

# World terrorism revamped along the 'Iran model'

by Robert Greenberg

On February 6, Dr. Norman Forer, a University of Kansas professor of social welfare, left the United States with a delegation of 50 people in order to establish a "dialogue of reconciliation" with the Iranian terrorists holding the U.S. hostages at the embassy in Teheran. The trip, for the most part, was overlooked by the press but the truth behind the Forer trip opens up what could fast become one of the biggest scandals to hit the U.S.A. in years.

The picture firmly established is the following: Under the direction of leading terrorist controllers, White House representative Ramsey Clark and Princeton professor Richard Falk, and with the full knowledge of both the State and Justice Departments, Dr. Forer is collaborating with the Muslim Brotherhood and the Iranian secret police (SAVAMA) in the planning of a wave of Muslim Brotherhood-directed terrorism inside the United States between now and the Democratic Party national convention this August. The creation of an international commission to try the Shah will serve as the occasion for this development; President Carter's capitulation to this proposal has all but guaranteed that it will take place as planned.

## The Iranian staging area

One of the facets of the Muslim Brotherhood controlled revolution in Iran that has been completely covered up is the fact that Iran has become the new command center for international terrorism, with the Muslim Brotherhood the glue holding the terrorist apparatus together. Like Cuba in the 1960s, Iran is a staging area for the education, training, and deployment of terrorists and terrorist controllers all over the globe.

The first indication came in early Dec., when *EIR* investigators of the process now underway uncovered the fact that over 200 terrorists had illegally entered the U.S. using passports validated with a visa stamp from the U.S. embassy in Teheran. Further investigations established that these terrorists were under the control of the SAVAMA's U.S. station chief Abdulla Nahidian. Nahidian, who is based in Washington, D.C., is also the U.S. head of the Muslim Student Association-Persian Speaking Group (MSA-PSG) which is the secret terrorist arm of the Muslim Student Association. The MSA itself is a front for the Muslim Brotherhood.

*EIR* investigators also discovered that the terrorists were being logistically maintained and armed by Iranian Army Attaché Siavash Setudeh, who was working out of the U.S. Office of Naval Research, adjacent to the Pentagon. At the time, despite independent confirmation of these facts, the U.S. State and Justice Departments completely refused to comment or act on the information. When *EIR* publicly exposed this matter, Setudeh was forced to at least relocate from U.S. government premises into the Iranian Embassy where he presently resides.

Since that time *EIR* has established that the 200 terrorists consisted of not only Iranians but representatives from the West German-based Baader-Meinhof gang. This collaboration has a precedent. Over a year ago, the FBI arrested Baader-Meinhof member Kristina Berster as she tried to cross the Canadian border into Vermont. Berster was travelling on a passport originating with the Iranian Embassy in Geneva in 1977. Berster's terrorist training came from a Muslim Brotherhood-run organization in Oman in the early 1970s.

A continuing investigation by *EIR* however, has shown that the cited facts represent the proverbial tip of the iceberg. Contrary to the belief fostered by Iran's seemingly strict entry requirements, there has been a steady influx of terrorists and terrorist controllers since the revolution. The last few months alone has seen repeated trips to Iran by terrorist controllers such as Ramsey Clark, Prof. Richard Falk, Thomas Ricks, Prof. Cockcroft of Rutgers, Prof. Michael Zweig, the Rev. William Sloane Coffin and others. Additionally, small groups of terrorists have been travelling back and forth to Iran including a recently returned group led by Revolutionary Communist Party leader Fred Hanks. The RCP is known to be in active collaboration with the Iranian terrorist underground in the U.S.

