

**CABINET CONFIRMS CAREER DIPLOMAT ARAD AS ISRAEL'S U.S. AMBASSADOR, ENDING LONG SHAMIR-PERES DISPUTE**  
By David Landau

JERUSALEM, June 7 (JTA) -- The Cabinet Sunday confirmed the nomination of career diplomat Moshe Arad to be Israel's next Ambassador to the United States. Arad, 52, who is presently Ambassador to Mexico, was summoned home last week for meetings with Premier Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

He will succeed Ambassador Meir Rosenne, whose four-year tour of duty in Washington expired on May 31. An official announcement will be made when the U.S. formally concurs with the appointment.

Arad's nomination ended months of wrangling between Shamir and Peres over who would fill Israel's most important diplomatic post abroad. Until now, each man's proposal was vetoed by the other. Shamir consistently supported Hanan Baron, a recently retired diplomat. Peres reportedly rejected him on grounds he would not go over well on television. Baron left the foreign service and is now vice president of the Weizman Institute of Science.

Arad served previously as Comptroller-General of the Foreign Ministry and as Assistant Director-General in charge of information. Earlier in his career he was an aide to Justice Minister Yaacov Shimshon Shapira.

Arad's nomination was opposed by only one Cabinet member -- Likud Liberal Gideon Patt, who is Minister of Science and Technology.

**JEWISH SETTLERS ATTACK REFUGEE CAMP NEAR BETHLEHEM; SIX ARRESTED**  
By David Landau

JERUSALEM, June 7 (JTA) -- An unspecified number of armed Jewish settlers attacked the Dacheisha refugee camp near Bethlehem Sunday night. Only prompt intervention by the Israel Defense Force prevented "a terrible tragedy," Gen. Amram Mitzna, commander of the central sector, said Sunday.

He said six of the assailants were arrested and others are being sought and will be prosecuted "to the full extent of the criminal law." Palestinian sources said 70 settlers were involved. IDF officers spoke of six carloads.

Vice Premier and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said the incident caused him "deep grief. Let us not become like our enemies. Such actions only hurt us." Mitzna called the attack the most disgusting act ever perpetrated by Jews in the administered territories.

He said it was planned in advance that the assailants would storm the camp in the dead of night and open fire with rifles on homes and buildings. The settlers' claim that they "just happened" on the scene was "a disingenuous bad joke," Mitzna said. "They do not even have the courage to admit their own actions."

Reporters visiting Dacheisha Sunday saw windows peppered with bullet holes. IDF officers

said it was evidence of intent to hit people inside their homes, including women and children. Cars were vandalized.

**Condemned In Kirvat Arba**

Mitzna met with camp leaders Sunday afternoon. He met separately with the communal leaders of Kiryat Arba, the Jewish town adjacent to Hebron, where most of the assailants live. Israel Radio reported that the Kiryat Arba leaders condemned the attack and told Mitzna they dissociated themselves from it.

The media attributed the assault on the refugee camp to Rabbi Meir Kahane's extremist Kach movement. Reporters said they were alerted by Kach in advance of an impending "military action" at Dacheisha.

The IDF said it would confiscate the personal weapons of every man found to have participated. Dacheisha has been a frequent trouble spot in the West Bank. Local youngsters often pelt passing Israeli vehicles with stones.

An Israeli bus was hit by stones Sunday at the Askar refugee camp near Nablus. The IDF placed the camp under curfew.

**IDF KILLS PALESTINIAN, WOUNDS SIX DURING ANTI-ISRAEL RIOTS UPON 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF SIX-DAY WAR**  
By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 7 (JTA) -- A 15-year-old Palestinian boy was killed and six people were wounded by an Israel Defense Force patrol in Nablus Friday as anti-Israel violence erupted in the administered territories on the 20th anniversary of the Six-Day War.

The victim, Azzam Al-Arandi, was killed when the patrol opened fire after coming under a hail of stones in the Nablus marketplace. An IDF spokesman said the soldiers fired into the air and Al-Arandi was hit by a stray bullet as he stood on an upper-story balcony.

