

**CONFIRMING  
LEO EMIL WANTA**

PART 3 OF 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN                      CIRCUIT COURT                      EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
FAMILY COURT BRANCH III

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In re the marriage of :

JOANNE E WANTA,

JOINT PETITIONER,

and

LEO E WANTA,

JOINT PETITIONER.

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FINDINGS OF FACT,  
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW,  
AND JUDGMENT OF DIVORCE

CASE No. 95 - FA - 445

TRIAL

PRESIDING: THE HONORABLE, ROBERT G EVANS

ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT

9. DATE COUPLE LAST RESIDED IN SAME HOUSEHOLD..

JULY - 1988, " ACTUALLY JUNE 30, 1988 "

THEREFORE, STATE OF WISCONSIN "NON - RESIDENCY" CONFIRMED AND COURT ADJUDICATED AS OF 01 JULY 1988...REGARDLESS OF STATE OF WISCONSIN ADVISEMENT PER WISCONSIN CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE I, SECTION 19 - CITIZENSHIP OF LEO E WANTA, UNILATERALLY WITHOUT MY PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND CONSENT, AS I REMAIN AN AMERICAN CITIZEN " BY AMERICAN BIRTHRIGHT", AND CONTINUE TO REJECT ANY UNLAWFUL WISCONSIN CITIZENSHIP.

FURTHERMORE, AS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, " NON - RESIDENT " OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN SINCE JUNE 30, 1988, AND AN INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMAT, AS OF APRIL 1993 BY DIPLOMATIC INVESTITURE UNDER THE VIENNA CONVENTION AS CONFIRMED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - STATE DEPARTMENT, I HAVE ELECTED TO RETAIN THE LEGAL SERVICES OF:-

PATRICIA CAMERON  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

TELEFON : USA 714.492.1255

TELEFAX : USA 714.492.1256

*LSE*  
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17 MAY 1997, U.S.A.

THE HONORABLE, MARK E MUSOLF, CHAIRPERSON  
WISCONSIN TAX APPEALS COMMISSION  
101 EAST WILSON STREET, 6 th FLOOR  
MADISON, WISCONSIN, U.S.A. 53702.0000

THE HONORABLE, DON M MILLIS, COMMISSIONER  
STATE OF WISCONSIN / TAX APPEALS COMMISSION  
101 EAST WILSON STREET, 6 th FLOOR  
MADISON, WISCONSIN, U.S.A. 53702.0000

MR NEAL E SCHMIDT, ATTORNEY  
STATE BAR No. 1009108  
WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
125 SOUTH WEBSTER STREET  
U.S. POST OFFICE BOX 8933  
MADISON, WISCONSIN, U.S.A. 53708.8933

IN RE:- LEO E WANTA,

PETITIONER,

vs.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,

RESPONDENT,

DOCKET No. 96 - I - 888

\*\*\*\* SCHEDULING ORDER MEMORANDUM \*\*\*\*

TELEPHONE SCHEDULING AND STATUS CONFERENCE TO BE HELD:

JUNE 2, 1997 AT 1:30 p.m.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RECEIVED REMINDER, AS I AM PLEASED TO  
ADVISE - THAT I RE - CONFIRM MY STATE OF WISCONSIN " NON  
- RESIDENCY " AS OF JUNE 30, 1988, PER COURT ADJUDICATION BY  
REFERENCE TO:-

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MY COURT ORDERED WISCONSIN " NON - RESIDENCY " ADDRESS IS :-

c/o MR and MRS KURT GEISSLER  
2717 PEARL DRIVE  
EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN, U.S.A. 54703.1013  
TELEFON No. USA 715.839.8380

ATTORNEY PATRICIA CAMERON IS PREPARED, AS WELL AS MYSELF, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TELEPHONIC SCHEDULING and STATUS CONFERENCE. PLEASE ADVISE HER LAW OFFICES ACCORDINGLY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION, UNDERSTANDING AND COURTESY IN THIS TAX APPEAL PETITION SURROUNDED BY UNLAWFUL STATE OF WISCONSIN ALLEGED CRIMINAL COVERT ACTS AGAINST U.S.A. CIVIL RIGHTS, AND UN-CONSTITUTIONAL RESTRAINT OF AMERICAN LIBERTY AND FREEDOM, AND DIRECT VIOLATIONS OF VIENNA CONVENTION.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

