

Mozambique president killed in plane crash

By LAURINDA KEYS
Associated Press Writer

KOMATIPOORT, South Africa — President Samora Machel of Mozambique, who led his Marxist nation through 11 crisis-ridden years of independence, was killed when his plane crashed into a rain-washed South African hillside.

Marcelino dos Santos, No. 2 man in Mozambique's ruling Frelimo party, said in a nationwide radio address that Machel, 53, and other senior officials died in the crash of the presidential plane Sunday night just across the border in South Africa "in circumstances not yet clarified."

South Africa said all but 10 of the 39 people aboard were killed.

The first official confirmation by Machel's government came more than 12 hours after dos Santos said in his first announcement on the radio that the president's jet had not returned on schedule from Zambia. The radio played solemn music throughout the day.

He said last night that a 60-day period of national mourning had been declared.

The Soviet-built plane crashed 200 yards inside South Africa's frontier with Mozambique about 30 miles south of this border town, said the South African foreign minister, R.F. Botha.

South Africa's Bureau of Information said the Soviet pilot and nine other people survived the crash. Among the senior officials killed was Transport Minister Luis Alcantara Santos, it said.

Machel's body was brought to Komatiport by truck and flown to Maputo, the bureau said at a temporary office it established here.

Earlier reports put the death toll at 27, but two more bodies were found in the wreckage of the twin-engine Tupolev 134A jet, it said.

In Lisbon, the Portuguese news agency ANOP quoted official sources and aviation experts it did not identify as saying the crash was caused by human error. It did not elaborate.

Machel's death left Mozambique without a leader at a time of wors-

ening drought, increasing attacks by anti-Marxist rebels and growing conflict with South Africa.

Prime Minister Mario Machungo and dos Santos, who is the secretary of Parliament, are expected to share decisions until a successor is chosen after the funeral, expected sometime next week.

Both are considered candidates along with Joaquim Chissano, who was prime minister in a transitional government before independence from Portugal in 1975 and has been foreign minister since.

It was in Komatiport that Machel and President P.W. Botha signed the 1984 Treaty of Nkomati, which is the name of the river here and means, in Swazi, a cow with a calf and lots of milk.

The agreement was hailed as the start of an era of friendly relations. After signing it, Machel also made overtures to the West for investment and met with President Reagan in Washington.

State Department spokesman Charles E. Redman said the news of Machel's death caused "profound regret."

Secretary of State George P. Shultz had met Machel "and had great respect for him," Redman said, adding that "we extend to the government and the people of Mozambique the deepest condolences of the American people."

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Soldiers remove a coffin containing the body of Mozambique's President Samora Machel from the wreckage of a plane that crashed on route to Maputo from Tanzania. The plane crashed 32 miles south of the South African border and 45 miles west of Maputo, the capital of Mozambique.

Alfred Nzo, general secretary of the African National Congress guerrilla group, said in Denmark that the ANC had similar suspicions.

Botha would not speculate on the cause of the crash. He said South Africa had proposed a joint investigation with Mozambique and foreign aviation experts should take part.

"We look at this as very harmful and damaging" to relations, the foreign minister said, and when he saw Machel's body, "I just thought to myself that the time has come for all of us in southern Africa to really seek peace, because he was a man of peace."

Botha said the plane circled near Maputo but could not land because of the weather, then flew toward South Africa and struck a slope just across the border, about 45 miles from the Mozambique capital. The wreckage was strewn over grasslands for 200 yards.

Air Force Gen. Denis Earp said the plane went off South African radar at 7:16 p.m. Sunday, but the Bureau for Information said later that it crashed at 8:50 p.m.

A survivor reported hearing "a sound" on board a few minutes before the crash. Botha said, but its significance was not known.

Claire Robertson of *The Star* of Johannesburg was at the scene and said the bodies remained in the broiling sun for hours, awaiting the arrival of the Mozambique delegation led by Security Minister Sergio Vieira.

She said Machel's body was covered with a white sheet and protected from the sun by a black umbrella.

