THE JEWISH NATIONAL MOVEMENT IN THE USSR

ONLINE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

21-23 DECEMBER, 2020 | 19:00 - 21:00

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MARKING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF “OPERATION WEDDING”

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Opening
Simha Goldin
Director of the Goldstein-Goren Diaspora Research Center, Tel Aviv University

Isaac Herzog
Chairman of the Executive of The Jewish Agency for Israel & Member of the Board, Beit Hatfutsot

Soviet Authorities, Jews, and the Jewish National Movement in the USSR before and after World War II
Moderator: Velvl Chernin (EAJC)
Topics for Discussion:
- “Classical” Russian Zionism in the USSR in 1920s-1940s: Destiny and Heritage
- Zionist Activity in the Soviet Union, 1948 - 1967
- Identity, Ideology and Community Structures in the Zionist Movement of the Late USSR

Presenters: Boris Morozov (TAU); Gennady Kostyrchenko (RAS); Yaakov Ro’i (TAU); Ze’ev Khanin (MoAI & BIU)

Visual presentation: Haim Ghiuzeli (Beit Hatfutsot)
Personal items of the prisoner of Zion Zvi Preigerzon, which are part the Museum’s new permanent display

22 December, 2020

Despite Common Sense: Testimonies on the Jewish Underground in Leningrad and Riga and “Operation Wedding”
Moderator: Izabella Tabarovsky (Wilson Center)
Participants: Eduard Kuznetsov; Josef Mendelevich; Sylva Zalmanson; Israel Zalmanson; Elie Valk; Anatoly Goldfeld; Boris Penson; Arie Hanoch

Visual presentation: Haim Ghiuzeli (Beit Hatfutsot)
Collection of photographs by Joseph Schneider, a prisoner of Zion

23 December, 2020

Soviet Jewry, the USSR Zionist Movement, and “Operation Wedding”: Responses from Israel and the West
Moderator: Semion Goldin (HUJI)
Topics for Discussion:
- Israel and Soviet Jewry in 1948-1953
- Zeh hakatan gadol yihye: The Emergence and Evolution of a Jewish Movement in the Late USSR

Presenters: Yacov Livne (MFA); Zvi Gitelman (UM); Nati Cantorovich (NATIV)

Visual presentation: Haim Ghiuzeli (Beit Hatfutsot)
Interview with Constance Smukler, one of the pillars of the Jewish-American struggle for the release of prisoners of Zion