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**FINAL TEXT OF WAGE-PRICE-TAX
FREEZE IS FORMALLY SIGNED**

By Hugh Orgel

JERUSALEM, Nov. 5 (JTA) -- The final text of the three-month wage-price-tax freeze package agreement was signed in the Prime Minister's Office tonight after a last minute delay arising from differences between Histadrut and the Employers Association.

Premier Shimon Peres, who played a major role in negotiating the freeze package, said the final version did not differ much from the draft initiated last Friday by representatives of labor, management and the government. It was signed tonight by Histadrut Secretary General Yisrael Kessar and Eli Hurwitz, chairman of the Employers Coordinating Committee.

A last minute hitch had developed over Histadrut's demand that the freeze on wages should not apply to special payments to compensate wage-earners for the erosion of their income during the past six months owing to inflation. Those payments are covered in existing labor agreements. The matter will be hammered out by a special committee.

Agree To Bear Hardships

Peres noted at the signing ceremony that all three parties have agreed to bear hardships to restore the country's economic health. Workers will forego one-third of their monthly cost-of-living increments during the freeze period.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry meanwhile published a list of several hundred basic consumer items and the maximum prices allowed during the three month freeze. There will be severe penalties for violators. The list was signed by Justice Minister Moshe Nissim, standing in for Minister of Commerce and Industry Ariel Sharon who left for the U.S. this morning to attend a court hearing in his libel suit against Time magazine.

**SOUTH AFRICAN F.M. IN ISRAEL; SAYS
TIES WITH ISRAEL ARE NO DIFFERENT
THAN TIES WITH AFRICAN STATES**

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Nov. 5 (JTA) -- The visiting Foreign Minister of South Africa, Pik Botha, and his Israeli counterpart, Yitzhak Shamir, stressed today that the relations between their countries are the normal relations that exist between any two friendly states and should not give rise to different inferences.

Statements to that effect were considered necessary because Botha's three-day private visit, on his own initiative, has embarrassed the Israeli government which is in the process of mending its relations with Black African nations. Botha arrived last night and was greeted at the airport by Foreign Minister Shamir. They met for two hours at the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem today.

Botha told reporters after the meeting that there is nothing unique about South Africa's ties with Israel. "What happens between Israel and South Africa is happening between South Africa and African states. We trade. We have normal relations," he said.

Shamir affirmed that relations between the two countries were "normal" and noted that South Africa's Jewish community is flourishing and receives favorable treatment from the Pretoria government.

Nevertheless, the government is down-playing Botha's visit to minimize possible adverse reactions from Black African states which, while trading themselves with South Africa, object to Israel's commercial ties with that country. Israel, for its part, has stressed its opposition to the apartheid policies of the South African government.

Because of the sensitivity of this issue, the Prime Minister's Office announced that Premier Shimon Peres would not be meeting with Botha. The South African diplomat said he was not offended. "Normally Foreign Ministers do not meet with Prime Ministers," he said, noting that he had not requested a meeting with Peres. "I have come to talk to the Israeli government and I think Mr. Shamir is a member of that government -- I hope so," Botha said.

Before his meeting with Shamir, Botha visited the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and lunched with Abba Eban, chairman of the Knesset's Foreign Affairs and Security Committee. Eban, a former Foreign Minister, was born in South Africa but was raised and educated in Britain.

**ARENS URGES WESTERN GOVERNMENTS
TO UNITE TO FIGHT TERRORISM**

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5 (JTA) -- Moshe Arens, a member of the Israeli Cabinet, is urging Western governments to band together to fight terrorism which threatens international stability and the lives of heads of government.

Arens, a former Defense Minister of Israel and presently a Minister-Without-Portfolio in the Labor-Likud unity government, declared that the assassination of India's Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was "a vivid reminder that we live at a time when terrorism has taken its toll." The Israeli statesman addressed a banquet in his honor given by the Hebrew Academy at the Grand Hyatt Hotel here last week and answered questions from reporters, it was reported by the Northern California Jewish Bulletin.

Arens recalled other political assassinations in recent years, President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and President-elect Bashir Gemayel of Lebanon. He noted as well the attempt on the life of Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and the "kidnappings, embassy bombings and the killing of innocent men, women and children." But, he added, "when it started out, Israel was the foremost victim."