"(The plane) hit the ground, went up again and reared over. It was a gruesome sight," Botha told reporters at Komatiport.

Soon after the Nkomati treaty was signed, Mozambique began accusing South Africa of continuing to aid anti-Marxist rebels in violation of it.

Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance increased attacks in the countryside, ravaging the economy of one of the world's poorest countries.

USG to endorse candidate

The Undergraduate Student Government's endorsement committee will publicly endorse a candidate today for the 23rd congressional race between Republican U.S. Rep. William Clinger and Democratic candidate Bill Wachob.

USG Executive Assistant Bob Bender said USG will announce the endorsement at 11 this morning in 307, HUB.

The committee will announce the reasons for endorsing the chosen candidate, he said. Members will also answer questions regarding the endorsement.

"The endorsement is based exclusively on student issues," Bender said.

He said an example might be the issue of the environment for minority students on campus but not the disinvestment issue.

The endorsement committee is composed of 10 USG executives: Bender; President Matt Baker; Vice President Sue Sturgis; Frank Cleveland, coordinator of the Student Alliance for Education; Todd Sloan and John Jablowski, co-directors of the Department of Political Affairs; Jennifer Belden, co-director of the Department of Minority Affairs; Cary Hazzard, representative from the Department of Women's Concerns; Susan Papalardo, director of the Department of International Affairs; Lizanne Daukas, treasurer.

—by Susan Kearney

collegian notes

- The American Society of Mechanical Engineers will meet at 7:30 tonight in 360 Willard.
- The American Society of Agricultural Engineers will meet at 7:30 tonight in 124 Agricultural Engineering.
- The Science Fiction Society will meet at 7 tonight in 316 Boucke.
- The History Roundtable will meet at 7:30 tonight in 112 Sackett.
- The Center for Women Students will sponsor a discussion on feminism and divestment featuring Vinnie Burrows, a black performing artist, today at 1:30 p.m. in 120 Boucke.
- The discussion class on Eckman, the Ancient Science of Soul Travel will meet at 7:30 tonight in 111 Sackett.
- The Moshannon Group Sierra Club will sponsor the Sierra Club Harrisburg governmental liaison speaking on "Getting a Handle on Pennsylvania's Waste: Solid, Hazardous and Low-Level Radioactive" at 7:30 tonight in the Schlow Memorial Library meeting room.

police log

- A window of a car parked in a private lot at 500 E. Calder Alley was broken Friday morning. Damage is estimated at \$200, the State College Bureau of Police Services said.
 - An orange, 10-speed bicycle of unknown value was reported missing by Michelle Harley, 222 W. Weaver Ave., between 1:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday. State College police said.
 - Daniel Sowers, 152 Davey Lab, reported the upper glass of the north entrance door to Davey Lab broken Sunday night, University police said.
 - A \$40 red motorcycle helmet was reported missing by John Homan, RD 1 Bellefonte, sometime between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m. Sunday while it was parked at 400 W. College Ave., State College police said.
 - A textbook and notebook were reported found by Bob Hallman, 319 N. Burrows Road, near 300 E. Weaver Ave. Saturday afternoon. State College police said.
- by Gordon Zernich



Cleveland Police haul a protester to a paddy wagon after about 40 demonstrators tried to block the entrance to NASA's Lewis Research Center yesterday.

Demonstrators protest SDI research; 93 are arrested

By The Associated Press

Demonstrators protesting the "Star Wars" missile defense program blocked streets and sidewalks yesterday in Atlanta, Washington, Cleveland and Sunnyvale, Calif., and police arrested 93 people.

The demonstrators, members of a group called No Business As Usual, said the Strategic Defense Initiative, popularly called Star Wars, is a first step to World War III.

In Atlanta, about 100 people turned out for a protest at Georgia Tech, which is engaged in various defense-related research projects.

"We expect that our researchers will proceed with this type of research in the firm conviction that their work will be broadly beneficial," said a statement from acting school president Henry C. Bourne Jr.

The all-day demonstration included a "die-in" and a "pledge of allegiance to SDI." "There were no arrests and nothing non-peaceful," said Tech spokeswoman Jill Sewell Rice.

