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**Khalid Mesha'al speaks to Yemeni audience May 4**

## More suicide bombs says Hamas leader

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

SANA'A — A top official with Hamas, the group known for its support of the Palestinian Intifada through suicide bombings, told a Yemeni audience Saturday that such martyrdom killings are necessary and Arabs should not let international pressure convince them of otherwise.

"Suicide bombings are carried out by all Palestinian groups and not only Hamas and Jihad movements. Yet, Arabs should not be hasty in judging them under US pressure," said Khalid Mesha'al, head of the political division of Hamas movement.

Mesha'al, based in Qatar, made his comments while at a press conference at the Taj Sheba Hotel here.

He stressed that the Palestinian people are ready to die honorably and that the suicide bombings are necessary for striking a balance with the Israelis amid the weakness of Arab countries.

Responding to a US-based report that president Ali Abdullah Saleh requested Hamas to quit suicide bombings, Mesha'al said



Workers survey the charred remains of a bus destroyed by a suicide bomber several weeks ago in Israel. A Hamas leader speaking in Sana'a Saturday said Hamas is committed to more bombings. (Photo by news services)



Khalid Mesha'al

that Saleh hasn't asked for a stop to such bombings, but the president asked Hamas to unify its lines with the other Palestinian groups fighting Israel.

Mesha'al praised Yemen's official stance towards their Palestinian brothers, describing it as "exemplary."

"Yemenis are unanimous about the Palestinian Intifada since its outset a year and seven months ago," he said.

He affirmed the continuity of Intifada until Israel's occupation

forces leave Palestine. "The Palestinian people have tried negotiations but to no avail," Mesha'al also said, adding that the Palestinian people and Hamas movement adhere to national unity as a strategic choice.

All the Palestinian groups have unified their lines in the field, though they aren't politically unified.

Mesha'al urged the Palestinian Authority to maintain the political unity to strengthen the Palestinian's people resistance.

He accused the US administration of being the only country in the world supporting the Zionists, noting that Europe and much of the world support the Palestinian cause.

Mesha'al made it clear that Palestinians don't need more Arab conferences and summits because they have made its strategic choice to resist the Israeli occupation.

He said to end resistance as a gesture to get officials back to the negotiating table will not happen because Hamas believes that will dispirit Palestinian resistance and shake its national unity. He also called on all the Palestinians to have patience and continue with the resistance until they are victorious.

He suggested the war is turning to the Palestinian side as more Israelis are now being killed proportionally to Palestinians.

he also called on Yemenis to financially support their Palestinians brothers, and said that all aid, whether coming through official or charitable sources, are fully received.

**No rescue for three days**

## Man dies inside pit

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

A 35-year-old Sana'a man is dead and his 30-year-old friend remains stranded deep below street level after the two of them fell into a pit on Thursday.

Ridhwan Saleh Ahmed was killed as a result of his fall into the pit on Hadda Street.

Walls of the pit collapsed leading to Ahmed's fateful fall along with his friend Fahmi Saleh.

Saleh was slightly injured and was forced to stay three days beside the body of his friend until citizens could eventually pick them up from the bottom of the hole. *Continued on page 10*



## Human rights meeting wraps up

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Human rights in Yemen may be improving, but they still have a way to go, according to participants at the "Human Rights: More than Politics" seminar held at the Yemen Times April 28 and 29.

It focused on the true meaning of Human Rights, which exceed the boundaries of political rights to include social, educational, health, cultural, environmental, and other rights.

The seminar was inaugurated with a welcome speech and a working paper by Mr. Walid Abdulaziz al-Saqqaf, Editor-in-Chief of the Yemen Times on the

need for explaining the true meaning of human rights as something that goes beyond political talk.

He highlighted the importance of focusing on the real meaning of human rights, and said that the United State's and the other countries' lack of concern of human rights violations in Palestine should not give any excuse to forget about basic human rights principles.

"Human rights are all noble principles. They aren't associated with one religion, race or whatsoever. Yet, Islam has given this issue a top priority," he said.

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## YDF's office inaugurated



The Yemeni Development Forum (YDF) was officially inaugurated on April 28, 2002 at the presence of Ahmed Sofan, the Minister of Planning and Development.

The head office is located in Britain which will support a number of different projects for the benefit of the poor, the blind, and the handicapped in Yemen. The Minister of Planning and Development spoke highly of the

efforts exerted for activating the role of the institution in Yemen.

The Honorary Chairman of the forum, Nadheer Ahmed, made it clear that establishing such institution will help a lot to promote and enhance the bilateral relations between Yemen and Britain.

The inaugural ceremony was attended by the British Ambassador to Yemen, Frances Guy.

## Dutch Embassy celebrates Koninginnedag

The Dutch Embassy celebrated Queen's day, the national day of the Netherlands, on April 30th.

The celebration started on Tuesday in the residence of the Dutch Ambassador to Yemen, Bert Ronhaar, who hosted on the second day a dancing party with most of the guests wearing in orange at the Taj Sheba Hotel.

The ceremony was attended by several officials including the Minister of Planning and Development Ahmed Sofan, who expressed his best wishes to the government and people of the Netherlands on this special occasion.

The Netherlands celebrates on April 30th of every year their queen Beatrix's birthday since the



Queen Beatrix

Netherlands became a monarchy in 1813. The House of Orange reigned Holland as a 'Kingdom' since the 16th century.

## Demonstrators can't reach US embassy!

Hundreds of protesters were stopped a kilometer short of the US embassy last Friday in Sana'a.

The demonstrators held portraits of late Jamal Abdul Nasser of Egypt and Hezbollah flags.

They shouted anti American and Israeli slogans and called for closing the US embassy and severing relations with the US.

The marchers were led by a group that called itself "the People's Committee for Supporting Arabs and Muslims' Causes" which also called for boycotting US products and encouraging Jihad.

The US embassy had closed its doors to the public for six days before it reopened last Monday.

## Arwa University holds its Fifth Cultural Week

The Queen Arwa University will launch its Fifth Cultural Week on May 9.

The week has been given the title "al-Quds is Ours" and it is planned to include political and cultural lectures in support of the Palestinians by academicians and politicians one of whom is Dr. Abu Bakr al-Qirbi, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

There will be poetry evenings hosted by the al-Arif Cultural Organization, poets, top of whom are Dr. Abdulaziz al-Maqaleh and Suleiman al-Isa.

Different sports activities, a shopping festival plus a show of several Arab traditions by Arab communities in Sana'a will also take place during the event which will last until May 12.

All proceeds of the week will go to the university's Fund for Supporting Palestinians Students.

## HRM meets representative of 'Save the Children'

State Minister of Human Rights, Dr. Wahibah Fari met last Sunday Elizabeth Johnson, the regional representative for the Middle East region at the Swedish Save the Children organization, who was in a visit to Yemen.

Issues pertaining to human rights and the status of children in Yemen were discussed during the meeting.

Johnson expressed the organization's readiness to support the Children Parliament in Yemen.

## YIS students visit Yemen Times

Students of the Yemen International School (YIS) paid a visit to the Yemen Times premises last Tuesday.

The visit came as part of the school's program to introduce its students to vital enterprises and sites nationwide.

Students toured the three-floor building of the paper and were briefed on the duties of its editing, translation, technical and advertising departments.

## Workshop on eradicating malaria wraps up

Participants at the workshop held on April 25 2002, on Malaria stressed on the importance of preparing monitoring systems with a view of pursuing the effects of medicines and drugs on malaria.

The 5-day workshop focused on different countries of the world such as, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Djibouti, Sudan, Somalia, and Yemen. The participants called on the private and public sectors to join hands to fight Malaria.

In this respect, the Health Deputy Minister, Yahya Albabeli highly spoke of the WHO's efforts to eradicate malaria.

The General Manager of the National Program for Eradicating Malaria, Dr. Shawk al-Mawri placed great importance on the national plan to rid Yemen of malaria.

## Yemeni businessmen & Indonesian Ambassador discuss trade issues

SANA'A- A meeting between the Yemeni businessmen and the Ambassador of Indonesia to Yemen, Yulwis Yatim was held on April at the latter's residence here on April 28.

During the meeting a number of trade issues were carefully discussed between the Yemeni businessmen and the Ambassador of Indonesia.

Exchange of trade between Yemen and Indonesia has been progressing, particularly in the recent years.

In 2001 from January to November, Indonesia exports went up to USD 28,853,300,00 which is 18.5% compared to the year 2000 which was USD 70,090,1000,00. Yemen's export to Indonesia also increased to USD 1,001,000,00, up 6% compared to the

year 2000 which was USD. 953, 200,00.

The increase has been attributed to the good quality and competitive prices of Indonesian commodities compared to similar products of the Asian countries like China, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore and India that are available in Yemen markets.

Indonesia exported to Yemen a lot of different types of commodities such as power and telecommunication cable and wire, electrical appliances, motorcycles, automotive spare parts, battery, paper, stationary, textile, yarn, garment, household appliances, plastic products, wood, furniture, medicines and other products.

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# Chirac set to give big trouncing to Le Pen in final French vote

PARIS (Reuters) - After two weeks of political mayhem, French voters across the political spectrum were urged Saturday to rally behind Jacques Chirac in Sunday's presidential vote and deny far-right leader Jean-Marie Le Pen victory.

With the mud-slinging campaign officially over and the noisy street rallies a distant echo, voters had a final day to reflect on an election that has become a referendum on the extreme right after Le Pen's shock success last month.

Le Pen, a 73-year-old former political street brawler who once called the Holocaust a "detail" of history, stunned Europe on April 21 when he edged Socialist Prime Minister Lionel Jospin into third place in the first round with 17 percent of the vote.

In an example of the unity that has emerged in the wake of Le Pen's triumph, France's leading newspapers Saturday urged readers to vote for the sleaze-tarnished Chirac in order to block the xenophobic far-right leader.

The left-wing daily Liberation printed the word "Yes" in big block letters on its cover over a drawing of a ballot being cast for Chirac — evoking the huge front-page "No" it ran the morning after Le Pen knocked Jospin out of the race.



Chirac Set to Trounce Le Pen in French Vote

With Chirac the expected victor by default in Sunday's runoff — thanks to a rare show of unity that has both the Catholic church and homosexuals joining to block Le Pen — everyone is looking ahead to parliamentary elections next month for the real contest.

Those elections, held over two rounds on June 9 and 16, will determine the color of the next government and whether Chirac again has to share power with the left after five years of paralyzing "cohabitation" with Jospin.

Commentators say Sunday's vote could influence Chirac's choice of an interim prime minister to serve between May and June.

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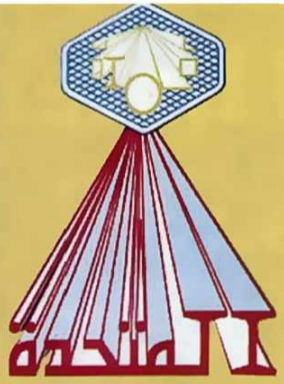
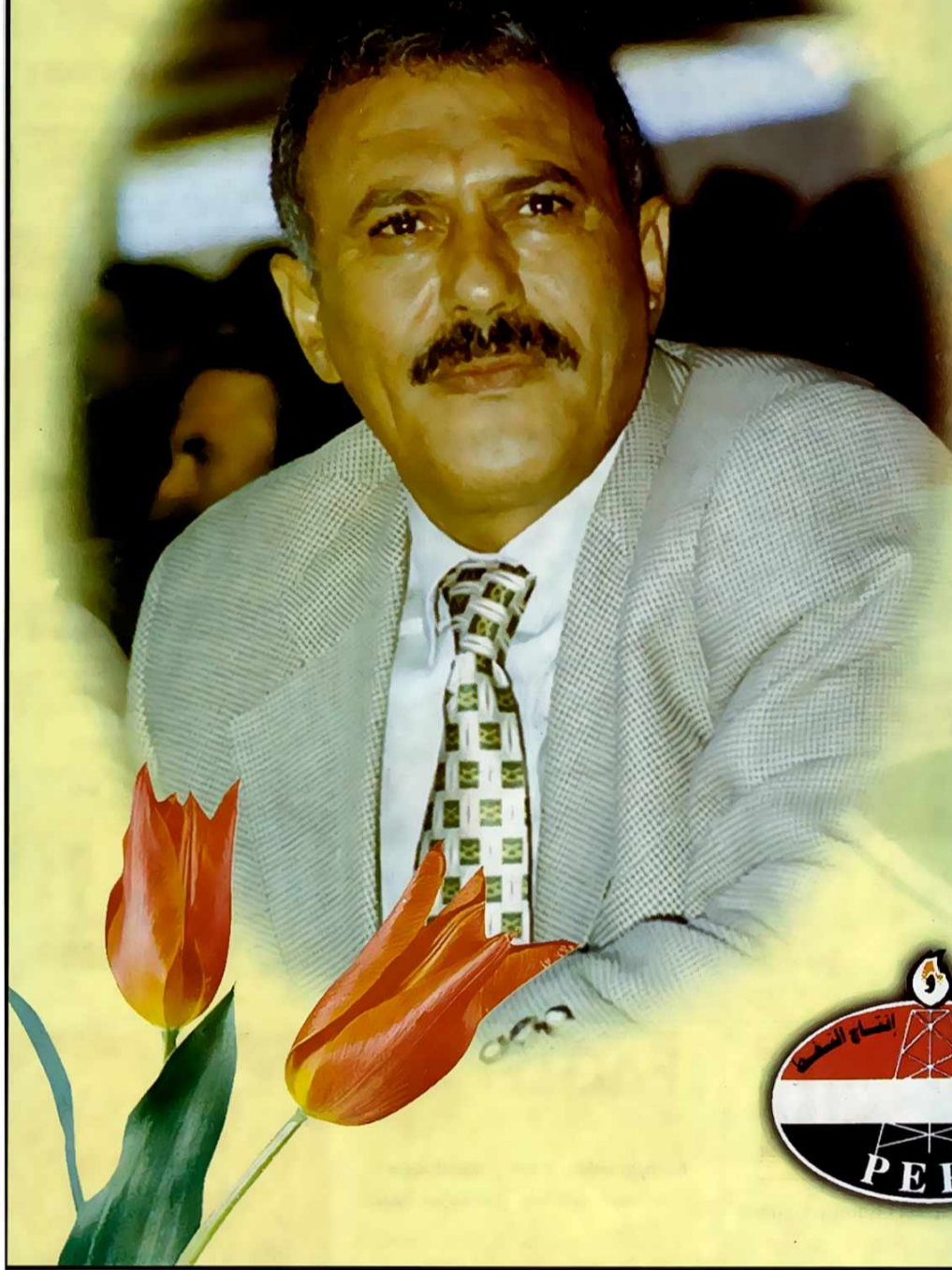
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# Seige of church in Bethlehem coming to conclusion

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (Reuters) - A 33-day stand-off between the Israeli army and Palestinian militants holed up in Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity could be resolved "in the coming hours," the town's mayor said Saturday.

An army sniper shot dead a Palestinian in the church compound earlier in the day.

Palestinian sources said aides to Palestinian President Yasser Arafat were holding a new round of talks Saturday to end the siege, which began on April 2 when 30 wanted militants took refuge in the church as the Israelis launched an offensive into West Bank towns.

Israeli negotiator Colonel Marcel Aviv confirmed that the negotiations were continuing and said he hoped a solution would be found soon.

U.S. officials were taking part in the talks, Mayor Hanna Nasser, who has been involved in the on-off negotiations over the past month, told Reuters.

"I am telling you that I expect it to be solved in the coming hours," Nasser said, adding: "Without the Americans, no solution would take place."

Inside the besieged church, revered by Christians as the site where Jesus was born, are dozens of civilians and clergy.

Israel says they are hostages but the Palestinians say they are staying voluntarily despite dwindling food supplies and unsanitary conditions. More than 80 have left the church since the siege began.

Israel has demanded the militants inside be exiled or stand trial in the Jewish state. Palestinian officials have rejected such proposals but said they would accept the men's detention under foreign supervision.

Wednesday, the United States brokered an end to an Israeli army siege of Arafat's West Bank compound in Ramallah by arranging for six Palestinians wanted by Israel to be jailed in the Palestinian town of Jericho under U.S.-British supervision.

Israel says it staged its biggest offensive in 20 years in the West Bank to root out a militant network that unleashed a wave of suicide bombings against Israeli civilians.

The Palestinians are fighting to end an Israeli military occupation and set up their own state.

An army sharpshooter killed a Palestinian security officer in the Bethlehem church compound Saturday, the seventh person to die during the stand-off.



Bethlehem Church Siege May Be Over Soon, Mayor Says A Palestinian family watch Israeli soldiers from the window of their home during a curfew in Bethlehem May 3, 2002.

# Annan meets Iraqi FM as UN-Iraq talks enter third day

UNITED NATIONS, (Xinhua) — As talks between senior U.N. and Iraqi officials entered their third day on Friday, Secretary-General Kofi Annan and Iraqi Foreign Minister Najji Sabri held a one-on-one meeting at U.N. headquarters in New York.

"This was the first time in recent years that U.N. and Iraq technical experts were able to discuss the issues before them," spokesman Fred Eckhard told reporters at a press briefing in New York.

"That deemed both helpful and useful by the United Nations," he added.

Eckhard said that Annan was scheduled to brief the Security Council consultations on Iraq, during a break of the council's open debate on situations in

the Middle East.

The spokesman said Annan will brief the council on the meeting he had Thursday in Washington D.C., with the other members of the Quartet.

"He will be accompanied at that briefing by his Special Coordinator for the Middle East, Terje Roed Larsen," Eckhard said.

On another hand, the U.N. Security Council's permanent five members on Friday agreed on a revision to sanctions on Iraq and a six-month extension for the oil-for-food program, diplomats said on Friday.

A full Security Council vote to approve the new resolution is expected next week, possibly on Wednesday, diplomats said.

The main proposal would allow the freer flow of nonmilitary goods to Iraq but defines a "goods review list" of items with possible military use that need to be approved by U.N. agencies and Security Council members before items can be sent to Iraq.

The council had wanted to adopt the resolution as soon as possible to allow U.N. staff to cope with new procedures. The vote is due before May 29, when the current six-month phase of oil-for-food sales expires.

Iraq exports oil under a U.N. humanitarian oil-for-food swap permitted as an exception to U.N. sanctions imposed at the end of the 1991 Gulf War sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan (2nd R) just before talks with Iraqi Foreign Minister Najji Sabri Ahmed (2nd L) and his delegation at the UN headquarter in New York. (Xinhua photo)

Only a "few phone calls" among Britain, on "minor changes to language, nothing substantial" are yet to be made, a Western diplomat said.

# Lone gunman takes hostages at hotel

ISTANBUL, (Reuters) - A lone ethnic Chechen gunman burst into a five-star tourist hotel in central Istanbul on Saturday firing a Kalashnikov rifle and took 10 hostages before surrendering peacefully to police, a security official said.

It appeared to be the latest in a string of Chechen hostage takings in Turkey, albeit of brief duration, and could have

ramifications on relations with Russia. Moscow has repeatedly complained Turkish police do too little to counter what they call Chechen terrorists.

NTV television said the man had wanted to make a statement about the rebel Chechen region of Russia, where Russian forces still face guerrilla resistance to Moscow's rule.

"A man entered the hotel and took 8-10 hostages," said Istanbul security police chief Hasan Ozdemir. "He then started firing indiscriminately left and right." NTV Television said the hostages included Greek tourists.

He surrendered without any resistance after security police entered the hotel, a high modern building on the central Taksim Square which is busy with tourists at this time of year.

The square was sealed off and surrounded by police.

Turkey has been the scene of several Chechen hostage takings. Moscow has frequently complained that Turkey does not do enough to counter what it calls Chechen terrorists active in Istanbul. But the group enjoys broad sympathy here.



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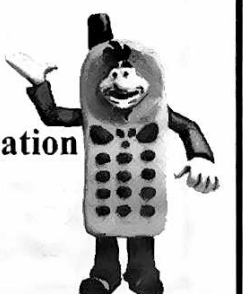
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More than 1,000 march in Bahraini

# May Day demonstration

(ArabicNews.com) — More than 1000 persons held a demonstration on Wednesday on the occasion of May day (May 1st), in the first demonstration of its kind in Bahrain and in the conservative Gulf states.

The demonstrators including scores of women took the street from Raas al-Rumman in al-Manama chanting slogans calling for considering the first of May as a national day off and to found workers trade unions in the country.

Other slogans voiced solidarity with the "Palestinian people and workers" and the demonstrators which was called upon by the Progressive Democratic Forum Society (political movement) raised the flags of Bahrain and Palestine and walked for 1.5 Km until the headquarters of the UN offices in Bahrain where scores of workers were observing a sit-in called upon by the general committee for the workers of Bahrain in soli-

arity with the "people and workers of Palestine."

In a statement on the occasion, the general committee of the workers of Bahrain circulated during the sit-in called for drawing "fundamental solutions for the problem of unemployment" in Bahrain as the announced rate of unemployment in the country is 14% of the total labor force. A situation which created an adverse situation on the general social stability and a waste for the opportunities of human resources development," according to the statement.

In front of the UN offices, the observers of the sit-in raised two memorandum. The first is addressed to the UN secretary general Kofi Annan calling for the implementation by Israel of international resolutions especially resolutions 242 and 338 and stressing the right of return back for the Palestinians"

and also UN resolution 402 which calls on Israel "to lift the siege imposed on the occupied Palestinian territories and pull out from the Palestinian cities."

The memorandum also called for dispatching UN forces to protect the Palestinians and called on the UN Security Council "to form a neutral international investigation committee to investigate into the massacres committed by the Israeli forces at Jenin Camp" and lastly to force Israel to abide by the international law.

In the second memorandum which is directed to the director general of the International Labor Organization Juan Somaphia, the observers of the sit in called for "condemning the Israeli aggressions against the Palestinian territories and the systematic Israeli destruction operations of the Palestinian infrastructure" and "also condemning the policy of besieging, killing and expul-

sion which put the majority of the Palestinians under the poverty line." The memorandum urged the ILO secretary general to send a special mission for fact finding on the grave conditions of the Palestinian workers and to allocate necessary funds to help in rebuilding the Palestinian infrastructure and establishments which were destroyed.