  
AMBASSADOR LEO E WANTA, DPP No. 04362 and 12535

LEW:wien.ops/end

cc: INSLAW, Inc. (wshdc.ops)

# ANTHEM

New Republic/USA Financial Group, GES.m.b.H  
Kartnerstrabe 28/15 Telefon: 513.4235  
A - 1010 Wien, Austria-Europe



The Republican Leadership  
of the  
United States Senate  
cordially invites


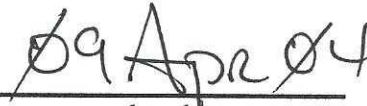
Mr. Leo E. Wanta

to become a member of the  
Republican Senatorial Inner Circle  
as nominated by  
The Honorable Phil Gramm

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5. USGovernment/IRS – Exhibit J – “ NOT LIABLE FOR FILING “ as expatriate.
6. Full acknowledgement on February 18, 1999 – that that the WI Department of Revenue has no record of any delinquent tax account – and – their acknowledgement that Amb Wanta has been issued a Diplomatic Passport No. 04362, still in the WI Department of Revenue’s sole possession.
7. The United States of America – Department of the Treasury – will take appropriate action concerning –
  - a. False Arrest of a Wisconsin non-resident,
  - b. Violation of Suisse/USA Treaty Provisions [pls note, Amb Wanta has agreed in the Alexandria Federal Court litigation to pay a compromise tax flat rate of 38.6%, instead of the original USGovn Tax Treaty Agreement [1992] to pay a 18% flat rate],
  - c. Ignoring certain Somali/USA Security Agreements.

Thank you for cooperation in these continuing and informative field investigations.


Respectfully yours,    
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Ambassador Leo Emil Wanta dated  
Diplomatic Passports No. 04362 and 12535

Enclosures – 17 pages  
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Distribution :

  The Honorable, George W Bush 202 456 6605  
 The Honorable, Dick Cheney 202 456 7044  
 The Honorable, John Ashcroft 202 307 6777  
 The Honorable, John Snow/OIG-Swanstrom/Sutton 202 622 2151  
 The Honorable, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon 972 2566 4838  
 Messr Karl Rove, Senior Presidential Advisor 202 456 2971  
 Members of the United States Congress ( previous listings )  
 Israeli Prime Minister, H. E., Ariel Sharon 972 2566 4838

**In the matter of :** State of Wisconsin, USA Tax Appeals Commission, Docket  
No. 96-I-888, commenced in circa 1996, and continuing.

As everyone is positively aware – once upon a time – Ambassador Leo E Wanta, Diplomatic Passports No. 04362 and 12535, and a legal “non-resident” of the sovereign state of Wisconsin, *since 1985*, was assigned certain duties and related responsibilities through the United States of America to discreetly procure Tritium from the People’s Republic of China [PRC] in order for the USGovernment to compute/analyze certain nuclear production by-products, among other things. These sanctioned USGovn operations was conducted through AmeriChina Global Management Group, Ltd. – referencing Title 18 USC Section 6 USG Proprietary Corporations - with corporate offices in Beijing and in other duly registered countries.

Due to his USGovn status and contract employment , he legally filed numerous official exhibits and documentation within their WI Tax Appeals Commission in circa 1986 to prove without any doubt that he was absolutely innocent of the bogus civil tax assessments – yet undelivered/authorized to this date - and continuing state fraudulent criminal activities to collect lawless corporate tax assessments, not the legal liability tax responsibilities of Ambassador Wanta; as previously adjudicated in several state, federal and administrative court venues in total favour of Amb Wanta’s legal defense – yet totally ignored by the WI Department of Revenue Junior Agent Dennis Ullman on the record.

Please take a moment, and review the “Proof of Innocence” enclosures : -

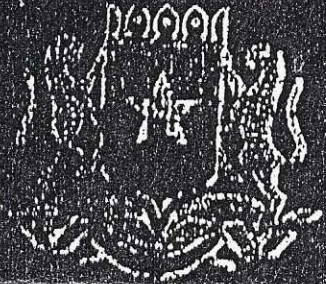
1. State of Wisconsin Tax Appeals Commission extension response of 6 April 2004.
2. Petitioner’s response of January 2004.
3. Petitioner’s legal correspondence of December 22, 2003.
4. Ambassador Wanta’s correspondence to President George W Bush, dated 06 Jan 04.

