

No Progress Seen In Soviet Human Rights Practices

WASHINGTON (WNS) — The failure of President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to reach an agreement on arms control during their meetings in Iceland may also diminish possibilities for improvements in Soviet human rights practices, including Jewish emigration from the USSR.

But Reagan emphasized in his nationally-televised speech from his White House office that he had told Gorbachev, as he had when the two first met in Geneva last year, that the United States will judge Soviet action on human rights not just words. "I made it plain that the United States would not seek to exploit improvement in these matters for purposes of propaganda," Reagan said in his Oval Office television address. "But I also made it plain, once again, that an improvement of the human condition within the Soviet Union is indispensable for an

improvement in bilateral relations with the United States."

Reagan said he told Gorbachev, "again in Reykjavik as I had in Geneva, we Americans place far less weight

upon the words that are spoken at meetings such as these than upon the deeds that follow. When it comes to human rights and judging Soviet intentions, we are all from Missouri. You have got to show us."

While Regan did not

specifically mention Soviet Jewry, Shultz did in response to a question on human rights at his briefing in Reykjavik after the Reagan-Gorbachev talks ended.

"The issue of human rights was brought up on a number of occasions and some very significant material

was passed to the Soviet Union, which they accepted," Shultz said. He said this material "stated not only our views, but in detail things about Jewish emigration, the numbers of people who have signified their desire to leave, lists of people and things of that kind."

The National Conference on Soviet Jewry had provided Shultz with charts on Jewish emigration, which totaled only 126 in September and 667 for the first nine months of 1986, as well as a list of Jewish Prisoners of Conscience and the names of 11,000 of the estimated 400,000 refuseniks.

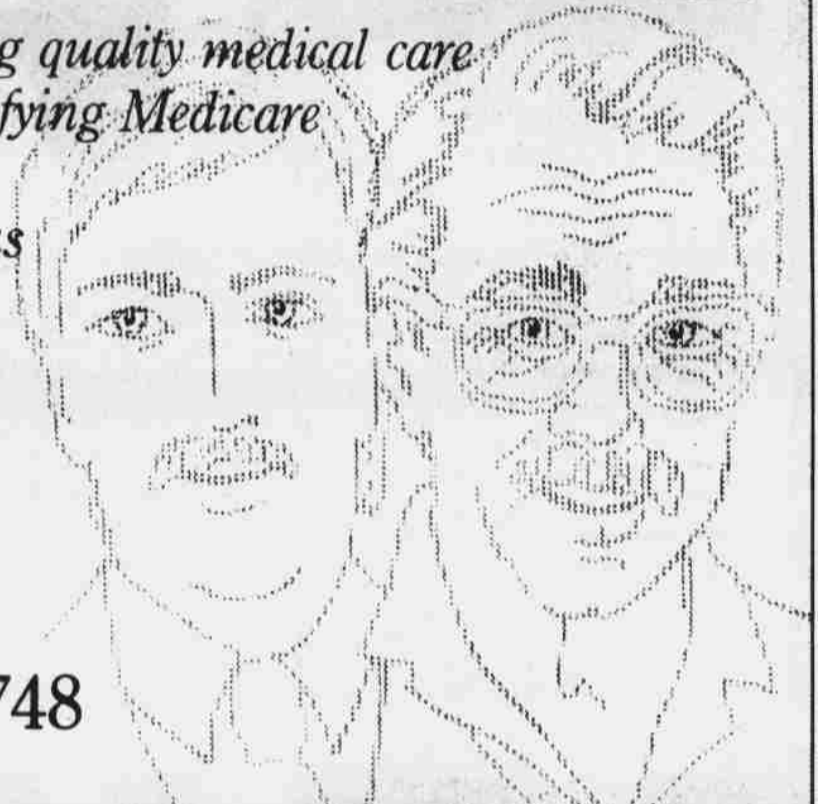
March In Show Of Jewish Unity



Leading a march of 1,500 American Jews and 2,500 residents of Israel's Project Renewal neighborhoods were: (right to left) Dr. Julius L. Levy, Jr. of New Orleans; Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem; Judith A. Levy of Boston; Marvin Lender of New Haven; and Martin F. Stein of Milwaukee. A guide is at left. The march from Ammunition Hill to the Western Wall in Jerusalem, was a highlight of Celebration '87, the Opening in Jerusalem of the UJA/Federation Campaign, which raised \$15,120,346 and \$1,679,963 for Project Renewal.

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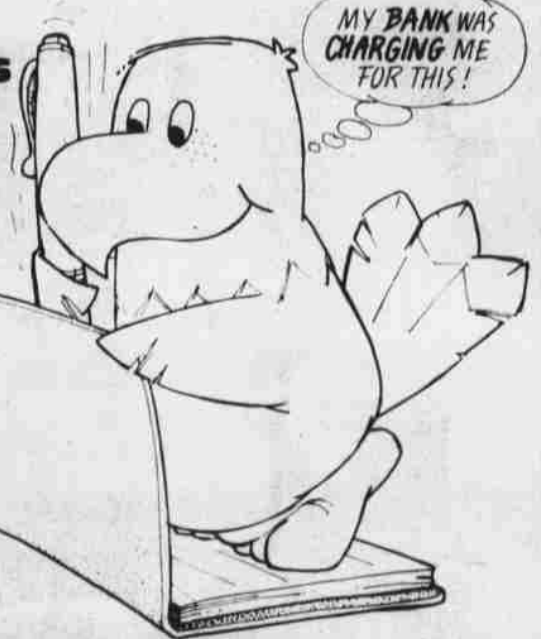
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