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3 TERRORISTS KILLED WHEN THEY TRY TO INFILTRATE ISRAEL FROM JORDAN By Yitzhak Shargil and David Landau

TEL AVIV, May 18 (JTA)--Israeli forces intercepted and killed three terrorists who tried to infiltrate Israeli territory from Jordan last night. A military spokesman said the terrorists came from a base in Syria. He said that contact was made shortly before midnight north of the Adam Bridge across the Jordan River.

The infiltrators were detected by an Israeli patrol and killed in a brief exchange of gunfire. Three Kalachnikov assault rifles, a silencer and other equipment were found on the bodies. There were no Israeli casualties. The encounter was the first in seven months with terrorists using Jordan as a corridor to enter Israel. The last such incident occurred south of the Dead Sea.

Meanwhile, new tension gripped East Jerusalem this afternoon as funeral services were held for 21-year-old Mahmoud Kurd who was fatally wounded by Israeli security forces this morning when disturbances erupted inside the Old City walls. The funeral turned into an Arab protest march. Border police fired two tear gas canisters to disperse a crowd of milling youngsters.

According to a police spokesman, Kurd was hit when a police patrol fired warning shots after being pelted with stones in an Old City alley. He was rushed to a hospital where he died.

Heavy Security On West Bank

Heavy security measures remained in force on the West Bank and East Jerusalem following widespread disturbances that began last Friday. Curfews were in effect in Nablus, Jenin, Balta and other towns in the Samaria region. Re-enforced units patrolled the Old City of Jerusalem following several stone-throwing incidents by Arab youths and a partial strike by merchants. No new incidents were reported on the West Bank or East Jerusalem today.

Bombing Victim Dies

Funeral services were held on the Mount of Olives yesterday for Mrs. Clara Genis, 32, who died Sunday of injuries she received when a terrorist bomb exploded in downtown Jerusalem on May 3, the eve of Memorial Day. Mrs. Genis, an immigrant from Colombia, was the only fatality among the 33 persons hurt in the blast. She was the mother of a three-week-old daughter.

AUSTRIA CONSIDERING PURCHASE OF ISRAELI-MADE JET INTERCEPTOR 'KFIR'

VIENNA, May 18 (JTA)--Chancellor Bruno Kreisky confirmed today that Austria was considering the purchase of the Israel-made jet interceptor "Kfir" as part of a program to modernize its obsolete airforce. "We are thinking over an offer to buy Israeli fighters of the Kfir type" but "these plans, however, are still in the planning stage," Kreisky said. He added that "there is a lot of other equipment we need more urgently for our army but we will check the Israeli offer very closely."

The "Kfir" is the first combat plane designed and manufactured in Israel. It was planned after

the Six-Day War to replace Mirage jets cut off by the French embargo and is produced by Israel Aircraft Industries.

Reports that Austria may buy the plane appeared this week in Kronen Zeitung. According to the paper, a three-man Austrian delegation would visit Israel shortly to inspect the Kfir. Israel Aircraft Industries, meanwhile, refused to comment on reports that the Israeli government has offered to sell Austria 20 of the jets on very favorable terms. Circles close to the firm contended that the report was leaked by unfriendly elements in order to invite Arab pressure against the deal.

Kreisky reportedly told a delegation of Israeli industrialists visiting Vienna that quality, price and suitability alone would determine the fate of the transaction. He stressed that Austria would not bow to political pressures.

TURKEY NOT LIKELY TO BREAK DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL By Maurice Samuelson

LONDON, May 18 (JTA)--Turkey is not likely to break diplomatic relations with Israel despite a call for such an action by the Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference in Istanbul last week. Informed Middle East sources here point out that Israel and Turkey enjoy full diplomatic relations. Missions in each country are headed by ministers, and the Israeli envoy in Ankara enjoys the personal rank of ambassador.

The operative sentence in the Istanbul communique said that "the conference calls on all countries to consider their responsibilities, in particular to refrain from helping Israel, to break off relations with it." While Turkey may possibly "consider" the matter, as the communique requires, a decision to carry it out is regarded at best as "highly premature."

