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News Summary

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TODAY'S HEADLINES

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Israel To Allow Questioning By U.S. -- The Israeli intelligence operator in the spying case against Jonathan Pollard will be made available to U.S. authorities for questioning. (Washington Post, Washington Times)

World Bank, IMF Urge Action On Global Loans -- Top officials of the IMF and World Bank issued a joint statement calling on banks to act quickly to implement Secretary Baker's plan to increase lending to Third World nations. (Washington Post)

NATIONAL NEWS

Fraud Is Charged In Divad Contract -- General Dynamics Corp. and NASA Administrator James Beggs were indicted on charges of trying to defraud the government. (Washington Post, New York Times, Washington Times, Baltimore Sun, UPI, AP)

Alternative Tax Plan Is Expected Today -- The White House has been warned tax overhaul will die unless the President gives his endorsement. (Washington Post, Washington Times)

NETWORK NEWS (Monday Evening)

PRESIDENT IN SEATTLE -- The President tried to lower expectations for concrete results from the Summit.

DELTA FORCE -- Administration officials confirmed there were three military men with Egyptian commandos who stormed that Egyptair jet.

WEATHER -- At least 14 people are dead in the wake of sub-zero cold.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

ISRAEL TO ALLOW QUESTIONING BY U.S.

JERUSALEM -- Rafael Eitan, the Israeli intelligence operative who has been named a key figure in the spying case against U.S. Navy analyst Jonathan Pollard, will be made available to U.S. authorities for questioning, highly placed Israeli sources said Monday night.

Moreover, senior Israeli officials said, four science-gathering offices in the United States that were supervised by Eitan will be closed once evidence is collected proving that they had a dual role of running covert intelligence operations there. (Washington Post, A1)

U.S. Says Wife In Spy Case Had Date For China

When Anne Henderson-Pollard was arrested last month, she was planning to offer the Chinese a secret document that describes in detail what American intelligence knows about Peking's spying activities in this country, prosecutors asserted Monday.

In a 23-page document filed in Federal District Court here, prosecutors contended that Mrs. Henderson-Pollard, who has been charged with obtaining classified documents, was far more deeply involved in the alleged espionage activities of her husband, Jonathan Pollard, than previously indicated. (Stephen Engleberg, New York Times, A1)

Israel OKs Questioning By U.S. In Pollard Case

Responding to the Israeli statement, President Reagan said Monday he "welcomed" the Israeli apology.

"Israel will enable the United States to carry out its own justice and will not hamper the U.S. investigation," Israel radio quoted Mr. Peres as saying. (Washington Times, A6)

Telephone Call Preceded Israeli Apology

It was 3:30 a.m. Sunday in Jerusalem when Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres received a phone call from Secretary Shultz in California. The call, which culminated more than 24 hours of intense maneuvering between Jerusalem and Washington, had been invited to ease the strains threatening U.S.-Israeli relations as the result of the Jonathan Pollard spy case. (John Goshko, Washington Post, A24)

SUSPECT MAY SELL SECRETS IF RELEASED, COURT TOLD

There is a good chance that the government has not recovered all of the classified Navy documents allegedly stolen by Jonathan Pollard, and his wife might sell them if she is released from custody before her trial, U.S. Attorney Joseph diGenova said Monday. (Washington Post, A25)

WORLD BANK, I.M.F. URGE ACTION ON GLOBAL LOANS

The top officials of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank issued an unusual joint statement Monday calling on commercial banks to act quickly to implement Secretary Baker's plan to increase lending to Third World debtor nations. The statement by IMF Managing Director Jacques de Larosiere and World Bank President A.W. Clausen was intended to reassure some foreign banks reluctant to participate in Baker's call for an additional \$20 billion in commercial bank loans to the Third World over the next three years. (Hobart Rowen, Washington Post, A1)

U.S. SAYS EGYPT SOUGHT HELP IN RAID

A U.S. Army general and two aides who accompanied the Egyptian commando unit that stormed a hijacked Egyptian passenger jet in Malta were sent at the request of the Egyptian government to observe the assault and determine whether further American assistance was needed, Reagan Administration officials said Monday. (Michael Weisskopf, Washington Post, A1)