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Wanta

JAMHUURIYADDA DIMOQRADIGA SOOMALIYA  
 جمهورية الصومال الديمقراطية  
 SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC



BASSAHOOR SIYAASII  
 جواز سفر دبلوماسي  
 DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT

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THE EMBASSY OF THE SOMALI  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

60 Portland Place  
London W1N 3DG

29 April 1993

جمهورية  
الصومال الديمقراطية

The Foreign Minister  
Government of Canada,  
Ottawa,  
Canada.

Dear Mr. Foreign Minister,

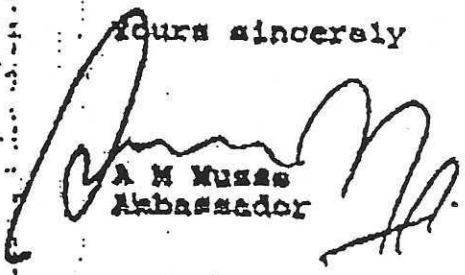
On behalf of His Excellency Haji Mohamed Hashi Haile, president of Somalia, I would like to extend my greetings to your Excellency and the people of Canada.

We are very appreciative of your noble stance to have given sanctuary to thousands of innocent Somalis who have fled the civil war and before that the corrupt regime of former dictator Mohamed Siyad Barre.

Since there has not been a representative for our national affairs in your country, I am instructed By His Excellency Haji Mohamed Hashi, The president of the state of Somalia, to inform your excellency that Sir Leo E. Wanta would become the official representative of our State affairs in Canada, starting from the 2nd of April 1993.

I am sure that Sir Wanta would build better relations between our two countries and would also look after the well-being of our citizens in your country.

Yours sincerely

  
A. M. Mussa  
Ambassador



CC; HIS EXCELLENCY HAJI MOHAMED H HAILE



**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
UNITED SOMALI SALVATION**



APRIL 11, 1993

ROMA, ITALY

SIR LEO EMIL WANTA  
1885 WILSON AVENUE  
SUITE 202  
NORTH YORK, ONTARIO  
CANADA M2N 1A2

via FAX: [416] 243 5176

DEAR SIR,

WE ARE PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT OUR PRESIDENTIAL OFFICES HAS BESTOWED UNTO YOU, SIR LEO EMIL WANTA, THE OFFICIAL OFFICE OF AMBASSADOR TO REPRESENT THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC IN CANADA.

THE OFFICIAL CEREMONY AND INVESTITURE SHALL TAKE PLACE AT A LATER DATE WHICH SHALL BE AGREEABLE TO THE BOTH OF US.

CONGRATULATIONS.

SINCERELY YOURS,  
THE PRESIDENT OF SOMALI

MR. HAJI MOHAMED DEMBAQALE



FAX: 39 42 53 - PHONE: 28973 - P.O. BOX 797  
MOGADISHU - SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE  
**CUSTOMS DECLARATION**

19 CFR 122.7, 148.12, 148.13, 148.10, 148.11

Each arriving traveler or head of family must provide the following information (only ONE written declaration per family is required):

- Name: WANTA LEO E.
- Date of Birth: 11/06/40 AD SR 110
- Number of family members traveling with you: 2
- U.S. Address: 28 McARTHUR AVE, DIPLOMAT CITY, TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA
- I am a U.S. Citizen  If No, Country:
- I reside permanently in the U.S.  If No, Expected Length of Stay: WINKDOWN  BUSINESS  PLEASURE
- I am/we are bringing fruits, plants, meats, food, soil, birds, snails, other live animals, farm products, or I/we have been on a farm or ranch outside the U.S.  YES  NO
- I am/we are carrying currency or monetary instruments over \$10,000 U.S. or foreign equivalent.  YES  NO
- The total value of all goods I/we purchased or acquired abroad and am/are bringing to the U.S. is (see instructions under Merchandise on reverse side): \$7700  YES  NO

**MOST MAJOR CREDIT CARDS UNACCEPTED.**  
SIGN ON REVERSE SIDE AFTER YOU READ WARNING.

INSPECTOR'S NAME (Do not write below this line.)  
NOV 27 1993  
ADMITTED

BADGE NO. 50  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT MUST BE REPORTED OR DECLARED ASK A CUSTOMS OFFICER.  
I have read the above instructions and have made a truthful declaration.  
Signature: [Signature] DATE: Nov 23

U.S.GPO: 1992-0-845-148 Customs Form 6059B (09/2085)

**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

To prevent the entry of dangerous agricultural pests the following are restricted: Fruits, vegetables, plants, plant products, soil, meats, meat products, birds, snails, and other live animals or animal products. Failure to declare all such items to a Customs/Agriculture Officer can result in fines or other penalties.

