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From the Editor-in-Chief

The 1980s have opened with a bang and so far promises to be a decade when the question of world war or peace will be paramount. The crisis in Iran, the spread of instability in the Middle East and the Islamic world, and now the events in Afghanistan have posed a new crisis in the world in which the Soviet Union for one is delivering a clear message that war will be the result of a sustained threat to its perceived strategic interests.

This special report on the Muslim Brotherhood was prepared before the events in Afghanistan took place. Those events only underscore the strategic importance of this conspiratorial organization, an entity controlled primarily by the British Secret Intelligence Services and the organization responsible for the creation of the Khomeini madness in Iran and its spread throughout the Middle East.

This is the second report we have presented on the Brotherhood; the first was last May. As our title suggests, we are keeping to the tradition of the *EIR* in publishing such exposés not merely for the edification of our readers but to bring about a concrete result—in this case to aid governments and others concerned in eliminating this menace from the body politic.

The report has been directed by our Middle East intelligence director, Robert Dreyfuss, and draws on the research and writing of our Middle East specialists, Thierry Le Marc, who is based in Bonn, and Mark Burdman, based in New York. A section on the South Asian end of this, including the Afghanistan-Soviet aspects, has been contributed by myself, in my capacity as Asia intelligence director. Our readers are encouraged to refer back to our earlier report and the more recent *EIR* special report on "The Secrets Behind the Ayatollah Khomeini" for more on this vital subject, without which events in the region and the world cannot be understood (reprints are available on request).



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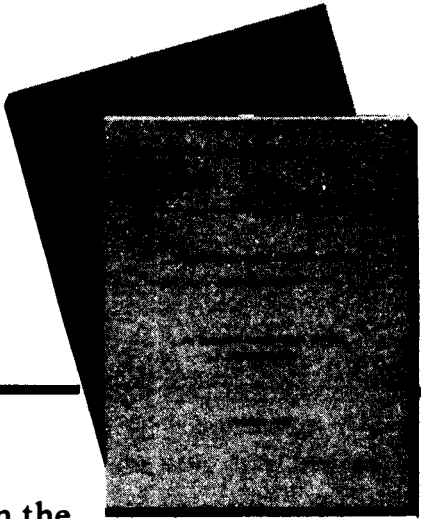
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