

hardened individuals who have established links with the Baader-Meinhof gang (the wife of West German lawyer Haag, the "brain" behind terrorism, served as a liaison agent with the French group), with the Palestinians of the PFLP (they were in permanent contact with Mahmoud Saleh who was executed by the Israeli secret service in Paris last January).

But this pro-Baader Committee which is now fighting for Klaus Croissant and has infiltrated international organizations like the OECD (a high-level British official attached to the European Economic Community and linked to French revolutionaries, gave them a top-secret European Commission document on the repression of terrorism), has other ramifications: with anarchist networks in Switzerland, with the Armed Proletarian Nuclei in Italy, with the IRA in Ireland, etc...

Even more discreet, deep and undiscernable are the links of the French pro-Baader Committee with the NAPAP (Armed Nuclei for Popular Autonomy), the toughest French terrorist group... the "Clockwork Orange" of terrorism. Their militants, like the murderers of Attorney General Buback, Dresdner Bank

President Jürgen Ponto, business leader Hanns-Martin Schleyer, are part of the new wave of terrorism. The French police are aware of this and are tracking the NAPAP members and the French Andreas Baader, Christian Harbulot...

(A new wave of bombings in Britany raises the nagging question of who is behind the resurgence of separatist, regionalist movements in France and elsewhere. Says Philippe Bernet:)

Until a few years ago the Bretons, Occitans, Basques and Corsicans were part of a traditionalist right wing. Most of the separatists from Britany were taking their orders from one of their leaders who sided with the Nazis during World War II and took refuge in Ireland. Then the ultraleftists infiltrated the Front for the Liberation of Britany (FLB) which started a fight for a "free, socialist state of Britany." (Since that time) commandos of separatists have been bombing all buildings that are a symbol of French authority... With growing concern NATO specialists see the same form of ultraleftist terrorism plaguing Corsica...

EXCLUSIVE

H.H.A. Cooper:

Terrorism To Escalate, U.S. Prime Target

The following comes from an Oct. 21 interview with Professor H.H.A. "Tony" Cooper of the American University Institute for Advanced Studies in Justice. In an interview published in Executive Intelligence Review last March, Professor Cooper, a British subject who authored that month's Law Enforcement Assistance Administration report on terrorism, predicted a wave of "Puerto Rican" bombings which subsequently occurred under the auspices of the FALN bombers of New York and Chicago. The reader will note that Cooper characterizes France, West Germany, and the Soviet Union — three nations now working together to combat terrorism — as adversaries over the terrorism issue.

Q: What do you see as the future of terrorism after the successful West German commando raid at Mogadishu?

A: I think escalation is inevitable.... This is a continuing struggle.

Q: So you don't see a decline?

A: No, on the contrary, they have been stimulated to greater activity. Terrorism is a struggle for power. The struggle is never given up until one side or the other has lost, and nobody is going to recognize such a loss.... It's certainly not a foreseeable event.

Q: There are certain forces in West Germany who view the terrorists as having sustained a tremendous defeat and on the verge of extinction.

A: I wouldn't subscribe to that view. I certainly don't think they're anywhere close to extinction. The West German government is not capable of reaching any of these people, as it recognizes indeed by the appeal that it has made for cooperation internationally. The problem is, of course, that they are being harbored by other countries.... the only way that terrorism is possible is by safe havens being made available to them by unfriendly (to West Germany) or unwitting neighbors.... These endeavors have been planned outside of Germany, maybe in France and Belgium, and executed from those neighboring territories with impunity. So, I would think that the Germans were very optimistic indeed to imagine that they had made very much impact on the actual core structure of these groups.

One of the problems that I foresee is a propaganda problem. Propaganda is always important in war, of course. If, for example, there now becomes a mass sympathy, and there are signs of this in Europe, with the terrorist movement, this will hamper the work of the police and will increase their difficulties in breaking these organizations.

Q: Do you see any escalation in the U.S.?

A: I think ultimately this will have to happen. We are the prime target; this behavior is very contagious. People will do what seems to work and if terrorism seems to work, they will repeat it wherever it is geographically and politically possible.

Q: The Soviets are accusing the Chinese of being behind the terrorism. What do you think that is about?

A: I think this is the pot calling the kettle black. In my view, the Soviet Union, particularly through its satraps in East Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Cuba, have long been producing surrogate terrorism and training people for years in the Patrice Lumumba University, for example, in Moscow for just this sort of work. To suggest that the Chinese are doing the same is sheer impertinence. They probably are, but as I was saying, this is the pot calling the kettle black.

Q: Do you think that terrorists have any capability for dealing with these counterterror operations?

A: Defensive capability, no. But one has to plan one's operations. For example, an offensive operation such as (Mogadishu) would have been impossible in Washington, D.C. in the Hanafi situation. The building simply couldn't have been stormed. If the terrorists take a building such as that, they may die in the attempt, but they'll kill an awful lot of people in the attempt to dislodge them. This is just bad strategy; they were not farsighted. I had confidently expected an assault, of course, but I would have calculated that we would have lost at least 30 passengers and 10 members of the assault team. I was amazed that we were so lucky in the event.

'Everyone Wants To Make Terrorism Look Like A Conspiracy'

The interview excerpted below is the second Executive Intelligence Review interview with J. Bowyer Bell in the last two weeks. In the first interview, Bell predicted Baader-Meinhof (Red Army Faction (RAF)) revenge in Europe "within two weeks" of the successful release of a hijacked Lufthansa jet in Mogadishu, Somalia. Since that time, the RAF bombed a West German Federal Court building in Bavaria.

Bell is the current Director of Columbia University's Institute on War and Peace in New York City and is a member of the British round-table group, the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS). The following interview occurred on Oct. 28.

Q: Did you read a feature article in the New York Daily News (Oct. 23) by Russ Braley? (see excerpts above)

A: Everyone wants to make it look like a conspiracy so they don't have to face terrorism. It is here to stay.... The biggest fans for the conspiracy theory come from the East bloc, you know.

Q: Which countries?

A: Well, the Yugoslavs are big on this. I would also include the Soviets and the Poles. The East bloc generally. The idea is if you can pin terrorism on one or two individuals etc. you can solve the problem. They delude themselves that way.

Q: An Associated Press wire identified the names of the hijackers of the Lufthansa airliner and associated them with Wadi Haddad.

A: You haven't gotten anywhere until you understand Middle East terrorism. You know, a couple of Arabs get together in a bar, start a new terrorist organization, carry out a hijacking, and then split into different organizations. Each time, they change their names.

Q: You mean, it's just a small group of individuals?

A: Yes, that's it. Often, they only know each other, if that.

Q: The AP wire made the distinction between Haddad and Dr. George Habbash. What is the difference?

A: The difference is funding. Haddad is funded by Iraq.

Q: Who does Habbash get money from?

A: Anybody he can. Mostly the Syrians.

Q: The AP wire reported that the leader of the Lufthansa Airliner hijacking was a London-trained aviation engineer.

A: (angrily) How are we to know what he was? He could be anything! He may have gone to some London high school for twenty minutes!