

Eye on Washington by Stanley Ezrol

Where did they get their Zbig ideas?

The Department of State is in large measure continuing the Zbigniew Brzezinski policy of strategic alliance with the fundamentalist Muslim Brotherhood which put Khomeini into power and killed Anwar Sadat. When I asked State Department spokesman Alan Romberg in mid-October if there were not a reconsideration of Haig's policy of military alliance with the Muslim Brotherhood regime of Ziaul Haq in Pakistan, he stated unequivocally that there was no consideration of such a change. I asked him if he would make a statement about Zia's connections to the Muslim Brotherhood to explain the value of that alliance to United States' security. He not only refused to comment, but refused to look into the question and clarify Zia's relationship with the Brotherhood at any point in the future.

French countess slips Houston a mickey

Three days after Sadat's assassination, the State Department announced that it would allow Muslim Brotherhood leaders from around the world to enter the United States itself to participate in a Schlumberger family-sponsored organizing conference at the Rothko Chapel in Houston, Texas.

Congressman Mickey Leland (D-Tex.) of Houston should be feeling a bit uncomfortable about the Muslim assassins' gathering in his home city. The Schlumberger heiress hosting the event is the Countess Dominique de Menil, a leading financial angel of the Texas Democratic party.

The Countess de Menil is also a major financial backer of "friend of the oppressed" Mickey Leland. When I informed the Congressman's legislative assistant of the Countess de Menil's involvement with the Muslim Brotherhood, she blurted out, "But we know her very well!" and refused to discuss the question further.

'The Pakistanis have their own style'

The same day the State Department announced its approval of the Muslim Brotherhood, Robert Neumann, Reagan's former Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, spoke at a rally of Arab-Americans at the Sheraton-Washington Hotel.

When I asked this friend of Arab moderation about the United States' continuing alliance with the Muslim Brotherhood in Pakistan, he argued that "Islamic fundamentalism" was different in each country. "Pakistani fundamentalism has its own Pakistani character. It is different from Iran."

He went on to explain that in Iran the fundamentalists had widespread popular support, whereas in Pakistan the fanatics were concentrated in the government. Although this explained why that government had to murder its last electoral opponent, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Robert Neumann could not explain how that made the F-16 deal kosher.

Two ZPGers leading the anti-AWACS fight

Leading the Senate fight to block President Reagan's decision to sell the AWACS to Saudi Arabia are Republican Robert Packwood of Oregon and Democrat Alan Cranston of California—both members of the notorious Draper Fund, whose Population Crisis Committee has repeatedly endorsed "Chinese methods" of

achieving zero population growth. (These include abortion-at-gunpoint and promotion of infanticide.)

Packwood was a member of the President's Commission on Population and the American Future, appointed at the urging of Henry Kissinger by President Nixon in 1972, and headed by John D. Rockefeller III. The Commission issued a series of radical Malthusian "zero population growth" proposals, and proposed that nuclear power expansion be halted to control population growth.

According to Packwood, there are too many children in the world, so abortions and adoption should be encouraged. As a legislator, he has sponsored every environmentalist bill to hit Capitol Hill, and was an outspoken proponent of trucking deregulation.

Packwood's colleague Alan Cranston has an even deeper pedigree. In 1938, he was invited to Italian-occupied Ethiopia by Mussolini and wrote articles denouncing the "atrocities" committed by the Ethiopians who resisted the Italian invaders. Following World War II, Cranston played a major role in keeping the Mussolini-backers among Italian "black noble" families solvent and powerful. He then spent the next seven years of his life as a leading campaigner for the United World Federalists, the predecessor organization to the Club of Rome.

In 1981, Cranston applauded the Israeli bombing of Iraq's civilian nuclear research facilities, and called for the United States to halt all development aid to India unless India abandoned its own nuclear development program. Cranston has more recently helped lead the Democratic Senate group to block effective attacks on the economy-wrecking policies of the Federal Reserve.