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**HERZOG, AFTER MEETING WITH REAGAN, SAYS HE FEELS REASSURED OF U.S. - ISRAEL 'COMMONALITY OF INTERESTS'**

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- President Chaim Herzog of Israel emerged from a 30 minute meeting with President Reagan at the White House today to declare that it left him "once again reassured about the close relationships that exist between Israel and the United States and the commonality of interests that we have."

Herzog said he raised the issue of how to strengthen this relationship but refused to give any details. He said he brought Reagan a "message" from Israel which "describes the situation as we see it" in the Middle East, a situation which he called "very, very fluid."

The Israeli President said he also discussed the possibilities for future advancement of the peace process in the Middle East, adding that he expressed Israel's "appreciation" that the U.S. "is the main and most powerful element in the cause of peace in the Middle East."

**Increased U.S.-Israel Cooperation Cited**

White House press spokesman Larry Speakes noted that Reagan's meeting with Herzog took place "in a time of increasing American-Israeli cooperation." He said Reagan "reaffirmed to President Herzog our unwavering commitment to Israel's security."

Reagan also told Herzog that he was "looking forward" to his discussions with Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir next Tuesday which, Speakes said, would be "on the full range of issues on the U.S.-Israeli agenda." He said they would discuss ways for "enhanced cooperation" between Israel and the U.S. and how they can work together for solutions to the problems of the Middle East.

Shamir, accompanied by Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens, will have a working luncheon with the President at the White House next Tuesday. He will also be a guest that evening at a dinner hosted by Vice President George Bush. The two Israelis are scheduled to meet with Secretary of State George Shultz and Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger. Donald Rumsfeld, Reagan's special envoy to the Middle East, is returning from his first visit to that region to take part in the meetings next week.

**The Contrast To Navon's Visit**

Herzog, who ends his 10-day visit to the U.S. Thursday, was not at the White House today on a State visit since he came to the U.S. principally to address the Council of Jewish Federations General Assembly in Atlanta and the United Nations General Assembly in New York. He did not therefore receive the ceremonial honors that will be given Shamir when he arrives at the White House exactly one week later.

The Herzog visit, at a time of increasing cooperation between Israel and the U.S. is also in contrast to the similar visit Herzog's predecessor, President Yitzhak Navon, made to Reagan last January. At

that time, relations between Washington and Jerusalem were at a low ebb. Some Administration officials saw the warm welcome accorded Navon as a way to help those in Israel who were building up the then President as a possible Labor opponent to then Premier Menachem Begin.

**Need To Preserve Democratic Values Stressed**

Last night Herzog received an honorary doctorate of humane letters from Georgetown University, the oldest Catholic university in the U.S. In his address there, he warned that "democracy is on the wane" throughout the world and stressed the need for preserving its values shared by Israel and the U.S.

"I was nurtured on the twin concepts of Judaism and law and justice," Herzog said. "Perhaps the outstanding aspect of Jewish civilization is its inherent justice and the fact that the concept of justice occupies paramount place in its principles."

He said these principles are being maintained by the few democracies left in the world while "they are daily trampled in derision and disdain in the United Nations." He added that "it is precisely those who have totally abandoned the principles given by the Jewish people to the world in their national and international practice who now would sit in judgement on Israel."

**Situation Of Arabs In Israel**

Herzog pointed out that 17 percent of Israel's population is made up of Arabs. "Given the problems, which we have faced during the last 35 years and the fact that a number of Arab countries continue to maintain a state of war with Israel, the condition of the Arab population, which is a loyal and integral part of our society, is perhaps the greatest tribute to our free and democratic society," he declared.

Herzog added that "we can boast the only free Arab press in the Mideast," the only society in the Mideast where Arabs can appeal political decision to the courts and "I am the only head of state in the Mideast who feels secure enough to stroll freely through our cities with a large Arab population, and does so."

