

of the different branches of the military into one unit, includes anti-drug operations in its charter, and is being viewed as a positive step in this war.

On the civilian side, the President will augment the ongoing work of his wife, Nancy, by speaking out on drugs frequently over the coming months, urging volunteer public collaboration in the effort to educate the public against drug use as part of an effort to generate popular support for the overall offensive. Reagan began this with brief remarks to representatives of service organizations at the White House on July 30. "The time has come," he said "for each and every one of us to make a personal and moral commitment to actively oppose the use of illegal drugs—in all forms and in all places. We must remove all traces of illegal drugs from our nation." Alluding to the national security implications of the campaign, he added, "The good and decent people of this country, and yes, as I say, the world now, are coming together in active opposition to the evil use of drug abuse. More and more people are realizing how crucial it is to deal with this insidious problem. Those who smuggle and sell drugs are as dangerous to our national security as any terrorist or foreign dictatorship."

However, to be effective, the administration's new offensive against drugs must include two elements it has not yet considered:

1) The withdrawal of its nomination of William Weld for head of the Criminal Division of the Justice Department. Weld became the subject of massive public criticism for his "slap on the wrist" to the Bank of Boston which was found guilty of hiding over \$1.2 billion in large cash transactions; he has been documented to have extensive ties to vested interests in drug-money laundering activity (*EIR*, Aug. 1, 1986). Weld's nomination, which a White House spokesman said was not recommended by President Reagan himself, was one consequence of the hiatus in the war on drugs caused by Don Regan's obstructionism, and must be rescinded for serious law enforcement against money laundering and trafficking to get backup from the top levels of the Justice Department.

2) The White House must rescind its support for Gramm-Rudman budget cuts. Wielding the Gramm-Rudman ax, sanctimonious liberals in Congress have announced their intent to slash \$2.5 billion from the President's foreign aid request. In reality, a comprehensive strategy of economic development must supplant the "drug economies" of many developing-sector countries in order for the President's war on drugs to ultimately succeed.

The same is true in the United States. For example, the amount of marijuana confiscated by government officials in Oklahoma last year, estimated at only 25% of the state's total production, had a market value of \$800 million, while the state's entire wheat crop had a value of only \$700 million. Wiping out drugs solves only half the problem. Reversing the economic collapse, here and abroad, is the indispensable other half.

## Will William Weld give immunity to wanted terrorist?

by Michele Steinberg

The offices of the Senate Judiciary Committee were informed on July 31 that William F. Weld, the U.S. Attorney in Boston, whose nomination to the number-four position in the Justice Department, chief of the Criminal Division, is sitting before them, has subpoenaed a terrorist to testify against 1988 Democratic Party presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

For nearly two years, Weld has had the 1984 presidential campaign committees of Lyndon H. LaRouche under investigation, along with four other organizations that Weld believes to be associated with LaRouche, in a fruitless political witchhunt.

Now, to attempt to "make his case," Weld has called to testify in Boston on Aug. 6, Mordechai Levy, leader of the Jewish Defense Organization, a spin-off of the Jewish Defense League. Ironically, insiders in Washington have expected that Levy would be appearing before a federal grand jury soon, but it is common knowledge that the reason Levy would testify was in the investigation of the murders of Alex Odeh, a moderate Palestinian leader of the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, and Tscherim Soobzokov, a leader of the American-Circassian community, who was falsely accused—and cleared of all charges—of being a Nazi war criminal. Both men were killed in sophisticated terrorist bomb attacks in late 1985, after being threatened by Levy and other JDO/JDL members.

The organizations that Weld has been harassing through this grand jury, including The LaRouche Campaign and the National Democratic Policy Committee (NDPC), have protested to the Justice Department, and to the Senate Judiciary Committee, the fact that Levy is being used in this case.

On July 31, Edward Spannaus, treasurer of The LaRouche Campaign (TLC), which was the 1984 campaign committee for presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., denounced William F. Weld in a Washington press conference for attempting to use Levy, a suspected terrorist and discredited FBI informant, as a witness. Spannaus called for the Senate Judiciary Committee to reject Weld's nomination for Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division.

"Weld's office has conducted a dead-end vendetta, cost-

ing millions of dollars, against The LaRouche Campaign and associates of Lyndon H. LaRouche since October 1984," stated Spannaus. "Weld and his office have been collaborating with the drug lobby and with the organized-crime-linked Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, which employs Mordechai Levy.

