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COURT BROADENS CHARGES AGAINST BARBIE, POSTPONES TRIAL DATE TILL 1987 By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, March 5 (JTA) — A Paris Appeals Court ruling Wednesday, broadening the charges against Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, has set back his trial date by at least a year. Barbie, who has been in French custody since his ouster from Bolivia in February, 1983, will not go on trial until early 1987, at the soonest, according to court sources here.

The Appeals Court decided that the former Gestapo chief in Lyon, responsible for the mass deportation of French Jews and other atrocities during World War II, can be charged with war crimes as well as crimes against humanity for which he has already been indicted. The court acted on the request of five associations of former resistance fighters and individual survivors of the anti-Nazi French underground.

Crimes against humanity, for which there is no statute of limitations, includes crimes committed against civilians, in Barbie's case mainly Jews. War crimes, which are governed by a statute of limitations, include crimes against resistance fighters. The court, by its ruling Wednesday, waived the statute.

New Investigating Magistrate Appointed

The Appeals Court also ordered that a new investigating magistrate, Jean Pascal, the Court President, undertake the war crimes investigation, replacing magistrate Christian Riss who completed the investigation of crimes against humanity some time ago. Court sources said the new investigation could take months.

The Appeals Court decision, which means another postponement of Barbie's trial after several previous postponements, has not been linked to the legislative elections scheduled for March 16. But many commentators here have said the government was anxious to avoid a possible political scandal during the pre-election period.

Barbie's lawyer, Jacques Verges, has warned that he intends to "shed all the light" on the betrayal of France's wartime resistance leader, Jean Moulin, who was murdered by the Gestapo. He has implied that he has evidence that other resistance leaders turned Moulin over to the Nazis for personal and political reasons. Many of them are still alive and occupy respectable positions in the French establishment.

Barbie, 73, has been confined to Mont Luc prison in Lyon since his arrival in France on February 5, 1983. Known as "the Butcher of Lyon," he was twice sentenced to death in absentia — in 1952 and 1954 — by French military courts. But those sentences are now void because of the statute of limitations.

LEADERS OF GREECE'S JEWISH COMMUNITY SURPRISED OVER REPORTS THAT WALDHEIM HAD ROLE IN DEPORTING GREEK JEWS

By Jean Cohen

head of Greece's Jewish community, expressed surprise and disbelief Wednesday over allegations that Kurt Waldheim participated in the deportation of 42,000 Jews from Salonika to Nazi death camps in Poland in 1943, when the future United Nations Secretary General was an officer in the Wehrmacht.

Lowinger, president of the Central Jewish Council, the representative body of Greek Jews, was referring to media reports in the United States Tuesday that Waldheim was in Salonika, where most of Greece's 70,000 Jews lived during World War II, while the deportations were being carried out.

The World Jewish Congress also released a report Tuesday citing documents that showed Waldheim was on the staff of Gen. Alexander Loehr who was "perhaps more implicated in Jewish deportations than any other Wehrmacht commander." Loehr was subsequently hanged as a war criminal.

"It is the first time that I have heard that Dr. Waldheim was in Thessaloniki (Salonika) and that he committed such crimes," Lowinger said. "I don't want to become Dr. Waldheim's advocate, but I wonder," he said, adding that Waldheim's name never came up among the Nazis involved in the persecution of Greek Jews.

"How come the famous Austrian Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal does not know about Waldheim?" Lowinger asked.

Waldheim, a conservative Catholic candidate for the Presidency of Austria, has denied reports that his unit was involved in the persecution of Jews and partisans in the Balkans during World War II. He said he was on Loehr's staff as an interpreter and that he knew nothing whatever of the deportations at the time. The Wehrmacht was not involved in such actions; which were consigned to the SS or the Gestapo, he told an interviewer in Vienna Tuesday.

Waldheim's denial was supported by Wiesenthal, who heads the Vienna-based Nazi war crimes documentation center. He said that he had heard rumors of Waldheim's involvement with Nazis before. But neither the Public Prosecutor's Office in West Germany nor Eastern or Western intelligence agencies have ever produced evidence against Waldheim, Wiesenthal said.