GERMANY TO PROPOSE A EUROPEAN SDI

LONDON -- West German Defense Minister Woerner was Tuesday to propose to NATO defense ministers in Brussels that develop its own high-technology defense initiative -- a European SDI. The "EDI" would be a land-based screen of high-energy lasers, directed by aircraft, that could locate and destroy Soviet intermediate-range nuclear missiles. (Washington Times, A6)

SHULTZ RIPS MANAGUA AT OAS MEETING START

CARTAGENA -- Secretary Shultz accused Nicaragua Monday of undermining peace efforts of the Contadora group and said Cuba should not be allowed to rejoin the Organization of the American States.

In a speech on the meeting of the 10-day OAS meeting, Shultz also urged Latin American nations to embrace Treasury Secretary Baker's proposed plan to cure their economic ills. (Washington Times, B8)

Shultz Seeks Latin Backing For U.S. Recovery Plan

Secretary Shultz has appealed for Latin America to back a U.S. plan he described as "a kind of global bargain" to restore economic growth and stability to heavily indebted nations. (Reuter)

OFFICIALLY, MAUREEN REAGAN'S U.N. APPOINTMENT

The State Department never got around to announcing it, but just so you'll know it's official: First Daughter Maureen Reagan has been the new representative to the United Nations Commission on the Statue of Woman since Oct. 13th. (Donnie Radcliffe, Washington Post, B2)

REAGAN WARY OF SUMMIT EUPHORIA

SEATTLE -- President Reagan said Monday that his Geneva summit meeting with Soviet leader Gorbachev was "worthwhile" if only for the agreement reached to meet again in coming years.

Reagan said the summit raised hopes for improved relations with the Soviet Union, but he cautioned against ignoring areas of friction between the superpowers. "Geneva let loose a lot of hopes -- mine among them," he said. "But there have been hopeful times before. We have to understand which policies work and which ones don't."

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A14)

O'NEILL SAYS REAGAN ALSO BACKS U.S. AID FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

While police chiefs north and south of the Irish border met for the first time since the signing of the Anglo-Irish peace pact under strict security in Belfast Monday, House Speaker O'Neill said he and President Reagan would support U.S. aid to Ulster.

(Elgy Gillespie, Washington Times, B8)

MUGABE TO MEET GORBACHEV ON SECOND DAY OF MOSCOW SUMMIT

MOSCOW -- Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, paying his first official visit to the Soviet Union, was expected to meet Soviet leader Gorbachev today after holding talks Monday with leading Kremlin figures.

(Reuters)

NATO MINISTERS TO REVIEW CONVENTIONAL DEFENSE DRIVE

BRUSSELS -- The Western Alliance meets today to review progress in efforts to improve conventional defenses and boost cooperation on arms production, officials said. Secretary Weinberger was due to give his first assessment to NATO of last month's summit in Geneva between President Reagan and Gorbachev.

(Reuters)

MARCOS REINSTATES GEN. VER AS STAFF CHIEF AFTER ACQUITTAL

MANILA -- Gen. Fabian Ver was reinstated as chief of staff of the Philippine armed forces this afternoon, three hours after he and 25 other men were acquitted of conspiracy charges in the 1983 assassination of opposition leader Benigno Aquino. In Washington, the State Department said Ver's reinstatement raised the question of whether Marcos was serious in his "professed desire to initiate serious reforms" in the military.

(Washington Post, A1)

SOUTH KOREAN STUDENTS TO BE CHARGED OVER SIT-IN

SEOUL -- Charges of violence and attempted arson will be brought against nine South Korean students who staged a nine-hour sit-in at the U.S. Cultural Center in the southwest city of Kwangju, police said today.

(Reuters)

PHILIPPINE ACQUITTAL DRAWS CRITICISM

The Reagan Administration Monday indirectly criticized the acquittal of Gen. Fabian Ver and 24 other Philippine military men in the 1983 assassination of Benigno Aquino, saying the verdict was "very difficult to reconcile" with evidence implicating the military in the murder.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman also said Ver's reappointment as chief of the Philippine armed forces raised doubts about President Ferdinand Marcos' commitment to his "professed desire to initiate serious reforms" in the military.

