

**SHAMIR: MURDER OF TWO TERRORISTS  
DEVIATED FROM NORMAL BEHAVIOR  
OF ISRAELI SECURITY FORCES**

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, May 29 (JTA) -- The killing of two captured bus hijackers was a deviation from the normal behavior of Israeli security forces when they deal with terrorists, Premier Yitzhak Shamir told the Knesset's Foreign Affairs and Security Committee today.

He was commenting on the findings of the Defense Ministry's special investigations committee, headed by Gen. (Res.) Meir Zorea, that two Arab terrorists were bludgeoned to death while undergoing interrogation after Israeli troops freed the passengers of the hijacked bus in the Gaza Strip early on April 13. Shamir said the inquiry was set up to prevent similar behavior in the future.

In the war against terrorists, the security forces face moments when they must display courage, self-control and discipline, Shamir said. Usually they meet those challenges, he observed.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens, who established the Zorea committee after the media claimed that two of the four slain hijackers were taken alive, said on a television interview today that its report cleared him and Chief of Staff David Levy of any responsibility for the actions of some security personnel on the spot. "Neither the Chief of Staff nor I was at the site when what happened happened. Neither the Chief of Staff nor I knew what had happened," Arens said.

The defense chief may have found it necessary to stress that point today because he himself had announced the official version of the incident at the time, saying that two of the hijackers were slain when Israeli troops stormed the bus and two others died shortly afterwards of their wounds. The Zorea report contradicts that version.

**U.S. COMMENDS ISRAEL FOR ITS  
PROBE INTO MURDER OF HIJACKERS**

WASHINGTON, May 29 (JTA) -- The Reagan Administration commended the Israeli government today for its "thorough investigation" of the deaths of two Palestinian bus hijackers after they were captured alive when troops stormed the vehicle to free its passengers on April 13.

State Department deputy spokesman Alan Romberg said the U.S. "positively noted" the statement by Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens who made public yesterday the findings of a special inquiry committee that the hijackers had been bludgeoned to death while under interrogation. "The U.S. commended the efforts of the government of Israel to make a thorough investigation," Romberg said.

**SUSPECTED MEMBER OF JEWISH  
UNDERGROUND GOES ON TRIAL**  
By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, May 29 (JTA) -- The first of 27 suspected members of a Jewish terrorist underground to be indicted went on trial here today after the prosecution agreed to drop charges of attempted murder and attempted sabotage.

The defendant, Noam Yinon of Moshav Keshet on the Golan Heights, has been charged instead with illegal possession and delivery of arms and membership in a terrorist organization. He was allegedly involved in the attempted sabotage of five Arab-owned buses in East Jerusalem on April 27.

The attempt, which was foiled at the last minute by security forces, resulted in the exposure of the underground which is believed responsible for a series of criminal acts committed or planned against Arab civilians during the past four years.

Yinon reportedly confessed that he delivered 50 mines to the underground for the purpose of using their high explosive charges to make the bombs planted in the buses. He said he acted at the orders of another defendant who has been described as the prime suspect in the plot but not otherwise identified to the public.

The prosecution decided to try Yinon separately from the rest of the group because his suspected offense was less serious than those of the others under indictment. Nevertheless, he faces a maximum sentence of 10 years imprisonment. A verdict is expected Sunday.

**REAGAN ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALLY  
ANNOUNCES SALE TO SAUDIS OF 400  
ANTI-AIRCRAFT MISSILES AND 200  
LAUNCHERS FOR THE WEAPONS**  
By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, May 29 (JTA) -- The Reagan Administration officially announced today that it has sold Saudi Arabia 400 Stinger anti-aircraft missiles and 200 launchers for the shoulder-fired weapon to be used to protect Saudi oilfields and the shipping of Persian Gulf oil.

The announcement, made by the State Department, came after the weapons had been delivered to Saudi Arabia and after the sale had been widely reported over the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

State Department deputy spokesman Alan Romberg said the weapons were being sold by President Reagan under the special authority he has in the Arms Export Control Act to waive the normal 30-day waiting period after Congress is notified. Reagan's use of this emergency power is the reason why the number of missiles was dropped from 1,200 and 400 launchers.

