

SUBJECT NUMBER ONE: "THE MISSION"

DATE: 18.7.80 JOURNAL: "TSOHAR" JERUSALEM (HEBREW ULTRA-ORTH. WEEKLY) NEWS  
 HEADING: "RELIGIOUS SEMINARIAN IN REHOVOT ARRESTED FOR ACTIVITY AGAINST THE  
 QUOTE : One of the religious seminarians, an activist /MISSION"  
 against the Mission in Rehovot, was arrested in the wake of a vulgar attack  
 by the police upon him, which had accused him of attempted assault upon the  
 local sect (of the Mission). He was released following the intervention of  
 a public figure. The seminarian stated that he had no intention whatever to  
 commit assault, nor had he attempted to do so, but the police fell upon him  
 when he was passing by the place. The police accused him of striking one of the  
 missionary sectarians in Rehovot. It has been learned that a group of religious  
 seminarians in Rehovot will be making an attempt to organize the public anew  
 in opposition to the missionary sect which has recently been expanding wantonly  
 and is working to trap young people into its net. (END)

DATE: 18.7.80 JOURNAL: "TSOHAR" JERUSALEM (HEB ULTRAORTH. WEEKLY) LETTER  
 HEADING: "MISSIONARY ACTIVITY" BY: Eliyahu Har-Yaffa, Rehovot  
 QUOTE : Until now I could not understand why the Government has not acted  
 to prevent missionary activity in our holy land, but upon reading  
 in the press that the Govt of Iran has ordered the closure of Catholic (mis-  
 sionary) schools in its country, and one of them in the wake of suspicions  
 that it serves as a centre for Israeli espionage, I began to understand that  
 there is something to this matter; that is to say, the Govt of Israel is  
 willing that missionary activity in this country shall grow day by day in ex-  
 change for the use of some Catholic school in Iran for the purpose of Israeli  
 espionage. The question must be asked: At a time when the Govt of Israel is  
 fighting for its existence, when Iraq is about to create nuclear bombs, Syria  
 and Jordan are growing stronger and stronger militarily, and Saudi-Arabia is  
 exerting pressure on the U.S.A. to supply her with fuel containers for F-15  
 aircraft, is it really worthwhile to hand over to apostasy tens of Israel's  
 children in exchange for the use of some school in Iran for the purposes of  
 Israeli espionage? Let us hope that the Prime Minister and his ministers will  
 take to heart the proverb: "The gain is canceled by the loss." (END)

DATE: 15.8.80 JOURNAL: "KOL BO" HAIFA (HEBREW) NEWS ITEM  
 QUOTE: Among the many summer camps in the city, it is worthwhile noting that  
 for a month there have been <sup>recreational</sup> activities involving 100 children from large fami-  
 lies, and such as were removed from the very claws of the missionary education,  
 who are now being educated in the youth centres of "Tikvateinu" in Haifa. They  
 are enjoying the recreational atmosphere alongside educational activities such  
 as Torah lessons, Sabbath rites, social games.... This activity is funded by the  
 Public Committee of "Keren Yaldeinu" in Haifa headed by Dr. N. Eilati, Rabbi Y.R.  
 Wiesenthal, B. Weizman, Prof. Y. Yarnitzki, and others, as well as a group of  
 righteous women. At the head of the educational system in the Youth Centres of  
 "Tikvateinu" is Yitzhak Gatz. (END)

DATE: 28.8.80 JOURNAL: "TSOHAR" JERUSALEM (HEB ULTRAORTH) FEATURE ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "CALLING THE DIRECTION IN REHOVOT FOR PLUGGING THE GAPS IN THE WALL OF  
 BYLINE : A. Ben-Yishai PHOTO: Rabbi from Kretchineff / RELIGION"  
 EXCERPT: (This is a full-page article appealing for a concerted campaign  
 against the breaks in the wall of religious observance in the town of  
 Rehovot, among them Sabbath desecration, the sale of pork products in 14+  
 shops, and the activities of "the Mission," as follows:)

Another grave problem which was raised before the participants in the  
 emergency meeting (called to deal with the problems noted above) related to the  
 appearance of the dangerous affliction of the Mission which is seen in town.  
 Suddenly it is revealed that a clubhouse of the German mission has been opened  
 by the apostate who had been driven out of Rishon Le'Zion. The club was opened  
 in opposition to the will of the neighbours, and engages in public activities,  
 among other things representing an address for the travels of the Emma  
 Berger sect from Rehovot to Zicron Yaacov. These two serious matters in the  
 realm of kashrut and the spread of the Mission stirred deep concern in the hearts  
 of the participants of the meeting. In the wake of these facts, and in the wake  
 of the increase of Sabbath desecrations, it was decided to set up a public council  
 for the preservation of the traditional character of Rehovot. (END EXCERPT) MORE



DATE: 29.8.80 JOURNAL: ISRAEL NACHRICHTEN (TELAVIV) GERMAN NEWS ITEM  
 HEADING: "CHRISTIAN CIRCLES PROTEST PROVOCATIVE GRAFFITI"  
 QUOTE : JERUSALEM.-Vandals have defaced a sign on the way to the Ecumenical Institute in Tantur and caused disquiet to the Christian population. The spokesman for the UCCI in Jerusalem has seen in this incident a "renewed attack upon Christian institutions." (END)

DATE: 31.8.80 JOURNAL: INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE (PARIS) NEWS ITEM  
 HEADING: "ANTICHRISTIAN ATTACKS"  
 QUOTE : JERUSALEM, Aug.29 (REUTERS)-Leaders of the Christian church complained today that a new wave of antichristian vandalism has broken out in Israel and is being treated with indifference by <sup>the</sup> authorities. A spokesman for the UCCI, the largest of the interchurch organizations here, said the council had asked the Foreign Ministry for help in stopping the attacks. During the past month, the council spokesman said, attacks have been carried out in the towns of Rehovot and Tiberias. A skull and slogans were daubed on church walls, an Evangelical minister was attacked, other Protestant clergymen were threatened, and tires on the cars of clergymen were slashed. (END)

DATE: 16.9.80 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM IND) NEWS ITEM  
 HEADING: "PENITENTS IN PETAH TIKVA"  
 BYLINE : "HAARETZ" Correspondent...  
 QUOTE : 150 male and female students from deprived families in Petah Tikva who last year studied in the institutions of the Mission have become penitents, and have been resettled in sleep-in Jewish religious institutions, following conversations with their parents. (END)

DATE: NONE JOURNAL: "HAMAHANE HAHAMEDI" (ULTRAORTH) JERUSALEM NEWS ITEM  
 QUOTE: A large group numbering more than 150 families whose children have been studying in the schools of the Mission in Petah Tikva and Ramle have decided to remove their children this year from the non-Jewish schools and to transfer them to Jewish religious schools in Petah Tikva. (END)

DATE: 29.8.80 JOURNAL: "THIS WEEK IN NETANYA" (HEBREW) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "BECAUSE OF NON-TRANSFER TO NEARBY SCHOOL, MOTHER THREATENS TO ENROLL HER SON AT THE MISSION"  
 QUOTE : Many times it occurs that parents <sup>are</sup> dissatisfied with the enrolment of their children in this or that school in town. One of these parents is Mrs. Avraham Ruth of Rehov Dov Hos, 10, who decided to appeal, by way of our journal, the decision of the Transfers Committee that her son Yariv shall study the coming year (may it be good unto us all) at the Usishkin School. Mrs. Avraham, in a vigorous letter, appealed to the District Director of Enrolment in the Dept of Education of the Municipality, and demanded that the child be enrolled in the "Bari" School, where his older brother is also studying. In her letter, styled very sharply, she has even threatened to weigh the matter of enrolling the child in the Mission should the Municipality not meet her demand. In reply, the District Director of Registration, Mr. Yahalomi, explained that Dov Hos Street, where the family lives, is divided into two enrolment areas, with children residing in even numbers belonging to Usishkin School and the odd number children on the other side of the street belonging to the Bari School. Therefore, it is impossible to comply with her request, he wrote. Notwithstanding, Mr. Yahalomi, taking into account the appeal of the editors of this <sup>the mother</sup> journal, agreed to invite <sup>the mother</sup> personally to appear before the committee in order to give her reasons orally for her request. This, however, was of no avail, and the committee again rejected her request. She was finally promised that if for any reason a vacancy occurred at the Bari School, her son Yariv would be transferred there. (END)

