

GIRRMANN TERRORISTS MURDER BORDER NCO

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(Text) Berlin--Siegfried Widera, an NCO of the GDR Border Police, died 8 September from severe injuries suffered at the hands of gangsters of the West Berlin Girmann terror group. He was on duty at the GDR state frontier in Berlin. The GDR Defense Ministry stated 9 September that the men responsible for the murder of Siegfried Widera were the same people who had murdered other members of the GDR People's Army. The criminals would not escape their just punishment.

In the first half of 1963, GDR territory was fired on from West Berlin 60 times. West Berlin provocateurs carried out explosive attempts on border defense installations on seven occasions. On another 50 occasions they tried to cause damage and provoke incidents by incendiary bottles and other means.