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Jewish groups take testimony, collect funds for Kosovo refugees

By Peter Ephross

NEW YORK, April 20 (JTA) - As soon as the crisis in Kosovo began, representatives with the New York-based ORT met with Albanian nongovernmental organizations to help them begin documenting Serb human rights violations that could become the basis of war crimes trials.

The monitoring of atrocities was the NGO's "conscious decision as to how to react to these atrocities. And they're doing it in a very organized fashion," Celeste Angus, the director of ORT's International Cooperation/Washington Office, said, adding that the groups have gone as far as received the standard forms from the War Crimes Tribunal in the Hague.

ORT is one of many Jewish organizations getting involved in the Kosovo situation.

With the help of private donations, Jewish groups -- from the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee to Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America -- are helping to meet both the long- and short-term needs of the more than 700,000 Kosovar Albanians made refugees during the current crisis.

The JDC, which has already raised $1.23 million to aid refugees, this week sent a team to the region to explore the best way to distribute the money.

And the American Jewish Committee this week sent a delegation to Macedonia to explore firsthand the conditions facing the thousands of Kosovar Albanians who have sought refuge there. The AJCommittee has already raised $500,000 to help the refugees.

Meanwhile, the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Center announced plans to purchase a mobile medical clinic capable of providing aid to 54,000 Kosovo refugees during the next two months. The clinic will be stationed wherever the need is greatest, officials said.

Jewish organizations collecting money for the refugees include:

* The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, JDC Kosovo Mailbox, 711 Third Ave., 10th Floor, New York, N.Y., 10017;

* The American Jewish World Service, Kosovar Relief Effort, 989 Avenue of the Americas, 10th Floor, New York, N.Y., 10018;

* B'nai B'rith International, Humanitarian Relief Fund, 1640 Rhode Island Ave. NW, Washington, D.C., 20036;

* Hadassah Emergency Relief Fund; General Post Office, P.O. Box 26035, New York, N.Y., 10087; and
Jewish groups continue relief efforts

* United Jewish Communities, c/o Kosovo Refugee Fund, 111 Eighth Ave., Suite 11E, New York, N.Y., 10011. In addition, some local federations are collecting money.

Notes should be made on all checks that they are for Kosovo refugees, and checks to the UJA fund should be made out to the CJF Disaster Relief Fund.

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Israeli medical experts make a difference at Macedonia camps

By Michael J. Jordan

STENKOVEC REFUGEE CAMP, Macedonia, April 19 (JTA) -- Soaring above the sea of green and white canvas tents in this dusty, wind-swept refugee camp are a handful of Israeli flags. It is a jarring sight whose incongruity is compounded by the fact that just a stone's throw away are the Germans.

Approximately 700,000 Albanians from Kosovo are said to have been uprooted in the past month -- and Israel filled a critical void in neighboring Macedonia by setting up an army field hospital for refugees. A second medical facility followed within a week, operated by the German Red Cross.

It's unsurprising, perhaps, that the two nations most familiar with ethnic cleansing have felt the greatest moral obligation to act. But that they are doing it in tandem has struck an emotional chord in at least one German team member.

"This is so touching for me, as a German, to be working so closely with the Israelis," said Joachim Gardemann, dean of the nursing school at the University of Munster in Germany. "There are so many historical, diplomatic and ethical linkages here -- the Israelis as victims, the Germans as murderers -- that it makes me happy for us to cooperate to help a population in danger because of ethnic conflict."

Indeed, for many Jews the gut reaction to Kosovo has been one of horror that the world is witnessing yet another attempt at genocide. But Israelis on the ground say they see the situation more clearly.

"That this is happening in Europe, in 1999, is unbelievable," said Dan Engelhard, a pediatrician and army reservist who also served in Israeli field hospitals in Cambodia and Rwanda.

"But you can't compare this with the Holocaust. No way. The Nazis tried to kill every Jew. However, when we see these pictures of Albanians forced out of their homes and into trains, it certainly reminds us of the Holocaust."