While eager to gather Third World and Arab support over the Cyprus issue, Turkey remains a member of NATO, considers Middle East problems in a broad context, and has always made a point of having relations with both sides in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

SHIPPING BUREAU CHARGED BY ADL WITH BIAS AGAINST 2 JEWISH JOB APPLICANTS FOR POSTS IN ARAB COUNTRIES AGREES TO PAY THE PAIR \$10,000

NEW YORK, May 18 (JTA)--An Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith complaint charging a division of the American Bureau of Shipping with "discrimination against two American Jewish applicants for engineering posts with ABS operations in Arab countries" has been settled--with the ABS agreeing to pay a total of \$10,500 and to "immediately seek out and offer positions" to the pair.

The settlement, believed to be the first of its kind, was signed by the complainants, Erika Wagner of Manhattan and Leonard Messer of Elmont, attorneys for ADL, for ABS Worldwide Technical Services, Inc., and for the New York State Division of Human Rights, which handled the case.

In addition to paying Ms. Wagner \$6500 and

Messer \$4000 and agreeing to offer them jobs "for which they are qualified by reason of training and experience...at the prevailing rate of pay," the ABS subsidiary also pledged that:

"All recruitment processes, hiring, employment terms and conditions and changes therein shall be maintained and conducted in a manner which does not discriminate nor have the effect of discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, marital status, age or disability."

"In making selections or referrals for overseas employment (ABS Tech) will not take into account any exclusionary policies of a host country...All individuals will be considered and selected solely on the basis of merit..."

"(ABS Tech) shall affirmatively recruit and seek out Jews and females as employees particularly in those occupations and those areas of employment where Jews and females are now under-represented...respondents shall advise its present recruitment sources, and its own personnel assigned to recruitment that applications from Jews and females are welcome. Respondent shall also utilize sources for advertisement which shall particularly reach Jews and females such as news papers and magazines aimed at such readership."

"(ABS Tech) shall cooperate with the State Division of Human Rights in any compliance review of this matter..."

Second Successful Case

Bernard A. Kuttner, chairman of ADL's discriminations committee and attorney in the case, noted that the settlement marks the second successful conclusion this year of ADL actions instituted around the country to stop Arab-inspired, anti-Jewish discrimination in employment.

The first, reached in January, settled ADL's complaint against International Schools Services, Inc., a Princeton, N.J.-based worldwide teacher recruiting agency. The ADL had charged ISS with issuing job orders on behalf of the United Arab Emirate State of Dubai which barred employment of any teacher with "a Jewish surname, or who is an American Jew or who has Jewish ancestors." That conciliation agreement did not involve a monetary consideration.

Reached by the New Jersey Division on Civil Rights, it stipulated that ISS "will not deny employment to Jewish Americans" and will "place special emphasis" upon assigning Jews to locations where they are not presently employed:

MENDES-FRANCE WARNS ISRAEL TO FIND 'CREDIBLE' INITIATIVE BEFORE END OF YEAR OR FACE IMPOSED SOLUTION IN 1977

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, May 18 (JTA)--Pierre Mendes-France has warned Israel that it must come up with a "credible" peace initiative before the end of this year or face an imposed solution after the American Presidential elections which could possibly amount to a "new Munich."

The former French Premier, who returned last week from a visit to Israel where he conferred with its leaders, stressed, in an interview published yesterday in Nouvelle Observateur, that no solution to the Middle East conflict can be found unless "the Palestinians have the same right as the Israelis to be independent, to have a country and to decide on what concerns them without any foreign intervention."

Mendes-France, one of the three Jews who have served as the Prime Minister of France, predicted

that: "As soon as the Lebanese crisis is settled and the American elections are over, Israel will have to face a terrible end of term. This is why I hope with all my strength that Israel will take the initiative to avoid a new Munich. An Israeli offer is far preferable to an imposed solution even if both are similar" (in their terms), he said.

According to the French statesman, "Israel must create a new situation" and "to achieve this, it must make a significant gesture" such as "telling the Palestinians that there are no obstacles to their freedom and their rights."

Regarded As An 11th Hour Appeal

Mendes-France criticized both sides in the Middle East conflict--the Arabs for proclaiming their desire to destroy Israel and Israel for establishing settlements in Arab territory. "Continuing to propose nothing clear and credible, nothing which can give hope that a solution is possible, is handing over the situation to extremists, fanatics and irresponsible people who content themselves with recalling yesterday's sufferings and martyrdom," he warned.

