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NEWS and the JEWS

The week in review

Results Of Israeli Gestures

Thursdays in PA-controlled Jenin, residents were in the streets firing weapons into the air and dancing following the breaking news of the bomb attack on an Israeli passenger bus that killed 3. Jenin has been infamously labeled the "terrorist capital", having been under an IDF curfew for a few weeks. Following the removal of the curfew at the beginning of the week, as a gesture, terrorists perpetrated an attack outside the Afula central bus station, killing two and wounding over 50. In this case as well, it has not been ruled out that the suicide bomber came from Jenin, which hosts both the Fatah and Islamic Jihad organizations.

"Good Terrorist"

The United Nations Security Council released its list of terrorist organizations, calling for freezing their assets, as did the White House. Unlike the list released by the United States however, the UN does

not list Hamas and Hizbullah as terror organizations.

Arafat's Plan

According to the IDF Chief of Staff Shaul Mofaz, PLO leader Yasser Arafat himself gave orders to terrorists from the Fatah and the Tanzim groups to carry out attacks inside Israel. Arafat is the head of the Fatah faction of the PLO and the Tanzim is the Arab militia most closely associated with the PLO-led PA.

Speaking at a meeting of the Knesset Security and Foreign Affairs Committee, Mofaz further stated that in February 2000 Arafat called on the Islamic terrorist groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad to carry out terror attacks against targets inside Israel. The objective, said Mofaz, was to increase Jewish losses. The PLO was "sure that they could succeed in causing hundreds or thousands of victims on the Israeli side within a short period of time, which would cause Israel to make concessions and retreat... that we would not be able to bear the heavy cost [in human lives] and would therefore proceed with the diplomatic process."

Sources: IsraelNationalNews.com

PEOPLE of the BOOK

"Think good and it will be good." Part III

It would also be appropriate to add in the giving of charity. Although "fasting" is out of place (especially in the context of "thinking positive") this does not contradict the giving of charity to redeem a fast.

It would be appropriate to give charity in the amount of two meals, and even better in the amount of three meals. This charity should preferably go to support people who learn Torah or institutions involved in disseminating Torah.

Certainly these directives will be made public in all Jewish communities, to all Jews, men, women and children.

Emphasis must be placed however, to be very cautious not to scare anyone, G-d forbid. Rather, the purpose is to inspire everyone to enhance their Torah study and mitzvah observance, with true bitachon, complete trust and confidence, with joy and a glad heart.

The main thing is that the resolutions regarding the above should hasten and quicken the concept of "think good and it will be good" in actuality starting from the ultimate good - the complete and perfect Redemption through Moshiach.

Letter of the Lubavitcher Rebbe on On the 28th of Nissan, 5750 (April 1990)

STUFF you should know

Rewards Of "Peace"

Sale of an advanced American cruise missile to Egypt has Israel and its advocates in the US jittery, but to avoid a confrontation with Washington, Israeli officials are not loudly protesting the deal.

The Washington Post reported that the Bush administration plans to sell Egypt 53 Harpoon Block II missiles manufactured by Boeing, as well as four naval patrol craft on which the missiles would be mounted.

The sale comes as part of the annual military assistance the US provides Egypt, and a several-year effort already under way to help Egypt modernize its navy. The US provides Egypt with about \$2 billion in military and economic assistance annually as part of the Camp David accords between Israel and Egypt.

"Unless there is a modification to the missile, it enables the Egyptians to hit pretty much the entire Israeli coast," the military analyst said.

It is not clear whether the US would downgrade the missile's capability in some fashion as the US does from time to time to ensure its own, and at times Israel's, qualitative edge.

Sources: Jpost.com

SAY WHAT?

"Delegation Of Fanatic Murderers".

Said by PA official Nabil Shaath on Wednesday about Israel's negotiating team assigned to deal with the US envoys