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Slowdown in Jews Leaving USSR

Concern is growing over the sharp drop in Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union. Only 15,000 Jews left the USSR during the first six months of this year as compared to 25,000 during the same period in 1979.

Most experts do not believe that the decrease in emigration is due to the increased East-West tensions as a result of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. In fact, it may be due to internal problems. Jewish emigration is encouraging others to want to leave, the Armenians, for example.

Whatever the reason, the drop in emigration is serious, especially as officially - sponsored anti - Semitism continues in the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union is violating international treaties it has signed, such as the Helsinki Accords, in preventing free emigrations.

This is why we welcome the promise of Max Kampleman, co - chairman of the Committee on Security and Cooperation in Europe that the United States delegation will bring up Soviet Jewry at Madrid in November when the Helsinki Accords are reviewed. Not only emigration should be discussed. The illegal imprisonment of Anatoly Shcharansky and other Jewish activists as well as Soviet dissidents should also be on the agenda. The Soviet Union must be made to understand that if it wants to be treated as a legitimate member of the international community it must begin acting like one.

Behind The Scenes

At The United Nations

By DAVID HOROWITZ

A World-Union Press Feature

Is UN

Sponsoring Terror?

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- As the Arab-sponsored Special General Assembly session opened here on Tisha B'Av in a spirit of hate reminiscent of Hitlerian days, this world organization was seized with a significant legal document which, in meticulous detail debunked a series of pro - PLO 'studies' which has been prepared here by the now notorious "Special Unit on Palestinian Rights" within the UN Secretariat under the "close guidance" of the biased and bitterly anti - Israeli "Special Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People."

The legal document, containing an Annex under the heading "Israel, the UN and International Law Memorandum of Law," the work of the world - famous professor Julius Stone, was submitted by Ambassador Yehuda Z. Blum to the Secretary - General for circulation as both a



Security Council and General Assembly paper. The PLO and their supporters here having for so long exploited and enjoyed the propaganda field within the House with the continuous publication of anti - Israeli studies and the production of films, this writer was delighted at long last to note the beginning of a vital countermove by Israel exposing the pro - PLO

Big Lie via indisputable legal documentation. Of course, Prof. Blum has often proved the lie of Arab argumentation in his many brilliant speeches, but this appears to be the first time that the Israeli Mission has countered the pro-PLO 'studies' with a comprehensive legal document.

In his covering letter to Waldheim, Ambassador Blum refers to the four pro-PLO 'studies' and lists their titles, the first of which, coming under the heading "The Origins and Evolution of the Palestine Problem, Part I: 1917 - 1947, and Part II: 1947 - 1977," he had strongly objected to at the time of its publication.

"The three new pseudo - scientific publications are no less objectionable than the first one," he told the UN chief. "Emblazoned with the emblem of the UN, and carrying the imprimatur of the Secretary - General, these later 'studies' are designed not only to give further currency to a completely misleading version of the history of the Arab - Israel conflict, but also to propagate bodus theories with regard to a number of complex legal issues connected with the Arab - Israel conflict.

Then putting the blame directly on the world organization, the eloquent Israeli Ambassador charged that, "by producing and disseminating these publications, the United Nations is serving the cause of international terror, not the cause of international peace. In the process, the UN has once again misused international funds, gravely compromised the integrity of the Secretariat and exposed the organization to severe and more than justified criticism."

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of it," he had answered, "I'm 32."

His mind went back to that book one of his home - town Bostonian friends had sent him while he was in the U.S. Marine training camp in San Diego. Milton Steinberg's *As a Driven Leaf* it was - the novel which dealt with the heretic Talmudic scholar Elisha ben Avuyah who lived during the first half of the second century whose life represents the conflict between religion and philosophy. Throughout the book were notes along the margins in a woman's handwriting. He had never before believed that a woman could comprehend the issues arising out of the relationship and interaction of these two fields as the notes revealed and yet look so tenderly into a man's heart. Her name was on the bookplate: Rachel Reznikoff. He found her address in the Boston telephone directory.

He had written to her and she had answered. Through their correspondence, much to his amazement, he had discovered that during their childhood years, they had lived within five blocks of each other in Boston. They had attended the same Talmud Torah in Dorchester. They had studied with the same Hebrew teachers. Although they had never met, when he had been shipped out of the country, they had gone on writing.

A young woman was walking towards him. She was tall and slender; her chestnut - brown hair fell in loose waves to the back of her neck. Her dark - brown eyes were large and deep set; her lips and chin had a gentle firmness. In her bright yellow suit, she was like spring-time come alive.

He started walking towards her, forgetting that she was not wearing a rose, and as she moved a small provocative smile curved her lips.

"Hi, going my way, Corporal?" she murmured.

He took one step closer to her. Then he saw Rachel Reznikoff.

She was standing almost directly behind the girl, a woman well past forty, her gray streaked hair tucked under a worn hat. She was plump and heavy limbed; her thick ankled feet were thrust into low - heeled shoes. But she wore a red rose on her wrinkled coat.

The girl in the yellow suit was walking quickly away.

Corporal Simmons felt as though he was being torn in two so keen was his desire to follow the girl, yet so deep was his longing for the woman who had reminded him of his Jewish heritage and whose spirit had truly companioned and upheld his own for these many months. There she stood. He could see that her plump face was gentle and kind; her gray eyes had a warm twinkle.

He did not hesitate. His fingers gripped the worn copy of *As a Driven Leaf* which was to identify him to her. This would not be love, but it would be something precious, a friendship for which he had been and must ever be grateful.

For twelve months she had faithfully replied. When his letters did not arrive, she wrote anyway, and now he believed he loved her and she loved him.

But she refused all requests to send him her photograph. She had explained: "If your feelings for me have any meaning, what I look like won't matter. Suppose I'm beautiful, I'd always be haunted by the thought that you had been taking a chance on that, and that kind of love would disgust me. 'Grace is deceitful and beauty is vain...' Suppose I'm plain (and you must admit that this is more likely), then I'd fear that you were only going on writing because you were lonely and had no one else. No, do not ask for my picture. When you come to Boston, you shall see me and then you shall make your decision."

Five twenty - nine. Corporal Simmons

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