

Understanding of Zionism is Necessary to Develop Struggle Against Superpowers

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A correspondent has contributed three articles on the question of Zionism, the Israeli Zionist state and the struggles of the Palestinian people to regain their homeland from the clutches of aggressive Zionism.

Zionism is the tool of imperialism. Today Zionists do the bidding of U.S. imperialism and at the same time strive to use the growing contention between U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism to advance their expansionist aims in the Middle East. The struggle against Zionism is a component of the struggle against the superpowers and against fascism.

The Zionists are active in Australia. They are afraid of visits to this country by representatives of Palestine Liberation Organisation. Like all fascists they fear the truth. The real nature of Zionism is being more and more revealed as support for the Palestinian people's just cause grows in Australia. The Zionist leaders, as the author of the series of articles referred to shows, have betrayed their own people.

The first article of the series is published here. The other two articles will be published in subsequent eight-page editions of *Vanguard*. They will contribute to a deeper understanding of the nature of Zionism and how it is being used by imperialism, particularly U.S. imperialism. Soviet social-imperialism in recent times has strengthened its contacts with the Zionists while at the same time professing support for the Palestinian people. Like the U.S. imperialists the Kremlin revisionist clique seeks to use Zionism in its struggle for hegemony in the Middle East.

Zionism and Anti-Semitism — The Old Twins

1. THE ANTI JEWISH THEORY

...As a matter of fact — recalled a Nazi war criminal in charge of Nazi-Zionist negotiations before world war II, and in charge of the death deportations in Nazi occupied Europe during the war — there was a very strong similarity between our attitudes in the S.S. and the viewpoint of these immensely idealistic Zionist leaders... I told Kastner (the Zionist leader in Hungary) we, too, are idealists, and we too, had to sacrifice our own blood before we came to power. (Eichmann's story, "Life" magazine of November 28 and December 5, 1960).

Indeed the deadly — and, obviously, secretly maintained alliance between Zionism and European antisemitism began in the very early days of political Zionism, some 80 years ago, and continued throughout those years to this day. The phenomenon in itself offers no surprise to people who know Zionism. For it has been

to Zionism a major life-line without which Zionism would have been abandoned not only by all sorts of bourgeois humanists who still support it, but even by the masses in Israel and in other Zionist ghettos around the world, people of Jewish background, whose blood and money has fed the Zionist leeches for so many years.

In his historic report **The United Front against War and Fascism** Georgi Dimitroff pointed out:

*What is the source of the influence enjoyed by fascism over the masses? Fascism is able to attract the masses because it demagogically appeals to their most urgent needs and demands ... Surpassing in its cynicism and hypocrisies all other varieties of bourgeois reaction **fascism adapts its demagogy ... even to the peculiarities of the various social strata in one and the same country.***

In Israel, the world's largest Zionist ghetto, the Zionist clique

propagates and fans racial hatred to the Arabs who "wouldn't let the people of Israel live in peace", whilst the Zionist gangsters carry on their policies of oppression, exploitation and terror against Arab and Jewish masses.

In the other Zionist ghettos around the world (which the Zionists like to call "Jewish communities", and where the Zionist chieftains call themselves "Jewish leaders" or "Jewish deputies") they propagate self segregation playing on what they call the "eternal insecurity of Jews amongst the Gentiles" in their own homeland countries. At the same time they work hard to provoke and fan the flames of racial hatred and superstitions towards people of Jewish background, and then urge their conditioned ghetto victims to give more of their money, soul and body to Zionist Israel — which they present as the "haven homeland of the Jewish nation".

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, the long

time President of World Zionism, and later the first President of Israel, recalled the early days of political Zionism, when he and his ilk began to sell Herzl's "Jewish State" plan to the suffering masses in the ghettos of the backward semi-feudal Eastern Europe. Here are his words:

There was something messianic in it particularly so as it appeared at a moment when the horizon looked black for Russian-Polish Jewry. At times like these there is always a recrudescence of messianic hope.. (from Fifty Years of Zionism, 1951, by O.K. Rabinowicz, at p. 9).

And so, to keep the "recrudescence of messianic hope", the Zionist leaders had to make sure that "the horizon looked black" for all people of Jewish background. This "logical" conclusion was openly made by one of the main Zionist theoreticians in Berlin in 1921 as follows:

Instead of establishing societies for defence against antisemites, who want to reduce our rights, we should establish societies against our friends who desire to defend our rights." (Krisis und Entschudung by Dr. Jakob Klutskin, quoted by B. Matovu, The Zionist Wish and the Nazi Deed, in Issue winter 66-67 at p. 10).

Shortly after the creation of the State of Israel, when people of Jewish background still refused to immigrate to Israel from their native countries, the editor of **Davar**, daily mouthpiece of Israel's "Histadrut" (Zionist "Trade Unions"), wrote:

"I shall not be ashamed to confess that, if I had the power as I have the will, I would select a score of efficient young men — intelligent, decent, devoted to our ideal and burning with desire to help redeem Jews — and I would send them to the countries where Jews are absorbed in sinful self-satisfaction, plague these Jews with antisemitic slogans such as "Bloody Jew", "Jew go to Palestine" and similar intimacies. I can vouch that the results, in terms of considerable immigration to Israel from these countries, would be ten thousand times larger than the results brought by thousands of

emissaries who have been preaching for decades to deaf ears." (quoted in What Price Israel?, 1953 p. 207).