Arens referred to Secretary of State George Shultz's recent exhortation to the United States to take a strong stand against terrorism. But the need is far greater than one country, Arens said, "there's a need for Western governments to band together to fight terrorism."

As for Israel, Arens said the high cost of defense and the prospect that the defense budget will be cut because of economic crisis, means that Israel must continue its fight against terrorism in new ways. The "new" way he said is through technology, using Israeli developments and "our motivation and brains."

Defends Israel's Invasion of Lebanon

Arens defended Israel's invasion of Lebanon in 1982, at which time he was his country's Ambassador to Washington. The invasion was necessary, he said, because of "state-supported terrorism" against Israel by Iran, Iraq, Syria, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization "which set up a state of its

own" and training camps in Lebanon with Soviet-supplied weapons "paid for by Saudi Arabia." The PLO repeatedly hit Israel's northern border and for that reason Israel retaliated with its "Peace for Galilee" operation. In the two-and-a-half years since then, Israel suffered 600 fatalities in Lebanon and its relations with the U.S. at one time reached "rock bottom."

But Israel achieved its objectives, he said. "The long trail of blood that led through most villages in the northern part of Israel" was stopped. "No more (Israeli) men, women and children are being hurt, for the first time in 16 years." He added, "You pay a price for your objectives. You get nothing for nothing."

Arens predicted that Israel's new unity government, while desirous of pulling the Israel Defense Force out of Lebanon, will make no such move without iron-clad assurances that Israel's northern border will remain secure.

Pro And Anti-Israel Demonstrations

Two groups of demonstrators marched and shouted slogans outside the hotel while Arens spoke, one anti-Israel, the other pro-Israel. About 200 persons representing a coalition of pro-Palestinian and pro-PLO organizations, took up the cry "U.S., Israel—Out of Lebanon," the Jewish Bulletin reported.

Across the street, about 25 members of the Jewish Action Committee of San Francisco State University; the Israel Action Committee of the University of California, Berkeley; Americans for a Safe Israel, and Herut, shouted "Down with Arab petro blackmail." The area was surrounded by uniformed and plain clothed police, mounted police and a tactical squad which provided what a police spokesman called "very, very tight security." There were no incidents.

Arens told his audience that since U.S.-Israel relations reached a nadir at the time of the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps massacres, they have turned around completely. Administration officials, he said, have come face to face with the problems Israel has had for 36 years.

STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL SAID TO BE IN THE MIDEAST FOR FACT FINDING, NOT MEDIATING AN IDF WITHDRAWAL
By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5 (JTA) — The State Department continued to maintain today that Richard Murphy, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, was in the Middle East for "fact finding" and not to mediate an Israeli withdrawal from south Lebanon.

Department spokesman John Hughes said Murphy was not "carrying messages" or "positions" between the various parties involved. He said Murphy's "exploratory" mission was "more a sounding out and testing of opinion."

The Reagan Administration has been maintaining for several weeks that it will not mediate in Lebanon until there is a closing of the differences between the three major countries involved — Israel, Lebanon and Syria. Hughes had no explanation why Murphy, who was in Jordan today, was unable to see President Hafez Assad when he was in Syria over the weekend.

Hughes said the U.S. is not concerned about the postponement of Lebanese-Israeli talks on withdrawal which were to have started today under the auspices of the United Nations. The Lebanese government asked for a postponement until its Cabinet

could meet to select the members of its delegation to the talks. "We'd like to see that meeting go forward as soon as possible," Hughes said. A report from Beirut today said the Lebanese government has set Thursday for the opening of the talks and has asked UN officials to see if Israel is agreeable to the new date.

RABIN: WEST BANK REPRESENTATIVES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TRAVEL TO JORDAN
By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Nov. 5 (JTA) — Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin told the Knesset today that West Bank representatives will not be permitted to go to Amman for a meeting of the Palestine National Council.

Replying to questions by MKs Matityahu Peled and Muhammed Miari of the Progressive List for Peace, Rabin noted that Israel regards the Palestine Liberation Organization as a terrorist organization and therefore cannot permit West Bank residents to attend a meeting designed to further the interests of the PLO.

