

Facts Behind Terror by Jeffrey Steinberg

Environmentalists look to Iran

The anti-nuclear movement and all shades of environmentalists are coalescing with the outright terrorist organizations, and the author of the merger is one of the architects of the Khomeini revolution.

The environmentalists and anti-nuclear groups in the United States are merging with the entire spectrum of terrorist support organizations nationwide, to create a mass movement modeled on the "Iranian revolution." The architect of the merger is Professor Richard Falk of New York City's Institute for World Order who has devoted his work in the U.S. to bringing under one unified command all the environmental, cultural and social groupings.

During a recent speech, Falk, who helped create the Iran model for terrorism, explained the "ideology of nuclear energy." The Shah of Iran was so repressive, Falk claimed, because he was dedicated to developing nuclear power for Iran. The same repression caused by nuclear power development will also occur in the United States if it is not stopped, Falk continued.

The central coordinating apparatus bringing the antinuclear movement behind the Iran model is the Mobilization for Survival (MFS). The MFS was created in 1977 by Falk's Institute for World Order as the coordinating center for every environmental group in the country. MFS is composed of over 400 groups, run by the Institute for World Order, Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, D.C., and the American Friends Service Committee. Its modus op-

erandi is to prepare the agenda of activities for the environmentalist movement as a whole, then provide updated information and marching orders to all the local "alliances."

In March 1979, the MFS tested its strength and was able to mobilize virtually every group to hold press conferences and demonstrations within 48 hours of the March 28 sabotage incident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant near Harrisburg, Pa. This nationwide mobilization succeeded in building for a May 6, 1979 mass demonstration in Washington, D.C. which drew nearly 200,000 people. The rally had representation from groups outside of the traditional antinuclear movement.

Since the May 6 demonstration the following developments have taken place:

- On Oct. 6, 1979, the Revolutionary Communist Party sent a new front group, Student Coalition Against Nukes Nationwide (SCANN), to the Coalition for Direct Action assault on the Seabrook, New Hampshire nuclear plant site.

- In February 1980, several environmentalist organizers were taken to Iran for training by Norman Forer, including Lucille Gunderson of the New Hampshire Clamshell Alliance, and Randy Goodman of the Boston Coalition for Direct Action at Seabrook.

- From April 24-28, 1980, the MFS and Coalition for a Non-Nuclear World held a series of joint antinuclear antidraft rallies in Washington, D.C. in conjunction with the Coalition against Registration and the Draft (CARD), etc. The demonstrations were planned to end with a "direct action" occupation of the Department of Energy on April 28.

- On May 24, the entire expanded antinuclear coalition will launch a two-pronged assault on the Seabrook, New Hampshire nuclear plant site, with the object of occupying the site and wrecking equipment and sections of the plant already under construction. The Coalition for Direct Action will lead the attack.

- The final phase of the merger will occur at mass demonstrations against the Democratic National Convention in New York City beginning Aug. 11. Environmentalist groups were well represented at the Youngstown planning conference where a Chicago 1968-style demonstration was planned for the New York convention, including the MFS, Black Hills Alliance from North Dakota, and the Coalition for a Non-Nuclear World.

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