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This section forms part four of a chronology begun in the Journal no. 51 (Spring 1984), focusing on events within the Palestinian community, wherever it is (Israel, the occupied territories, other Arab countries, the US, Latin America, Europe, etc.), and on actions and actors which affect this community. Priority is given to occupied Palestine/Israel, with secondary emphasis on the Arab world and other countries.

Events are classified into two general categories. The Social/Economic/ Political section covers important community events, protests, demonstrations, official statements, diplomatic, legal and economic activities and, where possible, attention is given to the cause and effect of social movement. Military Action deals with the use or threat of arms by institutionalized and non-institutionalized groups and individuals. When available, casualty figures are included.

The chronology was compiled by reviewing articles from over 80 publications, including the major US, European, Israeli and Arab English-language press. These articles are contained in Mideast Press Report, a weekly clipping service of Claremont Research and Publications in New York. Given the scope of the coverage, only the most important details could be included. Where possible, the original language and words of the various news reports were retained. A range of figures is given (for casualties and economic data) when estimates differ. Dates mentioned parenthetically within the text follow the American system, listing the month first, then day and year.

For complimentary sources of information, readers may wish to consult: "Report on the Palestinians under Israeli Rule," a monthly chronology published as a supplement to Israel and Palestine (B. P. 130-10, 75643 Paris Cedex 10, France); and al-Fajr weekly newspaper (2025 Eye St. NW, Suite 902, Washington, DC 20026).

Saturday, September 1 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Nablus Chamber of Commerce submits memorandum to "civil administration" outlining city's urgent social and economic problems; no response from authorities. 19 Palestinians arrested for stone-throwing during MK Kahane's attempted entry into Umm al-Fahm (8/29). Israeli troops raid Qalandiya refugee camp, detain several youths suspected of commandeering bulldozer from nearby quarry and flattening Israeli-built barrier at camp entrance.

Arab World: Druze leaders meet in Majd al-Shams (Golan) to demand dismissal of 30 teachers accepting Israeli ID cards. Chrmn. Arafat meets with French FM Cheysson in Tunis.

Other Countries: Chrmn. Arafat cables Chrmn. Truong Chinh on occasion of Vietnam's nat'l. day. 2nd anniversary of Reagan Middle East peace initiative. US Navy announces Israel will lend 12 Kfir jets on no-cost 4-yr. lease for use in combat training; Israel Aircraft Ind. will maintain jets for "firm fixed price."

Military Action

Arab World: Palestinian & Lebanese resistance detonate remote-control bomb as IDF patrol near Marjayoun, S. Lebanon, destroying jeep, wounding occupants.

Sunday, September 2

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Gaza artist Fathi Ghabin released from prison after serving 4 of 6-mo. sentence for "incitement" through his painting. Religious, intellectual and political personalities from all Palestine conclude 2nd annual Arab Christian and Muslim Heritage Conference at Theological Center for Ecumenical Studies in Tantur (Bethlehem), calling on educational institutions to raise level of Arabic instruction, and teach elements of Islamic and Christian religions. Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Shamir report "serious obstacles," particularly issue of West Bank settlements, block formation of unity government. Bank of Israel announces foreign currency reserves dropped by US\$192 million in August [total reserves now US\$2.4 billion; US\$3 billion needed to cover 3 mos. basic commodity imports].

Military Action

Arab World: Israeli soldier wounded dismantling bomb at "Voice of Lebanon" radio station at Lebanese border.

Monday, September 3

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Gaza military court charges 2 Israeli officers with 5/1/84 attack & blinding of Gaza man M. H. Abu Amra.

Arab World: 3 Palestinian Nat'l. Action leaders in Jordan voice opposition to PNC mtg. before agreement between all PLO groups. Lebanese Pres. Gemayel meets Pres. Assad in Damascus for talks on security and political reforms. Palestine Higher Military Council meets in Tunis, endorses Aden-Algiers agreement (6/27). Chrmn. Arafat meets with Algerian (FLN) officials.

Other Countries: Nigerian gov't. sanctions chiefs Oba Sijuade II and Alhaji Ado Bayero for recent visit to Jerusalem for talks with Israeli officials. Israel Aircraft Industries recruits 10 engineers from Lear Fan plant in Belfast, N. Ireland to accelerate production of Lavi jets. France's Chief Rabbi René Sirat condemns Kahane as "contrary to all ideals of Judaism." Venezuelan Confederation of Jewish Associations denounces Pan American Gymnastics Federation support for Palestine's membership in International Gymnastics Federation.

Tuesday, September 4 _

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Death sentences of Maher & Karim Yunis [conferred 12/27/84] for killing Jewish hitch-hiker (1980) commuted to life in prison by Lydd court. El Al airline announces \$14.3 million loss in fiscal 1984.

Arab World: Christian Lawyer Joseph Hashem announced to replace deceased Pierre Gemayel as Lebanese Health and Communications Minister.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli authorities demolish power station and grid belonging to Jerusalem Electric Co. at Ain al-Sultan camp claiming that construction was not licensed. About 50 armed Israeli squatters storm and take possession of Palestinian home near Herod's Gate, Old Jerusalem. 3 Dheisheh camp nationalists injured in stabbing by anti-nationalist group members after week of confrontations; nationalist supporters respond by demolishing Young Men's Muslim Assoc. headquarters.

Arab World: IDF engineer corps commander Cohen says IDF spending \$17 million to fortify eastern front in Lebanon for winter. IDF release 45 detainees from Ansar concentration camp in S. Lebanon, where about 800 remain.

Wednesday, September 5 _

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Muslims celebrate Eid al-Adha. Renewed talks produce basic agreement on bipartisan Israeli government. High Court refuses to make public Zorea Com. report regarding killing of Palestinian commandos in Gaza (4/12/84). Shattah prison (Nazareth) inmates find worms in food, stage hunger strike. Jnaid prison (Nablus) inmates strike after guards attack prisoners with tear gas in their cells, hospitalizing 4. Bank Hapoalim announces \$8.2 million profit for 1st half of 1984.

Other Countries: In New York pre-trial hearing in his \$50 million suit against *Time*, Ariel Sharon castigates its 2/21/83 issue's implication that he encouraged Sabra & Shatila massacres (9/82) as "blood libel."

Military Action

Arab World: IDF transfers responsibility for security in Nabatiya to South Lebanon Army; sends patrols north of Awali River. Israeli DM Arens meets SLA Gen. Lahd, expresses satisfaction with SLA performance. Former Lebanese PM Selim al-Hoss escapes remote-control bomb blast; 4 killed, 25 wounded.

Thursday, September 6 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat meets with officials in Jedda, then flies to San'a' to discuss preparations for next PNC meeting.

Other Countries: US vetoes UN Security Council resolution calling on Israel to "immediately lift all restrictions and obstacles" imposed on Lebanese civilians in Israeli-occupied S. Lebanon; US delegate calls resolution "unbalanced." Israel and Belize establish diplomatic relations.

Friday, September 7 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: On Lebanese state radio, PM Karami assails US for vetoing UN resolution on Israeli occupation of S. Lebanon.

Other Countries: National Press Club (Washington) denies MK Kahane's request for speaking appearance. Palestine Aid Society (US) convenes 3rd national convention in Washington.

Saturday, September 8

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Military coordinator for occupied territories Shmuel Goren, directing comments to MKs who support Palestinian rights, says he will not hesitate "to stop any activity of Israeli parties in the West Bank & Gaza which might affect general order."

Sunday, September 9

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Kinneret Research Laboratory reports Sea of Galilee [source of 40% of Palestine's drinking water] reaching dangerous pollution levels. Mapam Party votes to end its political partnership with Labor Alignment to protest Labor/Likud accord and proposed cabinet post for Ariel Sharon.