His funeral later Friday became an anti-Israel demonstration. Mourners waved Palestinian flags, chanted slogans and threw stones at soldiers guarding the streets. Nablus was closed down by a commercial strike Saturday. Strikes called in Ramallah and East Jerusalem were only partly effective and attempts to organize strikes elsewhere failed.

But there were stonings and gasoline-bomb attacks throughout the territory over the weekend. An Arab was shot in the back outside the town of Kabatiya when he failed to halt at an army checkpoint, a military spokesman said. He was treated at a local hospital.

Two students were wounded in their legs at Abu Dis College near Jerusalem Saturday. Soldiers opened fire when students set up barricades, raised Palestinian flags and hurled rocks. Troops used tear gas to disperse demonstrators at the Islamic College in Hebron. The college was later closed by its administration.

**ISRAELIS MARCH AGAINST OCCUPATION**

TEL AVIV, June 7 (JTA) -- Several thousand Israelis demonstrated here and in Jerusalem

Saturday night for an end to the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The occasion was the 20th anniversary of the Six-Day War, when Israeli forces captured the territories.

The demonstration here was organized by a group calling itself "Committee Against Occupation." Speakers in Malchei Israel Square called for peace between Israel and the Palestinians. Herut counter-demonstrators who tried to disrupt the gathering were kept away by police. Earlier in the evening, police restrained two men who tried to attack peace marchers.

The demonstration in Jerusalem was by the Citizens Rights Movement (CRM) and Peace Now. They called for an end to the occupation.

**MARKING SIX-DAY WAR ANNIVERSARY,  
U.S. SAYS IT'S EXPLORING CONFERENCE**  
By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, June 7 (JTA) -- The Reagan Administration marked the 20th anniversary of the start of the 1967 Six-Day War Friday by vowing that it will "not relax" its efforts to achieve "a just and lasting peace" between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman stressed that this effort includes continuing to see if an international conference could be developed that would lead to direct negotiations.

The idea of such a conference, demanded by Jordan, has deadlocked Israel's government of national unity. Labor, led by Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, is pressing for it against the strong opposition of Likud, headed by Premier Yitzhak Shamir.

When Redman was asked to comment about the Six-Day War anniversary, he read the following prepared statement which restated the Administration's known position:

"Today, as in 1967, a just and lasting peace between Israel and its neighbors remains the goal of the United States. Our efforts during the last 20 years have been and continue to be directed towards finding common ground between the parties and exploring all ways that could contribute to peace negotiations.

"The governments concerned and the Palestinians must participate in direct, bilateral negotiations to settle their differences, reduce tension and work out peace that would be fair to all.

"Today many in the region do not accept the status quo of belligerency and are prepared to build on the momentum of the past to open negotiations that would lead to a comprehensive Middle East peace. Current and future generations can expect no less from their leaders.

"We are currently working closely with the parties to see whether an international conference could be constructed to lead promptly to direct negotiations and peace, without interfering with those negotiations or imposing a settlement.

"Because peace is so important for the peoples of the Middle East and the United States, we will not relax our efforts toward the achievements of a just and lasting peace.

"We are trying to build upon the progress that has been achieved thus far to reach the goal of peace."

**PERU RAPS UN ANTI-ZIONISM DECREE**

LIMA, June 7 (JTA) -- The Peruvian Chamber of Deputies has repudiated the 1975 United Nations General Assembly resolution equating

Zionism with racism. Its action is considered significant by observers here in view of the government's left-leaning position which has been marked by pronouncements favoring the Palestine Liberation Organization, the World Jewish Congress reported.

The legislature has formally advised UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar of its action. The WJC cabled the Peruvian Ambassador in Washington hailing "this most principled stand adopted by the Peruvian legislature."

**CABINET MULLS MANDATORY PUBLIC LOAN  
TO FINANCE CONTROVERSIAL LAVI JET**  
By David Landau

JERUSALEM, June 7 (JTA) -- The fate of the Lavi, Israel's second-generation jet fighter plane, was debated by the Cabinet Sunday for the third time, but no decisions were reached. Several Ministers, backed by leading industrialists, urged a mandatory public loan to finance the project, which may have to be abandoned because of excessive costs.