The same idea has been repeatedly taught by various Zionist theoreticians. One contemporary Zionist theoretician, in the U.S.A., explains it as follows:

"The assumption that antisemitism makes sense and that it can be put to constructive uses — this is at once the subtlest, most daring, and most optimistic conception to be found in political Zionism ... What is new in Herzl is that assuming ... that antisemitism is rational, he boldly turned this idea outward into the international arena". (A. Herzberg The Zionist Idea, 1966, introduction p. 49).

And again from Israel, the "Jewish State" of the "Jewish Nation", comes the following passage:

It is, of course, not customary for us to talk about it in public, but many of us felt a tiny bit of joy when we read newspaper reports about the swastika epidemic in Europe in 1960 or about pro-Nazi movement in Argentine". (Yediot Aharonot. 9.2.1969).

In essence, therefore, Zionism and antisemitism are identical. Both were born in the gutters of reactionary backward Europe and since fascism came into being they became part and parcel of it; both have been nourished by imperialist capitalism; and most important of all is that both share in fact the following ideological premises:

- a. The idea that racism, in all its forms, is natural and eternal;
- b. The fiction of the international Jewish "race-nation";
- c. The idea that people of Jewish background are aliens in their own homelands and therefore should get out — say the antisemites — to Israel — add the Zionists.

2. THE ANTI JEWISH PRACTICE

Although most cases of collaborations were secretly executed and subsequently hidden from the public, we know now of many cases of collaboration with antisemites — from the days of

Herzl and his followers to the days of Ben-Gurion and his followers. Some of them are listed below.

In 1903 Herzl went to Von Plehve, the arch reactionary Home Secretary of the Russian Czar, who organised the Kishinev pogrom early that same year, to obtain a letter of support for the newly created movement of political Zionism. (see **Diaries of T. Herzl**).

A few years later Jobotinsky, Herzl's disciple, negotiated with the pogromist Petlyura. (see **50 Years of Zionism** by O.K. Rabinowicz).

Weizmann went to Mussolini early in 1923 to get his support for Zionism, and Jabotinsky's disciples later renewed the negotiations trying to get military assistance from the Italian fascists (see Hebrew article "The Political Activity of Weizmann in Italy during the years 1923-24" in the book **Zionism** by D. Kapri, 1971, pp. 170-171).

C. Arlossorof, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, negotiated with Hitler early in 1933 the "transfer agreement" with the Nazis. The details of the negotiation are not known now because Arlossorof was murdered soon after that by the Zionists on a Tel-Aviv beach.

The secret negotiations with the Nazis continued later when the Nazis sent their man — Adolf Eichmann — to Palestine, as **Newsweek** of 17.4.1961 reported from Jerusalem: "...Eichmann's first Gestapo assignment was to keep watch on Zionist immigration into British mandated territory of Palestine. Here, incredibly, Eichmann and various Zionist leaders worked together ..." and following those negotiations an office of the Zionist Jewish Agency was established in Nazi Germany.

Ben-Gurion, who with his Zionist executive and Jewish Agency sabotaged the Evian conference in 1938, which was convened to help Jewish refugees from Germany escape to other countries, wrote after the failure of the conference and following the first Nazi pogrom at the end of that same year.

"... If Palestine will not absorb them (the refugees) another ter-

ritory will. **Zionism is endangered.**"

Speaking at the Sixth Annual National Conference of the American Council for Judaism, Morris L. Ernst revealed that he was "thrown out of parlours of friends of mine" when he discussed with them his plan of relief for Jewish refugees. The Zionists warned him: "Morris, this is treason — you're undermining the Zionist movement". (American Council for Judaism, the Council News, May 1950 p. 2. See also **The Spectator** (London) 22.7.1960)

The Zionist collaboration with the Nazis continued secretly during World War II, and the most monstrous part of it (which is known) was played in Hungary where 800,000 Jewish Hungarians were lured into the Nazi death trap by the Zionist collaborators. But this is a special chapter of horror and will be explained in a separate report.

In 1950, shortly after the establishment of the state of Israel, when the Zionist leaders were pressing desperately for mass immigration into Israel, Ben Gurion sent his secret agents to Iraq to terrorise the Jewish Iraqis into flight. They have thrown bombs on Jewish public places, including a synagogue, whilst urging people

of Jewish background to immigrate to Israel. Since there never was antisemitism in Iraq, the Zionists blamed the Iraqi Communist Party for the terror campaign which they organised (for full details see Israel's Hebrew weekly **Ha'olam Ha'zeh** of 20.4.66 and of 1.6.66.).

In his book **The Decadence of Judaism in Our Time**, Moshe Menuhin (the father of the violinist Yehudi Menuhin), a deeply religious Jew, brings documented evidence that Israel's abduction of Eichmann from Argentina in 1960 was deliberately used by them to fan the flames of antisemitism in South America. He quotes the **New York Times** of August 10 and September 16, 1962, which reported that "the wave of antisemitic outburst in Argentine erupted last spring, apparently triggered by the execution of Adolf Eichmann, who was abducted from Argentina by Israeli agents ... Youth shouting antisemitic slogans have beaten Jewish men and women". Menuhin goes on to say: "The Argentine Jews, for decades living in a happy, prosperous and integrated community suddenly became alarmed ... And then, of course, came the logical (hoped for?) next step" —

and here Menuhin quotes the Zionist **Jewish Chronicle** of 20.7.62 — "Argentine Jews turn to Israel. Many planning emigration. With proper Zionist organisation, and given **continuation of the existing circumstances**, there is no doubt that Argentine antisemitism could have one **positive** consequence: an influx of highly capable human material into Israel..."

