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The Exodus is history's first and most inspiring march for freedom. Its annual celebration for more than 5,000 years, as a festival commemorating the first successful struggle for the freedom of an entire people, has been a beacon of hope to all peoples who seek liberty and the right to govern themselves and to determine their own national destiny.

Passover tells us that though the Jewish people had suffered the humiliation and affliction of slavery, with our exodus from bondage to salvation we achieved the glory of liberty for the Jews as freemen and women in the land of Israel. Today Israel in spite of all its problems, faithfully follows the democratic process and stands out as an oasis of freedom in a region of feudal kings and despots.

We are reminded this Passover that Israel's fervent quest for peace by negotiation is forever inscribed in the heartbreak of Yamit and the return of the entire Sinai as an act of faith and hope. No nation has ever paid so overwhelmingly a price for peace as Israel did in returning territory, oilfields, airbases and strategic areas, Egypt chose the route of direct negotiations instead of the PLO National Council's reiterated, sterile, status quo bombast, and discovered it paid off magnificently and without the loss of a single life. We must not forget Sinai's meaning and fall prey to the prejudiced judgements based on harmful media distortions concerning events in Lebanon.

The eagerness of the world's press to pounce on Israel for the tragic events in Sabra and Shatilla give pause for concern. The massive outpouring of Israelis just before the holiest day of the Jewish year impressively demonstrated the nation's shock and anguish at a tragedy perpetrated by citizens of Lebanon, a country which still remains silent in sharp contrast to Israel. The report of the Commission of Inquiry and the acceptance of its recommendations were a stunning example of democracy in action at its finest. It expressed those qualities of moral decency, willingness for self-examination and devotion to democratic principles which should reveal to the United States the worthiness of its only democratic ally in the Middle East. The people of Israel

do not need double - standard critics to prod their conscience. Israel has proven that it is steadfast in its loyalty to its prophetic heritage of adherence to morality, justice and the sanctity of human life -- principles which our Jewish people have always furthered to enhance the spiritual stature of civilization.

We must meet the coming challenges with the strength required to oppose those forces in the world which are using anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism as the cover for the campaign to delegitimize the State of Israel. We must answer by mobilizing our best minds and energies in forging a creative and mutually beneficial Israel-Diaspora partnership. We must tell the world that we are a vibrant people whose philosophy is a moral force based on our prophetic teachings.

Its thirty - fifth year will be another year of testing for Israel and for world Jewry. Israel must remain strong enough to deter any renewed attempts at aggression by her neighbors. Israel must also continue to deal with the problem of absorbing new immigrants, both from the free world and from behind distressed areas and the Iron Curtain. She must also continue her struggle to close the economic and social gaps within her society and deal with

other long - term human problems. This coming year we must continue to refute all who would slander the life - affirming values and achievements of Zionism and Israel, and the safeguarding of the rights of Jews throughout the world. In the Soviet Union this Passover, we find the doors barred, and the voice of freedom beckoning our brothers and sisters to come to Israel is drowned out by the clank of jailers' chains. Our brothers and sisters in the Arab lands remain in bondage. Ethiopian Jews are still prevented from fulfilling their dreams of Jerusalem. Let us pledge to continue to work on their behalf until they can join us at the Seder table and rejoice with us in freedom. And, here at home, more than ever before this Passover we bear shocked witness to the current erosion of America's steadfast support by previous Administrations since 1917.

The year's events have their positive side. Among the pluses Zaire reestablished relations with Israel -- setting an example for other African states to follow. Further, as we again recite the Passover story in the Haggadah we hail the fact that there is peace between its two protagonists, Egypt and Israel, with the hope that the Egyptian and Jewish people will build an unprecedented era of peace and construction. Today, at long last, the residents of Israel's Northern rocket-prone communities sleep in their homes instead of shelters. And, we pray that the departure of the PLO and the Syrians from Lebanon will usher in new horizons of Lebanese independence and peace, stability and security in the Middle East.

That is why, on this Passover Eve, so close to the thirty fifth Yom Ha'artzmaut, I believe we will continue to share the personally meaningful, dedicated commitment to do all we can so that Eretz Israel can fulfill its historic destiny as the Jewish nation, and to help its people to live in peace, in freedom and in security. As we observe the Seder ritual and drink to the ancient liberation, we pray for the expansion of the new post - Lebanese era of peace and rebuilding.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Mordechai Ben Porat, a Minister Without Portfolio, announced here March 21 that the Falasha Jews of Ethiopia will be supplied with Matzo from Israel for the Passover holidays. Ben Porat did not disclose how the Matzos would reach the Falashas inasmuch as Israel has no diplomatic relations with Ethiopia. Meanwhile, the Public Council for Falasha Jews, reported that the American Council for the Falashas would establish a settlement for them in the Judean mountains near Jerusalem. The Council elected Mayor Eliahu Nawi of Beer-sheba as its honorary president.

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