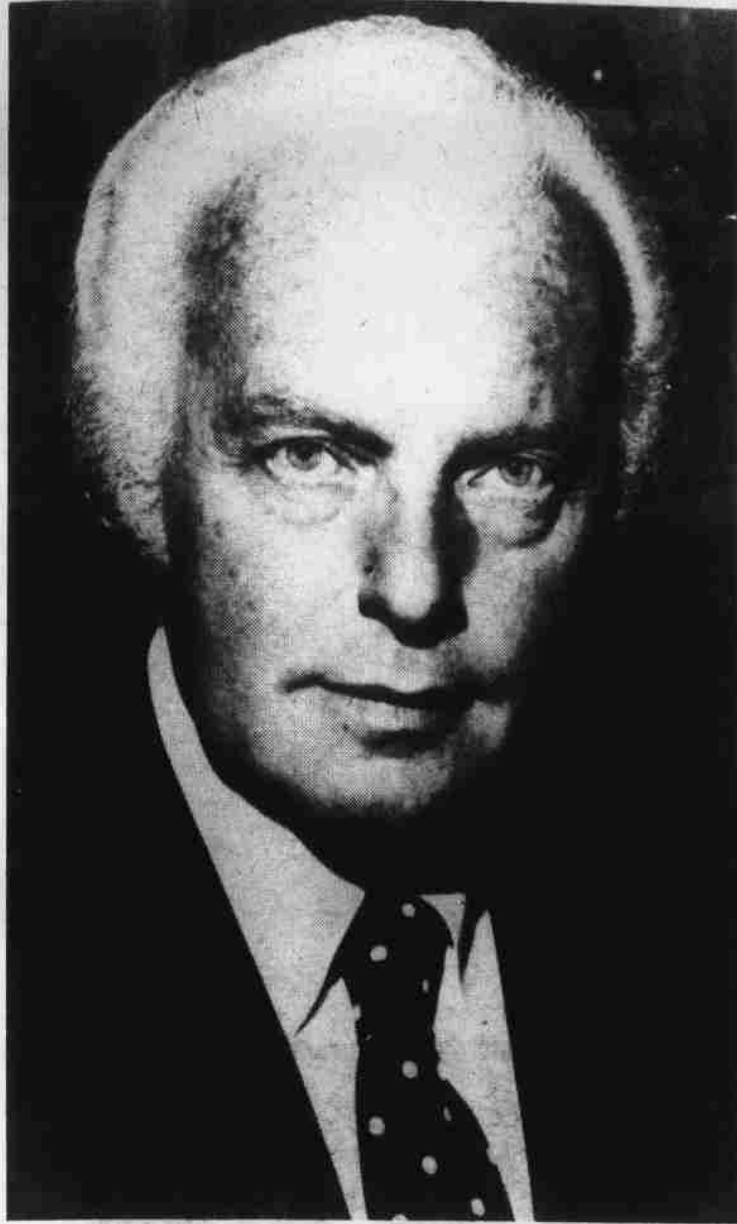


San Francisco Men's ORT To Honor Lantos



Congressman Tom Lantos

Congressman Tom Lantos (D-CA) will be honored by the San Francisco Men's ORT chapter of the American ORT Federation at the organization's Fourth Annual Award Reception July 1 at the Fairmont Hotel, announced Zev Ben Simon, chapter president.

At the reception Congressman Lantos will receive the American ORT Federation Community Achievement Award "in recognition of his consistent support of justice and humanitarianism." The ORT award was created to honor individuals who have made outstanding contributions in the realm of public service.

Tom Lantos is a member of the House Committees on Foreign Affairs, Government Operations, and the Aging, and serves as the ranking majority member of the Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East. He is also Chairman of the U.S. Congressional delegation to the European Parliament/European Common Market.

Born in Budapest in 1928, Tom Lantos became a member of the anti-Nazi underground during World War II. He came to the U.S. in 1947 on a Hillel Foundation scholarship. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Washington and a Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley in international economics. Prior to his election to the U.S. House of Representatives, he spent 30 years as a professor of economics, television news analyst and business consultant.

The American ORT Federation supports the ORT global network, which provides quality vocational/technical education to 134,000 students in 16 countries.

A Volcano Called Terrorism

By Robert E. Segal

In "Mein Kampf," Hitler pointed to terrorism as the one means that wins the easiest victory. Today, Muammar Khadafy, Libya's unconscionable dictator, has injected fear into the hearts of millions by adopting Hitler's prescription for conquest.

