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## News and the Jews

The week in review

### Supreme Justice

The Supreme Court rejected a request by the Chevron Jewish Community to deal with an urgent issue that has been on hold for over 3 months. The Court issued a restraining order in December preventing the demolition of several buildings along the route leading to the Machpelah. The army had requested permission to raze the buildings, that present a danger to the thousands of Jews who walk each week along that narrow street to the Machpelah.

Following the recent attacks in Chevron and Kiryat Arba- murder of Rabbi and Mrs. Horowitz on Friday night and the fatal shooting of Sgt. Tomer Ron on Monday- the Jewish Community asked the Court to decide on the issue, because "human life is at stake." The petitioners also said that the injunction is blocking construction of an additional route

between Chevron and Kiryat Arba. Mon. night, during and after the attack, the only road between the two communities was rendered inaccessible, leaving many people unable to reach their homes.

The Court, however, ruled that the issue wasn't urgent, and that the case would be heard at another date.

### Hero Lost

An IDF paratroopers brigade fighter Assaf Fuchs, 21 was killed during a battle with Arabs in Tzaide, ten miles east of Netanya. The IDF entered the PA-controlled village in western Shomron to conduct thorough searches for wanted terrorists, weapons and explosives. The force was attacked by at least three armed Arabs, and in the ensuing battle, two soldiers were hurt; Assaf Fuchs died a short while later of his wounds. One terrorist was killed, and two others were apprehended. The latter led the Israelis to a tunnel in which they found large amounts of combat materials and equipment. The tunnel served as a kick-off base for attacks and a hideout for the terrorists.

Source: IsraelNN.com

## STUFF you should know

### Aid In War

The IDF continues to provide benefits and humanitarian aid to the Arab population of Judah Samaria and Gaza. The following are some details of the humanitarian benefits and aid provided.

Thirty truckloads of rice, flour and sugar were admitted to the Gaza Strip via the Karni crossing. Similarly, commercial traffic, especially farming equipment, was coordinated from the area of Muassi to Khan Yunis. In addition, two representatives of the organization "Doctors without Borders" were admitted to the northern section of the Gaza Strip to provide humanitarian aid to local Arab residents.

Twenty nine Arabs left the Gaza Strip for the purpose of visiting family members imprisoned in the Naphah Prison in Israel. And Nearly 10,000 Arab workers were permitted to leave the Gaza Strip For jobs in Israel, including 3,968 workers who are employed in the Erez industrial complex. Similarly, fishermen were permitted to travel up to six miles out to sea from the ports of Rafah, Gaza and Dir Al Balach.

Medical Aid: Twenty-six Arab patients were permitted to leave Judah and Samari To receive medical treatment in Pre 67 Israel and abroad. In addition, three truckloads of medicine and medical supplies entered the West Bank. Eighteen permits for the purpose of improving medical service in Israel and the Palestinian territories were issued.

## PEOPLE of the BOOK

### All that I have done, I have done only for your sake

In August of 1990, Saddam Hussein, brandishing threats to "burn" the Holy Land with his chemical warheads, marched the armies of Iraq into Kuwait. As the world reacted in alarm and fear, the Rebbe spread a message of confidence and trust.

The Rebbe quoted a centuries-old Midrashic passage which foretold with uncanny precision unfolding events. "In the year in which the Moshiach will be revealed," the Midrash reads, "all the kings of the nations of the world will provoke one another... The king of Persia will provoke the king of Arabia, and the king of Arabia will go to Aram in order to seek counsel from them... And ll the nations will be thrown into turmoil and will be terrified. Also Israel, too, will be thrown into turmoil and terror, and will cry: 'Where shall we go? What shall we do?' And G-d will say to them: 'My children, do not fear! All that I have done, I have done only for your sake. Why are you afraid? Do not fear, for the time of your redemption has come...'"

In response to queries as to whether to leave Israel for safer havens, the Rebbe's reply was clear and unequivocal: the Land of Israel is the safest place in the world. When asked about the gas-masks being distributed in Israel anticipation of chemical warfare, the Rebbe opined that they would prove totally unnecessary. He also stated that the war would be over by Purim.

Based on talks of the Rebbe Concerning the Integrity of the Land of Israel, 5751(1991)

SAY WHAT?

**"Think positive, and it will be positive."**  
The Rebbe