

# Khadafy challenges U.S. to prove plot

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NEW YORK (AP) — Libyan leader Col. Moammar Khadafy denied yesterday that he has sent "hit squads" to assassinate President Reagan and challenged the United States to prove that such a plot exists.

"We are sure we haven't sent any people to kill Reagan or any other people in the world, and we want to see these big lies," he said. "I am challenging them. I am challenging them to make this investigation."

Khadafy's challenge came in a television interview from his office in Tripoli for the ABC News program "This Week with David Brinkley," beamed live to the United States by satellite.

"We want investigation, to see the truth, and let the American people and the Libyan people and the congress of America to know the truth, who is liar: Reagan or Libya," he said. "I am challenging them. I am challenging them to make this investigation."

Khadafy, dressed in a red shirt covered by an embroidered blue cape, spoke in English, but with a heavy accent that was sometimes difficult to understand. Occasionally an off-camera prompter suggested a word, or

corrected something Khadafy said. The 39-year-old Libyan strongman, who took power in a 1969 coup, called Reagan silly, ignorant and unqualified, and said the American president was lying and behaving like a child. But he denied ordering Reagan's death.

"We refuse to assassinate any person. It is not our custom, our behavior, to assassinate any person," he said. "It is the behavior of America... to assassinate me, to poison my food, and they tried many things to do this."

White House spokesman Robin Gray said the administration would have no comment on Khadafy's challenge to produce evidence behind news reports that intelligence officials believe a terrorist team has been sent to the United States with orders from the Libyan leader to kill Reagan.

Reagan said Friday he was "concerned" about intelligence information that he is the chief target of a Libyan-trained assassination squad. Asked if he took the plot seriously, the president said, "I think you have to."

Before the Khadafy interview yesterday, ABC News reported that U.S. intelligence officials have identified the members of a five-man squad as three Libyans, an Iranian and an East German. It said the FBI was

tracking the team, which was said to be armed with automatic weapons and under Khadafy's direct control.

Newsweek magazine said Saturday that a Lebanese defector told U.S. intelligence that he was present at a meeting in Libya six or eight weeks ago at which Khadafy ordered the assassination of Reagan and other top U.S. officials.

Security officials have tightened protection in recent days around Reagan, Vice President George Bush, Cabinet officials and around Capitol Hill, while asking news organizations to show restraint in reporting specific security measures that might aid would-be assassins.

Asked if he had hired former CIA agents and Green Berets to train Libyan troops, Khadafy said "In fact we didn't hire them, but they flew from America and they escaped from America and came here asking freedom, asking a peaceful life."

Khadafy ridiculed the American attention to a supposed threat from Libya, which he pointed out has about one-hundredth the population of the United States.

Khadafy said Reagan "is silly and he is not qualified to lead America as a superpower."



Col. Moammar Khadafy

## Text of Khadafy interview with ABC

NEW YORK (AP) — Here is a text of Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy's comments yesterday on the ABC News program "This Week with David Brinkley," as transcribed by The Associated Press.

Khadafy spoke in his Tripoli office to ABC News correspondent Lou Coffi and the interview was beamed live to the United States via satellite. Khadafy spoke in English, but his words were often unintelligible and were broken frequently at the beginning of the program by technical difficulties.

Q: I presume you're well aware of the things being said about you in the United States. The government says it has evidence that you've sent assassination squads to the U.S. for the purpose of killing President Reagan and other top American officials. Would you comment?

A: We are very surprised about this news. And it is very (unintelligible).

It is a scheme of the terrorist policy that is acting towards us by the American administration, of the administration of Reagan, who issues allegations, accusations. We have no patience to hear this again, and if they have evidence, we are ready to see this evidence, to see who these people who are acting behind us and behind the Libyan people to commit this crime, this thing.

We refuse to assassinate any person. On the other side we are ready to fight against America in the Mediterranean Sea, in our borders, because America is attacking us, attacking our Arab country, Arab land, if he were. And it is not our character, not our behavior, to assassinate any person. It is the behavior of America (unintelligible)

preparing to assassinate me, to poison my food and they tried many things to do this.

Q: Are you saying, Colonel, that the Americans actually tried to kill you?

A: Yes, I am sure, and the world is sure also it is true. And it made a problem in the American government, to the CIA (technical difficulties).

Q: Colonel, you were not involved in the death of Egypt's President Sadat. Even the Egyptian government admits. The last time we spoke, you said you were glad he was dead. Would you (technical difficulties).

David Brinkley: We've got the sound fixed, I think. We're now going back to Tripoli, Libya, where Lou Coffi is talking to Moammar Khadafy.

Q: Colonel, if I may repeat a question. If the reports about the Libyan plot against the president are not true, why do you think the United States is making these accusations against you?

A: I think because we are refusing to bow our heads in front of America and refusing to be (unintelligible) or under the domination of America and we are refusing to be slaves of America. We want to be free country, a nonaligned country. America doesn't want this kind of people in the world. America wants to dominate all the world. And divide the world into enemies or slaves to America. And we refuse to be slaves. I think the Zionist propaganda is behind the many accusations and negations against us in America. And America take care of any revolts from any sources.

Like Sadat, like Numeiri, like any person who is (unintelligible) outside Libya against

Libyan people, how they trust him? We want this evidence, if they have evidence to see these people who want to assassinate Reagan. We want to see who sent them. It is the responsibility of . . . (unintelligible).

Q: Well, sir, you've told me on several times before that you really want normal relations with the United States, but relations keep getting worse. Why? And do you still want good, normal relations with the United States?

