

transferred to Peking under the vague guidelines already set out by the administration. And all this, delivered and installed by China, would be considered in Moscow a direct and vastly different threat to the national security of the Soviet Union.

Has anyone in Washington, inside or outside the administration, considered what the Soviet response must be to such a perceived threat, particularly one supplied by Washington?

One answer was given in somewhat confused fashion by Michael Pillsbury, a Reagan defense adviser who testified before the Wolff committee and has in the past been an advocate of U.S. arms and defense technology transfers to China. Said Pillsbury in an interview with *Newsweek* April 21: "The Soviets, who are obsessive missile counters, exaggerate the importance of Western arms transfers to China. This is a dangerous situation, which could lead to a pre-emptive Soviet strike on China." Pillsbury does not go on to consider what the U.S. would do in such circumstances.

Back to Perry and Dinneen

With this in mind it is useful to return to Messrs. Perry and Dinneen. If they are going to China to discuss something relatively innocuous like sale of trucks or helicopters, they are a bit overqualified for the job.

Take Dr. Perry, for example. Before joining the Defense Department he was director of the Electronic Defense Labs of the Sylvania Corporation in California, where he directed work on analysis of missile systems and electronic reconnaissance systems.

He was on the scientific advisory committees of the Defense Department and the National Security Council; joined a special panel evaluating the famous "Missile Gap" in 1960; worked on SALT verification problems; and finally, advised the Defense Intelligence Agency on electronic intelligence regarding satellite data and so forth.

Dr. Dinneen has a parallel record of expertise. He was director of the Lincoln Labs at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a highly classified defense contract or which specializes in radar, electronic guidance for missiles, and missile system technologies. He has been with the Lincoln Labs since 1953, and was the vice-chairman of the scientific advisory committee of the Defense Intelligence Agency and the Air Force. His present job is concerned with electronic detection, surveillance, and communications systems, especially as they relate to strategic nuclear warfare.

Not even the itinerary of the Perry-Dinneen visit to China is yet public. But at the least, grave questions must be raised about what is going on here, before the answers are found out the hard way.

The Muslim Brotherhood story

EIR spurs investigation

by Robert Dreyfuss

Nearly two years after the *Executive Intelligence Review* began the series of exposés which gained it international recognition as the leading authority on the Muslim Brotherhood, the American press and law enforcement authorities have themselves begun a serious campaign to investigate the activities of the Muslim Brotherhood in the United States and abroad.

The July 22 assassination of Ali Akbar Tabatabai, which was recognized generally as a conspiracy that began in Teheran, was the catalyst for those investigations. The trail led directly to the Brotherhood and its various arms.

Since that assassination, *EIR* has been contacted by the press, police departments, and other agencies requesting briefings and detailed background reports concerning the Muslim Brotherhood, the Muslim Students Association, and the activities in the United States of Savama, the secret police of Ayatollah Khomeini.

That process was accelerated by reports of an interview with Farah Diba of Iran, the wife of the late Shah, who declared to the West German magazine *Bunte*, "To understand what has gone on in Iran, one must read what Robert Dreyfuss wrote Nov. 13, 1979, in the *Executive Intelligence Review*."

Thus, on Aug. 8, the *Washington Post* reported that the presumed assassin of Tabatabai, David Belfield, employee of Bahram Nahidian, was also a protégé and devotee of Said Ramadhan, an Egyptian who is a leader of the Muslim Brotherhood and who now lives in Geneva, Switzerland. The *Post* reported that Belfield spoke with Ramadhan by telephone two days before the murder of Tabatabai and then again two hours afterward! That same day, the *Post* said, Belfield escaped by jet to Switzerland. The *Post* reported that Ramadhan was a leader of the Brotherhood in Egypt—echoing reports first published in the *EIR* more than a year ago.

Other newspapers, including the *New York Times*, have also begun to cover the Tabatabai assassination and the activities of pro-Khomeini organizations here from the standpoint of a conspiracy, although so far only small pieces of the puzzle have been published outside

the pages of the *Executive Intelligence Review*. The *Times* reported Aug. 8 that federal authorities are preparing a case for a Chicago grand jury that will investigate an alleged "conspiracy" behind pro-Iranian groups in the United States, including illegal money flows and major violations of the Foreign Agents Registration Act. On Aug. 15, the *Times* covered law-enforcement investigations of a trip to the U.S. by Khomeini's security chief, Gen. Hussein Fardoust, reported two weeks earlier by the *Executive Intelligence Review*.

A few press extracts concerning the unfolding story of the Muslim Brotherhood investigation are presented below, along with an interview, and a statement from the Iranian opposition.

Washington Post covers terrorist funding flows

The following are excerpts from an Aug. 8, 1980, Washington Post front-page article entitled "\$5 Million Sent to U.S. by Iran to Back Protests." The "New York banking concern" responsible for conduiting money to Iranian terrorists referenced in the article is the First Gulf Bank and Trust Company run by Dr. Cyrus Hashemi—information first published several weeks ago by Executive Intelligence Review. The story behind Bahram Nahidian, the Washington, D.C.-based terrorist controller, is also an EIR first.

