

FACTS BEHIND TERRORISM

Khomeini lobby prods PLO into U.S. antinuclear camp

Those liberals and radicals who helped put the Ayatollah Khomeini in power in Iran are now trying to lure the Palestine Liberation Organization into a disastrous (for the PLO) alliance with the "left-wing," environmentalist-terrorist elements in the U.S. Kennedy-for-President machine.

Leaders of the Palestine Liberation Organization have been advised by Council on Foreign Relations strategist George Ball, Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation ideologue, Richard Falk, and former Attorney General Ramsey Clark, that only by working with the antinuclear "left" in the United States do they have any chance of "defeating" the Camp David accords.

Ball and company are trying to stir up the most radical, "Jacobin" tendencies in the PLO. This tendency has expressed itself in the same kind of fondness for short-term expediency that led PLO leader Arafat into his catastrophic embrace of Khomeini earlier this year. Should the PLO fall into the trap this time around, the Khomeini blunder will be dwarfed.

The game to hoodwink the PLO was initiated by Ramsey Clark early last month. Clark hurried to Beirut to meet with Arafat, as reports circulated of breakthroughs in European-Arab diplomacy.

On his heels came a gaggle of propagandists for Khomeini. Included were Dave Dellinger, editor of Seven Days magazine, mouthpiece of the Washington

Institute for Policy Studies and London Transnational Institute; Don Luce of Clergy and Laity Concerned; and Edward Said, a professor at Columbia University. Said gave a presentation before a Beirut Palestinian audience calling for an alliance to be formed with American "liberals, leftists, and civil rights activists."

Upon returning to the United States, Clark, Luce, and Dellinger were featured speakers at a Sept. 21-22 meeting of the Palestine Human Rights Committee, a meeting that was endorsed by Falk and various Institute spokesmen. At the gathering, Dellinger appealed for an organic alliance to be constructed between the Palestinians and the U.S. antinuclear movement. He "promised" that a prominent PLO or pro-PLO spokesman would be brought to every major antinuclear rally in the country! Luce then led a chorus of speakers in attacks on the "evil effects of American technology" in the world.

In an interview this week, Dellinger, who controls the terrorist "Clamshell Alliance" groups, expressed confidence that the Palestinian Human Rights Committee could be "naturally linked up with" such antinuclear groups.

The Committee's susceptibility to such an alliance is rooted in the fact that although the PHRC serves as a channeling agency for generalized Arab-American sympathy for the Palestinians, its leaders are tainted by British connections. Its head, James Zogby,

founded the group in cooperation with Falk, M.I.T. brainwasher Noam Chomsky, Transnational Institute head Eqbal Ahmad, and a representative from the Center for the Advancement of Arab-British Understanding, or CAABU. CAABU has known controlling links to the Muslim Brotherhood, the semisecret society now ruling Iran, and other anti-progress and terrorist groups in the Middle East.

One of Zogby's closest allies, and a featured speaker at the Sept. 21-22 meeting, is Detroit's Abdeen Jabara, a Lebanese-American pinpointed by knowledgeable Arab-American community leaders for his role as a supporter and controller of terrorism.

After the conference, Zogby told one caller that he was interested in having the Human Rights Committee "reach out to such groups as the Citizens Party and other antinuclear groups." The Citizens Party, headed by environmentalist-extremist Barry Commoner, is the left flank of the Kennedy machine.

Dellinger's promise has, however, been met by no commitment at all by the PLO leadership itself, as he confessed in an interview. Anything smacking of Kennedy is anathema to most of the Arab world.

Also encouraging is the lukewarm-to-negative response accorded Jesse Jackson, known in the United States for his involvement in Ramsey Clark's black street-gang and race riot schemes. After Jackson finished his recent romp through the Middle East, which included long-winded appeals for the PLO to join Camp David, the press of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and elsewhere this weekend attacked him for "fronting for Israel."

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