**U.S. WON'T RULE OUT POSSIBLE RETALIATION FOR THE BOMBING OF MARINE HEADQUARTERS IN BEIRUT**

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- The Reagan Administration refused to rule out today the possibility that it may still retaliate for the bombing of its marine headquarters in Beirut last month in which 239 American marines and sailors were killed.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes repeated the 10-day old Administration policy not to comment on retaliation. But when he was asked specifically whether it can be ruled out, Speakes said, "No, I won't say that."

Speakes said that Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger's comment today in which he accused the Syrians of being behind the attack "certainly reflects U.S. policy."

Weinberger told a press conference here that the perpetrators of the bomb attack "were basically Iranians, with the sponsorship, knowledge and authority of

the Syrian government." He also said that he did not interpret past statements by President Reagan as indicating that the U.S. would stage a retaliatory strike against positions in Lebanon held by those alleged to be responsible for the bombings.

Reagan, in his October 26 nationally televised address to the nation on Grenada and Lebanon, promised the U.S. retaliatory strike once the identity of those who committed the bombing attack was determined. "Those who directed this atrocity must be dealt justice," Reagan declared. "They will be."

#### WEST BANK JEWISH SETTLERS DEMAND MORE FREEDOM TO DEAL WITH DISORDER

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- Jewish settlers on the West Bank are demanding greater freedom to deal with disorder in the territory, particularly the proliferation of stone-throwing incidents by Arab youths. The defense establishment insists that the army must have complete control of security matters and seems determined to prevent vigilantism on the part of settlers.

The Council of Jewish Settlements in Judeaea, Samaria and the Gaza Region met in emergency session yesterday to complain about "the growing number of rock attacks on Jewish vehicles in the territory." It reportedly adopted a series of resolutions to deal with the problem. They were not made public but, according to unofficial reports, the Council decided to create a new body to "act and react" to attacks on Jews.

#### Levinger Criticizes Defense Ministry

Rabbi Moshe Levinger, leader of the Gush Emunim militants of Kiryat Arba, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that "the Defense Ministry is helpless and has not changed its basic position regarding the attacks on us." The army, while quelling stone-throwing and other acts of violence by Arabs, has tried, not always successfully, to prevent reprisals by Jewish settlers.

When a rock was thrown at a bus enroute from Jerusalem to Kiryat Arba, as it passed through the Arab town of Halhoul, the passengers, mostly Kiryat Arba residents, got off and began to dance in the streets. They were joined by other Jews from passing cars and the main street of the town was blocked to traffic.

The army rushed troops to the scene and prevailed upon the settlers to leave. But a number of unidentified settlers remained in the town to smash the windows of several houses and the windshields of Arab buses. Arab eye-witnesses told the JTA that three men and a woman hurled rocks through their windows.

Levinger denied that there was any plan to smash windows and claimed he didn't know who was responsible. But he insisted that Jews had the right to block roads and take "other action" because of the "ineptitude" of the security authorities.

Col. Shmuel Zucker, military commander on the West Bank, met with the Kiryat Arba leaders several days ago. He told them the army was doing its best to restore law and order in the territory and rejected the idea that the settlers "take the law into their own hands." The settlers were not satisfied with his position and decided to call the emergency meeting of the settlers council.

The friction was aggravated when Kiryat Arba residents went on a one-hour general strike Sunday to

protest the arrest of Eliezer Itzkovitz, a local man who was sentenced to a year in prison for opening fire on Arab youngsters who threw stones at him. The sentence was pronounced two years after the incident.

#### Murderers Of Gross Apprehended

Meanwhile, an army spokesman announced Sunday that the gang responsible for the murder of yeshiva student Aharon Gross in the Hebron marketplace last July has been apprehended and confessions obtained. The alleged killers were not identified but were described by the spokesman as "religious extremists." Kiryat Arba residents immediately demanded the death penalty for them. Israel does not have a death penalty.

Labor Alignment MKs Yossi Sarid and Victor Shemtov praised the authorities today for capturing the murderers of Gross. They expressed hope that the same efforts would be devoted to finding the killers of peace activist Emil Grunzweig last February and the perpetrators of the bomb attacks which maimed two Arab mayors on the West Bank in 1981. Jewish extremists are believed responsible for those crimes.

