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FORMER WHITE HOUSE AIDE

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AL AHRAM HAS LEARNED THAT FORMER DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT CARTER FOR JEWISH AFFAIRS, MARK SIEGEL, HAS BITTERLY LASHED OUT AT THE WHITE HOUSE. SIEGEL TOLD A PRIVATE MEETING OF AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERS ON MONDAY IN WASHINGTON THAT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION IS SPECIFICALLY ATTEMPTING TO BREAK THE INFLUENCE OF THE JEWISH LOBBY OVER AMERICAN MIDDLE EAST POLICY.

IN A MAJOR SPEECH LAST MONDAY FROM WHICH THE PRESS WAS BARRED, SIEGEL INDICATED THAT THE WHITE HOUSE, AT ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI'S DIRECTION, PURPOSEFULLY DESIGNED THE ARMS PACKAGE SALE TO EGYPT, ISRAEL AND SAUDI ARABIA IN ORDER TO PROVOKE A HISTORIC CONFRONTATION WITH THE JEWISH LOBBY. THE HOPE SIEGEL SPECIFICALLY INDICATED, WAS TO DEFEAT THE LOBBY FOR THE FIRST TIME AND THEREBY END ITS STRANGLEHOLD ON THE MIDDLE EAST POLICIES THE ADMINISTRATION BELIEVES TO BE IN THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF THE U. S. "They freely call it ' the Jewish lobby' in the White House," Siagal said, and "it's enemy #1." Mr. SIEGEL, SPEAKING BEFORE HUNDREDS OF PERSONS AT A CLOSED LUNCHEON SESSION OF THE 19TH ANNUAL POLICY CONFERENCE OF THE AMERICAN ISRAEL PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (AIPAO — THE UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION USUALLY REFERRED TO IN WASHINGTON AS "THE JEWISH LOBBY" — BEGAN HIS TALK BY NOTING THAT HE WAS THE ONLY PERSON OUTSIDE THE WHITE HOUSE WHO HAD DIRECT KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT WAS REALLY GOING ON INSIDE THE WHITE HOUSE CONCERNING MIDDLE EAST POLICY. MR. SIEGEL RESIGNED FROM THE WHITE HOUSE ONLY WEEKS AGO.

SIEGEL REPEATEDLY SINGLED OUT ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI AS THE PRIMARY VILLAIN WHO WAS "CONTEMPTUOUS OF THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL." SIEGEL STATED HIS CONTINUING FRIENDSHIP WITH THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF IMPLYING THAT CARTER WAS BEING NAIVELY LED BY BRZEZINSKI AND OTHERS IN THE WHITE HOUSE TO HIS ANTI-ISRAEL POLICIES. HE RESIGNED, SIEGEL REVEALED, NOT BECAUSE OF THE ARMS PACKAGE, BUT BECAUSE HE FINALLY REALIZED THAT THIS ADMINISTRATION WAS CHANGING AND MAYBE ENDING THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL AND HE WAS NOT ALLOWED TO BE AN EFFECTIVE VOICE FOR ISRAEL AND AMERICAN JEWRY WITHIN WHITE HOUSE CIRCLES.

ACCORDING TO SIEGEL, BRZEZINSKI FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT AMERICAN NATIONAL INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST ARE VERY DIFFERENT FROM ISRAELI NATIONAL INTEREST. THEREFORE, AMERICAN JEWRY HAS BEEN "COMPLETELY WRITTEN OFF". THE ADMINISTRATION HAS GIVEN UP ALL HOPE OF ANY SUPPORT FROM AMERICAN JEWRY, SIEGEL TOLD HIS STUNNED AUDIENCE. HAM JORDAN BELIEVES, SIEGEL ADDED, THAT ONLY SOME KIND OF PEACE SETTLEMENT BEFORE THE 1980 ELECTION GIVES CARTER ANY HOPE OF SUPPORT FROM AMERICAN JEWS WHO WOULD NEVERTHELESS OPPOSE THESE POLICIES ALL THE WAY.

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(CONTINUED FROM EARLIER TELEX THIS MORNING)

THE SIEGEL SPEECH, AND A SPEECH BY SENATOR LOWELL WEICKER A FEW HOURS LATER AT THE EVENING BANQUET, DEMONSTRATE THE NEW LEVEL OF BRUTAL, PUBLIC CONFRONTATION THAT HAS EMERGED IN RECENT MONTHS BETWEEN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND ISRAEL PLUS HER AMERICAN JEWISH SUPPORTERS. AS MR. SIEGEL NOTED, "SAUDI ARABIA HAS ITS OIL RESOURCES, BUT AMERICAN JEWRY IS ISRAEL'S OIL."

IN THE PAST
IN THE PAST, MAJOR SPEECHES AT AIPAC CONFERENCES HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY PREPARED BY THE SPEAKERS WITH AIPAC ASSISTANCE. THUS THE SPEECHES USUALLY REPRESENT NOT ONLY THE VIEWS OF THE SPEAKERS BUT OF THE JEWISH LOBBY ITSELF. IN BOTH THE CASES OF SIEGEL AND WEICKER THIS IS THOUGHT TO BE THE CASE.

