

Kidnappers kill Soviet

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BEIRUT, Lebanon — Kidnappers of four Soviet Embassy employees killed one of them and said yesterday the others will die unless Syrian-backed militias halt an offensive against Moslem fundamentalists in the northern port of Tripoli.

An anonymous telephone caller claimed a second captive had been killed, and another said Moslem extremists planned to blow up the embassy.

The battle raged on for control of Tripoli, where more than 500 people have been killed and 1,100 wounded since Sept. 15. The militias supplied by Syria, Moscow's main ally in the Middle East, have the fundamentalists cornered with their backs to the sea and Syrian artillery has joined the battle.

The body of cultural attache Arkady Katkov, 32, was found yesterday, shot once in the head at close range. It was sprawled on blood-stained rocks near the Cite Sportive, a stadium adjacent to the Sabra Palestinian refugee camp, which was destroyed by shellfire in Lebanon's decade-long civil war.

An anonymous caller claiming to speak for the Islamic Liberation Organization gave the location of the

body in a telephone call to a Western news agency.

"We have carried out God's sentence against one of the hostages and we shall execute the others one after the other if the atheistic campaign against Islamic Tripoli does not stop," he said. The four Soviets were abducted Monday in two separate incidents in west Beirut, the capital's Moslem sector.

The Islamic Liberation Organization, a Sunni Moslem fundamentalist group, is allied with Tawheed, the Islamic Unification movement, whose black-scarved warriors are fighting for their lives in Tripoli.

Another caller, also purporting to speak for the kidnappers, telephoned Beirut's Moslem radio station Voice of the Nation and said another captive had been killed. Police said no second body had been found.

In a third call, to a Western news agency, a man who said he represented the Islamic Liberation Organization said the extremists would blow up the Soviet Embassy unless it was evacuated within 48 hours.

"After carrying out previous warnings to wipe out members of the Soviet diplomatic corps and members of the KGB (secret police) . . . these people have 48 hours in which to evacuate the compound," he said. "Otherwise it shall be brought down

on their heads; that is, at 4 p.m. Friday. It (the deadline) will not be extended."

There was no way to authenticate the calls.

The Islamic Liberation Organization's statements about the kidnappings have been accompanied by the Lebanese identity cards of two of the hostages and photographs of all four with pistols held to their heads.

The three remaining abducted Soviets are commercial attache Valery Mirikov, press attache Oleg Spirin and Nikolai Sversky, an embassy doctor. Police earlier had identified Mirikov as Valery Kornev.

The embassy employees were the first Soviets among the 35 foreigners kidnapped in Lebanon since January 1984. Katkov was the first of the hostages known to have been killed.

A missing Dutch priest and British teacher were found dead earlier this year, but no group claimed to have kidnapped or killed them.

Fourteen other foreigners — six Americans, four Frenchmen, three Britons and an Italian — still are held.

The Americans and Frenchmen are thought to be in the hands of the Shiite fundamentalist group Jihad Islami. It has said it will free them if Kuwait releases 17 comrades imprisoned for bombings there in 1983.

Supreme Court lifts TMI stay

By KRISTINE SORCHILLA
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The U.S. Supreme Court yesterday lifted a stay on the restart of Three Mile Island Unit I nuclear reactor, which has been shut down since an accident at the adjacent Unit II reactor in March 1979.

By an 8-1 vote, the High Court rejected an emergency plea from a citizens' group that claimed starting the reactor would harm the environment and health of nearby residents, said Ralph Neidig of TMI public information.

Kay Pickering of TMI Alert, the citizens' group appealing the restart, said TMI Alert members are "very disappointed that the full court would not hear (the appeal)."

The group's members, however, will file an appeal today with the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, Pickering said. The appeal requests an investigation of the character and integrity of General Public Utilities Nuclear Corp., the owners of TMI, she said.

Previously, TMI Alert, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Union of Concerned Scientists and Norman and Marjorie Aamodt, formerly of Chester County, appealed the Unit I restart. These groups have asked the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to hold further public hearings on TMI management competency and plant safety, but these requests were never granted, Pickering said.

David Runkle, Gov. Dick Thornburgh's press secretary, said the governor thinks the Commonwealth and all other concerned groups presented the strongest possible case to the Supreme Court. Thornburgh now

expects all Pennsylvania residents, regardless of their opinions on the restart, to make responsible decisions to comply with the Supreme Court ruling.

Although the governor's office is aware that TMI Alert will file an appeal today, Runkle said he did not know the contents of the appeal and could not comment on it.

