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Thousands march to support Intifada

Sana'a lifts Palestinians

By YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Sana'a—The Palestinian-Israeli crisis continued to find a voice on the streets of Yemen's capital Tuesday when thousands marched to show their solidarity with the Palestinians.

Demonstrators flocked to the Palestinian Embassy where they shouted anti-Israel slogans.

They upheld the Palestinian people to resist mounting Israeli aggression, which included a siege of the headquarters of PLO

leader Yasser Arafat on the Christian holy day of Good Friday.

Affiliates of Yemen's Joint Meeting Parties were part of the demonstration, showing the pro-Intifada sentiment continues to cross the region's political lines..

Early on Tuesday, thousands of protesters started massing at al Sabeen square. They called on Arab leaders to support the Intifada and withstand any possible U.S. strikes on Iraq.

Demonstrators burnt out an effigy of Israeli prime minister, Ariel Sharon and Israeli banners. Protesters also shouted anti-normalization slogans in a rejection to the Saudi-sponsored peace initiative, which was discussed in last's weak Beirut Arab summit.

Similarly, through a statement released March 23, all Yemeni political parties called for Yemen's blessing of the Intifada and opposed any kind of initiative that may foil the Palestinian uprising.

The statement blamed both the United States and Israel for being sponsors of international terrorism.

It called for the trial of Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon as a war criminal and also opposed any military move against Iraq.

The statement voiced support for Lebanon and Syria to recover Shaba'a farms and the Golan Heights currently under Israeli occupation.



Yemeni outlets patrolled electronically

By Yemen Times Staff

A US military team is now in Yemen to launch a project that will electronically monitor Yemen outlets.

The team is part of the U.S. and other donor countries assistance to help Yemen patrol its borders.

Sources said a joint Yemeni U.S. security team will start this week installing an electronic network to monitor some of the

main-outlets. The U.S. has provided high tech devices for this project being carried out by the Yemeni Interior Ministry in cooperation with the U.S..

The project includes electronically linking all main outlets with immigration and interior ministries to monitor the flow of foreigners to Yemen.

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U.S. embassy attacker to be tried soon

Investigations disclosed that Samir Yahia Awadh, the Yemeni student who threw a grenade at the U.S. Embassy compound has no terrorist connections.

Sources say the incident is being treated as an individual crime carried out due to the man's psychological disturbances, suffered, in part, due to family problems.

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Yemen takes part in second Earth Summit

Sana'a—Preparations are in full swing at the Sheraton Hotel for the April 3 2002 workshop to deal with planning for the Earth Summit, to be held in the Johannesburg, South Africa from August 26 to September 4 2002.

The summit will deal with international commitment for sustainable development, and challenges that might block its way.

It aims at increasing awareness of the importance of protecting the environment, and the dangers that may result from its pollution.

Hodeidah hosts First International Conference on English Language Teaching

Amin al Dobai
Hodeidah - Under the patronage of H.E. the PM Dr. Abukader Bajammal, the first International Conference on English Language Teaching was started Saturday.

The four-day conference will continue to April 2 at Hodeidah University.

To open the conference, Chairman Prof. Qassim Mohammed Barihe, of Hodeidah University, spoke of efforts made to make the event a success.

This is the first conference being held in the Arab world where 44 researchers have been presented to the jury form Yemeni universities. Among these, 20 researchers have been accepted.

Organizers noted the significance of holding such conferences and making use of its outcomes.

"Lectures and professors from multi-nationalities including the USA, Britain, Germany, India and Yemen participated at the conference," said conference secretary, Prof. T. Balasubramaniam, Head of English.

Higher Education Minister and Scientific Research Yahya Ashoabi stressed the need to apply the conference's recommendations and send them to other universities of the Arab world.

"There is a short-fall of English qualified cadre and we will do our best to reach self-sufficient English qualified cadres capable of producing much in this vital field," Ashoabi said.

He called for the principle of specialization at different colleges and universities.

In response to whether Hodeidah University will hold such conferences next year, Yahya Ashoabi said the University is going to host international conferences in the field of Sea Sciences and on the historical city of Zabeed.

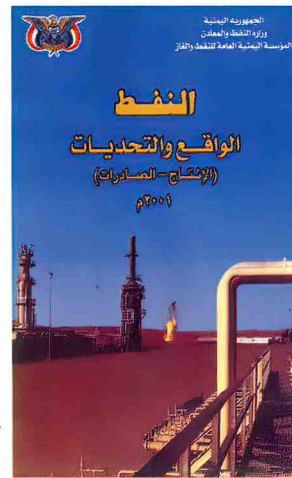
Book on Yemeni oil

Yemeni Public Corporation for Oil & Gas has recently published a book on oil and gas in the Republic of Yemen.

The book includes many topics related to oil and gas exploration and processing as well as their related industries.

Issues pertaining to oil prices, oil markets and marketing are discussed in depth in the 141-page full-colour book. The problems encountering the oil industry and marketing have also been looked at.

The final part of the book is devoted to dozens of tables, diagrams and maps showing operating blocks, explored blocks, exporting destinations of Yemeni oil and volume of exports and revenues:



Symposium on national population wraps up

A symposium for the men of media concluded its activities with regard to the national population policy in Yemen on March 24. The symposium was held to raise awareness of national population policy and help achieve its goals.

Several issues were discussed, including a guidebook for employees in the field of population awareness, its targets and contents.

Several topics were also highlighted, including integrating health and population into educational curriculums for students of higher learning, for health sciences and the Ministry of Information.

The symposium was attended by the Minister of Health and Population, Dr. Abdunaser al-Munaibari and 45 participants in the field of health and population.

Japanese ambassador hosts Yemeni gathering

SANA'A -- Japanese Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen, Masamitsu Oki, hosted a Yemeni gathering at his residence here on the evening of March 26, 2002.

More than 100 Yemeni officials, businessmen, journalists and distinguished diplomats attended that gathering.

The event is another

reflection of strong Yemeni-Japanese ties that continue to explore new ways of bilateral cooperation.

As one of the major donor countries to Yemen, all indications show that the Government of Japan will continue providing support to the development process in Yemen.

Russian and Egyptian Students meet

The Russian Embassy School in Sana'a hosted, on March 27 a reception for students of the Egyptian School in Sana'a.

Many cultural and scientific competitions were organized during this party with the view of enhancing ties amongst the youth of these two nations.

Presents and awards were given away at the end.

The party was attended by a number of Russian and Egyptian diplomats as well as the teaching staff of the two schools.



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The magazine focuses on military aspects and other internal and external issues in the region.

Political, military, scientific and other topics have been dealt with by the issue, including the political impact upon globalization, the Arab-Israeli conflict, Socatra island, and other scientific and cultural issues.

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U.S. embassy attacker to be tried soon

He has been undergoing psychological therapy in Sana'a.

"The investigating team into the incident informed the Americans of the investigating results, saying it had no political or terrorist incentives," one official said.

He added that the case file will be soon forwarded to the prosecution.

Other sources said previously the attacker belongs to the Central Security Forces.

Awadh threw a grenade into the U.S. embassy compound, March 15, but caused no damage.

Security guards arrested him just after the explosion.

He has been charged with terrorism, and endangering others' lives, as well as possessing illegal weapons.

Awadh is expected to stand trial soon.

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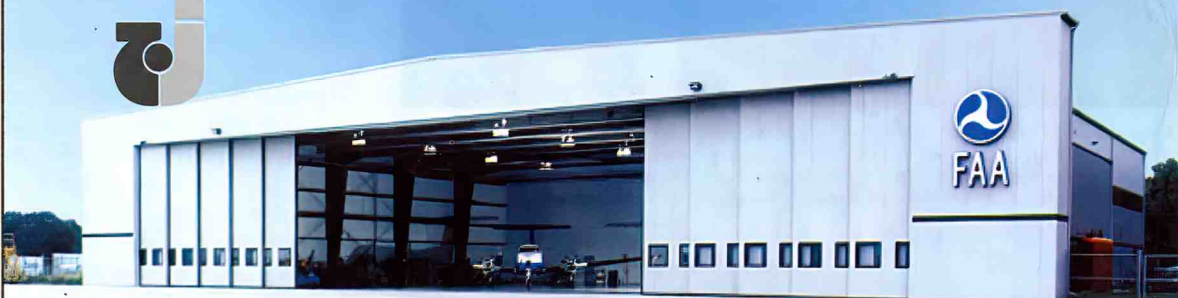
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Britain's Queen Mother dies



Britain's Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother has died March 30, 2002. The Queen Mother is seen here waving a Union Jack flag as she walks among birthday well-wishers outside Clarence House August 4, 1995. The Queen Mother, the 101-year-old mother of Britain's Queen Elizabeth, died in her sleep on Saturday, Buckingham Palace said. REUTERS/Simon Kreitem

The Queen Mother, the 101-year-old mother of Britain's Queen Elizabeth, died on Saturday, Buckingham Palace said.

The Queen Mother, the widow of King George VI and a rock of support behind her eldest daughter Queen Elizabeth, died "peacefully in her

sleep" after a period of declining health.

Her death adds personal tragedy to a succession of domestic traumas suffered by the royal family in recent years, most recently the death on February 9 of her younger daughter, Princess Margaret at the age of 71.

Spanish police seize cocaine in Atlantic

MADRID (Reuters) - Spanish police seized a Venezuelan fishing boat in mid-Atlantic on Saturday and landed a haul of almost two tons of cocaine, authorities said.

Police boarded the boat some 550 miles west of the Canary Islands and arrested its seven Venezuelan crew in the early hours, a Spanish government official said.

The seizure -- Spain's largest so far this year -- was the result of a year-long police, customs and navy operation which involved the arrests of 12 Spaniards.

Interior Ministry official Gonzalo Robles, who heads Spain's anti-drug agency, told reporters that the ramshackle fishing vessel had been bound for the northern Spanish fishing port of La Coruna and the drugs were in 76 bundles on the ship's deck.

Robles, who said the 80 percent purity cocaine appeared to have come from Colombia, declined to give a street value for the drugs but said the amount was enough to supply users with more than 16 million individual "hits."

The drugs had been transferred to a Spanish naval vessel and were now being taken to Spain's Canary Islands off western Africa, while the ship and its crew were being towed to the Spanish mainland, Robles added.

French police last month found almost 400 kg of cocaine which they estimated to have a street value of 73 million euros (\$65 million). At similar prices, Saturday's haul could have been worth more than 350 million euros in the European market.

Colombia produces around 580 tons of cocaine a year, 80 percent of the world's total supply.

U.S.-Russian arms talks in Moscow April 23-24

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Encouraged by the pace of talks, U.S. and Russian arms negotiators will meet in Moscow on April 23 and 24 to work on the strategic arms agreement that Presidents George W. Bush and Vladimir Putin hope to sign at their summit in May, the U.S. negotiator said on Friday.

Under Secretary of State John Bolton told a briefing that he would follow up on talks between Secretary of State Colin Powell and Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, who are meeting in Madrid in the second week of April.

Bolton leads the U.S. side in talks on arms control with Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Georgy Mamedov. They reported some progress after negotiations in Geneva last week.

The two sides have agreed to reduce

the number of deployed strategic warheads to about the same level -- between 1,700 and 2,200 in the case of the United States -- but they have not agreed on a counting method or on what an agreement should say about the warheads they intend to put into storage.

After the Bolton-Mamedov meeting in Moscow, Powell and Ivanov are expected to meet again in the Icelandic capital Reykjavik in May during a NATO ministerial meeting.

"I don't expect them to conclude an agreement in Madrid, but we're certainly hoping that that will further the progress we've made and make it possible to reach a final agreement between the two presidents in Moscow," Bolton said. "I think the pace of our discussions is encouraging," he added.

Six arrested in connection with station break-in

BELFAST (Reuters) - Police in Northern Ireland said on Saturday they had arrested six people in connection with a security breach earlier this month at an anti-terror unit inside Northern Ireland's most heavily fortified police station.

The break-in, during which sensitive files were removed from the Special Branch headquarters at Castlereagh in east Belfast, has baffled police and security experts and raised suspicions that the security services may have been involved in the raid.

"A number of arrests were made this morning in connection with an aggravated burglary at Castlereagh police station," a police spokesman said.

BBC radio in Belfast believed that a former Irish Republican Army (IRA) prisoner was among the six.

The break-in took place on March 17, St. Patrick's Day.

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Israeli troops call upon Arafat to surrender

GAZA, March 30 (Xinhua) (Reuters) — The Palestinian Force 17, the special brigade to protect Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, said on Saturday that Israeli troops were calling upon Arafat and his bodyguards by loudspeakers either to surrender or they would break in.

Officers of Force 17 told Xinhua that Israeli troops are a few meters away from Arafat's office.

Arafat, who has been disconnected from the outside world since Friday, spoke on the private wireless to Force 17 Saturday night, telling them that "they (Israeli troops) are calling at us either to surrender or they will break in."

Palestinian Force 17 officers said that Arafat, who is holding a gun, agreed with his bodyguards that they would never surrender, and told them that he decided to fight together with them if Israeli soldiers break into his office.

Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo said that special Israeli troops are standing a few meters away from the door of Arafat's office, and are preparing to break into the office.



Palestinian President Yasser Arafat gives an interview by candle light March 30, 2002 at his ruined West Bank headquarters. Arafat asked the world to end what he called Israel's assault on his people. Photo by Reuters Tv/Reuters

Abed Rabbo urged Arab and world leaders to do something to rescue Arafat, saying that "Arafat is in a real and serious danger."

Arafat managed to speak to the Qatar-based Al-Jazeera satellite TV channel for a few seconds. He said with a suffocated voice "here they are

preparing to attack. Here they are warning us by loudspeakers to surrender."

Israeli troops had warned aides to Palestinian President Yasser Arafat on Saturday they planned to storm his office soon to make arrests, a Palestinian cabinet member said.

"The commander of the invading force surrounding President Arafat's headquarters gave an ultimatum, by which they will storm into the headquarters to arrest whoever they want and leave others inside," Abed Rabbo said.

"This step is a plan by (Israeli Prime Minister Ariel) Sharon against President Arafat's life. This is a very grave step," he added.

Several hours later, Abed Rabbo told Reuters that the Israelis were calling on megaphones for people inside Arafat's office to surrender "or they will go in."

Observers expect dramatic development may occur in the standoff between Sharon's invading troops and president Arafat who is under siege at his presidential compound in Ramallah.

Beirut Declaration urges world community to help forge Mideast peace

BEIRUT, March 28 (Xinhua) -- The Beirut Declaration, unanimously adopted at a two-day 14th Arab Summit here Thursday, appealed to Israel and the world community to accept and support a unified Arab peace plan, which is based on a Saudi Arabian peace package.

The declaration calls on the international com-

munity and world major powers to press Israel to abide by relevant U.N. resolutions to achieve a just, durable and comprehensive peace in the Middle East.

Israel must review its policy of aggression and occupation, said the document, adding that a comprehensive peace would only be materialized after

Israel withdraws its troops from all Arab lands it has been occupying since 1967, including Syria's Golan Heights, the Shebaa farms in southern Lebanon and Palestinian lands.

It urged Israel to implement U.N. Resolution 194 to guarantee the right of return of the Palestinian refugees, and to recognize an independent Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital.

Arab leaders also called for a quick ending of Arab-Israeli conflicts, making peace deals to ensure security for all peoples in the region and full normalization of Arab ties with Israel on the basis of a comprehensive peace.

The declaration said that Arabs oppose any form of settlement of the Palestinian refugees on their current location, apparently reaffirming Arab support for the right of return of the Palestinian refugees.

The declaration also strongly rejects any threats of military strikes against any Arab country, particu-

larly Iraq.

On the Iraq-UN talks, the document welcomes the resumption of the talks, while urging Iraq to comply with relevant UN resolutions on the country.

The two-day summit was attended by heads of state and government and representatives from the 22-member Arab League (AL), as well as U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan and AL chief Amr Moussa.



Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Abdullah bin Abdul-Aziz attends the opening session of the 14th Arab Summit at Phoenicia Hotel in Beirut, March 27, 2002. (Xinhua Photo/Wang Jianhua)



Lebanese President Emile Lahoud (C) speaks at the opening session of the 14th Arab Summit at Phoenicia Hotel in Beirut, (Xinhua Photo/Wang Jianhua)

Hizbollah attacks Israeli troops near border

KFAR SHOUBA, Lebanon (Reuters) - Israeli warplanes fired missiles near Lebanese border towns on Saturday after Hizbollah guerrillas attacked Israeli positions in a disputed frontier region, witnesses and security officials said.

Hizbollah said it attacked seven Israeli positions in the disputed Shebaa Farms area near the border between Lebanon, Israel and the Israeli-occupied Golan Heights, captured from Syria in the 1967 Middle East war.

"The Islamic resistance confirms that it is carrying out its duty of liberating every inch of Lebanese land that is still under occupation," the Shi'ite Muslim group said in a statement.

"At the same time it warns the Zionist

enemy not to continue its actions against the Palestinian people...which will have very dangerous consequences for the Zionist enemy," it said.

In Israel, the army confirmed it had responded to the attack on the contested area which Israel calls Har Dov, but did not say if the air force had been in action.

"Rockets have been fired at army posts at the Dov mountain," an army spokesman said. "We assume Hizbollah is responsible. There are no injuries."

Lebanese witnesses said Israeli jets fired missiles at the northern fringes of Kfar Shouba, near Shebaa Farms, and nearby Khalet Shbat, a few miles from the border.

They said Hizbollah fired mortar

bombs and rockets at Israeli posts, setting at least two of them on fire.

Hizbollah gunners fired anti-aircraft rounds at the Israeli jets, but there were no reports of any planes being hit.

Witnesses said Israeli tanks pounded the outskirts of Kfar Shouba and the nearby town of Kfar Hamam, damaging the main school in Kfar Shouba along with seven houses and several cars.

There were no immediate reports of casualties.

Israel ended a 22-year occupation of south Lebanon in May 2000 after a war of attrition fought by Hizbollah, which is backed by Syria and Iran. The guerrilla group has vowed to drive Israel from Shebaa Farms.

Iraq hails "historic" agreement with Kuwait, Saudi Arabia

BAGHDAD, March 29 (Xinhua) -- Iraq on Friday hailed the "historic" agreement reached with Kuwait and Saudi Arabia at the Arab summit in Beirut, Lebanon, and hoped Iraq's ties with the two former Gulf War foes will be normalized, the state-run Iraq TV reported.

"What has been achieved at the summit between Iraq and Kuwait, Saudi Arabia was historic," Ezzat Ibrahim, vice chairman of Iraq's ruling Arab Baath Socialist Party and an envoy of

President Saddam Hussein at the summit, told the Iraq TV after his arrival at Baghdad's Saddam International Airport from Lebanon.

Ibrahim expressed hope to normalize relations with Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, the report said.

Iraq and Kuwait on Thursday signed a landmark non-aggression agreement in which Iraq pledges to respect Kuwait's security and sovereignty and will have no recurrence of the 1990 invasion again.

