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CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ACTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
7-12 February 1974	Zambia, Lusaka	[REDACTED]

United Kingdom,
England

2 February 1974

British National Defense College bombed. An estimated 25 pounds of explosives were detonated in the records section of the Latimer National Defense College in Little Chalfont, about 30 miles west of London. Ten persons were injured by the blast. Three hours after this explosion, bomb disposal experts detonated another bomb found nearby. British authorities blame IRA terrorists for the bombing, according to press reports. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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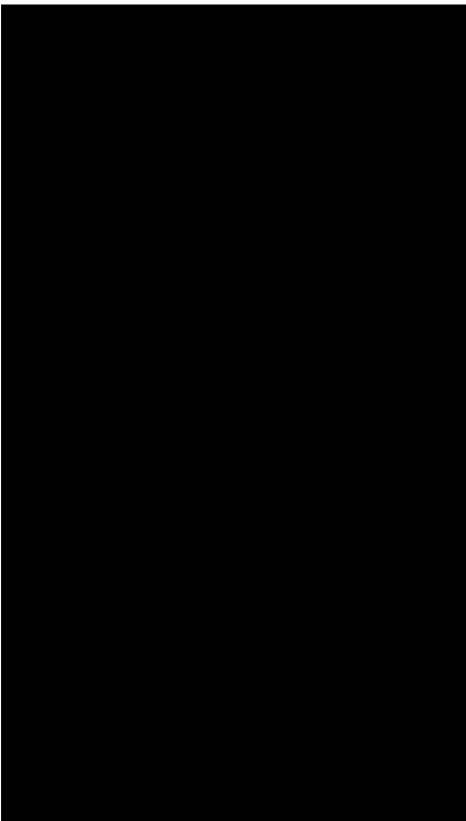
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U.S. Embassies
Europe
South America
Possibly
27 February
1974

Unknown

France,
Paris

U.S. Company

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Unknown

Greece

Western Targets
Possibly NATO
Installation

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U.S. Embassy
Official

Trinidad,
Port of Spain

Unknown

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Orthodox Church

United States
Michigan,
Detroit

Unknown

Greek Orthodox
Churches

United States

Educational
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U.S. Business

United States,
Michigan,
Detroit

February-
March 1974

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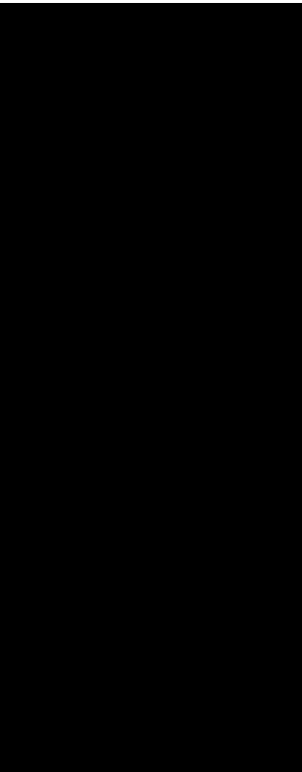
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U.S. Military
Officers

Unknown

Worldwide

U.S. Government
Employees

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Worldwide

U.S. Targets
European
Targets

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** #
Late February 1974

Brazil, Sao Paulo

U.S. Businesses
Brazilian Government Offices

** #
Unknown

Ecuador, Quito

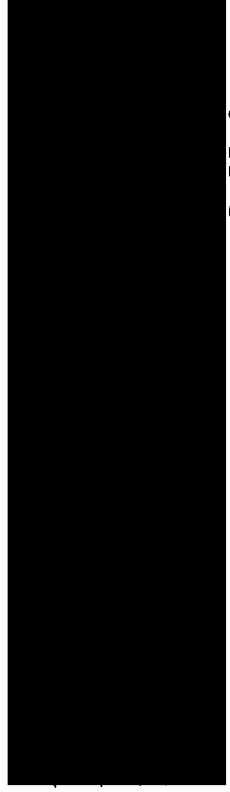
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February 1974

Mexico

Unknown



Unknown

Trinidad, Port of Spain

U.S. Embassy Official

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Soviet Delegation

Arab
Participants
in Geneva
Conference

Switzerland,
Geneva

Unknown

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Geneva Airport
United Nations
Building