DATE: 5.9.80 JOURNAL: "KOL HAMEKAZ" (YEDIOT AKHRONOT SUPPLEMENT) HEBREW  
 PHOTO STORY: ULTRAORTHODOX RESIDENTS OF REHOVOT OF LATE HAVE DEMONSTRATED EXTENSIVE PUBLIC ACTIVITY IN OPPOSITION TO SEVERAL PHENOMENA PROVOKING THEM. IN THIS FRAMEWORK LAST WEEK A LARGE PRAYER ASSEMBLY WAS HELD IN THE SYNAGOGUE PLAZA IN THE CENTRE OF TOWN. IN THE PHOTOGRAPH A PROCLAMATION IS REPRODUCED CALLING ON RELIGIOUS RESIDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ASSEMBLY. AMONG OTHER THINGS, IT IS DECLARED THAT THE ASSEMBLY IS DIRECTED AGAINST THE MISSION (SEE PHOTO PAGE 1), AGAINST THE SALE OF SWINE FLESH IN 14 SHOPS IN TOWN, AND AGAINST SABBATH DESECRATION BECAUSE OF THE EARLY DEPARTURE OF BUSES AND THE OPENING OF CABS AND CINEMAS TOWARD THE CLOSE OF SABBATH WHILE IT IS STILL DAYLIGHT. (PHOTO: NATAN SADAN)  
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DATE: 5.9.80 JOURNAL: "KOL HAMEKAZ" (YEDIOT SUPPLEMENT) HEBREW PHOTO STORY  
 HEADING: "REHOVOT MUNICIPALITY DENOUNCES MISSIONARY ACTIVITY"

QUOTE : OFFENSIVE GRAFFITI <sup>MANY</sup> STREAMING OVER THE FRONT OF THE REHOVOT CLUBHOUSE WHICH ACCORDING TO RESIDENTS IN TOWN BELONGS TO THE EMMA BERGER SECT OF ZICRON YAACOV. THE RESIDENTS CLAIM THAT MISSIONARY ACTIVITY IS CONDUCTED AT THE SITE AND THAT CHILDREN FROM THE REHOVOT AREA ARE TRANSPORTED FROM IT TO THE CENTRE OF THE SECT IN ZICRON YAACOV. (SEE STORY ON PAGE 2.) PHOTO: NATAN SADAN.

DATE: 5.9.80 JOURNAL: (AS ABOVE) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "MISSION IN REHOVOT"

BYLINE : "YEDIOT" Correspondent

QUOTE : The Municipal Council of Rehovot has decided to denounce all activity of missionary circles in town, but it appears that the denunciation will be the only activity against these circles inasmuch as the law does not permit action against them. The resolution of the Municipal Council came in the wake of claims by religious circles that on Yavne Road in Rehovot a branch of the missionary sect of Emma Berger has been opened, its headquarters being in Zicron Yaacov. These circles claim that buses daily transport children from Rehovot to Zicron Yaacov in order for them to take part in the activities of the sect there. The religious circles have asked the Rehovot police to act against the missionaries, but the police have made it clear to them that there is nothing in the activities of the Mission in violation of any law, and there is therefore no grounds for acting against them.

The activity of the Mission in Rehovot was mentioned, among other things, during the <sup>Sabbath</sup> demonstrations which were recently held in Rehovot. It has been learned that religious circles in Rehovot are weighing independent action against the men of the Mission and this is a matter of concern to the police, which fears outbreaks of violence. Among other things, these same circles are weighing an appeal to owners of flats and shops in Rehovot to persuade them not to rent shops or flats to Mission activists. (END)

DATE: 23.9.80 JOURNAL: "HATSOREH" (HEB AM N.R.P.) OPINION ARTICLE

HEADING: "WHO NEEDS IT? THE PERPETUATION OF "TALITA KUMI"

BYLINE : Yona Cohen

EXCERPT: About 120 years ago in Jerusalem there was erected one of a number of structures serving the Christian Mission, namely the "Talita Kumi" building (named according to the writing in their books). (There follows a description of the building, its use as an orphanage, the razing of the building to make way for a commercial centre, and the decision to erect a reconstructed model of the building for historical and esthetic reasons, followed by a reconsideration of the decision.) There are those who are of the opinion that inasmuch as the original structure was razed, it is not necessary to reconstruct or "perpetuate" one of the centres of the Christian Mission in our city. And even those who feel pained by the disappearance of such an attractive structure, agree that it is necessary to "budge" the reconstructed building to another site (perhaps behind the new building that will be erected there.) END EXC.

DATE: 29.9.80 JOURNAL: "HATSOREH" (AS ABOVE) ITEM

HEADING: "THE MISSION EXPANDS ITS ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTH"

BYLINE : Eli Ronen

QUOTE : The missionaries have expanded their activities in the south recently, and have even reached Eilat. Their activity finds expression mainly in the mailing of missionary propaganda material to various residents whose names apparently were taken from the phone directory, and by persuading parents in distressed families to send their children to Mission institutions. The heads of the religious community in various settlements in the south have reported to our correspondent that they will increase their <sup>own</sup> activity against the widening missionary activity.

DATE: 12.10.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGLISH AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE (END)

HEADING: "GOV'T BILLS TO OPEN KNESSET'S WINTER TERM"

BYLINE : Aryeh Rubinstein, POST Knesset Reporter

EXCERPT: Wednesday will also be devoted to Gov't bills, including two tabled by former Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir. The first (deals with illegal construction)... and the second introduces limitations of the purchase of land by non-Israeli citizens. Modelled on Danish & Swiss legislation, it empowers the state to intervene for the community's good when alien elements are buying up considerable (MORE)



areas of land, as in the case of the Emma Berger sect, which has been acquiring large tracts of land in Zichron Ya'acov and Binyamina. (END EXC)

DATE: 15.10.80 JOURNAL: "DAVAR" (HEB AM LABOUR) FEATURE ARTICLE

HEADING: "THE EMMA BERGER LAW"

SUBHEAD: THE GOV'T IS ENTITLED TO SUPERVISE LAND PURCHASES TO FOREIGNERS  
AND TO FORESTALL BUSINESS DEALS CONTRARY TO THE GOOD OF THE STATE

BYLINE : Israel Landers.

SUMMARY & EXCERPTS: This is a lengthy feature article about the proposed law, which begins with an allegorical fantasy about huge deals being consummated by hostile elements with vast sums of money to gain control of Israeli lands and property. The writer continues: The affair of the business deals of Emma Berger, however, demonstrates that an imaginary script of this kind does have some connection to reality. If a German citizen like Emma Berger could buy up such properties in Zichron Yaacov and its surroundings, why cannot foreign capitalists, even hostile ones, buy up property in other areas of the country? From the juridical point of view there are no restrictions whatsoever on the sale of land to foreigners, and at times it is impossible to know who is the real purchaser? This is a situation that the State of Israel should not be reconciled to. Many states are wont to prevent foreigners from taking over their natural resources or their financial assets. They see in such activity financial colonialism, which must be resisted. The State of Israel, as is well known, is not blessed with an abundance of gold, diamonds or oil. Its main natural resource is land. The sale of land to foreigners, if it should become a commonplace, cannot be reconciled to those aims for which the State was founded. Therefore, from a principled perspective, the proposed bill in connection with the sale of land to foreigners tabled in the Knesset this week should be viewed positively. The proposed law seeks to supervise land deals which involve foreigners, and grants the State first preference in the purchase of property which aliens seek to buy. The proposed bill determines that the seller must report to the Israel Lands Authority of his intention to sell property to a foreigner, and only if the Authority relinquishes his first option to buy can the sale to the foreigner be effected. In this way the Land Authority can frustrate business deals which are undesirable and contrary to the interests of the State.

There can be no doubt that the bill is likely to arouse reservations and doubts because of its discriminatory character. Doubtless, there will be those who ask whether Jews who have suffered discrimination for generations should enact legislation in their land which discriminates against foreigners. The answer is that Jews suffered discrimination while they were residents of the countries where they sought to be loyal citizens, while the proposed law deals with the purchase of lands by foreigners who are liable to be hostile as well to the State....From a study of the judicial situation in over 30 lands it appears that not only in totalitarian lands are such restrictions in effect, but also in the most democratic regimes. (Illustrations given from legislation in Switzerland, Canada, Sweden, Norway.) Nevertheless, a law which restricts the sale of land to foreigners arouses in Israel a more complex problem than in other countries. The reason for this is that we seek to distinguish among foreigners upon whom the restrictions fall, between Jews who are citizens of other countries, whom we are interested in encouraging to buy land and property in Israel.

