

## SPECIAL REPORT

# Arabs target London for Mideast terror, destabilization

In an effort to prevent the total disintegration of the Middle East and the outbreak of a new oil hoax and full-scale war, responsible Arabs have begun to point their finger at the culprit behind terror and political instability in the Middle East: British intelligence. And the British, in response, are scurrying desperately to cover their tracks.

In early July, an extraordinary front-page article in the Kuwaiti daily *Al Qabas* accused, by name, Professor Bernard Lewis—a long-time agent of British and Israeli intelligence now operating out of Princeton University—for being behind terrorism in the Middle East. *Al Qabas* fingered Lewis and other participants at the recently concluded secret Bilderberg Conference in Austria for choreographing last month's massacre of 70 Syrian cadets by Muslim Brotherhood fanatics in Aleppo Syria:

The paper then cited by name the "Bernard Lewis Plan" as the blueprint for the deliberate destruction of the Arab world by British and Israeli intelligence. The Bernard Lewis Plan was first exposed by *Executive Intelligence Review* more than a year ago.

The *Al Qabas* exposé also coincided with charges by the Iraqi ambassador to Brazil, Said Haddar, that Robert Moss of the London *Daily Telegraph* and London's international Institute of Strategic Studies is part of an international terror operation set up to be blamed on the Arabs.

Now, a frantic Dr. Lewis admits that the influence of the U.S. Labor Party in the Arab world has blown his cover.

### Arabs for LaRouche

Led by Iraq, Syria, and Saudi Arabia, a strategic shift is underway across the Arab world. The political leaders in those countries, together with their allies in the Arab world and overseas, are beginning to recognize the strategic significance of the campaign to elect Lyndon H. LaRouche president in 1980. Though still limited in scope—and subject to slanders and vilification campaigns against the Labor Party conducted by British intelligence—these Arab moves, detailed below, have already altered the world balance enough that a work-

ing alliance between the Arab sector, the French and West Germans, and the LaRouche forces in the United States to build a new world monetary system against London is emerging.

According to Syrian sources, the massacre of 60 Syrian cadets by Muslim Brotherhood terrorists last month—for which *Al-Qabas* blamed Bernard Lewis—was the work of Israeli agents and the Anglo-Americans. Syrian interior ministry and law enforcement officials who are investigating the murders are, say Syrian sources, making use of information on the Muslim Brotherhood that comes, in part, from the U.S. Labor Party and the *Executive Intelligence Review*. Recently, an Arabic-language commentator

### Bernard Lewis: 'Arabs stupid enough to believe Qabas'

"I expect that what is being written about me will cause me some trouble with my Arab friends," Bernard Lewis told a caller in response to the *Al Qabas* exposé. "These exposés will hurt me. They already have." Like self-professed former CIA station chief in Lebanon Joseph Malone, Bernard Lewis is about to become persona non grata in the Arab world.

"It was only the first time that I attended the Bilderberg conference," Lewis explained. "A lot of people were there, including David Newsome from the State Dept. I know where Qabas is getting its ideas, or at least some of them: from the U.S. Labor Party. The U.S. Labor Party is very intelligent, very active. They have this theory that says that I am heading up a right-wing conspiracy against the Arabs, and that my colleague here at Princeton, Richard Falk, is involved in a left-wing conspiracy. The Arabs are very stupid. They are stupid enough to buy this line. They are stupid enough to believe *Qabas*."

broadcast to the entire Arab world a translation of the Labor Party's exposé of the British and Israeli intelligence networks that control the Brotherhood.

Further, according to Arab sources, several Arab governments are planning a coordinated investigation into the subversion of the Arab world and Iran by such pillars of British imperial policy as the Aspen Institute, the Bilderberg Society, and the Jesuits of Georgetown University. U.S. Labor Party investigators are presently supplying information to Arab officials concerning such subversion, including matters relating to the assassination in 1975 of King Faisal of Saudi Arabia.

What triggered the otherwise apparently sudden Arab interest in LaRouche and the Labor Party was the realization throughout the Arab world that Ayatollah Khomeini and his fascist Muslim extremist regime is a puppet creation of British intelligence and Israel—and not, as many Arab leaders foolishly believed, a victory of the “Iranian masses.”

That failure of Arab intelligence services—which was underlined in a Citizens for LaRouche's White Paper, “U.S. Middle East Policy”—sufficiently shocked some Arabs enough to set into motion a new political process.

### **Terror against the Gulf**

The crisis which began with the destruction of Iran is still threatening to blow up the entire Persian Gulf, and the recent Arab moves to hit the British enemy between the eyes may not be fast enough. According to Al-Qabas, the CIA is presently training a hit squad of

“professional terrorists” who plan to hijack an oil tanker in the Persian Gulf's Straits of Hormuz—through which passes two-thirds of OPEC's entire oil output! This, says *Al-Qabas*, would serve as a pretext for a U.S. invasion of the Gulf.

Various media here and in Europe and the Middle East reported yesterday that the Pentagon has sent special warnings to some Arab governments that terrorists may attack oil tankers. Some sources, including London's *Financial Times*, even “predict” that the attack will come on July 23. According to French sources, the warnings—threats—to the Arabs came from “U.S. naval intelligence.”

Terrorism against the Gulf has been, for at least six months, a leading option for the Carter administration in order to create the conditions to enforce the insane energy policy and drastic consumption cutbacks in Carter's “moral equivalent of war.” The threat of an explosion in the Gulf, which would force the world's industrial economies to grind to a halt, is directed especially at France and West Germany.

### **Arabs consolidate alliance**

In the face of such imminent threats, worsened by the constant U.S. reminders that Washington maintains a 110,000-man strike force, the Arabs are building their own alliances, including closer links with Paris and Bonn. For the first time there are signs of the Arabs moving to support Mexican President José López Portillo's call for a worldwide energy and transfer-of-technology conference.