#### CANADA SAYS IT WILL NOT RAISE ITS LEVEL OF CONTACTS WITH PLO

By Michael Solomon

OTTAWA, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen told a delegation of Jewish leaders that Canada "will not raise the level of contacts with the PLO nor will it support the idea of unilateral withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon."

The delegation, led by Ann Gross, chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee (CIC), expressed to MacEachen the concern of the Canadian Jewish community about statements the Minister had made in Damascus, Amman and Cairo during his recent Middle East tour.

Citing the Minister's comment in Damascus that Syria had "a positive role" to "play in the Middle East region," the delegation said that while everyone understood the sincerity of the Canadian government's desire to see peace in the Middle East, the government would be "ill-advised" to support the view that Syria sincerely means to leave Lebanon when all of its actions point to the contrary.

MacEachen told the Jewish leaders that Canada and Israel have friendly relations and that he had asked Israel to increase the volume of its commercial exchanges with Canada.

He promised to make a statement this week before the Parliamentary Standing Committee for External Affairs and National Defense to clarify various statements attributed to him during his Middle East tour.

The delegation issued a statement after the meeting stating that "we have had a frank, and we think useful meeting" with the Minister. "We have informed him about our concerns and we think he understands them now."

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TEL AVIV (JTA) -- Eighteen young Blacks from South Africa are in Israel for training as pilots. They are citizens of Ciskei, a "homeland" established for Blacks by the Pretoria government but not officially recognized by Israel. For that reason, the trainees carried South African passports when they landed in Israel last week. The President of Ciskei, Lennox Sebe, also carried a South African passport when he visited Israel earlier this month.

**At The GA Of The CJF:  
RESOLUTION ON THE MIDEAST EMPHASIZES  
IMPORTANCE OF U.S.-ISRAEL BEING IN  
ACCORD ON PEACE GOALS AND STRATEGIES**  
By Murray Zuckoff

ATLANTA, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- The recent terrorist bomb attack on the United States and French forces in Beirut, in which close to 300 servicemen were killed, "emphasizes the role and importance of U.S. and Israel being in accord on goals and strategies for peace in the Middle East," it was affirmed in a resolution on the Middle East adopted here at the 52nd General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations which concluded its five-day gathering Sunday.

The resolution urged "a strong continuation of the U.S., mediating role in the Middle East, working in close harmony with the Israel government." To accomplish this there will be "continued need for U.S. economic and military aid to Israel, to assure the strength and stability of the only country which is committed to the peace policy in the Middle East," the resolution stated.

The situation in Lebanon, the resolution continued, has "demonstrated anew that Israel is America's sole stable and dependable ally in the region and hence, the necessity for strengthening United States-Israeli cooperation."

The resolution commended "steps already taken in that direction" and called upon the U.S. government "to move forward with other measures strengthening strategic cooperation, particularly those agreements which will grant Israel the technical and financial means to independently build the Lavie fighter aircraft."

**View Of Syria And Egypt**

The resolution also denounced Syria's intransigence in rejecting the May 17 Israel-Lebanon agreement and instead encouraging continuing civil war in Lebanon and undermining the government of President Amin Gemayel. "Behind Syria stands the Soviet Union which has resupplied Syrian forces and continues to encourage Syrian intransigence."

The resolution stated that Egypt should be brought back into the peace process "it has all but abandoned." U.S. efforts should be directed at implementing the Camp David accords, the resolution urged, adding: "All parties need to be flexible and open in terms of the negotiated process and not preclude any options that lead to peace."

This was an apparent reference to Israel's settlement policy in the West Bank and was added to the resolution as a result of lobbying by the New Jewish Agenda, a progressive Jewish organization that urged the GA to take a stand on the settlements issues.