The former Premier, who negotiated France's withdrawal from Indo-China in 1955, observed that "There is no example of a people fighting for its independence and failing to win it" during the past generation. He referred to Indo-China, Algeria, Madagascar and Angola. He warned that the next American Administration, no matter who wins the election, will "not bother with subtleties" and will impose a Middle East solution, probably with the Soviet Union's help.

Sources close to Nouvelle Observateur, a liberal weekly, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that Mendes-France regarded his interview as an 11th hour appeal to Israel and world Jewish opinion by a person whose pro-Israel sentiments are beyond question.

RIVLIN SAYS JEWISH AGENCY REDUCED EXPENSES, ELIMINATED 700 JOBS By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, May 18 (JTA)--Moshe Rivlin, director general of the Jewish Agency, reported that a substantial reduction of expenses has been effected since a savings and efficiency committee was appointed by the Agency Executive two years ago. He said that cut-backs are continuing in an effort to avoid waste and duplication.

Rivlin told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency yesterday that the Jewish Agency has 411 fewer employees than it had two years ago. He said that 700 jobs had been eliminated and 400 employees were retrenched in the past year alone. But the net reduction in personnel amounted to only 100 last year because 300 new employees were hired. Rivlin explained that the new employees were engaged only after a thorough examination by the efficiency committee determined that they were essential.

He cited as additional cost-cutting measures a 25 percent reduction in mileage allowances for Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization employees required to travel; a reduction in missions abroad by WZO officials; and a half million dollar saving in the operation of the Agency's European offices. Rivlin also noted that all publications in connection with Israel's 28th Independence Day celebrations were published by a single office to eliminate duplication. The efficiency committee, appointed by Leon Dulzsin while he was Jewish Agency and WZO Executives acting chairman, is headed by Moshe Haskel.

**W.H.O. REJECTS OWN SPECIAL COMMITTEE
REPORT DEALING WITH ISRAELI HEALTH
CARE QUALITY FOR WEST BANK ARABS**
Report Had Praised, Faulted Israel;
Motion To Reject Report Made By India

GENEVA, May 18 (JTA)--The World Health Organization has rejected a report by a special fact-finding committee of its own creation which both praised and faulted Israel on the quality of health care for the Arab population on the occupied West Bank. Led by an Arab-Soviet bloc, the WHO annual assembly voted 65-18 yesterday in favor of a motion by India to shelve the report without considering it. The United States, Canada, Japan and most West European countries opposed the motion. France and Italy were among the 14 nations that abstained.

The U.S. representative, Dr. S. Paul Erlich Jr. noted later that this was the first time in his experience "that we have failed to consider a document submitted to the assembly." The Israeli representative, Eytan Ronn, denounced the proceedings as a "kangaroo court."

The report was submitted by a committee of three health experts from Rumania, Senegal and Indonesia. The WHO assembly selected those countries in 1973 to form a special committee to investigate health conditions in Israel-occupied territory.

Israel opposed the panel on grounds that it had formal diplomatic relations with only one of the members--Rumania. Subsequently, however, Israel authorities permitted the delegates to carry out their investigation on the West Bank on an individual basis. The three later prepared a joint report in Geneva.

What The Report Said

It stated that there has been a "slow but steady" improvement in health conditions in the territories administered by Israel since 1967 and cited better treatment and prevention of illness and a decrease in communicable diseases. On the other hand, the report noted that nursing care remained "inadequate both numerically and in terms of quality" and that "apparent or real deficiencies" existed in the supply of drugs, instruments and equipment.

The committee also reported that while there was no appreciable increase in the number of hospitals and hospital beds in the territories, the reorganization of hospital departments and the creation of new ones represented "a step forward" in that "a considerable number of dispensaries and health centers had been established in the occupied territories."

The report was critical of what it described as the "divorce between curative and preventive activities" in the public health sector and concluded that the Arab population could not be assured of a "state of complete physical, mental and social well being."

Even though it contained such elements critical of Israel, sharp Arab opposition to the report was predicted when it was submitted earlier this month. India moved for its rejection yesterday on grounds that the three experts had visited the territories on an individual basis and therefore "did not conform to the mandate" given the committee by the assembly. Rumania, Senegal and Indonesia voted for the Indian motion, in effect repudiating the experts of their own selection.

