

## World and Nation

# East-West arms control talks begin

From Associated Press reports

VIENNA, Austria — Foreign ministers from 35 countries meet Monday for East-West conventional arms control talks that may bring sweeping reductions in troops and military hardware from the Atlantic to the Urals.

During a three-day conference at Vienna's former Hofburg imperial palace, the ministers also will review prospects for a conference to build confidence and security between East and West bloc nations of Europe.

The ministers were in Vienna in

January to wrap up the Helsinki follow-up Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, which agreed on the new arms control talks and landmark human rights provisions for the Soviet bloc.

A new man on the scene this time is Secretary of State James Baker, who will meet Tuesday with his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze.

They are to use their Vienna sojourn to hold bilateral talks both sides hope will lay the groundwork for successful discussions in coming months.

Negotiations on reducing conventional troops and arms in Europe will be conducted between the 16 NATO countries and seven members of the Warsaw Pact.

Talks on new confidence and security building measures involve all 35 countries, including the Soviet Union, the United States, Canada and all European countries except self-isolated Albania. The talks start Thursday.

Western hopes are based on reduced East-West tensions and the successful conclusion of Intermediate Nuclear Forces talks leading to the destruction of the superpowers' intermediate-range nuclear missiles.

The Soviets and most of their allies also are showing a willingness to reduce military spending in favor of more and better consumer goods.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in December gave the new talks a boost when he announced a unilateral reduction of half a million Soviet troops in 1989-90, 50,000 of them in East Germany, Czechoslo-

vakia and Hungary.

Since then, all Warsaw Pact nations except Romania have announced plans to trim their militaries.

The arms talks will cover conventional armed forces and armaments and equipment based on land.

Naval forces and chemical and nuclear weapons will not be negotiated.

The Western alliance is seeking reductions of more than 50 percent from the Soviets and their allies to offset what it says is the Soviet bloc's 2-1 superiority in tanks and artillery, a NATO source said in Brussels this week.

In return, NATO offers to cut its artillery, tanks and some other mobile weapons by 5 percent to 10 percent in Europe, the source said.

"Since we are convinced that we... (are) pretty much at the minimum of our defense, this means for our military people a significant sacrifice," the source told reporters at NATO headquarters.

# Pilots' strike threatens jobs, airline, Eastern officials say

From Associated Press reports

MIAMI — Eastern Airlines lashed out at its pilots' union Sunday, the second day of a strike that cut flights drastically, stranded weary passengers at airports and threatened to expand to a nationwide transportation snarl.

Eastern pilots, who virtually shut down the money-losing carrier by honoring picket lines of the striking machinists' union, are risking not only their careers but "the very existence" of the airline, said Eastern spokesman Robin Matell.

"By continuing to stay out, the pilots are committing economic suicide," he said at a news briefing.

Eastern was hit with a strike at 12:01 a.m. Saturday by the machinists' union. About 8,500 mechanics, baggage handlers and ground crews walked out over Eastern's demand for contract concessions, escalating a 17-month union-management battle at the nation's seventh-largest airline.

Trains collide outside London

LONDON — The driver of a passenger train that hit another train and killed five people said Sunday he ran through a red light before the collision, but there is evidence he tried to stop, a British Rail official said.

Gordon Pettitt, general manager of British Rail's Southern Region, said investigators found signs of "severe brake application" by David Morgan before his train

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rammed the other train Saturday.

Morgan was one of 94 people injured when his train, traveling from Littlehampton to London, hit a London-bound train traveling from Horsham. Authorities said the Horsham train was crossing from the slow track onto the main line when it was struck from behind.

13 Palestinians shot

JERUSALEM — Thirteen Palestinians were reported shot and wounded in clashes with soldiers in the occupied territories Sunday as Moslem fundamentalists declared a week of increased resistance to mark an Islamic holiday.

Palestinians erected barricades and burned tires in Gaza City, shouting "God is great! There is no God but one God!" and pelting Israeli troops with rocks, an Arab reporter said.

Youths burned an Israeli flag and a three-foot wooden statue of an Israeli soldier, the reporter said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Hospital officials said nine Palestinian teenagers were shot and wounded in stone-throwing clashes in Gaza City, Khan Yunis, Rafah and the Jabaliya refugee camp, where the Palestinian rebellion began nearly 15 months ago. All are in the occupied Gaza Strip.

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# Student Stores



## Yearbook

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groups, because many groups such as black fraternities cannot afford the \$85 price of having a page in the book, he said.

Sherrill said disinterest turned more groups away than the cost of buying a page in the book, and she said the yearbook had provided discounts to black fraternities and sororities that wanted to be in the book but could not afford the price.

Jill Gilbert (Dist. 17) said cutting the yearbook's funding would only perpetuate the problem because the only way to provide better representation of all students was to provide the necessary amount of money.

Dickinson said it would be too much of a burden to ask the group to become self-sufficient right away, though gradual reductions of student government funds could lead to this in the future.

Shellie Berlin (Dist. 15), who proposed the cut in funding, said the yearbook should pursue paid advertising as a main source of revenue.

But Dancy said she knew of no college yearbooks that used paid advertising. Copies of other schools' yearbooks are displayed in the Yackety Yack office, and none include advertising, she said.

Sherrill said there had never been much interest from the business community in advertising in the book because it was only a yearly publication.

The Yack is exploring different avenues to raise money, but the staff is not sure exactly what will be done, Sherrill said.

Sherrill added that including paid advertising would be a last step and that the staff did not want to increase the price of the book from its present cost of \$25. The yearbook price increased from \$21 in 1987 to compensate for the cut in funds, Sherrill said.

It will be difficult to meet the start-up costs of producing a yearbook, such as printing subscription cards and paying for photography supplies and promotion costs, with the present amount of funding, Sherrill said.

"The smaller the funding amount gets, the less we can do to promote the book to get subscriptions," she said.

Gene Davis (Dist. 16) proposed raising funding for the yearbook, which celebrates its 100th birthday next year, to \$9,640 because of its historical importance to the University. Davis added he hoped the yearbook would someday be totally funded by student fees so all students would receive a copy of the book.

"Cut it off all at once? I say cut it off none at all," Davis said. "Back the Yack."

## For the Record

In "Rising day-care costs limit parents' options," March 3, the last paragraph should have been attributed to Kate Sanford, director of the Chapel Hill Co-operative Pre-School. The DTH regrets the error.

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