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MR. DOLE: MR. PRESIDENT. FROM THE DAYS OF STALIN, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION HAS CONSISTENTLY SOUGHT TO SUBJUGATE THE SPIRITUAL WILL OF SOVIET JEWS TO THE POLITICAL WILL OF AN ATHEIST STATE. CONSISTENTLY, THOSE EFFORTS HAVE FAILED.

ANTISEMITISM, UNDER STALIN, FOUND ITS ULTIMATE EXPRESSION IN MASS MURDER WITH NONE OF THE REAL OR FANCIED RESTRAINTS OF THE SOVIET JUDICIAL SYSTEM. TODAY, SOVIET LEADERSHIP THREATENS TO REVIVE THIS POLICY -- THIS TIME SEEKING TO ALLAY WORLD SUSPICION BY HANGING THE TRAPPINGS OF A TRIAL ABOUT THE MURDERS IT NOW CONTEMPLATES. THE PURPOSE IS THE SAME -- TO INTIMIDATE AND TO SILENCE A MINORITY WHOSE SPIRITUAL HERITAGE EACH OF US SHARES, WHOSE CULTURAL HERITAGE EACH OF US DRAWS ON, WHOSE COURAGE EACH OF US ADMIRES, AND WHOSE PAIN EACH OF US MUST SHARE -- A MINORITY WHICH REFUSES TO BE INTIMIDATED AND WILL NOT BE SILENCED.

THOSE SELECTED TO SERVE THE PURPOSE OF INTIMIDATION ARE ACCUSED OF TREASON. TWO OF THEM ARE SENTENCED TO DEATH. THEIR TREASONOUS ACT WAS ONE THAT CITIZENS OF THE FREE WORLD TAKE FOR GRANTED -- THEY ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE THEIR COUNTRY. IN THIS EFFORT THEY ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE PLANNED TO HIJACK A PLANE. BUT IT IS KNOWN THAT THEY NEVER SET FOOT ON THE PLANE IN QUESTION. AND BEYOND THIS, LITTLE IS KNOWN.

BECAUSE AS IN THE DAYS OF ANDREI VYSHINSKI, THE TRIALS WERE HELD IN SECRET. AND THE DEFENDANTS ARE NOT CONDEMNED FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY SOUGHT TO LEAVE -- BUT FOR THE FACT THAT This press release is from the collections at the Robert J. Dole Archive and Special Collections, University of Kansas. Please contact us with any guestions or comments: http://dolearchive.ku.edu/ask

THEY SOUGHT TO LEAVE AT ALL. THEY SOUGHT TO GO FROM WHERE THEY ARE NOT WANTED -- EXCEPT AS SCAPEGOATS FOR A TOTALITARIAN GOVERNMENT -- TO JOIN THEIR PEOPLE IN ISRAEL.

WE CAN APPRECIATE THE SOVIETS' PROBLEM. CERTAINLY, THE EXODUS OF RUSSIAN JEWS FROM THE "PEOPLE'S PARADISE" MUST BE EMBARRASSING TO THE SOVIETS. BUT THE KEEPERS OF THE GATES TO THIS "PARADISE" MUST KNOW THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOREVER TO BUILD WALLS TO KEEP THEIR PEOPLE IN. MR. KRUSHCHEV HIM-SELF INDICATED THAT IN HIS RECENT MEMOIRS. NOR WILL IT BE POSSIBLE FOREVER TO MURDER THOSE WHO CLING TO THEIR RELIGIOUS FAITH SIMPLY BECAUSE THEIR PERSISTENCE IS INCONVENIENT TO A GOVERNMENT WHICH MAINTAINS THAT A CITIZEN'S HIGHEST ALLEGIANCE MUST BE TO THE STATE.

THE WORLD ONCE SAT BY AND IGNORED A NATIONAL POLICY OF INTIMIDATION AND HARRASSMENT AND MURDER, EVENTUALLY GENOCIDE, FOR POLITICAL CONVENIENCE. AND IT SOON LEARNED THAT THE BELL THAT TOLLED FOR SIX MILLION EUROPEAN JEWS TOLLED FOR EVERY MAN. THE LESSON CAME HIGH, AND IT BROUGHT UNMISTAKEABLY TO THE ATTENTION OF ALL HUMANITY A MORAL OBLIGATION AS OLD AS TIME -- THAT WE ARE, FOR BETTER OR WORSE, OUR BROTHER'S KEEPER.

TO EXPRESS THE SENATE'S OUTRAGE AT THE SOVIET REPRESSION, I THEREFORE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AND REQUEST IT BE PRINTED IN THE RECORD AT THIS POINT.

EXPEDITIOUS ACTION BY THE SENATE WILL DEMONSTRATE OUR PROFOUND CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF ALL SOVIET JEWS.