Menuhin remarks: "Had Eichmann been legally extradited from Argentine (and that could have been brought about easily) to be tried by an international court of justice, or by a strictly German court of justice, the dormant antisemites could have been unobtrusively forced to learn something new about their cursed lives as haters. And a German people as a whole would have been vouchsafed a genuine opportunity for regeneration".

Furthermore, Menuhin pointed out to another reason being the Zionist trial of Eichmann. The Zionist leaders did not want to fight or expose fascism and instead presented the Nazi crimes as persecution of Jews only. "They (i.e. the Nazi war criminals) should have been brought to justice" — points out Menuhin — "

PART II TRUE SHEEP

How Zionism Helped Hitler Murder 800,000 "Dry Branches" in Hungary

"KASTNER SPOKE IN DETAIL OF THE SITUATION, SAYING, 'THE HUNGARIAN JEW WAS A BRANCH WHICH LONG AGO DRIED UP ON THE TREE'. THIS VIVID DESCRIPTION COINCIDES WITH THE TESTIMONY OF ANOTHER WITNESS ABOUT THE HUNGARIAN JEWS, 'THIS WAS A BIG JEWISH COMMUNITY IN HUNGARY, WITHOUT ANY IDEOLOGICAL JEWISH BACKBONE'." (Moshe Shaveiger, a Kastner aide in Budapest; Protocol p. 465). From the Judgement by Shlomo Cheshin, Judge of Israel's Supreme Court, 17.1.1958. (In Appeal of the Attorney-General

on Criminal Case No. 124 of 1953, the Attorney General of Israel Vs. Malchiel Greenwald, D.C. Jerusalem.)

1. THE COURSE OF EVENTS

The above quotation from a Judge of the Supreme Court of Israel proves that people of Jewish background who refuse to support Zionism have always been despised by Zionism to such an extent that the Zionists would have rather them murdered than regard them as fellow human beings. They are — according to Zionism — "dry branches" on the tree of the "Jewish nation". Since the majority of Europe's Jews were not Zion-

ist they had to be fed to the Nazi murder machine. If "pruning" the tree of the "Jewish nation" can prolong and even enhance its chances to grow, then "dry branches" — even if they are millions of innocent human beings — must be destroyed. This is where Zionist "morality" begins. This is where it ends too, as the following report shows.

In March 1944 the Nazis took direct control of Hungary, and the Palace of their friend Horthy was taken by a personal representative of Hitler, who registered immediately the support of the local fascist thugs. By that time the Nazi armies had suffered defeats

on all fronts and were retreating before the heroic Red Army. Only a handful of Nazi units were available now for Hungary. The Hitlerite murder machine was now gearing itself to its last "tasks" in Hungary. The top Gestapo "experts" on mass-murder were sent immediately to Budapest to carry out, amongst other things, the mass-murder of almost one million Jewish Hungarians. The top Nazi murder-experts were Eichmann and three Gestapo colonels: Becher, Krumei and Von Wisliczeny.

The Nazi war criminals didn't waste much time and immediately contacted the local Zionist leaders. "In obedience to Himmler's directive" — recalled Eichmann years later — "I now concentrated on negotiations with the Jewish political officials in Budapest ... among them Dr. Rudolf Kastner, authorised representative of the Zionist movement. This Dr. Kastner was a young man about my age, an ice-cold lawyer and a fanatical Zionist. **He agreed to help the Jews from resisting deportation** (to the gas chambers of Auschwitz) — **and even keep order in the collection camps** — if I would close my eyes and let a few hundreds or a few thousand young Jews emigrate illegally to Palestine. It was a good bargain ... With his great polish and reserve he would have made an ideal Gestapo officer himself." (from *Life* magazine Nov. 28 and December 5, 1960).

So, as a result of that particular Nazi-Zionist deal alone, and with the full knowledge and approval of the top Zionist leadership in Palestine and the U.S.A., 800,000 Jewish Hungarians were murdered within a few months in exchange for the "rescue" of the local Zionist leaders, their families and rich friends, altogether 1,685 persons.

"I was able to give Hungarian Zionist leaders three weeks notice" — recalled in 1966 a Jewish survivor from Auschwitz — "that Eichmann planned to send a million of their Jews to his gas chambers ... Kastner went to Eichmann and told him, 'I know of your plans; spare some Jews of my choice and I shall keep quiet ...

Kastner paid Eichmann several thousand dollars. With this little fortune, Eichmann was able to buy his way to freedom when Germany collapsed, to set himself up in the Argentine..." (from the memoirs of Dr. R. Verba, published in Feb. 1961 in Feb. 1961 in the London *Daily Herald*).