EGYPT AND ISRAEL CONTINUE TALKS

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, March 5 (JTA) — Israel and Egypt began another round of talks in Cairo Tuesday to advance the normalization process between the two countries and to decide how to submit the Taba border dispute to international arbitration.

The Israeli negotiating team arrived Monday night to find the Egyptian capital calm but still tense following two days of riots by disaffected police conscripts last week. They were greeted at the airport by representatives of the Egyptian Foreign Ministry. Their motorcade sped through streets emptied of traffic and pedestrians because of the all-night curfew still in effect.

Sources in Jerusalem said the talks were being held as scheduled to demonstrate that the authorities are in control of the situation and the watchword is business as usual. The Israeli team is headed by Avraham Tamir, Director General of the Prime Minister's Office and David Kimche, Director General of the Foreign Ministry.

ATHENS, March 5 (JTA) — Joseph Lowinger,

Israel's Minister of Tourism, Avraham Sharir, is scheduled to visit Cairo in two weeks. Israelis believe the Egyptians will propose joint package tours in an effort to revive Israeli tourism to Egypt which was hard hit by the recent unrest. Mustapha Khalil, a close associate of President Hosni Mubarak and deputy chairman of his ruling party, told Yediot Achronot in an interview published Tuesday that Israel should not be alarmed by the latest events in Egypt.

"You should not have any doubts regarding the peace process and you do not need to reevaluate the situation," he said. He was quoted as assuring Israel that Egypt will fulfill all of its obligations under the 1979 peace treaty.

STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL EXPLAINS CONTROVERSIAL STATEMENT ON TERRORISM BY PLEADING IGNORANCE OF U.S. POLICY

By Judith Kohn

WASHINGTON, March 5 (JTA) — A State Department official who maintained that both Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization were guilty of terrorism pleaded ignorance of U.S. policy Wednesday after the State Department disassociated itself from his remarks.

Gordon Brown, director of the Office of Arabian Peninsula Affairs, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that if the area of the Arab-Israeli conflict were his "bread and butter" he presumably would have been more familiar with relevant U.S. policy. He added, "I probably put in some of my own personal views."

He was referring to a satellite interview with Arab reporters Monday during which, in response to questions, he stated that Israel's bombing of Beirut in 1982 "killing probably hundreds of thousands of people" was as much an act of terrorism as Katyusha rockets fired from Lebanon into Israel. He also stated that "some PLO actions, I would suspect, would fall into our definition of legitimate actions of resistance within occupied territories."

The interview was broadcast on "Worldnet," a program of the U.S. Information Agency (USIA). Michael Austrian, a spokesman for the State Department's Near East Bureau, told the JTA, "This was a case of a fellow that was on the program to discuss U.S.-Gulf financial transactions — an area in which he has great expertise — and he got a question from out of left field that he didn't know how to deal with."

Austrian dismissed the gaff as a minor event that in no way reflects a pro-Arab bias on the part of State Department officials dealing with the Middle East. "I just think it's a case where a guy screwed up," he said.

At The UJA Young Leadership Conference: JEWISH COMMUNITY MUST DEAL WITH EFFECT OF GRAMM-RUDMAN ACT ON THE JEWISH POOR AND THE GENERAL COMMUNITY
By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, March 5 (JTA) — The Jewish community will have to deal with the effects the attempts to balance the federal budget will have on both the Jewish poor and the general community, Ellen Whitman, legislative director of the Council of Jewish Federations, stressed Monday.

Whitman discussed the issue on a panel which included Reps. Ron Wyden (D. Ore.) and Larry Craig

(R. Idaho) during the United Jewish Appeal's Fifth National Young Leadership Conference at the Omni Shoreham Hotel.

