



Let's Talk Peace...

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## News and the Jews

The week in review

### Attacks Continue

A bomb was detonated Thursday against a military vehicle in the northern Jordan Valley area. Automatic gunfire was directed at the vehicle at the same time.

### No Negotiation Under Fire?

As the Israel-PA cease-fire committee prepares to meet on Friday morning; IDF forces report that there were 20 fragmentation grenades at soldiers in Gaza during the Yom Kippur holiday.

### Double Standard

The United States Department of State on Thursday night issued statements of condemnations against the IDF's incursions into PA-controlled areas in Gaza and the demolition of buildings used to launch terrorist attacks. The US called

the IDF offensives "provocative" while Israel continues to explain that the pinpoint self-defense strikes are preferable to blind retaliatory strikes that would injure many persons.

The government and IDF continue to explain repeatedly that the pinpoint offensives result in accomplishing the mission – namely the reduction of terrorist strikes, while minimizing injuries to innocent persons – PA residents. Nevertheless, the US continues to respond to PA propaganda reports, opting to ignore Israel's plight and concern for PA residents uninvolved in the warfare.

### Murder In Hadera

Although police are not saying for certain, what appears to be a terrorist murder occurred near Hadera early Thursday morning. A man came home from early-morning prayers only to find his wife stabbed to death in her bed. At least six Israelis have been murdered by Arabs in the vicinity over the past two months.

Source: IsraelNationalNews.com

## PEOPLE of the BOOK

### What risks can you be willing to take?

It is hard not to become caught up with the immediacy of an issue. Especially when one is concerned with a subject like peace, there is a natural desire to hastily seek an agreement as soon as possible. Nevertheless, this feeling of immediacy should never be allowed to obscure the priorities involved. If the peace is to last longer than the time it took to hammer out the agreement, we must make sure that it realistically answers the objectives that we seek.

What does Israel want out of peace? Two fundamental objectives:

1. that it be secure against attack from the surrounding Arab nations;
2. that its citizens may rest assured that their lives will not be endangered by terrorist attack.

These objectives are primarily military issues. Therefore it is military experts who should be consulted for the parameters according to which any negotiations should be conducted.

To refer to a parallel: When there is a question of whether the Sabbath laws must be violated to save the life of a patient, the Torah prescribes that one ask an expert - a doctor; more specifically, a doctor in the relevant field. For a heart condition one consults a cardiologist, not a dermatologist.

To be continued..

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

## STUFF you should know

### 48 Hours Of Silence

The Arafat-Peres meeting Wednesday morning, September 26, was a flop. The Battle of Termit, the IDF position guarding the Israel-Egyptian crossing against intruders and smuggling, cut into their conversation at the Dahaniyeh terminal in the Gaza Strip, as the world media stood by waiting for an announcement and listening to the gunfire.

Radio Palestine later defined the meeting's purpose as being to reduce – not cease – the fire. Most observers noted that Sharon government had gone back on the prime minister's pledge not to negotiate until 48 hours were clear of Palestinian shooting.

The meeting was evidently acrimonious, because the media invited for a press conference were kept cooling their heels for an hour. Even then, Yasser Arafat and Shimon Peres failed to emerge. Their aides, Saeb Arikat and Avi Gil, came out to dictate a bland, terse statement, which said:

The two sides are fully committed to the Tenet ceasefire plan and the recommendations put forward by the team led by former US Senator George Mitchell.

Source: www.Debka.com

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SAY WHAT?

### "Enemies Of Peace"

"These aggressive attacks prove to the world that the enemies of peace in Israel are determined to continue their aggressive war against the Palestinian people,"

PA Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo in a written statement.