The full details of the Nazi-Zionist deal in Hungary were unexpectedly revealed and proven before a district court in Jerusalem in Criminal Case No. 124 of 1953 where the Israeli government, through its Attorney-General, instituted a criminal libel suit against a Jewish immigrant from Hungary, Mr. M. Greenwald, accusing him of "criminally libelling Dr. Rudolf Kastner, spokesman for the Trade and Industry Minister of Israel" etc. "with the intention to defame the aforesaid..." So, it was the old Hungarian Jew defending himself against the state of Israel. Greenwald's crime was that he dared to expose Zionist collaboration with the Nazis.

Kastner never lost the backing of the top Zionist leaders. Not until the exposure during the trial of the Nazi-Zionist collaboration outraged public opinion and threatened the stability of the Zionist regime. Only then, following the exposure of the Zionist crimes in the District Court and pending an appeal to Israel's Supreme Court, Kastner was secretly murdered by the Zionist Gestapo. Greenwald won his case by proving the truth of most of his accusations. But the Zionist regime saved itself by getting rid of the man whom it initially set out to defend.

One of the major findings of the District Court, which was later approved by all five Judges of the appeal, was that Kastner "in a perjurious and criminal way" saved Kurt Becher, a major Nazi war criminal, from the punishment awaiting him in Nuremberg.

2. SAVING NAZI WAR CRIMINALS

Let us take a close look at the details of that court finding.

The Gestapo colonel Kurt Becher, now one of the richest men in West Germany, "distinguished" himself as a member

of the Nazi Death Corps (which specialised in mass murder of Jews in Poland) so much that he was promoted to become liaison officer between Hitler and Himmler (the Gestapo Chief), and he was to get further promotion to the rank of Lieutenant General in 1945, following his "success" in Hungary, and to be appointed "special Reichs Commissar" in charge of all concentration camps in Nazi-occupied Europe.

Following the defeat of Nazi Germany Becher was listed as a war criminal and was to be tried by the international court in Nuremberg. But his faithful friends, the Zionist leaders, did not abandon him. Kastner hurried to Nuremberg and signed a sworn affidavit in favour of the Nazi war criminal in which he said: "... Having been in personal contact with Becher from June 1944 to April 1945, I should like to emphasise, on the basis of personal observation, that Kurt Becher did everything within the realm of possibility to save innocent human beings from the blind fury of the Nazi leaders..." And the affidavit ends as follows: "I make this statement not only in my name but also on behalf of the Jewish Agency and the Jewish World Congress. Signed Dr. Rudolf Kastner, official Jewish Agency in Geneva, former Chairman of Zionist Organisation in Hungary, 1943-45. Representative of Joint Distribution Committee in Budapest."

When cross-examined on that affidavit in c.c. 124-53, Kastner, in reply to a Judge's question stated the following:

"Dobkin and Barlas gave me permission to speak in the name of the Jewish Agency. And Mr. Perlzweig, chief of the political department of the World Jewish Congress, and Mr. Reigener, European representative of the World Jewish Congress gave me permission" (to offer the affidavit in the name of those Zionist organisations).

Now we might better understand why the Attorney-General of Israel, Chaim Cohen, in person, tried so hard to defend Kastner in the libel action which was instituted not by Kastner himself (in a civil

action, as was the normal practice) but the government of Israel. Chaim Cohen, who was later promoted to become a Justice of the Supreme Court, stated in his address to the Court of Appeal — an appeal by the government on the District Court judgement — in January 1957:

"The man Kastner does not stand here as a private individual. He was a recognised representative, official or non-official, of the Jewish National Institutes in Palestine and of the Zionist executive; and I come here in this court to defend the representative of our national institutions..."

The Attorney-General attacked the District Court findings saying, *inter alia*:

"All this talk about Kastner's collaboration with the Nazis is fairy-tales! Fairy-tales! Never in human history — neither Jewish nor Gentile — was there such a miscarriage of justice."

And furthermore:

"Kastner did nothing more and nothing less than was done by us in rescuing the Jews and bringing them to Palestine."

3. THE ZIONIST SUPREME COURT EXTRICATES THE ZIONIST CHIEFTAINS

All the five Supreme Judges sitting at the court of appeal — all of them very loyal Zionists of course — ignored the obvious connection between Kastner's actions and the policies of the top Zionist leaders. The only way out — in face of clearly-proven evidence of collaboration between Kastner and the Nazis — was to either accept the Attorney-General's view and exonerate Kastner on the basis of "war circumstances" or to expose him as an individual collaborator, thus making him a scapegoat for the Zionist regime.

One of the Judges, Moshe Silberg, who adopted the second alternative, "explains" his attitude as follows:

"I do not say that he was the only man who possessed information (*regarding the Nazi murder plan and its concealment from the 800,000 Jewish Hungarians — Ed.*). It is quite possible that somebody else as well does not

have a clear conscience with regard to this concealment. But we are dealing here with the guilt of Kastner and we do not have to make judgements on the guilt of others..."

It was the same Judge who elsewhere in the same judgement wrote:

"We can sum up with these three facts:

(a) That the Nazis didn't want to have a great revolt — 'second Warsaw' — or small revolts, and their passion was to have the extermination machine working smoothly without resistance. This fact was known to Kastner from the best source — from Eichmann himself...

(b) That the most efficient means to paralyse the resistance will or the escape of a victim is to conceal from him the plot of the coming murder. This fact is known to every man and one does not need any proof or evidence of this.

