

ANTHONY LAWRENCE

THE VOICE OF PEACE

He sails a white yacht
from Haifa to Piraeus,
broadcasting
protest songs and poetry
from his pirate radio.

Often, he moors his yacht
and goes to the front,
where the rockets open
in flame over the desert.
He lays wreaths, and prays
for an end to war.

On the mast of his boat,
a flag embroidered
with a dove and olive branch.
Once he was a soldier.
He wore a red beret
and fought for Israel.
Now he plays music and reads
poetry to the armies.
He is 'The Voice of Peace'
touring the Mediterranean,
firing ballads over the water.