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News and the Jews

The week in review

Jerusalem Next

FM Shimon Peres told the Palestinians that he has no problem in discussing a phased withdraw from Bethlehem along side the 'Gaza first' plan. Speaking on Israel Radio, Peres said that his talks with a senior Palestinian team were "to the point and constructive." "What the Palestinians asked for was that, just as there are talks over Gaza, there should also be talks over Bethlehem,".

Israel Gambles

The Palestinian Authority's casino in Jericho, appears to be headed for a re-opening. It was closed almost 22 months ago because of dwindling customers to the violence-racked area. Renovations have now begun on the building, and an agreement enabling its re-opening has apparently been reached with Israel.

Send Money

Israel will transfer another NIS 70 million of frozen tax revenues to the PA in the coming days, bringing the total to 140 million. Another 60-70 millions shekels have also been promised. Arafat,

who himself controls \$1.3 billion according to IDF Intelligence Chief Gen. Ze'evi-Farkash, has agreed to the formation of a new body that will oversee all PA property and money. FM Shimon Peres and other Israeli officials met with PA negotiators to discuss the transfer of the funds.

One Step Forward

It was reported Monday, that a Jenin man had shot his son in the leg after he learned - from the IDF - that his son was planning a suicide attack against Israel. In addition, another father brought his son to an IDF checkpoint and turned him in, claiming that the young man was planning a suicide attack. The army says that these are only two of several recent incidents affirming the effectiveness of its new policy of demolishing homes and expelling terrorist relatives in saving Jewish lives.

Two Steps Back

The state told the Supreme Court that was no longer interested in razing the home belonging to the parents of the Petach Tikvah suicide bomber, but reserves the right to appeal in the future.

The demolition was placed on hold following an appeal to the High Court of Justice on Wednesday, on behalf of the terrorist's family.

Source: IsraelNN.

STUFF you should know

PA Terror CD's

Profits from a massive manufacturing operation in the Palestinian territories, producing counterfeit CDs, computer software and designer clothing, are being used to fund the activities of terrorist organizations, a classified Israeli Police intelligence investigation has revealed.

According to a report published in Maariv, the counterfeit merchandise, which also includes cosmetics and even schoolbooks, is being distributed in Israel through a sophisticated network of underworld connections.

"We're dealing with a very large scope," revealed an Israeli who was involved in operations within Palestinian areas and marketing the goods in Israel. "Factories are working around the clock. Manpower there is very cheap and no one is punished. The owners of factories producing the fake merchandise pay royalties to Hamas, Fatah, and even to senior Palestinian Authority officials. We are talking about millions of dollars a year. The public buys fake copies of discs and it is clear that part of the money goes to fund terror," he told Maariv.

Source: Israelinsider.com

PEOPLE of the BOOK

Our Right to the Land of Israel Part II

What is our claim to the land? -Gd's promise in the Torah. Gd told Abraham: "I have given this land to your descendants." For one-and-a- half thousand years the Land of Israel was our home, and ever since then, Jews everywhere have longed to come home to their eternal heritage - to Jerusalem, the site of the Holy Temple; to Hebron, the burial place of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; and to Bethlehem, where Rachel weeps for her dispersed children and awaits their return. Even throughout the two thousand years during which our people wandered from country to country, Israel has remained the national home of every Jew. From the beginning of the exile until this day, no matter how farflung his current host country might be, every Jew has turned to face the Holy Land in his thrice-daily prayers.

Based on talks of the Rebbe Concerning the Integrity of the Land of Israel .

SAY WHAT?

And Then...

"The suicide bombings will continue until the liberation of Palestine and the return of the refugees"

The Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, the military arm of Arafat's Fatah Organization Aug 7 2002