



Let's Talk Peace...

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NEWS and the JEWS

The week in review

Arafat's Ship Of Peace

IDF commandos raided a PLO ship "Karin A" that had on board over 80 tons of weaponry, 30 tons more than initially reported. The ship was headed towards a PLO-controlled area in Gaza where its contents were to be delivered to high-ranking PLO naval commanders and then used in future attacks on Israeli civilians and soldiers.

Captain of the ship Omar Akawi a PLO naval police officer told all he know from his jail cell to Israeli Television about the arms smuggling mission he commanded.

Akawi said that Adal Awadallah, a PLO agent in Greece, first approached him to prepare the ship for transfer of goods to the PLO in Gaza. Akawi said that the arms shipment was a PLO mission and had nothing to do with the Lebanese terrorist organization Hizbullah.

Israel's Response

Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer announced that the government would be continuing to relax restrictions on PA

residents. He stressed Israel is not fighting the PA residents, but terrorism.

PA's Naval Police Working Overtime

Four Israeli soldiers were killed and two injured in an Arab attack early Wednesday morning, near Kibbutz Kerem Shalom, at the junction of the Gaza Strip and the Egyptian border. The incident began when two Arabs penetrated a security fence near the kibbutz. They encountered IDF forces, opened fire and threw hand grenades, killing an officer and three soldiers from a Bedouin unit. In the ensuing gun battle, one of the Arabs was killed. The second was eliminated after a chase which lasted several hours.

The attack was described as "well planned" by military officials. They said that eight Hamas members were involved, but only two penetrated the fence.

The Arab attackers were wearing PLO police uniforms and were carrying a large amount weapons and explosives. Israeli sources report that one was affiliated with Hamas and the second served in the PA's naval police force. The PLO at first released a press announcement that two of its policemen were killed. Later they denied that they were connected to the PLO.

Source: IsraelNationalNews

PEOPLE of the BOOK

If He Lacks The Strength, He Should Relinquish His Position

Prime Minister Shamir has faith in G-d and understands the attachment of the Jewish People to the Land of Israel. His unflinching conduct in the past has earned him great merit. It is hard to conceive that he truly desires to surrender portions of Israel.

I helped establish the government headed by Prime Minister Shamir. If, however, Mr. Shamir continues the negotiations concerning autonomy, I will work to bring down his government.

Our Sages associate the name *shamir* with the strength to cut through stone. Until recently, Prime Minister Shamir has demonstrated such strength. Similarly, he must now show the fortitude to withstand the pressures that confront him and withdraw the offer of autonomy. And if he lacks this strength, he should admit this publicly and relinquish his position.

The Lubavitcher Rebbe to (Israeli President) Moshe Katzav, 10 Shevat, 5752; January 15, 1992.

STUFF you should know

Occupied Land ? Part IV

...The continuing smear on Israel on the part of the government was brought to an end by the successor administration of Ronald Reagan, who personally had strongly and repeatedly denounced it. His administration issued a declaration that Israeli settlements were not illegal (though they were regarded as "an obstacle to peace").

A prominent member of the administration, law professor Eugene Rostow - himself a former assistant secretary of state - subsequently wrote: "Israel has a stronger claim to the West Bank than any other nation or would-be nation [and] the same legal right to settle the West Bank, the Gaza strip and east Jerusalem as it has to settle Haifa or west Jerusalem."

But the damage was done; and never did Israel launch a counter-campaign to lay bare the monstrous falsity of Arab historical claims, the skewed misleading interpretation of the Fourth Geneva Convention and the effort to acquit the Arabs of their aggression. Never a serious reply to Arab fabrications point by point so as to combat the widespread ignorance among even our own people. Never an educational campaign to demonstrate the unique roots of our people in Eretz Yisrael.

To be continued....

Source: Jpost.com

SAY WHAT?

Peace Quackery

No further proof of the PA's involvement was needed, than the fact that the captain of the vessel was an officer in the PA's maritime police service... "If it looks like a duck, and it walks like a duck, and it sounds like a duck, it's probably a duck."

Former Middle East Envoy Denis Ross