

## **SHULTZ TO RETURN TO MIDDLE EAST FOLLOWING SUMMIT TALKS IN MOSCOW**

By Howard Rosenberg

WASHINGTON, May 9 (JTA) -- Secretary of State George Shultz will travel to the Middle East June 3 for his fourth trip to the region this year, the State Department announced Monday.

The Mideast swing, which will come after the summit in Moscow between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, includes meetings in Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Israel.

It would end in time for Shultz to meet in Madrid June 9 to 10 with foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Department spokesman Charles Redman said Shultz is returning to the Mideast because there are "underlying problems in the region which remain unresolved. And the secretary has said many times the status quo is not tenable."

He said Saudi Arabia is not included in the itinerary, because it is "not one of the countries actively involved in the peace process, in the sense that they are not a negotiating partner for the Israelis, in terms of a comprehensive settlement."

"The United States has advanced a realistic and a workable plan to bring about negotiations," Redman said. "So the secretary is prepared to continue his intensive effort to try to bring about negotiations on a comprehensive peace."

Redman acknowledged that the peace plan's original timetable has not been met. It called for an international peace conference to be held in mid-April and for negotiations on autonomy measures for Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza Strip to start in early May.

"Those days have passed," Redman said. "We need to get this under way as soon as possible--that's the objective in all of this."

He said the peace plan is still "workable. In fact it is the only workable alternative" to no peace effort in the Middle East.

Shultz's plan has divided Israel's national unity government, with Labor supporting it and Likud opposed, particularly to the idea of an international conference. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres indicated that he will make the proposal a major issue in the this year's Knesset elections.

### **Jordan Said To Oppose Conference**

Meanwhile, The New York Times reported Monday that Jordanian officials oppose the international conference as envisioned by Shultz, a meeting that would set the stage for negotiations between Israel and a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation.

Hussein, who has demanded that the conference be an "umbrella" for negotiations with Israel, stressed Saturday at a news conference in Amman that Jordan will not now represent the Palestinians, even if the Palestine Liberation Organization asked it to do so, the Times reported. "We would certainly say that they represent themselves," Hussein was quoted as saying.

Israel and the United States are adamant against any PLO representation in negotiations. But both countries have said that Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza Strip should participate, ideally in a joint delegation with Jordan.

In another matter, Redman said Shultz "dispatched a message -- a personal message" to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir Monday calling for Israel to grant full judicial guarantees to Mubarak Awad, a U.S. citizen in Israel who was ordered deported May 6.

"If you take a look at some of the things that the Israeli Supreme Court has done just today, for example, in terms of staying the deportation, it would seem to me that there are some concerns about whether or not he would get the full and public judicial process to which we feel he is entitled," Redman said.

## **COURT HALTS DEPORTATION OF AWAD UNTIL IT RULES ON HIS APPEAL**

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, May 9 (JTA) -- Israel's Supreme Court ordered an indefinite stay of deportation orders against Palestinian activist Mubarak Awad on Monday.

The high court ruled that he may not be expelled until the legal procedures in his case are completed. The ruling was announced as the justices prepared to begin hearing Awad's appeal.

But the court also ruled that the 44-year-old Awad will remain in custody until a final decision is rendered. And the prosecution argued that his continued presence in Israel posed a security danger.

The Jerusalem-born, naturalized American was to have been deported at midnight Monday on orders signed Friday by Premier Yitzhak Shamir in his capacity as acting interior minister. But the Supreme Court issued a temporary restraining order Sunday, barring deportation for three days.

Its latest order, extending the ban beyond three days, was a setback to the government's efforts to oust Awad. But it relieved American pressure on Israel to cancel his deportation. All parties now will await the ruling of the high court.

That in fact was the position the U.S. State Department expounded last Friday. If the "government of Israel feels that he (Awad) has been engaged in illegal activity, then he should be allowed to defend himself" in a legal process, department spokesman Charles Redman said in Washington.

The Prime Minister's Office charged Friday that Awad was one of the main instigators of the 5-month-old Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and said he poses a danger to the security of the state and public order.

