

**ISRAELI AIR FORCE STRIKES BACK,  
HITS TERRORIST BASES IN LEBANON**

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, June 1 (JTA) -- Israeli air force jets blasted terrorist bases and ammunition dumps in Lebanon on Wednesday, in retaliation for the three infiltration attempts this week.

According to a military spokesman, the targets were a base of the Abu Nidal organization near the Lebanon coastal town of Sidon, and a Hezbollah base near Lake Karoun in the Bekaa Valley of eastern Lebanon.

The spokesman described the targets as "command centers and ammunition dumps" used for training and for mapping out attacks on Israel.

The raids followed three attempts by heavily armed terrorists to infiltrate into Israel through the southern Lebanon security zone between Sunday and Wednesday.

All of the attempts were foiled, as six of the terrorists were killed by Israel Defense Force patrols, assisted in some instances by the Israel-backed South Lebanon Army.

Three intruders were captured. One of them was seized by the SLA on Wednesday after his companion was slain in a gunfight with the IDF.

Military sources said air-to-ground missiles were used in Wednesday's raid. Reports from Beirut spoke of heavy casualties. They said ambulances were seen taking wounded from the collapsed target buildings while ammunition dumps exploded nearby.

The IDF disclosed, meanwhile, that the terrorists killed in recent days were carrying 60 kilos of explosives in addition to their rifles and large quantities of ammunition.

They wore red headbands inscribed with verses from the Koran, which seemed to identify them with Hezbollah, the so-called "Party of God," an extremist Shiite Moslem sect linked to Iran.

**YOM YERUSHALAYIM CELEBRATED  
WHILE UNREST GOES ON IN NABLUS**

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, June 1 (JTA) -- Yom Yerushalayim, the 22nd anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem, was celebrated by thousands of Israelis Thursday while violence continued unabated in the West Bank.

There were speeches, marches and rallies in the Old City, captured by Israel in 1967, and conditions generally were peaceful under heavy police protection.

But extreme right-wingers, led by Knesset members Geula Cohen and Eliczer Waldman of Tehiya and Rehavam Ze'evi of Moledet, marched through the Moslem Quarter and got pelted with bottles by Arab youths. The march ended with a peaceful rally in the Jewish Quarter.

Police fired tear gas and wielded nightsticks to forestall a potential riot.

Parades that bypassed Arab neighborhoods generated no disturbances.

The police backed off from their earlier ban on waving Israeli flags in the Old City, but it did prevent Jewish demonstrators from carrying

nationalist posters.

A group known as the "Temple Mount faithful," which calls for Jewish seizure of the Temple Mount, site of the Dome of the Rock, were allowed to enter the Temple Mount in pairs but without flags.

Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin delivered the Jerusalem Day keynote speech, at a memorial service for Six-Day War dead on Mount Herzl.

Rabin drew a parallel between the efforts of Arab armies to destroy Israel with tanks, bombs and artillery and the present-day attempts with "stones, bottles and knives."

According to Rabin, "there is no easy solution because the purpose of our enemies is still the same evil purpose: to get rid of us and take over our places."

Even as Rabin spoke, riots were breaking out in the Nablus casbah. About 50 Palestinians were reported wounded in clashes with Israeli security forces there.

The Israel Defense Force raided the nearby Arab town of Salfit, which was placed under a general curfew. Soldiers rounded up suspects.

One West Bank Arab, a resident of Yabad village, was murdered Thursday, apparently for alleged collaboration with the Israeli authorities.

Another suspected collaborator in Nablus was attacked with a hatchet and severely wounded.

**ISRAEL TO INSTITUTE NEW SYSTEM  
FOR GAZANS TO ENTER GREEN LINE**

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, June 1 (JTA) -- Israel is planning a new system to screen Palestinians from the Gaza Strip who wish to enter the country, barring those with criminal or security records.

The plan, which takes effect on June 6, has been approved by Gen. Yitzhak Mordechai, commander of the southern region, Ha'aretz reported Thursday.

