

FEARS OF JEWS UNWARRANTED

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Albert D. Chernin, the newly-elected executive vice-chairman of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council has urged American Jews not to be overwhelmed by fears of an erosion of American public support for Israel and that anti-Jewish sentiment was gaining serious ground in the United States.

"The greater danger is not in failing to see the new problems threatening Jewish life, but in failing to recognize the new status enjoyed by the American Jewish community," he told the 450 delegates attending the NJCRAC's annual plenary session here. "The greater danger is basing our behavior and programs on the belief that American Jews are struggling to achieve their goals in a sea of hostility," he declared.

He said "a little paranoia is a realistic perception of Jewish history and essential to our survival." But Chernin warned that a "blind attitude" by American Jews to-



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ward their "hospitable conditions" could lead to "postures that elicit the very antagonism they seek to prevent."

Chernin succeeds Isaiah M. Minkoff who retired after being the NJCRAC's chief executive since its founding in 1941.

Admiral Isaac C. Kidd, Jr., commander-in-chief of the U.S. Navy's Atlantic Fleet, will be principal speaker at the national commander's banquet Saturday, August 9, the closing event of the 80th annual Jewish War Veteran's encampment, to be held at the Frontier Hotel, August 4 through August 10. Other speakers include Hank Greenspun.

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