Arab World: At Beirut rally, Nabih Berri encourages suicide attacks on Israeli occupiers in S. Lebanon.

Other Countries: PLO Political Dept. Chrmn. Qaddoumi holds press conf. in Malta. About 150 Jews & Arabs protest appearance of Meir Kahane at Silver Spring, MD (US) Jewish Community Center.

Monday, September 10

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: In campaign to repress leadership in occupied territories, Israeli authorities place Communist Party leader George Hazboun under 6-mo. town arrest in Bethlehem. Labor Party ratifies agreement to form national unity gov't. with Likud. Finance Minister Cohen-Orgad says Israel will ask for extra \$750 million to \$1 billion in emergency aid from US next year [for total \$3.5 billion].

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat visits Baghdad, continues to Kuwait.

Other Countries: Israeli Laser Industries Ltd. buys remaining 50% of Metalworking Lasers International Ltd. through its US branch, Locke Technology Corp. US and Israeli agents bust \$100 million counterfeiting ring, arresting 3 in NY and 7 in Israel, in plot to distribute "high quality" forged \$10, \$20 and \$100 notes.

Military Action

Arab World: Israeli warplanes attack positions in Bhamdoun, S. Lebanon; DFLP Maj. Abu Kassim reported killed, 2 wounded. IDF soldier injured by roadside bomb near Ansariya, another injured by landmine near Medouha, S. Lebanon. Israeli troops raid Jbaa village, S. Lebanon, arrest several residents after grenade and machine-gun attack on IDF position there, killing 1, wounding 2.

Tuesday, September 11 _____

Social/Economic/Political Occupied Palestine/Israel: Jewish Agency announces plan to spend \$30 million on settlement projects in Galilee, Negev & Wadi al-Araba.

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat in Kuwait for official talks.

Other Countries: Texas investor Leroy Brenna launches "Strategic Israeli Fund Inc.," mutual fund for investing in Israeli companies.

Military Action

Arab World: IDF shoot Shiite villager near Tyre for "acting in a suspicious manner." Light arms fire directed at IDF patrol in Jbaa village; no casualties reported.

Wednesday, September 12

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Gush Emunim squatters establish settlements Nachliel and Givat Helevona (a.k.a. Eli) north of Ramallah. Jewish squatters add 4 caravans to settlement at Tel Rumaida in al-Khalil (Hebron). In exchange for Progressive List for Peace (PLP) votes to support Shlomo Hillel as Knesset speaker, Labor agrees on 3 issues: to legislate against apartheid practices toward Palestinians, to approve proposed change in Umm al-Fahm's status to full township, and to consider favorably establishment of an Arab university in Israel. Canadian and British delegates meet with Palestinian mayors and community leaders in Jerusalem on eve of Int'l. Liberals Congress in Tel Aviv (9/13-16).

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat returns to Tunis, meets Soviet delegation there. Nabih Berri & Walid Junblatt boycott weekly Lebanese cabinet meeting to press gov't. to discuss political reforms and conditions in S. Lebanon.

Other Countries: In US, representatives of 11 relief and community service organiza-

tions meet State Dept. officials to protest Israeli policy toward Palestinian universities.

Military Action

Arab World: Beirut Radio reports 4 IDF troops killed in 2 S. Lebanon bomb attacks; IDF soldier injured by land mine in S. Lebanon (9/10) dies of injuries.

Friday, September 14 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Palestinian women's groups convene at Beit Hanina to rally support for striking Jnaid prison inmates. Knesset votes to approve coalition govt. (89–18, 1 abst., 12 absent); Peres takes oath as PM and calls on King Hussein to negotiate with Israel.

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat meets with UK amb. in Tunis.

Other Countries: US State Dept. announces willingness to grant "several hundred million dollars" additional aid to Israel, if sufficient anti-inflationary austerity measures taken.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Unidentified gunmen in passing car shoot and kill Rafah (Gaza) Mayor Abd al-Karim Qishta.

Arab World: Lebanese militias twice repel Israeli gunboats firing on West Beirut.

Saturday, September 15 _

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli police detain about 50 Gaza Palestinians in connection with 9/14 slaying of Mayor Qishta, hold 4 suspects. Israeli settlers posing as Japanese tourists check into Nablus hotel planning to demonstrate for Jewish settlement of Nablus; Israeli security forces ban demonstrators from streets.

Sunday, September 16

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli gov't. announces 9% devaluation of shekel and plan for \$1 billion national budget cut. Speaking before UJA in Jerusalem, PM Peres pledges Israel will withdraw from Lebanon "in a matter of several months." Trial begins of 20 Israelis suspected in bombing attacks on West Bank mayors (June 1980) and attack on Arab students of al-Khalil (Hebron) Islamic College (1983).

Monday, September 17 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: In Jerusalem press conference, staff and student representatives of West Bank universities condemn closure of Najah Nat'l. U. (since 7/30/84). Military orders ban Gaza table tennis tournament (scheduled for 9/21).

Arab World: Portuguese & Eritrean labor delegations visit Chrmn. Arafat at Tunis HQ. PDR Yemen leader Ali Nasser Mohammed arrives in Damascus for talks with officials on PLO-Syria reconciliation.

Other Countries: Israel announces appointment of Benjamin Netanyahu as its amb. to UN.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 2nd anniversay of massacres at Sabra and Shatila camps; Israeli troops respond with tear gas to demonstrations in Jalazoun and Dheisheh camps. Israeli bus ambushed near Bethlehem, 5 Israelis, 2 Palestinians in nearby car injured; police search, impose curfew on Dheisheh camp & al-Khidr village.

Arab World: IDF position near Jezzine shelled by Katyushas fired from south of Awali River.

Tuesday, September 18

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Military governate orders confiscation of 1,300 dunums of land belonging to 30 Mazra al-Qibliyeh village families. IDF lift al-Khidr curfew, detain several suspected in bus ambush (9/17). Hundreds of 'Arara village students demonstrate, commemorating Sabra & Shatila massacres, police arrest 15 for interrogation.

Arab World: Palestinian Workers Federation begins 3-day conf. in Damascus.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli troops raid Dheisheh camp, searching for suspects in bus ambush.

Wednesday, September 19 ____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Police arrest 300 Palestinian intinerant workers in Herzliya in move to prevent their gathering in Israeli residential areas. DM Rabin rejects West Bank settlers' demands that he expel Palestinians involved in acts against Jewish squatters. 4 Turkish MPs defy Ankara policy, meet FM Shamir in Jerusalem. Israeli police detain 30 Gazans, incl. (paralyzed) Shaikh A. I. Yassin suspected of Islamic Assoc. (Gaza) plot to execute 300 West Bank & Gaza notables.

Military Action

Other Countries: Israel delivers 12 Kfir jets on lease to US Navy.

Thursday, September 20 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: UN Undersec. Urquhart meets with DM Rabin and Gen. Moshe Levy to discuss possible expanded UNIFIL role in Lebanon.

Other Countries: US Senate passes bill HR3398(96-0) containing provision for a Free Trade Area with Israel. *EL AL* (London) reveals it has been supplying food to Arab airlines.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Youths on Ramallah-Nablus road and near Dhahariya village stone Israeli vehicles.

Arab World: After Israeli-led "South Lebanon Army" patrol ambushed nearby, killing 4, IDF troops and SLA forces herd together unarmed Shi'ite male villagers (between ages 15 & 60) and unleash revenge-seeking Druze SLA militia members to kill 13 and wound 27. Suicide truck bombing at US Embassy annex in Aukar (East Beirut) kills 23. IDF expels 4 British journalists from S. Lebanon [as Israel bars journalists without written IDF permission from area].

