

# The Dwayne Andreas file: How the ADL works for Moscow

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The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) of B'nai B'rith, which was founded to defend Jewish-surnamed mobsters like Meyer Lansky by accusing their critics of anti-Semitism, is now in the thick of a bargain to trade the fate of persecuted Jewish refuseniks in the U.S.S.R. for profits in the Soviet trade. The sellout is being brokered by a man who, like many of the ADL's top funders and controllers, is not Jewish: Soviet agent-of-influence Dwayne Andreas, the Minnesota grain cartel magnate who was described by the *Wall Street Journal* in a Dec. 26, 1986 article as the man who may be "beginning to edge out Armand Hammer, the chairman of Occidental Petroleum Co., as Moscow's favorite American businessman." Andreas was identified in a Jan. 23, 1989 column by Rowland Evans and Robert Novak as having held a secret meeting with booze baron and ADL supporter Edgar Bronfman, where the subject was "an ugly deal" to repeal all obstacles to expanded trade and government-backed credits to the U.S.S.R. in exchange for Gorbachov's permitting token numbers of Jews to emigrate directly to Israel. In a recent interview which a journalist made available to *EIR*, Andreas announced that the U.S.S.R. and Israel are in the final weeks of negotiation through their consular exchange on an agreement that would force Jewish refuseniks to fly directly to Israel, bypassing Austria.

It may be because this secret deal was in the works, that the U.S. State Department said in November ago that a quota would be imposed upon Soviet citizens emigrating here. Sources have reported to *EIR* that the real reason why World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman, who is also chairman of the greater New York fundraising effort of the ADL, launched his scurrilous attack on Austrian President Kurt Waldheim (falsely depicting this former junior officer in the Wehrmacht as a major "war criminal"), is that Waldheim had insisted that once Soviet Jews landed in Austria, they were free to emigrate where they will.

It appears that the "ugly deal" Evans and Novak warned about is now happening. According to Dwayne Andreas, the ADL has signed off on his scheme to suspend the Jackson-Vanik Amendment, which denies the Soviets Most Favored Nation trade status, in exchange for forcing Jewish refuseniks to emigrate to Israel, where they will become cannon fodder in the occupied territories. Andreas said, "I have spoken to the four heads of the mainstream Jewish organizations, and they would all like Jackson-Vanik to have been suspended

yesterday. . . . The only reason why they have not gone public with this is that they know a fourth of their constituency would tar and feather them. This is not an issue that the man in the street can understand."

## Dwayne Andreas and the KGB

Andreas is in an admirable position to profit from Jewish refuseniks. He is both chairman of the grain cartel firm Archer Daniels Midland, Inc., which has made millions of dollars from subsidized grain sales to the U.S.S.R. of late, and chairman of the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council (USTEC). James Giffen, who was president of USTEC until he recently set up the American Trade Consortium for multibillion-dollar joint ventures with the U.S.S.R., said on nationwide TV recently that his goal was to turn the U.S.S.R. "into an economic superpower."

As *EIR* revealed in its series on ADL top funder Edgar Bronfman, USTEC has been a playground for the KGB, which is the chief oppressor of minorities in the Soviet "prison house of nations." Sharing the executive committee of the board with Andreas is Soviet agent Armand Hammer, who secret State Department documents from the 1920s and 1930s describe as having carried out "secret missions" on behalf of Moscow, ever since Lenin introduced Hammer to KGB (Cheka) founder Feliks Dzerzhinsky. Also on the board of USTEC with Andreas until recently was KGB Lt. Gen. Yevgeny Petrovich Pitovranov, a former personal favorite of Josef Stalin during the bloody purges, who, despite claims that he was retired from the KGB, had used his position with both USTEC and the Soviet Chamber of Commerce and Industry to establish the KGB's secret "Special Reserve."

As Soviet intelligence expert John Barron wrote in "The KGB's Deepest Secret," appearing in *Reader's Digest* in November 1988: "In diverse disguises, Special Reserve officers are presently hidden in Eastern and Western Europe, North America and Asia, in Moscow's banks, trade offices, and government ministries. Yet, outside the KGB high command and a small coterie surrounding Soviet ruler Mikhail Gorbachov, the very existence of the Special Reserve is all but unknown."

Another member of the executive committee of the USTEC board is Edgar Bronfman, chairman of the ADL's New York Appeal, which nets a large part of the ADL's \$14 million annual budget. Through the Samuel Bronfman

Foundation, he has personally given the ADL \$1 million since 1981. There is a good chance that some of those profits funneled to the ADL by Bronfman come from his multimillion-dollar deals for Soviet liquor sales in the U.S.

