

Islamic Jihad offers trade Pro-Iranian kidnappers send photos of Anderson with reiteration of proposal for hostage swap

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Pro-Iranian kidnappers holding at least two American hostages reiterated their offer to trade their captives for at least 15 Shiite Moslem comrades jailed in Kuwait in a statement released Tuesday.

"We renew our firm emphasis on the need to free our struggling brethren from the jails of the collaborating Kuwaiti regime, and declare that the Mujahedeen (holy warriors) shall not rest until they see their brethren free," said Islamic Jihad, or Islamic Holy War.

The type-written statement in Arabic was delivered anonymously to the offices of the independent newspaper *An-Nahar* and a Western news agency in Moslem west Beirut.

The text was accompanied by a photograph of American Terry A. Anderson, the longest held of the 18 western hostages in Lebanon.

Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press, was kidnapped March 16, 1985.

The picture showed a clean-shaven, smiling Anderson. He was wearing glasses and a yellow sweater. Anderson, who turns 42 on Friday, already has marked four birthdays in captivity.

Islamic Jihad also holds Thomas Sutherland, 57, of Fort Collins, Colo. He was acting dean of agriculture at the American University of Beirut when he was abducted June 9, 1985.

The Shiite Moslems are jailed in Kuwait on terrorist charges stemming from the December 1983 bombings of the U.S. and French embassies. Kuwait has refused previous demands to release the prisoners.

The copy of the statement delivered to *An-Nahar* was accompanied by two pictures of the U.S. Marine base and the headquarters of the French paratroopers that were blasted by simultaneous truck-bombings on Oct. 23, 1983.

Islamic Jihad said it issued the statement to mark the anniversary of the bombings in which 241 American servicemen were killed.

Thousands march in East Berlin to protest president's election

BERLIN (AP) — Egon Krenz warned East Germans on Tuesday to stop street demonstrations, but 7,000 marched in East Berlin after dark to protest his election as president. Police directed traffic out of their way.

The ritual election by the customarily docile parliament was made dramatic when some members voted "no" for the first time.

In a speech afterward, Krenz said continuing weeks of pro-democracy protest could cause a "worsening of the situation, or confrontation."

At nightfall, lines of East Berliners carrying candles marched through the central district, chanting "Egon, who asked us?" — a recurring phrase since Krenz became Communist Party chief last week — and "We are the competition!"

Police not only did not interfere, but directed traffic to keep the route clear.

ADN, the official news agency, reported the protest without criticism. "Several thousand people, mostly youths" carried banners and chanted slogans denouncing the election and "demanding changes in the election laws, more democracy and an open press," it said.

On Monday in Leipzig, more than 300,000 people marched in the largest protest of the nation's 40-year history.

After his election, Krenz reaffirmed East Germany's allegiance to Communist orthodoxy, despite the reform sweeping through the Soviet bloc. He also promised to investigate charges of police brutality against pro-de-

mocracy demonstrators earlier this month.

The new leader, who succeeded Erich Honecker as Communist party chief and president, was in charge of police at the time.

Officials admitted for the first time Tuesday that police had attacked peaceful protesters. In a report carried by the official news agency, the government said: "There were instances where security officials exceeded their authority and illegal acts were committed against some of those detained."

ADN said officials decided police should use restraint "unless there is violence or the threat of violence," and had prohibited the use of firearms.

It said police commanders had apologized to victims of verifiable brutality. ADN said 83 complaints were under review and prosecutors had taken up four cases, according to the report prepared by the parliament committees on national defense and justice affairs.

Krenz said in his speech that "proper steps will be taken if the evidence warrants them. Anyone who was treated unjustly has the right to take advantage of their legal rights."

Twenty-six members of the 500-seat People's Chamber voted against Krenz for president, although he was the only candidate, and 26 abstained, ADN reported.

It was the first time in East German history that members of the Communist-controlled chamber had voted against the sole candidate for president.

Terrorist gang murders intimidate West Bank

NABLUS, Occupied West Bank (AP) — PLO-allied gangs with fanciful names like "Black Panther Brigades" and "Red Eagles" are blamed for most of the 20 murders here of Arabs accused of collaborating with Israel.

Israeli officials claim some gangs operate under direct order of the PLO. But Palestinians maintain that at least some of the murders have been carried out in defiance of PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat.

There are fears that the executions are getting out of hand. Palestinians complain that ordinary citizens are being intimidated by the frequent murders.

In Nablus last week, the Red Eagles killed a 24-year-old upholstery worker and wheeled his body through the streets of the West Bank's largest city in a pushcart, presumably as a warning to others.

In the occupied Gaza Strip, a school guard was found burned to death in his car Oct. 5 and graffiti signed by the "Palestinian Revolutionary Eagles" showed responsibility the slaying.

