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THE GEORGE MITCHELL/NANCY REAGAN REPORT

The well-balanced ex-senator and his team of head scratchers appear to have taken a page out of Nancy Reagan's drug elimination formula. Their prescription for the Middle East is: "Just say no to violence." It's a good old American nostrum that didn't work for Nancy and it's not going to work for George.

While the committee may have approached its fact-finding assignment on the basis of providing an honest appraisal, it is obvious that they could not get themselves to admit that the emperor has no clothes. Such an admission would clash with America's and Europe's oil and other business connections with the Arab world. Emperor Arafat's birthday suit agenda is to continue terrorism and violence as his only hope of forcing world pressure on Israel to surrender on his terms. And if the Israeli government accepts the report, Arafat will be the winner.

Let's look at Mitchell's recommendations. First is that both sides should stop the violence. No mention that the violence is Arab initiated. Second, Israel should freeze all settlement construction. Absolutely no more Jewish building in the land of the Jews. Arafat should *try* to control the terrorist groups. And if he doesn't control them can Sharon say nice try but it didn't work so we go back to building? Probably not. Building would upset Mitchell, Colin Powell and the State Department. By the way, I don't believe that there is any mention in the report of dismantling the thousands of illegal housing units the Arabs have built in Judea and Samaria--the land of the Jews.

Does the report give the Israelis the right to bomb the Arab TV and radio stations if they don't stop spewing out anti-Jewish venom? Israelis are not allowed to over-react. For Arabs, uncivilized behavior is the norm so it cannot be criticized.

World Opinion

When people are opposed to Israel taking strong action to defend itself but want to appear as true friends of the Jewish state, they always invoke the mantra of "world opinion". In reality, "world opinion" is such an ephemeral concept that it has a half-life of less than 24 hours, or the shelf-life of one newspaper headline or the memory-span of the 6:00 PM TV newscast. That puts "world opinion" in the proper perspective. Based on this perspective, a real leader orders a one-day attack that takes out Arafat and the PA leadership, all of the Hamas meeting places and armories with the Hamasniks in the buildings and listens to one day of condemnation which is replaced in the next day's news with a major train wreck in India, followed by the kidnapping of 10 American tourists in Columbia, followed by air escaping from the Intafada and silence.

That would be an appropriate answer to the nonsense of the Mitchell Report.

NOT ON MY MILK CONTAINER

This may be even worse than a child disappearance, although I have not seen its photo on any milk containers. The Democratic Party, a regular in many major cities and especially in Washington, DC has not been seen since December, following a controversy in Florida. Many of its friends are disturbed and mystified by its disappearance. They point out that while the Party appears full-grown and mature, it has the emotional makeup of a seven-year-old. While recognizing that the controversy in Florida may have caused some regressive behavior, its friends say that the Party promised to show up in Washington to prove that it should be treated as an adult. Another disturbing factor is that its main care-giver also disappeared at the same time although he promised to lead the Party through its remedial exercises. The assistant caretaker is just finding himself but he has not done a thing about helping find the Party.

Although authorities do not suspect foul play, some press people are calling this the most puzzling disappearance since Jimmy Hoffa vanished. Others are comparing it to the even earlier disappearance of Judge Crater. Any information about the location of the Democratic Party supplied to the Diogenes Report will be kept in the strictest confidence

A JOB HALF DONE

The European Community is complaining that Israel is using too much force to defend itself. Those poor Europeans are still crying that they completed only half of their intentions during the Holocaust. They would like the Arabs to finish the job.

THE MOSLEM RAT LINE

You remember the rat line of Catholic churches, monasteries and nunneries stretching from Germany and Austria through Italy to Spain and Portugal which was used by church officials to sneak Nazi war criminals from Europe to South America. A Moslem version of the rat line has now come to light. Idi Amin, the genocidal dictator who ruled Uganda, and was responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands, if not millions of his countrymen, moved by way of a Moslem rat line via Libya to safe haven in Saudi Arabia. Another example of the fabled Arab hospitality.

JUST SLIP THE BIAS BLADE STEALTHILY INTO THE READER'S BACK

In a New York Times news story on Israel's retaliatory air raids following the latest suicide bombing in Netanya Deborah Sontag smoothly segues into an "even-handed" blame for the war in Israel. Debbie, the current Times hatchet lady in Israel writes:

"A year ago Nablus was making a special effort to attract Israelis to its marketplace and its Turkish baths. It even set aside parking places for Israeli cars with yellow license plates. But that effort has been firmly buried under the physical and emotional rubble of the last eight months." I guess her editor deleted her comment about the physical and emotional rubble initiated by the Arabs because this isn't news fit to print at the Times.

HEADLINES AND COMMENT

Bush Says Nation Faces Energy Crisis

The kid is as smart as a WASP.

Sears Management Considered Dropping Apparel

But they didn't want to get tagged as pushovers.

Half Of Fruit Fly's Genetic Makeup May Have Errors Says Report

Warning! Keep away from the fruit's fly.

Clinton Hit By Egg During Visit To Warsaw

Preparing Polish ham 'n eggs.

U. S. Troops Do Military Exercises Near China

Viet Nam? Never heard of it. Is it a new computer game?

Reno's Hint At Florida Race Catches Some By Surprise

Her strategy is to body slam Jeb Bush during each debate.

A Utah Man With 5 Wives Is Convicted Of Bigamy

He should have used an insanity defense.

Latvians Can't Escape Cold War Divisive Legacy

Why not? They've escaped their Nazi legacy.

TERMITE NEWS

Current news of Jewish termites from Israel, the U. S. and around the world who are working to undermine the State of Israel.

Yulie Cohen-Gerstel is trying to free an Arab terrorist serving a life sentence in England for wounding her and killing another El Al stewardess. She says he is sorry for what he did.

Yossi Beilin, a leading Israeli termite who is likely to appear here often unless an Arab mistakenly shoots him with one of the weapons that Beilin gave him. He is calling for a settlement freeze.

Americans for Peace Now has established a new Peace Coalition in Israel. It appears that the American subspecies has been fornicating and sent their offspring to the Promised Land.

Dennis Ross, whose termite proclivities became apparent while he was pushing Clinton's failed policies is now advocating more of the same on the talk show circuit. Promoting the culture of failure brings in the bucks.

Termite plane buzzes residents of Judea and Samaria. An aircraft carrying Peace Now subspecies of termites is trying to create problems for local residents. The aircraft and its occupants should be fumigated.

QUOTES I LIKE

I refuse to spend my life worrying about what I eat. There is no pleasure worth forgoing just for an extra three years in the geriatric ward.

John Mortimer

Thomas Jefferson's slaves loved him so much they called him by a special name: Dad.

Mark Russell

Some guy hit my fender, and I said to him, "Be fruitful and multiply," but not in those words.

Woody Allen

The North American inferiority complex:
A Mexican looking north; a Canadian looking south.

Emanuel Strunin

One of the most striking differences between a cat and a lie is that a cat has only nine lives.

Mark Twain

I never give them hell. I just tell the truth, and they think it is hell.

Harry S. Truman