

Shamir reportedly assured the delegation that Israel would render the Lebanese Druze whatever assistance it could. But he contended that the Druze in Lebanon are exploiting the favorable relationship Israeli Druze enjoy with the Israel government, implying that the former were trying to play both sides.

Meanwhile, Matityahu Shmuelevitz, Director General of the Prime Ministers Office met with the Druze Zionist circle in Daliat Al Camel village today. He charged that Druze in Lebanon were involved in attacks on Israeli soldiers. However, Shmuelevitz noted that they represented only a minority of the Druze community in Lebanon. He said Israel was doing everything it could to improve relations between the Druze and Christians in the Shouf mountains.

Sheikh Tarif has suggested that he go to Lebanon personally, escorted by high Israeli officials, to "settle affairs." So far he's gotten no response from Israeli authorities.

JUDAIC MUSEUM IS 'UPLIFTING' EXPERIENCE FOR HOME FOR AGED

By Rifka Rosenwein

NEW YORK, June 9 (JTA) -- "A museum of Judaism is devoted to ideas, to capturing a spirit," Marvin Schwartz, Curator of Ritual and Ceremonial Art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, told an audience at the Judaica Museum today.

The museum, located on the grounds of the Hebrew Home for the Aged in Riverdale in the Bronx, celebrated its second anniversary with guest speakers and a premier showing of an 18th century Italian painting of Esther and Ahasuerus.

Schwartz said the museum does "a classic job of illustrating the rituals of life." This collection focuses on Jewish ceremonial art, reflecting the customs and rituals of European Jewry over the last three centuries, he said.

The permanent collection was donated by Ralph and Leuba Blum who had privately amassed the objects over the past 30 years. It consists of ceremonial objects such as circumcision sets, Kiddush cups and over 100 Torah pointers from all over Europe. On display for the anniversary are the original Israeli Declaration of Independence and 2500-year old coins from the ancient Kingdom of Judea.

The Hebrew Home for the Aged also houses a \$15 million art collection that includes works by Picasso, Chagall, Zuniaga and Louise Nevelson and Chaim Gross. "What does art have to do with the Home?" its director, Jacob Reingold asked rhetorically, "The only field where aging is not a (handicap) is art. In fact, the only field where aging is respected is art," he answered.

In addition, he said in an earlier statement that the Home's philosophy is to see "the later years of life not simply as a stage for biding time but for living and even growing." Along these lines, for the 1200 residents of the Home to live with these paintings "is uplifting," he said. Reingold noted that all the works were donated.

Irving Stolz, president of the Home noted that the museum was open to the general public and that he hoped "our children and grandchildren will be able to learn" about their Jewish heritage.

NEW YORK (JTA) -- The number of people who made aliya from North America during May was 182, as compared to 131 in May, 1982.

ROSENNE DECLARES ISRAEL STRONGER 'THAN EVER' BECAUSE IT HAS GIVEN PROOF IT IS 'READY FOR PEACE'

By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, June 9 (JTA) -- Meir Rosenne, Israel's new Ambassador to the United States, declared here today that "Israel is stronger than ever, not only because we have the military power but because the people of the world are with us."

The envoy, addressing a luncheon at the 70th anniversary convention of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, stressed that "contrary to what you read in the press, Israel is not isolated ... Israel is strong today because it has given proof to the entire world that we are ready for peace, and we are ready to negotiate peace with any Arab states with no preconditions."

Rosenne, who was Israel's Ambassador to France before he was posted to Washington, noted that "Israel has signed an agreement with Lebanon -- it is not a full peace treaty but we have said since the first day of our intervention (in Lebanon) up to this moment that Israel has no intention whatsoever to change the borders between Israel and Lebanon. We are ready to withdraw as soon as all the foreign forces in Lebanon today withdraw," he said.

Rosenne complained that there was worldwide condemnation of Israel's invasion of Lebanon but no condemnation of Syria's occupation of that country. "We do not hear of any condemnation in any international forum, we do not see any sanctions adopted by the European Common Market and we do not see any debate in the UN Security Council over the fact that one state occupies illegally 50 percent of the territory of another state and nobody reacts."

"The only thing you see," Rosenne said, "is a campaign waged against Israel preparing public opinion to pressure against our country." Referring to dissent in Israel and among American Jews over Israel government policies, Rosenne said, "We ourselves should not be victims of this campaign of trying to show that there is division of opinion, that there is dissent. When it comes to the protection of Jewish lives and existence of the State of Israel, we are more united than ever," he said.

