

## World and Nation

# Baker, Germans discuss NATO plan

From Associated Press reports

BONN, West Germany — U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III said Monday that West Germany still supports a project to upgrade missiles, but he appeared to soften U.S. demands that NATO endorse the plan this spring.

Baker said he and Chancellor Helmut Kohl agreed at a "very, very friendly" talk Monday to negotiate differences over the NATO plan to develop, produce and deploy new nuclear missiles to replace aging shorter-range rockets.

Kohl suggested earlier Monday that allies could give a green light to producing the new rockets while delaying a vote on whether to deploy them.

The chancellor also said publicly for the first time that West Germany wants a disarmament mandate built into NATO strategy that would scuttle deployment plans if progress

has been made on reducing the Soviet advantage in conventional weapons.

Modernization was the main topic of Monday's talks, and Baker said he was assured that West Germany has not changed its commitment to the project.

"This was not a decision-taking meeting," Baker said. "That is not what we are here for. It did, I hope, clear up some of the confusion."

The new U.S. secretary said his meeting with Kohl and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher also covered what steps West Germany has taken to tighten export controls following U.S. complaints that West German firms helped Libya build a poison gas plant.

Baker said Kohl told him "in no uncertain terms" that he plans to work out through further negotiations the Bonn government's differences with Washington over what is referred to as modernization of aging,

U.S.-built Lance missiles.

The Lance system includes 88 launchers and about 700 missiles with a range of 75 miles. It is scheduled for replacement after 1995 with rockets capable of reaching targets 320 miles away. Seventy-six launchers are in West Germany, and the remainder are deployed in Italy.

Before meeting Baker, Kohl restated to reporters his desire that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization delay approving the missile replacement project until 1991 or 1992.

By then, he said, a Soviet reduction of conventional arms could take place that would allow negotiations on the short-range missiles for eventual removal of all nuclear weapons from Europe.

"Before we lock ourselves in on this issue at the NATO conference, we and the Americans need to clear up our positions," Kohl said.

In a statement issued after his talks

with Baker, Kohl said he reaffirmed Bonn's willingness to define general defense policies at the next NATO summit, but he did not make clear whether that would include support for modernization.

Baker, asked if Kohl agreed to go along with a NATO endorsement of the missile project at this spring's alliance summit, said the timeframe was among subjects open to negotiation.

"It is preferable, in our view, if a decision could be made at the next summit," Baker said.

U.S. officials who attended a NATO defense strategy session last month demanded that West Germany fall in with the rest of the alliance on the modernization plan.

Baker's six-day, 15-nation tour of alliance countries produced some signs of reluctance among other member states.

## Moslems wounded in protest over banned religious book

From Associated Press reports

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Moslem students marched in several cities Monday against a book fundamentalists say blasphemes Islam. Their rallies occurred the day after police fired on protesters in Islamabad, killing five and wounding 83.

Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto said the protest Sunday may have been the work of politicians using Moslem objections to Salman Rushdie's novel "The Satanic Verses" as an excuse to press their opposition to her government and democracy.

In India on Monday, police fired into a crowd protesting the book in Srinagar, summer capital of northern Jammu-Kashmir state, killing one person and wounding more than 60, news reports said.

### Farmers riot in South Korea

SEOUL, South Korea — Thousands of militant farmers burned cars and hurled firebombs at riot police in Seoul on Monday, protesting what they called the government's disastrous agricultural policy.

Police fired tear gas to end the two-hour protest by an estimated 15,000 farmers who gathered in front of the National Assembly, which opened a special 20-day session Monday.

The South Korean news agency, Yonhap, said at least 15 farmers and seven riot police were injured. Six cars were set ablaze and two others were smashed with sticks, it said.

Police said 25 protesters were arrested. Fighting erupted when thou-

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sands of farmers tried to march into the Assembly compound after a rally, during which they accused the government of pushing an "impoverished" agricultural policy.

### North lawyers map defense

WASHINGTON — Former President Reagan "participated personally and directly" in giving favored treatment to countries that supported the Contras in Nicaragua, lawyers for Oliver North said in a court filing aimed at having charges against their client dropped.

North attorney Brendan Sullivan, opposing a compromise between the independent counsel and the Justice Department, said in court papers released Monday that the proposed deal on keeping certain secrets out of the trial would prevent him from introducing this evidence which he said was central to North's defense.

