programs this way.”


“After 35 years of arms race and more and more new nuclear missiles . . . he [Reagan] wants to finally break the devil’s circle. . . . [Electron beams] can cut the strongest metal like a hot knife can cut butter. . . . Space-based weapons destroy the guidance system of incoming missiles.”

_Die Welt_, March 25: compared Reagan’s speech to President John F. Kennedy’s 1961 announcement of the U.S. intention to land a man on the moon, and detailed the basic facts about laser technology and space-based ABMs. The article stresses the German role in the development of such capabilities. The article concludes, “Technology does not know any _never_.”

**France**

While coverage of the new U.S. beam weapon policy has generally been unfavorable, there have been some notable exceptions.

_Le Republicain Lorrain_, the most widely read daily in the Lorraine area of France, gave very positive coverage March 20 to a seminar on beam weapons organized by the Reserve Officers’ association of Metz, which was addressed by European director of the Fusion Energy Foundation Dr. Jonathan Tennenbaum.

“Within five to seven years, a first generation system could be deployed . . . and within 20 to 30 years a second generation system, based on x-ray lasers, could replace it. Satellite-based lasers could thus defend entire nations against aggression.”

_Le Figaro_ March 25: Commentator Serge Maffert says that Reagan’s basic idea is to push for an economic war with the Soviet Union, and that Reagan wants Western Europe to join in such economic warfare.

_Le Monde_ March 25: Editorializes that man will manage to destroy himself no matter what, and “without massive retaliation, there would be a great risk that war would again become a temptation, and thus a probability.”

**Switzerland**

_Neue Zürcher Zeitung_: “Those questions which have plagued many for decades suddenly receive an optimistic and actually classical American answer: It is possible, and it is so because a highly developed technology has meanwhile been developed, which promises gadgets capable of intercepting and destroying intercontinental ballistic missiles, that is, of making nuclear weapons ineffective and superfluous, in other words: changing the course of mankind’s history.”

_NZZ_ insists that no matter what, beam technologies cannot create “a new world in which the old constellations and rules of conduct will no longer be valid . . . even if a piece of science fiction became reality.”

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**Israel and the Arab growing danger of**

by Mark Burdman in Wiesbaden

Governments of several nations in the Middle East and North Africa are bracing themselves for an anticipated upsurge of Khomeini-style religious fundamentalist destabilization.

The detonator on this fundamentalist time-bomb is the emotion-ridden issue of Jerusalem. The revered city of the three major world faiths has been the scene of attempts by Jewish-Zionist religious fanatics, funded by American-based Christian fundamentalists of the so-called Jerusalem Temple Mount Foundation, to stage a provocation on the Temple Mount, the site where the Dome of the Rock Islamic holy shrine stands.

These attempts, and the reverberations they are creating in the Islamic world, could set off religious wars throughout the region. Minimally, the conflicts could completely negate President Reagan’s plans for a negotiated settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Ultimately, as an informed Lebanese source told _EIR_, “this could be the trigger on a third world war.”

At the end of March, Israeli police and security authorities were on heightened mobilization in the Temple Mount area, to prevent any replay of the recent attempt by religious fanatics to stage an armed provocation on the Dome of the Rock. Intelligence officials are concerned that the next efforts of the Temple Mount Foundation operations will be some terrorist extravaganza, possibly including attaching sticks of dynamite to their bodies and threatening to blow up the Dome if their demands are not met. The fanatics, through contacts to religious extremists within the Israeli armed forces, reportedly have access to ground and air equipment that gives them the logistical basis for a major provocation.

Responsible Israeli authorities attached to the Interior Ministry are also concerned, according to Israeli press accounts, with the danger of extremism erupting in Jerusalem from Arab radical and religious extremist networks. This, it is feared, would intersect the increasingly tense situation in the occupied West Bank, the scene of intense mobilization following the reports of mass poisoning of Arab youth in the town of Jenine.

During the week of March 28, efforts were being made by two British intelligence fronts in the United States, the pro-Khomeini Muslim Student Association, and the Pales-
world face a religious wars

tine Congress of North America, to “Islam-ize” the Palestinian issue, by combining into one whole the Dome of the Rock and “poisoning” issues. A coordinating body for this “Islam-ization” is the recently formed “International Association for the Safeguarding and Enhancement of the Palestinian Cultural Heritage,” an entity controlled by the British and the Swiss Freemasonic networks.

