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HAIG PROMISES TO REVIEW U.S. POLICY IN MIDEAST

UN OFFICER MAY BE WRONG ON CHARGES

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Brig. Gen. Bjora Odegaard, deputy commander of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), has conceded that he had been hasty in accepting the allegations of Dutch UNIFIL troops that Israeli soldiers mutilated the bodies of five terrorists killed by Israeli forces in south Lebanon last year. The evidence against Israel was a photograph of the bodies made three days after the incident by a telescopic lens. It showed only three bodies and was taken to substantiate the charge that the other two had been burned and mutilated with explosives. When Odegaard and Gen. Em-

manuel Erskine, the UNIFIL commander, showed it to Israeli officers recently, Gen. Avigdor Ben-Gal, commander of the northern region, demanded an enlargement.

When this was done all five bodies were visible, none showing signs of burns or mutilation. Israeli army sources said Odegaard admitted he may have been hasty in accepting the allegations. But UN sources said they would wait the findings of a commission of inquiry appointed by UN Secretary Gen. Kurt Waldheim.

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WILL NOT DEAL WITH PLO

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- The new Reagan Administration, while declaring it will continue the Camp David peace process, has announced a review of the United States policy toward the Middle East. Secretary of State Alexander Haig in his first press conference at the State Department, stressed he does not "want to inject any sense of urgency" in a U.S. decision to invite Israeli Premier Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to Washington.

"We have and continue to support the Camp David accords and the peace process that was launched under those accords, and we will continue to abide by that in consultation with the parties, not only the signatories but those with a direct interest in the outcome," Haig said.

He added that "We are in the process of reviewing the situation and in that process we perhaps will come up with a timetable that makes some sense. But I need to have some discussion with the parties concerned." The U.S. review of the Mideast policy was actually announced by State Department spokesman William Dyess who stressed that it is "not an agonizing reappraisal."

Dyess said "What we are simply doing is to review the policy as it now exists to see

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TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

The Three Jewish Hostages

When the hostages finally arrived in Wiesbaden, the Jewish men among them -- Barry Rosen, Jerry Plotkin, and Malcolm Kalp -- found U.S. Air Force Chaplain Joel R. Schwartzman waiting to talk with them, provide them with any spiritual counseling they needed, and give them gifts from JWB.

Chaplain Schwartzman, who is stationed at Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany, left immediately for Wiesbaden to meet the freed hostages after a call from Rabbi Joseph B. Messing, Director of JWB's Armed Forces and Veterans Services and Jewish Chaplaincy Commission.

In an overseas telephonic report to Rabbi Messing with JWB Executive Vice-President Arthur Rotman listening in, Chaplain Schwartzman told how he had met the returnees and had given the three Jewish men among them JWB Prayer Books, JWB Holy Scriptures, necklaces with Jewish stars which JWB had sent to Jewish chaplains as part of their supplies for distribution to Jewish service personnel, and the Chaplains Tablet pins with Jewish stars. Schwartzman drew upon these supplies to make gifts to the returned hostages. Since they were freed on Tu B'Shvat, he also gave them JNF tree certificates.

"All three men are relating well to Judaism," Chaplain Schwartzman told Rabbi Messing. "They are wearing the JWB necklaces and Barry Rosen is proudly wearing the Chaplain's Tablet with the Jewish star."

Reached in Chicago, JWB President Robert L. Adler expressed profound satisfaction that Chaplain Schwartzman had gone to Wiesbaden and had ministered to the freed hostages.

"There are 55 Jewish chaplains, some of whom are stationed at bases throughout the world who can make themselves available for such emergencies in addition to carrying on their regular work," Mr. Adler said. "Just within the last two months, we have had Jewish chaplains serving the earthquake victims in southern Italy

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MORTUARIES AND
MEMORIAL PARKS

Yahrzeits Tonight At Beth Sholom

(Friday, Feb. 13, 1981)
Morris Cupshan
Bertha Brown
Joseph Boris Dworkin
Sarah Sklar
Rose I. Herst
Lena Gordon
Harry Weinstein
Fannie Tutelman
Isador Suranowitz
David Roth
Benjamin Cohen
Anna Silverman
Nathan Seideman

Molly Resnick
Samuel Hagar
Joseph Goldstein
Cela Seif
Rose Hyzen
Samuel Feinstein
Jack Entratter
Samuel Bliss
Bessie Wollman
Sam Moskowitz
William R. Piker
Herb Fossaner
Harry Herst.



"FREEDOM IS BEAUTIFUL," SAYS A HAPPY FORMER HOSTAGE, SGT. ROCKY SICKMANN AT A GALA WELCOMING BY THE DUNES HOTEL. FROM LEFT TO RIGHT ARE MORRIS SHENKER, DUNES BOARD CHAIRMAN, ISRAELITE'S MICHAEL TELL, SGT. SICKMANN, DEBRA SHENKER AMIRA, DUNES PUBLICIST AND CHARLES RICH, CASINO EXECUTIVE. MR. SHENKER ROLLED OUT THE RED CARPET FOR SGT. SICKMANN. COINCIDENTLY THE RETURNING HOSTAGE LIVES IN KRAKOW, MO., JUST 55 MILES FROM MR. SHENKER'S HOME TOWN, ST. LOUIS.