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October 25, 1985

Dear Mr. Bialkin:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 15, 1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mr. Kenneth J. Bialkin Chairman Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations 515 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

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KENNETH J. BIALKIN Chairman

October 15, 1985

The Honorable Ronald Reagan The President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We join with the rest of our nation to praise your decisive action in intercepting the escape of the four ship hijackers and congratulate you as Commander-in-Chief.

Both you and Secretary of State Shultz have affirmed that the war against terrorism carries with it the necessity of striking vigorously against terrorists when they can be identified and where they can be found with some certainty; clearly this was the case here, as it also was in the Israeli raid on PLO headquarters in Tunisia. Others should no longer wonder just how prepared we are to effectively implement that policy.

These developments bring home even more forcefully how desirable it is to promote direct negotiations between Israel and its neighbor, Jordan. Yet our country's efforts have so far failed to provide convincing reasons to King Hussein to abandon his refusal to come to the peace table without preconditions.

The Administration's announced intention to provide Jordan with sophisticated arms now, absent any commitment from him to meet face to face with Israel, gives exactly the mrong message to King Hussein. It tells him that he need not meet with Israel in order to win military support from America, and it thus discourages him from taking those steps necessary if the peace process is to move forward. King Hussein has spoken of his desire for peace, but there is nothing preventing the

The Honorable Ronald Reagan Page 2 October 15, 1985

fulfillment of that desire other than his own refusal to negotiate. By offering him arms now, without any movement by him toward accepting direct talks with Israel, we impede rather than advance progress toward peace.

We urge that you follow your strong message to the PLO with a strong message to Jordan, and that you reconsider the arms sale proposal unless King Hussein commences to negotiate directly with Israel, without preconditions.

Respectfully,

Kenneth J. Bialkin

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WASHINGTON

October 25, 1985

Dear Mr. Cohen:

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October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Smith:

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Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mrs. Evelyn Smith
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Lawrence M. Cohen September 10, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

We sincerely feel that selling arms to Arab countries as an inducement to the peace process is totally unfounded.

We are in full accord with the Kennedy-Heinz resolution that there should be no arms sale to Jordan until it enters into peace talks with Israel.

Mr. President, talk is cheap. If Jordan and Saudi Arabia really want to enter into peace talks, let them do so first, before any arms sales are negotiated.

We hope you will give this your earnest consideration.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Smith

Chairperson, Community Relations Council

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WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Dr. Lowenthal:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 27,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

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Vision Institute of Michigan

September 27, 1985

Lawrence M. Loewenthal, M.D. Jay I. Novetsky, M.D. Diplomates American Board of Ophthalmology

President Ronald Reagan White House Washington D.C. 20050

Dear President Reagan:

I am writing to express my opposition of plans for selling sophisticated weapons to Jordan and Saudi Arabia. There are several reasons why I feel these sales should not go through and they are as follows:

- 1. The sales would remove the incentives for the Saudis and King Hussein to enter into peace negotiations with Israel (neither country has formally or publicly recognized Israel's right to exist or agreed to direct face to face negotiations with a Jewish State).
- 2. The primary threats to Jordan and Saudi Arabia are internal or from their Arab neighbors. Most experts agree that their arsenals are adequate to handle these challenges. Providing them with technology not yet available to Israel will change the military balance in the region.
- The Arab arsenal will be improved thereby reducing Israels ability to bend itself and creating a substantial security threat.
- 4. Israeli defense counter measures will be necessary increasing the burden on an already weakened Israeli economy.

I urge you to not make these arms sales to Jordan and Saudi Arabia. Thanking you in advance for your consideration and support againts the sale.

Sincerely yours,

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Lawrence M. Loewenthal M.D.

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WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mr. Beyer:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 13,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mr. Bruce Beyer Chairman Israel and Middle East Commission Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona 102 North Plumer Avenue Tucson, Arizona 85719-5995 Con-arms Sale

JEWISH FEDERATION



September 13, 1985

President Ronald Reagan White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to request that you withold any arms sales to Jordan or Saudi Arabia.

Both countries have quite adequate armament. Saudi Arabia has more planes than its closest enemy - Iran. Additional arms would not help Jordan in its defense against its greatest threat - terrorist activity.