In a public show of warming ties, Ibrahim embraced with Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah bin Abdul-Aziz and shook hands with Kuwaiti officials at the summit.

Iraq invaded and occupied Kuwait in August 1990 and was evicted out of the small emirate by the U.S.-led multinational coalition forces in the 1991 Gulf War.

Iraq's relations with Kuwait and Saudi Arabia have since remained cold and severed.

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Red Cross hands Kuwait citizen held in Iraq

KUWAIT (Reuters) - The International Committee of the Red Cross said it handed over to Kuwait on Saturday a Kuwaiti citizen held for illegally entering Iraq but later released in a goodwill gesture by Baghdad.

The hand-over was part of what diplomats called a new Iraqi "charm offensive" toward its neighbors in an apparent effort to foil a declared U.S. policy to topple Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

"Jassem al-Randi is safe and sound. We received him from the Iraqi side and just handed him over to Kuwait," a Red Cross official told Reuters from the border where the exchange took place.

Iraq surprised many at an Arab summit in Beirut this week when it announced it would drop earlier demands and unconditionally hand Randi over. The head of the Iraqi delegation embraced and shook hands with his counterparts from 1991 Gulf War enemies Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

He then accepted the first accord toward reconciliation with Kuwait since the Gulf crisis, in which Iraq

vows not to repeat its 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

Randi, a Kuwaiti government employee, was arrested earlier this month with his Egyptian driver when they were taken to an Iraqi border post by mistake during a U.N.-organized visit by a Venezuelan delegation.

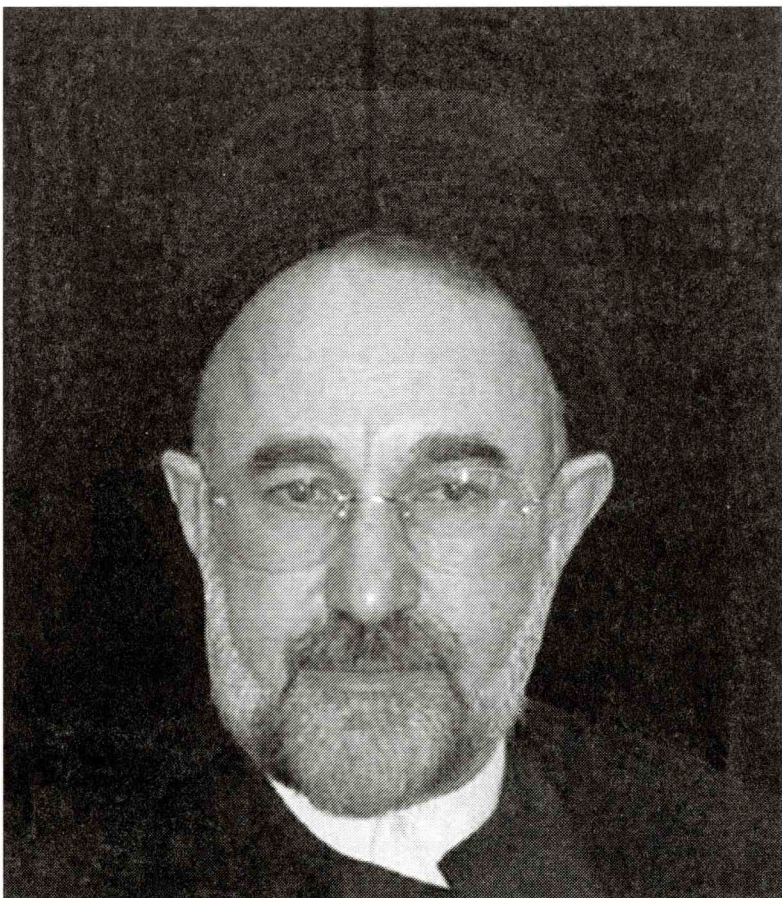
Baghdad released the Egyptian driver but offered to exchange the Kuwaiti for Iraqis it said were being held in Kuwait, its oil-rich southern neighbor which it occupied for seven months.

Kuwait has welcomed the latest move by Iraq but some officials are skeptical, saying that Baghdad has a long way to go before it can rebuild confidence and ease regional tension.

Kuwait wants Iraq to release or account for some 600 people, mainly Kuwaitis, missing since the Gulf crisis.

It also wants Iraq to cooperate with the United Nations to implement resolutions on the elimination of alleged weapons of mass destruction and end what Kuwait says are daily threatening remarks by Iraq.

Presidents of Iran, Lebanon discuss Mideast crisis over phone



TEHRAN, March 30 (Xinhua) -- Iranian President Mohammad Khatami has said that Iran has always been standing by the oppressed Palestinian nation, the state television reported on Saturday.

During a telephone conversation with his Lebanese counterpart and Chairman of the Arab League Emile Lahoud on Friday evening, Khatami called on Islamic states to spare no efforts in preventing the killing of Palestinian people.

Expressing his regret over the worsening situation in Palestine, Khatami termed the Israeli tough military actions against Palestinians as "crimes against the entire human being."

Khatami condemned the Zionist (Israeli) regime for not committed to any international rules and regulations, adding that the regime does not

accept any proposal for settling the existing problems.

For his part, the Lebanese president praised the stand taken by Iran regarding the latest Mideast crisis, and pointed out that Israel is not willing to take any positive measure regarding the peaceful solutions.

Lahoud briefed Khatami that the Arab countries participating in the just-concluded Arab summit in the Lebanese capital city of Beirut have said they want peace based on international laws and regulations as well as resolutions ratified by the United Nations within the framework of all-out and comprehensive solutions.

Earlier, Iranian Foreign Minister Kamal Kharazi had condemned the Israeli incursion into the West Bank city of Ramallah early Friday, during which five Palestinians were killed and more than 40 others injured.

Four missing

Dubai dock death toll rises to 25

DUBAI (Reuters) - Divers searching a flooded dry dock in Dubai found four more bodies on Friday, raising to 25 the number of workers killed when seawater surged into the ship repair yard earlier this week, a security source said.

Officials said the operation would continue until rescuers found the bodies of four people still missing since Wednesday's accident which happened when a gate collapsed, flooding the dry dock where hundreds of people were working.

"Divers have found four bodies, and the search is continuing," the security source told Reuters.

Officials did not have a breakdown of the nationalities of those killed or missing, but said they were all Asian.

A shipping source said there were about 500 workers and four ships inside the dry dock when the gate broke. He said the gate had been undergoing repairs since Monday.

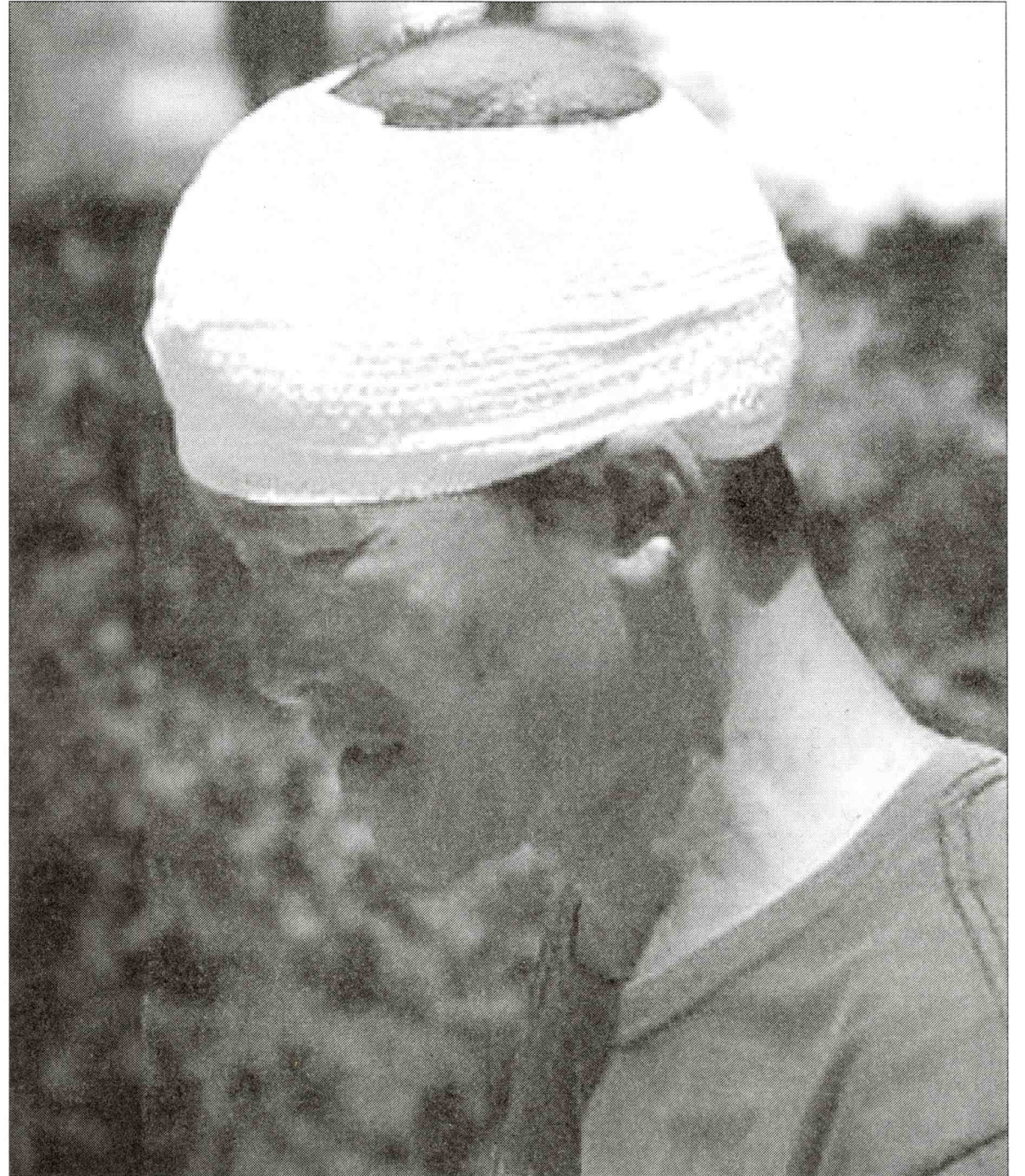
Another security official said that 241 people were there at the time of the accident, one of the worst ever in the emirate, a regional trade and tourism hub in the oil-rich United Arab Emirates.

Authorities are investigating the cause of the incident.

A security official said about 150 people had been taken to hospitals, but most were only slightly hurt and had been released quickly. About 20 needed further medical attention.

Some 3,500 people work at the facility, part of the state-owned Dubai Drydocks, which is one of the world's largest ship repair yards.

The official WAM news agency said operations at the facility were expected to resume in mid-April.



A Dubai Drydocks worker walks after being treated by a rescue team following an accident. Dubai rescue workers resumed their search March 28, 2002.

Kuwait condemns Israeli war action against Palestinians

KUWAIT CITY, March 29 (Xinhua) -- Kuwait on Friday condemned Israel's war of annihilation against the infrastructures of the Palestinians and the continuous encirclement of their legitimate leadership, the official KUNA news agency reported.

Kuwait's Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah was quoted as blasting "continuation of bids to jeopardize the peace process by the Israeli authorities and all efforts aimed at halting the bloodshed."

"It is regrettable that this dangerous escalation by Israel came only hours after the Arab states declared a peace initiative which was unanimously adopted at the summit in Beirut," he added.

On Thursday, the Arab summit approved the

Arab peace plan that calls for normal Arab relations with Israel in exchange for its withdrawal from territory captured in the 1967 Mideast war.

The plan also reaffirms the legitimate rights of Palestinians to return to their homeland and create an independent Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital.

The Kuwaiti foreign minister asked the international community to take effective actions to put an end to the Israeli massacres.

The appeal was also voiced by Information Minister Sheikh Ahmad al-Fahd al-Ahmad al-Sabah, who urged the international community to act immediately to curb the "state terrorism" carried out by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon against the Palestinians.

"Sharon has crossed all red lines," he warned.

Qatar decries Israeli attacks on Palestinians

KUWAIT CITY, March 30 (Xinhua) -- Qatari Foreign Minister Sheikh Hamad Bin Jassim Bin Jabir al-Thani on Saturday warned of the repercussions of Israel's savage aggressions against the Palestinians, Kuwait's official KUNA news agency reported.

Israel's actions are "fruitless and will increase violent activities in the region," Sheikh Hamad was quoted by KUNA as saying.

He said that he has informed Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres by phone that what is happening now "takes us away from the available opportunities of peace."

He also urged an end to Israeli aggressions against the Palestinians and called on Peres to ensure Palestinian Leader Yasser Arafat's safety.

"The Palestinian people will have no alternatives but to carry out martyrdom operations if they feel desperate to achieve their objectives," he stressed.

Gulf media says 'terrorist Sharon must be stopped'

DUBAI (Reuters) - Gulf Arab commentators blasted Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon on Saturday as a "mass murderer" and a "terrorist" and called on Arabs to unite in the struggle against Israel.

They roundly condemned Israel's assault on Palestinian President Yasser Arafat's West Bank compound in Ramallah, where Israeli troops kept up their siege on Saturday.

"Arabs should respond immediately to the terrorism of Sharon... He is refusing any peace proposal because he does not understand this language. He rejects any serious attempt that could bring back peace and stability," the United Arab Emirates' Arabic-language al-Bayan newspaper said.

"What next?" asked Kuwait's al-Qabas newspaper in an editorial headlined "Are there no limits to this terrorism?"

"How long will this mass killer Sharon continue to run amok in this

region, killing, destroying, and invading with no one to deter him?" the newspaper said.

The violence sweeping the region for the past 18 months shifted up a gear after Sharon declared Arafat an enemy and ordered an offensive, backed by tanks, against Arafat's headquarters early on Friday.

The United States joined other U.N. Security Council members in passing a resolution on Saturday calling for the withdrawal of Israeli troops from Ramallah and other Palestinian cities.

But some editorials published before the announcement said Palestinians should not expect a binding resolution as the council was controlled by Washington, Israel's ally.

"Washington will not bring our rights back, the European stance will not help us and the United Nations, which became a hostage of the American decision will not help

us...the solution is in our hands," UAE's al-Ittihad newspaper said in an editorial.

The U.S. vote at the Security Council represented a change in position from Friday's comments by Secretary of State Colin Powell, who expressed sympathy with Israel's decision to respond militarily after a series of attacks on Israeli civilians.

In another editorial before the resolution was announced, Saudi Arabia's leading newspaper, al-Watan, said: "Where are we heading to?... The next few hours will no doubt bring the answer to this dangerous question...even though we presume that the answer will satisfy nobody but Sharon who is doing his best to destroy whatever is left from the so-called 'peace'."

At least 1,112 Palestinians and 383 Israelis have died since the Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation began in September 2000.

Ten killed in rebel attack in Indian Kashmir

Reuters PhotoJAMMU, India (Reuters) - At least ten people were killed and 20 wounded on Saturday in a grenade and gun attack by militants near a Hindu temple in Jammu, the winter capital of strife-torn Jammu and Kashmir state, police said.

Police said a group of militants hurled a grenade in Jammu's main trading center of Raghunath Bazar near a famous temple of the Hindu God-king Ram.

The militants then opened fire with automatic weapons in a bid to enter the temple, police said, adding security forces had fired at the rebels.

"Four security force personnel, four civilians and two suspected militants were killed. Another 20 people, mostly civilians, were wounded in the attack,"

a police official told Reuters.

"Security forces have cordoned the temple and the adjacent area and launched a massive search to nab the third militant who is believed to be hiding in the vicinity," the official said.

The temple premises was littered with empty cartridges and there were blood stains on the floor. Shops and businesses in the city have been shut following the incident.

No militant group has so far claimed responsibility for the attack. The wounded, some of them in serious condition, have been admitted to hospital, police said.

About a dozen militant groups are fighting India's rule in Muslim-majority Kashmir, where authorities say about 33,000 people have died in 12

years of rebellion.

India which controls 45 percent of disputed Kashmir accuses Pakistan of arming and training militants. Pakistan which rules over a third denies the charge and says it only offers moral, political and diplomatic support to Kashmiri separatists.

The mountainous region remains at the heart of a military stand off between India and Pakistan who have fought two of their three wars over the disputed Kashmir since 1947.

The stand off was triggered after an attack on India's parliament last December, which New Delhi blamed on Pakistan-based rebels. Close to a million troops have been mobilized on both sides of the border.



Ten Killed in Rebel Attack in Indian Kashmir
A man tries to extinguish a fire caused by a grenade explosion in Jammu's main trading center of Raghunath Bazar, March 30, 2002.

Five U.S. victims of Philippine crash found

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines (Reuters) - A U.S.-led salvage team has recovered the bodies of five of seven U.S. crewmen missing since their special forces helicopter crashed at sea in the southern Philippines last month, a U.S. official said on Saturday.

Eight Army and two Air Force personnel were on board the helicopter when the accident occurred on February 22 over the Bohol Strait, about 410 miles south of Manila.

Bodies of three of the 10 were

recovered soon after the crash.

"Five crewmen from the U.S. Army MH-47 Chinook helicopter that crashed at sea in the Philippines in February have been recovered during ongoing salvage and recovery operations," Major Cynthia Teramae told reporters in the southern Philippine city Zamboanga.

Teramae, spokeswoman for U.S. forces conducting joint military exercises with Filipino troops, said recovery operations to locate the two remaining crew were continuing.

The helicopter crashed while flying from Basilan island, the lair of Muslim guerrillas holding captive for 10 months a U.S. missionary couple and a Filipina nurse.

The U.S. sent a team this week to salvage the wreckage of the helicopter and to recover the bodies of the missing servicemen.

"The focus of the recovery effort is to determine the cause of the mishap," Teramae said.

The U.S. personnel were the first casualties in what is viewed as the second front of Washington's war against terror.

More than 600 U.S. soldiers are in the southern Philippines to help train the local military to fight Abu Sayyaf guerrillas linked to Saudi-born dissident Osama bin Laden, prime suspect in hijack air attacks on New York and Washington on September 11.

Abu Sayyaf guerrillas claim to be fighting for an independent Islamic state in the south of the mainly Catholic Philippines but pursue kidnap for ransom as their main activity.

The Philippine military said 11 suspected Abu Sayyaf members were arrested during a raid in Zamboanga on Saturday.

On Saturday, Filipino troops clashed with about 20 suspected Abu Sayyaf bandits in Tuburan town on Basilan.

One soldier was wounded in the five-minute firefight, Detoyato said. There were no reports of casualties on the Abu Sayyaf side.

Bangladesh and India begin border talks

DHAKA (Reuters) - Bangladesh and Indian border security chiefs began talks for resolving disputes on their border which often result in the exchange of fire and deaths, officials said.

"The three-day meeting will try to remove existing irritants between the two friendly neighbors," Colonel Ahmedullah Imam, of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR), paramilitary border force, told Reuters.

Gurbachan Jagat, Director General of Indian Border Security Force (BSF), arrived in Dhaka on Friday for talks with his BDR counterpart Rezaqul Haider.