She stressed that not only are there an estimated 750,000 Jews in the United States who live below, at, or just above the poverty line but that the "self-interest of the Jewish community is best protected by the well-being of the general community." According to the Department of Labor, the federal poverty line for a family of four is \$10,650.

Craig, who is a leader in the effort to adopt a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced budget, said the American people must decide if they want to pay for programs that would cost more than the government's revenues.

All three panelists agreed on the need to reduce the federal deficit. Wyden said the issue was how to do it. He noted that the Gramm-Rudman act requires that if deficit reduction targets are not met by Congress, then automatic reductions are made, half from the military budget and half from domestic programs.

Reagan's Budget Termed Unfair

But Wyden charged that the budget proposed by President Reagan increases military spending by \$33 billion while cutting domestic programs by \$23 billion. He said there was no fairness in this budget since most of the cuts hit the poorest sectors of society.

Wyden, the first Jew ever elected to Congress from Oregon, said Jews have traditionally supported help for the poor, the educationally disadvantaged and the elderly.

He also noted that Jewish Federations would lose millions of dollars they now received from the federal government, which means that they would have to either raise more funds or see many programs disappear.

Whitman also stressed this point, noting that the Federations, along with other private social agencies, have been the "deliverers of services" funded by the federal government. The Federations have received a quarter to a half billion dollars of federal funds annually, she said.

"We are not meeting the needs today let alone what is going to happen over the next few years as we strive, as we must, to balance the federal budget," Whitman said.

Understanding The Budget Issue Is A Must

She stressed the need for Jewish leaders to become knowledgeable about this issue just as they are on the Middle East and Soviet Jewry.

Describing the Jewish poor, Whitman said they are single parents, the elderly, families, college-educated people who cannot find jobs and white collar workers. She said one group is the "new poor" who over the last four-to-five years could not meet the four necessities of life: housing, food, utilities and medication.

The other group of Jewish poor was called the "invisible poor" who, since the Great Society legislation of the 1960's, was living on government programs but now needs help because of cutbacks. She said Federations are just beginning outreach programs to find them.

BAN ON NEO-NAZI PROPAGANDIST UPHELD
By Ben Kayfetz

TORONTO, March 5 (JTA) — An Ontario appeals court has upheld restrictions placed on convicted neo-Nazi propagandist Ernst Zundel which successfully barred him from writing or commenting on the Holocaust.

Associate Chief Justice Bert MacKinnon of the Ontario Court of Appeals ruled in a written judgement last month that the judicial restraint on Zundel's writing and speaking is reasonable and justified.

Zundel was convicted last year of publishing the pamphlet "Did Six Million Really Die?" which stated that the Holocaust was a hoax. He was sentenced to 15 months in jail. He is out on \$10,000 bail awaiting appeal of his conviction.

Zundel told reporters before the appeals court ruling that the restrictions placed on his speaking on the Holocaust infringed on his human rights, and amounted to a "gag" order. In response to his argument that the ban was a form of "prior restraint," MacKinnon held that the restraint was "not one imposed before trial and conviction."

REAGAN ASSURES JEWISH LEADERS HE WILL NOT SELL ARMS TO ARABS THAT WOULD THREATEN SECURITY OF ISRAEL Urges Jews To Support Pro-Contra Aid By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, March 5 (JTA) — President Reagan told American Jewish leaders Wednesday that he will never sell arms to moderate Arab countries that would threaten the security of Israel.

"I will not consider any measure, including arms sales to moderate Arab countries" if it endangered the security of Israel, Reagan told some 100 Jewish leaders attending a White House briefing for the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

His remarks came at the end of a speech in which he urged the support of the Jewish community for his request to Congress for \$100 million to aid the Contras in their opposition to the Sandinista government in Nicaragua.

Kenneth Bialkin, chairman of the President's Conference, in expressing gratitude to the President for his remarks, voiced "concern" over providing arms to Arab countries that do not support the peace process. He said arms should only be sold to those Arab countries that "move into the direction of peace."

Bialkin suggested that if Egypt, Jordan and Israel worked together on a joint economic program, "that may bring peace faster than arms."

