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1 TERRORIST KILLED, 3 ARRESTED AS TENSION, SECURITY ALERT MOUNTS

JERUSALEM, May 23 (JTA)--One terrorist was killed last night in an exchange of gunfire with an Israel army patrol near Kibbutz Idmit in Western Galilee. The clash occurred at about 8 p.m. local time when the patrol noticed a suspicious movement in a hilly area and opened fire. The fire was returned but there were no Israeli casualties.

The incident increased tension in northern Israel which has been on a high security alert since last week's tragedy at Maalot. Hundreds of soldiers and police are patrolling the region aided by helicopters. Tension is also running high in Jerusalem where police announced last night the arrest of three terrorists believed responsible for setting up Katyusha rocket launchers aimed at the heart of the city last Wednesday, the day of the Maalot massacre.

Re-enforced security measures in the capital touched off a near panic yesterday. The mobilization of additional manpower and the placing of security forces on stand-by status led to rumors that terrorists had infiltrated the city. Several school principals dismissed classes early, which further alarmed the citizenry. Mayor Teddy Kollek denounced their action as needless. He said that neither the municipality nor the Education Ministry had ordered early dismissal.

Police said the three terrorists arrested last night are also suspected of the murder of a taxi driver, Zion Abergil, whose booby-trapped body was discovered in the trunk of his cab on a downtown street last month. Only good luck and the skill of police sappers prevented a major disaster, police said. The Katyusha rockets, aimed at heavily populated areas of Jerusalem including the King David Hotel where U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and his party are staying, were disarmed only minutes before a timing device was set to fire. The rockets had been spotted by an Arab laborer on a hill overlooking the northern area of the city.

According to police, the arrested terrorists may have been responsible for the explosion of several bazooka shells in the Musrara quarter on the night of May 14. There were no casualties or damage in that incident.

DEMANDS MOUNT FOR REINSTATING DEATH PENALTY FOR TERRORISTS

JERUSALEM, May 23 (JTA)--A delegation from Safad headed by Mayor Aharon Nachmias, met with Justice Minister Haim Zadok today to demand that the government re-institute the death penalty for terrorists. Zadok repeated his announcement in the Knesset that the Cabinet would soon discuss the death penalty in view of the latest terrorist outrage at Maalot. Most of the victims were high school students from Safad. The delegation also demanded the construction of a district court in Safad. Zadok said he would study the request with the Minister of Housing.

The Safad police department announced that it has been re-enforced by more than 100 local volunteers, mostly army reservists trained in the use of weapons. A delegation of the American Jewish Committee visited Mayor Nachmias

yesterday with messages of condolence from Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R,NY), Mayor Abraham D. Beame of New York City and other officials. Javits' mother was born in Safad and is buried there. The delegation brought gifts for the children wounded at Maalot who are convalescing in a Safad hospital.

Res. Gen. Amos Horev, head of a three-man panel named by Premier Golda Meir to investigate the Maalot massacre, said the commission would start work today in Haifa. Horev is president of the Haifa Technion.

LIST OF MAALOT DEAD

JERUSALEM, May 23 (JTA)--The following are the names, ages and residences of those who were slaughtered by three Arab terrorists on May 15 in Maalot:

Aviva Sada, 15, Moshav Elifelet; Yonah Sabag, 15, Tzvia Mor-Yosef, 15, Shoshana Cohen, 17, Yocheved Mazoz, 15, Tamar Dahan, 16, Rachel Afuta, 16, Ilana Neeman, 17, Yehudit Madar, 16, Yaacov Kabala, 17, Yaacov Levy, 17, Rina Cohen, 15, Sarah Ben-Shimon, 15, Sarah Madar, 15, Sarah Cohen, 15, Malka Amrusi (age not available), Yaffa Cohen (age not available), and Sarah Sofer, 15, all of Safad.

Nili Morad, 16, and Michael Sitrukh, 17, both of Hatzor, and Ilana Turgman, no age and residence given. In addition were the three members of the Cohen family in Maalot, Yaakov, 50, Fortuna, 40, and Elie, 4. Private First Class Zerach Salvian, 21, of Maalot, was killed by the terrorists' sniping during the time the children were held as hostages in the school.