The early peak-point for Muslim Brotherhood mobilization around the Jerusalem question is expected to be the meeting of the Jerusalem Committee of the Islamic Conference, due to begin on April 3 in Morocco. Morocco’s King Hassan and Saudi Arabia’s King Fahd, both of whom have traditional responsibilities for protecting Islamic interests in Jerusalem, are reportedly under enormous pressure from Brotherhood elements to take an uncompromising radical stand on the Jerusalem question at these meetings, under threat of destabilization if they don’t. To add to the pressure, Libya’s Colonel Muammar Qaddafi and Iran’s Ayatollah Khomeini have set up “Jerusalem Support Committees” over the past weeks to “confront the Zionists.”

In North Africa more generally, the governments of Morocco, Algeria, and Tunisia, with back-up from the Mitterrand government in France and the González government in Spain, have begun an unprecedented level of cooperation, aimed at stemming the Brotherhood and creating the climate of regional stability necessary for the success of Mitterrand’s planned Mediterranean nations’ summit later this year (see EIR, April 5). Particular attention is being focused on the supporters of former Algerian President Chadli Benjadjid. European security investigators have reported that substantial Qaddafi-funded arms caches have recently been intercepted in Algeria en route to Ben Bella’s Brotherhood backers. These investigators are centering attention on Ben Bella’s support infrastructure in Europe, organized through Lausanne, Switzerland Nazi International banker François Genoud and apparently centered around a secret “Revolutionary Committees for the Muslim Brotherhood” organization based in Brussels, Belgium.


In the Arab Gulf, Saudi Arabia is the focus of subversion efforts, particularly from Khomeini’s Iran, with backing from a faction of Israel’s Mossad intelligence service. West Germany’s Die Welt reported March 25 that Saudi air bases were recently placed on special alert status, following attempts by Iran-backed terrorists to blow up infrastructure on bases where U.S.-supplied AWACs radar reconnaissance systems are located. Days earlier, West Germany’s Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung revealed that Saudi authorities had cracked a destabilization attempt by cells of a so-called “Liberation Front for the Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf,” a known British intelligence front. FAZ reported that the case-officer for coordinating these cells was Khomeini intimate Ayatollah Shirazi of Iran. A Middle East expert on religious fundamentalism told EIR that Iran, with the backing of the KGB-Swiss intelligence “convert to Islam” Roger Garaudy, will dramatically step up subversion efforts against King Fahd in the next months.

Inside Saudi Arabia, the point man for actions against Fahd is Crown Prince Abdullah, darling of the Brotherhood. Abdullah has recently been probing for opening up Saudi relations with the U.S.S.R., and has threatened that Saudi oil production could drop another 2.5 million barrels a day to the incredible level of 1 million per day. Abdullah’s allies include Ali Kettani of the Jeddah-based Islamic Foundation for Science and Technology and Maarouf Dawalibi, head of the Muslim World Congress, a front organization for Nazi penetration of Saudi Arabia set up in 1926 by the circles of the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, later to be Adolf Hitler’s agent in the Arab Islamic world and a regular contact man for Genoud.

In order to survive, Fahd will have to eliminate some of these high-level nests of Brotherhood fanatics within his own country, and end traditional Saudi compromises with these networks abroad.

Operation Holy War

The policy planning for religious wars in the Middle East was done over the past years by the highest level of British Freemasonry (both the Grand Mother Lodge of London and the Scottish Rite) and related circles in the Church of England.

The public signal of the strategy was a conference one year ago at the Church of England’s branch in New York, St. John the Divine Church, on “Religious Violence in the Middle East,” presided over by former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, the case-officer for the Khomeini takeover of Iran. In the mid-1970s, Vance had created a coordinating agency for spreading fundamentalism throughout the world’s faiths, the Inter-Religious Peace Colloquium, whose literature advocates the “erosion of the ‘sovereign’ nation-state” and its replacement by transnational fundamentalist leaderships.

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The London Freemasons’ “research lodge,” Quatuor Coronati, maintains control over the cultist belief-structures underlying fundamentalism. Quatuor Coronati director Cyril Batham, in a recent discussion, commented oracularly that “the Middle East could well be hit by a new wave of fundamentalism. . . . The scene seems to be set for a northern Ireland type of situation.” Batham identified the project for rebuilding the Temple of Solomon on the Dome of the Rock—the pet project of the Jerusalem Temple Mount Foundation—as “the one thing that would unite the whole Arab-Islamic world” for a holy war.

It is the British Freemasons who control all relevant archaeological and cult beliefs pertaining to Solomon’s Temple, through sub-agencies like the British Museum, the British and Foreign Bible Society, and the Palestine Exploration Fund (see EIR, March 29). The head of the freemasonry, Michael, Duke of Kent, returned from a March 16-25 trip to the Middle East to oversee the playing-out of the fundamentalist religious war project.