Friday, September 21

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Arinoam Katrieli sentenced to 15 mos. for plot to attack al-Haram al-Sharif. Israeli govt. announces plan to raise income tax over next 4 mos. as part of austerity program.

Other Countries: Malta refuses credentials of new Israeli amb. Facing press allegations of failure to ensure adequate security at US embassy annex in Beirut (bombed 9/20), US Pres. Reagan analogizes: "Anyone that's ever had their kitchen done over knows that it never gets done as soon as you wish it would."

Military Action

Arab World: IDF announce arrest of 15 Druze militia men for 9/20 Israeli-supervised ambush of Sohmor villagers; FM Shamir calls ambush "clash between ethnic groups, which is part of the reality in Lebanon," adds "we should not rush to draw conclusions about the South Lebanon Army."

Saturday, September 22

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 4 Palestinians injured when Jewish extremists hurl bomb into Old Jerusalem café.

Sunday, September 23 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Jnaid inmates begin hunger strike against poor prison conditions. Israeli govt. imposes additional taxes up to 2% on private cars, boats, aircraft, business inventories, commercial bldgs. and equipment. Finance Min. Modai announces plan to cut basic food and fuel subsidies.

Arab World: 3 US Navy vessels arrive off Beirut as US Asst. Sec. of State Murphy arrives to investigate embassy annex bombing (9/20), then leaves for official visit to Damascus.

Military Action

Arab World: Lebanese resistance forces ambush IDF patrol near al-Rihan village, S. Lebanon; IDF patrol kills 3 suspected assailants. 5 commandos in rubber dinghy attack IDF post at Awali River bridge; 6 Israelis injured, 3 commandos killed by IDF tank fire, 2 captured.

Monday, September 24

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Min. of Police Bar Lev refuses Jewish terror suspects' request for prison leave over Jewish holidays.

Arab World: In Damascus, Democratic Alliance calls for convening PNC.

Other Countries: US envoy Murphy arrives in Tel Aviv to discuss with PM Peres possible mediation between Israel and Syria over IDF withdrawal from Lebanon. Israeli FM Shamir meets Egyptian FM Abd al-Meguid in New York. US threatens withdrawal from Intl. Atomic Energy Agency if it does not recognize Israel.

Military Action

Arab World: IDF and SLA patrols come under light arms fire near Jezzine and in Tyre, S. Lebanon. 1 IDF soldier & 1 Shin Bet agent killed, 1 soldier wounded in ambush near Mishki village, eastern Beqaa.

Tuesday, September 25 _

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: PM Peres says Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon no longer contingent upon simultaneous Syrian withdrawal.

Arab World: Jordan and Egypt announce resumption of full diplomatic relations; US and Israel claim the move is a victory for Camp David process; Syria and Libya denounce it, call for boycott of Egypt.

Other Countries: Israeli FM Shamir meets with Soviet FM Gromyko at UN in New York.

Wednesday, September 26 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: On Israeli radio, Bethlehem Mayor Freij welcomes renewed Jordan-Egypt ties. High Court grants injunction to 9 Beit Amin villagers halting Israeli development on their land. Israeli FM Shamir meets with Spanish FM Moran to discuss possible future diplomatic relations.

Arab World: Palestinian Natl. Alliance condemns Jordan for renewed relations with Egypt. US envoy Murphy returns to Damascus for further talks with Syrian officials.

Thursday, September 27

Military Action

Arab World: In S. Lebanon, roadside bomb explodes as IDF patrol passes near Kafr Kuk; light weapons fired at patrol in Sidon; IDF patrol hits land mine 2 km south of Nabatiya.

Friday, September 28 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: US envoy Murphy meets Lebanese Pres. Gemayel & PM Karami in Beirut.

Other Countries: Before UN General Assembly, Egypts FM Abd al-Meguid calls for int'l. conference to protect rights of Arabs in Israeli-occupied territories. Int'l. Progress Organization holds 3-day conf. in Brussels, calls for US recognition of PLO and int'l. Middle East peace conf. under UN auspices.

Military Action Arab World: Israeli troops shoot & wound Sidon resident for breaking through IDF roadblock. Light arms fire directed at IDF outpost in Kamel al-Luz, S. Lebanon.

Saturday, September 29

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Tentative agreement reached in Nablus to reconcile 3-yr.old rivalry in Federation of West Bank Labor Unions.

Arab World: Kuwait gov't. criticizes King Hussein for defying Arab summit decisions by new relations with Cairo.

Military Action

Arab World: Lebanese & Palestinian resistance claim responsibility for killing IDF intelligence officer "Abu al-Nur." Light weapons fired at IDF post in Jezzine & at civil guard post in Haboush village, S. Lebanon.

Other Countries: Sri Lankan Defense Ministry spokesman reports departure of Israeli military staff after training counterinsurgency forces.

Sunday, September 30 _

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli cabinet agrees to withdraw IDF from Lebanon if Syria agrees not to advance its troops and UN and militia forces guarantee secure border. Israeli Army quartermaster gen. Erez grants 1-mo. amnesty to reservists to return estimated \$250 million worth of stolen weapons, ammunition and equipment before arrests begin. Dir. Gen. of Finance Ministry Baruch resigns, charging govt. failing to take proper action to revive economy. Largest Israeli textile co. Ata offered for sale for 1 shekel, providing buyer assumes co.'s \$25 million debt. Arab World: In Kuwait, Chrmn. Arafat urges return of Egypt to Arab fold.

Other Countries: US fiscal yr. ends with \$2.61 billion official aid to Israel. Israeli diplomat replaces Mossad agent as Israeli amb. to Sri Lanka.

Monday, October 1

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Dheisheh camp residents demonstrate & Nablus merchants strike in solidarity with Jnaid prison inmates on 12th day of their hunger strike. 45 Arab local councils and municipal workers strike over unpaid salaries owed by Israel.

Arab World: As Arab League chrmn., Morocco's King Hassan calls for summit mtg. on Jordan's new relations with Egypt. In speech before Jordan's parliament, King Hussein rejects peace talks as proposed by Israel, calls for UN-sponsored negotiations.

Other Countries: US-based AAI Corp. (div. of United Industries Corp.) agrees to produce & market in US remotely-piloted vehicles (RPVs) Mastiff & Scout made by Israeli cos. Tadiran & Israel Aircraft Industries. 100-mm. guns made by Israel displayed atop Chinese Type 69 tanks in Peking military parade.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Dheisheh camp youths throw stones at Israeli vehicles, smash 1 bus window. Police detain 4 Kach members attempting to enter Dheisheh after curfew.

Tuesday, October 2

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Mounted police with riot sticks break up demonstration at US Consulate, E. Jerusalem by 20 Palestinians protesting Jnaid prison conditions. *Davar* reports vegetable exports to Lebanon (10/83–9/84) total \$14 million.

Other Countries: Israeli FM Shamir discusses conditions for IDF withdrawal from Lebanon with US Sec. of State Shultz; Shultz tells Lebanese FM Karami all sides must be more flexible before US can mediate Israeli withdrawal. 2 US House subcommittees jointly approve resolution calling for US embassy move to Jerusalem.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: MK Kahane (using Knesset privilege) & 300 armed Gush Etzion & Kiryat Arba settlers enter & raid Dheisheh camp [pop. 6,000], setting up roadblocks on Bethlehem-Hebron road, firing shots at houses and water reservoirs; Israeli soldiers later ordered settlers out of camp confines, but not from camp surroundings; troops arrest journalists Ali Qa'dam (al-Awda) & Marsha Hamilton (AP) on visit to camp. Military authorities break into student council mtg. in Bir Zeit U. Board of Trustees office and abduct student Marwan Barghouti; no charges filed.