The general intends to personally supervise the new measures.

Members of the Gaza Strip civil administration, the security forces, police and southern command soldiers will participate in its implementation, Ha'aretz said.

As of June 6, any Gaza Strip Arab who wishes to enter Israel to work, trade, tour or for any other legitimate purpose must report to assembly centers designated by the civil administration.

These will be schools or other centrally located public buildings.

Once there, they will be subject to questioning by members of the civil administration, the police, the Israel Defense Force or other security forces.

The prospective entrants will have to present their ID cards for security and police checks. If their records are clean, they will be issued magnetized ID cards valid for a limited time, which will allow them to travel freely in Israel without being arrested.

The authorities plan to issue more than 150,000 entry cards to Gaza Strip residents in the next two months, Ha'aretz reported.

Mordechai defined the grounds for rejecting an applicant, which will include anyone with a

police criminal record, a security record, a conviction for participating in a serious disturbance, conviction for sex-related crimes or membership in a terrorist organization.

Arabs released from administrative detention probably will not be granted entry permits.

# COST OF INTIFADA ESTIMATED AT \$650 MILLION, INCLUDING TOURISM By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, June 1 (JTA) -- The Palestinian uprising, now in its 18th month, has had adverse effects on the Israeli economy, according to the 1988 annual report released Wednesday by the Bank of Israel, the country's central bank.

A 4.2 percent decline of exports last year was among the most serious, Michael Bruno, the bank's governor, told a news conference.

He said the loss amounted to \$650 million, of which \$280 million represented tourist dollars that were not spent in Israel because the intifada kept visitors away.

Tourism is an "invisible" export.

Furthermore, the climate of uncertainty arising from the ongoing violence deterred investors and consumers -- both foreign and Israeli -- from putting money into the economy, Bruno said.

He described those losses as incalculable.

On the other hand, business productivity was down only 1.5 percent, less than expected.

But the uprising cut Israel's trade with the West Bank and Gaza Strip by about 40 percent. Imports from the territories were down by 48 percent.

# PHONES DOWN AS BEZEK STRUCK By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, June 1 (JTA) -- Residents of the greater Tel Aviv area were without full telephone service Thursday as a result of a dispute between the government-owned Bezek Telecommunications Corp. and workers striking for higher wages.

The Bezek management instituted what it called a "protective lock-out" and appealed to Histadrut, the labor federation, to intervene.

Histadrut said its trades unions department does not control all the striking employees and it doubted they would heed a back-to-work call.

Meanwhile, telephone subscribers were without the operator-manned overseas telephone service. They could not call for information, report malfunctions or get repairs.

Direct dialing services and leased lines continued to operate, as long as there were no breakdowns requiring repairs.

# AMERICAN RESCUES AILING CARPET CO. By David Landau

JERUSALEM, June 1 (JTA) -- A \$25 million cash infusion by an unnamed American Jewish investor seems to have saved the Carmel Carpet Co., the principal employer in the township of Or Akiva, near Hadera.

The firm, some \$40 million in debt to the banks and verging on bankruptcy, is owned by Avraham Shapira, a former Knesset member of the Orthodox Agudat Israel party.

Its American savior is reported to be an Orthodox Jew.

News of the deal was a relief to employees and creditors alike. Production, which had been cut back, will be resumed and back wages are

expected to be paid.

The banks that loaned money to Carmel will be repaid over a period of years.

# E.C. PUTS PRESSURE ON ISRAEL TO REOPEN W. BANK SCHOOLS By Yossi Lempkowicz

BRUSSELS, June 1 (JTA) -- The European Community is applying strong pressure on Israel to reopen Palestinian schools in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, which were shut down as a security measure.

The 12 E.C. member states, currently chaired by Spain, issued a joint statement here Wednesday night expressing their "serious concern" over the "persistent decision" of the Israeli authorities to keep the schools closed.

The statement called on the Israelis to "reconsider urgently" their policy of shutting down schools, including those run by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees.

