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According to a letter to the New York Review written by Noam Chomsky on the basis of Israeli and international sources:

"The Israeli press reports the arrest of Arab workers from the occupied territories who were found living in rented apartments without a permit (Maariv, December 15, 1977). Earlier this year, the press reported that thousands of Arab workers from occupied territories are locked into factories at night. This fact allegedly known to the authorities, became public knowledge when the bodies of three dead Arab workers from Gaza were discovered in a locked room after the destruction of a small Tel-Aviv factory by fire. Employees report that workers were locked into the factories because they are not permitted on the streets at night...when work permits have often not been obtained because they are costly to the employer." 22

On April 20, 1977, similar revelations were made when Davar reported the success of the Israeli police in rescuing three Arab workers who were found locked into a Tel-Aviv clothing factory when fire exploded in the factory at 1 A.M.²³

It is unnecessary to examine the rate of exploitation of this segment of the labor force. The point is to see how it is determined by the location of this labor force in the social formation; their relation to the political/ideological superstructure -- to the type of employer. For example, it is less likely that smuggled labor be employed by State, foreign, or cooperative capital, although their reasons may differ.

III. Conclusions

It is by virtue of extracting super-profit from one segment of the working class that the ruling class can maintain a labor-aristocracy as a strategic ally. Now we have identified what segments of the working class tend to belong to the labor-aristocracy and what segment tends to pay the