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## Jewish leader gives options for peace Gutow says Palestinian autonomy is best answer for Middle East

By Fiona Soltes

STAFF WRITER

Palestinian autonomy resulting in ownership of occupied territory over time is the most sensible method to obtaining peace in the Middle East, the president of the Southwest Region of the American Jewish Congress told a group of about 75 people Wednesday.

Stephen Gutow's lecture, "Judaism and Politics," was part of a background series leading up to the April 12 MSC Wiley Lecture Series Program Symposia, "The Middle East: Peace or Powder Keg."

"Autonomy is limited self-rule," Gutow said. "After ten to fifteen years of time to build up trust, eventually an independent state forms, assuming that the trust was built and people basically lived up to their obligations under it."

Gutow said Israelis are justified in not trusting Palestinians when the history of Israeli relations with Palestine are studied.

"Israelis want to know what the Palestinians really want," he said. "There are surveys

that show Palestinians think they're entitled to all of Israel."

Gutow commented on several suggested options for obtaining peace, but he said he felt autonomy was the only truly sensible suggestion.

Gutow said one of the suggestions, a Palestinian state or unilateral withdrawal from the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, wouldn't give great contentment to someone who believes there should be a pro-Israeli state.

A second suggestion concerns a Palestinian state tied to Jordan, but the Palestinians wouldn't like this arrangement, he said.

"This is something America wants and Israel has seemed to want for years, but it looks clear that King Hussein (of Jordan) doesn't have the stomach to push it and the Palestinians don't want it," Gutow said.

Another suggestion is Israeli annexation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, pushing out the Palestinians.

"That would be fine, but it won't happen because Jewish ethics won't allow it."

"Jewish ethics differ from most," Gutow said. "They are based on a kind of law that

makes you think about every act. Most ethics have ideals . . . but every act in Judaism has to be measured against some law. It's a constant balance and it makes each move difficult. That's why a peace movement can form in Israel in the middle of one of the most vulnerable, scary times in its history."

Gutow brought up several questions that he said need to be considered before peace can be obtained.

"Can the Israelis trust Palestinians or their Arab neighbors?" Gutow asked. "If not, there's no way there can be peace." He compared the thought of Israelis giving up Palestine to a hypothetical threat on Texas by Mexico.

"If Mexican raiders came and started killing Texans . . . We might set up a buffer area," he said. "We would probably go ten or fifteen miles into Mexico take control of that land and never give it back. . . . How easy is it to give it back? Remember, the Israelis now own that land. We should ask them to give it back only if the request is rational and reasonable."

The *Intifadha*, or Palestinian uprising in

the occupied territories, also should be considered, Gutow said.

"What kind of leverage will Israel have?" he asked. "Israel won't feel comfortable making peace with people that are rioting on streets Israel controls."

Arab population growth is another peripheral issue, Gutow said. It is significantly larger than the growth of Israelis in the area, he said.

"It has dramatic impact on the territory and on Israel itself, because there are going to be more and more Arabs in Israel and they will be less and less happy when they see that their brothers on the West Bank and Gaza aren't happy."

Gutow said he thought American support for Israel is essential.

"What we do really determines what happens," he said.

Gutow is a full partner in a Dallas legal firm, and in the consulting firm of Gutow and Blume.

He was the co-founder and regional director of the Southwest Division of the American Public Affairs Committee from 1984 to 1986.

## 'Blue Line' assistant DA dismissed

DALLAS (AP) — The assistant district attorney who led the fight to keep "The Thin Blue Line" defendant Randall Dale Adams behind bars was fired Wednesday.

Winfield Scott was dismissed for violating policies, Dallas County District Attorney John Vance said. He was the third prosecutor involved in the case to leave the office this week.

Scott did not return repeated calls from The Associated Press. Other officials at the office declined comment.

Vance said he had nothing but admiration and respect for Scott. "I found we had a conflict regarding current office policies that simply could not be resolved any other way," Vance said.

Over Scott's objections, Adams was released from prison March 22, less than a month after a state court overturned his conviction for the 1976 slaying of a Dallas police officer. Adams had spent more than 12 years in prison.

