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1. (LOU) SUMMARY. APPROXIMATELY 23 GAZANS AND THREE ISRAELI MILITARY WERE WOUNDED IN INTIFADA VIOLENCE IN THE PERIOD. NO ONE WAS KILLED. THERE WERE TWO GENERAL STRIKES, WHICH THE IDF ANTICIPATED BY IMPOSING CURFEWS ON WIDESPREAD AREAS. LIKUD-SPONSORED BUSES OF ISRAELIS ENTERED GAZA OCT 19 TO DEMONSTRATE AGAINST GIVING UP GAZA, BUT THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS. RECENT HAND GRENADE ATTACKS IN GAZA AND ASSASSINATIONS OF "COLLABORATORS," AS WELL AS PLO STATEMENTS ON USE OF ARMS, HAVE PROMPTED STRONG REACTION FROM PM SHAMIR AND DEFMIN RABIN, BUT OPINION IS THAT SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN TACTICS OF INTIFADA VIOLENCE IS NOT LIKELY. END SUMMARY

2. (U) APPROXIMATELY 23 WOUNDED:

-- ON OCT 13, A 10 YEAR OLD BOY (PLACE OF RESIDENCE
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NOT IDENTIFIED) WAS HIT IN THE CHEST WITH A PLASTIC BULLET; A 15 YEAR OLD FROM BAIT LAHYA WAS WOUNDFD.

-- ON OCT 14 AND 15, FIVE GAZANS WERE WOUNDED: TWO FROM RAFAH WERE HIT BY PLASTIC BULLETS WHEN IDF

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FORCES DISPERSED ABOUT 100 STONE-THROWING YOUTH;
TWO FROM AL-NASIR NEIGHBORHOOD OF GAZA CITY AND ONE
FROM NUSAIRAT REFUGEE CAMP WERE WOUNDED.

-- ON OCT 16, A YOUTH FROM KHAN YUNIS WAS SERIOUSLY
WOUNDED IN THE EYE WITH A RUBBER BULLET, AND A 16
YEAR OLD FROM SHATI CAMP AND A 14 YEAR OLD FROM
RAFAH WERE WOUNDED.

-- ON OCT 17, BETWEEN EIGHT AND ELEVEN YOUTHS WERE
WOUNDED (REPORTS DIFFER): FOUR WERE WOUNDED IN
RAFAH, THREE IN SHATI CAMP, AND ONE IN KHAN YUNIS.

-- ON OCT 18, A 17 YEAR OLD, REPORTED TO HAVE
INCITED STUDENTS TO LAUNCH DEMONSTRATIONS, WAS
WOUNDED IN NUSAIRAT CAMP.

-- ON OCT 19, A 16 YEAR OLD FROM GAZA CITY WAS
REPORTED SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

3. (U) TWO IDF SOLDIERS AND ONE BORDER POLICEMAN
WOUNDED:

-- ON OCT 15, TWO IDF SOLDIERS WERE HIT BY STONES
AND SLIGHTLY WOUNDED IN AL-NASIR NEIGHBORHOOD OF
GAZA CITY.

-- ALSO ON OCT 15, A BORDER POLICEMAN SUFFERED A
BROKEN HAND IN A STONE-THROWING INCIDENT IN BURAIJ

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CAMP.

4. (U) NONE KILLED:

-- FOR THE THIRD WEEK IN A ROW, NO ONE WAS
REPORTED KILLED IN DIRECTLY INTIFADA-RELATED
VIOLENCE.

5. (U) GENERAL STRIKES:

-- LIKE THE WEST BANK, GAZA OBSERVED GENERAL
STRIKES OCT 14 AND 19, CALLED BY THE UNIFIED
LEADERSHIP AND THE ISLAMIC RESISTANCE (HAMAS).

-- THERE ARE CONFLICTING REPORTS THAT A STRIKE HAS
BEEN CALLED FOR OCT 24.

-- A STRIKE IS SET FOR OCT 26.

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6. (U) CURFEWS:

-- THE IDF CONTINUES ITS NEWLY-INTRODUCED PRACTICE OF ATTEMPTING TO PREEMPT VIOLENCE ON STRIKE DAYS BY IMPOSING WIDESPREAD CURFEWS. IN ANTICIPATION OF THE OCT 19 GENERAL STRIKE, THE IDF PLACED CURFEWS ON NINE GAZA CAMPS AND TOWNS.

7. LIKUD BUSES "TOUR" GAZA:

-- ON OCT 19, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, SOME 50 BUSES, SPONSORED BY THE LIKUD PARTY, CARRYING ISRAELIS, ENTERED GAZA TO BACK DEMANDS THAT ISRAEL HOLD ON TO GAZA. ALTHOUGH THE BUSES AVOIDED THE CENTER OF GAZA CITY, THEY REPORTEDLY STOPPED AT AN AREA UNDER CURFEW, ON THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF THE

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CITY. THERE WERE APPARENTLY NO SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS, ALTHOUGH AT LEAST ONE OF THE BUS PASSENGERS IS SAID TO HAVE BEHAVED PROVOCATIVELY.

8. [REDACTED] CHANGE IN INTIFADA TACTICS?

-- RECENT HAND GRENADE ATTACKS IN GAZA, THE USE OF FIREARMS IN ASSASSINATIONS OF "COLLABORATORS," AND PROVOCATIVE PLO STATEMENTS ABOUT THE USE OF ARMS IN THE CASE OF A LIKUD VICTORY, HAVE RAISED THE QUESTION WHETHER INTIFADA VIOLENCE IS HEADED INTO A NEW PHASE. ON OCT 16, PM SHAMIR SAID NO ARABS WOULD SURVIVE IF THEY RESORTED TO FIREARMS. ON THE SAME DAY, DEFENSE MINISTER RABIN SAID ARMS WOULD BE MET WITH ARMS. HOWEVER, RABIN SAID THERE HAD NOT BEEN AN INCREASE IN THE USE OF FIREARMS, A THEME ECHOED BY IDF CHIEF OF STAFF SHOMRON.

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-- IN RECENT EMBASSY DISCUSSIONS, TWO GAZA SOURCES ALSO DOUBTED THAT RECENT GAZA HAND-GRENADE ATTACKS WERE ANY MORE THAN ISOLATED INCIDENTS. PICKERING

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