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LONDON AP - The London Times said Sunday the man who shot at the Soviet cosmonauts' motorcade in Moscow last week was wearing the uniform of the elite Kremlin guard and apparently was aiming at Soviet leaders in the procession.

The article said the would-be assassin carried a gun in each hand and two cyanide capsules for a suicide attempt that was never made.

The report came from correspondent Edmund Stevens, an American who speaks Russian and has been reporting from Moscow for more than 20 years. He gave no source for his report.

In Moscow, Soviet authorities remained silent about the incident. Even unofficial sources normally well informed were unable to provide any word on the investigation of the incident or the condition of two men who were shot.

The shooting occurred during last Wednesday's triumphant parade for the four cosmonauts of Soyuz 4 and 5 when a young man dashed out of a crowd and fired shots at a limousine carrying cosmonauts as it entered the Kremlin.

A chauffeur and a member of the motorcycle honor guard were reported wounded and cosmonaut Georgy Beregovoy was said to have been nicked by flying glass splinters.

Stevens said the unidentified gunman leaped from a sentry box within the walls to fire five shots through the windshield of the third car in the motorcade.

He said that the man fired at car No. 3 apparently because "he miscalculated when the cosmonauts and the party leaders' cars changed sequence just before crossing the Moscow river bridge leading to the Kremlin."

Just before that, Stevens said, party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev and President Nikolai V. Podgorny had been in the third car.

The government has claimed that the shooting was not politically motivated and that the gunman was mentally deranged.

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