The meeting came after the two countries' border forces exchanged heavy fire this month over a disputed tea garden on their 4,000-km (2,500-km) frontier.

Neither side suffered any casualties in that clash.

Dhaka said the firefight started after their troops tried to stop Indians from planting tea bushes in the plantation, which Bangladesh said had been extended into the border zone in contravention of a 1975 treaty.

India will table at least eight issues including trans-border crimes, the alleged flow of Bangladeshis into India, and Indian insurgents' activities in Bangladesh, another BDR official said.

Indian BSF forces shot dead 70 Bangladeshis for an alleged illegal crossing into Indian territory after April last year, BDR statistics said.

Pearl suspect's lawyer moves against jail trial

Reuters PhotoKARACHI (Reuters) - The prime suspect in the kidnap and murder of U.S. reporter Daniel Pearl on Saturday challenged a decision to hold his trial in jail, a court official said.

He said defense lawyer Abdul Waheed Katpar filed a petition in the Sindh High Court saying the trials of British-born Islamic militant Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh and three alleged accomplices "should be held in open court and not in a jail premises."

The trial of four leading suspects in Pearl's abduction and murder is scheduled to start on April 5 in Karachi's main jail.

"The case should be tried in an open court, which will promote the ends of justice," the official quoted Katpar's petition as saying. It was likely to be heard sometime next week, he added.

"If the trial is held inside the jail, a very strong apprehension is likely to

lurk in the minds of applicants that they are not getting a fair trial," the petition added.

Omar and the three others were charged earlier this month with the kidnap and murder of Wall Street Journal reporter Pearl, who disappeared in Karachi on January 23.

A gruesome video later surfaced showing Pearl had been murdered.

The U.S. government has also indicted Omar for hostage-taking and requested his extradition, but Pakistan says it wants to conduct its own trial first. He could face the death penalty in either country if found guilty.



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Angola Army, rebels ready to sign ceasefire

LISBON (Reuters) - Angola's armed forces and UNITA rebels prepared on Saturday to sign a cease-fire pact aimed at ending the African nation's long civil war, Portuguese news agency Lusa reported.

Lusa said armed forces delegations and observers from the United Nations, the United States, Russia and Portugal had arrived in Luena, capital of remote Moxico province, for the signing of a cease-fire memorandum.

The government has said the two sides signed a truce on March 15 and

cease-fire talks began five days later. Government troops killed veteran rebel leader Jonas Savimbi last month, raising hopes for an end to the 27-year-old civil war.

The pact is expected to be signed at government offices in Luena, about 770 km (480 miles) southeast of the capital Luanda. The accord will be formalized in Luanda next week, Lusa said.

The international observers will attend the talks for the first time. Russia, Portugal and former colonial

power Portugal make up a "troika" to observe the 1994 Lusaka peace agreement, which collapsed in 1998.

Deputy armed forces chief General Sachipengo Nunda headed the government delegation. UNITA armed forces chief General Abreu Muengo Ucuatchitembo "Kamorteiro" led the rebel side.

Lusa said UNITA Secretary-General Paulo Lukamba "Gato" was in Moxico province to follow the talks but did not take part directly.

Under the Lusaka peace deal,

UNITA members sit in the National Assembly and hold posts in President Jose Eduardo dos Santos' government. A UNITA faction broke off away from Savimbi in 1998, splitting the rebel movement into armed and political groups.

More than a million people are estimated to have died in the fighting in the oil- and diamond-producing nation. UNITA is a Portuguese acronym for National Union for the Total Independence of Angola.

Renewed fighting spreads in Liberia

LAGOS, March 29 (Xinhua) -- Fighting between the government troops and the rebels in Liberia Friday spread to diamond-rich areas in the northern part of the country as the rebels continued engaging government forces in fierce battles near the capital Monrovia.

Fighting flared up at the mining towns of Gbaama and Smith Camp, just west of a near dissident stronghold at Bopolu, some 85 kilometers north of the capital, according to reports reaching here from Monrovia.

In recent weeks, rebels of the Liberians United for Reconciliation and Democracy (LURD) have used the town of Bopolu as a base for attacks on towns in the surrounding Bomi county.

Around gem-mining Zorzor in the far north close to the border with Guinea, there are also head-on clashes between the rival sides, officers from the Defense Ministry were quoted as saying.

"The LURD rebels are interested in capturing areas with diamonds so they will be able to secure them, purchase more arms and enable themselves to withstand the economic situation," one officer said.

On Wednesday, the LURD rebels staged a raid in Suehn, a town 40 kilometers north of Monrovia, forcing the government to reinforce troops to defend the doorstep of the capital.

Rebel spokesman William Hanson confirmed the latest attacks, saying that LURD rebels had gone on the offensive in the past few days.

"We've commenced a lot of fighting, pushing back government forces. We are going to go on the offensive," he told reporters.

It was reported that the government troops and the rebels got in seesaw battles in Suehn, while dozens of civilians have died in the fighting and many more were abducted by rebels when they retreated overnight.

This is the second time that fighting is reported to have neared the capital.

On February 7, the rebels struck Kley, 35 kilometers north of Monrovia, forcing President Charles Taylor to declare a state of emergency in the west African country in the following day.

The LURD dissidents, who are trying to unseat the government of President Taylor, have been waging an insurrection in northern Liberia for more than two years.

The latest fighting forced tens of thousands of people to flee their homes in northwestern Liberia and poured into the capital or crossed the border into neighboring countries.

The fighting is part of a wider conflict involving Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone for control of diamonds, timber and other resources in the region.

Senegal urges international efforts to end Middle East violence

DAKAR, March 29 (Xinhua) -- Senegalese President Abdoulaye Wade Friday sent separate messages to leaders of the United Nations, United States, French, British and Israel, urging them to take immediate measures to end the escalation of violence in the Middle East.

"We learned with strong preoccupation that Israeli tanks are now at several meters from the office of President Yasser Arafat," said Wade in his messages, referring to the military operations that Israel launched earlier Friday against Arafat's headquarters in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

These actions constitute "a serious threat to the physical integrity of the Palestinian leader," said Wade in his letters to U.S. President George W. Bush, French President Jacques Chirac and British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

"I would like to demand you to join all your power and the prestige of your country into the international efforts at ending the escalation," said the Senegalese president.

Former OAU chief named as water envoy of ADB

ADDIS ABABA—Xinhua The African Development Bank (ADB) has named Salim Ahmed Salim, former secretary general of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), as its envoy for water issues, an OAU official said here Friday.

The official said Salim would engage in the campaign of launching education

towards the people in the continent on the need for water conservation.

More than three million people in Africa and one billion in the world reportedly have no access to consuming reliable safe drinking water.

Salim, who has served as OAU secretary general for 12 years, left the post last year.

Uganda Army flushes rebels out of Sudanese camps

KAMPALA (Reuters) - Uganda captured all four bases of the rebel Lord's Resistance Army in southern Sudan on the second day of an offensive to crush their 16-year-old insurgency, Uganda's defense minister said on Saturday.

"By early afternoon Friday our troops had entered and captured all the LRA (Lord's Resistance Army) camps," Defense Minister Amama Mbabazi told a news conference in Kampala.

He had no further details but said that "there was some resistance, it's not like they just walked in," he said.

On Thursday, Ugandan troops moving from the south captured Lala and Orek camps, lying in Sudanese territory about 160 km (100 miles) north of the Ugandan border. Using the same force, they captured Bin Rwot and a camp at Lubangatek on Friday.

"The LRA is on the run and is moving south and we are watching," Mbabazi said.

He said that up to 1,000 women and children, many of whom had been abducted by the LRA, had managed to evade Ugandan troops by slipping through defensive lines set up by the Sudanese army against their own southern rebels.

"We suspect (rebel leader Joseph) Kony and his inner core had enough time to remove their wives and children," he said.

Mbabazi said initial reports showed the army had captured 120 sub-machineguns, 60 crates of ammunition for

these arms, some anti-aircraft and anti-tank weapons, as well as other artillery pieces and assorted vehicles at the camps.

Led by the self-styled prophet Joseph Kony, the LRA want to overthrow President Yoweri Museveni and rule the east African country according to the biblical Ten Commandments.

The LRA is reviled for cutting off ears and noses or padlocking lips to discourage villagers from collaborating with the Ugandan army and is believed to have abducted at least 12,000 children for use as slaves, wives or fighters.

The United States listed the LRA on its "terrorist exclusion" list in December.

Following a thaw in their once icy relations, Sudan has agreed to allow Uganda to send troops onto its soil to destroy LRA bases in the south of the country.

Hundreds of thousands of people have been displaced by the LRA's activity and the army's response, but the LRA controls no territory in Uganda.

LRA rebels attacked the Ugandan border town of Agoro in late February, killing three residents and abducting 80, breaking a year-long lull in rebel activity in the country's remote northern frontier.

Ugandan troops ambushed the retreating rebels in southern Sudan a week later and killed about 80 rebels, the army said.

SECOND NOTICE

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT

Invitation for Prequalification Republic of Yemen

Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project Prequalification Document

for a Lease Contract for the Provision of Water and Wastewater Services Sana'a, the Capital City of Yemen

The Republic of Yemen has applied for a credit from the International Development Association for the benefit of the Sana'a Water Supply and Sanitation Local Corporation ("SWSSLC") toward the cost of the Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to support a Lease Contract for the Provision of Water and Wastewater Services, for Sana'a, the capital city of Yemen. The SWSSLC intends to prequalify firms for the provision of management, operations and maintenance services relating to the water and wastewater systems in Sana'a. It is expected that invitations to submit proposals will be made in May, 2002.

Prequalification will be conducted through prequalification procedures which are in general compliance with World Bank procurement guidelines and are open to all bidders from eligible source countries. The World Bank (the "Bank") maintains a list of countries from which bidders, goods and services are not eligible to participate in procurement financed by the Bank. The list is regularly updated and can be obtained from the Bank's InfoShop in Washington, D.C., and the Public Information Centers of the Bank in Paris and Tokyo. Joint ventures that include participants from ineligible source countries, or otherwise ineligible firms, shall not be permitted to bid or submit a proposal.

Interested eligible applicants may obtain further information from and inspect the prequalification documents at the SWSSLC (address below) or from the Consultant Office in Canada (address below) from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. local Sana'a time, Saturday to Wednesday. A complete set of prequalification documents in English may be purchased by interested applicants on the submission of a written application to one of the addresses below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$300 U.S. The method of payment will be demand draft payable to the SWSSLC. The prequalification documents will be sent by courier.

Applications for prequalification should be submitted in sealed envelopes, delivered to the address **in the Republic of Yemen** no later than April 30, 2002, at 12:00 noon and be clearly marked "Application to Prequalify for a Lease Contract for the Provision of Water and Wastewater Services, Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project". The addresses are:

1) Address in the Republic of Yemen:

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CDT Data Room
P.O. Box 7236
Al-Etha'a Street
Al Hasaba, Sana'a
Republic of Yemen
Tel: + 967 1 230656
Fax: + 967 1 230656
E-mail: cdteam@y.net.ye

2) Address in Canada:

Chairman of the Board of Directors
Sana'a Water Supply and Sanitation Local Corporation
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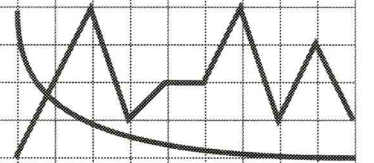
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YT Business



The road to privatization: Too fast, too slow or just right?

By YEMEN TIMES STAFF

As the government studies plans to privatize a sweeping range of public services, including public telecommunication, post services and some banks, it remains caught between critics who say such changes will bring disaster to Yemen's economy, and the World Bank, which wants faster action.

Sources say the World Bank has not been satisfied with the work achieved by the government's plan to date.

Critics, however, maintain that in an underdeveloped country like Yemen, where unemployment and lack of appropriate production policies are absent, it sounds that the privatization won't help.

The privatization trend is sweeping the Developed World under the recommendations of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

Critics say they are seeking to sell public enterprises, regardless of productivity.

They add that governments will evolve into management tools simply for protecting brokers, catastrophic in a country that has a very weak infrastructure like Yemen.

Like other developing countries, Yemen is a victim of financial and administrative corruption, something further aggregated by the difficult economic circumstances and the lack of qualified human resources.

So it's important to look at other ways it can improve, in addition to privatizing its public sector.

Some other suggestions

The status of public sectors enterprises show that the majority of production institutions are being run by unqualified managers who have no expertise in running industrial and agricultural production facilities. This has led to the bankruptcy of some and the bad performance of some others.

Thus, many of these enterprise have failed and usually ask for government help. Accordingly, government should think of taking the following measures.

- Change the key staff of these institutions;
- Provide training courses for the staff of these enterprises;
- Give them financial incentives for increasing production;
- Pay attention to market research relating to increasing exports;
- Introduce new technologies to boost production at these institutions;
- Involve the private sector in the management of these institutions.

The government has been very occupied since the beginning of 1990s with restructuring the economy of the newly unified Yemen. That has taken time and resources. This has forced the government to ask help of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

World Bank experts have advised the government to go ahead with implementing the privatization program in a drive to cover the budget deficit. Thus, the government has embarked upon on its implementation despite its negative social and economic consequences.

Critics of government privatization

plan say that private sector problems can be solved without selling these productive enterprises because Yemen is still an underdeveloped country and lacks manufacturing infrastructure.

However, the government says that it can't bear additional burdens and it's best to sell unproductive organizations.

The Executive Office for Privatization, a body directly supervised by the cabinet, has on its list of organizations to sell the Nasatoon Port on the Arab Sea (to lease) and the Shuqra fish-canning plant (to sell).

It's desired that such enterprises can keep their workers, upgrade their products and services and increase their production.

Education in Yemen sends SOS

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Yemeni academics are calling for more and better training to deal with illiteracy and other educational challenges in Yemen.

A symposium organized by the *al-Thakafia Newspaper* last week warned that education in Yemen is in a deplorable condition and in dire need to be built up.

Education officials also stressed that there should be an conference attended by educators and pedagogical experts to map out a comprehensive education strategy in Yemen.

In his working paper on the need of a free education in Yemen, the Dean of Faculty of Law, Qaed Tarboosh stressed the Yemeni constitution has given the right of free education for all Yemenis.

Dr. Thaifani noted that there is a large increase in students studying in all educational sectors.

There are around 3.5 million students now studying in 11,711 schools, including basic and secondary schools. The number of university students has reached 147,181.

Studies show that the increase in students is weakening the system. The number of university graduates increase every year but education is still falling behind targets.

Unemployed and frustrated

That is why there is a high number of unemployed university graduates in Yemen.

Abdulgabbbar al-Waeli stressed that that 98 percent school dropouts have no choice and the 85 percent of university students in different colleges such as Education, Arts and Commerce, are no longer needed in the labor market.

Frustration and depressing prevail among our graduates from such specialization with regard to the unknown future, he said.

Change seems to be difficult in Yemen due to renunciation pressures, and the indifference favoritism, corruption and bribery of some officials.

Dr. Sultan al-Mekhlafi stressed the need for wholesale changes because human resources are the most vital part of any society.

Working to attract donors and investors

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YEMEN TIMES ECONOMIC EDITOR

Attracting foreign investments and donors is at the top the agenda for two conferences the government is planning for September.

The government is coordinating with the World Bank to organize a donor conference, which would coincide with a conference for investment and development projects.

The donor conference will review Yemen's vision about the economic and social developments as well as development strategies for the different sectors, and ways of implement economic reform.

With a venue still to be determined, it's the third of its kind to support economic reform package adopted by Yemen in 1995.

The promotional conference, meanwhile, will look at energy, oil, and the gas sectors, plus tourism and free zones.

The government of Yemen hopes it

will have new debit exemptions and grants for funding development and service projects including incomplete projects.

Yemen will present a comprehensive vision about the level of implementation of projects in terms of finance and management.

The European Commission organized an international conference for donor countries in Brussels following The Hague conference held in 1996.

At that time Yemen presented its policies in all sectors of development.

Yemen then obtained US \$200 million to alleviate the consequences of floods. Donors also promised to finance development plans with US \$1.2 billion.

This upcoming conference comes six years after Yemen began its program of economic reform, at a time when help is needed to deal with some its economic fallout.

The World Bank increased its assistance to Yemen to \$700 million from 2000 to 2002, up from \$420 million from 1996 to 1999.

The World Bank is currently paying

Exchange Rate for the Yemeni Rial

as of March 30

Curr.	Buying	Selling
USD	173.83	174.03
GBP	247.94	248.23
EUR	151.90	152.08
SAR	46.35	46.40
KWD	565.43	566.08
AED	47.33	47.39
EGP	37.95	37.99
BHD	461.08	461.61
QAR	47.75	47.80
JOD	245.18	245.46
OMR	451.52	452.04
CHF	103.64	103.76
SEK	16.81	16.83
JPY	1.310638	1.312146

Source: Central Bank of Yemen

much attention to Yemen and is encouraging it to promote the private sector.

The World Bank and the International Development Association (IDA) granted Yemen US \$508 million from 1996 to 1999.

Yemen aims to use donor aid for education, health, vocational training, roads and bridges and enhancing the loan capacity of the Social Fund for Development.

Let's work together

By AHMED M.H. AL-AWAH
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In the past decade Yemen has witnessed progress in many areas of the economy such as education and health, roads and electrification. According to a recent report by the World Bank these developments have now made Yemen "above the average of lowest-income countries". However, the report also indicates that there is still a long way to go to improve Yemeni society.

Water shortages -Yemen's supply of renewable water resources is one of the lowest world wide, rapid population growth, poverty and a wide gender gap are some of the main challenges that will face Yemen in the years to come.

The WB says also that oil production from existing oil fields is expected to decline slowly until it reaches one-third of the 2000 level by 2008 -- unless new reserves are found soon.

Unemployment continues to grow as there is no balance between the growth in the labor force and the number of new jobs available. Inefficient management has also caused the government "an inability to arbitrate among the competing demands between urban and rural needs", according to the 1999 report "Yemen: Forging a New Consensus, OED."

Does this mean that Yemen's slide is irreversible? It depends on how you look at it.

Yes, if you continue to watch it go down hill and decide that nothing can be done about it. No, if you decide to act in a more responsible manner.

According to the World Bank report "Yemen's main economic challenge is to reverse negative trends caused by the Gulf war, civil war, and the 1997-98 drop in oil prices, and to do it in ways that are "sustainable."

What exactly does it mean to "do it in ways that are sustainable"? Are the changes the government is trying to do sustainable? Shouldn't the people themselves play an active role in reforming their society? Could there be ways in which the community together with the government could participate in building a better future for all, a future that may not transpire for those building it today but rather for those who will live here tomorrow?

Yemen faces many challenges and unless the government looks for ways in which it can get the people involved in developing a sustainable economic growth, it will continue to work with only a few of its resources, neglecting

the most valuable resource any nation has: its citizens.

In his book, *The Laws*, Plato mentions "Nothing can be more absurd than the practice that prevails in our country of men and women not following the same pursuits with all their strengths and with one mind, for thus, the state instead of being whole is reduced to half."