DISENGAGEMENT ACCORD FADES; KISSINGER URGES ISRAEL, SYRIA TO SIGN AN 'INTERIM' AGREEMENT

By Tuvia Mendelson

JERUSALEM, May 23 (JTA)--Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger will attempt to persuade Israel and Syria to sign an "interim" agreement in an attempt to salvage disengagement before he returns to the U.S. this weekend, sources here said today. Kissinger flew back to Damascus this afternoon following a meeting of the American and Israeli negotiating teams. U.S. officials were uncertain whether the Secretary would return to Jerusalem tonight but indicated that he would return to Washington on Sunday at the latest.

Hopes that an Israeli-Syrian disengagement accord would be signed by the end of this week, or at least initiated by both sides, faded as serious obstacles developed over non-territorial issues. Information Minister Shimon Peres announced after today's negotiating meeting that the Knesset has postponed a special session which the government had requested for tomorrow morning to hear a major announcement on disengagement. He said the meeting was put off "simply because negotiations are still going on."

Foreign Minister Abba Eban, who held a surprise midnight meeting with Kissinger after he returned from Damascus last night, said today, "We still hope, but I cannot promise, that the agreement will be completed in the next few days." Damascus radio, announcing that Kissinger would return to Syria today, said the Secretary still had difficulties to overcome. One source said that when Kissinger returns to the U.S. he is expected to invite Israeli

and Syrian representatives to carry on negotiations in order to reach an agreement.

Mood Increasingly Pessimistic

The mood among officials and observers here today was increasingly pessimistic in sharp contrast to the near euphoria that prevailed Sunday when it was announced that Kissinger had achieved Israeli and Syrian agreement on a disengagement line. U.S. officials had expressed the view earlier that once the line was settled, everything else would "fall into place."

This apparently was not the case. Sharp differences have emerged in the past two days on such vital matters as the size of the proposed limited forces zones, the nature and functions of the UN presence and the methods of surveillance once an accord is reached. Peres confirmed that those were some of the topics discussed by the Israeli and U.S. negotiators today.

Artillery exchanges continued along the Golan Heights today for the 74th consecutive day of fighting on the northern front. One Israeli soldier was reported wounded.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv was evacuated for a half-hour this morning after an anonymous caller warned that a bomb was on the premises. A U.S. official said Israeli police assisted U.S. Marine guards in searching the Embassy and the adjoining American cultural center. No explosives were found.

PERES: ISRAEL'S ANSWER TO TERROR IS DEVELOPMENT

NEW YORK, May 23 (JTA)--In a special telephone message yesterday from Jerusalem, Shimon Peres, Minister of Information, urged Israel Bond leaders in 55 communities in the United States and Canada to give their answer to Maalot through more construction, development, settlement and economic expansion. Peres' remarks were relayed through a telephone hookup to meetings held simultaneously under the auspices of the Israel Bond Organization to reaffirm American Jewry's support for Israel following the tragic events at Maalot.

"Our answer to war is construction. Our answer to terror is development," Peres said. "The thing that we can do in the memory of our fallen children is to make the future of the other children a happier one, a better one, an assured one. We have to bring more Jewish people to the mountains of the Galilee, to build more settlements, to develop more industries, and to cultivate the land," he declared.

With the Information Minister on the nationwide telephone hookup were Sam Rothberg, general chairman, and Michael Arnon, president and chief executive officer of Israel Bonds. Calling for an acceleration of activity in the sale of Israel Bonds, Rothberg emphasized the importance of the campaign to enroll every Jewish family in Shomrei Israel through the purchase of a minimum of \$1000 in Israel Bonds.

"In the light of what happened at Maalot, the program for the enrollment of Shomrei Israel brings home in a very real way the full impact of serving as Guardians of Israel," he said. "Every family must be made to feel that they have a stake in strengthening Israel and making its future secure." Arnon pointed out that for the first time in its history, the State of Israel will have a Development Budget amounting to more than \$1 billion this year and that Israel Bonds will have to provide most of it.

URGE UNITY GOV'T. IN ISRAEL

LONDON, May 23 (JTA)--Leon Dulzin, acting

chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives, told the European conference of the World Union of General Zionists of which he is co-chairman, that Israel must have a government of national unity "in response to the critical times."

Addressing the two-day conference in Paris attended by delegates and guests from eight European countries and Israel, Dulzin emphatically rejected the notion spread, he said, by the Labor Alignment, that the Likud would hamper peace negotiations. He said that people who are not keen on giving away territory for nothing were not necessarily against peace negotiations. In the end, Dulzin stated, their attitude may be more conducive to peace than what he termed a spineless posture.