Arab World: Mine explodes as IDF patrol car passes in S. Lebanon; no injuries reported. Self-styled "People's Court" organization claims responsibility for killing Palestinian woman found guilty of collaboration with IDF at 'Ain al-Hilweh camp, S. Lebanon.

Wednesday, October 3

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: PM Peres' aides deny he will ask US for "handout" while on visit to Washington.

Other Countries: In UN General Assembly, Israeli FM Shamir announces IDF will leave Lebanon on single condition that no Palestinian fighters reenter S. Lebanon. US House of Representatives votes (416–6) authorizing Pres. Reagan to negotiate Free Trade Area agreement with Israel.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli troops seal 8 of 9 Dheisheh camp entrances; journalist Hamdi Farraj (under Dheisheh town arrest) detained & subsequently released.

Arab World: 3 Israeli soldiers wounded by gunfire while patroling above Awali River [area from which IDF had supposedly withdrawn]. IDF engineering corps officer wounded in grenade attack near Jnaya village, S. Lebanon.

Thursday, October 4

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: General strike observed in E. Jerusalem in solidarity with Jnaid prison inmates' protest against deplorable conditions; prisoners suspend strike after police chief Bar Lev visits, promising improved conditions. 3-day curfew lifted at Dheisheh camp. Israel gov't. bans import of cars and 50 other luxury items for 6 mos. Bank Leumi reports \$55 million profit for 1st half of 1984, but assets dropped \$70 million; Bank Hapoalim reports \$36 million profit, \$1 billion drop in assets; Discount Bank gains \$2.6 million profit, loses \$70 million in assets; United Mizrachi gains \$1.58 million, largely by sale of assets, which rose by \$400 million in Jan.–June 1984.

Other Countries: Austrian FM Gratz's courtesy visit to New York Mayor Koch reportedly turns into debate over policy toward PLO.

Military Action

Arab World: Roadside bomb discovered near SLA Gen. Lahd's HQ.

Other Countries: Bomb-laden car explodes near Israeli embassy housing in Nicosia; 1 injured; 1 Iraqi & 1 Yemeni arrested as suspects.

Friday, October 5

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: High Court issues order nisi blocking military demolition of 2 Jabaliya camp (Gaza) homes for being built without license.

Military Action

Arab World: 200 new SLA recruits [half of them Shi'ite] begin training at Majadiya, S. Lebanon [current 2,100-man force is 60% Christian, 17% Shi'ite, 15% Druze, 8% Sunni].

Saturday, October 6

Social/Economic/Political

Other Countries: Chrmn. Arafat attends 35th anniversary celebration of German Democratic Republic in E. Berlin; meets with Soviet FM Gromyko, discusses possibility of Gromyko's personal intervention in PLO reconciliation with Syria.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: While on "Yom Kippur alert," Israeli soldiers shoot & kill 3 Arabs at night near Jordan Valley village Maraya, claiming they may have infiltrated from Jordan. Bir Zeit U. students begin 4-day strike in dispute over increase in fees for 1st yr. students, while student council negotiates with administration.

Sunday, October 7 __

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Jewish terror trial reveals Israeli police & Gen. Security Services covered up advance knowledge of Jewish terror activities.

Other Countries: Israeli PM Peres meets Conference of Presidents of Jewish Orgs. in New York who pledge to double US-Jewish fund-raising for Israel to \$1 billion.

Military Action

Arab World: Israeli-backed SLA believed responsible for murder of Amal officer Hasan Saab at 'Arab Salim, S. Lebanon.

Monday, October 8 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Central Bureau of Statistics reports Israel's foreign trade deficit dropped by 21% in 1–9/1984. Price inspectors report 70% of Israeli department stores and supermarkets selling at illegally inflated prices. Jerusalem Post reports IDF reservists already returned 5,000 grenades, 7 RPGs, 2 Maag machine guns, 52 mm mortar & 40 Kalashnikov assault rifles, various rifles, submachine guns, pistols, ammunition and bomb fuses since 1-mo. amnesty announced (9/30).

Other Countries: In Washington, Israeli PM Peres asks US for \$700 million to \$1 billion annual handout for next 3 yrs. to stem economic crisis.

Tuesday, October 9

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Egypt's Pres. Mubarak arrives in Amman for first Arab state visit by an Egyptian leader since Camp David agreements.

Other Countries: In Washington, US Pres. Reagan promises emergency aid to Israeli PM Peres in case of balance of payments crisis.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Several injured & 16 youths arrested in unprovoked Israeli police attack on Taibeh village during general strike there in expectation of MK Kahane's visit; 8 youths released because of their young age; Village Council issues protest letter to police chief Bar Lev.

Arab World: UNRWA reveals IDF has blocked food & medical supplies to refugees in S. Lebanon for nearly 3 weeks, and now has broken agreement to lift blockade.

Wednesday, October 10

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: IDF coordinator in Lebanon tells Maariv he doesn't believe most S. Lebanon Shi'ites oppose Israel.

Other Countries: In Washington press conference, Israeli PM Peres says Israel willing to withdraw from S.E. Lebanon, if replaced with UN force.

Thursday, October 11

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Al-Ittihad reports Taibeh youths [arrested 10/6] beaten in detention. Bir Zeit U. student council calls for students to return to university, but no response; administration dismisses staff for the day.

Other Countries: In US vice-presidential debate, VP Bush suggests solving Palestine problem could end intl. terrorism.

Military Action

Arab World: Several IDF patrol soldiers killed or wounded by bomb on Deir Mimas-Marjayoun road.

Friday, October 12 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Egypt's Pres. Mubarak returns from Jordan visit, saying the 2 countries agree on strategy to settle Palestinian problem, but Jordan would not necessarily join US-sponsored Camp David "peace process."

Military Action

Arab World: 1 Druze IDF soldier killed, 1 Lebanese resistance fighter killed in exchange of fire near Jezzine, S. Lebanon. Lebanese resistance fighters kill 5 SLA members, wound 1, in Marjayoun, S. Lebanon.

Saturday, October 13 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: US Defense Sec. Weinberger arrives in Cairo for 2-day visit; Mubarak urges US sell defense weapons to Jordan as incentive to join "peace process."

Other Countries: US Sec. Council votes (13–0, 2 abst.) to extend UNIFIL mandate in Lebanon for 6 mos.

Sunday, October 14 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Other Countries: Jordanian officials hold talks with French DM Hernu in Paris, reportedly finalize major arms deal. Pres. Reagan promotes 1st rabbi (Israel Drazin) to Brigadier Gen. in US Army.

Military Action

Arab World: Roadside bomb explodes near IDF patrol east of Tyre; no injuries.

Monday, October 15

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Central Bureau of Statistics reports cost-of-living index soared by 21.4% in Sept., 450% over past 12 mos., and estimates 1984 inflation rate at 900-1, 300%. 12 members of Israeli Com. for Solidarity with Bir Zeit U. arrested in 2 days demonstrating against settler harassment at Dheisheh camp.

Arab World: Shi'ites celebrate feast of Ashoura. IDF/Gen. Lahd announce pardon for SLA members who killed & injured Sohmor civilians (9/20).

Other Countries: US offers Israel deferment until March of \$500 million in military procurement loans now due. US reaffirms its aversion to role as mediator in IDF S. Lebanon withdrawal talks. Syrian Pres. Assad arrives in Moscow for 3-day talks with Pres. Chernenko.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 6 Petah Tikva schoolchildren injured as time bomb explodes near their bus north of Nablus.

Arab World: Lebanese resistance fighters attack IDF patrols near Nabatiya, near Sarafand & in Zahrani region.