So the government should foster social and economic projects that require the participation of all members of the community. The value of volunteer programs that also build the futures of both individuals and their communities also needs to be highlighted.

Community members should in turn also be willing to participate in the

development of their own lives and the lives of their children by participating and initiating community-based programs. That way everyone works together towards a common goal with one mind for a shared and better future. That I believe is the essence of sustainability.

The best way to express it is through a poem in the above-mentioned OED report.

*A tent can be erected only
If there are poles to support it,
And no pole will stand
Unless the pegs are anchored
Only if the pegs work together with
the poles
Will the tent serve those living in it.*

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VACANCY

Procurement Assistant for the Credit Administration Unit Basic Education Expansion Project (IDA Credit No. 3442)

The Ministry of Education (MOE), Basic Education Expansion Project, seeks applicants for the position of **Procurement Assistant** who will be responsible for assisting the procurement officer of the Project and will work closely with all sectors and departments of MOE, Governorates Offices, and Districts Offices of MOE involved in the Project.

The Procurement Assistant would work with the Procurement Officer in:

1- General Tasks:

- Preparing and updating the Project procurement plan for each year of the Project and ensures its distribution to all sectors involved in the Project Implementation;
- Preparing Civil works, goods and consultancies procurement plans;
- Itemizing and listing all goods required for the Project, grouping all goods in packages and determining the procurement method: ICB, NCB, IS, NS.
- Making sure that all documents, letter of invitations, bids advertisements, bidding documents... etc. are properly filed and easily accessible once required.
- Conducting field visits to project's schools including reporting.
- Participating in evaluation and handing over committees.

2- Tasks related to Civil Works and Goods:

- Reviewing bidding documents (specifications, drawings, bills of quantities of school buildings and goods) that are produced by MOE sectors and consulting firms.
- Preparing bidding documents according to the World Bank guidelines and procedures.
- Preparing advertisements, bids opening minutes, contracts as per the World Bank procedures.
- Follow-up on all subsequent activities including contracts awarding, signing and implementation.
- Reporting on contracts implementation and progress achieved in relevancy with the Procurement Plan.

3- Tasks related to Consultancies:

- Preparing proposals according to the Term of Reference.
- Invitation and recording the bid opening.
- Participating in the Evaluation process and reports writing according to the standard forms of the World Bank.

Qualifications:

- A minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering.
- At least five years experience in procurement position.
- Familiarity with the government and IDA's procurement guidelines and procedures.
- Computer literacy and proficiency in both Arabic and English.

All applications along with a detailed resume and supporting documents should be submitted to the Basic Education Expansion Project by April 10, 2002, at the following address:

Basic Education Expansion Project
Projects' Sector - Ministry of Education
Baghdad Street,
P. O. Box 16392
Sana'a

National Cigarettes & Matches Industry Ltd. marks 31st anniversary



Sheikh Saleh Bathwab

Cigarette sales of the Cigarette & Matches Company Ltd were up in 2001.

That's the news of company officials who met on 27 March, 2002 for a lunch party on the occasion of its 31st anniversary. Many VIPs, employees and company dealers attended the party. Sheikh Saleh Bathwab made a speech on which he stressed his happiness on this occasion.

The meeting was also used for sharing expertise and viewpoints geared to help solve work-related problems.

Evaluating what has been achieved in the last year has also been discussed with the view of recognizing the financial position of the company as well as the level of success. Sheikh Bathwab pointed out that honoring the best employees of the company is one way to boost production and recognize the efforts of its employees.

The Cigarette & Matches Company achieved results that were much better than in 2000.

"This increase in production is the result of the great efforts of our employees and distributors," Bathwab said.

Radfan Cigarettes sales, for instance, have risen 11.4 percent over that of the year 2000. It is also expected that this percent will rise in 2002 owing to the high quality of Radfan cigarette.

Sheikh Saleh Bathwab pointed out that their goal is to continue improvement in production, particularly as the construction of a new tobacco plant is due to finish in mid-2002.

There is also an improvement in the production lines following the signing of a contract to purchase machines for manufacturing and packing of cigarettes using up-to-date technologies. With this upgrading, the Cigarette and Matches Company has introduced unrivaled modern technologies for manufacturing tobacco and cigarettes in Yemen.

The National Tobacco and Matches Company Ltd enjoys good relations with world's biggest cigarette manufacturers. The company has also benefited from the expertise of international experts in this field for training the company's staff.

Sheikh Saleh Bathwab concluded his speech by thanking and appreciating the political leadership of Yemen led by president Ali Abdullah Saleh, who greatly support the business community. At the end of celebration, 19 active employees and distributors were honored.

The Cigarette & Matches Company also honored Abdusalam Bathwab, Deputy-Director of Commercial Affairs in recognition of his efforts to expand the commercial sections activities. In this occasion, Mr. Abdulsalm Bathwab expressed his thanks and appreciation for the success and development the company has achieved which has a positive impact on consumers and productions as well. He also pointed out that this celebration was a way to honor the company's active distributors.

Honored employees thanked Sheikh Saleh Bathwab, the Executive Chairman of the Board, Mr. Abdulsalm Bathwab, Deputy Acting General Manager for Commercial Affairs, and Mr. Hassan Ahmed al-Saqqaf, the General Manager, for their continued support for the active employees and distributors.

Attendees expressed their happiness in the success achieved by this giant economic enterprise under the management of Sheikh Saleh Salem Bathwab who has remarkable role in boosting the economic activities in Aden.

Sheikh Bathwab's support for the charitable and social projects in the city of Aden is also appreciated by the local community in Aden.

The Cigarette & Matches Company has helped reduce the unemployment

Celebrating its 31st Anniversary

National Cigarettes & Matches Industry Ltd. - Aden honors employees



Mr. Abdulsalm Bathwab received a certificate of honor for his efforts to improve the performance of the company



Honored staff of NCMI



NCMI honors its employees

National Cigarette and Matches Industry Ltd-Aden: 31 years of success



AHMED SHAMSAN
SECRETARY
GENERAL OF NCMI

Considered one of the important industrial edifices contributing to the march of the national economy, the National Cigarette and Matches Industry Ltd of Aden is celebrating its 31st anniversary. It was on June 22, 1971 when the company had inaugurated its activity by opening the matches factory (Arabian Match Company Ltd., under a private sector-state joint capital(80%), (20%) respectively.

On 22 June 1973 the company opened the first cigarette factory in Aden producing two trade marks: Radfan, as the first national product conforming to world specifications, and Pall Mall under license from Rothmans company.

From 1973 to 1980, the company raised production capacity to over 10,000 boxes a month, each box contains 10,000 cigarettes.

The first production line for locally made filters was started in 1982.

The development plan also included the developing of the tobacco factory in 1976 by replacing its production lines that resulted in raising its production capacity to 10 tons a day at an increase percentage of 100%.

New opportunities

The Yemeni unification of 1990 opened new opportunities for the industry and investors encouraged private shareholder in the company to get new technology to improve production and quality even more.

The tobacco industry has also witnessed modernization activity aimed at preparing blends of imported Virginian tobacco and that distinguishes the company from other companies in Yemen because it provides "Cur-Rag" tobacco.

Secretary-General of the company Mr. Ahmed Abdulla Shamsan says the company's development program has covered most facilities of the company that began in 1991 and change is still going on through an agreement between the state and private sector shareholders on the necessity of increasing its capital.

Thus the private sector contributed with US \$3 million according to which the private sector proportion was changed to 60% and the government's share to 40%. The new percentage has enabled the private sector to participate and administer the company that had previously suffered from limited capital.

Mr. Ahmed Shamsan has added that the new situation has improved, shown in the amount of the paid capital that amounted to YR 499 million compared to 2 million Dinars that equals YR 26 million in 1990.

Production has accordingly risen to more than one billion and 333 million cigarettes of both marks, Radfan and Pall Mall, after it was around 835 million cigarettes.

A new stage of development

The Secretary-General also notes the company has taken several development steps. In 1999 the company's general assembly approved the execution of the first phase of the new tobacco factory funded by the private sector with YR 1.2 billion. Machines and equipment of the factory reached its location in Mansoura city.

In continuation of integrated expansion of the cigarettes factory, new production lines are to be added to keep pace with the ongoing modernization process in the tobacco factory.

Mr Shamsan has also pointed out that the company's higher administration is paying great attention to exportation of its products, hoping that the year 2002 would be the beginning of implementing this significant part of its commercial activity.

About transferring the new tobacco factory to Al-Mansoura, Mr Shamsan has added that the necessity of keeping away from the residential area and its location nearby the Free Zone would save much of transport costs and help efforts in environment protection.

The company's secretary has also said that under directives of its Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors Sheikh Salem Ba Thawwab, the company offers YR 25 million monthly financial contribution, amounting to YR300 million, to Youth and Sport Fund and also a monthly contribution of YR 2.5 million for the improvement of Aden governorate. Also Sheikh Ba Thawwab helps various works of maintenance of a number of schools and supports some cultural and sports activities.

On allowances and incentives offered to employees in the company, Director of Personnel Affairs Omar Badharees says that under directives of the Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors Sheikh Saleh Ba Thawwab the company offers an annual incentive to employees at the end of each year amounting to 100 - 150 % of the basic



Chairman of Board of Directors
Sheikh Salem Ba Thawwab

salary, a month salary bonus and in kind assistance to all employees in Ramadhan, monthly incentives to the employees who exceed the planned production lines in addition to annual YR4 million in support of Employees Solidarity Fund.

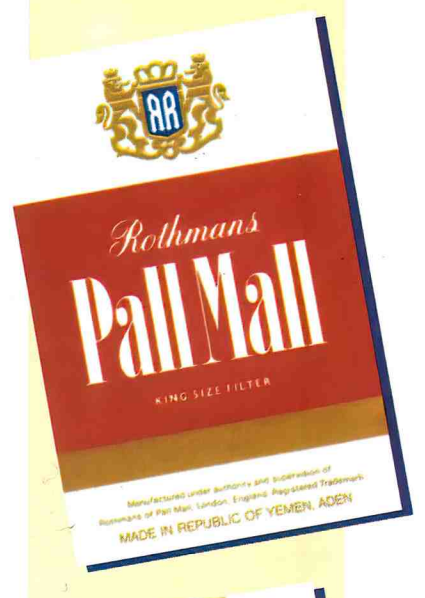
Special allowances are also offered to employees in cases of marriage, death and birth, and some loans are given in exceptional cases with charging interests as well as a monthly gift of three cigarettes boxes, i.e. 600 cigarettes to each employee.

Training

As for employee training, Mr Omar Badharees says that last year the company sent 20 trainees to American Amideast Institute to develop their English language skills. Another 18 trainees have enrolled in a course on industrial safety, extinguishing fires and another course on cooling and conditioning. Two other courses were held on environment protection and profession safety, 3 training courses on basic principles of sale and marketing and a number of employees took part in two courses abroad on "band roll".

Mr Shawqi Ali Uthman, chairman of the trade union committee at the company, says the administration offers a quarterly financial support of YR 1,000,000 to a solidarity fund contributing to solving many social problems of the employees.

He adds that the company's administration has made a contract with Aden's Public Hospital to give treatment and examination to the employees in addition to appointing a doctor at the company to examine employees and send difficult cases to the hospital.



يأتي احتفالنا بالذكرى الـ ٣١ لتأسيس شركة صناعة السجائر والكبريت الوطنية المحدودة - عدن، وقد حققت الشركة فقرة نوعية في شتى المجالات وبهذه المناسبة العظيمة يتقدم موظفي وعمال ووكلاء شركة صناعة السجائر والكبريت الوطنية المحدودة، بأحر التهاني القلبية الى رئيس مجلس الإدارة التنفيذي الشيخ/ صالح سالم با ثواب بمناسبة الذكرى الحادية والثلاثين للتأسيس، متمنين أن تعود هذه المناسبة وكل المناسبات وقد تحققت المزيد من النجاحات والتقدم والازدهار وكل عام والجميع بخير.. ٣١ عاماً من النمو والتطور والنجاح..



Words of Wisdom



The Government has been dished out a lot of talk on how important is the economic reform program it is implementing. That is actually true. The reform is very important, and its success is quite vital for the future well-being of the nation.

Yet, in my opinion, the present reform and the people managing it will not lead us to the results we want.

Prof. Abdulaziz Al-Saqqaf, (1951-1999)
Founder of Yemen Times



OUR OPINION

Sharon's
peace plan:
A Myth

There is no doubt that having the Arab League summit endorse the Saudi initiative in last week's summit in Beirut is a major landmark in the history of Arab-Israeli conflict. There is indeed a compromise by the Arab side, but still, this has been considered a sacrifice for the long-term solution of ending this political conflict that has been disrupting development and stability in the region.

With Yemen endorsing this initiative, the plan has been granted support of the Yemeni leadership in full to have a comprehensive - and as much as possible - just settlement.

However, it doesn't look that the Israeli side will accept this initiative as it is. As a matter of fact, the Israeli government has already demanded changes in the plan and will probably draft its own version, which may drop many key issues that need to be resolved, including the Golan heights, and return of refugees.

Arabs must not have the illusion that the Sharon government will easily accept this plan. Hence, it is of great importance not to give any further compromises.

Arabs have expressed their desire for peace, and presented the proposal to the Israeli side and to the world as a good-will gesture. If there are points that could be negotiated, then that is OK. But we fear that Arabs may be requested - with pressure from the US - to sacrifice even more for the ultimate "normalization" of relations with Israel.

It is of great importance to stand strong and say that is the best we can give. Let's hope Israel seizes this opportunity to create history in making the first peace initiative to life.

We all need this peace, and we can achieve it if there is true will, which doesn't seem to be evident with the Israelis yet.

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Lack of ceasefire is not the problem



SAADI SALAMA
PALESTINIAN DIPLOMAT
IN SANA'A

The solution for the current Palestinian-Israeli crisis is not a fragile ceasefire, but rather, for starters, its to implement the UN Security Council's resolutions.

That takes the focus off Israeli and Palestinian fighting, and looks to the basic political issues.

Using that kind of international hand is the only way to establish a suitable atmosphere for calming the violence, and return a sense of trust which is needed for peaceful co-existence.

Also, the American government and peace envoys should look to deeper reasons why there is this terror against the Palestinian people who are bravely resisting it with their bare hands, naked chests and simple weapons.

If the key to solving the conflict was a ceasefire, it would have been solved long ago. A ceasefire is not important. The issues is looking at the motives behind

the fighting of both sides.

Israel is investing and planning to prolong the occupation and enforce it by maintaining illegal settlements and building new ones, which is racism and discrimination against the Palestinians. They're depriving them of their natural and legal rights and they're leading them to nowhere land by deceiving them and sabotaging their efforts to attain national goals and expectations.

The USA envoys are wasting their time with indecisive issues. Aren't they aware of this fact? At the same time, they are trying to gain time by freezing the situation and cooling the area, so they can pass their schemes.

It appears also that what was is being said publicly by the US, is not the same as what is being said behind closed doors, as it relates to, for example, America's position on Iraq.

So what really concerns us is the Palestinian issue, if they are too in the center of the Arab dispute?

Moreover, what about the Israeli terror waged against the Palestinian people?

As we have said, solving the crisis, that is the disaster caused by the Israel with the full knowledge of the US

administration, will not come by cooling the atmosphere and freezing the area. It will only come by solving the essential and basic issues, starting with the political issues, then the occupation and the settlements, and then the terrorism launched against the Palestinian.

War is a result and not a reason. It is taking place because political issues, mainly Israeli occupation, have not been solved.

Palestinians, like any other people, do not want see the occupation to last any more, nor do they want to see their land confiscated for building more settlements. If the American administration wants to end the conflict, it has to deal with these roots, not the reaction, that is the fighting.

The Palestinian have nothing to lose, but they know that they have a lot to win even when seeing the Arab Leaders trembling around them. They have warned of explosions in the whole region: explosions that might be unseen and unpredictable.

Neglecting the rights and the will of people might lead to such unpleasant surprises. We think that the American people have suffered such surprises.

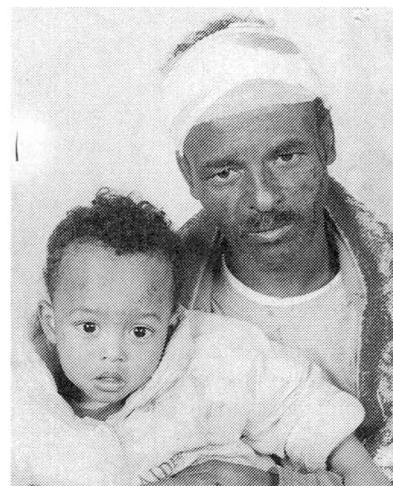
Is it right that Yemeni law
doesn't protect refugees?

BY TESHOME ANGESA
AN ETHIOPIAN REFUGEE IN YEMEN

I just want to ask, is it true that soldiers can crack refugees skulls without being questioned? Is it true that Yemen is without a law protecting refugees? Can refugees be treated as animals here and no body would care?

In March 6, 2002 I was in front of the UNHCR office hoping to meet Mr. Frank the acting commissioner of this UN agency, I was brutally beaten up by the guards protecting the office. The four Yemeni soldiers surrounded me and hit me in the head leading to major injuries in my skull.

I was then hospitalized to al-Mutawakel Hospital near to the scene of the accident, however, the hospital refused to treat me but with a police report. A soldier took me to Baghdad St. Police Station, where, he told them that he is a Secret Police agent and that I was only a refugee and they need not to worry about me.



Mr. Frank reported the case to the Political Security. The Political Security only questioned the soldiers about the incident. The soldiers, upon my return after few days asked me whether I complained to the Political Security and threatened me, saying, "You are only a refugee and that Yemeni law doesn't protect refugees," adding it's better to keep my mouth shut.

Letters to the Editor

Congratulations Yemen Times

Congratulations on developing a newspaper which we all can read with pride. What you have accomplished in a relatively short time is no less than a miracle. The reporting is excellent and the editorials are always provocative and educational. You have elevated the standards of journalism, not only in Yemen, but in other neighboring countries. Since the majority of people in the Arab world, including Yemen, do not speak English, it would be highly desirable if you could have an Arabic version of this most informative and enlightened newspaper. Best regards and God bless you for all your good work.

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One more suggestion

I'd like to congratulate you on the rapid progress and development of your esteemed newspaper. The new look gives us the impression that it is really an international newspaper.

As an earnest reader of the Yemen Times, I have one suggestion which is to make a separate page for the sports news and in that way you will cover all the sides of our life. Once more, congratulations and keep on developing our lovely Yemen Times.

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Looking for Dr. Bashir

I am a Pakistani businessman who is requesting information on a Pakistani named Dr Bashir, who has been in Sanaa for the last 20 years.

His family is very worried about him and would like to talk with him as his family could not contact him for the last 10 years.

His children Imran, Nazia, Fouzia, Safia are missing him very much. Could you help in this? His previous phone num-

ber was 00967-1-267810. The last information we have is that he worked in Taiz street.

Whoever gives any information about him will be much appreciated. Please contact me at +92-300-9444789.

