Shalom Editor,

I am a journalist and since November, 1980. I've been doing research for a book on surrogate motherhood (women who bear children for others: usually but not necessarily for money).

I would appreciate receiving letters from

the readers of the LAS ISRAELITE VEGAS expressing their views on this aspect of reproductive freedom for women, No names wil be mentioned in the book Thank you for your help.

Sincerely yours, Larry Lewis Kibbutz Gat

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JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Knesset, called back into session during its summer decided to recess refer the issue of the two chief Rabbis' ban on further excavation in the City of David to the Educational and Cultural Affairs Com-The session mittee. was quiet and short, the recent unlike over the last debate weeks between religious and scientific communities.

Labor Alignment spokesmen said they feared the ruling by Chief Rabbis. the based on the contention the site conthat tained ancient Jewish graves but disputed by archeologists and academics. heralded an assault by the religious leaders on scientific inquiry. Education Minister Zevulum Hammerappealed for restraint and compromise. He said he was against any interference with archeology in Israel, which was helping Israel discover its roots additional and lend support for Israel's return to its historic homeland.

While the Knesset was discussing the City of David dig, the Chief Rabbinical Council was in session to discuss the same issue. The council announced that it was urging government to the the excavation halt immediately there and remove the archeologists from the site, cancel the license excavation and officially declare the entire slope of the Temple Mount and ancient Jewish cemetery now in the hands of the chief rabbinate.

Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren told Israel radio after the meeting press con-held by that the ference distingusihed academics "made

somewhat skeptical about modern scientific and academic The acaresearch. demics presented documents with texts and maps th shore up their contention that there were no Jewish graves at the dig site. Goren brought politics into the issue saying that he was sure that Hammer, a leading member of the

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migrant Aid Society), it would continue to provide migration

services to Jewish refugees coming out of the Soviet Union who choose not to go to Israel. The resolution adopted at its meeting declared the executive committee of HIAS understands and appreciates the motivation of the Jewish Agency's efforts to increase emigration to Israel. HIAS as a world organization shares these endeavors and recognizes its res-

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ponsibility to help achieve such a goal. However, HIAS not prepared to refuse its services to Soviet Jewish emigrants who have not been specifically referred by the Jewish Agency. HIAS is also not prepared to renounce the previously agreed upon consultative process with the Jewish Agency. the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the Council of Jewish Federations which are an integral part of the procedure for resettling Soviet Jews.

The HIAS executive committee acted at an emergency meeting

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following the nouncement by Leon Dulzin. chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive Committee, that the Agency would refer to IIIAS only those Soviet Jews who had spouses, or children parents in the U.S., Canada and other countries of resettlement



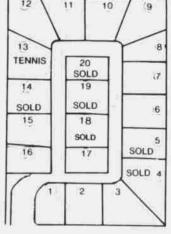
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