(c) That he, Kastner, in order to carry out the rescue plea for the few prominents, fulfilled knowingly and without good faith the said desire of the Nazis, thus expediting the work of exterminating the masses.

And also the rescue of Becher by Kastner ... He who is capable of rescuing this Becher from hanging proves that the atrocities of this great war criminal were not so horrifying or despicable in his eyes ... I couldn't base the main guilt of Kastner on this fact had it been alone, but when it is attached even from afar to the whole scene of events it throws retroactive light on the whole affair and serves as a dozen proofs of our conclusion."

In any case Kastner was dead by then and took to his grave most of the top dirty secrets which could have incriminated the Zionist chieftains and bring about, probably, the collapse of the Zionist regime.

4. ZIONIST GUILT CANNOT BE WHITEWASHED

During the trial in the District Court Kastner claimed that he personally informed the Zionist leadership about the Nazi murder actions and plans in 1942, but it was the top Zionist bodies **outside**

occupied Europe who deliberately suppressed the news. So he, Kastner, in the years to come was only following faithfully the Zionist line. "I learned", testified Kastner in court, "that the Jewish Agency and the Joint Distribution Committee representative in Switzerland, Moshe Schwable and Saly Mayer, did not give out information to the press about the mass killings. **They failed to give the press the news I sent from Budapest** ... I informed them almost daily by cables about the pace of the extermination. My cables were never published anywhere".

That evidence of Kastner receives further support in light of the general silence conspiracy adopted by the Zionist press in Palestine and elsewhere at the time, as well as in many individual complaints during and after the Second World War, claiming bitterly that all the Zionist leaders of **all** organisations ignored the pleas of the persecuted and refused to publicise (during the war) the Nazi mass murder in Auschwitz and in other Nazi concentration camps. Furthermore, examination of the general attitude — declared attitude! — of the Zionist leaders leaves no room for doubt that Zionist-Nazi collaboration in Hungary was no "exceptional" blunder, but rather part of a planned Zionist policy.

The chief of the "rescue department" of the Jewish Agency during the war, and a top Zionist leader in Palestine, Izaak Greenbaum, addressing the Zionist executive council on 18.2.1943 made the following statement:

"When they asked me, couldn't you give money out of united Jewish Appeal funds for the rescue of Jews in Europe, I said, 'no!' and I say again 'no!'. In my opinion one should resist this wave which pushes the Zionist activities to secondary importance." (See Greenbaum's book **In Days of Holocaust and Destruction**, Hebrew, 1946.)

"Having thus turned their back on the doomed Jews" — commented in 1961 the Zionist author Ben Hecht in his book **Perfidy** on p. 50 — "the same leaders

later utilised the extermination for raising millions of millions, and for collecting billions in reparations from the Germans..."

All that what for? For expropriating the Arab peoples of Palestine and slandering them, the victims of Zionist persecutions and aggression as criminals for refusing to give away their homeland to the Zionists.

5. FASCIST CYNICISM

During the trial in the above c.c. 124/53 one of the government witnesses was Manachem Bader, General Manager of Israel's development ministry, and a "left wing" member of the Jewish Agency during the war. He was cross-examined on the point of Zionist "silence conspiracy". A letter was read to him in which an urgent plea to break the Zionist silence and help the persecuted was made by a Jewish Rabbi on 15.5.1944. "Did you receive this letter Rabbi Weissmandel? he was asked. "Letters like this came to us every day", replied the Zionist leader, approving once more of the deliberate suppression of the Nazi mass-murder during the war.

Dr. Joseph Goebbels, one of the top Nazi war criminals wrote in his diary (1943) as follows: "In our

Nazi attitude towards the Jews, there must be no squeamish sentimentalism."

The Zionist leaders adopted the Nazi attitude towards the same people who, as they still claim today, are their "own brethren".

The Attorney-General of Israel had gone even further to slander the heroic masses of the Warsaw Ghetto who dared to resist the Nazis in the 1943 uprising. Here is what he stated in 1954 to the District Court Judge in the above c.c. 124/53 when referring to the people who were slaughtered by the Nazis in Hungary:

"For those and millions of Jews like them there came true the old curse, 'and, lo, they were meant but to be taken like sheep for slaughter, for killing, for destruction, for crushing and shame!' There was no spirit in them. **The Jewish masses in Warsaw were in the same conditions.**"

The Zionists in Israel and elsewhere hold, of course, yearly "commemorations" of the 1943 Warsaw Ghetto uprising, but it is not the anti-fascist mass uprising which they commemorate, but rather their own concepts of militarism, chauvinism and racism. They claim that it was only a handful of Zionists who fought

with arms against the "enemies of the Jewish nation", just to prove the point that Jews can fight ... anybody. They try — year after year of "commemorations" — to obliterate the anti-fascist character of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising.

Undoubtedly, there were some Zionists amongst the Warsaw Ghetto heroes, but had they remained to live to know the secret Zionist-Nazi collaboration, to witness the murderous persecutions of the Arab people of Palestine and the fascist character of the Zionist regime — wouldn't they have fought Zionism precisely because Zionism itself is a form of fascism?

Before the creation of the Zionist state many people of Jewish background were deceived into believing that Zionism can be reconciled with progressive, anti-fascism (even socialism as some did believe). But certainly not today, in 1975, after such a long record of war crimes against Arabs, Jews and mankind in general. Those who support Zionism today must be aware of the fact that they are supporting fascism and war crimes.

