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REAGAN: TOP PRIORITY IS ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO LIVE

CARTER'S FINAL REPORT PRAISES ISRAEL

WASH. (WNS) -- Israel was called a "parliamentary democracy with high standards of justice and human rights" in the Carter Administration's final reports to Congress on human rights practices abroad.

But the State Department report criticized some of Israel's practices in the occupied territories. Israel took up 19 pages in the report, the largest amount for any country in the 1140-page document. The report noted the "absence of peace treaties between Israel and its neighbors, with the exception of Egypt, makes security a dominant concern and affects many facets of Israel's national life." Israel was said to

have about 2,190 "non-Israeli citizen Arabs" in prison for security offenses in Israel or its territories. The report notes that the Fourth Geneva Convention bans administrative detention in occupied territory beyond one year "from the general close of military operations."

Israel maintains that "administrative detention is occasionally necessary to prevent terrorist operations when a court proceeding would jeopardize sensitive security information," the report said. The report adds that "residents of the occupied territories accused of non-security offenses receive fair public trials by local civilian courts."

MILITARY CAPABILITIES ARE BENEFIT TO U.S.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- President Reagan has declared that the top priority for the United States in the Middle East is "to see that the State of Israel has a right to continue living as a nation" and that the U.S. should do everything it can "to bring peace to the Middle East." In the first of a series of informal news conferences with selected reporters in the Oval Office Reagan also stressed that the peace process "starts with the acceptance of Israel" by those countries which refuse to recognize it.

The President also reiterated his belief that Israel's military capabilities are "of benefit" to the U.S. in the Mideast and his disagreement with the Carter Administration's contention that Israeli settlements on the West Bank are "illegal."

However, he criticized Israel's current settlements moves as "ill advised" and "unnecessarily provocative." He also maintained that the U.S. should establish a "ground presence" in the Mideast "for the the Soviets to know that if they made a reckless move, they would be risking a confrontation with the United States."

Asked if his was an "even handed policy in the Mideast," Reagan replied: "I believe that

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TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

The Defense of Liberty

BY RABBI MARC H. TANENBAUM

Fort Riley, Kansas, is the site of the historic cavalry post that dates back to the frontier days of General Custer, the flamboyant Indian fighter. Founded in the 1850s as a military fort on the Great Western Plains, Ft. Riley is filled with monuments and symbols that recall the turbulent history of the settlement of the West.

Nearby are scattered milestones recalling the daring and heroism of pioneer Jews from Central Europe who came in the 1840s to the Plains States to escape what the Founding Fathers termed "that religious and political intolerance under which mankind so long bled and suffered." In Kansas and Missouri, the Cahns, Blocks, and Speyers established the first trading posts that helped build "the commerce of the Prairies" and the settlement of the frontier.

Today, Ft. Riley symbolizes the turbulent history of the 1980s and the determined efforts of the American government and people to respond to current threats to our nation's liberties. Last week Commanding General Edward Partain invited me to address the line officers the chaplains, and representatives of the 20,000 men and women stationed at Ft. Riley on the moral and spiritual values of American democracy.

From long conversations with the generals and in field trips with the tank missile, and engineer corps, I learned that the famed First Infantry Division here can be deployed to Europe in 48 hours to defend European civilization from attack. But I also learned from battalion commanders how much advanced the Soviet Union now is over us in many forms of defense.

The surest deterrent to Soviet aggression it becomes increasingly clear, will be our nation's recovery of that prairie spirit of daring, heroism, and pride in liberty - the indispensable new frontier spirit of the 1980s.

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BRADLEY HONORED BY ISRAELIS: MAYOR TOM BRADLEY OF LOS ANGELES RECEIVES AN HONORARY DOCTOR OF LAWS DEGREE FROM DR. EMANUEL RACKMAN, PRESIDENT OF ISRAEL'S BAR - ILAN UNIVERSITY, AS GREGORY PECK (SEATED) LOOKS ON. THE UNIVERSITY ALSO ESTABLISHED A CHAIR IN MAYOR BRADLEY'S HONOR FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL INTEGRATION.

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