Moreover, a statement by the "progressive democratic forum society" circulated during the demonstration said that the society backs the demands voiced by the workers of Bahrain to announce May first as an official day off, expressing "solidarity with the unemployed workers in the country." The society also called for rapid and serious measures according to a comprehensive national plan to solve the unemployment crisis and to putting an end to collective sacking, according to the statement.n. (Arabicnews.com)

## Japan to strengthen ties with Iran

TEHRAN, (Reuters) - Japanese Foreign Minister Yoriko Kawaguchi met her Iranian counterpart Kamal Kharrazi on Saturday in a visit seen as trying to balance ties between Tokyo's biggest oil supplier Iran and its major Western ally the United States.

While U.S. President George W. Bush has dubbed Iran part of an "axis of evil" for allegedly pursuing weapons of mass destruction, Japan has pursued closer ties with Iran, the source of more than 10 percent of its oil imports.

Japan, alongside European Union countries, has attempted a policy of engagement with the Islamic Republic by encouraging reformers around President Mohammad Khatami. The policy is in contrast to the hardline condemnation by the United States.

Kawaguchi's visit aimed at bolstering ties and expressing support for reform efforts in Iran as well as dis-



Japanese Foreign Minister Yoriko Kawaguchi wears the mandatory Iranian headscarf.

cussing Afghan reconstruction, a spokesman said.

Before travelling to Iran, she visited Afghanistan to discuss Tokyo's role in rebuilding the war-torn country.

Kawaguchi is due to meet President Mohammad Khatami on Sunday.

## Seven Iranian schoolgirls drown as boat capsizes

TEHRAN, (Reuters) - At least seven Iranian schoolgirls drowned on Saturday when their boat capsized in a small lake in a park in the south of the capital of Tehran, witnesses said.

Police and passersby rescued five girls who were then rushed to hospital where they were said to be in a critical condition.

Local authorities were draining the lake in an attempt to find the bodies of up to four other girls still missing.

There were no life-belts on board the craft and none of the girls could swim, police said.

President Mohammad Khatami, in a message broadcast on state television, offered his condolences to the families of the victims and called for the formation of an emergency committee to investigate the cause of the accident.



Iranian authorities pull a boat out of the pond in a Tehran park May 4, 2002. Eight Iranian schoolgirls and one man drowned on Saturday when a boat capsized in a small pond in a park in the south of Tehran. REUTERS/Morteza Nikoubazi

## Kuwait to get archives back after 12 years

KUWAIT, (Reuters) - Kuwait said on Saturday the United Nations was in sole charge of overseeing the possible handover of its national archives seized by Iraq when it invaded in 1990.

But Kuwait's Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah also said his country could accept a role by the Arab League if the world body asked it to set up a process for the handover.

Iraq on Friday confirmed it was ready to return the archives.

The archives are among a variety of Kuwaiti property missing since Baghdad's August 1990 invasion and seven-month occupation of the country, including military gear and museum pieces.

The United Nations has been trying since to account for looted property as well as some 605 people, mainly Kuwaitis.

The issue of missing persons and articles has been a major stumbling block for Baghdad in its campaign for the lifting of sanctions imposed by the Security Council after the invasion.

Baghdad denies any knowledge of the whereabouts of those missing while Kuwait, backed by a Security Council resolution, says they are being held in Iraqi prisons.

Sheikh Sabah told the official Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) it would be possible to agree on a procedure with the Cairo-based Arab League "for the full return of Kuwaiti belongings, including

official documents and the national archive, which is (among the responsibilities of U.N.) Secretary-General Kofi Annan".

Kuwaiti officials had told Reuters their small country was eager to confine disputes with Iraq under the umbrella of the United Nations and Security Council resolutions related to the 1990-91 Gulf crisis in case they became diluted.

"If this does happen and the archives are transferred to Kuwait, it will be a positive development, and I hope it would also help improve relations in the region," Annan told reporters following two days of talks with an Iraqi delegation on a possible return to Baghdad of U.N. weapons inspectors.

## Oman won't allow assault from its lands

Iraqi diplomats and experts on Thursday met with UN representatives in the course of continued discussions started since two days on the return of UN inspectors to Iraq.

The UN Secretary General Kofi Annan and the Iraqi foreign minister on Wednesday held discussions in two round of talks that lasted for two hours. Today (Friday) morning, Annan and Sabri will be meeting. The Iraqi experts delegation was headed by the two advisors for the Iraqi President Saddam

Hussein — Dia' Jaafar who is specialized in nuclear weapons and the Gen. Ameer al-Saadi who is specialized in chemical and biological weapons.

Meanwhile, the Omani minister of state for foreign affairs Youssef Bin Alawi Bin Abdullah — in a statement to the London-based al-Sharq al-Awsat issued on Thursday — ruled out any cooperation with the US in the context of the possibility of a military operation against Iraq, opposed strongly by the Sultanate of Oman.

The Omani minister said: "We will not permit striking any Arab state from Oman." He reiterated Muscat's objection to any military operation Washington threatens to launch against Iraq under pretexts that Iraq develops mass destruction weapons. He added that differences between countries are solved by negotiations and understanding.

He warned Washington against the grave consequences of another adventure in the Middle East. Arabicnews.com)

## Trial of Canadian in Saudi Arabia is underway

OTTAWA, (Reuters) - The long-awaited trial of a Canadian man accused of being involved in a fatal Riyadh bombing has finally begun, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to Canada said on Friday.

Mohammed al-Hussaini said lawyers for businessman William Sampson were now formally preparing their defense. The case will be heard by a court of 15 judges whose verdict will then be reviewed by the royal court.

"You can say the trial has begun," he told reporters in Ottawa, but declined to speculate as to how long the proceedings would take. Sampson could face the

death penalty if found guilty.

The case is putting increasing strain on relations between Ottawa and Riyadh. Last month, Sampson's chief lawyer said reports that his client had been sentenced to death in a secret trial were false.

Sampson, as well as a Briton and a Belgian, were arrested in December 2000 following a bomb blast that killed a British man.

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# Bangladesh ferry sinks; hundreds feared dead

DHAKA (Reuters) - A ferry carrying about 500 passengers sank in a storm in southern Bangladesh overnight and officials fear hundreds may have died or been swept away by strong river currents.

Some survivors claimed Saturday the ferry was overloaded and said strong winds caused it to list to one side and sink.

Divers found the bodies of a woman and a child and pulled nearly 100 survivors from the turbulent Meghna River, keeping their fingers crossed for further rescues.

Reporters at the scene saw scores of wailing men and women crowding the river's banks looking for relatives among the survivors or seeking news about the missing.

"It (the ferry) was packed beyond its carrying capacity," said survivor Mohammad Altaf, 40. "It was dark and we were sitting on the ferry's congest-

ed upper deck. It was drizzling, then came the strong winds and the ferry listed to one side," he told Reuters.

"Within moments I was thrown overboard into the water and I saw the ferry going down as well," he said.

The triple-decked M.V. Salahuddin-2, which sank at around midnight Friday, was on its way to Patuakhali from Dhaka, officials said.

It went down near Shatnal, a rural area 100 miles south of the capital, where the Meghna meets its tributaries and often floods its banks.

Officials maintained the death toll could reach the hundreds once the ferry was lifted from the river bottom, which is not expected until Sunday, and which would make it one of the worst river tragedies Bangladesh has known.

More than 200 people were killed when a ferry sank near Chandpur in 1994.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia

expressed deep shock over the ferry disaster and ordered a massive rescue effort, the state-run Bangladesh Television (BTV) reported.

The government had formed a three-member committee headed by a senior official of the shipping ministry to investigate the ferry's sinking and ascertain its causes, it said.

BTV reported the ferry was carrying about 400 people, of whom nearly 100 had been rescued and some had made it themselves to the shore.

"I was going to Barisal (near Patuakhali) with my one-and-half-year-old son. We were on the upper deck. Suddenly a strong wind blew and the ferry listed to one side. It sank immediately," said the boy's mother Julekha.

"I was saved by another vessel but my son died," she told a Reuters photographer at the scene.



Bangladesh divers search for bodies after a ferry sank in the Meghna river near Satnal, a rural area 170 kms (100 miles) south of Dhaka May 4, 2002.

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# Philippine troops capture wounded Abu Sayyaf official

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines (Reuters) - Philippine troops captured a senior official of the Abu Sayyaf rebel group in a village hut where he was recovering from a gunshot wound, officials said Saturday.

The fourth highest official in the Abu Sayyaf, Sattar Yacub was the leader of a contingent of the Muslim rebels based in nearby Tuburan, Basilan. The government had put up a \$20,000 reward for his arrest, Southern Command spokesman Colonel Danilo Servando said.

Yacub was part of the group holding American missionary couple Martin and Gracia Burnham hostage, military officials said.

Yacub told reporters while he was

being escorted by police and military officers that the Burnhams were now with the group of Abu Sayyaf spokesman Abu Sabaya but he had no knowledge of their current whereabouts.

The Abu Sayyaf, linked by the United States to Saudi-born militant Osama bin Laden and his al Qaeda network, has been holding the Burnham couple and a Filipina nurse since May last year.

"I was with Sabaya near Maluso (town in Basilan) last month and he was holding the Burnhams and Deborah Yap (nurse) before we separated," Yacub said. "I heard they are now in Jolo, but I really don't know where they are."

But military officials doubted Sabaya still had the hostages because of the

growing rift among the Abu Sayyaf factions over ransom payments.

Sabaya said Wednesday the rebel group may kill their hostages since the government would not negotiate for their release. He admitted though that they would rather prolong the hostage crisis. Servando said Yacub, captured Friday, survived a gun battle with the military Monday when some 13 Abu Sayyaf members were killed.

The United States has accused bin Laden's al Qaeda network of masterminding the September 11 attacks on New York and Washington.

U.S. special forces, equipped with unmanned surveillance aircraft, night vision equipment and other sophisticated

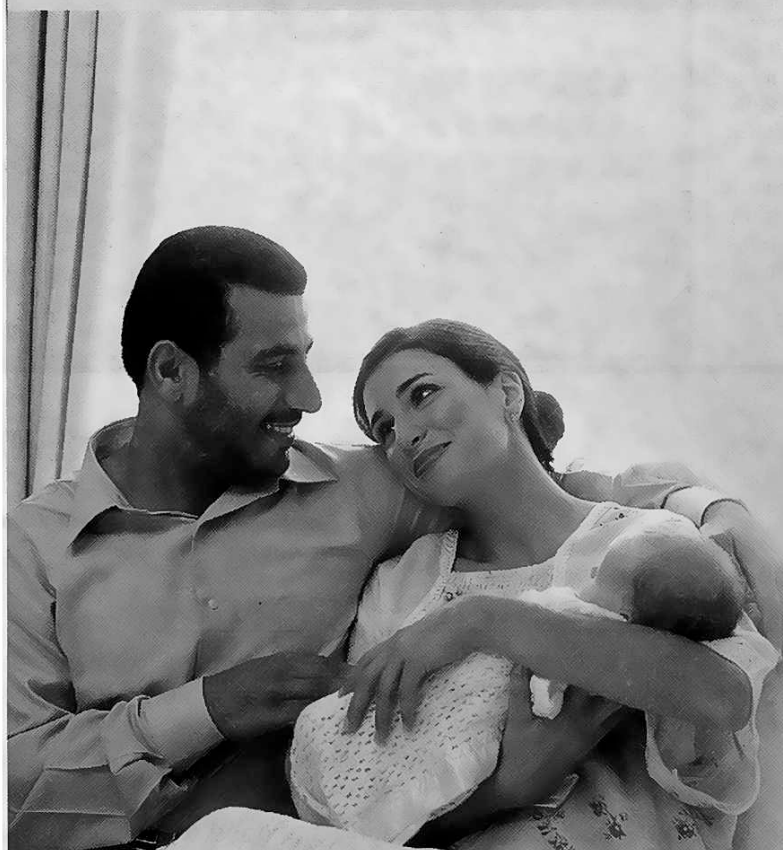
detection devices, are training local troops in counter-terrorism to aid them in their offensive against the Abu Sayyaf.

The Abu Sayyaf claims to be fighting for an Islamic state in the south of the mainly Catholic Philippines but pursues kidnapping for ransom as its main activity.

Meanwhile, local media reported police arrested six men in the northern Philippine provinces of Tarlac and Pangasinan following a series of raids on Islamic schools.

Various weapons, including high-caliber firearms and grenades were seized in the raids, the local media quoted police as saying.

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# Somaliland appoints new president

HARGEISA, Somalia, May 3 (Reuters) - Somalia's breakaway enclave of Somaliland swore in a new president on Friday to replace Mohamed Ibrahim Egal, who died in hospital in South Africa, officials said.

The vice-president of Somaliland, Dahir Riyale Kahin, was inaugurated at an emergency meeting attended by senior government officials.

"The late president will be buried beside his father's grave in Berbera according to his last wishes," Kahin told the ceremony.

The new president called on the population to pray for the Egal, whose body is due to be brought to the Somiland capital of Hargeisa on Saturday.

"The people of Somaliland will do justice to their president and fulfil his goals and aspirations by safeguarding the security and peace of the country and cooperating to achieve these goals," Kahin said at the swearing-in ceremony.

Officials said the vice-president took over from the deceased president under a constitutional provision.

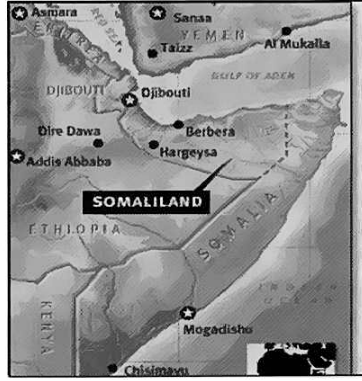
The self-declared republic of



Somaliland is a relatively stable enclave in otherwise anarchic Somalia. It declared independence from Somalia in 1991 but has not been recognised internationally.

A South African official said Egal died earlier on Friday at a military hospital in Pretoria. The South African Press Association said the 73-year-old died after undergoing a bowel operation.

Egal had been in power since he was chosen by the House of Elders, which acts as a parliament, in 1993. The House of Elders said in January it had voted to



extend Egal's latest term by one year, but opposition groups strongly opposed the extension.

Political analyst Herman Hanekom, of the South Africa-based Africa Institute, said he did not think Egal's death would have an impact on greater Somalia.

"He seemed to have been able to keep the people of Somaliland together, but in the greater context of Somalia he was a regional leader," Hanekom told Reuters in Johannesburg.

But he added that a danger point was Somaliland's neighbour Ethiopia, whose

relations with its own neighbour Eritrea are tense after a border dispute and which could cause conflict by trying to exploit any Somaliland leadership vacuum.

"They would like to have someone in power there who is sympathetic to the Ethiopian cause. I think that is a possibility that must be taken note of," Hanekom said.

Gerry McCarthy, who heads Progressive Interventions, an Irish charity involved in Somaliland, described Egal as a "father figure".

"He was instrumental in promoting political harmony that has led to peace and stability in Somaliland in the past few years," he told Reuters in the Kenyan capital of Nairobi.

Egal left Somaliland late last month for what had been planned as a 10-day visit to South Africa for a medical check-up and diplomatic meetings.

Egal, who was married, attended higher education in Britain before beginning a long career in Somali politics, holding offices as prime minister and various ministerial posts. He spent several years in detention after a 1969 military coup.

# South Africa's Mbeki leads minister's tribute

JOHANNESBURG, May 4 (Reuters) - South African President Thabo Mbeki led thousands of mourners on Saturday in an emotional tribute to the country's Safety and Security Minister Steve Tshwete, who died last week after a short illness.

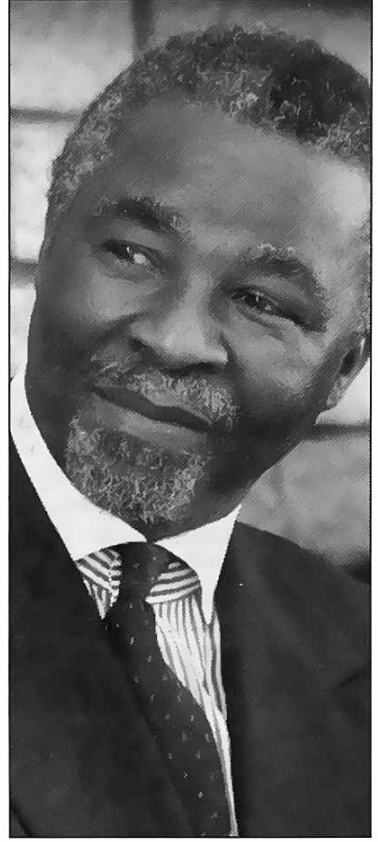
"It is not our part to mourn. It is our right and privilege to celebrate the fact that we were blessed with so rare a gift of a fellow South African," Mbeki said at the funeral, held at a stadium at King Williams Town in the Eastern Cape.

A visibly moved Mbeki described Tshwete — who died in hospital of complications of kidney failure and pneumonia on April 26 — as a "genuine friend, a trustworthy colleague, an activist, a leader and a principled revolutionary".

Earlier, Deputy President Jacob Zuma led the crowd of about 20,000 in a rousing song of praise for Tshwete, a staunch Mbeki loyalist who was known in circles of the governing African National Congress (ANC) as "Mr. Fix-It".

During white minority apartheid rule, Tshwete was sentenced to 15 years in prison on Robben Island in 1964 for furthering the ANC's goals.

Former President Nelson Mandela — who spent 18 of his 27 years in prison on Robben Island — cabinet ministers and ANC officials were present at the colourful ceremony



punctuated by traditional Xhosa songs and cheers from the mourners.

As South Africa's first post-apartheid sports minister he helped unify the country's racially divided sports bodies. He was promoted to Safety and Security minister in 1999.

## Elephants, hippos destroy scarce crops in Malawi

MANGOCHI, MALAWI, May 4 (Reuters) - Rampaging herds of elephants and hippos have destroyed at least 10,000 hectares of staple crops in southern Malawi, exacerbating food shortages which threaten the entire country, officials said on Saturday.

Mekkie Mtewa, a member of parliament for the ruling United Democratic Front (UDF), told Reuters that at least three villages in his constituency had seen their entire crops wiped out by the marauding hippos and elephants.

"These animals have become uncontrollable. The three government game rangers accredited here are being overwhelmed by the boom in the population of the hippos and elephants."

"We are likely to face another major food crisis if these animals are not brought under control," he said.

The fields of maize and rice were destroyed in the southern lakeshore resort district of Mangochi, some 200 kilometres (125

miles) east of the commercial capital, Blantyre. Another 10,000 hectares are also said to be under threat from the animals.

International disaster and food relief agencies are warning of a "looming crisis" in southern Africa — mainly Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe — as a result of drought, political upheaval and depleted food stocks.

Malawi's representative for the World Food Programme, Adama Diop-Faye, was in the district distributing maize to people who have already run out of food and said the U.N. agency would closely monitor the situation.

Agriculture Secretary Ellard Malindi told Reuters there was a lull in the crisis as people in most parts of the country had started harvesting this year's crop. But he said this was unlikely to last as there was a projected deficit of 600,000 metric tonnes of maize this year.

Malawi's national maize requirement is 1.8 million tonnes.

President Bakili Muluzi declared a state of national disaster in Malawi in February.

## Ravalomanana plans reconciliation government

ANTANANARIVO, May 3 (Reuters) - The man battling for Madagascar's presidency with incumbent Didier Ratsiraka said on Friday he would set up a national reconciliation government to try to end a crisis that has divided the island.

There was no immediate response from Ratsiraka, but before the announcement saboteurs believed to support the embattled ruler blew up a bridge to tighten a blockade of the capital Antananarivo, which his rival, Marc Ravalomanana, controls.

With the two leaders stalemated, Ravalomanana, who was declared president by a court on Monday, said he would ask the new government and the international community to help find a solution to the crisis stemming from a disputed election.

"I am working in the direction of putting in place a government that reconciles all Madagascans," he said in a statement issued in Antananarivo.

"I will ask that government of national reconciliation to prepare the conditions for a democratic conclusion to end the crisis in Madagascar."

An army general told local radio the bridge around 40 km (25 miles) south of Antananarivo was destroyed at dawn. It was the fifth to be blown up in recent weeks along roads linking the capital to the rest of the giant island off southeast Africa. It was not clear whether Ravalomanana, faced with threats of secession from provincial governors, would give in to demands from Ratsiraka supporters to hold a referendum to decide who rules the nation of 16 million people.

Ratsiraka rejected a court decision that a recount of disputed December polls showed Ravalomanana to have won. The two men had agreed to the recount last



month in Dakar, Senegal, but Ratsiraka said the court's ruling was biased.

Provincial governors loyal to Ratsiraka, a former admiral who has ruled Madagascar for more than 20 years, have threatened to break away from central rule if Ravalomanana goes ahead with an investiture ceremony planned for Monday.

A delegation of ministers from the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), in Madagascar to try to defuse the crisis, met Ratsiraka in his eastern hometown of Toamasina on Thursday.

Following talks with Ravalomanana on Friday, the OAU — which still recognises Ratsiraka as president — said it was optimistic both sides would work to find a peaceful solution.

"The two sides showed us their willingness to pursue dialogue in order to resolve the current crisis," head of the delegation Gadio Cheik-Tidiane told reporters.

Ravalomanana controls the capital, including the ministries, and has a grow-

## White farmer shot in Zimbabwe

HARARE, May 4 (Reuters) - A white farmer was shot and critically hurt at her farm east of Harare, but the motive for the incident was unclear, a spokeswoman for the country's Commercial Farmers Union said on Saturday.

Farmer Sheryl Jones, 34, was returning to her property after collecting wages for her staff from a bank when she was ambushed and shot twice as she tried to open the locked farm gate, CFU spokeswoman Jenny Williams told Reuters.

"We can confirm that she is in a private hospital in Harare in intensive care and on a respirator," Williams said.

Jones' cellular telephone and handbag with all the wages were taken. Police were investigating and the motive for the shooting was unclear, Williams said.

Her farm at Headland, 150 km (93 miles) east of Harare had been earmarked for seizure by the government in its programme to redistribute land to blacks, but Williams said she did not know if was occupied by veterans of Zimbabwe's independence war.

