

*Peter* *Dark-* *1-12*

SPEECH OF SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE  
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL YOUNG LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
SHERATON WASHINGTON HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D.C.  
SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 1986

*Das Ewan*  
*Wander*  
*Sen. Metzger*  
*Cony*  
*Smith*  
*Front*  
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THANK YOU NANCY.

*4* *3* *2* *1* *Marcos*  
*you have my word*  
*on it*  
*Front*  
*Ranger*  
*Word*  
*Kennedy*  
*martin*

IT'S NICE TO SEE GARY HART HERE TONIGHT. GARY'S GOING TO BE

LEAVING THE SENATE NEXT YEAR. WE'LL MISS HIM. BUT SOMEHOW I

HAVE A FEELING I MIGHT RUN INTO HIM OUTSIDE OF WASHINGTON.

SENATOR HART HAS MADE A DECISION THAT HE WANTS TO LEAVE THE

SENATE TO COMMIT HIMSELF TO OTHER THINGS.

COMMITMENT -- IT'S A BIG WORD. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO  
YOU ABOUT THIS EVENING IS OUR COMMITMENT -- YOURS AND MINE.

YOUR PRESENCE HERE TONIGHT, AND FOR THIS CONFERENCE SHOWS

YOUR COMMITMENT TO AN AGE-OLD TRADITION OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

THROUGH YOUR ACTIONS, YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN YOUR COMMUNITY AND YOUR

10330 *Letter of Dole*

*I thought I had won the  
intention "Right, it"*

*Sam Bush could not be  
here.*

*Mouldy debate*

*Maroon*

*Taker - Family*

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TIRELESS WORK TO RAISE FUNDS FOR ISRAEL, YOU ARE PARTICIPATING IN  
A HISTORICAL EFFORT REACHING BACK A HUNDRED GENERATIONS: AN  
EFFORT WHICH, OVER TIME, HAS COME TO DEFINE JEWISH PEOPLEHOOD.

I TOO HAVE A COMMITMENT-- A COMMITMENT THAT I BELIEVE WE  
SHARE -- TO PRESERVING SEVERAL BASIC BUT OVERRIDING PRINCIPLES:  
COMMITMENT TO FREEDOM, DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT, AND TO STANDING BY  
FRIENDS.

OUR COMMITMENT TO THESE PRINCIPLES IS CONSTANTLY BEING  
TESTED. WHETHER IT IS HERE AT HOME AS WE CONTINUE THE STRUGGLE  
TO GUARANTEE CIVIL RIGHTS FOR ALL AMERICANS AND EXPAND THE  
ECONOMY SO ALL AMERICANS BENEFIT...OR ABROAD IN HAITI OR  
NICARAGUA, THE PHILIPPINES OR ISRAEL....BUT OUR RESOLVE TO STAND  
BY THE IDEALS THAT PROPELLED THIS NATION INTO BEING MORE THAN TWO  
HUNDRED YEARS AGO REMAINS STEADFAST.



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IT IS THIS CREED, IN A WORLD THAT IS MOVED NOT ONLY BY POWER,  
AND MONEY BUT BY COMPASSION AND INTEGRITY, THAT UNDERPINS OUR  
RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL. ITS EXISTENCE AND INDEED ITS FLOWERING  
IS A CAUSE TO WHICH I KNOW ALL OF YOU ARE DEDICATED.

WE IN THE SENATE SHARE YOUR CONCERN. THE UNITED STATES AND  
ISRAEL MUST REMAIN FAITHFUL PARTNERS. AS PART OF THAT  
PARTNERSHIP ISRAEL MUST BE MILITARILY SECURE AND ECONOMICALLY  
HEALTHY. AND WE MUST CONTINUE TO HELP ISRAEL STAY THAT WAY. ONE  
WAY IS THROUGH OUR SECURITY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.

#### AID TO ISRAEL

THIS YEAR THE ADMINISTRATION HAS REQUESTED THE SAME FUNDING  
LEVELS FOR AID TO ISRAEL AS IN 1985 -- \$1.8 BILLION FOR MILITARY  
ASSISTANCE, AND \$1.6 BILLION IN ECONOMIC AID.

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I MUST BE HONEST WITH YOU. THIS IS GOING TO BE A TOUGH YEAR FOR FOREIGN AID ESPECIALLY IN AN ELECTION YEAR, IT IS HARD FOR SOME TO JUSTIFY HELPING FOREIGN COUNTRIES WHEN THERE WILL BE DEEP CUTS IN MANY DOMESTIC PROGRAMS.

BUT IT HAS AND WILL BE MY POSITION THAT AID FOR ISRAEL IS ONE OF THE BEST INVESTMENTS AMERICA MAKES IN ITS OWN SECURITY.