Imbued with such memories, Israeli rapid reaction to crisis has become a niche of sorts.

In addition to setting up hospitals in Cambodia in 1979 and Rwanda in 1994, Israel sent a rescue team to Kenya after the terrorist bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi earlier this year.

Gardemann, who proudly displays a red Star of David pin given him by his Israeli colleagues, touts them as "world champions" of army field hospitals.
But that is a dubious distinction indeed. It is a specialty borne out of necessity, say the Israelis, what with so many wars and grisly terrorist acts in the Jewish state's 51 years of existence.

"One of the greatest things about Israeli society is our ability to improvise and be creative," said Ron Maor, a 14-year army surgeon who also served in Nairobi. "If something urgent needs to be done, we don't need a lot of bureaucracy to do it. For a country almost continuously at war, we can't afford the luxury of being surprised or caught unprepared for any mission."

By any yardstick, the Israeli reaction to Kosovo was lightning quick.

On March 24, NATO launched its bombardment of Yugoslavia -- a federation of two republics, Serbia and Montenegro.

It was aimed at curbing the repression of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, Serbia's southern province. In response, Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic accelerated the emptying of Kosovo, where 90 percent of the 2 million inhabitants had been Albanian. The vast majority of them are Muslim, in contrast with the mostly Orthodox Serbs.

Within days of the air assault, Albanians were on the move en masse, heading mostly south and southwest into the impoverished countries of Macedonia and Albania.

Macedonia, a nation of 2 million, now wheezes under the strain of more than 200,000 refugees, while Albania's more than 3 million citizens, the poorest in Europe, cope with 400,000 refugees.

It wasn't long before the flow overwhelmed local authorities and international relief agencies. They appealed for help.

On April 4, the Israeli Cabinet made a snap decision to contribute a field hospital for two weeks, at a cost of roughly $1.3 million.

Two officials from the Israeli Embassy in Athens were dispatched north to Macedonia to lay the groundwork.

The next day, the Macedonian officials advised them to set up shop at Stenkovec -- 10 miles north of Skopje, the Macedonian capital, but within sight of Kosovo's snow-capped Shara Mountain range, located 20 miles farther north.

At that time, however, the camp housed only 2,000 refugees. So the Israelis were a bit mystified.

"They assured us that within a week, there would be 30,000 refugees," said Jacob Dayan, one of the two Israeli coordinators and the No. 2 at the Athens embassy.

"But just two or three days later, we were already up to 30,000."

With a site secured, Dayan gave the thumbs-up to the Israeli Defense Forces. Six IDF cargo airplanes were soon airborne, laden with pieces of the hospital, plus blankets and tents. It arrived April 6, and the entire Israeli contingent of 80 -- including doctors, nurses and medics; some of them
For now the weather is still cool, with intermittent rain and sunshine. But as the temperature warms, there will likely be epidemics such as measles, polio and dysentery, said pediatrician Engelhard, a professor at Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center in Jerusalem.

Macedonian officials and relief agencies have been slow to provide good sanitation and immunization; without it, children in particular are vulnerable to diarrhea, vomiting, and skin infections, he said.

But the Israelis won't be around to see it. Their two-week mandate expires soon, and they were expected to ship out Thursday.

However, they leave knowing the Kosovo refugees are in good hands -- the Germans and a newly arrived team from Taiwan will take over hospital care.

"These refugees are luckier than my grandparents were in Poland and Hungary during the war," said Maor, the army surgeon. "When they were thrown into ghettos, no one cared. At least for the Albanians, there's an international effort to help them."

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Finding a haven in Israel: Some Kosovars seek new life
By Avi Machlis

KIBBUTZ MA'AGAN MICHAEL, Israel, April 19 (JTA) -- Protected from the harsh midday sun by a picnic-table umbrella, Kreshnik Bajraktari, an ethnic Albanian refugee from Kosovo, replays the events that led him to this safe haven alongside the calm shores of the Israeli Mediterranean.

