

BEHIND THE HEADLINES:**LAST WEEK'S TERRORIST ATTACK MAY BE SIGN OF CHANGE IN PALESTINIAN TACTICS**

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Israel's self-confidence has been badly shaken by the terrorist attack last Wednesday night in which a lone assailant managed to kill six soldiers and wound seven before he himself was gunned down.

One lesson immediately learned from the incident is that Palestinian tactics have changed. The popular image of the terrorist as a coward who will only attack unarmed civilians -- women and children -- has suffered a jolt.

Last week's suicide mission proved that some terrorists at least are ready to go up against the "invincible" Israel Defense Force itself, and not simply by stabbing a soldier in a crowded marketplace. The terrorist who sailed over the electrified fences of the Lebanon-Israel border in a hang-glider powered by a small bicycle motor, showed daring worthy of IDF commandos.

The terrorists demonstrated they are capable of careful planning and have good intelligence. The single raider landed within easy walking distance of an IDF military encampment and he chose to attack it rather than the town of Kiryat Shemona a few miles to the west.

He caught the IDF off-guard and inflicted serious casualties in a short time. They might have been much worse had a second terrorist not landed his glider in the southern Lebanon security zone, just short of the Israel border. He was found and killed by an IDF search patrol alerted after the initial attack.

Soul-Searching In The IDF

The IDF high command is doing some serious soul-searching. Lack of preparedness and, much worse, complacency, was evident at the military camp in upper Galilee. Some observers have likened the local situation to that which prevailed before the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

Gen. Dan Shomron, the IDF chief of staff, and Gen. Yossi Peled, commander of the northern sector, have admitted publicly that something was terribly wrong with the way the security system functioned, or failed to function.

A division commander, whose unit was the one attacked, has already prepared his letter of resignation, it was reported Sunday. Other heads are expected to roll in the senior ranks of the IDF.

But while the military is apparently prepared to acknowledge its mistakes and evaluate the painful lessons, the political echelons so far have only pointed their fingers at Syria as the culprit ultimately responsible for the attack.

Shomron told military correspondents Friday there was no doubt that the attack was carried out by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, a small terrorist group headed by Ahmed Jabril. It is known to operate under Syrian protection and is considered unlikely to have mounted the commando attack without Syrian approval and probably complicity.

But the operation's success cannot be attributed to Syria. The Palestinians have demon-

strated a new sophisticated capability. In short, the nature of the enemy appears to be changing and this has political as well as military implications, though no senior political figure has commented on this in public.

Awad Case Indicates New Tactics

Palestinian tactics also appear to be changing in the administered territories, and this appears to have caught Israel off-guard as well. The most recent indication of this is the case of Dr. Mubarak Awad, a Jerusalem-born Palestinian who is the leading advocate of non-violent resistance to Israel's occupation of the administered territories.

Israel claims that Awad, an American citizen, encourages sabotage, and was about to expel him from the country on Nov. 20. But authorities postponed the deportation order after the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv intervened and a State Department spokesman in Washington extolled Awad as a force for peace.

The Israelis said they did not want to create friction with Washington while Premier Yitzhak Shamir was visiting the United States. But it is apparent that the authorities here are at a loss to cope with Awad's line of peaceful resistance, which amounts in fact to advocacy of civil disobedience.

The political authorities may also be overlooking the implications of last week's terrorist attack on the attitude of the mass of Palestinians in Israel and in the territories. Arabic newspapers in East Jerusalem declined to comment editorially on the incident, apparently to avoid censorship.

But the story of the attack and the IDF casualties dominated the front pages. There were bold headlines in blue print and maps with arrows defining the area where the attack was carried out.

The Jerusalem Post quoted a Palestinian observer Sunday as saying the glider attack was a source of satisfaction to the Palestinian population, without the uneasiness that accompanied past terrorist attacks on civilians.