Arab universities, high schools and elementary schools have been closed during most of the 17 months of the Palestinian uprising, by order of the Israeli military authorities.

The stated reason was that the schools, particularly high schools and colleges, were hotbeds of Palestinian nationalism and the source of violent demonstrations.

The E.C. statement read: "The Twelve consider that this measure, which is contrary to the basic right to education, threatens the future of a whole generation of young Palestinians.

# ISRAEL TO SHOW OFF HARDWARE AT PARIS AIR SHOW NEXT WEEK By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, June 1 (JTA) -- Israel will display its most sophisticated technology at the Paris Air Show opening at Le Bourget Airport next week, confirming its ranking among the world's top dozen military exporters.

The Israeli equipment will include electronics, avionics, advanced ordnance drones, unmanned ground equipment and specialized computers, all of which it hopes will fill their manufacturers' order books.

Israel exports military equipment to the United States -- which has selected the Soltam company to produce its 120 mm. mortars -- Britain, France and Italy, and to countries throughout Asia, Africa and Latin America.

According to unconfirmed reports, it is selling modern tanks and artillery to China.

But the competition is stiff. More than 140 countries, including the biggest arms exporters, are showcasing their wares at what has become the most important annual exhibition of aviation-based high technology.

Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin will be visiting Paris for the show and for talks with France's Prime Minister Michel Rocard and Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement.

Rabin is also scheduled to meet with leading industrialists and high-ranking military officers from France and other countries.

The commander of the Israel Air Force and the chief of military intelligence will attend the show. But Israel's highest ranking officer, Chief of Staff Gen. Dan Shomron, is staying home this year because of continuing unrest in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

## MIKHOELS CENTER ANGERS WJC OVER TREATMENT OF ISRAELI

By Susan Birnbaum

NEW YORK, June 1 (JTA) -- An official of the World Jewish Congress has strongly protested the treatment of a visiting Israeli professor by the director of the new Jewish cultural center in Moscow, where the Israeli was scheduled to lecture.

"I am embarrassed and appalled at the way you and your colleagues appear to have treated a man who was sent to the Soviet Union on behalf of the World Jewish Congress," wrote Isi Leibler, WJC vice president, to Mikhoels Center director Mikhail Gluz.

Leibler has also threatened to withhold promised funds, which were earmarked to provide a replica of an exhibit at the Diaspora Museum in Tel Aviv, and an audio-visual center.

He said the WJC will seek alternative premises in Moscow for the museum, and "we have little doubt that the Soviet government at the highest levels is willing to cooperate with us," he wrote in his letter of May 31.

Leibler, who lives in Australia, was referring to a report from Professor Yaacov Roi upon his return to Jerusalem.

Roi was in the Soviet Union with other Israelis, including former refuseniks, to attend an emigration conference in Moscow at which he spoke on "The Historical Link Between Soviet Domestic Developments and Jewish Emigration."

The Israelis received their visas late and missed most of the conference.

They were also late for the subsequent conference of Jewish representatives in Riga because of complications arranging the trip to Riga, Roi reported.

Roi returned to Moscow May 23, where he was slated to speak at the center under the auspices of the Jewish Cultural Association. He was to lecture and return to Israel that day.

Roi said he was told upon arrival that Gluz had not given permission for him to speak and had left town. His assistant, wrote Roi, told over 20 people who came to hear him that the lecture would not take place.

"Gluz's pretext had been that it was scheduled for midday, while normally events take place in the evenings," Roi wrote, "but the people who met me there said that the real reason was that I am an Israeli and that my topic was an Israeli one."

Gluz is musical director of the Moscow Jewish Musical Theater and travels frequently with the troupe, which has been to the United States, Australia and Israel.

Gluz's activities have been suspect by Soviet Jewry activists, who believe he receives travel privileges because of his cooperation with government authorities.

Roi succeeded in giving his talk in a small room, in which the 25 to 30 people who attended scarcely fit.

