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West Berlin Links Woman Sought In Disco Bombing to Palestinian

WEST BERLIN, Jan. 10 (AP) — The police suspect that a West Berlin woman working for Palestinian terrorists planted the bomb that killed two American soldiers and a Turkish woman and wounded 229 people in a West Berlin discothèque last April, the authorities said today.

President Reagan blamed Libya for the attack April 5, 1986, on the disco, called La Belle, and ordered the bombing of Libya in retaliation 10 days later.

A West Berlin justice spokesman, Volker Kähne, said the police were seeking Christina Gabriele Endrigkeit, 27 years old, who has been missing since the bombing.

"She was working for Hazi," Mr. Kähne told the West German television network ARD, referring to Ahmed Nawaf Mansour Hazi, a Jordanian-born Palestinian terrorist who is in prison in West Germany for his role in the bombing of an Arab social club.

A security official here said Mrs. Endrigkeit "acted on behalf" of Mr. Hazi and his brother, Nezar Hindawi.

Convicted in British Bombing

Mr. Hindawi is serving a 45-year sentence in Britain for trying to plant a bomb, hidden in his fiancée's bag, aboard an Israeli jetliner in 1986.

In Washington, an Administration official said Mrs. Endrigkeit's reported connections to Mr. Hazi and Mr. Hindawi, who have been linked to Syria, did not reduce American officials' belief in Libya's involvement in the discothèque bombing.

"There might have been connections to other nations, but it doesn't



Associated Press

Christina Gabriele Endrigkeit

relieve the Libyans of their responsibility," the official said, adding that Washington is convinced Col. Muammar el-Qaddafi, the Libyan leader, "triggered the incident."

Mr. Kähne said that an arrest warrant was issued for Mrs. Endrigkeit on Dec. 30 and that the authorities were offering a \$93,000 reward for information leading to her capture.

"On the basis of seized documents and according to eyewitness accounts of her behavior before the explosion, she is strongly suspected of bringing the explosives into the club and leaving the explosives there," Mr. Kähne said.

He did not elaborate, and he made no mention of Libya.

Mr. Kähne said Mr. Hazi remained a suspect in the discothèque bombing, but he refused to elaborate.

Mr. Hazi was convicted in the March 1986 bombing of the German-Arab Friendship Society in West Berlin that wounded nine people and is serving a 14-year term. A West Berlin court said that attack was plotted by Mr. Hindawi and Syrian intelligence officials.

After the discothèque bombing, the West Berlin police first focused their inquiry on Libya, but later said they had been unable to prove a connection.

The American authorities said they had intercepted radio messages from the Libyan Embassy in East Berlin that implicated Libyan agents.

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QUESTION: Doesn't the arrest of _____ on the basis of her links to Ahmed Hasi - a convicted Syrian agent- suggested the U.S. bombed the wrong country?

ANSWER: This is not a case of either/or. We have clear and unequivocal evidence of Libyan culpability in the La Belle bombing. Nothing learned since the bombing has lead us to question Libyan culpability.

-- In short, the U.S. did not bomb the wrong country.

While the information which lead to the arrest of Christine may suggest the involvement of another country, it in no way contradicts the evidence of Libyan culpability.

By the same token, the evidence of Libyan culpability does not exclude the possibility that another country may also have been involved.

In fact, we acknowledge the possibility that individuals with ties to other countries may, and I repeat may, have been involved.

There are other cases where more than one country have been involved in acts of terrorism. For example:

The Abu Nidal terrorists who carried out the Rome airport massacre of 27 Dec 1985, trained in the Syrian controlled Bekka valley and then went to Damascus where they received tickets that took them to Libya. In Libya they were given their weapons as well as their passports which the Libyan government had confiscated from Tunisian guest workers.

We will be following the Berlin investigation closely and with special interest in the possibility that another government in addition to the government of Libya may have been involved.

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LUEBECK, WEST GERMANY (UPI) AUTHORITIES MONDAY ARRESTED A WEST GERMAN WOMAN SUSPECTED OF PLANTING A BOMB IN A WEST BERLIN DISCOTHEQUE IN 1986 THAT KILLED TWO AMERICANS AND LED TO A U.S. RETALIATORY AIR RAID ON LIBYA.

WEST BERLIN OFFICIALS SAID SUNDAY THAT CHRISTINE GABRIELE ENDRIGKEIT, 27, ALLEGEDLY TOOK ORDERS FROM TWO CONVICTED PALESTINIAN TERRORIST BROTHERS, ONE OF WHOM WAS LINKED BY A COURT TO SYRIAN OFFICIALS.

