Partners in Promoting Thermonuclear War

President Barack Obama and al-Qaeda share one thing in common: They are both assets of the British financial oligarchy. This new-found union should come as no surprise to those who understand how the U.K. and U.S. have used al-Qaeda in the past, and those who understand how Obama's fragile psyche makes him the perfect candidate to throw the United States into a thermonuclear war, beginning with the recent attempts at regime-change in Iran and Syria at the behest of the British. Will the American people take away the major tool of the British oligarchy by removing Obama from office? If we don't, we may not make it to the November elections.

Here is the script of an LPAC video dated Feb. 21, titled: "Obama and al-Qaeda: Two Peas in a Thermo-nuclear Pod."

The United States has come full circle. Ten years after the attack on the World Trade Center and the cover-up of the true string-pullers of that crime, the United

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A decade on from 9/11, and the cover-up of the true authors of that crime, the Obama Administration is allied with al-Qaeda terrorists in the illegal regime-change operation in Syria. Shown: the World Trade Center after the impact; Osama bin Laden.

States, once the fearless enemy of al-Qaeda, is now working hand-in-hand with the terrorist group in the illegal regime-change operation now in Syria, in what should be considered not only a slap in the face to the American people, who were thrown into the unnecessary wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, and were told to rip up the Constitution in the name of national security, but should be considered by all accounts tantamount to treason.

If that is not enough to convince the American citizen to act now to remove this President from office before the November elections, perhaps the intention of this new-found collaboration between the Obama government and al-Qaeda, namely to draw Russia and China into a thermonuclear war with shades of the Cold War which the original al-Qaeda organization came out of, might light the fire underneath our people.

Were there to be an overthrow of the Assad government in a similar fashion that had occurred in Libya, it would be a bigger fraud than the Iraq War, while continuing to cover up the British in their role as the authors of terrorism.

On Jan. 27, 2012, the Arab League Observer Mission which monitored the sequence of events in Syria from Dec. 24, 2011 to Jan. 18, 2012, with the cooperation of the Syrian government, released a report on the situation in Syria which has been subsequently buried in the mainstream press, and withheld from the UN Security Council meeting in the debate over the resolution to remove Syrian President Bashar al-Assad from power that was vetoed by Russia and China. The report documented that not only were the killings of innocent civilians, including the incident in Homs which killed hundreds, not committed by the Assad government as it was claimed, but rather:

"In Homs, Idlib, and Hama, the Observer Mission witnessed acts of violence being committed against Government forces and civilians that resulted in several deaths and injuries. Examples of those acts include the bombing of a civilian bus, killing eight persons and injuring others, including women and children, and the bombing of a train carrying diesel oil.

"Some of those attacks have been carried out by the Free Syrian Army and some by other armed opposition groups."

The body-count reports carried in the media, and reported at the UN about Syria were also found to be British-crafted lies and exaggerations, coming right out of London through the Syrian Observatory on Human Rights—a British monarchy creation that was funded by the murderous Bush-Cheney regime beginning in 2006, and which has continued to receive U.S. funding under Barack Obama.

The Arab League report also stated:

"The Mission also noted that, according to its teams in the field, the media exaggerated the nature of the incidents and the number of persons killed in incidents and protests in certain towns....

"Arab and foreign audiences of certain media organizations have questioned the Mission's credibility because those organizations use the media to distort the facts."

The report has since been rescinded and the Arab League released a new report, which conforms to the British regime-change line; the Arab League member who authored the report was replaced.

Less than a month after the original Arab League report was leaked, on Feb. 10, the McClatchy News Service published a report by Washington, D.C. correspondent Jonathan Landay, confirming from U.S. intelligence officials that al-Qaeda was responsible for a string of suicide bombings in Damascus and Aleppo, which killed hundreds of civilians and wounded many more:

"The Iraqi branch of al Qaida, seeking to exploit the bloody turmoil in Syria to reassert its potency, carried out two recent bombings in the Syrian capital, Damascus, and likely was behind suicide bombings Friday that killed at least 28 people in the largest city, Aleppo, U.S. officials told McClatchy. The officials cited U.S. intelligence reports on the incidents, which appear to verify Syrian President Bashar Assad's charges of al Qaida involvement in the 11 month uprising against his rule."

