Anatomy of a U.S. terrorist cell in formation

In 1968, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. were murdered. In 1972 Alabama Governor George Wallace was crippled by a gunman who had also stalked President Richard M. Nixon. In 1975, President Gerald Ford narrowly escaped assassination by Sara Jane Moore, a shadowy figure whose career pointed to a long history of intelligence network ties and "Squeakie" Fromme, a member of the Charles Manson MK-Ultra cult. That incident played a role in President Ford's decision to fire then-Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger and to bar Nelson Rockefeller from a spot on the 1976 GOP ticket.

Now comes evidence that a new generation of terrorists is being groomed to turn the U.S. into a battleground comparable to Italy or West Germany in connection with the New York Council on Foreign Relations' scenario for a rigged Haig-Kennedy presidential race in 1980. Potential victims include business and labor figures, as well as politicians.

That evidence has been compiled by U.S. Labor Party security specialists assigned to protect USLP chairman Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., a candidate for the presidency in 1980 who has been the target of at least three active assassination plots since 1973. The Labor Party Security Division is in possession of strong evidence that the members of a recently constituted "countergang" operating against Labor Party members in the New York City area are being put through a screening and behavior modification process directed at transforming them into screaming, psychotic terrorists in a matter of weeks or months. The evidence includes conclusive documentation that several individuals directly involved in this NAG project were previously complicit in the creation of the Puerto Rican terrorist group, the Armed Forces for National Liberation (the FALN-Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional), and the George Jackson Brigade. Both of these are being primed for a terror wave by early summer.

Further evidence surfaced through court proceedings in the case Jon Gilbertson et al. v. Eric J. Lerner and Carol Lerner this week confirming that the NAG operation is being financed through organized crime elements associated with Murder, Inc. head Meyer Lansky and international narcotics pusher Robert Vesco.

As reported in the June 15 issue of New Solidarity, on June 2, Charles Palson attempted to incite other members of the NAG grouping to telephone bomb threats into the Manhattan offices of Campaigner Publications, publishers of New Solidarity. Attempting to incite the others with slanders that the U.S. Labor Party had become "just like the Moonies," Palson went so far as to state that if no one else was willing to take such steps, perhaps he would "just throw one of my grenades through the windows."

Three days later, on Tuesday June 5, Mark Cook, an intimate of Palson within the NAG gang, attempted to approach the six-year-old son of a Labor Party member as the child stood in the playground of his

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New York City grammar school. The child ran inside the school when Cook tried to lure him outside the schoolyard. The child has been a kidnapping target of the NAG group for several months. In May, another associate of the NAG gang, Peter Kuznick, approached the boy at the same school site and was chased away by school officials who unhesitatingly characterized the incident as an attempted kidnapping. When a Labor Party executive committee member encountered Cook on a street corner several days after the incident, Cook became deranged, pushed past the person, and began screaming that he had been assaulted, without denying charges that he was a homosexual and a pederast.

The making of a terrorist cell

The two recent incidents are extremely significant from two related standpoints. First, Cook's deployment for an attempted kidnapping betrays a degree of personality deterioration and "criminalization" characteristic of someone on his way to becoming a hard-core terrorist. Cook in the past has been characterized as part of the "intellectuals" faction within the NAG sewer. During the late 1960s, Cook had been an agent of the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation, a branch of British intelli-

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gence (the "Fabian"—as opposed to the "Tory"—wing), during which time he operated as a courier in espionage operations in Southeast Asia. More recently he was intimately associated with Richard Lafferty of Montreal, a part of the Permindex network of Major Louis Mortimer Bloomfield that carried out the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and over 30 aborted attempts against the life of French President Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

Cook's personality change into a proto-terrorist reflects a longstanding option that has been consciously accelerated in the past several weeks.

Second, the Cook activation only days after Charles Palson's "hand grenades" remarks, indicates that Palson is consciously applying his years of training under Dame Margaret Mead and the University of Chicago Anthropology Department toward the creation of a new terrorist cell.

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Palson's involvement in this present effort—in collaboration with Jose and Judith Torres—places NAG in the same family tree as the FALN and the George Jackson Brigade. This evaluation is already shared by police officials in New York City and Seattle, Washington.

NAG, FALN, GJB: one and the same

The leading agency responsible for coordinating terrorist activities throughout the United States, including Puerto Rico, is the Episcopal Church, the American affiliate of the Church of England, and the headquarters of the Most Venerable and Sovereign Military and Hospitalers Order of St. John of Jerusalem, the official chivalric order of the British monarchy.

