

who are sentenced to prison terms that reached life sentences.

Our comrades made their demands known to the Zionist authorities. All along they were assuring the passengers that they would not be harmed. A passenger, Sidi Edmond, later told reporters that «the take over of the bus started when one of the fedayeen threatened the driver with a hand grenade asking him to proceed to Rafah and was speaking Hebrew with Arabic accent». He added «they treated us well, but I am happy to be out, and very happy that they are dead».

A woman passenger told that the members of the group assured the passengers that they «wanted peace», and that the commandos explained how the Israeli forces killed the Palestinian families and reminded them of various massacres committed by the Israelis against the Palestinian people. Eyewitness reports also mentioned that the commandos had allowed food and drinks for the passengers to enter the bus.

The bus broke through three road blocks before the Israeli forces were able to stop it by deflating its tires near the Palestinian refugee camp of Deir al Balah approximately ten miles from the Egyptian border.

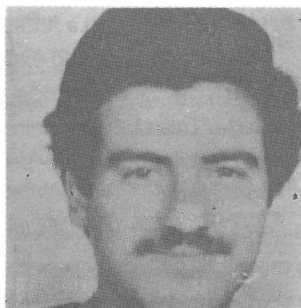
At 5 AM the following morning of Friday the 13th, the Zionist repressive forces ended the operation in a bloody way. They, not caring for the human lives, forced their way to the bus attacking it with hand grenades, tear gas and automatic rifles. Our revolutionary commandos confronted this fascist attack with all their means. According to the Zionist spokesperson, the attack was ordered by the Minister of War, Moshe Arens, and supervised by the Commander in Chief, Moshe Levi, who admitted that the four commandos «were organized and trained inside the country and had obtained their weapons from within». Obviously, this statement is in contradiction with the usual enemy propaganda which claims that the commandos come from outside, and mainly from Lebanon.

Complete censorship of the press:

According to many news correspondents, the operation had confused and cornered the Zionist leaders and intimidated the people throughout the area.

A spokesperson from the military censorship stated soon after the operation that he would not allow any details of the operation to be published. The Zionist repressive forces warned the press against publishing news regarding the operation. A correspondent from the United Press told that those ►

Captured commando Carlos



Captured commando Fouad



DFLP's heroes of the Jerusalem operation

Martyr Abu Rabi'