BONN OFFICIALS PRESENT ARGENTINA WITH DOCUMENTS ON SCHWAMMBERGER
By David Kantor

BONN, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- A representative of the federal prosecutor's office arrived in Buenos Aires Friday with a mass of documentary evidence it is hoped will speed the extradition of Josef Schwammberger to stand trial in West Germany on charges of murdering thousands of Jews in Poland during World War II.

A Justice Ministry spokesman said the documents should help make a positive identification of Schwammberger and link him to killings and atrocities in the ghettos and slave labor camps of Przemsyl, Rozwadow, Stalowa-Woda and the concentration camp in Mielec.

But the authorities here acknowledge there may be difficulties. The main obstacle is that Schwammberger holds Argentine citizenship. Bonn hopes the Argentine authorities can find a way to strip him of his rights as a citizen by proving that he lied about his Nazi activities when he

applied for a passport around 1950. This is the method used by the United States Department of Justice against suspected war criminals who obtained American citizenship by falsifying their past.

According to Justice Ministry officials here, the Argentine government has promised to do everything possible to facilitate the extradition of Schwammberger.

The former Nazi was arrested in Cordoba province in northern Argentina last month on the basis of information provided by several sources, including Simon Wiesenthal's war crimes documentation center in Vienna and the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Center.

Argentine Court To Hear Case

The case will soon go before a court in Buenos Aires, where the additional dossiers provided by West Germany will be presented in evidence. But this might be delayed by Schwammberger's alleged poor health. He was admitted to a prison infirmary last week after complaining of chest pains.

Schwammberger, now 75, was arrested in Austria in 1945. But he escaped to South America in 1948, possibly with the aid of the underground Nazi rescue network known as "Odessa." He entered Argentina two years later under his own name and was employed by a German company, Siemens.

An arrest warrant for Schwammberger was issued in 1973 by a court in Stuttgart, West Germany. He is expected to stand trial there after extradition.

RADIO AND TV JOURNALISTS, HOSPITAL DOCTORS END STRIKES By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Two seven-week strikes that inconvenienced the public ended Friday.

Journalists of the Israel Broadcasting Authority (IBA) agreed to return to work, capping 51 days of radio silence and television-screen blackout. And the physicians at Kupat Holim sick-fund hospitals are back in full force, allowing the hospitals to return to normal after seven weeks of reduced Sabbath schedules.

The journalists' decision was apparently spurred by the public's desire for information about the terrorist attack last Wednesday in the Galilee. The journalists had sought salary increases.

The agreement reached Thursday night between the strikers and the IBA directorate calls for the strikers to join arbitration proceedings, with IBA director general Uri Porat postponing his reorganization plans and submitting those proposals to the journalists for their full consideration and comments before any new steps are initiated.

Television viewers are looking forward to the next episode of the "Dynasty" series next week. They were left, more than seven weeks ago, with Alexis and Crystal locked in a blazing house, without knowing who set the blaze and who (inevitably) will save them from the "longest fire in Israel's history."

But at least one man said he would not be listening Friday night, when the broadcasts were to resume. Knesset member Avraham Verdiger of the Orthodox Morasha party protested to the Cabinet that resumption of broadcasts comes

"precisely as the holy Sabbath begins. Why not wait until the Sabbath ends?" he asked.

The doctors have agreed to end their job action, and the Histadrut management has agreed to institute second shifts in operating rooms and clinics in return for extra salaries for doctors working the extra hours.

The doctors say about 30,000 patients await elective surgery, while the management claims 10,000. But whatever the number, most will now be treated in a matter of weeks.

POLAND AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA GRANT EL AL AIR RIGHTS TO AIRSPACE By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Poland and Czechoslovakia have given permission to Israeli commercial planes to fly through their airspace, lifting a ban imposed when those countries broke diplomatic relations with Israel during the 1967 Six-Day War.

One result will be to shorten El Al's flights between Tel Aviv and Copenhagen by 20 minutes, the airline announced Sunday. El Al will soon introduce new Boeing 757 aircraft on this and other routes. The new planes, which can seat 191 passengers, will replace the Boeing 707s now in use.

