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NEWS and the Jews

The week in review

Supporting Israel

In a sign of support for the ongoing battle against Arab terrorism, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer at Thursday press briefing issued statements that the White House "understands" the reasoning used by Prime Minister Ariel Sharon behind placing Yasser Arafat under a closure in Ramallah.

The White House official explained the administration understands the threats facing Israel and the need to take action.

Israeli Cities Under Attack

Thursday the southern Jerusalem neighborhood of Gilo was targeted by terrorist gunfire.

Jewish homes in Chevron were targeted by terrorist gunfire from the Harat el-Sheik area. There are no reports of injuries. Soldiers did not return fire since they were unable to identify the exact location of the source of the gunfire.

Is He Really A Terrorist?

Former Prime Minister Ehud Barak stated on Tuesday, "Maybe its time to tell ourselves the truth," referring to PA leader Yasser Arafat. Barak said, "he looks like one, walks like one and quacks like one. Perhaps he really is a terrorist".

PEOPLE of the BOOK

Autonomy will lead to surrendering Jerusalem

Discussions of autonomy plans are just a prelude to surrendering parts of Eretz Yisroel - and not just small territories, but rather large expansive parts such as Judea, Samaria, Gaza, Hevron and Jerusalem etc. This involves life and death issues! As has been stated, it is irrelevant what the Jews think, say and how they interpret this; what matters is how the gentiles understand it. They interpret the plan as one eventually leading to surrender of parts of Eretz Yisroel and the establishment of a Palestinian state.

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

It was the Barak administration that made unprecedented land offers to Arafat in the hope of signing a comprehensive peace agreement but Arafat turned them down, seeking more.

Bringing Out The Big Guns

Wednesday the army position next to the Gush Katif community of N'vei Dekalim was targeted with anti-tank rockets. There were no injuries.

Israeli civilian vehicles in the vicinity of Netzarim where attacked by PLO terrorists with anti-tank missile and gunfire.

IDF soldiers responded to the attack, leading to a heavy battle with PLO militiamen, who also set off bombs against the IDF positions. There were no injuries reported among the IDF forces.

Dummy Enemy

Israel has requested that the United States cease supplying Egypt with arms systems, including F-15 fighter aircraft - because Egypt appears to want to use them against Israel. In Egypt's last military maneuvers, it identified its "dummy" enemy as Israel. Jane's Defense Weekly reports that for this reason, Israel wants the American military support stopped.

Egypt and Israel signed a peace treaty in 1978, but Israel has long complained that Egypt has been relating to Israel as an enemy. Egypt latest violation to the treaty was by having recalled its Ambassador to Israel a year ago, and providing no replacement.

Source: IsraelNationalNews

STUFF you should know

Price Of Oslo

The terror attacks that targeted the capital since the start of the Oslo War in the beginning of October 2000, especially in the downtown area, that includes the Ben-Yehuda Mall, have taken their toll on local business. Many store owners are complaining that for them it is too late, explaining that some stores have closed while others are in the process, facing the realization that shoppers prefer to avoid the downtown area.

1,500 stores have already closed their doors in the capital over the past months, blaming the Oslo War for a large part of the dire conditions that exist. Among the sectors hardest hit were the employees of the tourism industry. 3,200 of the 6,500 strong Jerusalem workforce were laid off, four hotels closed their doors, and hotel bookings are down 70%. 20 restaurants, mostly in the city center, have closed their doors.

In the northern capital, the situation in the Atarot industrial park is no better. 70 of the 150 businesses have closed their doors as well, unable to continue in the area that is considered a security risk, an area that many workers simply refuse to consider for employment.

Source: IsraelNN.com

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Honor Of Martyrdom

"The Palestinian state will be established with al-Kuds al-Sharif as its capital. By G-d, I see it coming, martyred or alive. May G-d give me the honor of martyrdom in my steadfastness for Jerusalem."

Yasser Arafat in Ramallah January 22, 2002