OLIVER STONE RIPS JEWS

In an interview yesterday in London's *Sunday Times*, director Oliver Stone said that in his upcoming movie he seeks to put Hitler and Stalin "in context." Earlier this year, he explained what he meant by this, maintaining that his documentary allows the audience to "walk in Stalin's shoes and Hitler's shoes to understand their point of view." Indeed, he said that "Hitler is an easy scapegoat throughout history and it's been used cheaply."

Stone used an obscenity yesterday to describe the way Israel has twisted "United States foreign policy for years." He also said "we don't know the full story" about Iranian president Ahmadinejad, and offered words of praise for Venezuelan dictator Hugo Chavez (something he reportedly repeats in his interview with George Stephanopoulos on July 28 on ABC's "Good Morning America").

Catholic League president Bill Donohue comments as follows:

Let's try putting Oliver Stone "in context." Here is man who has played fast and loose with history for years: he is a master at bleeding drama into a documentary, merging fact with fiction—and then selling it as if it were historically accurate. Anyone who thinks Hitler has been a scapegoat is obviously less interested in seeing Hitler through his own eyes than he is in offering an exculpatory thesis. Moreover, his unwillingness to condemn Ahmadinejad, and his love for Chavez, are hardly surprising given his mindset.

There are anti-Semites on the right, but these days the biggest threat to Jews comes from the left, Oliver Stone being among them.