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NEWS and the JEWS

The week in review

Mothers Tell Arafat: Leave Our Kids Alone

In a letter of protest sent to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, a Palestinian women's group demanded that the PA stop using children as cannon fodder.

"Our children are being sent into the streets to face heavily armed Israeli soldiers," said the letter from a trade-union group that promotes the status of women in the PA.

"The PA must put an end to this phenomenon. We urge you to issue instructions to your police force to stop sending innocent children to their death."

"We don't want to send our sons to the front line, but they are being taken by the PA," says Aisheh, 43, a mother of six in the West Bank city of Tulkarm. She says she decided to speak out after her 17-year-old son was hit in the head by a rubber bullet last week. He suffered a concussion.

A nurse from Gaza who spoke out on Palestinian TV against sending children to the flash points, was condemned in the Palestinian media as a traitor. Other individuals who refuse to allow their names to be published say they have been threatened by armed Fatah officials for discouraging their children from participating in the clashes.

Take a Walk in Bulletproof Country

The Jerusalem municipality and the IDF are preparing for a massive Gilo fortification program. Some 1,000 apartments will be fitted with bullet-proof windows, at a cost of some \$11 million.

Sharon Katz, editor of *Voices*, protests the very conception: "What about bulletproofing the caravans in Efrat? And bulletproofing every home, school and car in N'vei Dekalim? Wouldn't it be smarter instead of bulletproofing the entire country, to stop the Arabs who are shooting into every neighborhood?"

Don't shoot empty buildings - shoot murderers... Instead of bulletproofing the country and letting them continue shooting at us, stop the shooting!"

Sources: *Israel National News*; *USA Today*, Dec. 8.

STUFF you should know

Education Palestinian Style

"Subject for Composition: "How are we going to liberate our stolen land? Make use of the following ideas: Arab unity, genuine faith in Allah, most modern weapons and ammunition, using oil and other precious natural resources as weapons in the battle for liberation."

[*Our Arabic Language for Seventh Grade Part A #566 p. 15*]

"Why do the Jews hate Muslim unity and want to cause division among them? Give an example of the evil attempts of the Jews, from events happening today."

[*Islamic Education for Seventh Grade p. 19*]

Source *Israel National News*

PEOPLE of the BOOK

What is the first line of defense?

"... Establish defensive Jewish settlements along the entire eastern border! Our very first duty is to prevent enemy infiltration of our borders, and there is no more effective way to do this than to close and protect those borders. The situation has deteriorated so badly, that for lack of a proper response, the authorities have come up with the following ridiculous explanation: Since the ultimate intention is to eventually build cities in the west bank area (the area of Judea and Samaria) such construction and planning will take a long time; we cannot rush into it; it must be done slowly and deliberately, and eventually, at some unspecified time, these cities will be built. This is a total evasion of the issue; "cities" or "villages" are not the issue. In fact, the nature of any building per se is not even under discussion (by the relevant authorities). What is at issue here is the defense of all the people who dwell in the Holy Land for which purpose we do not need cities, we need lines of defense!

"... The Land of Israel is an eternal inheritance given to the eternal people by the Eternal G-d Who is the supreme King of Kings of all countries of the world (subconsciously, members of all the other nations realize this too). Let us immediately settle the entire land of Israel to its borders without a storm of publicity or news. Let it be done quietly and resolutely, and then we will be on the road to true peace, for through this action we will frustrate and annul all the pressure being brought to bear upon us...

Based on discourses of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, 5738 (1978)

SAY WHAT?

Off the Wall

"The Al-Buraq Wall (Western Wall) is part of the Al-Aqsa [Mosque]. I tell this to foreign reporters who refer to the Al-Buraq Wall as Jewish [property] because Jews call it the 'Wailing Wall'. We stress that the Al-Buraq Wall belongs to the Muslims alone. This is not my personal view, but rather, that of Islam."
— *Sermon at Al-Aqsa mosque by the PA-appointed Mufti of Palestine. (Voice of Palestine radio, 6/12/98). - MEMRI*

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