AUTHORITIES SAID THEY ARRESTED ENDRIGKEIT ON SUSPICION OF PLANTING THE EXPLOSIVES THAT RIPPED OPEN WEST BERLIN'S LA BELLE DISCOTHEQUE, KILLING A TURKISH WOMAN AND TWO U.S. SERVICEMEN AND WOUNDING 230 PEOPLE, INCLUDING 64 AMERICAN GIS.

THEY SAID ENDRIGKEIT AND AN UNIDENTIFIED MAN WERE ARRESTED IN LUEBECK, ON THE BALTIC SEA, JUST HOURS AFTER BERLIN OFFICIALS ANNOUNCED AN URGENT PUBLIC SEARCH FOR THE WOMAN WHO ALLEGEDLY WORKED WITH THE TWO PALESTINIANS ON THE APRIL 5, 1986, BOMBING.

THE UNITED STATES BLAMED LIBYA FOR THE ATTACK ON THE NIGHT CLUB, A FAVORITE HANGOUT FOR AMERICAN GIS, AND 10 DAYS LATER RETALIATED AGAINST LEADER COL. MOAMMAR GADHAFI WITH HEAVY NIGHT-TIME BOMBING RAIDS ON TRIPOLI AND THE PORT CITY OF BENGHAZI.

SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE SHULTZ, DURING A VISIT TO OTTAWA, MONDAY DEFENDED THE U.S. DECISION TO BOMB LIBYA, SAYING CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE CASE DID NOT "IN ANY WAY LESSEN THE LIBYAN INVOLVEMENT."

"IT'S CLEAR ENOUGH FROM THE EVIDENCE THAT LIBYA WAS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THAT BOMBING," SHULTZ SAID, ADDING THE U.S. AIR RAID ON LIBYA "WAS A VERY DIRECT RESPONSE AND WHAT'S MORE IT HAS WORKED."

WEST GERMAN AUTHORITIES REFUSED TO DIVULGE DETAILS OF ENDRIGKEIT'S RELATIONSHIP TO THE PALESTINIAN BROTHERS, SAYING IT WOULD HINDER THE INVESTIGATION.

ONE OF THE PALESTINIANS, AHMED NAWAF HASI, IS SERVING A 14-YEAR PRISON TERM FOR HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE MARCH 1986 BOMBING OF A GERMAN-ARAB FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN WEST BERLIN. HIS BROTHER, NEZAR HINDAWI, IS SERVING A 45-YEAR SENTENCE IN BRITAIN FOR THE ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF AN ISRAELI AIRLINER WITH 375 PEOPLE ABOARD IN LONDON IN APRIL 1986.

ALTHOUGH BOTH MEN WERE SUSPECTED IN THE DISCO BOMBING, AUTHORITIES SAID THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO BRING CHARGES.

THE WEST BERLIN COURT THAT CONVICTED HASI IN THE BOMBING OF THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB ALSO FOUND THAT SYRIAN OFFICIALS HELPED PLAN THE ATTACK AND PROVIDED EXPLOSIVES.

THE PRINCIPLE SYRIAN SUSPECT IS AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE LT. COL. HAITHEM SAEED. HE ALSO WAS SUSPECTED IN THE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT ON THE ISRAELI AIRLINER IN LONDON BY HASI'S BROTHER.

VOELKER KAEHNE, A WEST BERLIN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN, SAID SUNDAY A WARRANT HAD BEEN ISSUED FOR ENDRIGKEIT'S ARREST DEC. 30, BUT THAT AUTHORITIES WAITED UNTIL THE WEEKEND TO GO PUBLIC, RELEASE HER PHOTOGRAPH AND OFFER A REWARD TO AID THE SEARCH.

HE SAID WITNESSES HAD SEEN HER AT THE NIGHT CLUB SHORTLY BEFORE THE BOMB WENT OFF, BUT THAT SHE WAS NOT CONSIDERED TO BE THE MASTERMIND OF THE PLOT. HE SAID AT THE TIME SHE WAS BELIEVED TO BE IN HIDING WITH HER 3-YEAR-OLD SON.

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HAMBURG, WEST GERMANY, JAN 11, REUTER - POLICE ARRESTED ON MONDAY A WEST GERMAN WOMAN SUSPECTED OF PLANTING A BOMB AT A WEST BERLIN DISCOTHEQUE IN APRIL 1986 WHICH KILLED TWO U.S. SERVICEMEN AND PROVOKED U.S. AIR RAIDS ON LIBYA.

