

### Israel Steps Up Security After Terrorist Attack In Jerusalem

(Continued from page 1) front in Lebanon that Israel was fully aware that the Syrians were capable of halting terrorist infiltration of Israel from areas of Lebanon they control. Premier Yitzhak Shamir, meanwhile, pledged that "the assailants and those who sent them will not go unpunished." Forty-eight persons were wounded in the terrorist attack, most of the victims sustaining only slight wounds. One terrorist was fatally wounded by armed civilians in the morning attack near Jerusalem's busiest intersection, while a second terrorist was captured at the scene and a third was seized by police at a roadblock while trying to escape in a car. Witnesses provided the following account of the terrorist attack: Two

assailants, described as men who spoke English with Arabic accents, entered a menswear shop on King George Street carrying plastic bags. They were trying on jeans in the changing cubicles when, on a shouted signal from outside, they burst out of the cubicles brandishing weapons. One held a gun to the head of the shop clerk while the other man ran into the street hurling grenades indiscriminately. They opened fire at random at passersby and neighboring shops. Several shopkeepers who were armed returned the fire, wounding one of the terrorists. The hero of the hour was Eli Cohen, an insurance salesman who once commanded paratroopers. He was in his second floor office on King George Street

when, hearing shots outside, he grabbed his Baretta pistol, raced down a flight of stairs and gave chase to a wounded terrorist who held a live grenade. Cohen confronted the man as he was about to throw the grenade through the window of a stalled bus filled with passengers. The Baretta jammed at the critical moment, but he downed the man with the pistol barrel. The grenade rolled into the street where it exploded harmlessly, except for a fragment that struck Cohen. He was hospitalized but his wound was not serious. The buss passengers credited Cohen for saving their lives. The wounded terrorist died later in the hospital. His two companions were in custody. By week's end, the few wounded civilians who remained hospitalized appeared to be on the road to recovery.

### Passover Message

Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, President of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, issued the following Passover statement:

For Jews, the ever present theme of peace and freedom is particularly poignant during the Passover holiday as we remember and retell through the Haggadah (Passover story) our ancestors' deliverance from Egyptian bondage. The Haggadah also reminds us to reach out to those that are in need and "let all who are hungry come and eat..."

Hunger and unemployment threaten more and more individuals each passing day. For those of us who are fortunate enough to live without deprivation, helplessness and hopelessness we have an obligation to respond to these needs.

As Jews who value the real meaning of freedom, we cannot be truly free until we work to alleviate the plight of others.

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