Romberg stressed today that the Saudis have "legitimate" needs for the full number. "In recent days, neutral shipping has been attacked with increasing frequency and in an ever widening area in the international waters in the Gulf," Romberg said, reading a prepared statement. "Further escalation could threaten Saudi Arabia and oil supplies on which much of the free world depends." Although Iraq is believed responsible for most of the attacks on shipping in recent days, the Administration's effort is aimed at Iran.

**Cites Contribution To Saudi Defenses**

Romberg stressed that since the Stinger "can be deployed in the field shortly after delivery, its immediate transfer will quickly contribute to Saudi Arabian air defenses. By providing a deterrent against hostile actions, this transfer lowers the risk of a broader conflict. The President's determination reflects United States grave concern with the growing escalation in the Gulf and its implication for the security of our friends."

Romberg said that the Saudis would use the Stingers to defend against air attacks on Saudi oilfields or ships carrying oil. But he could not say "precisely" how the Saudis would deploy the weapons. Presumably, if they are to protect shipping they would have to be placed directly on the ships since the Stingers only have a range of three miles.

Romberg also stressed that "Saudi Arabia has agreed to strict safeguards to insure the security of the missiles and will pay the full cost for the system and of its transportation." Security has been an issue because the strong Congressional opposition to selling the missiles to Saudi Arabia or to Jordan has centered on a fear that the weapons could fall into the hands of terrorists.

This will probably be discussed when Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens meets with Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger at the Pentagon tomorrow. Romberg had no direct comment today on a report that Israel had said that the Stingers would be in the hands of the Palestine Liberation Organization within six months. But he said despite some charges, the Saudis have never turned over American-supplied weapons to a third party.

#### Saudis Also Getting Other Military Supplies

Romberg also announced that in light of the unstable situation in the Gulf, the U.S. is starting to send to the Saudis three months ahead of schedule some of the 120 conformal fuel tanks that Saudi Arabia ordered in 1981 for the F-15 fighters.

Romberg said the U.S. is also expediting delivery of ammunition and spare parts for other Saudi weapons. He made clear that the Saudis are not getting bomb racks for the F-15s which the U.S. turned down when it sold the Saudis AWACS in 1981.

In addition, Romberg said the U.S. is sending a KC-10 Extender aerial refueling tanker to Saudi Arabia to augment the three U.S. KC-135 refueling tankers already there. The tankers, entirely staffed by American personnel, would refuel the U.S. AWACS that have been in Saudi Arabia since the Iran-Iraq war broke out in 1980, and Saudi F-15s.

Romberg said the U.S. would not be in a combat role and that the tankers would not become a target. "They are not equipped for combat," he said. The U.S. is to begin delivery of KC-13 tankers in 1986.

#### OVER 1,700 CHILDREN OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS HOLD FIRST WORLD MEETING By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, May 29 (JTA) -- More than 1,700 children of survivors of the Holocaust from the U.S., and Canada, gathered here for their first International Conference, heard speakers vow to "protect and perpetuate the sanctity and the inviolability of the memory of the Holocaust" and "prevent it from being exploited, mythologized or desecrated by anyone for any purpose."

The conference, the largest of its kind to date, was organized by the International Network of Children of Jewish Holocaust Survivors (INCJS), whose chairman, New York attorney Menachem Rosensaft, addressed the opening ceremony at Town Hall Sunday. The three-day conference closed this afternoon. Some of its sessions, including workshops and cultural programs, were held at the City University of New York Graduate Center and at Carnegie Hall.

The organizers stated that its purpose was to create greater understanding of the Holocaust and its im-

pact on the contemporary world and to establish contacts among the children of survivors in the U.S. and Canada.

In addition to Rosensaft, other speakers included authors Elie Wiesel and Lucy Dawidowicz; Nazi-hunters Serge and Beate Klarsfeld who flew here from France to attend; Brooklyn District Attorney Elizabeth Holtzman; Rep. Samuel Gejdenson (D. Conn.); Benjamin Meed, president of the American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors; and the Israeli Consul General in New York, Naphtali Lavie.

#### Trivialization Of Holocaust Deplored

Wiesel, who is chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, told the audience in his keynote address that they were the "guardians of the tale" of the Holocaust and should not let it be trivialized into "silly, stupid, cheap pictures on television." This was an apparent reference to the NBC-TV "Holocaust" mini-series broadcast in the U.S. several years ago and subsequently screened in West Germany and other countries.