Among the institutions directly controlled by the Episcopal Church is the University of Chicago, particularly its Anthropology Department and Law School. From 1929 through to the 1950s, the president and chancellor of the University of Chicago was Robert Maynard Hutchins, a Knight Commander of the Order of St. John and a close collaborator of Sir Aldous Huxley and Lord Bertrand Russell in the project that created the counterculture, known by its CIA code name as "MK-Ultra." From 1936, the central figure in the University of Chicago's Anthropology Department,

the center of the MK-Ultra project, was Margaret Mead, the Dame of the Order of St. John. The University of Chicago Law School, run throughout the 1960s by Hutchins' protégé Edward Levi, not only contributed to the terrorist project by producing Bernadine Dohrn of the Weathermen, but was and remains a center for the National Lawyers Guild, the "legal support" arm of the terrorist apparatus in the United States.

By tracing the early 1970s activities of just these agencies, the entire story of the FALN and the George Jackson Brigade unravels and it becomes immediately clear that those two terrorist cells, as well as the present New York City NAG cell, are one and the same entity.

The Culebra project

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, the operational center for all terrorist activities is the Episcopal Archdiocese. For years, one of the principal recruiting grounds for the MIRA and other Puerto Rican-based terrorist cells has been an agricultural slave-labor program for unemployed youth called PRISA (National Ecumenical Movement of Puerto Rico), headquartered at the Episcopal Church. PRISA is directed by Irving Torres, brother of Jose Torres. Irving Torres, along with former co-director Reverend Alfonso Roman, would select youth from the project who were "political" and steer them into the ongoing riots and demonstrations organized against the presence of a U.S. Naval Ordinance testing ground at Culebra. More "action-oriented" participants in these riots would be introduced into the MIRA cells, which were then being run by Irving Torres's brothers Jose and Fillo, his mother, and his uncles. Both Jose and Fillo Torres had extensive U.S. military special forces training; Jose was a Green Beret lieutenant, and Fillo was a Marine.

The Culebra protest was run through the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) and the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), the Quaker Action group founded at the turn of the century as a direct outgrowth of the British Fabian Society. AFSC "volunteers" not coincidentally provided the bulk of the staffing for PRISA.

Through a program jointly sponsored and funded by the NLG and the AFSC, "radical lawyers" from the continental U.S.A. were sent into Puerto Rico on an exchange program centered around the Culebra protests. Among the NLGers who spent extensive time in Puerto Rico during the formative years of the FALN-MIRA was Michael Withey of Seattle, Washington. In 1975, Withey headed a delegation of NLG lawyers to Puerto Rico to investigate the "political repression" on the island. Within two years, Withey was hauled before a federal grand jury in Seattle for his involvement in terrorist operations conducted by the George Jackson Brigade, the principal terrorist group operating in the Pacific Northwest.

Almost simultaneously, Mara Siegel, another member of the 1975 Withey contingent to Puerto Rico, surfaced as the chief attorney for the FALN in Chicago. Among Siegel's "Clients" in the FALN cases is Carlos Alberto Torres, presently at the top of the FBI's ten most wanted list. A staff member of the Episcopal-dominated World Council of Churches' Hispanic Commission, Torres has been identified by West Coast law enforcement officials as the mastermind behind the recent prison escape in New York City of FALN bomber William Morales. Torres was seen in the Seattle area days, after the Morales escape, drawing speculation that he was also involved in the escape of George Jackson Brigade leader John Sherman that occurred almost simultaneously. Sherman's lawyer is Michael Withey.

Palson, Stern-Torres, and the FALN

The University of Chicago hand in the creation of the MIRA-FALN cell was not exclusively run through the National Lawyers Guild. Beginning in the mid-1960s, teams of anthropology graduate students were deployed out of Chicago to create a number of terrorist organizations, including the American Indian Movement, the Revolutionary Union (now the Revolutionary Communist Party), and the FALN. Among the "field hands" detailed to Puerto Rico out of the Chicago Graduate School of Anthropology was Judith Stern, later Judith Stern Torres. By January 1970 she had recruited a "prime informant," Jose Torres, who, as we have already shown, was at the center of the MIRA terrorist underground on the island; and she had called for "reinforcements" in the person of Charles Palson, another graduate anthropologist from Chicago. Palson spent a brief time with Stern and Torres in Puerto Rico at the height of the latter's bombing activities. On his return to the United States, Palson became involved in peripheral aspects of the MK-Ultra project, conducting some experimentation with LSD-25 and concentrating his activities on group polymorphous perversion studies—in which he actively participated.