(David Ottaway, Washington Post, A23)

AQUINO ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY

MANILA, Philippines -- Shortly after President Ferdinand Marcos signed a bill setting February 7 presidential elections today, Maria Corazon Aquino, the wife of slain opposition leader Benigno Aquino announced she will run against Marcos. (AP, UPI, Reuter)

AFRICAN AID BOOST URGED

A blue-ribbon committee of U.S. foreign policy specialists Monday proposed a new, long-term development strategy toward economically depressed black Africa. It calls for tripling U.S. aid to \$3 billion annually and a new emphasis on African agriculture.

(Washington Post, A27)

TERRORISM FOUND RISING, NOW ALMOST ACCEPTED

International terrorism, growing 12 percent to 15 percent a year, has almost become an accepted institution, according to a Rand Corp. analysis. It also finds a nuclear terrorist incident unlikely.

(Washington Post, A4)

POSSIBLE MIA REMAINS TO BE RETURNED

The Vietnamese government plans on Wednesday to turn over to U.S. officials in Hanoi seven sets of remains thought to be those of Americans listed as missing in action during the Vietnam war, Pentagon officials said Monday. (New York Daily News story, Washington Post, A13)

EAST-WEST AGREEMENT PREDICTED WITHIN YEAR

The "chances are 50-50" there will be an East-West agreement next year on reducing the risk of war in Europe, according to James E. Goodby, former head of the U.S. delegation to the Stockholm conference working on such an agreement. (Washington Post, A14)

NATIONAL NEWS

FRAUD IS CHARGED IN DIVAD CONTRACT

General Dynamics Corp. and four present or former executives, including NASA administrator James M. Beggs, were indicted Monday on charges of trying to defraud the government of an ill-fated Army weapon. The defendants were charged with attempting to hide cost overruns on a contract to develop the Divad anti-aircraft gun by illegally shifting excess costs to two other General Dynamics accounts also funded by the Defense Department. (Washington Post, A1)

Top NASA Official Indicted In Fraud On Weapons Costs

A Federal law official who asked not to be identified said that \$7.5 million was mischarged by the company, resulting in a \$3.2 million loss to the government. (Philip Shenon, New York Times, A1)

U.S. Indicts General Dynamics

Mr. Beggs was corporate executive vice president of General Dynamics and a member of its board of directors when he left the firm. (Vernon Guidry, Jr., Baltimore Sun, A1)

NASA Chief Indicted Over 'Sgt. York' Costs

The seven-count indictment, handed up by a federal grand jury in Los Angeles, also charged the individuals and corporation with six counts of making false statements. (Washington Post, A1)

NASA Chief Indicted For Conspiracy

A spokesman at General Dynamics' headquarters in Clayton, Missouri, said the firm and the individuals "intend to contest these charges vigorously." (UPI)

General Dynamics

U.S. Attorney Robert Bonner declined to elaborate on the 39-page federal grand jury indictment at a courthouse news conference, saying only that the investigation had been under way for about 1 1/2 years. (AP)

ALTERNATIVE TAX PLAN EXPECTED TODAY

Republican to the House Ways and Means Committee's version of tax overhaul is expected to take the spotlight today as some Republicans ask President Reagan to abandon the committee version and consider a GOP substitute instead. (Anne Swardson, Washington Post, A4)

House GOP Plays For Time On Tax Bill

House GOP leaders will ask President Reagan today to stand off from a full endorsement of the tax reform bill drafted by the Ways and Means Committee until Republicans can agree on their own version, lawmakers indicated Monday. (Karen Riley, Washington Times, A1)

SENATE DEBATES CURBING CONTRIBUTIONS BY PACs

The Senate returned from its Thanksgiving recess Monday to begin debating legislation that would limit campaign contributions that congressional candidates could accept from political action committees (PACs) but increase the amount that individuals could donate.