Ten white farmers have died since February 2000 as militants have invaded hundreds of farms in support of a state drive to forcibly acquire white-owned land for redistribution to landless blacks.

Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe -who says it is immoral for 4,500 white farmers to occupy 70 percent of the country's best farmland — vowed to press ahead with his land reform programme after he was re-elected in March in a vote rejected by many observer missions as fraudulent.

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# YT Business

**National statistics shows:**

## Economy shrinks, inflation rises

**E**conomic indicators for 2001 recently released by Yemen's Central Statistical Organization the national economy shrank, while inflation rose.

It shows that real GDP growth in 2001 declined to 1.76% down from 5.12% in the previous year (Table 1). Growth of all economic sectors decelerated in 2001. Four major sectors witnessed declines: construction from 8.2% to 4%, mining & quarrying from 7.2% to -0.2%, manufacturing from 6.1% to 0.9% and gas, electricity and water from 6.5% to 1.7%. As a result, growth of value-added of the industrial sector declined from 7% to merely 0.7% in 2001. Value-added of the mining and quarrying sector recorded a negative growth rate for the first time in the 1990s. The overall growth rate of non-oil GDP also decelerated from 4.7% in 2000 to 2.1% in 2001.

The services sector (which includes government services) grew by only 2.2% in 2001 compared with 4.3% in 2000. During the year, the transport sub-sector recorded a modest growth while financial services contracted. The growth rate of the wholesale and retail trade sub-sector declined strongly from 8.3% in 2000 to 3% in 2001.

**(ii) Inflation:**

Inflation increased markedly in the

second half of 2001. There has been a steady rise in the general consumer price index (CPI) since May of 2001, but it has dramatically increased since August. Nonetheless, the inflation rate started to decline in the first quarter (from 24% in December 2001 to 17.4% in February 2002). The main reason behind the increase in inflation rate in late 2001 was the sharp rise in the prices of Qat, fruits and vegetables. Price movements of Qat, fruits and vegetables are affected by weather and rainfall in particular. The reduction in the diesel subsidy since August 2001 was another factor behind price hikes. Similarly, the recent declines in the prices of qat and food commodities were the main reason of the recent declines in the overall index. The seasonal demand for food and non-food commodities was halted after the months of Ramadan, and two Eids.

**(iii) Government Finance:**

The Ministry of Finance has recently released monthly and quarterly figures on revenues and expenditures for the year 2001. As shown below, actual revenues were more than what has been estimated in the budget by 19% for the year.

The difference, however, varied from one quarter to another. For example, actual revenues exceeded planned targets by 20% in the first quarter, increased further to 32% in the second

	Trade Balance	Exports	Crude Oil	Non-oil exports	Imports	Current Account	Trade Balance	Income balance	Unrequited transfers
2000	1609.4	4093.8	3448.2	645.6	-2484.4	1862.4	1609.4	-548.0	1399.5
2001	608.9	3115.8	2936.8	179.0	-2506.9	769.5	608.9	-497.9	1273.0
Change (%)	-62%	-24%	-15%	-72%	1%	-59%	-62%	-9%	-9%

Source: Central Bank of Yemen

quarter, declined to 14% by the end of September 2001, and further declined by 9% by the end of 2001.

The decline in actual revenues over the last quarter is attributed mainly to the decline in the oil prices which followed the incidents in the US in September 2001. Yet, actual revenues for the year exceeded and targets.

On the other hand, the actual expenditures for 2001 fell short of planned targets by 8% (including 75% of supplementary budget approved for the last quarter - see Yemen Update issue No.7). Total actual expenditures fell short of planned levels for the whole year and during all quarters with the exception of the second quarter which saw a 3% increase over planned spending levels. Fiscal surplus for the whole year was about YR 29 billion (about

2% of GDP)

**(iv) External sector:**

The Central Bank of Yemen (CBY) has recently released preliminary figures of the balance of payment (BOP) for 2001. Based on the latest data (which are likely to be revised), the current account achieved a surplus in 2001 of US \$770 million compared with a record surplus in 2000 in the order of US \$1.9 billion (62% decline from last year's surplus). The current account surplus accrued due to the surplus achieved in the trade and unrequited transfers accounts.

The decline in the surplus of the trade account is mainly attributed to the 15% decline in oil exports as well as a 71% decline in non-oil exports. Workers remittances also declined in

2001 by about 9% (due to uncertainties after the September events).

Oil exports, nonetheless, still account for 94% of total merchandise exports. The services and income balances remained negative as was the case in the previous years. Yet, while the deficit in the service balance increased by 3% over 2000, the deficit of the income balance declined by 9% in 2001. Import levels remained unchanged at US\$ 2.5 billion.

**(v) Monetary aggregates:**

Broad money grew by 19.8% over the last twelve months (February 2001-February 2002). Money growth gradually declined during the first half of 2001 from 24% in January 2001 to 21% in June 2001 (with an average growth rate of 23% during the period). Then, it quickly declined during the second half from 21% in June 2001 to 16% in November 2001 before it increased to 19% in December 2001, reflecting government efforts to curb inflationary pressures that were experienced during the second half of 2001. The composition of money supply changed slightly during the same period. In February 2001, narrow money constituted 50% and quasi money constituted 50% of the broad money supply (and foreign currency deposits 32% of the total).

By the end of February 2002, these ratios changed to 49%, 51%, and 33%, respectively, reflecting some shift in holdings of currency outside the banking system in 2001 to foreign currency deposits in 2002.

**(vi) Interest Rates:**

Interest rates on saving deposits have remained fixed at 13% since July 2000. The gap between high and low interest rates on commercial loans remains 5 percentage points since

**Exchange Rate for the Yemeni Rial as of May 4**

USD	174.39	174.56
GBP	254.29	254.53
EUR	157.17	157.32
SAR	46.50	46.55
KWD	570.20	570.76
AED	47.48	47.53
EGP	37.64	37.68
BHD	462.57	463.02
QAR	47.91	47.95
JOD	245.97	246.21
OMR	452.97	453.41
CHF	107.30	107.41
SEK	17.03	17.04
JPY	1.363966	1.365296

Source: Central Bank of Yemen

October 2000.

The yield on three-month T-bills declined from 13.21% in November 2001 to 12.56% in February 2002. The rediscount rate was also reduced from 15.80% in November 2001 to 15.1% in January.

The Central Bank of Yemen is likely to maintain interest rates at current level to curb inflationary pressures.

**(vii) Exchange Rate:**

The nominal exchange rate stabilized at about YR 173 per US dollar after experiencing gradual depreciation in the second half of 2000 (monthly average of YR 168.59/US\$ in June 2001 and YR 173.27/US\$ in December 2001).

The Central Bank attributed the rapid depreciation during the last quarter of 2001 to the events of September 11th.

Despite seasonal demand for foreign currencies for pilgrimage (Hajj) during January and February of 2002, the depreciation of the exchange during the period was minimal. Average exchange rate reached YR/US\$ 173.36.

**(viii) Foreign reserves and domestic credit:**

Yemen's foreign reserves also stabilized at about US \$3.64 billion since October 2001, covering more than 13 months of imports.

The decline in oil prices following the September 11th events resulted in lower oil revenues in the last quarter of 2001. Domestic credits slightly increased between November and December and then declined during January 2002.

Net foreign assets remained stable since September of 2001. The net central government position with the banking system increased from YR 49 billion in December 2001 to YR 64 billion in January 2002 reflecting an increase in government deposits.

Further, claims on non-government sector increased from YR 96 billion in December 2001 to YR 98 billion in January 2002.

**Table 1: Sectoral Growth Rates, 1993-2001**

	Agricultural Sector	Industrial Sector	Construction	Gas, Electricity & Water	Mining & Quarrying	Manufacturing	Services Sector	GDP	Non-Oil GDP
1993	4.4	4.5	1.7	1.8	4.2	6.0	3.9	4.1	4.0
1994	-3.4	13.1	-17.2	-10.3	42.7	-5.3	-1.2	2.2	-2.3
1995	6.9	21.2	23.1	13.6	19.9	23.7	7.2	10.9	9.4
1996	1.9	10.5	28.2	12.3	13.5	0.6	4.1	5.9	4.6
1997	8.8	7.6	28.4	2.0	7.5	1.1	8.3	8.1	8.2
1998	13.7	2.7	1.4	2.4	2.5	3.8	5.8	4.9	5.3
1999	0.2	4.8	0.7	7.2	7.8	0.7	3.1	3.6	2.8
2000	3.7	7.0	8.2	6.5	7.2	6.1	4.3	5.1	4.7
2001 *	2.4	0.7	4.0	1.7	-0.2	0.9	2.2	1.8	2.1

\* Estimate. Source: CSO.

## More EU business on the way

BY YEMEN TIMES STAFF

**A** new season of economic co-operation with Europe is on Yemen's horizon thanks to the recent signing of a memorandum on the National Development Assistance Program.

Signed April 30, the agreement for 2002 to 2002 will see trade and other areas of interest increase with the EU.

"I very much appreciate our close cooperation with the Ministry and the EU Member States here in Sanaa, in drawing up this program", emphasized Rainer Schierhorst, head of the EC office in Sana'a, during the ceremony.

It will bring an estimated 70 million Euros to Yemen.

"I am confident that its implementation will make a significant contribution to socio-economic development process in Yemen and to meeting the challenges entailed therein," he added. The National Development Assistance Program 2002-2004 has been prepared after consultations with the Yemeni government and the EU.

It takes forward the main objectives indicated in the EU-Yemen co-operation agreement entered in 1998, and prior to that in 1992 for financial and economic co-operation with developing countries in Asia and Latin America.

The areas of co-operation in the program are the following:

- Trade co-operation, with a view to diversifying two-way EU-Yemen trade and improving market access for imported and exported goods based on most favored nation status.
  - Development co-operation, with a focus on reducing poverty and population growth in order to establish a favorable framework for sustainable socio-economic development.
  - Economic co-operation for development of a competitive and sustainable economic environment in Yemen by supporting wide-ranging measures to facilitate business and industrial manufacturing.
  - Co-operation in other areas such as environment, culture, science, and social and human resource development.
- The National assistance program also focuses on the following priorities:
- Development of economic institutions by supporting the process of Yemen's accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and private sector development to boost private sector investment.
  - Food security measures in continuation of the EC support in this area since 1996, focusing on several development programs, food supply infrastructure, institutional capacity building and technical assistance.
  - Poverty reduction by supporting the Social Fund and improvement

PRIORITY SECTORS	Budget	2002	2003	2004
Development of economic institutions	8-11			
• Business Development		4-5		
• WTO accession		1-6		
Food Security		11-12	11-12	11-12
Poverty Reduction	14-20			
• Health sector and demography support		8-10		
• Social Fund for Development		8-10		
Promotion of Democracy and Human Rights	2-3	0.51	0.51	0.51
Programme Administration	1-3	0.51	0.51	0.51
TOTAL BUDGET	61-70			

of basic health services and further development of family planning.

- Strengthening of pluralism and civil society to contribute to the promotion of democracy and human rights.

The ceremony was attended by HE Ahmed Sofan, Minister of Planning and Development, and HE James Moran, Head of the EC Delegation in Amman. The signing ceremony of the memorandum, which will be in use during 2002-2004, took place at the Ministry of Planning and Development, and was attended by senior officials of the Ministry and the European Commission, including Mr Abdulrahman Tarmoum, Vice-Minister of Planning and Development.

This is the last agreement signed by James who will be returning to Brussels after completing his mission as the Head of the European Delegation in Amman. The European delegation in Amman has been very active under the administration of James, who helped bring more focus on the Republic of Yemen by providing hundreds of millions of Euros in assistance in various fields.

## \$1.5 M of work for Aden



BY RYDHWAN AL-SAQQAF  
YEMEN TIMES STAFF

**A**den Plans are in the works to spend \$1.5 million to develop the city of Aden's infrastructure.

The proposal was made during an investment workshop held in conjunction with meetings of the Islamic Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

The Islamic Bank for Development presented a proposal on investment opportunities in Yemen, noting that the bank has financed 88 projects in Yemen from the time of its establishment to March, 2001.

The total cost of these operations is US \$564 million. They are geared to help Yemen's government to establish services and agricultural and educational projects.

The Islamic development bank is currently financing 37 projects in Yemen, totaling US \$409 million.

The seminar also discussed the investment facilitation provided by Yemen's Investment Law for foreign investors.

Activities of the Aden Containers Terminal was also discussed during the seminar, and working papers suggest activities of the Aden Container Terminal will rise to 450,000 transfers



by the end of this year.

Some of the recommendations of the seminar included activating the role of the chambers of commerce and industry in the Islamic world. The seminar also stressed the importance of activating the role of the Islamic institutions for insurance.

Government officials as well as businessmen made speeches, including Prime Minister, Abdulqadir Bajamal, Minister of Trade and Industry Abulrahman Mohammed Ali Othman, as well as Mohammed Omar Bamashmus, chairman of the Aden Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

Meanwhile, the meetings of the 37th executive committee of the Islamic Chambers of Commerce called on all Arabic and Islamic countries plus Western countries dealing with Israel to boycott Israeli products.

The seminar also called on member countries to strengthen relations with governments with the view of building a new partnership.

Further, the recommendations of

the seminar stressed the importance of unifying all the manufacturing capabilities in order to protect Islamic interests and enhance its role within the world trade.

Participants at the seminar commended the great role played by the Islamic Bank for Development in fostering cooperation among Islamic countries.

The bank has been using different methods for increasing the volume of trade transactions amongst member states. The overall funds provided by the bank for supporting imports amounted US \$14 billion. As for the financing of the exports, it contributed more than US \$1 billion, and contributed to the establishment of a fund for the privatization of investments in member countries through channeling US \$1.2 billion for 126 projects.

Accordingly, the member chambers of commerce recommended more support to the development bank to ensure its continued funding of projects.

## No rescue after three days

# Man dies in pit

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In their attempt to rescue the pair, citizens involved in the operation also got trapped inside the hole when the inner walls collapsed again.

"The civil defense infantry was informed of the incident but remained silent," Mohammed Mubark, a victim's relative said.

He said that the Ministry of Public Works sent two shovels, but couldn't do anything for the victims.

Talking to a Times reporter who lowered himself into the pit to interview him, Saleh said was in a very bad situation because his friend died before his eyes while he couldn't help.

"I'm facing death beside my friend's body because of the unavailability of equipment to help us come out from this sink," Fahmi told the Times.

Colonel Faysal al-Halabi, said, civil

defense in Yemen is unqualified and can't help, even though this type of rescue operation should be simple. "How the hell would our authorities would react if a disaster happened in our country?," al-Halabi asked.

At the scene of the accident we did not see a single civil defense soldier, but a few heavily armed patrol cars were there.

A citizen expressed concern that the two shovels used for the rescue operation may further worsen the situation if not used properly.

Inhabitants of the zone expressed their dismay at the silence of the authorities.

Three days passed without moving a finger to help the victims. Yet, a soldier said that they have done what they can.

Even the minister of interior and the Central Security's staff brigadier had visited the scene.



Fahmi stuck in a sand-like pit.



People gather on Hadda Street to watch rescue attempts, while tractors work to dig for the trapped men.

## Is it begging or robbery?

FARAH SALMAN  
FOR YEMEN TIMES

**B**egging is a very dangerous habit in our society, as young people "work," if we can consider begging a "job" as beggars while they are in good health.

The question is why do those people pave the way to seek money from other people, in the time they can get a pleasant job and work with dignity?

Here are some answers:

1. They find begging the easiest way to gain money.
2. They've lost hope because they weren't accepted at any kind of job.
3. They are obliged to do so under pressure of other reasons.

The first two reasons aren't valid and don't even deserve to be talked about.

But the last type is one that needs discussion, because maybe these young beggars want to study and to have a normal childhood but their parents' situation or their greediness prevents them from doing that.

Here are two examples from our daily life.

The first one is about Hanan, a young girl, 8 years old, who begs at the college where I study. When I asked her, "Why do you beg? What would make a child like you ask people for money?" she told me a very upsetting story.

She said her family is poor, and it needs money to survive. Her father can't work because he is sick with epilepsy and needs to go to a doctor from time to time to take some medicine and electric shocks.

What is worthy to be mentioned is that her sister begs with her. Each one works at her own area and sometimes they work together. Hanan makes up to 2,000 YR a day, at least that is what she told me.

My impression about Hanan's case is that she might have been lying. Could a child lose their innocence for

the sake of money? Or maybe is she lying because of fear of getting home with no money, to be punished and sent to bed without having a dinner? Or maybe for other reasons?

On the other hand, if the girl was telling the truth, from can her family get help? And from where they are going to get money if they don't beg? As I remember, she is the second or the third child in her family and no one of her siblings had finished their schooling to work and give the father money he needs to pay for his medicines.

I believe that the answer is very clear to everyone. If the Islamic rules were carried out correctly I think we will not see other beggars like Hanan, whether she was saying the truth or not.

The second example is of a girl I saw begging near some traffic lights. She was acting like a real poor girl, being without having food for two days I was about to believe her when I was told that she is studying in school, and her father owns two flats in Al-Asbabe City.

Owing flats in that region would make him appear as a wealthy person.

I really would like to know why people are so greedy? Why they are not

convinced with what they have, that they think that money is the only thing in life? Why do they insult themselves, and act like puppets in a show to attract people to throw money for them?

Finally, in the cases like Hanan's case "if she was telling the truth" the ones who should be blamed are us, because we haven't done more to pull her and her family out of their problems.

In the case of the second girl, we also have to blame ourselves because we gave the chance to such a father to throw his child in the street in the hard weather to ask for money, in other words to steal money which should go to a real poor person.

Begging is a social phenomenon is spreading very quickly out of control. I think the government is already doing good job to stop it from growing bigger and bigger.

But as people living in this society it's also our duty to help stop this in one way or another. It is now our turn to spend some time with ourselves and think whether we are doing all we can for poor people.

Or we are just thinking that we are the only person who lives on this planet?



# Abdulwasi' Hayel Saeed honored

BY MOHAMMED AL-MASANI  
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**H**ajj Abdulwasi' Hayel Saeed was honored on Tuesday by the Afif Cultural Foundation (ACF) for his pioneering role in combating qat in the country.

In a ceremony held at the ACF's headquarter in Sanaa, Hajj Abdulwasi' was awarded on a personal level as well as for his role with the Hayel Saeed Anam Group of Companies, which has supported the ACF-run Committee for Combating Qat, whose General Secretary is Hajj Abdulwasi.

"This is one of the most important occasions dedicated to the issue of combating the negative phenomenon of qat which the Yemeni people suffer from, said Saeed.

"We hope that this committee, which is exerting great efforts to eradicate qat, will be able to achieve its goal in the near future, especially concerning its



Hajj Abdulwasi' Hayel Saeed is honored by the Afif Cultural Foundation (ACF).



ACF members at the ceremony held last week at its headquarters in Sana'a.

role to spread awareness among the new generation of this evil plant, as it will take an awful long time for the older generation to do so. It is the coming generation that holds the future of Yemen," he added.

"The media has a great role to play to spread awareness of the hazards of qat, and on this occasion I would like to praise the

Yemen Times for its positive role in this regards. But it is rather unfortunate that it is not read by the majority of Arabic-speakers who don't read English. I just wish that there could be an Arabic version of Yemen Times that could be as influential in this regard."

"But I must say to Yemen Times readers that they should be

aware of the problem of qat and I do urge them to be responsible to each in his or her family and village so as to get rid of this plant."

At the same time, Mr. Ahmed Jaber Afif told Yemen Times that "honoring the General Secretary of the committee is a normal reaction to his positive role in combating qat in Yemen. He is virtually the only person who

generously supports the committee financially on many occasions, which I do consider a noble act on his side."

"Hajj Abdulwasi' deserves our sincere gratitude from our hearts for his role, and this honoring ceremony is a little effort to express our appreciation for what he has done and we are confident that he will continue."

Saeed was awarded the medal of the ACF along with a certificate of merit during the ceremony, which also witnessed speeches and songs.

The ceremony was attended by Shoura Council Chairman Mr. Abdulaziz Abdulghani, ACF's chairman, Ahmed Jaber Afif, along with several prominent personalities.



Human rights seminar hosted by Yemen Times

# More than politics needed to bring justice to Yemen



Editor-in-chief, Mr. Walid al-Saqqaf (l) Minister of Human Rights, Dr. Wahibe Fari' and Deputy Minister of Information Mr. Ahmed Nassir al-Hamati

## Seminar resolutions:

"We, the participants in the seminar "Human Rights: More than Politics:"

1- Stress that there could be no economic or political development in the country unless its citizen are free and given all rights. Hence, human rights should be given attention in order to push for development.

2- Compliment the political leadership for its role in encouraging the human rights-defending, democratic transition in the country, and for its decision to form the Supreme National Committee for Human Rights. We support the committee's administration, including the Minister of Human Rights, to continue its positive steps to increase awareness on social, educational, medical, and political human rights, plus other human rights.

3- Stress the importance of continuing this path that promotes human rights culture and principles through various public and private means to consolidate the country's commitment to continue in the direction of democracy.

4- Emphasize the importance to set up a long-term plan to spread awareness among governmental cadres about the rights of the citizen when dealing with any governmental body.

5- Call upon the government to approve the special budgets allocated for the awareness campaigns on the different human rights agreements signed by our government; agreements that include budgets to provide technical assistance to set up local programs to train locals on how to spread awareness on those international agreements and declarations dealing with human rights among the public.

6- Stress on the need to have the human rights and liberties committees in the Parliament and Shoura Council more effective by first, spreading awareness of the importance of human rights and its different branches, and second, by making them more effective in defending human rights, each within its framework.

7- Bring attention to the human rights violations by police and interrogation forces against citizens in prisons and elsewhere, signaling the importance of training policemen and security officials so as to respect human rights and spread awareness among them to reduce those violations. If needed, we request that special monitoring bodies be present in prisons and other security offices to report on any human rights violations.

8- Emphasize on the importance of having judges and attorney generals, and other legislative members aware of human rights to reduce injustice cases, blackmail, and threats against defendants and others in courts and elsewhere.

9- Call upon the government to include educational material on human rights to be taught in primary and secondary classes and to be part of the basic curriculum.