Brooks' pain subsides; cause unknown

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Jack Brooks remained hospitalized Tuesday and continued to undergo tests to determine the cause of abdominal pains that required his treatment Sunday, his office said.

An aide said the Beaumont Democrat felt better Tuesday, but that doctors had been unable to determine what caused the pains.

Brooks, the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, was admitted to Bethesda Naval Hospital after suffering abdominal pains during a flight from Texas to Washington, his office said.

The dean of the Texas congressional delegation, the 66-year-old congressman was first elected to the House in 1952.

A senior Israeli defense official on Tuesday confirmed a report in the *New York Times* that security forces had discovered documents linking the Revolutionary Eagles in Gaza to Yasser Arafat's mainstream PLO faction Fatah.

One letter quoted by the *Times* says slayings should be blamed on the little-known Eagles group in order to deflect blame from the PLO.

The *Times* said, however, that the documents could be forgeries. If genuine, the papers could give credence to Israel's repeated arguments that Arafat is sponsoring murder despite his claim to have renounced terrorism in December.

Israeli officials have frequently cited the slayings of Palestinians by United Arabs as reason for the United States to halt its dialogue with the PLO, begun after Arafat's statement on terrorism.

Palestinian sources say the murders of some supposed collaborators claimed by such groups as the Abu Jihad Phalangists are ordered by opponents of Arafat's policies.

The Red Eagles in Nablus are believed to be backed by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a radical Syrian-based PLO faction that opposes Arafat's efforts to negotiate an agreement with Israel.

In Nablus, residents of the Yasmina quarter where the Black Panthers operate say the gang is murdering people despite appeals from PLO-backed uprising leaders and Arafat himself.

They say the gang's members, believed to be 10 men ages 19 to 25, wander freely through the dark, twisting alleys of Yasmina, often armed with knives, hatchets or pistols.

"People are scared to death," a 32-year-old Yasmina shopkeeper said. "They are afraid to leave their houses."

The shopkeeper, like others who agreed to discuss the Black Panther slayings, would not allow his name to be used out of fear.

Nablus residents and local journalists said the Black Panthers have carried out 15 or 16 of the 20 slayings in the city, most of alleged collaborators but also including prostitutes and drug dealers who some activists consider enemies of the uprising.

Fine art group flushes church for restrooms

SALISBURY, England (AP) — When the authorities at Salisbury Cathedral began planning new restrooms, they sought advice from the Royal Fine Art Commission. They got an earful.

What the bishop of Salisbury calls "providing a few much-needed loos" has been denounced as "a major act of vandalism" by the commission's chairman, Lord St. John of Fawsley.

Lord St. John even arose in the House of Lords to lash the men who run Britain's cathedrals, declaring: "Deans are dangerous."

The Anglican cathedral has found its restrooms inadequate to cope with half a million visitors a year who come to gaze at the 404-foot spire, the wealth of sculpture and an original copy of the Magna Carta.

The new restrooms tentatively were planned in a hidden nook at the rear of the cathedral, with a door opening off the medieval cloister. Visitors couldn't see it from outside without trespassing onto the grounds of the cathedral school.

However, the restrooms would be a new bump on the cathedral's ground plan, which has not changed since the foundations were laid in 1220.

"Any construction here would compromise the clarity of the cathedral plan and was therefore wrong in principle," the Royal Fine Art Commission said in its annual report in July.

"Perhaps an aesthetically sensitive peregrine falcon flying overhead would be troubled at an alteration, but otherwise no one would see it," Dickinson said last month.

"There is nothing which we are proposing to do, or would want to do, to the building which could be anything conceivably on the scale or effect of anything Wyatt did," Dickinson said.

"The only proposals which we have tentatively proposed were things which we regarded as being so discreet that had they been done here 10 years ago, nobody would have noticed at all."



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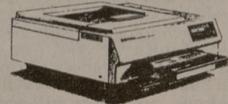
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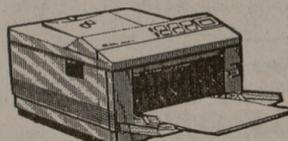
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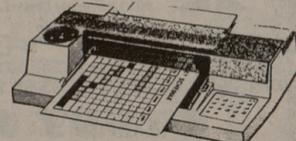
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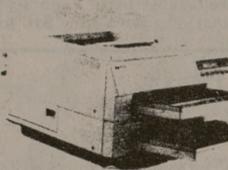
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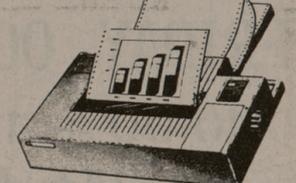
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