Sen. John Heinz (R-Pa.) is expected to offer a motion to table the measure today, when the four hours set aside to debate the proposal expire. (Edward Walsh, Washington Post, A3)

Senate Vote Could Pull Plug On Power Of PACs

A bill to limit the power of PACs has the backing of Sen. Goldwater and Speaker O'Neill, but even that unlikely alliance is no guarantee the measure will survive a Senate vote today. (Washington Times, A3)

SPECULATION MOUNTS ABOUT McFARLANE RESIGNATION

Robert McFarlane said Monday he had no comment on reports he plans to resign -- possibly this week -- as National Security Affairs Adviser because of continuing friction with White House chief of staff Donald Regan. "I have no comment," McFarlane said quietly on his return from California with President Reagan. (UPI)

PROTECTION FOR DEFENSE SOUGHT IN BUDGET BILL

White House chief of staff Donald Regan told Senate Republican leaders that the Reagan Administration wants protections against big, across-the-board defense spending cutbacks to be written into balanced-budget legislation working its way through Congress. (Helen Dewar, Washington Post, A4)

Regan: Budget Measure Shouldn't Weaken Defenses

Regan said he was worried about the "across-the-board" nature of proposed cuts in military spending and said he would prefer to work with appropriating committees to select specific areas to cut. (UPI)

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION OF CHAIRMAN ARE EXPECTED TO BE RELEASED SOON

The results of an investigation into the activities of Consumer Product Safety Commission chairman Terrence Scanlon are expected to be released soon -- perhaps today -- by the Senate Commerce Committee.

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(Washington Post, A17)

PENTAGON PLANS SECOND 'STAR WARS' MISSILE

The U.S. plans to build and test a second anti-ballistic missile intended to destroy incoming nuclear warheads in the atmosphere as part of the 'Star Wars' project, the Pentagon says.

Hedi, as the weapon is called, differs from another anti-ballistic missile that will be designed to kill warheads outside of the atmosphere in the mid-course phase of their flight toward a target. (UPI)

SPACE SHUTTLE PROGRAM REVITALIZED BY BEGGS

James Montgomery Beggs, who was indicted Monday on charges of trying to defraud the government while an executive at General Dynamics Corp., took over at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration after the space shuttle's first flight, which was more than two years behind schedule and more than \$1 billion above cost.

(Washington Post, A15)

TEXTILE BILL HEADS FOR FINAL ACTION IN CONGRESS

Major trade legislation to curb textile and apparel imports is headed for final action in Congress, with sponsors confident they will get the bill to President Reagan's desk even though they're uneasy about veto threats.

The House voted 262-159 on October 10 for a version that would roll back textile imports from 12 nations and place limits on other imports. As it stands, the measure would cut back textile and apparel imports from Taiwan, South Korea and Hong Kong by a maximum of 30 percent and limit shipments from other exporting nations. (AP)

HHS Claims \$4.9 Billion In Savings

The government saved \$4.9 billion in fiscal 1985 as a result of congressional and executive branch actions on recommendations by HHS Inspector General Richard Kusserow, his office reported Monday.

(Spencer Rich, Washington Post, A17)

STUDENTS AT FALLSTON EXCITEDLY AWAIT VISIT BY REAGAN

FALLSTON, Md. -- For almost a week now, 14-year-old Alyson K. Moore has been working on a special school assignment, a 30-second introduction of the President of the United States. The ninth grader, who said she was "taken aback" by the unique task, will be one of two students seated on the stage during President Reagan's address Wednesday at Fallston High school. The 1,419-student school has been awash with excitement and advance visits by White House teams ever since it learned last week that President Reagan would address the students on the need for "people-to-people" communication and then "instruct" a class of 30 students, probably about his summit talks with the Soviets in Geneva last month. (Edna Goldberg, Baltimore Sun, A1)

CAPITOL HILL STUDY FINDS PROBLEMS IN READINESS OF ARMY RESERVE UNITS

Despite the Army's increasing reliance on reserves in its war plans, one-third of such troops needed to support a European war would be unprepared or only "marginally" ready for combat during the crucial first month of action, according to a Congressional Budget Office report.

(Washington Post, A8)

COURT TO DECIDE WHETHER EMPLOYEES MAY LEAVE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether state and local governments may withdraw their employees from the Social Security system.

