## East of Nakba (60)

## Part II. Ethnic cleanser

## Chapter 60 Ethnic Cleanser (3)

Shy-Rock shrugged off the word of Dr. Girgo without raising an eyebrow and asked back.

"Did you get good results in the United States?"

From the beginning, the initiative of the conversation belonged to the practical ex-general. Cowered by the general's hawk-like eyes, Girgo answered standing stiffly at attention.

"Yes sir, I am asking for your Excellency's help today."

Shy-Rock got in touch with the Surgeon General before he saw Dr. Girgo. He confirmed the rumor that Girgo discovered the new virus. It was the reason why he met Dr. Girgo.

Ex-general listened silently and carefully to the young doctor for a while. And now he was convinced that Girgo's new discovery was not fake. He thought he would bet the future of the Jews on the virus newly discovered.

Shy-Rock firmly believed that the Jews were the Chosen People. He was satisfied that Israel achieved the independence at the promised land of Canaan, and won several subsequent wars against the Arabs. He also satisfied that his country was globally recognized backing of the United States. He was sure that Israel would never be defeated militarily or economically by the surrounding Arab countries.



However, he was anxious about the future number of Jews and Palestinians in Israel. It was changing year by year in favor of Palestine. The pregnancy rate of Palestinian women was higher than that of Jews. Furthermore, even within the same Jews, the population growth ratio varied according to the genealogy.

That is, Ashkenazi families like Shy-Rock had fewer children than the non-Ashkenazi Jews who immigrated from Russia when the U.S.S.R. collapsed. The number of Ashkenazim, whom the General believed to be of pure Jews, was declining, and was about to be drown among Palestinians and non-Ashkenazi Jews in the future. The retired general was seriously anxious about that.

The physical elimination of Palestinians was the replay of tragedy of Holocaust in which the Nazis tried to wipeout the Jews from the earth. It was also impossible to increase the number of Ashkenazim children only. Young female Ashkenazim, who were now enjoying an affluent life same as social ruling classes, didn't like to have many children as most of the women in Western countries. The general was impatient about the future of Ashkenazim.

(cont'd)

Areha Kazuya (From an ordinary citizen in the cloud)

To previous chapters: http://ocininitiative.maeda1.jp/OcinNovelEnglish.html