Like most of the 74 people housed here, the 23-year-old Bajraktari’s thoughts are far away, tuned to members of his extended family still in the Balkans, the fate of his home in the Kosovar capital of Pristina, his dentistry studies that were abruptly cut off by the war.

Some of the refugees hope to return home as soon as possible, others want to rebuild their lives in Israel. All know they are lucky.

"We are grateful and appreciate what Israel has done for us," says Bajraktari. "I don't think any country in the world would have greeted us like this."

Last week, on the eve of Holocaust Remembrance Day, 111 ethnic Albanians were airlifted to Israel as a humanitarian gesture. Although the number is symbolic -- it would take 7,000 such airlifts to relocate the approximately 700,000 refugees created by the crisis -- for this small group, Israel is a guardian angel.

They were given a hero's welcome. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu greeted them, Bajraktari spoke in front of a Knesset parliamentary committee and the group was taken on field trips last weekend to see the country.

However, as the euphoria dies down -- the hordes of journalists and television crews are now gone -- many appear to be in shock from the events that shattered their lives. Older men play chess and children frolic amid the white stucco field-school dormitories, but a sadness has descended upon these refugees.

Many are desperately calling home to try to locate relatives and friends. All are still coming to terms with what they have left behind and the challenge of rebuilding their lives in a country most know nothing about.

Just a few weeks ago, Bajraktari was studying dentistry in Pristina. Like many ethnic Albanians, his family believed it would only be a matter of days before NATO air strikes crushed Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic. For 10 days, they hunkered down in their Pristina home, praying they would be spared both the NATO bombs targeting Serb military positions and the Serbian shells crashing down throughout the city.
With no end in sight, the Bajraktari family piled into their car and headed south for the Macedonian border. Although they did not witness any killings, bodies littered the streets of the Kosovar capital.

At the border, cars packed with fleeing families were backed up for miles. Serb soldiers herded the vehicles into an immense parking lot of an abandoned factory. For five terrifying nights the Bajraktari family stayed there, fearing all along that they may be part of a Serbian scheme to have them slaughtered should NATO bomb the plant.

When they finally reached the refugee camp near Skopje, Macedonia, Bajaktari and his cousin Astrit Kuci, also a dentistry student who had nearly completed his degree, soon found themselves working alongside doctors at the Israeli field hospital. When Israel said it would take in more than 100 refugees, they were among the first to sign up their families.

"I have seen some movies about what the Germans did to the Jews in World War II, and it touched my soul," says Kuci, an Israel patch pinned to his T-shirt. "I couldn't believe nobody spoke out against the atrocities then. But when we experienced this ourselves, I realized that Albanians and Jews had the same fate."

While most Jews would not feel comfortable comparing Auschwitz to Skopje, Israelis have almost instinctively demonstrated sympathy and support for the plight of Kosovo's Albanians.

Israelis have raised more than $1.25 million to aid the Kosovars and Israeli companies have sent an additional $500,000 worth of food, blankets and other relief.

"The response in Israel has been phenomenal," Sallai Meridor, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency, said recently. He said Israel and the Jewish Agency "felt we had to do something" not "only because we are human beings, but maybe especially because we are Jews."

Israel's Arab community has also raised about $1.25 million to help the Albanians, most of whom are Muslims. But when Islamic leaders from a village near Ma'agan Michael last week came to invite the Albanians to services at a local mosque, the refugees politely declined.

The refugees may be wary of insulting their Jewish hosts and becoming embroiled in another ethnic conflict by showing their affinity with the Muslim community -- even though officials with the Jewish Agency for Israel, who are sponsoring their stay, have told them to feel free to practice their religion.

More likely, however, the refugees simply do not identify with the local Muslims. "The Muslims invited us to use the mosque, but we said we are not religious," explains Emrush Rama, a 19-year-old musician who has two earrings in his left ear. "We have a different way of thinking."