The question is how to draw the line between these two groups. The proposed law seeks to solve the problem by granting the authority to decide to the Israel Lands Authority, which will receive a report of every deal with foreigners and will decide when to permit the deal to go through and when to intervene and buy the property in place of the foreign purchaser...It seems to me that this arrangement grants far too much authority to the Israel Lands Authority...In order to avoid arbitrary actions, unjust actions against property owners, and errors in judgment, it were far better to draw up detailed guidelines for the Authority in the exercise of its powers. The guidelines could, among other things, define the aims which guide the restriction of sales and the circumstances which would permit the Authority to oppose a deal....In principle, however, we can welcome the proposed law which is trying to guarantee that the affair of the Emma Berger deals will remain exceptional and not become the first swallow which heralds the summer. (END)

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SUBJECT NUMBER TWO: CHRISTIANS PRO-ISRAEL

DATE: 5.9.80 JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR" (HEB AM MAPAM) NEWS

HEADING: "GROVE IN MEMORY OF COLLABORATOR ON 'JEWISH DOCUMENT' OF VATICAN"

BYLINE: Gavriel Stern

QUOTE: This week in the Jewish National Fund forests in Galilee a <sup>Grove</sup> was dedicated to the memory of Msgr. Cornelius Reik to mark the first anniversary of his death. The Sisters of Zion in Rome contributed 200 trees and the General Secy of the Israel Interfaith Committee, Joseph Emmanuel, announced that the Committee on its part would also contribute one hundred trees. Among the participants in the ceremonial planting of the first seven saplings were William Simpson, Honorary President of the International Council of Christians and Jews, of which the deceased was among its active and committed members, Sister Donna Fardi, the Abbess of the Sisters of Zion on the Via Dolorosa, David Efrati, Director of the Department for Ecclesiastical Affairs in the Foreign Ministry, Agostino Segra of the Jewish National Fund who was a close friend of the deceased in Rome, and Joan Pauline who was his secretary. Sister Bruno of Ein Carem offered a special prayer in Hebrew.

Reik, a native of Holland, was 59 at the time of his death. As a professor of Bible, he was drawn to the Jewish issue, and was the right-hand man of the late Cardinal Bea in dealing with the <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ portion of "Nostra Aetate" ("Our Age") concerning the Jews, which was later ratified, in 1965. During the last six years of his life, he directed the "International Service for Jewish-Christian Documentation." (END)

DATE: 7.9.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) LETTER TO EDITOR

BY: PER FAYE-HANSEN, Scandinavian Seamen's Pastor, Haifa.

HEADING: "CHRISTIAN SUPPORT FOR JERUSALEM"

QUOTE: Norwegian Christians in the Scandinavian Seamen's churches in Haifa and Ashdod were shocked at the resolution adopted by the WCC in Geneva condemning Israel's Jerusalem Law for endangering peace in the Middle East. It was stated that the WCC represents more than 400 million Christians. We want therefore to stress that several of these million Christians do not agree to the resolution and never wanted to back the World Council. Upon learning that two of our leading bishops in Oslo backed the resolution, we sent our strong and urgent protests. We want to assure the people of Israel that Bible-believing Christians remain faithful to Israel, Zionism and the Jerusalem Law. We believe in Jerusalem, D.C. (David's Capital), and want to encourage the Prime Minister and his Government to continue the liberation of all of Eretz Israel according to prophecy. (END LETTER)

DATE: 8.9.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) LETTERS TO EDITOR

HEADING: "DUTCH EMBASSY"

QUOTE: The signers of this letter, which was also sent to the General Press Office in Holland, are all Dutchmen now living in Israel. Why should the Arabs give up using their oil weapon when they see it gives them such success with the spineless West. We teach them every time we give in that this weapon works. By giving in to Hitler in the beginning, after he had already started with his antisemitic measures, the West was also responsible for the outbreak of World War 2. It is happening again today: The Jews now back in their land and in their city of Jerusalem are being pushed more and more to the wall by international Communism which is using the enmity of the Arab nations to procure its goal. And what are we doing? We are trying, as Chamberlain did in Munich, to save our own skins, our oil, and our economy, and we let Israel pay for it! One day we shall wake up knowing that we have <sup>GIVEN</sup> in too much, but then it will be too late. SIGNED: IBENBERT, SCHERWERS, HENDRIK J. BRUINS, PETER BENARD, JACOB H. SCHOLING, JAN WILLEM VAN DER HOEVEN, JERUSALEM.

QUOTE: We in NES AMIN, a Christian agricultural settlement in northern Galilee, have sent the following telegram to Mr. Van der Klauw, the Dutch Minister for Foreign Affairs: "JERUSALEM for oil. Don't leave Israel alone. Compromise leads to compromise. Remember the 30s & 40s. Example Denmark." We also sent the following statement to the Dutch Parliament, together with the signatures of our inhabitants: "Undersigners, inhabitants of the international settlement of Nes Amin among whom a large number of Dutchmen want to express their concern about the future attitude of the Netherlands in relation to Israel. We hope, realizing the complexity of the Arab-Jewish problem, the Dutch Parliament will (MORE)



consider very seriously the result of the decision about moving the Embassy to Tel Aviv: Israel will stand alone again!" SIGNED: MACHTELD DE COEDEN  
Nes Amman.

DATE: 10.9.80 JOURNAL: "JERUSALEM POST" (ENGL AM IND) FEATURE ARTICLE  
HEADING: "HELPING HANDS" PHOTOS: VAN NIESSEN WORKS WITH HANDS & INSTRUMENTS  
SUMMARY: This is an article about a German Christian "circulation therapist" living in Haifa who has treated "more than 13,000 patients for practically everything except cancer and leukemia."

BYLINE : Mary Hirschfeld

EXCERPTS: SIEGFRIED VAN NIESSEN is something of a legend. For starts, he is German, a Christian, and once studied music at a Nazi-funded school for music geniuses. At 53 he is full of vitality.. "It all started at that music school in Frankfurt. Music was all I cared about, but I could not help noticing how the other boys picked on the only Jewish boy left. It simply wasn't Christian." One day young Siegfried declared in class that "Hitler is the anti-Christ." Within four hours he was expelled from school and sent to an SS reformatory hundreds of kilometres away.... (The article continues with his personal biography and the development of his theory of healing out of the work of Dr. Lauren Berry in the U.S.A. and the instruments he designed to implement it; followed by comments on Israeli life since his arrival as a volunteer at Rambam Hospital in Haifa during the Yom Kippur War. He will be moving to Kibbutz Ein-Gedi where he expects to begin work in November.)  
The article concludes: "My big dream," he says, "is to open a school for circulation therapists...and I wish to share my experience with other people. I also wish that other Christians would feel like me towards Israel and give me a hand. We owe you a debt." (END EXC. & SUMMARY)

DATE: 17.9.80 JOURNAL: "HAARIV" (IEB PM IND) NEWS ARTICLE  
HEADING: "CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATIONS SETTING UP 'GOOD WILL EMBASSY' IN JERUSALEM  
SUBHEAD: 1000 REPRESENTATIVES FROM 13 COUNTRIES HOLDING CONFERENCE IN CAPITAL DURING FEAST OF TABERNACLES

BYLINE : Baruch Meiri

QUOTE : A good will embassy will be activated in Jerusalem by Christian organizations who are friends of Israel. Members of 13 organizations of Christians from 13 countries have decided to hold a special conference in Jerusalem during the Feast of Tabernacles in which some 1000 representatives who feel, as they express it, that the time has come to do something for Israel. In the course of the conference, which will last ten days, the representatives of 13 organizations will discuss ways of providing aid to the State of Israel in the areas of information and promotion of the purchase of Israeli products throughout the world. The participants at the conference will hold a demonstration of solidarity (with Israel) opposite the Knesset.

The members of these organizations are Christians united in their faith in the Bible who acknowledge the Jewish people as the Chosen People who must be dealt with accordingly. In the wake of the removal of 13 embassies from Jerusalem, these organizations have decided to set up an embassy, the first of its kind, in Jerusalem; "An Embassy of Good Will of the Christian World." Its function will be, among other things, to promulgate informational material about Israel. In anticipation of the conference a special film about Israel has been produced, which will be screened this evening at the Gross Neighbourhood Centre in Romema in Jerusalem. The filming was made possible thanks to the special fund bearing the name of the late Roni Sofer.