Jacques Torczyner, member of the Jewish Agency and co-chairman of the World Union of General Zionists, also demanded a government of national unity and called upon Zionists everywhere to make their voices heard on issues concerning the destiny of Israel "which is ultimately the destiny of the Jewish people as a whole." Delegates to the conference were from France, Britain, Switzerland, Sweden, Denmark, Austria, Holland and West Germany.

JNF ASSEMBLY HAILED BY KATZIR

NEW YORK, May 23 (JTA)--Israeli President Ephraim Katzir greeted the Jewish National Fund, which has just concluded its triennial national assembly here with an expression of "confident hope that you will enable Keren Kayemeth to perform its daily achievement in land amelioration, strategic road building and greening of the wilderness till in the prophet's words, 'the desolate land becomes the Garden of Eden and the people of Israel are redeemed.'"

Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, chairman, American Section of the World Zionist Organization, expressed her appreciation of the JNF's activities by stating: "The settlements, the roads, the forests and the groves created by the JNF helped determine the borders of the State of Israel twenty-six years ago, and they contributed significantly to the security of Israel during the Yom Kippur War. Access roads, such as that to the top of Mt. Hermon, were decisive in making it possible to repel the Syrian attack across the Golan Heights. And though the war is over, JNF still has its original peacetime role to fulfill; the redemption and reclamation of land that does not attract private buyers."

Abram Salomon, JNF executive vice-president, announced that this summer the JNF Youth and Education Dept. plans to visit some 200 summer camps with American-Israeli caravans of entertainers bringing the message of Israel. He also disclosed to the Assembly that the intake from traditional and foundation JNF endeavors for the year ending Sept. 30, 1973 was derived from 1480 localities across the nation, not 480 as previously reported.

COALITION TALKS HIT SNAG; ALLON, GALILI SAY THEY DO NOT WANT TO SERVE IN NEW GOVERNMENT

JERUSALEM, May 23 (JTA)--Yitzhak Rabin's Cabinet-building efforts ran into an 11th hour snag last night when Deputy Premier Yigal Allon and Minister-Without-Portfolio Israel Galili announced that they did not intend to serve in the new government. Rabin summoned Allon to a meeting which began after midnight and the two met again this morning. The Labor Party's Achdut Avoda faction to which both ministers belong, was trying to persuade them to change their minds today.

Rabin hopes to complete his Cabinet and present it to President Ephraim Katzir tomorrow. If he fails, he will have to ask the President for additional time. The difficulty appears to be over the successor to Defense Minister Moshe Dayan. The Achdut Avoda faction has demanded the appointment of either Allon or Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Barlev to the post. Rabin appears to have agreed to assign it to Information Minister Shimon Peres, a Rafi man. According to some sources, Rabin will try to mollify Allon by naming him Foreign Minister and assigning the Deputy Premiership to incumbent Foreign Minister Abba Eban.

The Rafi faction will meet tonight to choose a second in command to Peres who has emerged as the faction's leader after his strong showing against Rabin in the Labor Party's leadership elections two months ago. The candidates are Yitzhak Navon and Gad Ya'acobi.

5 RABBIS, MANHANDLED BY UN GUARDS, SEEK MEETING WITH SCALI

NEW YORK, May 23 (JTA)—Five rabbis who claim that they and 120 Jewish student demonstrators were manhandled by United Nations security guards who forcibly ejected them from the UN visitors lobby Monday, have asked for a meeting with Ambassador John Scali "to discuss this matter and to attempt to insure that the United Nations...does not become a forum for wholesale violation of civil rights." A spokesman at the U.S. Mission to the UN told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency this morning that the rabbis' letter, dated May 21, had not been received. The signers were Rabbis Steven Riskin, Avraham Weiss, Saul Berman, Reuben Grodner and Benjamin Blech.

Yesterday, Rabbi Berman and Rabbi Blech and a delegation of Yeshiva University students met Deputy Mayor Judah Gribetz at City Hall to protest the incident. Gribetz said he would inform Mayor Abraham D. Beame and "take appropriate action with UN authorities." The letter to Ambassador Scali contained a detailed account of what the rabbis say happened when they and the students demonstrated peacefully in the UN lobby to demand that the world organization "assert moral leadership to prevent further terror in the Middle East" in the wake of the Ma'alot and Kiryat Shmona tragedies.

"We informed the deputy chief of security that we would be willing to leave as soon as we made a statement to the press," the rabbis' letter said. "We indicated to him that we had no intention of being arrested. The demonstrators were students, many of them young women, and in the many years of demonstrations we have participated in we have always avoided violence in any form," the rabbis wrote.