Bajraktari agrees: "We were not persecuted because we are Muslims, but because we are Albanians," he says. "We tried to explain this to the local Muslims."

Such views appear to discredit the theory proffered by Ariel Sharon, Israel's
foreign minister, that a "greater Albania" could turn into a hotbed of militant Islam in the heart of Europe.

Sharon’s criticism of Serbian ethnic cleansing has been relatively mild. Many Israelis -- and even some Foreign Ministry officials -- cannot understand why Sharon has not been as supportive of the Albanian Kosovars as the Israeli public has been.

Meanwhile, a portion of another small group of Balkan Muslims that was on the receiving end of Serbian nationalist expansion earlier in the decade remains in Israel today. In 1993, Israel gave refuge to 84 Bosnians who were fleeing under circumstances similar to those faced by the Kosovars.

Safet Bajric is one of 35 who remained in Israel, and now he is working for the Jewish Agency as a translator for the Kosovars, through their common language of Serbo-Croatian.

"We are almost the same type of people," he explains in fluent Hebrew, comparing the Bosnians to the Albanian Kosovars. Bajric, a factory worker who recently bought a house, is full of praise for Israel, although he has one gripe: Israel promised citizenship to the Bosnians who stayed on.

"We did not receive it, though," he says. "We put in a request to the Interior Ministry last year, but have not received a response."

Several of the new arrivals, already believing they will have nothing to return to, want to apply for citizenship. Israel has promised citizenship to those who choose to stay after six months. In addition, many of the refugees in Israel are professionals, and they want to begin studying Hebrew as soon as possible so they can find jobs.

"We hope to get the Hebrew ulpan started quickly, and we are also trying to find them workplaces," said Jaffa Barsis, who is managing the Ma'agan Michael site on behalf of the Jewish Agency. "Their main problem will be to decide where their future lies, whether to stay here or return home."

For the Jaha family, that is not even a question. In part, they are determined to stay in Israel because their fate was joined with the Jewish people long before the current Balkan war.

During World War II, Lamija Jaha's parents hid a Jewish woman named Mira Bakovic in their Sarajevo home. Jaha's father also saved a Haggadah, which is now on display at a museum in Sarajevo.

After she and her family fled their home in Pristina, Jaha, a 44-year-old economist, approached the Jewish community in Macedonia. "We were totally without hope," she says.

She showed the Jewish community a certificate given to her family by the Jewish community for their heroism during the Holocaust. The community helped her get in touch with Israeli authorities, who had the family brought to Israel.

Jaha has come here with her husband, Vllaznim, an electrical engineer, and their two children. Even though Vllaznim's parents were left behind, the Jahas have no doubts about their future lives.
"We left behind one life; that life is over," says Vllaznim Jaha. "I think now it is time to begin another life here."

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Religious Action Center
Of Reform Judaism

Memorandum

Date: April 21, 1999
To: Paul Glastris
Cc: Debbie Mohile
From: Mark J. Pelavin, Associate Director
Re: First Thoughts on Saperstein and Clinton

Paul, as promised here are some rough notes to help you along. The first part is David's own notes, the second part comes from my asking him some of the questions you put to me yesterday, and the third is some of the details you asked for.

I have not spent much time (any, really) cleaning it up; I understand you are just looking for material to work from. I hope this helps.

You can reach me at [phone number] or page me by calling [phone number] and dialing "3" to leave a message with an operator. My e-mail, if that is better for you, is mpelavin@religiousaction.org.

I. From David

- Met in 1987, at a retreat in Cape Cod that Marian Edelman put together to strategize on raising children's issues in 88 campaign. We went for a long walk (or run, I forget) together in which he told me to read the best book he had read in years: Prince of Tides.

- Later that year (1987), I attended, as a member of the national board of the NAACP, the 30th reunion of the Little Rock 9. The Clinton invited me to stay with them. Extraordinary night, with Ernie Green and the others, reflecting on the extraordinary changes in America and the difficult challenges still before
us on the race front. After they all left, Bill, Hillary, and in the beginning Chelsea (who was around 10 at the time), sat in the kitchen engaged in a conversation that Bill and I continued late until after 1:00 a.m., on today's topics, ranging from civil rights, Israel, religion, and life. The conversation we began that night in Little Rock has continued until today.