## **Al Qabas fingers Lewis, Bilderberg for terrorism**

*The following is an excerpt from the Kuwaiti daily Al Qabas, which earlier this month featured a front-page article exposing who is behind terror and instability in the Middle East. The exposé is critical to halting the wave of British- and Israeli-sponsored terror scheduled to hit the United States and Europe in the wake of the terrorism conference recently held in Jerusalem. At that conference, a series of scenarios for an escalation of terrorist strikes was worked out, behind a facade of antiterrorist rhetoric.*

*An editorial in the same issue of Al Qabas charged that the Aleppo massacre was “punishment for the crime committed by Syria and Iraq: their rejection of the [Israel-Egypt] peace treaty and their steps toward unity between the two countries.” The editorial warned that “what happened in Syria could happen anywhere in the area,” and cited Iraq as a prime target. “The*

*incident in Syria is a warning to all the Arabs because the plot in the end involves all of them.”*

The Aleppo incident [the massacre of 70 Syrian cadets in Aleppo, Syria—ed.] is the immediate result of a secret meeting held by the Bilderberg Group (a secret organization), which includes important political figures and well known financial personalities in the West. The last meeting held by this organization in Baden, Austria, discussed the instability in the Middle East.

The Bilderberg Group also discussed ways which would ensure the downfall of certain regimes in the Middle East.

The brain behind the “Bernard Lewis Plan,” which calls for using the religious minorities to hit at the regimes in the Middle East, is Professor Bernard Lewis, who is an unofficial member of the Bilderberg Group.

First of all, a major government shakeup in Iraq has placed Iraq's Saddam Hussein, always the guiding force behind Iraq's prodevelopment policies, in control as president of the republic, with the resignation of President Ahmed Hasan al-Bakr. In the major reorganization that followed last week, some housecleaning was done, including the expulsion of A.H. Mashhadi from the Revolutionary Command Council. Mashhadi was accused of having secret contacts with networks of Ayatollah Khomeini and the Muslim Brotherhood.

Immediately, the Iraqis launched a major attack on the U.S. and British oil multinationals. Said the Iraqi oil minister, "The oil shortage in the world market is a fabrication created by the oil monopolies to create confusion and to put the blame on OPEC. ... The OPEC countries' current production exceeds that for the same period last year by 1 million barrels a day." He then called for the elimination of the multinationals and the creation of state-backed oil companies for state-to-state deals.

In Mexico City, the Iraqi ambassador there stated that, as far as he is concerned, the Arabs should support President López Portillo's call for world action on oil-for-technology deals. Until now, the Arabs have mistakenly looked with some suspicion on Mexico because of its traditionally close ties to the United States. Observers now expect Saudi Arabia, the world oil giant, to begin moving more closely in cooperation with Mexico.

### The European connection

With Saudi blessings for the Iraq-Syria unity talks, the Arabs are also strengthening their relations with Western Europe. In the past week, French Prime Minister Barre visited Iraq; then French Defense Minister Bourges visited Saudi Arabia; and finally, President Giscard of France stopped over in the United Arab Emirates.

In Baghdad, according to French sources, the Iraqis told Barre that France should launch its own Middle East peace initiative to counter the disastrous Camp David fiasco which has brought the area to the brink of confrontation again.

But, at the same time, the Arabs are aware that without the participation of the United States, any Euro-Arab initiative on the Middle East will likely be ineffective. An Egyptian military source, who is opposed to the policies of President Sadat's Camp David pact, said that the key question is: "What can Egypt and the Arabs do to get LaRouche into the White House?" The Europeans, he said, "cannot defeat the United States and its Middle East policy by themselves." If LaRouche and his campaign get moving, "the Zionists will start screaming," and that will open the way for much greater European leverage in the Arab-Israeli conflict, concluded the Egyptian officer.

—Robert Dreyfuss

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## Arabs growing wary of Aspen Institute

The usually secretive Middle East-related activities of the Colorado-based Aspen Institute are beginning to come under public scrutiny, months after the U.S. Labor Party circulated a memorandum indicating Aspen's key role in events surrounding the assassination of Saudi Arabia's King Faisal in 1975.

On July 17, the *New York Times*'s Washington bureau reported that the key funding conduit for Aspen's Middle East seminar, the California-based East-West Foundation, has been applying intense pressure on the Aspen board to break ties with certain key Israeli intelligence-connected agencies. The *Times* noted, for example, that East-West has tried to prevent a certain Colonel Menachem Milson from participating in the seminars; although the *Times* neglected to mention the point, Milson is known as an important Israeli intelligence specialist suspected of involvement in numerous dirty-tricks activities for Israel's Mossad intelligence service.

While the *Times* piece was written from the standpoint of "outrage" by the Aspen board over East-West's "anti-Israel meddling," the central fact is that the controversy is now out in the open, and Aspen's ability to delude and manipulate key Arab policymakers will be severely constricted.

According to an informed Arab source in Washington, "The story is very significant, it shows that the Arabs are beginning to take a close look at these types of institutions, at Aspen, at the Heritage Foundation, at the Bilderberg group. A new attitude is developing, in the wake of the Muslim Brotherhood activities in Syria and related events, to look twice at what are known as the 'Anglo-American policymaking institutions.'"

According to the source, special interest is being aroused in the Arab world by the just-concluded two week Aspen Middle East seminar, which had the title, "The shaping of the Arab world." "The question is being asked," the source stressed, "Why the word 'shaping' in the title? Is this yet another case of a policy-planning conference outlining the 'balkanization' of the Middle East?"