Arms Sale In The Cause Of Peace

Reagan replied that any arms sale will be made in the cause of peace. He reiterated his pledge that nothing will be done to diminish Israel's "qualitative and quantitative" military edge.

The President did not refer to his plan to sell Saudi Arabia \$300 million in advanced missiles. But Richard Murphy, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, who spoke after the President left, said that the Administration was still considering the Saudi package and that Reagan was "committed" to selling the Saudis arms.

Murphy maintained that selling arms to moderate Arab countries is in the "best interests" of both the United States and Israel since it contributes to regional security and thwarts efforts by the Soviet Union and radicals to increase their influence in the area.

He said that if the Arab countries turn to other suppliers there would not be the same safeguards

that the U.S. imposes. "Using our sale as a lever to reward or punish political behavior is shortsighted and counter-productive," Murphy said. "We are not going to advance the peace process by attempting to somehow compel participants to the negotiating table."

Murphy indicated that there would be less opposition in Congress to the missile sale to the Saudis than there was to the Jordan arms sale which Reagan had to withdraw earlier this year.

Support To The Contras Stressed

On aid to the Contras, Reagan stressed that the Sandinistas, whom he called Marxist-Leninists, are close to the Palestine Liberation Organization; Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi, and Iran. He charged that the Sandinistas were aiming to bring all of Central America under Soviet control and warned that if the U.S. had to contend with "hostile aggressive Communist states" so close to its borders, "how will we be able to meet our commitments to our allies?"

"Our supply lines to Israel and NATO run through the Caribbean," the President asserted. "If we show ourselves willing to abandon our friends" close to the U.S., Reagan warned that the Soviets may then decide that they are able to threaten Israel directly.

Bialkin indicated support for the President on this issue. He said that while the Jewish community is not unanimous, "I believe the overwhelming sympathy and support of the American Jewish community lies with those who wish to fight for their freedom."

KNESSET DEFEATS ANNEXATION BILL

JERUSALEM, March 5 (JTA) — The Knesset Wednesday overwhelmingly defeated a bill aimed at annexing the administered territories. It was submitted by Geula Cohen of the ultra-nationalist Tehiya Party.

Four coalition members broke coalition discipline to vote for the measure — Meir Cohen-Avidov and Benny Shalit of Likud; Rabbi Yaacov Yosef of Shas; and Rabbi Haim Druckman of Morasha.

Premier Shimon Peres rejected Cohen's contention that annexation was the realistic solution for the administered territories following the assassination Sunday of the Israel-appointed Mayor of Nablus, Zafer Al-Masri, a Palestinian moderate. He also challenged her concept of Zionism as taking land, "dunam-by-dunam, house-by-house."

"What kind of realism proposes to settle Jews in the Gaza Strip, in a tiny area heavily populated by Arabs while the Negev is empty?" he asked. He said "dunam-by-dunam" Zionism would lead to "more hatred, more antagonism and more battles."

NEW YORK (JTA) — Only 86 Jews were permitted to emigrate from the USSR during February, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ) reported Wednesday. To date, a total of 165 Jews have been granted visas in 1986, reflecting little change in Soviet Jewish emigration, which has all but reached a standstill in the last four years, the NCSJ said.

PARIS (JTA) — The French Jewish Consistory has asked the Vatican to reconsider its decision to build a Carmelite convent on the site of the Auschwitz concentration camp. Consistory president Jean Paul Elkann cabled Cardinal Willebrand to ask him to intercede with the Pope on this issue.

RABBIS AMONG YOUNG WARRIORS III

By Albert W. Bloom

(Third in a Four-Part Special Series for JTA)

"If I ascend up into heaven, Thou art there. . . If I take the wings of the morning. . . Even there thy hand would lead me. And thy right hand would hold me. . ."

Psalm 139

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colorado Springs, Colo. (JTA)—"Nearby," as they say in the Far West, there is a remarkable Jewish Chapel, with remarkable people, at the U.S. Air Force Academy 50 miles south of Denver. All for the Jewish cadets.

