

Hijackers in Cairo Say They Blew Up 747 in Retaliation for U.S. Support of Israel

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Warn That American Oil Property Would Be Next

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CAIRO, Sept. 7—Left-wing Palestinian guerrillas who hijacked a Pan American jumbo jet to Cairo and blew it up on the runway minutes after landing this morning told passengers the action was in retaliation for support of Israel by the United States and warned that American-operated oil wells would be next.

The Boeing 747 was torn by explosions less than two minutes after the 173 passengers and crew members, as well as the three Palestinian hijackers, had slid down escape chutes and scrambled away across the surrounding desert sand.

About half a dozen passengers were injured in the escape and some were hospitalized. The hijackers had said the explosives would not go off until eight minutes after the evacuation of the plane.

There were conflicting reports about the number of persons on the 747, but John G. O'Neill, the Pan American World Airways manager in Cairo, put the total at 155 passengers, 14 crew members and four "Pan American personnel."

Waiting in Lounge

Apart from those hospitalized, the passengers and crew were taken to the airport transit lounge to await a special flight from London to take them to New York, the destination of the jet when it left Amsterdam yesterday.

The special flight left Cairo late this afternoon with all the

passengers and crew members except three—two injured passengers and the husband of one.

The wreckage of the \$23-million jet was being cleared from the runway this afternoon. The only sections still intact of the 355-ton, six-story-high plane were the tail and a portion of the left wing.

The jet was hijacked by two guerrillas of the Marxist-oriented Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. The hijackers, described by passengers as "perfect gentlemen," said that the seizure of the plane was coordinated with other hijackings yesterday.

The plane landed in Cairo at 4:23 A.M., local time (9:23 P.M., Sunday, New York time.)

"The hijackers told us the plane would be blown up, but

they said it so politely and with such smiles that we couldn't take this too seriously," recalled Cornelius Van Aalst, the jet's flight service supervisor, in the airport restaurant this morning. He added:

"But we got everyone ready to escape fast after landing, asking them to take off their shoes for the slide down the chute. We put the shoes in blankets to throw them, but some lot lost." Egyptian authorities gave shoes to passengers who arrived in the terminal in their stockings.

The hijackers were "very friendly," and showed "exemplary manners" to the passengers, Mr. Van Aalst said

adding that one helped carry an injured woman in a blanket from the plane.

Motives Were Explained

Dr. James Helme, a pediatrician from Nashville, said that the hijackers, nervous at first, had soon calmed down and began talking with passengers. They explained their motives and the objectives of the Palestinian movement.

"We are going to blow up this plane and after that it will be the American oil wells," one of the hijackers told Dr. Helme.

One of the planes was hijacked, the Palestinian said, so it and its passengers could be held as hostages for the release of Sirhan B. Sirhan, the Palestinian immigrant to the United States who was convicted of the murder of Robert F. Kennedy.

Dr. Alan Shalita of the New York University Medical Center said the hijackers had checked passports of all the passengers, and had asked passengers their occupations. They also asked if there were any Israeli citizens aboard.

"They told us they didn't like the United States but liked the American people, didn't like Israel but had no hatred of Jews," Dr. Shalita said.

Capt. J. W. Priddy, the chief pilot, who had taken his wife for her first flight on a jumbo jet, said that the hijackers had forced him to fly low over Cairo several times before allowing him to land, suspicious that he might have flown to some other city.

Passengers on T.W.A. Jet

Following is a list of the passengers aboard Trans World Airlines Flight 741 when it was hijacked to Jordan Sunday. The names of passengers on another plane hijacked to Jordan, a Swissair jet, was not available. According to reports from Jordan, about 80 women, children and old people have been freed and some male passengers will be released later. Their names were not disclosed.

