

London accused of harboring global terror apparatus

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In the summer of 1995, France's newly elected President Jacques Chirac got into a brief tussle with the British government over the fact that French security services, combatting a rash of bombings and assassinations linked to Algerian Muslim terrorists, unearthed evidence that the true command center of the campaign of "blind terrorism" hitting every major city in France, was located in London. For a period of time, it appeared that Chirac was prepared to break the Anglo-French entente that had been so dominant a factor in French politics during the era of his predecessor, François Mitterrand. Ultimately, Chirac backed down, and, not surprisingly, the terror war against France ended.

Next, the Egyptian government got into the act. Following the aborted "assassination attempt" against President Hosni Mubarak last year, allegedly by a team of Sudan-based Egyptian Muslim radicals, Egyptian police uncovered evidence pointing to London as the hub of irregular warfare, directed at bringing down the Cairo regime and shattering the Middle East peace process. Briefly, the Egyptian government, too, attempted to pressure the British, to no avail, to crack down on the "guerrillas in their midst."

In the days following the Mideast "peacemakers summit" in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, in mid-March of this year, which was attended by Heads of State or senior ministers from 28 nations, including Persian Gulf states that had never before sat down at a bargaining table with Israeli government officials, Israel joined the ranks of national governments that have come to the conclusion that London is the world capital of irregular warfare.

As *EIR* reported last week, the Israeli government has informed British Prime Minister John Major that a dossier will be presented to British officials, documenting London's role as the financial and logistical hub of what nominally

passes for Middle East-based Islamic extremist guerrilla groups, such as Hezbollah, Islamic Jihad, and the military wing of Hamas. Previous Israeli efforts to get the Major government to shut down the Islamic terrorist propaganda machine, safehoused in London, got nowhere.

Kurdish terror in Germany

On March 25, the German weekly magazine *Focus* revealed that the Kurdish Communist Party (PKK) runs a satellite TV station in London, through which propaganda is disseminated, and marching orders are sent out to Kurdish radicals across continental Europe. The PKK's MED-TV is licensed by the British government.

The PKK has been waging a terror war in eastern Turkey, as well as in Germany, where an estimated 400,000 Kurdish refugees live. On March 16, the PKK staged coordinated riots in the German city of Dortmund, and along the German border with the Netherlands and Belgium. Some 8,000 PKK rioters battled police, in the most serious civil disorders in recent German history. Over 150 German riot police were injured, 22 seriously.

The role of the London-based PKK satellite radio and television network, in coordinating these riots, is now under investigation by German security services.

German investigators would do well to look at the PKK's links to an important, London-based narco-terror umbrella group, the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement (RIM), which, for several years, was based out of the Russell House, headquarters of the late Lord Bertrand Russell's so-called peace foundation, a high-level front for British intelligence. Among the leading organizations within RIM are the Peruvian narco-terrorist Shining Path and the Turkish Communist Party, Marxist-Leninist (TKP-ML). The TKP-ML and the

Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA) are virtually indistinguishable from the PKK. The three groups share training, logistics, and often carry out joint operations.

EIR called the shots

None of these specific revelations about London's role as the world capital of terrorism should come as a surprise. In autumn 1995, *EIR* published a three-part series of reports, detailing the new international terrorism run through the "mujahideen" legions of narco-mercenaries, who honed their terror skills during the 1979-89 Afghanistan war.

In his introduction to that series, Lyndon LaRouche warned: "A new wave of international terrorism is stalking the world. It is led by a horde of mujahideen mercenaries: human flotsam, like the 1920s 'rootless' veterans of World War I, cast upon the world in the wake of 1980s Afghan war. This is the worst terrorism yet; it is much worse than that of the 1970s. It is coordinated from the capital of a former U.S. ally, London; worse yet, it was created with the complicity of former U.S. Vice President (and, later, President) George Bush. It threatens you, and your family; perhaps directly, perhaps indirectly. We must mobilize to fight it, and defeat it."