10- Stress the need for more human rights educational and cultural material to be broadcast on TV and radio to spread awareness among the public, especially illiterate families and people in rural areas.

11- Realize the need to establish a network linking all NGOs in the country whose work falls in the scope of human rights. This network is needed to launch more effective large-scale campaigns in promotion of human rights in all its forms.

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Efforts of some governments in the democracy-emerging world to convince the international community that they are striving to enforce human rights only to please the superpowers are senseless, he said.

Protecting human rights and human dignity should be the essence of governance at these countries since the basis of a strong countries is man.

The editor-in-chief pointed out that we should not copy Western concept of human rights. We should rather take the best and leave the rest, as some Western countries topped by the United States are using a double standard policy with regard to human rights, as is the case with its support to Israel.

Minister in attendance

This was followed by a speech by Dr. Wahibe Fari' Minister of Human

Rights and General Secretary of the SNCHR. The Minister gave a statement explaining the role of her committee to defend human rights and spread awareness of its true meaning.

She agreed on comments made by some participants, saying that there are many violations which are all inconsistent with constitution and the established law.

But, still there is a political will to protect human rights and to fulfill Yemen's commitments made to the international community, she said.

But human rights with its different aspects cannot be achieved overnight. "We would like to adopt an institutionalized concept for human rights in Yemen," she added.

The first day included a working paper on the role of the parliament in promoting the understanding of human rights in all its forms presented by Mr. Mohamed Naji Allaw, Member of



Mr. Walid Abdulaziz al-Saqqaf



Dr. Wahibe Fari'



Mr. Jaralah Omar



Mr. Ahmad al-Kibsi



Mr. Ali Saif Hassen,

Parliament and chairman of "Activists" NGO which defends human rights and liberties in Yemen.

He said, "We in Yemen are still mixing between the duties of the different state bodies. We really have a problem with regard to human rights."

The second day, Monday April 29, was rich with working papers including one by Sanaa University Academician Dr. Mohamed Abdulmalik al-Mutawakkil on "Islam's vision on Human Rights."

He said the wrong idea that human rights were first adopted by the West is wrong. All divine religions advocate human rights and protect human dignity. He also discussed in his paper the issue of human rights and the West as well as the inter-civilizations dialogue.

Ali Saif Hassen, noted the workshop would not be restricted to political rights only and added that there are two kinds of rights: rights that are "free of charge," and rights that need resources.

Political rights include the citizens right to free expression, accountability, and new rulers. He suggested the government in Yemen, however, restricts some of these rights. And he added that the Ministry of Information should be shut down since it appears that it has no role than to prosecute journalists and prevent freedom of expression.

The conference was told that a certain amount of government revenues are needed for supporting human rights.

Jaralah Omar said he thinks the government is a violator of rights because it prevents citizens from speaking out in support of Palestine. "Though the government claims to be a human rights advocate who is then a violator," he said, noting that if there is real freedom in the Arab world, average Arabs would have the ability to speak of their resentment of the biased US stance towards Israel.

"In my opinion there should be a rather an extensive debate on this issue

and not a workshop for some intellectuals," Omar said, adding that there are many areas of human right that should be tackled.

Ahmed al-Kibsi, requested that the civil society organizations empower the Ministry of Human Rights.

"Regarding the political rights, we want to stand by the Minister of Human Rights," he said. He also demanded the opposition politicians not to rely on the US Embassy if there is a small problem related to human rights, "It is a shame to do that," he said.

Sultan al-Atwani commented on the role of mass media, saying that the state-run media only serve the policy of the ruling party, while the independent media is in a very bad situation and can not help anymore.

Human rights in Yemen are lacking, and freedom of expression is also very limited, he said, noting that in police stations many people are inhumanely tortured. What some policemen commit against citizens are in some cases even more graver to the crimes of Israeli prime minister of Ariel Sharon, he said, adding that we should pay great attention to how we can protect and consolidate human rights.

Mohammed al-Khiwani said that even journalists are not excused from human right violations. For instance, a journalist was detained by the secret police only on the basis of a rumor.

"The secret police even did not notify us that he was in custody," he said. "The Minister of Human Rights should probe into the cases of violation of human rights of women at prisons reported by many newspapers. Otherwise, the Minister of Human Rights will fail to carry out her mission," he added.

Al-Khiwani also demanded from the workshop to include within its recommendations a demand to Saudi Arabia to release some Saudi clerics it is holding in prisons.

Ahmed Nassir al-Hamati, deputy

minister of information for TV sector, said the simplest concept of human rights is dignity, however, what's happening now is that this concept has been victimized by the current international conditions.

Nowadays, the resistance movements in the Arab world have been branded as "terrorists" by some countries. It seems that the right to live in dignity has turned to be a form of terrorism. The United States has to review its policies towards the Arab and Islamic world because its interests in the Islamic world is much important to that of its interests in Israel.

Also, Jamal Aldin al-Ademi, presented a working paper on legal awareness for the citizens, saying that we should correct the wrong concept that human rights are pertinent to political rights. There should be a legal awareness that enable citizens to defend themselves.

Huriya Mashhur also presented a paper on the social dimensions of human rights and means of spreading them.

Introducing the real meaning of human rights and the role of media was the paper of Mr. Ahmed al-Dhahbani.

Also, the Human Rights Information & Training Center (HRICT) presented a paper on the role of human rights organizations in spreading awareness of human rights.

The two-day seminar included a field visit to the headquarters of the SNCHR where the Minister of Human Rights, Dr. Wahibe Fari' gave a detailed description of the committee's duties and procedures.

The seminar concluded by reading out the recommendations of the seminar.

The event was organized by the Yemen Times in cooperation with the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung under the auspices of the Supreme National Committee for Human Rights (SNCHR).



Both men and women attended the conference.



Participants filled the Yemen Times conference room.

Words of Wisdom



I personally feel that female journalists can play an important role in the presence of women in public life. They will be the torch-bearers because they will influence society, and they play role models for other women. We will help them, provided they satisfy the minimum - not optimal - conditions.

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



OUR OPINION

Slaves cannot liberate nations

Ever since the Israeli incursions in Palestinian territory, I turn on Arab TV satellite channels, especially government-run channels and watch how they strongly criticize Israel, the USA, and the West for what is going on in Palestine. I can hear national anthems, songs, and poems being played all day long. I can also see how government officials are proudly asking for donations and starting campaign after campaign. I can hear words spoken by leaders asking for the opening of borders and destruction of Israel to liberate Palestine. I can see state-hired preachers preaching for Jihad, and telling the people, "You have a duty to take care of. Go liberate Palestine!"

My heart bleeds with sorrow to see the theatrical act played by our governments and leaders. They are taking us for granted, asking us to donate, and requesting us to liberate Palestine. But at the same time, they are killing their people, oppressing their freedoms, and enslaving citizens in their own countries.

I say, "Slaves cannot liberate nations." We have become slaves in our own countries. Rarely will you find an Arab citizen, who would say that he/she feels truly free. We should not live in an illusion and imagine that we are totally free and that we already enjoy all our human rights.

How many times have you, as an Arab citizen, felt you are oppressed and degraded when you try to ask a powerful politician why his envoy breaks traffic lights? How many times have you seen high ranking officials disrupt the queue and have their work done illegally before people waiting for hours in line? How many times have you felt injustice in courts because you don't have a powerful individual to depend on for your case to get through? How many people have been put to prison without a court ruling, and how many imprisoned people have not been freed after their due date? In other words, how many times have you felt oppressed and how many times have you seen others oppressed? "Far too many times" would probably be the common answer.

Let us not stick our heads in the sand like an ostrich and ignore the injustice that we are going through. We are treated unjustly and inhumanely by our own governments? We are slaves and will continue to be so if we don't stand up for our rights.

While we see that only truly democratic countries are the ones that prevail today, and as we realize that those countries that preserve peoples' respect, dignity, honor, and human rights are the ones that prosper, we can also see why we are at the bottom of all nations. It is not difficult to realize that we will never get out of the list of backward countries while we are imprisoned within our own. We, as Arab citizens, were not treated as true humans with soul and spirit. Regimes in our countries have always given humans the least of significance, causing millions to immigrate and seek a freer future elsewhere.

Yet, they are asking us, captive Arabs, to liberate Palestine. Shouldn't our own liberation from injustice and oppression be the priority?

My message to Palestine is this Dear Palestinian brothers and sisters, we feel that it will take quite a long time before we liberate your lands. Just keep up the fight against oppression and pray for us to fight our own oppression. It is we who need to be liberated first. Only then will we be able to promise you liberation, simply said, because slaves cannot liberate nations!

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# The open dossier



SAADI SALAMA  
PALESTINIAN DIPLOMAT  
IN SANA'A

After several days of internal discussion the government of Israel decided not to cooperate with the fact-finding mission which was set up in accordance with the UN security council resolution to investigate events in the Jenin Refugee camp during the incursion of the Israeli army.

This decision was received by horrible silence of the US administration. The Israeli Nazi terror and criminal massacres of Jenin and Nablus did not begin to appear on the surface because of the Israeli's dark and brutal attempts to conceal their savage crimes. That's why they prevented and terrorizing the media and journalists, who managed partially to report the atrocities of the war of genocide and field executions. Scenes of Sabra and Shatila flash back except for the fact that the numbers were greater then.

Fierce struggle

The Israeli arrogance and superiority feeling, did not accept the Jenin Refugee Camp's steadfast and fierce struggle that wounded the Israeli ego. This super army was not able to penetrate the camp for 10 days while using its most sophisticated US-made land and air weapons. Therefore Sharon issued his orders to demolish the camp on the citizens and not to take prisoners from the Palestinian defenders. Then the massacre of the genocide began harvesting, first, women, children and old people, while the men especially the younger, were considered terrorist. Therefore they were either killed or assassinated.

There are basically three war criminals in this episode, Sharon, his chief of staff, "Mofaz" and the field commander who supervised the genocide operations against the Palestinians. They will be

prosecuted one day for the crimes they have committed, which were crowned by preventing the humanitarian aid to reach the wounded and by letting the corpses to rot, a major health threat. But the soldiers of the terrorist Israeli forces were masked to protect themselves from the death fumes that hovered over the Camp.

How can they conceal their crimes? Can they do it by preventing the press to enter that area? Did they not close the camp to not only prevent the press and the humanitarian organizations from entering, but to also prevent death fumes from exposing their crimes?

More time

This issue needs more time, because those who were assassinated, killed or field executed, and those whom were buried under their houses, were not a mirage. They were human beings, and NO one on earth can make their lives and tracks disappear, as if they never existed. We have seen a family in Nablus of eight members that were dug from under the wreck of their house, four corpses of 7 months to eight years old, their kin between 35 and 85 years of age. Will this be the last scene?

Israel needed over a week to conceal and clean the evidences of the war crimes they committed they using mental an physical terror against every thing or one who might leak the information. How much more time do the Jews need to clean their conscience? Not Sharon's generation and not the generation of those who have witnessed or executed the genocide are time enough.

The Palestinians need the American to send their envoys and their Congress members to visit Jenin Refugee Camp and the ancient Quarter of the City of Nablus, to get a first hand impression, to build the administration's position on real and solid facts, away from the Israeli and the Jewish lobby's lies, and deception over the White House.

The American administration should have done so, because justice is the most

important value. It needs hard evidence, and hard evidence cannot be seen from a helicopter window, as if picnicking. The American should have seen the ancient quarter of Nablus and see how the Israeli barbaric and criminal behavior has turned the site as if Haulage and Jenkins klan were there.

The Jews in Israel are not aware that Sharon has brought them to the valley of death, despair and frustration, because before him there was a slight hope for reaching some kind of a settlement, a settlement that should meet the demands of coexistence terms. But since he took office, he brutally destroyed every hope and every chance, thinking that he can control the Palestinians, who have proven that they cannot be controlled even by nuclear war.

Sharon brought this situation

As Sharon has brought the Israelis to this situation, he also brought the Palestinians to standardize martyrdom. Does any Israeli think that by committing genocide against the Palestinians, he reduces the number of human bombs?

We are not asking Sharon alone, but also the USA administration that possesses all the means to stop the Butcher and cease the massacres, but did not.

Despite everything, because the Palestinian are not alone in this world, because they practice politically and because they are serious, they will condemn and denounce.

They will exert more efforts, so they might reach a settlement that gives them no less than independence and freedom in a state with Jerusalem as its capital according to the international legitimacy. Maybe on top of that they can prosecute the criminals through an international court of war crimes. Let Jenin be the first but it won't be the last.

The Jews should know that the war crimes' dossier is open since the Deir Yaseen Massacre, and it was not closed at Sabra and Shatila. Trying to change the facts of the Jenin and Nablus Massacres will not close it either.

## Drug smuggling needs attention



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Smuggling medicine into Yemen is a real health threat. For years now smuggling has not been severely dealt with by the government, despite its fatal consequences on our population.

Many donor countries as well as international organizations extensively

support the health sector in Yemen. Yet, Yemen's government does not make full use of this assistance. For the most part, the health sector in Yemen is in very bad condition and needs to be reformed.

Smuggling of drugs constitute a real threat to the people. The efforts exerted by the ministry of health, to crackdown on smuggling, during the term of office of Dr. Abdullah Abdulwali Nashir, former minister of health, are praiseworthy.

We indeed hope that the current minister of health will follow up that steps

in order to curb this criminal phenomenon.

If no concrete steps are taken by the concerned bodies dealing with smuggling a whole population is prone to disaster by these poisons.

The high number of cancer patients in Yemen is alarmingly high and one could not rule out that expired and unsupervised medicines smuggled into Yemen are the main reason for that.

This is a national disaster that should be tackled promptly. We hope that the government will have ears to listen.

### Letters to the Editor

Why do leaders expect us to abide?

I agree with our brothers that our leaders are not fulfilling their promises to the people. It is their unenlightened rule that condemns us to the civilization crisis in which we find ourselves. How ironic it is that the Middle Eastern nation which grants its Arab citizens the most political freedom is Israel!

Why, oh brothers, do we not speak out on the blood of innocents spilt by Iraq and Syria?

The Palestinians and their plight are important, but we must not let them distract us from the problems we face at home. Why do we not match our funding for the martyrs with money for health care, education, and other development?

How Arab leaders can live with their own hypocrisy is one question. Why they expect us to do so is a better one.

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Not all Jews support Israel

I was pleased to read that the Jews in Yemen condemned the atrocities in Israel and the lands it occupies. As a British woman, I am shocked at how governments and the church in the West has been so silent when what has been done is against all international law.

Surely now it is time for Arab countries to welcome back Jews who immigrated to Israel. Many Arab Jews living in Israel do not agree with the actions of the Israeli government.

I have read in Yemen Times over the years that the Jews who left Yemen for Israel are not happy there, and still feel that their homeland is Yemen. It would reduce the Jewish majority in Israel if they returned, and also it would prove that the

Arab nations are not anti-Semitic, but anti-Israel and anti-violence.

In Britain some of our most vocal critics of Israel are British Jews, and if their voice is heard loud and clear, it adds strength to the case against Israeli atrocities. I am sure that any Jews returning to live in Yemen would do the same thing.

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We cannot return to the dark ages

Your editorial of April 29 on "boycotting" American goods was sober and thoughtful. If we eliminate all goods made and or invented in America, including the electric bulb, we will return to the dark ages. Was it Clinton who said that while the world was making micro chips, the Arabs were making potato chips?

Keep up the good work and continue to awaken the people to the real dangers and the real issues. God bless you.

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Why treat Somalis this way?

It's my greatest pleasure to write to you about how I feel about Yemenis. I am a Somali national, who has faced the greatest problems in Yemen. I thought when I came to Yemen that I would be treated in a brotherly manner, but instead I was treated worse than our Muslim brothers and sisters of Palestine were treated. Is that what Islam instructs? Why should Yemenis treat us with such brutality and harassment? Have we offended them or do they just they hate fellow Muslims like us? Or is it because we came from Africa? Not only did I hate Yemen, but all Arab countries

### Letters to the Editor

that have treated us so bad.

I realized that other nations are more humane than the brutal Arabs. Through my beloved Prophet Muhammad (SAW) was an Arab, I just respect them for the prophet was chosen from them. I know that not all Arabs are brutal, but I also know that most of the Yemenis I met are.

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Stop exploiting native Yemenis

No one can deny that the private sector contributes to employment in Yemen. Thanks for those who perform their simple duties towards our lovable country.

On the other hand, many companies and owners exploit some of their employees, particularly native Yemeni. More so, companies can get rid of an employee at any time. They can be ruthless.

Those of us who are native Yemeni are really suffering. They don't only prefer foreign workers but they give them good salaries in American dollars without cutting governmental tax. Should we worship idols or caws to get the same salary? Or should we be foreigners?

I wonder, why are Moslems not glorified as Indians are in Yemen? We have the same qualifications and same abilities. We speak and write English very well. We are experienced and we can use computers. Are foreigners who worship idols or cows more devoted to their employers than Yemenis?

We are entirely destitute of justice. If cows helped Indians why would not donkeys help us? I don't cows help Indians nor do I think donkeys will alleviate our suffering.

AbdulWahab A.Qawi Sofi

## COMMON SENSE



Hassan Al-Haifi

### The Tel Aviv-Washington Axis Getting away with murder!

For close to a month now, we have seen the worst kinds of crime being perpetrated in the name of fighting terror against a helpless unarmed population, who are asking for nothing more than to be free. This act of aggression was carried out by one of the most notorious terrorists of modern times, Ariel Sharon, who managed to carry out the ugliest and most heinous crimes against the most oppressed people of this era, the Palestinians.

What is worse is that this act of downright bloodletting and civil mayhem was condoned and blessed by an American administration that has refused to listen to all sense of logic, blinded by the belief that such an attitude fosters the battle against "terrorism". We are at a loss to understand how easily swayed Mr. George Bush can be by the most infamous chauvinist movements of modern times. The entire world is shocked by the visible infractions to human rights and decency, which are undertaken in the name of this ugly movement that has tarnished the holiness of the region with its evil intentions and menacing thirst for blood. Apparently Washington is under pressure from Zionist political influence.

This is the only way one can read the distorted picture, which the American Congress has painted of the events that have unfolded in the region over the past month. This only underscores the need for Washington to start a badly needed self-assessment as to how to develop the proper foreign policy for the region. Surely, the mighty United States will not allow itself to be run by a band of Zionist hooligans, to which many conscientious Jews throughout the world have labeled as the worst thing that could happen to World Jewry!

Germinating seeds of terrorism

This seems to be a clear indication that the United States is actually doing more to support the growth and dissemination of terrorism by germinating seeds that breed terror in the sub-conscious, notwithstanding all the surface destruction unleashed by the arrogance of power. What is more, the little admiration that was left for the United States among many freedom loving people of the world, who looked up to the United States as the model and hope of all those who aspired for world peace and freedom from all kinds of oppression, has now turned into disappointment and a feeling of disillusion.

How can American leaders fail to see the great disenchantment that is created by Zionism amongst freedom-loving people throughout the world? All the distortions being heard daily as Zionist propaganda whitewashes its heinous crimes in Palestine can never be in harmony with American interests and outlooks for the world! Thousands of civilians are loosing their lives or limbs under the rubble of giant bulldozers spearheaded by tanks and every killing tool of modern times, yet Washington insists that even fact-finding is unnecessary. The very fabric of life left for the Palestinians, let alone hope, that they may ever get a chance to live without the threat of bulldozers coming to destroy their domicile on the next break of day, has been destroyed. However a UN fact-finding mission has been shelved, because evil by power is all right in these times. Morals and other values have severely been tarnished by the images envisioned for the world by Zionist strategists and their American puppets!

Of course, we have no illusions about Sharon and the likes of Sharon having any desire of ever living side by side in peace with a people they have uprooted from their original domicile with the nozzle of the tanks continuously pointed at them. We are at a loss at how the United States can purport to be the staunch defender of human dignity, when we see human dignity being violated day and night by all the tools of destruction produced by American factories and funded by the coffers in Washington. But then, America is under the trauma of September 11, which, in fact, was perpetrated by no other than elements that were trained and nurtured by the very same clandestine roots that are perpetrating havoc and mayhem in the Holy Land today! American policy makers have very limited visions indeed! Surely, the forces of evil have found a comfortable abode in the minds and hearts of naive and ambitious politicians in Washington. This is so, notwithstanding that such forces are the anathema of the visions and mission which the forefathers of the United States had in mind for their newly born society 200 years ago.

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Will peace talks ever resume?

# The dance of death

BY YASSER ABED RABBO AND YOSSEI BEILIN  
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Israelis ask why the Palestinian intifada broke out just when it seemed we were so close to an agreement. Palestinians ask why Israel responded with such inordinate military power to the uprising, using planes and tanks against a population largely subject to Israel's security control. Each side finds arguments to justify the escalation of the situation; each side explains to its own people, and to others, that "we can't let this incident go without a response" and then escalates the situation by using means that, until then, had not yet been used. The adversaries are like two wrestlers locked in a deadly embrace who continue to inflict wounds on one another, with no benefit to either. If, in two years time, you show film of the present behaviour of both sides, they will not believe they were parties to such stupidity.

**Stop this dance**

This dance of death must be ended now. The hope of returning to talks through informal channels is becoming more and more remote. Israelis are not allowed to enter the areas of the Palestinian Authority except with special authorisation, which the defence establishment refuses to give. Palestinians are prevented from reaching Israel, and their elected representatives have lost their right to freedom of movement. The only way Israelis and Palestinians can meet is at checkpoints or abroad. It is becoming harder and harder for Palestinians to travel abroad, because they cannot get permits from the Israelis.

A number of people on both sides are refusing to accept this progressive deterioration, which is leading to tragedy. Now that the other channels of communication have been blocked, we think it imperative to open an informal channel which will guarantee ongoing communication, even at the most difficult times, and allow continuous response to the debate: a channel that will restore mutual trust and prove to each side that there is a partner on the other side and a common denominator that will enable a

peace agreement to be signed. Soon after Ariel Sharon was elected prime minister in February 2001, a peace coalition was set up in Israel to counterbalance the national unity government. The coalition was based on three main political groups: Meretz; Labour party Knesset Members who opposed their party joining the national unity government; and a group of new immigrants from the former Soviet Union. There were also many public figures and non-parliamentary peace movements.