(Washington Post, A9)

Supreme Court Considers Social Security Issue

The justices Monday accepted an appeal from the federal government, which is challenging a lower court decision that found unconstitutional an amendment to the social security act barring states or their subdivisions from pulling employees out of the system.

(UPI)

NAVY SLOW TO PAY BILLS

The U.S. Navy, a major customer for many Virginia firms, is one of the worst federal agencies for paying its bills on time, the director of a coalition of businesses that deal with federal and state governments complained Monday. A Navy spokesman said there have been problems with slow payment of bills, but the problems are being dealt with and progress is being made.

(Washington Post, E3)

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY

(Monday Evening, December 2, 1985)

THE PRESIDENT IN SEATTLE

NBC's Tom Brokaw: President Reagan today tried to lower expectations for concrete results from the Geneva summit meeting with Mikhail Gorbachev. In a speech in Seattle, the President said he did not expect miracles, but he had managed to open a crack in the door for improved relations.

(TV coverage of the President speaking in Seattle: "Geneva let loose a lot of hopes, mine among them, but there have been hopeful times before. We have to understand which policies work and which ones don't. Blurring the issues and ignoring the areas of friction between the Soviet Union and the United States is no way to create a more peaceful world.")

White House officials today passed up several opportunities to deny reports that National Security Advisor Robert McFarlane plans to resign. Spokesmen said we are not talking about it and they would comment on persistent reports that McFarlane is leaving because of friction with the President's Chief of Staff Donald Regan.

(NBC-4)

DELTA FORCE

Brokaw: Administration officials confirmed today that three American military officers did fly to Malta with Egyptian commandos who stormed that hijacked Egyptair jet last week. They said the American officers were in a position to pave the way for the special American counterterrorism unit which has yet to confront terrorists. Now there are new plans for this American unit.

NBC's Fred Francis reports NBC News has been told by Administration officials that because of an increase in terrorism in the Middle East and in Europe, the Army's elite Delta Force will soon be expanded and that a large detachment of that counterterrorist force will be permanently based in Europe. The commando unit, now based at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, just can't get to the scene of terrorist attacks soon enough, according to one Pentagon source who said expanding Delta will take time since the unit is seriously undermanned with fewer than 100 commandos.... Flying with the Egyptian commandos was American Major General Robert Weigand and two other senior officers. They took no part in the assault.

(Charles Redman: "They were instructed not to participate in any operation and they did not do so. These personnel were to provide liaison in the event it was thought necessary to call in U.S. technical advice or assistance.")

(NBC-10)

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(Monday Evening, December 2, 1985)

POLLARD SPY CASE

Brokaw reports there are two serious new charges in the Pollard spy case tonight. Federal prosecutors say that Jonathan Pollard told them that he was given permission to escape into the Israeli Embassy in Washington provided he was not seen by the FBI. And officials also say that his wife may have been planning to give top secret reports to the People's Republic of China. (NBC-11)

BEGGS INDICTED

CBS's Dan Rather reports new loud echoes tonight from the case of the Army gun that couldn't shoot straight. General Dynamics today was indicted. So were several past or present General Dynamics executives including the man now in charge of this nation's whole space program.

CBS's Rita Braver reports James Beggs, chief of NASA, has been indicted for defrauding the Pentagon when he was a corporate vice president and board member of General Dynamics, the giant defense contractor.

(Robert Bonner: "In essence, the indictment charges that General Dynamics and its officers conspired to reduce the company's multimillion dollar cost overrun or losses in connection with this Army contract by illegally mischarging DIVAD contract expenses to other government funded accounts.")

This is just one of a number of cases pending against General Dynamics, but this one is embarrassing for the Administration because it means the nation's high profile multibillion dollar space program is now headed by a man under federal indictment.

(NBC-2, ABC-Lead, CBS-2)

WEATHER

Rather reports at least 14 people are dead tonight in the wake of a weather blitz that brought snow, rain and sub-zero cold to parts of the nation from the Pacific Northwest to New York State.