THE USUALLY BEHIND-THE-SCENES STRUGGLE HAS NOW ERUPTED INTO THE MOST OPEN WARFARE IMAGINABLE.

NEVER BEFORE HAS THERE BEEN SUCH AN ASSAULT BY THE JEWISH LOBBY AGAINST TOP PERSONALITIES AND CLEAR POLICIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. EVEN IN THE DAYS OF THE 1975 FORD-KISSINGER "MIDDLE EAST REASSESSMENT" THE STRUGGLE WAS GREATLY MUTED AND RESPECTFUL IN COMPARISON WITH TODAY.

THE CONDEMNATIONS OF BRZEZINSKY ARE CLEARLY DESIGNED TO EITHER DRIVE HIM FROM OFFICE, DESTROY HIS EFFECTIVENESS OR CREATE TENSIONS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND HIS TOP FOREIGN POLICY ADVISER.

SIEGEL INDICATED THAT BRZEZINSKY HAS BEEN CONSTANTLY BRUTAL TOWARD ISRAEL AND IS WORKING TO SUBSTITUTE A U.S. "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH SAUDI ARABIA FOR THAT WITH ISRAEL. CALLING HIS POLICIES THE RESULT OF "FALSE ACADEMIC THEORIES," SIEGEL PORTRAYED BRZEZINSKI AS A CYNICAL, CANIVING, MANIPULATOR ALWAYS WORKING AGAINST ISRAEL'S INTERESTS.

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BUT THE KNOCK-DOWN PUNCH WAS LEFT TO SENATOR WEICKER WHO TOLD THE AIPAC BANQUET TO ROUSING APPLAUSES "I CAN TELL YOU THAT IF I WERE PRESIDENT, AND I HAD A NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISER WHO SINGLED OUT AMERICAN JEWS AS AN IMPEDIMENT TO MY POLICY, I WOULD HAVE HIS RESIGNATION BEFORE SUNDOWN AND HIS REPUTATION FOR BREAKFAST."

OTHER ASPECTS OF SIEGEL'S EXTREMELY CANDID REMARKS ARE ALSO REVEALING. HE CHARGED THAT THE WHITE HOUSE IS WORKING VERY HARD TO GO AROUND THE TRADITIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AND PROMOTE AN ALTERNATIVE LEADERSHIP WHICH IS BEING ENCOURAGED TO SPEAK OUT IN OPPOSITION TO BEGIN'S POLICIES.

AS FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S PALESTINIAN POLICIES, SIEGEL INDICATED THAT "ON AND OFF" THE WHITE HOUSE INCLUDES PLO CHAIRMAN YASSER ARAFAT Among Those Arab leaders willing to work towards a peaceful compromise.

PEACE WITH ISRAEL.

SIEGEL ALSO INSINUATED THAT ANOTHER TOP WHITE HOUSE OFFICIAL, PRESIDENTIAL COUNSELOR ROBERT LIPSHUTE, IS A SIMPLETON COMPLETELY UNAWARE OF HOW THE ADMINISTRATIONS POLICIES THREATEN ISRAEL'S SURVIVAL. SIEGEL TOLD OF RECEIVING A MEMO FROM LIPSHUTE A FEW MONTHS AGO ATTACHED TO A COPY OF AN ARTICLE BY I. F. STONE, A WELL-KNOWN LIBERAL JOURNALIST.

"I DON'T KNOW WHO THIS MAN IS." LIPSHUTE REPORTEDLY WROTE. "BUT HIS VIEWS ARE VERY MUCH LIKE OURS AND WE SHOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH HIM." THE MEMO STATED. SINCE STONE IS CONSIDERED (WRONGLY IT SHOULD BE ADDED) AN "ENEMY OF ISRAEL" BY AIPAC AND MOST OF THE ISRALI OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON — EVEN WORSE THAN OTHERS BECUASE HE IS A JEW — FOR LIPSHUTE TO NOT KNOW OF STONE, THEN TO WRITE SUCH A MEMO, AND THEN TO SEND IT TO SIEGEL ARE ALL SIGNS OF GROSS POLITICAL INEPTITUDE.

SEVERLY STUND BY THE VOCIFEROUSNESS OF THE ATTACKS BUILDING ON THE ADMINISTRATION, SOME OFFICALS ARE HOPING IT WIL SUBSIDE AFTER THE PAIN OF THE EXPECTED LOBBY DEFEAT ON THE PENDING ARMS SALE PACKAGE HAS LESSEned WITH TIME. "BRZEZINSKI MAKES A GOOD SURROGATE FOR PERSONS YOU DON'T WANT TO ATTACK DIRECTLY." SAID ONE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL. AS FOR SIEGEL, THE SAME OFFICIAL BELIEVES THAT MUCH OF WHAT SIEGEL IS SAYING IS "TOTAL FABRICATION." "HE WAS NOT REALLY IN ON POLICY-MAKING" AND HAS LEARNED MANY THINGS INDIRECTLY AND INCORECTLY. "MARK'S JUST MAKING THESE THINGS UP, BLINDED BY HIS OWN EMOTIONALISM ON THE SUBJECT... HE'S PROCLAIMING HIMSELF AS BEING ON THE INSIDE WHEN HE Wasn't.