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**U.S. Must  
 Stand Firm  
 for Soviet Jewry**

Hitler wrote in Mein Kampf more than 50 years ago that if you tell a lie often enough, people will believe it. Now, decades later, the Soviet Union has embraced the Hitler credo and formed an anti-Zionist propaganda group of prominent Jews to claim that the "vast majority" of Jews who wish to leave the Soviet Union have already done so.

All world Jewry realizes the fallacy behind this claim. But the Soviet Union needs a reason to support the decision since Yuri Andropov took power several months ago to slam the iron gates shut on Jewish emigration. The numbers of Jews who have been allowed to leave has dropped to an average of about 100 per month, a drop of nearly tenfold from the peak year of Soviet emigration of 1979.

The formation of the "Anti-Zionist Committee of the Soviet Public" is indeed an ominous development. It was formed in April and while it claims that it is anti-Zionist, it is clear that the group's anti-Zionist propaganda is a cloak for continued Soviet anti-Semitism.

For Soviet Jews, their hope remains that the many thousands who wish to emigrate will one day have the chance. One Jewish group has challenged the Soviets in their statement that all Jews wishing to leave have already done so. The Union of Councils for Soviet Jews called on Andropov to "throw open the doors. Announce that any Soviet Jew who wishes to leave will be given permission immediately." That would surely solve the issue.

But since that approach is deemed unlikely, the responsibility, beyond public demonstrations of support here for Soviet Jews, still revolves around U.S. - Soviet relations. The U.S. Administration must be expected to stand firm on issues relating to Soviet relations and to bring up the issue of Soviet Jewry in relation to any issue involving U.S. - Soviet contact.

But the U.S. appears to be balking at this approach, standing back and looking passive in the face of continued Soviet human rights abuses in direct contravention of the Helsinki final act which the Soviet Union is a signatory. A stronger linking of all issues between the U.S. and the Soviets with Soviet Jewish emigration, particularly grain sales to the Soviets, would place more pressure on them to open the gates now.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The 20th of Tamuz, the anniversary of the death of Theodore Herzl, will be celebrated at the "Day of Zionism" starting next year, it was announced here by the World Zionist Organization's General Council. Premier Menachem Begin has endorsed the idea.



**Behind The Scenes**

At The United Nations

By David Horowitz

A World-Union Press Feature

**PLO in Turmoil**

UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- Despite complaints and criticisms from sources both within and outside of Israel, the "Peace for Galilee" operation has brought a number of positive results enhancing the status of the Likud Government of Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

The first major favorable development, as we stated recently, was the Israeli-Lebanese Agreement which must be accepted as a first step towards a peace treaty -- no matter what stand Syria takes on the issue of troop withdrawal.

Next, the military defeat of the PLO and the dispersal of its units leading to schisms within that terrorist organization and lately of a real mutiny in the main guerrilla group of El Fatah headed by rebels seeking to oust Yasir Arafat -- all this emerged out of Israel's blitz into Lebanon last year.

True, a defeated and somewhat discredited Arafat is back in Lebanon in a desperate effort to regain control of the divided terrorist factions there. He may succeed in winning over some of them, all depending on how Syria -- which controls several PLO factions -- feels towards him following his flirtation with King Hussein of Jordan over the Reagan peace plan.

Sensing his difficulty with President Assad he had an embarrassing encounter with him

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in Damascus -- the shrewd and cunning Arafat took himself to Tripoli in north Lebanon and decided to turn to the Soviet Union, the Kremlin of which bosses the affairs in Syria and recently had rearmed it with the latest sophisticated weapons and missiles actually manned

by Russians. Recognizing the possibility that Moscow may be behind the rebels in his ranks, "there are reports that" he "is about to send Saleh Khalef, one of his most trusted associates, to Moscow to ask for more aid, and presumably, to convince the Russians that Arafat is still in control despite reports of mutiny."

The Soviets, who need both Syria and the PLO -- all the factions -- no doubt is behind Damascus' latest attempt to heal the rift within the PLO. It's a dangerous game they are playing -- a game that is aimed mainly against the United States which initiated the Lebanese-Israeli Agreement. President Reagan is not blind as to what the Russians are up to.

The divisions within the PLO in a sense mirrors the dissensions within the Arab world as a whole which, exploiting the Palestinian issue, still hopes to see the demise of the Jewish State. The more they contrive and connive against the People of the Book the more they find themselves at loggerhead against one another and unity eludes them. Declares Benjamin Netanyahu, brother of the late Jonathan of Entebbe fame and currently chief of mission in the Israeli Embassy in Washington:

"In the last 30 years, virtually every Arab state has been at war or on the verge of war with at least one of its Arab neighbors...In North Africa, Libya has clashed with Egypt and Tunisia, threatened Sudan and financed efforts to topple other Arab regimes. Egypt, under Nasser, invaded Yemen and now trades threats with Qaddafi. Algeria has waged surrogate warfare against Morocco...In the Arabian peninsula, the two Yemens have been warring intermittently for years...In the heart of the Middle East, Syria has attacked Jordan, jostles with Iraq and has made a shambles of Lebanon in seven years of ruthless occupation...The Arab world is littered with broken agreements...No lasting peace is possible among the Arab states as long as the tendency for violence remains central in Arab political life..."

Having thus bared the issue of Arab 'unity' in a lengthy analysis appearing recently in the Wall Street Journal, Netanyahu let's the world further know that "making peace among themselves is hard enough...Making peace with non-Arabs is even harder. For the Arabs regard the area from Morocco to the Persian Gulf as theirs, as Arab, despite the presence of numerous peoples that make up a sizeable portion of the population -- Berbers, Kurds, Copts, Druse, Jews, Circassians, Armenians, blacks and others. The non-Arab or non-Moslem peoples can be accepted only in a state of subjugation within a dominant Arab domain, never as independent equals..."