Tahir Malik
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About Nadia Muhsen

I'd like to wish you all at the Yemeni Times a 'Happy 11th Birthday' and may you continue to write interesting items not only to your local reader in the Yemen but for English speaking people to learn all about Yemen too.

A few years back you wrote an interesting article on 'Naida Muhsen' and I was interested to know if you were thinking of doing a followup to let us have an update on the saga. I mean if you are able to get

permission from Nadia's husband that is? Because I'd love to read about Nadia and her children how they're doing and if Nadia is allowed to phone her Mother and Zana, as she seemed to be cut off from them from what I gathered in your interview! What a shame! I'm sure Nadia's mother and Zana wonder how she is doing & perhaps she can even say if she has seen Zana's son, as she hasn't seen him in about 16 years. I wonder if he remembers his mother? Perhaps Zana's ex-in-law's will give permission for Zana's son to write to his mother. It would be interesting!

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Crying
over the past

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We, Arabs, have nothing better to do that whimper over our deceased people.

The other day, Taiz commemorated its first annual memory of the late Mohammed al-Mujahed, who was widely known to be the best lover of Taiz.

He struggled hard to maintain the beauty of his beloved and defend her from sterile winds.

Now history stands witness to the deeds of that great person in whom Yemen has taken pride. However, corrupt people are still doing all they can to remove such good.

No one can deny the fact that corruption is moving full steam to attain its highest degree of blunders. And this farce is going on while we, unfortunately, are busy crying on graveyards and tombs.

It sounds that there are no good guys left anymore. But, in fact, we can all be as great as those if we genuinely aspire to change ourselves.

It is because of the many corrupt elements and untrustworthy holders of responsibility, that patriotic people have started to lose heart.

If we give in to our evil, adrift and chicken-hearted leaders, we should not prove, we would neglect.

Victory is never made by an essay or a poem, but by accord and will-power.

I wonder what memories have done to change the ongoing situation and what how the Arab World as a whole has done to change such callous memories.

LONGADDS

For land does sing this song
Does ring its dawn and bong
Till those unfair get low
Get down to cry for long

COMMON
SENSE

Hassan Al-Haifi

Zionist arrogance
will get US nowhere

Like most Arabs and certainly most informed observers elsewhere, I felt sick, hearing US Secretary of State Colin Powell announce the American stamp of approval for the unprecedented Zionist aggression against the unarmed Palestinian Authority, and its humiliating attack on the last remaining symbol of Palestinian "autonomy".

This occurred, despite the unanimous agreement throughout the rest of the world that such aggression is illegitimate and unacceptable. The US wisely did not veto the UN Security Council Resolution demanding that Israel withdraws its tanks and other destructive machinery from Ramallah and the other Palestinian enclaves. However, it is very clear now that President George Bush is oblivious to all the mitigating human circumstances and apparently ignorant of the Middle East conflict. Otherwise, the president seems careless when considering the sentiments of most of the civilized world.

One cannot rely on a demagogic approach to foreign policy that is based on blind presumptions and Zionist logic. This will only serve to eventually isolate the United States from the rest of the world. Furthermore this will arouse unfair feelings towards the American people, because their leadership enjoys seeing bully tactics and the might of power unleashed against a helpless unarmed people, who have become victims of Zionist terror based on chauvinism for over 80 years.

Perhaps Mr. George Bush should have listened to former Prime Minister Ehud Barak of Israel speaking right after the issuance of the Arab League Summit's historical "peace initiative". Barak said that Israel is a "Zionist Project" in the works in Palestine and that such project does not have room for any Palestinians or any "non-Jews" in its midst, and therefore entails the establishment of a state just for Jews only. Surely, American policy makers cannot ignore such a statement, for it was aired on the CNN at a very important time, when the Department of State was probably monitoring the outcome of the Summit Conference. President Bush, if a "moderate" Zionist said that, one could imagine what the implications of such chauvinistic dogma would be to a bully like your "friend" Ariel Sharon.

This observer believes again that the United States cannot be trusted to broker a settlement of the Middle East problem all by itself. For all practical purposes, the Bush Administration has shown unabashed sentiments towards Zionist arrogance. This is without regard to the serious and flagrant contempt that this arrogance has shown towards world public opinion and long-term American foreign policy objectives.

Apparently the Bush Administration is gullible to Zionist lies about who is the terrorist in the Holy Land and who is the victim of this ugly terror. It is the Zionist demagogues who have a long history of unleashing terror in the region for eighty years. It was only by terror that Israel came to be and continues to exist! One only has to look at the statistics to find that terrorism by the frustrated helpless victims of institutionalized terror is no more than a consequence of well-planned Zionist terror, now legitimized by the United States.

Perhaps, Mr. Bush does not have any intellectual curiosity to delve into historical issues like the Palestine problem. However, surely, he can at least listen to his State Department and many American leaders who have echoed the call for greater fairness by the US in dealing with the Middle East problem. One is inclined to believe, judging from Mr. Powell's briefing, that there seems to be a difference of opinion between the White House and the State Department on the US approach to the latest Zionist aggression.

This brings to memory the famous dispute that erupted between General George Marshall, Secretary of State of the late President Harry Truman, with his boss. In 1948, Marshall was insisting that American support to the establishment of a Zionist state was one of the biggest historical mistakes in American foreign policy, for the simple reason that the Zionists were doing this in land that "does not belong to them," as Marshall plainly put it.

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'Let our people go'

DAOUD KUTTAB
JORDAN TIMES

As the world has now entered the 21 century with the goal of ending occupation, colonization and military rule, let's give these goals a practical application and not just lip service.

Today these are the goals of the Palestinian people wishing to end Israeli occupation of their land and establish a free Palestinian state.

And while US President George W. Bush and his administration publicly support this call, the time has come to implement these universal rights in Palestine. This is the only way to end the present tragedy that has hurt so many innocent people.

For months, the world's media has focused on the imprisonment of the Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in his Ramallah office by the Israeli military. The humiliating conditions Israel imposed on the democratically elected leader of the Palestinian people reflect an occupier's mentality.

Unfortunately, the US has done little to rein in the Israelis. How could it do so? Only a few weeks earlier, the US vice president, Dick Cheney, who was on a tour of the Middle East, met all Arab and Israeli leaders except Arafat.

While Arafat's house arrest has

received a lot of attention, less consideration was given to a much more appalling ordeal: what the Israeli army has forced three million Palestinians to go through for a year and a half. This collective punishment has gone on with little world outcry.

The Israelis seem to acknowledge that they are holding the Palestinian people hostage when they state publicly that they would lift the siege if the Palestinian National Authority carries out some actions or makes certain political concessions.

Collective punishment is illegal, according to the Fourth Geneva Convention. This particular piece of international law was drawn up after World War II specifically to deal with situations of prolonged occupation.

Movement of people and goods has been hampered to such a degree that the World Bank is sounding alarm bells about the economic situation in the Palestinian territories.

The Israelis insist that they are in a defensive posture and that their offensive acts are only to prevent potential suicide bombers. This is not supported by the reality on the ground: medical staff, ambulances, UN personnel and journalists have been injured and killed by the Israeli army.

"Suicide" bombings and attacks against civilians are wrong and must end. They are the product of a frustrated Palestinian population that sees no

hope or political solution on the horizon. Nobody can stop a person whose sense of helplessness has made him willing to give up his life for the cause of his people's freedom.

An immediate relief of the situation would stipulate that Israel end its illegal siege on the Palestinian population, end its policy of assassinations and immediately begin political negotiations. A third party, possibly a US-led monitoring force, must be deployed to ensure that both parties respect such a ceasefire agreement.

In the biblical Passover story about the plight of Jews in Egypt, the pharaoh's heart is said to have hardened after every plague that had hit his people. This went on for nine plagues until the first-born of every Egyptian family was killed. The pharaoh finally gave in and allowed the enslaved people to leave. Since then, the slogan "let my people go" has become a calling cry for oppressed people the world over.

The cycle of violence of the previous 18 months has caused grief and hardships for both Palestinians and Israelis. What is needed now is a bold decision to allow the Palestinian people to be free. This freedom is not only to enjoy the basic right of any human being to live and move about; Palestinians must be able to enjoy the collective freedom of creating their own independent, sovereign, viable, independent state.

Who has control?

ARAB NEWS EDITORIAL

US Secretary of State Colin Powell put his finger on the spot when he identified this week the factor that was driving the Middle East toward the abyss. It was the terrorists who did not want the peace process to succeed, he said.

And then he told us who the terrorists were, and who were not: Palestinians were, and Israelis were not. Civilians are dying in both Israel and Palestine sides. Those who were killed while celebrating the start of Passover in Netanya last Wednesday were civilians. So was the teenage girl near Yasser Arafat's compound in Ramallah who ran out of her house hearing the sound of shots, and the young man who was going to mosque to offer his dawn prayer; both of whom were shot.

But Powell's message was that when Israeli civilians are killed, it is terrorism and when Palestinian civilians are, it is not. When Israel kills, the American administration can "understand" it as the exercise of Israel's right to react to the death of its people. Since Palestinians do not have that right, the administration can

"recognize" it as terrorism.

And the responsibility to end the cycle of violence is that of Yasser Arafat.

While Powell asked him to end it, the chairman was sitting in his office, with a gun on his table, expecting Israeli soldiers to come at any moment to "isolate" him, possibly, with a bullet. Even in the best of times, a leader with all the trappings of a modern state cannot prevent a highly motivated individual, driven by frustration or deeply felt grievance, from acting in an unpredictable way.

President Bush or Secretary Powell have not been able to end all acts of violence in the United States, precisely because those who have grievances don't get permission from either of them before taking a gun or a bomb to vent their anger.

That does not mean that either the president or the secretary had not "done enough". Then how can anyone expect a leader who, even before Israeli tanks entered his compound, had been a prisoner in his headquarters to exercise control over an embittered people?

Arafat, even though the symbol of Palestinian resistance, has never been in control of all Palestinian factions. There have always been those who opposed him and rejected the peace process. The

only way to render such forces ineffective and wean people away from the path of violence was to show them that Arafat's way would win them freedom, security and dignity. That was why, while the peace process, even with all its imperfection and humiliations, was on track, there was virtually no violence against Israeli civilians.

But supporting him was the one thing that the Bush administration was determined not to do. It missed no opportunity to humiliate him. Bush would not meet him; nor would Vice President Cheney. A man systematically treated as a spittoon cannot act as a Roman emperor.

Arafat does not have the magic wand that would end violence with a wave. He can do that if the United States, the "honest broker" would show his people that it considers Palestinian lives as precious as Israeli lives and begin to identify terrorists by their actions, not by their ethnicity. And it would help if Washington, before announcing total faith in Sharon's "restraint", would check with the women and children massacred in Sabra and Shatilla.

They will testify to Sharon's restraint and humanity — as will the inmates of Auschwitz testify to Hitler's.

Abdullah's historic effort merits appropriate response

DAILY STAR
LEBANON

The Arab League summit is part of history now, and all that remains to complete this chapter is an epilogue that will have to be supplied by Israel. The expectation of many is that Prime Minister Ariel Sharon will take what he sees as the easy way out and try to scuttle the peace initiative of the Arab establishment by lashing out militarily for the outrage committed by a fringe group.

This would be both to miss the point and to assault the very spirit of the search for a balanced settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict. After all, the Arab League has - unanimously, including such unflinching foes of Israel as Syria, Libya and Iraq - endorsed Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah's suggestion of full peace for full withdrawal, a move designed precisely to defuse the cycle of violence. It will be a shame if Sharon decides instead to collaborate with Hamas by using tit-for-tat attacks to derail the process.

Abdullah's role was essential, and whether or not his project succeeds, he will be remembered fondly for having tried. His stature enabled the Arab world to take a collective leap into modernity and moderation, one whose consequences remain to be seen but whose motivation was of the highest sort. He also had considerable help: When it looked like the Palestinian delegation would walk out after Yasser Arafat was prevented from speaking via a satellite link, the Emiratis and a certain Lebanese leader demonstrated genuine statesmanship by preventing what could have been an unmitigated disaster.

In addition, the Kuwaiti and Iraqi delegates made great strides toward putting their troubled past behind them. And the summit was united in decrying any US-led military adventure against Iraq, a country whose people have suffered more than enough.

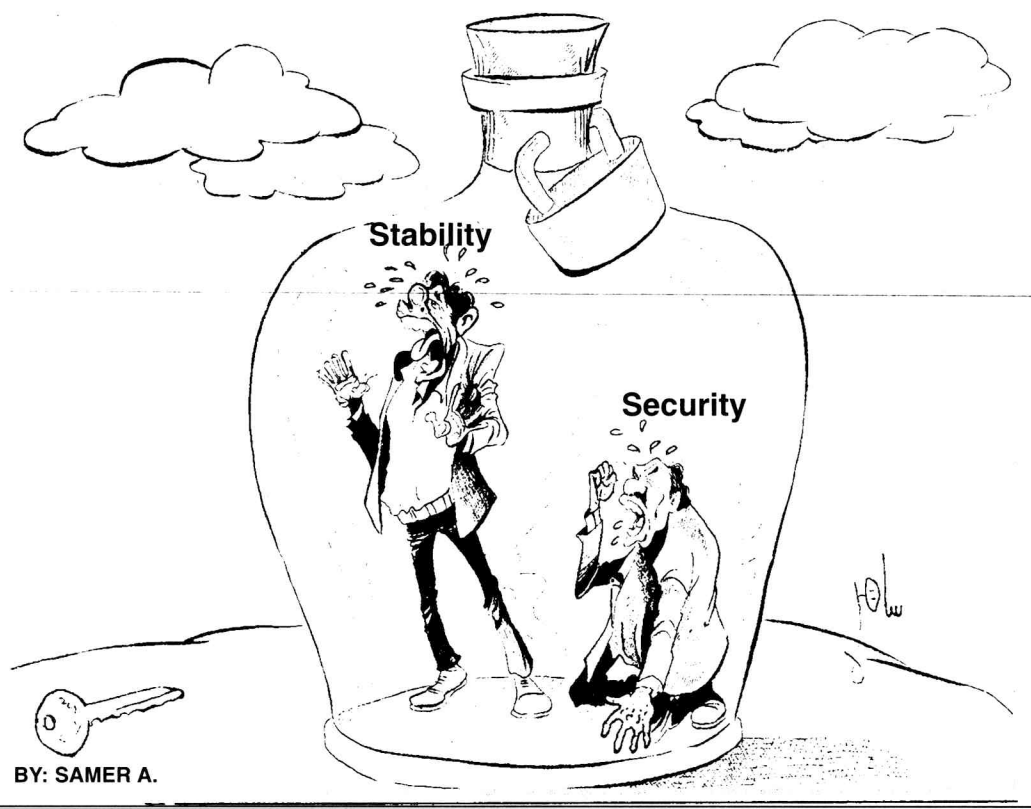
The United States has reacted positively to the Arab League's adoption of Abdullah's plan, but a potentially dangerous crisis is brewing over Sharon's reply.

The Arab "leap" described above was in many ways one of a faith that can only be undermined by having Sharon confirm the worst fears of those who criticized the peace initiative for offering concessions to a man who might only hunger for more.

If US President George W. Bush has any reservations, if he thinks the Arab League is bluffing when it says it has made a strategic choice to pursue peace, let him call that bluff and see for himself. It is the United States and Israel who have something to prove, namely that they are willing to back up their words with deeds and build on the Arab initiative.

The great majority of people in this part of the world have had enough of war and the many pains it inflicts, but they are nonetheless not prepared to surrender their rights and those of their allies. Their leaders have had to strike a fine balance, therefore, between principle and practicality, disregarding all the hardships of decades gone by in order to reduce them in those yet to come.

SKETCHED OPINION



War clouds over Somalia

BY DAN CONNELL
MIDDLE EAST REPORT

Making Somalia the next military stop in the U.S. war on terrorism is a dangerous mistake. In targeting the Somali factions with alleged ties to al-Qaeda, the United States may be stumbling into a trap that will undermine the fledgling coalition government and thus leave the country even more hospitable to terrorists.

Somalia is in shambles. Since 1991 there has been no effective state because the withdrawal of the superpowers allowed the country's intricate regional and clan rivalries to tear it apart from within. The resident dictator, Siad Barre, collapsed under the weight of years of economic missteps and repressive policies. Rising factionalism and the onset of severe famine in 1992 set the stage for the debacle of the U.S.-UN intervention depicted in the film "Black Hawk Down."

The region remains awash in arms. Moscow poured more than \$10 billion in weapons to Ethiopia during the 1980s and the United States dumped billions more into its client regimes in Sudan and Somalia. Today, with warlords brutally vying for turf in Somalia, factionalism still dominates. Another U.S. blunder could make it worse.

Somalia remains desperately poor, a situation deeply worsened after September 11th by the Bush administration's closure of the al-Barakat money transfer offices that allowed Somali emigrants to send cash home to relatives. This was a rash action, tantamount to closing down some country's national banking system just because one criminal is suspected of using one of its 24-hour cash machines. Ironically, it further destabilized

Somalia's fragile society just as efforts were getting underway to restore civil authority there.

The only current nation-building effort with any prospect of success is the Transitional National Government (TNG). Appointed in 2000 by a 12-clan consortium to facilitate the creation of a viable government, the TNG consists of Somali elders, businessmen, military officers, representatives of civil society and some warlords. The TNG remains weak; its military consists of no more than 2,100 lightly armed soldiers who presently control a portion of Mogadishu, the capital city. By no means a perfect democratic institution, the TNG nonetheless represents Somalia's best hope of restoring peace and stability.

Somalia's south and east are most open to penetration by Islamic extremist groups. For years, major portions of these regions have been under the influence, if not actual control, of a group known as al-Itihad al-Islamiyya (Islamic Unity), which was tied to Osama bin Laden's network in the 1990s. But in the latter half of the decade, Itihad was repeatedly attacked by Ethiopia, whose forces drove deep into Somalia several times. Despite its military success, Ethiopia seems to be convincing Washington that Itihad is still threat, claiming recently that the group has infiltrated the TNG.

But Ethiopia has its own agenda. It is supporting a breakaway "statelet" in the north in exchange for access to the Indian Ocean and is arming proxy military units in the south to try to manipulate the political power arrangement there. Among those receiving Ethiopian aid is Hussein Mohammed Aided, whose father, Mohammed Farah Aided, was the target of the mission on which "Black Hawk Down" is based. U.S. re-engagement with

Ethiopia in this region promises more of the same.

The Bush administration must move to strengthen the TNG's capacity to police its own territory and to reunify the country while restraining Ethiopia from intervening in Somalia's internal affairs. These actions would contribute significantly to stability and development in the Horn of Africa.

If the Bush administration decides to move into Somalia with military force, it should avoid the temptation to further arm the various local warlords as a Somali version of Afghanistan's Northern Alliance. To do so would guarantee that once we withdraw from Somalia, these forces will revisit old rivalries, thus destroying what few prospects for unity and peace presently exist.

