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First observation: Bibi's Entebbe in reverse. The father, Benzion Netanyahu, 100 years old, secretary to Jabotinsky, and denounced as too radical by Begin, adored his son Yoni, heroically killed at Entebbe. Benjamin has never measured up. Benzion has constantly criticized him in public for his deviations from the doctrine of Greater Israel. Bibi desperately seeks his father's approbation and can never equal his dead brother. See Benzion's most recent scathing undermining of his son Bibi and Bibi's tearful tribute to his brother just last month. The raid on the ship to Gaza resembles the raid on Entebbe, except that there are no hostages, no guns, it's not in Africa, and it's a fiasco; otherwise, it's Entebbe. (Then, there's Ehud Barak reliving his youth as a raider killing Palestinians in Lebanon, a feat memorialized in Spielberg's film, Munich. Ultimately, it didn't work out well that time either. The film captures the moral quandaries, which appear to have escaped the participants.)

Further observation: The international press will inquire whether the Obama administration gave a wink or nod as the Bush administration did for the Lebanon and Gaza incursions. Be prepared.

Further: Of course, the consequences for US foreign policy and national security are negative across the board: from the analogy of the North Korean ship sinking and the Chinese posture to support for Iranian sanctions, etc., etc. Did the Israelis not hear Petraeus's testimony?

Further: Of course, whatever the outcome of such a raid, one of the inevitable ones would be the death of the peace process, such as it is, on the very eve of Bibi's scheduled visit to Obama, which would have been, under any circumstance, in light of the raid, profoundly humiliating for the president. Or are the Israelis bone stupid? I don't think so. Cheers,
Sid

Like Father, Like Son? Netanyahu's Father Says Son Not Serious About Two-State Solution.

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In a controversial interview with Israel's Channel 11 News, the father of Prime Minister Netanyahu, Professor Benzion Netanyahu, says that his son does not support a Palestinian state. The elder Netanyahu, claims that the prime Minister told him he deliberately placed impossible conditions before the Palestinians.

Here are excerpts from the interview. When asked if his son really changed his position concerning a Palestinian state, the 100 year-old historian unequivocally answered: (translation mine)

"He does not support. He supports such conditions that they (the Arabs) will never accept it. That is what I heard from him. I didn't propose these conditions, he did. They will never accept these conditions. Not one of them."

When asked about his own personal opinion about a Palestinian state, the senior Netanyahu stated:

Herzl and Nordau (fathers of zionist movement) did not labor to create a Palestinian state. This land is Jewish land and not a land for the Arabs. There is no place here for Arabs, and there wont be a place here for the Arabs. They will never agree to the conditions.

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Netanyahu Visits Grave of Brother Who Fell in Entebbe Rescue

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On Saturday night, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu visited the grave of his brother Yoni, who fell during the daring rescue of hijacked Israelis in Entebbe, Uganda in 1976.

He and his wife Sarah decided to go to the gravesite on Mount Herzl 24 hours before the beginning of Remembrance Day for Fallen Soldiers in order to prevent security tie-ups for thousands of other Israelis who will visit the cemetery Sunday night and Monday.

The Netanyahus were moved emotionally after seeing for the first time a commemorative decoration that the IDF carved into the gravestone of Yoni, who led the rescue operation and was the only soldier to die in the maneuver. One of his less known heroic deeds is his saving a soldier from across Syrian lines in the Yom Kippur War in 1973.

Sirens will sound throughout Israel for one minute at 8 p.m. (1 p.m. EDT) Sunday night to mark the beginning of Memorial Day for 22,682 Fallen Soldiers and 2,431 victims of Arab terrorist attacks following the re-establishment of the State of Israel after 2,000 years. Another 1,500 civilians were killed between 1860 and the 1948 War for Independence, when seven Arab nations attacked the fledgling, newly declared state just three years after the Holocaust ended.

On Monday morning, a two-minute siren will sound at 11 a.m. (4 a.m. EDT). (IsraelNationalNews.com)