THE JEWISH DIASPORA

The history of the Jewish people is a long and, to many people, seemingly obsolete one. However, a proper understanding of the Jewish nation and diaspora is necessary for understanding the nature of the Israeli state, one of the foremost imperialist states in the 21st century.

The reader is reminded: "taboos" do not emerge out of thin air. The impermissibility of discussing certain subjects is in and of itself a fact which must be considered in the overall analysis. In a liberal society, it should go without saying that anything deemed "taboo" is likely deemed so for the benefit of liberalism, for the suppression of discourse which threatens the established liberal order. Thus, it is not only necessary to defy "taboos" and confront controversial or otherwise "unallowed" subjects directly, but to ask: "why is this subject considered forbidden?"

The intention of this article is not to foment hatred or anti-semitism. We maintain that anti-semitism is "a vestige of the misanthropic customs characteristic of the period of cannibalism... an extreme form of racial chauvinism."

One cannot distance the Israeli state from the Jewish diaspora. The former is the natural development of the latter.

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¹ Stalin, Anti-Semitism, 1931

WHO/WHAT ARE THE JEWS?

The Jews were at one point in time a distinct nation rising in the Kingdoms of Israel and Judea. These kingdoms were located at a key point in the Middle Eastern trade route which connected Europe to Northern Africa. Because of this, the Israelites mainly occupied a position as traders, and a good portion of the country were merchants or craftsmen; only a moderate portion were peasants and agricultural laborers.

In order to better facilitate trade, the Israelites made several cultural and economic advancements that were just beginning to take hold in several other predominantly trade-based kingdoms. The institutions of banking, written language, and so forth allowed for Israelite trade to grow exponentially, and the proper protocols of financing and investing in industry is even detailed in the Israelite religious text, the Torah. Similar institutions arose in the Israelite's cousins, the Phoenicians, who descended from the same Canaanites as the Jews.

However, this was only temporary. In the course of 700-500 BC, the Kingdoms of Israel and Judea were conquered by the Assyrians. The upper half of society – the moneylenders, merchants, craftsmen, and so on – were enslaved and sold across the European and African continents. Meanwhile, the Israelite peasants, needed to till the land, remained nominally 'free', retaining their old positions as agricultural laborers in the Assyrian-held lands.

Hence, the Jews were transformed from a nation into a *caste*. Some Jews, especially the traders and craftsmen, were dispersed into Europe and Iberia, where they became the "Ashkenazi" and "Sephardi" Jews. Here, they provided sudden growth to industrial development by employing their long-practiced expertise. The other Jews who were sold or fled to North Africa and the Middle East became the "Mizrahi" Jews, primarily doctors and scholars. The peasants who remained in Assyrian-held Israel and Judea, though they attempted to revolt on several occasions, gradually assimilated into the nearby peoples and became a part of what is today called Palestine.

The Jewish-French radical, Alfred Naquet, explained²:

If it pleased Bernard Lazare to consider himself a citizen of a separate nation, that is his affair; but I declare that, although I was born a Jew... I do not recognise Jewish nationality.... I belong to no other nation but the French.... Are the Jews a nation? Although they were one in the remote past, my reply is a categorical negative. The concept nation implies certain conditions which do not exist in this case. A nation must have a territory on which to develop, and, in our time at least, until a world confederation has extended this basis, a nation must have a common language. And the Jews no longer have either a territory or a common language.... Like myself, Bernard Lazare probably did not know a word of Hebrew, and would have found it no easy matter, if Zionism had achieved its purpose, to make himself under stood to his co-racials from other parts of the world. German and

² In La Petit Republique, September 24, 1903

French Jews are quite unlike Polish and Russian Jews. The characteristic features of the Jews include nothing that bears the imprint of nationality. If it were permissible to recognise the Jews as a nation, as Drumont does, it would be an artificial nation. The modern Jew is a product of the unnatural selection to which his forebears were subjected for nearly eighteen centuries.

HOW DO JEWS STILL EXIST?

Despite all that has been forced on them, the Jews remain a fairly intact body of people in each nation they occupy. However, the Jews themselves do not together constitute a single nation. There are Syrian Jews, French Jews, German Jews, Russian Jews, and so on. Each nation has its own distinct Jewish caste; the formerly cohesive Hebrew nation of the BC years does not exist today.