It charged that terrorist organizations fund the Center for the Study of Non-Violence, which Awad founded in 1985, when he returned to East Jerusalem after spending 15 years in the United States.

### **Moderate Image Challenged**

Awad has been a public advocate of Palestinian civil disobedience instead of violent confrontation with Israeli security forces. He has urged Palestinians in the territories not to pay their taxes or utility bills.

But the state prosecutor on Monday submitted a statement to the Supreme Court by an unidentified security agent who claimed that the

moderate image Awad "was trying to adopt" was false. His true intentions could be proven by classified information, the statement said.

The deportation order, however, did not cite security offenses. It was issued on grounds that Awad's tourist visa had expired last November and that he was now in the country illegally.

His lawyers are expected to argue before the Supreme Court that inasmuch as Awad was born in East Jerusalem and was living there when Israeli law was applied in 1967, he cannot be declared an illegal alien.

## PERES MEETS WITH HUNGARIANS IN A DIPLOMATIC BREAKTHROUGH

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, May 9 (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Shimon Peres held discreet talks in Budapest on Sunday with Premier Karoly Grosz and Foreign Minister Peter Varkonyi of Hungary, according to reports here.

Peres did not meet with Hungarian strongman Janos Kadar, the Communist Party secretary general. The talks were described by the Hungarian government as informal.

Nevertheless, political observers here attach importance to the visit, the first on this level in two decades. They predict a further improvement in political and economic ties, as well as tourism, between the two countries.

Diplomatic sources in Western Europe describe the Peres visit as a major breakthrough and believe that several Communist bloc countries, notably Poland and Hungary, may re-establish diplomatic ties with Israel in the near future. Official Israeli sources say Peres would not have been invited to Budapest without approval from Moscow.

Hungary and Israel each have interest sections in the other country, agreed upon last year in a first step toward thawing a 20-year freeze in diplomatic relations.

Some 30,000 Israeli tourists visited Hungary last year, and several thousand Hungarians came here, most of them members of Hungary's 80,000-strong Jewish community.

From Budapest, Peres flew to Milan, where he met Monday with Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti to discuss the Mideast situation and particularly an Italian proposal to put the West Bank and Gaza under European Community stewardship, pending a political settlement.

Peres was due to arrive Monday night in Madrid to attend a meeting of the Socialist International.

*(Correspondents Edwin Eytan in Paris and Ruth E. Gruber in Rome contributed to this report.)*

## PERES TO CONFRONT ANTI-ISRAEL INITIATIVES AT SOCIALIST GATHERING

By David Kantor

MADRID, May 9 (JTA) -- Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, who was due here late Monday evening, will face an uphill battle to block anti-Israel initiatives by Spain's Socialist Party at a meeting of the Council of the Socialist International here this week.

Peres will meet Tuesday with Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzales to try to fend off action said to have been promised by Foreign Minister Francisco Ordonez at a meeting with Arab representatives last week.

According to press reports, Ordonez and other Spanish Socialist leaders assured the Arabs that the International would take a firm stand against Israel's continued occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and would condemn its policies of "repression" in the territories.

The Council of the Socialist International will meet through Thursday. Participants will include former Chancellor Willy Brandt of West Germany; Neil Kinnock, leader of Britain's Labor Party; and Bettino Craxi, who heads Italy's Socialist Party.

Brandt in particular is a close friend of Peres, a fellow Socialist. Craxi is expected to bring up his recent proposal for a United Nations mandate of the West Bank and Gaza Strip to be administered by the European Community's 12 member states, which include Spain.

## Meetings In Milan, Budapest

Peres discussed the proposal with Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti in Milan on Monday, before heading for Madrid. The Israeli foreign minister arrived from Budapest, where he held discreet, informal talks with Premier Karoly Grosz and Foreign Minister Peter Varkonyi of Hungary.

According to reports from Rome, Andreotti requested the meeting with Peres, which took place at Milan's military airport. Afterward, the Italian foreign minister told reporters that the idea of a European patrol in the territories did not seem possible at the moment.