Tuesday, October 16 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: With order nisi, High Court blocks demolition of 7 Jabaliya camp houses as "unlicensed." PM Peres presents options to cabinet for partial or total troop withdrawal from S. Lebanon. In Tel Aviv, US Defense Sec. Weinberger pledges US will buy \$100 million more in Israeli products in 1984 to offset large Israeli purchases of American military equipment. Al-Bireh Arab Nursing College students begin slowdown strike to protest administrative measures. Abu Dis Science and Technology College students strike over newly required English proficiency & minimum passing grade requirements.

Arab World: Lebanese parliament elects (Shi'ite) Hussein al-Husseini as speaker. King Hussein meets Pres. Sadam Hussein in Baghdad.

Military Action

Arab World: IDF imposes new prohibition against travelers crossing Awali without permit.

Wednesday,	
October 17	

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israel govt. publicizes conditions for complete withdrawal from S. Lebanon: Syrian commitment not to advance into area and to prevent guerrilla infiltration into area; continued deployment of SLA in undefined area adjacent to Israel-Lebanon border; and redeployment of UN troops north of SLA from sea coast to Syrian border. DM Rabin rejects Peace Now appeal to ban Gush Emunim Simhat Torah celebration & parade in al-Khalil (Hebron) planned as support for Jewish terror suspects now on trial. Mayors of Bethlehem, Beit Jala, Jericho, Qalqilya, Rafah & Khan Younis, and Hebron's education dep't. and village league heads attend cocktail reception for US Defense Sec. Weinberger given by DM Rabin.

Arab World: Lebanese gov't. announces readiness to talk directly with Israel on IDF pullout (before Israel publicizes its terms same day). In al-Siyasa (Kuwait) interview, Egypt's Pres. Mubarak says he rejects Israeli PM's offer for summit because Israel has not moved toward "comprehensive peace."

Other Countries: US Defense Sec. Weinberger announces Reagan admin. will grant Israel access to latest US technology for *Lavi* fighter. American Federation of Ramallah (Palestine) endorses Reagan-Bush reelection. UN General Assembly votes (80–41, 22 abst.) to reject Irani challenge of Israel's credentials.

Thursday, October 18

Social/Economic/Political

Other Countries: Trial begins in Vanessa Redgrave suit against Boston Symphony Orchestra for dismissing her, allegedly for her support of PLO.

Friday, October 19

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 4,000 armed settlers, incl. 6 MKs, hold parade through al-Khalil (Hebron) streets, celebrating Simhat Torah. 77 Palestinian lawyers meet in Jerusalem to discuss forming their own local union.

Arab World: Speaking to Palestinians in Qatar, Chrmn. Arafat says PLO will get

closer to Egypt "as it moves away from the policies of Camp David." US embassy in Beirut begins evacuating "non-essential" personnel.

Saturday, October 20 ____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: In Israel Radio interview, Industry & Commerce Min. Sharon denounces Israeli govt. proposals to withdraw from Lebanon & improve "quality of life" for West Bank Palestinians.

Other Countries: Vatican denies NBC report that Pope John Paul II decided "in principle" to establish relations with Israel. In Tokyo, Tunisian PM Mzali warns new Egypt-Jordan relations may divide Arab world.

Military Action

Arab World: 600th IDF soldier killed in Lebanon by RPG attack on patrol at Zahrani River bridge.

Sunday, October 21

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: In Herut Executive mtg., FM Shamir says Reagan plan no longer exists.

Arab World: To avoid Arab criticism that they are upgrading relations with Israel, Lebanese cabinet proposes direct talks with UN-sponsored Lebanese-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission framework; Israel refuses. Popular Palestinian Committees of al-Yarmouk camp (Damascus) cable Syrian gov't. to protest arrest campaign of camp residents in past week. Morocco refuses entry to 2 Israelis invited to attend World Conference on Poetry in Marrakesh. Other Countries: French chrmn. of World Jewish Congress named by France to its UN delegation.

Military Action

Arab World: 3 guerrillas reported killed, 1 captured by IDF near Bater al-Chouf, Lebanon.

Monday, October 22

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Nuseirat camp (Gaza) man sentenced to 5 1/2 yrs. for selling weapons. 1st Palestinian judge appointed to "Judea & Samaria" Judicial Appointments Com. Histadrut Exec. Com. mtg. turns into brawl as MK Ran Cohen calls MK Sharon "criminal." PM Peres says he will decline US offer to defer for 90 days \$500 million loan now due. US and Israeli officials discuss joint Central America & Third World development & other programs.

Arab World: In special session, Lebanese cabinet meets to discuss deteriorating economic situation. Lebanese Pres. Gemayel flies to Libya for mtg. with Col. Qadhafi.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 2 Israelis found slain in valley between Bethlehem & Jerusalem; Dheisheh resident held suspect.

Arab World: Lebanese Army 6th Brigade surrounds Bourj al-Barajneh camp, Beirut in response to reported PFLP-DFLP shootout there.

Tuesday, October 23

Social/Economic/Political

Other Countries: Lebanese Pres. Gemayel meets with John Paul II and Italian leaders in Rome.

Wednesday, October 24

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: PM Peres rejects recovery plan of dollarizing economy.

Other Countries: Intl. Commission of Jurists (Geneva) & World University Service (London) publish report on Israeli harassment of West Bank universities. Greek Supreme Court rules in favor of extraditing Palestinian Abdel Osama al-Zomor held for smuggling explosives to Italy where suspected in 1982 Rome synagogue blast. New York Zionists announce formation of "Israel National Fund" for Jewish investment in occupied territories. Amnesty Int'l. report publishes criticism of Israel imprisoning Palestinians for PLO membership.

Thursday, October 25

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Jordan agrees to host 17th Palestine National Council mtg. in Amman.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israel announces capture of Fateh leader Ali Khalil Riba'i at Dura, south of al-Khalil (Hebron). Gaza man Abulrahman Darabiya shot & wounded by unknown gunman; later, PFLP (in Damascus) claims victim is Israeli agent.

Arab World: 3 commandos killed, 3 Israelis wounded in clash along Awali River; 4 more commandos reported killed by IDF in Jabal Baroukh area.

Friday, October 26 ___

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 800 students representing all 4 West Bank groups (Student Action Front (SAF), Progressive Students Union Bloc (PSUB), Student Youth Movement (SYM) & Student Unity Bloc (SYB)), meet at Bethlehem U. to protest renewed Jordanian-Egyptian relations. Ramallah military court sentences 7 Azeh & Aida camp youths to 1–3-yr. terms for throwing petrol bombs at Israeli cars and forming a hostile organization.

Sunday, October 28

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Cabinet approves DM Rabin's plan for negotiated "politicalmilitary" solution & IDF withdrawal from Lebanon. 2nd Natl. Conference of Jewish-Arab Committee Against Racism meets at Nahmani Theater, Tel Aviv. Kahane pelted with tomatoes at speech in Bir al-Sab'a, praising "brave Jews" for rocket attack on Arab bus; Kach and Peace Now followers exchange blows; police intervene, arresting 1 Peace Now & 2 Kach members. MK Miari proposes national service program to counter discrimination against Palestinians for not serving in IDF. MK Peled calls for defense budget cuts & cancellation of Lavi program.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Arab bus attacked in S. Jerusalem with 66 mm anti-tank rocket; 1 Sa'ir man killed, 10 injured; attackers leave weapon with note identifying selves as "Avengers"; 3 Jews held for questioning. Students stone Israeli jeep from Bethlehem U. campus; troops disperse throng with tear gas, shoot 1 student in leg, continue siege till nightfall. Arab World: 1 IDF soldier wounded by land mine near Amik, E. Lebanon; another in shoot-out near Lake Karoun.