Law enforcement investigators say at least \$5 million has been funneled into the United States from Iran to support Iranian Moslem revolutionary protest and propaganda efforts here.

Funds have been sent here from Iran through diplomatic pouches, international couriers and foreign banks, and also raised through the sale of hashish and heroin brought into the United States, informed sources said. . . .

According to the law enforcement sources, the collecting point for much of this money is a New York banking concern that has its principal banking facilities in the Caribbean. They said that at least several hundred thousand dollars have been funneled through this bank.

Other funds have been sent into the country in Iranian diplomatic pouches sent through the Iranian interest section at the Algerian embassy here, and through the sale of narcotics smuggled here, the law enforcement sources said. . . .

Law enforcement sources also say they are convinced that one of the chief local disbursers of funds and the key coordinator of Moslem protests here, is Bahram Nahidian, a Georgetown rug merchant and the most prominent Khomeini supporter in the country.

Nahidian, according to law enforcement officials, has

been recruiting black American Moslems to the Khomeini cause. His chief lieutenant, they say, was Daoud Salahuddin, who is accused of murdering the leader of an anti-Khomeini Iranian faction at his Bethesda home last month. Salahuddin, who is now reported to be in Iran, was paid between \$500 and \$1,000 a week while working for Nahidian, law enforcement sources said yesterday.

The group that Salahuddin belonged to, according to these sources, is known as the Islamic Guerrillas in America (IGA). According to one IGA flyer, the group espoused the destruction of its enemies "by any means, whether lawful or imperfect." . . .

The umbrella organization, they say, is the Moslem Students Association, (Persian Speaking Group) which is the group currently demonstrating in front of the White House, and whose members made up the 192 arrested here July 27. . . .

Police say they are concerned with violence between Moslem groups and within the last week have warned two moderate Moslem leaders that they have been reported to be on a list of people targeted for assassination.

Washington Weekly charges Carter White House

The following is from an article by syndicated correspondent Sarah McClendon in the Aug. 12 special Democratic Convention issue of Washington Weekly:

Iranian terrorists working directly under orders from Iran have been reorganized since the last Carter press conference, when their presence in this country was mentioned in a question to the President.

The President quickly denied allegations by *Executive Intelligence Review* of 304 West 58th Street, New York City, that the terrorists of Iran's secret police, Savama, were being allowed to operate in the U.S. against Khomeini's enemies—as a bargaining plan to free U.S. hostages before the November elections.

Since then, the story has begun to unfold by big and small pieces in the *Washington Post*, *New York Post*, Channel 5 and Channel 9 in Washington. Much more is to come. The story is far bigger than the Billy Carter story. . . .

With the facts all known, this could have considerable bearing on President Carter's nomination for reelection and certainly in his campaign against Ronald Reagan. . . .

It was concluded by the Iranians that Bahram Nahidian, the Washington rug dealer who financed the demonstrations, was too hot to continue as key man in the network of negotiations between the Iranian government

and the Carter administration (including the State Department, Justice Department, and the National Security Council). Word went out to cool it for Nahidian. The man now calling the orders for continuing and more violent demonstrations in this country—at the Democratic National Convention in New York, in and on the West Coast, is Hossein Fardoust, leader of Islamic Guerrillas and their network of terrorism in the U.S. . . .

The *EIR* has tapes of conversations between officials of the U.S. government on accommodations being arranged for protests to continue and for the Iranian demonstrators to be released without undergoing the usual stringent immigration rules on deportation of violent aliens. The denials of the U.S. State Department that it never entered into such agreement, (saying that the Washington police did not understand the “goals” of foreign policy) show that Secretary of State Ed Muskie, working with the Carter White House, gave his approval for this special favorable treatment of the terrorists completely outside immigration law and outside laws that protect U.S. citizens and property.

Powerful media organizations in this country, with many reporters working on the question, know what is going on. But will they reveal it in time for the public to know before the votes at the Democratic Convention?

Mexico City's El Heraldo cites EIR exposé

The following is excerpted from an Aug. 12 column in Mexico's newspaper El Heraldo by Leopoldo Mendivil entitled "Cartergate."

New York—If you think that by winning yesterday's battle for the Democratic nomination Jimmy Carter's headaches are over, don't be too sure. For there are already new forces and currents looking to break open a scandal baptized “Billygate.” . . . This is a conflict that involves many interests and figures and most likely goes beyond the globe-trotting lad to perhaps reach his brother, the President of the United States himself.

If this happens, “Billygate” could turn into “Cartergate.”

The accusations being made against President Carter include having lent himself to negotiations with the Iranian ayatollahs Khomeini and Beheshti in an attempt to get the U.S. hostages released, for electoral purposes, in exchange for facilitating the operations of terrorists trained to act against members or supporters of the late Shah Reza Pahlavi in the United States.

That is not all. It is held that the entire plot involves the Libyan government as well as the leaders of the Muslim Brotherhood and prominent heads of the inter-

national mafia including Robert Vesco, who was involved in Watergate and for that reason left the United States.