Switzerland,
Geneva

Unknown

Swissair
Aircraft

Switzerland,
Geneva

Unknown

Possibly
Europe

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Worldwide

U.S. Government Employees

Unknown

Worldwide

U.S. Targets
European Targets

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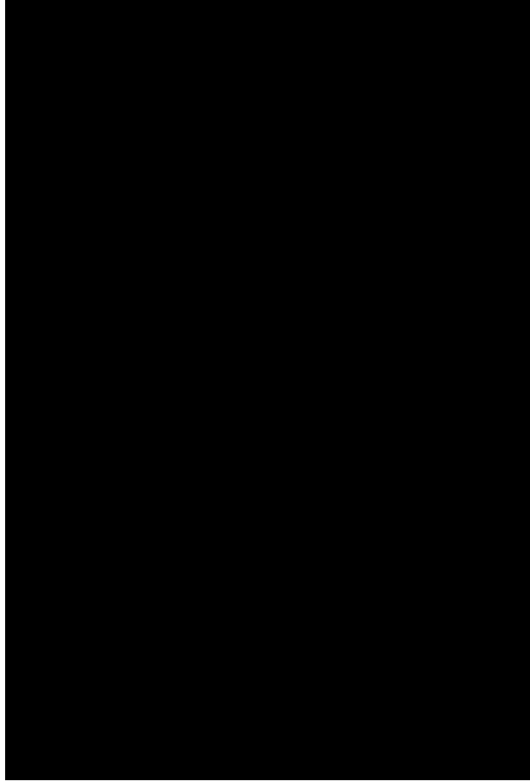
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Marienfelde
Refugee
Center

Current

West Berlin

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U.S. Business
Executives

Unknown

Argentina,
Buenos Aires

U.S. business executives continue to be favorite targets of Argentine terrorist organizations. (UNCLASSIFIED)

U.S. Embassies

Unknown

Jordan,
Amman
Lebanon,
Beirut



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and Western European
Installations
Personnel

Unknown

Worldwide

Fedayeen operations against U.S. and Western European oil installations are a continuing possibility, particularly against installations of countries which support Israel or detain fedayeen prisoners. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Airlines and
interests of
Countries
Detaining
Terrorists

Unknown

Unknown

Fedayeen terrorists are being held in prison or otherwise detained by ten countries: France, Greece, Italy, West Germany, Israel, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Sudan and Paraguay. The airlines or interests of those non-Arab countries detaining terrorists could be subjected to fedayeen attack as a means of gaining freedom for their imprisoned comrades. (See Tab B, Section I.) (UNCLASSIFIED)

French Officials
and Aircraft

Unknown

Unknown

The kidnapping of French officials and aircraft in Turkey, or Turkish officials and aircraft in France, could emerge as a means for terrorists to free the supporters of the Turkish Popular Liberation Front (TPLF) and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) who were arrested by French authorities on 20 December. (See the 3 January issue, page 1, for complete information on the arrest of the TPLF and PFLP supporters.) (UNCLASSIFIED)

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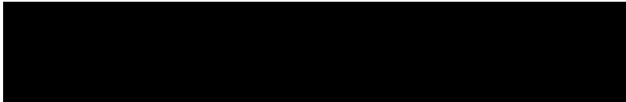
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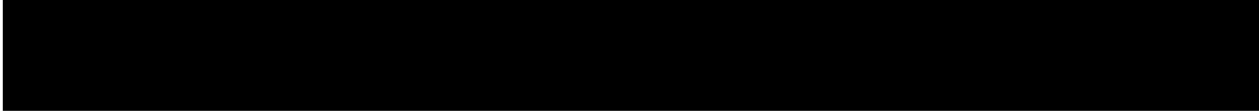
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West German Consul Kidnapped in Ireland Possibly Involved in Arms Smuggling

Thomas Niedermayer, honorary West German consul and manager of the Grundig Electronics Company in North Ireland who was kidnapped by unknown persons on 28 December 1973 (see the 3 January 1974 issue, page A-3), allegedly was the victim of a militant Irish Protestant underground group and is no longer alive, according to an article in the 4 February issue of the West German weekly magazine Der Spiegel.

According to the article, a Protestant underground group in Belfast had planned to smuggle weapons into Ireland by utilizing the empty space of a container in which 20 tons of steel were being shipped on 4 January from West Germany to the Grundig plant in Belfast. Niedermayer allegedly had been amorously involved with the wife of the underground leader responsible for the plan. The article leaves open the question of Niedermayer's complicity in the smuggling plot but cites a Protestant loyalist politician in Belfast to the effect that Niedermayer is definitely no longer alive. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Bank of London Employee Set Free in Argentina

Enrique Nyborg Anderson (originally reported as Ernesto Niborg Andersen), a regional manager of the Bank of London in Argentina who was kidnapped on 11 November, was set free last week for an estimated \$1,145,000 ransom. Anderson's abductors remain unidentified. (For background see the 28 November issue, page 13.) (UNCLASSIFIED)

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CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ACTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
20 February 1974	South Vietnam, Saigon	Hijacking to Hanoi foiled. A South Vietnamese youth, Nguyen Cuu Viet, attempted to hijack to Hanoi an Air Vietnam airliner en route from Saigon to Da-nang. When his attempt was foiled by the American copilot, he pulled the pin on a hand grenade he was carrying, killing himself and three passengers. Several other passengers were injured in the explosion, and the four-engined DC-4 plane was badly damaged. Present evidence indicates Viet was acting alone and no motivation for his attempt has been established. (UNCLASSIFIED)

23 February 1974	Greece, Lavrion	Bombs at Dow chemical plant. Terrorists placed five bombs in the Dow chemical plant at Lavrion, about 40 miles from Athens. Of the five bombs, four exploded, causing material damage, according to an official Greek announcement. The fifth bomb exploded while two Greek demolition experts were attempting to defuse it. Both were killed. A Greek underground organization called the People's Resistance Organized Army claimed responsibility for the bombings, according to press reports. (UNCLASSIFIED)
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Mexico

24 February 1974

Bombs hit U.S. companies.