Part II True Sheep

On the Fascist Character of Zionism

1. The Palestine Struggle

The struggle of the Arab people for liberation of Palestine has gained the support and admiration of the majority of mankind. The Palestinian cause is a just cause and is part of the cause of human progress. Except for the reactionary diehards, various fascist groups and some backward bourgeois "personalities" no one disputes the anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist and progressive nature of the struggle for liberation of the Arab people.

But there are still some people who do not see the anti-fascist aspect of the Palestinian struggle against Zionism.

Zionism, as an international

organisation as well as a colonial enterprise in Palestine, has always been in partnership with and at the service of capitalist imperialism. This is a major part of the fascist character of Zionism as it is a major part of any kind of fascism. "Fascism in power" — said Dimitrov — "is the open terrorist dictatorship of the most reactionary, most chauvinistic and most imperialist elements of finance capital". The struggle against Zionism is then a struggle against finance capital, against its most imperialist elements.

"The basic issue in the Palestine question" — writes the Palestinian author Sami Hadawi in his book **Bitter Harvest**, 1967 at p. 41 — "is

the uprooting and dispossession of an entire nation in order to make room for the 'ingathering' in Palestine of Jews from all parts of the world".

Zionist colonialism proved itself to be the most ruthless and most cruel of all forms of colonialism in modern times. Not merely oppression, exploitation and plunder which characterises all colonialist regimes, but outright dispossession in a cynically planned and viciously executed Zionist policy against the indigenous people of Palestine. Even the Arabs who live in the Zionist state are virtually refugees in their own country.

2. "Jewish Nation" and a "Zionist Messiah"

From its inception the declared purpose of the Zionist program has been two-fold:

1. create a "Jewish nation", and establish in Palestine the foundation for a "Jewish" empire in the Middle East.

2. safeguard the interests of capitalist imperialism in that important part of the world simultaneously with the implementation of the Zionist program.

As a first step to achieve the first aim the Zionist leaders, beginning from Herzl, conducted a ruthless drive amongst people of Jewish background around the world to silence any voice of dissent. "*Campaigning against Zion in the Jewish communities*" — announced Herzl during the second world Zionist Congress in 1898 "cannot be tolerated any longer. It is an abnormal and untenable situation. We must put an end to it. The authority of the community, its means and persons it has at its command must never be used against the **concept of peoplehood**. Therefore, I believe, I speak for you too, distinguished congress members, when I propose capturing the Jewish communities as one of our next targets". (E. Berger, "The Constitution and the Balfour Declaration", *Issues* magazine — 1961, pp. 70-71). Thus began the creation of the Zionist ghettos in the capitalist countries, and the formation of all the organisational tools for implementation of the Zionist plans in Palestine.

After quoting the "*Basel program*", adopted by the first Zionist congress in 1897 Moshe Menuhin, in his book **The Decadence of Judaism in Our Time** (p.41), comments with a rhetorical question.

"From its very beginning the purpose of Zionism was to establish legal recognition of a Jewish nationality' automatically claiming all Jews to comprise an entity called 'the Jewish people'."

Moshe Menuhin, a Jewish American, together with many Jewish Americans has been opposed to Zionism not merely on

humanitarian grounds. They were opposed to the Zionist ghettos, which, like the middle-ages ghettos, isolated and segregated people of Jewish background from their native society.

The Zionist "Jewish nation" concept is counter-revolutionary and serves well the interests of the diehard section of the capitalist class.

Lenin himself, and as early as 1903, opposed the attempt to recreate the medieval reactionary ghetto. "**That is precisely what the Jewish problem amounts to**" — wrote Lenin in *Iskra* No. 51 — "**assimilation or isolation? — and the idea of a Jewish 'nationality' is definitely reactionary not only when expounded by its consistent advocates, the Zionists, but likewise on the lips of those who try to combine it with the ideas of social democracy — the Bundists. The idea of a Jewish nationality runs counter to the interests of a Jewish proletariat for it fosters among them directly or indirectly a spirit hostile to assimilation, the spirit of the 'Ghetto'**" (quoted in *Vanguard*, 27.2.1975).

Indeed the Zionists had to work very hard for many years to convert any Jews to Zionism. With the aim to falsify history a swarm of Zionist "historians" descended on the cultural markets of the capitalist countries to sell the Zionist ideas as an integral part of the "history of the Jewish people from ancient times." Political Zionism and Herzl as its founder (including, of course, the subsequent Zionist chieftains) have been presented as the continuation — Zionist terms are: "rebirth", "revival", "regeneration" — of the "glorious past" in ancient biblical times.

"The new-baked National-Socialist historians" — reported Dimitrov on the rise of Nazism in Germany — "try to depict the history of Germany as if for the last two thousand years, by virtue of some 'historical law', a certain line of development had run through it like a red thread which led to the appearance on the historical scene of a national 'saviour', a 'Messiah', of the German people, a certain 'corporal' of Austrian extraction!"

this description fits almost exactly the Zionist propaganda methods. Although it must be said that the Zionist job was much harder because they had to create the myth of the "Jewish nation" in the first place, then "transform" religious beliefs into political concepts and subsequently proceed with the big lie itself. This is why it took them some 50 odd years to get some results and not before they could get active assistance from the Nazi "experts" themselves, as is clearly shown in a previous chapter.