Tonight the head of the Society for Danish-Israel Friendship is expected to arrive in Israel in order to prepare the special conference. The Danish-Israel Friendship Society in recent weeks organized demonstrations in Copenhagen in protest of the PLO, and also in protest of the decision to remove embassies from Jerusalem. (END)

DATE: 21.9.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE  
HEADING: "EVANGELISTS COME ON SUCCOT PILGRIMAGE IN SHOW OF SUPPORT"

BYLINE : Haim Shapiro, J.P. Reporter

QUOTE : Joining Israelis in the celebration of Succot this week will be some 800 Christians from around the world. They have come especially for the holiday on a pilgrimage organized by evangelical Christians who support Israel.  
(MORE)



The evangelists believe that millions of others feel as they do, and are only looking for a way to express their support. The group will hold a conference at the Anglican School in Jerusalem. Jan Willem van der Hoeven, one of the organizers of the celebration, told the JERUSALEM POST that Succot was chosen because, according to the prophet Zacharia, that is the holiday on which all the nations of the world will one day be called upon to come up to Jerusalem.

Van der Hoeven was formerly the warden of the Garden Tomb, but now spends his time traveling around the world speaking for Israel. One of the purposes of the conference, he said, is to formulate a concrete platform of support for the Jewish State to which Christians can adhere. In contrast to the more institutionalized branches of Christianity, the Bible-believing Christians, as they call themselves, have no need to pay lip service to trends in the Third World, van der Hoeven said. He also pointed out that while most tours and visits are geared to seeing the land of Israel, this occasion is dedicated to getting to know the people of Israel.

A film, "APPLES OF GOLD," will be shown. The visitors will also hear a talk by Karel van Oordt, a Dutch Christian businessman who sold his business to devote his time to encouraging Christians to buy Israeli products. Christian supporters are also encouraged to buy Israel bonds, subscribe to the JERUSALEM POST INTERNATIONAL EDITION, come to Israel as volunteers, and encourage Jews to make aliya. Visitors to the conference will be coming from <sup>some</sup> 20 countries, including Greece and India. Next year, Vanderhoeven would like to see an even greater representation from the non-Anglosaxon world, including the Far East. He stressed that Israelis are welcome to come and meet the participants. (END)

DATE: 23.9.80 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "MORE THAN 5,000 NOW REGISTERED FOR JERUSALEM MARCH"

EXCERPT: ....More than 800 members of an international Christian evangelist organization for Israel, coming from 26 countries, who will be taking part in an international conference to be held in the capital during the Feast of Tabernacles, have responded to the call of Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek to march as a sign of solidarity with Jerusalem in the streets of the capital, bearing their banners, in the framework of the Jerusalem March. One of the conference organizers, Mr. Wim (sic.) van der Hoeven has informed the Jerusalem Mayor during a weekend meeting last week that this organization "expresses the feelings of millions throughout the world who support Israel and who are not obliged to pay lip service to the conventional political pressures of the world at present." (END EXC)

DATE: 23.9.80 ~~HEADING~~ <sup>CHRISTIAN</sup> HEADING: "TABERNACLES/CONFERENCE, FIRST OF ITS KIND, THIS EVENING" JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR" (HEB AM MAPAM) BYLINE: Gavriel Stern /IN JERUSALEM"

QUOTE : This evening at the Anglican School on the Street of the Prophets in the capital there will be a festive opening of the first Christian Tabernacles conference of its kind, and which will express solidarity with the State of Israel. The number of participants will be between 500-800 from 20 countries, among them India and Greece, while the largest group will come from South Africa. They are members of various Christian communities, but it appears that the majority belong to the Conservative Evangelical stream, which is growing especially in the U.S.A. in recent years (although in contrast to the similar conferences organized in previous years on the initiative of the late Professor Douglas Young, a Jerusalem Worthy, this time the stress is on Europeans), and which sees in the State of Israel the fulfilment of biblical prophecies. The animating spirit behind the conference is a Dutch clergyman, Jan Willem Van der Hoeven, who stood with his wife, who is of Arab-Lebanese origin, at the head of the fight against the removal of his country's embassy from Jerusalem. On Thursday, 30/9, during the intermediate days of the festival, at noon, "the Christian Embassy" will be officially proclaimed in the presence of Mayor Teddy Kollek in Israel's capital in response to the abandonment of the city by the embassies of <sup>the</sup> Christian states of Holland and Latin America. The same morning before the Knesset a prayer service will be held for Jerusalem, as Israel's eternal capital. (END)

DATE: 24.9.80 JOURNAL: DAVAR (HEB AM LABOUR) NEWS BRIEF

QUOTE: ~~in~~ Close to 1,000 Christians from 20 countries in America, Europe, and the Far East yesterday afternoon marched along the walls of Jerusalem opening "a week of celebrations of Tabernacles for Israel & Jerusalem its capital. (END) MORE



DATE: 24.9.80 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM IND) NEWS BRIEF

HEADING: "CHRISTIANS FOR ISRAEL AND JERUSALEM"

QUOTE : (BEGINS AS PREVIOUS NEWSBRIEF AND ADDS): They are taking part in an enterprise organized by a public committee headed by the clergyman Peter van der Hoeven, Warden of the Garden Tomb in East Jerusalem, and Professor Larry Samuels, in order to express their belief that "the time has come for the Christian world to raise its voice and express its support for the exalted prophetic ideal of the return of the Jewish people to its homeland and its eternal capital, Jerusalem, which is being fulfilled in these times." (END)

DATE: 24.9.80 JOURNAL: DAVAR (HEB AM LABOUR) NEWS BRIEF

HEADING: "CHRISTIAN MARCH"

QUOTE : (SAME AS EXCERPT ABOVE PAGE 7 "HAARETZ" 23.9 BEGINNING "MORE THAN 800..")

DATE: 24.9.80 JOURNAL: "MAARIV" (HEB PM IND) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "1,000 CHRISTIANS MARCHED YESTERDAY ABOUT JERUSALEM WALLS"

SUBHEAD: OPENED WEEK OF TABERNACLES FESTIVITIES FOR ISRAEL & JERUSALEM, COME FROM 20 COUNTRIES.

QUOTE : (Beginning as DAVAR article & HAARETZ of 24.9.80 above, and continues:) The Rev. Van der Hoeven and Prof. Samuels, who reported on the enterprise at a press conference in Jerusalem, stressed that according to their knowledge they represent many millions of Christians throughout the world "who do not identify nor agree with the policies of their governments and are wholeheartedly devoted to absolute solidarity with the Jewish people fighting for the fulfilment of the ideal of return to the land of their fathers according to the Holy Scriptures." The hundreds who have come to Israel on the occasion of the Feast of Tabernacles are only the first swallows of summer, and herald the myriads of supporters of Jewish redemption throughout the world. During their stay in Israel they will conduct prayer services, and will also participate in the dancing of the festival "Rejoicing of the Law" (Simhat Torah) in the streets of Jerusalem, the spokesmen reported. The Christians will also take part in the "Jerusalem March" which will take place this coming Tuesday in the capital after they have dedicated the "Christian Embassy" in Jerusalem as a response to the abandonment of the capital by the foreign embassies. (END)

DATE: 26.9.80 JOURNAL: "IETZIE NYES" (TELAVIV) YIDDISH NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "THOUSAND CHRISTIANS FROM 20 LANDS DEMONSTRATE SOLIDARITY WITH UNITED

QUOTE : About 1,000 Christians coming from 20 countries in. /JERUSALEM" America, Europe and the Far East have commenced, with a march along Jerusalem's narrow walls, "A Week of Tabernacles Festivities for the benefit of the State of Israel and her capital Jerusalem." (BALANCE AS ABOVE ARTICLES)

DATE: 28.9.80 JOURNAL: "NEWSVIEW" (JERUSALEM) ENGLISH WEEKLY NEWSBRIEF

HEADING: "PILGRIMS' SUPPORT"

QUOTE : During Succot week, some 800 Christians representing half-a-dozen countries will converge on the State in a move to express their support of Israel. One of the organizers of the Succot pilgrimage, Jan Villen Vander Hoeven, former warden of the Garden Tomb and a longtime supporter of Israel, said that he hopes that this will be only the first of a series of pilgrimages of Christians in support of Israel. Van der Hoeven lived for several years in Jerusalem, but now spends his time traveling abroad and lecturing to Christian audiences about /Israel. (END)

DATE: 29.9.80 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM IND) NEWS BRIEF

HEADING: "CHRISTIAN EMBASSY IN JERUSALEM"

BYLINE : HAARETZ Correspondent in Jerusalem

QUOTE : An international "Christian Embassy" will be set up tomorrow in Jerusalem in the presence of Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek in response to the abandonment of the city by the embassies of Christian countries in Latin America & Holland. The embassy will represent members of the international Christian evangelists organization for Israel in 26 countries who are participating in a world congress being held now in the capital. These have responded to the call of Mayor Kollek to march, as a sign of solidarity, in the streets of the capital with their flags, in the framework of the Jerusalem March. The embassy will be located in a building on Rashba Street, 22, a distance of only a few steps from the home of Kollek.