THE ARREST OF CHRISTINE ENDRIGKEIT, 27, WAS THE FIRST MADE IN DIRECT CONNECTION WITH THE ATTACK ON THE LA BELLE NIGHTCLUB AND APPEARED TO MARK A BREAKTHROUGH IN A LONG INQUIRY CLOSELY WATCHED BY U.S. OFFICIALS.

MONIKA STENKHART, SPOKESWOMAN FOR THE SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN STATE INTERIOR MINISTRY, SAID ENDRIGKEIT WAS ARRESTED IN THE BALTIC PORT CITY OF LUEBECK, 80 KM (50 MILES) NORTHEAST OF HAMBURG, IN THE EARLY HOURS OF MONDAY.

TWO U.S. SERVICEMEN AND A TURKISH WOMAN WERE KILLED AND 229 PEOPLE INJURED WHEN THE BOMB EXPLODED IN THE CROWDED DISCOTHEQUE ON APRIL 5, 1986.

LA BELLE WAS A FAVOURITE NIGHTSPOT FOR AMERICAN SOLDIERS BASED IN WEST BERLIN. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT ACCUSED LIBYA OF ORCHESTRATING THE ATTACK AND SENT WARPLANES TO BOMB THE CITIES OF TRIPOLI AND BENGHAZI 10 DAYS LATER.

POLICE SOURCES IN LUEBECK SAID ENDRIGKEIT AND A MALE COMPANION WERE ARRESTED IN A YOUTH CENTRE CALLED ALTERNATIVE, WHOSE MEMBERS ARE SAID TO HOLD EXTREME LEFT-WING VIEWS.

THE WEST BERLIN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, WHICH HAS OVERSEEN THE INQUIRY INTO THE BOMBING, SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT ENDRIGKEIT WOULD PROBABLY BE BROUGHT BACK TO WEST BERLIN FROM LUEBECK ON MONDAY AND QUESTIONED BY POLICE AND PUBLIC PROSECUTORS.

IT SAID POLICE MADE THE ARREST ON A TIP-OFF FROM THE PUBLIC, BUT GAVE NO FURTHER DETAILS.

U.S. OFFICIALS IN WEST BERLIN DECLINED TO COMMENT ON THE ARREST, BUT ONE SOURCE SAID: "WE CARE DESPERATELY ABOUT THIS CASE. WE LOST A LOT OF PEOPLE AND THAT'S WHY WE'D RATHER NOT SECOND-GUESS THE BERLIN POLICE."

FIFTY TO 60 AMERICANS WERE INJURED IN THE LA BELLE BLAST, ABOUT 10 SERIOUSLY, ACCORDING TO U.S. SOURCES.

THE EXPLOSION BLEW A HOLE IN THE CEILING OF THE DISCOTHEQUE AND BLASTED OUT THE WINDOWS BUT THE BUILDING REMAINED STANDING. SHOPS HAVE BEEN ERECTED ON THE SITE AND A SMALL, WOODEN CROSS AND FLOWERS PLACED IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING.

LIBYA DENIED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK, WHICH THE UNITED STATES CLAIMED WAS CARRIED OUT BY AGENTS OF LIBYAN LEADER COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI, POSSIBLY OPERATING FROM LIBYA'S EMBASSY IN COMMUNIST-RULED EAST BERLIN.

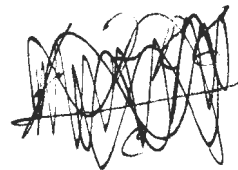
THE WEST BERLIN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT'S MAIN SPOKESMAN, VOLKER KAEHNE, HAD SAID ON SUNDAY THAT AN ARREST WARRANT HAD BEEN ISSUED FOR ENDRIGKEIT.

KAEHNE SAID THERE WERE "CLUES" THAT ENDRIGKEIT COULD HAVE CARRIED OUT THE ATTACK ON THE ORDERS OF PALESTINIAN AHMAD HASI, WHO WAS JAILED FOR 14 YEARS IN NOVEMBER 1986 IN WEST BERLIN FOR THE BOMBING OF AN ARAB-GERMAN FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN THE CITY.

THE CLUB WAS BOMBED A WEEK BEFORE THE LA BELLE BLAST.

KAEHNE DID NOT ELABORATE, APART FROM SAYING THAT ENDRIGKEIT WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE MAINTAINED CONTACTS WITH HASI.

HE SAID POLICE WERE ALERTED TO ENDRIGKEIT BY WITNESSES AND



DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING FRAGMENTS OF DRAWINGS BY HASI WHICH COULD
INDICATE THAT HE KNEW HER.