-Jonathan Landay

Despite both the Arab League Report and Mr. Landay's intelligence estimate, President Obama repeated his denunciation of President Assad, calling for his removal from power and accusing him of "outrageous blood-shed." Just two days later, Ayman al-Zawahiri, the co-founder and nominal head of al-Qaeda, issued an eight-minute video, calling for a Jihad against the Assad government, joining Obama, and further confirming the U.S. intelligence estimates of the group's on-the-ground operations in Syria.

In effect, al-Qaeda has been once again integrated into U.K., U.S., and NATO covert operations. It was during the first Afghanistan War (1979-90) that al-Qaeda was created, as part of the U.S., British, and Saudi Arabian "mujahideen" operations to drive the Soviet Army out of the country.

"We also have a history of kind of moving in and out of Pakistan. I mean let's remember here, the people we are fighting today, we funded 20 years ago, and we did it because we were locked in this struggle with the Soviet Union. They invaded Afghanistan and we did not want to see them control Central Asia, and we went to work. And it was President Reagan in partnership with the Congress, led by Democrats, who said, "You know what? Sounds like a pretty good idea. Let's deal with the ISI and the Pakistani military, and let's go recruit these mujahideen. That's great. Let's get some to come from Saudi Arabia and other places, importing their Wahhabi brand of Islam. so that we can go beat the Soviet Union...."

-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, April 23, 2009

During that period, an immense asymmetric warfare capability would be built up in Southwest Asia. The United States, Great Britain, Saudi Arabia, Israel, and others would each contribute billions to the effort over the course of that ten years.

The funds would go toward building a financial nexus to support clandestine operations. Banks like the BCCI were established, to serve all irregular warfare functions from covert funding of the mujahideen, the Taliban, and al-Qaeda, to facilitating the massive British and American arms flows into the region, even to aiding the Pakistani nuclear weapons program.

The funds would also enable the buildup of the now trillion-dollar dope trade out of a region where, prior to 1979, there were virtually no opium plantations or heroin refining.

"On behalf of British intelligence, Bernard Lewis sold to Brzezinski and the Carter Administration the idea that they should promote Islamic fundamentalism, running across what they called the 'Arc of Crisis,' or the 'Crescent of Crisis' policy. And what Bernard Lewis argued, was that you could create an entire zone of instability, along this southern region of the Soviet Union, by promoting Islamic fundamentalism. Brzezinski bragged about the fact that he had gotten President Carter to sign off on an intelligence finding in the early Spring of 1979, activating what would become the Islamic fundamentalist, Afghan mujahideen apparatus."

—Jeffrey Steinberg, "<u>9/11</u>: Ten Years Later"

It was from this Anglo-American and Saudi-sponsored irregular-warfare apparatus, that Osama bin Laden, for example, was recruited as the trusted intermediary between the Afghan warlords and Saudi intelligence, serving the same function for the British and American interests in the region. Following the war, Osama re-



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Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, in testimony to Congress on April 23, 2009: "Let's remember here, the people we are fighting today, we funded 20 years ago...." Clinton is shown here in May 2009.

mained a protected asset. In exchange, he would be given safe haven in London, where he maintained a fabulous private residence in the wealthy suburb of Wembly until the year 2000, just one year before the British/Saudi attacks on the United States on Sept. 11, 2001.

The fact that Britain harbors terrorists of all colors and creeds, but particularly of the Islamic jihadi varieties, since the British Empire basically drew the map of the Islamic countries since the 19th Century, and remained their "protector," is well established.