Meanwhile, the West Bank civil administration withdrew its permission for Raymonda Tawil, a poet and a Palestinian woman activist, to leave the country for a visit to Europe. Tawil, editor and publisher of a nationalist news service and information bulletin, is generally regarded as a spokesperson for the PLO.

She had been granted permission to go to Rome. It was rescinded this morning, a day before her planned departure, without explanation.

1,000 PEOPLE, INCLUDING GOVERNOR, RALLY TO HELP SYNAGOGUE CLEAN UP AFTER IT WAS DESECRATED

MANALAPAN TOWNSHIP, N.J., Nov. 5 (JTA) — Some 1,000 people, including Governor Thomas Kean, participated in an interfaith rally and demonstration of solidarity yesterday that concluded with clean up operations at a synagogue defaced last month with anti-Semitic slogans and damaged when a tractor was driven through the building's side.

Three youths have been arrested for the anti-Semitic attack on Beth Shalom Synagogue here, whose spiritual leader, Rabbi Ira Rothstein, was instrumental in organizing the rally. The synagogue had been open for about one month when the youths allegedly desecrated the exterior walls with swastikas and other anti-Semitic graffiti and drove a tractor used for landscaping the synagogue grounds through a side of the structure, leaving a gaping hole.

"Eighteen days ago, we saw the face of ignorance, intolerance and anti-Semitism," Rothstein told the rally that assembled in a football field before walking to the synagogue. "To those individuals, I say 'Stand here on this platform and look out on this sea of faces and feel the good will, compassion and support which just emanates from everyone.'"

"I hope that when we leave this field, we don't forget," said Rev. Robert Wozniak of St. Robert Bellarmine Roman Catholic Church here. "We don't forget that we can't wish prejudice away. We can't pray it away. It will only go away when we work at it."

TEL AVIV (JTA) — An IDF soldier was seriously wounded in south Lebanon Sunday when light weapons fire was directed at an IDF post.

Four South Lebanon Army (SLA) soldiers were hurt when their unit came under light weapons fire 10 kms (six miles) north of Nabatiya.

There were no casualties when a hand grenade was thrown at a SLA patrol in Tyre Sunday.

ISRAEL TO SHIP FOOD-STUFFS, MEDICINE TO FAMINE-STRICKEN AREAS IN AFRICA By Yitzhak Rabi

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 5 (JTA) — Israel announced today that it has prepared a shipment of "protein food-stuffs and medicine to be sent at once to famine-stricken areas in Africa."

The announcement was made by Ambassador Binyamin Netanyahu at a meeting of the General Assembly on the "Critical Economic Situation in Africa." The Israeli envoy also said that Magen David Adom was starting a public campaign in Israel to raise funds for "food, clothing and medicine for Africa's hungry."

"We believe that both kinds of aid, public and private, should be enlisted in this campaign, and that it should come from as many countries as possible, despite their own economic difficulties," Netanyahu declared.

Noting that about 14 percent of the world's population, or 500 million, suffers daily from hunger and that "many thousands starve to death every week," Netanyahu said that the shipment of food from elsewhere to Africa's hungry is the only way to reduce the suffering. But, he said, action must be taken to insure that famine and hunger "do not become a permanent feature of African life."

Israel Willing To Share Its Experience

Netanyahu said that the solution to the crisis could be found in greater food production through improved farming methods. He said that a study prepared by the Israel Ministry of Agriculture shows that "even with a very modest improvement of farming methods" enough food will be produced to feed twice the world's population.

The Ambassador said that Israel is willing to share its experience in food production with any country in the world. "In the past, we have eagerly shared the fruits of our experience with others, particularly with the nations of Africa. We are doing so again. Israel is now cooperating with close to 50 countries around the world in agriculture, and in such related fields as water resources, rural development and public health," Netanyahu said.

He concluded: "Above all, we would like to share our experience with those who think such cooperation would be directly useful to them. We offer to share with any country, whatever its political relationship with us, the fruits of our own efforts in food production. We are prepared to establish immediate contacts with such countries to investigate their specific problems relating to famine and drought."