The case was examined in Errol Morris' 1988 documentary, "The Thin Blue Line," which questioned evidence in the case.

Scott, who served as assistant district attorney in Dallas for 21 years, participated in the original prosecution of Adams and helped choose a jury for the 1977 trial.

Adams was ordered released after the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals said former prosecutor Doug Mulder suppressed evidence and at least two witnesses lied on the stand.

In fighting Adams' release, Scott said state District Court Judge Larry Baraka and eight of the nine appellate judges were "liberal" and biased in Adams' favor. He asked that Baraka be removed from the case.

Scott's arguments held up Adams' release for one night before another state judge ruled in Adams' favor.

Earlier this week, John Creuzot, 31, and Leslie McFarlane, 32, resigned. Both had been with the had worked on Adams' case.

## Reveille IV to be buried Sunday at Kyle Field

By Andrea Warrenburg

REPORTER

The funeral for Reveille IV will be Sunday on Kyle Field immediately following the Corps of Cadets' 2:30 p.m. Parents Weekend activities.

Planned by Company E-2, the unit that cares for the mascots, the funeral will include the reading of a brief history of the Reveille tradition and of Reveille IV, a eulogy and prayer given by Corps Chaplain Peter Collins, and the recitation of a poem, titled "In Honor of the Passing of Reveille IV," written by senior Hilary Haynie.

The funeral will conclude with the crowd singing "Auld Lang

Syne" and E-2 marching to the north end of Kyle Field to bury Reveille IV beside her predecessors.

The Aggie Band will then play "The Spirit of Aggieland" and a short yell practice will follow.

Reveille IV died March 29 when she failed to recover from surgery performed two days earlier. The surgery was to correct problems associated with old age. She would have been 15 years old May 31.

Reveille IV was the Texas A&M mascot from 1975 to 1984. She was donated by Thomas Godwin, Class of '67, of Deer Park. Upon her retirement, she was given to and cared for by Dr. Lee and JoAnn Phillips of Bryan. Dr. Phillips is a former Corps member, Class of '53.

## Bill would give Student Senate more time on student fee bills

By Kelly S. Brown

STAFF WRITER

A bill was introduced in Wednesday's Student Senate meeting that would require future Student Service Fee Allocation bills to be introduced as regular bills, and not as emergency legislation on which the senators have to vote the night it's introduced.

Earlier this semester, the Student Senate approved the Service Fee Allocation Bill on emergency. The bill allotted a budget of more than \$6 million dollars to various campus organizations and services, thus raising the Student Service Fee from \$67 to \$73.

Brennan Reilly, a sophomore economics major and senator, said he

introduced the bill Wednesday night primarily because he "felt the Senate did not have an adequate amount of time to consider and debate an issue as important as the Student Service Fee Allocation Bill."

No provisions are in the Student By-Laws for the regular presentation of a Student Service Fee Allocation Bill. If this bill passes it will amend the By-Laws by requiring a complete budget summary and report.

Reilly said he would like to see all technical terms defined in the bill to eliminate the slight confusion that arose this semester with the bill.

The bill was sent to the Rules and Regulations Committee. Student Body President Kevin

Buchman said the he feels the new Senate, elected this past week, will follow through on the issues that were created during 1988-89.

Buchman encouraged everyone to become involved with University Committees, which are open to the student body.

"This one way for a student who is not involved with Student Government, to become involved," Buchman said.

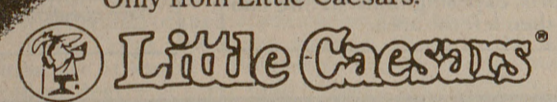
Applications are being accepted through Monday on the second floor of the Student Government office in the Pavilion.


The Graduate Student Council is sponsoring a Forum on Campus Issues on April 22 at 9 a.m. to noon in 208 of Harrington.

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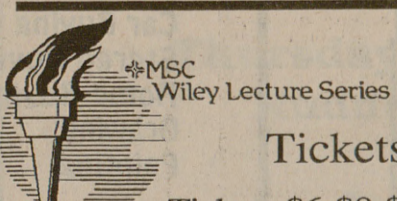
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