Israel and Poland took the first steps toward re-establishing diplomatic ties last summer, when Israel opened an interest section in Warsaw and Poland opened one in Tel Aviv. Interest sections are the lowest level of diplomatic representation.

There has been no such move to date between Israel and Czechoslovakia.

PAPER SAYS JORDAN CAPTURED TWO ISRAELI SOLDIERS ON SPY MISSION By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Two Israel Defense Force officers were arrested in Jordan early this month and are under interrogation for espionage, according to the Abu Dhabi newspaper Al-Ithad, quoted by Maariv Sunday.

The IDF has disclaimed any knowledge of such incident.

The report said the officers, when captured, said they were on their way to explore the ruins of the ancient Nabatean city of Petra in Jordan. They admitted they were in the country illegally, but insisted their purpose was innocent.

The timing of their trip, on Nov. 6, two days before the Arab summit conference opened in Amman, Jordan, has convinced the Jordanian counterintelligence agencies that the Israelis were on their way to plant intelligence-gathering devices, Al-Ithad reported.

Petra was built some 2,000 years ago, carved from the red rock walls of the eastern side of the Jordan rift, between the Dead Sea and the Gulf of Eilat. It has long been an attraction for Israeli hikers and archaeologists, a number of whom have been killed in attempts to visit the ruins.

In the early 1950s, the Israeli authorities banned a popular song, "The Red Rock," which was thought to encourage adventurous Israeli youngsters to make the dangerous trip.

If two IDF officers did indeed hike to Petra, they may have been inspired by a recent Jordanian television documentary about the discovery of Petra by a British explorer in the 19th century.

ALL 100 SENATORS URGE REAGAN TO PUSH GORBACHEV ON HUMAN RIGHTS

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- All 100 members of the Senate have signed a letter to President Reagan urging him to continue to "keep the subject of human rights high on the agenda" at his summit meeting with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

The letter is "a statement from the full U.S. Senate that this issue cannot be swept under the rug," according to Sen. Lawton Chiles (D-Fla.), who initiated the letter along with Sens. Richard Lugar (R-Ind.), Paul Sarbanes (D-Md.) and Arlen Specter (R-Pa.).

The senators suggested to Reagan that when he meets with Gorbachev on Dec. 8 he may want to describe the massive rally that is to be held here Dec. 6 in support of Soviet Jewry.

They noted the Washington mobilization on the eve of the summit will deliver the message that "we will not turn our back on the plight of the Jewish minority and others in the Soviet Union who are denied their human rights."

While noting that they are "encouraged by positive steps taken recently by the Soviet government," the senators stressed that "we remain concerned that harassment of activists continues and that emigration figures are still far below expectations."

"We are also concerned about the apparent increase in refusals based on alleged possession of 'state secrets,' often in cases where security clearance was never held or had long since expired," the letter said.

It urged Reagan to "continue pressing Secretary Gorbachev, as you have done in the past, on the Soviet human rights record and the emigration process."

"It is imperative that we remind the Soviet government, as signatories to numerous international accords, of their obligations to uphold human rights and freedoms for all citizens of the Soviet Union."

B'NAI B'RITH CANADA LEAGUE ORDERED TO PAY HEAVY FINES IN DEFAMATION SUIT

By Ben Kayfetz

TORONTO, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- A six-person jury in Winnipeg has awarded 400,000 Canadian dollars (U.S. \$305,000) to a former candidate for Parliament who sued B'nai B'rith Canada for defamation.

This is regarded as one of the largest such awards in Canadian legal history. The group plans to appeal.

Luba Fedorkiw, who ran for the Progressive Conservative Party in Winnipeg during the 1984 general election, sued the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada after a local newspaper reported the league was investigating allegations that she had made anti-Semitic comments.

The newspaper, the Winnipeg Sun, was not charged. Of the fine, \$175,000 (Canadian) was for damage to reputation and \$225,000 (Canadian) was for punitive damages.