In 2001, a French parliamentary report exposed the connection between the drug money laundered through the City of London and the terrorists.

It notes that up to 40 companies, banks, and individuals based in Britain can legitimately be suspected of maintaining direct or indirect relations with the terrorists. The report is based on interviews with senior Metropolitan Police officers, leading City financial regulators, and European judges investigating cross-border financial crimes in Spain, Belgium, and France.

"This document clearly shows the great permeability of the British banking and financial system and the fragility of the controls operated at its points of entry.... "The convergence of financial and terrorist interests, apparent particularly in Great Britain and in Sudan, does not appear to have been an obstacle with regard to the objectives pursued [by bin Laden]....

"The conjunction of a terrorist network attached to a vast financing structure is the dominant trait of operations conducted by bin Laden...."

-French parliamentary report, 2001

In 2000, the Lyndon LaRouche organization prepared a memorandum for delivery to then-Secretary of State Madeline Albright, whose contents included a request to launch an investigation pursuant to placing Great Britain on the list of states sponsoring terrorism. Had that action been taken, we might have been able to shut down Britain's use of terrorism and would have avoided the 9/11 attacks.

Despite the overwhelming evidence of Britain's role in launching those attacks and

controlling terrorism on a mass scale, the United States had ground itself up in two unnecessary wars under the leadership of British stooges George W. Bush and Barack Obama. The latter is not only continuing the 9/11 legacy, but escalating it to unimaginable proportions.

The killing of Muammar Qaddafi coincided with the accelerating collapse of the trans-Atlantic economy. With that reality threatening to wipe out the British financial oligarchy, war became the only option to salvage that collapsing financial empire, by the threat of nuclear war and population reduction. The Qaddafi killing was no liberating act of democracy.

Al-Qaeda allies from the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group were an integral part of the U.S. and NATO-led coalition that ousted Qaddafi from power and then executed him, while in custody. These are the same forces that have now found their way into Syria, arming and deploying with the Syrian opposition.

On Feb. 10, the Italian daily *Corriere della Sera* reported that the British-controlled Libyan Legion deployed in Syria against Assad. The leader of the legion is al-Qaeda member Mahdi al-Harati, who had led the Tripoli Brigade together with Abdelhakim Beljay. Al-Harati has bases in Dublin and in Qatar. His people, ranging from about 200 to 600, have been in Syria

since December. They do not carry the protest signs of innocent civilians, but rather, have night-vision binoculars, satellite connections, and kalashnikovs, and are supported by Qatari, Saudi, and British special forces, supplied through cargoes from Lebanon, Turkey, and other border crossings.

Syrian television has been showing almost daily shipments of arms being smuggled into Syria, and since the rebels are being supported by the Gulf Cooperation Council and by NATO, it is safe to assume that they are getting their financing and weaponry from the same sources that are offering them political cover and financial backing: the British.

Furthermore, British and Qatari troops are now inside Syria, and four centers of operation have been established in the country, with the troops on the ground paving the way for an undercover military incursion that is on its way to sparking the overthrow of Assad, chaos in the Middle East, and potential thermonuclear confrontation with the only visible opposition to this entire scheme, Russia and China.

Conclusion

Al-Qaeda, and terrorism generally, have been just one of the methods used by the British financial empire to destroy nations, but what the American citizen must confront is not why Obama and al-Qaeda are collaborating in the overthrow of Assad, but rather, identifying and confronting the real enemy acting from the outside, uniting the two. What do Obama and al-Qaeda have in common? They are both owned and deployed by the British Empire. The history of terrorism and the history of this Administration demonstrate that, for all who have the courage to face it and all its implications.

The only question that remains is are you, the American citizen, going to allow yourself to be manipulated, one way or the other, against this "enemy" or that, in the age-old British game of divide and conquer? Or are you going to finally recognize that the real enemy is the British Empire itself, and that the number one terrorist that empire is using now, is not some rogue organization waiting to invade our territory, but a rogue, nonetheless, that currently exists inside our country, occupying the chief office of the United States of America.