WE CONTINUE TO HAVE VITAL INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. AND ISRAEL REMAINS THE ONLY ABSOLUTELY RELIABLE PARTNER WE HAVE IN DEFENDING THOSE INTERESTS.

ISRAEL UNDERSTANDS OUR BUDGETARY DILEMMA. IN FACT, IT HAS RETURNED \$51 MILLION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS ALREADY DISPERSED LAST YEAR TO REFLECT THE 4.3 PERCENT CUT ALL PROGRAMS HAD TO TAKE UNDER THE GRAMM-RUDMAN-HOLLINGS LAW.

THIS RETURN OF AID IS UNIQUE, UNHEARD OF. THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT IS STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO ENTER THE ISRAELI CHECK ON ITS BOOKS.

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AND WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, I FEEL CONFIDENT THAT CONGRESS WILL APPROVE AN ISRAELI AID PACKAGE THAT WORKS TO ASSURE BOTH THE ECONOMIC VIABILITY AND SECURITY OF ISRAEL.

BUT IN THE LONG RUN, ISRAEL'S ECONOMIC FUTURE DEPENDS NOT ON GRANTS AND LOANS BUT ON A THRIVING EXPORTING INDUSTRY. THAT'S WHY I WAS PLEASED TO SPONSOR THE SUCCESSFUL EFFORT FOR AN ISRAELI FREE TRADE AGREEMENT. WHAT THE TRADE AGREEMENT DOES IS PHASE-IN DUTY FREE TREATMENT FOR ALL ISRAELI PRODUCTS IMPORTED TO THIS COUNTRY, AND EQUIVALENT TREATMENT FOR AMERICAN PRODUCTS IMPORTED INTO ISRAEL. THIS WILL PROVIDE INCENTIVE TO ISRAEL'S EXPORTING INDUSTRY AND A SHOT IN THE ARM TO THE WHOLE ISRAELI ECONOMY.

ISRAEL IS ALREADY SEEING THE CONCRETE RESULTS FROM THE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT. AN INDUSTRY THAT DID NOT EXPORT ANY GOODS TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1984 -- LIKE TELEPHONES -- IN 1985 ACCOUNTED FOR \$17 MILLION IN EXPORTS. AND OTHER INDUSTRIES WHOSE MARKETS HAD BEEN STEADILY GROWING LIKE INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES WENT FROM \$300,000 IN U.S. SALES IN 1984 TO \$14 MILLION IN 1985.



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ISRAEL/JORDAN AND THE PEACE PROCESS

WHAT WILL NOT HELP THE ISRAELI ECONOMY, OR THE CAUSE OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, IS AN ACCELERATING ARMS RACE. THAT IS WHY I TOOK THE LEAD LATE LAST YEAR IN PERSUADING THE ADMINISTRATION TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED ARMS SALE TO JORDAN. AND AS FAR AS I CAN SEE, THE JORDAN ARMS SALE IS EFFECTIVELY STALLED.

THE ADMINISTRATION UNDERSTANDS THAT THERE IS OVERWHELMING OPPOSITION TO THE PACKAGE IN CONGRESS, UNLESS AND UNTIL THERE IS A BREAKTHROUGH ON THE NEGOTIATING FRONT.

NOW IT SEEMS THE ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARING A LIMITED SAUDI ARMS PACKAGE, WHICH WOULD CONSIST OF \$300 MILLION IN MILITARY HARDWARE: SIDEWINDER, STINGER AND HARPOON MISSILES.

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I HAVE A LOT OF CONFIDENCE IN U.S. TECHNOLOGY, SO I KNOW THE MISSILES WILL FLY. BUT WILL THE PACKAGE? UNTIL WE KNOW ALL THE DETAILS, JUDGEMENT~~T~~ SHOULD BE WITHHELD. BUT I'M WILLING ~~TO BET~~ THE ADMINISTRATION IS GOING TO HAVE A TOUGH FIGHT.

#### THE PEACE PROCESS

MEANWHILE, WE MUST CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE A REAL PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. AN AGREEMENT ENCOMPASSING ISRAEL AND JORDAN AND ANY OTHER MIDDLE EAST STATE TRULY INTERESTED IN PEACE CAN DO MORE TO INSURE ISRAEL'S SECURITY THAN ANY ARMS WE CAN PROVIDE.

THE ADMINISTRATION IS NOW, I UNDERSTAND, MAKING A BASIC REASSESSMENT OF WHERE THE PEACE PROCESS STANDS. BUT WE CANNOT ALLOW THE PROCESS TO LANGUISH FOR TOO LONG BECAUSE THERE ARE SEVERAL POTENTIAL TIME BOMBS TICKING IN THE MIDDLE EAST.



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ONE IS THE BASIC CONTINUING VOLATILITY OF THE SITUATION. THE  
LONGER WE GO WITHOUT A BREAKTHROUGH TOWARD PEACE, THE GREATER THE  
CHANCE FOR WAR.

