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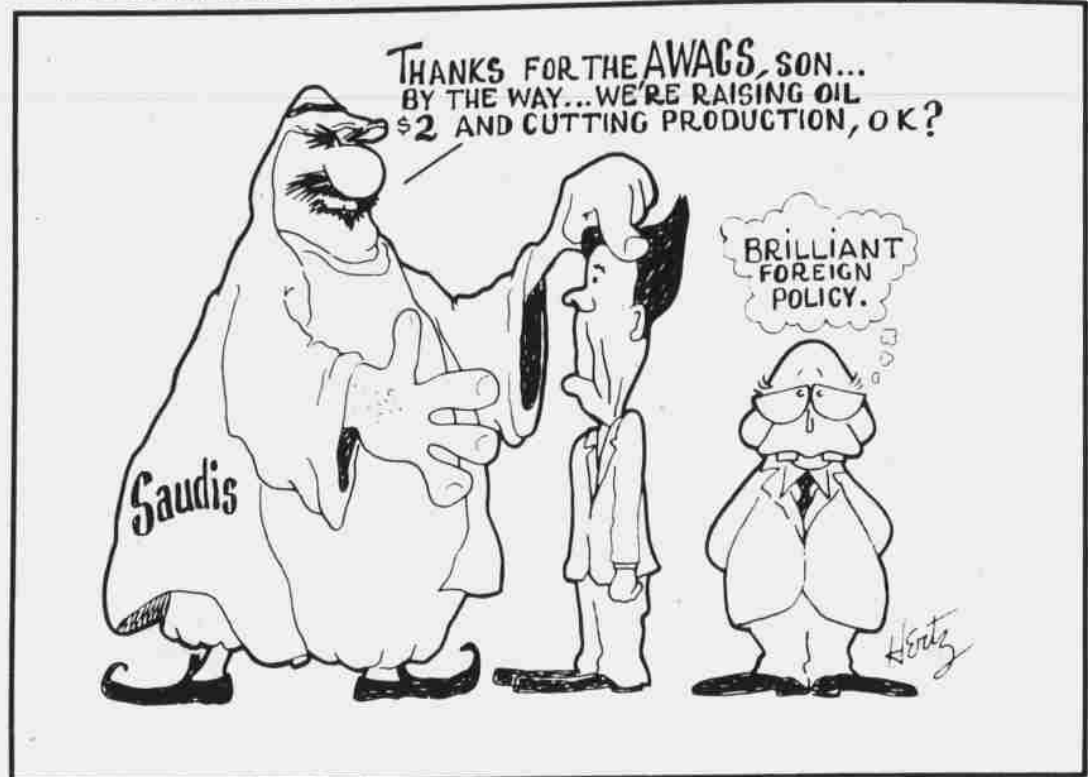
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HISPANIC-JEWISH RELATIONS

BY RABBI MARC H. TANENBAUM

The recent New York City elections dramatized how important effective communication between minority groups has become to a working democracy.

Recognizing that intergroup problems are not confined to New York but are in fact a major national concern, leaders of the Hispanic and Jewish communities met recently in Houston, Texas, to explore the setting up of a national Hispanic - Jewish coalition. Coalitions between Jewish Black, and ethnic groups have existed for some time. The Hispanic - American community numbering some 15 million citizens is the fastest growing ethnic group and the latest to enter the American mainstream. About 60 percent of Hispanics in the U.S. are of Mexican origin; 15 percent come from Puerto Rico; and 7 percent are of Cuban ancestry; and 18 percent come from other Latin nations. Many of America's Jews now live in areas in which the Hispanic population is increasing.

At the Houston meeting of the American Jewish Committee, Manuri Bustelo, chairman of the Forum of National Hispanic Organizations and director of the National Puerto Rican Forum, said that Hispanics and Jews have already found common ground in a number of areas. These include support of a generous U.S. immigration policy amnesty for workers without papers; the use of Spanish in schools as a vehicle for teaching English; extension of the Voting Rights Act; and a common stand against prejudice and anti-Semitism.

While clearly there are also differences, the Hispanic and Jewish leaders agreed to a policy of not only live and let live, but live and help live.