The *EIR* studies made clear that the role of London as the world headquarters of irregular warfare flows from the oligarchical policies of the House of Windsor and its Club of the Isles. The ability to deploy a global array of ethnic separatist gangs and narco-terrorists, is central to British geopolitics.

The real question that remains to be answered is: When will the governments of the world openly name the British Crown and its intelligence apparatus as the root of all global irregular warfare today, and take the appropriate measures against the British?

Recently, one of London's leading journalists, James Adams of the *Sunday Times*, admitted that London is now the world's biggest safe haven for narco-dollars, since the Clinton administration's crackdown on drug-money laundering. By Adams's estimate, \$400 billion a year in narco-revenues now flows through the big City of London financial houses. Since dope money is today the principal source of financing of the worldwide "afghansi" terrorist machine, the role of London becomes doubly significant.

Indicative of the problem in taking this monster head-on, is the Clinton administration's hesitation to boldly identify the British as the architects of global terror—despite the fact that President Clinton has been more effective than any American President since Franklin Roosevelt in breaking with the Anglo-American special relationship, and in combatting British perfidy around the globe. Indeed, the President has been personally targeted by British-directed irregular warfare assets on a score of occasions since his inauguration, and the entire Whitewater "scandal" has been a Made-in-London, black-propaganda affair, run through the Hollinger Corp., the *American Spectator*, and other British conduits.

What's more, two of the major acts of irregular warfare against the United States in recent years, have been linked to the London-sponsored irregular warfare apparatus. The Feb. 28, 1993 World Trade Center bombing was carried out by veterans of the Afghan war, who became part of what LaRouche described as the mujahideen "mercenary hordes."

And, leads are now emerging, that may link the April 19, 1995 Oklahoma City bombing to British-based neo-Nazis and skinheads. As *EIR* reported, the men accused of the Oklahoma bombing, Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols, were incapable of carrying out the attack on their own. McVeigh defense attorney Steven Jones has successfully petitioned the court for permission to take depositions of at least four British-based radicals, who are suspected of links to the Oklahoma bomb-plot. Lord William Rees-Mogg, the senior British propagandist, had been implicated before the fact in the Oklahoma tragedy, through his role in shaping the political environment in which the bombing occurred (see *EIR*, June 2, 1995).

Despite this growing pile of evidence of British control and coordination over global terrorism, at a March 25 State Department briefing, press spokesman Nick Burns balked at the idea of naming Britain as a State sponsoring terrorism, in response to a question from *EIR* correspondent Bill Jones. From the official transcript:

Mr. Jones: "Nick, with regard to Hamas, the Israeli government has expressed concern to the British that there has been a considerable amount of financing; to a large extent Hamas has found a safe haven in Great Britain. This is not the first indication of that. The PKK also is operating quite freely because of the nature of British legislation. And the Israelis want them to crack down on this. Has this been also of concern to the United States, and has it been a subject of discussions in the bilateral meetings with Prime Minister Major and the President at Sharm el-Sheikh?"

Mr. Burns: "I would not single out the United Kingdom in determining how we can foreclose terrorist options for Hamas in the future. I wouldn't single out the United Kingdom. I would single out Iran. Iran directly supports Hamas and directly funds Hamas. We know that. And that's undeniable. I'd single out other states in the region which can do more—which can do much more to choke off support for Hamas. I wouldn't single out the United Kingdom for this treatment. . . . I simply don't know if this particular subject has been raised diplomatically by the United States with the United Kingdom. But, again, I would argue very strongly that singling out the United Kingdom would be most curious right now."

While there is little doubt about Iran's role in fostering irregular warfare, LaRouche has pointed out that Iran is an instrument, but not the ultimate control point, over international narco-terrorism. He likened it to the Punch and Judy puppet shows, where the puppets on the stage have their strings pulled from behind the scenes. It makes no sense to hit the puppets and ignore the puppet-masters.