## DINITZ NAMES SOVIET JEWRY ADVISER

By Cathrine Gerson

JERUSALEM, June 1 (JTA) -- Yuli Kosharovsky, a former refusenik who made aliyah three months ago, was appointed this week as special adviser on Soviet Jewry issues to the Jewish Agency by Simcha Dinitz, chairman of the Jewish Agency-World Zionist Organization Executive.

Kosharovsky will deal with the different cultural and educational programs initiated by the Jewish Agency in the Soviet Union.

He will also advise the Agency in all areas concerning the absorption of Soviet Jewry in Israel.

Kosharovsky was among the recipients of the Jewish Agency's Jerusalem Prize for Religious Education in the Diaspora given by President Chaim Herzog on Wednesday.

Among other recipients of the prize was Dr. Ze'ev Dashevsky, who is still a refusenik, and Britain's chief rabbi, Lord Immanuel Jakobovits, who was not present at the ceremony due to illness.

## FRANKFURT COUNCILMAN QUILTS OVER HIS ANTI-SEMITIC REMARKS

By David Kantor

BONN, June 1 (JTA) -- A member of the Frankfurt City Council resigned Wednesday, hours after Interior Minister Gottfried Milde of the federal state of Hesse brought charges against him for making a pernicious anti-Semitic remark.

The councilman, Erich Gutjahr, belongs to the neo-Nazi National Democratic Party, which created a stir by polling 6.6 percent of the municipal vote in the Frankfurt elections on March 12.

But the NPD joined other parties in condemning Gutjahr's remarks and said it would move to expel him.

Both the public prosecutor in Frankfurt and the Central Council of Jews in Germany, the umbrella organization of Jewish communities in West Germany, have initiated legal action against Gutjahr for alleged incitement against Jews.

The NPD councilman was quoted in an interview published in the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung last week as saying, "The Jews are robbing us again."

He also attacked President Richard von Weizsacker of West Germany, a dedicated anti-Nazi and friend of the Jewish community.

Frankfurt has the largest Jewish population of any city in the Federal Republic. The Central Council of Jews said Gutjahr's remarks were a sign of the danger of allowing extreme right-wing and neo-Nazi parties to penetrate the municipal legislature.

## KNESSET MEMBERS MEET WEIZSACKER

By David Kantor

BONN, June 1 (JTA) -- A delegation of Knesset members and other Israelis met with President Richard von Weizsacker of West Germany on Thursday, shortly before he was scheduled to leave for the United States.

The Israelis were invited here by the Justice Ministry on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the German Federal Republic.

According to a participant in the meeting, the president and his guests focused on comparisons between the Israeli and West German elections systems.

The Israelis, who are considering electoral reform, showed interest in adopting some of the German methods, the participant said.

The Palestinian uprising and Israel's recent peace initiative were also discussed.

Von Weizsacker is due in Washington on Friday to attend several events marking his country's anniversary. He is also scheduled to meet with American Jewish groups.

# **WOMEN'S PEACE CONFERENCE ENDS UNABLE TO AGREE ON STATEMENT**

By Yossi Lempkowicz

BRUSSELS, June 1 (JTA) -- A peace seminar attended by more than 50 Jewish and Arab women ended here last weekend with pledges to meet again and work together for an end to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

But the participants were unable to agree on a joint political statement.

The event, organized by the Secular Jewish Community Center, headed by David and Simone Susskind, was attended mainly by Israeli women and Palestinian women from the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

They were joined by Jewish women from the United States, Britain, France and Belgium.

The Israelis included two members of parliament, Nava Arad of the Labor Party and Shulamit Aloni of the Citizens Rights Movement.

The seminar was held at European Community headquarters, with the PLO representatives from Brussels and The Hague attending as observers.

According to Simone Susskind, such gatherings must continue "in order to break the psychological barriers between Israelis and Palestinians."

But the barriers persisted when it came to the seven-point political statement for which unanimous endorsement was sought.