"The governor has always been in support of commercial nuclear power and has never opposed the restart of TMI," Runkle said. "His concern centered on public health and safety."

To insure that the public is not endangered through the restart, Thornburgh has instructed several state agencies — including the Department of Environmental Resources and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency — to closely monitor plant operations. TMI and GPU officials are "enormously pleased with the Supreme Court decision," Neidig said.

The plant has been kept at operating temperature and pressure using non-nuclear power since June 8, Neidig said. Officials of TMI and GPU are unsure at this time when the NRC will authorize the full restart, he said.

Following the NRC's May 29 ruling to allow the undamaged Unit I reactor to resume operations, the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals issued a stay on the restart on June 7. On Aug. 27, the appeals court upheld the NRC's decision and ruled that TMI could resume operations as scheduled at 4 p.m. Sept. 25.

However, on Sept. 25, TMI Alert appealed to U.S. Supreme Court Justice William Brennan Jr., who extended the stay indefinitely until the court could examine the appeal.



University President Bryce Jordan presented his annual State of the University address yesterday afternoon in Schwab Auditorium to about 300 administrators, faculty members and students. Jordan discussed renovations on campus as well as the progress of his administration's strategic planning program.

Jordan focuses on renovations in speech

By DAMON CHAPPIE
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Eleven scientific buildings at University Park are set to undergo extensive renovations as part of the largest academic remodeling program in the University's history, University President Bryce Jordan said yesterday.

When the renovations — expected to cost \$25.7 million — are complete, "Penn State will be well on its way to a first-class scientific plant," Jordan told a 300-member audience of administrators, faculty and students during his annual state of the University address.

In all, 638,700 square feet are expected to be renovated, including five buildings used by the College of Agriculture as well as the Mechanical Engineering Laboratory and Electrical Engineering West. Also slated for repair at a cost of \$5 million are Chandler and Mueller laboratories.

The money for the repairs is coming from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, not the University. Jordan said the reason for so much renovation

is that the state's economy is improving and money is becoming available for badly needed repairs.

Jordan said, as he has done repeatedly during the past two years of his presidency, that the University is not getting enough money from the state for its operating budget.

Only seven other states give less money to their public universities than Pennsylvania, Jordan said.

"Penn State operates with the lowest state appropriation per student of any public university within Pennsylvania," Jordan added.

The president said he is placing hope in recommendations that have developed into a new funding formula made by a committee that studied the state's system of financing.

The new funding scheme would give money to the 18 state-supported universities on a differential basis, "supported by proven performance and differentiated missions," Jordan said.

Nicknamed "differential funding," the formula would result in more money for Penn State rather than other state universities such as

Bloomsburg and Lock Haven because those schools do not offer costly doctoral programs in areas such as science, engineering or agriculture.

Jordan acknowledged that differential funding will not be fully implemented this year as the state Department of Education fine tunes the guidelines during the next few months.

The administration is not banking everything on the expectation of getting more money from the state but is greatly increasing its efforts to raise dollars from private sources. That effort is resulting in the University's first five-year capital fundraising drive that is expected to pull in more than \$200 million.

Jordan said a major priority for money coming from both the state and private sources is to improve the University's library collection. The administration is preparing to request money to improve the content of the libraries at University Park in the capital budget request that will be submitted to Harrisburg early next week.

Jordan noted that the strategic planning program his administration initiated two years ago is on schedule with preliminary results becoming public in November.

Strategic planning is the process of looking in detail at every aspect of the University with the goal of improving the quality of education and capability of service to the world.

"The major units in the University have prepared preliminary strategic plans. Based on our study of those plans, we will be in the position to take certain recommendations to the Board of Trustees after the New Year. Other recommendations will follow in the Spring of 1986," Jordan said.

Jordan has said before that the changes may be significant in the way many department and programs are operated. The new School of Communications, which consolidated the School of Journalism, the departments of speech communications, telecommunications and film, is an early result of strategic planning, Jordan said.

State Senate votes to transfer LCB powers

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The state Senate yesterday voted 44-4 to transfer the power of liquor law enforcement from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board to the state attorney general's office.

The bill will authorize the LCB to continue licensing liquor establishments. It is currently being reviewed by the General Assembly and faces abolition at year's end if it is not renewed will retain the power to license liquor establishments.

The bill must now go through the state House of Representatives before reaching Gov. Dick Thornburgh's desk.

Robert Gentzel, press secretary for the attorney general's office, said he could not speculate on when the bill will be presented to the House.