It is a decorous synagogue of unusual dimension, being a circle within a square, suggesting strict monotheism, belief in One God, and the global mission of the U.S. Air Force.

Immediately, you notice something else, even more unusual. It is the "Ner Tamid," the Eternal Light. Neon-bright, this Ner Tamid hangs in the Chapel to the right of the Holy Ark, the *Aron HaKodesh*, an unusual position, nesting in three Stars of David.

'Navigational Instrument' of the Spirit

"To our Air Force Academy Jewish Cadets," smiles Chaplain (Maj.) Joel Schwartzman, 39, "that *Ner Tamid* represents a 'navigational instrument' of the spirit, like the North Star—and it faces Jerusalem! A visiting general called the place 'a Jewish jewel'."

Youngest of the service academies, the Air Force Academy has been busily building its own traditions since the first Academy class entered in July 1955 at Lowry Air Force base near Denver. The Academy has become a top educational institution:

Superintendent Lt. Gen. Winfield W. Scott, himself a man of spirit, religiously as well as militarily, put it concisely to me when he averred that "our program here rests on four strong pillars: military, academic, athletic, and spiritual!"

Chapel Most Inspiring Structure

The Cadet Chapel, housing the three separate faiths, is distinguished by the 17-aluminum modern "tetrahedrons" which soar 150 feet above the ground. It is the most inspiring structure at the Academy—a lesson not lost on the young persons whose lives and moral code are being forged by their formative years at the Academy. A million visitors come yearly.

America's Jewish community is little aware of the special relationship that it has with the military—a unique access and cooperation with the U.S. Department of Defense through the JWB Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy, the U.S. Government-accredited endorsing agency for Jewish chaplains. JWB-CJC operates on a policy of consensus in its relationships with the U.S. Defense Department, a model for the civilian Jewish society.

Chaplain Schwartzman comes from a distinguished rabbinic family. His father is Rabbi Sylvan Schwartzman, HUC professor of education who retired in 1980.

Before coming to the Academy, Chaplain Schwartzman served at Keesler Air Force Base and at Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany. It was in his third year at Hebrew Union College that "I studied in Israel, where I met my wife Ziva, a Sabra! They are the parents of Micah working on 10 and Ilana leaning on seven."

"My wife Ziva is really 50 percent of what I am doing," says Chaplain Schwartzman. "She is surrogate mother and big-sister to the Jewish men and women cadets. Plus Jewish holiday and party planner, cook-baker and interior decorator, and teacher!"

Mused Schwartzman: "Some of our cadets have very little Jewish background, while a few are good at davening."

Erev Shabbat and holidays "are the times we get these cadets (age 17 to 20's) and they begin to share in each other's Jewish life. When they leave the Academy they are going to bases in Mississippi or Texas, or elsewhere, where perhaps there is no Jewish community. I want them to take some type of Jewish life with them."

At the Air Force Academy 35 cadets are Jewish, three women. More are needed. High schoolers can write to: Director of Cadet Admissions, USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, CO 80840.

JWB Reaches Out

There has been an intensified year-round program of outreach and service provided the Jewish personnel at the academies by the JWB Chaplaincy Commission and local Jewish communal leaders.

"The Jewish consciousness of the cadets has been raised considerably by the work of JWB, the Jewish chaplains and Jewish lay leaders," Rabbi Barry H. Greene, Chairman of JWB-CJC, says, "We sensitize these young men and women to the importance of maintaining Jewish life within the military environment," Gerald

Ostrow, Pittsburgh, Pa., a JWB vice-president and chairman of the its Armed Forces and Veterans Services Committee, adds, "The cadets will not only be in positions of Jewish leadership within the armed forces. They are also potential leaders for positions in their civilian communities after they leave the service."