3. Serving International Finance Capital

As mentioned earlier the history of political Zionism is dominated by a continuous and faithful service to finance capital and to its various imperialist chieftains. Herzl himself, before his death in 1904, was looking for imperialist patrons to offer Zionist services. He negotiated with the representatives and chieftains of Russian, German, Turkish, Italian and British imperialists. The "*bargain*" was finally struck with British imperialism.

Addressing the fourth Zionist congress in London (1900) Herzl stated that "*It is of increasing importance to the nations of civilization that on the road to Asia — the shortest road to Asia — there would be set up a post of civilization, which would be at the service of mankind. This post is Palestine...and the Jews will be prepared to defend this post with blood and substance...*"

Appealing to British imperialism Herzl exclaimed to his Zionist audience:

"*England, great England, free England, England commanding all the seas will understand our aspirations. It is from here that the Zionist movement, we may be sure, will soar to further and greater heights*". (quoted by Leonard Stein, "**The Balfour Declaration**", London, 1961, at p. 9).

With the crumbling of the British Empire and the final take-over of its role by American imperialism the Zionists, beginning from World War II, prostituted themselves to

their new masters. They offered their services not only in the Middle East but on an international scale: subversion in Third World countries (Africa in particular); offering local "Jewish communities" in capitalist countries as springboards for fascist attacks against the local working class and democratic people (in Australia they have "distinguished" themselves through people like Hawke and his ilk, and much of their secret subversions are yet to be exposed here).

Naturally the Zionists have fraternal ties with the notorious regimes in South Africa and Rhodesia — the last bastions of imperialism in Africa. "...Is there any real difference between the way" — asked the Afrikaner racist newspaper **Die Transvaler** following the Suez war — "that the people of Israel are trying to maintain themselves amid non-Jewish peoples and the way the Afrikaner is trying to remain what he is? The people of Israel base themselves upon the old testament to explain why they do not wish to mix with other people; the Afrikaner does this too..." (quoted by H. Katzew in **South Africa: A Country Without Friends**, Midstream Spring 1962). But, the increasing ties between these three last colonial outposts of finance capital — military, political, commercial and social ties — testify not only to their common features but also to their desperation and isolation at this stage of history which is marked by capitalist decline and people's liberation.

4. Israel's Zionist Regime

That the Zionist state of Israel is the embodiment of Zionist concepts is hardly disputed by anybody. So too is the fact that all political parties in Israel — **without exception** — are part and parcel of that state. Even the so-called "communist party" (of Israel) spends much of its time, money and propaganda to refute "vicious accusations of its infidelity to the state". Its general secretary was actually one of the signatories to the Zionist "declaration of independence" in May 1948. In deed it is very hard to decide who is

guiding whom on this matter: the chiefs in Moscow or the local "sister" revisionists. To some extent, particularly for the oppressed Arabs in Israel, this so-called "communist party", which has had its representatives in the Zionist Knesset (parliament) ever since the latter was established, is serving as a safety valve for social pressures of the exploited and oppressed classes, as well as a "democratic" camouflage for external consumption. Not only is such a party "harmless", from a Zionist point of view, but indeed a dire necessity in Zionist Israel. Without any safety valves the Zionist regime would have been severely stressed by internal pressures.

The Zionist regime, through its state and "Histadrut" apparatus, owns large sections of the economy, and the rest of it is owned or controlled directly or indirectly — by international finance capital. A national bourgeoisie as a class is virtually non-existent. The fact that the whole society in Zionist occupied Palestine has always been under the dictatorship of imperialist finance capital, has not resolved any of the internal contradictions. "Hence," in the words of Dimitrov "under the blows of class contradictions, the political monopoly of fascism is about to explode."

The Zionist clique has had its terrorist counter-revolutionary apparatus — backed by a special fascist code of legislation — ready for action since 1948. This terrorist apparatus has been used mainly against the Palestinian Arabs, not only to crush armed liberation struggle against the Zionist invaders, but also for the daily suppression of any sign of political resistance to Zionist exploitation, oppression and expropriation which are far more cruel and intensive against Arabs — most of whom are workers — than against any section of the settlers' society.

A few words about the fascist legislation. The code is titled "Defence Regulations (emergency) 1945". It was enacted and operated towards the end of the mandate by the British for suppression of the Zionist terror cam-

paign which aimed at a military takeover and the subsequent creation of a "Jewish State" over the whole of Palestine. At that time the top Zionist leaders, two of whom became justice ministers after 1948 called the legislation: "worse than the Nazi Laws", "official terrorism" etc. So abhorrent were these laws to the legal profession within the Zionist colony that in one exceptional case in the newly created Israel (Appeal No. 122/48) a Zionist judge refused to obey them saying: "I cannot act and give judgement in accordance with the Defence Regulations, which are still on the Statute Book". Since then tens of thousands of Palestinian Arab workers and peasants have been harassed, arrested without trial (and tortured), expelled and have suffered in many other ways under the fascist legislation which is still unknown to so many people outside Israel. In his book **The Arabs in Israel** (1969) Sabri Jiryis explains that the "Defence Regulations (Emergency), 1945," "consist of 170 articles divided into 15 sections..." which "give extensive and extremely rigorous powers, whose enforcement (against the Arab population) is simply prejudicial to individual liberty and to an individual's right over his possessions." The author then goes on to say: "It is true that these powers have not yet been used against the Jewish population of the state, but there is no legal impediment to this should the occasion arise."