The report appeared in the Sun on July 10, 1984 after Fedorkiw's nomination and less than two months before the election date. She was defeated by David Orlikow of the New Democratic Party, a longtime incumbent.

The league's investigation eventually revealed no evidence of anti-Semitism, and the organization made this public, but this apparently had no effect on the outcome of the court case.

"A sad precedent," "ridiculous," "unbelievable," "the cure worse than the illness," were some of the phrases and descriptions used by the Winnipeg Sun in an editorial the day following judgment.

There was no proof, it said, that the report affected Fedorkiw's chance of election. B'nai B'rith Canada, said the editorial, was being "punished for merely doing its job."

"The amount of damages," said the Sun, was "staggering."

Matin Boroditsky, a former member of B'nai B'rith's executive board in Winnipeg, testified for the plaintiffs at the trial and is alleged to have leaked the investigation to the Sun. He said he hopes the award will force B'nai B'rith to re-examine its procedures.

"Maybe this will make them realize they are not a Jewish human rights commission. . . and have no absolute powers," he said.

Lyle Smordin, chairman of the League for Human Rights in Winnipeg, said the league sees no need to change its procedures other than "keeping things in the strictest of confidence."

U.N. PARTITION DAY PASSES WITH LITTLE VIOLENCE

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Sporadic disturbances in the administered territories Sunday marked the 40th anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly resolution to partition Palestine into Jewish and Arab states.

The anniversary has always been an occasion for unrest among the Palestinian population. But there were no serious incidents Sunday. The only reported casualty was a resident of the Balata refugee camp near Nablus, who was shot and wounded by Israeli soldiers when he ignored an order to halt.

There were several rock-throwing incidents. Security forces used tear gas to disperse a demonstration by Palestinian youths at the Askar refugee camp near Nablus. Students at some schools in Nablus and Hebron boycotted their classes. Elsewhere, Arab merchants refused to open their shops.

In Israel proper, an explosive charge found in the Gilo neighborhood of Jerusalem was safely dismantled. A roadblock was put up by unknown parties near the Arab village of Meghar in Galilee, a rare occurrence in Israel.

PRE-HISTORIC HUMAN BONES UNEARTHED

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Human bones that experts date back some 8,000 years were found recently at the site of an ancient submerged village on the Mediterranean seabed offshore from the town of Atlit.

The discovery was made by Professor Avraham Ronen and researcher Ehud Galili of Haifa University. The marine archaeologists spotted the bones after a storm that cleared away layers of sand that had covered them. They were reported in an "excellent state of preservation."

Examination of one of the skeletons detected signs that the person suffered from an ear infection common among sea divers. If this is proven

correct, it would be the first evidence that human beings dived for fish in pre-historic times.

The village itself, under 46 feet of water, was discovered four years ago. It is believed to have met its fate at the end of the last Ice Age, when rising waters flooded the coastal plane.

CONTROVERSY OVER FASSBINDER PLAY SPARKS CRITICISM OF DUTCH JEWS

By Henrietta Boas

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Dutch Jews, whose vigorous protests prevented the presentation of a reputedly anti-Semitic play by Rainer Werner Fassbinder here last week, are concerned that they may have unleashed an anti-Semitic backlash in Holland.

The play, titled "Garbage, the City and Death," was withdrawn, reluctantly, by its sponsor, the Amsterdam Theatrical Academy, five days after its scheduled premier performance on the night of Nov. 18 was aborted when Jewish demonstrators occupied the stage at the Lantern Theater. The play's tour of theaters in Arnhem, Utrecht and Haarlem was also canceled.

But the controversy, which had raged for two months and enlisted many non-Jews on the side of the protestors, has aroused great public interest and some strong opinions. The weekly Haagse Post published a Dutch translation of the play late last week and was sold out almost as soon as it hit the newsstands.

Local dailies are filled with letters to the editors, most of which express the view that the Jews who suffered so much themselves should not have resorted to "Nazi methods" to prevent freedom of expression.