HASI'S BROTHER, NEZAR HINDAWI, WAS JAILED FOR 45 YEARS IN
BRITAIN IN OCTOBER 1986 FOR TRYING TO BLOW UP AN ISRAELI
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U.S. CONFIRMS SECOND COUNTRY MAY HAVE SPONSORED DISCO BOMB
BY CAROL GIACOMO

WASHINGTON, JAN 11, REUTER - THE UNITED STATES CONCEDED ON MONDAY THAT NEW EVIDENCE SUGGESTED ANOTHER COUNTRY MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE BOMBING OF A WEST BERLIN DISCO THEQUE THAT PROMPTED AN AMERICAN RETALIATORY STRIKE ON LIBYA.

BUT DEPUTY STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESWOMAN PHYLLIS OAKLEY SAID THIS INFORMATION HAD NOT CAUSED A RE-EVALUATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN'S DECISION TO BOMB LIBYA AS PUNISHMENT FOR THE DISCO ATTACK, WHICH KILLED TWO AMERICAN SOLDIERS AND WOUNDED 229 OTHER PEOPLE.

IN FACT, SHE ANNOUNCED THE EXTENSION UNTIL JANUARY 1989 OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY REAGAN ON LIBYA IN JANUARY 1986 FOR SUPPORTING INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND BEING A THREAT TO U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY.

"WE HAVE CLEAR AND IN OUR VIEW UNEQUIVOCAL EVIDENCE OF LIBYAN CULPABILITY IN THE LA BELLE (DISCO THEQUE) BOMBING" ON APRIL 5, 1986, SHE TOLD REPORTERS.

"NOTHING LEARNED SINCE THE BOMBING HAS LED US TO QUESTION LIBYAN INVOLVEMENT," SHE SAID.

WEST GERMAN OFFICIALS ARRESTED ON MONDAY A WEST BERLIN WOMAN, CHRISTINE ENDRIGKEIT, WHO THEY SAID WAS SUSPECTED OF PLANTING THE BOMB AT THE WEST BERLIN DISCO THEQUE.

WEST GERMAN AUTHORITIES SAID THE WOMAN HAD CONTACTS WITH PALESTINIANS WITH LINKS TO SYRIA.

THE UNITED STATES WAS INFORMED OF THE ARREST BY WEST GERMANY AND WOULD BE FOLLOWING THE CASE CLOSELY, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE OF "THE POSSIBILITY THAT ANOTHER GOVERNMENT IN ADDITION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBYA MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED" IN THE DISCO BOMBING, OAKLEY SAID.

ASKED IF THIS CAST DOUBT ON THE U.S. RETALIATORY RAID AGAINST LIBYA 10 DAYS AFTER THE DISCO ATTACK, SHE REPLIED FIRMLY: "NO, IT DOES NOT."

"WHILE THE INFORMATION WHICH LED TO THE ARREST OF CHRISTINE ENDRIGKEIT MAY SUGGEST THE INVOLVEMENT OF ANOTHER COUNTRY, IT IN NO WAY CONTRADICTS THE EVIDENCE ABOUT LIBYA," SHE SAID.

"BY THE SAME TOKEN, THE EVIDENCE OF LIBYA'S ROLE DOES NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY THAT ANOTHER COUNTRY MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED," SHE SAID.

OAKLEY DID NOT NAME THE SECOND COUNTRY BUT WEST GERMAN OFFICIALS HAVE LINKED ENDRIGKEIT TO AHMAD HASI, A JORDANIAN-BORN PALESTINIAN WHO IS IN PRISON IN WEST GERMANY FOR HIS ROLE IN THE MARCH 1986 BOMBING OF WEST BERLIN'S GERMAN-ARAB FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY THAT WOUNDED NINE PEOPLE.

HASI'S BROTHER, NEZAR HINDAWI, IS SERVING A 45-YEAR SENTENCE IN BRITAIN FOR TRYING TO PLANT A BOMB, HIDDEN IN HIS FIANCEE'S BAG, ABOARD AN ISRAELI JETLINER IN 1986.

U.S., BRITISH AND WEST GERMAN OFFICIALS HAVE SAID THE TWO BROTHERS PLOTTED WITH SYRIAN INTELLIGENCE FORCES.

OAKLEY REFUSED TO SAY IF THE UNITED STATES WOULD RETALIATE AGAINST A SECOND COUNTRY INVOLVED IN THE WEST BERLIN DISCO ATTACK AS IT HAD AGAINST LIBYA.

"I'M NOT GOING TO SPECULATE ON ANY OTHER FURTHER ACTION," SHE SAID.