**Effort To Get Settlement Freeze Resolution**

The CJF tabled a stronger resolution opposing Jewish settlements in the West Bank that was proposed by Louis Smierling, a delegate to the GA from Minneapolis. His proposed resolution stated: "Israel could build on the gains it made at Camp David by refraining from actions such as the construction of settlements which lead toward the incorporation of the West Bank into Israel proper." Many delegates favored having a resolution calling for a settlement freeze.

The CJF resolution on the Middle East criticized Egypt for freezing the process of normalization with Israel, not returning its ambassador to Israel, for

placing obstacles in the way of normal tourism and trade and for permitting "a vicious anti-Israel press campaign, and has recently supported anti-Israel resolutions in various international bodies."

**Resolution On Soviet Jewry**

A resolution on Soviet Jewry expressed outrage at the recent sentencing of Iosif Begun to 12 years of prison and internal exile for the "crime" of teaching Hebrew. "The continued imprisonment of Anatoly Shcharansky, the recent trials of five other Prisoners of Conscience and the continued incarceration of an additional 12 men who have violated no laws in seeking to emigrate from the Soviet Union or live as Jews while they remain in the USSR, requires attention and action," the resolution stated.

It also cited "a dangerous new anti-Semitic campaign" that was begun with the creation by the Soviet Union of an "Anti-Zionist Committee of the Soviet Public" and by the use of Jews as spokesmen. "This campaign has also included the false allegation of Zionist and Jewish collaboration with the Nazis during World War II and is promoting and expanding anti-Semitism." The resolution condemned the Soviet Union for closing down emigration and for the harassment and imprisonment of aliya activists.

It congratulated the U.S. government "for its continued strength and persistence at the Madrid Review of the Helsinki Final Act." It also commended the "heartening and significant participation" of the U.S. government, representatives from other Western democracies, religious and academic leaders, and the large number of Christians at the Third International Conference on Soviet Jewry held in Jerusalem last spring.

**Rescue Of Ethiopian Jewry**

The GA also adopted a resolution of the rescue of Ethiopian Jewry urging that Israel and world Jewry "continue to exert every effort to expand the programs of rescue, relief and resettlement of this ancient community which is so seriously threatened."

The resolution noted that "substantial progress has been made on several fronts." This included "increasing numbers" of Ethiopian Jews being rescued and brought to Israel and personal visits of national and local Federation leadership groups to Ethiopian Jewish villages which has led to publicizing their plight and at the same time has sustained the moral of the Ethiopian Jews "isolated for so many years from the mainstream of world Jewry."

**Women In Jewish Communal Service**

On women in Jewish communal service, a resolution noted that progress has been made in the last 10 years to integrate Jewish women into the working force of Jewish communal service and providing opportunity for them to rise to positions of leadership as executives. "But the pace is very slow," the resolution stated.

In 1981, the resolution recorded, a study of women in professional Jewish communal service revealed that Jewish women comprise over half of staffs of Jewish agencies, but only two percent are executive directors and six percent assistant directors; 3.5 percent of women earn \$30,000 a year or more, compared with 38 percent of the men; men and women are being trained equally well in the professional training schools. The resolution concluded:

"CJF must now recognize that special action is required to encourage its member Federations and all Jewish communal agencies to overcome these inequities and to use to the full the valuable skills of women."

A special task force of the CJF Personnel Service Committee with appropriate staffing should be appointed to review the problem and to propose specific steps at the 1984 General Assembly, which can be taken to assure full access for women in executive positions. Special recognition should be given each year to those Federations and individuals who have made outstanding contributions to removing the barriers."

#### HERTZBERG WARNS ISRAEL ON INVOLVEMENT WITH THE U.S. By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- A prominent American Jew warned Israel not to become involved with the United States on the basis of mutual interests stemming from the exercise of power. Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, an author, lecturer and former President of the American Jewish Congress, maintained that this kind of interest can change from one day to another.

"The people in Israel fail to understand that America loves Israel not because it is led by tough leaders but because of the values that it represents," Hertzberg said at a forum organized by Peace Now and the International Center for Peace in the Middle East.

