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No one can or should accuse the Ayatollah Ruholla Khomeini as being an Islamic version of Hitler. Hitler carried out the needs of Germany's militarists and the most reactionary industrialists and munitions manufacturers. Khomeini claims to be carrying out the ideals of Islamism, and that he is an honorable man.

Hitler carried out the extermination of II million people and devastated Europe. Khomeini has only sent several hundred people to their deaths, has instituted an iron rule in Iran and says he is carrying out the ideals of Islamism in combatting materialism, gluttony, licentiousness and imperialism, and claims he is an honorable man.

Yet, strangely enough, he has permitted an element of Hitler's method to emerge in his person - the technique of the big lie. In 1933, the psychotic leader of the Third Reich had some of his cronies set fire to the Reichstag and blamed it on the Communists. Hitler also blamed the social and economic ills that befell Germany after World War I on the Jews - and the Catholics, and the Protestants and the trade unions.

Khomeini, taking a leaf out of Hitler's Mein Kampf, spread the big lie when he charged that "the United States and its corrupt colony, Israel, are attempting to occupy" the Grand Mosque in Mecca and the Prophet's Mosque in Medina, two of the holiest shrines of the Moslem world. The immediate results were riots against American installations in several Moslem countries and the deaths of two Americans.

It is impossible to know how Khomeini himself squares his devotion to the Koran and the ideals of Islamism with spreading the big lie. When he calls, as he did, for the arming of every Moslem and when he spreads the big lie, he is not doing this to further the ideals of the Koraan or the needs of Iran's "revolution" against the excesses of its former ruler. He is doing this to divert attention from the problems -- and, yes, the suffering -- of the people of Iran.

Arming every Moslem will not solve the problems of hunger, of religious oppression, of the oppression of women and the absence of civil liberties in Iran. The people of Iran should demand bread, not bullets. They can't eat the latter.

## Forch From Israel Comes to N.Y.

NEW YORK, N.Y, -- A torch kindled at the tomb of the Maccabees near Jerusalem will be flown to the United States as part of the nation-wide celebrations of Chanukah being planned by Masada, the Youth Movement of the Zionist Organization of America.

The torch will be flown from Ben - Gurion Airport in Israel to Kennedy Airport in New York by El Al Airlines on December 16th and will be accompanied by Idit Shani, a representative of the Maccabi Hatzair youth movement of Israel.

## Behind The Scenes At The United Nations By DAVID HOROMITZ

Blum Blasts Arabs

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- The Arabs had their 'say' here last week -- a period charged with vicious anti - Israeli propaganda hitting its high mark of calumny with an all-day and evening commemoration earmarked as the "International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People."

But two events transpired during this much PLO - anticipated week of propaganda that took most of the satanic glee out of the Israeli enemies' scheme to downgrade and besmirch

the People of the Book.

First was the unexpected injection into this world organization of the Iranian crisis as seized by the Security Council by the request of Kurt Waldheim, a development which diverted much UN attention from the pro - PLO campaign

Next was a fiery 'missile striking the tyranny of the majority,' the ungodly Goliath of the Assembly, manipulated by Ambassador Yehuda Z. Blum who was at his brilliant best in shattering the Arab 'Big Lie.'

And what a masterful address it was! Blum went back in history and reminded the delegations of historic facts seemingly forgotten by them. He chose 27 November to deliver it, two days before the 29th, the date in 1947 during which this organization sanctioned the establishment of the Jewish State, and the date spitefully selected by the Arabs and the majority here as a time to vent "an unending tirade of invectives" against Israel.

Blum made it clear, by citing facts and figures, that prior to the British Mandate there was no "Arab political entity called Palestine. Throughout history," he stated, "there has never been a kingdom, a Principality, let alone a State, called Palestine. The term 'Palestine,' was given currency by the Romans in an attempt to obliterate the Jewish character of the Land of Israel....Only after the First World War was Palestine created as a separate political entity for the specific purpose of reconstituting a national home for the Jewish people therein."

Blum went on to note that, "in so doing, the League of Nations recognized that only one people in history has, for 3,000 years and more, preserved and maintained its unbroken links with the Holy Land. That people is the Jewish people. The association of the Jewish people with the Land of Israel has become part and parcel of the history of mankind, inextricably entwined in the fabric and texture of world culture. Here at the UN constant attempts have been made over the past 30 years to obscure the inseparable bond between the Jewish people and the Jewish homeland. But no amount of distortion and fabrication in this building can undo so central a fact of the political, spiritual, cultural and religious history of the world.

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"The Jewish people," he emphasized, "has the longest unbroken historical association with the Holy City...The bond between the Jewish people and the Land of Israel also found expres-



the U.S. has adopted in recent years have encouraged our adversaries to defy us with impunity

Only thus can we save the dollar from further deterioration and the imminent danger of a collapse of the international monetary system. Furthermore, the President can, and indeed must, devise an agenda that calls for far greater American preparedness; principally, the establishment of special mobil military units with formidable strike capability available for dispatch to or stationed within reach of areas of strategic importance to the U.S. Such units should also be trained to deal with terrorist activities aimed at American interests at home and abroad.

Certainly, the Ayotollah Khomeini has handed the President an historic opportunity not only to save his declining presidency, reviving his chances for re—election, but also an opportunity to save American pride and esteem in the eyes of our friends and foes.

It must be made abundantly clear that U.S. conduct in both its foreign and domestic policies during the last four administrations has portrayed both the American government and people as irresolute, oblivious, naive, and apathetic, and to a great extent, isolationist. America is no longer held up as a model, either for its socio - economic progress or for its political and strategic planning. Our democratic institutions, which we hold in high regard, have also been compromised and are often left open to exploitation and abuse.

Although it is debatable whether history makes leaders or leaders make history, this much can be said of recent events in Iran; they are a blessing in disguise. Will the current administration rise to the occasion and transform a tragic situation into a proud chapter in our history? Now more than at any time since World War II, an American president can set the nation on a new course, reach out for a new horizon, and offer a new national purpose. The country is ready.

sion as a matter of course in the League of Nations Mandate for Palestine. The Preamble of the Mandate referred to 'the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people' and stressed 'the historical connection of the Jewish people with Palestine, and...the grounds for reconstituting' -- I repeat, reconstituting -- 'their national home in that country'.'

Menachem Begin's spokesman here pulled no punches. He called a spade a spade as he continued in his lengthy address to expose the true character and aims of the PLO, "the murder organization" which, he noted, "chooses only to attack civilian targets with the aim of mass murder...."



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