It was the lethal combination of abject poverty, free-flowing arms and no central government that made Somalia a playground for warlords. It is this same group of conditions that could make it a haven for terrorists. The White House needs to think again about freezing Somalia's financial system and must wake to the fact that re-arming local militants will not only weaken or destroy the nation's fledgling central authority but create an ideal safe haven for terrorist groups with global ambitions.

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Yemeni legacy remembered

Saleh Abdulbaqi
Yemen Times Staff

Yemen's art and music community is marking the 9th anniversary of the death of the great musician Ahmed bin Ahmed Qasem this week.

The loss of this musician was a considerable loss for the artistic movement in the country. This great musician has left a deep effect in our memories not only among Yemenis but also the whole Arabs.

His creative talent enriched the fields of art and music. He was one of the pioneers of the Yemeni as well as the Arab singers.

His beginnings were in Aden. Ahmed bin Ahmed was born on March 1938 in Aden and brought up in its al-Qadhi quarters. He studied in Bazar'a School where his artistic soul began to form.

Soon he was adding new touches to the growth of the artistic arena, dedicating himself to music. He started his career as a singer with his lute particularly with the orient modern tune.

He was taught by the late *Yahya Makki* who led Bazar'a musical band. *Yahya* was astonished to see such talented budding figure, and as a result he was appointed as a band singer.

In the 1990s, Ahmed Qasem began his artistic career as a singer and composer. This phase has marked the revival of the Yemeni song started with this great man.

Lutfi Gafa'ar Aman, meanwhile, was the right hand of this great composer: writing songs for Ahmed Qasem in all its songs.

Aman's musical roots go to 1956, when he started polishing his talents in Cairo. There he reached gained a reputation among other lute lovers and his artistic fame began to spread throughout the Arab world.

He was greatly influenced by well-known Egyptian musicians such as Mohammed Abdulwahab, Ryadh Assonbati, and Fareed al-Atrash.

During his stay in Egypt, his first songs were recorded and given to the Voice of Arabs (*Sout al-Arab*). The Voice of Arabs accompanied him during his whole stay in Egypt.



In 1960 to 1963, he came back to Cairo where he continued his musical studies in the *High Musical Institute* and became one of the top students. In Cairo, he became a professional cinema actor parallel to the great Egyptian actors, in a film *My Love in Cairo*. Different songs were song by this singer, such as, *I don't believe, You Disregard me*, composed by Lutfi Gafa'ar Aman. This was the first Egyptian-Yemeni joint film where Ahmed Qasem stands as a hero.

In 1961, he taught music to a number of public schools in Egypt and founded the Ahmed Qasem Musical Band.

The singer has a strong determination and limitless ambition, touring around the world, including to Paris and Hollywood, to perform and excel in studies.

He hoped for Yemen to have a highly developed orchestra. Unfortunately, this ambition is faded away and proved to be of no avail. Still, this great singer did a lot to promote the Yemeni songs in all its aspects.

Ahmed bin Ahmed Qasem considered be the pioneer of national song. His songs are still preserving the same popularity and attractiveness and the Voice of Arabs now commemorates his death with a special broadcast.

National songs were written and sung by Ahmed Qasem, including *The Revolution Procession*, (*Mowkep Athowara*). He also chanted for the Yemeni Unification. During his life he dedicated himself for the revival of the Yemeni song and for getting rid of the tyrannical Imamates' rule and the British colonization in the south.

A Canadian in Yemen:

Lessons learned on the Red Sea

Some of you may know after reading a recent copy of the Yemen Times that Canada won its first gold medal in 50 years at the recent Salt Lake Olympics. Coast to snowy coast, 10 million Canadians waltzed in the after-glow.

And where was I? The boy who would rise at dawn to play the game at the local ice arena? The guy who brought a bunch of hockey sticks here? My wife and I were with friends on the Red Sea.

My lesson was that women on the beach never take off their baltos in public, beach or not. I found this a little strange especially when the gals tried to keep their soggy head-gear straight.

It's clear that in this part of the world what's acceptable to the group is more important than any individual. And maintaining honour is an extremely important. Thus, to protect the honour of families, women wear baltos.

A friend of mine put it this way, "I prefer women cover, because if they didn't, we'd always be gazing at their loveliness. When they're covered, we don't even notice them." True. Especially since baltos here are black as night.

Fashion statements

I'm also told that some gals like to cover, because they know they'd never win any beauty pageants, and that baltos are, in fact, a fashion statement. Young university women prefer slim cuts with platform shoes. A sleek balto with veil, I'm told, can sell for as much as \$100 US, no small change here.

There's no doubt this garment has caused some misunderstanding in the West. Some Westerners see it as a flash-point for everything they think is wrong

in a culture that is strange to them.

They don't understand that for centuries it's been accepted in Islam that the sexes need to exist in their own universes. They don't understand that in addition to preserving modesty, the balto is a symbol of women's private sanctuary in the home, where their role is to keep families stable.

What is equality?

Some would argue that this is neither fair nor equal. But are a rose and jasmine equal? Or do they simply each have their own unique shape and scent. That's the traditional Muslim view. And I am afraid that Westerners who get a fixation on the veil are distracted from other ways they can help women in places such as here in Yemen.

With World Women's Day just passed, gender challenges have been highlighted again. Women have spoken out again in public that there are issues this culture needs to think of. When women marry too young, for example, and when they are expected to produce a large number of children, they find themselves in unhealthy situations.

My wife, an obstetrician working to reduce the number of moms who die during childcare here in Yemen, can tell you about that. A woman here has a one-in-nine lifetime risk of dying due to childbirth complications, among the highest rates in the world. That's something to think about as Yemeni seek to improve their quality of life.

Education is also a need for women here. Consider the woman who, in

response to instructions for taking her medicine, said, "Don't tell me, tell my husband. I'm just a cow." A cow?

Without the most basic of learning opportunities, women here are often left in prisons of ignorance. I have been saddened to see so many frail woman and young children standing at my car window asking for a handout.

In the West, we can't imagine such poverty. So Yemen has its challenges. But

with some help, change is possible in the long-term. And what is just as interesting from my perspective is that when it comes to gender issues, the West has plenty of its own work to do.

Teenage girls in the West, for example, may have plenty of liberty to dress the way they wish. But they're also caught in a rather vicious culture war. That's because the television is often full of end-to-end talk about sex: pre-marital, extra-marital and other barely imaginable, all targeted to titillate youngsters.

Schools have plenty of discussion on sex education, to try to give young people the truth about such issues. But it's often to little avail. A recent global survey shows 75 per cent of teens say HIV and sexual diseases are their biggest fears in life. And the West, sadly, has a tidal wave of marital breakdown. Young people carry the pain, wondering how this could happen in a place that knows so much of about love.

Talk about strange

So, as a Canadian I find swimming at the beach with a body drape is rather

strange. But so is taking off one's clothes in view of the world, without even blushing. This is what Hollywood is doing, now that technology sends its pictures around the planet.

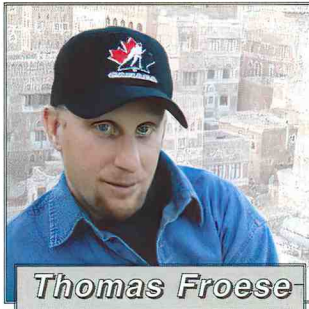
It's unfortunate that many Muslims think all Westerners have the same immoral lives. They don't. The Canadian news magazine *Maclean's* put it well recently, that in the last 25 years "Our minds and bodies are better, but our souls, perhaps, are not." So, at least some Westerners do realize their culture is hurting them.

With recent global tensions following 9-11, some Westerners see Islam is some kind of enemy. I, frankly, don't see it. I see a culture that is trying to find its way through changes in our world, through, for one, the gender wars. I see a place that is looking for eternity and Eden, just like, somewhere deep down, the West is. The truth is any culture has the potential for both madness and life to be written on its soul.

To celebrate who they are, people groups have always played their own music. Canadians know a deep love of hockey and we couldn't imagine an identity without it. But cultures also live within closed circles. We don't see how this binds us, and we're often not able to see our own need.

Ultimately, that need is for divine mending in our broken places. Some would argue that this is actually at the heart of our current East-West conflict. And it seems to me that both cultures need that kind of strong medicine to have peace both on the world stage as well as in our private lives.

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Al Ahram

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak Friday addressed an urgent message to U.S. President George W. Bush, calling for the U.S. interference and his personal interference for putting an end to the current attacks against the Palestinian territories.

Al Akhbar

Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Maher on Friday held Israel responsible for the consequences of its "barbaric" acts against the Palestinians and their authority.

During the press conference he held at the Foreign Ministry, Maher called on Israel to immediately halt these acts, to withdraw its troops, and to accept the basis on which talks can be held between Israel and the Palestinians.

Egyptian Mail

Israeli occupation troops mounted Friday unprecedented assault on Palestinians, smashing their way into Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's presidential compound and fighting his security forces room-to-room.

Pakistan

Dawn

Pakistan on Friday expressed grave concern over the situation in the Middle East and said Israel's re-occupation of Palestinian Authority's territories constituted a serious threat to regional peace and security.

The News

President Pervez Musharraf on Friday emphasized the need for evolu-

ing a political system which ensured that democracy took its roots and the country was not held hostage to individual interest.

The Frontier Post

Foreign Minister Abdul Sattar has said Pakistan is ready to join India in a reciprocal binding commitment to renounce the use of force.

Germany

Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

Immediately after a mandatory cooling-off period expired at midnight on Thursday, about 1,000 workers in the German metal-working industry participated in symbolic warning strikes in the western states of Bavaria and Rheinland-Pfalz that continued throughout Good Friday. Members of the 2.7-million strong IG Metal union, mostly workers in the metalworking, electrical and related industries, are demanding a 6.5 percent wage increase, but employers are offering a maximum of 2 percent each year during 2002 and 2003.

Die Welt

Former German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt has sharply criticized Germany's immigration policy. In his new book cited by the "Bild" newspaper, Schmidt said that Germans are unable to assimilate the 7 million foreigners in the country and even don't want them. "They inwardly continue to be foreigner-hostile," he said.

Nigeria

Weekend Vanguard

Nigerian Minister of State for Justice Musa Elayo Shehu has said the International Court of Justice is yet to fix a date for the ruling in the case between Nigeria and its neighboring Cameroon over the ownership of Bakassi Peninsula.

The Guardian

The king of Ghana's influential Dagomba tribe has been killed in a factional fighting, along with many of his supporters, the king's brother confirmed.

This Day

The Nigerian army has said it is impossible for its soldiers to stage strikes as it is currently being rumored, because such an action would be viewed as a mutiny carrying the death penalty.

Japan

Yomiuri, Mainichi

Former ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) heavyweight Koichi Kato on Friday ruled out the possibility he will quit the legislature in the near future and expressed his intention to address allegations of misuse of political funds.

Asahi

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US

The Washington Post

Backed by tanks and armored personnel carriers, Israeli soldiers knocked down the walls of Yasser Arafat's West Bank compound on Friday and moved room by room through parts of the two-building office complex where he lives and works.

The Bush administration, confronted with a dramatic eruption of Middle East violence and the collapse of peace efforts, maintained a wary distance Friday and repeated its long-standing reproach of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

The New York Times

Expressing sympathy with Israel's decision to respond militarily after a series of terrorist attacks, the Bush administration on Friday blamed the bombings by the Palestinian militants for the escalating violence in the Middle East and demanded that Yasser Arafat take steps to stop the attacks.

With his peace initiative looking forlorn, Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia warned on Friday that no strike against Yasser Arafat would stop Palestinian violence while several Arab governments braced to contain popular outrage over the Israeli incursion into Ramallah.



Kuhail Cartoon - Arab News

Britain

The Times

A defiant Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian leader, appealed yesterday for international intervention as Israeli troops laid siege to his West Bank headquarters, warning that the Middle East was on the brink of war.

The Financial Times

The top 2600 partners in Andersen are likely to take pay cuts of up to 33 percent during the next two months as the audit firm fights a steep loss of revenues.

The Guardian

Israel launched a war to finish against Yasser Arafat yesterday, smashing into his compound with tanks and bulldozers and strafing his offices with machine-gun fire, in a campaign of systematic destruction.

The Daily Telegraph

Israeli tanks and troops blasted their way into Yasser Arafat's headquarters in Ramallah yesterday, forcing him to take refuge in a bunker where he telephoned world leaders urging them to restrain Israel's fury.

The Independent

Women will not be allowed to fight on the front line alongside their male colleagues, Geoff Hoon, the Secretary of State for Defense, is due to announce in the next fortnight.

Kenya

Kenya Times

Fifteen people in north Kenya's Turkana District were killed by suspected cattle rustlers on Friday and over 2,000 heads of cattle and 800 goats were stolen.

Daily Nation

The Federation of Kenya Employers has urged the government to protect local industries from unscrupulous importers.

The People

Kenya Railways has introduced new measures to improve its service, especially trains' punctuality and efficiency.

India

The Hindu

In a major step towards an eventual resolution of the vexatious boundary dispute, India and China on Friday agreed to complete the delineation of the Line of Actual Control on their contested border within a reasonable timeframe.

The Statesman

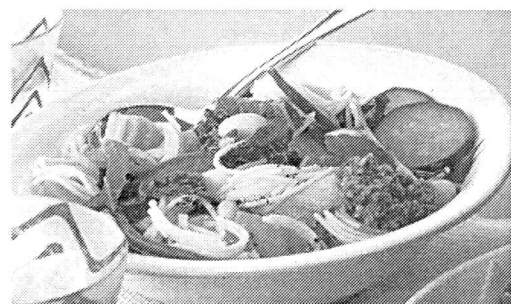
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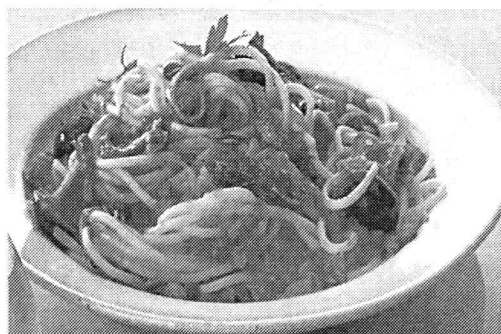


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tion does not care about our strategic peace ever since our leaders have adopted it. It is good for the Arab summit in Beirut to adopt a new Arab initiative for peace but there should not be a drop of the option of resistance that is one of many other options. Resistance must be there in every part of our homeland. The options of resistance takes many shapes, not necessarily to mean war. The resistance that should be developed takes many forms, political and economic each complements the other at more than one level.

felt at the Arab summit in Beirut. His aim was to deliver his administration's political and military ally, the Zionist entity that has put itself in bad dilemma. Reports point that its losses are stepping up more considerably than previous time and that eliminating the intifadha as a goal of the Zionist entity has toppled the equation against the entity's favor. The Arabs and the Palestinians must understand the dimensions of that visit in order not to lose the intifadha and to work for supporting it politically, morally and financially.

Baghdad, a matter feared by Turkey that demanded the US Vice President to urge his administration back off from attacking Iraq. Iraq on its part has been exerting great diplomatic efforts to muster support of many Arab and world friendly countries. Observers says the positive and strategic change in Iraq's latest stands by holding dialogue with the United Nations may help it reshuffle cards and tighten the grip on the America an military options, especially if it could benefit from the coming round of talks with the UN secretary general in taking a convenient decision with the view of respecting international resolutions, a consequence preferred by the international community.



Al-Jamaheer weekly, organ of the Arab Baath Socialist party, Syrian organization, 24 Mar. 2002.

Al-Wahda weekly, 27 Mar. 2002.

Al-Wahdawi weekly, organ of the Nasserite unionist People's Organization, 26 Mar. 2002.

26 September weekly, organ of Yemen Armed Forces, 28 Mar. 2002.

Main headlines:
 • Public poll reveals: Yemeni people refuse any peace initiative with the Zionist enemy
 • Opposition parties refuse any foreign military presence in Yemen
 • Military & tribal mediations continue to reach truce in fighting between Baham and Tuwaili tribes

Main headlines:
 • President Saleh delivers important speech at the Arab Summit
 • Massive demonstrations in Sana'a demand the summit issue resolutions to be implemented
 • UN Secretary general, demanded to set up investigation committee into Israeli army crimes
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Main headlines:
 • Yemenis demand the Arab summit not to squander Arab rights
 • Huge demonstration in solidarity with the Palestinian Intifadha
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Mohammed Musa'd al-Radie says in an article published before the end of the Arab summit conference in Beirut on Thursday 28 March saying our Arab rulers should understand that the Palestinian child and the Palestinian stone have taken their final decision and would not get drowned in the labyrinth of defeatism. The Palestinian child confirms he is no longer in need of initiatives and peace agreements or any stands leading to stop the intifadha, but he rather needs the financial and moral support and demands the rulers that their summit's success is dependent on coming out with resolutions meeting the Arabs ambitions.

The writer summarizes the resolutions as following:
 • Arab rulers agreement, overcoming their personal differences and realization of an Arab reconciliation regaining the Arabs unity

-Comprehensive support for the Palestinian intifadha as being the natural right and the only way to liberation, opening borders before the intifadha members and training and arming them,
 • Ending all forms of normalization with the Zionist enemy and severing any relations with it,
 • Considering any aggression on any Arab country as an aggression on the entire Arab nation,
 • Boycotting Zionist and American goods.

The writer confirms that the above proposals represent the minimum degree expressing the national and religious responsibility towards the Arab lands and sanctities.

ASH-Shoura weekly, organ of Yemeni People's Forces Union, 24 Mar. 2002.

Main headlines:
 • Massive demonstrations took to the streets on Tuesday in support of Palestinian cause
 • Popular activities continue in solidarity with the Palestinian people
 • National conference of local councils
 • Judiciary continues considering Hudeida University case

Ali Mohammed Al-Sarrari says in an article it has not been secret that the recent tour of the Mideast by American vice president was to obtain Arab support to back the American desire for dealing a military strike to Iraq the date of which has not yet been finally fixed. Arab officials statements the American vice president had met unanimously confirmed refusing the strike and called the attention to its dangers on security, stability and future of the region. The statement of the Kuwaiti foreign minister was in this regard an eye-catching one because he did not remain outside the Arab unanimity and clearly expressed Kuwait's non-support for the attack.

In fact the American continued iniquitous policy towards Iraq and the unconditioned partiality to Israel and obedience to its desires for hitting Iraq would cast additional light on the nation of the historically unfamiliar imbalance that makes a superpower like the United States fall into the trap of such a tiny entity and to be keen on representing and serving its goals and interests. The United States nevertheless, with all that it possesses of elements of power and might, is forced to concede its values, ideas and ideals to be like a gigantic giant out of its "bulging long-necked bottle" exerting as much as it could of efforts to serve

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I. What to Say

Situations and Expressions (10):

Apologizing

“**T**o err is human”. All of us advertently or inadvertently make mistakes. But once you realize the wrong is made, you should sincerely try to make amends for it. This is called apologizing. In rendering an apology you need to be sincere and modest. Your words should reflect the sincerity and earnestness of your purpose.

