World

Begin submits letter of resignation — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin yesterday sent his official letter of resignation to President Chaim Herzog. The former prime minister has not been seen in public for over a week, and persistent rumors in Jerusalem say his health is deteriorating. Deputy Prime Minister David Levy is Israel's acting head of government while Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir continues his efforts to form a new government with Begin's old coalition.

Nation

House condemns Soviets for destroying airliner — The US House of Representatives passed a resolution Wednesday which "condemns the Soviet crime of destroying Korean Air Lines Flight 007 and murdering the 269 innocent people onboard." The resolution, passed by a vote of 414 to 0, calls for a "full and frank explanation from the Soviet Union for this brutal massacre," an international investigation, and a change in Soviet air defense policy. Several conservative Congressmen called for further sanctions against the Soviet Union. "This resolution is all wind-up and not pitch. It views with alarm but it doesn't do anything," said Rep. Henry Hyde (R-N.Y.).

Senate Democrats call to invoke War Powers Resolution — A caucus of Senate Democrats aniani- mous in calling on the president to invoke today calling on the president to invoke the 1973 War Powers Resolution, which requires Congress to authorize the use of US armed forces in "hostilities or into situations where imminent involvement in hostilities is clearly indicated." The Reagan administration has filed reports to Congress on the Marine involvement in Lebanon, as required by the act, but claims Congress- ional approval is not required because the troops are part of a peacekeeping force. House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. (D-Mass.) declared the President is now "breaking the law."

Brink's suspects convicted — A New York jury found radical's Kuwasi Balagoon, David J. Gilbert and Judith Clark guilty of second-degree murder of two policemen and a Brink's guard, and first-degree armed robbery for taking $1.6 million from a Brink's armored car. The defendants, serving as their own attorneys, claimed during the trial that the robbery was an "expropriation" in their struggle against the US government. The district attorneys called their defense "pure hogwash."

Local

Mayoral candidate wants laser manufacturers — The nine candidates in the Boston mayoral race— City Councilor Raymond Flynn, former state representative Melvin H. King, former School Committee President David I. Finnegan, Suffolk County Sheriff Dennis J. Katsay, former MBTA Chairman Robert R. Kiley, former City Council President Lawrence S. DiCara, City Councilor Frederick C. Langone, Mi- chael Gelber, and Eloise Linger — enjoyed a jovial 90-minute debate on prime-time television Wednesday. Mayoral candidate wants laser manufacturers — The nine candidates in the Boston mayoral race— City Councilor Raymond Flynn, former state representative Melvin H. King, former School Committee President David I. Finnegan, Suffolk County Sheriff Dennis J. Katsay, former MBTA Chairman Robert R. Kiley, former City Council President Lawrence S. DiCara, City Councilor Frederick C. Langone, Michael Gelber, and Eloise Linger — enjoyed a jovial 90-minute debate on prime-time television Wednesday. Gelber, a radical conservative who drew much of the laughter during the debate, declared he intended to attract laser-beam manufacturers to the city if elected mayor. Other candidates expressed more general plans for the city.

Routine stop yields 2 million of cocaine — A Massachusetts state trooper stopped a car early Wednesday morning on Interstate 95 for using its high beams, noticed the car's registration sticker had expired, and in a subsequent search found two kilograms of cocaine and a sawed-off shotgun in the trunk, Wednesday morning on Interstate 95 for using its high beams, noticed the car's registration sticker had expired, and in a subsequent search found two kilograms of cocaine and a sawed-off shotgun in the trunk, and a semi-automatic pistol under the front seat.

Hazardous waste plant planned for Massachusetts — The IT Corporation yesterday announced it would open a $1.5 million hazardous waste processing plant in Warren, Mass. Construction would start in 1985. Local residents and environmental groups have opposed the plant, since the proposed site, owned by the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, is near a large reservoir.

Weather

Cool, breezy weather ahead — Mostly sunny today, but becoming cloudy and cooler tonight. The high temperature today will be in the middle 70s. Temperatures will reach only the middle 60s tomorrow as cloudy and breezy weather continues.

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