Therefore the new war on terror should rightly be called from here on out "the war to remove Obama from office now."

Documentation

Explosive Evidence Of Saudi-9/11 Link

by Edward Spannaus and Jeffrey Steinberg

Here are excerpts from a Sept. 16 EIR article entitled, "More Explosive Evidence of Saudi Support for 9/11 Hijackers."

Sept. 19—Calling it "the most important thing about 9/11 to surface in the last seven or eight years," former Sen. Bob Graham of Florida, who chaired the Congressional Joint Inquiry into the 9/11 terrorist attacks, is calling on President Obama to investigate new disclosures linking Saudi nationals living in Sarasota, Fla., to the 9/11 hijackers.

"It's very important for the White House to take control of this situation," Graham told the *St. Petersburg Times* on Sept. 10. "The key umbrella question is: What was the full extent of Saudi involvement prior to 9/11 and why did the U.S. administration cover this up?"...

Sarasota House Linked to Hijackers

The disclosures to which Graham is referring, were published in the *Miami Herald* on Sept. 7, revealing that two weeks before the 9/11 hijackings, a wealthy Saudi family which had been in contact with 9/11 hijackers Mohamed Atta and others, abruptly fled from their luxury home near Sarasota.

The house was owned by Saudi financier Esam Ghazzawi, and occupied by his daughter Anoud, her husband Abdulazzi al-Hiijjii, and their young children. According to the story written by author Anthony Summers and local reporter Dan Christensen, law enforcement agents found records of telephone calls with a number of the hijackers, including Atta; security records of the gated community also showed visits by vehicles owned by Atta and by another hijacker, Zaid Jarrah.

Atta, Jarrah, and Marwan al-Shehhi were all living within 10 miles of Ghazzawi's house, and were taking flying lessons in nearby Venice. Analysis of phone records from Ghazzawi's house showed contact with 11 other terrorism suspects, including Walid al-Shehhi, who was with Atta on the first plane to hit the World Trade Center on Sept. 11.

Neighbors said that Ghazzawi's family bragged of his ties to the Saudi royal family. This appears to be no idle boast: During the 1990s, British court documents pertaining to the investigations of BCCI (Bank of Credit and Commerce International) revealed that Ghazzawi held funds for Saudi Prince Fahd bin Salman, a nephew of the late King Fahd. Fahd's father, Prince Salman bin Abdel Azziz, governor of Riyadh Province, was also the co-director of the Saudi intelligence service, along with Prince Turki bin Faisal. Turki abruptly resigned (or was sacked) 10 days before the 9/11 attacks—around the same time that the Ghazzawi family abruptly fled Florida—and Turki left Washington on Sept. 4, 2001.

Saudi Support Network

In a Sept. 15 interview on "Democracy Now," Graham described the Saudi "support network" for the 9/11 terrorists that the Congressional Inquiry uncov-

ered in San Diego, Calif., adding that, "We've just learned about another pod of this network in Sarasota."

"What we know to date is that there was a wealthy Saudi family living in a gated community near Sarasota, which had numerous contacts with Atta, the leader of the hijackers, and two others who were doing their pilot training near Sarasota. We also know that this family left the United States under what appear to be very urgent circumstances on Aug. 30, 2001, just before 9/11."

Graham stressed that the FBI did not tell the Congressional Inquiry about the Saudi contacts in either San Diego or Sarasota. Graham also cited the suppression of the final 28-page section of the Joint Inquiry's report, which was entirely blanked out and kept secret from the public, on the orders of former President George W. Bush, and which is still being withheld by the Obama Administration.

