

THE MIDEAST HEATS UP

DAYAN LACKEY MOVES TO KEY INTELLIGENCE POST AS COUP PREPARATIONS ADVANCE

May 19 (IPS) -- The New York Times reported today that Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin has appointed Major General Rehavam Zeevi as "special adviser for intelligence matters." Zeevi is a life-time close follower of Rockefeller agent and Israeli warhawk Moshe Dayan and has over the past year swept the decks of the Israeli military and related institutions in preparation for the unchallenged hegemony of the Dayan clique in Israeli "security" matters.

CIA PRESS BLACKS OUT SADAT'S PEACE TOUR

May 19 (IPS) -- Egyptian President Anwar Sadat concluded groundbreaking deals with Iraq this week in his drive to resume the Geneva Conference. Blacking out these diplomatic efforts, the U.S. press instead covers Sadat's trip as having solidified "Arab unity." Such reporting is designed to feed coup hysteria in Israel and to help set up the Arabs for a new war.

SUDDEN UPSURGE IN TERRORISM IN ISRAEL ORIGINATING FROM WITHIN ISRAELI TERRITORY

May 19 (IPS) -- Israeli security officers have arrested 70 people in the West Bank town of Janin who were supposedly recruiting Israeli Arabs for acts of terrorism within Israel, according to WINS radio in New York.

At the same time, today's New York Times, reporting on a "series of explosions in the Israeli-occupied West Bank" this weekend, notes that Palestinian guerrillas claiming responsibility for the acts have asserted that "Jewish sympathizers have helped them in their activities inside Israel."

DAYAN "POLITICAL COMEBACK" SIGNALS CIA COUP IN ISRAEL

May 20 (IPS) -- Israeli warhawk Moshe Dayan is planning a "political comeback... as soon as a suitable moment arrives," according to the Christian Science Monitor's Jerusalem correspondent today. This "suitable moment", the Monitor reports, will consist of trying to bring down the present Rabin government, which he "dislikes intensely." "It is by no means unthinkable that he might gather up followers and secede from the Labor bloc in the Knesset (parliament) to set up a new coalition of the right." The Monitor notes, "his socialism has never been more than skin deep... (and) he is now flirting with the right-wing nationalist opposition bloc."

The Monitor report signals that Dayan is headed for a military

takeover of the Israeli government, joining in a war-mongering bloc with the CIA-right wing in Israel to carry out the operation. This would provide the necessary impetus to push the reluctant Anwar Sadat, President of Egypt, into war.

MIDEAST THINK-TANKER CONFIRMS NUCLEAR WAR IMMEDIATE POSSIBILITY

May 21 (IPS) -- A Washington think-tanker who specializes in Mideast affairs stressed in an interview today that the Israelis, increasingly under the control of the Moshe Dayan warhawk clique, will not hesitate to launch a "preventive strike." Referring to Israeli nuclear capability, he said: "They have the capability and the will to use it. The place is even more of a powder keg than most people think."

In the event of an Israeli-Syrian confrontation, the Israelis "would pass the limits that the Soviets would tolerate. The Soviets would have to intervene militarily to aid Syria," the source said, mooting the involvement of the United States at that point.

TERRORIST GROUP SURFACES IN IRAN, THINK-TANKER WARNS SHAH IS A "PRIME TARGET"

May 21 (IPS) -- "Marxist" terrorists called the Iranian Underground Warriors Association killed two U.S. Air Force officers in Teheran this morning, according to radio reports. A Washington think-tank source interviewed today warned that such terrorism will increase in Iran and the entire Persian Gulf region. The U.S. has gotten itself "into a mess," he said, by arming Iran so heavily, and the killings are a "classic example of how the U.S. is taking a chance with its national security."

Playing on the possibility of a "terrorist assassination" of the Shah, which would destabilize the entire gulf region, the source said, "Certainly the Shah can't live forever; he is a prime target."