Seven bombs exploded at U.S. and other companies in Mexico during the night of 24 February. There were no injuries. Pepsi-Cola and Union Carbide plants were bombed in Guadalajara, and Coca-Cola, a bakery and federal offices were targets of bomb attacks in Oaxaca. The perpetrators of the bombings are not known at this time. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Embassies

Europe

Possibly

27 February

South America

1974

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U.S. Company

France,
Paris

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Western Targets
Possibly NATO
Installation

Greece

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U.S. Government
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Worldwide

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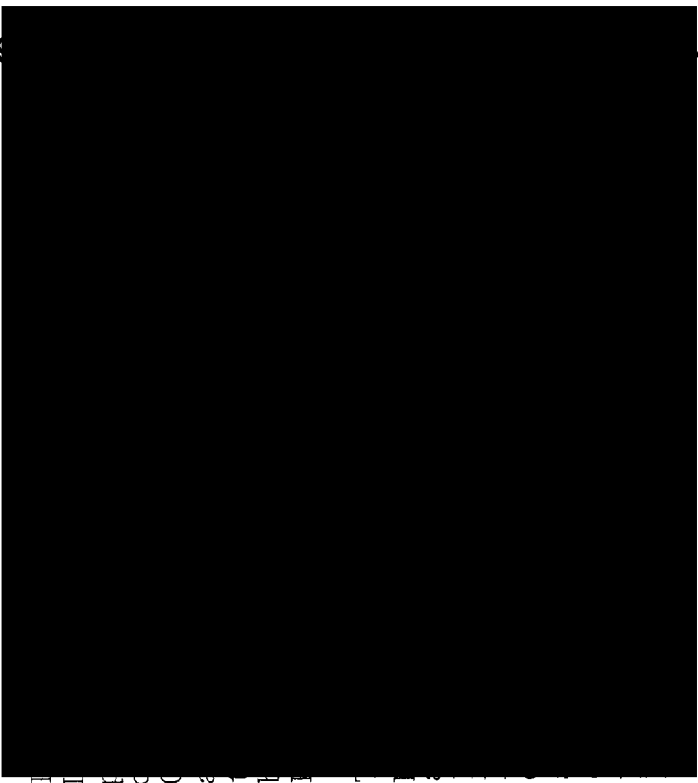
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Soviet Delegation

Unknown

Switzerland,
Geneva

Arab
Participants
in Geneva
Conference

Unknown

Switzerland,
Geneva

Geneva Airport
United Nations
Building

Unknown

Switzerland,
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Swissair
Aircraft

Possibly
Europe

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Worldwide

U.S. Targets
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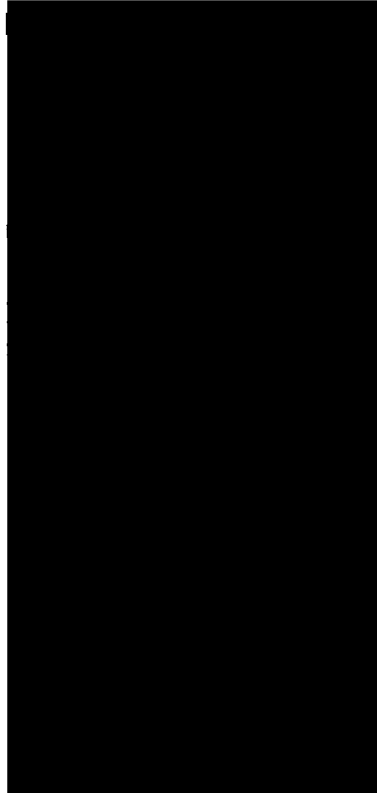
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POTENTIAL TERRORIST TARGETS IN THE U.S. AND ABROAD