That idea was rejected by the Finance Ministry -- and reportedly by the Prime Minister's Office as well -- because it would amount to a new tax only weeks after the government reduced taxes for individuals and corporations.

Senior Israel Defense Force officers and Defense Ministry officials who attended the session presented differing assessments of the financial aspects and the military utility of the Lavi.

**Creator Now Opponent**

Minister-Without-Portfolio Ezer Weizman, who originated the project when he was Defense Minister in the late 1970's, was its most outspoken opponent. Weizman, a former Air Force commander, said when the plane was conceived it was intended to be a modest workhorse for the Air Force to replace the aging American-made Skyhawk. But it has since evolved into a costly high technology frontline aircraft, he said.

Health Minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almoslino, on the other hand, wants the Lavi built. She called for a mandatory loan or other means of public financing including a tax on the national lottery or a rise in the travel tax, which now stands at 200 Shekels per airline ticket.

Labor MK Dov Ben-Meir is also in the Lavi camp. He introduced a mandatory loan bill in the Knesset and is pressing for a debate this week.

**MINE KILLS ISRAELI IN LEBANON**

TEL AVIV, June 7 (JTA) -- An Israel Defense Force soldier was killed and an Israeli and a Lebanese soldier were injured when a road mine detonated near Taibe village in the south Lebanon security zone Sunday morning.

The IDF fatality, identified as Yaacov Bardas, was to be buried Monday at the military cemetery in Haifa.

The mine exploded as a joint IDF-South Lebanon Army (SLA) patrol passed the site where it was planted. Military sources were not certain whether it was struck by the vehicle or detonated by remote control.

The sources declined to say whether the incident was linked to the recent clashes between IDF and SLA forces and the extremist Shiite Hezbollah and mainstream Shiite Amal militia. They said, however, that terrorists plant mines

without apparent concern whether the victims are Israelis, SLA soldiers or Lebanese civilians. On Thursday, three members of a terrorist gang were killed in a pre-dawn clash with IDF and SLA forces in the northern sector of the security zone. An IDF spokesman said the IDF-SLA force suffered no casualties.

The skirmish began when the IDF force detected the terrorists south of the village of Hunch and opened fire. The fleeing terrorists drew the fire of an SLA force stationed nearby. The dead terrorists, with their weapons, were found in a subsequent search.

The spokesman also disclosed that IDF forces fired at a vehicle driven by two Norwegian members of the UN peacekeeping force. The soldiers, newcomers, had mistakenly strayed on a road not usually used by the UNIFIL troops.

After firing warning flares, the Israelis shot at the vehicle, damaging it but not harming the Norwegians, the spokesman said. They were released after a few hours' detention.

### ISRAELI 'SENIOR SOURCE' URGES PACT WITH MODERATE SHIITES

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, June 7 (JTA) -- An unidentified Israeli "senior source" urged Israel to reach an understanding with moderate Shiite elements in Lebanon while waging unrelenting war against the extremists.

The source, quoted by Haaretz on Sunday, drew a distinction between Amal, the mainstream Shiite militia, and Hezbollah, the pro-Iranian militants inspired by the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. "If we don't fight Hezbollah with determination and resolution, we will contribute to the balance of the Shiite minority tilting toward this extremist organization at the expense of Amal," he said.

Hezbollah is an enemy, just like the Palestinian terrorists, the source said, claiming that both try to attack sites inside Israel. Amal's targets are in the south Lebanon security zone, he said.

"We must take into consideration the continuing process of erosion of Amal's power. In the long term, Amal is our only chance to reach a reasonable agreement or understanding with the population of southern Lebanon," he said.

Meanwhile, Maariv quoted a Beirut radio report Saturday that a booby-trapped car driven by a woman exploded Friday enroute to the security zone. According to Maariv, the incident is the first time this year that Syrian-backed leftist activists in Lebanon have attempted a car-bomb attack. Hezbollah abandoned them on orders of the Shiite religious authorities, Maariv said.

### PALESTINIAN EDITOR SENIORA NOW MAY NOT RUN FOR JERUSALEM COUNCIL; ISRAELI MODERATES BACK HIS RACE

By David Landau and Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 7 (JTA) -- Hanna Seniora, the Palestinian editor who seeded a storm of controversy with his announcement Thursday that he would seek a seat in the Jerusalem City Council in the next elections, appears to be having second thoughts.