BEIGIN CHARGES PLO PLOT ON WEST BANK

NEW YORK, May 18 (JTA)--Menachem Beigin, a leader of the Likud, charged today that the dis-

turbances in the West Bank are not spontaneous and that "the so-called PLO is behind them." But the Israeli opposition leader declared that although the incidents are "sad and regrettable" they are only passing phases.

Addressing a luncheon at the American Jewish Committee headquarters, Beigin stated that Israel does not want to cause any loss of life in the West Bank. He added that the use of arms by the Israeli soldiers "is in self-defense."

Beigin said that there is "a community of interest between Israel and all free nations to prevent the establishment of a Soviet base in an 'Arafatan state' in the heart of the Middle East." Beigin warned that an "Arafatan state" in the West Bank will turn immediately to a Soviet military base which will be "the most dangerous Soviet base in the world" in view of the strategic importance of the Mideast.

Declaring that Judea and Samaria "must never be returned to a foreign rule," Beigin said that Jewish settlements there should be established because "it is our land by right" and has a significant importance to the security and survival of the Jewish State. (By Yitzhak Rabi)

LOUIS E. LEVINthal DEAD AT 84

NEW YORK, May 18 (JTA)--Louis E. Levinthal, a former judge in Philadelphia and a former chairman of the board of governors of the Hebrew University, died Sunday in Jerusalem at the age of 84. A native of Philadelphia, Levinthal was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in that city from 1937-59, after which he returned to private practice. He was a special advisor on Jewish affairs to Gen. Lucius Clay and the European command from 1947 to 1948. He received his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Levinthal was also a former president of the Zionist Organization of America and a member of the publications committee of the Jewish Publication Society of America. He was the author of several books including: "Land Laws of Turkey" (1916); "Early History of Bankruptcy Law" (1918); "Mayer Sulzberger, PJ" (1927) and "Credo of an American Zionist" and "Justice Louis D. Brandeis," both in 1942.

COUNCIL DEBATE DUE TO RESUME

UNITED NATIONS, May 18 (JTA)--The Security Council is expected to resume deliberations tomorrow afternoon on the situation on the West Bank. According to unconfirmed reports, an Egyptian-initiated draft resolution was accepted at a meeting of Arab delegates today. No details were available on the nature of the resolution. It is understood, however, that Egypt is anxious to conclude the debate this week. The Security Council convened more than two weeks ago at the urgent request of Egypt to debate the current unrest on the West Bank. While it is still officially in session, debate was suspended because of disagreement among the Arab delegates on the nature of their resolution.

UNITED NATIONS (JTA)--Prof. Ranan Weitz, head of the Jewish Agency's settlement department, is among experts from 20 countries who arrived here Monday at the invitation of the United Nations Secretariat to discuss integrated rural development. Other experts invited represent the United States, India, Egypt and countries in Europe, Latin America and Africa.

20,000 YOUNGSTERS PARTICIPATE IN LUBAVITCH-SPONSORED LAG B'OMER AND YEAR OF TORAH EDUCATION FESTIVITIES

NEW YORK, May 18 (JTA)--In connection with the "Year of Torah Education" proclaimed by the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, world leader of the Lubavitch movement, some 20,000 Jewish boys and girls participated in a huge parade and outing under the banner "Saluting Torah Education" and as part of the Lag B'Omer holiday.

The Lag B'Omer parade was sponsored by the National Council of Mesivot Shabbos, a division of Merkos L'Imyonel Chinuch--the educational arm of the Lubavitcher movement.

The day of Lag B'Omer, the 33rd day of the 50 days counted from the Exodus from Egypt to the receiving of Torah at Mt. Sinai, has been celebrated for nearly 1900 years as that day which marked the cessation of a horrible plague in which thousands of Rabbi Akiva's students died.

It also marks the Yahrzeit of the great Tannaic sage, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai, author of the "Zohar"--the basic Cabalistic work--who, together with his son Eliezer, hid in a cave for 13 years to escape persecution by the Romans. It has since become a day in which it is customary for children to go out in the fields and rejoice with their teachers.

