

PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

Adel Jamal is the new head of Jeddah-based Riyad Bank's investment department. Jamal, aged 34, was formerly in the Saudi diplomatic service. He worked in Washington for seven years, before starting a banking career which has included jobs at Saudi International Bank in London, Banque Arabe & Internationale d'Investissement (BAII) in Paris and National Commercial Bank in Saudi Arabia.



Julian Lush

Julian Lush is Royal Dutch/Shell Group's representative in its new Abu Dhabi office. Lush has worked in Lebanon, Sudan and Oman since joining the group in 1957.

The UK's Gray Mackenzie & Company has appointed **D G John** a director and member of the Gulf regional board. He will be based in Bahrain with responsibility for developing the group's Middle East activities.

Pierre G Pailleret has replaced **George Warde** as Airbus Industrie's senior vice-president, marketing. He will be responsible for marketing and sales of A300, A310 and A320 aircraft. Pailleret joined Airbus in 1975 and became vice-president, sales finance in 1977.

Air Algeria's general manager in Geneva is former UK manager **Nadir Mekdada**. He is replaced in the UK by **Omar Belkhadja**.

Stephen Blakemore has joined the Middle East management team of the UK's Whittle International Freight.

Abu Dhabi's Al-Dhanna Oilfield Services & Trading Company has announced **Khalifa Saed Rashid al-Rhabi's** resignation as a director. He is leaving the company.

Isam al-Chalabi has been appointed vice-president of the Iraq National Oil Company. He is replaced as chairman of the State Organisation for Oil Projects by **Rajah Muhi al-Din**.



James F Pablo has been appointed vice-president of the US' SeaTec International. The company specialises in marine and offshore construction, and under-water services.

Sir Donald Hawley has been appointed a director of UK consultant Ewbank & Partners. Sir Donald is fluent in Arabic and has

worked in Dubai, Cairo, Lagos, Nigeria, and Baghdad. He was the UK's Oman ambassador from 1971-75.

Paul Davies is Jardine Air Cargo's Middle East sales manager. He will be based in Dubai.

Drew E Waitley is international banking services manager, Africa/Middle East division of Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Company.

West Germany's national airline Lufthansa has appointed **Jens Michael Hubrich** director for Africa and the Near East. He was formerly director for the UK and Ireland.

Westinghouse Saudi Arabia's new president is **Thomas E Mistler**. He will work from the Fluor Arabia building in Al-Khobar before moving to Westinghouse's Riyadh office.

David Payne has been made sales director at Jeddah's Red Sea Palace hotel. New sales manager is **Bo George Modin**.

which enabled his supporters to campaign for him as a "living martyr" of the revolution.

His nearest rival for the presidency was Education Minister Ali Akbar Parvaresh, who polled 341,841 votes. Other candidates were Energy Minister Hasan Ghafuri-Fard and a former deputy interior minister, Reza Zavarei. Prime Minister Mahdavi-Kani withdrew his candidacy shortly before the election.

IN BRIEF

Imports from West Germany totalled DM 1,500 million (\$ 651 million) in the first half of 1981, only 2 per cent less than in the corresponding period of 1980, the West German-Iranian Chamber of Commerce says. In the same period, exports to West Germany fell by 73 per cent.

Iran-Japan Petrochemical Company president Hassan Dabiri has told the **Mitsui Group** in Japan that Iran will not comply with Mitsui's request for a major revision of terms for the Bandar Khomeini petrochemicals projects. Mitsui has said it is not prepared to invest further in the \$ 3,500 million scheme and has asked to become a subcontractor, rather than a partner. Work on the scheme, which is 85 per cent complete, has been at a standstill since the September 1980 start of the Gulf war. Dabiri is expected to leave Japan on 11 October (MEED 2:10:81).

Government forces recaptured the northern town of Bukan from Kurdish guerrillas on 3 October after five days' fighting, Tehran radio says. Bukan, a town of 20,000 people about 50 kilometres south of Mahabad, had been held by "counter-revolutionaries" since early 1979, the report said. It added that all towns in Azerbaijan are now controlled by government forces.

Former prime minister Mehdi Bazargan caused an uproar in the majlis (parliament) on 7 October when he attacked the government's

hardline policy in dealing with the opposition. "Acts of revenge by this government will turn the country into an ocean of blood," he said. He condemned the daily executions of leftist Islamic militants whom he described as "dedicated" Iranians. Bazargan's speech was constantly interrupted by members of the pro-clergy Islamic Republican Party (IRP) which dominates the majlis. About 100 IRP supporters who gathered outside the building are said to have called for his execution. Bazargan was Iran's first prime minister after the 1979 revolution, but was forced to resign after the US embassy in Tehran was besieged in November 1979.

Religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini has named former ground forces commander General Qassem Ali Zahirmejad as armed forces chief-of-staff, and Colonel Mohammad Hassan Moimpur as air force chief. Their predecessors, the defence minister and several officials were killed in a 30 September air crash (MEED 2:10:81, Regional).

IRAQ

Pakistanis get irrigation consultancy
National Engineering Services (Pakistan - Nespak) has been appointed consultant for the New Rumaitha irrigation scheme. Client is the Irrigation Ministry's **State Organisation for Land Reclamation**.

The scheme is over 37,500 hectares, some 40 kilometres north of Samawa in the south. Irrigation, drainage, roads and power supply are planned for the area, in which agri-businesses are to be set up. Villages are also to be built and supplied with all services.

In June, Nespak was appointed consultant for the Zubair irrigation scheme west of Basra (MEED 3:7:81). It is also

consultant for the Euphrates east drain project (MEED 3:7:81).

Northern housing scheme progresses

France's **Dumez** has completed two pre-fabricated-buildings factories in the northern Tamim and Nineveh governorates. This is the first stage of a \$ 558.8 million scheme to build 4,000 houses (MEED 9:1:81).

Work has now begun on the houses, to be built in Tamim, Nineveh and Dohuk governorates. The scheme -- to be overseen by the **State Enterprise for the Execution of Northern Housing Projects** -- also includes 10 primary and two secondary schools, two central markets, health centres, a mosque and provision of services.

Although Dumez signed the contract in September 1980, work did not start until early 1981. Filipino labour has been recruited in Manila. Client is the **State Organisation for Housing**.

IN BRIEF

Two Yugoslav companies have recently won contracts, the Belgrade monthly *Echo* reports. **Energoinvest** is to deliver and set up two 132-kW transformer stations at Babil and Najaf. The \$ 10 million contract was signed with the **State Organisation for Electricity**. A company identified as **Srbijavode Associated Enterprise** has an \$ 8 million contract to build 16 kilometres of dykes on both banks of the Al-Dujaila canal. This is part of the Al-Dujaila project, in which Yugoslav companies are heavily involved (MEED 4:7:80). The latest work will be done by Srbijavode's **Smederovska Palanka**. Three other Yugoslav firms -- **Primorje**, **Ratco Mitrovic** and **Ivan Lavecevic** -- are assisting **Trudbenik** with work on the \$ 1,200 million contract to build three military housing complexes (MEED 14:8:81; 10:4:81). The complexes will each have 6,000 two-room flats.