**CURRENCY AND MONETARY INSTRUMENTS**

The transportation of currency or monetary instruments, regardless of amount, is legal; however, if you take out of or bring into (or are about to take out of or bring into) the United States more than \$10,000 (U.S. or foreign equivalent, or a combination of the two) in coin, currency, travelers checks or bearer instruments such as money orders, checks, stocks or bonds, you are required by law to file a report on a Form 4790 with the U.S. Customs Service. If you have someone else carry the currency or instruments for you, you also file the report. FAILURE TO FILE THE REQUIRED REPORT OR FALSE STATEMENTS ON THE REPORT MAY LEAD TO SEIZURE OF THE CURRENCY OR INSTRUMENTS AND TO CIVIL PENALTIES AND/OR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

**MERCHANDISE**

In item 11, U.S. residents must declare the total value of ALL articles acquired abroad (whether new or used, whether dutiable or not, and whether obtained by purchase, as a gift, or otherwise), including those purchases made in DUTY FREE stores in the U.S. or abroad, which are in their or their family's possession at the time of arrival. Visitors must declare in item 11 the total value of all gifts and commercial items, including samples they are bringing with them.

The amount of duty to be paid will be determined by a Customs officer. U.S. residents are normally entitled to a duty free exemption of \$400 on those items accompanying them; non-residents are normally entitled to an exemption of \$100. Both residents and non-residents will normally be required to pay a flat 10% rate of duty on the first \$1,000 above their exemptions.

If the value of goods declared in item 11 EXCEEDS \$1,000 PER PERSON, then list ALL articles below and show prices paid in U.S. dollars or, for gifts, fair retail value. If additional space is needed, continue on another Customs Form 6059B.

DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	PRICE	CUSTOMS USE
Pens Clothes	\$7700	
PAX Tot		
FBI S/A Rembours		
FBI S/A Denary		
TOTAL		

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT MUST BE REPORTED OR DECLARED ASK A CUSTOMS OFFICER.  
I have read the above instructions and have made a truthful declaration.  
Signature: [Signature] DATE: Nov 23

Customs Form 6059B (09/2085) (Back)

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MIAPOLLO INVESTMENTS LIMITED

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11 Duddell Street, Suite 1201  
Central, Hong Kong

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Telefax: (852) 525 9890

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Canada M9M 1A2

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Telefax: (416) 243 5176

27 March 1993, Canadian Operations

Telecopier:- 011 39 6482 6205

His Excellency, Haji Mahamed Hashi Heyle  
The President of Somalia

Your Excellency,

We are pleased to confirm that we are in receipt of your duly executed Sales Agreement under CDCRP CODE - SL.111226 to deliver Saudi Arabia Light Crude Oil in the amount of Ninety Million Barrels over the term of eighteen (18) months.

Further, We will be advising the Shipping Compagny referenced in the Sales Agreement on Monday, 29 March 1993 relative to the Prime Bank Shipping Guarantee as discussed with your good offices.


We take this opportunity to thank Your Excellency for the privilege to have concluded successfully our Private Transaction with the Somali Democratic Republic.

We look forward to working with your Executive Offices on future projects as mentioned by yourself in our telephonic conversation.

We express our deepest gratitude and will schedule the meeting with Your Excellency to Athens on the following weeks or as confirmed by yourself. We are enclosing our passport information for your Presidential issuance of the discussed Diplomatic Passports.

