

ment. He is also working with the economic planning department with Dr. Mansour Turki. We discussed with Dr. Al-Batrik the general economic situation in Saudi Arabia and the changes that are being brought about by the rapid pace of the economic development plan and the current construction boom that is apparent everywhere in Saudi Arabia. . . .

Discussions covered the real estate market in the United States, especially with respect to Dr. Al-Dukheil's plans to buy a house in the suburban surroundings of Washington D.C. This, we assumed, is in conjunction with the proposed appointment of Dr. Al-Dukheil as the Saudi Arabian IMF Representative. Dr. and Mrs. Al-

Dukheil left after about one hour. Thereafter we had some general discussion of the social situation in Saudi Arabia and the change that is being brought about by the rapid pace of the development in the Kingdom. . . .

At around 10:30 a.m. EDMorris returned back from the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA) and said that we most probably will be having lunch with some of the advisors, mainly David Mulford, and that he had to return back and wait because they're very busy and he is not sure when he will be able to meet with them. At around 2:30 p.m. EDMorris returned back from SAMA. . . .

PLO Charges Britain With Hammami's Murder

Simultaneous to the Executive Intelligence Review's (Vol. V No. 1) disclosure that British intelligence was responsible for the murder of PLO leader Said Hammami in London on Jan. 6, Moscow radio aired the statement of PLO official Muhammad ash-Shair accusing Britain of complicity in the assassination. Portions of the statement aired on Moscow's Arab-language station Jan. 9 are reprinted here.

The assassination of the Palestinian leader Said Hammami in London on Wednesday, 4 January 1978, continues the chain of assassinations and treacherous liquidations the enemy has been carrying out with the direction and planning of the U.S., British, and Zionist intelligence services. All these are considered a single entity in their cooperation with each other and their links and aims which are to liquidate every national liberation movement, using all means and methods, including the fabrication of contradictions and disagreements inside and between the movements. This also includes buying people's loyalties, infiltrating some nationalist movements and political groups and, finally, assassinating leaders and active, effective patriotic elements.

The latest episode was the assassination of Said Hammami, official representative of the PLO and Fatah in Britain.

How could Said Hammami be assassinated when he was under stringent guard, as if in semi-confinement? How could Said be murdered when the British guard was only a few meters from the building in which he worked and how could his killer not be caught or his identity known? All evidence indicates that the assassination plot was prepared with the knowledge of the British authorities and their intelligence services. The PLO leadership referred to this in its statement on the assassination of Said.

In order to conceal this abominable crime as usual the British mass media seeks to portray to the world and Arab public that the assassination was the result of differences between the Palestinians themselves—between those who reject and those who approve of Sadat's policy...But such methods have been exposed and become known even to simple minded people. The coming days will reveal who was behind the crime and who prepared, planned, and carried it out. The world knows that it does not go beyond the framework of the British authorities and the Zionist and American intelligence services which collaborate with them....