There was a brief attempt to slow morning rush hour traffic, but that was halted by police.

In Washington, about 50 protesters chanted "We're the future, not the bomb!" outside the building that houses the main SDI offices and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Officer Thomas Randolph said 27 were charged with disorderly conduct, but one was also charged on assaulting a police officer, a felony.

Police at Lockheed Missiles and Space Co. in Sunnyvale arrested 45 people on charges of disrupting traffic into the Silicon Valley defense plant after a march by about 100 protesters.

One person was arrested for assault on a police officer, a felony, police said.

Captured American charged

By ANDREW SELSKY
Associated Press Writer

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — The leftist Sandinista government brought Eugene Hasenfus before a tribunal court yesterday and formally charged him with violating public order and security.

Hasenfus was brought into the small courtroom and moments later written charges were presented by Justice Minister Rodrigo Reyes. The court's president, Reynaldo Monterrey, then read them aloud and they were translated to English by an interpreter.

It convicted, the 45-year-old American faces up to 30 years in prison. He was captured Oct. 6 by government troops after surviving the shooting down of a plane ferrying supplies to the rebels.

Hasenfus' wife Sally arrived at the courtroom, which was packed with journalists, just before the court session. Portions of it were spanned by U.S. Consul Donald Tyson.

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Earlier, Hasenfus' lawyer had criticized the government for denying him access to his client before court proceedings began.

"Hasenfus is in a legally indefensible position because he has been unable to see his attorney or his family before the trial," Sotelo Borgen said yesterday.

Hasenfus, of Marinette, Wis., was captured a day after a C-123 cargo plane was shot down by Sandinista troops. Three others aboard, two Americans and a third still not identified, were killed.

The cargo plane was ferrying supplies to U.S.-backed Contra rebels who are fighting to overthrow Nicaragua's government.

Hasenfus' wife and his brother, William, arrived in Managua Sunday night and were met by U.S. Embassy officials at Augusto Cesar Sandino International Airport. They did not speak to reporters.

The People's Tribunal is a judicial body created in 1983 to prosecute people accused of counter-revolutionary activity. Each panel consists of a lawyer and two lay people, all generally active in Sandinista organizations.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Charles Redman said the tribunals were set up for the purpose of circumventing due process in order to persecute political opponents.

Redman also said the only visit to Hasenfus by a U.S. consular officer took place on Oct. 10.

"We don't consider that visit to have been a proper one," Redman said. "We've demanded that the Nicaraguan government accede to our repeated requests for a consular visit consistent with its treaty obligations."

Former U.S. Attorney General Griffin Bell volunteered last week to defend Hasenfus, but Nicaraguan law requires that the chief defense lawyer be a Nicaraguan. Bell said in Atlanta that he would leave for Managua on Thursday.

Sotelo Borgen was asked by Bell to take the case.

During the initial proceedings, the government's charges will be read against Hasenfus. His attorneys then have three days to prepare a defense. After that, the proceedings normally last eight to 12 days.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Alberto Fernandez said, "The Sandinistas' real concern is the propaganda value of the trial."

U.S. officials have denied accusations by the Sandinistas and statements Hasenfus made to reporters that CIA employees organized the flights to supply the rebels with military hardware.

Shamir sworn in

JERUSALEM (AP) — Yitzhak Shamir, leader of Israel's right-wing Likud bloc, was sworn in yesterday as prime minister.

Under an unprecedented 1984 coalition agreement between Peres' left-leaning Labor Party and Shamir's Likud, Peres takes Shamir's previous job as foreign minister.

The 71-year-old Shamir said a "supreme priority" of his government would be to funnel funds into increased Jewish settlement of occupied Arab territories.

"The national economy will be based not only on Jewish economic principles, but also on the Zionist values which must be our guide, among them the supreme value of settlement throughout the Land of Israel," he told the Knesset as he presented his new government.

Increased Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, where 1.4 million Palestinians live, could antagonize peace efforts with Jordan. Israel captured the West Bank from Jordan and Gaza from Egypt in the 1967 Middle East war.