Faithfully yours,  
MiApollo INVESTMENTS LIMITED

By:   
Sir Leo Emil Wanta, Chairman

  
Giovanni Ferro, Director

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TO: SUA ECCELLENZA, HAJI MAHAMED HASHI HEYLE  
 APPARTAMENTO 210  
 TELEFAX: 011 39 6482 6205

CONTRACT No. 930407/2M,BBL/SPOT

ADDENDUM DD

<u>ESTIMATED DATE</u> <u>OF ARRIVAL, PLUS</u> <u>28 DAYS VIA SUEZ</u> <u>CANAL</u>	<u>VESSEL</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>ESTIMATED QUANTITY</u> <u>ON-BOARD</u>	
	H = HOUSTON	C = CORPUS CHRISTI	R = ROTTERDAM	

3/30/93	MYRTOS BAY	275097 MT	1,700,000 min.	H
4/07/93	ARGOSTOLI BAY	274287 MT	1,500,000 min.	CC
4/15/93	ASSOS BAY	270985 MT	1,000,000 min.	H
5/15/93	MYRTOS BAY	_____ MT	1,700,000 min.	H
5/22/93	ARGOSTOLI BAY	_____ MT	1,500,000 min.	CC
5/29/93	ASSOS BAY	_____ MT	1,000,000 min.	H
7/15/93	MYRTOS BAY	_____ MT	1,700,000 min.	H
7/23/93	ARGOSTOLI BAY	_____ MT	1,500,000 min.	CC
7/30/93	ASSOS BAY	_____ MT	1,000,000 min.	H
9/05/93	MYRTOS BAY	_____ MT	1,700,000 min.	H
9/13/93	ARGOSTOLI BAY	_____ MT	1,500,000 min.	CC
9/21/93	ASSOS BAY	_____ MT	1,000,000 min.	H
10/20/93	MYRTOS BAY	_____ MT	1,700,000 min.	H
10/28/93	ARGOSTOLI BAY	_____ MT	1,500,000 min.	CC
11/10/93	ASSOS BAY	_____ MT	1,000,000 min.	H

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SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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H.E., HAJI MAHAMED HASHI HEYLE

SIR LEO E WANTA, CHAIRMAN

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Marvelous Investments Limited

CONFIRMING

DATE: 19<sup>TH</sup> day of April, '16

TO: OFFICES OF THE PRESIDENT & Vice

President, MEMBERS OF THE U.S.

Congress, ET AL =>

FROM: AMBASSADOR LEE E. WANTA  
DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS No 04362 & 12535

MESSAGE: Under my U.S. Presidential  
MANDATE\* TOTTEN DOCTRINE (92 U.S. 105, 107)  
AND TRUMAN DOCTRINE, I am duty bound  
TO SUBMIT ATTACHMENT FOR YOUR PERUSA  
& CORRECTIVE ACTION. IN 1986, I WAS IN THE  
PHILIPPINES TO ADVISE GENERAL RAMOS, AS TO:  
THE UNAUTHORIZED "COUP d'ETAT" ORCHESTRATED  
BY FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
Agency (CIA) GEORGE HERBERT WALKER BUSH =>

RE: \* White House EXECUTIVE BRANCH,  
U.S. PRESIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE Order No-12333  
ISSUED & EXECUTED BY PRESIDENT R.W. REAGAN =>

- ATTACHMENTS:
- 1) NEW ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES, GENERAL FIDEL RAMOS.
  - 2) REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE ....

THANK YOU FOR CARING,  
*W*

Marvelous Investments Limited 303 Congress Street Boston, MA, USA 02210-0001

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Fax: 703.552.3159

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10 MAY 1987

THE HONORABLE RONALD W. REAGAN  
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

THE HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH  
VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

THE HONORABLE GEORGE P. SHULTZ  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THE HONORABLE HOWARD H. BAKER, JR.  
WHITE HOUSE CHIEF OF STAFF

THE HONORABLE FRANK CARLUCCI  
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

THE HONORABLE CASPER WEINBERGER  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: A4N SKYHAWK PROCUREMENT, USED CIRCA 1973 AIRCRAFT

IN RESPONSE TO OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH THE STATE OF ISRAEL, THE U.S. DOD DEFENSE GROUP MET IN ISRAEL SEVERAL WEEKS AGO. DURING THE MILITARY DEFENSE CONTINUING DISCUSSIONS THE ISSUE OF THE SALE TO THE REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA OF CERTAIN A4N SKYHAWK AIRCRAFT, SOME 35 IN NUMBER, NOW OWNED AND IN THE POSSESSION OF ISRAEL, WAS AGAIN CONSIDERED BY ALL REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT PARTIES.