In July 2001 there was a meeting between representatives of the peace coalition and a similar group on the Palestinian side - cabinet ministers, members of the Palestinian Legislative Council and intellectuals. After that meeting there was a joint declaration expressing the parties' mutual understanding of each other's distress, emphasising the immediate need for a cessation of violence and a return to negotiations, and referring to the ou lines of a final status agreement emanating from the Camp David summit (July 2000), the Clinton plan (December 2000) and the Taba meeting (January 2001).

**Leaders were negotiators**

The leading figures on both sides have been negotiators. They have sat opposite each other and made attempts - as yet unsuccessful - to sign a permanent agreement between them; they believe that, instead of blaming one another for the exacerbation of the situation, it would be better, and even possible, to return to the negotiating table and reach an agreement that would bridge the remaining gaps and win the support of the Palestinian and Israeli populations. Both peoples are weary of the continuing, mutual attrition.

In recent months the international press has published joint articles by leaders of the coalition from both sides; we have dispatched joint delegations to countries around the world explaining our positions to national leaders, to legislative authorities, to the media; and we have published calls for a return to the negotiating table.

One of the highlights of our joint actions took place during a meeting in South Africa with President Thabo Mbeki this January. It is now hard to meet on Israeli or Palestinian territory, but both

sides were given the chance here to hold an open, ongoing dialogue, learn from South Africa's reconciliation experiences and agree on future actions. Mbeki and 10 members of his government were present throughout the three-day meeting, and played a pivotal role by explaining what had happened in South Africa; they tried to find ways to implement in the Middle East conflict the lessons they had learned at home. For example, the South Africans concluded that it was in the interests of each side to strengthen the other as much as possible, even though their instinct might be to weaken the opposition.

**A framework for peace**

On 14 January, shortly after our return from South Africa, we decided to set up, as a precedent, a joint organisational framework: the Israeli Palestinian Peace Coalition. The intention, from now on, is to strengthen the ties between the parties, issue joint responses to the media, meet statesmen and politicians who come to the region and who have until now accepted separate meetings with Israelis and Palestinians. This spontaneous cooperation will be transformed - for the first time since the law preventing Israelis from meeting with representatives of the PLO was cancelled in 1988 - into ongoing coordination between representatives of both sides; they will run the organisation as a full-time job, and put proposals for action to their political leaders. The new style of operation will be based on the joint perspective of both sides.

The main message of our first meeting was a call for a third party to intervene in the conflict and help Israelis and Palestinians return to the negotiating table. We are talking about the United States and Europe, and others too: monitors, observers, mediators, facilitators (although this seems increasingly distant). We have not retracted our call for help from the world, but we felt a need to create a third party for ourselves: the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Coalition is intended to be a do-it yourself third party. The world may be prepared to say "let them bleed", but we will never say that. We call on the leaders of both sides to end their deadly embrace, return to negotiations, take the violence out of the joint process, remove preconditions for returning to negotiations and take full advantage of existing agreements with respect to a ceasefire (the Tenet document), a restoration of mutual trust (the Mitchell report) and a final status agreement (the Clinton plan and the conversations that preceded and resulted from the plan).

It is not easy to maintain an Israeli-Palestinian Peace Coalition. Though we have substantial support from both sides, criticism is intense. People who are prepared to meet and conduct a dialogue while violence continues and innocent people are being killed on both sides are always criticised, accused of playing into the enemies' hands. This is why we need international legitimacy, extensive recognition and help from those who believe in peace.

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SKETCHED OPINION



BY: SAMER A.

World Press Freedom Day is May 3

## The best response to terrorists: Public exposure

BY JAMES H. OTTAWAY, JR. AND RONALD KOVEN

You could have bet on it. Dictators and authoritarians all over the world used the excuse of the need to fight back against terrorism after the horrendous attacks of September 11 to try to limit freedoms of all kinds that stand in the way of full control over their countries. Just as predictably, one of the first liberties to come under fire was freedom of the press.

Even governments of great democracies like the United States and Great Britain urged the press to refrain from broadcasting or printing the self-justifying messages of Osama bin Laden and his collaborators.

**"Healthy guide censorship"?**

Such calls for self-censorship were greeted with ironic satisfaction by spokesmen for governments like Singapore that are veterans at press control. Singapore's UN delegate praised the White House's exercise of what he called "healthy guided censorship" in National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice's call on October 10 for US television networks to refrain from rebroadcasting statements by Osama bin Laden. The Washington Post noted editorially a Russian reporter's question to US President George W. Bush about "why he still bothered to express concern about media freedom in Russia, now that he was trying to curtail the flow of information himself." The pressures on the press after September 11 were renewed proof that virtually any government will, under the right circumstances, try to limit free speech from a narrow view of self-interest - at the expense of such a government's own credibility.

This press controller approach is counterproductive. The democratic faith holds that citizens must be informed, even of unpleasant realities, to make mature judgments. Afghanistan's Taliban government, allied to bin Laden, showed how much it feared independent journalism by barring almost all foreign correspondents and



by arresting and threatening with dire consequences those journalists who tried to slip into the areas it controlled. We believe that citizens need to see and hear all of an Osama bin Laden's rantings and ravings. That goes for the dictators in power, too. A free press holding them up to the light exposes their real natures, and their irrationality. This also forces the confrontation of ideas, opinions and facts in open public debate. As always, the true remedy to bad speech is more speech.

Most of the world's democratic press reacted to pressures to conform after September 11 with healthy demonstrations of independence. The Los Angeles Times editorialized October 12: "For all the risks a free press poses, stifling the media is more dangerous still. Information is what allows people to make solid decisions."

The nine-member Coordinating Committee of Press Freedom Organizations adopted a resolution September 21: "The evil that terrorism represents will best be defeated by full public exposure. Censorship, restriction on the movement of journalists, and limitations on news content can interfere with this necessary public exposure."

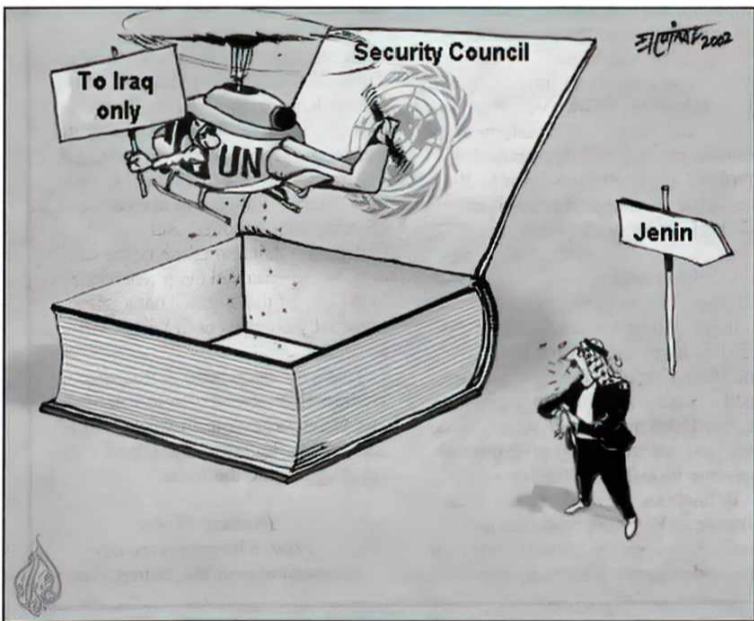
**Bin Laden propaganda prohibited**

The three main British TV networks answered a request from Alistair Campbell, Prime Minister Tony Blair's director of communications, not to transmit bin Laden statements by saying they would maintain their independence of editorial judgment. Richard Sambrook, the BBC's head of news, recalled the ridicule to which the British government exposed itself when former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher imposed rules against the voices of Irish Republican Army spokesmen being broadcast directly. Broadcasters skirted that censorship by having actors read out the words of the militants, to match pictures of the original speakers. The Bush Administration showed that it apparently learned some lessons after it

was rebuffed by the ruler of the Gulf Emirate of Qatar, home of the independent Arabic-language al-Jazeera TV satellite network. The U.S. State Department had asked the Emir to press the company to stop broadcasting its world scoops in the form of statements by bin Laden. After the Emir's refusal, the U.S. Administration came up with a much better solution. It provided Arab audiences with public condemnation of bad ideas by making high-level interviews, including Condoleezza Rice and particularly effective Arab-speaking diplomats, available to present the U.S. side to the station's far-flung Arab viewers.

**All media is in danger**

Concerns about preserving press freedom have hardly been limited to the press itself. UNESCO Director General Koichiro Matsuura addressed the Executive Board of the International Press Institute October 20 to stress the need to avoid using the campaign against international terrorism as a pretext to limit free speech and press freedom: "[My] concern [is] that freedom of expression, media freedom and democratic processes risk being caught in the cross-fire between transnational terrorism and the search for security. The context in which UNESCO's Constitution was formulated offers some useful lessons in this regard. UNESCO's founders recognized that Nazism had transformed the media into an instrument of political control, racist ideology and hate-mongering. They placed their faith in completely untrammelled freedom of expression and the free flow of information. UNESCO's founders, in effect, were convinced that in the long run such freedoms are the best defense against racism and prejudice. ... I emphatically reject the view that to obtain security, we must abandon our freedoms. Anxieties induced by terrorist threats may lead to laws and regulations which may undermine the very rights and freedoms that the anti-terrorism campaign is supposed to defend."



Response: Truth of border settlement will stand, says Ethiopian Embassy

## Eritreans should feel pleased, not 'victorious'

FROM THE ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY

After almost one year and a half, the Border Commission in The Hague released openly its final decision on the border dispute between Ethiopia and Eritrea. The decision was awaited by all peace loving people of the world. The most important achievement of this decision is that both sides have accepted it. This was so because the two countries earlier entered a commitment to accept the decision as final and binding.

A week after this decision is publicized, what is declared in Yemen Times by the Eritrean Embassy as Eritrea stood more victorious is indeed strange to its own ear. But it is useless for the

embassy to acclaim so much for its victory after the decision is over. If it were earlier it could have served as propaganda for the aggressor. The Eritrean embassy should have been aware that information produced in the press is property of the reading world, not only of its producers.

In the Eritrean Embassy's view Badme which belonged to Eritrea was annexed to Tigray and this precipitated war. At this last moment the Embassy seems to give its own decision on the border dispute and tries its best to misinform the audiences around it. It is so naive to do so because people have eyes and ears to attend things in other dimensions. What the Eritrean embassy tries to reflect here after April 13's decision is what the state of Eritrea also reflects in its homeland.

In its article to Yemen Times newspaper (April 22) the Eritrean Embassy said that Eritreans are 'pleased' and most victorious in the border dispute decision. There is nothing wrong if Eritreans are pleased but one should at least be sincere to its own people. If the Eritrean Embassy tells the readers that their country and people are most victorious, what is its parameter for such judgment? Or does it give any sense if it blindly says 'Eritrea is more victorious'? Facts on the ground tell who is most victorious. And Badme is the land there, neither included nor excluded. Wish may go its own way but truth always stand true. Any more the Eritrean Embassy wants to say we are ready to respond. But Ethiopian Embassy does not take this as a big deal after the decision is over.



## Abdullah Salem Bawazir's Short Story:

## The Deceased

For the seventh time, Thabet Yaqzan perplexedly read the news of his death on the cultural page of the weekly 'Al-Shuala'

It must be an misunderstanding or just similarity of names. The news was "Thabet Yaqzan, the great literarian died. He contributed much in literary field specially in writing stories." He threw away the paper and dialed the telephone number of the journal and waited for a while but nobody answered. Angrily he closed the telephone receiver.

He looked at his watch. It was eight o'clock in the morning. He went through his work trying to forget that ominous news. Half an hour went by and he dialed the number again. After several long seconds he heard a voice.

- Hello, who is it?  
- Weekly Shuala?  
- Yes.  
- I want to talk to edition manager, please.  
- The manager is ill. He won't be in today.  
- What about the editor-in-chief?  
- He hasn't come in yet.  
- So, I have to talk to him directly.  
- Whom do you mean?  
- The literary editor of the magazine.  
- He came, but has just left.  
- Who are you?  
- I am deputy editor-in-chief. Can I help you?  
- Yes, I want to talk with you about a news item in the last issue.  
- What was it?  
- Yesterday, you announced the death of a great writer. Do you know how he died?  
- Late Thabet Yaqzan?  
- Yes.  
- I know he died of heart attack.  
- Do you know the circumstances of his death?  
- Actually I don't know how he died and even the heart attack I'm not sure of. People say much.  
- What do you mean?  
- I heard another story that the death was from a disaster.  
- Disaster?!

- They say poor writer was anxious because his electric power supply was cut off, so he went to the electricity office to negotiate with them about the many unpaid bills when a lorry hit him.  
- What about the heart attack?  
- There were many stories about the death.  
- I want to hear them all.  
- Some of his relatives say he stayed up till morning listening to the radio for news of his Arab homeland.  
- And then?  
- At six o'clock in the morning they found him dead while a loud song of "we are victorious" was broadcast.

-How strange! Is there any other story?  
-Yes, it is said that he died in the market during shopping. He couldn't carry fish and vegetables which he bought, so he fell down dead.  
-May Allah be merciful with him, but I want to know who was the first to tell the news?  
-The literary editor of the magazine.  
-Where is he now?  
-He is busy with a private matter nowadays.  
-Which matter?  
-He has been engaged for two years hoping to find a house to get married in, so he has been running between the magazine and housing directorate. But what do you need him for. Do you know him?  
-I am eager to see him.  
-Would you like us to tell him anything?  
-No, just tell him I have phoned.  
-What name, please?  
-Thabet Yaqzan.  
Then he closed the telephone receiver.

Saturday 31st. Dec.  
Three papers were in front of him telling the same news as Al-Shuala. He took one and read: "We announce the death of a righteous man whom people need at this hour."  
He threw it aside and took the second and read: "The late writer was lovely and loved by all, a good thinker and a national torch... etc."  
His head was about to explode while he was thinking "why do we, the Arabs, appreciate our literary figures and thinkers only posthumously, just after their death? Should they die to be mentioned proudly? Where is that editor of calamities?"  
He couldn't bear anymore; therefore, he dialed the telephone:  
- Hello, is that weekly Shuala?  
- Yes, who is it? A nice vivid voice answered.  
- Thabet Yaqzan.  
- The late writer?  
- His soul.  
- Are you flirting with me?  
- Oh no. It seems you are quite tranquil having a good sense of humor.  
- Please I want to talk to your ominous editor.  
- Which editor do you mean?  
- Is there anyone other than him? The literary editor!  
- Sorry, he hasn't arrived yet.  
- Is he still at the housing directorate?  
- You know his story?  
- Oh I want to know my story?!

- The news of your death?  
- Exactly.  
- Your friend will be here in half an hour, then you will know the whole story.  
- Well, goodbye.  
- Goodbye my soul, I mean Thabet Yaqzan's soul.

He hung up the telephone while the girl's words were ringing. He smiled unwillingly. He recalled events of last Friday when his wife's friend came to his house with black clothes to offer condolences. It was an awkward scene when he himself opened the door and the woman was about to faint as she saw him. He stopped recalling to look at his watch. A quarter of an hour left. He recalled another events. "After Friday's prayers he met an old man whom he hadn't seen for ages. The old man shook hand with him incredibly saying: "Sorry son I've got weak sight these days. Are you Thabet Yaqzan or one of his brothers? I heard that one of your family member died. Have I misunderstood or have I go dotard? Or you might have another brother who died recently? I don't understand what is going on these days." As he remembered the deputy editor-in-chief's words, he answered: "Yes, dad, I have three brothers but all of them died. The first one was killed in front of electricity office from a car accident, the second one died as he heard horrible news of the Arabs on radio and the third died after shopping and his soul went up to heavens with garlic perfumes." The telephone rang. He shook.  
- Hello, is that the late Thabet Yaqzan's office?  
- Yes, this is his grave, I mean office. Who are you?  
- One of excited people of his literature. Please give my condolence to his family.  
- Reassure, I will tell him your condolence personally!  
Then he dialed the telephone:  
- Hello, is that Shuala, the weekly?  
- Yes, who is it? Answered the vivid voice.  
- Thabet Yaqzan.  
- Welcome nice soul.  
- Are you always relaxed like this? Aren't you excited with what is going on this world? Tell me has the editor of calamities arrived?  
- Oh darling, he has arrived. She answered singing.  
- Oh, it is not time to sing. Please connect me to him and then sing or dance as you like.  
- Of course. Wait a minute.  
He waited for awhile then a confused voice answered:  
- Hello, is it Thabet Yaqzan himself?  
- Exactly.  
- Really?!

- Take it easy, I won't blame you. I've heard of your difficult circumstances. All I want is to tell me my story from the beginning.  
- The story is that I heard about death of a great writer but I didn't know him exactly.  
- Alright. And then?

- I recalled all writers' name then your name jumped in my mind.  
- But why did you choose my name among them?  
- Because I haven't heard anything about you for a long time and haven't read anything new of your works.  
- So you believed that was what you aimed?  
- No, not at all.  
- Whether you meant or not. You've announced my death on purpose or not!!  
- I will never repeat such mistake.  
- I don't think so.  
- I'm terribly sorry, sir.  
- Shall I ask you a question?  
- Yes, by all means.  
- You said you haven't heard anything about me.  
- Yes, for a long time.  
- Has anyone asked about me?  
- Yes, many writers.  
- What did they tell you?  
- Some said they didn't know the name? Others said they didn't see you chewing qat or drinking for a long time in any place.  
- They know well I don't like such places. And others?  
- They said you had migrated and left writing.  
- They say so while I am still near them.  
- They might be excused for the writer is considered alive as long as he writes and when he stops he will be considered as dead.  
- But some circumstances prevent a writer to continue.  
- People are not concerned with that.  
- That's right. People have enough problems to think of the writers.  
- What are you going to do?  
- To such salacious people and all readers, I will write again.  
- We, on our part, will correct the news of your death in the next issue.  
- No, don't be in a hurry. By the next issue I may unfortunately die. Then you'll have to do the opposite.  
- God may extend your age, sir but tell me what to do?  
- I will send you a new story to publish in the next issue. It will be a kind of resurrection.  
- Fine. It will silence the rumors.  
- Agreed. Goodbye.

He closed the telephone, went towards the calendar on the wall, took the last paper of the last day of the year and threw it out of the window and kept observing it as if he were saying goodbye to an antipathetic guest. Then he came back to his study cheerfully with a good omen to start writing a new story.

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## A Canadian in Yemen:

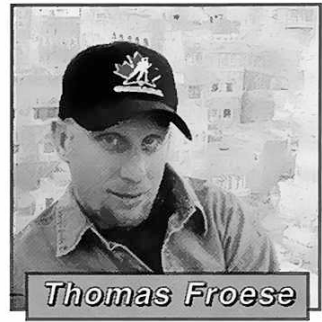
## Restoring dignity in Palestine

There is an ancient Middle East prophecy that someday the wolf will lay down with the lamb, and men will beat their swords into ploughshares. It was written almost 3,000 years ago. We're still waiting.

Looking at the furnace of politics in the Middle East, it doesn't appear the dusty prophecy is around the corner. Yemen in particular has been seeking to help Palestine.

Plenty of demonstrations in recent weeks here in Sana'a have shown how much Yemeni hearts are with their Arab brothers.

The topic came up while I recently broke bread with some Arab friends, in particular with a Palestinian visiting from Jordan. My conversation with Ahmed, a 47-year-old pharmacist exiled in Jordan since 1973, reminded me that Palestinians have known the type of grief which some of us can only imagine.



Thomas Froese

## Forced from home

In 1948, his family, along with thousands of others, was forced from their home to make way for newcomers, in this case Jews from Iraq. What if that happened to you, let's say, at gunpoint? No questions. Just pack your memories, and don't come back.

Ahmed was born and grew up in Nablus, among the Palestinian cities recently under Israeli attack. Even now, living with two million Palestinians in Jordan, he says he longs for the old family-home in Haifa, and believes he will return "in sha'a'llah."

"The only solution now is military action," he concludes. That seems strange coming from such a gentle spirit, but considering what's happened, it's not surprising.

International sympathy after the Holocaust, plus views on religious prophecy, are reasons some support Jews having their ancestral home.

But "Jesus and Moses," in the words of Ahmed, have little to do with his family being thrown out of their home. And even a cursory study of the political intrigue and double-dealing involved in the 50 years prior to 1948 shows the so-called "modern miracle of Israel" is rife with problems.

## A unique calling

I suspect, if anything then, Israel has a unique calling to care for the Holy Land, side-by-side with a healthy Palestine. Certainly the God used to justify Israel's actions also wants justice for Palestinians, particularly since they have an ancient promise through the same bloodline as the Jews.

In his book *Blood Brothers*, Elias Chacour, a Palestinian scholar and minister, poignantly puts his finger on this, and suggests a "demon of mili-

tarism" has infected modern Israel. He chafes at the long-time silence of the international community while his people live as orphans at home and lepers abroad.

## A different response

Palestinians have typically responded in two ways. One is quiet resignation. The other, armed uprising. But, Chacour, whose parents actually put him in an orphanage so he could receive a good education in Haifa, shows a third way.

After studies in Europe he returned home, and with volunteers from Germany and Holland, he built community centers, schools and libraries in Galilee. Peace centers were inaugurated with The Diary of Anne Frank, to show Anne could easily be a modern Palestinian girl. By the early '80s, within three years of launching youth camps, 4,000 kids benefited. Jews and Palestinians were brought together for dialogue, and Palestinian dignity was restored.

Chacour continues that type of work even now, in the spirit of brotherhood.

Why haven't others been able to do the same over the last 50 years? My friend Ahmed says because political violence has brought crippling fear to those who can help. So it seems more clear than ever that building a new Middle East will need a different approach. It will take time, and it will take soul-searching by this generation.

## Binding people together

I think of Chacour's father who, at gunpoint, was forced off his homestead in Birma, a Palestinian village later destroyed by Zionists. Years later, he still walked past its charred remains to tend his old fig trees, and eventually grafted several varieties together. Each wrapped around the other into one: a powerful symbol of different people bound together.