Charge Guards With Brutality

They claimed in the letter that when a reporter began to interview Rabbi Weiss, the entire group was subjected to an unprovoked assault by about 30 UN guards without warning. "Many of us were brutally beaten and dragged out of the lobby. One of the students was hit at the base of his spine so severely that he could not walk. One Yeshiva University student, Michael Burr, had his hand broken by the guards; a number of the younger women, also from Yeshiva University, were treated at Beth Israel Hospital and now have their arms in slings," the letter to Scali said.

It also claimed that the guards had removed their shields before they attacked the group to

avoid identification. "We came to the United Nations seeking an end to violence and we were met with violence. Certainly the civil and human rights of American citizens does not end at the United Nations gate," the rabbis wrote.

James Finore, acting chief of security at the UN denied yesterday that the guards had used excessive violence or anti-Semitic expletives as charged by the group. According to a UN press officer, Finore said he had talked to the demonstrators for 30 minutes before they were ejected. There may have been some injuries on both sides in the struggle but all were able to leave the scene without help, Finore was quoted as saying.

JEWISH ACTIVIST, MOTHER ON WAY TO ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 23 (JTA)—Jan Krylsky and his mother, Rachel, who last week received permission from Soviet authorities to emigrate to Israel, arrived yesterday in Vienna on the way to Israel, it was reported by the National Conference on Soviet Jewry. The Soviet Jewish activist had been confined by Soviet authorities to the Sechovka mental institute. His release was due, the NCSJ said, to international pressure and to his father, Julius, who emigrated earlier to Israel. Krylsky was confined to the institute about a year ago and given "corrective treatment" for his activities in the struggle to emigrate. Krylsky, 21, had been accused by Soviet authorities of being a "militant Zionist."

In other developments, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry reported today that 34 Leningrad Jews have declared they will stage a hunger strike June 15, the anniversary of the Leningrad "hijack" arrests in 1970. The SSSJ also reported that 18 Soviet Jews were turned back by police this week as they attempted to go to Babi Yar outside Kiev to place a wreath in memory of the children killed in Ma'alot. The Jews informed the Mayor of the city in accordance with Soviet law, that they intended to visit the site May 19. When they arrived they were blocked by militia men who confiscated the wreaths and warned them not to return.

6 TERRORISTS KILLED ON GOLAN HEIGHTS

TEL AVIV, May 23 (JTA)—Six Arab terrorists who infiltrated from Syria were killed and two were captured today in a battle with an Israeli army unit near Ramat Magashim on the Golan Heights. A military spokesman said the terrorists were heavily armed and carried equipment indicating they were on a mission to seize hostages and commit sabotage. According to the spokesman, the two captured terrorists informed Israeli soldiers that six others of their group were in the vicinity.

They were discovered at about noon local time and killed. One was blown up when a shot hit a pack of explosives he was carrying. There were no Israeli casualties. Two electric loudhailers were found near the bodies, apparently to be used in negotiations after hostages were captured. Also found near the bodies were eight Kalachnikov automatic rifles, four pistols, about 30 hand grenades and two back packs containing 22 pounds of explosives, sabotage gear, transistor radios, maps, compasses and binoculars.

Defense Minister Moshe Dayan declared yesterday that no matter how many Arab terrorists, they will not be able to destroy Israel. "Even if there are 30,000 terrorists they will not prevent us from building the State of Israel," he said in a memorial service for the Ma'alot victims. "The question is," he said, "whether we are going to put up a fight or break down." The terrorists killed today were trying to retrieve the bodies of the three terrorists killed in Ma'alot and to free those in Israeli jails.

NYC WELFARE OFFICIAL PLEDGES BETTER SERVICES TO JEWISH POOR

NEW YORK, May 23 (JTA)--Rabbi David Haymovitz, director of the office of special projects of the city's Social Services Department, said today that a marathon meeting earlier this week with a wide variety of representatives of Jewish organizations was the first in a series of fact-finding meetings to enable his office to formulate recommendations for better service to the Jewish poor, particularly the aged poor.

The almost seven-hour meeting was arranged after charges were made by Sanford Solender, executive vice-president of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, that the Jewish poor, particularly Hasidic Jews, were being ignored by anti-poverty agencies and were being harassed at welfare centers by other minority groups who resented their presence. Solender aired these charges earlier this month at the biennial convention of the Workmen's Circle.