CONGRESS BLUDGEONED INTO SUPPORT FOR MIDDLE EAST WAR

May 22 (IPS) -- Rockefeller's congressional organizing whips Senators Jacob Javits and Henry Jackson have used Congress capitulation to the war-mongering over the phony Cambodian crisis to line up a spineless Congress behind Rocky's Middle East war policy. Javits and Jackson armtwisted 75 senators to sign a letter to President Ford declaring Congress' strong support for Israel and demanding that the U.S. "not permit the military balance to shift against Israel." Their warning that "the so-called erosion (of U.S. support) is a myth" is also intended to strengthen the hand of Israel's pro-war faction grouped around the maniac Moshe Dayan.

SYRIA RENEWS U.N. PEACEKEEPING MANDATE

May 22 (IPS) -- The Syrian government of petty tyrant Hafez

Assad announced last night the renewal of the mandate for United Nations peacekeeping forces on the Golan Heights for a period of six months. With most observers predicting that Syria would refuse renewal, the development represents an important victory for the peace initiatives of Soviet Premier Kosygin and President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, who also extended the U.N. mandate in the Sinai.

CIA-IRAN TERRORISM THREATENS GULF DESTABILIZATION

May 22 (IPS) -- Playing up the killing of two U.S. Air Force officers yesterday in Teheran, the bourgeois press today reports increasing threats of terrorism in Iran, as the CIA moves to destabilize the Persian Gulf region. Speculating on the possibility of an assassination of the Shah, the press reports that the murders were committed by a "Marxist" underground group called the Iranian People's Fighter Organization. The New York Times notes that the killers used Israeli-made Uzi submachine guns. These are widely used by U.S. security forces, an indication of CIA complicity.

INCREASED CHAOS IN LEBANON

May 23 (IPS) -- Continued heavy clashes between Palestinian and fascist Phalangist gangs are being reported from Beirut today, despite attempts by the caretaker government to establish a "security force" between the groups. After new murders and injuries, Second International agent Kamal Jumblatt has called for a general strike to heighten the tense atmosphere, while followers of collapsing Premier Rashid Solh clashed with right-wing pretender to the premiership, Salem.

BORDER CLASHES BETWEEN ISRAELI AND JORDANIAN FORCES

May 23 (IPS) -- U.S. Armed Forces News in Europe reports today that new clashes have broken out along the Israeli-Jordanian border, with at least one Israeli killed by Jordanian gunmen. Over the past two weeks, there have been continued media reports and accusations by Israeli Defense Minister Shimon Peres of Jordanian troop build-ups in the Jordan valley area. The CIA has been trying to concoct a credible Syria-Jordan axis on Israel's Eastern front to push the Egyptians into a war stance.

ASSAD SETS UP SYRIAN ARMY FOR SLAUGHTER

May 24 (IPS) -- In response to further deterioration of the Lebanese political situation, CIA agent Hafez Assad, President of Syria, stands poised to suicidally deploy his forces into Lebanon to "defend" his Palestinian allies and thereby trigger an Israeli pre-emptive strike that would not only destroy the Syrian military, but serve to ignite a U.S.-Soviet confrontation in the Middle East.

According to latest reports over WINS radio in New York, fighting between the right wing Christian Phalangists and Palestinian guerrillas is reported to have escalated, while the overall atmos-

phere in the country is described as "tense and volatile." The resumption of clashes reactivates an explicit threat, published yesterday in the Syrian newspaper Ath-Thawra only hours before the formation of the new Lebanese military regime, that the so-called "Syrian-Palestinian joint command" would intervene in Lebanon unless an end to the fighting was enforced.

In addition, the mufti of an organization of Moslem leaders and politicians today called for the resignation of the newly-formed predominantly Christian military cabinet. With rumors abounding that Lebanon is on the verge of civil war, U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has, according to the WINS report, simultaneously announced that if the Middle East stalemate is not resolved, a "catastrophe" will result.

ISRAELI "DOVE" CALLS FOR END TO 8 YEARS OF "BRAINWASHING AND HYSTERIA"

May 24 (IPS) -- Dovish factional leaders in the Israeli ruling multi-party alignment this week mounted a verbal counter-offensive against the extreme warmongers, reported the May 21 Jerusalem Post.

