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## Salt 2

By Robert E. Segal

It may seem like unadulterated chutzpah many Jews for the Board of Trustees of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to register the unanimous vote, recently recorded, of endorsement for SALT II.

This is a Jewish issue?

Indeed, it is. Also a universal issue. An issue that overvaults parochial concerns in the Jewish community that have for years weighted down countless agendas in synagogues, federation meetings, conferences, and assemblies.

For if the 35 U.S. Senators now calling for a battle to the death against ratification of the second Strategic Arms Limitation talks prevail, an essential step to halt the possibility of planetary incineration will be impeded, if not lost forever. What will matter then all the valiant work in the organized Jewish community for emigration of Jews from the Soviet Union, for the security and economic progress of Israel, for ecumenical harmony here at home, for religious freedom, for the withering away of ancient habits of discrimination and bigotry?

To articulate such a "controversial" thought is to ask doubters to back away from the heat of argumentation for a few moments and try to envision a world without a cap on destructive

power running wild.

A wide - swinging opponent of SALT II like retired Major General John K. Singlaub has been denouncing the treaty proposal in terms suggesting he views it as a sell - out of all American defensive power, all security, all the glory of American macho. Chief of the Armed Forces command in South Korea before being chewed out by President Carter for his outof-turn comments about proposed troop withdrawals, Singlaub is co - chairman of the Coalition For Peace Through Strength. That militant unit claims 175 Congressmen and a strong array of civilians who hold the U.S. has lost far too much face in a turbulent world wherein the Soviet Union and this nation are destined for inevitable shoot out at high noon.

More temperate and scholarly opposition comes from such old war hands as Paul Nitze, former Secretary of the Navy, and Yale's Eugene Rostow, economist and former State Department aide. This school holds that ditching SALT II and attempting to regoup for later negotiations would lead us no closer to nuclear war. Theirs are important technical arguments worth careful consideration. But which of us, alarmed by the fast development of wideranging engines of death, wishes to afford the luxury of debating the likelihood of any nation, however highly armed, surviving thermonuclear

warfare?

Seven years ago, the Senate, by a vote of 88 to 2, adopted SALT I. Through the long years of negotiations, Republican and Democratic presidents alike have fought for acceptance of the assurance, however, tentative, that such curbs on the \$400 billion a year arms race can give us. Presidents Johnson, Nixon, Ford, and scores of other top American officials have told us again and again that gains made for us by SALT I and available to us under SALT II hold out the best hope for moving from preoccupation with the monster engines of war



YOUNG ISRAELI TENNIS PLAYERS AND THEIR COACH, TOURING THE U.S. AND CANADA IN EXHIBITIONS ON BEHALF OF THE ISRAEL TENNIS CENTERS, AND JUNIOR TOURNA-MENTS IN JUNE AND JULY. (FROM L-R: SHLOMO ZOREFF-COACH, DALIA KURIAT - 9 YEARS, AMOS MANSDORF - 13 YEARS, RONI BARAK - 12 YEARS AND GILAD BLOOM -

to a much - needed resumption of summit mee: -

ings on political matters.

President Carter, in announcing the Soviet-U.S. basic agreement on SALT II early in May, advanced the pact as one that "will lessen the danger of nuclear destruction while safeguarding our military security in a more stable, predictable, and peaceful world." In the view of State Secretary Vance, who had worked so long and patiently for the agreement, the treaty "will restrain the nuclear arms race, will lessen the likelihood of nuclear war.'

As efforts by some senators to kill or water down the treaty move ahead and as considerations of moral aspects of arms control are more and more subordinated to the cry for pride in military muscle, it is time to choose, time to speak up. That one Jewish organization, nurtured by the food of spiritual tradition, has the courage to voice opinion publicly on SALT II is cause for rejoicing.

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We are spending billions of dollars importing oil from bully OPEC shieks which is upsetting our balance of payments. Our standard of living could be curtailed! Our way of life altered! And what does our government do -- come out with a Susan B, Anthony dollar, How sad.

All we can hope for is that collectors will hoard them. Maybe they'll go the way of the

two - dollar bill - nowhere.

If Susan B. Anthony was the battler we suspect -- somehow she will fight to stay out of the lives of the American people. Shame,

## Hatikvah in English

By Rabbi Samuel M. Silver

The Bulletin doesn't say who wrote it, but it does say that the following words can be sung the melody of Hatikvah, Israel's anthem. The Bulletin is that of Temple Sinai, Los

Angeles, whose spiritual leader is that gifted Rabbi Hillel Silverman, whose late father, Rabbi Morris Silverman, is known far and wide as the editor of a siddur.

Dr. Hillel Silverman, is also famed for his scholarly and rhetorical accomplishments. His synagogue is one of the world's most beautiful,

a veritable religious palace. Well, to get back to the anthem. The Bulletin said you can sing these words to the Hatik-

The dream of ancient days Lives on in glory, A haunting song of praise. The homeless and the weary

Are taken from despair, Given a welcome, hope and loving care. Israel, O Israel, with pride we sing of thee, Dauntless, unconquered, valiant and free. May God ever guide thee, with His almighty helping hand.

May God stand beside thee in the Holy Land.

May God ever guide thee with His mighty

helping hand, May God stay beside thee in the Holy Land.

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