

dale's Global 2000 and fulminating against the Catholic Church's "pro-natalist" policies. Recently, it has published a plethora of articles promoting the peace movement and has anointed anti-war activists Carl Sagan and Helen Caldicott "Humanists of the Year."

All this took place under the suspicious eye of Lester Mondale, who sits on the magazine's editorial board along with such luminaries as Betty Friedan, founder of the National Organization for Women; euthanasia advocate Joseph Fletcher; and Lester Kirkendall, the former head of the American Humanist Association and a major financial contributor to the United Nations' Temple for Understanding, a theosophist cult tied to the pagan Lucis Trust.

### Promoting genocide

Walter Mondale wasn't simply paying lip service when he declared his allegiance to the humanist cause back in 1970. His entire legislative record parallels the official policy pronouncements of the various "humanist" institutions.

The population issue is a case in point. Since its inception, the "humanist movement" has been in the forefront of the campaign for population control and eugenics (see box); its members founded and continue to run most of the major population control groups. Mondale has been extremely active in promoting various population control schemes, as demonstrated by his sponsorship of the *Global 2000 Report*, which proposes to reduce world population by 2 billion by the turn of the century. In 1970, Mondale played a pivotal role in securing passage of one of the most important pieces of Malthusian legislation, the Family Planning Services and Population Research Act of 1970. In a speech at the time, Mondale declared that "our hopes for peace are threatened by the twin forces of runaway population and escalating poverty" and called for "fundamental changes in our economic habits, social values and national priorities in order to solve the environmental crisis." The root of this crisis, Mondale intoned, is "a culture which seems to value quantity above quality; self-interest and expedience above the beauty and mystery of nature."

Mondale's advocacy of health-care "cost containment" similarly reflects the official "humanist" stand. Mondale has issued a series of campaign statements recently announcing that he plans to cut national health-care costs by \$15 billion, by reducing "expensive technology" and promoting health maintenance organizations (HMOs) which save money through the simple expedient of limiting medical treatment.

Since the late 1960s, Mondale has been an honorary fellow of the Hastings Institute, one of the first groups to promote euthanasia as a respectable issue. The *Humanist* magazine's Joseph Fletcher is also associated with Hastings. President emeritus of the Society for the Right to Die, Fletcher recently declared that "Nobody in his right mind thinks life is sacred," and insisted that "it won't be long now before society accepts the need for terminating the lives of its non-productive members."

## Ownby assassination proves terror threat

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Less than one month after Federal Bureau of Investigations director William Webster proclaimed on nationwide television that the United States has nothing to fear from international terrorists, the youngest major-general in the United States Army, Robert Ownby, Jr., was killed at his headquarters office building at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas.

The commander of a 4,500-man reserve unit attached to the Rapid Deployment Force, the 47-year-old major general was slated to assume the post of Commander of all U.S. Army Reserve forces at the next rotation in 1987. A former head of the Presidential Honor Guard, a military interface to the presidential security detail of Secret Service, Ownby was described by numerous colleagues interviewed by this news service as one of the fastest-rising, most talented young officers in the U.S. military.

Early on the morning of Jan. 11, an employee at the Army Reserve base discovered the body of General Ownby hung by the neck in a stairwell with his hands tied behind his back. A note attached to his body read: "Captured, tried, convicted, sentenced, executed for U.S. Army crimes against the people."

### Terror alert in effect

Forty-eight hours before General Ownby's murder, all active-duty senior grade U.S. officers and numerous retired officers still holding A and B class security clearance were advised to take personal security precautions in anticipation of some terrorist action.

This represented an upgrading of an alert in effect since the summer for Soviet and Soviet-surrogate terrorist acts, including sabotage of U.S. power stations and other vital infrastructure, and kidnappings or assassinations of military personnel. This alert was particularly in effect along the U.S.-Mexican border as the result of extensive evidence in the hands of U.S. and Mexican intelligence agencies that

East German, Cuban, and Soviet advisers were running terrorist training camps in the northwest states of Mexico, particularly in drug- and gun-traffic-infested frontier areas controlled by the PAN (National Action Party).

At least four other active-duty U.S. military officers, all involved in either coastal defense or the U.S. strategic missile command, have either disappeared or been killed in the past six weeks in the continental United States, *EIR* has learned. This time-frame coincides with the period of increased White House and Pentagon concern over the activities of the “spetsnaz,” the special sabotage and assassination section of the Soviet GRU (military intelligence).