Monday, October 29

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Kafr Qasim residents commemorate 28th anniversary of massacre there, when Israeli troops murdered 48. IDF armored corps unveils new Merkava II tank. Safad hospital stops accepting S. Lebanese war victims.

Arab World: Lebanese Druze leader Junblatt summoned to Damascus as Beirut fighting flares. Lebanese civilian Ahmed Salem, detained at Mar Elias, tells press conf. of Israeli torture there.

Tuesday, October 30

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Knesset House Com. decides (8–5) to discuss MK Sarid's request to revoke Kach MK Kahane's parliamentary immunity. Caller claiming to be "Avenger" phones in death threat to Pres. Herzog. UK Foreign Sec. Howe meets with Elias Freij, Rashad Shawa, Gabi Baramki & Hikmat al-Masri in E. Jerusalem. Before Tel Aviv U. audience, US amb. to Israel Lewis criticizes Reagan peace plan, saying timing was "abysmal," tactics "worse," and results to date are "nil." Ciskei Pres. Lennox Sebe inaugurates "twinning" of Ariel settlement and Ciskei's capital, Bisho.

Arab World: In al-Sharq al-Awsat interview, King Hussein criticizes US role in Middle East and says he will buy Soviet weapons.

Other Countries: In global nuclear weapons survey, Carnegie Endowment for Intl.

Peace reports Israel has capability to deploy 10–20 nuclear bombs.

Wednesday, October 31

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Justice Min. circulates draft bill banning racist incitement in Knesset. "Civil admin." orders 4-day closure of Bethlehem U. DM Rabin says he agrees "in principle" to establishment of bank by Palestinians in West Bank.

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat heads Palestinian delegation to Algiers for anniversary celebration of Algerian Revolution.

Other Countries: US transfers \$1.2 billion to Israel in largest single grant payment ever. Israel Bonds Pres. Halevy tells *Jerusalem Post* Bond sales dropped by 1/3 after US offered Israel moratorium on debt repayment.

Thursday, November 1

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Lydd military court convicts Palestinian Amjad Rabi'a & Lebanese Wafiq Tsalaha of entering Israel from Lebanon & staging attack on Jerusalem market (4/2/84), killing 1, wounding 47; sentencing postponed.

Other Countries: Though not mentioning Israel by name, US Sec. of State Shultz tells New York audience of need to ease Middle East tensions to prevent nuclear proliferation there.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: After closure of Bethlehem U., stone-throwing at Israeli cars resumes around Bethlehem and Bir Zeit. 2 petrol bombs thrown at shops in Manger Square, Bethlehem. Arab World: IDF soldier injured as light arms fire & RPGs hit outpost near Lake Karoun, S. Lebanon.

Friday, November 2

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 67th anniversary of Balfour Declaration. Govt. & labor agree to 3-mo. wage, tax and price freeze, causing 20% drop in workers' real wages. Council of Jewish Settlements issue manifesto calling on govt. to ban Palestinian newspapers. Jerusalem magistrate charges 2 Moshav Susia (Jabal al-Khalil) settlers with abducting al-Khalil school teacher Khalil Younis (11/83).

Arab World: Algerian & PDR Yemeni officials meet representatives of rival PLO groups in attempt to reach reconciliation before upcoming PNC mtg.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Bethlehem Press Office destroyed by arson.

Saturday, November 3 ___

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Jerusalem police arrest 4 IDF soldiers suspected in 10/28 bus attack; main suspect (18-yr.-old American David Ben-Shimol) confesses to grenade attack on Palestinian café (9/22), claims acts in retaliation for killing Jews. Supreme Muslim Council calls for general strike to protest Israeli border police stationed in al-Haram al-Shārif.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 2 Katyusha rockets fall near Kibbutz Yosef in Bisan Valley, presumably launched from Jordan.

Sunday, November 4 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: 4-day curfew lifted in Dheisheh camp. Dheisheh resident Isa Abed Rabu formally charged with murder of 2 Israelis (10/22); defendant claims act of vengence for Shin Bet killing of his brother 2 yrs. ago. UNRWA closes Tira Teachers Seminary (al-Bireh) after 1-mo.-closure threat from authorities if student disturbances continue. Halhoul Local Council elects Hasan Hijazi as mayor. S. African FM Botha arrives in Tel Aviv for 3-day visit.

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat speaks before 15th Arab Lawyer's Federation in Tunis.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Petrol bomb hurled at Israeli vehicle near Ramallah market; no damage.

Arab World: IDF soldier wounded by light weapons fire on IDF outpost in S. Lebanon; 4 SLA wounded by light weapons fire near Nabatiya; grenade thrown at SLA patrol in Tyre, no injuries.

Monday, November 5

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: DM Rabin rejects requests to allow West Bank & Gaza delegates to attend PNC mtg. in Amman and to early end to al-Najah U. closure. West Bank military govt. bans journalist Raymonda Tawil from leaving Palestine. S. African FM Botha meets FM Shamir; tells Jerusalem Post there are "striking comparisons" between problems faced by S. Africa and Israel.

Tuesday, November 6 __

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Mossad exdirector Amit announces private project to launch Israeli communications satellite. DM Rabin tells Knesset Israel has abandoned idea of achieving political gains with IDF in Lebanon. Foreign Min. announces plan to send relief supplies to hunger-stricken Africa with financing by US Presidential Task Force on Intl. Private Enterprize.

Arab World: Rebel Palestinian guerrilla leader Sabri al-Banna (Abu Nidal) dies of heart attack in Baghdad. Palestine National Fund meets in San'a'. Egypt permits 1st nuclear-powered US Navy ship to pass through Suez Canal.

Other Countries: US Pres. Reagan wins reelection by landslide.

Military Action: Lebanese & Palestinian fighters ambush "national guard" leader Mahmoud Tabajah in Ghassab Tadmin, S. Lebanon, killing him & 2 aides for working with IDF.

Wednesday, November 7 _

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Histadrut protests maximum price list issued by Industry & Trade Min. shows substantial increases over 11/2 prices, when freeze went into effect. Central Bureau of Statistics reveals exports for October down 11.5% from 10/83. 139th IDF reserve soldier refuses duty, gets 35-day sentence. CoS Levy says 2,000 IDF employees to be laid off as part of \$80 million defense budget cut. Supreme Court rejects appeal request for convicted terrorist Yehuda Cohen. Other Countries: Chrmn. Arafat cables Pres. Chernenko on 68th anniversary of October Revolution.

Military Action

Arab World: Guerrillas ambush group of Israeli soldiers in Sidon, killing 1, wounding 4.

Thursday, November 8

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Najah U. authorities circulate statement to foreign consulates calling for pressure on Israel to prevent future closures. Gaza youth dies from gunshot wound inflicted by Border Police as he ran from patrolman. Marine Officers' Union boycotts entry at Haifa & Ashdod of 2 foreign ships contracted by Agrexco, forcing co. to use Israeli ships.

Arab World: Lebanese & Israeli military delegations meet in Naqoura, Lebanon for UN-sponsored talks on IDF withdrawal terms; both sides agree to meet again 11/12. Israeli forces arrest 13 Shi'ite Amal militia leaders in Sidon, incl. Com. Mahmoud al-Faqih; later release 9. Syria rejects SLA role in S. Lebanon proposed by Israel as pre-requisite for pull-out. Israeli amb. to Cairo Sasson meets with Egyptian FM Ali.

Friday, November 9

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Kach. member Yehuda Richter gets 5-yr. prison term for attack on Palestinian bus (3/4/84). Jerusalem Mayor Kollek & police chief Bar Lev attempt compromise with Supreme Muslim Council to avoid strike in protest at presence of unruly border guards at al-Haram al-Sharif. Davar reports Israel negotiating to buy 1st nuclear reactor for energy use. [Israel already has at least 2 reactors; uses are not publicized.] Govt. bars 5 witnesses named by *Time* magazine from testifying in imminent Sharon libel case.

