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Iran holding Canada liable

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Iranian Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh vowed Wednesday that Canada "will pay" for smuggling six Americans out of Iran and will be responsible for any harsh treatment of the U.S. hostages still held in Tehran.

He called the rescue of the six a "flagrant violation of international law, a betrayal of Iran and a brutal act of espionage."

The foreign minister gave the first official Iranian reaction to the incident, adding that "we did not have the slightest idea" that the diplomats were hiding for three months in the Canadian Embassy in Tehran.

He said that their rescue would have consequences for the hostages who have now been held in the U.S. Embassy for 88 days.

The rescue "happily now gives us a reason to justify the taking of hostages in the American Embassy," he said, and he called for a press conference in Tehran, Western press reports said.

"Because of what they have done

here, the Canadian government will be directly responsible for any harsh treatment meted out against the hostages," Ghotbzadeh said.

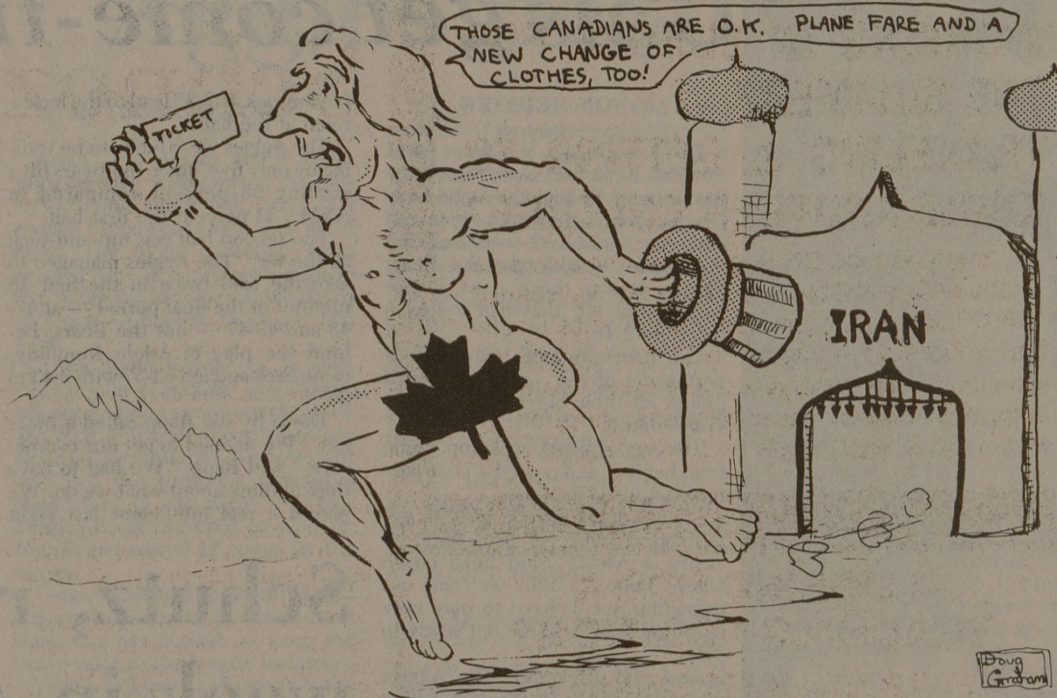
"The Canadian government sooner or later will pay for its interference in our internal affairs, for this duplicity and cheating."

The foreign minister said the six Americans would not have been treated as hostages since they were outside the U.S. Embassy when it was seized by Iranian militants Nov. 4. They would have been free to leave Iran at any time, he said.

Ghotbzadeh, clearly angered by the Canadian move, said he had not been informed of the action by the Canadians, but had learned of it through foreign correspondents and an unnamed third country.

He accused Canada of agreeing to help the Americans out of Iran for domestic political gain, an apparent reference to Prime Minister Joe Clark's campaign for re-election in which he trails opposition leader Pierre Trudeau.

Western diplomatic sources de-



nie reports saying the Americans left Iran using Canadian diplomatic documents. One source said such behavior would be a clear violation of the Vienna Convention of 1970.

He admitted, however, that it would be difficult otherwise to ex-

plain how the Americans obtained an exit visa to leave Iran. They left the country over the weekend and were reported to have been taken to a U.S. Air Force Base in West Germany.