5. Racism and Militarism in Israel

That the Zionist regime in occupied Palestine is a racist regime is consistent with the basic tenets of Zionism. Like the nazi ideology the Zionists view mankind's history as a struggle between races, some of whom are superior and are therefore "chosen races". Naturally, the Zionist view a "Jewish race" as the "chosen people", to which Arab people, for instance are inferior. This is daily life in Israel and not just an academic argument. The Jewish masses in Israel have been thoroughly brainwashed by that Zionist prejudice. Indeed, this is essential to the stability of the

Zionist regime and to its aggressive and predatory policies of Zionist military expansion.

Like the apartheid system in South Africa, but in more subtle ways, the racial discrimination and segregation in Israel is a complex one. There are various degrees of "inferiority" (and extent of discrimination accordingly) even within the white settler society. Asian and other non-European settlers are, "of course", not on the same level as European stock, although they are "better" (and therefore better off) than the blacks (in South Africa) and Arabs (in Israel).

Likewise, militarism and chauvinism—which are major features of fascism—are part of daily life in Israel and this too is hardly disputed by anybody. The supporters of Zionism justify it by the "special conditions" of the state of Israel in "a sea of Arab hostility". Indeed, the Arab hostility to Zionism—expressed in armed liberation struggle—is persistent and vigorous, but would any sane person nowadays dispute the just armed resistance in nazi-occupied Europe? Would anybody, other than diehard reactionaries and fascists, dispute the African liberation struggle against the Smith regime and the apartheid regime of South Africa? "Fascism" — said Dimitrov — "is unbridled chauvinism and annexationist war". How true is this statement when applied to the Zionist aggressions — not only to the 1956 and 1967 nazi-style invasions — from the early days of organised Zionist settlement in Palestine — to this day.

"Fascism acts in the interests of the extreme imperialists", says Dimitrov, "but it presents itself to the masses in the guise of champion of an ill-treated nation..." Again how true in the Zionist case!

Through the education system, the media, the cultural channels and in many other subtle ways the Israeli born Jewish youngster is led to believe that "the government has always wanted peace with the Arabs", and that it is the Arabs who do not want to live in peace,

because "they hate Jews and want to kill them all". Naturally the expected reaction of such a youngster would be to "defend" himself and his "country's survival" by participating in the Zionist wars of aggression. The great majority of Israeli youth have no idea about the Palestinian aim for a democratic Palestine, nor have they any idea of why and for what the Arabs are fighting, and they even don't know what Zionism is all about.

In any case—and there have been a few cases of actual resistance to military conscription—the Zionist law requires that every Jewish citizen—men and women—be a soldier in the Zionist army: from the age of 18 to 21 full time soldiers, and following that 2 months of military service every year to the age of 55 (this is, of course, apart from the periodical wars).

6. Counter-Revolution

When the salesmen of political Zionism were looking for imperialist patrons they always stressed the counter-revolutionary role of Zionism. "It is clear", Herzl told the Grand Duke of Baden, the German Kaiser's uncle, "that the settlement of a neutral people on the shortest road to the East can be of immense importance for the German Orient policy. And what people is meant by that? That people which...is compelled nearly everywhere to join the revolutionary parties".

The same arguments were put by Herzl to the Russian Czar government and to the British government.

The argument was advanced in the most explicit terms by Herzl's disciple, Jabotinsky, who wrote in the early thirties on the Zionist position, in relation to anti-imperialist struggles, the following:

"The essence of communism is in inciting the oriental people against the European rule. The rule is in its eye 'imperialist' and exploitative, in my opinion the European rule is the one which turns them into civilized people,

but this is a side matter, and has no connection with the subject. One thing is clear: communism incites and must incite the people of the Orient, and this it can do only in the name of their national liberation...Every success of communism be it anywhere—in a remote corner of the world, in Mexico or in Tibet—is a substantial loss for the establishment of a Jewish Palestine. Every defeat of communism is a substantial gain for Zionism."

Since the establishment of Israel the Zionist clique has played an active role in secret counter-revolutionary subversions all over the world, mainly in Third World countries on top of its well-known role in the Middle East.

Within Israel and within the Zionist ghettos around the world "communism" is on the top list of "enemies of the Jewish people". To win over workers' support some of the big Zionist parties call themselves—like the nazis did — "socialist", while the revisionists and social imperialists are represented as "communists", to discredit national liberation movements and, of course, to distort the meaning of Marxism-Leninism.

The Zionist equivalent of the trade union movement is the "Histadrut" which is merely a tool—and a major one too—of the Zionist regime. The wishes and deeds of the "Histadrut" are to bind the Jewish workers hand and feet to the Zionist wagon so that aims of Zionism and finance capital could be achieved without much trouble. It is indeed an anti-working class organisation which serves well the fascist regime. "Fascism", says Dimitrov, "is the most vicious enemy of the working class and of all toilers!" This is precisely what Zionism means to all working people in Israel. This is why the Zionist regime is doomed. Like the "one thousand year old Nazi Reich" so will the "Zionist empire" end up on history's rubbish tip, and sooner than many people would expect it to.