DATE: 29.9.80 JOURNAL: DAVAR (HEB AM IND) NEWSBRIEF

(END)

HEADING: "EMBASSY IN JERUSALEM"

QUOTE : (Shortened version of foregoing newsbrief.)

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DATE: 29.9.80 JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR" (HEB AM MAPAM) NEWSBRIEF  
 HEADING: "CHRISTIAN EMBASSY IN JERUSALEM"  
 QUOTE : (SAME AS PREVIOUS NEWSBRIEF)

DATE: 29.9.80 JOURNAL: "YEDIOT AKHRONOT" (HEB PM IND) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION OPENS 'EMBASSY' IN JERUSALEM"

BYLINE : Hayim Shibi, "YEDIOT" Correspondent

QUOTE : "An International Christian Embassy" will be opened tomorrow in Jerusalem in the presence of Mayor Teddy Kollek in response to the transfer of the embassies of Latin American states and Holland from the capital to the Shafala. In an announcement published yesterday the international Christian evangelists organization, which works in 26 countries, stated among other things that in the light of the weakness demonstrated by a number of Christian states the time had arrived for speaking<sup>up</sup> plainly for Israel. In the name of the millions of the Christians throughout the world, "we will set up in Jerusalem an embassy as an expression of our faith that Jerusalem shall remain the united capital of Jerusalem," it was stated. About a thousand Christian members of the organization will tomorrow morning present themselves for prayer before the gates of the Knesset, and after they have dedicated the "International Christian Embassy" will march in the streets of the capital in the framework of the "Jerusalem March" bearing the flags of their countries.  
 (END)

DATE: 30.9.80 JOURNAL: "HATSOFEH" (HEB AM NRP) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "EXPECTED PARTICIPATION OF MORE THAN 45,000 MARCHERS"

EXCERPT: In the (Jerusalem) March hundreds of pilgrims from among the leaders of Christian denominations in the world will take part as a sign of solidarity with Jerusalem and Israel; also participating will be about 1,000 volunteers from kibbutzim throughout the country. (END EXC)

DATE: 30.9.80 JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR" (HEB AM MAPAM) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "40,000 WILL MARCH TODAY IN THE JERUSALEM MARCH"  
 EXCERPT: (SAME AS ABOVE)

DATE: 30.9.80 JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR"

HEADING: "JERUSALEM MAYOR'S RECEPTION AT DAVID'S TABERNACLE"

BYLINE : Gavriel Stern, "AL HAMISHMAR" Correspondent

EXCERPT: "AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT ALL THOSE REMAINING FROM AMONG ALL THE NATIONS WHO CAME UP AGAINST JERUSALEM SHALL GO UP YEAR BY YEAR TO WORSHIP THE KING, JEHOVAH OF HOSTS, AND TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES" This prophecy of Zechariah (14:16) was fulfilled as it were yesterday afternoon at the reception held by Mayor Teddy Kollek and his wife at the splendid municipal Tabernacle of David in the park of David's Citadel where<sup>there were assembled</sup> members of the consular corps, the<sup>variegated</sup> heads of the Christian communities, tens of<sup>Arab</sup> leaders and notables (whose numbers were significantly larger than on previous occasions), tourists, and also participants of the first Christian Feast of Tabernacles "from India to Ethiopia", whose slogan is the above-mentioned citation, and who take part today in the Jerusalem March under their flags (including the Iranian flag), and open the "Christian Embassy" in the capital. (END)

DATE: 30.9.80 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "40,000 TAKE OFF THIS MORNING ON THE JERUSALEM MARCH"  
 EXCERPT: (SEE ITEMS ABOVE)

DATE: 30.9.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "CHRISTIAN 'EMBASSY' OPENED IN JERUSALEM"

BYLINE : JERUSALEM POST REPORTER

QUOTE : Christian fundamentalists from more than 20 countries yesterday dedicated an "International Christian Embassy" in Jerusalem in reaction to the abandonment of the city by 13 foreign embassies. The "embassy" at 22 Rehov Rashba in the Rehavia Quarter will be permanently staffed and will aid pilgrims, operate a public relations bureau and work with Christian groups abroad to sell Israeli products. Addressing the large crowd filling the street in an emotional ceremony, the Rev. Jan William Van der Hoeven, initiator of the project, said: "I think Jerusalem never in its history had so many Christian ambassadors. They will all go back and tell the story that Israel has the right to live." Mayor Teddy Kollek, who lives on the same street, said the Christian embassy weighed against the closure of all the embassies. "They after all represent only governments; you represent the people."  
 (MORE)



Dr. Larry Samuels of the U.S., one of the Christian organizers, said the embassy represented a grassroots movement "of concerned Christians who support the promises of the Bible to the people of this land." Samuels will serve as the embassy's first director. The Christian participants were among 1,000 fundamentalists attending an international congress in Jerusalem this week. They were urged to help break the Arab boycott of Israel by urging friends at home to buy Israeli products. (END ARTICLE)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST PHOTO STORY

QUOTE: CHRISTIAN FUNDAMENTALISTS FROM MANY COUNTRIES CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF AN INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EMBASSY IN JERUSALEM YESTERDAY. THE HEBREW PLACARD SAYS: 'ISRAEL IS NOT ALONE'.

DATE: 11.10.80 JERUSALEM POST INTERNATIONAL EDITION NEWS AND PHOTO STORY  
HEADING: "CHRISTIAN 'EMBASSY' IN CAPITAL"

QUOTE: (Combination of above two items dated 1.10.80)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "JERUSALEM POST" COMMENT/Abraham Rabinovich

HEADING: "THE MARCH--A GLIMPSE OF VITALITY AND JOY"

EXCERPT: The parade proved an act of affirmation, not defiance. The two-way flow of marchers added to the pageant-like nature <sup>(with)</sup> massed ranks of soldiers and civilians marching past each other to the same beat. The Christian contingent struck a surprisingly deep chord with their proclamation that Israel is not alone. The statement brought home how alone Israel really is. The applause that greeted the Christians' banner from a contingent of soldiers marching towards them near Jaffa Gate seemed to be out of gratitude towards friends who keep faith during a difficult time. (END EXCERPT)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "MAARIV" (HEB PM IND) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "12 PROOFS OF THE RIGHT TO LAND OF ISRAEL CONVEYED TO FRIENDS OF

QUOTE: Twelve proofs of the right of the people of Israel <sup>all the</sup> /ISRAEL" to the land of Israel--a chronological table with citations from the Pentateuch in which God promises the three patriarchs the land--were conveyed yesterday by a Prisoner of Zion to a group of friends of Israel, a delegation of evangelists from 26 countries who are now in Israel in order to demonstrate their sympathy for her. Eliezer Shulman was an exile in Siberia for 33 years. While working on the building of a railroad in a remote settlement where he spent his time of exile, he occupied himself in the preparation of a giant work which encompasses <sup>chronological</sup> 12 tables clarifying and unifying various topics in the Torah. This work was commended by the President of the State and rabbis. One of the tables which was given to the Christian friends of Israel bears the name: "The Covenant between God and the Patriarchs." The meeting between Shulman and the Christians was held in the Knesset Plaza where the latter prayed for the peace of Israel. The evangelists said that millions of Christians throughout the world supported Israel. (END)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "SEMANA" (TELAVIV) SPANISH WEEKLY NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "CHRISTIAN EMBASSY OPENED IN JERUSALEM"

