

# Israel to alter military rule; West Bank, Gaza affected

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JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin's government adopted a plan yesterday for altering Israel's 14-year military rule of occupied Arab territories by bringing in civilians and eventually Palestinians.

Cabinet Secretary Arieh Nave described the move to reorganize rule of the West Bank and Gaza Strip as a "confidence-building measure," apparently to encourage Palestinians to join U.S.-mediated negotiations between Egypt and Israel for autonomy in the occupied areas.

The plan is an administrative matter that does not need legislative approval. Although few details of the plan were disclosed, Nave said that beginning Dec. 1, Israeli civilians will handle such functions as education, health and agricultural development.

Later, Palestinians will assume senior positions in managing these affairs, he said.

"It is not correct to say that civilians will replace the military government," Nave said. "It is possible to transfer certain functions that officers now per-

form to civilian hands."

If the civilians were not under military authority, Nave said, "the implications would be very far-reaching."

The nationalist Palestinian leadership in the West Bank condemned the plan. "I think it is another step in establishing complete Israeli control," said Ibrahim Tawil, mayor of El Birah.

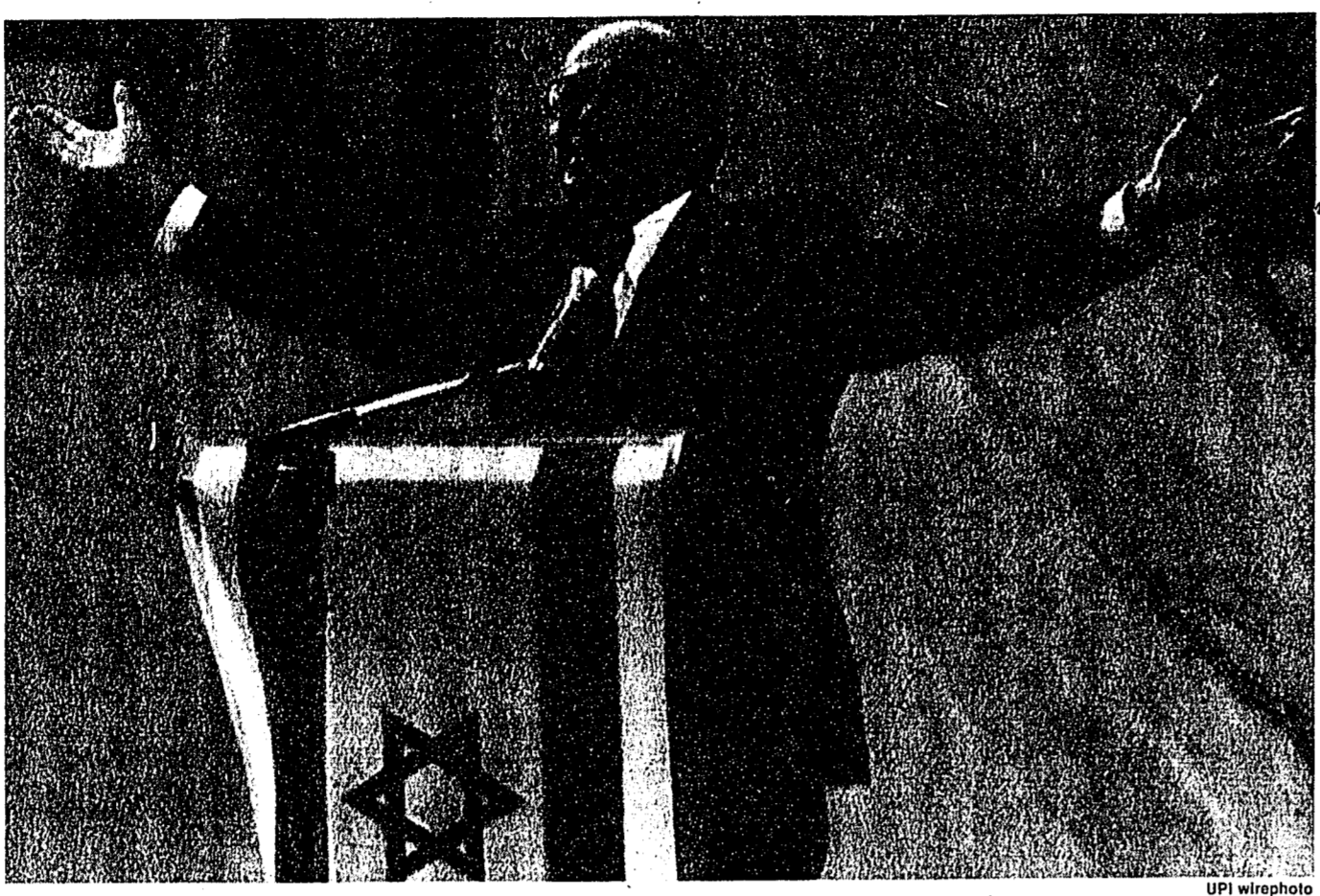
Zafar al-Masri, deputy mayor of Nablus, said in a telephone interview, "it doesn't matter if the occupier is in uniform or a suit. He is still on my land."