In the past, arms sales to these countries have not caused either country to show any effort toward peace with Israel nor with their own Arab neighbors. You stated that we would not deliver the AWACS to Saudi Arabia unless significant moves toward settlement of Middle East disputes were made by that country. Congress has resolved, and put into bills, requirements for Jordan to begin peace talks with Israel before receiving any United States arms. None of the conditions have been met.

New arms sales to Arab countries would place an additional burden on Israel's depressed economy. Israel would be hard-pressed to allocate scarce financial resources towards defense in order to maintain its qualitative edge over hostile Arab neighbors.

Mr. President, please reconsider the timing of your request to Congress until we can be sure that arms sales will accomplish American goals and help maintain peace in the Middle East rather than increasing the possibilities of further armed conflict.

Sincerely,

Bruce Beyer, Chairman

Israel & Middle East Commission

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WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Silver:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 27,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

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> SANDRA LESHMAN PRESIDENT

September 27, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear President Reagan:

On behalf of the 3,000 members of National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section, we urgently appeal to you not to proceed with the sale of sophisticated weapons to Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

There has been no significant change in the balance of power in that area to warrant such a sale. By providing Jordan and Saudi Arabia with more sophisticated arms, the chance exists that there will be a change, which would be detrimental to Israel. Israel would have to take countermeasures to protect itself, adding to its already weakened economic position.

Sincerely,

Hermine Silver

State Public Affairs Chairwoman

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October 28, 1985

Dear Dr. Tauber:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 10,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

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September 10, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The ill-conceived plan to sell offensive weapons to Jordan at a time when their foreign minister has clearly rejected direct peace negotiations with Israel; and their policy stances have frustrated American efforts for peace with the Middle East; deny all of our public statements to stand by our allies.

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Please cancel the present planned sales and tie any future sales to concrete constructive actions for a direct negotiated peace.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Stanley A. Tauber, M.D.

Clinical Asst. Professor of Medicine

Medical College of Pennsylvania

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October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Spector:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 18, 1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mrs. Dina Spector
President
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Suite 510
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September 18, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500 Sal

Dear President Reagan:

On behalf of the membership of Pioneer Women/
Na'amat, I wish to express our strong opposition to
the proposed sale of weapons to Jordan and Saudi Arabia.
We believe that this sale is poorly conceived and
poorly timed in terms of American Middle East interest.
It rewards those countries which have not demonstrated
a serious commitment to the Middle East peace process.
The sale would be a tragic error.

Yours truly, Spector

Dina Spector President

Philadelphia Council

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October 28, 1985

Dear Rabbi Goldstein:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 23, 1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Rabbi David Goldstein Chairman Community Relations Committee Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans 1539 Jackson Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana 70130 con-armoule



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September 23, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear President Reagan,

The Jewish community of New Orleans strongly urges you to reconsider your proposal for an arms sale to Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

We feel this sale would be counterproductive to the peace process and will not lead Israel's adversaries to the negotiating table. As in the past, arms sales to these countries lead to intransigence and arrogance and represent a history of frustration and broken promises. The late Mr. Sadat knew there would be rewards from a peace process and the leaders of Jordan and Saudi Arabia should expect no less. But for us to give before receiving is a failed policy and we sincerely hope you will not cling to such a policy.

The American Jewish community yearns with you and with Israel for peace in the Middle East, but we also recognize that peace does not come until Arab leaders recognize that they cannot defeat Israel by protracted wars. And what an added tragedy it would be if the U.S. arms were used to this purpose.

> Most sincerely, wil Sustin

Rabbi David Goldstein, Chairman Community Relations Committee

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WHITE HOUSE DC 20500

URGE YOU TO REJECT ANY ARMS SALES TO SAUDI ARABIA OR JORDAN UNTIL THEY AGREE TO DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS WITH ISRAEL. SUCH A SALE WILL NOT PROMOTE PEACE, RATHER WOULD ENCOURAGE CONTINUED ARAB INTRANSIGENCE.

ROGER AUERBACH. CHAIRMAN. COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE JEWISH FEDERATION OF PORTLAND 6651 SOUTHWEST CAPITOL HWY PORTLAND OR 97219

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WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mr. Auerbach:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 24, 1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mr. Roger Auerbach Chairman Community Relations Committee Jewish Federation of Portland 6651 Southwest Capitol Highway Portland, Oregon 97219

WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Goldstein:

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The President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am Helen Goldstein, Chairperson of Public Affairs, in the Concordia section of the National Council of Jewish women. We are a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to advancing human welfare through a multi-faceted program of education, service and advocacy.

