

HADASSAH PROVES ISRAEL'S HEALTH SERVICE TO ARABS BEST IN WORLD



FORTY DRUSE LEADERS, LED BY THEIR SPIRITUAL LEADER, SHEIKH AMEEN TAREEF, VISIT THE HADASSAH HOSPITAL IN JERUSALEM TO THANK THE DOCTORS AND NURSES AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF FOR THE AFFECTION WITH WHICH THEY TREATED THE LATE SHEIKH MINHAL MANSOUR, WHEN HE SPENT HIS LAST NINE MONTHS IN HADASSAH FOR A SERIOUS EYE COMPLAINT. IN THE PICTURE: SHEIKH AMEEN TAREEF (CENTER RIGHT) AND USEF HALEVI, A DRUSE NOTABLE, ARE RECEIVED BY PROF. I. MICHAELSON (LEFT) AND PROF. KALMAN J. MANN, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE HADASSAH MEDICAL ORGANIZATION. DR. MICHAELSON, WHO RECENTLY RETIRED AS HEAD OF THE OPHTHALMOLOGY DEPT., HAS PIONEERED IN FIGHTING TRACHOMA, RIVER BLINDNESS AND OTHER EYE DISEASES IN ISRAEL AND AFRICA.



JERUSALEM....ARAB STUDENTS FROM UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES IN CAIRO, DAMASCUS, AMMAN, KUWAIT AND BAGDAD, ARE SEEN VISITING THE CLINICS OF THE HADASSAH-HEBREW UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER IN JERUSALEM AND TALKING TO PATIENTS WAITING FOR THEIR TURN IN THE CLINICS. EACH YEAR, THOUSANDS OF ARABS VISIT ISRAEL THROUGH THE "OPEN BRIDGES" POLICY OF THE ISRAEL GOVERNMENT.



IN THE PEDIATRICS DEPARTMENT OF THE HADASSAH-HEBREW UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER, A BEDOUIN MEDICAL STUDENT EXAMINES A SMALL ARAB PATIENT.

NEW YORK -- Condemning members of the World Health Organization for politically motivated criticism of Israel's health services to residents of the administered areas, Rose E. Matzkin, President of Hadassah, said:

"The Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center in Jerusalem provides open-heart surgery, kidney dialysis and other sophisticated and costly medical services to the Arab population of Gaza, the West Bank and even Jordan, in addition to providing primary health care services in hospitals and clinics.

"As a matter of fact," Mrs. Matzkin says, "Arabs from the neighboring Arab countries regularly come to Hadassah through contacts they have with relatives living in Israel and the West Bank, and they are welcomed.

"Hadassah doctors work side-by-side with Arab doctors in the Children's Hospital at Ramallah and in clinics in the West Bank...As U.S. administrator for the Food for Peace Program, Hadassah distributes food supplements such as dried milk and eggs, to Arab institutions to raise the nutritional level for children, pregnant women, and the sick and aged. And all of this has paid off in the amazing improvement of the health and welfare of the Arab population in the administered territories.

"You can understand, therefore, how shocked we are that, despite the report of the W.H.O. investigator approving of Israel's health services in these areas, that members of the W.H.O. would condemn Israel."

The Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center is the largest medical complex in the entire Middles East, serving patients from Europe, Asia, and Africa. Its doctors, nurses, technicians and public health workers have served in Africa for years working to eliminate blindness and setting up blood banks. Its research programs in Mediterranean blood disease and allied fields reach into hospitals, clinics and laboratories throughout the Eastern Mediterranean.



JERUSALEM . . . IN THE OUT-PATIENTS CLINIC OF THE HADASSAH-HEBREW UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER, ARABS FROM EAST JERUSALEM AND THE WEST BANK CHAT WHILE WAITING FOR THEIR TURN FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT IN THE CLINICS.

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