

RELIGION

'ALIVE AND WELL AT THE TOP, BUT...'

ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON URGES BLACKS AND JEWS TO FIGHT RACISM, ANTI-SEMITISM ON THE GRASS ROOTS LEVEL

WASHINGTON — The coalition of Jews and African-Americans is alive and well at the top, but both groups must work to help rebuild the coalition at the grass roots level, according to African-American leader Eleanor Holmes Norton.

Mrs. Norton, a Democrat who is the delegate to the House of Representatives for the District of Columbia, said that "only in this way can racism and anti-semitism be overcome and the civil rights alliance of the 1960's be restored."

She spoke in accepting the Kovler Award for Black-Jewish Relations of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, which held its biennial "Consultation on Conscience." The award was presented by Peter Kovler, director of the Marjorie Kovler Fund, which sponsors the



WASHINGTON — Eleanor Holmes Norton (left), delegate to the House of Representatives from the District of Columbia, receives the Kovler Award for Black-Jewish Relations of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism at the Center's biennial "Consultation on Conscience." The award — a wooden sculpture of black and white hands clasped together — was presented by Peter Kovler, director of the Marjorie Kovler Fund, and Rabbi Landsberg, associate director of the Religious Action Center. In accepting the award, Ms. Norton told 400 Reform Jewish social action leaders from across the country: "The coalition of Jews and African-Americans is alive and well at top, but both groups must work to help the coalition from the bottom up."

award, and Rabbi Lynne Landsberg, associate director of the Religious Action Center.

A second Kovler Award went to BLEWS—the Black/Jewish Forum of Baltimore, which sponsors dialogues and other programs designed to strengthen understanding and respect between the black and Jewish communities.

The award was accepted by Sol Goldstein, the current president of BLEWS, and Charles Tildon, vice president.

While noting that African-American and Jewish organizations continue to work together on the national level for civil rights legislation, gun control laws and other measures, Ms. Norton said:

"Anti-Semites have seized the initiative from us on the grass-roots level, including on some college campuses."

A highlight of the award cere-

mony was a performance by the Crown Heights Hasidic-Black rap group that calls itself Dr. Laz and the Cure. "Working together is the way to be, that's how we survive through history" and "Increase the peace" brought the enthusiastic response from the Reform Jewish delegates, who clearly enjoyed the group's singing and dancing.

Rabbi David Saperstein, director of the Religious Action Center, said the purpose of the Consultation on Conscience was "to create an effective Jewish response to contemporary issues of social justice."

During their stay in Washington, delegates to the Consultation toured the new U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, commemorated Israel Independence Day and participated in the gay rights march on the eve of the conference.

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