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## News and the Jews

### The week in review "Private plane"

Israel's defense establishment has "solid information," according to IDF Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Sha'ul Mofaz, that Yasser Arafat continues to smuggle explosives and combat materials in his private plane.

### Intifada in a suitcase

The Beit She'an police apprehended two Palestinians. Found in their possession was a suitcase full of explosives and much ammunition. The two were caught in the vehicle of a Druze resident of the Golan; they and the driver were handed over to the GSS.

### Jew killed, Barak doubts!

A female Israeli customs officer became the 16th Israeli Jew to be killed, when her car was ambushed in the Gaza Strip. A group called the Islamist Forces of the Martyr Omar al-Mukhtar said they

carried out the attack.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak said he viewed the Israeli woman's killing with "great severity" and that it cast doubt on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's intentions to quell unrest in the region.

### IDF hostages killed by Hizbullah

IDF soldiers Sergeant A di Avitan from Tiberias, Staff-Sergeant Avraham Binyamin from Bnei Brak, & Staff-Sergeant Omer Suaed from the village of Salma (Near Carmiel), who were kidnapped from northern Israel by Hizbullah on Oct 7 were killed by their abductors, Haaretz On-Line reported.

According to the report in the Al-Watan Al-A rabi magazine, the soldiers were kidnapped by Hizbullah troops disguised as United Nations personnel, using a UN vehicle. The bodies of the three are in separate location and the whereabouts are not even known to Lebanese government officials.

Sources: Israel National News, Israel Wire

## STUFF you should know

- Number of firearms confiscated by the Palestinian Authority from armed militias in its jurisdiction, as per the Gaza-Jericho Agreement: under 100
- Number of firearms that the Palestinian Authority has yet to confiscate, according to Israeli officials: 40,000
- Number of cars stolen in Israel and smuggled into the Gaza self-rule area: 27,000
- Price the Palestinian Authority in Gaza charges to register a stolen car: \$115
- Punishment to be applied by the Palestinian Authority against those who sell land to Jews, according to Palestinian Justice Minister Freih Abu Medein: death

Source CAMERA  
Peace Watch Report 6/21/95, Associated Press 4/6/95, Jerusalem Post 6/16/95

## PEOPLE of the BOOK

### Promised Land, by G-D or by Lord...?

We claim the Land of Israel as our own for all sorts of reasons except the true one: It is ours only because *G-d gave it to us as an eternal heritage* - G-d promised Abraham that "to your seed I have given the land." Others may have conquered the land, but we have never lost our title to it, for it is an eternal heritage from the eternal G-d to His eternal people. This is our sole justifiable claim to the Land of Israel.

Unfortunately, we respond to demands as if we had no real right to the land, as if our claim to it is due to the favor and largesse of others. We claim that it is ours because Lord Balfour of England "promised" us a national homeland there; because the United Nations voted it to us in 1947; because of U.N. resolution 242; because in the distant past the Jewish people once lived there, and more recently Jews have come to resettle there once again. But if our claim is based solely on the vote of the United Nations, then a different vote can take it away again — *as is happening*. If our claim is based on once having lived there, other peoples have in the meantime lived there for hundreds of years. If our claim is based on Balfour, others will say, and with justice, that he had no right to promise it in the first place.

*Adapted from addresses by the Lubavitcher Rebbe in the early eighties*

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### "We will naturally return to violence..."

"When Israel will say, 'That's it, no more, we refuse to talk about Jerusalem, we will not allow the refugees to return, we will not evacuate the settlements...' - we will, naturally, return to violence. But by then we will have 30,000 armed Palestinian soldiers in our cities, on land with a large measure of freedom..."

*-PA Official Nabil Sha'ath, in a speech in Shechem, January 1996; cassette recording revealed by Palestinian Media Watch*