'OPEN THE GATES', ANDROPOV URGED

By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, June 9 (JTA) -- "I tell Yuri Andropov to open the gates and let the world see whether emigration from the Soviet Union has stopped because the Russian government stopped it or because Soviet Jews no longer wish to leave Andropov's empire," Rep. Tom Lantos (D. Calif.) said yesterday.

In a brief speech on the House floor, Lantos said, "The Soviet Union has now concocted a phony front organization with the dual goal of disgracefully falsifying the past and deceitfully denying the present."

Lantos' call on the Soviet leader was a response to the newly established Soviet-government sponsored "Anti-Zionist Committee of the Soviet Public," which held a press conference in Moscow last week asserting that all Soviet Jews who wanted to leave the Soviet Union have already done so and that Zionist groups are "juggling figures" to show that large numbers of Jews still wish to emigrate.

Earlier, Lantos, at a joint press conference with Reps. John Porter (R. Ill.) and Benjamin Gilman (R. N.Y.), termed the remarks by the anti-Zionist committee leader on Soviet Jewish emigration "outright lies." He said the comments made a "mockery of the hardships and suffering experienced by thousands upon thousands of Soviet Jews who have made known their desire to leave."

"I saw with my own eyes the harassment, indignities, and economic penalties suffered by people whose only crime was a desire to leave the land of their oppressors," said Porter, who met with some 40 family members of Soviet refuseniks when he visited the Soviet Union last September.

Mail Interrupted

Gilman, who is a member of the Congressional Rights Caucus, of which Porter and Lantos are co-chairmen, termed as "ridiculous" the allegations of the anti-Zionist committee. As a member of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, Gilman spoke of his investigations of Soviet interference with U.S. mail addressed to Soviet citizens.

"We have now received a great number of documents attesting to the fact that there has been a concerted effort to interrupt the mail," he said. Gilman added that the U.S. Post Master General has taken up the issue of Soviet interference with the mail with Soviet officials in a recent visit to the Soviet Union.

"We hope that we are going to have this issue straightened out so that minority groups will no longer be isolated from outside communication, from the only life-line that they have -- written communication and the opportunity to start with an emigration," Gilman asserted.

WALTER LEHR DEAD AT 54

NEW YORK, June 9 (JTA) -- Walter (Velvl) Lehr, a noted Labor Zionist leader who helped develop Haborim Labor Zionist youth summer camping, died here recently. Lehr, 54, of Dobbs Ferry, N.Y., was active in the Labor Zionist movement. He was a former chairman of the Haborim Camp Naaleh Committee, the board of directors of the Kineret Day School. He served as a member of the National Executive Committee of the Labor Zionist Alliance.

DUTCH ANTI-BOYCOTT BILL PROPOSED

AMSTERDAM, June 9 (JTA) -- The Dutch Labor Party is urging the government to introduce a bill making it compulsory for Dutch firms to report any boycott demands by foreign countries to the government. Labor has asked for an urgent debate on the matter before Parliament recesses for the summer.

The government had announced some time ago that it would present such a bill. But it has come under strong pressure not to, apparently for fear of economic reprisals at a time when Holland's economy is in severe difficulties and there is a high rate of unemployment.

The measure as originally drafted referred specifically to the Arab boycott of firms doing business with Israel. But that reference was dropped in a later version. An advisory committee headed by Prof. Jan Der Grinten, an economist, recommended that the proposed bill not be included, as planned, in de-regulation legislation aimed at simplifying the administrative rules affecting Dutch businesses.

SPECIAL INTERVIEW SMALL JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN LATIN AMERICA HAVE URGENT NEEDS

By Kevin Freeman

NEW YORK, June 9 (JTA) -- Latin American Jewish communities are in urgent need of increased Jewish education, Jewish awareness, social programs and stepped up efforts to have Jewish students study in Israel. This assessment of the needs of Latin American Jewish communities emerged at a special conference held in Venezuela last month, according to Kalman Sultank, a member of the World Zionist Organization Executive.