"Your task is to speak, and others to learn," Wiesel told the gathering. He warned that they could be criticized for obsession with the Holocaust and accused of exploiting the tragedy. "That is the price you will pay for your commitment," he declared.

#### The Responsibility Of The Younger Generation

Rosensaft, in his address, noted that "We, the sons and daughters of the survivors, have accepted the heavy responsibility inherent in our unique identity, and we have committed ourselves to providing the necessary continuity of our parents' work of the past 39 years."

"Together with them, we shall protect and perpetuate the sanctity and the inviolability of the memory of the Holocaust. We shall prevent it from being exploited, mythologized or desecrated by anyone for any purpose."

"And above all, we shall transmit to our children our profound reverence and admiration for the spiritual strength, the heroic defiance and the somber dignity displayed throughout the years of the Holocaust by all who suffered its agonies, the victims as well as the survivors, for it is their unyielding adherence to the highest principles of Judaism and humanism which symbolizes and explains the survival of the Jewish people."

#### 'A Sacred Obligation To Uphold'

Continuing, Rosensaft said: "As the heirs of the six million Jews who were annihilated during the Holocaust, we have a sacred obligation to uphold and defend those principles and ideals which unite us. Thus we must continue to identify unambiguously with the State of Israel; we must preserve and strengthen our Jewish spiritual and cultural identity; and, if we are to avoid a recurrence of Auschwitz and Bergen-Belsen, we must both speak out and act on behalf of all who are persecuted and oppressed anywhere in the world."

According to Rosensaft, there are about a half million children of survivors in the U.S. and Canada. He said that his organization has almost 6,000 members.

**HART OPPOSES ISRAELI ARMS SALE TO SOUTH AFRICA AND TO THE U.S. SELLING ARMS TO SAUDI ARABIA AND TO OTHER ENEMIES OF ISRAEL**  
By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, May 29 (JTA) -- Sen. Gary Hart (D. Col.) said last night he was opposed to Israel selling arms to South Africa and to the United

States providing Saudi Arabia and other enemies of Israel with sophisticated weapons.

Hart's comments were made in response to questions on a telephone call-in program from Newark, N.J., broadcast nationally by the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS).

"I don't believe that the Israelis ought to be exporting arms to South Africa," Hart said. "I certainly don't believe any arms coming from this country to Israel whether under grants or under sale, should make their way to South Africa."

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who appeared on the call-in program Saturday night, accused Israel of selling arms to South Africa which he charged are being used by the South Africans "to shoot down and oppress Black people there."

Vice President Walter Mondale, in his appearance on the PBS program Sunday night, was not asked about the issue. All three candidates for the Democratic Presidential nomination are campaigning in New Jersey for the June 5 primary there.

#### Statement By Israeli Embassy

Asked about the charges by Hart and Jackson, Victor Harel, the Israel Embassy spokesman, said that Israel's opposition to South Africa's apartheid policy has been stated by many of its leaders. He said that Israel "complies" with United Nations resolutions barring supply of weapons to South Africa. Harel added that Israel, as a matter of policy, does not ship any American-made weapons to any other country without the knowledge and approval of the U.S.

On Saudi Arabia, Hart noted that he had opposed selling the desert kingdom F-15 aircraft under the Carter Administration as well as AWACS under the Reagan Administration. While he did not mention directly the shipment of Stinger aircraft missiles to the Saudis, Hart said, "The Saudis are supporting efforts to overthrow our traditional ally, Israel. We cannot be arming Israel's enemies while we are committed to a policy of support for Israel's existence...."

However, at a press conference in Franklin, Township, N.J., earlier in the day, Hart said he opposed the Administration's decision to make available Stinger missiles to Saudi Arabia. He said he was concerned that such missiles could fall into "the wrong hands."

#### Solution To Arab-Israeli Conflict

On the PBS program, Hart stressed that the Arab-Israeli conflict can only be solved through negotiations. "The only way the tragedy in the Middle East is going to be resolved is at the negotiating table," he said, "and not by force of arms, not by Palestinian organizations threatening to destroy Israel and drive it into the sea and having covenants that are based on the premise that Israel does not have the right to exist."

Hart said the Camp David accords provide a "framework" under which Israel and its Arab neighbors, particularly Jordan and Saudi Arabia, can come to the negotiating table and reach an agreement on secure borders for Israel "and some permanent status for the Palestinian people. The United States cannot dictate terms of that agreement," Hart said. "We must be the party that brings the other parties together."

