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News and the Jews

The week in review

The Enemy Within

One of the Israeli Arab youths arrested Wednesday for terrorist activity, which included placing a bomb at the Golani Junction last week, has an older brother serving in the Givati Brigade, a combat unit of the IDF. The brother's unit was the one that discovered the bomb at the Junction and prevented it from causing injury.

Miracle In The Capital

Monday morning was one of good fortune in the capital city of Jerusalem, when two car bombs and two explosives went off at various locations, causing hardly any injuries. Early Monday morning, one explosive went off under a parked truck in Ma'alot Daphna near Ramat Eshkol, while another one blew up close to midnight in a building in the northern neighborhood of French Hill. Around 8 AM Monday

morning, a car blew up in the French Hill shopping center, while at the same time in the south, a bomb was detonated in the trunk of a municipality vehicle in Gilo. Six people were lightly injured in all, and two were treated for shock.

Lets Blame It On The Jews

UN emissary to the Middle East Terje Larsen blames Israel for the PA's dire fiscal situation, pointing out that due to the Israeli-imposed closure on PA areas, the PA has lost \$2.5 billion in revenue.

Larsen also looked at Israel for tens of thousands of PA residents being unemployed, with the PA unemployment level reaching 40%. Larsen expects the unemployment level in PA area to exceed 50% by year's end.

Larsen made no mention of the closures being the result of terror attack or the PA's continued failure of accounting for hundreds of millions of dollars of donor nation funds being siphoned off by senior PA officials.

Source: *IsraelNationalNews.com*

PEOPLE of the BOOK

At the core of the issue

"Whoever destroys a Jewish life is considered to have destroyed an entire world. And whoever saves a Jewish life is considered to have saved an entire world."

In Jewish thought, this construct does not serve as merely a theoretical and ethical truth, but as a practical directive. Our heritage is rich in treasured laws and values, but when their application threatens human life, their practice is temporarily suspended.

This concept has resounded within the consciousness of the world at large: the protection of human life has been accepted as the fundamental *raison d'(omega)tre* for the existence of governments. As the US Constitution proclaims, the very first purpose of a government is to provide its citizens with "life."

To apply this concept to the present situation in the Land of Israel: Although almost 30 years that have passed since the Six-Day War, and despite efforts by all the world powers, there is no immediate sign of peace. Now if anyone wants to stop treading water and make real progress, he has to put first things first, identify his issue of primary concern and make it the focus of his argument.

To be continued..

Based on the Public Statements and Writings of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson

STUFF you should know

The Butcher Mixing In (part 3)

DEBKAFile's military and intelligence sources stress that the closer the threat looms of substantial US action against Saddam Hussein, the more intensely Iraq becomes involved in the Palestinian offensive against Israel.

Iraqi acted decisively on another front. Iraqi deputy president Taha Yasin Ramadan arrived suddenly in Damascus, after cutting short a visit to Yemen. He drove directly to the presidential palace to meet Bashar Assad, only ten days after receiving Syrian prime minister Mustafa Miro in Baghdad and signing comprehensive Iraqi-Syrian military and economic pacts.

Saturday, August 18, Assad paid a one-day state visit to Kuwait, which was extended by another day without explanation. DEBKAFile's Gulf sources report the Syrian president's departure was postponed by his furious argument with Kuwait leaders, after they issued him with a last warning, on behalf of the Gulf Emirates and Saudi Arabia, to cut short his burgeoning economic and military ties with Iraq. They warned him that if he disobeyed, he and Syria's economic interests would pay the price.

Source: *Debka.com*

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SAY WHAT?

"War Crimes?"

Israel is a "racist apartheid state" .."systematic perpetration of racist crimes, including war crimes, acts of genocide, and ethnic cleansing."

Draft Resolution from the UN racism conference in Durban, South Africa This Week