There is a range of expressions in English to express your sense of regret. Let's consider a few of them:

- I render an unqualified apology.
- Excuse me.
- I'm sorry.
- Pardon me. I promise this won't be repeated.
- Forgive me, please.
- Forget and forgive.
- Sorry, it's my fault.
- It was my mistake. I regret it.
- Please don't take it to heart.
- Sorry, I did it unawares.
- I'm sorry if I hurt you.
- I regret my action. I'll try not to repeat the same.
- I feel for it.
- I realize now how stupid I was in supposing so.
- It was so stupid of me to have done like that.
- It was so unkind of me to have harbored such thoughts.
- I admit my fault/ flaw/ mistake.
- I'm ashamed (of myself). It was so unbecoming of me to act like that.
- It was so unworthy of me to have supposed thus.
- Sorry to have hurt your feelings.
- Sorry to have kept you waiting.
- Sorry to have delayed the matter.
- Sorry to have taken much of your time.
- Sorry to have taken your precious time.
- Sorry to have wasted your valuable time.
- Sorry, I'm mistaken.
- Sorry, I misunderstood you.
- Sorry, I misconstrued your intentions.
- I deeply regret. I was swayed away by certain extraneous considerations.
- Sorry sir, I was so biased.
- Kindly forgive me for my atrocious behavior.
- I'm extremely sorry for what has happened.
- Oh! I wish it hadn't happened. I'm terribly sorry.
- Sorry for what had happened. It was inevitable. Forget it.

II. How to Say it Correctly

Correct errors, if any, in the following sentences.

1. He owned responsibility for the errors committed by others.
2. We should do old men more respect.
3. This is a very resourceful book for all students of the subject.
4. Have you done your reservation in the train for your journey?
5. His presence is highly required at the next meeting.

Answers to last week's questions:

1. The absence of the captain **destroyed** the team's aspiration.
2. Senior officers are **having their services terminated** in contravention of the Ministry regulations.
3. Parking facilities are **abolished (withdrawn)** in Hadda street.
4. The miscreant **robbed** the passengers of money and jewellery.
5. The **abused** rights of the citizens must be restored soon.

III. How to express it in one

word.

1. Traveller through outer space in a spacecraft.
2. Group of persons associated with common interests.
3. Having a common boundary.
4. Long bed-like seat for sitting on or lying on during the day.
5. Group of persons appointed or elected to manage affairs of the government.

Answers to last week's questions

1. Person signing an agreement or a document jointly with others: **Cosignatory** (adj & n)
2. Substance to make hair and skin more beautiful: **Cosmetic** (adj & n)
3. Relating to the whole universe or cosmos: **Cosmic** (adj)
4. Theory of origin of the universe: **Cosmogony** (n)
5. Place where people from all parts of the world are found: **Cosmopolitan** (adj)

IV. Grammar and Composition

a) Composition

Below is a draft of a club notice. The writer has forgotten to include some important information, such as

- * The exhibition will be held on Saturday, 3rd February at 8 pm.
- * It will be held at the Town Hall.
- * Children are free.
- * Members can bring friends.

Decide which is the best place for the information to go and rewrite the notice, making any changes you think necessary (e.g. combine sentences, take out words)

LITTLE MASTERS CLUB PAINTING EXHIBITION

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(b) Idioms and phrases

Use the following phrases in sentences of your own

1. admiration for
2. admit to
3. admit of
4. in advance
5. take advantage of

(c) Words commonly confounded

Differentiate between the following pairs of words:

1. amend, commend
2. ally, alley, alloy
3. alliance, reliance
4. amity, enemy

Answers to last week's questions

a) Composition

Letter A:
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Letter B:

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Letter C

I would like some information on the courses you offer at your college. My interest is in computers. I have done two beginner courses in the

subject and now wish to attempt a more advanced course. Could you please send me any brochures that you have available, including details of cost and enrollment procedures? Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Letter D

I refer to your letter dated 3-1/2002, your reference number B 302. You said that I would shortly receive a refund of \$45 for over-payment of course fees. Six weeks have now passed and I have not received anything from you. Could you please look into the matter? I would appreciate prompt action.

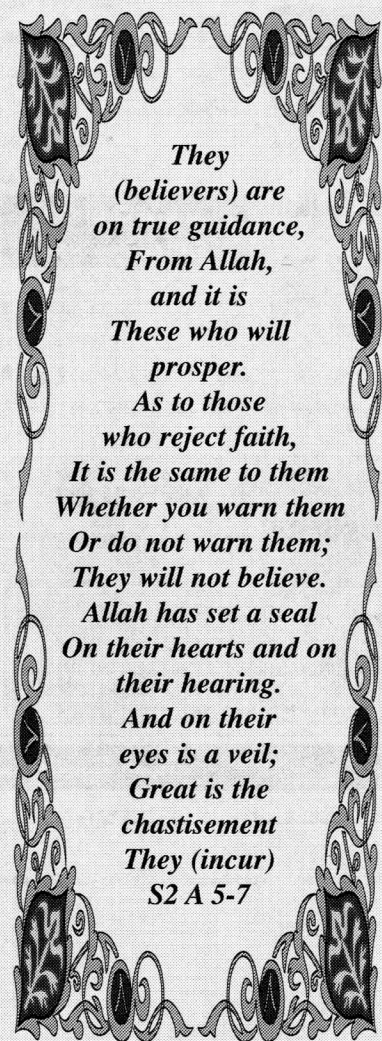
b) Idioms and phrases

1. **admit to** (confess): I must **admit to** having misunderstood you.
2. **admit of** (leave room for): Your action **admits of** no excuse. There can be no excuse for such senseless action.
3. **adjacent to** (next to): His house is **adjacent to** the mosque.
4. **adjudicate upon** (sit in judgment and give a decision): A judge of the Supreme Court will **adjudicate upon** the issue.
5. **adjust to** (put in order or agreement): You'll have to **adjust to** the changing circumstances.

(c) Words commonly confounded

1. **between** (prep) (usually involves two persons or things): The letter B comes **between** A and C
2. **among** (prep) (shows division or distribution for or by more than two persons): He divided his property **among** his three sons.
3. **amorous** (adj) (showing love): **Amorous** poetry should not be prescribed for young students.
4. **amorphous** (adj) (having no definite shape or form): Gas is **amorphous**
5. **compare** (vt) (examine, judge to what extent persons or things are similar or not similar): **Compare** these two books.
6. **compere** (n) (one who introduces the performers, speakers, etc.): He is an excellent **compere**

V. Pearls from the Holy Quran



VI. Words of wisdom

“Do noble things, not dream them.”

—Charles Kingstey

Canadian Playwright James Reaney: A Profile



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It was in 1990 that, for the first time, I had the opportunity to meet James Reaney, one of Canada's finest writers, in Canada. I was there on a Research Fellowship at the University of Western Ontario, Canada, where Reaney was teaching at that time. I met him a second time when, six years later, Reaney visited India to attend the International Conference on Canadian Studies and he delivered the keynote address at the conference. What struck me more than anything else in this world-renowned writer was his humility and child-like nature. This made me curious to know more about this man and his works. Incidentally, the element of child-like play and fantasy is present throughout Reaney's works and is one of its important features. Reaney believes that if we, like children, can learn to transform even the simplest material objects into a thing of human wonder and significance, we will have found the key to transforming the frightening modern world into a place worth living in.

Three-time winner of the Governor General's Award, Reaney wrote numerous plays and poems. His most famous dramatic works include: *The Killdeer and Other Plays*; *Apple Butter and Other Plays for Children* (includes *Names and Nicknames*, *Ignoramus*); *Geography Match*; *Let's Make a Carol: A Play with Music for Children*; *Listen to the Wind*; *Colors in the Dark* (premiered at the Stratford Festival in 1967 under John Hirsch's direction); and, his magnum opus, *The Donnelly's: A Trilogy - Sticks and Stones, The Saint Nicholas Hotel, and Handcuffs*. This trilogy constitutes Reaney's finest achievement so far, and perhaps the finest achievement in Canadian theatre. The play is based on the true story of the legendary Black Donnellys, the sturdy Irish pioneers, who were hounded and killed by their neighbors in Biddulph, a town not far from Reaney's birthplace, Stratford in Ontario. The first two parts of the trilogy explore the legend of South Western Ontario's hated and feared Black Donnellys and describe the origins of the murderous feuds between the defiant Donnellys and their community. The last part presents the culminating event, that is the massacre of the Donnelly clan. The focus in this play is on violence and rebellion. Violence as an act of aggression and self-preservation, which has historical and political dimensions, and which, by its emphasis on man's vulnerability and helplessness, places him in a 'no exit' situation. Reaney wrote about the play, "When you immerse yourself in this play, you may find that your experience matches my own when I immersed myself in documents which had lain for years and years in the attics of two local courthouses. After a while I couldn't stop thinking about them." Since its first publication in 1975, *The Donnelly's* has become a classic in Canadian literature.

In past years, Reaney has been busy creating a series of plays about the life around him in Southern Ontario. These plays range from the deep past - *Wacousta, Baldoon* - to celebrations in his hometown, Stratford, Ontario (*King Whistle*), in London, Ontario (*Antler River*), and in Waterloo, Ontario (*I, the Parade*). Though his plays are regional in nature, they often transcend from the local to the universal as they deal with issues relevant to people of all nationalities and cultures.

Reaney was born on September 1, 1926, as the son of James Nesbitt Reaney and Elizabeth Henrietta in a farmhouse in Stratford, a beautiful hamlet on the outskirts of London, Ontario. I have vivid memories of this beautiful prairie land where Reaney drove me. While sitting in his car and enjoying the vast and panoramic landscape of Ontario, Reaney kept giving me details about the different places we were passing by. These neighborhoods were inhabited by diverse ethnic groups, like the Scots, the Irish, the Germans, the Dutch and so on, which explains the multi-cultural nature of Canada.

Reaney's childhood was beset with numerous problems because of a mentally ill father who left him and his mother at a time when the young boy needed a lot of love and guidance from him. The problems aggravated with the arrival of his stepfather, who took over the farm and started to dictate his behavior. In his essay published in *Brick Magazine* "A Memoir in Progress

in Three or More Voices," Reaney wrote, "The trouble was I was asked to fill too many roles: house boy, barn boy, farm boy, school boy, horse boy. Eventually the tug of war between helping my mother and helping her mate led to a mighty explosion." During this hard time, only his mother's love allowed him to survive.

So, high school was also a quite awful experience for Reaney, due to the unbearable life he had at the farm and the constant nagging of his stepfather. As a result, Reaney's identification with the farm disappeared at an early age. Yet, he continued to live and work on the farm during his father's illness. At the age of 14, Reaney left the one-room country school at Elmhurst and went to Stratford Collegiate Vocational Institute. Upon graduation, he won an entrance scholarship in Greek and Latin at the University College of the University of Toronto, as well as a County scholarship (established by George Drew) which took care of his board and lodging.

Reaney received his Master's degree from the University of Toronto in 1949. That same year, he published *The Red Heart*, which won the Governor General's award. It was at this time that he came under the influence of Northrop Frye at Victoria College. During his graduate years, he read *Fearful Symmetry*, Frye's study of William Blake's prophetic vision, and this book had a tremendous influence on developing Reaney's creative imagination. It gave him an archetypal vision of the Bible in which the logos is equated with the imagination. This, in fact, helped him in changing his earlier religious world into a literary one.

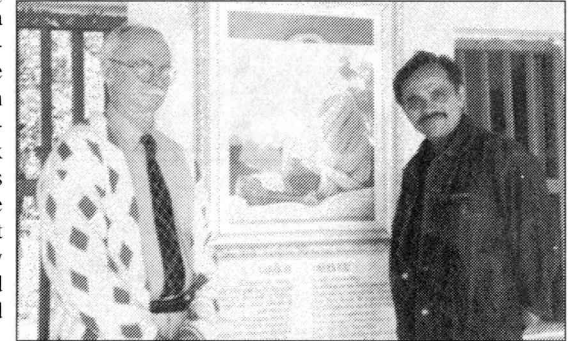
At the University College, Reaney greatly enjoyed his freedom from the narrow evangelical world that earlier surrounded him, not giving up without protest what at the time he considered "the Frye cult at Victoria College." As an undergraduate, Reaney did not attend Frye's lectures, although he could not avoid the endless discussions arising from them among his friends. Later, Reaney wrote in the editorial of the first issue of *Alphabet*, a literary magazine Reaney had founded (1960-71), "Those were the months when young men and women sat up at night reading *Fearful Symmetry* which had just come out. I think I have been present at more conversations about the Fall than even Adam could have thrown a certain withered apple at, and assuredly more speculation concerning Leviathan than Job scratched his boils at."

In fact, Reaney's reputation as a creative writer was first established on the basis of his poetry rather than his dramatic essays. However, he denies that he is simply a lyric poet who decided to become a dramaturge instead. When asked about it, Reaney confessed to me, "That period when you are writing poetry, all the metaphors are coming for physiological and psychological reasons and then it dies... Evidently, they get all their equations when they are young and then they work at it for the rest of their lives. The lyric period is very short. I reached the end of my tether by writing poetry. There was something in me that then took over and that was to write plays. I felt rather sad..." The best of his early poetry, much of it published in *The Undergrad* and *The Varsity*, was then brought together in a single volume, *The Red Heart*, and accepted by McClelland and Stewart for publication. During this time, Reaney also wrote a story, which was published in the mass circulation *New Liberty Magazine* (July 19, 1947), about a young man's sexual relationship with a damsel of his neighborhood. He is confronted in a particular macabre way with the aborted fetus of the girl who he made pregnant. The story provoked a lot of furor among its readers and, according to Reaney, "there were 800 letters to the magazine demanding that I be hanged."

When Reaney completed his MA in 1949, he left for Winnipeg to teach, among other things, creative writing at the University of Manitoba. Meanwhile, he also had a Fellowship to the United States in Iowa to write a program, but Reaney turned it down because he thought he had to stay in Canada. "The Fellowship would have gotten me out of the teaching program. And I'd have become a freelance writer. But you don't know what happens to a creative writer if he has to freelance. You have to keep writing, and you can easily become a hack if

you don't watch out," Reaney says.

In 1956, Reaney returned to Toronto to begin work on his Ph.D. He registered immediately in Frye's course on literary symbolism (out of which emerged Frye's *Anatomy of Criticism*) and chose as his thesis topic "A Study of *Spenser and Yeats*." Probably, no Canadian writer has managed more successfully than Reaney to fuse the poet and the scholar for the benefit and enhancement of both.



The writer with James Reaney when the latter visited Gandhi Ashram in Ahmedabad, India in 1996.

After spending six years in Winnipeg, Reaney returned to the East in 1951 during Christmas break and married Colleen Thibaudeau, who was Reaney's college mate and was at that time a member of the small literary group on the campus and also a recognized poet in Canada. She studied French poetry with the Canadian poet Robert Finch and was influenced by French poets such as Mallarme and Valery. Reaney had great respect for her poetic talent and some of his lyrics after *The Red Heart* owe much both to her presence and her influence. Reaney admits that his marriage to Colleen played an important role in the opening and maturing of his poetic imagination. It is interesting to note that *The Red Heart*, written before his marriage, was about a negative vision of love, marriage and family. But, after his marriage, his literary works became more and more a celebration of them.

In 1956, Reaney returned with his family to Toronto to undertake his Ph.D. Within two years, he completed the coursework, the general examination and the thesis. During his Winnipeg years, Reaney wrote *Night Blooming Cereus* and *A Suit of Nettles*. Upon completion of the thesis in the spring of 1958, Reaney returned again to Winnipeg to fulfill a two-year obligation arising from his leave of absence to complete his thesis. Then, he began to work on *The Killdeer*, which was finally performed on January 13, 1960 by the University College alumnae at the Coach House Theatre in Toronto. In 1960, Reaney joined the Department of English at the University of Western Ontario in London, 38 miles from Stratford and 120 miles from Toronto. Since then, this place has been his home both physically and psychologically.

The publication of *Alphabet* was a turning point in Reaney's career, as he became more and more actively involved in the development of a Canadian identity. Soon after settling down in London, Reaney mailed the first issue of *Alphabet*, dedicated to what he termed "the iconography of the imagination." In fact, the concept of *Alphabet* was nurtured during Reaney's graduate year at the University of Toronto, when he first came under the influence of Northrop Frye. Each issue of *Alphabet* was to be devoted to a particular myth. The first issue was about the myth of Narcissus. In his editorial, Reaney wrote, "It suddenly came to [him] that here was proof that life reflects art. The myth of Narcissus reaches out and touches with a clarifying ray the street scene where the two human beings glide by also in the toils of reflection. That's how poetry works: it weaves street scene and twins around swans in legendary pools. Let us make a form out of this; documentary on one side and myth on the other: Life and Art. Into this form we can put anything and the magnet we have set up will arrange it for us."

Here, Reaney discovered the imaginative form that was shaping his own work. Later, using the myth as a magnet to assemble his documentary, Reaney made a series of collage-like plays that finally brought him to a vision of his life around Ontario. However, the publication of *Alphabet* was disrupted after a decade of fruitful literary output. Since then, Reaney has never looked back as a creative writer who has given a new shape and form to Canadian drama. September 1, 2001 marked the 76th birthday of this great writer who is still active in creative writing and drama workshops. Let us wish him many more years of a creative and productive life.

Horoscope

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) "When I speak, you will listen!" That was your sixth-grade teacher. "When E.F. Hutton talks, people listen." The ad agency responsible for that slogan became famous. In order to truly listen to what others have to say, you must prepare your ears and heart first. Before the words of others are formulated, you need to work on being a vessel for the thoughts and ideas of other people. Otherwise, you only hear voices and sounds, but there is no comprehension and understanding. There are huge openings coming into your life, but you will miss them if you set up a road block.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20) What went wrong? You added all the right ingredients, you double-checked, everything, and much to your shock and surprise, it all came up stinking real bad. Unbelievable, how could this be happening? Put this behind you and work on other possible avenues that can bring you the same results as your original desires and expectations. Right now, life is not as you expect it to be, so expect some curve balls. The errors and mistakes are not completely your doing, they're just coming your way and you're expected to deal with them by moving on.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) You're going to be feeling as though you are part of a lost generation, or a misunderstood species. You're undergoing an existential crisis and no one else seems to notice, care, or understand. It's all going to be just fine, but the quality of "fine" and the rate at which you reach that space, completely depend upon you. Rather than feeling as though you are out there all alone, decide that people should notice you for your wacky ways and try making a difference. Rather than feeling all dried up and shriveling into the corner, decide that this period of transformation makes you even more attractive to others and you are indeed very unusual and amazing.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22) We all have a certain fear of the night and the dark. There is a comfort in the rising Sun each day. In the corners of the night live our demons, our monsters, or whatever you label as "hidden fears and terrors." There is always the threat of that dark side taking over, not allowing us to let the light in anymore. I suggest, at this time, to take to avoid any of these scary happenings, you have begun an annual ritual, where you burn those ugly creatures lurking in your life. At the same time, make up a prayer about new beginnings and allowing light to be reborn into your life. Those little sabotaging suckers won't dream of disturbing you again.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) In her book, "But What Have You Done For Me Lately", Myrna Lamb announces that the greatest damage done by advertising is that it demonstrates the prostitution of men and women who lend their intellects, their voices, and their artistic skills to purposes in which they themselves do not believe and the result is meaningless creation. Wow, I couldn't help but think of where you Leo's are right now when I read this. So, are you fairly representing your own life? Do you use your talents and skills for purposes that you believe in, or are you just trying to please the masses in your life? Last week I touched on being true to yourself. This message continues where that one left off.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22) Your sign corresponds to the season that knows when it is time to harvest. You must have planted something really yummy some time ago, because the next crop is due to pop out of the earth very, very soon. It's a very healthy crop, full of new resources, and brings with it much hope for pleasure from love. So, the pickings are huge and the possibilities for success even greater. All you have to do is know that the time is ripe to get out there and choose our options. What an amorous time to be a Virgo!