During the 1971-73 period, critical components of the San Juan-centered MIRA project were relocated to the continental United States, specifically Philadelphia (the headquarters of the AFSC), Chicago, and the New York metropolitan area. PRISA co-director Reverend Alfonso Roman moved to Newark, N.J. to assume the directorship of the city's Hispanic Affairs Department, a position he would use during the summer of 1974 to incite riots in that city's Puerto Rican central and north ward ghettos. Those riots created the climate in which the FALN would be activated for the first time in the fall of 1974. The first FALN bombs were planted at three sites in the downtown district of Newark—three months before the infamous bombing of the Fraunces Tavern in New York City.

At approximately the same time, Jose and Judy

Torres, now married, returned to the U.S.A., stopping briefly in Chicago before relocating to Philadelphia and joining Palson and his wife.

Despite Palson's miserable track record while at the University of Chicago, he was personally contacted during 1972 by Dame Margaret Mead and brought under her personal direction. Shortly thereafter, the Palson-Torres group deployed into the U.S. Labor Party as part of a broader profile-internal chaos effort. It was out of that effort that the initial New Alternatives Group and several successive NAG cells, including the present Palson-Torres-Cook group were split. It is known that the presence of Jose and Fillo Torres within the U.S. Labor Party and its cadre core National Caucus of Labor Committees was one principal issue used by the FBI in justifying a multi-million dollar, several year "investigation" into those organizations.

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initial deployment profile of the Palson-Stern-Torres team; one that converged directly on the FALN-George Jackson Brigade project of the Episcopalian hierarchy, the AFSC, the NLG, and so forth.

The intersection of the broader terrorist project goes even deeper—into the bowels of the Zionist-organized crime syndicate responsible for tens of billions of dollars in narcotics flooding the nation's streets annually.

The Geddes connection

In an affidavit dated May 29, 1979 submitted in defense in the cited *Gilbertson v. Lerner* case before the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Eric Lerner confirmed his ongoing collaboration with one Warren Geddes:

—28. To raise additional funds I have been working with Mr. Warren Geddes to establish a joint venture between ATE (Advanced Technologies, Inc.—a research and development firm involved in pursuing a new desalination process.) (At issue in the New York Supreme Court case is the Lerners' illegal takeover of the company—ed.) and a limited partnership tax shelter to be organized by Mr. Geddes. The goal is to provide \$200,000 to ATE to finance the desalination project with ATE providing a yet to be determined portion of

the income derived from the desalination process under yet to be determined terms.

The association between Lerner, presently a central figure in the NAG countergang, and Warren Geddes confirms that the move toward fostering a terrorist countergang earmarked for "hit" deployments against the leadership of the U.S. Labor Party is being wholly financed through criminal elements identified in the best-selling book by a team of U.S. Labor Party investigators, *Dope, Inc.*

From the moment that he received his discharge from the Marine Corps in 1968, the 35-year-old Geddes has been in the employ of networks synonymous with the retail directorate of Dope, Inc. Unlike most GIs who served in Vietnam, Geddes returned to Southeast Asia following his discharge, taking up a position with the Piedmont Managing Corp. as a mutual fund salesman based out of Hong Kong. Piedmont was a wholly owned subsidiary of Investors Overseas Service (IOS), the Swiss-based international moneylaundering operation

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that went bust in 1975 following revelations that the fund was first and foremost a conduit for international narcotics and related black market revenues for Meyer Lansky and his Murder, Inc. syndicate. IOS, through its virtual business marriage to the Banque de Crédit Internationale (BCI) was furthermore directly linked to Israeli intelligence, specifically, the minister of finance and supply for the Mossad, Tibor Rosenbaum. BCI and IOS, in addition to their services rendered to Lansky and the Mossad, were the channels through which the funds were passed for the assassination attempts against Gen. de Gaulle by Major Bloomfield's Permindex.

