

# When Israel runs Washington

The immediate reaction of Arab governments to the Aug. 15 resignation of U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Andrew Young was that "as long as Jimmy Carter is in office, Israel runs the United States."

Reportedly, Young was caught in a lie about his meeting with the permanent representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Terzi, to discuss substantive U.N. issues. State Department policy forbids such contact until the PLO agrees to the terms of United Nations Security Council Resolution 242, affirming Israel's right to exist.

Young admitted to the Israeli ambassador that the meeting had indeed taken place, although he had told the White House and State Department that he had only encountered Terzi by accident and exchanged only social amenities. An uproar forced Young's resignation. Then, headlines proclaimed that he was caught by Israeli foreign intelligence, the Mossad, which had "bugged" his conversation with the PLO representative at the residence of the Kuwaiti ambassador.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson immediately declared that "American Jews ... would suffer a political backlash" and that race relations would deteriorate to a new low (see *FACTS BEHIND TERRORISM*). The Zionist lobby maintained that Young's behavior really betrayed a surreptitious "tilt" in U.S. policy toward the Arabs, signifying that Jews could no longer trust the Carter administration.

Jesse Jackson's statements indicate, the Young flap will be used here as fuel for the race-riot scenarios in which our Secretary of State is a past expert. Cyrus Vance oversaw the Johnson administration's "Operation Garden Plot" that led to the

urban riots of the 1967-68 period. Jackson's outrage against Israel is more than questionable, given his own—and Young's—multifaceted connections to the Zionist lobby.

Internationally, behind the charade of a U.S. "tilt" toward the PLO there is a real conspiracy. As announced quite openly during last month's terrorism-planning conference in Jerusalem (*EIR*, July 17-23), the conspiracy counts on escalating Palestinian terrorism in the Middle East and beyond. It also counts on the kind of obstreperous falling-out of Washington-Jerusalem relations that we have all seen paraded through the press during the past two weeks.

The combination of a wave of Palestinian terror and a "breakaway ally" scenario via à vis the United States, would open the way for Israel to launch a new war against Syria and Iraq. This, according to the best estimates of Arab military intelligence experts, is exactly what Jerusalem plans—by October or November of this year.

The New York Council on Foreign Relations crowd exemplified by George Ball, who laid out such a script in the *Washington Post* Aug. 14, sees as the only means for foisting energy austerity on the reluctant American public.

Key to the whole gameplan is PLO leader Yassir Arafat, before whom the U.S. has been dangling a revision of Resolution 242 that would not include any guarantee of an independent Palestinian state, which has always been the bottom line for Palestinians. Were the PLO to accept this, the radical wing—itself infiltrated by the Mossad—would launch terrorism in "protest" against Arafat's sellout. The PLO's General Council, meeting in Damascus the weekend of Aug. 11-12, voted to reject any such substanceless revision, in a slap to Arafat's diplomatic maneuvers and to his recent clamor about Arabs using the "oil weapon."

Is it any accident that days later, the Andrew Young affair erupted?

—Nora Hamerman

## The Week in Brief

**A new Cuban missile crisis seems to be under active consideration at Foggy Bottom.** On Aug. 16 State Department Spokesman Tom Reston expressed official "concern" over the presence of the Soviet naval task force in the Caribbean.

The previous day, syndicated columnists Evans and Novak charged that a Soviet naval task force is entering America's Caribbean Sea in a "provocative" attempt at "a world-

wide political coup: humiliate the United States." The column coincided with the release of a report in British-naval intelligence-authored *Janes Fighting Ships* claiming that the "alarming reduction of U.S. and allied naval power makes the West vulnerable to Soviet blackmail."

Cyrus Vance's top errand boy, Phillip Habib, is on a banana boat run of the former British colonies of the Caribbean to drum up support