

2 Suspects in Killing of Paris P.L.O. Officials Said to Admit Belonging to Group Tied to Iraq

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PARIS, Aug. 4 — Two Arab terrorists who murdered two Palestine Liberation Organization representatives here yesterday have admitted being members of a radical Palestinian group linked to Iraq's intelligence service, French police sources said today.

The two gunmen were arrested after storming the P.L.O. offices in downtown Paris and murdering Ezzedine Kalak, head of the P.L.O. office, and an aide, Hammad Adnan.

The assailants were identified as Hatem Abdul Kadir, 25 years old, and Kayed Assad, 21, both Jordanians of Palestinian background. Mr. Kadir was listed as a student of physics at the Jus-sieu branch of the University of Paris. Mr. Assad, who was carrying false identity papers from Algeria, was enrolled in the Alliance Française here to study the

French language.

According to the police, both men said they were followers of Abu Nidal, a Palestinian whose extremist faction broke away from the P.L.O. leadership of Yasir Arafat and is now largely controlled by Iraqi intelligence agents.

In Lebanon, the headquarters of the Palestine Liberation Organization issued a communiqué, addressed to "the Arab nation and the Palestinian people," asserting that its Paris representatives "were assassinated by agents of the Iraqi secret services."

The P.L.O. has previously charged that Iraq was behind the murder of P.L.O. representatives in London and Kuwait. The Iraqis have blamed the P.L.O. for attacks in recent days against their diplomats in London, Beirut, Karachi and Paris.