He also criticized Attorney General Richard Thornburgh for declining "to take the political heat" and make a separate secrets-protecting move that could lead to charges being thrown out.

Sullivan said, "At the heart of this case are the quid pro quo and other third-country arrangements with which the Reagan administration obtained military support for the resistance during the so-called Boland Amendments, and the policy that those third-country arrangements would not be disclosed outside a limited group of executive branch officials."

## Japanese executives arrested for stock sales

From Associated Press reports

TOKYO — Prosecutors on Monday made the first arrests directly involving the stock transactions that have scandalized the government of Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita.

Japanese citizens waited to see what prosecutors would do next, since dozens of politicians, businessmen and journalists were among those who bought bargain-priced stock unavailable to the public, and then profited handsomely when public sales began and prices soared.

Among the four arrested was Hiromasa Ezoe, founder and former chairman of Recruit Co., the information conglomerate at the center of the scandal.

Ezoe and Hiroshi Kobayashi, vice president of First Finance, a Recruit subsidiary that financed the stock sales, were held on suspicion of offering bribes in return for favors related to Recruit's business activities.

Also arrested were Ei Shikiba and Hisahiko Hasegawa, former directors of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone, Japan's largest company, for allegedly receiving bribes from

Recruit in the form of bargain shares. Both have said they did not provide any favors for Recruit.

Recruit and NTT said in statements that they regretted the prosecutors' actions.

Takeshita told reporters Monday he hoped for a full investigation into the scandal but refused to comment further. A Takeshita aide and relative have been linked to the stock purchases.

The Japan Socialist Party credited public disgust with the scandal for its victory in a special parliamentary election Sunday, and it demanded that Takeshita resign or call new general elections.

Replying in Parliament, Takeshita dismissed the demands. He said he "humbly accepted" the election results and that his governing Liberal Democratic Party will work for reforms to restore public trust in politics.

In making the arrests, prosecutors said the Supreme Court ruled in July that the sale of stock whose price was sure to rise and which could not be easily purchased by the general public

amounted to bribery.

Japanese law provides for up to five years in prison for receivers of bribes, and up to three years for those who offer bribes.

The scandal surfaced last summer, raising questions of ethics and money links between business and politicians.

The only previous arrest had been of a Recruit official accused of trying to bribe an opposition member of Parliament to soft-pedal an investigation into the affair.

Takeshita formed a new Cabinet last December to put the scandal behind him, but two ministers soon were forced to resign after it was disclosed they had continued receiving political donations from Recruit.

In all, three Cabinet ministers and

more than a dozen politicians and businessmen have resigned because of the scandal.

In Sunday's special election, the Japan Socialist Party won the upper house seat of a Liberal Democrat who died in December. The election in Fukuoka in southern Japan was the first for a national office since the scandal surfaced.

Takako Doi, the Socialists' chairwoman, said in Parliament Monday that Takeshita should resign.

"Either the entire Cabinet must resign, or the prime minister must dissolve Parliament so the people can express their will," Doi said.

A dissolution of Parliament would force elections in the powerful lower house, where the Liberal Democrats have more than 300 of the 512 seats.

## Soviet troops withdraw from Afghanistan

From Associated Press reports

KABUL, Afghanistan — The Red Army said farewell to Kabul in a ceremony at the frigid airport Monday, then paratroopers in fur hats and padded uniforms decorated with Afghan medals climbed into a jet transport and were flown away.

Some Soviet soldiers remained, but officials said they would be gone by Wednesday, the deadline for the Kremlin to have all its forces out of a civil war it entered more than nine years ago.

In Islamabad, Afghan guerrillas briefly resumed a Moslem council Monday that was called originally to choose an interim government, but two important leaders did not attend and spokesmen said factional quarrels about power sharing continued.

The guerrillas, who began fighting after a Communist coup in April 1978, predict the Marxist government in Kabul will fall soon after the Red Army completes its withdrawal under

a U.N.-mediated agreement.

Soviet soldiers entered the country in December 1979 and totaled an estimated 115,000 when the withdrawal began May 15.

At an airport ceremony Monday to which 150 foreign journalists were invited, Lt. Col. Pyotr Sardarchuk praised 15 young paratroopers who stood in front of their Antonov-12 transport plane.

"We have helped Afghanistan create order and provided economic supplies and other goods," he said. "Now you are leaving Afghan soil, and I want to say thank you very much for your service and to wish you all the best, happiness and health and a safe return home."