Sponsored by Defense Minister Ariel Sharon, the plan is the first reorganization Israel has carried out in its military government since it captured the territories in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

Army officers have been in complete charge of military and civilian affairs, although elected Arab mayors run urban affairs at the municipal level.

Nave said the civilian administrators will remain under the authority of the military governor, who is "the sovereign authority under international law and the Camp David accords."

He also said the changes would include giving some of the military government's authority to the regular army.



Prime Minister Menachem Begin agreed to a plan for altering Israel's 14-year military rule of the West Bank and Gaza Strip in an apparent case of a declaration made in the spring, pictured above, to never give up any occupied territories as long as he is leader of Israel.

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Reagans return  
The president and Nancy Reagan wave to reporters upon their return to the White House yesterday afternoon after spending the weekend at Camp David.

## AWACS battle continues as Reagan seeks approval

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan, continuing his fight for approval of the proposed sale of AWACS aircraft to Saudi Arabia, said yesterday he was battling "misinformation" and a propaganda effort underway for several years.

The president, who has invited defense and security officials from previous administrations to a White House luncheon today to demonstrate support for the \$8.5 billion sale, told reporters that while the United States and Saudi Arabia would share intelligence gathered by the radar planes, there would be no joint ownership of the aircraft.

Reagan made his comments as he walked into the White House from a Marine Corp helicopter that carried him and first lady Nancy Reagan home from a weekend at Camp David, Md.

The administration is trying to persuade a majority of senators to support the sale, although its opponents say they have a majority ready to vote to block it.

In the House, a majority vote against the administration is considered certain. Both houses must vote to oppose the sale to keep it from being completed.

Asked if he was worried about the outcome, Reagan said, "I'm always worried until you can count the votes."

In addition to five Airborne Warning and Control System radar planes, the

## Cuban exodus possible, analyst says

By BARTON REPPERT  
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WASHINGTON (AP) — A CIA analyst says serious economic problems and internal discontent may prompt Cuban President Fidel Castro to encourage "a new large-scale exodus" of refugees from the Communist-ruled island nation.

The forecast came in a compendium of papers on Western hemisphere countries released yesterday by the congressional Joint Economic Committee.

Analyst Russell Swanson of the CIA's National Foreign Assessment Center wrote that in coming years, "the Castro government faces its most serious economic challenge since the transition from capitalism to socialism in the early 1960s."

Despite improvements in areas such as health and education, Cubans have seen a decline since the mid-1960s in per capita supplies of clothing and key staples such as sugar, rice, beef and coffee while "the housing shortage has gone from bad to worse," he said.

"Revolutionary fervor among both the young and the old is on the wane because of continuing consumer austerity," Swanson said. "At the same time, the prospects for dynamic economic development are bleak for at least the next decade."

In the face of deep-rooted economic problems, he wrote, "Havana could again seek to defuse internal discontent through large-scale emigration of its people."

Swanson said that in previous occasions in the past 22 years.