That's the mystery of peace achieved in some modern movements. Think of Ghandhi in India, and Martin Luther King Jr. in America. They brought liberty to their races by grafting people groups together, not force.

That doesn't mean all will be tranquil. These men were martyred for blessing their enemies. But they understood that sometime peace can only be experienced even when one is in the eye of the storm. That's what eventually changes both hearts and institutions.

That's the deep need in this region. Without that type of vision, I'm afraid that plans for long-term peace will continue to flounder. And others will get dragged into the oven.

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behaves as a lion.  
Comment: A coward shows bravery at home like shouting and blowing but he is a coward outside.

Situation: When cowards behave as brave men against their kids and wives.

الذين ساع العرس والقضا ساع الولادة

Ildein saa il irs wil gedha saa il wilah

Meaning: To get money by borrowing is like time of wedding while giving it back is like a time of giving birth.

Comment: When borrowing money people feel happy as a groom and a bride but when they give it back they feel difficult and sad.

Situation: Commenting about the repayment of debts which is not prompt.

الخميرة تشبي والوحام ما يغبي

Il khemireh tishti wil wham ma yghbi

Meaning: The mixture of flour and water increases in size, and so pregnancy couldn't be hidden.

Comment: Truth or fact can't be hidden.

## Yemeni proverbs for all occasions

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بخت الشافي بالشقي

Ekht il shaqi bil shiga  
Meaning: A miserable man's fortune is working hard all his life.

Comment: Poor, miserable people have to suffer all their lives.  
Situation: Describing miserable people.

القرود عين امه غزال

Ilgird bein umuh ghezal  
Meaning: A monkey's mother sees its son as if it were a gazelle.

Comment: Mothers always see their children beautiful and fine even if they are ugly or behave badly. They are blind to the faults of their kids.  
Situation: Mocking at mothers who praise their ugly kids, or making fun of those who praise their bad deeds.

اذن السارق تطن

Itnil sarig tittin  
Meaning: Thief's ear echo.

Comment: When a thief realizes that people talk about thefts, he may tremble or show gestures that disgrace him.  
Situation: Describing thieves.

صادها من بكرة

Sadha men bekker  
Meaning: He who gets up early always wins.

Comment: The earlier, the winner. The English proverb is "the early bird catches the worm" is similar to this proverb.

Situation: Encouraging others to be early and active.

اثنين صلعات تضاربوا على ماشط

Ithnein silaat tedharebu ala mshatt  
Meaning: Two bald headed people quarreled over a comb!

Comment: Foolish people quarrel with each other about what they don't possess without realizing their defects.  
Situation: Mocking stupid people.

ذي بيته من زجاج ما يراجم الناس

Thei beituh min zijaj ma yrajim il nas

Meaning: He who has a house made of glass shouldn't throw stones at others!

Comments: People of defects shouldn't talk about others' because it will be something like throwing stones from inside a glass house. Surely, they will have stones thrown at them. Finally, they pay for it.

Situation: Advising people not to gossip at the absents.

من حقي شعير الناس صغفوا بره

Men higi sheiril nas saafu birah  
Meaning: He eats others' barely but they eat his wheat.

Comment: One who steals others' cheap belongings will lose his expensive ones.

Situation: Warning others not to pass over others' possessions.

يا يعيالي ما بش عونك، قالوا يابه كلن قرصه

Ya iyali ma bish onwa, galu ya abah kilin gursa

Meaning: Sons, we don't have flour Give each of us a ring of bread.

Comment: This is an old proverb when people suffered from poverty. Here, a father complains that there is no flour to make bread, but his sons don't care and demand a ring of bread to each of them. that means they don't pay attention to their parents' suffering.  
Situation: When kids insist on what they want while the father lacks money.

بعد ما شاب اكنونه

Bead ma shab iktenoh  
Meaning: After he had become an old man, they circumcised him.

Comment: Moslems used to circumcise their boys during their early life lest they should suffer pain. Circumcision is a religious duty and it is following Sarah, Prophet Ishmael's

mother when she cut off the loose skin covering the end of Ishmael's sex organ as a sacrifice, as getting water under his feet in Mecca (zem zem). She couldn't find sheep to slay, she used a knife in cutting that part to shed blood which is a divine order to show grace.  
Situation: Mocking a deed done after the appropriate time.

لا تبك على من مات، الا على من خف عقله

La tebki ala men mat illa ala man khaf ehla

Meaning: Don't weep over the dead, but weep over one who gets mad.

Comment: Weeping over the dead never gets him/her back. Death is the law of life while getting mad is really abnormal about which one can feel sorry.

Situation: When one gets crazy.

اذا كثروا الدباخين حرق الرز

Itha kuthur il debakheen hirig il riz  
Meaning: Many cooks spoil the rice.

Comment: Many ideas and suggestions spoil the matter.

Situation: When many people suggest different ideas on one matter. It is similar to the English proverb "Too many cooks spoil the broth."

الكلب باب بيته اسد

Alkalb bebab beiteh asad  
Meaning: A dog beside his door

Qasem al-Asbahi to the Yemen Times:

# Hospital's miracle work needs help

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The republican hospital is one of the oldest hospitals in Yemen. It was founded in 1958 at the cost of GBP 1,500,00. The foundation stone was laid by the British Queen, Elizabeth and then the hospital has never witnessed any improvements, except in some health units.

Many patients come to this hospital from different governorates of the republic.

Doctors are under pressure to do their best, but the hospital's resources are inadequate and in need of support from the health ministry.

The hospital has 12 intensive medical care units, orthodontics and neurosurgery departments in addition to 500 beds.

Neurosurgery, in particular, is one of the more complex services provided at the hospital.

Yemen Times reporter, Ridhwan al-Saqqaf, Aden Bureau met up with one of the famous neurosurgeon at the hospital, Dr. Qasem al-Asbahi and filed the

following interview.

**Q: Would you give us a brief account of the neurosurgery unit at the hospital?**

**A:** Two Yemeni doctors and two foreign ones are overburdened with the neurosurgical operations. The number of patients who come to the hospital range from 15 to 24 on a daily basis.

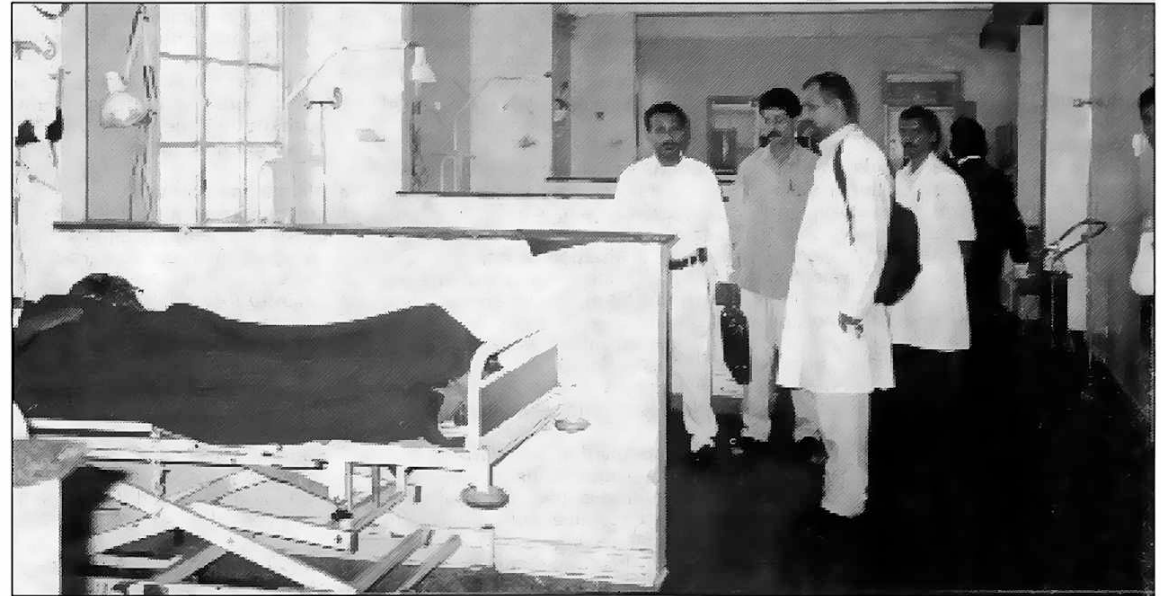
Most patients are coming to the hospital from different governorates of the republic. The unit includes 20 beds and patients should submit themselves to medical checkups before conducting operations.

**Q: How do you handle cases in this unit?**

**A:** Complicated neurosurgical operations are conducted by well-experienced doctors. Three or four surgeons and five additional assistants are taken to operating rooms for operations.

The most complicated ones are the operations at the brain oncosis. Operations that have been conducted abroad can be conducted successfully at the hospital here in Aden.

Recently, brain oncosis operations have been conducted and the patients



Scenes from the hospital and staff at work



A child prior to the removal of fluid.



A boy needing skull surgery.



Hospital Staff



Dr. Qasem al-Asbahi

are now in good health conditions.

In addition to this, more than 23 cancer operations have been successfully conducted. Prior to four years ago, the hospital was unable to conduct such operations.

The neurosurgical unit also performs other complex operations such as repairing fractured skulls. In this respect, around 25 skull operation have been also conducted.

**Q: What are the different cases received by neurosurgery?**

**A:** Different cases are received by the unit. This includes, car crashes where the patient is badly hurt in the

head or the skull. There is also cancer cases received by neurosurgical units which has been ranging from 2 to 3 cases monthly.

**Q: Does the unit has successfully conduct incurable cases?**

**A:** Yes of course. We receive some incurable cases but such cases come late. We do our best to save the lives of patients. We feel very glad when we see the smile of the patients on their faces.

**Q: Does the unit face difficulties?**

**A:** As a matter of fact, the hospital is in short of medical apparatus, such as, x-ray machines. This will cost more than YR 12,000, if the patient goes somewhere for private medical check-

ups.

The main difficulty that we face is a lack of medical apparatus and the number of beds are inadequate.

We possess well-experience neurosurgeons. We could gain the support of some international organizations, but what is needed is to increase the support of the hospital.

Exerted efforts have been made by the General Manger of the Hospital, Mohammed Assadi to promote the existing conditions of the hospital.

**Q: Any last comment?**

**A:** We thank the Yemen Times newspaper for its keen interest on paying a visit to such vital health units.

## Tender No. (2) for Supply, Installing and Commissioning of various Radio Equipment

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# Improve Your English

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## I. What to say

### Situations and expressions (15) Closing a conversation

Closing a conversation is not the same as breaking a conversation. Breaking a conversation is abrupt or sudden due to a certain contingency of situation before the natural end of the conversation. But closing a conversation is not an abrupt cut off. Whether it is a long or a short conversation, it must draw to a close at some point of time. So when you intend to close it, courtesy and good manners demand that you should do so on a pleasant note, however bitter or sweet the contents of conversation might be. The manner of closing a conversation depends on who the other person participating in the act of conversation is, the relationship between the two interlocutors (the speaker and the hearer) as well as the topic you are talking about. One way of closing a conversation is by expressing happiness or a sense of gratification at the opportunity for interaction. Another way is to express the desire for another meeting in future. That is, when you are closing the conversation, you are keeping the door open for more opportunities for interaction in future. This is necessary if you want to continue, consolidate or strengthen the bond of relationship. Now let's see some expressions that help us to build a bridge of fellowship even as we are closing one conversation.

- It's been nice talking to you.
- So nice talking to you.
- We had a nice time talking.
- I really enjoyed talking to you.
- You're really interesting to talk to.
- I look forward to seeing you again.
- How nice talking to you! I'll treasure it in my memory.
- Let's get together on Friday next, if you're free.
- This has been a really fruitful discussion.
- I didn't know that you're so lovely to talk to.
- My heart is full talking to you.
- I wish I were talking to you for ages.
- This has been a really enjoyable conversation.
- How about meeting sometime again?
- I'm eagerly looking forward to meeting you again.
- How about another meeting on ...?
- I'd love to talk to you again.
- I'd like meeting you once again.
- See you again.
- It was a great pleasure talking to you.
- It was such a pleasure being with you.
- I was, indeed, pleased to have met you.
- I really had a nice time with you.
- It's a piece of good luck that I met you.
- I'm sure it's not our last meet. We'll meet again.
- Thanks for coming. Do come again.
- Hope to see you again.
- Thanks a lot for a pleasant evening.
- Thank you so much for giving me your company. See you on ...
- It has been a wonderful evening. I wish such evenings came more often.
- Ok, then. So long.
- Until then.

## II. How to say it correctly

Correct errors, if any, in the following sentences

1. He did everything to relieve the poverty of the masses.
2. This decision of the university to hike fees will liquidate the future of students seeking higher studies.
3. It is a well-laid convention for the Dean to address the students on the opening day of the college.
4. Stop that sound of jostling of cups in the kitchen.
5. The striking employees have joined duty.

### Solutions to last week's questions

1. You'll be **making** a mistake if you follow this path.
2. Each of my pencils is broken. I'll have to **sharpen** them.
3. We hope to **commence (undertake)** manufacture very soon.
4. The passengers were **robbed of** all their belongings.
5. If you paid so much for this article, you were certainly **fleece**d.

### III. How to say it in one word

1. Pots, plates, cups, dishes and other utensils made of baked clay.
2. Knives and other cutting tools and instruments.
3. Place where two roads cross.
4. Puzzle in which words have to be written from numbered clues vertically or horizontally.
5. Long, iron bar or rod used as a lever for moving heavy objects.

### Solutions to last week's questions

1. Time of difficulty, danger or anxiety for the future: **Crisis** (n)
2. Food that is hard, dry, and easily broken: **Crisp** (adj)
3. Principle by which something is measured for value: **Criterion** (n)
4. Person who judges and writes about literature, art, music: **Critic** (n)
5. A critical essay or review or some subject: **Critique** (n)

## IV. Grammar and composition

### a) Grammar

**Choose the correct words and complete the sentences below:**

1. The newly bought computer had a fault. The firm — an apology and promised to replace it (accepted / declined / offered)
2. I was late to the class. When I told the teacher I was sorry, he angrily — my apology (denied / received / rejected)
3. I told my friend that I won't be able to attend his birthday party as I was going to my village on that day. He — my excuse (accepted / offered / returned)

### b) Idioms and phrases

**Use the following phrases in sentences of your own**

1. once for all, 2. all in all, 3. all alone, 4. all along, 5. all for

### c) Words easily confounded Differentiate between the following pairs of words

1. ample, ampule
2. apparel, apparent
3. approach, reproach
4. approbation, reprobation
5. accurate, appropriate

### Answers to last week's questions

#### a) Grammar and composition

1. One thing to remember is that one can fool some people for sometime, but not all people for

### all time.

2. Something to keep in mind is that we should behave with others as we would like to be behaved (by others).
3. One thing people tend to forget is that it is Allah who is the supreme controller of our destinies, not any human being. One thing people don't realize is that man is a puppet in the hand of fate.
4. You can't afford to ignore the fact that our country's future prosperity depends on the younger generation.

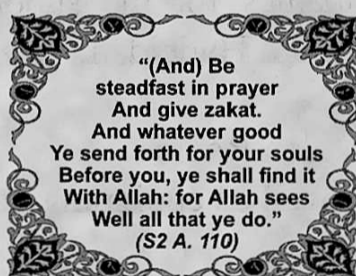
### b) Idioms and phrases

1. **give oneself airs** (behave in an unnatural way to impress the people): He gives himself airs as a very learned person.
2. **akin to** (of similar character): 'Pity is often akin to love.'
3. **on the alert** (to be watchful against an attack): We should be on the alert if we want to protect our freedom.
4. **alien to** (contrary or opposed to): Cruelty is alien to his character.
5. **alive to** (conscious or aware of): I am alive to the dangers of the situation.

### c) Word commonly confounded

1. **appliance** (n) (instrument or equipment): He deals in domestic appliances.
2. **compliance** (n) (tendency to submit to others' wishes): I have done the work in compliance with your wishes.
3. **aposition** (n) (addition of one word or a group of words as an explanation): Dr. Malik, our new teacher, is from Syria. In this sentence 'teacher' is in apposition to Dr. Malik.
4. **opposition** (n) (The state of being opposite or opposed): He was elected as president without any opposition.
5. **appreciation** (n) (proper understanding and recognition): She has a good sense of appreciation for music.
6. **depreciation** (n) (lessening of value or estimation): The price of the car has gone down due to depreciation.
7. **apprehend** (v) (fear): I apprehend some danger.
8. **comprehend** (vt) (understand fully): I could comprehend the lecture easily.
9. **appraise** (vt) (fix a price for something): A good teacher appraises the ability of his pupils.
10. **apprise** (vt) (inform somebody of something): The General apprised the President of the situation in the borders.

## V. Pearls from the Holy Quran



## VI. Words of wisdom

"He travels fastest who travels alone."  
—Rudyard Kipling

# The significance of form and function in language learning



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Learning a foreign language means learning a new and independent system of language. It also means acquiring awareness of the culture of the target language. In this method all materials to be learned is first presented orally in the target language. Grammar is taught, not through direct rules, but by situation and association. Learners are requested to engage in practice and repetition till they acquire a certain grammatical pattern. The strong point of this method is that learners cultivate oral fluency and spontaneity. Its greatest weakness is that it fails to impart any real grammatical awareness. For want of real grammatical awareness learners face difficulty in tackling new material on their own.

An attempt was made to improve on the shortcomings of the Direct method by devising more structured material for students. The new method is known as the Audio-Lingual method which reached the height of its popularity in the early 1960s. It involves a systematic presentation of grammatical construction often in the form of drills. It is guided by a belief that the fluent use of a language is essentially a set of habits which can be developed with a lot of practice. Much of this practice involves hours spent in a language laboratory in repeating oral drills. During 1950s this approach was justified by a claim that foreign-language learning is basically a mechanical process of habit formation.

The Audio-Lingual Method believes in the separation of skills-listening, speaking, reading and writing (LSRW). It used certain practical techniques like mimicry, memorization, pattern practice and some performed in language labs. It encourages the use of dialogue and substitutions tables. It lays emphasis on selection, gradation and presentation in a systematic manner. Items of grammar are graded, following the principle that simple forms should be taught before complex ones. The period between 1958 and 1964 is called by Stern the "Golden Age of Audio-Linguism". By the end of the decade the Audio-Lingual method received a blow from Noam Chomsky who argued that language acquisition did not take place through habit formation. Human beings are endowed with the language acquisition device which helps them acquire language naturally.

But mere study of the form and structure of a language does not help a learner use it in different situations. All the methods discussed so far for language learning are concerned with language in its ideal system. But this ideal system is far from the problems of the practical use. People don't talk as consistently and uniformly as grammar books imply. They don't talk to produce grammatically correct sentences in isolation. The fact is that they utter for a variety of purposes in diverse situations. When they speak, they have something to communicate to other people. Language for them is a tool; and they use it with a purpose. They don't possess their language; but they employ it and do work with it. When we learn a new language or improve our mother-tongue, we intend not to possess something but to do something. If we learn language with a view to possessing it, we cut a sorry figure in our actual life. Vocabulary remains in our mind but we fail to use it, fail to express ourselves.

If we possess something, it does not change. But we cannot learn a lan-

guage without changing it for our own purposes. Change is no more than collective different ways in which individuals find it convenient to change their personal use of language. Individuals don't usually change in isolation. It takes two to create an understood message; it really takes many to establish a convention. But the language cannot change unless we have something new to say. Language use and language change are one and the same thing.

Language changes from speaker to speaker and from situation to situation. It also changes as each speaker matures. So the study of language, either of the mother tongue or of the foreign language, remains incomplete unless it is studied in its dynamic role in sociocultural situations.

Mere linguistic competence does not enable a language learner to communicate with others in the society. What he needs more than this is communicative competence. It is Dell Hymes who introduced the concept of communicative competence in the USA. Later, many British applied linguists, such as D. A. Wilkins, Christopher Candlin and Christopher Brumfit recognized the functional and communicative aspects of language. The goal of language instruction has shifted to building learner's communicative competence. It is based on the view that the function of language should be emphasized rather than the forms of language consisting of correct grammatical or phonological structure. It has become apparent that there is no straight forward relationship between grammatical categories and functions of language, such as between the category "interrogatives" as the function "asking questions". Native speakers can elicit information as much through statements as through questions. How often does one ask the way by means of an interrogative sentence? We just express our request for information simply by saying: "Excuse me, I am lost. I am looking for station." There may be another example. When we feel cold and want to ask anybody to close the windows, we may not use imperative sentences:

*It is cold outside. Windows are still open.*

Learning a language means not merely producing grammatically correct sentences but also using them appropriately. Learning to engage not merely in speech but in speech acts means mastering something more than mere structures of a language and, indeed, more than the language itself. In the final analysis it also means learning how to behave in a certain culture.

In learning a language the importance of both form and function has been realized. In order to speak a language correctly a learner needs to learn its grammar, lexis and phonology. But mere correctness will not help him. He must know how to use it with different people in different situations. Knowing this aspect of a language means knowing not merely the form of a language but also its functions in society. Asking a teacher for a glass of water in his drawing room is entirely different from asking a servant for it:

*Sir, I wanted to drink a glass of water.*

Acquiring competence to communicate is much more than learning the morphology, syntax and phonology of a language.

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## YOUTH FORUM

# The way to happiness

Our life is full of troubles; troubles at home, troubles at work, troubles every day in our life. Sometimes we see this life very dark and we feel that everything is going against us. Sometimes, we find ourselves in such difficult situations that we need someone to help us. Someone on whom we can depend and on whom we can trust.

The Almighty Allah is the only one who knows everything about His creatures. He is the most powerful and the most merciful. He is the wisest, the kindest and the most generous. He has been with us since the moment we came to this life. When the newborn comes out to this life, it immediately cries because it has lost the way that it used to have his food through. It was getting blood through umbilical cord, but the Almighty Allah opens two ways to it, instead of one which are the two breasts of its mother, they become milk instead of blood. Hence when its mother weans it, it cries again. Therefore the Almighty Allah opens four ways for him

which are plant, animal, milk and water. Again when he leaves this life, we cry. If he did noble needs in this life the Almighty will open eight ways for him which are he doors of paradise. The Almighty Allah is generous enough to give us substitutes if He takes away something. If he closes one door, by His wisdom, He will open many doors by His mercy. He is the only one who knows about the future. Then, why should someone be sad? We only need to think about the situation that we live in.

