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## Pakistan leader warns Soviets not to pursue rebels into country

United Press International Pakistan President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq has responded to reports of increased fighting between Soviet forces and Moslem rebels in eastern

Afghanistan by warning the Russians not to cross the border in pursuit of the guerrillas. "Our firm resolve is to defend our

national independence and territorial integrity at any cost if we ever find these imperiled," Zia said Wednesday at a ceremony marking the first overhaul of a French-built Mirage jet fighter by a Pakistani fac-

tory. The statement by Zia, who is seeking military aid from the United States, followed diplomatic confirmation of rebel claims of victories

against Soviet and Afghan troops, mostly in areas close to the border with Pakistan.

In Washington, the White House said since the Soviets ignored Wednesday's deadline President Carter had set for a withdrawal, the United States would boycott the summer Olympic Games in Moscow

'The president has made his decision since the troops are not withdrawn that no U.S. team should be sent to Moscow," said Lloyd Cutler, White House counsel.

The U.S. Olympic Committee, which has the final decision in the matter, has reportedly agreed to yield to Carter's request. Moslem guerrillas reportedly

have almost completely halted traffic on the highway linking the Afghan capital of Kabul and the strategic city of Jalalabad, 60 miles to the east. The Islamic Front rebel group said

in Peshawar that Pakistan, guerrilla forces also had set up roadblocks and

staged raids along the highway link- past three days. ing Kabul and the southern provincial capital of Kandahar.

Diplomats, who recently played down rebel claims of battle victories as exagerrations, are now confirming most of the information coming from the area around Jalalabad, the capital of Nangarhar province.

Soviet troops in Afghanistan are being drawn deeper into the fighting with guerrillas as the Afghan army crumbles under soaring desertions. Diplomats said the Afghan forces have dwindled to 40,000 men from about 70,000 before the Dec. 27 Soviet invasion.

The Islamic Front said, in one re-cent incident some 500 Afghan sol-diers from the 11th Infantry Division stationed in Nangarhar defected to the rebel side.

The Islamic Front said rebel fire had brought down another Soviet helicopter. The Front claims to have shot down three helicopters in the

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U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance was in Paris Thursday to discuss an allied response to the Soviet action in Afghanistan. The French have been the least supportive of United States efforts in the area.

In Moscow, Soviet Politburo

# **U.N.** council may not help Holsinge have let Ry than disclo

United Press International In a tough new statement, the militant captors of 50 Americans in Tehran said Thursday it would be "foolish" to expect clemency for the hostages if the deposed shah and his riches were not quickly returned.

"Criminal America must deliver up fugitive Mohammed Reza (Pahlavi) and the assets he has stolen," the militants said in a Tehran Radio statement monitored by the BBC in London.

"In the event of any delay, any expectation of clemency for the hostages would be foolish

The statement, on the 110th day of the hostages' captivity in the U.S. Embassy, threw cold water on hopes that a U.N. commission appointed to investigate Iranian charges against the United States would quickly se-

El Salvador leader warns of coup plot Jacquelin

United Press International SAN SALVADOR — A leftist leader has claimed ultra-rightists backed by neighboring Guatemala and Israeli-trained mercenaries are plotting a coup against El Salvador's moderate civilian-military junts.

Alberto Ramos, secretary-general of the leftist Unified Popular Action Front, told reporters Wednesday his organization has "knowledge of a organization has "knowledge of a rightist coup being organized with the complicity of the Guatemalan tral American nation racked buyana," s government and 700 mercenaries

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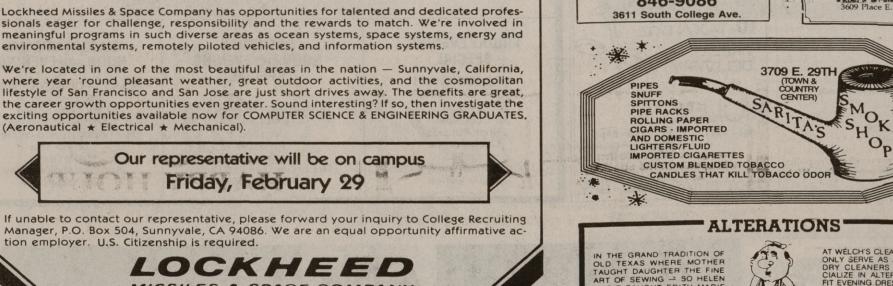


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## better, doctors say

United Press International RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — Doc-tors say King Khaled, the quiet son of a warrior who became monarch of Saudi Arabia five years ago, needs several days of rest to recover from exhaustion, but his condition is improvin

Khaled, 67, was hospitalized Tuesday with what doctors described as exhaustion from a trip around his desert kingdom

A medical report issued Wednes-day said Khaled needed a few more days of rest, but he was "improving rapidly" and the exhaustion "will have no effect on the previous heart surgeries his majesty had under-

Khaled underwent a series of tests at the hospital, but there was no indication his current health problems had any connection with the chronic trouble that led to a heart attack in 1970 and open heart surgery at a Cleveland, Ohio, clinic in 1972.

In 1976, he was treated in Switzer land for a heart ailment and the following February he underwent hip Even then, it was Khaled's ill health was him from taking an acti erning a nation who 1974 exceeded \$27 b Despite his poor hea spoken Khaled has em influential power broker world and has contin of extensive develop dual social change int Faisal

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