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## Unexpected Challenges

The year 5737 was one of unexpected changes and challenges for the Jewish people. It was a year of unrelenting stresses and strains. It was also a year in which Israel and world Jewry met qualitatively new developments with skill, resourcefulness and solidarity.

For Israel and Jews throughout the world the election defeat of the Labor government in Israel after an uninterrupted 29 years in power and the victory of Likud marked the end of an era. The old methods of dealing with economic, social and political problems, which has remained almost unchanged since the days of the yishuv, began to dissolve with the victory of Likud.

The most telling changes were those policies of the Begin government which impinged on foreign affairs. The inertia of the Labor government, its routine methods and vacillations on numerous foreign and domestic issues appeared, at least to some, to have been transcended by the charisma and continental charm of Premier Menachem Begin especially in his dealings with President Carter.

Overnight, Begin seemed to exude and personify a quality which Labor had willy-nilly permitted to wane: fierce determination, single-mindedness and sh'toltz -- pride -- in Jewishness and Zionism. At least, this is the way his supporters viewed him and even some of his enemies in the Arab and non-Jewish world. His politics and policies -- right or wrong -- seemed wrapped in a mystique of almost religious fervor.

Equally, the election of President Carter, a man whose personal and political traits appeared to be, in many instances, almost a mirror image of Begin, created a number of vexing problems for Israel in particular and Jews in general. If Carter's victory created great expectations that U. S. - Israel relations would continue smoothly, his resolve to end the Mideast conflict created consternation and apprehension in many Jewish quarters, because of the methods he employed and the ideas he promulgated.

Anxiety was generated by a number of Carter's moves, including his persistent call for a Palestinian homeland and his seemingly hasty and unwarranted rush to legitimize the terrorist Palestine Liberation Organization, which seemed to bode ill for Israel's ongoing quest and policies to achieve peace with secure and defensible borders.

Many of Carter's basic diplomatic gambits in the arena of Mideast diplomacy seemed to many to be calculated to make Israel look like the heavy in the Middle East. To many Jews, Israel seemed more isolated in the diplomatic arena this year than it had been for many years.

There were other shocks and strains as well. The Soviet government, despite the Helsinki Declaration and despite the proddings by the Carter Administration, continued to hound, vilify and incarcerate Jewish activists. In fact, it seemed to many that the Soviet government and its news media intensified the harassment of its Jewish citizens.

World Jewry was also forced to relive the horrors of Nazism with the emergence of neo-Nazi activities in West Germany and Austria, and the inability or unwillingness on the part of the U.S. immigration and Naturalization Service to apprehend and prosecute former Nazis



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living in this country.

The plight of Jews in Arab lands continued unabated and repressive right and left-wing regimes, especially in Latin America, enforced measures inimical to both Jews and non-Jews. Already even before the year 5738 bows in, world Jewry is faced again with moves by the Arabs, Communists and Third World nations to vilify and harass Israel in the United Nations General Assembly and in UNESCO.

World Jewry dare not sit back passively and hope that the forces of evil will simply dissipate their energies and that all will now be right in the world. If the Jewish people have to choose between an attitude of "sha shtihl" or "geshrei," the latter is preferable if only to spotlight the danger. It must mobilize its forces and resources to overcome.

Ecclesiastes teaches that "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." The season in 5738 is for intensified Jewish solidarity with the State of Israel and for a united front against all the enemies of the Jewish people. Jewish solidarity, no less than Israeli leadership, will be put to a severe test in the new year.

## Behind The Scenes

### At The United Nations

By DAVID HOROWITZ

A World-Union Press Feature

## Soviet Arafat Collusion

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- The 32nd session of the General Assembly opens here during the High Holy Day season -- on Tuesday, September 20, between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur -- and once again as in recent years some of the major items on the agenda focus on a series of viciously-drafted anti-Israel resolutions aimed at replacing 242 and 338 in compliance with the wishes of the PLO whose leadership this past week rebuffed President Carter by announcing its rejection of the two resolutions which alone can serve as the basis of a reconvened Geneva Conference.

Thus, the die appears cast and The White House will have to take another look at the whole issue involving PLO participation in Middle East talks. The PLO rejection of the resolutions may well turn out to be a blessing in disguise for Israel whose position on the Arafat terrorist gang is well-known.

But things here at the UN will not change much. What we are bound to witness is a Soviet-Arafat conspiracy dominating a renewed anti-Israel onslaught during the debates on the Middle East.

It now appears clear that the Kremlin leaders, unhappy and deeply disturbed over the ever-growing pro-U.S. - Western stance taken by Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Jordan, are planning to exploit Yasir Arafat and the PLO as levers in exerting pressure on the Arab world as a whole.

Arafat was feted in Moscow last week and the Soviets, aware of the Arabs' 'support' of the PLO, see in him the one expedient card with

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"One Man Plus The Truth  
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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First as the beginning of the regular year, as everyone else does.

The term, new year, is used by the Jews at this time to mean the new effort which they make to correct mistakes they may have made in the past. It is a new year of conscience, not the calendar.

Actually, the time when we get going all over again on duties and tasks temporarily suspended in the autumn. That's when school starts again after the summer vacation; that's when organizations start their activities again. It's a more logical break in the year than January the First.

At that important time, when the summer is over and the brisk breezes of Fall begin to arouse us, that the Jewish people take time out to try to stir themselves to improve the quality of their deeds.

They do this at worship services in their synagogues. They recite prayers thanking God for giving men and women the power to tell right from wrong. They sit silently and think about the errors they may have committed. They sing hymns in which the idea of forgiving others is emphasized. They listen to the rabbi who reminds them that believing in God means trying to make use of the powers for goodness and mercy which are deposited in all of us, but which we sometimes neglect. They hearken to the Shofar, which is a ram's horn, with a rousing sound, designed to awaken the conscience that might be slumbering.

On the tenth day of this period of penitence, or repentance, there takes place the observance of the Day of Atonement.

As recommended in the Book of Leviticus of the Bible (Chap. 23), the Day of Atonement is a day of fasting. Fasting makes us uncomfortable, so it makes us think of the discomfort we may have brought to others by our thoughtlessness or negligence. As with all Jewish holydays, the observance of Yom Kippur begins in the evening. The worship service then includes the singing of the hymn, Kol Nidre, which means All Vows, a plea for forgiveness for decisions made in haste and without regard for the feelings of others.

On Atonement Day the worshipper thinks of his faults and tries to atone for them; tries hard also to feel forgiveness for those who have wronged him. The prayerbook, the songs, the sermons, the large gathering in the temple.. all these lift him up to a new level of understanding and tenderness, and give him a new sense of the sacredness of life.

These days are high, that is, they lift the worshipper up in an effort to come closer to the Source of good conduct. They are holy, because nothing is more sacred than improving the relationship between people.

When the High Holydays are over, Jews wish one another a happy new year of the spirit. They say to one another, Good Yomtov, which means Happy Holiday. Or, they say, L'shannah Tovah, which is Hebrew for Happy New Year.

Although the Jewish High Holydays are the most important religious occasions for the Jewish people, there is nothing about the holydays which does not apply to all people. That is why one rabbi once told his congregation, the way that we can really atone is to strive to be at one with everyone.

which they can play their sinister game in offsetting rising American 'popularity' among the moderate Mideast states who are banking on Washington to play 'their game' versus the Jewish State.

The cunning Arafat himself -- ever shuttling between both the 'moderate' and the radical Arab states -- has not been too happy about the conflicting views the Arab leaders hold on PLO's role in any future Mideast talks -- the latest being the suggestion that the Arab League represent his organization. To counteract this divisionism, he decided to go over their heads

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