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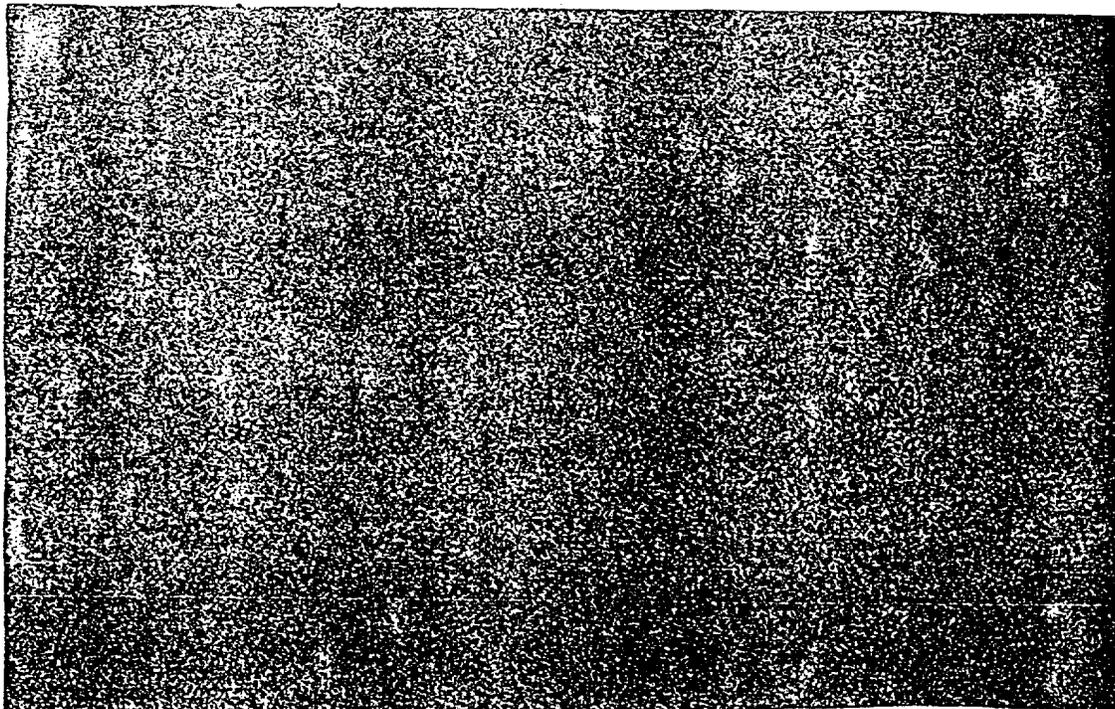


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IRAQ-KUWAIT: SITUATION REPORT #524



Iranian press stated three additional Iraqi planes entered Iran on Wednesday. ■

Iran's ambassador to the UN has announced that Iraqi pilots who have flown their planes to Iran in recent days are being treated as prisoners of war, according to press. ■