By 1973, Geddes, still in Hong Kong, was the director of the international sales for Florida Properties, Asia, Ltd.—the Hong Kong subsidiary of the Deltona Corporation, formerly General Development Corp. (GDC). GDC has been identified by a wide range of sources as yet another "business enterprise" dominated by the ever-present Meyer Lansky. GDC was the principal firm involved in the initial phase of the Lansky takeover of the Grand Bahamas, a process initiated with the construction of the Lucayan Beach Hotel casino and completed with the opening of Resorts International's Paradise Island.

Deeply involved in the GDC-Deltona Corp. operations were: Louis Chesler, identified by the New York district attorney as the chief "bagman" for Lansky in the Caribbean and in Canada; Charles Allen and Company, a Wall Street investment house exposed in the Feb. 26, 1978 New York Times Magazine as a laundering service between Lansky's offshore Caribbean narcotics and gambling receipts and such "respectable" Hollywood motion picture studios as Columbia Pictures and Warner Brothers-Seven Arts; and Daniel K. Ludwig, a multibillionaire shipbuilder and one-time Prohibition molasses smuggler whose claims to fame include the deforestation project in the Amazon forest of Brazil, an International Monetary Fund genocide scheme that brought untold suffering to that nation. Geddes later went to work directly for Ludwig.

Before he moved directly onto the Ludwig payroll, Warren Geddes took the time to consolidate his Hong Kong connections garnered through his years of service to the Robert Vesco-IOS subsidiary Piedmont (for several years, Piedmont Management Corp. consisted of little more than a file folder in the desk drawer of Vesco's home office in Englewood, N. J.) by creating Airways Investment Fund, a private investment fund exclusively servicing pilots and mechanics of Cathay Pacific Airways. Cathay Pacific is known throughout the Far East as the biggest narcotics-smuggling line in that heroin-infested region.

In addition to Lansky and Chesler, the Deltona Corp. also brought Geddes into the employ of the Mackle brothers of Atlanta, yet another organized crime family identified by syndicate investigator Hank Messick as the "Atlanta connection" for Schenleys Liquor magnate Louis Rosenstiel and Roy Cohn. As detailed in the May 14, 1979 New Solidarity, it was Cohn, through his control over the N.Y. Surrogate Court (known as "the landlord's judge"), who initiated the bribery and entrapment efforts that led several months later to Geddes' \$200,000 bait to Lerner.

Another twig on the Geddes-Lansky-Cohn tree is a small-time New York attorney Richard Rieban and his wife Karen. Rieban, a former employee of the Cohnlinked lower Manhattan firm of Carroad and Carroad made the initial Cohn-directed bribery offer and later mediated Lerner's association with Geddes. His wife, formerly an employee of Geddes at D.K. Ludwig's Princess Realty, Ltd., which is a \$150 million real estate enterprise deeply involved in the Grand Bahamas takeover by the Lansky mob, then joined a public relations firm run by Doug Lawson. In a recent interview, Lawson cited as his two principal references Philip Klutznick and Max Fisher. Klutznick and Fisher are top Zionist operatives, deeply involved in the Lansky crime syndicate. The Detroit-based Fisher has been identified as the Midwest connection for marijuana, cocaine, and other narcotics smuggled in from the Caribbean "Silver Triangle"—an operation partially

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Zionists, mobsters, and NAG

The intersection of top Zionists, longstanding organized crime bosses, and professional "anthropologists" specializing in terrorism within the present New York City NAG project is by no means a fluke or an unusual series of coincidental "strange encounters." On the contrary, the NAG profile provides law enforcement with a working model and a powerful demonstration that the Zionist lobby-Mossád, the Lansky syndicate, and so-called political terrorism all swim together in the same murky waters.

For example, in Rhode Island at the present time, National Lawyers Guild attorneys William Kunstler and Leonard Boudin, best known for their defense of the FALN and for their outspoken support for "revolutionary violence," are the attorneys of record for organized crime boss Raymond Patriarca. Patriarca is controlled by the Boston and Miami-based Joseph Linsey, a longstanding business partner of Meyer Lansky who also happens to head the honorary fellowship committee of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

At issue in the case is the suppression of FBI documents that show a longstanding business arrangement between the Patriarca mob and the Boston and Baltimore cells of the Weathermen. Patriarca "contracted" the Weathermen to assassinate an underworld informant a number of years ago by blowing up the courthouse where the informant was being held in protective custody. In return, several sources report, Patriarca was to arrange several bombings in Boston that would be claimed by the terrorists.

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