ANOTHER IS THE RENEWED UNCERTAINTY ABOUT THE STABILITY OF  
MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES. IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS THE IRAN-IRAQ WAR  
*there is*  
HAS AGAIN INTENSIFIED AND RIOTING IN EGYPT.  
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BUT THE MOST PRESSING REASON TO PUSH FORWARD WITH THE PEACE  
PROCESS MAY BE THE POLITICAL SITUATION WITHIN ISRAEL. PRIME  
MINISTER PERES HAS DEMONSTRATED ENORMOUS COURAGE AND FORESIGHT.  
BUT IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHETHER HE WILL HAVE THE TIME TO  
REBUILD MOMENTUM FOR PEACE BEFORE HE ~~MUST~~ YIELD OFFICE.

THE NEWEST WRINKLE IS LAST WEEK'S SPLIT BETWEEN KING HUSSEIN  
AND THE PLO. WE SHOULD NOT NECESSARILY VIEW THIS AS A SETBACK,  
ALTHOUGH THE TIME WASTED IN EXPLORING THE PLO'S INTENTIONS IS A  
REAL TRAGEDY.

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THE PLO'S PERFIDY IS JUST A REFLECTION OF REALITY: THE PLO IS NOT INTERESTED IN PEACE, PERIOD. IT IS ONLY INTEREST IN ISRAELI CAPITULATION.

THE PLO'S CONTINUED RELIANCE ON VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM AND ITS FAILURE TO KEEP ITS WORD, EVEN TO HUSSEIN, DEMONSTRATES THAT IT DOESN'T DESERVE A SEAT AT THE BARGAINING TABLE.

BUT KING HUSSEIN DOES DESERVE CREDIT, FOR BOTH HIS INITIATIVE AND HIS WILLINGNESS, FINALLY, TO SPEAK THE TRUTH ABOUT ARRAFAT AND THE PLO. WHETHER HE WILL NOW PLACE HIGHER VALUE IN CONTINUING THE SEARCH FOR PEACE, OR IN A RAPPROCHEMENT WITH SYRIA'S ASSAD REMAINS TO BE SEEN.

ONE RECENT TREND THAT MAY BODE WELL FOR THE PEACE PROCESS, HOWEVER, IS THE DROP IN OIL PRICES. THIS REDUCES ARAB LEVERAGE AND THEIR ABILITY TO FINANCE TERRORISM AND HARD-CORE REGIMES.

BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS TO KEEP PUSHING, PROBING, AND HOPING THAT THE PEACE PROCESS WILL MOVE TO A FRUITFUL CONCLUSION -- AND THERE IS PEACE.

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THAT IS MY HOPE AND I KNOW IT IS YOURS. "SEEK PEACE AND PURSUE IT," ADMONISHED KING DAVID. EVER SINCE HIS DESCENDANTS HAVE SOUGHT THAT ELUSIVE PEACE, BOTH FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE AND FOR ALL HUMANKIND.

#### SOVIET JEWRY

LATER THIS YEAR WE HOPE THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN WILL CONTINUE HIS DIALOGUE WITH MIKHAIL GORBACHEV INITIATED IN GENEVA -- A DIALOGUE THAT WE HOPE WILL ULTIMATELY LEAD TO AN END TO THE ARMS RACE AND REAL HOPE FOR THAT ELUSIVE PEACE..

DURING THAT FIRST SUMMIT MEETING, ONE ITEM THAT WAS HIGH ON THE PRESIDENT'S AGENDA WAS HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE SOVIET UNION, INCLUDING THE QUESTION OF SOVIET TREATMENT OF JEWS AND DISSIDENTS AND THE PROBLEM OF JEWISH EMIGRATION. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I



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FLEW FROM ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE TO THE CAPITOL IN A HELICOPTER  
WITH THE PRESIDENT AND HOUSE SPEAKER O'NEILL UPON THE PRESIDENT'S  
RETURN FROM GENEVA, AND THE ONE TOPIC HE TALKED ABOUT WAS HIS  
DISCUSSIONS WITH GORBACHEV ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

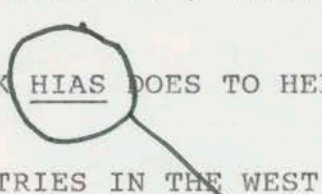
IT'S HARD TO KNOW ABOUT THE CORRELATION OF EVENTS. BUT THE  
RELEASE IN EARLY FEBRUARY OF ANATOLY SHCHARANSKY PROVIDES A SLIM  
HINT OF CHANGE. I AM CERTAIN THAT IF AND WHEN THE PRESIDENT AND  
GORBACHEV MEET AGAIN, THE ISSUE OF SOVIET JEWRY WILL AGAIN BE  
RAISED.