While at this time the whole affair has not gone beyond the point of accusations by various figures belonging to leading organizations, it is likely the matter will become part of the material to be cleared up during the legislative hearings on Billy Carter's activities.

The following was taken by this reporter from the *Executive Intelligence Review*, a limited circulation publication claiming to base its allegations on facts proven by various international intelligence services: [There follows a long paraphrase of *EIR*'s exposés of the Carter ties to Robert Vesco, the Sicilian Mafia, and international terrorism—ed.]

Iranian exile opposition demands official action

A leading member of the anti-Khomeini Iranian exile community, who was himself a victim of an attempted assassination ordered by Khomeini's secret police last week, called Aug. 13 for an end to "the Carter administration's alliance with Islamic fundamentalism and with the Muslim Brotherhood.

Kambiz Shahraies, Director of GAMA (Movement for the Independence of Iran), and several of his colleagues signed the statement, which was addressed to delegates of the Democratic National Convention. On Thursday, July 31, the home of Mr. Shahraies was attacked by an armed assailant who escaped after shooting and seriously wounding a colleague of Mr. Shahraies, a young Iranian. On July 27, Mr. Shahraies had acted as a spokesman for the Iran Freedom Foundation's demonstration in Washington, D.C.

The founder of the IFF, Ali Akbar Tabatabai, was himself assassinated in his Maryland home July 22 by agents in the employ of Khomeini's regime. GAMA co-sponsored the July 27 rally with the IFF.

The text of the statement from the GAMA leaders is as follows:

To the delegates of the Democratic National Convention

The Carter administration's continued commitment to a policy of alliance with Islamic fundamentalism has now resulted in conditions of catastrophic proportions.

Since the overthrow of the government of the late Shah and Prime Minister Shapour Bakhtiar, U.S. National Security Chief Zbigniew Brzezinski's public proclamation of support for Islamic fundamentalism as the Carter administration “bulwark against communism” for the Middle East has not only resulted in the institution of a barbaric regime rivaling that of Pol Pot's

Bahram Nahidian blames LaRouche

The following is excerpted from an Aug. 11 interview with A. Bahram Nahidian, made available to EIR. Nahidian is the Washington, D.C. senior operative on behalf of the Khomeini regime.

Q: What causes remain for further Iranian student demonstrations in the U.S.?

A: There have been many media slanders against the Islamic revolution which anger religious students. The story that Ayatollah Khomeini has ordered all Catholics and nuns out of Iran is totally irresponsible. It is these sorts of lies that cause the students to demonstrate.

Q: What channels do you think can be established for communication between the U.S. and Iran?

A: You must understand that I do not care about the government of Iran, only Islam. To the extent that Iran is within the boundaries of the Islamic world, I am concerned about events within its borders. Sometimes we have been able to work with the present U.S. government, but it was necessary to demonstrate against U.S. imperialism when Henry Kissinger became involved in a coup against Iran.

Q: What might cause further demonstrations at this moment?

A: Many of the students are asking, how can we be quiet if our brothers are in prison in London at this moment? Still, it took 11 days to free the 191 student prisoners in the U.S. and it has only been 10 days in London.

Q: How would a decision like that be made with the current differences in Iran between President Bani-Sadr, whose base used to be the students, and the Ayatollah Beheshti?

A: I believe that the Ayatollah Beheshti is one of the greatest spokesmen in the Islamic world today. He is a man to whom I owe allegiance so long as he serves the interests of Islam.

Q: Why do you think you have been such a target of the media?

A: This I do not understand. I have lived in the United States for 20 years. I went to school here in Washington, D.C. And sometime ago I set up my rug shop to be able to talk to people. My current activities have been the same for the last 12 years. No one has ever complained before. Not the D.C. police, who make such an issue about me today, nor the federal authorities.

Q: It is not just the police who are making an issue about your activities. Did you see the half-hour broadcast by Lyndon LaRouche, a Democratic Party candidate?

A: No, I did not, but my friends told me about it. This is absurd, this idea that the Carter administration and the Muslim Brotherhood are collaborating together in some kind of plot. Such a man is dangerously mad.

Q: Most of the U.S. press ignores him. Why are you worried?

A: It is an embarrassment to the United States that such a man can run for President. Because of his *Executive Intelligence* journal, even the *Washington Post* has begun to talk about the Muslim Brotherhood.

Cambodian horror and the seizing of American citizens, but threatens the entire Middle East with regional war and instability with the great potential for superpower confrontation.

The recent Billygate revelations indicate just how firmly the Carter administration is wed to the Muslim Brotherhood and its puppet dictators like the Ayatollah Khomeini and Libya's Muammar Qaddafi.

Unless this alliance is immediately repudiated, Khomeini's assassins have a virtual license to kill their opponents here and abroad. We, the publicly an-

nounced targets of these assassins, urge you to repudiate the doctrine of an alliance with Islamic fundamentalism, which does not represent the true tradition of Islam. We urge you to support a crackdown on the Muslim Brotherhood and its agents.

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