GREEK SECURITY FORCES ON ALERT FOR TERRORISTS WHO MAY SEEK TO HIT JEWISH AND ISRAELI INSTALLATIONS By Jean Cohen

ATHENS, Nov. 5 (JTA) — Greek security forces are on alert in order to protect Israeli and Jewish installations here after the government was informed that a group of terrorists, believed to be members of the Al Fatah group of the Palestine Liberation Organization, had entered the country with explosives and other weapons.

According to the Greek daily Ethnos, the government was informed by "reliable sources" that the Palestinians had entered the country and that terrorist attacks would be committed within three days. Ethnos reported that the government was provided with this information last Saturday, November 3.

Minister of Public Order Yiannis Skoularikis, according to the newspaper, ordered a general alert of the police in Athens. The alert was expressed by re-enforcing security guards in every Jewish and Israeli related installation in Athens, as well as placing guards at the houses of the diplomatic staff of the Israeli representation here.

The police precinct, which has under its jurisdiction the main synagogue in Athens, confirmed to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency the state of high alert, although there did not appear to be any sign of it during a tour of Israeli and Jewish installations in Athens. Not only was there no visible increase in security at the Israeli diplomatic mission, but there was not even one police officer at the Jewish school.

A spokesperson for the Israeli diplomatic mission here said, "We have no idea whatsoever about increased security measures or any threats." Sources close to the Israeli diplomatic mission speculate that the Ethnos press report could be another one of those appearing in the local pro-government press lately implicating Israel and actually have more to do with the internal power struggle between the left and rightwing of the ruling Socialist Party.

PRIME MINISTER OF GREECE TO VISIT JORDAN AND SYRIA LESS THAN TWO MONTHS AFTER HE VISITED LIBYA By Jean Cohen

ATHENS, Nov. 5 (JTA) — Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu's upcoming visits to Jordan and Syria this month — November 8-11 — is puzzling to observers of Greek policy in the Middle East. It will be his second trip to Arab countries in less than two months — he was in Libya September 23-24 — and political pundits wonder what he hopes to gain.

Jordan and Syria are hardly the best of friends. Syria supports Iran in the Iran-Iraq war while Jordan backs Iraq. Syria's President, Hafez Assad, is a bitter foe of Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat and was responsible for his ouster from Lebanon last spring.

King Hussein of Jordan has met several times with Arafat in an attempt, so far fruitless, to work out a common position with respect to the Palestinian problem. Papandreu himself is friendly toward Arafat which could put him in an awkward position when he goes to Damascus.

Observers recall, moreover, that Papandreu's visit to Syria in October 1981, shortly after he took office, was one of his biggest foreign policy fiascos. He found himself caught in the middle of inter-Arab disputes and antagonism on one hand and animosity toward Israel on the other. His efforts to play "the Arab card" came to naught.

Visits Seen As Corrective Acts

Some observers believe that his recent trip to Libya and his journey this week to Amman and Damascus are corrective acts intended to restore his credibility in the Arab world. He is not seeking financial deals, they say, for neither Jordan nor Syria are oil producers or wealthy nations.

What the Prime Minister hopes to achieve is a mediating role for Greece in the Arab-Israeli dispute. However small that role may be, he will be able to show the Greek public — 10 months before general elections — that his policies have made Greece an internationally respected country to which other countries turn for its good services.

SPECIAL TO THE JTA A TRIBUTE TO GARMENT WORKERS

By Gerald Regan

NEW YORK, Nov. 5 (JTA) — The bronze figure of a yarmulka-wearing man sits in a midtown plaza here, a tribute to America's one million garment workers. The middle aged man sits behind his whirling sewing machine, deeply and contentedly absorbed in his work.

Yet "The Garment Worker," representative of the tens of thousands of East European Jews who found employment in the garment industry earlier this century, never would have come about if not for the resolve of an Israeli-born artist and a lucky twist of fate.

To create the bronze figure, sculptress Judith Weller, who resides in Manhattan, said she relied upon memories and some sculpting done over a period of time of her somewhat reluctant "very Orthodox" father, a garment worker for 15 years.

The 47-year-old artist told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that she intends the work to be a living tribute to the workers who helped make the garment business one of the nation's largest manufacturing industries. Weller called the sculpture "a very personal work," evoked, she said, from her "earliest memories" of her father, as he was at his sewing machine.

