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## Aid for Guatemala

With all of the problems facing world Jewry, Jews in the United States and in Israel can be proud that they have taken time out to help the earthquake stricken people of Guatemala. The Jewish population of that Central American re-public is small so the aid is not just for Jews but all of the victims,

The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee with its long record of aid to needy Jews donated \$10,000 to help the disaster victims in Guatemala and offered to lend its relief workers

to aid Guatemala.

B'nai B'rith has started gathering funds. supplies, and Volunteers to help Guatemala. It has also adopted Chinaluta, a small rural town where about 80 percent of the homes were destroyed, leaving 4500 people homeless. In addition many individual American Jews have offered funds and other services.

The people of Israel, who are suffering under a crushing economic burden, have also donated aid for Guaremala. Three planeloads carried a total of 46,000 pounds of supplies. Donors were also the government and Israel Aviation Industries. The people of Israel have never been so concerned with their own many problems that they could not offer to help earthquake victims in Latin America, flood victims in Rumania and the starving in Africa.

This is a fulfillment of the ancient teaching Hillel, who said: "If I am not for myself, of Hillel, who said: "If I am not for myself, who will be; If I am only for myself, what am

# Behind The Scenes

By DAVID HOROWITZ

## State of World

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- It's strange but The more the Arabs, the Soviets and the so-called third world countries preoccupy themselves with their sinister maneuvers versus the State of the Israel, the more it appears they find themselves embroiled in serious squabbles

among themselves.

Viewing the scene from this global 'barometer.' no matter where one may turn, the picture that emerges is one of confusion and strife.

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PRESIDENT EPHRAIM KATZIR OF ISRAEL GREETING ESTHER R. LANDA, NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN, DURING HER RECENT VISIT IN ISRAEL TO FINALIZE PLANS FOR A SERIES OF EDUCATIONAL COLOQUIA BEING SPON-SO ED BY NCJW THIS SPRING AT 4 MAJOR AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES

find themselves caught in a political quagmire. They are compelled to worry about problems that

hit nearer home.

To this writer it appears clear that an unseen hand is work above and beyond the machinations of man.

Let us take Lebanon. This base for terrorist attacks against the Jewish State stands out as retributory example of how Providence works in forcing to the fore a situation where the enemy is confounded in the manner so clearly pres-cribed by the Hebrew Prophets for those who conspire the destruction of the People of the Book In that unfortunate country they fought "each man against his neighbor, city against city,"

man against his neighbor, city against city," at the cost of some 20,000 casualties.

Yasir Arafat, the modern Philistine archenemy of Jewry, took it upon himself to blame "the Zionists and the U.S." for what had happened. Perhaps he was not entirely wrong in this if we take into consideration the biblical view that it was the "Watchman" of the children of Israel who had a finger in it all.

Lebanon itself, which had been warned time and again by Israel against giving sanctuary and

and again by Israel against giving sanctuary and succor to the PLO terrorists, paid a high price for not having heeded the warning and today this worn-torn country finds itself under the 'pro-tection' of those terrorists who, under Syrian control, appear to be running the show in Beirut. And we have not seen the end yet. And as for Syria itself, this intransigent Soviet - supported nation finds itself at logger-heads not only with Iraq over differences in Baarbier ideology, but also with the form

Baathist ideology but also with its former 'UAR' partner, Egypt.

Moreover, in the identical Providential pat-

tern, Algeria, an Arab League member, is cur-rently on the threshhold of war with Morocco, another Arab League member, over the Spanish Sahara, and the Sudan is having serious problems with its large population of blacks in the south. Thus, also, Ethiopia, is bedeviled by Somalia' over disputed territory and Indonesia stands condemned by its third world colleagues on the question of its aggression in East Timor.

Libya, the PLO's staunchest supporter, is in the doghouse with Egypt and some of the other 'moderates' in the Arab world and there's an underground movement in Qaddafi's unstable

country seeking his overthrow. France, the ex-friend of Israel, is in deep trouble with Somalia over the French territory of Afars and Issas where, at Djibouti, Paris maintains a strong base situated at the strate-gic entrance of the Red Sea flowing into the Indian Ocean. The Security Council is currently seized with the problem, as it is with the Comoros Islands also affecting France in the region between Madagascar and Mozambique on the African coast.

Add to all this the ongoing contest between Soviet Union and China in the battle to win over the third world states around the globe. We witnessed the latest confrontation in Angola where it now appears Moscow has pre-

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Russian leaders, but also on Russian Jews, who organized their demands. Slowly, demand for emigration was being met. Now the gates are closing shut again.

Brussels 2 will give Soviet Jews new inspiration. It will serve notice to the Kremlin that the civilized world expects Moscow to abide by all the international treaties and declarations of human rights to which it has subscribed, including the Helsinki Declaration of August, 1975, signed personally by Leonid Brezhnev for the USSR

Not only Jewish voices will be raised as a consequence of Brussels 2. Christian religious leaders from the U.S., Great Britain, Ireland. France, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland and Israel attended, coordinated by the National Interreligious Task Force on Soviet Jewry, of which Sister Ann Gillen of Chicago is Executive Director.

Christian delegates issued a "Call to Conscience." science," citing pronouncements by Pope Paul VI and the World Council of Churches, calling for promotion of human rights and religious liberty. They listed varities of persecution in-flicted on Jews and called for their termination, specifically:

Harassment and intimidation against persons who seek exit visas;

2) Wanton kidnapping of Jewish children and removing them to compulsary boarding schools:
3) Drafting young Jewish men into Armed

Forces as a punitive measure; 4) Sentencing innocent men and women to

prison on false charges;
5) Transfer of persons to psychiatric institutions for alleged "mental illness;"

6) Denial of professional status and educational opportunities;
7) Depriving of employment persons who

apply for visas; Exhorbitant taxation of gift monies sem as relief to Soviet Jews;

Ruthless and brutal imprisonment of all Prisoners of Conscience, both Jewish and Christian.

Etc. Sister Gillen expressed the hope that "Christians all over the world will respond to this call, and using their political freedoms to help others."

We thank God for the understanding from other religions and hope and pray, the combined voices will be heard in the USSR to ease the path of Soviet Jews from now on.

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The 81st annual convention of the Jewish War Veterans and its ladies auxiliary will be held at the Diploma: Hotel in Hollywood, Florida, from August 15 through August 22,

NEW YORK -- The 21 Tours College students who, have taken the Medical College Admission Test in the last three years have achieved some of the highest scores in the country, the Association of American Medical Colleges has reported. Touro College in N.Y.C. emphasizes relevance of Jewish heritage.

NEW YORK - Original artwork from Mc-Graw - Hill's "My Shalom, My Peace: Paint-ings and Poems by Jewish and Arab Children" (\$9.95) will be exhibited in 12 more cities during 1976 as part of an extensive art, nusic, and slide show sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal.

NEW YORK -- The 750 rabbis, and their wives attending the 76th annual Convention of the Rabbinical Assembly to be held at Grossinger's March 28th through April 1st will devote six bours of their Countries. hours of their Convention time to informal study and discussion in a "Lunch-and-Learn" program that will offer 28 courses in seven general areas.

NEW YORK -- Winners of the 1976 Frank L, Weil Awards and the Florence G. Heller Award of the National Jewish Welfare Board will be made at the Biennial Convention to be held in New Orleans, La., from March 24 to 28.