One special, nominally Jewish, conduit for the British Freemasons is a super-secret Masada Lodge, based in New York, Los Angeles, and Israel, whose members include Israeli Minister of Science and Technology Yuval Neeman and chief Israeli archaeologist Yigal Yadin, the man who “discovered” Masada. The belief-structure of Masada Lodge, like that of the Temple Mount Foundation Christian evangelicals, is that the world is entering the era of the Apocalypse, to be triggered by “nuclear Armageddon” in the Middle East. They anticipate 1983-84 to be crucial for this insanity, since the next Jewish year is denominated “The Year of Destruction” (the Hebrew-lettered acronym for the next year spells out the Hebrew word Shmad, or “destroy”).

The British Freemasons’ nominally Islamic counterpart to this is run through the Muslim Brotherhood and the mystical Sufi International Brotherhood, created at the end of the last century. Sufism, which shares many of the mystical beliefs of the Jewish Kabbala, has one of its international headquarters in Genoud’s home base of Lausanne, centered around one Frithjof Schuon, head of the “Shadiliyya” branch of Sufism. Along with Saudi Arabian Brotherhood leader Ali Kettani, Schuon has established a “Society for the Restoration of Islam” in Spain, which has become one of the crucial target countries for Brotherhood operations. European sources insist that the society is headed by a top-level agent of the British secret intelligence services, whose name may be revealed shortly.

The other center of Sufism is the Darqawi Institute in Norwich, England, headed by Idris Shah. This institute is funded in part by the World Festival of Islam Trust, which is run by British Arab Bureau scion Sir Harold Beeley.

The Swiss connection

Operationally, as indicated above, the Muslim Brotherhood International is in effect a joint asset of British SIS and Swiss-based bankers and intelligence officials. These two centers, through a complex series of postwar arrangements, took over the assets of the Nazis’ Abwehr intelligence service and Mussolini’s OVRA, through which the Brotherhood had been coordinated in the 1930s and 1940s. The third major control point over Brotherhood activities is the Comintern-Ponomarev grouping in Soviet intelligence, the continuation of Karl Radek’s “Baku Congress International” of the 1920s and 1930s.

One crucial financial and ideological control points over the Brotherhood is the financial empire of United Arab Emirates ambassador to Great Britain, Mohammed el-Tajir, recently implicated in illicit weapons-running into Iran. El-Tajir’s banking empire overlaps that of the secretive Swiss-Arab Banking Trust of the St. Vincent Islands, which has recently been a focus of investigation by researchers into flight capital and dirty-money transactions.

A second is the cluster of interests associated with the Swiss-Arab Association, based in Geneva, Switzerland. The leading light of the Association is Geneva’s Marcel Boisard, a top official of the Red Cross. Boisard, a convert to Islam, heads the Islam and the West International, which was set up by him, Muslim World Congress Nazi collaborator Maarouf Dawalibi, Britain’s Lord Caradon, and the Club of Rome’s Aurelio Peccei. The association employs the services of one Herr Parodi, former Swiss ambassador to Egypt, and several key members of the Nazi International, including convert-to-Islam Ahmed Huber, a close associate of François Genoud and collaborator of Genoud’s in the project in distributing and translating the works of Hitler and Martin Bormann. Huber recently told an interviewer that “building the Muslim Brotherhood” would be the key to reviving awareness of Hitler in Europe.

A third is the set of special operations associated with another convert to Islam, Roger (now Rajah) Garaudy. Garaudy is the intersection of the Comintern (Kim Philby et al.) with British and Swiss intelligence circles. Formerly a top official of the Middle East branch of the French Communist Party, Garaudy “turned against” Communism and converted to Islam at the mosque in Geneva in 1981. With these credentials, he was able to enter Mecca in recent weeks, and to establish contacts with anti-government Brotherhood elements in Saudi Arabia. In the latter part of March, Garaudy was in Cairo, and gave a well-publicized speech attacking the “Greco-Latin” and “Judeo-Christian” traditions, for “subordinating the human potential to technology.” Garaudy is also one of the leaders of the International Association for the Safeguarding and Enhancement of the Palestinian Cultural Heritage, along with members of the British Parliament and Dominican priest Michel Lelong, a top ideologue for Islam and the West. Garaudy’s comings and goings are of increasing interest to European security officials, who view him as a likely coordinator for the interests of Ahmed Ben Bella and other “Islamic” terrorists.