BECAUSE AS I SAID IN MY CABLE TO MR.SHCHARANSKY WHEN HE  
ARRIVED IN ISRAEL, "WHILE YOUR RELEASE BRINGS US JOY AND HOPE, IT  
ALSO REMINDS US OF THE MANY INNOCENT PEOPLE OF ALL FAITHS AND  
BELIEFS STILL IMPRISONED AND SUPPRESSED BY THE SOVIET STATE. OUR  
STRUGGLE CANNOT END UNTIL ALL OF THEM JOIN YOU IN FREEDOM."

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IF THE SOVIETS ARE SERIOUS ABOUT IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH US,  
THERE ARE THREE CONCRETE STEPS THEY SHOULD TAKE NOW: ESTABLISH  
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, DISAVOW THE U.N. RESOLUTION  
EQUATING ZIONISM WITH RACISM -- IT IS AN ABOMINATION -- AND LET  
ALL SOVIET JEWS WHO WANT TO JOIN THEIR FAMILIES IN ISRAEL GO.

I AM WELL AWARE OF THE CONTRIBUTION UJA MAKES TO PROVIDE  
FUNDS FOR IMMIGRATION AND ABSORPTION, HOUSING AND EDUCATION IN  
ISRAEL, AS WELL AS THE WORK HIAS DOES TO HELP EMIGRANTS WISHING  
TO SETTLE IN THE FREE COUNTRIES IN THE WEST.



GENOCIDE TREATY

THE CREATION OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL, WHILE A LONG-HELD DREAM  
FOR MILLIONS OF JEWS, WAS SPURRED BY THE ATROCITIES OF NAZI  
GERMANY.

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ON FEBRUARY 19, AFTER THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS, THE SENATE FINALLY RATIFIED THE GENOCIDE CONVENTION. THE TREATY MAKES CLEAR THAT GENOCIDE IS A CRIME OF UNEQUALLED HORROR AND SETS OUT PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH THOSE GUILTY CAN BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE.

AS I SAID DURING THE FLOOR DEBATE ON THE TREATY, IT HAS ENORMOUS SYMBOLIC VALUE AS A WORLDWIDE STATEMENT OF OUTRAGE AND CONDEMNATION OVER VERY REAL HORRORS -- AS REAL AS THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND HITLER'S DEATH CAMPS. WE CANNOT WIPE OUT THE MEMORY OF THESE ATROCITIES, NOR COULD WE TURN OUR BACKS ON THE VICTIMS FOR WHOM THIS TREATY HAS A SPECIAL MEANING THE REST OF US CANNOT EVEN BEGIN TO APPRECIATE.

THE TREATY IS NOT PERFECT, BUT THAT DOES NOT LESSEN ITS VALUE. AS A NATION THAT ENSHRINES HUMAN DIGNITY AND FREEDOM AS A GOD GIVEN RIGHT IN ITS CONSTITUTION, WE HAD THE RESPONSIBILITY TO RATIFY THE TREATY.



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COMMITMENT AND RESPONSIBILITY

THE RATIFICATION OF THE GENOCIDE TREATY, WITH THE SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT REAGAN, AND UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN DICK LUGAR, AND WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM ME, SHOULD PROVE THAT NO POLITICAL PARTY HAS A CORNER ON DOING WHAT'S RIGHT.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY WAS BORN AS THE PARTY OF FREEDOM. OUR BIRTH CERTIFICATE WAS DRENCHED WITH THE BLOOD OF MILLIONS WHO FOUGHT AGAINST THE MONSTROUS CRIME OF SLAVERY. OUR EXISTENCE WAS JUSTIFIED BECAUSE OUR IDEALS WERE THE SAME AS THOSE THAT PROPELLED THIS NATION INTO BEING.

I HAVE BASED MY ENTIRE POLITICAL CAREER ON TRYING TO GUARANTEE THAT THE FREEDOMS WE ENJOY ARE SECURE AND EXTENDED TO ALL OF OUR CITIZENS. WHETHER IT WAS FIGHTING TO EXTEND THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, OR FOR THE 1981 TAX CUT THAT ALLOWS

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INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT HOW TO SPEND THEIR MONEY  
RATHER THAN UNCLE SAM -- INCLUDING I MIGHT ADD MAKING CHARITABLE  
CONTRIBUTIONS TO ORGANIZATION SUCH AS YOURS -- OR TO CREATE THE  
FOOD STAMP PROGRAM, AND WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN'S NUTRITION  
PROGRAM, OR TO LOWER THE FEDERAL DEFICIT SO OUR CHILDREN WILL NOT  
BE SHACKLED WITH THE ENORMOUS FEDERAL DEBT --MY COMMITMENT HAS  
AND ALWAYS WILL BE TO SEE THAT THE AMERICAN DREAM STAYS ALIVE AND  
WELL.

THANK YOU.