QUOTE: On Tuesday there was opened in Jerusalem in the presence of the Mayor of the city, Teddy Kollek, the "International Christian Embassy" in reaction to the transfer of the Latin-American and Dutch embassies to Tel-Aviv. (REST AS ABOVE)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "ISRAEL NACHRICHTEN" (TELAVIV) GERMAN NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "CHRISTIAN EMBASSY ESTABLISHED IN JERUSALEM"

QUOTE: (SAME AS ABOVE)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR" (HEB AM MAPAM) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "'INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EMBASSY' OPENED IN CAPITAL"

QUOTE: "The International Christian Embassy" was opened in Jerusalem, Israel's capital with the participation of some thousand Christians who had come up from twenty countries to the capital to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles in order to express their solidarity with the State of Israel and Jerusalem, its capital. The embassy was opened on Rashba Street in the Rehavia Quarter at a ceremony which took place yesterday at noon in the presence of Mayor Teddy Kollek. He greeted the assemblage and stressed that they represent millions of people and nationals while the professional ambassadors represent only governments. The representatives of the Christians from each country sounded greetings and prayers



for the peace of Jerusalem and the State of Israel which, according to their belief, represent the fulfilment of the prophetic vision and the words written in the Bible concerning the return of the Jewish people to their land. All the assemblage lifted up their right hand and declared: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning," and promised full support for the Jewish State. "Israel, You are not alone," they declared. The spokesmen for the various groups of guests displayed high spirits and much feeling. They repeatedly stressed that the "International Christian Embassy" outweighed all those embassies which had abandoned Jerusalem. They said that within this embassy there would be extensive informational activities and positive information about Israel will be distributed throughout the world. (END)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "CHRISTIAN EMBASSY" IN JERUSALEM OPENED

QUOTE : (SAME AS FOREGOING ARTICLE)

DATE: 1.10.80 JOURNAL: "HATSOFEH" (HEB AM NRP) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EMBASSY OPENED IN JERUSALEM WITH THOUSAND REPRESENTATIVES FROM ABROAD"

QUOTE : (SAME AS FOREGOING ARTICLES)

DATE: 3.10.80 JOURNAL: JEWISH CHRONICLE (LONDON ENGLAND) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "EVANGELISTS BACK ISRAEL"

BYLINE : FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT (JERUSALEM)

QUOTE : Some 800 Christian evangelists from all over the world, in conference in Jerusalem, have staged a demonstration of solidarity with Israel, during a special Succot pilgrimage. The organizer of the conference, Mr. Jan Willem van der Hoeven, said that it aimed to formulate a solid programme of support for Israel, to which Christians could adhere. Mr. van der Hoeven, formerly warden of the Garden Tomb (held by some Protestants to be the site where Jesus was buried after his crucifixion), said that the conference had been timed for Succot because, according to the prophet Zachariah, this was the time when all the nations of the world would one day be called up to Jerusalem. (END)

DATE: 3.10.80 JOURNAL: "MAARIV" (HEB PM IND) FEATURE ARTICLE ("OVER COFFEE")

HEADING: "THE AMBASSADORS"

BYLINE: G. Benjamin

QUOTE : Jew-haters are hated by us, but lovers of Jews are not always loved by us in every circumstance. The missionaries, for example, with their love like the wolf for the lamb...respect them but always suspect them. The days when we were put on the stake of the auto-da-fe in order to save (by the bloodless roasting of the flesh) our souls from the fire of Gehenna have passed away. Their mission is accomplished by charity, as it were, and not once by means of Jews who themselves have apostacized. There are, of course, others, brazen and shameless like the dark woman in Zicron. Out of Germany she brings us the message of the cross...Yet it would not be fair or proper on our part to attack all Christians who are engaged in charitable work, and even if it be at the cost of bribery for the sake of Heaven. More than one hospital, one orphanage, one shelter for the poor has been set up by virtue of their dedication. Still, we cannot say that even in the best instances it was a good deed for its own sake. And if there has been no deceit involved, there has been much subtlety, to provide aid to the needy by picking off the weakly in the rear, which is a good deed done by means of transgression. Not that those who apostacize in this manner by means of easy enticements (usually material) are lacking among us, but it is doubtful that the soul-fishers, sometimes covering themselves with third-class Jewish prayer shawls, truly fill up thereby the ranks of their co-religionists.

Now, all of a sudden, an assembly from Heaven, there come to us beautiful people, strangers and strange, who say to us that just because they are Christians, good Christians, at peace with themselves, devoted to the commandments of their faith, they seek to strengthen our hands in order that we might remain what we are--Jews! These strange Christians are not isolated ones, it appears, in the world, and they may be far more numerous than we imagined. (There follows a brief description of the Japanese "Makuya" sect and their support of Israel.) This week the walls of Jerusalem were encompassed ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ by a thousand non-Jews coming from 20 lands, "a multitude keeping holy day". At a time when the governments of the Christian world are casting us out, and one by one the lights are going out in the windows of our city, these who seek our well-being come along and ask to open up a good-will embassy in the city, "the midst thereof is paved with love, round about it a thousand shields," with



tokens of all the peoples of the free world. Of their own free will they open here their dwellingplace, not with our money but their own, not because we have pressed or urged it upon them, not to receive a reward for repairing <sup>(or perfecting)</sup> our souls, but for the repair <sup>(or perfection)</sup> of their own souls and the perfection of their world. All that they want is that we remain as we are, a people who because of what it is makes them also to be what they are! For us, perhaps, it is forbidden to look upon ourselves as white as snow; on the contrary, we are commanded to examine our deeds, to search ourselves anew day by day and to abstain (out of considerations of humility, but no less for the sake of truth) from self-admiration. For them it is permissible. "Let a stranger praise thee, and not thine own mouth;" especially a stranger who recognizes and knows that the revival of Israel in its homeland is one of the most wonderful and unique events in history.

Merv and Merla are not Jewish, not proselytes, but they are Christians who seek to remain Christians, but with all their heart, all their soul, and all their might, they desire that, related to that, will be the significance of our remaining Jews. I have no doubt that Mr. Van der Hoeven, his wife (a Christian Arab, born in Lebanon), Jay Rawlings, ruddy and bearded, Professor L. Samuels, and their companions will open their house in due season. It ~~will~~ <sup>may</sup> be an embassy without a government, but a government of good will, a centre for the Righteous Gentiles, myriads of whom—I dare to believe even millions—will go out and come in as at the gates of a true embassy, accredited, in the eternal capital of the State of Israel. (END)

DATE: 5.10.80 JOURNAL: "JOURNAL D'ISRAEL" (TELAVIV) FRENCH NEWS ARTICLE  
HEADING: "OPENING OF 'INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EMBASSY' IN JERUSALEM"

QUOTE : An "International Christian Embassy" has opened its doors in Jerusalem in the presence of about 500 persons and numerous Israeli personalities, among them Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek. The idea of creating this "embassy" was born in the wake of the transfer of the embassy of the Netherlands from Jerusalem to Telaviv (on the 26th of August), it was stated by Rev. Claude Duvernoy, one of ten Protestant pastors at the outset of the project. "We felt this exit was : a terrible blow," he declared. Pastor Duvernoy stated that at "a time when the nations have surrendered to the spell of oil," there was a need to "demonstrate with an act of refusal to surrender Israel to its enemies." At the ceremony Jerusalem Mayor noted that if "13 embassies" have left Jerusalem in the wake of the vote of the Knesset affirming that reunited Jerusalem is the capital of Israel, these embassies did not represent anyone but governments. "You represent millions of men and women," he concluded. (END)

DATE: 6.10.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) LETTER TO EDITOR  
HEADING: "CHRISTIAN SUPPORT" BY: Marie Berg (for two groups)\*

QUOTE : As participants of the Christian celebration during Succot, we are here to comfort Zion and to repent of the sins of the Christian nations against the Jewish people down the centuries. We regret the frequent criticism of the Israeli Govt from Christians in our own and other countries. All other nations take the right to defend their borders as a matter of course. No other nation is threatened with "internationalization" of its capital. For Israel to assert her obvious rights is no provocation; it is a duty. And we believe that her need to do so is a result of the present day's sins of the entire world against the Jewish people. Regardless of political standpoint, we find it meaningless to confess the sins of the Crusades, the Inquisition and the Holocaust, while at the same time adding to the burdens of this nation during a time of difficult negotiations and growing isolation. (\* FOR THE DAGEN-GROUP FROM NORWAY, FOR STAFF OF SCANDINAVIAN SEAFEN'S CHURCH, JERUSALEM)

DATE: 10.10.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST LETTER TO EDITOR  
HEADING: "JERUSALEM D.C. 'CHRISTIAN SUPPORT FOR JERUSALEM'"

BY : Joan McWhirter, Jerusalem, D.C.