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TARGET DATE PLACE EVENT

Secretary of State 25 February -
Henry Kissinger 3 March 1974

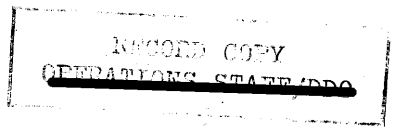


Unknown, 1 March 1974 Unknown **
Possibly
Sudanese or
U.S. Officials Unknown

The magisterial inquiry into the Khartoum killings was reconvened on 16 February, following a 13 December 1973 adjournment. The BSO terrorists who seized the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Khartoum on 1 March 1973 and assassinated one Belgian and two U.S. diplomats have been in the custody of Sudanese authorities for the past year. Fedayeen might plan an operation to free the Khartoum terrorists and could possibly choose 1 March as a symbolic date to mount such an operation. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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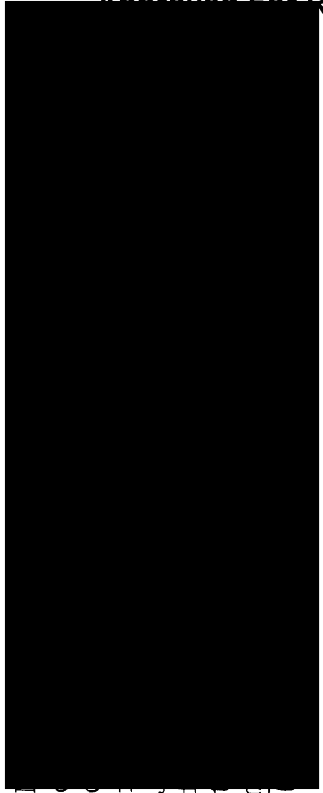
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Foreigners,
Especially
U.S. Citizens

Current

Ethiopia,
Addis Ababa

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A tense situation, brought on by rising prices, famine in the provinces and a new educational program, exists in Addis Ababa. In addition to normal demonstrations and complaints aimed at government officials, the populace is also trageting foreigners, especially U.S. citizens, as a result of their sponsorship of an educational sector review. On the evening of 20 February students attacked several Military Advisory Assistance Group (MAAG) vehicles, and one American was seriously injured. As a result the MAAG commander has closed the unit, and the American school has been closed as a precautionary measure. In addition, two U.S. Embassy employees had their cars stoned while driving to work. (Comment: U.S. officials are taking precautionary measures in driving to and from work and in their daily habits.) (UNCLASSIFIED)

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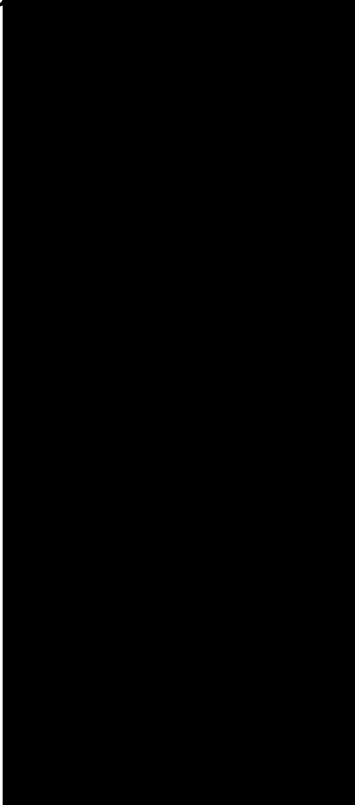
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U.S. business executives continue to be favorite targets of Argentine terrorist organizations. (UNCLASSIFIED)



Argentina,
Buenos Aires

Jordan,
Amman

Lebanon,
Beirut

Unknown

Unknown

U.S. Business
Executives

U.S. Embassies

Lebanon,
Beirut

Worldwide

Unknown

Unknown

U.S. Ambassador
to Lebanon,
G. McMurtrie
Godley

U.S. and
Western European
Oil Installations
and Personnel

* The PFLP has pledged opposition to Ambassador Godley as the new U.S. ambassador to Lebanon, according to Lebanese press reports. Ambassador Godley has left Washington en route to Beirut and is expected to arrive there shortly. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Fedayeen operations against U.S. and Western European oil installations are a continuing possibility, particularly against installations of countries which support Israel or detain fedayeen prisoners. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Airlines and
Interests of
Countries
Detaining
Terrorists

Unknown

Unknown

Fedayeen terrorists are being held in prison or otherwise detained by ten countries: France, Greece, Italy, West Germany, Israel, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Sudan and Paraguay. The airlines or interests of those non-Arab countries detaining terrorists could be subjected to fedayeen attack as a means of gaining freedom for their imprisoned comrades. (UNCLASSIFIED)

French Officials
and Aircraft

Turkish Officials
and Aircraft

Unknown

Unknown

The kidnapping of French officials and aircraft in Turkey, or Turkish officials and aircraft in France, could emerge as a means for terrorists to free the supporters of the Turkish Popular Liberation Front (TPLF) and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) who were arrested by French authorities on 20 December. (See the 3 January issue, page 1, for complete information on the arrest of the TPLF and PFLP supporters.) (UNCLASSIFIED)

- ** Reported for the first time.
- * Revision of report in previous issues.

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