Earlier, Iran rejected any com-

promise on the release of the 50 American hostages despite pressure from other Moslem nations to resolve its problems with Washington, and a call by some to let the embassy captives go.

Life must go on' for Afghan people

United Press International
KABUL Afghanistan — "Business had, very bad," said the man in the carpet shop near the Spinzar Hotel downtown Kabul.

"It's always worse at this time of year. But for the past three weeks — ever since the Russians came — it's been terrible."

Across the street from his tiny shop is a large poster for the Soviet airline, Aeroflot, bore the smiling image of Misha and bear, the friendly mascot of the Moscow Olympics. "Aeroflot — the official carrier of the 1980 Olympic Games," it announced in English to disinterested Afghan passers-by swathed in grubby turbans and brown prayer shawls against the sub-freezing temperatures of this mile-high city.

Despite the growing Soviet presence in this Texas-sized country, the predominant mood among the Afghan capital's estimated 700,000 inhabitants appears to be that life must go on.

Each morning men shovel snow — 18 inches have fallen in the past two weeks — off the flat roofs of their squat brown houses. The nine movie houses in town which show Indian and Iranian adventure films with subtitles in the local Pashto language are well attended.

They close early though, as an 11 p.m.-4 a.m. curfew still is in force and few people are on the streets after dark.

White faces are not welcome. At least 30 Russians have been reported murdered in the Kabul since the Dec. 27 coup and no Westerner wants to be mistaken for a Russian.

"The Russians have ruined our business," a workshop owner says. "There used to be lots of tourists, especially in summer. Now there are hardly any."

Despite an estimated 18,000 Soviet troops entrenched around the perimeter of the city, Western residents say the scene is roughly typical of the past 21 months — since Nur Mohammed Taraki deposed President Mohammed Daoud in the first of two pro-Moscow coups.

"It has taken the Russian invasion to draw the world's attention to what has been going on here for close to two years now," said a long-time Western resident of Kabul.

"Ever since Taraki, there has been plenty of army about and even before the latest coup you would frequently hear gunfire at night."

Another Kabul resident thinks the Soviet movement of an estimated 85,000 men into Afghanistan may even have been a good thing.

"It goes completely counter to international law, of course, but at least the Russians appear to be stabilizing the situation which was very precarious before," he said.

"Perhaps the Soviet Union will do something to help this country, which has always ranked among the 25 poorest nations in the world."

No firing has been heard in the capital for almost a week now and the Soviet military presence inside

Kabul has been greatly reduced.

"Things appear to be back to normal — the way they were before the coup," said a Western diplomat based in Kabul. "One sign is that the rumors are flying. People already are saying this government won't last long. That's what they've been saying ever since April 1978, and so far they've always been right."

One factor which has helped restore some semblance of serenity to the capital was the expulsion of the American press.

With fewer television crews scrambling to film convoys of armored vehicles which rumble through the city two or three times a day, one inevitably deduces that less is going on.

The 45 reporters, photographers and TV crewmen, who remain in the padded security of the Intercontinental Hotel perched on a snowy hillside above Kabul's Shahrinaw district, have become more discreet in their operations and fear possible arrest or expulsion for failing to have a valid presscard.

The government has stopped issuing press cards to Western reporters and the word in Kabul is that Afghan embassies abroad no longer are issuing visas to journalists.

Canvas signs replace wood

By CHARLIE MUSTACHIA
Campus Reporter
Signs which used to hang from the second floor walkway between the Memorial Student Center and Rudder Tower are no longer allowed.

A publicity sign crashing through a glass window at Rudder Tower in December marked the end of wooden framed signs in that area. The sign was left out on a walkway near Rudder Tower on a windy night and was blown through the window, said Brian Gross, student vice president of administration for the MSC Council.

The only signs allowed there now are canvas, secured by a light rope, Gross said.

Two signs had fallen to the ground last year, but luckily no one was hurt, Gross said. "We have had signs that were constructed rather badly and they would slip off the walkway and

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For more information, go by Room 216 MSC (SPO) and ask for Brian Gross. Applications may be picked up in Room 216 MSC at the secretaries' island.

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