With this powerful USTEC clique backing the ADL, it should come as no surprise, as Andreas revealed in a recent interview, that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachov has invited the ADL to open offices in Moscow "to explore anti-Semitism" there, including the rise of Pamyat and Russian ethnic chauvinism. The ADL may soon have a direct channel to Soviet authorities, rather than the indirect one it has enjoyed through the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations, which has prosecuted individuals targeted as enemies of the Soviet Union as "Nazi war criminals," using KGB-doctored evidence to make its case.

### The Minnesota mafia

Dwayne Andreas is part of one of the leading factions in the ADL, grouped around the Minnesota grain cartels and the affiliated liberal Democratic Party of former vice presidents Hubert H. Humphrey and Walter Mondale. These grain cartels have been doing a thriving business with the U.S.S.R. at the expense of U.S. consumers, since the 1971 "Great Grain Robbery," when their secret sales to the Soviets caused skyrocketing prices in the United States.

Through a variety of measures that have undermined parity pricing, the cartels have sought to turn the U.S. family farmer into a virtual serf. The ADL has been deployed from its Minnesota region to charge that Lyndon LaRouche's "Food for Peace" program, which seeks a return to parity pricing and to boost food production to stop the new Holocaust in the Third World, is secretly peddling an "anti-Semitic" conspiracy theory about the grain cartels.

This slander actually goes back to another non-Jewish patrician family which has controlling influence over the ADL, the Moores, the Nabisco magnates. William Henry Moore (1848-1923), the founder of Nabisco, was a business associate of Sigmund Livingston, who set up the ADL in 1917, and Nabisco gives money to the ADL; Mathew Rosenhaus, who was vice-chairman of Nabisco, was ADL honorary chairman in 1980. Current family head Paul Moore, while Episcopalian Bishop of New York in 1978, used this influence to retaliate against the exposure by LaRouche and his associates, in the first edition of the bestselling exposé book *Dope, Inc.*, of the families "above suspicion" that profit from the \$200 billion a year international drug-money laundering business. A spokesman for Moore told a journalist that his faction did not plan to attack LaRouche directly, but would "use the Jews" to smear LaRouche as "anti-Semitic."

In 1983, Bishop Moore played a prominent role in a joint meeting of the left-wing Institute for Policy Studies and Moscow's U.S.A.-Canada Institute, where 25 Soviet intelligence officials gave marching orders to the U.S. peace movement to stop President Ronald Reagan's Strategic De-

fense Initiative and to support the Mondale presidential candidacy. This conference was funded in part by the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute, which, in turn, has received substantial amounts of money from Andreas's Archer Daniels Midland Foundation.

### Bailing out the ADL

Conveniently for Moscow, their man Dwayne Andreas has long been a sponsor and protector of the ADL. During fall 1987 hearings on U.S.-Soviet Trade Relations before a subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Andreas testified: "Mr. Ben Epstein, may he rest in peace, who was my friend for 20 years, to his everlasting credit, was my mentor and guidance on the matters of diplomatic positions. I worked with him for weeks at a time on this problem" of expanded trade with the Soviet Union. This Ben Epstein was the ADL national director for almost 30 years. In a recent interview made available to *EIR*, Andreas said that while it might have been an exaggeration to say Ben Epstein was his "mentor," still, Andreas "traveled around the world with Ben, including to Israel."

In the 1970s, the ADL was on the rocks financially, when Chemical Bank refused to continue to grant it loans without collateral. Then ADL national chairman (1970-76) Seymour Graubard took several steps to salvage the league. The first was to reestablish a link with a bank through Sterling National Bank in New York. The second was to create a one-year strategic reserve of funds, through the founding of the ADL Foundation. This is where Burton Joseph, who was then ADL national treasurer, came in.

Burton Joseph of the Minneapolis family that ran the small agricultural products firm of I.S. Joseph, put up \$500,000 seed money for the Foundation, according to the ADL's oral history compendium, *Not the Work of One Day*. Joseph was close to the Hubert Humphrey liberal Democratic Party machine in Minnesota, and, through it, he had known Dwayne Andreas, whom Graubard says was also "a great friend of [past ADL national chairman] Dore Schary and others." So, the ADL Foundation, according to its own oral history, was a joint project of Burton Joseph and Dwayne Andreas.

Andreas's largesse did not stop there. Through his ADM Foundation he contributed \$50-100,000 annually through the 1980s. When the ADL needed new headquarters, Andreas funded a Hubert Humphrey room at the new office on U.N. Plaza; he also endowed a Hubert Humphrey Award, given annually by Andreas to recipients designated by the ADL.

Another member of this "Minnesota mafia" who has bailed out the ADL is Irving Shapiro, whose family ran a dry cleaning establishment in Minneapolis, where he got to know Burton Joseph. Today, Shapiro is chairman of E.I. du Pont de Nemours. Shapiro helped the ADL snag big corporate contributors during the financially troubled 1970s, when he was chairman of the Business Roundtable.