

# THE SEPARATE AGREEMENT IS AN ALLIANCE BENEFITING FOREIGN INTERESTS

*Speech by Comrade  
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Knesset*

On his return from a visit to Cairo, the Prime Minister made an announcement in the Knesset on April 4, 1979.

Following this announcement, representatives of various blocs made declarations. On behalf of the bloc of the DFPE (Democratic Front for Peace and Equality), comrade *Tawfig Toubi* said, inter alia:

We do not ignore the fact that a new system of relations has been created with Egypt, the biggest Arab state—diplomatic, economic, tourist and other relations.

Over a short range this separate agreement with Egypt may look like an achievement. But under the conditions of the absence of the just solution of the Palestinian problem, of the connivance given to the continuation of the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and the Golan, it is an illusion to think that this is an achievement for the cause of peace and the future of Israel's relations with the Arab world.

Every new day provides additional evidence that we were right, and others who said the same thing were right—that the agreement signed by the Prime Minister, Begin with Sadat and Carter will not bring peace.

Already now it is clear that the new allies will not only sweep under the carpet the fundamental problems of the crisis and conflict in the region—the Palestinian problem—and that they have left behind a powder keg, with the burning fuse of the occupation, but have even added new dangers to the peace and security of the peoples, in this region by turning what is called the "Peace treaty," into a

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military alliance for the defense of the "the free world," an alliance which turns the heads of the two states into policemen for the defense of the interests of the American imperialists against the Soviet Union and against the freedom of the peoples in this region.

The arrogant Napoleonic declarations of the Prime Minister in the shade of the pyramids, and the attempt at thus degrading the national feelings of the Egyptian people, and the Hallelujah during the dinner in the Al-Kubbeh palace because Sadat has put the seal on the continuation of the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip may satisfy the nationalist instincts of the knights of the policy of force in Israel, but they cannot convince anyone that peace will gain from all this.

The Prime Minister proclaimed at that festive dinner in Cairo that there will be "no more wheel-chairs for our youngsters." This is the prayer of every mother and everyone in Israel and in the Arab countries.

However, if this is said at the same time as the forces of occupation are sent to shoot young sons and daughters of the Palestinian Arab people, in order to suppress their just struggle for freedom and independence and to break their resistance to the plan of their new enslavement styled "autonomy", then the nice talk is nothing but camouflage for the plan whose main aim is the prevention of true peace for all peoples of the region.

The ink of the signatures on the agreement had not yet dried when the Foreign Minister has revealed its true nature.

Immediately after his return home after the signature, Dayan declared, according to the *Jerusalem*

Post of March 29, 1979, that "the peace treaty signed constitutes an alliance between Israel, Egypt and the United States. We now feel that the strongest super-power in the world, the biggest Arab state in the world and Israel have been tied together. This is more than just an agreement, this is a sort of Middle East Treaty."

Replying to a question of the correspondent of "Ma'ariv" in Cairo, if he sees a possibility of military cooperation between Egypt and Israel, the Egyptian Defense Minister, general Hassan Kame. Ali said: "Before the visit of President Sadat to Jerusalem, such a thought would not have occurred to me. But now I cannot say that this is impossible, we have to ask ourselves: Military cooperation to what end?"

The Prime Minister declared at the festive dinner in Cairo: "In the struggle between freedom and totalitarianism, Egypt and Israel will stand with freedom. . . ." What sort of "free world" Begin wants to defend together with Sadat? This he explained in front of the American Congress, after signing the agreement. In his speech, which breathed hostility towards the process of peoples liberating themselves from the shackles of colonialism, feudal tyranny and reaction, he lamented the liberation of the peoples of Angola, Mozambique, Ethiopia, South-Yemen, Kampuchea and Vietnam. . . . He surely wants those peoples to enjoy the "regime of freedom" of the fascist dictators of the kind of Pinochet in Chile and Somoza in Nicaragua whom he supports and supplies with arms.

The Prime Minister did not trust the extent of anti-Sovietism of the congressmen and called upon them not to be complacent and be vigilant. He assured them that Israel is ready to fight for that freedom. . . . Freedom is in danger, Begin called out demagogically. What freedom does Mister Begin wish to defend and sacrifice the lives of the Israel youth for? "The oil-producing countries are liable to lose their freedom and become victims of the Soviet Union," he declared.

Thus, with the scarecrow of anti-Sovietism and under the false pretense of the defense of freedom, Begin and Sadat want to fan the cold war in the world, and justify their policeman's duty in the service of the American imperialists and oil tycoons and prevent the liberation of the Arab and African peoples.

For the service of this evil and anti-national goal is the intention of the unwritten military alliance

under the auspices of Carter, who promised to ship large arms supplies amounting of 5 billion dollars (three billion for Israel and two billion for Egypt). This is to be done so that the arms tycoons in America will be compensated for the loss of the Iranian arms market.

Out of the frenzy to fulfill the adventurist role of a whip held over Syria and other Arab countries, in order to force them to accept the American dictates, while Sadat is given a free hand for "dealing" with Lybia and for other aims, the Likud government is prepared completely to abandon Israel's independence and sovereignty to the American boss, hoping to receive additional payment in money and arms.

In accordance with this, the Prime Minister invites the United States to send its forces to Israel, to receive bases in Sinai, the Negev, in the Haifa port; in accordance with this, Haifa will be visited on May 4, by the aircraft carrier "Eisenhower" the flagship of the American Sixth Fleet, together with a convoy of destroyers. The plans for turning Haifa into an American naval base are about to be put into practice. This is a grave peril for the security and peace of the whole region.

The summit conference of the heads of the Arab governments and the conferences of their foreign and economy ministers in Baghdad show that the Arab peoples will not reconcile themselves to the police duties directed against them which the Israeli and Egyptian governments have taken upon themselves to fulfill. The one to be eventually isolated in the region is Sadat's rule, which is subjected to the pressure of the Egyptian people and their patriotic forces.

Not much time will pass before the masses of the people in Israel will see that the treaty which has been signed, will bring neither peace nor security and prosperity.

We emphasize again: Without an agreement with the Palestinian Arab people there is no peace; without coming to terms with them through their recognized representative the PLO; without the establishment of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, alongside Israel, on the basis of mutual recognition of rights; without a comprehensive agreement with the neighboring Arab states; without an agreement within the framework of the Geneva Conference, with the participation of the Soviet Union and the United States together with all the sides involved, Israel will not attain real peace.

The Prime Minister said in the American Con-

gress that all the Israelis except the tiny Communist Party, want security . . . We say to the people of Israel that the Likud government does not wish security, but the perpetuation of occupation, the enslavement of the fraternal people and this is the opposite of security.

If there is any way to peace and security, it is the way of the Communists and the Democratic Front for Peace and Equality. This is the way which sooner or later will be victorious. ■