## German rally sparks controversy

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BONN, West Germany (AP) — Controversy over a peace rally, which sponsors hope will be the largest in post-war German history, is isolating Chancellor Helmut Schmidt from his party and threatening Bonn's support for NATO defense policies.

The various religious, union, environmental and anti-war groups organizing the rally oppose a pact that would allow 150,000 marchers to converge on the West German capital.

Schmidt has been quoted in the West German press as telling his closest advisers the rally is a "direct challenge" to his government, and may incite violence.

But former Chancellor Willy Brandt, as chairman of Schmidt's Social Democrat Party, has refused to forbid members from attending.

Brandt, a Nobel Peace Prize winner, wants to ensure that the SPD does not lose its youth vote. He has said the peace movement expresses members' views that the party must take into account.

Many West Germans, especially the young, interpret NATO plans to base 572 U.S.-made nuclear missiles in Western Europe as a sign that the United States values military superiority over disarmament. They cite the U.S. refusal to ratify its SALT II arms limitation treaty with the Soviets as support for this view.

The rally comes on the heels of the largest anti-American demonstration ever held in West Berlin — during the Sept. 13 visit by Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. — and terrorist attacks against Americans or U.S. military installations in Heidelberg, Ramstein, Frankfurt and Wiesbaden.

"It occurs at a particularly inopportune time for Schmidt, who is facing opposition to the NATO missile plans, growing public dissatisfaction with his party and a strained relationship with his coalition partner, the Free Democrats."

The rally's organizers contend it is not anti-American, but a plea for détente and disarmament in both the East and West.

## Saudis would share information with U.S.

JIDDA, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Saudi Arabia said Saturday it would share information gathered by AWACS spy planes with the United States. But the Saudis apparently vetoed having American crews in the craft, saying the kingdom does not accept any "partnership."

A statement carried by the official Saudi news agency summarized the country's position on the projected deal to buy the sophisticated U.S.-built radar planes.

The kingdom agrees to adhere to the customary conditions acted upon normally in the letters of presentation and acceptance.

The kingdom is keen for security and safety of the equipment and welcomes understanding and cooperation in this respect (this appeared to mean the Saudis would accept American help in maintenance of the planes).

The kingdom promises to use the AWACS planes within its own regional borders.

The kingdom has no objection to exchanging information that is of interest to the security of the two contracting countries.

The agency quoted a Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying the Saudi foreign minister, Prince Saud al-Faisal, "clarified" that the kingdom "does not accept any partnership as regards these planes" when he met

Friday with U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. in New York City.

The U.S. Embassy said its staff translated the Arabic text as saying "the kingdom does not accept any sharing as regards these planes," instead of "any partnership." But embassy officials said they did not know exactly what the Saudis had in mind.

In Washington, where the deal needs approval from a deeply divided Congress, the State Department had announced after the New York meeting that "firm agreements" had been reached with the Saudis on areas of assistance to the Airborne Warning and Control Systems advanced radar planes.

Spokesman Dean Fischer said the deal would be "consummated as specific agreements as we implement the program."

Undersecretary of State James L. Buckley earlier told a congressional committee that various "understandings" with the Saudis included "this point: 'Only carefully screened Saudi and U.S. nationals will be permitted to be involved with these aircraft. Given the shortage of Saudi aircrews and technicians, this means that there will be an American presence in the aircraft and on the ground well into the 1990s.'"



AWACS radar plane

## Pathologists identify body

DALLAS (AP) — Pathologists today identified the body buried in Lee Harvey Oswald's grave as that of the suspected assassin of President John F. Kennedy, ending 18 years of speculation and court battles.

"We both individually and as a team have concluded beyond any doubt — and I mean beyond any doubt — that the individual buried under the name Lee Harvey Oswald in Rose Hill Cemetery is Lee Harvey Oswald," said Dr. Linda Norton, head of the pathology team.

The body was exhumed at Rose Hill Burial Park here after Oswald's brother, Robert, dropped his opposition to the procedure.