At the end of December, Iran hosted an international conference of the Confederation of Iranian Students which is the umbrella group for all Iranian terrorist groups. This conference was also attended by representatives of terrorist groups from throughout the world, and included speeches by spokesmen from Amnesty International and the International Association of Dem-

ocratic Lawyers. The conference put out the marching order: The Iranian revolution is the ideological bond to unite all the disparate elements of the international terrorist movement. This is not conjecture. This message has been repeated time and time again in speeches given by people upon their return from Iran. For example, Richard Falk of Princeton, at a meeting of the Hands Off Iran Committee, stressed the need for a new movement in the U.S. modeled on the Iranian model, to fight against the Western system which uses technology and development as instruments of repression and racism. This was echoed by Dr. Milton Reid at a "National Conference to Counter the Ku Klux Klan," when he opened the conference by stating, "What is happening in Iran today is what ought to be happening in America today."

Dr. Forer's trip is exemplary. An associate of Dr. Forer, Clarence Dillingham, when questioned on the purpose of the trip, made the following statement. "Terrorism has to be. I am a student of the revolution. When we were in Iran in December, we were told that we were doing a good thing for America. We are the elite of the revolution. We have to unite now with other revolutionary struggles like the anti-nuclear movement. We must not subvert the world revolution. We must have a world order."

### Who is Norman Forer?

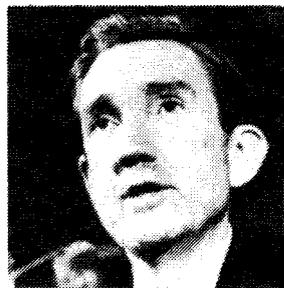
Dr. Forer's involvement in this operation goes back to the mid 1970s when he was co-director of the American Committee for Iranian Rights along with University of Kansas professor Dr. Don Brownstein. Previously, Forer had a long history of activity in the Civil Rights movement where he has worked very closely with the Justice Department in "the mediation" of riots and other problems. According to a close associate of Forer, this relationship continues to the present day. In 1977, Forer, Brownstein and Nancy Hermeacha of Houston, Texas went to Iran on the pretext of searching for a group of dissident writers who had allegedly disappeared. After leaving Iran—no "writers" turned up—they went to Paris where they were placed in contact with Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, the present President of Iran, and Sadegh Ghotbzadeh, the present Foreign Minister. Both men were then leaders of the anti-Shah underground. It was during this same period that Ramsey Clark through his formation of the Committee for Intellectual and Artistic Freedom in Iran began to play a key role in building support for the anti-Shah underground.

After establishing a working relationship with the underground, Forer made several tours of Western Europe along with representatives of Amnesty International and the International Association of Democratic Lawyers. It was at this time that Forer established close

contact with both Ramsey Clark and Richard Falk, as well as terrorist networks in Western Europe including the Red Brigades and Baader-Meinhof gang.

Back in the U.S., Forer became one of the key advisors to the Iranian Student Association (CIS). It was the support networks established by Forer, Clark and Ricks that were responsible for carrying out the successful overthrow of the Shah. As a knowledgeable expert on terrorism has stated, "The revolution in Iran did not begin in Iran, it began in the United States." In fact, many of Forer's students were among those who later seized the U.S. embassy in Teheran.

Immediately after the seizure of the embassy, Forer, on the invitation of his students, travelled to Teheran. Forer's trip was coordinated with the seizure of the Statue of Liberty in New York City by a group of black radicals including RCP member Fred Hanks, under the direction of SAVAMA station chief Nahidian. That same group has now constituted themselves as the Islamic Guerrilla Army and has surfaced in Washington, D.C.



*Ramsey Clark*

## The terrorist controllers

University of Kansas Professor Forer is one of a handful of terrorist-controllers now active in preparations for a U.S. terrorism wave this spring. Others include:

- **Ramsey Clark:** former U.S. Attorney-General; international advisor to Ayatollah Khomeini prior to seizure of power in Iran; founder, Committee for Artistic and Intellectual Freedom (Iran); member, special U.S. legal delegation to West Germany, 1978, to ensure that captured Baader-Meinhof killers received "fair trial."
- **Professor Richard Falk:** Princeton University, Department of Political Science; member, New York Council on Foreign Relations; Chairman, U.S. Committee on Iran.
- **Professor Thomas Ricks:** Georgetown University (Jesuit); liaison, Iranian Embassy, Washington, D.C.; controller, Iranian Student Association (U.S. branch).

and California handing out communiques saying that they are going to kill enemies of the Iranian revolution, especially Americans.