The only way to happiness is to depend on the Almighty Allah, to believe that He is the only one and no one is like Him. All of us depend on Him and trust Him, but this is not always the case as long as we are happy. Happiness cannot be bought by money nor can it be achieved only through friends because if we lose them we lose the happiness caused by them. Therefore, the only person who is really happy is the one who has some realization about the Supreme Being, and

thus, depends on Him and trusts Him, whatever maybe the condition he is in. Despite all odds, he is always satisfied and happy. He always does the best. The believer is sure that the Almighty has chosen the best for him. Some people think that trust in the Almighty means not to work hard, not to take the medicine or not to ask help from others; but, this is not correct. Depending on the Almighty means doing all your duties honestly and sincerely using all the means, and only then to trust the Almighty who always does the best for us. Whatever comes to us must be gladly accepted. Finally, to depend on the Almighty is to live a new and happy life, to be always with Him. The more you are with Him the happier and more confident you will be. Therefore happiness lies in your hands.

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## TIMES QUIZ (28)

1. Which of the following birds cannot fly?  
a) Emu b) Kiwi  
c) Rhea d) All the above
2. What is coal?  
a) Buried trees and plants  
b) Earth forming rocks  
c) Minerals get converted to coal  
d) None of these
3. The first computer language to be used was  
a) COBOL b) BASIC  
c) ORACLE d) PLANKALKUEL
4. Which of the following is an Egyptian statue with a lion's body and a human head?  
a) Tigrion b) Sphinx  
c) Aspis d) None of these
5. Which part of the earth is more vulnerable to earthquakes?  
a) Around equator  
b) Around North pole  
c) Around South pole  
d) Margins of the Pacific

### Solutions to Times Quiz (27)

1. In Summer some of the plants exude water which can be felt if one stands under a tree. It is due to **Guttation**.
2. **Leo** is the first generation computer.
3. Diabetes insipidus is caused by **disturbance in a part of pituitary gland**.
4. When a bus starts suddenly, a passenger standing in falls backward.
5. The Curie couple was famous for the discovery of **radium**.

## CAMPUS NEWS

### Results of the English debate competition at Al-Mahweet

The English department, College of Education, held on 1 May 2002 a debate competition in English. The contest was organized for boys and girls of Level 1 and 2 (Junior group) and for Level 3 and 4 (Senior group). Twenty seven contestants participated. Topics for the Junior and Senior group were as follows:

Junior group: "In the best of our national interest Qat chewing should be abolished"  
Senior group: "Peaceful negotiation is the only means for resolving the Palestinian crisis"  
Dr. Ramakanta Sahu and Dr. Abdul Amir Ali were the judges in the competition. Mr. Ali Al-Hamzi, manager of Students' Affairs of the Faculty addressed the audience and proposed a vote of thanks.

Boys (Junior):		Boys (Senior):	
1st	Majdi Mohammed Ali Mohammed Al-Shrif (Level 1)	1st	Mohammed Ali Ahmed Al-Agabi (Level 4)
2nd	Aref Saleh Hassan Mohammed Al-Adeeb (Level 2)	2nd	Faiz Ahmed Saleh Al-Jaubey (Level 4)
3rd	Ibrahim Abdullah Al-Radhy (Level 2)		
4th	Abdullah Ahmed Saleh Ali (Level 2)		
	Mohammed Al-Kamali (Level 2)		

Girls (Junior)		Girls (Senior)	
1st	Shahera Noaman (Level 2)	1st	Aisha Mohammed Ali Mouda (Level 4)
2nd	Faiza Ali Al-Hamzi (Level 2)	2nd	Sumaia Abdulatef Gasim (Level 4)
		3rd	Samira Rizq Al-Sanani (Level 4)

**Dr. Ramakanta Sahu, Coordinator**

### Inter-class volleyball tournament at Al-Mahweet

An Inter-class Volleyball tournament for the session 2001-2002 was organized under the auspices of the English department, Faculty of Education, Mahweet. In the fiercely fought final match Level 3 team comprising Ahmed Al-Migrana, Mohammed Muhter, Fuad Al-Rathi, Mohammed Al-Meklati, Faiz Yahjah, Yousif Al-Harazi, under the captaincy of Ali Abdullah Al-Sahmani defeated Level 1. Ali Al-Sanani was the referee. They will be awarded the Dr. Abdulaziz Al-Saqaf Memorial Running Trophy on the Annual Day Celebration of the Department, proposed to be held on 14 May 2002.

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# Local Press

Prepared by Mohammed Khidhr



**Al-Ayyam daily,**  
29 April 2002-05-04

**Main headlines:**

- Deployment of American military experts in Yemen, suspended.
- Results of by-election in Tabr, challenged at court.
- Yemen Socialist Party elects Salem Saleh as member of its political bureau.
- CIA: New terrorist attack against US, an inevitable matter.

On meetings of session 37 of Islamic Chambers of Commerce's executive Committee recently held in Aden, Abdullah Naji Ali Stresses that Islamic countries give economy the first priority of their concern in future plans. Leaders of these countries must exert every effort to establish the Islamic Common market. Such a move would mean to us, as Muslims, the last resort to safeguard ourselves against dangers of globalization led by world multinational companies. Islamic Common market would undoubtedly constitute a strong economic grouping in the face of world grouping.

Activation of Islamic effort towards economy comes through encouragement of inter-Islamic trade. Priority of foreign trade should be with the Islamic countries, and this represents the right path leading to getting rid of, or at least lessen, Islamic Countries economic subservience to the West. The West seeks to keep us as we are, merely consumer markets for their goods.

Enhancement of trade relationship among Islamic countries would represent first introduction to founding the "Islamic Common Market".

**Attariq weekly**  
April 30, 2002

**Main headlines:**

- Foreign intelligence involved in supporting al-Qaeda elements escaped to Yemen.
- Al-Asnaj discloses secrets of blasting the plane carrying diplomats over Attaq in 1973.
- Wanted elements receive advices not to surrender themselves to security apparatus.
- 3 citizens killed in Attaq.
- YSP calls for offering care to victims of political violence in Yemen.
- Land transport workers in Aden to sue the Economic Institution.
- Shots fired at Director of Political

Security in Lahj governorate.

Columnist Khalid Ali Tuaiman says destroying the Palestinian people Intifada, the Palestinian authority infrastructure and move the so-called peace negotiations to their beginnings prior to Oslo agreements, are the main elements contained in the military-political scenario, began by Barak's former government but its implementation has been entrusted to Sharon government.

The bloody scenario carried out by Sharon against the Palestinian people depends, in the attempt to implement its objectives, on two major phases:

The first phase contains the destruction of political, economic and security structure of Palestinian authority. It is also aimed at eliminating the political and military reality the Intifada has drawn its features and managed to decrease the space of imbalance of power between Israeli occupation and the Palestinian people.

The second phase of this demonic scheming is summed up with outflanking the UN relevant resolutions and disavowing for Oslo's peace commitments, through holding a new regional conference for peace.

Sharon is quite mistaken if he thinks that the policy of force and imposition of fait accompli he is now practicing against the Palestinian people, would lead to subjugate the Palestinians and force them to submit to terms of incomplete peace that does not meet the minimum extend of their ambitions and aspiration for restoring their legitimate rights.

**Al-Mithaq weekly,**  
**Organ of General**  
**People's Congress**  
**Party, GPC, 29 April,**  
**2002**

**Main headlines:**

- More than YR1.5 billion, donations in Yemen for Palestinian people.
- Vice President stresses the political leadership's keenness on development.
- Yemeni Jews condemn Sharon's practices.
- PM Bajammal: New policies in favor of investors guarantees to protect their projects.

Columnist Dr. Abdulaziz Al-Magalih says some Arab leaderships seems almost more naïve than it was thought they were to be. During the period of Zionist forces re-occupation, accompanied by willing and destruction seen in Palestinian towns and villages, those

Arab leaderships were incessantly on every occasion focusing on the necessity of saving the peace process, forgetting the necessity saving the Palestinian people from daily killing, siege and prison camps where thousands of Palestinian youth are driven to. This can be assumed a normal outcome of the alleged peace which has led to a comprehensive war of annihilation.

Columnist Al-Maqalih says after the massacres that happened there is not way now to talk of any type of peace and coexistence between the killer and the victim. To do so would contradict human laws and those of right and justice.

Arab leader, who enjoy the trust of their peoples should, therefore, not follow the political terms that have been given publicity before the Israeli recent invasion and paved the way for massacres and provided opportunity to erect hundreds of settlements. They have to work as hard as their posts and trust of their peoples provide them to save the Palestinian people themselves. They should keep clear of what used to be termed as peace process, i.e. ahead of the Zionist aggression be able to complete implementation of annihilation scheme.

**Ash-Shoura weekly**  
**Organ of Yemeni**  
**People's Forces**  
**Union, 28 April 2002**

**Main headlines:**

- Sana'a demonstrators reject US military presence.
- Massive rally in Aden in support of Palestinian people.
- Coordination Council calls for offering blood and funds to Palestinian resistance.
- Opportunity in Lahj refuses results of constituency 73 elections.

Columnist Dr. Mohammed Abdulmalik Al-Mutawakil says in his article the Arab peoples have clearly realized who their enemy No. 1 is. They have known that the Zionist entity in Palestine is but an instrument implementing schemes and crimes of the US racial administration. The administration bears roots of the cowboys culture of aggression. Those cowboys who had killed and displaced the Red Indians, the original inhabitants of America. The US administrations themselves are who killed million of humans in Japan, Vietnam, Cuba, Korea, Iraq and Afghanistan. On the other hand the Arab peoples realize that the point of their weakness and defeat is their rulers who do not place their con-

fidence in God and their peoples, but to derive their legitimacy from outside their countries.

What attract attention is that the slogans chanted in Arab demonstrations have been so unified that unite Arab peoples' viewpoint towards their regimes. IN Egypt and Jordan the demonstrators chanted a slogan saying "Open the borders, protectors of Jews!" After the Friday demonstration in Sana'a, that was intercepted with unjustifiable violence, the demonstrators chanted a slogan asking the government to put an end to their military forces ill behavior.

**Al-Thawri weekly,**  
**organ of YSP, 2 May**  
**2002.**

**Main headlines:**

- YSP adopts political initiative
- Electricity Establishment refuses Parliamentary recommendation to stop electricity units price rises
- Under strict security guard, U.S. embassy re-opens it embassy in Sanaa
- Democratic Front calls for enhancing national unity, sticking to Intifadh option

Columnist Hashim Abdulaziz says in an article that the Mideast is no longer open for predictions especially after the latest military and political operations have put a decisive end to former hopes and aspects of optimism. The writer sees that may be the right beginning for restoring the Mideast crisis to its causes and on track of resolving it comes from clarifying reality of Britain's and the U.S.'s conspiracy. The Arabs possess what would lead to topple the abnormal situation and restoring the prestige of Arab nation and regaining her rights. One of these things is that particularly Britain has no pay for the continued crimes against the Palestinian people as a result of Britain's adoption of creating the Zionist entity instead of maintaining its conspiracies.

**26 September weekly,**  
**organ of Yemeni**  
**Armed Forces 2 May**  
**2002.**

**Main headlines:**

- Yemeni investigation team heads for Washington in two weeks time
- To get informed on investigations with Abu Talha, Yemeni security officials head for Spain
- Special security units track down

escapee prisoners

- Defence minister meets French ambassador to Sanaa, chief of International Relations at French Chief of Staff
- Massive demonstration in Sanaa in solidarity with Palestinian people

- German citizen disappeared while on his way to Sa'ada Governorate last week.
- Shoura Council recommends severing diplomatic, economic, cultural ties with the US.

**Foad Al-Qadhi wrote an article saying:**

There has been a remarkable rise in the US embassy activities which certainly do not in any way serve the Yemeni-US relations. Rather they go to establish strong ties with a number of sheikhs, social personalities, leaders of parties and political organizations. These activities also support setting up societies in tribal areas within the frame of fighting revenge and terror.

It has also become ordinary to see US embassy staff paying visits every now and then to Mareb, Sa'adha, Shabwah, Hadhramout, Hodeidah, Aden, Sana'a, Capital secretariat, etc. staying as guests. They furthermore offer advice as if the US embassy is a commissioner and is not an embassy.

The strange thing is that the US tries to show itself as a supporter to democracy, respecting laws and human rights. However, the US diplomats in Sana'a seem to reflect just the opposite picture. They flagrantly violate laws and regulations of the country as they seem to ignore even the basic norms of decorum and tactfulness.

Such irresponsible behavior of US diplomats will not in any way serve the Yemeni-US relations. On the contrary they reflect a kind of superiority that the US tries to impose on the world which is not accepted. The Yemeni government has spared no effort to ensure security and protection for these diplomats. It sets all its security bodies on the alert whenever there is any US embassy reports on threats by terrorists tied to Al-Qaida network. Security bodies have been seriously reacting and responsive to such reports which they are motivated by CIA or by the embassy itself. The objective pressure to bear on the Yemeni authorities to meet US requests which often disturb the stability of the state. It is certain that any country in the world, whether big or small, will never accept such irresponsible behavior by any foreigner living in its lands, let alone if this person is a diplomat representing a big country like the US.

This is applicable to Yemen which will never neglect whatever relates to its dignity, Sovereignty and independence. Yemen respects whoever respect themselves. The US ambassador along with his mission members out to understand this.

**Anaas weekly,**  
29 April 2002

**Main headlines:**

- Oman hands over to political security 20 Yemenis fleeing Afghanistan.
- Official source demise US Commander Statements.

# World Press

## Major news items in leading international newspapers

Provided by Xinhua

### Egypt

**Al Ahram**

Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah Ibn Abdul-Aziz will head for Egypt within the coming few days for talks with President Hosni Mubarak, Saudi sources confirmed Friday. Prince Abdullah is currently on a private visit to Morocco.

**Al Akhbar**

A group of 150 Chinese tourists arrived in Cairo Friday from Turkey on a two-week tour as part of efforts to activate the tourism agreement signed between the two countries during President Hosni Mubarak's recent visit in China.

**Al Gomhuria**

Conference on detecting and observing animal epidemics in the Middle East kicks off Saturday in Cairo for three days.

**Egyptian Mail**

Egypt will participate with a high-level delegation headed by Mrs Suzanne Mubarak, in the historic U.N. Summit on children, scheduled to start on Sunday.

### India

**The Hindu**

The Vajpayee government and its attitude towards the Narendra Modi regime in Gujarat came under renewed attack in the Upper House Friday as the Opposition continued to demand the resignation of the Gujarat Chief Minister, Narendra Modi.

**The Hindustan Times**

Eight persons were killed and 20 injured when an Indian Air Force Mig-21 fighter crashed into the Bank of Rajasthan building in Jalandhar in north India's Punjab state Friday morning.

**The Economic Times**

The Indian Air Force, in an effort to find the root cause of engine failure of the type-75 variant of MiG-21 BIS fighter jet involved in Friday's mishap in Jalandhar, grounded at least six squadrons (72 aircraft) of this jet with immediate effect.

### Nigeria

**Weekend Vanguard**

About 100 people have so far been arrested in connection with Thursday's political riot in Nigeria's central town of Jos as Plateau State governor Jashua Dariye vowed on Friday that those arrested and their sponsors will face the full punishment of the law.

**The Guardian**

The Food and Agriculture Organization on Thursday increased its assistance to the Economic Community of West Africa with a contribution of 360,000 U.S. dollars to support the bloc's implementation of the regional program for food security.

**The Punch**

Nigeria's Independent National Electoral Commission released on Friday some guidelines for the registration of political parties, saying that political associations without a national spread will not be registered.

### Pakistan

**The Statesman**

The federal cabinet met on Friday and discussed at length the proposed package of constitutional amendments, reforms process and grant of financial powers to local governments.

**The Nation**

U.S. national security advisor Condoleezza Rice said in New Delhi on Friday that India should resume a dialogue with Pakistan and work to reduce months of border tension, following steps by Islamabad to ease the stand-off between the nuclear-armed rivals.

### Japan

**Asahi, Yomiuri, Mainichi**

Japan's Coast Guard found a body and weaponry from the suspect sunken ship.

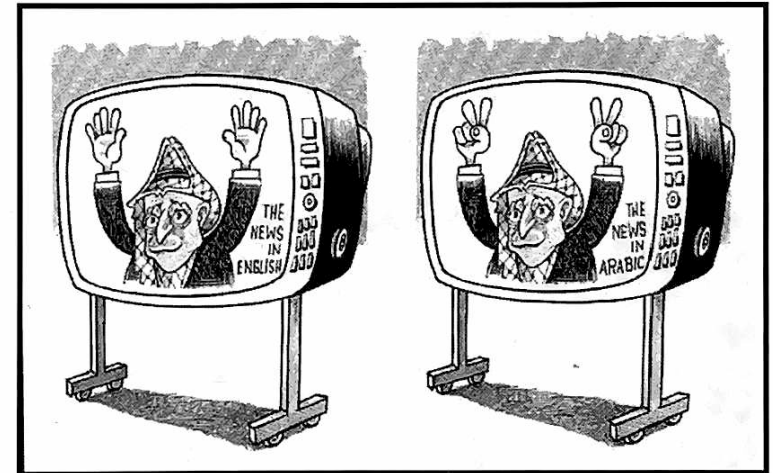
**Nihon Keizai**

• Sharp, Kyocera and Sanyo plan to boost solar cell output.

• Japan's five convenience store chains are to link 14,000 shops via fiber optics to provide broadband content.

**Yomiuri**

Japanese government on Friday slapped an emergency ban on imports of pork and pork products from South Korea.



Khalil Cartoon - Arab News

### UK

**Financial Times**

EasyJet, the British low-cost airline, is in "advanced negotiations" to take over Go, its smaller no-frills rival, in a deal that would create Europe's biggest low-cost airline.

**The Times**

A big step towards elected assemblies for the northern English regions will be announced by Prime Minister Tony Blair and his deputy John Prescott next week in a fresh move to bring government closer to the people.

**The Daily Telegraph**

Thousands of emergency prefabricated homes for nurses, teachers and police officers are to be built on public

land by the government to help ease the crisis caused by soaring house prices.

**The Independent**

The British National Party's potential to steal in on main-stream politics was underlined Friday by its capture of three seats in a northern mill town that had spent millions of pounds trying to nurture racial harmony.

**The Guardian**

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**Horoscope**  
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**Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19)**  
It is time for you to make steps toward other areas of your life. These are what would be called the building blocks for future development. Things that would create more personal space for you to grow and move around as you wish, either domestically or professionally. Things that would retain the present essence of who you are, but bring about a whole new dimension.

**Taurus (April 20 - May 20)**  
Your internal power and energy supply hasn't exactly been on "high", and little problems seem to plague you. It has been necessary to make adjustments in order to keep your life on track as well as please those you count on you. Just as you feel you might be running on "empty", there is emergency planetary aid coming. There won't be an overflow of miracles or anything, but your needs and demands will be met.

**Gemini (May 21 - June 20)**  
If you have been hoping something or someone will go away, or you have been neglecting it, he/she, now is the time to make it right. You have a wonderful, clear path ahead of you, to really shine your true light and self. Don't make that path muddy anymore. Get to work on cleaning it up, whether that means paying attention to others or tending up an unpleasant aspect of life you've been ignoring.

**Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22)**  
Remember what you used to say about your future? What were the ideas and ideals that you once had for you? It is time to bring those back, and then finally create them through your actions. It's all about understanding your personal truth and then having the integrity to live that truth each day.

**Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22)**  
There is always the question, "What if I had chosen to do that other thing instead? Or, what if I had taken advantage of that moment?" The point is, you did actually make the right choice, and that is why you are going down your current path, to get you to where you really need to be in life. Try, instead, to focus on your future choices, and realize that all choices can still lead one to the same place. What a concept—more than one way to get there.

**Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)**  
When your ego and thoughts get in the way, you may find yourself rubbing very hard against what is supposed to really be happening for you, and then all sorts of minor irritations, accidents and mishaps occur, as a warning. Pay attention to these and try to get your mind out of the way so that you can hear what you need to. Try meditating, praying, or whatever works to relax you and open you up to messages from the spirit world or your inner voice.

**Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)**  
Your task is to give yourself a new sense of independence and confidence. Resist the call to be more powerful in and with your life will only result in sorrow and prolonged fumbles. I know how comfortable it can be to just stay in one place, but you will be amazed at how even more comfortable you can be if you take risks.

**Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)**  
Please try not to put your own obstacles in front of yourself, because you just know it can't be this good, and it would be better to trip yourself up than have someone else do it for you. Stop that kind of thinking and behaving. If you have done a good job at cleaning up old skeletons from your life, then get ready for some of the most beautiful power and prosperity that awaits you.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)**  
You have a responsibility to fight for your own clarity in life. By pushing aside all the crap and regular answers to what life "should" be like, you need to be as objective as possible in order to see what really is a priority and what is important to you. I know you already think you have these answers, but you just might surprise yourself if you put all that aside, and search even deeper for even more evidence of the obvious path you should be taking.

**Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)**  
There is definitely professional growth in your near future, as well as heart opening experiences. You can attract the best kinds of people to your right now who will provide you with an environment that is conducive to your own achievements and possibilities for trusting your heart with another.

**Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)**  
Don't think in self-defeating, rubbish, and ludicrous ways. Feel the freedom of what it is like to start fresh, and know that every good deed from this day forth is cumulative and you are worthy of flying with the angels. Set yourself free.

**Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)**  
No wonder you are so vulnerable to everyone else's influences. It's time to change that! Just recognize that you do know how to take care of yourself and that you do know how to make the right choices. Don't beat yourself up and don't allow anyone to teach you something that you have the ability to master in your own way.

**7-Day Weather Forecast**

Sana'a		Aden	
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Tue	27 12	Tue	35 24
Wed	27 12	Wed	36 24
Thu	28 12	Thu	36 24
Fri	28 12	Fri	35 24
Sat	28 12	Sat	36 24
Sun	28 12	Sun	36 25

# MUS'ID & MUS'IDA

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## 12 Caring about your child's emotional welfare

**M** - Psychologists tell us, Mus'ida, that it is as important to care about a child's emotional welfare as it is to care about their education and health.