Arab World: Voice of PLO (Baghdad) condemns US policy, raps Arab-Americans for misguidedness in believing they can effect neutral US role in Arab-Zionist conflict.

Other Countries: US federal jury awards Vanessa Redgrave \$100,000 in suit against Bostom Symphony canceling her performance on basis of her support for PLO.

Saturday, November 10 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: From Ramallah to Bethlehem, Palestinian shops, schools and public transport strike in non-violent protest at Israeli police occupying al-Haram al-Sharif. Israeli officials give amount of 1985 US-aid request as \$5 billion.

Arab World: Fateh Central Com. announces PNC will convene in Amman 11/22; Syria criticizes move as divisive. In Damascus, Nayef Hawatmeh announces DFLP will attend 17th PNC session. Al-Saiqa spokesman denounces Arafat's call for PNC session as treasonous. Lebanese PM Karami suspends talks with Israel in response to Israel's detention of 4 Shi'ite leaders (since 11/8).

Sunday, November 11

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Law student Aziza Kharaja sentenced to 5 mos. for membership in illegal organization [her 2 sisters held in Neve Tertza on similar charges]. PM Peres announces invitation to Egypt's Pres. Mubarak for talks on bilateral relations. After 2-yr. silence, crewman of M.S. Moran reveals to Hadashot that ship's Capt. Gilad set Tanzanian stowaway adrift on high seas (3/82).

Arab World: Israel proposes cease-fire to Amal forces in S. Lebanon, but refuse release of detained Amal leaders (arrested 11/9) in exchange for resumed talks with Lebanon.

Other Countries: Greek PM Papandreou ends visit to Syria & Jordan and agrees to promote their interests among fellow EEC members.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli authorities demolish 33 homes of farmers in Jiftlik (Ghor al-Fari'a). [Jiftlik produces 15% of West Bank GNP. Israelis demolished adjacent al-'Ajajreh, Sattariya & al-Mahrouq villages in 1967.] Haifa U. student Saour Saour attacked by Kach students while posting notice offering to help Palestinians enroll. Stone-throwing incidents reported in Jabal al-Muqabber (Jerusalem), Bethlehem & Ramallah; police respond with tear gas.

Arab World: IDF convoy ambushed near Sarafand; 1 Israeli seriously wounded, later dies.

Monday, November 12

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Gov't. orders Palestinian money-changers in Jerusalem stop trading in US dollars. Ramallah military court fines Fatmeh Ja'afari IS20,000 for possessing "illegal literature" [purchased in Jerusalem]. DM Rabin meets with Mayor Freij, approves \$700,000 Saudi grant for Bethlehem development projects. FM Shamir calls for creation of new UN including "only democratic countries." Nahal inaugurates 4 settlements: Rotem in Jordan Valley, *Heahzut* near Gush Etzion, *Amitai* & Ye'elon in Negev. Morechet Benyamin Co. dumps truckloads of rubble on Jib village land, rendering it unusable for farming. FM Shamir expresses alarm to visiting US congressmen at apparent Jordanian-PLO rapprochement.

Arab World: PNC Chrmn. Khalid Fahoum declines to issue invitations to PNC mtg. called by Chrmn. Arafat pending further unity talks. Christians & Muslim unite in general strike through S. Lebanon to protest Israeli kidnapping of Amal Shi'ite leaders; Phalangist Joseph Ghanem sends letter of solidarity with demonstrators in Sidon.

Other Countries: 9th anniversary of UN resolution equating Zionism with racism. Special UN panel publicizes findings on Israeli activity in occupied territories; reports Israel continues to disregard Geneva Convention on civilian rights under occupation. In New York Federal Court, hearings begin for Ariel Sharon's libel suit against *Time* magazine.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Curfew imposed on Dheisheh camp after Border Policeman hit with thrown rock; boys' school raided by Border Police; area declared closed military zone.

Arab World: 2 Israeli soldiers wounded by light arms fire in Jibsheet; 2 wounded by RPG fire in Ghaziya village, S. Lebanon.

Other Countries: Bomb explodes in El AL office, Vienna; no injuries.

Tuesday, November 13 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Energy Min. Shahal recommends suspending indefinitely Dead Sea canal project due to economic non-feasibility.

Arab World: Palestinian dissidents reportedly move into Sabra & Shatila camps to confront Arafat loyalists there. US envoy Murphy travels to Damascus to meet Pres. Assad in attempt and press for resumption of Israeli-Lebanese talks; Assad maintains support for Lebanon's refusal; Murphy flies to Tel Aviv.

Other Countries: Ariel Sharon's \$50 million libel suit vs. *Time* magazine opens in New York Federal Court. Meir Kahane denied entry into Canada for 2nd time.

Wednesday, November 14

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Central Bureau of Statistics reports October inflation rate of 24.3%. No Confidence motions presented in Knesset by Mapam, Civil Rights Movement, Progressive List for Peace & Hadash.

Arab World: IDF release 3 of 4 Shi'ite leaders held since 11/8, but retain Mahmoud al-Faqih; with UN mediation, Lebanon's cabinet decides to resume talks with Israel.

Military Action

Arab World: Shi'ite Imam Abdulla al-Amin assassinated in Tawana village, S. Lebanon; Nabih Berri blames Israel.

Thursday, November 15

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: MKs Miari & Peled petition DM Rabin to allow Palestinian delegates under occupation to attend PNC mtg. Central Bureau of Statistics reports annual inflation rate now 1,260%. FM Shamir leaves for US to attend Israel Bonds event honoring oilman Armand Hammer.

Arab World: Lebanese & Israeli military delegations resume talks in Naquora; Lebanese propose Lebanese Army control S. Lebanon after IDF pull-out, and demand \$8–10 billion in reparations.

Other Countries: 26 Lebanese women representing women's orgs. in Lebanon hold silent vigil at UN in New York, protesting Israeli occupation of their country.

Military Action

Arab World: In Beirut, US embassy guards fire on private Saudi aircraft over ambassador's residence.

Friday, November 16

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Military Action

Arab World: IDF release Shi'ite leader Mahmoud al-Faqih from S. Lebanon captivity, deporting him to Beirut.

Saturday, November 17 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Refugees from Iqrit & Bir'im march to site of their villages to commemorate anniversary of their demolition (1951), and demand return.

Arab World: Shi'ite leader Mahmoud al-Faqih tells Beirut press conference of beating and mistreatment while held captive by IDF.

Other Countries: In US, Henry Kissinger tells 53rd Council of Jewish Federation's general assembly there is danger in seeking "comprehensive solution" in Middle East at this time.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Gaza Islamic U.

professor Ismail Katib shot dead by 2 gunmen; no suspects.

Sunday, November 18 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Territories: "Civil administration" orders 6 Dheisheh shop owners to destroy their shops as "illegal" [shops rented from UNRWA].

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Journalist Raymonda Tawil's car destroyed by arsonist [Tawil is vocal supporter of Chrmn. Arafat].

Monday, November 19

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Jiftlik farmers refute DM Rabin's claim that demolition (11/11) there done for security reasons. Att. Gen. Zamir recommends Knesset to limit MK Kahane's Knesset privilege of movement throughout country. Transport Min. suspends sea capt. Gilad for 60 days for forcing Kenyan stowaway out to sea in 1982.

Arab World: Lebanese & Israeli delegations hold 3rd round of talks on IDF withdrawal; both sides report discussions had "positive elements."