The parade began in Brooklyn at the site of the Lubavitcher movement's world headquarters. The children gathered at this point, having been transported by buses from all parts of the city and surrounding states. They were addressed by prominent Torah personalities about the significance of Lag B'Omer and the importance of receiving a true Torah education. Rabbi Schneerson declared: "Whether they be young in age or young in the sense that they possess only a meager knowledge of Yiddishkeit, all must be provided with a Torah education."

Police Close Street To Traffic

With special permission from the New York City Police Department, Eastern Parkway, where the Lubavitcher headquarters is located, was closed to all traffic to facilitate adequate area for the assembled crowds. The children then marched along Eastern Parkway accompanied by a number of professional marching bands. Some 50 40-foot floats made up a part of the parade, each portraying in an animated fashion historical Jewish events.

Thousands of banners, placards, high flying balloons, and giant modules trooped by the reviewing stand. Sound trucks were stationed along the parade route pouring out lively Hasidic songs to create a joyful mood amongst the spectators.

The parade culminated in a nearby park where thousands of prizes were distributed, with something for each child. The grand prize was a free trip to Israel. Picnic lunch was served free of charge, and the children were entertained by a musical variety show and a circus animal act. The fun and excitement, centered around the theme of promoting Torah education and Torah consciousness, lasted on into the afternoon at which point the children were bussed home.

JEWISH HOMES HIT BY KKK CROSS

LOS ANGELES, May 18 (JTA)--Klu Klux Klan-style burnings and anti-Semitic scrawlings were found at the homes of four Jewish families in the San Fernando Valley during the weekend.

Police said one family had a cross burned on the front lawn, another had a Star of David burned into the lawn and two other families found anti-Semitic scrawlings and swastikas spray-painted on garage doors. This was the latest in a series of cross burnings over the last two weeks, which started with acts against Black families living in white neighborhoods. Police believe many of the incidents are the work of young pranksters.

U.S. CHESS FEDERATION TO BOYCOTT ARAB GAMES; WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE ISRAELI OLYMPIAD NEXT FALL

NEW YORK, May 18 (JTA)--The United States Chess Federation, which originally intended not to participate in this fall's international chess olympiad in Israel, reversed its decision after the Arabs announced that they would sponsor an "Against Israel Chess Olympic" in Tripoli, Libya to coincide with the olympiad in Israel Oct. 24-Nov. 15. At the same time, the USCF said it would not participate in the Arab games. Both decisions were taken Sunday during the USCF board meeting in Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

E.B. Edmondson, the USCF director, termed the Arab-sponsored games "the greatest potential danger to the goals and existence of the International Chess Federation." According to USCF officials, the Arab Libyan Chess Federation would pay the travel costs of participants to Tripoli plus \$8 daily during the 23-day event.

B'NAI B'RITH HOLDS BICENTENNIAL FETE

PHILADELPHIA, May 18 (JTA)--A B'nai B'rith-sponsored Bicentennial commemoration of religious liberty was celebrated here Sunday with a reminder that American freedoms "remain forever fragile, easily splintered and lost" by community indifference.

"The Jew who fails to exercise his freedom to be affirmatively Jewish--who treats it passively--is denying, not defending, religious freedom," B'nai B'rith President David M. Blumberg told a slimmed-down audience that withstood murky skies and showers during the outdoor exercises in this city's Fairmount Park.

The occasion was a rededication of the statue of religious liberty, a public monument by the celebrated Jewish sculptor Moses Ezekiel, which B'nai B'rith had commissioned and presented 100 years ago as a gift to the nation during America's Centennial celebration.

Mrs. Kaygey Kash, president of B'nai B'rith Women, representatives of the Catholic, Protestant and Jewish clergy, civic officials and Jewish communal and B'nai B'rith leaders took part in ceremonies that were interrupted by intermittent downpours. An expected attendance of several thousand was diminished by the inclement weather. Citations to the 133-year-old B'nai B'rith for its historic roles in advancing religious freedoms were presented by the state of Pennsylvania and the city of Philadelphia.

LONDON (JTA)--The 10th Conference of European Rabbis, which was attended by almost 100 Orthodox rabbis from Europe, Israel and the U.S., adopted resolutions denouncing the UN anti-Zionist resolution, called for solidarity with Israel, reasserted the indivisibility of Jerusalem and called on the Soviet government to permit emigration and to grant its Jewish citizens the right to pursue their religious, cultural and communal aspirations.