He also said Italy backs the peace plan proposed by U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz, which calls for an international peace conference to start direct Arab-Israeli negotiations.

Peres told reporters that the Palestinians have to stop their violent protests before negotiations can take place.

In Madrid, meanwhile, the secretary-general of the Socialist International has been circulating a draft resolution that calls for internationally supervised elections in the territories to select representatives of the Palestinian population.

The draft also calls for a United Nations-sponsored peace conference. It would attribute the 5-month-old Palestinian uprising to difficult economic and social conditions.

## No To Elections In Territories

Israel Gat, a representative of Israel's Labor Party who preceded Foreign Minister Peres to Madrid, said Sunday that the idea of elections in the territories was unacceptable, because they could result in a victory for Palestine Liberation Organization representatives.

Gat said the Labor Party accepts Palestinians who are not directly linked to the PLO as representatives of the Palestinians.

Two such persons arrived here Sunday to attend a meeting of the Socialist International's Middle East Committee, along with members of the Labor Party.

They are Hanna Siniora, editor of the East Jerusalem Arabic daily Al-Fajr, and Fayez Abu Rahme, a lawyer from Gaza.

Gat said Sunday that the Labor Party welcomed the invitations extended to the two Palestinians, but would oppose outright PLO participation. Abu Rahme was related to PLO leader Khalil al-Wazir, assassinated in Tunis April 18.

*(Rome correspondent Ruth E. Gruber contributed to this report.)*

## PALESTINIAN KILLED IN WEST BANK AS FIFTH MONTH OF UNREST ENDS

By David Landau and Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, May 9 (JTA) -- One Palestinian was killed and three were wounded Monday in new clashes with Israeli security forces in the West Bank. Widespread unrest was reported in the Gaza Strip, as Palestinians marked the end of the fifth month of their uprising in the territories.

Ibrahim Hussein, 34, a resident of the De-haishe refugee camp, near Bethlehem, was fatally shot Monday morning. His funeral in the afternoon touched off rioting. The Israel Defense Force sealed off the entire area. The Arabs called a general strike for Monday and Tuesday to protest the killing.

Other disturbances were reported in Nablus, Hebron and surrounding villages.

IDF units fired tear gas and rubber bullets Monday in several trouble spots in the Gaza Strip, but did not resort to live ammunition. Two Palestinians were admitted to a Gaza hospital suffering from the effects of beatings.

Very few Arab day laborers from the territories reported to their jobs in Israel on Monday.

Meanwhile, a Peace Now delegation that met Monday with Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin reported that he may consider allowing non-violent demonstrations by Palestinians in the administered territories.

But the delegation said they found no "new thinking" on the part of Rabin on the situation in the territories. They protested the way he dealt with the Palestinians and with militant Jewish settlers.

## JEWISH LEADERS DEBATE THE COSTS OF DISUNITY ON ISRAELI POLICIES

By Andrew Silow Carroll

TEANECK, N.J., May 9 (JTA) -- A leader of Reform Judaism, whose reflections on the unrest in the administered territories were published in The New York Times Magazine on Sunday, came under fire at the opening session of a national conference on Jewish unity.

The article by Albert Vorspan, senior vice president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, was described as an example of "too much public posturing and too little private discourse" by Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

Hoenlein's remarks on "The Costs of Disunity" and a stern warning on speaking out delivered by Thomas Dine, executive director of AIPAC, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, underlined the challenges facing delegates to the three-day Critical Issues Conference II of CLAL, the National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, which ends Tuesday.

The 400 religious and educational leaders meeting here are expected to discuss ways of bridging divisions among religious denominations, among political camps, and between Israelis and diaspora Jews.

But discussion of American Jewish reaction to Israel's handling of what Palestinians are calling the "uprising" is expected to dominate a number of workshops.

Vorspan's article, published in the form of a diary, recounts his growing dissatisfaction with both current Israeli policy and the response of American Jewish umbrella groups, such as the

Conference of Presidents. The UAHC, representing 850 Reform synagogues, was one of only a few major groups to criticize various Israeli policies publicly since unrest began in December.