Forer returned to Iran again Dec. 5 where he, along with Clarence Dillingham, met with the Revolutionary Council, including extensive discussion with Bani-Sadr and Ghotbzadeh. They also had several more long meetings with the embassy terrorists. At that time, Forer organized a trip to Iran for Rev. William Sloane Coffin of Clergy and Laity Concerned, Rev. William Howard of the World Council of Churches, and Bishop Thomas Gumbleton of Detroit, all of whom have been supporters of the Iranian revolution since at least 1977.

Then, on Jan. 17 Forer, at the request of the embassy terrorists, began organizing yet another trip to Iran, this time to include a delegation of 50 people. The delegation was chosen at the careful instruction of the Iranians to include representatives of the complete array of U.S. radical and extremist groups, among them the Direct Action Coalition which is the terrorist wing of the anti-nuclear movement, the terrorist American Indian Movement, the Brown Berets, Clergy and Laity Concerned who are leaders of the anti-draft movement, and various black radical groups. (There have been several independent trips made by black radical groups who are attempting to hook up with the Palestine Liberation Organization.) While in Iran this delegation is meeting with the Embassy terrorists; receiving training and marching orders. Importantly, Nahidian is also now in Iran.

Yet, every step of the way, Forer's activities have had the complete approval and endorsement of the State Department.

### **Terrorist activation**

Since the CIS conference, there has been a total reactivation of the Iranian student movement with both public and private meetings being addressed by Falk, Ricks, Cockcroft and others. Along with this the Iran issue has spurred the creation of a potential, mass anti-draft, anti-war movement in the U.S. which has already held dozens of demonstrations and marches. There are also reliable reports that hit squads from the Japanese Red Army and the Baader-Meinhof gang will attempt to enter the U.S. soon.

The return of Forer's delegation is slated to step up the process considerably. Forer is bringing back not only his own delegation of 50, but an additional 50 Iranians, and plans to hold a series of nationwide conferences to "educate" Americans on Iran. These conferences are designed to unite the anti-nuclear movement, the anti-draft movement, etc., and will be timed to coincide with the holding of a Bertrand Russell-type alternative tribunal to investigate U.S. crimes in Iran. The U.S. "crime" to be focused on is aid for Iran's economic development.

# **Iran civil war weeks away: 'long and bloody'**

by Robert Dreyfuss

"The civil war in Iran is going to be a long and bitter and bloody one. Several hundreds of thousands of people are going to be killed. As soon as Ayatollah Khomeini dies, the government there is going to collapse. I would give the situation six to eight weeks at most."

That was the evaluation last week of a former top Iranian military official. From sources in Western Europe and the United States, this reading has been confirmed independently by *Executive Intelligence Review*. Several contending armies are already assembling for the coming battle. This is the story behind the story in Iran, and it will very rapidly come to overshadow the crisis around the U.S. hostages held in Teheran.

According to Iranian sources, the Ayatollah Khomeini is very ill following his heart attack last month, and it is now expected that he will be dead within days or weeks. Since the beginning of the Iranian revolution, Khomeini symbolized the unity of the movement against the Shah, and his death will precipitate a fragmentation of Iranian politics. The fragile government of President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, which draws virtually all of its legitimacy from Khomeini's aura of infallibility, would crumble.

Ahmad Khomeini, the radical son of the ayatollah, has been reported to have told *Le Figaro* magazine of France that his father is already "in another world" and that he "doesn't pay attention anymore to what is happening around him." The ayatollah can no longer move and he is confined to a wheelchair. *Le Figaro* reported that Ahmad Khomeini, anticipating the chaos that will follow the ayatollah's departure, has purchased three luxury villas in Paris, Versailles, and the Cote d'Azur for exile purposes. A member of the ruling Revolutionary