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# Israel Supports U.S. Air Strike

Koppel & Tell At International Conference On Terrorism



(L-R) Michael Tell, editor & publisher of the LAS **VEGAS ISRAELITE & Ted Koppel, award-winning** journalist and ABC "Nightline" anchorman reading the LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE newspaper at a recent international conference on terrorism.

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### Yahrzeits Tonight At Beth Sholom

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## American Jewry Agrees

JERUSALEM (WNS) - Israel's leaders hailed America's punitive air raids on Libya as an act of self-defense against international terrorism.

Premier Shimon Peres, questioned by reporters while visiting Nazareth, said he does not know yet what results the American action might have but "I know the reasons for it. Libya was undoubtedly behind the bombing of American soldiers at the discotheque in (West) Berlin and it doesn't surprise me that the United States takes steps in its own self defense," Peres said.

Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin told reporters after an appearance at the Hebrew University that the U.S. action in Libya was "a determined and daring action against a country which took the lead in the encouragement, finance and support of international terrorism."

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir said in an Israel Radio Interview that the American action was an act of defense of the U.S. and the free world against international terrorism.

"It is clear to everybody that terrorism can succeed only when it has the support of countries like Libya, Syria and others, and if we want (Continued on page 3)

**UN Secretary General Meets** With Simon Wiesenthal And Rabbi Marvin Hier



During their forty minute meeting with United Nations Secretary General Perez de Cuellar (pictured left), Simon Wiesenthal and Wiesenthal Center Dean Rabbi Marvin Hier (at right) urged the Secretary General to personnally intervene with Yugoslavia in order to ensure quick, full access to all documents relevant to the Kurt Waldheim affair, including those in its national archives, foreign ministry and justice ministry. Also discussed were ways by which the U.N. could better access to Nazi hunters its 40,000 files on Nazi war criminals, which have been severely restricted until now.

## TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

'Jews Are Our Elder Brothers' Pope Says In Historic Visit To Rome Synagogue

ROME (WNS) - Pope John Paul II visited the main synagogue here, the first Pontiff in history to enter a Jewish house of worship. He spoke for 20 minutes in words exceptionally warm and rich with meaning, addressed obviously not only to Rome's 2,000-year-old Jewish community, the oldest in the western diaspora, but to Jews and Christians all over the world.

But above all, it was the scene itself which spoke with memorable eloquence. There was no precedent to the visual impact of the white-robed Pope and the similarly white-robed Chief Rabbi of Rome, Elio Toaff, seated side-by-side at a white-draped table, in perfect equality; the Papal entourage seated behind the Pope; the Rabbinical entourage behind the Rabbi.

John Paul referred to the Jewish people as "Our dearly beloved brothers and, in a certain way, it could be said that you are our elder brothers." He addressed himself to the centuries of persecution by the Church suffered by Jews and the long process of reconciliation, begun with Vatican Council II in 1965 and its famous declaration, Nostra Aetate (Our Times), which repudiated Jewish guilt for the death of Jesus.

'Once again, through myself, the Church, in the words of the well-known declaration Nostra Aetate, deplores the hatred, persecutions and displays of anti-Semitism directed against the Jews at any time and by anyone," he added which, to all present was seen as a reference to the Church itself.

The Pope listened with eyes closed as Giacomo Saban, president of the Rome Jewish Community, speaking in tight, measured and precise tones, reviewed the vicissitudes, humiliations, and sufferings of Roman Jewry in the long centuries of Papal rule. He was the first to address the hushed throng in the synagogue. He stressed the centrality of Israel to the Jewish people, a broad hint of the disappointment felt at the Vatican's refusal to date to extend diplomatic recognition to the Jewish State.

The Pope made no direct reference to this. But his general statement implied his awareness (Continued on page 4)

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