What has enabled Jews to persist through all the various repressions, pogroms, and displacements is their class position and religion.

The Jewish religion contains a set of not only theological teachings, but of cultural practices and customs. Since Judaism is, like all religions and cultures, primarily an ideological justification for existing material practices, it follows that naturally, the Jewish religion reflects the material interests of tradesmen and merchants. In a word, Jews created the first bourgeois culture.

Further, since the rise of industry was, in many nations, aided partially by the arrival of the Jewish diaspora in the form of tradesmen, it was also accompanied by a rise in social status of the Jews. Despite remaining openly despised and loathed as "outsiders", they were gradually allowed into important economic and cultural institutions as the most productive organizers of society. Thus, bourgeois religious and cultural practices are naturally molded from Jewish religious and cultural practices. Because institutions can be subverted but minds cannot, cultures came not necessarily to accept Jews, but to stigmatize talking about them and their role in society.

Even the primary religion of the world's (non-Jewish) cosmopolitan bourgeoisie – Christianity – is itself a development of Judaism.

In Indian and Asian cultures, which have their own religions that arose primarily from feudal conditions and which generally did not use Judaism as a foundation, one can find many more socialistic elements than in the "Abrahamic" cultures.

In short, Jewish culture still exists on an international scale because of their extremely influential and necessary position in global trade and finance, which dates back to Ancient times.

JEWS IN THE MODERN DAY

The Jewish castes of old were nearly destroyed in Europe during the course of the Holocaust. Today, most Jews today live in the United States. Jewish immigrants who were not allowed to assimilate into the European nations made up a large part of the petit-bourgeois who immigrated to the United States in the late 19th century. They founded some of America's most important cultural and financial institutions; for example Pulitzer, who founded the Pulitzer Prize for Journalism, was a Jewish-American. These institutions were then used to organize and train European-American settlers and spread them across the whole of the American continent. Nowadays, the continent is settled, and the European-Americans have moved on to settling the Middle East.

After the United States and Israel come France, Canada, and the United Kingdom. After this is Russia. Due in part to the Russian Federation's actions against finance capital in favor of developing Russian industry, as well as the considerably tumultuous history behind Jewish assimilation in Eastern Europe, there remains some national strife today between Jews and Russians. After Russia is Germany, which used to be the main home for diaspora Jews prior to the holocaust.

WHAT IS ZIONISM?

Zionism is the most advanced form of "Jewish nationalism". It is the idea that Jews constitute a separate nation which rightfully resides in the former Kingdoms of Israel and Judea. However, the Jews cannot be called a nation, for a variety of reasons.

Marx explains in *On the Jewish Question*:

The Jew, too, can behave towards the state only in a Jewish way – that is, by treating it as something alien to him, by counterposing his imaginary nationality to the real nationality, by counterposing his illusory law to the real law, by deeming himself justified in separating himself from mankind, by abstaining on principle from taking part in the historical movement, by putting his trust in a future which has nothing in common with the future of mankind in general, and by seeing himself as a member of the Jewish people, and the Jewish people as the chosen people.

In a word, Zionism (or any other Jewish nationalism) is an attempt by certain sections of society to create a Jewish identity and contrapose it to the nation which they belong to, and to "rebuild" the dead Jewish nation.

Adherence to a "Jewish nation" is wrong in principle. Whether in the Russian Pale, Madagascar, Israel, or the United States, there is no Jewish nation and Jews are destined to assimilate into their respective national communities:

Hostility towards non-native sections of the population can only be eliminated "when the non-native sections of the population cease to be alien and blend with the general mass of the population. That is the only possible solution of the Jewish problem, and we should support everything that makes for the ending of Jewish isolation." (Lenin, *The Position of the Bund in the Party*, 1903)

In the wake of recent conflict, it has not been uncommon to see people talk about the Jews who have vocally opposed Israel and supported Palestine. While we have nothing but commendation for these individuals, these people are generally *betraying the Jewish diaspora*, and this is a good thing: Zionism is the only natural conclusion to Judaism. These individuals are displaying that they are Jews only in name, that they have not yet reached the conclusion of Judaism and perhaps intend to assimilate before such a stage is reached.