ADASSI	McBRIDE, Jane
ADASSI	MECKONI
ALFRED	MELTZER, MR. M.
BERGER, MISS R.	MEWISTU
BERGER, Miss M.	MENSCH, MISS B.
BERKOWITZ, Dr. G.	MILLER, Mr. B.
BERKOWITZ, Mrs. G.	MOHAN
BERKOWITZ, (infant)	MORAINÉ, T. (CHILD)
BORMEISTER	MORRIS
BORMEISTER	MORRIS
BURNETT, T. T.	MORRIS
BURNETT, Mrs. T. T.	MORSE
CAIN, J.	NEWTON, Mr. J.
CAIN, Mrs.	NEWTON Mrs. H.
CAIN (infant)	OMPRAKASH
CHESLER, MISS P.	ORTLINGHAUS
CULLEN	PALCONDAMAR
CULLEN	PALGONIA
DAVID, RABBI J.	PELIKAN, Miss
DAVID, MRS. J.	PATEL
DAVE	PITTARO, C.
DAYAN, Miss J.	POLLET, R. B.
DESCHKE, R. B.	PORTER, MISS N.
DESCHKE	RAAB, MR. D.
DESCHKE	RAAB, MR. M.
DESCHKE	RAAB, MRS. M.
DRILLMAN, RABBI Y.	RAAB (CHILD)
FALLDINE	RAAB, T. (CHILD)
FINSTEIN, Master H.	RAAB, Y. (CHILD)
FINSTEIN, Mr.	RAO
FINSTEIN, Mrs.	RAO
FINSTEIN, Miss	RAO
FINSTEIN, Mrs. B.	RIDENHOUR, Walter
FINSTEIN (CHILD)	RIDENHOUR, Mrs. Patricia
FINKELSTEIN, MISS E.	ROGERO
FINKELSTEIN, MRS. E.	ROGERO
FREDEA	ROTH, Miss
FUND, MR. M.	ROSMAN, Mrs. E.
GOLDSCHMIDT, Miss D.	ROSMAN H. (child)
GOREN, Master A.	ROSMAN, L. (child)
GOREN, Miss N.	SHAIN, MR. M.
GROSSMAN, MRS. T.	SIEGEL, MISS A.
GROSSMAN, A. (CHILD)	SMITH
GROSSMAN, M. (CHILD)	SPUNGIN, MR. A.
GRUBLER, Miss E.	SPUNGIN, MRS. Z.
GUILLOIN	STRAUSS, D.
GUPTA	SUTTLES
GUPTA	SWANSON
GUPTA	TEMEL
GUPTA	THIMAS
HAMDAN	TRACHMAN, J. (CHILD)
HARARI RAFOUL, Rabbi A.	VASQUE+
HARARI RAFOUL, Mrs.	WARNOCK
HARARI RAFOUL (child)	ZAUNER
HARARI RAFOUL (infant)	
HARARI RAFOUL (infant)	
HARARI RAFOUL (infant)	
HARARI RAFOUL (infant)	
HARARI RAFOUL (infant)	
HARARI RAFOUL (infant)	
HERMAN, Miss M.	
HIRSCH, MR.	
HIRSCH, MRS. H.	
HIRSCH R. (CHILD)	
HODES, MISS	
HODES (CHILD)	
HOLLINGSWORTH	
HOLLINGSWORTH	
HOROWITZ, MRS. J.	
HOROWITZ, M. (infant)	
HUNTER, RABBI Y.	
HUTNER, MRS. Y.	
JABBEN	
JACOBSON, Mrs. Sylvia	
JANKOLOVITZ, MRS. E.	
JANKOLOVITZ, (child)	
JANKOLOVITZ (child)	
KADABA	
KAHN Mrs. T.	
KAHN (child)	
KAHN (child)	
KANATANAJ	
KANATANAJ	
KOSKOWSKI, Mrs. R.	
KOSTER, MR. V.	
KOTHARI	
LAPEZ	
LESTER, Mrs.	
LESTER, N. (child)	
LESTER, N. (child)	
MALKA, Miss S.	



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HIJACKERS: From the left, Samir Abdel Maguid, Mazen Abu Mehnid and Aly Sayed Aly at Cairo airport after destroying plane. Egyptian authorities held them for questioning.