JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK -- The E.E.C. Council of Ministers has concluded negotiations in Brussels on an agreement which stipulates that all Israeli industrial, and some agricultural, products sold within the European Common Market will become completely duty-free by July 1, 1977.

LOS ANGELES -- The Committee of Jurists and Attorneys of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith appealed to Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny to commute the death sentence handed down in the trial of Mikhail Leviev who was found guilty of economic crimes, announced Harvey B, Schechter, ADL's Pacific Southwest Regional Director.

NEW YORK - Harry E. Ekblom, Chairman, president and chief executive officer of European-American Bank & Trust Company and European-American Banking Corporation, has been named the 1975 recipient of the American Jewish Committee's Interfaith Achievement Award.

NEW YORK -- The enhancement of a program to strengthen the quality of Jewish family life in the United States and Canada is projected by the appointment of a group of experts, both lay and professional, by the Institute for Jewish Life, a division of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

NEW YORK -- The Institute for Jewish Life has awarded a grant to Gratz College to co-sponsor with the Institute an innovative approach for continuing education for Jewish adults.

NEW YORK -- Teachers of social studies, ethnic studies, and Jewish studies will find a useful new tool in the completely revised bibliography of Jewish history, heroes, literature and culture, just issued by the Institute of Human Relations of the American Jewish Committee. It is available, at 75 cents a copy, from the Institute of Human Relations, 165 East 56 Street, New York, N.Y. 10022.

NEW YORK -- The Union of American Hebrew Congregations today launched a "consciousness raising" drive and action campaign to make American Jews aware of the imperative to assist in the alleviation of hunger in the world.

NEW YORK (LNS) - Merkos L'Inyonei Chinuch, the educational arm of the Luba-vitcher movement, has announced the opening of five new regional offices in the United States and Canada, in its continually expanding efforts to serve the needs of the Jewish community.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, reporting to the Cabiner on his talks in Washington with President Ford, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and other Administration officials, presented an uncertain and non-optimistic picture of the political situation. But he expressed satisfaction over the state of bilateral relations between Israel and the United States.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- One day after a terrorist burled grenades in the Chen Cinema killing two persons and himself and injuring scores of patrons, the theater on Dizengoff Circle displayed a big sign saying "The Show Must Go On." Hundreds of Tel Aviveans lined up for a double feature.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Sephardic Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef disagrees with his Ashkenazic counterpart, Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren, that birth control pills are permissable if the mother has fulfilled the religious commandment of giving birth to at least one boy and one girl. Rabbi Yosef said the pill or any other form of contraception is allowable only for women whose lives would be endangered by pregnancy or who would suffer extreme pain.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz told some 150 Jewish leaders, all major contributors to the United Jewish Appeal, that the current crisis is one that demands meeting a "great challenge" not one of despair.

VAL S. BUHECKER, LEFT, PRESIDENT, CONSOLIDATED STUDENTS, UNLV, HAPPILY
ACCEPTS A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE
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