Yosef Sarid claimed in a joint session of parliament members and top party bodies that it was time to explain to the Israeli population "the harsh realities" after eight years of "brainwashing and hysteria," while colleague Adi Yaffe insisted that now was the time for a "vigorous peace offensive" by Israel.

NEW GOVERNMENT IN LEBANON SETS STAGE FOR FURTHER STRIFE

May 24 (IPS) -- A military cabinet was formed yesterday in Lebanon, following weeks of CIA-choreographed strife between the Syrian-backed Palestinian guerrillas and right-wing Christian Phalangists. The new government is headed by retired Brigadier General and former head of internal security Nureddin Rifai and a cabinet of eight men, seven of whom are military men representing the predominantly Christian-led Lebanese armed forces.

The appointment of the military government by President Suleiman Franjeh followed an explicit threat, published yesterday in the Syrian newspaper Ath-Thawra only hours before the actual formation of the new military regime, that the so-called "Syrian-Palestinian joint command" would intervene in Lebanon if fighting continued.

SOVIETS DENY THEY PLAN LIBYAN BASES

May 25 (IPS) -- Soviet and other East bloc sources vigorously denied a report in Egypt's semi-official daily Al Ahram which alleged that the Soviet Union has won Libya's agreement to permit Soviet military bases in Libya in return for \$4 billion in Soviet arms, according to the New York Times.

The Al Ahram story originated in CIA-infested Beirut and represents an attempt to sabotage efforts by Egyptian President Sadat to avoid a war in the Mideast.

GOLDWATER SAYS MIDEAST WAR "INEVITABLE"

May 25 (IPS) -- Senator Barry Goldwater, a traditionally "independent conservative" who has consistently echoed Rockefeller anti-Soviet cold war propaganda in recent weeks, declared yesterday that a new Mideast war is "inevitable" unless Israel immediately makes territorial pullbacks in the Sinai region separating Egypt from Israel.

Goldwater stated that the arming of Egypt with Soviet missiles has made the Israeli Sinai defense front lines obsolete in any case, since in a matter of hours Israeli forces could be quickly overrun by the alleged Soviet-supported Egyptian juggernaut.

SYRIAN-CONNECTED POLITICIANS JOIN DESTABILIZATION OF LEBANON

May 25 (IPS) -- In an effort to further destabilize the Lebanese government, numbers of politicians and religious leaders, most with covert or overt relations to Syria's Assad government, have demanded the resignation of the new regime.

One resignation call was issued jointly by leading Second International-Syrian agent Kamal Jumblatt, Sunni Moslem chieftans Saab Salaam and Rashid Karame, and Maronite Christian boss Raymod Edde. A second call was released from a meeting of top Moslem leaders headed by Imam Mousa Sadr, the CIA's controller of the Shiite Moslem sect.

ASSAD MEETS ON LEBANESE CRISIS INTERVENTION

May 25 (IPS) -- The CIA-controlled Syrian government of Hafez Assad has staged a series of meetings in the last 24 hours to orchestrate the crisis in Lebanon to trigger a war with Israel.

According to various press sources, Assad last night summoned a delegation of Palestinian leaders to Damascus for special consultations. Simultaneously, he dispatched two of his closest associates, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel Khaddam and Air Force Commander Najy Jamil, to confer with Lebanese President Franjieh. Franjieh was reportedly given a message from Assad demanding guarantees of security for Lebanese Palestinians.

In preparation for possible Syrian military intervention, leaders of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) are meeting with Syrian officials to set up a joint military command. The meeting had previously been scheduled for an unspecified future date.

HEAVIEST LEBANESE-ISRAELI FIGHTING IN THREE YEARS

May 25 (IPS) -- Intense fighting broke out last night between Israel and Lebanon, as Israeli defense forces making an incursion into Lebanon to uncover "terrorist networks" were met by

surprising resistance from "Lebanese defense forces," leading to the death of ten Israelis and seven Lebanese. In response to the entrapment of Israeli agents, the Israeli Air Force began heavy bombing raids into Lebanon. The fighting lasted for 12 hours, in what WINS radio in New York is calling "the heaviest fighting between Israel and Lebanon yet."

The Israeli incursion was specifically designed to intensify the spiraling collapse of governmental control in Lebanon.