



BELEAGUERED MONARCH COMES CALL-

ING: King Hassan II of Morocco is expected to arrive in the U.S. on November 13, where he will discuss Middle East peace initiatives as well as ask for more military aid for his war against independence guerrillas in neighboring Western Sahara.

The King cancelled two previously scheduled visits at the last minute, but observers are predicting he will keep his appointment with the White House this time. Administration officials have already promised to seek Congressional approval for more arms, and they are hopeful that a successful visit will persuade the Moroccan monarch to throw his support behind the Camp David agreement. Hassan's position is considered important for winning the backing of the Saudi Arabian royal family.

MOI ASSUMES KENYATTA MANTLE:

Daniel Arap Moi will be sworn in this week as Kenya's second president since independence. At the Kenyan African National Union (KANU) party congress on October 6, Moi was unanimously elected to the post by the 1600 delegates in attendance. He served as vice president under Jomo Kenyatta, who died in August.

MORE RAIDS ON SQUATTERS: Another group of squatters have been raided by South African authorities. Last week, police conducted a series of raids on settlements in and around the Indian Ocean port city of East London. Many shacks were reported burned and hundreds of persons arrested. Last month, the now well-known community called Crossroads outside Cape Town was raided. The government has pledged to eliminate squatter dwellings and resettle residents in their designated rural reserves.

BAUXITE GET-TOGETHER: Prime Minister

Michael Manley of Jamaica arrived in Conakry, Guinea, last week for an official visit. The two countries are the second and third leading producers of bauxite, with over 11 million metric tons each in 1977. Together they supply over one-quarter of the world's bauxite and have taken leadership in the International Bauxite Association. (See *AFRICA NEWS* special on bauxite and aluminum, January 16, 1978).

NEW PLANES FOR OLD: France, which has some 4,000 troops stationed in the Red Sea country of Djibouti, is now beefing up its air power there. According to *Le Monde*, French military authorities plan to base in Djibouti twelve French-made Mirage IIIC jets, which are capable of flying twice the speed of sound, in replacement for slower American-made F-100s.

MESSAGE FROM PRETORIA: The South African government's annual Special Advertising Section in *Business Week* (October 9) prominently features what is termed former President Gerald Ford's "pragmatic view of how the U.S. should be conducting itself towards South Africa."

In an address before a South African-sponsored gathering of American business executives in Houston in June, Ford is quoted as saying: "I don't believe that responsible corporate organizations in the United States should withdraw their economic participation in South Africa, providing they understand that they must have progressive, responsible economic policies as business citizens of South Africa."

The 14-page supplement carries a forward on "New deal for blacks" by Plural Relations Minister Connie Mulder, and articles on the country's mineral wealth, wines, holiday spots, and investment opportunities.