## Heart transplant performed

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — Heart-transplant pioneer Dr. Christian Barnard yesterday performed the first transplant of a heart that had been transposed over a long distance, the South African Press Association said.

Rick Anderson, 29, of Smithville, Mo., received the transplant — his second in 2½ years — and was reported in satisfactory condition, SAPA said.

It said the heart, from an 18-year-old woman who died in a car crash, was flown Saturday night from Port Elizabeth to Cape town, 400 miles to the east. The key to the mission's success was the use of a "piggyback heart" designed by Cape Town medical researcher Winston Wicombe, the news agency said.

The box, which maintains the

## Solidarity leader protests increases

GDANSK, Poland (AP) — Solidarity leader Lech Walesa demanded yesterday that the government cancel food and cigarette price hikes set to go into effect today.

"I protest against the increase in prices of cigarettes, fish and manufactured fruit products," Walesa said in a telegram to Premier Wojciech Jaruzelski. "I demand to stop realization of these price increases."

The Polish news agency PAP said Jaruzelski was sending Finance Minister Marian Krzak to Gdansk "for talks with Solidarity."

Walesa's protest said the government announced the increase without consulting the 9.5-million-member union, despite reports in the state-run press that "trade unions" had been consulted.

One delegate suggested in debate that the timing of the government's announcement was no accident, calling it a "provocation."

The price increases for tobacco, carp, trout and canned and processed fruit are part of the government's plan to bring prices in line with production costs, curb demand and sop up an estimated \$17 billion currency surplus resulting from higher wages and a lack of goods to spend it on.

'I protest against the increase in prices of cigarettes, fish and manufactured fruit products. I demand to stop realization of these price increases.'

—Solidarity leader Lech Walesa



Pope returns

Pope John Paul II, guarded by tight security at the Vatican, returned to St. Peter's Square yesterday for the first time since he was shot there in an assassination attempt on May 12.

## Regan: Fed must ease control

WASHINGTON (AP) — Treasury Secretary Donald Regan wants the Federal Reserve Board to ease up on its tight control of the money supply sometime soon. The Washington Post reported.

"What I'm saying is that we are coming to a time here where a change has to be made," Regan was quoted as saying in an interview conducted Friday and published in yesterday's editions.

In the past, Regan said, the board has exacerbated recessions by keeping a tight rein on the money supply too long.

"What we are trying to do this time, and I know the Fed is as sensitive to this as I am, is to anticipate that and not stay in a low (money) supply mode any longer than is necessary in the downturn."

Regan's comments represent the strongest signal yet of administration unhappiness with the Fed, an independent agency, during the persistence of high interest rates.

Regan declined to say how much faster he thought the supply of money should grow or when that growth should start.

## Heavy casualties reported in Afghan conflict

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Heavy casualties were reported Saturday in a Soviet-backed government offensive through Pakistan.

Radio Kabul called Sada a "butcher" Saturday, in a broadcast monitored in Islamabad, Pakistan.

"We ask the world public whether Sada's disclosure doesn't amount to an undeclared war against the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan," the radio said.

"The black hand of imperialism should stop interference in our internal affairs."

The Kabul source said Russian helicopter gunships shelled Kabul's suburban districts, Shiwaki Benishar and Hoodkel, for three consecutive days last week. Blatting hundreds of homes and killing an unknown number of civilians. The districts reportedly have been and funneling them to Afghan Moslem rebels

An estimated 85,000 Soviet troops intervened in Afghanistan in December 1979.

The Kabul source said more than 300 ruling Marxist Party militiamen and a number of guerrillas were killed in Logar, which is largely under rebel control.

At Dasht-e Saqawa, 25 miles south of the capital on the Kabul-Gardez highway, Soviet MiG jets and helicopter gunships bombed insurgent positions after a passing government convoy was ambushed, the source reported. Rebel casualties were not immediately known.

The source quoted witnesses as saying about 350 Afghan soldiers at Dasht-e Saqawa opened fire on party militiamen and Soviet troops in their force while heavy fighting was raging, then defected to the guerrilla side.

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