On behalf of the 10,000 members and their families, in 31 Sections of NCJW in the State of New Jersey, I oppose the sale of arms to Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

The National Council of Jewish Women Believes that the survival and security of the State of Israel are central to the Jewish people. We have a special concern and responsibility for the welfare of the sovereign State of Israel which serves as a symbol of dignity, freedom and social progress in the Niddle East. The proposed Tales of arms to Jordan threatens the security of Israel. Israel is our best friend and ally in the Middle East and that is no way to treat an ally.

Sincerely,

Helen Goldstein, Chairperson

Public Affairs Concordia Section

Betty Jacobson, President

October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Goldstein:

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Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

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WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Kushner:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 9,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mrs. Gail Kushner Social Action Chairperson Temple Sholom of West Essex 760 Pompton Avenue Cedar Grove, New Jersey 07009

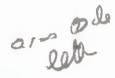


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Affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President;

On behalf of Temple Sholom of West Essex I urge that the proposed arms sales to Saudi Arabia and Jordan be withheld until those countries join the American peace initiative in the Middle East.

The 1986 Foreign Aid Bill states that no arms sales should be made to Jordan unless it is willing to publicly recognize and directly negotiate with Israel.

Continuing arms sales to those countries, without their cooperation for peace, will only encourage continued Arab belligerence and rejection of the United States' peace efforts.

Very respectfully yours,

Gail Kushner

Social Action Chairperson

Senator Frank Lautenberg Senator Bill Bradley Dean Gallo

WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mrs. Kronick:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 4,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mrs. Judith Kronick Chair Jewish Community Relations Council Jewish Federation Of Central New Jersey Green Lane Union, New Jersey 07083



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October 4, 1985

The Honorable Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

Once again your administration is proposing to sell sophisticated arms to Jordan and Saudi Arabia. Both houses of Congress have expressed strong reservations about such a sale.

The premise that selling arms to Arab countries will encourage peace is false. Despite all of the arms sales to Jordan and Saudi Arabia in recent years, neither country has recognized Israel or expressed a willingness to enter into direct peace negotiations with Israel.

A further infusion of America's most advanced weapons also poses a substantial security threat to Israel and a long-term burden on its economy. Israel would find it very difficult to allocate scarce financial resources towards additional defense in order to maintain its qualitative edge over hostile Arab neighbors.

We urge you to consider carefully the consequences of such a proposal and initiate further peace attempts between the countries in the Middle East instead of fostering an arms race.

Sincerely,

Judith Kronick

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Chair,

Jewish Communty Relations

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WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

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I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 4,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mrs. Judith Kronick Chair Jewish Community Relations Council Jewish Federation Of Central New Jersey Green Lane Union, New Jersey 07083

WASHINGTON

October 25, 1985

Dear Mr. Eisenberg:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 10,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

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Dear Mr. President:

The Westchester Jewish Conference, the Jewish community relations council of Westchester, supports the joint resolution of disapproval of the sale of weapons to Jordan. Though King Hussein has made seemingly positive statements of intent at the United Nations and in Washington, they do not appear to have gone beyond his stated positions and preconditions of the past, including the participation of the PLO. There is no assurance that Jordan will enter the peace process if it receives new arms.

Sincerely,

Sam Eisenberg

President

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WASHINGTON

October 25, 1985

Dear Mr. Rich:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 10,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

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DEAR MR PRESIDENT

WE URGE YOU TO RECONSIDER YOUR PLANS TO SELL SOPHISTICATED ARMS TO JORDAN AND SAUDI ARASIA. THIS MILITARY HARDWARE WILL PROVE AN IMPEDIMENT TO OUR NATION'S PEACE INITIATIVE AND THREATEN THE DEFENSE OF ISRAEL, AMERICA'S ONLY TRUE ALLY IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

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October 25, 1985

Dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 8,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

Mr. Richard M. Rosenbaum
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October 8, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Reagan:

I am writing to you in connection with the Arms Sale Package for Jordan and Saudi Arabia. I think that such a sale is a serious mistake which will tend to escalate the arms race in the middle East. The more sophisticated weaponry supplied to Jordan and Saudi Arabia by our country, the more it is possible for obsolete weaponry to fall into the hands of terrorist groups and their supporters.

I am enclosing a more comprehensive list of reasons why our Administration should not make this sale.