Weller said her Hungarian-born father was in his 80's and that he had worked as a tailor in Tel Aviv after arriving as an illegal immigrant from Hungary in the early 1930's. She herself came to New York from Israel in 1957 as a 20-year-old exchange student. She said her parents followed several years later to be near her. She said she has held down various jobs since then, including teaching drawing at City College and Hebrew at a now closed local yeshiva.

The Artist's Father Was The Model

Weller said her father was not pleased at the prospect of being sculpted because of what she said was the stricture from the Ten Commandments against "creating graven images."

Weller nevertheless succeeded in getting at least his toleration of her effort. She said he would sit for her on her visits to her parents in Brooklyn and she would sculpt as he would become absorbed in sewing. When visitors came, Weller said, she would have to hide her work.

Her efforts produced a two-foot-high statue which would several years later be the basis for "The Garment Worker." She said she was often told by some of those who viewed the earlier work that it reminded them of their own garment worker fathers.

As more people began telling her that they were moved by her piece, she got the notion to create the larger work and to place it in the garment district. In this, she received the encouragement of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union (ILGWU).

The sculpture weighs 1,500 pounds, while its one-foot-high granite base, which measures roughly six feet by five feet, weighs 6,000, said Jenny Dixon, the executive director of the Public Art Fund, a non-profit organization which helped Weller through the maze of reviews required before the city let her install the sculpture publicly.

Weller said she worked on the figure of the garment worker for more than a year, sometimes 13 hours a day, without eating, after traveling five miles to a foundry in Astoria.

While she sculpted, ILGWU president Sol Chaiken coordinated an effort to raise the approximately \$30,000 needed for its completion and installation. She received no remuneration. All told 43 unions, firms, banks, trade associations or individuals, almost all with links to the fashion industry, contributed to the work, now located at Seventh Ave. and 39th Street.

Prior to the sculpting, Weller futilely combed the garment district for a home for the sculpture. On the verge of despair, she finally found a site she felt appropriate, offering, she said, a "very human area," where nearby garment workers could come to on their lunch breaks, sit and "really feel good" about their work.

Lucky Twist Of Fate

The lucky twist of fate followed. Weller was told by a city aide that it would not be likely that the owner of the site would allow her to use valuable midtown real estate. But the aide apparently misjudged the owner, the noted Jewish philanthropist Jack Weiler. He agreed to share the site with the tribute and a plaza was laid out with trees, flowers and benches to accommodate Weller's work.

"The Garment Worker," which was completed in May, was placed in the plaza in August. The official unveiling took place this past week, during which Mayor Edward Koch, perhaps echoing the sentiments of thousands of New York Jews, quipped, "How do you know what my uncle looked like?" He explained that his uncle was in needwear.

Weller said that in her sculpture she endeavored to represent the "triumph and dignity of every human being." She explained that, despite the often slavish conditions which existed in the turn of the century sweat shops, "there was still love for work and they still produced beautiful things."

TWO MIRON FILM PRODUCTIONS WIN 1984 TOP MEDALS AT INTERNATIONAL FILM-TV FESTIVAL

NEW YORK, Nov. 5 (JTA) — "Giving To Life", a multi-media proto-type of United Jewish Appeal community musical spectaculars, written, composed, directed and produced by Issachar Miron, won the Gold Medal at the 27th Annual Awards Competition of the International Film and TV Festival. The multi-image "Tree of Light", Miron's motivational/inspirational featurette, also a UJA production, won the Silver Medal.

Both Miron productions were chosen from among 4,866 entries submitted from the U.S. and 41 countries all over the world to the International Film and TV Festival, considered the world's most comprehensive competition for visual communications. Also, "Partners in Faith", a film written, composed and directed by Miron, won last year the Festival's Gold Medal.

Miron, a composer, writer and film-maker best known for his international hit "Tzena Tzena Tzena" is a laureate of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers' Deems Taylor Award for creative writing, and a winner of Israel's Engel Music Prize.

His song, "Ufi Ruach," became the first Hebrew song to be played by Radio Cairo on November 26, 1977 in the aftermath of President Anwar Sadat's announcement of the convening of the Cairo conference.

There will be no Daily News Bulletin dated November 12th, Veterans Day, a postal holiday.