- A few years later, Hillary stayed at our house (something she spoke about when addressing the UAHC Biennial in '95), when attending Marian Edelman's 50th (?) birthday party. Once again, we talked long into the evening.

- Over the years, before and after entering the White House, I worked numerous times on speeches for the President, First Lady, and Vice-President on church-state issues and on Jewish issues.

- We've cooperated on a whole range of church-state/religious freedom events (e.g. being together at the signing of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act; being at the high school speech in Va. where he announced the "guidelines on religious liberty in public schools"); on these and a number of other occasions, the President has singled out and acknowledged the role that a handful of my close colleagues and I had played.

- I sit on the boards of the NAACP and Leadership Conference on Civil Rights and have long been active in civil rights/race relations/ and Black-Jewish concerns. On 3 or 4 occasions, the president has invited me with other civil rights leaders to sit and brainstorm with him on policies and the race initiative, sometimes in the Roosevelt room sometimes in the personal quarters. (This year marks the 35th anniversary of the murders of Schwerner, Chaney and Goodman and we are working with Ben Chaney on a commemorative Freedom Ride '99. I've been working with Laura and Noa in the First Lady's office on language on this for a speech today, you might want to check with them).

- He's invited us to informal dinners (unfortunately I was out of town on the last occasion; my wife, Ellen Weiss, did attend).

- Ellen and I are both runners (Ellen a very good one and I far less so). We will have run a 10k over the weekend.

- He had been in the room a number of times when I have spoken or given invocations and has often made jokes that I should have been a Baptist preacher.

- Ellen and I and our two boys, Daniel and Ari were on Sabbatical for 7 months in Israel (June through Dec. 98). (We spoke briefly with the President and First Lady on their trip to Israel, and took a number of the White House advance team on a tour of the Old City of Jerusalem).
• New book out this year: *Jewish Dimensions of Social Justice: Tough Moral Choices of Our Time*. Good news: In just a matter of weeks it has moved up 100,000 spots on Amazon's best seller list. Only 300,000 more slots to go to catch up with Hillary's *It Takes a Village*. More seriously, this new book is one in a series of books that have played a pivotal role in shaping the thinking of generations of American Jews on social issues.

II. Saperstein/Clinton Conversations on the issues

As I mentioned, I'd focus on three issues: race, religion, and Israel.

In general, David has often noted that the central organizing principle of Jewish theology is that we are created in God's image (the Hebrew phrase is "b'tzelem Elohim") that we all have the divine within us, and that each of us, therefore, is equally precious in the eyes of God. The President has noted on a number of occasions how touched he was by that sentiment.

On race, and more specifically on affirmative action, David has counseled the President not to be forced into an "either-or" choice between programs for African-Americans and those that serve other communities. The history of African Americans in this nation is distinctive, even while there are unifying challenges that touch other communities. The battle against racism in the 21st Century can not be successful if it sacrifices one for the sake of the other.

On religion, David has discussed with the President how the separation of church and state is an indispensable precondition for religious liberty, and how the wall of separation between church and state serves to protect religion.

On the Middle East, David long urged the President to embrace Prime Minister Rabin's vision of a new Israel, one whose security is enhanced because of progress in the peace process. He counseled that Rabin's formulation was exactly the right one – that all alternatives to the peace process posed greater dangerous to Israel's security.

[Note – I don't know if you'd want to use it, but on a number of occasions the President has asked David to convey messages to the partners in the peace process.]

About the RAC, the President might note that it stands for the highest values of America, for the belief that we capable of creating a better world. You might want to look at President Kennedy's speech (December 1, 1962) formally dedicating the Religious Action Center. In the video we'll show at the dinner, we say that "President Kennedy charged the Center to be 'an effective answer to
those who deny the responsibility of religion for correcting injustice." I'm not sure what else is in that speech.