He told the English Sunday edition of his newspaper, the East Jerusalem Arabic daily Al-Fajr, that his decision to run was not final. He said his announcement was, in fact, intended to

shock the Israeli and Palestinian communities and force them "to think."

Seniora, 49, a leading intellectual and supporter of the Palestine Liberation Organization though not a member, said his announcement was not coordinated with the PLO.

It drew fierce criticism from pro-PLO elements. The East Jerusalem daily A-Shaab, which reflects the views of the radical wing of El Fatah, called Seniora's plan naive and simplistic.

Al-Fajr published an article by Fayik Barakat, chairman of the Arab Chamber of Commerce in East Jerusalem, who accused Seniora of collaborating with the annexation of East Jerusalem by Israel and said his announcement was a "bad idea."

### Talked Also Of Knesset

Seniora said Thursday that he intended to organize a Palestinian list to run in the Jerusalem election, which is scheduled for September 1988. On Friday, Seniora went a step further, telling an interviewer that he might seek a Knesset seat in the future.

He said that was not to be ruled out "if the occupation is prolonged." Seniora said he subscribed to the ideas of Dr. Sari Nusseibeh, a professor at Bir Zeit University in the West Bank, who has exhorted Palestinians to use their demographic edge in Israel's democratic processes to achieve their political aim, which he said is "national liberation."

Seniora said this is just a theory at present, but could become the blueprint for a pragmatic political challenge. Nusseibeh, however, has dissociated himself from Seniora's initiative, calling it a "one-man show" that has not been sufficiently debated.

Nusseibeh told the Jerusalem Post Sunday that the plan could become realistic if two conditions were met. First is sponsorship of the PLO as part of a broader demand for political rights for Palestinians in the administered territories as a step toward the creation of a bi-national state.

Second, he said, is failure of the Middle East peace process. A stalemate could prompt a new Palestinian strategy whereby the PLO would be transformed into something like the African National Congress aspiring for equal rights under an Israeli administration.

### Some Support Seniora

Seniora's only serious Palestinian backing came from Mayor Elias Freij of Bethlehem, a moderate who has long urged Palestinian-Israeli cooperation.

The idea was welcomed by Israeli moderates, including Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem, who called Seniora's announcement a welcome development. Minister of Immigration and Absorption Yaacov Tsur, a Labor Party dove, also saw merit in Seniora's plans. He said it pinpointed Israel's future dilemma if it retains control of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"If we were to annex the territories we would have to choose between abandoning the Jewish character of the state or abandoning its democratic character," Tsur said, adding "both are unacceptable to me."

Israeli hardliners denounced Seniora's possible candidacy. Hanan Porat of the Gush Emunim said the editor must be blocked because he is an avowed opponent of Jerusalem's status as Israel's capital.

## SEVERING FROM FAMILIES DEBILITATES MANY YOUNG ETHIOPIANS IN ISRAEL

By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK, June 7 (JTA) -- The remarkable exodus of 15,000 Ethiopian Jews to Israel during "Operation Moses" in 1985 has already occupied its page in modern Jewish history. But their story is not finished.

Many of them, particularly the children and teenagers, suffered pain and trauma. For some, it never ceased.

Rabbi Nahum Cohen, director of the Youth Aliya absorption center for Ethiopian children at Hofim in northern Israel and himself a 1966 immigrant to Israel from Scranton, Pa., has witnessed the plight of many of the Ethiopian children.

"Until the remaining Jews of Ethiopia are brought to Israel and are reunited with their families, these Ethiopian youngsters are going to be in trauma," Cohen told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency recently while visiting here on a speaking tour sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal.

"As long as these children and youngsters are separated from their relatives and friends, who remained back in Ethiopia, their ability to function in society will be handicapped. They simply cannot study or work," Cohen asserted.

Official Israeli sources estimate that 12,000-14,000 Jews still live in Ethiopia. According to American and Israeli officials, the prospects are dim that they will be allowed to leave for Israel in the near future.