The Sarasota revelations parallel earlier information about a Saudi government employee who had lived in

9/11-Linked Saudi National Now Oil Exec in London

Feb. 19—In an update on the explosive story that former U.S. Sen. Bob Graham (D-Fla.) last year called "the most important thing about 9/11 to surface in the last seven or eight years," it was reported by the London *Telegraph* Feb. 18 that Saudi national Abdulaziz al-Hijji, who fled abruptly from his home in Sarasota, Fla., just weeks before the 9/11 attacks, has been residing comfortably in London since 2003, working for the British branch of the Saudi Aramco oil company.

Last September, it was reported that hijackers Mohamed Atta and Marwan al-Shehhi had visited al-Hijji's residence in a gated community several times before the 9/11 attacks, as had another al-Qaeda operative, Adnan Shukrijumah, who is on the FBI's most wanted list with a \$5 million bounty offered for his capture.

Simultaneously, a story in the *Broward [Fla.] Bulldog* reports that al-Hijji considered Osama bin Laden a "hero," according to an informant interviewed by the FBI and Florida law enforcement officials in 2004. The informant, Wissam Taysir Hammoud, is now serving 21 years in Federal prison after pleading guilty in 2005 to weapons violations and attempting to kill a Federal agent and a witness in an earlier case against him. Hammoud reaffirmed his previous statements about al-Hijji to the FBI in recent interviews.

The *Bulldog* has obtained Florida Department of Law Enforcement reports, which provide new details on the story. Hammoud told officials that he and al-Hijji worked out together at Shapes Fitness in Sarasota and played soccer at the local Islamic Society. He said that al-Hijji was "very well schooled in Islam" and that "Osama bin Laden was a hero of al-Hijji." He added that al-Hijji showed him a "website containing information about bin Laden," and spoke of "going to Afghanistan and becoming a freedom fighter."

According to Hammoud, al-Hijji also talked of "taking flight training in nearby Venice [Fla.]," where a number of hijackers trained. He said he believed "al-Hijji had known some of the terrorists from the September 11, 2001 attacks," who were students at an airport there. Hammoud's wife and sister-in-law confirmed during recent interviews that they too knew the al-Hijjis, and are familiar with elements of Hammoud's account.



outling lies between the hilackers and residents in the upscale community in southwest. Miami Herald

Recent revelations in the Miami Herald linking a wealthy Saudi family with the 9/11 hijackers were characterized by former Sen. Bob Graham as "the most important thing about 9/11 to surface in the last seven or eight years." Here is the paper's online edition, showing 9/11 terrorist leader Mohammed Atta.

California for years, Graham said. As *EIR* has reported since 2007, that man, Omar al-Bayoumi, had paid for a San Diego apartment for two of the hijackers, funneled money to them, and then left the United States in July 2011. Graham thinks Bayoumi and the Sarasota husband and wife, as well as her wealthy father, could have helped form a shadow support system for the hijackers.

"These 19 people did not play out this plot as lone wolves," Graham said. "The chances that 19 people, most of whom had never been in the U.S., who did not speak English, and most of whom did not know each other, could have completed training, practiced and executed such a complicated plot, defies common sense.

"My assumption had been that they had some support system that was already in place in the United States, which facilitated their activities. We learned a lot about such a facilitation in San Diego. Now we're beginning to learn about Sarasota. The question in my mind is, what happened in places like Arlington, Va.; Paterson, New Jersey; Phoenix, Arizona; Delray Beach, Fla., where we know hijackers lived for a considerable period of time? Were there similar facilitators in those communities?"

Graham believes that the intelligence networks that were used to support the 9/11 hijackers, were created by

the Saudis after the first Gulf War, to monitor the activities of Saudi students who were studying in the U.S., to ensure that Saudi leaders did not suffer the same fate as the Shah of Iran. This is consistent with what *EIR* reported as far back as 2007: that Bayoumi was suspected by the Arab community in San Diego of being an agent for Saudi intelligence, who was keeping tabs on Saudis in the area, especially Saudi students attending college in southern California....