Rabbi Haymovitz, who was named director of the office a few weeks ago, said the meeting Monday was attended by representatives of the Jewish Association for Services for the Aged, the Jewish Family Service, the Jewish Community Services of Long Island, the Jewish Association for College Youth, the Federation Guidance and Employment Service--all affiliates of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies--and the New York Board of Rabbis and representatives of a number of Hasidic sects.

Max Waldgeir, first deputy commissioner of the Social Services Department who attended the meeting as an observer, had acknowledged several days earlier on Victor Riesel's WEVD "Talk of New York" program that Jews, especially Hasidic Jews, "don't know how to navigate in the system," but added, "That is being changed." On the same program, Waldgeir defended his department against charges made during the course of the program by Solender and Jerome Becker, president of the New York Metropolitan Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty, that Jews, particularly in multi-racial areas, were harassed at welfare centers and that, in one case, a child welfare center in Brooklyn was being phased out despite protests by Jewish residents in the area. He said that whatever had happened before "would now be rectified."

Comprehensive Information Still Lacking

Rabbi Haymovitz told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that despite many studies made in recent years under Jewish auspices concerning the problems of the Jewish poor in getting access to government aid, he felt that there was not sufficiently comprehensive information for his office to make detailed recommendations to the Human Resources Administration for efforts to resolve the problems.

He said he was aware of the problems of elderly Jews living in neglect in deteriorated areas of the city and of those poor Jews living outside the city's 26 designated poverty areas who were neglected in city poverty aid programs for that reason. But, he added, he believed there was still a gap between available information and the kind of comprehensive, city-wide detailed data needed to make recommendations to the HRA, the city's super-agency which handles welfare and anti-poverty programs.

Rabbi Haymovitz said the task of his office was to obtain an "overview" of the city's entire welfare program and that the action planned for the Jewish poor was part of the total program.

He said his office would meet in about two weeks with representatives of local Jewish community councils to continue to gather the facts he said were needed.

Role Of OEO Assailed

During the WEVD program last Friday, Solender criticized the Office of Economic Opportunity programs with the assertion that "Jews did not get elected to boards of so-called community corporations," the agencies elected in each of the 26 poverty areas to receive and dispense funds for anti-poverty projects. Solender also charged that "Jews are not considered a minority under OEO regulations; Yiddish is not considered a minority language; welfare centers are inadequately staffed and not well located; and there are long waits and elderly Jews are harassed by other people waiting."

He noted that the Federation was an amicus curiae in a suit against the New York State Department of Welfare to force all centers to be more adequately staffed and to be located in better access areas. Becker said the coordinating council he heads had an application pending for \$800,000 "and with OEO funds coming to an end, what will happen to those poor Jews whom we have been able to help?" Waldgeir responded that he would not comment on the pending application and said the city was in an economic crunch.

3 U.S. JEWISH COMMUNAL LEADERS, 1 ISRAELI PUBLISHER APPOINTED TO JTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NEW YORK, May 23 (JTA)--Three prominent American Jewish communal leaders and a prominent Israeli publisher have been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, it was announced here by William M. Landau, JTA president. The four are Noah Mozes, publisher of one of Israel's largest dailies, Yediot Achronot; Marvin Schapiro, communal leader in Baltimore; Jacques Torczyner, chairman of the World Jewish Congress-American Section, member of the Jewish Agency and chairman of the administrative board of the Zionist Organization of America; and Paul Zuckerman, of Detroit, general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

In making the announcement, Landau stated that the appointment of these four Jewish leaders "once again underscores the role of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency as a world-wide news agency and its response to the needs and developments both within Israel and Jewish communities in the diaspora." Landau also announced that a special meeting of the JTA Board of Directors will be held in Jerusalem on June 19, the first meeting of any JTA Board in the Jewish State.

PARIS (JTA)--Radio broadcasts in Yiddish in Rumania appear to have increased, French sources here report. Judging from radio programs out of Bucharest reaching Paris, one can hear Yiddish broadcasts twice daily with a large selection of wave lengths.

BONN (JTA)--Nine Israeli firms will be at the big textile exhibition, "Interstoff" due to take place in Frankfurt from May 27-30. This will be the third time Israel has been represented. The main fabrics on show will be threads, fibers, materials, cottons, as well as materials for men's suits. Last year Israel's exports to the Federal Republic in this branch were worth 10 million DM. The heads of the firms represented are likely to attend the exhibitions themselves.

NEW YORK (JTA)--Izvestia, the Soviet official paper, condemned the Maalot massacre, stating, "terror against peaceful citizens is not a weapon of a just struggle even in the name of the most just cause."