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Mengele believed still alive, **Israeli police report indicates**

JERUSALEM (AP) — Josef Mengele, the medical experiments on camp inmates. infamous Nazi doctor at the Auschwitz concentration camp, may still be alive despite claims that he drowned in Brazil in 1979, a never-published Israeli police report says.

The report points to discrepancies in the medical findings that led American, German and Brazilian forensic experts to conclude jointly that the skeleton exhumed from a Brazilian cemetery was "within a rea-sonable scientific certainty" that of Mengele.

The report was submitted to the Israeli Justice and Police Ministries in 1986 but was never published. An English version of the report was distributed this week to journalists by CANDLES, Children of Auschwitz Nazi Deadly Lab Experiment Survivors, which campaigns to continue the hunt for Mengele.

Mengele, known as "the Angel of Death," is accused of sending about 400,000 people to the gas chambers and of conducting cruel

He fled to South America in 1949, and lived in Argentina, Paraguay and Brazil. In 1985 it was announced that Mengele had drowned six years previously, and his friends directed police to a grave marked "Wolfgang Gerhard" in the Embu cemetery near Sao Paolo.

The police report was written by Menac-hem Russak, formerly Israel's chief police investigator of war crimes. In it he claims that enough inconsistencies exist to "suggest an assumption that the body discovered ... is not that of Josef Mengele.

Russak was the Israeli on the multinational team of experts that went to Brazil in 1985 to verify the announcement of Mengele's death.

The U.S. Office of Special Investigations also has not published the findings, according to Ephraim Zuroff, head of the Israeli branch of the Nazi-hunting Weisenthal Center.

Zuroff says the Russak report raises questions. But he said he does not think it undermines the forensic evidence.

Russak confirmed the report's authenticity but declined to elaborate on it.

Miriam Zeiger, a survivor of Mengele's experiments and head of the Israeli branch of CANDLES, said the report was handed to her twin sister by an anonymous person

at a Jerusalem conference earlier this year. She said Israeli Justice Minister Dan Meridor met the group last month and rejected a request to publish the Russak report.

The Justice Ministry said the report was "never adopted by the government." Spokeswoman Etti Eshed said the government is still trying to discover the truth, "but in the interest of the efforts cannot give further details."

The 60-page report questioned several fo-rensic findings from the bones at Embu cemetery.

U.S. advocacy of Gorbachev WASHINGTON (AP) - Presi- and working cooperatively dent Bush warmly welcomed radical reformer Boris Yeltsin to

Bush reaffirms

the White House on Thursday but immediately reaffirmed U.S. support for the man often targeted by the new Russian presi-dent's criticism — Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

"I want to be very clear about this: The United States will continue to maintain the closest possible official relationship with Soviet the

government of President Gorbachev, Bush told Yeltsin at the opening of their talks

Yeltsin. capping a tri-Boris Yeltsin asumphant visit sures Bush the to Washing-Soviet Union ton, arrived at won't go back to the White "stagnation." House in a

chauffeur-driven limousine led by a procession of motorcyle police. It was in sharp contrast to his 1989 visit, when Bush re-fused to give Yeltsin a formal ap-pointment, though he did see him briefly.

Congratulating him on his election as Russian president, Bush said, "He won by a landsli-

"We have been heartened and encouraged by President Yeltsin's commitment to democratic values and free-market principles, and we look forward to working with him," Bush said.

At the same time, Bush underscored his support for Gorbachev, who is struggling to keep his nation from political and economic chaos

Bush said Yeltsin, in the first minutes of their meeting, told him that "he and President Gorbachev are in very close contact

gether to achieve these ends. "He knows that I have

respect for President Gorba as I do for him," Bush said. "And our ability to wor gether has produced, I the enormous benefits for both Vol. our countries, and it has sen the cause of world peace and

bility in the world. Yeltsin told Bush that hist

tion — which was the first pr dential balloting in Russ 1,000-year history — was an W date for democracy and "pan found economic and social unan form.

Yet, Yeltsin said "We still each forces back at home that wan help go back to the times of star B tion.'

"I assure you this will not pen," the populist leader dren Bush through an interpreter, the

percent of the gross natument product of the Soviet Union heal firmly committed to demoning f and will not allow any rem sion.

Yeltsin's Russian federat U has urged a cutoff of all So foreign aid, including money Cuba.

Bush, replying to a report question, said "They know" we've had differences on Co and it wouldn't hurt my feel a bit if they cut off all foreign to Cuba.'

In addition to Bush, Yels met with Commerce Secret Te Robert A. Mosbacher an will o group of American business Jr.'s ecutives to discuss expand for trade and investment in the mer, sian republic.

He also stopped at the Prisaid gon for talks with Defense & holid tary Dick Cheney.

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FORT WORTH (AP) — "So-viet Space," a "blockbuster" exhibit of Russian space rockets, rovers and orbital wonders, opens a six-month run June 29 in the city's cultural district.

The Soviet display is the cornerstone of a visual spectacular that includes "Blue Planet," a film featuring footage from five American space shuttle missions.

The spacefest also showcases a traveling exhibit of space arti-facts, called Space Spinoffs, and a new Noble Planetarium program, "SpaceRace," which high-lights the U.S.-Soviet race to the moon.

"There truly is something for everyone to see and enjoy," says Don Otto, executive director of the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History.

The museum, which is pre-senting the space show, is in the heart of the west side cultural district and will house all but the 'Soviet Space" exhibit.

Some 80 tons of Russian space equipment will be on display at the nearby Carter Exhibits Hall in the Will Rogers Memorial Complex.

The multimedia show is expected to draw more than half a million visitors to the cultural district before it closes Jan. 1, 1992.

ties this multiple programming gives us," said Otto, noting that the show celebrates the museum's 50th anniversary.

"Many Americans may be unaware that the Soviet space prohuman flight in space, the first space flight by a woman and the first space walk."

The exhibit includes a fullscale model of Sputnik, the first artificial satellite to orbit the earth, and a modified Vostok descent capsule similar to one that returned Yuri Gagarin from the

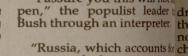
first manned space flight. Also on display is Lunokhod 2, a test model of the unmanned "We are very excited about automatic moon rover that ex-"Soviet Space" and the possibili- plored 23 miles of the lunar surface in 1973.

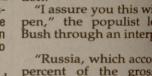
Throughout the exhibit, a Soviet technician will operate the rover on a simulated lunar land-





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