"The main question to be answered right now, is whether William Weld is obstructing justice in the investigation of the murders of Alex Odeh and Tscherim Soobzokov, who were threatened by Levy before their deaths at the hands of Jewish terrorists. Does Weld plan to offer Levy immunity from prosecution in return for perjured testimony against LaRouche? Is Weld attempting to protect Levy, and the JDL—an organization which is suspected of planting a bomb that caused the serious injury of a police officer in Boston, where Weld is supposed to enforce the law of the land?"

Spannaus also charged that "Weld has shown himself to be a leading protector of international banks involved in the laundering of drug money," citing the cover-up of the Bank of Boston and Crédit Suisse, the bank to which his family's business—White, Weld Securities—is tied.

"This is itself sufficient to disqualify Weld for the position," said Spannaus, "but the attempts to use Levy, who has threatened the life of LaRouche on numerous occasions, as a witness against associates of LaRouche taints Weld and his bogus grand jury beyond repair."

Spannaus further charged that Weld is acting against the interests of the U.S. government's fight against terrorism by giving Levy credibility.

Earlier this month, the FBI issued a report on terrorist incidents in the United States, identifying "Jewish extremists" as the major domestic terrorist operation. Shortly after the report was issued, Oliver Revell, the number-two official in the FBI, testified before Congress that the FBI investigation into the murder of Alex Odeh, a leader of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee in Santa Ana, California, killed in October 1985, was close to naming suspects.

Odeh was blown up by a booby-trap bomb wired to his office door. This is one of the terrorist incidents named in the FBI report. Two other incidents—the August 1985 bombing of Tscherim Soobzokov, and the September 1985 bombing of the home of Elmar Sprogis—both involved Levy, who held public meetings calling for the deaths of the two men shortly before their homes were bombed.

A *Special Report* issued by *EIR* in March 1986 documented that Levy has been a paid employee of the Anti-Defamation League, of the American Jewish Committee, and the FBI. According to well-informed Israeli sources, Levy, recruited to the Jewish Defense League at the age of 12 by Rabbi Meir Kahane, functions as a "bird-dog" for underground teams made up of American members of the JDL and its offshoots and of Israeli military specialists.

Israeli sources say that the FBI investigation into the

Odeh murder is also active in Israel, where other followers of Rabbi Kahane, in the Kach Party, are being sought. Kach Party members routinely engage in terrorism, including murder, against West Bank Arabs, and against their moderate and liberal Israeli political adversaries. The Israeli nationals or residents sought in the Odeh murder are known to have sophisticated military explosives training.

LaRouche has been a frequent target of threats and harassment from these Kahane terrorists, but the FBI and the Justice Department have consistently refused to prosecute any of the principals, such as Levy, for the threats. In August 1985, just after the terrorist attack on Soobzokov, two associates of Lyndon LaRouche petitioned Attorney-General Ed Meese to appoint a special prosecutor to investigate this attack. The petition informed Mr. Meese that, since Levy was an FBI informant, there would not be an objective and serious investigation into his role in the assassination.

### **FBI: Jewish extremists prime terrorist threat**

The "FBI Analysis of Terrorist Incidents and Terrorist Related Activities in the United States," released in early July, shows that "Jewish Extremist Elements" were responsible for the majority of terrorist murders and injuries sustained by U.S. citizens and residents in 1985. Two people were killed, and nine others were injured in four separate incidents, according to charts and text contained in the report. In addition, of seven "suspected terrorist incidents" mentioned in the report, the JDL and other Jewish extremist groups are suspects in five of them.

In a section titled, "Jewish Terrorist Groups," the FBI says, "In . . . analyses published since 1981, responsibility for 18 terrorist incidents has been attributed to groups seeking to publicize past and present injustices suffered by the Jewish people. While claims for some of these acts have been made in the names of the 'Jewish Defenders,' 'United Jewish Underground,' and 'Jewish Direct Action,' 15 of the incidents were attributed to the Jewish Defense League, by far the most well known of these groups.

"The JDL was founded on June 16, 1968, by Rabbi Meir Kahane in Brooklyn, New York, and was subsequently incorporated in the state of New York on Sept. 30, 1968. 'Never Again' is the official slogan of the JDL.

"While headquartered in New York City, the JDL has chapters located in several of the larger metropolitan areas of the United States. . . . [It] is composed primarily of young Jewish-American extremists. . . . Responsibility for . . . arson, bombings, and assaults . . . has been claimed in the name of the JDL.

". . . In 1985, four incidents are being attributed to Jewish extremists. Although certain evidence leads to suspicion of elements of the JDL, final attribution to any one specific group must await further investigation."