I sincerely hope that you will oppose this ill-advised Arms Sale Package.

Very truly yours,

RMR/cao

Enclosure: As noted

ARMS SALE TO SAUDI ARABIA

- 1. The United States should not consider rewarding Saudi Arabia for its consistent record of intransigence.
- 2. Saudi Arabia, also in a continued state of war with Israel, has opposed every significant U.S. sponsored peace initiative in recent years -- Camp David in 1979; Reagan Plan in 1982; Lebanon-Israel accord in 1983, and the present peace initiatives in the region.
- 3. Under the guise of "moderation" the Saudis have worked against American strategic interests through their collaboration and leadership in OPEC which increased oil prices elevenfold, accounting for half of the U.S. trade deficit, and propping up prices by reducing production from 10 to 2.5 million barrels per-day.
- 4. Immediately after the Senate approved the AWAC's sale in 1981, the Saudi Foreign Ministry condemned Oman's participation in military exercises conducted by the American Rapid Deployment Force and assisted in the Kuwaiti effort to bribe Oman to cancel its access agreements with the United States.
- 5. Saudi Arabia has consistently refused a <u>written</u> access agreement to allow U.S. forces to use its American built military bases.
- 6. While cancelling financial aid to pro-American Egypt and threatening to do the same to Jordan if it accepted U.S. demands for direct negotiations with Israel, the Saudis have bankrolled massive arms purchases from the Soviet Union by Syria, Iraq and the PLO.
- 7. The sale of British Tornado ground-attack jet fighters to Saudi Arabia unmasks Saudi intentions of purchasing offensive aircraft to use against Israel.
- 8. The Saudi Air Force intends to expand up to 250 combat aircraft by the end of the decade, requiring the purchase of 85 new aircraft -- 25 to replace aging Lightnings and 60 more to increase the total inventory from 190 to 250. Even with the British sale the Saudis are still in the market for an additional 40 attack aircraft.
- 9. Saudi Arabia has already purchased \$48 billion in defense related goods and services, amounting to 25% of all American Foreign Military Sales (FMS) over the past four years, and could easily repel any attempt by Iran to bomb its oil installations or invade its territory.
- 10. With only a few dozen servicable combat aircraft, Iran is ill equipped to challenge Saudi Arabia's 62 top of the line F-15's (with a ratio of 20 Sidewinders per F-15) as well as 130 well maintained fighter jets.
- 11. Encouraging the Saudis to spend more money on unnecessary armaments at a time of reduced oil income could lead to increased internal dissatisfaction and unrest such as that which brought on the fall of the Shah of Iran.
- 12. Saudi Arabian forces have been provided to fight Israel in 1948, 1967 and 1973 and there is every reason to believe that they would use their new armaments in any future conflict.
- 13. Israel would be less threatened if the Saudis were to purchase their weaponry from France, Great Britain or the Soviet Union, rather than facing an air force and army equipped with the latest U.S. arms.
- 14. The sale of U.S. weapons to the Saudis will raise the cost to Israel of maintaining an adequate level of superiority over hostile Arab forces.

ARMS SALE TO JORDAN

- 1. Providing arms to Jordan while it refuses to enter into direct negotiations with Israel removes the incentive for King Hussein to ever enter into the peace process. In addition, the Administration has offered no firm evidence that a fresh supply of American weapons would assure Hussein's participation in talks with Israel.
- 2. The U.S. waited until after Sadat entered direct peace negotiations with Israel before providing arms to the Egyptians.
- 3. Jordan is still in a state of war with Israel, having actively participated in the three major battles with the Jewish State (1948, 1967 and 1973).
- 4. King Hussein has been outspoken in opposition to the Camp David peace process since its adoption in 1978.
- 5. Contrary to Hussein's claims that he is promoting the peace process, on February 20, 1985 the PLO Executive Committee amended Yassir Arafat's February 11 agreement with Hussein by specifically rejecting U.N. resolution 242 and calling for the establishment of a Palestinian state rather than a Jordanian-Palestinian confederation.
- 6. The Administration claims that Jordan needs the arms package to defend itself against an invasion launched by Syria. However, all evidence points to a Syrian military buildup for an eventual showdown with Israel and not Jordan.
- 7. F-16's and F-20's are state-of-the-art jet fighters designed not only for air defense roles but also for offensive ground-attack missions thus increasing the threat of an Arab attack along Israel's vulnerable eastern border.
- 8. The shoulder held Stinger missile is the ideal terrorist weapon. With the reestablishment of the PLO in Jordan there is grave concern that the missile will fall into Palestinian hands endangering Israeli civilian and military aircraft.
- 9. Israel has not yet developed counter measures to the sophisticated Stinger missiles. If Jordan gets them, Israel would have to invest scarce resources to acquire such measures.
- 10. The Improved Hawk missiles provide effective coverage for all altitudes up to a range of 25 miles and would inhibit Israeli flights over a good part of its own airspace.
- 11. These three proposed weapons systems (F-16's or F-20's, I-Hawks and Stingers) would provide excellent coverage for a ground offensive against Israel.
- 12. On August 8, 1985 the President signed into law the FY1986 Foreign Aid Authorization Bill (PL 99-83) which included a provision that Jordan may not use appropriated funds to finance the purchase of U.S. advanced aircraft, new air defense systems, or other new military weapons systems unless Jordan is publicly committed to the recognition of Israel and to negotiate promptly and directly with Israel.