QUOTE : Thanks for publishing the letter of the Scandinavian Seamen's Pastor, Per Faye-Hansen, and a thousand thanks to Mr. Faye-Hansen for a wonderful idea. It could be invaluable. In his letter he declares that a great number of Christians believe in Jerusalem D.C. (DAVID'S CAPITAL). These two letters stand for 3,000 years of historic truth. They could become a potent force in illuminating Western thinking concerning Jerusalem, if repeated until they are as automatic as Washington, D.C.....(END EXCERPT)

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DATE: 15.8.80 JOURNAL: "QOL BO" (HAIFA) HEBREW NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "POSSIBILITY OF BUYING CONVENT IN ORDER TO FORESTALL REMOVAL OF 25 OLDSTERS"

QUOTE : The Chief Rabbis of Haifa this week checked into the possibility of a Jewish body buying up the convent "Carlas Hospitas" in Central Carmel, and thus to forestall the removal of aged Jews from the place. However, as a result of the investigation, it appears that it is not sufficient to raise capital for the enterprise inasmuch as the Vatican approves the sale of a church and its property only to Christians. "In the wake of information about the sad plight of the aged residents, Holocaust survivors, in the convent which was purchased by the Greek Catholic Church, a public committee has been formed, at the head of which are the chief rabbis, in order to make efforts to take possession of the residence so as to enable the aged Holocaust survivors to continue to live in dignity. Your active help is solicited." This is the language of an appeal addressed by the chief rabbis of Haifa, Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen and Rabbi Eliyahu Bakshi-Doron, to the Minister of Interior and to the Minister of Labour and Welfare, to the Minister of Religious Affairs, and even to Dr. Nahum Goldman (past president of the World Zionist Organization)....

The two chief rabbis report that they hope it will be possible to raise the required capital to take possession of the convent out of the hands of the head of the Greek Catholic Church, but nevertheless stressed that this of itself would not solve the problem. As a result of clarifications made by Attorney Doron Miblum it has been learned that Catholic church policy in relation to the transfer of its property is not to permit Jews to get a foothold in same; otherwise, it is difficult to understand the reply of the church representative who stated that the Vatican has instructed them not to sell the property to non-Christians. Without the approval of the Vatican, Bishop Maximus Sallum cannot sell the property which he took over from the German Church. Nevertheless, the Haifa Chief Rabbis will continue, they report, in their efforts to assure a future for the aged folk.

It is also learned that in a meeting which took place this week between the Haifa Chief Rabbis and the Mayor of Haifa, Arye Goral, the Mayor expressed his support for the public committee organized, and advised them to continue in their efforts to persuade the ecclesiastics of both the Greek and German churches so that the 25 Holocaust survivors may conclude their lives in the residence with dignity. It was further learned that the Abbess of the German order in Israel stated in a telephone conversation to our reporter David Bendort: "It was not I who sold the convent directly. My job is solely representative," said Mother Gerharda, who serves as the Abbess of the German order in Israel, and who is connected with the sale of the convent, and the abandonment of its residents, for a large sum of money. She also stated that she did not at all know of the existence of the 25 aged folk in the convent; however, our correspondent has learned that Mother Gerharda has been a guest at the convent which she sold, and even lived there for a time. In view of this testimony, doubtless it will be hard for Mother Gerharda to claim that all the time of her stay in the convent she never chanced to encounter any of the aged residents. It appears, however, that the outcry of the aged folk, as published here in last week, has shocked "Mother Gerharda" and her memory suddenly was refreshed since at the end of our brief conversation, she stated that she would shortly come to Haifa to look into the problem and to attend to it. (END)

DATE: 4.9.80 JOURNAL: "DAVAR" (HEB AM HISTADRUT) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "PROJECT 'DISNEYLAND' IN AN ISRAELI EDITION PLANNED FOR HAIFA"

BYLINE : Dror Sharvit, Economic Reporter for "DAVAR"

QUOTE : George Taussig, formerly the representative of Air Alitalia in Israel, has initiated a tourist project similar to "Disneyland", but based on the stories from the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament, a project which will cost more than 100 million dollars. For the purpose of the project, Taussig has already contacted the Haifa Municipality, which has expressed willingness to allot the project an area of 2,000 dunams near Kfar Tirah. The municipality asked the sponsor to obtain a good will undertaking from the foreign investors, and thus has agreed to put up an option of land adjacent to Kfar Tirah. Taussig says that a group of investors from among the United Jewish Appeal (UJA) in the USA and Protestant clergy from that country has been enthusiastic about the project, and are willing to make all the necessary investments, more than \$100 million. (MORE)



Contacts that Taussig had with representatives of financial institutions in the Vatican were not crowned with success because of fears of the Catholic clergy that the <sup>tourist</sup> income of the Vatican might be affected adversely as a result of the setting up of this site in the Mediterranean region.

According to the plan, exhibits and pavilions will be set up and integrated into various events connected with stories of the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament. The original idea is to coordinate this also with stories from the Koran, but it appears that at the first stage the project will be based only on the beliefs of the Jewish and Christian faith. The DAVAR correspondent also notes that in the past a number of groups of investors have proposed to set up similar projects, but they never reached the stage of implementation. Among the places proposed in this framework was the town of Hol<sup>on</sup>, Arad, and Kibbutz Givat Brenner.

The plan for the setting up of the project is based on an anticipated three million visitors during the first year of its operation. The time scheduled for the operation of the project is now estimated to be the year 1984. By that time it is expected that some 2 million tourists will be visiting Israel. In addition to this potential, the project is based also on expectation of local tourism--about 3 million persons; residents of the territories about a million persons and visitors from Arab lands about a half-million persons. Taussig adds that a project of this type is likely to become a special attraction for foreign tourists. According to him, it will also be possible to increase the visits of passenger ships to the coasts of Israel, who will be able to integrate a visit to the site at the time they stop at the port in Haifa. (END)

DATE: 4.9.80 JOURNAL: "YEDIOT AKHRONOT" (HEB PM IND) PHOTO STORY

QUOTE: INFORMATION ABOUT THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN THE BRITISH TOWN OF YORK WAS RECEIVED YESTERDAY BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK, STUART BLANCH, AND HIS WIFE, DURING A VISIT TO THE DIASPORA MUSEUM IN TELAVIV. THEY WERE AIDED BY THE MUSEUM'S COMPUTER WHICH GATHERS UP A WEALTH OF INFORMATION ABOUT JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. (PHOTO: MODI GELIER "ISRAEL SUN")

DATE: 9.9.80 JOURNAL: "YEDIOT AKHRONOT" (HEB PM IND) NEWS

HEADING: "TWO WEEKS IN A KIBBUTZ"

QUOTE : The Archbishop of York (who is the Number Two man in the hierarchy of the Anglican Church worldwide) appeared to be shocked, and managed to let slip only this remark: "This is a dreadful chapter in the history of my city!" This took place when he was touring with his party at the Diaspora Museum in Tel-Aviv and got to the portion dealing with the "York Affair" showing the Jews of York in the 12th Century as they seek to escape the pogrom which the Christian residents have organized against them. After fleeing, the Jews fortified themselves in a stronghold and committed mass suicide.

The Archbishop of York served in the Royal Air Force during World War Two, and has now come to Israel to become acquainted with the persecuted Jewish people, but only a few persons knew that his holiness had stayed for two weeks in Kibbutz Degania, and that his children spent six full months in kibbutz. (END)

DATE: 10.9.80 JOURNAL: "JERUSALEM POST" (ENGL AM IND) NEWS BRIEF

BYLINE : Mark Segal

(PART OF POLITICAL GOSPEL FEATURE)

QUOTE : A prelate mixed with the pioneers recently, when Dr. Stuart Blanch, the Archbishop of York, member of the Queen's Privy Council and the House of Lords, dropped in at Degania Aleph for a fortnight's stay.