The conclave, a regional meeting of the Latin American Zionist Council held in Caracas May 27-29, was called to discuss the current economic and political turmoil in the region in relation to the Jewish communities there. Some 60 Jewish community representatives from Colombia, Aruba, Costa Rica, Curacao, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Panama, Peru and Venezuela met. Because of the special nature of the meeting, unlike the bi-annual Latin American Conference of the Zionist Council, delegates from Argentina, Chile and Brazil did not participate, Sultank said in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. He said that the assessment provided of the meeting did not include discussion of the status of the Jewish communities in those three countries whose representatives were absent.

Discussions at the conference focused on the smaller Jewish communities which, Sultank said, are in the process of "disintegration." In addition to Cuba, Nicaragua's Jewish community is nearly non-existent, he said, adding that the Jewish community of El Salvador has merely 12 families. Forty Jewish families reside in Aruba, the smallest community in the area, which does not have a rabbi, he said.

Many Receive Jewish Education

As for the other Jewish communities in the region, whose representatives provided information to Sultank, there are 7,500 Jews in Colombia, of whom some 4,000 live in Bogota; there are 250 Jewish families in Ecuador's capital, Quito. But by far the largest Jewish community which had a representative at the conference was Mexico where some 45,000 Jews live with an estimated 5,000 Jewish children attending Jewish schools. In Peru, Sultank reported, where there are 5,000 Jews, 95 percent of the Jewish children receive a Jewish education. It was noted that the rate of intermarriage in Peru is 20 percent.

While Sultank said that there was a high percentage of Jewish children attending Jewish educational institutions throughout the region and that the educational level of those schools is "very high," he attributed this to the fact that Jewish communities in Latin America live apart from the large sector and that other educational facilities are "generally on a low level."

"Furthermore, the communities there have not yet reached the stage where a younger generation, more integrated into the sociopolitical life of the respective country, is faced with having to make a choice," Sultank said. He said assimilation was reported to be at a relatively low rate in the larger Jewish communities as compared with the smaller Jewish communities.

Sultank asserted that Zionism remains an integral element within the Jewish community in

Latin America. He said that Zionist parties where they exist that identify with political parties in Israel, "keep a very low profile," which he said "is a positive factor since it results in the communities' unity and their support of Israel as a whole, and they do not take the opposition line in Israel."

Relations With Government 'Excellent'

Sultank said in reference to the Israeli invasion of Lebanon that there was "no schism" in the Jewish communities discussed at the conference, since, Sultank said, they publicly support the policies of the Israeli government. There have been several reports however of incidents in some Latin American Jewish communities involving the daubing of slogans and in some cases swastikas on synagogues.

In response to a query, Sultank asserted that the Jewish communities of the participating nations maintain "excellent relations" with their respective governments and that the delegates do not feel there is overt anti-Semitism on either a social level or governmental level.

An official at the Israel Mission to the United Nations told the JTA that he would describe as "cordial" the relations maintained between the Jewish community and their governments. He noted also that some Jewish schools in Latin American nations are officially recognized by the government.

Jewish Position Precarious

But despite the optimistic tone of Sultank's assessment of the three-day conference, he said the "Zionist movement must devote special attention on how to assist these small Jewish communities. The whole region is in a state of turmoil from the political and economic viewpoint -- everyone seems to be sitting on top of a volcano."

"Whenever the economic situation in these areas is favorable, Jews fare even better, but this works in reverse," Sultank continued. "Since Jews are not an integral part of the social fabric of their respective country, they are more conspicuous. They all belong to the 'haves'; they have their own institutions and clubs; they reside in well known quarters and they engage in specific fields of endeavor. In a critical situation such as is prevalent today, this makes them easy prey for scapegoating."

NEW BUSINESS SCHOOL ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, June 9 (JTA) -- Emanuel Rackman, president of the Bar-Ilan University, announced here the establishment of a new School of Economics and Business at the university of Israel which will emphasize the teaching of American methods of management and business administration.

"The new school will help meet Israel's crucial need for a corps of highly trained business executives, managers and administrators," Rackman said in an address to some 500 people who attended a dinner and academic convocation at the Pierre Hotel last night.

The groundbreaking for the new facility will take place at commencement exercises on the university's Ramat Gan campus June 23. Building construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of 1985, Rackman reported.

Gifts totalling \$3.5 million toward the schools' goal of \$10 million were announced at the dinner by Rackman who conferred honorary degrees of Doctor of Humane Letters on S. Daniel Abraham and Jerome Stern, New York industrialists and philanthropists who are among the five founding chairmen of the new school.