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Memorial Foundation To Mark 20th Anniversary At Western Wall

NEW YORK, N.Y. - Some of the most prominent personalities of the Jewish world will take part in the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, to take place July 23 - July 26 in Jerusalem, Israel.

The celebration will open with a cultural program at the Western Wall on Monday night, July 23. Israel's President Chaim Herzog will speak. Abba Kovner, Israeli artist and poet, will give a dramatic reading. The famed Jassy Choir from Rumania will sing. The Chief Rabbis of Israel and other countries and other notables will be in attendance.

The evening will be chaired by Philip M. Klutznick, President of the Memorial Foundation.

The rest of the sessions of the 20th Anniversary program will take place at the Jerusalem Hilton. On Tuesday morning, July 24, Chief Rabbi Immanuel Jakobovits of the United Kingdom will give an address on "The Cultural Condition of the Jewish People."

Discussion groups will spend the afternoon reacting to the presentation by Chief Rabbi Jakobovits.

The memory of the late Dr. Nahum Goldmann. founder and first President of the Memorial Foundation, and other founders will be honored at an Evening of Tribute on Wednesday, July 25.

Yosef Mendelevich, the Russian dissident who was jailed, released, and later helped by the Memorial Foundation, will be one of three recipients of Memorial Foundation aid who will speak Wednesday evening. Other speakers will

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be Rabbi Naftali Bar-Ilan of Rehovot, Israel and Galit Hasan-Rokem, a Professor of Folklore at Hebrew University. Yosef Mendelevich received Community Service scholarships; Galit Hasan-Rokem, doctoral scholarships; and Rabbi Naftali Bar-Ilan a post-Rabbinical grant from the Foundation.

Mr. Klutznick will host the President's Reception on Thursday evening, July 26, as the concluding event of the 20th Anniversary Celebration.

A special Convention Committee, consisting of Dr. Arthur Hertzberg, a Vice President of the Memorial Foundation; Art Rotman, Executive Vice-President of JWB; and chaired by Julius Berman, former Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, planned the format and program of this special 20th

Anniversary meeting.

Since its beginning in 1964, the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture has distributed more than \$24 million to 322 institutions in 28 countries on five continents for culture, education, research and scholarly programs, according to Dr. Jerry Hochbaum, executive director of the Memorial Foundation.

Dr. Hochbaum said that the Foundation also distributed \$6 million to 5,370 individuals in its 20 years of existence.

The two tracks of the Foundation -- institutional and individual -- are really one," Dr. Hochbaum said. "Both are directed toward insuring a creative Jewish future by supporting those institutions and individuals who can expand and deepen Jewish consciousness, experience and life around the world."

Postal Union Rejects Arab Move HAMBURG (WNS) -

Delegates to the 19th Congress of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) voted 73-32 in a secret ballot to reject an Arab initiative to expel Israel from the organization. There were 15 abstentions.

The vote was on a West German motion to remove the Arab the from proposal agenda. Western diplomats said later that the outcome was a major political success for Israel which was strongly supported by the West, especially the United States.

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