According to the bill, all enforcement agents and records under the LCB would be transferred to the attorney general's office, Gentzel said, adding that Attorney General LeRoy Zimmerman has stated his office may need to expand to properly enforce state liquor laws.

"Zimmerman has said that 200 enforcement agents are probably not enough if the legislature's goal is major improvements in liquor enforcement," Gentzel said. "We would probably have to employ some more (enforcement agents)."

The Senate approved the enforcement power transition because it believed liquor licensing and enforcement should not be delegated by the same office, Gentzel said.

Sen. J. Doyle Corman, R-Centre,

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—State Sen. John Shumaker, R-Dauphin

who voted in favor of the bill, proposed an amendment to the bill. It includes a clause forbidding any member or employee of the LCB or the attorney general's office to accept commissions or gifts from anyone in the liquor business, said Elizabeth Sage, Corman's legislative assistant in Harrisburg.

The previous clause forbid all LCB employees from accepting commissions or gifts, Sage said, adding that Corman thought the clause was too broad.

Another amendment to transfer liquor law enforcement powers to the state police was rejected 38-10 Tuesday. Corman voted against this amendment.

The bill to transfer liquor law enforcement power from the LCB to either the state police or the attorney general's office was sponsored by Sen. John Shumaker, R-Dauphin.

Previously, Shumaker said he opposed the LCB's retention of enforcement powers because it also licenses state liquor establishments.

"Basically they enforce the law against themselves," he said. "It's like the fox watching the hen house."

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For today, it will be cloudy and gray with occasional light drizzle. High 58. In the evening, look for scattered light drizzle. Low 47.Heldi Sonen

Hudson dies after yearlong battle with AIDS

By RICHARD BENKE
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LOS ANGELES — Rock Hudson, the cinema idol whose gallant admission of a yearlong battle against AIDS won sympathy and attention for victims of the disease, died yesterday at his home. He was 59.

"Please God, he has not died in vain," his friend and one-time co-star Elizabeth Taylor said in a statement.

Hudson, star of "Giant," a "A Gathering of Eagles" and several frothy comedies with Doris Day on film and "McMillan and Wife" and "Dynasty" on television, "died peacefully in his sleep at 9 o'clock this morning," publicist Dale Olson said.

"Life is eternal, and I know I will see him again," Day said in a statement. "Working with him was unlike working with anyone else. We had a special humor between us and we always laughed and had fun to-

gether. I'm really going to miss him," she said.

At the White House, President Reagan issued a statement saying: "Nancy and I are saddened by the news of Rock Hudson's death. He will always be remembered for his dynamic impact on the film industry, and fans all over the world will certainly mourn his loss. He will be remembered for his humanity, his sympathetic spirit and well-deserved reputation for kindness. May God rest his soul."

Taylor, who starred with Hudson in "Giant" and "The Mirror Crack'd," was one of his closest supporters in his final days, and was co-host for an AIDS benefit Sept. 19 with actor Burt Reynolds.

Hudson donated \$250,000 to the benefit, which grossed more than \$1.2 million for AIDS research, and sent his last public words:

"I am not happy that I am sick. I am not happy that I have AIDS, but if

that is helping others, I can, at least, know that my own misfortune has had some positive worth."

The office of Rexford Kennamer, Hudson's physician, said it would not comment on the immediate cause of the actor's death. Coroner's spokesman Bill Gold said it would not be a coroner's case, since Hudson had been under the care of a physician.

Only the staff at Hudson's home was there when he died, Olson said.

There will be no funeral for Hudson, whose remains were cremated, he said. In lieu of flowers, it was Hudson's wish that donations be made to the American Foundation for AIDS Research, Olson said.

Hudson's homosexuality had been rumored for years. Even after his illness became known and several magazines carried sympathetic articles describing Hudson as gay, the actor kept silent.

In 1955, Hudson married his agent's

secretary, Phyllis Gates. The newlyweds had a much-publicized honeymoon in Florida, but separated the following year and were divorced in 1958. Hudson never remarried.

People magazine reported this year that the marriage had been set up by Universal Studios to dispel rumors about Hudson.

"There has never been any definitive statement about that from anyone, including Rock himself," Olson said yesterday.

Hudson, 6-foot-4 and ruggedly handsome, was a perennial top-10 box office attraction during the 1950s and 1960s when big studios created stars and built movies around them.

Rarely without work after making his film debut in "Fighter Squadron" in 1948, Hudson turned to TV after 61 films. He starred for six seasons as the police commissioner in "McMillan and Wife" with Susan Saint James.



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Rock Hudson