Despite this overwhelming pattern of circumstantial evidence that Major-General Ownby was the victim of a sophisticated terrorist assassination, the FBI tried to cast the incident as a “likely suicide” or a murder carried out for personal or business reasons—unrelated to terrorism. This judgment was formalized in a two-page FBI statement released to the press and to local law enforcement agencies and military intelligence on Jan. 12. The FBI has systematically suppressed any evidence suggesting terrorist involvement and, according to local sources in San Antonio, pressured the local medical examiner to facilitate the FBI’s “suicide” coverup in his autopsy report.

## Defending the KGB

On Dec. 18, 1983, FBI Director William Webster, in a nationwide television interview, stated that the threat of terrorist violence inside the United States was exaggerated. He went so far as to assert that the report of a Libyan hit squad deployed to assassinate President Reagan and other administration officials was a lie, “strategic disinformation manufactured by a foreign government.”

Webster’s televised lies prompted *EIR* founder Lyndon LaRouche to call for Webster’s immediate resignation at the first instance of a terrorist action in the U.S. Since his appointment as FBI director by Jimmy Carter in 1977, Webster has steered the Bureau into a treasonous alliance with such enemies of the United States as the Savama of Iran’s Ayatollah Khomeini and the Soviet KGB itself.

In July 1980, at the height of the Teheran hostage crisis, Webster’s FBI facilitated and then covered up the assassination by Khomeini terrorist squads of Ali Tabatabai, the leading anti-Khomeini Iranian exile in the United States.

In May 1983, Webster’s FBI escorted a 28-man Soviet delegation packed with KGB and GRU agents on a nationwide tour of the United States. The tour, coincident with Gov. Averell Harriman’s private Moscow talks with Soviet President Yuri Andropov, saw the Soviet contingent deliver pointed marching orders to the U.S. “freeze” movement to destroy President Reagan for his March 23 call for beam weapon defense.

## The PAN aspect

A strong motive for Webster’s hasty coverup of the as-

sassination of General Ownby may be the FBI and State Department’s documented role in protecting one of the KGB’s prime “Nazi-Communist” assets, the PAN. Any competent investigation into the networks responsible for General Ownby’s death would begin with the gun and drug-smuggling cesspool along the northern frontier of Mexico controlled by the PAN. Mexican and U.S. authorities alike have confirmed to *EIR* that in the border states of Sonora, Chihuahua, and Baja California Norte, all gun-for-drug trafficking can be directly linked to political and business circles associated with the PAN.

A vehemently anti-Semitic neo-Nazi party preaching the solidarist ideology of the Strasserite wing of Hitler’s National Socialist Workers Party, the PAN has seized control over major sections of the Mexican northwest frontier. This has been accomplished through an alliance with a Lebanese-dominated drug-smuggling apparatus in place since the heyday of former Mexican President Miguel Alemán; with an increasingly active Cuban (Castroite) and Colombian narcotics mafia; with the Trotskyite PRT (Revolutionary Workers Party); and with the PSUM, the umbrella organization of the communist party of Mexico. Many of these groups are part of the Endangered Peoples movement, the international “action anthropologist”-run separatist apparatus drawing together outright Nazi and Communist groupings under a common funding umbrella of Libya’s Muammar Qaddafi. This unholy combination—a literal Nazi-Communist apparatus—is an asset of Directorate One of the Soviet KGB, operating through particularly East German (Stasi) state security networks, many of which trace their roots in Mexico to the same Hapsburg-tied families that gave birth to the fascist PAN in 1939—when its founding coincided with the signing of the Hitler-Stalin Pact.

It was this PAN-centered network straddling the U.S.-Mexican border that prompted the high-level security alert just days before the Ownby assassination.

Among the prime suspects in the actual assassination should be included the Revolutionary Communist Party, formerly the Revolutionary Union. A split out of the same RYM II faction of SDS that produced the Weathermen, the RCP has for the past seven years focused its activities on building a terrorist underground in the United States, and on deploying many members into the U.S. military in both the U.S. and West Germany. A recent delegation of RCP members toured West Germany, establishing direct links to the Revolutionary Cells, successors to the Baader-Meinhof gang and known assets of the East German secret service, the Stasi.

RCP personnel in the San Antonio area are believed to be at the center of a weapons theft ring which has penetrated Fort Sam Houston. In a Defense Intelligence Agency report issued in the fall of 1983, Fort Sam Houston was identified as one of the weapons armories looted of large numbers of sophisticated weapons, some of which subsequently surfaced in gun-for-narcotic transactions in the PAN-controlled regions of northwest Mexico.