DATE: 10.9.80 JOURNAL: "JERUSALEM POST" NEWS BRIEF

QUOTE: The Rev. Prof. Robert Craig assumed duties as Minister of St. Andrew's Church of Scotland, Jerusalem, on September 3rd. Introductory services will be held on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 10 a.m. Rev. Craig was professor of theology and the principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Zimbabwe, from 1963 to 1980. He is a graduate of St. Andrew's University, Scotland, and Union Theological Seminary, New York, and an honorary graduate of the universities of St. Andrew's and Witwatersrand, Birmingham and Zimbabwe. (END)

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DATE: 10.9.80 JOURNAL: "AL HAMISHMAR" (IEB AM MAPAM) NEWS ARTICLE  
 HEADING: "STORM SURROUNDING AMERICAN CHRISTIAN WELFARE ENTERPRISES IN WEST BANK"  
 SUBHEAD: "WILL CONTINUE OPERATION EVEN AFTER EXPULSION OF ITS DIRECTOR"  
 BYLINE: Gavriel Stern, "Al Hamishmar" Correspondent  
 QUOTE: The Central Committee of the Mennonite Community in the United States will continue its welfare and rehabilitation projects in the West Bank even after the practical expulsion of its former director, Paul Quearing. Thus, Col. A. Beckenstein, the Deputy Coordinator of Activities in the Occupied Territories, and Dr. Avizar, the Assistant Director of the Department of Labour, categorically denied in the presence of the Director of "ANIRA", the American welfare organization for refugees, Henry Saltz, information disseminated, among other places, on the Israel Broadcasting Service, to the effect that it had decided to call a halt to all the activities of the organization on the basis of charges that it had ties with the PLO. Quearing is about to return to the USA the coming Sunday.

He directed from 1974 to 1978 the operation on behalf of his organization, which is linked to a Protestant sect which advocates tolerance, opposes violence and war, supports aid to others, and has operated on the West Bank since 1950, that is to say, from the time of the Jordanian rule. About two months ago he returned to Jerusalem with his supervisor in order to take up again the management of the enterprise in which four Americans and a number of local persons are employed. Despite talks with the Foreign Ministry, the Ministry of Labour and the Military Govt, he was informed that the Ministry of Labour was unwilling to permit renewal of his activity here, and he must leave Israel.

It is claimed against him that during an interim period when he was staying in the USA, he deviated from the framework of humanitarian activity and engaged in political action hostile to Israel by giving testimony at the request of a Congressional committee and by publishing articles about two years ago containing details about the implications of the Israeli occupation on the villages, especially with respect to the expropriation and seizure of land and on the damage to the water sources. It should be noted that the articles which were read by the "AL HAMISHMAR" correspondent were replete with criticism on the basis of facts (which were not denied and which were also published in the Israeli press), but contained no political material beyond this.

"It is evident that in our eyes, matters of land and water in the villages which we attended to were matters of a humanitarian character," Quearing said in a conversation with me on the eve of his departure. The Mennonites are active in agricultural projects especially in the region of Hebron, and they also market handicraft of a traditional nature created by the women of these villages. They have set up a high school near Beit Jalla, but transferred it several years ago to local control. "ANIRA" (initials in English standing for "AMERICAN NEAR EAST REFUGEE AID") is also an independent organization, although it receives assistance from the USA Govt. Among the ~~board~~ <sup>board</sup> of directors are a number of Arab personages and well-known pro-Arab personalities in the USA. It was founded in 1967 and this year proposed 15 projects for implementation, most of them village projects in the West Bank and Gaza. They concerned the marketing of agricultural produce cooperatively, land improvement, poultry growing, recycling sewage water for irrigation, oil press, and contributions to educational enterprises (for nurses and engineers). The implementation of all these projects requires the approval of the Military Administration, and in certain instances, also the approval of the Govt of Jordan (to which the administration does not object, according to Saltz).

In a letter to the Coordinator of activities in the territories, Brigadier Danny Matt, the director complained about the foot-dragging in granting approval for most of the projects, which was liable to endanger the continuation of American assistance, but to date no reply has been received, and he has also notified the American Consul General Groves about the situation. There were also controversies about projects for electrification of the villages, and it was agreed that the organization would also contribute <sup>only</sup> to the funding of the project which is <sup>located</sup> at least 20-30 km from the Israeli electric grid. Saltz stressed in his talk with me that the activities are far from political and without any ties with the PLO. He complained about hostile and distorted reports from time to time in the Israeli media. (END)

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DATE: 16.9.80 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) FEATURE ARTICLE  
HEADING: "AMBASSADOR'S LAIEN"

BYLINE : Ya'acov Tsur

EXCERPT: I have no doubt that the Costa Rican ambassador, Roland Fernandez Pinto, and his young deputy, Dr. Mas Herrera, share the sadness of the transfer (of the embassies from Jerusalem). Dr. Mas Herrera is a Catholic priest, who is particularly interested in Hebrew studies. He even spent a year on a kibbutz, and now speaks impeccable Hebrew. I've visited Costa Rica several times, most recently at the invitation of the then minister of culture, Carmen Maranjo, who was once ambassador to Israel. I learned to respect her judgment and courage when, during the Yom Kippur War, I saw her defy protocol and drive an ambulance in Jerusalem....One day (in Costa Rica) she came to me and said "I've organized a tertulia--an informal discussion over coffee...the subject being "What makes the ties between Israel and Costa Rica so close? A few dozen intellectuals and spiritual leaders gathered in a small auditorium, most of them friends of Israel since 1948. Among them was Father Benjamin Nunez, a daring and revolutionary priest, who once represented his country in Jerusalem and later gave the most stirring speech at the UN in defiance of the decision condemning Zionism....But through all the opinions expressed ran another thread, being faithful to their cultural roots, to the people who carry on the spiritual tradition of the Book of Books, persisting in the pursuit of a goal that created a political entity from an abstract concept....

(The writer then recalls an experience during a visit to Ecuador several years ago.) We passed through an Indian village at an altitude of 4,000 metres. Around the central square on this day of rest (Sunday) sat dozens of villagers.. We entered the dilapidated church and found an old priest, the only white man in the village. We started talking to him and he asked where we were from. "Jerusalem," we said. "Israelitas?" he asked, "Are you Jews?" We said yes. I pointed to my friend and said, "This man is the Israeli ambassador in your country." He looked us over, his eyes weary. "When you fought for Jerusalem a few days ago, all the residents of the village came to the church to pray for your victory." Of all the expressions of friendship for Israel I had heard, this one, from the Indians of some godforsaken Andean village, was the one I valued most. (END EXCERPTS)

DATE: OCT 1979 JOURNAL: "ARCHAEOLOGICAL NEWS" (JERUSALEM) HEBREW  
HEADING: "JERUSALEM" (MOUNT ZION)

EXCERPT: At the end of June and the beginning of July 1979<sup>test</sup> excavations were conducted in the old Protestant cemetery on Mt. Zion. The excavations were conducted by the Dormition Church on Mt. Zion, and managed by Fr. Bergil Pixner, Dr. Doron Hen, and Shlomo Margalit. (There follows a brief description of several finds related to earlier 19th Century digs and brief references to archaeological plans drawn for future excavation.) END

SUBJECT FOUR: "CHRISTIANS AND JEWS"

DATE: 19.9.80 JOURNAL: "DAVAR" (HEB AM LABOUR) NEWS ARTICLE  
HEADING: "OF JEWS AND PRAYERS"

QUOTE : The president of the Southern Baptist Convention has said that he believes that the prayer of the Jews does not reach God. "I am pro-Jewish. I believe that they are the <sup>PEOPLE</sup> people of God. I believe that God still loves them in his heart, and that the Jews are one of the greatest blessings of the human race, but without Jesus Christ they are lost," <sup>says</sup> Dr. Billy Smith, who serves as a minister in the First Southern Baptist Church. He made these remarks after Jewish-American leaders and several Southern Baptists criticized a statement he had made in Dallas last month, in which he stated: "Almighty God does not hear the prayer of a Jew." (END)

DATE: 26.9.80 JOURNAL: JEWISH CHRONICLE (LONDON) NEWS ARTICLE

HEADING: "USA BAPTIST RENOUNCED BY COLLEAGUE" BY: Clifford Chanin, N.Y.

EXCERPTS: Dr. Jas. Dunn, director of Christian Life Commission of Texas Baptists, has sharply criticised Dr. Bailey Smith, president of the Southern Baptist Conv., for declaring: "God Almighty does not hear the prayer of a Jew." The remark was made at a meeting of So.Bapts. in Dallas last month, and has just been made public by the American Jewish Committee.

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