The prestigious daily NRC Handelsblad, published a long article by Milo Amstadt, a former television producer of Jewish origin, who defended the play's depiction of one of its main characters, an exploiter, as "the rich Jew."

According to Amstadt, who was once a communist but later joined the Labor Party, it was only natural to portray a Jew as rich since most of the German Jews who survived the Nazi era were rich, while the Jewish proletariat was left to its fate, he said.

Lody Van De Kamp, an Orthodox rabbi from The Hague, warned in the Dutch-Jewish weekly NIW that the atmosphere in Holland has suddenly become so anti-Jewish that Jews should consider emigrating and settling in Israel.

Meanwhile, the Theatrical Company Amsterdam has announced plans to screen two Nazi films early next year -- the notoriously anti-Semitic "Jew Süss" and Leni Riefenstahl's "Triumph of the Will." They will be shown in the framework of the Karl Kraus Project.

Kraus, an Austrian Jewish author, revived the films to show to what depths the Austrian people sank under the influence of Nazi propaganda. His project is subsidized in Holland by the Amsterdam municipality, the Austrian Embassy and the Netherlands Ministry of Culture.

EBAN URGES SPAIN TO PLAY ROLE IN FOSTERING ARAB-JEWISH PEACE

By Gary Abramson

MADRID, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- Abba Eban appealed last week to the leaders of Spain and the Spanish people to use their unique position as a member of the European Community and a bridge to the Arab world to play a constructive, if

indirect, role to improve prospects for peace in the Middle East.

"Spain should ask itself, as the cradle where Jews and Arabs coexisted, it if does not have a conciliatory role to play," Eban said at a news conference here following a meeting with King Juan Carlos Thursday, the last day of his three-day visit to Spain.

Eban, a Labor member of the Knesset and chairman of its foreign affairs and security committee, met Nov. 25 with Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez and Defense Minister Narcis Serra and addressed groups of Spanish parliamentarians, journalists and business leaders.

Spain established diplomatic relations with Israel in 1986, the last Western European country to do so. It made the move after becoming a member of the European Economic Community.

Territory For Peace

In his conversations with Spanish leaders and at his public appearances, Eban, an outspoken dove, stressed Israel's need to trade occupied territory for peace. "We have not found a solution to the need of exercising domination over another nation," he told reporters.

Eban said some alteration of Israel's pre-1967 borders would be necessary "in order not to include Arabs in Israeli sovereign territory." He said the territories relinquished by Israel in exchange for peace would become part of a Palestinian-Jordanian state. He also said he favored an international conference for Mideast peace.

Eban, who was foreign minister of Israel from 1966-1974, spoke out on behalf of a major political opponent, Commerce and Industry Minister Ariel Sharon, whose planned visit to Spain was canceled by the Spanish government last month because of Sharon's role in Israel's invasion of Lebanon in 1982 when he was defense minister.

Eban said he discussed the matter with Spanish officials and hoped the visit would be rescheduled "in the near future."

Speaking at a luncheon at the Club Siglo XXI, a private organization that fosters political debate, Eban suggested that Spain examine its parallels with Jewish history to better understand Israel, a country of which many Spaniards are sharply critical. "Both peoples have known tyranny and appreciate democracy," he said.

KIRKPATRICK FORUM THEME ANNOUNCED

TEL AVIV, Nov. 29 (JTA) -- "Forty Years After Independence: Israel and the United States" will be the theme of the third Jeane Kirkpatrick Forum for Public Leadership and Public Policy to be held at Tel Aviv University December 20-21, it was announced here Sunday.

The forum is named for the former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. The two-day conference will discuss how Israel attained its political independence, its road to economic independence, peaceful coexistence between religion and state, and the goals and realities of nation-building.

The first Kirkpatrick forum, held in December 1986, dealt with local authority in Israel and its interaction with the government and citizens.

The second conference, in May 1987, had as its theme power-sharing and the politics of the national unity government in light of the Israeli and European experiences.