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## JEWS HAD INFORMED WORLD OF IMPENDING

# MURDERS IN IRAQ



THE 1,000,000TH PASSENGER THROUGH LYDDA AIRPORT IN 1968 WAS MRS. JANET GORDON, HOUSEWIFE FROM LONG ISLAND; N.Y. SHE ARRIVED ON EL AL AIRLINER DEC. 25 WITH HER SON ARIYEH, LEFT. (ISRAEL SUN PHOTO).

### EDITORIAL

The speed of the whole world to react is amazing. We're talking about the feeling that swept all nations after the public hanging of 14, including nine Jews, in Iraq. Notice we said, AFTER the hanging. That's important. Pounds of cure but not an ounce of prevention.

You would think that the executions came as a complete surprise to the nations of the world, but readers of the Israelite know different. We know that the American Jewish Committee gave full warning of the secret condemnations by a military tribunal at a closed hearing. The AJC story, appearing in last week's Israelite, called on the U. S. Government, the United Nations and its member countries, and non-governmental agencies to urge the Iraqi government to tell "the whole story."

Not a peep was publicly heard from anyone until after the hangings this past Monday. Then, and only then, the whole world reacted. And what was the reaction?

The main and only concern of all nations was to urge Israel not to retaliate. As usual, no matter what takes place in the Middle East, the onus falls on the Jews. The pattern remains constant.

The AJC statement, made by Richard Maass, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, also warned, "as many as 100 other Iraqis, Moslems and Christians as well as Jews may face a similar fate."

We do not have too many known facts on which to base a conclusion.

Iraq claims the executed men were traitors, convicted of spying for Israel. If this were true, the men deserved their fate, because spying is a hazardous trade. But if the men were in fact spies, why the secret trial? Why not have it out in the open for all the world to see?

One more item before we go on to subsequent circumstances. Why were the bodies strung up in a public square after they were hanged in Baghdad's central prison? Ac-

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UPON THEIR RETURN TO THE U.S. AFTER LIBERATION FROM CAPTIVITY IN NORTH KOREA, THE TWO JEWISH CREWMEN OF THE U.S.S. PUEBLO, TECHNICIAN STEVEN J. ROBIN (LEFT) AND SEAMAN STEVEN ELLIS (RIGHT) ATTENDED SPECIAL HANUKKAH CANDLE-LIGHTING CEREMONIES CONDUCTED FOR THEM IN THE SAN DIEGO, CALIF., NAVAL CHAPEL BY CHAPLAIN GARSON GOODMAN (CENTER).

### CONGRATULATION TO NIXON

JERUSALEM (WSN) -- Israeli President Zalman Shazar, in an official message conveying the warm wishes and congratulations of the Government to President Richard M. Nixon on his inauguration, declared:

"Your high ideals of peace and justice for all co-existence throughout the world are a source of renewed hope for your own great nation, for the freedom-loving people of the world and for my own country in its quest for peace with its neighbors."

Mr. Eshkol disclosed farewell notes exchanged with the outgoing President

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Rose Salzman  
Etta Fox

Lyndon B. Johnson in which the American chief executive noted his request for appropriations to cover a large part of the costs of an Israeli desalination plant. The United States Congress still has to approve spending the

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## ARABS HONOR ISRAEL'S WAR DEATHS



ARABS OF KALKILYA, ONE OF TOWNS CAPTURED BY ISRAEL DEFENCE FORCES IN SIX DAY WAR, ERECT MONUMENT TO ISRAEL'S FALLEN IN JUNE, 1967. (ISRAEL SUN PHOTO)

### ISRAEL DENOUNCES EMBARGO

PARIS (WSN) -- Israel has officially denounced the French Embargo on arms and military spare parts as a breach of faith by the French Government and reserved the right to take whatever action is deemed necessary with respect to the

embargo. But the note to the French Government did not, at this time, request a refund of some \$100 million paid to France for embargoed Mirage V jets, spare parts and other equipment. Israel instead demanded that France live up to its contractual obligations and supply the arms ordered.

The embargo is beginning to hurt the French economy and the loss to the country's aircraft industry which was based on the Israeli orders, could be fatal. Two new fighter-bombers were not put into production because Israel decided against buying them, and Israel aircraft industry official said.

The first casualty of the embargo was a Dassault plant which manufactured Mirage jets and spare parts exclusively for Israel. It was reported to have shut down, a move affecting 100 technicians and specialists. Some 50 to 100 workers at another company plant are to be laid off and about 3,000 aircraft workers all over France, 1,800 of whom are employed by Dassault, face the possibility of losing jobs. Sud Aviation, which produces the Super Frelon helicopters used by Israel in the Beirut raid, also faces serious losses.

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