Hart also said that the future status of Israel's settlements on the West Bank must also be left to negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors. "Once

this country starts dictating terms, and the Reagan Administration did that in 1982, then we are already losing our bargaining leverage in getting the parties to the table," he said.

"Once we begin to say how the negotiations has to turn out then the parties in the region will turn their backs on the process because the heavy hand of the United States government will be over the negotiations." His reference to 1982 was to Reagan's Middle East peace initiative announced on September 1, 1982. But Hart added, he hopes that if negotiations begin, Israel will demonstrate "maximum flexibility" in return for secure borders.

#### 'TERRIBLE SHORTAGE' OF ORTHODOX RABBIS AND EDUCATORS IS DEPLORED

LANCASTER, Pa., May 29 (JTA) -- Two leaders in Jewish education decried last night the "terrible shortage" of Orthodox Jewish rabbis and educators, and called on the Rabbinical Council of America (RCA) to "recruit rabbis to replenish our ranks."

One of them, Rabbi Robert Hirt, dean of communal services at Yeshiva University and a member of the advisory committee on Jewish education of the Council of Jewish Federations, asked the RCA to form a task force to join Yeshiva University in a national recruitment drive for more rabbis and educators.

Hirt's remarks echoed the call of Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, outgoing RCA president, who had emphasized the need for enhancing rabbinical numbers in his address at the opening session of the 48th national convention of the Orthodox rabbinical organization here.

"The limited number of young rabbis entering Jewish service," Klaperman said, "is approaching serious proportions." He attributed the shortage of rabbis to the availability of other professions to which young Jews are attracted. Klaperman urged the RCA membership to seek out potentially qualified rabbis in their congregations and enlist them on a one-to-one basis into the rabbinate and Jewish education.

#### Act To Inspire Young People

Rabbi Joshua Fishman, executive vice-president of Torah Umesorah, the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools, called on the rabbinical delegates to "inspire young people to enter the field of Jewish education." He said Jewish teachers have to be "honored" more than they are now. He also said salaries for Jewish teachers were less than the base \$20,000 per year for a Hebrew day school teacher.

Hirt also said "we are not educating the parents and young people in the congregations as to the need in the rabbinic field and the possible accomplishments." He said Yeshiva University, which has a rabbinical seminary, is currently unable to fill requests for Orthodox rabbis for at least 20 pulpits.

Hirt asked the RCA to conduct a talent search for promising people for the rabbinate and teaching and urged the rabbis to seek financial aid from the Jewish community to provide scholarships for the long course of study by young people entering the Orthodox rabbinate.

Rabbi Louis Bernstein, rabbi of the Young Israel of Windsor, in Bayside, N.Y., a member of the Board of the Jewish Agency, was elected president, to succeed Klaperman. He had served in that post previously in 1972 and is believed to be the only president of a rabbinic group to return to the presidency.

# AJPA SUSPENDS FEDERATION-PUBLISHED L.A. JEWISH COMMUNITY BULLETIN FOR BEING 'IN APPARENT VIOLATION' OF A 1977 AJPA RESOLUTION

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, May 29 (JTA) -- The American Jewish Press Association (AJPA) has suspended from membership for one month the Los Angeles Jewish Community Bulletin, published by the Jewish Federation Council there, for being "in apparent violation" of a 1977 AJPA resolution aimed at preventing unfair competition by Federation-sponsored newspapers in areas already served by privately-owned publications.

The suspension resolution, which was adopted nearly unanimously last Thursday night at the AJPA's 42nd annual meeting here, calls for the expulsion of the Los Angeles Jewish Community Bulletin, if its response is "not satisfactory" to the AJPA ethics committee.

The committee, headed by Miriam Goldberg, editor and publisher of the Intermountain Jewish News in Denver, recommended the action after hearing complaints from the B'nai B'rith Messenger and the Heritage Southwest Jewish Press, both independent newspapers in Los Angeles, that the Community Bulletin had turned from a Federation house organ to a weekly newspaper "aggressively" soliciting advertisements.

Robert Cohen, editor-in-chief of the St. Louis Jewish Light and co-chairman of the ethics committee, said the Community Bulletin was invited to send a representative but chose not to do so. A third privately-owned newspaper in Los Angeles, Israel Today, is not a member of the AJPA.