THEREFORE IN RESPONSE TO THE FAVORABLE DISCUSSIONS HELD IN ISRAEL I URGE YOUR INDIVIDUAL REVIEW AND ASSISTANCE TO RECEIVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE ... THE USA STATE DEPARTMENT APPROVAL FOR THE IMMEDIATE PROCUREMENT-TRANSFER OF THESE USED 1973 A4N SKYHAWK AIRCRAFT TO THE REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA.

WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS TRANSFER WITH THE UK GROUP AS RECOMMENDED BY STATE AND DEFENSE, AND CONCUR, THE WINDOW/TIMING IS APPROPRIATE IF WE ACT NOW AND WITHOUT UNNECESSARY FANFARE.

PLEASE NOTE:

THESE USED AIRCRAFT WERE SOLD 626, DIRECT CASH SALE, CIRCA 1973.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXCELLENT COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS URGENT MATTER.

WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS,

/S/ L E WANTA, CEO

TLX: 4979439, 191183 USA

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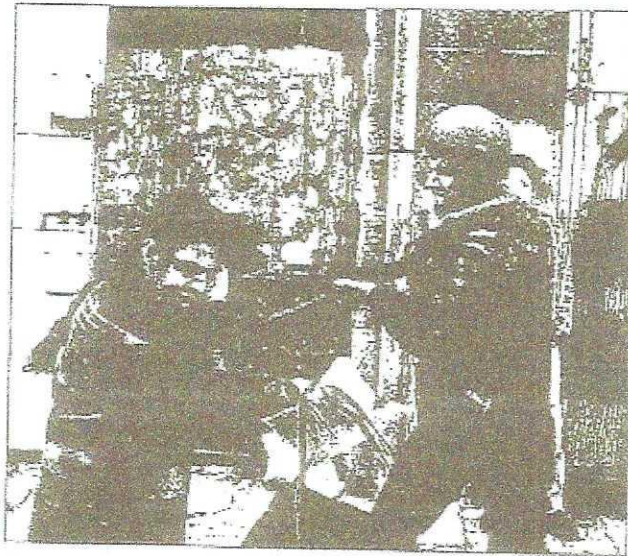
# Stuck in the Promised Land

Israel: With unrest rising, many settlers want out

**N**OT EVERYONE IN THE MIL-  
litant Jewish settlement of  
Kiryat Arba thinks it's the  
promised land. "We went be-  
cause of the money; it was  
cheap to get an apartment  
there," says Sarah Malul, who  
moved to Kiryat Arba 10 years  
ago. Malul and her husband,  
Avi, raising four children in  
a fearful place surrounded  
by enraged Palestinians, often  
thought of moving to Jerusa-  
lem. But they couldn't afford  
to. Then Baruch Goldstein, a  
Kiryat Arba resident, gunned  
down 29 Muslim worshippers in  
nearby Hebron, and everything  
changed. "My 8-year-old said  
to me, 'I'm afraid the Arabs will  
kill me now,'" recalls Sarah.  
The Maluls demanded govern-  
ment help—and with a \$275  
monthly subsidy, they were  
able to rent a tiny apartment in  
Jerusalem. "I feel like a prisoner who has  
been freed," says Sarah.

Thousands of Jews living in other settle-  
ments deep in the Israeli-occupied West  
Bank and Gaza Strip want to get out, too.  
But it's not so easy. They were lured there  
by government offers of huge mortgages at  
rock-bottom rates, at a time when Israel's  
leaders wanted Jews to populate Arab  
lands captured in 1967. The settlers bought  
homes they could never afford in Israel  
proper. Yet now that Israel is preparing to  
trade land for peace, the same houses have  
plunged in value. "Many families want to  
leave," says Malul, who can't find a buyer  
for her apartment in Kiryat Arba. "But they  
don't have the money to make that choice."

The trick is to survive Palestinian stones,  
bullets and bombs until the government  
of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin offers  
compensation, then take the money and  
run. Settlers recall the precedent set at  
Yamit, the Sinai settlement returned to  
Egypt as part of the 1979 peace treaty. Then  
the government paid \$300,000 for each  
evacuated farm, and \$75,000 to \$150,000  
for other households that pulled up stakes.  
So far, however, Rabin has resisted pres-  
sure to offer a deal to the settlers  
in the West Bank and Gaza. "He doesn't  
want them to leave now because he's still  
negotiating," says Hagit Meirum, one of  
two Labor Party legislators running a hot  
line for settlers who want out. "Rabin  
says to himself: 'If they move now, the



Climate of fear: Israeli soldier clubs a Palestinian protester



Palestinians will think we are weak."