Arad, the Labor Knesset member, refused to approve the document because it didn't agree with her party's platform.

Aloni, whose small faction sits in the opposition, insisted there was "only minor disagreement about the wording of the text."

Another participant stressed that although "specific points" created problems, everyone "agreed on the principles."

## **Conflict Over PLO**

The conflicting points reportedly concerned the issue of PLO representation among Palestinians and the call for an independent Palestinian entity.

The statement called for Israeli-Palestinian territorial separation in compliance with U.N. Security Council Resolutions 181, 242 and 338, and an end to Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Resolution 181 is the original resolution partitioning Palestine into Jewish and Arab states, which the U.N. General Assembly adopted on Nov. 29, 1947.

The statement also spoke of self-determination and sovereignty for the Palestinian nation.

Several Palestinians expressed disappointment that unanimity eluded the gathering. But they stressed that the meeting was "just a start."

Hanan Ashrawi, an art professor at Bir Zeit University in the West Bank, said the participants had shown a "great sense of responsibility, seriousness and maturity."

The peace initiative being pressed by Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, which calls for Palestinian elections to choose representatives to negotiate with Israel, was not discussed during the two-day seminar.

Yael Dayan, an Israeli author close to the Labor Party and the daughter of the late Moshe Dayan, observed it was the only plan around and since there were no options, "we should use the Likud's moderation as long as it exists."

# **SEPHARDIC JEWS RACE THE CLOCK TO COMPLETE '92 COMMEMORATION**

By David Kantor

TOLEDO, Spain, June 1 (JTA) -- A dedicated group known as Sephard '92 is working against time to complete their project -- "The Rediscovery of Jewish Spain" -- by 1992, the year Spain will celebrate the 500th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of the New World.

It will also be the quincentennial of the expulsion of Jews from Spain by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella.

While the commemoration of the voyage of discovery will be a celebration, the re-discovery of Jewish Spain will be an acknowledgment of what Spain lost when its Jews were banished.

Sephard '92 is working in close collaboration with the government and public and private organizations in Spain and other countries to accomplish its ambitious agenda.

To help the government disseminate information about the history and culture of Spanish Jews, Sephard '92 announced last week that it will re-create the famous Toledo school of translators by 1992.

Spanish Jews contributed greatly to the school, which was vital in transmitting classical culture to Europe.

Jews who lived in Toledo and elsewhere in Spain were also noted for their scientific accomplishments in the fields of astronomy, cartography and medicine.

Noteworthy, too, are the contributions made by Spanish Jews who served as royal advisers, politicians, financiers and community leaders.

Many Jews were ministers in both the Moslem and Christian states of Spain at a time when that was impossible in the rest of Europe.

Sephard '92 intends to call attention to that history through high-school and university-level courses; academic, artistic and literary competitions of international scope; and congresses, symposia and a large-scale traveling exhibition to tour cities in Spain and abroad.

The group plans to publish books, leaflets and journals and to restore monuments of religious and artistic interest.

It will promote tourist travel along routes that traverse what was Jewish Spain. They will also distribute videocassettes, films and records on Sephardic subjects.

A facsimile edition of the famous Bible of Ferrara will be produced, a biblical garden will be created in Toledo and a monument will be erected to Jewish Spain.

## **STUDENTS ARRIVE ON KESHER '89**

By Cathrine Gerson

JERUSALEM, June 1 (JTA) -- Some 500 Jewish university students arrived at Ben-Gurion airport early Thursday morning on Keshet '89.

At the official welcoming ceremony, Transport Minister Moshe Katsav called on the group to immigrate to Israel so that their "children and children's children will be proud of them."

The group will spend 10 days in Israel on a fact-finding mission under the auspices of President Chaim Herzog "to test our level of involvement in Israel, and our relation to the state," according to Cindy Sofer, one of the participants.

During their stay here, the 500 students -- aged 20 to 40 -- will meet with Israeli students in order to study the possibility of aliyah.