Behind The Scenes

At The United Nations

By David Horowitz

A World-Union Press Feature

Attack on PLO

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- In what appears to be one of the sharpest condemnations of the PLO as well as criticism of leading Americans -- within the Administration possibly also -- who have been flirting with Israel's enemies, Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick surprised many here at the UN with a feature story appearing in the current issue of The New Republic under the Caption "Dishonoring Sadat" and subtitled "The PLO Is Not a Peace Partner."

Judging by the revelatory contents of the article and its outspokenness, one may wonder whether or not it had the prior approval of the President and the Secretary of State. One thing

is certain: it is something both Reagan and Haig should ponder over seriously.

"It is shocking, so soon after his (Sadat's) death," Kirkpatrick concludes, "influential Americans should be proposing solutions (the Saudi Peace plan?) that would take us down the pathway Sadat scorned. It is especially shocking that they should suggest negotiating with the deadliest enemies of peace in the area. These individuals should be aware that the path they propose will only add to the Soviet Union's capacity to foment troubles. Powerful forces hostile to U.S. interests and Israel's survival are at work today diminishing Sadat's legacy."

Expressing some concern that the death of Sadat may significantly alter the shape of the world and lead to the balkanization of the Middle East, the eloquent and dynamic Ambassador devotes the greater part of her exposition to the peril which the Soviet - supported PLO poses to the region.

As for the assumption made by some that there is unity among the Arabs, she says "nothing could be more mistaken. Arab nations remain divided among themselves and frequently within their own borders as well: Iraq is enmeshed in a seemingly endless war with Iran. Libya's Qaddafi has stepped up his violent campaign to spread Islamic radicalism through North Africa and the Middle East. Syria, whose 25,000 troops more often disturb the peace in Lebanon than enforce it, is threatened internally by pressures from fundamentalist Sunni Moslems and also by intense hostility from Iraq. Lebanon, meanwhile, has almost succumbed to the complicated and violent struggles among Maronites and Moslems, Syria and Israel, the PLO and the Haddad forces protecting the Christian and Shiite enclave in the South. The Government of Morocco is challenged by the violent demands of the Polisario. In 1979, the regime in Saudi Arabia was the object of an attempted coup by an unholy alliance of religious extremists and political radicals. Even more than Saudi Arabia, Jordan has felt the destabilizing effects of radical policies introduced into the area under the cover of Palestinian nationalism. Nearby Iran teeters on the brink of anarchy. And, of course, the threat of Soviet expansion hangs over the entire region."

Ambassador Kirkpatrick refers to the "decades since the establishment of Israel," noting that "the Palestine issue has undergone a subtle change. A myth, she charges, "has been built on the foundation of the genuine problem of Palestinian refugees: the myth that the Palestinian problem is a barrier to the integration of the Arab homeland." Alongside this myth has developed the extraordinary belief that only the presence of Israel stands in the way of achieving Arab unity and integration, and peace and stability in the Middle East... This is patently false."

"In this Arab world where faith and policies are linked," she continues in her castigation of Israel's enemies, "traditionalists and radicals, Saudis and Libyans can unite in hostility against the State of Israel -- whose right to exist they deny, whose very existence they refuse even to acknowledge, whose name they refuse to utter, calling Israel instead the 'Zionist entity' or the 'deformed Zionist entity'. Not only has Pales-

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"One Man Plus The Truth
 Constitutes A Majority"

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only be interpreted by inference.

President Reagan's remarks to Mideast nations are of the utmost importance. Reagan sends different ones to Israel and to Riyadh. But overall policy must send the right cues to the right nations at the appropriate time. After the AWACS Senate approval two weeks ago, the Israelis are getting crossed while Riyadh is being cuddled. Reagan should clearly indicate to the Saudis the necessity for negotiations with Israel, or in other words, clarify U.S. foreign policy with regard to the region. Reagan must demand that the Saudis put their cards on the table with Israel.

tinian nationalism become centrally identified with Pan - Arab nationalism, but the PLO, using fair means and foul, has won wide acceptance as the spokesman for Palestinian rights and interests. The PLO preaches a brand of Palestinian nationalism and radical politics that links

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