

Europe Jolted By Terror Bombings

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Leftist terrorists and their allies have opened a new offensive against West Germany, killing a top industrialist and fire-bombing German vehicles and businesses across France and Italy.

The Bonn government, returning the challenge, said it will hunt down the killers of kidnaped industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer, whose body was found yesterday in the trunk of a car in Mulhouse, France.

"They will have no rest," a government spokesman said, "We will give them no chance."

The fire-bombings came one day

after West German commandos freed 86 hostages from a hijacked Lufthansa airliner in Somalia, killing three of the four Arab and German hijackers in a 7-minute, Entebbe-style raid.

Hours after the commando raid, West German authorities said Andreas Baader, a cofounder of the notorious Baader-Meinhof gang of urban guerrillas, had committed suicide in Stammheim prison with two comrades. But Baader's lawyer said his client was killed by a bullet to the base of his skull.

At the United Nations, Secretary General Kurt Waldheim moved to head off an international strike by airline pilots incensed by the execution of the pilot aboard the hijacked plane.

Waldheim invited Derry Pearce, head of the International Air Line Pilots Association, to travel from Hong Kong to New York to discuss ways of curbing hijackings. The pilots have demanded that the U.N. act against air piracy.

In Mulhouse, French police acting on a phone tip from the Red Army Faction terrorist group found Schleyer's body in the trunk of an abandoned car.

The 62-year-old president of the German Employers' Association, and father of four had been shot in the head, French authorities said today. He was kidnapped Sept. 5 in a machine gun attack in Cologne that killed his four bodyguards.

Schleyer, a member of Hitler's feared S.S. unit during World War II, later won a reputation as a tough bargainer with unions and joined the board of directors of Daimler-Benz, makers of Mercedes vehicles.

A man speaking German telephoned the leftist Paris daily Liberation and said, "After 43 days, we have put an end to the miserable and corrupt existence of Hanns-Martin Schleyer."

"His death is without any comparison with our sorrow and our anger after the massacre of Mogadishu and Stammheim" the caller said.

"We still have not succeeded in catching the murderers, but the first results of our search were considerable," Chancellor Helmut Schmidt told parliament today.

Throughout Germany police checked hundreds of identity cards and cars in their search for 16 suspects whose pictures were on thousands of wanted posters. French police joined the manhunt on their side of the border.

All Germans were asked to dial a

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HANNS-MARTIN SCHLEYER
Body found in car trunk.

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special telephone number to hear the voices of kidnap suspects.

Schmidt thanked the Soviet Union and East Germany for offering their help in rescuing the hostages aboard the hijacked jetliner.

Schmidt said terrorist leader Baader and his two cohorts had killed themselves to use "their own lives as a weapon" in their continuing fight to undermine the West German government.

"Apparently their deaths were not a sign of final insight but as a signal to comrades still at large. Threats that were made before their deaths support this view," Schmidt said.

Baader, 34, and Jan-Carl Raspe, 33, were found shot to death in their maximum-security cells. Baader's lover, Gundrun Ensslin, 37, was found hanged from her cell window.

Radical leftists convinced the three were killed by their guards, attacked West German property in Paris and Rome and a host of smaller Italian cities, smashing windows and fire-bombing buses and businesses.

In Toulouse, France, fire extensively damaged the warehouse of the Flaujac Co., which recycles paper for West German companies. An explosion damaged a Volkswagen minibus and several parked cars.

Hundreds of demonstrators rampaged in the streets of Genoa, Italy, and smashed a glass door of the West German consulate. Police fired shots in the air to disperse the mob and arrested 19 persons.

In Rome, youthful rioters stormed down the elegant Via Veneto shooting out windows. Police in armored cars pumped tear gas into the crowds to

protect the West German Embassy and the Lufthansa Airline building. There were also disturbances in Milan and Como.

In France, arsonists fire-bombed three West German tourist buses in downtown Paris and two in Nice. Passing motorcycleists doused the flames in the capital and damage was only slight, police said. But in Nice, both buses were destroyed.

Italian authorities also reported bombings on German auto showrooms and businesses in Turin, Livorno, Bologna, Milan and Siena. In Venice, attackers set fire to the door of the West German consulate.