Here's something light, which could come from the President:

Things David and I have in common: (1) we are the same age, (2) neither of us needs much sleep (many of our memorable conversations seem to have taken place late at night), and (3) we both have wives most people think are smarter than we are. [David's wife, Ellen Wiess, is the Executive Producer of National Public Radio's "All Things Considered." ] Or, to take it a step further, (4) David's wife, Ellen, is a wonderful runner, and some have suggested that maybe Hillary should undertake a race of her own.

III. Some details (as requested).

I will, of course, let you know more as soon as I get final timing and work out the details with Debbie and the Advance office. But, for now:

- Representative Barney Frank will M.C. the dinner;

- Rabbi Eric Yoffie will introduce the President. He is President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. He is (relatively) new in office. His presidency has been marked by a movement-wide effort to put "Torah at the center," to ensure that all facets of the large and diverse movement relate to fundamental Jewish values and, specifically, Jewish texts. He is the former Director of the Commission on Social Action. (It would be particularly nice if the President could use the phrase "Torah at the Center".)

- Among those in the audience you might want to recognize:
  - Zalman Shoval, Israeli Ambassador to the United States;
  - Jerome (Jerry) Somers, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the UAHC;
  - Rabbi Paul Menitoff, Executive Vice-President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. (The President has met him at some meetings on race.)
  - Rabbi Alexander Schindler, President Emeritus of the UAHC;
  - Mark Pelavin, Associate Director of the RAC. (The President has worked with him on religious liberty issues.)
  - There may be Members of Congress, as well. I'll let you know.

- There will be a video tribute as well. As of now, it looks like it will open with a clip of the First Lady, calling Saperstein a "mench." It may also contain a brief clip in which the President is on a dais, Saperstein rushes in from off screen, whispers something to the President, the President laughs, and Saperstein runs off stage.
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David on Natl board of NAACP

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wrote

75th birthday

New Book
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WASHINGTON

Superstein

* Wife = Ellen Weiss

important producer at NPR

* Speaks much faster than anyone from Arkansas can understand
Hotel?

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Union of American Hebrew Congs.

Dinner in celeb. at 25th anniv. of Dir. of Religious Action of Reform Judaism

Hunger strike POTUS knew since Arkansas Mark Palvin aide gives 2-min. roasts
- race
- 1993 religious freedom rest. act (overruled by Supreme Ct.)
- helped design dir. on rel. activity at public schools (drawn person at of issue)

NSC - reworking stuff on Middle East Peace
    Bob Malley

- Kosovo

- Weinberg on Kosovo
- Holocaust
- Other Reform Rabbis.
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WASHINGTON

all of us survivors

magnifies

David D. Safirstein

At 60th anniversary of St. Louis
May 13
900 passengers

Holocaust Museum
Booklet
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airlifts out of Ethiopia

Kosovo - help by Sebastian
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WASHINGTON

Gail Hammerstoe
RNC

✓ Sarah Ernise

✓ Gene Liusy
Talent: Little Rock
501 225-9700

✓ Barney Frank
Ann L.

✓ Civil Rights Act
& drafted at his office

✓ Vot-Rights
Civil Rights

Mark Pahavis
Organized marches
Legislative assst. •
Kayley Becker
best 2-finger typist in DC

Rabbie Sapirstein
one of first White members
of NAACP

LCCR located in bld.

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→ God's faith speaks blood from rock extra once

→ His countenance turns sets the face

→ Lynn Lonsbery, Asst Dir RAC terrible car accident very concerned saw compassion recovering

Gail Himmel farb→ has united there

H: Glen→ moved to Arizona
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Sagerstein

- Most effective approach
  speakers
- passion
- voice of voiceless
- inspiration

- Joke: very demand
  gets 180% out of
  staff
- workaholic
- Stem use of religious
  action chr
  indentured slaves