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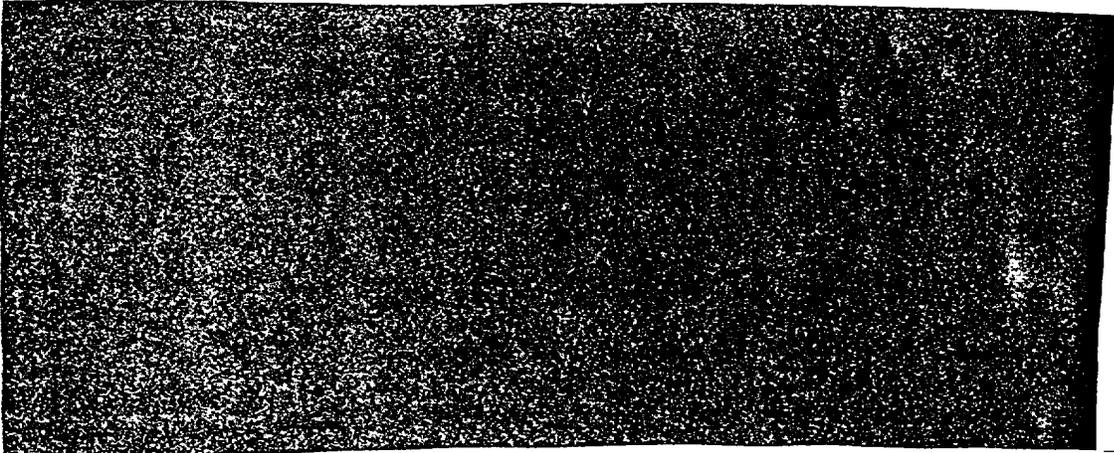
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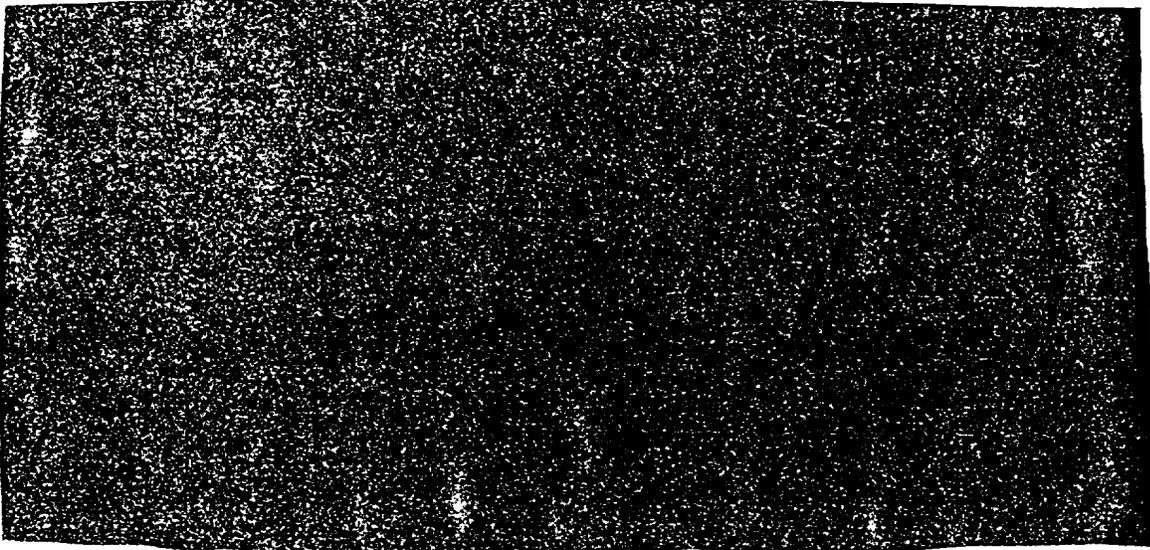
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Iraqi Naval Unit Enters Iranian Waters

According to Iranian press, a damaged Iraqi naval vessel, class unknown, entered Iranian waters this morning following an Allied attack.



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Political Developments

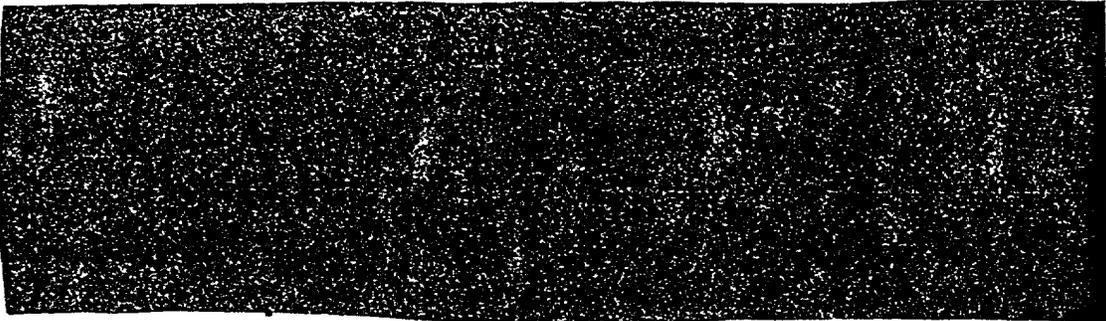
Iraqi Response to Bush Address

In a six-minute commentary on President Bush's State of the Union address, Baghdad Radio called the President a war criminal and a liar. The commentator asked how Bush could claim to be defending humanity when "he is ordering his mercenaries to hit women and children and destroy residential areas and cultural and social establishments." The commentator also called for a "deep and balanced dialogue" to resolve the crisis.



Syria Unhappy With Western Aid to Israel

The government-controlled Syrian media today accused the West of undermining the Arabs and future Arab-Israeli peace efforts by increasing aid to Tel Aviv. The media claims that, although Saddam is responsible for the war, the West should not use this as an excuse to rush aid to Israel.

Iraq Will Receive Red Cross

Ibrahim al-Nuri, president of the Iraqi Red Crescent Society, announced today that Iraq is ready to receive an International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) delegation to examine the treatment of coalition POWs, according to press. In return, Al-Nuri set the condition that the ICRC also report on the conditions of the Iraqi people.



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