*'How you (Americans) are afraid of . . . Col. Khadafy? afraid of Libya? Libya is only 2 million and you are 200 million. You are superpower, how you are afraid?'*

—Col. Moammar Khadafy

A: Yes, I still want good relations with the United States, like any other countries in the world. But America refuses to normalize the relations between us.

Q: Are you ready to normalize diplomatic relations?

A: Yes, we are ready to establish normal

relations with America, like other countries in the world.

Q: You're ready to talk? You're ready to negotiate with the United States, to talk to American officials?

A: We are ready to make a (unintelligible) with them on the little, of any.

Q: Did the joint American-Egyptian maneuver, military maneuvers in Egypt, that just took place recently, did that worry you?

A: Of course. And it has worried all the Arab peoples. And we don't consider it as a maneuver, but it is an (unintelligible).

Q: Have you hired former American CIA agents and Green Berets to train your troops, and to bring in weapons?

A: In fact we didn't hire them, but they flew from America and escaped from America and they came here asking freedom, asking peaceful life. Because they said, "We have living in the hell of CIA and the fire of America." And here in Libya is a peaceful life and they feel they are free here. And they wanted to live among us peacefully and to cooperate with their colleagues, their Libyan colleagues here.

Q: Did they ever provide you with American weapons?

A: No, at all, because we have no need to ask this from them. Because we have our friends, to buy weapons and these sources.

Q: Well, you say you are against terrorism, Colonel, and yet there are reports that the worldwide terrorist called Carlos lives here in Libya, you're giving him protection.

A: I heard this name many times, and you asked me many times, it is silly question, anyhow. We don't know this person, and he is

not here, absolutely. And you are afraid of Carlos. America the superpower is afraid of Khadafy, Carlos. Always Reagan and his administration, saying to their people through their TV and every broadcasting stations: Khadafy, Khadafy, Khadafy, Carlos, Carlos, Libya, Libya.

How you are silly people. How you are afraid of Carlos, afraid of Col. Khadafy? afraid of Libya? Libya is only 2 million and you are 200 million. You are superpower, how you are afraid?

Oh, it is silly this administration, and this president. America must get rid of this administration, and fell it down, as they did with Nixon and elect another respectful president to get respect for America. He destroyed the reputation of America by this bad policy he's acting now against Libya and against other (unintelligible) countries, like Libya.

Q: Well despite the relations between our two countries, there are hundreds of Libyan students who are in the United States studying. Are you going to bring them home?

A: Their existence there is evidence of our good willing towards America. For that, the CIA makes pressure on them, to make some of them as agents, (off-camera voice: recruits) and for that the CIA succeeded to get about 30 Libyan students in America to be agents of America. And some reports came from them.

Q: You mean some of the Libyan students became agents of the United States?

A: Yes, we are sure. And they them—  
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Photo by Barb Parkyn

## Music Academy offers more than 'do, re, mi'

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It's four o'clock in the afternoon, and a stream of aspiring musicians are beginning to file into the large, red brick house at 519 W. College Ave. — home of The Music Academy.

They enter in groups of two and three. Some lug book bags and lunch buckets, while the older, more sophisticated students carry a backpack or a neat stack of notebooks under their arms. All, however, bear the mark of a musician — either a collection of tattered song books or a black case, which could contain anything from a flute or an oboe to a trombone or violin.

Some of the musicians are talking and laughing about what happened in school that day, while others enter silently with rumpled hair and clothing — the sign of a rough day in the fourth grade.

But once inside the academy, a person's age and mood becomes unimportant. The students are there for one reason — to learn to make music.

A tired, little boy who moments before could barely make it through the front door of the Victorian house is now diligently singing scales in an upstairs studio, while a group of giggling girls have quieted down and now sit attentively at electric keyboards, waiting for their teacher to begin the hour-long lesson.

The voices and sounds from the various instruments clash as they begin to fill the carpet-lined hallways. Sour notes are as common as "do, re, mi." But the mistakes eventually turn into music, and before too long, stirring marches and dreamy lullabies resound.

"There's something for everyone here," said Martha Harbison, director of The Music Academy. "We offer to both children and adults in the area the chance to broaden their musical abilities and interests."

The Music Academy was founded in 1964 by two State College women who saw the need and the interest for an institution that would provide instruction

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## Pearl Harbor remembered

By LINDY WASHBURN  
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PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii (AP)

— Some survivors of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and relatives of its victims will lead patriotic ceremonies in Hawaii and around the country today, the 40th anniversary of the bombing.

Today, six sailors aboard the USS Arizona who survived the attack will gather with some 14 others who earlier served aboard the battleship for a private ceremony at the memorial that now straddles the Arizona's submerged hull.

Below the memorial, resting in 38 feet of water, lie entombed the

comrades who died when the ship's powder magazine was hit by a Japanese bomb.

"Your return here to the scene of the attack reminds Americans that Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, was as much a victim of negligence as it was the victim of Japanese bombs and bullets," said remarks prepared for delivery by the attack will gather with some 14 others who earlier served aboard the battleship for a private ceremony at the memorial that now straddles the Arizona's submerged hull.

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Partly cloudy and breezy today with high temperatures near 39. Mostly cloudy tonight with a few snow flurries and low temperatures around 30. Variable cloudiness and becoming windy tomorrow with snow showers. High temperatures near 37 early in the day.

—by Mark Stunder

Students at The Music Academy study everything from violin to oboe to singing. This girl gets an hour-long lesson on the electric piano.