WASHINGTON

October 25, 1985

Dear Judge Rosenwald:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 2,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

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President Ronald Reagan White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Sir:

I understand that a major sale of sophisticated American weapons to Jordan and Saudi Arabia is pending.

As a long-time observer of the Middle East scene, I am adding my voice to those protesting the sale of aircraft, armored vehicles and missiles to these two Arab countries. The presence of these weapons will have a destabilizing effect on an already precarious political situation. That these weapons are a threat against Israel, the United States' partner in democracy and our strongest ally in the region, is clear.

Neither Jordan nor Saudi Arabia has recognized Israel's right to exist. King Hussein of Jordan has maintained close ties to the terrorist Palestine Liberation Organization, while the Saudi's have had a major part in bankrolling international terrorist organizations.

I trust that you will review and reverse this ill-advised decision.

Very truly yours,

Edward Rosewoold

Edward Rosenwald

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 25, 1985

Dear Mrs. Borkman:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 7, 1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

Max Green Associate Director Office of Public Liaison

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October 28, 1985

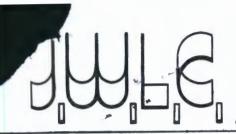
Dear Mrs. Mirwis:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 12,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

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September 12, 1985

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President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

We are writing to you as concerned Americans with reference to the Administration's proposed sales of sophisticated American weaponry with considerable offensive capabilities to Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

Both of these countries have consistently refused to recognize Israel's existence. The Saudis have opposed every American peace initiative in recent years. Jordan has repeatedly refused to enter into direct negotiations with Israel, and has maintained a hostile attitude towards Israel. It is significant, that while Israel has demonstrated its friendship and support of the United States, the only agreement which the Saudis are currently purported to offer (according to the New York Times of Thursday, September 5, 1985) is use of their bases only in the event of Soviet "aggression" or if the Saudis are unable to handle a Persian Gulf crisis on their own.

In offering this multi-billion dollar arms package, the United States is not just diminishing Israel's ability to defend itself, but is also escalating an arms race in an already unstable area.

This is a time for reasoned negotiations, not arms escalation.

Very truly (yours

Hilda Mirwis President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 28, 1985

Dear Mr. Edelstein:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of September 11,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

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September 11, 1985

The President The White House Office 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Toledo, we wish to express our deep concern and opposition to the Administration's proposed arms sales to Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

The premise that selling arms to Arab countries will encourage the peace process does not have support in the annals of recent history. Despite previous sales to Jordan and Saudi Arabia, neither has recognized Israel or shown a willingness to enter into direct peace negotiations with that country.

The possibility of additional arms sales will place a greater burden on Israel's economic situation because of the need to allocate additional financial resources in order to maintain the critical strategic edge which Israel must retain in relation to its neighbors. Consequently, a sale of advanced aircraft and missile technology to either Jordan or Saudi Arabia not only would be detrimental to the strategic interests of the state of Israel, but also would be inconsistent with America's concern for Israel's economic situation.

We sincerely hope the Administration will reconsider its plans to present such proposals to Congress.

Respectfully yours,

Irma Sheon

Co-Chairmen, Community Relations Committee

Steven J. Edelstein Executive Director

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 25, 1985

Dear Mr. Kwestel:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of October 10,1985 to the President. I am hopeful that the Administration's decision with respect to the sale of advanced weapons systems to Jordan meets with your approval. I am sure that we all share the hope that demonstrable progress towards direct and meaningful peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan can be made over the coming crucial months.