Hertzberg, a professor of history at Columbia University and leader of a Conservative congregation in Englewood, N.J., was one of six Jewish leaders from the U.S. and Europe participating in the conference on "the affect of occupation on the Jewish people." It was moderated by former Foreign Minister Abba Eban.

#### Objections To Settlement Policy

According to Hertzberg, the majority of American Jews object to Israel's policy of de facto annexation of the West Bank. He said that more and more Jews in the U.S. opposed the policies of the Likud-led government. He observed that whereas in the past supporters of the Peace Now movement in the U.S. were castigated as "defeatists," they are no longer stigmatized.

Similar views were expressed by David Susskind of Belgium, one of the organizers of the Brussels World Conference on Soviet Jewry. He said he found it increasingly difficult to answer questions by the younger generation of Jews about Judaism and Israel, especially the issue of human rights for the Arabs.

"It is customary here (in Israel) to stop people on the street for security questioning just by their looks. For me as a Jew, this is a nightmare. I remember the not too distant past when one used to stop other people because of their looks," Susskind said. Pointing at the audience which packed the hall, Susskind said "Only a few kilometers from here there is an Arab population under occupation. Why can't they gather for a similar political forum?"

#### AGUDA ISRAEL PLEDGES TO FIGHT KOLLEK'S PLAN TO BUILD A SPORTS STADIUM IN A JERUSALEM SUBURB By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (JTA) -- The Aguda Israel has pledged a fight to the finish to block Mayor Teddy Kollek's plans to build a modern sports stadium near Malha, a suburb in the southern outskirts of Jerusalem. The opposition is headed by Meir Porush

and his father, Aguda MK Menachem Porush, who accuse the Mayor of insensitivity "to the feelings of tens of thousands of (Orthodox) Jerusalemites."

The Orthodox object to the stadium on grounds that it will disturb the tranquility of the Sabbath--the day when soccer and other matches draw the largest crowds -- that it encourages violation of Sabbath bans and that it will turn the "holy city" into "an international sports center."

#### Kollek Expected To Succeed

Orthodox objections, often accompanied by violent demonstrations, succeeded in defeating earlier plans for a sports center located close to religious neighborhoods. But political observers say that this time Kollek will succeed in carrying out his promise to provide Jerusalem with a modern stadium for sports events.

They note that the Aguda's objections are not widely supported by other religious elements or by secular Jews who had protested in the past that a stadium near densely populated residential neighborhoods would create noise and traffic jams.

The new site for the stadium is far from built-up areas. Municipal architects say the facility will be constructed so as to prevent any significant noise from disturbing major population centers of the city. The city fathers are confident that the planning committee will approve the project.

They point out further that the Orthodox Poalei Aguda Israel party and the new Sephardic party, "Shas," are negotiating to join Kollek's Labor-led coalition in the City Council, fully aware that the Mayor intends to go ahead with the stadium. The Porushes are looking to Aguda supporters in the U.S. to exert pressure against the stadium.

#### ISRAELI ARTIST'S PORTRAIT OF DR. KING GIVEN TO BLACK CONGRESSIONAL CAUCUS By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (JTA) -- A portrait of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by the Jerusalem artist Benjamin Amar, was presented to the Congressional Black Caucus last week to celebrate the successful Congressional campaign to establish a national holiday honoring the slain civil rights leader.

The presentation was made by the Committee for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Forest in Israel to Rep. Julian Dixon (D. Calif.), chairman of the Black Caucus and Rep. Louis Stokes (D. Ohio), president of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation. The portrait had been displayed at a ceremony in Galilee last August 28 commemorating the 20th anniversary of the 1963 civil rights march on Washington led by King.

The 10,000-tree memorial forest was created by Americans seven years ago with 38 trees, one for each year of King's life at the time he was assassinated. When the forest was first established, every Black and Jewish member of Congress agreed to become an honorary sponsor of the committee and this practice has continued.

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REMINDER: There will be no Daily News Bulletin dated November 24, Thanksgiving Day, a postal holiday.