

**JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS**

WASHINGTON (WNS)--The Senate approved and sent to the House two bills which would provide Israel with \$85 million in grants and \$300 million in credits for military purchases and \$15 million in economic aid for schools, hospitals and other institutions.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Chou En-lai, premier of the People's Republic of China, has declared that China cannot now open normal relations with Israel despite her UN vote to seat Mainland China and expel Taiwan. Chou said normal relations could not be resumed because Israel had started an "aggressive war" in the Middle East and normalization could not be achieved until the matter (peace) was settled.

NEW YORK--The American Jewish Congress was "shocked and outraged by the attempt of the U. S. State Department to diminish the severity of the situation facing Soviet Jews" in Department testimony before a House Foreign Affairs subcommittee.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Mayor John V. Lindsay announced the establishment of a city-funded pioneering \$400,000 program to teach English to Hassadic Jews so that they could compete for jobs.

WASHINGTON (WNS)--Two State Department officials, testifying before the House Foreign Affairs Committee's European subcommittee, said a Congressional resolution on the denial of Soviet Jews' rights "would be appropriate, but they denied that Soviet Jews "lived in a state of terror."

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- State Department spokesman Charles Bray said the Department would not be able to negotiate the reunion of Mrs. Rita Gluzman and her 18-month-old son, with their husband and father, Yakov. He said the Department preferred to concentrate on those Jews in the Soviet Union who want to join relatives in the U.S.

PARIS (WNS)--Three Jewish Businessmen, including David Amar, secretary of the Jewish Community Council, will be charged before a Rabat court, the Moroccan Ministry of Justice announced. They are charged with corruption and misuse of public funds and no anti-Semitism or anti-Jewish feeling is involved, but several dozen Jewish families are leaving Morocco each day.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Harold L. Fierman, New York lawyer and businessman, and one of five recipients of the Jewish Theological Seminary's 1971 Louis Marshall Memorial Medal, has established a Lectureship in Ethics at the Seminary in honor of Gen. David Sarnoff, honorary chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America.

BALTIMORE (WNS)--Citing the report of the non-sectarian Committee of Concern on the general persecution of the Syrian Jewish community and the specific tortures some of them have been subjected to, Alan D. Hecht, president of the Baltimore Jewish Community Council, has urged residents of this city to express to UN Secretary General U Thant and the Syrian Mission their concern over Syrian anti-Semitism and mistreatment of Syrian Jews.

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expressed views of Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir that Israel would not be forced into political concessions through the withholding of arms or planes needed for her defense. In her speech to the Israeli Knesset (Parliament), Mrs. Meir insisted that "Israel will not be prepared to agree to political conditions which undermine her security and future, even in return for a promise of the equipment needed for her security."

The public opinion survey shows further that Israelis who have long been resident in that country tend to be more optimistic about Israel's ability to defend herself without outside aid than are recent arrivals. However, even among the latter, the majority feel that the country

can survive even if cut off from U.S. military supplies.

In a further breakdown of the sampling by age and educational levels, the survey shows that the younger segments of the population tend to be more self-confident about Israel's own defense capabilities than do older people; and the higher the education level of the individual, the more concerned he seems to be about the dangers of Israel's possible isolation. Nevertheless, here too a majority of all groups expresses the view that the country can hold out.

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