

Terrorist threat comes from Britain and Israel

by Muriel Mirak-Weissbach

When the news was issued by a United Nations spokesman, that UN Secretary General Kofi Annan had been successful, in his mission to solve the Iraq crisis peacefully, through diplomatic means, most of the world breathed a sigh of relief. There were two forces, however, which greeted the news as a challenge, and responded with a vengeance. The British and Israeli governments, which had been the motor force behind the campaign to orchestrate a U.S.-led bombing raid against Iraq, had to resort to other means, to try to achieve the same goal.

That the British and Israelis would move, came as no surprise to Lyndon LaRouche, the one public figure who had consistently called the shots in the entire scenario, beginning last October, for a new Iraq crisis. As LaRouche had reiterated since the first hoked-up crisis over inspections, terrorist attacks by British-controlled assets, and/or an Israeli threatened strike against Iraq (or Iran), were options being actively pursued.

In a radio interview with “EIR Talks” on Feb. 25, LaRouche explained how such options could trigger the military action which Kofi Annan’s diplomacy had otherwise averted. After discussions with European associates, LaRouche said, “we came to the conclusion that my estimate of the danger that the British would respond to President Clinton accepting a peace arrangement, by launching directly those international terrorist organizations which are headquartered in London — Arab and other terrorist organizations, chiefly Arab and other Islamic groups — against the United States’ interests, or simply to destabilize the whole picture in the Middle East, with the point that a terrorist incident which

could be construed, as an action in favor of Iraq, or in revenge for what was done to Iraq — that that could be construed as a trigger point for launching hysteria, which would result in an actual bombing of Iraq, not over anything to do with negotiations, but simply as a knee-jerk reflex.”

“The second thing we were concerned about,” he continued, “was that — Remember that the entirety of this Iraq crisis does not come from anything that was done by Iraq. As a matter of fact, Butler, this Australian, who’s a Brit, simply created this crisis. This UN chief inspector created this crisis by a provocation, in order to assist an Israeli-intended bombing, simultaneously, of targets in Iraq and Iran, using either aircraft attacks, or missile attacks, Israeli missile attacks, with the possible option of, also, attacks on Syria, invasion of southern Lebanon, and deployment of air attacks against Sudan from bases in Eritrea.”

LaRouche summed up: “These were the tactics: the global Armageddon policy, which senior Israelis warned us was likely, beginning last October; that Netanyahu and his lunatics are determined to, working closely with groups such as — nuts like Falwell and Robertson in the United States, who are absolute crazy lunatics, who are the supporters of the idea of blowing up the Dome of the Rock in Israel, in Jerusalem, which is one of the most important Islamic holy sites in the whole world, blowing it up as a way of starting a general war. And, the idea is, that at that point, in any such general war, that Israel would take the lid off its nuclear and thermonuclear arsenal, and use that as an umbrella, a protective umbrella, for Israeli non-nuclear assaults on neighboring countries.”

EIR has pulled together the documentation in this issue, which substantiates every iota of LaRouche's warning. The terrorist threat was articulated in the form of a *fatwa* issued by ostensibly Islamic terrorists. As Hussein Al-Nadeem's report chronicles, the terrorist threat was signed by a virtual army of terrorist assets, every one of which operates in broad daylight in London.

Furthermore, the Israelis did indeed escalate tensions, as Prime Minister Netanyahu reiterated his threats to bomb Iran. According to UPI, on Feb. 23, when Netanyahu assumed that a diplomatic solution had been reached with Iraq, he said that the major danger was actually "Iran's atomic bomb," and he has told foreign ambassadors that Israel's right of self-defense included "a right to launch a pre-emptive strike."

Not only: as Dean Andromidas writes in his article in this section, the Israelis may also have been planning a terrorist hit themselves. Behind the curious story of Israeli Mossad agents arrested in Switzerland allegedly for attempted espionage, may lie a botched assassination attempt against an Iranian diplomat. One sure consequence of the most recent Mossad fiasco, is that Israeli Mossad chief Danny Yatom will be replaced, perhaps by someone who will share Netanyahu's commitment to use tactical nuclear weapons in a regional war.

London's terrorists issue threats to U.S.

by Hussein Al-Nadeem

International terrorist organizations headquartered in London are threatening to launch new atrocities against the United States and its allies—atrocities which could, as Lyndon LaRouche has warned (see accompanying articles), serve as the pretext for an Israeli "preemptive strike" against Iraq, Iran, and/or other Mideastern nations.

On Feb. 10, a group of well-known London-based "Islamists" and Islamic organization issued a press release including a *fatwa* (religious ruling), under the title "Muslims in Britain Declare War against the U.S. and British Governments." The press release stated: "The *fatwa* is *Jihad* against the U.S. and British governments, armies, interests, airports, and institutions, and it has been given by the most prominent scholars of Islam today, because of the U.S. and British aggression against the Muslims and the Muslim land of Iraq." The *fatwa*, which *EIR* cannot trace to any Muslim source or authority other than London's "scholars," was

signed by Saudi terrorist supporter Mohammed Al-Massa'ari (a long-time collaborator of Britain's Lord Eric Avebury and Labour MP George Galloway), and Omar Bakri, leader of the Al-Muhajiroon and organizer of terrorist organizations' rallies in Britain. The *fatwa* was supported by some 60 organizations that are based in the United Kingdom. (For a profile of the British-safeguarded terrorists, see *EIR*, Jan. 2, 1998.)

The fact that the authors of this declaration claim to be supporters of Iraq against the United States and its allies, fits into the desired equation. They state that "the military strike against Iraq is war against Islam and Muslims world wide." "We the undersigned call upon the Muslims around the world, including the Muslims in the U.S.A. and in Britain, to confront by all means, whether verbally, financially, politically or militarily, the U.S. and British aggression and to do their duty in relieving the Iraqi people from the unjust sanctions." In the same press release, Al-Massa'ari gives further justifications and instructions to Muslims living in the United States and the West: "You have first to renounce the residency or acquired citizenship, and then start military activities if physically capable. You are then at liberty to fight them everywhere in the world or re-enter the realm clandestinely and wreak havoc, obviously facing charges as spy, terrorist, . . . etc."

Such British propaganda is aimed at demonizing every Muslim in the West as a potential murderer and terrorist, while promoting the "clash of civilizations" hysteria, through putting the issue in the terms of "America and Britain against Islam." (The fact that the *fatwa* attacks Britain, as well as the United States, presents no conundrum to the British controllers of terrorism; their loyalty is not to the British Isles or its people, but to their own oligarchical power.)

Another such *fatwa* was issued by London-based terrorists on Feb. 23, the same day that President Clinton endorsed, in principle, the agreement between the United Nations and Iraq. This time, the *fatwa* was given wide publicity and support by the London-based Arabic daily *Al Quds al Arabi*. The *fatwa* was published under the title "World Islamic Front's Statement Urging Jihad against Jews and Crusaders."

The *fatwa* calls for killing Americans, because of their "occupation of the holy Arab Peninsula and Jerusalem and oppressing the Muslim nations," and states in conclusion: "On this basis, and in compliance with God's order, we issue the following *fatwa* to all Muslims: The ruling to kill the Americans and their allies—civilians and military—is an individual duty for every Muslim who can do it in any country in which it is possible to do it, in order to liberate the al-Aqsa Mosque and the holy Mosque [Mecca] from their grip, and in order for their armies to move out of the lands of Islam, defeated, and unable to threaten any Muslims. . . . We—with God's help—call on every Muslim who believes in God and wishes to be rewarded to comply with