Sincerely,

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October 10, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, serving millions of observant Jews throughout the United States, we urge you not to supply sophisticated weapons to those Middle East countries, including Jordan and Saudi Arabia, which have not committed themselves to the peace process by recognizing Israel's right to exist and by agreeing to direct negotiations. Such armaments increase Israel's vulnerability, particularly of its citizen population, hamper peaceful negotiations in the region, and bring the Middle East closer to total conflagration.

Our urgent appeal to you, Mr. President, is made at a very significant time in the Jewish calendar, following Yom Kippur - the holiest day of the year - and the Sukkoth (Tabernacles) holiday, when our tradition recalls the prayers for peace for all nations of the world that were offered at this season in the Holy Temple of Jerusalem. This abiding desire for peace in the world is an attribute cherished by our people throughout all generations. We look to you, Mr. President, for leadership and guidance in these uncertain times and urge that you not allow measures that would upset the delicate balance of power between Israel and her Arab neighbors.

Sincerely yours,

Sidney Kwestel President

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The Secretary has asked me to thank you for your letter of _____, and to reply on his behalf to the concerns you raise regarding the sale of arms to Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

The cornerstone of U.S. policy in the Middle East is our commitment to Israel's security and the maintainance of Israel's qualitative military advantage. The arms sale to Jordan and Saudi Arabia, as with all U.S. military sales in the region, was carefully reviewed in the context of that commitment. The Administration has proceeded with the sale out of conviction that Israel's security is not threatened by the sale, and out of the belief that King Hussein urgently requires a signal of U.S. support as the peace process progresses.

We are convinced that King Hussein is making genuine advances towards the goal of direct negotiations with Israel. The King's remarks both at the United Nations and following his meeting with President Reagan are positive indications of Jordan's commitment to enter negotiations "promptly and directly" with Israel. Much remains to be done, but Jordan is taking real risks for peace, and must have a credible military defense against the growing threat from Syria and other forces that reject the peace process.

By strengthening Jordan, the United States strengthens all moderates in the region. This contributes materially to Israel's own security and regional stability. Radical elements and the growth of Soviet influence are frustrated by the positive signal of a United States commitment to both the peace process itself and to states which are willing to commit themselves to that process. In addition, we do not believe that U.S. or Israeli interests are served by the United States' abdication of our traditional role as supplier of arms to moderate Arab states, a role which permits us to wield a positive influence in the region, which is vital to the cause of peace.

Thank you for sharing your concerns with us.

Sincerely,

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Thank you for your letter of ______, expressing concerns about the raid on Tunis and its consequences. The (President/Secretary) has asked me to reply to your letter directly.

The United States deplores deeply the rising pattern of violence in the Middle East, of which the murder of three Israeli citizens at Larnaca, Cyprus and the Israeli raid on PLO facilities in Tunis are part. We have expressed our sincere condolences to the Government of Tunisia over the loss of life of its citizens in the raid, and our sympathies have been extended to the people of Tunisia. We have also condemned the murder of the three Israeli civilians.

At the same time, the United States has made clear it believes the air strike was understandable, as a response to terrorist attacks against Israelis. It is important to recall the antecedents to this attack, which included repeated attempts to infiltrate terrorists into Israel, terrorist incidents on the West Bank and the murder of the three Israeli civilians at Larnaca.

The United States abstained in the U.N. Security Council vote on the raid because we believed the complaint disproportionately blamed Israel, and ignored the broad context of terrorist violence which led to Israeli action. We concluded that to veto the resolution would have been harmful to the peace process, and would not have accurately reflected our regret for the loss of innocent life and our concern for the Government and people of Tunisia.

As Ambassador Walters stated in connection with the U.S. abstention, the United States recognizes and strongly supports the principle that a state subjected to continuing terrorist attacks may respond with appropriate use of force to defend against further attacks. We believe, moreover, that terrorism must enjoy no sanctuary and those who practice it must have no immunity from the responses their acts provoke.

The Middle East has suffered far too long from a cycle of violence in which one incident touches off another and a pattern of escalation is established. This tragic situation can be resolved only through a just and lasting peace between Israel and all its Arab neighbors. Those guilty of terrorist acts are seeking to prevent the achievement of this goal, but will not deter us from our efforts on behalf of peace.