Of the volunteer 12 officially designated cadet falcons (the falcon is the Academy mascot), one is Jewish—Cadet Lawrence Cooper, 21, of Lido Beach, Long Island, N.Y. He's also on the Dean's List. Larry is active in the Cadet Jewish Chapel Squad.

Cadet Eric Svetcov, 18, of Larkspur, north of San Francisco, is the son of Sanford and Carol Svetcov; the father an assistant U.S. Attorney, mother a teacher. A fourth classman, he is intrigued with the unique education. "It's my future I am looking at, not the present," he says. "Being Jewish may be an advantage. I often get excused from squadron duties to go to chapel Sabbath services."

Cadet Lorelei Faber, 19, a sophomore, daughter of Alan and Arlene Faber of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., says, "At first my parents were not too keen about my coming to the Academy; now they are very supportive in all I do."

'Jewish Chaplain Opened My Eyes'

"My Jewish background was very skimpy and I never went to synagogue. Here, our Jewish chaplain and all the activities and chapel services opened my eyes."

Cadet Scott Shinberg, 19, of Rockaway, N.J., son of Barry and Judith Shinberg, father an attorney, mother a learning disability consultant, says, "At home, I never went to Temple. Here, I come voluntarily and I enjoy it, look forward to it each week."

Anti-Semitism? "No. Here there are so many different people, each needs to get along with the others."

The U.S. Air Force admires the Israeli Air Force and "some of that rubs off on us," one cadet chuckled.

Cadet Gary Gilbert, 19, son of Earl and Barbara Gilbert of Highland Park, Ill., a sophomore, says his parents are "very conservative," his father being an officer of a financial management firm. The USAF Academy? "They love it. I am majoring in space science. I want to fly to work with satellites and do computer analysis!" Gary is right on the Air Force track. The Academy aims to become in short order "a computerized campus."

Cadet Nicole Blatt, 17, daughter of Ronald and Eleanor Blatt, both physicians, says, "At first they thought I was crazy; now they are real happy. At home I never went to services. Now I attend Jewish chapel services all the time. My parents can't believe it!"

Cadet Anthony Murch, 19, a sophomore, is the product of an intermarriage, Ruth and Harold Murch. "I was never raised in religion," he says. "But here I got the chance to decide what I want to be, what I really am!"

Cadet Samuel Brevedt, 20, Bronx, N.Y. sophomore, is the son of Israeli Yuri and Beatrice Brevedt. Samuel "wants to fly. . . anything that has engines." He considers himself "basically Orthodox."

Robert Levenson, 20, of San Carlos, Calif., son of John and Diane Levinson, says, "At first my parents were shocked. My mother laughed and said that she raised me to be a conscientious objector. Now they are both behind me 100 percent."

Most of the Jewish cadets are aware of the obligation to preserve and protect their religion as well as the value of religion. They also learn how to resist "missionary" types.

Captain Nathan Kryz, 38, is the Jewish Lay Leader (volunteer)—certified by JWB's Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy—and advisor to Jewish cadets.

Jewish Cadet Choir Draws Crowds

Chaplain Schwartzman is most proud of his Air Force Academy Jewish Cadet Choir. He credits the work to Cindy Saunders, choir director.

On tour, "More than once on a given Friday night at the after-Sabbath services choir performance, surprised congregational presidents making announcements from the "bimah" have remarked: "Welcome to these 'Rosh Hashanah' services. We haven't seen a crowd like this since the High Holy Days!"

Chaplain Schwartzman says of the choir, "To the words of 'Off we go into the wild blue yonder' (the Air Force song), they sweep the congregation into their 60-minute repertoire of Israeli and American folk songs and Jewish liturgical melodies."

"This is a Jewish contribution to American readiness. This is tangible evidence of Jewish loyalty, resulting in this effort to repay this great land in some way for the richness of opportunity which she has bestowed upon the Jewish people and all peoples. It is another way of giving thanks!"

Back at the U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Jewish Chapel on the tapestry Holy Ark curtain, the "Parochet" is the song of the Psalmist: "If I ascend up into Heaven, Thou art there. . ."