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Uganda: Conquest of Uganda Completed; Other Developments

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With the capture June 2-3 of Koboko, a village near the Sudanese-Zairian border with Uganda, the Tanzanian-led invasion appeared to be complete. Koboko was the native village of former President Idi Amin Dada and the area from which he drew most of his military support. [See 1979 [Uganda: Jinja Falls to Tanzanians](#)]

Tanzanian soldiers and their Ugandan partners encountered little opposition in their campaign to capture Uganda from pro-Amin forces. Links between eastern Uganda and Kenya were restored by May 1, and most of the northeast was conquered a week later.

Most of the towns along the way were captured unopposed. According to reports, the most serious clash took place outside Arua, a provincial capital, May 27 when six Tanzanians were killed. However, the Tanzanian-rebel army entered Arua unopposed two days later.

Dora Bloch's Body Found

The body of Dora Bloch, a British-Israeli citizen believed murdered by Amin, was positively identified May 30 by Israeli and Ugandan pathologists in Kampala. Her remains had been found in a shallow grave east of the capital city by Tanzanian troops.

Bloch had been one of the passengers on an airplane hijacked to Uganda in 1976. She was hospitalized in Kampala during the incident. The other passengers were rescued by an Israeli raid on Entebbe airport, and it was believed that Amin had ordered her death in revenge. Her body was flown to Israel June 3. [See 1976 [Middle East: Israel Details Uganda Raid; Other Developments](#)]

In other developments:

- Amin had been reported by various sources to be in Iraq, Libya, Uganda and Syria during the invasion. He was last reported in Iraq May 27, seeking to raise a mercenary army against the new Ugandan government.
- The bodies of four European reporters killed by Amin's soldiers were recovered April 26. [See 1979 [Ugandan Capital Falls to Invaders; New Government Formed](#)]