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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. ROBERT FAGIN

SUBJECT: OPPOSES THE PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS THAT WOULD
CRITICIZE ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS IN GAZA AND THE
WEST BANK

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

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Date June 2, 1990

FOR: Mr. William F. Sittmann
Acting Executive Secretary
National Security Council Staff
The White House

REFERENCE:

To: President Bush

From: Mr. Robert Fagin

Date: May 11, 1990

Subject: Opposes the proposed resolutions that would
criticize Israeli settlements in Gaza and the W. Bank.

WH Referral Dated: May 24, 1990

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 The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State.

ACTION TAKEN:

 A draft reply is attached.

 A draft reply will be forwarded.

 A translation is attached.

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 We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.

 The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.

 Other (see remarks).

REMARKS:


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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 29, 1990

Mr. Robert Fagin
National Chairperson
National Jewish Youth Network
501 Madison Avenue-17th Floor
New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. Fagin:

I have been asked to respond to your May 11 letter to the President regarding the resolution in the UN Security Council dealing with the Soviet Jewish immigration and settlements issues.

I want to assure you that the U.S. did not seek Security Council debate on these issues; indeed we sought to defer such deliberation. At the present time, there are no negotiations on a draft resolution about Soviet Jews and settlements.

Our discussions at the Security Council were based on positions which we have consistently maintained for many years. The U.S. welcomes and strongly supports the emigration of Jews from the Soviet Union to Israel proper. The U.S. would oppose any effort to restrict this flow. At the same time, we have made clear our position toward Israel's settlements policy. We believe that settlements in the occupied territories are obstacles to peace and, as such, oppose them. Our policy on Jerusalem is likewise unchanged: the final status of Jerusalem should be resolved through negotiations, and the outcome of such negotiations should not be prejudged by the action of any party. Jerusalem should remain undivided and there should be free access to the Holy Places.

Our concern for and support of Israel's security and well-being remain strong. Our efforts for peace will help Israel attain the security which it should enjoy. Israel's political system is now in the midst of important internal discussions. Once a new government is formed, we will continue our peace efforts. The Administration is prepared to assist the parties in the Middle East toward attainment of a just and durable peace.

Sincerely,

John L. Hirsch
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs

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MAY 24, 1990

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED MAY 11, 1990

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

FROM: MR. ROBERT FAGIN
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NEW YORK NY 10022

SUBJECT: OPPOSES THE PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS THAT WOULD
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Robert Fagin - National Chairperson

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May 11, 1990

Dear President Bush,

The recent developments concerning the proposed resolution that would criticize Israeli settlements in Gaza and the West Bank are shocking.

To begin with, the United States constantly refers to this land as "occupied Arab territories". This land is, and throughout history has been, Israeli land. Furthermore, for the Central Intelligence Agency to include "East Jerusalem" in their calculations of Soviet Jews entering Israel is particularly surprising. As you know, there is no "East" or "West" Jerusalem. Our own Congress has confirmed that Jerusalem is the undivided capital of Israel.

According to statistics, only 0.5% of Soviet Jews are settling in the West Bank and Gaza. Why, then, submit to Arab pressure and threaten the State of Israel?

We sincerely hope that you reconsider your role in preparing such a resolution. Diplomatic wording of the resolution certainly takes nothing away from its implication.

Very Respectfully Yours,

ROBERT FAGIN

cc: Sarah DeCamp, Office of Public Liason



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