Libra (September 23 - October 22) Your vision is about to become far better than 20/20. It will almost be as though you have telescopic eyes as well as ones that magnify. The benefit of this incredible ability to see everything both near and far, with such amazing detail, is that your choices will also be very clear, and making the wrong choice will be very obvious. This heightened supernatural vision also means that you can't keep fooling yourself anymore and making choices because your vision is blurry. It's time to really take a good look at your world and recognize it for what it is and what is has yet to become.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) The path of vengeance and retaliation brings isolation. So often, we want to make right those who have wronged us in the past. We go off on a crusade, far away from home... far away from our dreams and visions of happiness and what we first wanted from life. In the end, even if we feel we have won the battle, we still feel alone and no closer to the positive aspects of our lives. When we choose to leave our enemies behind, or those who have hurt us, that leaves us open to uniting with people who do love us and support us. It gives us opportunities for the right companionship, peace, and desire to fulfill our dreams.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Your ideas and concepts will eventually be accepted. If you present them at your face value, others will not catch on or support you. It's because you are more grandiose than most can manage. You need to take your inspirations and package them in a popular way that will reach the majority and be understood by the common person. Once you have people's attention, then you can think big, be more creative, and get loftier. This concept applies mostly to your career, but when meeting new friends or lovers, it wouldn't be bad to also remember this technique.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) About 125,000 years ago, polar ice caps melted and the surface of the world's oceans rose to 20 feet higher than presently. This created catastrophic results to the species who had called earth home and chaos ensued. However, this event also shifted enough sand to create the future foundations of Miami and the entire lower Florida Keys, now home to many inhabitants, both animal and human. We all have events from our past that seemed devastating and worth nothing but sorrow and pain. They go down as disasters. But, it's important to look back and see how those experiences got us to where we are today. Even more importantly, you Caps need to recognize their contribution to your life and learn to give thanks to them.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) There is a place in the sky, up in the clouds, where magic, beauty, dreams, and sometimes even nightmares, all can come to life. If we look closely, there are twinkling stars and flying animals, along with little monsters. Here is where the blissfully good and the tormenting evil mesh together, all in one place. As in the sky, when we travel through life on earth, it is up to us to decide which side we want to invite and play with in our lives. If you dream about the fantastic possibilities, they are waiting for you. If you have nightmares about the potential pits you will fall prey to, then you will also find them waiting for you. Which will you dream about tonight and for the days to come?

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) Learn how to be a team player. You will be able to persuade people much better when you have the support of a group versus your own individual agenda. If you have an opinion or a way that you think is best, first find out if others are aware of your convictions and do they completely understand what you are trying to tell them? Then, for those who were oblivious to your way of thinking, listen to their way, as well as help them see how your opinion has value. Teach each other, be willing to learn, and in the end, you will gain what you are looking for through cooperation and understanding, not force through confusion and annihilation.

The Universal Crossword

Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

1 When purchased alone

5 Room in Paris

10 Carpet characteristic

14 Famous Roman despot

15 Some say it's over Atlantis

16 Pants-on-fire guy

17 Dieter's choice, perhaps

20 Hall-of-Famer Clemente

21 Beat it!

22 Slip cover?

24 Home of St. Francis

28 Baglike cavity

31 Not brewed, perhaps

33 Woman with a habit?

34 Saginaw Bay Lake

36 Parabola part

37 Exclude

38 Former British colony

42 It means nothing to Navratilova

43 Remote letters

44 Pure-and-simple

45 Miner's pay dirt

46 One way to get from point A to point B

49 Gender-changing suffix

50 Song from

"Flashdance"

52 Bagel, topologically

54 Faithful

56 Bro's locale

60 Small, one-crop nations

64 Aaron's calf, for one

65 Potential sand-castle destroyers

66 From whence you can look down on people

67 Mr. Universe's moneymaker

68 School, on the Seine

69 Oxford professors

DOWN

1 MIT grad, perhaps

2 Prefix for dynamics

3 Decapod crustacean

4 Crossed one's fingers

5 Tone down

6 Like some of these clues

7 Romanian currency

8 ___back (easy-going)

9 Kind of exam

10 Jack Horner's fruit

11 Three marks on a sundial

12 Anita Brookner's

"Hotel du ___"

13 Before, bard-style

18 Mistake-making

19 Fair

23 Like a clear night

25 Sentence finisher

26 Beverly Hills Hotel offerings

27 Entombs

28 Yiddish writer Aleichem

29 Break of day

30 An abject coward

32 Is for many?

35 A quarter of four

37 Baseball's legendary Mel

39 Empty

40 Certain

carnivore

41 City neighbor

46 Small mountain pool

47 Make someone do something

48 Stimulate

51 Geographical "boot"

53 Dieter's choice, perhaps

55 Musician Clapton

57 Marlon in "The Godfather"

58 Visual symbol

59 Sinister slitherers

60 Item in a baby's wardrobe

61 Shakespearean commotion

62 Sign of assent

63 Old Tokyo

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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"FIRST FRUITS" By David Covill

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WONDERWORD by DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: First read the list of words, then look at the puzzle. The words are in all directions — vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backward. Circle each letter of a word found and strike it off the list. The letters are often used more than once, so do not cross them out. It is best to find the big words first. When you find all the words listed in the clues, you'll have a number of letters left over that spell the Wonderword.

CLUES

Archway	City	Frame	Panel	Stairs
Artists	Classic	Geometry	Pier	Stone
Assess	Compose	Guide	Pillar	Stores
Beam	Concrete	Hired	Pool	Street
Bends	Deeds	Historic	Realty	Strips
Bolster	Design	Home	Restaurant	Structure
Braces	Development	Horizontal	Roads	Student
Brick	Door	Hospital	Safety	Supply
Budget	Draft	Hurry	Scans	Teach
Build	Draw	Itemize	Scheme	Teams
Buyer	Efficiency	Length	Science	Tower
Cafes	Erect	Lower	Shows	Town
Calibrate	Factory	Mall	Sizing	Tracer
Carpentry	Fees	Metal	Sketch	Types
Certified	File	Model	Skyscraper	Vertical
Chart	Firm	Note	Slick	Vision
Chic	Forms	Openings	Space	Wires
Choices	Foundatin	Outline	Spend	

AN ARCHITECT'S OFFICE Solution: 7 letters

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ANSWER NEXT WEEK Last Week's Answer: Diagrams

MUS'ID & MUS'IDA

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7 Cooperation between home and school

M – How many times have I told you, Mus'ida, that our children's success and progress at school is dependent on proper cooperation between school and home. What I say goes in one ear, and comes straight out of the other!

Ma – What are you going on about now! I'm perfectly prepared to cooperate with the school and its teachers over whatever they want. But any cooperation can begin with the school and its teachers.

M – And what do you mean by cooperate with the school and its teachers, Mus'ida?

Ma – In all ways! I'll go and teach the pupils instead of the teacher, and the teacher can come to work in the house and bake and knead and look after the children in my place. All we have to do is take turns with the teachers. They do one day, I do the next!

M – Then you'll only have done what you should have done in the first place! If only all mothers would adopt this sort of cooperation between home and school, then our pupils would begin to feel some sense of stability and reassurance and have more self-confidence, particularly with the examinations looming!

Ma – Come on! Stop talking in riddles, and tell me what's eating you!

M – You can see how much our younger children's health has gone down recently, can't you?

Ma – The children, my dearest, get really worried and concerned when the exams come up. They lose their appetite, can't sleep, and stop eating properly. God knows what the exam results will be like!

M – What's up with you, Mus'ida! What's making the children live in this sort of state, particularly with the exams coming up!

Ma – Why don't you ask the teacher the same question, and see what answer she gives you!

M – The teacher spoke without me asking her, Mus'ida, and said that lack of cooperation between home and school was the main reason for the exhaustion, fear and sleeplessness which primary school pupils suffer from as the exams start to approach!

Ma – And what form should this cooperation take when my children go to school dressed up to the nines, and absolutely fed up with everything to do with school!

M – I don't know about that, but the poor pupils go to school with their sides numb and their necks and backs bent from the weight of the books they have to carry in their bags.

Ma – You don't need to tell me! They come back from school with the same load, aching all over, and their bodies bent double. No sooner do they get in the house than they throw their bags down in the hall or wherever, and charge out to play or sit and watch television.

M – Why don't you go and meet them, Mus'ida, at least half way, and take their bags from them to relieve them of some of the burden. You haven't got an office at the airport and tourists you need to attend to!

Ma – Now if you had an airport and I opened an office there, it could be a family office!

M – I'm talking to you about the family atmosphere and the family office. Pupils leave the house carrying their bags, and when they leave the classroom they have two burdens: the first is because they can't understand the lesson, and the second is the bag which is breaking their backs. Then they go home to find no one who is prepared to sit and go over the lesson with them and explain the bits they hadn't understood in the classroom. And that is precisely the type of cooperation between home and school which is lacking, Mus'ida!

DOONESBURY "FLASHBACK" BY G.B. TRUDEAU

OH, ZEK... I DON'T BELIEVE YOU...

WHAT NOW?

I DON'T KNOW WHY I BOTHER! I REALLY DON'T!

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW HARD IT IS TO MAKE SERIOUS ART THESE DAYS? THERE ARE NO STANDARDS, NO ACADEMY, NO MOVEMENTS!

THE ARTIST TODAY IS ON HER OWN! ART NOW IS WHATEVER SHE SAYS IT IS, THE MATERIAL EXPRESSION OF HER INTENTIONS, PERIOD!

UM... OKAY. WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS?

BECAUSE YOU'RE EATING MY LATEST INSTALLATION!

I AM?

BAGEL ON FLOOR! GOD, I'M TIRED OF BEING UNDERMINED!

Garfield

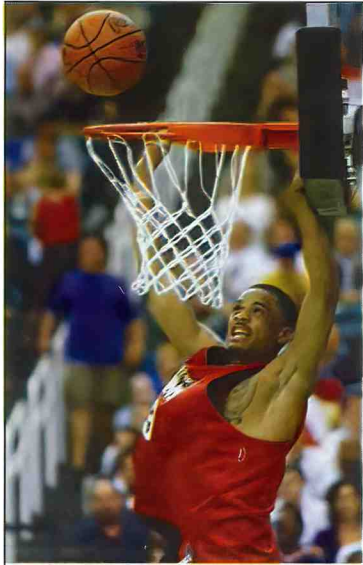
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KEEP... WINDOW... CLOSED...

7-Day Weather Forecast:	Sana'a	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Aden	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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		Low	10	10	10	10	10	9		Low	22	23	24	22	22	22

Maryland, Kansas face off in National semifinal

ATLANTA (Ticker) - Maryland has a huge challenge on its hands on Saturday night when it pits its strong frontcourt against that of Kansas in the second national semifinal at the Georgia Dome. Maryland (30-4) has never won the national championship but is making its



University of Maryland's Juan Dixon shoots during the Terrapins' practice session for the Final Four in the Georgia Dome March 29, 2002 in Atlanta, Georgia. Maryland will face Oklahoma on March 30. Photo by Tami Chappell/Reuters

second straight Final Four appearance. The Terrapins are buoyed by their dynamic tandem of 6-8 Lonny Baxter and 6-10 Chris Wilcox, who will get a chance to face the Jayhawks.

Baxter had his number honored on February 24 and has had one of the greatest careers in Maryland's history. He was the Most Outstanding Player of the East Region and was impressive with 29 points and nine rebounds in the Terrapins' 90-82 victory over Connecticut in the regional final.

Wilcox has emerged as an overwhelming interior force and has scored in double figures in nine of the last 12 games.

Wilcox's stellar season earned him third team All-Atlantic Coast Conference honors.

Gooden is averaging 20.0 points and 11.5 rebounds and has scored at least 20 points in 17 games this season. He established a Big 12 record with 25 double-doubles and grabbed 20 or more rebounds on three occasions.

His partner is Collison, who has 11 double-doubles.

Collison is averaging 14.5 points and 11.5 rebounds in the NCAA Tournament and has eight blocks in the first four games.

Collison and Gooden each had double-doubles in Kansas' 104-86 victory over Oregon in the Midwest Region final. Collison had 25 points and 15 rebounds while Gooden added 18 and an NCAA Tournament-high 20 rebounds as the Jayhawks held a commanding 63-34 advantage on the glass.

Kansas (33-3), the highest scoring team in the nation at 91 points per game, also features three guards in its lineup.

Senior Jeff Boschee, junior Kirk Hinrich and freshman Aaron Miles combine to average over 35 points.

In addition to Miles, the Jayhawks have an additional pair of freshmen who

have played well. Reserve forward Keith Langford netted a season-high 20 points against Oregon and forward Wayne Simien is shooting 55 percent from the floor.

The Jayhawks are making their 11th appearance in the Final Four and first since 1993. They are trying to give coach Roy Williams his first national championship in his third appearance in the Final Four.

Baxter and fellow senior Juan Dixon were the heroes for Maryland in its difficult victory over Connecticut. Dixon nailed a 3-pointer to forge a 77-77 tie with just under four minutes remaining and Baxter made a tough turnaround shot and two free throws.

Dixon, the ACC Player of the Year, leads the team with his 19.9 scoring average and is the Terrapins' all-time leading scorer.

He has stepped it up in the NCAA Tournament, where he is averaging 26.0 points per game.

Dixon, who had his number honored along with Baxter, is the only player in NCAA history with 2,100 points, 300 steals and 200 3-pointers in his career.

Part of Maryland's success in the NCAA Tournament is its ability to make free throws. The Terrapins are shooting 86 percent (78-of-91) from the line and no Final Four team has ever shot 85 percent or better. Baxter made 15-of-18 in the victory over Connecticut.

While Kansas is the nation's highest scoring team, Maryland is fourth at 85.3 points per game. The Terrapins have scored 85 points or more in 12 of their last 15 games.

Kansas leads the all-time series, 3-1. Maryland posted an 86-83 victory in the last meeting on December 7, 1997 in

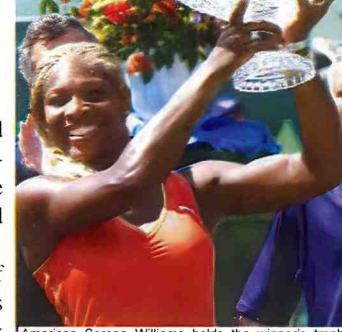
Williams beats Capriati to win Miami title

MIAMI (Reuters) - Serena Williams beat world number one Jennifer Capriati 7-5 7-6 in the Nasdaq-100 Open Masters final on Saturday, keeping the title in the family.

It was the second success in three events this season for Williams and her third in as many finals against Capriati, including last month in Scottsdale.

The victory keeps the event regarded as the fifth slam in the Williams trophy case, after Venus claimed the title last year when Capriati squandered eight match points.

This year's contest featuring two of the hardest hitters on the women's Tour was far from a classic, Williams lifting the crown despite committing an astounding 59 unforced errors.



American Serena Williams holds the winner's trophy after defeating American Jennifer Capriati in the women's final at the Nasdaq 100 Open March 30, 2002 in Key Biscayne, Florida. Williams defeated Capriati 7-5 7-6. Photo by Marc Serota/Reuters

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Bani Mussa'ab:

A magical mountaintop village that's in need of a hand up



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On the top of mountains, steadfast like Yemeni steadfastness, is Bani Mussa'ab, one of the oldest civilizations ever built.

It is an evidence of the Yemeni's rugged conditions of life. One would be amazed to see how successfully Yemenis could change these rough mountains to safe settlements, and the barren stony nature to charming irrigation terraces covered in green all year long.

In spite of the many changes in the world, this place is an example of how Yemen still draws from the wisdom of its ancestors to survive such harsh lifestyles.

People don't have the basic facilities of life. They depend only on the seasonal rains for irrigation, and live off



animals like cows, from their milk and fat.

The nice atmosphere, the green irrigation terraces, the fantastic peaks that hug the clouds and the rare birds circling around the tops are all unique attractions. Moreover, the unique architecture is also a proof of the Yemenis guineas and creativeness.

Bani Mussa'ab is a village which carry the name of the first Islamic propagandist to Yemen, Mussa'ab bin Omeer, who came to Yemen as the prophet Mohammed asked him to carry his mission to the Yemenis.

Bani Mussa'ab is about 300 km south

west of Sana'a. It belongs to Raima province, Sana'a govern rate. It expands on top of the two mountains Ontoor and Huzar, which is considered the second tallest mountain in Raima, about 3,000 meters height.

Visitors to Bani Mussa'ab will be fascinated by the wonderful waterfalls which go down hills in a very attractive musical sound, the evergreen areas, and the coffee trees which spread as you go down the mountains.

The general view of the village is inspiring and carries you to another world of beauty and magic. Unfortunately, due to its remoteness and difficult nature, it is deprived of roads and other facilities.

Tourists here?

While no tourist could visit it, its mountainous nature qualifies it to be good for climbing.

Bani Mussa'ab was famous in the past for its strategic locations on the peaks that had been used by Ottomans as military facilities during the Ottomans sovereignty in Yemen about 80 years ago. Moreover, many antiques, weapons, and antique coins were found deep in these peaks. Many people believed that there are many

undiscovered treasures still hidden in the depths.

As many other Yemeni mountainous countryside, Bani Mussa'ab has distinguished weather, with clean air and cloudy peaks. It is warm rainy in summer, and cloudy and dry in winter.

The population is about 3,000, peo-



ple depending mainly on agriculture and the seasonal rains. They grow many kinds of agricultural products like corns, coffee, vegetables and qat as well. But due to the lack of rains, health services and other essential facilities, about 60% of the people have left to the main cities where job opportunities and life supports are available.

People here suffered a lot because of the lack of the basic services like roads, electricity and health establishments. Women play a very important role in this village, carrying wood and water on her back from far areas, working in the farms along with the men and doing the house business as well. Theirs is a story of human suffering that stretches as long as the charming view.

It needs some help

It is really a pity for such a beautiful region to be in isolation, deprived of roads, electricity and clean water. The government needs to at least provide the region with electrical generators.

It was suggested that this area can be a sanctuary because of its natural qualifications. However, there are only two schools and a small health unit in Bani Mussa'ab. People need more.

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