**Ma** - Don't believe everything you hear. Everyone will tell you what they think.

**M** - Okay, you won't find advice under a stone, but we're told to, 'Accept wisdom, even from the mouths of madmen.'

**Ma** - That's just what you want to hear.

**M** - It is not just what I want to hear. But it is essential that fathers and mothers and everyone else in the family care about a child's psychological welfare in the same way as they care about feeding him and educating him.

**Ma** - That's right, but we fathers and mothers can only bring up our children as well as we can.

**M** - When it comes to childcare, 'as well as we can' just isn't good enough! Bringing up children and preparing them to face the future has to be based on sound principles in all respects, so that children grow up properly and are able to deal with life and the future.

**Ma** - If that's what it's all about, don't you worry yourself. We are supposed to bring up our children for as long as they are children, and once they become men they can care for themselves, and that's when they would be dealing with the future and whatever horrors they might face there.

**M** - That isn't quite what I mean.

**Ma** - Well what do you mean!

**M** - I mean, Mus'ida, that in the first three years of his life, a child comes to learn about a lot of things around him both in the house and the street. And there isn't a single day or night when he is not learning new words and new ways of behavior, and discovering new things for himself. And these things will have a direct effect on his upbringing, his personality, and his behavior when he becomes an adult.

**Ma** - Praise and thanks be to God! And there isn't anything for him to discover which will have an effect on him apart from you and your brother fighting, all because your brother's been trying to get hold of your share of the inheritance. Can't you see that!

**M** - Yeah, okay then.

**Ma** - Then there's you and me arguing and shouting over household expenses and the children. You eat up your wages on qat, and I worry about how to live and the rent. On top of that, you can't rely on the old-fashioned sense of neighborliness anymore. And the poor child is trapped in the middle of all this drama and doesn't have a clue who is in the right, or who is in the wrong.

**M** - This is exactly what I mean when I talk about the child's emotional welfare.

**Ma** - Okay, you've said it with your own tongue: 'Accept wisdom, even from the mouths of madmen!'

**M** - Say what you want, Mus'ida! Or should we deal with this later?

**Ma** - It's better to deal with things straight away. Tell me what's on your mind, out with it!

**M** - Bless the Prophet!

**Ma** - Blessings be on Muhammad and his family.

**M** - Let's say that those families where there is love and understanding based on trust and respect, where people are valued and there is a proper sense of responsibility, they are the families which bring forth upright, confident people who are able to deal with others with the same sense of confidence and love and respect as they grew up with.

**M** - What a philosopher you are!

**M** - Families where there are lots of arguments and in which there's a sense of hatred and mistrust for whatever reason, they are precisely the families from which weak, hesitant people come, people with no sense of self-confidence. And these people look on life and the people around them with the same feelings of hatred and fear as they grew up with. This type of upbringing can lead some people away from the proper path, away from proper moral behavior and can make them a danger to themselves and to society.

**Ma** - I'm not stupid. I know about these things, but there is something else.

**M** - Go on!

**Ma** - People only have their own fate which is decreed to them from the moment they are born until the moment they die. And when a person grows up and becomes an adult, then he's responsible for himself.

**M** - You're right, but in order to produce someone who is upright, confident and a benefit to his family and his society you have to bring him up properly from early childhood, and that is the responsibility of the family. Do you see?

**Ma** - Go on.

**M** - When there are good parents, then you can say that the child has been placed in a good pair of hands and the child will be brought up properly. The child is an innocent being. He can be brought up to be good or bad. As the Prophet, praise be upon him, said, 'Every baby is born in a natural state. It is only his parents who would turn him into a Jew, Christian or Magian.' And in this way, the Prophet, praise be upon him, said that your parents are the most important and fundamental environmental influences in your life.

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LASTLY, TO ALL OF YOU GOING FORTH TO LIVE WITH YOUR PARENTS, BE SMART.

PITCH IN WITH THE LAUNDRY, OFFER TO PAY FOR THINGS, EVEN IF YOU'RE BROKE...

AND AT DINNER TIME, BE ENGAGING AND INFORMATIVE - THEY'LL BE EXPECTING SOME RETURN ON YOUR EDUCATION.

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IN SHORT, SHOW SOME CLASS - YOU'RE COLLEGE GRADUATES!

AS IF WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PRESSURE.

NO, NO, THESE ARE GREAT TIPS, MAN.

# Garfield

YOUR MOVE

JUMP

JUMP JUMP

IN "CHECKERS WITH COOKIES," THERE ARE NO LOSERS

HER MOOF

**The Universal Crossword**

Edited by Timothy E. Parker

**ACROSS**

- Analyze for gold content
- Hardens
- Storm preceder
- Rebuke
- Certain animal defense
- Mutt of Garfield's jokes
- Behave
- Baseball stat
- Miser's pronoun
- Doglike scavengers
- Alpine or slalom
- Up to, colloquially
- It goes on the dotted line
- Enormous
- Shipboard cooler
- Behave
- Days a Week
- Anger or wrath
- They move merchandise
- Behave
- "I do" and "I shall," e.g.
- Fictional Mason, for one
- Jack Homer's last words
- Current powers-that

**DOWN**

- Top spots
- Ignore one's duties
- Commandments mount
- Check the check
- Beefeater
- Ugly public encounter
- Alternative word
- Highlands hat
- Bantu language
- Scoop holder
- Gulf War gulf
- Old Italian bread
- Total disorder
- Stevie of Fleetwood

**Mac**

- You may buy them nude
- Brit's confirmation
- Dallier
- Legendary announcer Harry
- Serbo-Croatian, e.g.
- Tower by the barn
- From square one
- Marked down
- Pre-release software version
- A laugh-a-minute
- "By the Time" to Phoenix
- Math term
- Three times
- Lead dignity

**or honor to**

- Couric of "Today"
- Measurement system
- Powdery remains
- Gets all stirred up
- Difficult to miss
- AL and NL divisions
- Model's companion
- Do as instructed
- Number of Muses
- Teapot tempets
- Outermost Aleutian Island
- Starchy tuber
- Family card game

**PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER**

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**"IT'S NO TROUBLE" By James E. Buell**

**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**
- Application
  - Assembly
  - Beds
  - Board
  - Books
  - Boss
  - Brush
  - Build
  - Burnt
  - Business
  - Calculate
  - Chain
  - Chart
  - Clamps
  - Click
  - Climb
  - Construct
  - Conveyer
  - Crew
  - Cross
  - Curl
  - Device
  - Diagram
  - Digital
  - Drill
  - Filler
  - Film
  - Fires
  - Fringe
  - Fuel
  - Grid
  - Heat
  - Inventory
  - Jobs
  - Junk
  - Lifting
  - Lines
  - Link
  - Loop
  - Make
  - Millions
  - Mold
  - Nodes
  - Occupation
  - Order
  - Plans
  - Plants
  - Policy
  - Poured
  - Press
  - Products
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  - Resin
  - Resources
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  - Schedule
  - Scope
  - Section
  - Select
  - Ship
  - Silent
  - Sites
  - Space
  - Sprout
  - Stack
  - Staff
  - Stage
  - Statistics
  - Status
  - Steel
  - Strain
  - Stud
  - Support
  - Sweetshop
  - Switch
  - System
  - Tank
  - Technology
  - Terminate
  - Thousands
  - Tools
  - Unite
  - Wire

**PRODUCTION METHODS**

**Solution: 6 letters**

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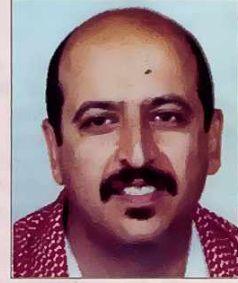
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# 'Melissa' Virus Creator Sentenced in NJ Court

FREEHOLD, N.J. (Reuters) - David Smith, whose "Melissa" computer virus caused \$1.2 billion in damage, was sentenced to 10 years in prison in a New Jersey state court on Friday but will serve only a 20-month federal term he was given previously.

According to a plea agreement accepted by Monmouth County Superior Court Judge Lawrence Lawson, Smith can not do more time in jail on state charges than he will under the federal sentence he was given on Wednesday. But Lawson said he still meted out the maximum term as a deterrent to other would-be virus creators.

Smith pleaded guilty in 1999 to one count of disrupting public communications, a charge falling under the state's Computer Theft statute. He is the first person in New Jersey convicted under the law for spreading a virus, a spokesman for the New Jersey Attorney General's office said.

"I can't take back what I did, but I'm not a criminal," said Smith, who named the virus for a Florida stripper he knew, at his sentencing.

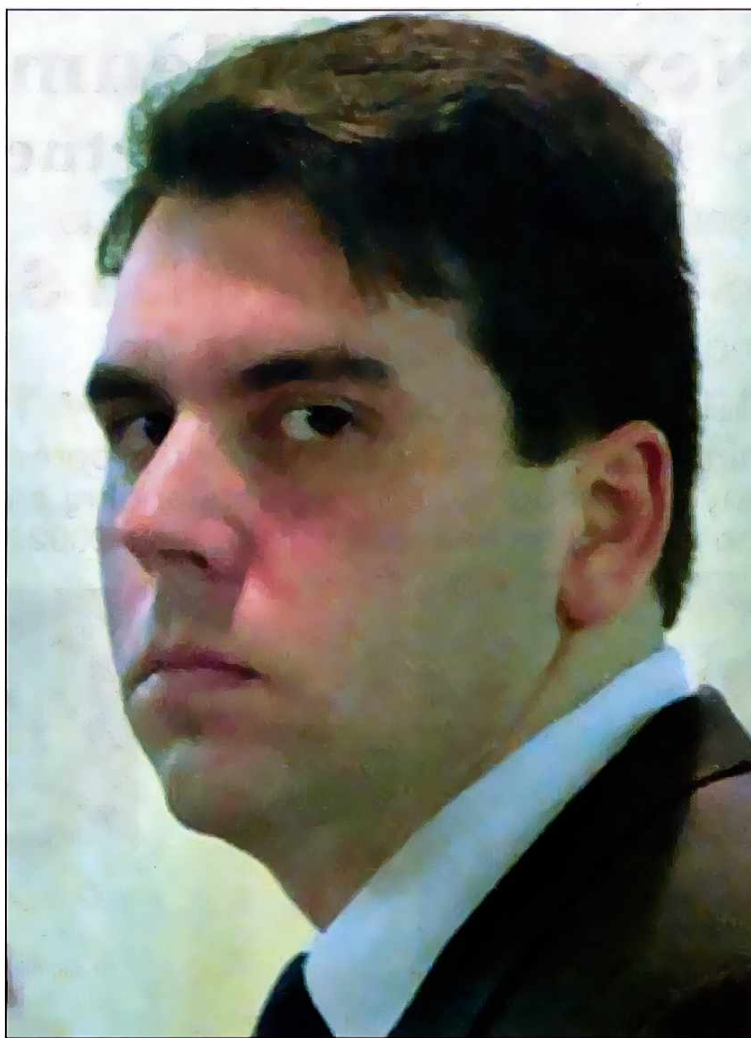
In an impromptu address to the court, Smith tried to counter prosecution claims that he went into hiding after the virus began to spread three years ago and its magnitude became known.

"It was very big and I was very scared," Smith, who was arrested at the home of his brother, told the court.

He said he had considered turning himself in but feared he would not be treated fairly because of the damage the virus did.

But prosecutors scoffed at Smith's assertion that he had not gone into hiding, saying if he had not been tracked down and arrested, he would still be at large.

"As you have said, you will be known as the 'Melissa virus person', but you can turn that around," Lawson told



David Smith, who three years ago unleashed the 'Melissa' computer virus and caused an estimated \$1.2 billion in damage, was sentenced in federal court on May 1, 2002 to 20 months in a federal prison and a \$5,000 fine. Smith, shown in court April 8, 1999, had pleaded guilty in December, 1999, to one federal count of knowingly spreading the 'Melissa' virus to cause damage. Photo by Pool/Reuters REUTERS/Pool 'Melissa' Virus Creator Sentenced in NJ Court

Smith, urging him to go to high schools and colleges and lecture on the harm viruses can cause.

Smith has admitted throwing away the computer hard drives he used to create the virus. Authorities say the

equipment has not been recovered.

"The Melissa virus is still out there," said state police officer Michael Tansey, who worked as investigator in the case. "It's probably in a landfill."

# Motorola to Face Tough Questions at Annual Meeting

By Yukari Iwatani  
CHICAGO (Reuters) - Wireless technology giant Motorola Inc. needs to show signs it can reverse a series of losses amid a punishing downturn in the telecommunications sector when it faces shareholders at its annual meeting next week.



newest executive, Ed Breen, who assumed the position of president and chief operating officer in January. Breen, known as a straight talker who sets tough

The world's second-largest mobile phone maker has already been forced to slash thousands of jobs amid a slowdown in demand for cell phones and wireless infrastructure. Management missteps have compounded the problem, analysts said.

Executives will try to convince shareholders at the meeting on Monday that they are doing everything they can, even though the company posted its fifth consecutive quarterly operating loss last month.

"You've got an enormous enterprise with tens of thousands of employees... The question is what are they focused on and what can they do to make sure that the company remains strong and viable, assuming that this is a trough that lasts a while longer," Henry Asher, president of North Star Group, a New York money manager, said.

Motorola's most recent quarterly report was viewed relatively positively as it met analysts' expectations -- but some are calling for more drastic streamlining.

Some analysts have even suggested that Motorola should sell or spin off its semiconductor and wireless network equipment units.

Motorola has suffered along with Nokia of Finland, the No. 1 cell phone maker, and Sweden's Ericsson. Meanwhile, the weak economy has hurt the company's automotive electronics, semiconductors and broadband businesses.

Motorola's shares have fallen nearly 75 percent from a peak of \$61.54 in March 2000. Since hitting a low of \$10.50 about a year ago, the stock has settled at around \$15. The shares were off about 10 cents at \$15.34 Thursday afternoon on the New York Stock Exchange.

Last year, the annual meeting took place as Motorola posted its first quarterly operating loss in 15 years and laid off thousands of workers. Investors were angered by Chairman and Chief Executive Christopher Galvin's bonus and some analysts questioned at the time whether he should keep his position.

**QUESTIONING**  
This year, the tone of the meeting is expected to be slightly more accommodating due to improving financial reports, but Motorola will still likely have to face tough questions about its performance.

Jeffrey Schlesinger, wireless equipment analyst for UBS Warburg, said investors will look for Motorola to demonstrate that the financial improvements it has made so far will continue despite the gloomy environment.

Investors will want reassurance that Motorola is "indeed on the right track and the trends that people have been seeing over the past few quarters are going to continue and there's further improvement on the horizon," Schlesinger said.

Motorola will probably highlight its

standards, is widely viewed as a catalyst for change at the company.

While Motorola executives were optimistic in its earnings conference call in April and said expect the company to be profitable in the third quarter, analysts expect the telecommunications equipment market will likely be tough for a while longer.

Nokia in its first-quarter report cut its sales growth forecast for 2002, citing weak demand, and Ericsson warned it would not return to profitability this year.

Since the market began showing signs of slowing in late 2000, Motorola has cut costs and slashed 48,400 jobs, almost one third its peak employment of 150,000 in August 2000.

Analysts believe that Motorola can cut more costs, especially in its weak infrastructure unit, which some suggest should be sold. Rumors have abounded recently that Motorola was in talks to sell the unit to Siemens AG of Germany or Nortel Networks Corp. of Canada.

"(Motorola's) main goal will be to talk about the long term and instill confidence in the short term as their markets very slowly improve," Justin McNichols, portfolio manager for Osborne Partners Capital Management, said.

"It'll be similar to what they've talked about in their latest (earnings) conference calls."

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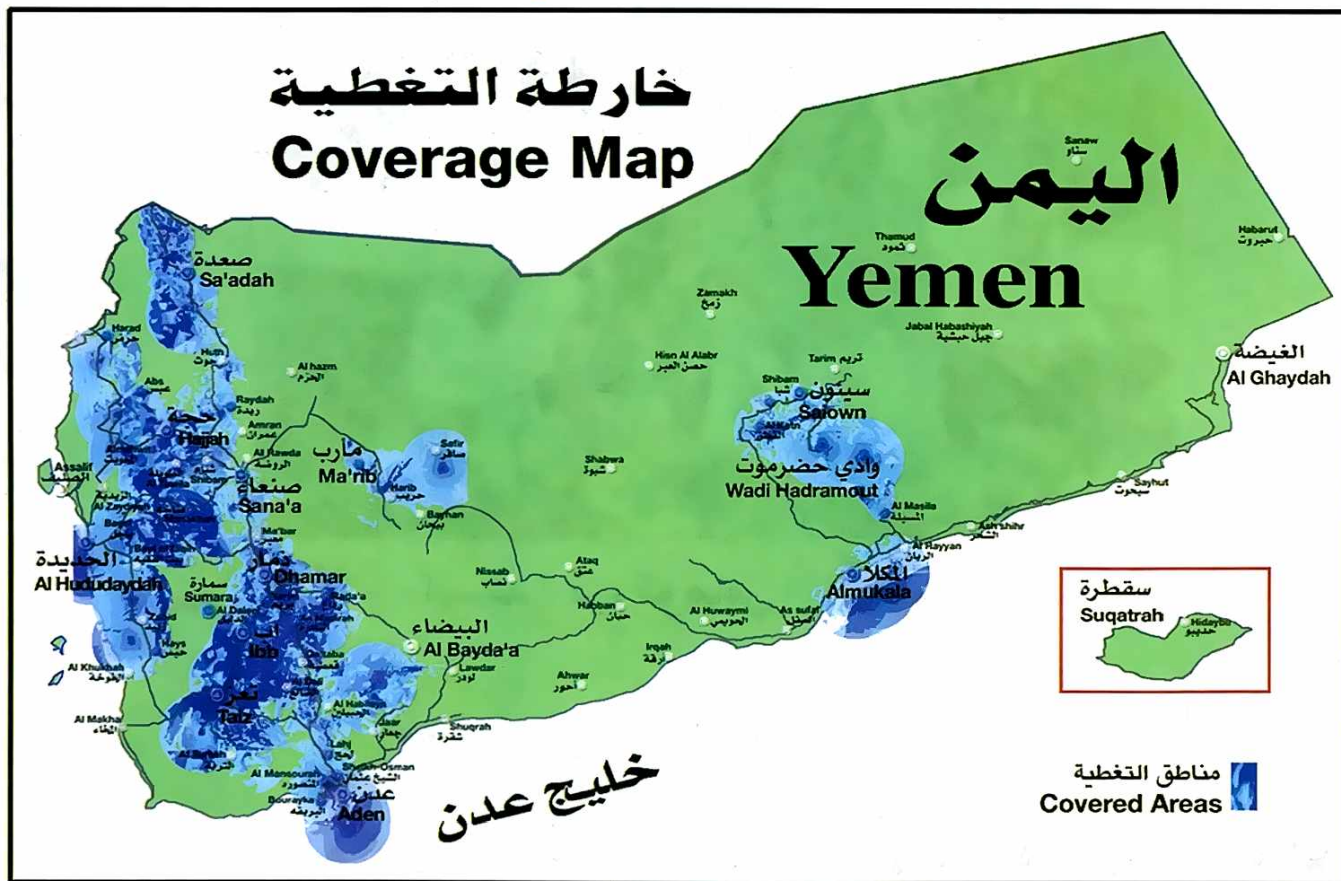
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**Shayzar**  
Shayzar cell-site was opened on 16th of April 2002. It will provide coverage for Radmah, Beit El Dari, part of Anes, El Ghiras, Ghayfa and part of Hamam Damt.

**Yahar**  
Yahar site in Yafe' was opened on 24th of April 2002. Coverage will be provided to Yahar, Lamtour, El Yazidi, El Shu'ob, El Saadi. It will also enhance the coverage in Labous area.

**Shuayb - Al Dale'**  
Shuayb site in Al Dale' Governorate has been live since 23rd of April 2002. It will provide coverage for Shuayb, Khila. It will also enhance the coverage in Dale' and Yafe'.

**Jabal Habashi**  
Jabal Habashi cell-site in Taiz Governorate will provide coverage for all the villages surrounding Habashi cell-site, Road to Turbah, AL Ayn, Najd Al Kusaym, Saq el Ahad, EL Misrakh, Najd Al Aawud, Al Aaloum, Wadi el Dabab, And major part of the road leading to Hadaydah up to Hays.

**Baadan**  
Baadan cell-site in Ibb Governorate will provide coverage for all villages surrounding El Makhsofa Hill, Baadan, Road to Ibb, Road to Shiear, Part of Beit El Saydi, El Harath, El Mashki and Dalal.

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He also noted that a number of spaces are about to be opened for students at the Medical College at the University of Sana'a, to train new doctors and pharmacists.

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## KCS backs Palestinians who are in Yemen

The Staff Colonel Yahya Abdullah Saleh has called the Palestinian students at Sana'a University to come together to discuss current issues and tragedies befall on families and their relatives in Palestine.

In a statement to the Yemen Times, Yahya Abdullah Saleh said that the Kana'an Charitable Society (KCS) has

been established with the view of supporting the Intifada. He added that the KSC will do its best to tackle problems of the distressing conditions of Palestinian families, considering that Palestinians in Yemen are an integral part of their brothers in Yemen.

Palestinian students will gain much support to continue their studies.



## National Paints & Chemicals Factory Co. Ltd.: Many years of success

On the occasion of the Labor International Day and the 33rd anniversary of National Paints & Chemicals Factory Co. Ltd., a grand competition was held on April 1st.

A symposium titled "Construction signifies completion, strength and beauty" was organized in collaboration with Sika, International paints, and ICI Company. Participants during the symposium dealt with the different chemical products produced by the company through 33 years.

National Paints & Chemicals Factory Co. Ltd. produces a variety of chemical products which has in turn the leading role in meeting the demands of the local market. Sika is entrusted with construction chemicals, ultimate solutions for building industry, concrete, mortars, plasticisers, floor, paints, and repair and the



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