In most societies of the West today, Jews are allowed to freely and immediately assimilate. This is the task of any class-conscious or nationally-conscious Jew:

The idea of a Jewish nationality runs counter to the interests of the Jewish proletariat, for it fosters among them, directly or indirectly, a spirit hostile to assimilation, the spirit of the "ghetto". "When the National Assembly of 1791 decreed the emancipation of the Jews," writes Renan, "it was very little concerned with the question of race.... It is the business of the nineteenth century to abolish all 'ghettos', and I cannot compliment those who seek to restore them. The Jewish race has rendered the

world the greatest services. Assimilated with the various nations, harmoniously blended with the various national units, it will render no lesser services in the future than in the past." (*Ibid*)

JEWISH-AMERICANS

Jewish-Americans make up the better part of the financiers of the Democratic and Republican Parties while only making up a minor portion of America's population³. What's useful to remember is that the Democrats are the finance party, while the Republicans are the industrialist party.

We will investigate the funding for the two parties using the chart *Who are the Biggest Donors?* provided by the Center for Responsive Politics in Washington D.C.⁴

The top donor to the Republican Party in 2020 was Sheldon Adelson, a Jewish-American investor and CEO of Las Vegas Sands, a casino corporation. He published Israel's most widely circulated newspaper, *Israel Hayom*, which is read by about 39% of the Israeli population. He also campaigned for tougher US policy on Iran, so far as advocating the threat of nuclear war should they refuse to submit to American interests.

Adelson died last January, but his work is carried on by his wife Miriam Adelson, through the Adelson Foundation. Adelson spent over \$200 mil on the Republican Party during the year of 2020.

On the Democratic side, things aren't so different: the top donor to the Democratic Party is none other than Michael Bloomberg, the Jewish-American financier and mayor, owner of Bloomberg LLC, a finance and tech firm.

Not much needs to be said by Bloomberg, who attempted to run for President last year. His views should be sufficiently known about by now. Bloomberg spent over \$150 mil on funding for Democrats during 2020.

It does not end there, of course. The Democrats are further funded by Thomas Steyer, another aborted presidential candidate in the 2020 Democratic primaries; Steyer is a Jewish-American hedge fund manager whose father participated in the Nuremburg Trials (on the side of the Allies). Steyer is the second largest donor to the Democratic Party, giving around \$72 mil in 2020.

Finally, we arrive at an exception: the second largest donor for the Republican Party is not Jewish at all. Rather, Richard and Elizabeth Uihlein are German-Americans.

³ Jews currently make up only 2% of the US population.

⁴ https://www.opensecrets.org/elections-overview/biggest-donors

Further, the Uihleins have *nothing to do with finance*. They made their wealth through the Schlitz Brewing Company, and thus, are *predominantly industrial capitalists*, though they are financiers secondarily.

One could point out that the founder of the Schlitz Company, Joseph Schlitz, was a Freemason, but that's a topic for another time.

If one is to further pursue this line, the trend continues. The other most prominent Republican donors in order from greatest to least donations are: Kenneth Griffin (\$67 mil), a Euro-American financier, then Timothy Mellon (\$60 mil), a Euro-American industrialist, and then Stephen Schwartzman (\$35 mil) and Jeffrey Yass (\$30 mil), Jewish-American financiers.

For the Democrats, in order: Dustin Moskovitz (\$50 mil), Karla Jurvetson (\$33 mil), James Simons (\$26 mil), and Donald Sussman (\$26 mil), who are all Jewish-American financiers, with the exception of Jurvetson, who attained her wealth by marrying an Estonian fascist collaborator and then divorcing him. It's not until we reach Fred Eychaner (\$19 mil) that we see a Euro-American industrialist in the ranks of the Democrats.

Having seen this information, the reader should wonder: is it really so strange now that both parties would support the creation and funding of Israel? Retaining their culture (religion) and economic life, but having lost their land and language – why would the wealthiest Jews abroad *not* be inclined to fund the creation of a settlement for their people, to prevent their inevitable assimilation into the world's nations?

CONCLUSION

This has been only a brief study of the Jewish diaspora, its history, and its role today. Hopefully, this writing will lead others to become curious and research the topic themselves, perhaps with the objective of further sharing their findings. This would be greatly appreciated, as this is a topic which remains elusive to modern discourse, in part due to censorship and vilification.

No falsehoods, only the truth! This is the Marxist-Leninist principle.

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