That approach has left many settlers feel-  
ing like pawns in an increasingly danger-  
ous game. Just last week the Islamic mili-  
tant group Hamas issued a warning to Jews  
living in certain West Bank and Gaza set-  
tlements: leave by March 15 or face in-  
creased attacks. The threat is not empty  
blatant. In February Hamas gunmen shot  
dead a pregnant woman who was traveling  
between Tel Aviv and the suburban-style  
settlement of Ariel. More recently, nervous  
Israeli soldiers killed an Ariel resident  
who was driving at night — they thought the  
settler was a Palestinian terrorist.

So far the government is providing only  
minimal assistance to help relocate low-  
income families desperate to get out. Esti-  
mates for the cost of fully compensating  
most of the 125,000 settlers range up to \$10  
billion. "Somebody will have to pay

for it," says Meirum, who sug-  
gests that Saudi Arabia could  
help if settlements were used to  
house Palestinians in the fu-  
ture. Washington is another  
likely candidate. Israel got a  
pledge in 1992 for \$10 billion in  
U.S. loan guarantees to help ab-  
sorb Jewish immigrants. Rabin  
hasn't asked to use the money  
for relocating settlers, but a  
U.S. official in Jerusalem says  
Washington "would be willing  
to examine such a proposal if  
it was raised."

But where will the settlers  
go? Avi and Sarah Malul moved  
from Kiryat Arba to an af-  
fordable apartment in Pisgat  
Ze'ev—a Jewish neighborhood  
built after 1967 in occupied East  
Jerusalem. Negotiations over  
the fate of Jerusalem aren't due  
to start for another two years or  
more. Meantime, bulldozers  
are hard at work in Pisgat  
Ze'ev, a burgeoning neighborhood of  
30,000 Jews, clearing land for even more  
low-cost apartments. Until a final peace  
settlement is reached, nobody knows for  
certain where they can make a home, and  
who will pay the price.

JEFFREY BARTHOLOMEW in the West Bank

## Rabin's Coalition: Where's the Beef?

**T**HE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS CLAIMED  
another casualty last week: nonkosher  
meat. Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak  
Rabin, trying to pursue a controversial  
peace policy with only a minority coalition  
in the Knesset, needed to entice the ul-  
traorthodox Shas bloc back into his ruling  
group. But Shas had a price for its support:  
legislation that would outlaw the import of  
nonkosher meat. (Most Israelis don't care  
about the meat itself; the issue is part of the  
always heated struggle over how secular  
Israel should be.)

Rabin wanted to reinforce his Labor-led  
coalition ahead of his visit this week to  
Washington. The new meat bill is expected  
to become law this week — despite oppo-  
sition by some leftists who found it unpalat-  
able. The Shas bloc will probably rejoin  
Rabin's government. That means the peace  
process, at least, may stay on the menu.

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U. S. CONGRESSMAN TOBY ROTH  
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SUBJECT: STATE OF ISRAEL - ARGENTINE A4 SKYHAWK PROCUREMENT

DEAR CONGRESSMAN ROTH:

IN RESPONSE TO MY CONVERSATION THIS MORNING WITH YOUR  
LEGISLATIVE STAFF, MR. GORDON ACHILLES IN WASHINGTON, THE  
FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO UPDATE YOU  
IMMEDIATELY.

THE STATE OF ISRAEL IS MOST ANXIOUS TO DELIVER A4 SKYHAWKS  
TO THE REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA. THESE ARE CIRCA 1973 ISSUE,  
USED, READY TO CRATE AIRCRAFT. IN THE DOCUMENTS PREVIOUSLY  
SUBMITTED FOR YOUR PERUSAL, ALL USA AGENCIES INVOLVED HAVE  
BEEN THOROUGHLY BRIEFED AND PERTINENT DOCUMENTS PRESENTED  
AS ENCLOSED. THIS SUBJECT SALE AS REPRESENTED IS VALUED  
IN EXCESS OF USD 350 MILLION, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

REFERENCING YOUR LETTER OF 22 APRIL 1987 ( ENCLOSED ), I AM  
MOST GRATEFUL FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE AND SUPPORT. IT  
IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SECRETARY GEORGE SHULTZ ONLY NEEDS  
TO APPROVE THIS TRANSACTION, NO USA RE-EXPORT LICENSING IS  
REQUIRED DUE TO 1973 ISSUE, AND ARE PRESENTLY IN ISRAEL, NO  
USA SHIPMENT/INVOLVEMENT WILL BE NECESSARY FROM ISRAEL TO  
ARGENTINA DIRECTLY.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS CIRCA 1973 SALE WAS 626, TOTAL CASH.