### 'Kosher Stamp On Everything'

In an entry dated Jan. 14, Vorspan writes, "Some of us are upset about the position" of the Conference of Presidents. Its chairman, Morris Abram, "seems to be putting a kosher stamp on everything -- shootings, deportations, excessive force."

Declining to refer to Vorspan by name but nonetheless describing him as someone "I personally admire and respect greatly," Hoenlein asked CLAL delegates to consider the impact of Vorspan's claims.

"What purpose does the piece serve?" demanded Hoenlein. "Or is it a matter of ego satisfaction? What questions are dealt with -- in addition to raising ethical questions of reporting on sessions that were closed, quoting people who gave no permission to be quoted?"

"And what is the impact," he continued, "on those not knowledgeable who read it? And what if a non-Jew had put into writing in The New York Times a reference to 'putting a kosher stamp on beatings and expulsions?'"

In a telephone interview Monday, Vorspan said any meeting described in the article "was ancient history," and that few were closed to the press. He pointed out that in most cases he only quoted himself.

Vorspan said he felt compelled to contribute the article because of "a failure on the part of some of our umbrella organizations to protect the integrity of their constituent agencies."

"It is some kind of delusion to pretend that the American people don't know what's going on," within Israel or among American Jewish leaders, said Vorspan. "I think the costs of pretending are greater than the costs of telling the truth."

For Hoenlein, the "costs of disunity" are an erosion of how legislators and the American public see the power of American Jews: "as an outgrowth of our unity, bringing together what they believe to be our vast resources -- intellectual, political and financial -- into a dynamic force of advocacy."

### Disunity Vs. Deliberation

Dine echoed and expanded Hoenlein's theme in his subsequent address. "The implication of disunity hurts the American Jewish community's political agenda," he said bluntly.

"Deliberation is healthy," said Dine, "but one of these days without Jewish unity a marginal number of Jewish legislators will not vote 'yea' on a foreign aid measure that is unpopular to begin with and only passes by a few votes."

Such an erosion has not happened yet, he said, but the presidential campaign is the first since 1948 in which none of the candidates is seen as "one of us on Israel."

Said Dine, "We're on a frozen lake here. The problem is, we're getting warmer. And one of these days (we're) going to fall through a hole."

Still, at a conference that celebrates cohesion not all were in agreement. At a Monday morning session, sociologist Seymour Martin Lipset said, "You cannot produce unity when there is disunity. You can't tell people who feel passionately about what they think is right for Israel that they can't feel that way."

# INTERNAL VIOLENCE GREATER THREAT, HERZOG WARNS IN INAUGURAL ADDRESS By David Landau

JERUSALEM, May 9 (JTA) -- President Chaim Herzog warned in his inaugural address in the Knesset Monday that internal social and political violence is a far greater threat to Israel than any external forces.

Israel's Irish-born chief of state, elected to a second five-year term, spoke movingly of the enormous achievements of the country's first 40 years, and of the "verve, skills, thirst for culture" that characterize the nation.

But much of Herzog's speech was devoted to a blunt discussion of Israel's problems and challenges, including the problem of internal violence. "This phenomenon takes many forms, from wild, hateful rivalry between political parties, through demonization of political opponents to outbursts of hatred between Jews, and between Jews and Arabs, (and) violence in labor relations."

He spoke scathingly of religious-nationalist fanatics who "see their ideology as above the law ... and take the law into their own hands."

Herzog also implied criticism of the over-aggressiveness of the news media when it invades privacy and runs roughshod in cases still under consideration. That too is a pernicious form of social violence, he said.

The inaugural ceremony opened with traditional blasts of the shofar. After Herzog took the oath of office, the Knesset members rose and proclaimed three times "Yehi" -- Long Live.

Herzog called in his speech for a "national educational effort" to reinvigorate the peoples' firm conviction in the basic correctness of Zionism. He also urged assiduous efforts to protect democracy in the Jewish state.