Shamir said he favors peace talks with Jordan but refuses to accept Jordan's demand for an international peace conference. Both Jordan and Kuwait yesterday repeated calls for a peace conference to be attended by the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

USX, USW scheduled to resume bargaining

By EARL BOHN
AP Business Writer

PITTSBURGH — USX Corp. and the United Steelworkers said yesterday they will resume contract bargaining today for the first time since 22,000 union members stopped work at the nation's largest steelmaker 11 weeks ago.

The two will face the same issues that deadlocked talks when their contract expired at midnight July 31, triggering the work stoppage.

USX is trying to cut production costs at its steelmaking USX Corp. subsidiary by using non-union contractors for mill jobs and by trimming wages and benefit.

James McGehean, bargaining leader for 56 local unions, said the use of non-union labor remains the biggest issue in the contract dispute, followed by company demands for employee wage concession totaling \$3.30 per hour.

The work stoppage, which was 81 days old yesterday, is the first against USX, formerly U.S. Steel, since a landmark 119-day walkout in 1959 involving all the leading steelmakers and 500,000 union members during boom times for the industry.

The current dispute comes amid oversupply and heavy financial losses. About 45,000 USW members, including about 29,000 who had been laid off, are involved in the industry's only work stoppage.

After a three-month break, fifth-ranked Arco Inc. renewed contract bargaining in Pittsburgh yesterday with representatives of its 7,000 USW employees.

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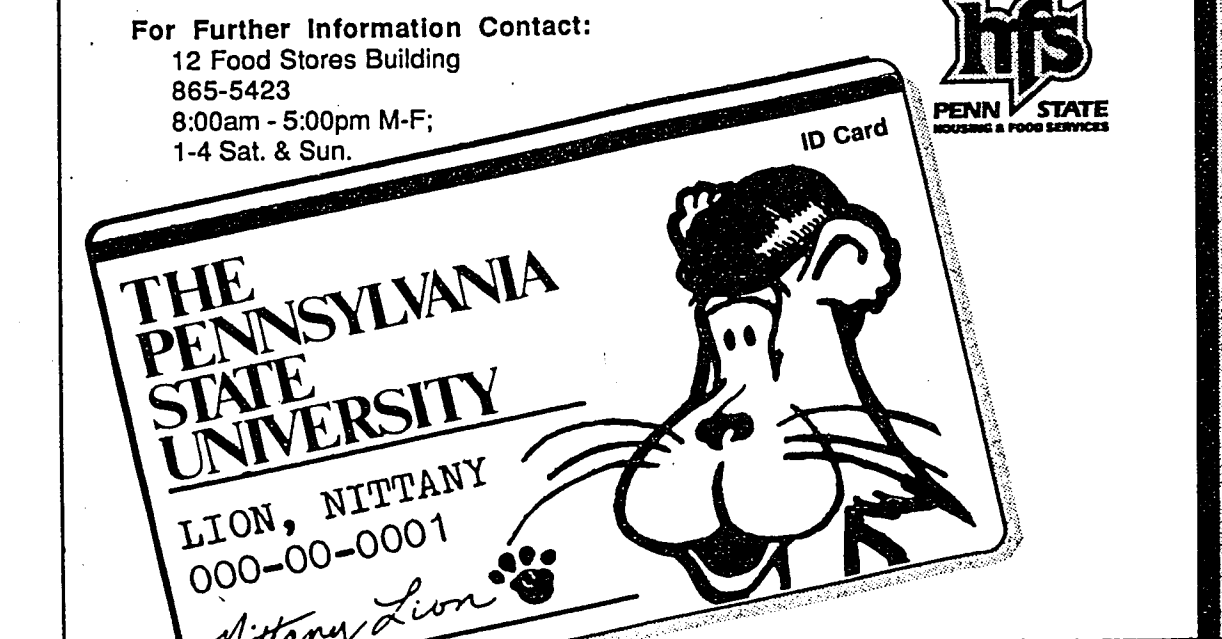
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