BASED ON NUMEROUS CONVERSATIONS WITH USA AGENCIES, NSC,  
WHITE HOUSE, U. S. STATE, AND OTHERS.. THE TRANSFER SALE  
WILL BE ACCEPTABLE, BUT ALL INFORMED BELIEVE SECRETARY  
SHULTZ MUST APPROVE AT HIS LEVEL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXCELLENT ASSISTANCE IN THIS VERY URGENT  
MATTER.

SINCERELY YOURS,

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## CASES / Appeals court: Prosecutor lied;



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tice will be launching an investigation into Rubinstein in the more recent case.

"Following the policy of the department on matters involving allegations of prosecutorial misconduct, the U.S. attorney in Tampa has referred the matter to the department's Office of Professional Responsibility for appropriate review," said Chris Watney, a department spokeswoman.

This is the second time the 11th Circuit has thrown out a conviction because of misconduct by Rubinstein.

In 1994, the court overturned the convictions of Tom and Penny Crutchfield for illegally importing iguanas. The court criticized Rubinstein for "intentional misconduct," saying he had improperly attacked the character of the defendants and their witnesses.

"These attacks often continued

even after the [trial judge] instructed the prosecutor as to their impropriety," the court wrote. "The prejudicial effect of this misconduct cannot be disputed."

In the more recent case, the court criticized Rubinstein not for his courtroom behavior but for what he did during the secret grand jury proceedings while seeking indictments against the shrimp company.

Sigma International Inc. and two of its executives were accused of selling millions of dollars worth of bad shrimp. After obtaining the indictment, Rubinstein took the case to trial, winning guilty verdicts against the company; its vice-president, William Andrew Walton; and the plant manager, Charles Sternisha.

All three appealed.

A three-judge panel of the appeals court issued a rare and scathing rebuke of Rubinstein on Nov. 30, 1999. It ruled that Rubinstein had lied to the

## convictions thrown out

grand jury, tried to rush its deliberations and made improper remarks to it about unrelated crimes.

Nevertheless, the appeals panel did not throw out the indictments.

But prosecutors, stung by the harsh criticism, came to Rubinstein's defense. They asked the appeals panel to reconsider, arguing that the initial ruling was incorrect and unfair. The defendants also asked for reconsideration.

The result was a second blow more stunning than the first.

Armed with new evidence, the same three-judge panel ruled that Rubinstein's misconduct was so bad the indictments should be thrown out.

"On a national level, this is almost unheard of," said Charles Wolfram, a legal ethics professor at Cornell University who is a leading expert in his field.

"The federal court of appeals is just

sick to death of prosecutorial misconduct and not being able to do anything about it," Wolfram said. "This is a shot across the prosecution's bow."

The Sigma case may prompt defendants across the country to seek reviews of their grand jury proceedings. It is also a case that may end up before the U.S. Supreme Court, Wolfram said.

The U.S. attorney's office declined to comment on the ruling or say whether it will appeal. Rubinstein also declined to comment.

Whatever happens next, Tampa lawyer William Jung, who defended Sigma, said the company will continue to fight.

"We will continue to litigate this case," Jung said. "Hopefully someone in the U.S. attorney's office will give it a real stem-to-stern review ... and put this old shaggy dog of a case to rest."

If the case is resolved in Sigma's favor, the company will get a full refund

of \$1.4 million in fines it has paid as a result of its conviction. "The only question is whether it will be with interest," Jung said.

The two executives, Walton and Sternisha, have been free pending their appeals. Each had been sentenced to between one and two years in prison.

The U.S. attorney's office here was also stung by another ruling in 2000. The Florida Bar asked the state Supreme Court to suspend federal prosecutor Karen Cox for three years for allowing a witness to testify using a phony name during a 1998 trial in state court.

"It's with regret, as a former federal prosecutor, to say this, but I am beginning to wonder if there is a pattern of misconduct by prosecutors in that office," Fitzgibbons said. "The Justice Department is going to have put an end to this."

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