At least one departing soldier, a 20-year-old, questioned the accomplishments.

"I think it could have been done peacefully," he said in answer to a question as he boarded the plane,

which took off for Tashkent. He said he thought Soviet intervention "was all a big mistake."

Paratroopers waved through the windows as the plane taxied down the runway and took off. It climbed in a tight spiral because of the surrounding mountains and spouted

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thought being recognized by the University meant the group was already recognized by congress.

"If they (the appeals committee) say, 'Tell us where the congress went wrong,' well, I'm not sure congress was wrong," she said. "I just didn't think it was very clear."

If an appeal is denied, a group's most likely move would be to wait until the fall and try to get subsequent funding from the congress.

The appeals committee consists of the speaker, the rules and judiciary committee chairman, the student

flares to deflect any heat-seeking missiles guerrillas in the mountains might fire.

Sardarchuk would not say how many soldiers remained in Kabul after Monday's ceremony, which had been billed as the departure of the last Red Army troops.

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affairs committee chairwoman, the ethics chairman and a congress member selected by the speaker pro tem.

The appeals are supposed to be heard after the finance committee meetings and before the meeting of the whole congress, but Riemann said he would hear appeals before the finance meetings if the groups requested it.

The finance committee budget hearings will begin Feb. 23 and the full congress budget hearings will be held March 4.

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### Library

decline in purchasing power, said University Bibliographer John Shipman.

According to the annual report of the Administrative Board of the Library, which will be presented at the Feb. 24 Faculty Council meeting, the library lost about \$800,000 in purchasing power between 1986 and 1988. The library will lose more purchasing power this year, the report

says. Shipman said he would not be able to determine the added loss until later in the spring.

The average yearly increase in the price of serials the library subscribes to is 9 percent to 10 percent, he said.

A random survey of library acquisition files done in December 1988 showed that 47 percent of the serials the library subscribes to and 48

percent of the books it buys come from overseas, Shipman said.

According to the board's report, the increase in the percentage of the budget taken up by serials, from 29.4 percent in 1985-86 to 43 percent in 1988-89, is also caused by high prices charged by some publishers.

This year, the library is paying \$7,055 for a subscription to the Journal of Physics, which cost \$2,450 a year in 1980, the report says.

The library is asking all departments to look at possible serial cancellations if there is not enough money to cover the costs of subscription increases, Shipman said. Each department should submit by May 1 a list of subscriptions it could cut, which should total to 10 percent of its subscription budget.

If departments cut subscriptions before May 1, they can get back half of the subscription cost and put it toward subscriptions next fall, Shipman said. If the lists submitted need to be cut, "anything cancelled after May 1 would get nothing back," he said. "There will be no return for the cancelled lists. We're encouraging people to move to cancel now before more drastic moves have to be taken."

Shipman could not say whether the library would order any new periodicals. "That's totally dependent on the legislature," he said. "The most important concern at the moment is to cover the costs of existing serials."

As for new subscriptions, "that's way at the end of the tunnel," he said.

### For the Record

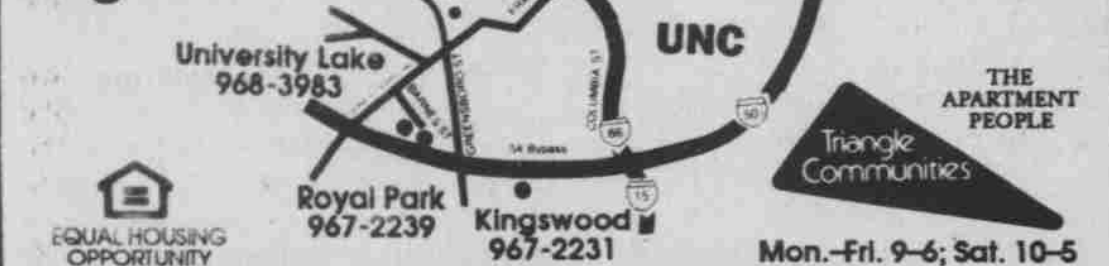
In Monday's story, "Campus candidates plagued by vandalism of posters," the DTH incorrectly reported that campaign posters must be stamped by area directors before they can be posted in residence halls. Area directors do not have to approve campaign posters, which can only be posted on residence hall public use boards.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the error.

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