Thank you for writing regarding your concerns.

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Office of the President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

We and our friends wish to register our opposition to your announcement that the United States is once more about to sell arms to Jordan.

We do not regard Jordan as a friend of the United States, and we do not believe she will use those arms against other Arab nations. We believe she will use them against Israel, our one and only dependable ally in the Mid-East.

We will speak out against your policy in a number of forums to which we are contributors and members.

Truly,

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September 24, 1985

The President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Mr. President:

The Fort Wayne Jewish Federation urges you not to submit an Arms sales request for Jordon and Saudi Arabia to Congress. Neither country has acted to improve the prospects for peace in the Mid-East. The Saudis have continued to support the PLO and Syria, enemies of the Western World, the United States as well as Israel.

The Jordanians have spoken a lot lately about peace, but their only action has been to allow the PLO to return to Jordan soil, a dangerous decision which is a step away from peace with Israel.

Respectfully yours,

Mike Pousman

Executive Director

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The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland

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September 26, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland urges you to not allow the sale of advanced weapons to Jordan and Saudi Arabia. These countries have not participated in the Camp David peace process and have repeatedly refused to negotiate directly with Israel on matters relating to Middle-East peace. Neither country, as you know, recognizes Israel, a proven ally of the United States. Until they engage in peace negotiations with Israel, we must remain unalterably opposed to arms sales to them. Such weapons pose a threat to Israel's security and become a burden on her economy as she must buy more weapons to protect herself.

We appreciate your concern over this issue and your continued support of Israel.

Sincerely

enry J. Goodman, resident

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September 27, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

We urge you not to propose arms sales to Jordan and Saudi Arabia until those countries agree to recognize and negotiate directly with Israel.

Respectfully,

Rubin Cannon

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JANE K. BUCHSBAUM Executive Director September 10, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Reagan:

On behalf of the Jewish community of New Orleans, I would like to express our deep concern that you may soon send to Congress an arms sale proposal for Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

We strongly disagree with the premise that such an arms sale will encourage the peace process. Despite all the sophisticated arms sales to Jordan and Saudi Arabia in recent years, neither country has recognized Israel or expressed a willingness to enter into direct peace negotiations with her.

New arms sales to Arab countries would place an additional burden on Israel's depressed economy. You have worked closely with Israel to assist her in overcoming these economic problems and this proposed arms sales to her Arab adversaries would defeat your good purposes.

Congress has already expressed their opposition to a sale of arms to Jordan through a provision to the Foreign Aid bill and through the Kennedy-Heinz resolution. We are certain they will voice similar opposition to arms for Saudi Arabia when they review the dismal record that country has in support of American interests and policy in the Middle East.

The American people overwhelmingly support Israel as our one strong and reliable ally in the Middle East. We urge you to reconsider any arms sale proposal to Jordan and Saudi Arabia which would only serve to weaken Israel both militarily and economically.

Most sincerely,

Rabbi David Goldstein, Chairman Community Relations Committee

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October 10, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to oppose the arms sale to Jordan.

Jordan has refused to publicly recognize Israel, to engage in direct talks with Israel, and has gone to war with Israel on three occasions.

If these weapons are provided to Jordan before that country makes peace with Israel, they would create an arms imbalance and place Israel under a tremendous economic burden to maintain its capacity to defend itself in the face of possible Arab aggression. This sale would further remove a key incentive for King Hussein to enter into peace negotiations. In addition, this would increase the threat of an Arab offensive along Israel's long and vulnerable border with Jordan.

In the 1970's the United States waited until Egypt entered into direct peace negotiations with Israel before supplying arms to the Egyptians. This important principle must also apply to Jordan.

Your support in opposing this arm package is gratefully appreciated.

Very truly yours,

FEDERICK J. NAMETH

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President Ronald Reagan 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan,

The members of the Suffolk Jewish Communal Planning Council view with alarm the request submitted by the Administration to Congress for a proposed comprehensive arms sale package for Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

We feel strongly that the introduction of additional sophisticated offesive weapons into the Middle East will damage United States interests in the region.

The massive arms sale will most certainly upset the balance of power in the area and can only further endanger Israel at a time of great economic crisis. Please bear in mind that Israel is the only democracy in the Middle East and a devoted ally to the United States.

Sincerely

Muriel Hertan

President

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