

News Digest

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In Brief

Moral duty

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State George Shultz told a House panel Tuesday the United States has a moral duty to supply aid to Nicaraguan rebels trying to overthrow the leftist Sandinista government.

In an appearance before a House Appropriations subcommittee, Shultz painted the situation in Central America in stark and simple terms, calling the Contras "the good guys," and the Sandinistas "the bad guys" and "a very undesirable cancer in the area."

He said the administration believes it has a moral imperative to "support those people... willing to fight for freedom and independence."

A moment too late

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Authorities said Tuesday that a cab driver saw Olof Palme's assassin leap into a car and speed away with at least one accomplice seconds before police arrived at the scene of the murder.

They offered a reward of \$70,000 in hopes of tempting an accomplice to betray the man who shot the 59-

year-old prime minister in the back Friday night on a well-lighted street in downtown Stockholm.

'Ill-gotten wealth'

MANILA, Philippines — The government of Corazon Aquino said Tuesday it has new evidence that ousted President Ferdinand Marcos and his family and friends may have plundered up to \$10 billion of the nation's wealth.

Former Sen Jovito Salonga said at a news conference that documents found at the presidential palace after Marcos hurriedly abandoned it Feb. 25 link Marcos to purported illegal purchases of property in the United States.

Salonga is chairman of a five-member commission Aquino created last week to recover "all ill-gotten wealth" that the Marcos family and its associates allegedly accumulated and secreted under dummy names during Marcos' 20-year rule.

Asked how much money was involved, Salonga replied, "maybe \$5 billion to \$10 billion."

Impotent rhino

HOUSTON — The Houston Zoo wants to spend \$57,600 to find out why Samburu, a rare southern white rhinoceros, has failed for 15 years to impregnate his mate, Marsabit.

The City Council was expected to decide Tuesday whether to approve the study of the rhinos' mating habits. The zoo would apply for a \$25,000 grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum Services and seek \$32,600 in private donations.

Samburu and Marsabit — one of 25 pairs of white rhinos in captivity in the United States — were captured in 1965 in Africa and brought to the Houston Zoo five years later.

Emergency lifted

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — President P.W. Botha announced that the 195-day-old state of emergency imposed to fight anti-apartheid turmoil in South Africa probably would be lifted on Friday.

His announcement Tuesday was praised by the United States and was given a cautious welcome from some South African liberals. But it provoked expressions of concern from the largest anti-apartheid grouping, The United Democratic Front, that the emergency would be supplanted by repressive legislation.

Botha also made a new offer of statehood for Namibia, proposing an Aug. 1 target date for starting moves toward the territory's independence. He made it conditional on a withdrawal of Cuban troops from neighboring Angola.

News reports say Waldheim was member of Hitler groups

VIENNA, Austria — A news magazine published what it says is a recently declassified document identifying former U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim as a member of two Nazi organizations, including Hitler's infamous security troops.

The New York Times on Tuesday also said Waldheim was a member of the groups, and said it obtained documents in Vienna showing he was attached to a German army command in World War II that fought brutal campaigns against Yugoslav partisans and which deported Greek Jews.

Waldheim is campaigning for the Austrian presidency and is considered a front-runner with the elections two months away.

The newsweekly Profil quoted

Waldheim as categorically denying ever belonging to either Nazi organization. A spokesman for Waldheim, Gerold Christian, also denied the report, but told The Associated Press that Waldheim was a German army officer in the Balkans in World War II. He said Waldheim was a translator and was not involved in any atrocities.

The New York Times quoted Waldheim as saying in an interview Sunday that he rode horses with a Nazi student group "to have some protection" at school from Nazi persecution.

He was quoted as saying he did not realize he had been enrolled in the S.A., or Sturmabteilung, Hitler's brown-shirted security troops. The S.A. later was eclipsed by the S.S., or Schutzstaffel, as Hitler's secret police.

More violence on West Bank

TEL AVIV, Israel — Violence spread in the occupied territories Tuesday, two days after an Israeli-appointed mayor was murdered, but Prime Minister Shimon Peres vowed to continue easing control over West Bank cities.

Israeli troops fired on a group of young Palestinians in the market place at Nablus, whose mayor was assassinated Sunday, wounding a 22-year-old in the leg, military sources reported. They said the Palestinians had refused to stop for questioning and some began throwing stones.

The marketplace is near the spot where Mayor Zafer al-Masri was shot Sunday while walking to the city hall in Nablus, 30 miles north of Jerusalem.

In occupied Gaza, Palestinian youths threw a smoke grenade at an Israeli army jeep patrolling the market of Gaza City, causing no casualties, and soldiers erected roadblocks, the military sources said.

Soldiers fired on demonstrators throwing stones Monday at a refugee camp near Nablus, killing a Palestinian man and wounding his son. At least 50,000 mourners, equivalent to more than half the city's population, filled the streets during al-Masri's funeral later in the day.

Peres said in a speech to army officers that he intended to pursue his policy of looser control over cities in the West Bank of the Jordan River, despite growing domestic criticism.

"We do not want to run the Arabs' lives. They are trying to describe us as conquerors. This is not true and we have no interest in being so," Peres said, according to a report given by the prime minister's aides.

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