## Response By Jewish Federation Council

Ted Kanner, executive vice president of the Jewish Federation Council of Los Angeles, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency by telephone today that the AJPA ethics committee had operated on a set of assumptions and not on facts. In response to Cohen's statement that the Bulletin had been invited to send a representative, Kanner said "That statement is not true." He said the Bulletin was never invited to send a representative.

"I am deeply offended that the Association, which represents the English Jewish press, takes an action condemning a member of the Association without first making an attempt to ascertain the facts or, at the very least, the point of view of that member of the Association," Kanner said.

The AJPA resolution calls for all three AJPA newspapers to present necessary documents. Cohen said he and Goldberg are willing to go to Los Angeles to meet with all the relevant parties.

If the Community Bulletin is expelled, the resolution then calls for the AJPA to consider entering a "friend of the court brief" in the suit filed by Herb Brin, editor emeritus of the Heritage, in Los Angeles Superior Court on May 17. The suit asks for \$1,575,000 from the Bulletin in breach of contract, unfair competition, and for personal income loss for Brin and his son Dan Brin, the current editor.

## Issue Goes Back To 1977

The issue goes back to 1977 when the Los Angeles Jewish Federation Council moved its Bulletin from biweekly to weekly publication seeking advertisements. It was then that the AJPA, meeting in Denver, passed a resolution that noted the Los Angeles Jewish community was well served by three private newspapers: the B'nai B'rith Messenger, Heritage, and Israel Today.

"When a Jewish community is being well-served by viable private newspapers, it is inappropriate and ill-advised for Jewish Federations to take steps to put such papers out of business," the resolution said.

Cohen said that the Los Angeles Jewish Federation Council abided by the AJPA decision until last February when the Bulletin went from biweekly to weekly publication for the start of the Federation's fund drive. Dan Brin said there had also been an agreement between the independent newspapers and the Federation. He said that although the fund drive has ended, the Federation this month voted to continue the Community Bulletin as a weekly until the end of the year.

## Cohen Succeeds Lippman As AJPA President

Cohen, who was elected president of the AJPA, said that the ethics committee will meet with national Federation leaders to discuss the entire issue of Federation-directed publications. He said that all AJPA members have a stake in a free press whether they are privately owned or if they are Federation affiliated.

Cohen, who was AJPA president from 1972 to 1977, said the organization has grown from 25 members 12 years ago to nearly 100 today. He said he would like to consolidate the gains while restoring the "haimish" atmosphere of the smaller group.

Florence Eckstein, publisher of the Phoenix Jewish News, was elected first vice president; Marc Klein, editor and publisher of the Northern California Jewish Bulletin, San Francisco, second vice president; Dan Brin, third vice president; Robert Krishof, editor and general manager of the American Jewish World, Minneapolis, recording secretary; and Cynthia Dettelbach, editor of the Cleveland Jewish News, corresponding secretary. Morris Maline, editor of the Jewish Press, Omaha, Neb., was re-elected treasurer.

Cohen succeeded Jerome Lippman, publisher of the Long Island Jewish World, who now becomes a member of the executive committee. Elected to the executive committee were: Fran Gold, editor of the Jewish Horizon, Union, N.J.; Dorothy Rubin, editor of the Broward Jewish Journal, Fla.; Rich Waloff, business director of the Jewish Exponent, Philadelphia; Robert Rapoport, publisher of the Palm Beach Jewish World; and Vida Goldgar, editor and publisher of the Southern Israelite, Atlanta.

## FIRE DESTROYS FILES AND RECORDS OF RECONSTRUCTIONIST CONGREGATION

NEW YORK, May 29 (JTA) -- The executive director of the Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot said today that an arson attack had gutted the area in which the offices of the Federation were housed as well as the rest of the three-story building in upper Manhattan.

Rabbi David Teutsch told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the fire marshall had informed him the fire was the result of an arson attempt. Teutsch said he believed the arson was not aimed at the Federation offices "though we can't be sure." He added that all the files and records of the agency had been destroyed. The attack occurred Friday evening.

He said the Federation and the National Haverah Committee, which shared offices with the Federation, planned to continue with current activities. These include the annual Reconstructionist convention in June and the Haverah summer institute in July and in August.

The two agencies are launching "an intensive effort" to obtain funds for relocation of their offices. Meanwhile, he said, the Federation can be reached at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism on West 86th Street in Manhattan.