### Cope With Grief, Separation

Cohen said the absorption center of Hofim has been serving as "a revolving door" for Ethiopian youth, who after completing various study and training programs are sent to other Youth Aliya centers in Israel.

According to Cohen, Hofim houses 211 Ethiopians ages six to 20, most of whom suffered tragedy. "The average child at Hofim lost more than four relatives in the course of the journey to Israel," Cohen disclosed. "We have in Israel 45 Ethiopian children who are orphans. Many, many others have lost one of the parents or a sister or brother and other relatives."

Cohen stressed that many of the Ethiopian children are still suffering from the trauma of their 10-month odyssey to Israel through the Sudan. "During that journey they were jailed, beaten, robbed and raped," Cohen said.

He noted that the combination of the journey with the shock of separation from family members has caused many of the Ethiopian youngsters emotional problems they are yet to overcome. "The kids who were separated from their families are still going to sleep crying every night," Cohen said.

In addition to the emotional problems, Cohen said many of the young immigrants required treatment for various illnesses such as malaria, typhoid fever and stomach parasites. Many suffered from malnutrition as a result of the Ethiopian famine. "Altogether we had to hospitalize in Israel 106 Ethiopian children since their arrival," Cohen disclosed.

### Said To Be Happy In Israel

But despite all the hardships, none of Israel's Ethiopian Jews want to return to Ethiopia, Cohen said. "The children and youngsters say to

us, 'Bring our parents and our relatives to us.' They do not want to go back," explained Cohen.

Hebrew is spoken by all at Hofim, Cohen said, pointing out that after three months in the absorption center, "they know enough to be integrated." However, some of the Ethiopian kids still speak their mother-tongue, Amharic, Cohen noted.

According to Cohen, there are 2,495 Ethiopian children living in Youth Aliya centers all over Israel, where they are integrated with Jewish youth from other countries. The are mostly well adjusted and rarely experience prejudice, Cohen claimed. He said that the Ethiopian Jews, who live in about 68 different locations in Israel, can generally be considered as a success story.

## RAPOPORT, SCULPTOR OF HOLOCAUST MEMORIALS WORLDWIDE, DEAD AT 76

NEW YORK, June 7 (JTA) -- Nathan Rapoport, a sculptor whose monument to the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising is probably the best known work of its kind, died here Thursday night of an apparent heart attack. He was 76.

Funeral services will be held Monday at the Magen David Adom Blood Center in Ramat Gan, Israel. There, his latest work, "Brotherhood of Man," a nine-foot-high bronze statue, was dedicated May 7.

Rapoport received the Polish government's Polonia Restituta Medal for his "Warsaw Ghetto Uprising" monument erected in 1948 on Zamenhoff Street in the Polish capital, where the doomed struggle began in 1943.

He was named Officier d'Academie by the French government and awarded the Joseph Handleman Prize in the Arts of the Jewish Academy of Arts and Sciences in New York. On May 12, he received the Herbert Adams Memorial Medal for Achievement in American Sculpture from the National Sculpture Society. His work has been exhibited in 12 countries.

It includes a "Memorial to Jewish Fighters of World War II," erected in Paris in 1950; "Job" at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem; "Scroll of Fire" in the Judacan hills near Jerusalem; "Monument to the Six Million Jewish Martyrs" in Philadelphia; and "Jacob Wrestling with the Angel" in Toronto.

One of his recent works, "Liberation," depicting an American GI carrying a concentration camp survivor to freedom, stands at Liberty State Park in New Jersey.

Rapoport was born in Warsaw in 1911 and began to study sculpture at the age of 14. He survived World War II at a labor camp in Siberia and went to Israel in 1948. He came to the United States in 1959 and was naturalized in 1965. He made his home in New York and Ramat Gan.

## KAHANE SAYS HE AGAIN WILL REFUSE TO TAKE KNESSET ALLEGIANCE OATH

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, June 7 (JTA) -- Meir Kahane, the ultra-rightist Kach Knesset member, said Thursday he would again refuse to make his pledge of allegiance to the Knesset, as required by the Attorney General. A spokesman for Kahane said the Kach movement would fight Attorney General Yosef Harish's requirement in the high court of justice.