Other Countries: 2 Israeli delegations begin talks with US officials in Washington on increasing aid to Israel.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Grenade thrown at army guards at Ramallah municipality, but fails to explode. Israeli troops besiege Balata camp near Nablus as demonstrators raise Palestinian flags; residents repel troops by throwing rocks; curfew imposed. Arab World: Grenade thrown at IDF patrol at al-Harib, S. Lebanon wounds 1 soldier.

Tuesday, November 20 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Hosting 8 Palestinian mayors, Ezer Weizman promises reforms & increased financial aid. 1984 West Bank olive harvest reported 50% below last year. Educ. Min. bans use of book Central Issues in Recent History of the State of the Nation by Amnon Haver for its reference to "Palestinian nation."

Other Countries: George Habash (PFLP) & Nayef Hawatmeh (DFLP) meet with Soviet officials in Moscow to discuss PLO reunification. US Senate Foreign Relations Com. publishes pessimistic report on Israeli economy, stating without current US aid (12% of GNP), balance of payment problem "unmanageable," and increased US aid will not "significantly ameliorate" these problems posing serious security threat to Israel. At Israel Bonds dinner in Los Angeles, American-Jewish oilman Armand Hammer announces project to search for oil in Israel. In New York libel trial, Sharon claims COS Eitan ordered Phalangists into Sabra & Shatila camps (9/82).

Military Action

Arab World: Pentagon orders US carrier *Eisenhower* to take position within range of Lebanon for possible "retaliatory strikes" there.

Wednesday, November 21 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: COS Eitan says IDF can do without Lavi fighter. Jerusalem police refrain from seeking extradition of Jewish terror suspect Ira Rappaport from New York, claiming extradition "extremely problematic." [Under extradition agreement with US, Israel extradited Palestinian immigrant Ziad Abu Ain (1982) on basis of hearsay evidence.] Jewish terror defendant testifies MK Rabbi Waldman helped plan 1980 bomb attack on Palestinian mayors.

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat meets Pres. Bendjedid in Algiers; Bendjedid urges 2mo. postponement of PNC pending further unification talks. PFLP & DFLP announce their boycott of next day's PNC session. Lebanon & Israel meet in 4th round of withdrawal talks with no apparent progress. Libyan news agency Jana reports Col. Qadhafi meets in Tripoli with Abu Nidal [reported deceased].

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Police kill Sharif Taibe, wound 6 in shooting attack on Bir Zeit students demonstrating support for Chrmn. Arafat; curfew imposed on Bir Zeit, police occupy university.

Arab World: Bomb explodes at IDF patrol in Sarafand, S. Lebanon; no casualties.

Thursday, November 22

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Bethlehem & Bir Zeit U.s closed in mourning for death of Sharif Taibe (killed 11/21). Proceedings of PNC mtg. broadcast in Palestine via Jordanian TV.

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat convenes 17th PNC with 257 delegates [251 needed for quorum] in Amman, evoking theme of "eternal continuity"; King Hussein gives opening speech urging Palestinian-Jordanian initiative for peace talks based on "territory for peace." 41st anniversary of Lebanese Republic. Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli soldiers shoot & kill Ramallah demonstrator Bakr Abdullah, wound another during stonethrowing incident there; officers refuse ambulance. Other stone-throwing incidents reported in Nablus & Jelaila camp (Gaza).

Friday, November 23 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli-appointed mayor of Rafah (Gaza) [10/3, after Mayor Qishta's assassination], Suleiman Zo'rub arrested on charges of drug trafficking. IDF issues report showing it uses 8–10% of all fuel imported into country.

Arab World: PNC votes Khalid Fahoum out of office as Speaker [207–7, 47 abst.], elects Sheikh 'Abd al-Hamid Sayeh as replacement.

Other Countries: UN Gen. Assembly passes resolution (105–17, 9 abst.) condemning Israel for aggression in Lebanon.

Military Action:

Arab World: 2 Israelis wounded in ambush of IDF patrol near Haboush village, S. Lebanon.

Saturday, November 24 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Despite appeal by King Hussein, PLO rejects UN Resolution 242 as basis for peace talks.

Other Countries: Cooperation agreement concluded between Bir Zeit U. & U. of Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Sunday, November 25 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israel closes all West Bank high learning institutions for duration of PNC mtg. 5 teenagers arrested for wearing T-shirts with PLO insignia. Settlers pass out leaflets at Dheisheh calling on residents to evacuate. Histadrut tacitly approves basic food price increases for December. Energy Min. spokesman claims Israeli-occupied Golan section of TAPline belongs to ministry.

Arab World: 120 delegates at PNC in Amman petition to expel Libyan-backed PFLP-GC's Ahmed Jibril for "high treason."

Other Countries: 26 US congressmen issue letter to Pope John Paul II calling for Vatican relations with Israel.

Military Action

Arab World: 2 al-Bas refugee camp (Tyre) residents, believed to be collaborators with IDF, killed by Lebanese resistance fighters. SLA soldier wounded by sniper fire near Nabatiya.

Monday, November 26 ____

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: New IS10,000 note [approx. \$16] bearing Golda Meir portrait begins circulation.

Arab World: US & Iraq resume full diplomatic relations. French Pres. Mitterrand begins 3-day official visit to Damascus. Rifa'at Assad returns to Syria from 5 1/2mo. exile.

Military Action

Arab World: IDF patrol near Ansar comes under light arms fire; IDF returns fire, killing 1 gunman. IDF positions near Adwer & Kafr Kuk fired upon; no casualties reported. Israeli troops kidnap 3 from Kafr Seer, incl. head of Amal social services.

Tuesday, November 27 _

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Chrmn. Arafat & Exec. Com. submit resignations at PNC mtg.

Other Countries: During UN debate on Middle East, EEC countries call Israel, Palestinians & Arab states to mutual recognition, renunciation of force & for end to Israeli settlements. MK Abd al-Wahab Darousha tries to attend PNC by entry from Greece, but his (Labor) party persuades him to return home.

Military Action

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Israeli troops shoot & wound Nablus youth during stonethrowing incident.

Arab World: Israeli F15s & F16s attack DFLP base in Qubb Elias, Beqaa Valley; 7 killed, 9 wounded; Syrian anti-aircraft fire repels planes.

Wednesday, November 28 _____

Social/Economic/Political

Arab World: Yasser Arafat wins confidence vote as PLO Chrmn. at PNC mtg.

Other Countries: UN Sec. Council votes unanimously to extend Golan observer force 6-mo; in Gen. Assembly, Egypt maintains peace requires immediate Israeli withdrawal from all occupied territories.

Thursday, November 29

Social/Economic/Political

Occupied Palestine/Israel: Anniversary of UN decision to partition Palestine; Inter-

national Day in Solidarity with the Palestinian People. 2 petrol bombs hurled at Israeli bus near Qalandiya camp; no injuries. Police use tear gas against stonethrowing demonstrators at al-Amari camp on Jerusalem-Ramallah road. Police stations in Bethlehem & Dura (al-Khalil) pelted with stones, as was Israeli minibus in Nablus.

Arab World: 17th PNC adjourns in Amman. Lebanese & Israelis meet in 6th session in Naquora; Lebanese level further accusations; Israelis present more conditions for pull-out; no progress.

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Social/Economic/Political Occupied Palestine/Israel: Cabinet settles on \$375 million in budget cuts, \$100 million from defense. Central Command [occupied territories] officer Shahak petitions High Court to expropriate 2 hills near Ramallah for IDF purposes. Cabinet decides to allow former Supreme Court pres. to examine secret documents required for MK Sharon's libel case against *Time*, Inc.

Military Action

Other Countries: Black September claims responsibility for assassination of Jordanian diplomat Azmi al-Mufti in Bucharest.

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