Terrorism, which makes old-fashioned piracy look like child's play, smashes all international rules. Those rules include the ones inscribed in the Charter of the United Nations. Libya won membership in that body in 1955. But that was 14 years before Khadafy overthrew King Idris and tarnished the good term, Republic, by proclaiming the Libyan Arab Republic.

Typical of this devil-possessed strong man was the hypocrisy he displayed in 1970 when he publicly denounced hijacking and signed an anti-hijacking compact.

Today, perhaps no one is better qualified to advise a troubled world about terrorism than Benjamin Netanyahu, Israel's delegate to the UN. The tragic death of Netanyahu's brother, Jonathan, killed while leading Israel's amazing 1976 Entebbe rescue, impelled Benjamin to establish a highly regarded institute devoted to a study of terrorism and recommend ways to throttle that madness. He urges Western nations to pool resources and strategy to defung terrorism.

Western nations for the most part want democracy and democratic practices and ideals to survive. Khadafy, armed with the frightful swords of terrorism, aims to undermine democratic structures.

The coalition for anti-terrorism sought by Netanyahu would have to make many sacrifices. The prime requirement would have free nations run the risk of economic losses. Nations finding their best source for fuel in the plush oil fields now bankrolling Khadafy would need to cut that tie with Libya and seek fuel elsewhere.

America, too, would be obliged to put pressure on powerful and profitable U.S. oil companies to stop helping Khadafy obtain the \$5 billions he needs annually to run his government and pay his swarm of terrorists.

Consider the challenge for some of our own western states. Traditionally, they have profited

by selling wheat and other grain to Tripoli. Now take a moment to review an account in "The Near East Report" of December 5, 1979, concerning an "Arab American Dialogue Conference" of October, 1978, in Tripoli. The cost: \$500,000.

Some 100 American educators, journalists, and politicians were flown to the conference, all expenses paid. Several received honoraria for good measure.

Khadafy insulted the guests by downgrading the U.S.; excoriated Israel; and defended his support for international terrorism. Feigning innocence, he asked: "Why do you hate us so much?"

Many Idaho folks attended. Idaho's agricultural community was finding Libya eager to buy its grain. Senator James McClure of Idaho was busy trying to break tension twixt Washington and Tripoli. (The Senator would find those tensions strained much more the following year when the U.S. embassy in Tripoli was burned by Libyan mobs led by Libyan soldiers.)

In 1965, Khadafy gave Louis Farrakhan, anti-Semitic leader of the "Nation of Islam" an interest-free loan of \$5 million. Along with the money went Khadafy's tribute to Farrakhan as "a fellow struggler in the cause of liberation of our people." Last month, when forces unleashed by Khadafy bombed a West German discotheque, a black American sergeant, Kenneth T. Ford, 21, was killed. One wonders how Louis Farrakhan felt about that.

Terrorists trained in Tripoli bomb their way almost daily now on to TV screens and front pages of newspapers. Khadafy delights in these bloody exploits. His moral backer and arms supplier in the Kremlin scolds our government for retaliating.

Slowly, slowly, effective steps are taken to frustrate the Libyan bully. Air pilots vote not to fly to airports lax with security. Governments pressure their nationals working in Libya to depart. Libyan students working or studying in nations alarmed by Khadafy's militancy are forced to go home. Sanctions against Libya will grow in number. International intelligence agencies are networking.

The long-range hope is that Benjamin Netanyahu's coalition proposal will be formed, gather strength and crush Khadafyism.

Israel Celebrates Independence Day

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Israelis celebrated the 38th anniversary of their independence without incident but mainly indoors. Unseasonably chilly weather discouraged the usual mass exodus to beaches and picnic grounds.

Thousands of residents of the northern town of Kiryat Shemona participated in Independence Day festivities. Local leaders said it was a gesture of defiance after a Katyusha rocket exploded in Upper Galilee the day before,

slightly injuring a man and two children. Thousands more gathered at the Tal Grove at the foot of the Golan Heights.

The Knesset held an "open house" for the first time and thousands queued up outside for a chance to see a plenary session of parliament at work. They were also able to view the original document of Israel's Declaration

of Independence on Schlossberg. display in the Knesset and to hear it read in recording by Premier David Ben-Gurion in his historic broadcast of May 14, 1948.

President Chaim Herzog held receptions at his residence for soldiers and diplomats. Another tradition of Independence Day was the finals of the annual international Bible Quiz. This year's winner was an Israeli, Yoav

While Israelis marked nearly four decades as a sovereign nation, attention was focused on the plight of Soviet Jews. Ninety Jewish activists from eight cities in the USSR signed a letter to President Herzog on the occasion of Independence Day. It reached the Soviet Jewry Education and Information Center here by way of the Chicago Action for Soviet Jewry.

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