## NBC CORRESPONDENT SAYS HE OPPOSED NEWS BULLETIN ON LEBANON OPERATION By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, May 9 (JTA) -- An NBC News correspondent in Israel, penalized last month for violating censorship rules, tried in vain to prevent another possible violation by the network last week, it was disclosed here Sunday.

According to the newspaper Hadashot, NBC ignored the advice of its correspondent, Martin Fletcher, when it interrupted regular programming on May 2 with a bulletin reporting the Israel Defense Force incursion into southern Lebanon. The bulletin was broadcast hours before the official announcement and possibly even before Israeli troops crossed over the border into Lebanon.

The NBC report is being investigated by government officials for possible breach of censorship.

Fletcher recommended that the report, based on American sources, not be broadcast and refused to broadcast it from Israel, Hadashot said.

Israeli newspapers quoted Fletcher as saying Sunday that the impending IDF action in Lebanon was probably leaked by an Israeli official to the Pentagon, which passed on the tip to NBC News in New York.

Fletcher's press credentials were suspended by the Israel Government Press Office on April 26, because he bypassed the censor with a report that Israel's Inner Cabinet had approved the assassination of Khalil al-Wazir, second in command of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Wazir, also known as Abu Jihad, was gunned down by commandos in his villa in suburban Tunis on April 16. The killing was widely attributed to Israel's secret service, Mossad. The government has neither confirmed nor denied these reports.

The press office also suspended the press credentials of Glen Frankel, Israel correspondent of The Washington Post, for filing a story similar to Fletcher's, without submitting it to the censor.

## ORTHODOX COUNCIL LAUNCHES PROGRAM ON COUNSELING FOR ISRAELI RABBIS

LAKE GENEVA, Wis., May 9 (JTA) -- A new program to teach practical rabbinics and pastoral care to rabbis in Israel, based on the experience of American rabbis, has been launched by the Rabbinical Council of America.

The program was announced by Rabbi Milton Polin, president of the Orthodox group, at the opening of its 52nd annual convention here. Hundreds of delegates from across the United States are attending the convention, which runs through May 12.

Polin said the purpose of the rabbinic training program is to prepare Israeli rabbis to reach out to uncommitted, youthful, aged and sick Israelis through advice, guidance and counseling.

American and Israeli rabbis, psychologists, social workers, and physicians will form the core of the instructional program.

The idea is that Israeli rabbis can benefit from the more than 50 years of experience the Rabbinical Council has gained in reaching out to the American Jewish community, said Polin.

The new program also seeks to help Israeli rabbis become leaders of their communities and to be able to project the synagogue not only as a house of prayer, but as an educational family center.

The multi-disciplinary program will include lectures, seminars, workshops, as well as practical, supervised field work in hospitals, family agencies, geriatric centers and youth facilities. The field work will help rabbis exercise their roles as advisers, guides and counselors, said Polin.

Field work sites include youth centers, mental health facilities and Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem, where the first lectures will deal with geriatrics, diseases of the elderly and the effects of aging.

## EDITOR ARON ALPERIN DIES AT 87

NEW YORK, May 9 (JTA) -- Aron Alperin, an author and journalist who edited Yiddish newspapers in Poland, Paris and New York, died of a heart attack last week in Manhasset, N.Y. at the age of 87.

For a quarter century he was an editor of two of the last great Yiddish newspapers in the United States, the Jewish Morning Journal and The Day.

Born in Lodz, Poland, Alperin was city editor and editorial writer of the Lodzer Tagerblatt from 1920 to 1926, and until 1928 the Lodz correspondent of the Warsaw Yiddish daily, Hajnt.

He moved to Paris and was editor in chief of the Pariser Hajnt from 1928 to 1939. From 1930 to 1940 he was staff correspondent for the Hebrew daily Haaretz, published in Tel Aviv.

Alperin came to New York in 1941, escaping when France was occupied by the Germans. He was the author of "History of the Jews in Lodz."