(NBC-Lead, ABC-6, CBS-Lead)

ROY WILLIAMS

CBS's Lem Tucker reports this morning 70-year-old Roy Williams waited at his ranch in Missouri for a phone call telling him when he must report to prison. In 1982, Williams was convicted of trying to bribe a U.S. senator. That was back when he was a leader of the nation's largest union and had easy access to the powerful.

(TV coverage: Photo of Williams and President Reagan in the White House.)

Williams had hoped that his cooperation with the government would help him remain free but tomorrow he follows in the foot steps of two previous international presidents and goes to jail.

(ABC-10, CBS-7)

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(Monday Evening, December 2, 1985)

VER/PHILIPPINES

Rather reports earlier today a court in Manila cleared General Fabian Ver and 25 other defendants of assassinating Aquino more than two years ago.... In Washington the Reagan Administration implicitly criticized the court verdict. A State Department spokesman said it is: "Very difficult to reconcile the acquittal of General Ver with the findings of the Philippine investigative board." (NBC-7, ABC-3, CBS-8)

SOUTH KOREA

ABC's Peter Jennings: In South Korea today Korean riot police stormed a U.S. cultural center and overpowered nine students who had occupied it. Authorities said the students were armed with Molotov cocktails but offered little resistance. The students, who occupied the building for nine hours, were protesting U.S. support for the South Korean government of President Kwang Du Yuan and Mr. Reagan's Administration policies on economics. (ABC-5)

WALL STREET

Jennings reports profit taking sent stocks sharply lower today. The Dow lost more than 14 points -- the trading was fairly active. (ABC-8)

SOVIET/AMERICAN CHILDREN

Jennings reports a story about the search for understanding. It's about a group of young Americans and young Soviets trying to penetrate the suspicion and misunderstanding that marks the relationship between their two countries. They got together electronically today, also thanks to the inspiration of one particular American girl. (Samantha Smith) (ABC-12, CBS-12)

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FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION

SPY CASES

Significant Damage to U.S. Security -- "Ronald William Pelton has admitted selling highly confidential information about American intelligence activities to the Soviet Union... They said he had done 'significant' damage to U.S. national security. The case may also have ramifications for Allied governments." (Times, Britain)

CIA, FBI Hardly Covering Themselves with Glory -- "Jay Pollard...managed to keep a job as a Naval counter-intelligence officer despite being a boastful fanatic who dreamed of rescuing American soldiers supposedly still held prisoner in Vietnam in a freelance operation just one removed from Rambo's. These are the details emerging here from the latest flurry of spy charges leveled against four Americans in three separate cases since Thursday. While the charges confirm that the CIA and the FBI are managing not to lose their suspects, they are hardly covering themselves in glory for spotting potential traitors. Tip-offs rather than routine counterintelligence measures may prove to have unearthed all four suspects." (Guardian, Britain)

The Danger of an Alliance with a Pampered Brat -- "This case should alert the U.S. Congress, which is spoiling its pampered brat, to the danger of an alliance with a racist entity that does not respect any commitment to any friend." (ad-Dustur, Jordan)

What American Secrets Will Be Left? -- "In just five days, three major spy scandals have broken showing again that American security isn't all it's supposed to be. What lingers at the back of the mind, however, is every time a spy is uncovered the Americans scream of 'irreparable' or 'devastating harm to their security. If it goes on as it has in recent months, what American 'secrets' will be left?" (Gulf Daily News, Bahrain)

'A Patriot' -- "(Michael Soussoudis is) a patriot...an ordinary citizen who did his national duty by reporting some information which he happened to receive.... But it is also clear that the agreement reached between Ghana and the U.S. Government over this sordid affair amounts to a very open admission by the U.S. authorities of their clandestine interference in Ghana's sovereign affairs." (Ghanian Times)

COL. QADDAFI

Qaddafi's Love-Hate Relationships -- "There is no regional or terrorist conflict without Qaddafi. He trains and finances IRA terrorists.... He conducts dubious relations with his Middle East neighbors marked by love and hate... Qaddafi's diplomacy has no limit or moral principles. Qaddafi's special funds paid for the assassination of Indira Gandhi. On the Libyan killers list: Francois Mitterrand, Margaret Thatcher and Helmut Kohl." (Le Matin, France)