
Temple Mount

The Plot To Blow Up the Dome of the Rock

When Ariel Sharon made the provocative move to virtually invade Jerusalem's Temple Mount with an army of 4,000 "security forces," it was more than a "symbolic" provocation. What is known to every political observer of the Middle East, and especially of Israeli/Palestinian relations, is that there has been an active underground movement in Israel, commanded by Sharon, among others, that pushes the cultist theme, "Eretz Israel," or "Greater Israel." It is this network that killed Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin in 1995, and which has carried out numerous murderous assaults on Islamic holy sites in Israel, especially Al-Haram Al-Sharif, and the Dome of the Rock.

Sharon's visit was a reminder of the atrocity committed by this network, when Brooklyn-born "Baruch" Goldstein entered the mosque of the Cave of the Patriarchs in Hebron on Feb. 25, 1994, and murdered 50 worshippers and injured hundreds more after he opened fire with an automatic weapon during Friday prayer service. Goldstein was one of Sharon's zombie killers, deployed through the illegal settlers movement protected by Sharon.

EIR has documented the command structure behind this terrorist underground since the early 1980s. In 1986, *EIR* published a 125-page special report, "Moscow's Secret Weapon: Ariel Sharon and the Israeli Mafia," which detailed the support networks around Britain's Lord Harlech (Sir David Ormsby-Gore), Henry Kissinger, George Bush, and Wall Street's network of global corporations known as "Dope, Inc." The following report covers only a small portion of *EIR*'s previously published material.

The Cult Behind the Temple Mount Plot

The scheme to blow up the sacred Muslim sites, the Al-Aqsa mosque at Al-Haram al-Sharif in Jerusalem, and the Cave of Patriarchs in Hebron, has long been the public aim of Jewish radical assassin networks such as the U.S.-based Jewish Defense League (JDL) and the West Bank Jewish settlers movement, founded and nurtured by the networks of Sharon since shortly after the end of the June 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

It is this network of organizations in the United States and Israel that was denounced by Prime Minister Rabin as "errant weeds," alien to Judaism, just weeks before he was killed on Nov. 5, 1995. It was this network that created Rabin's killer Yigal Amir, who was "blessed" with the "sacred" mission to kill the pro-peace Prime Minister, from the cultist rabbis

associated with the terrorist underground.

Bitterly, Israeli founding father and former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion referred to Zionist Mussolini admirer Vladimir Jabotinsky, as "Vladimir Hitler."

The Jewish "settlers movement" of which Hebron assassin Goldstein was a part, is the product of a centuries-long Venetian and British conspiracy to destroy Judaism from within.

The Zionism represented by the JDL settlers movement today, can be traced back to the Kabbalah, the Jewish mystical heresy which the Babylonian priesthood had imposed on Mosaic Judaism in the first centuries of the Christian era, and which was later patronized by the Venetian oligarchy. This peculiar strain of Zionism, at least, has always been dedicated to destroying Islamic and Christian holy sites, creating a pagalized Judaism practicing animal sacrifice at a rebuilt Temple of Solomon in Jerusalem, and fostering the generalized religious warfare in the region. The cult's masonic sponsors, especially among varieties of Protestant fundamentalist sects, view such cults as "necessary" in order to bring on Armageddon.

The settlers movement is an extension of the network of Jabotinsky, who founded the Zionist Revisionist movement and Irgun terrorist movement. Jabotinsky was an avid follower of 19th-Century British Foreign Minister Lord Palmerston's top operative Giuseppe Mazzini, and had been recruited to Zionism by Mazzini's non-Jewish followers in Italy. Serving British intelligence, Jabotinsky also doubled as an agent of the Russian Tsarist secret police, Okhrana, operating within pre-World War I Ottoman Turkey, along with British super-agent Alexander Helphand-Parvus to set up the Young Turk regime.

Although these elements have long existed within the Zionist movement, it was only after the Israeli Army seized control of East Jerusalem and the West Bank in 1967, where many of the key Islamic and Christian holy sites are located, that their gameplan for "Apocalyptic" religious warfare was put into motion. In that year, Asher Kaufman, an operative of London's Quatuor Coronati freemasonic lodge, arrived in Jerusalem to oversee an assault on Jerusalem's holy places.

There are two phases to this masonic assault, both involving Israeli Kabbalistic patsies. One, with which the settlers movement has been most associated, is the rebuilding of Solomon's Temple on the Al-Haram Al-Sharif in Jerusalem. Upon his arrival, Kaufman began sponsoring archaeological work to justify destroying Al-Haram Al-Sharif.

Another phase of the assault is a plan to take over or destroy all Islamic or Christian holy sites in Israel and the Occupied Territories, especially the Cave of the Patriarchs, the reputed tomb of the Prophet Abraham.

Growth of Kabbalism

The Temple Mount "project" dates back centuries. Today, the British oligarchy, and the Venetian/Jewish oligarchical

families, the Recanati and Luzzato, continue to be primary promoters of the “Temple Mount” project. Eduard Recanati, for example, runs the Temple Mount Foundation. Recanati had formerly run the Italian B’nai B’rith. His family owns Israel’s third-largest bank, the Israeli Discount Bank.

In the early 20th Century, when the British Balfour Declaration boosted Zionism, the British oligarchy helped create one of the leading proponents of Kabbalistic cultism—Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook. As explained below, Kook’s son, Rabbi Zvi Kook, has been the creator of many of Sharon’s killer cult organizations.

Rabbi Kook was raised in Russia, and became a rabbi in Palestine shortly before the 1905 Russian Revolution. On the eve of World War I, Kook travelled to England, in order, he said, to spread Zionism. He returned to Palestine following World War I, arguing that the Balfour Declaration meant the “time of redemption,” the coming of the Messiah, was at hand. Elected Chief Rabbi of Palestine in 1921, Kook became the spiritual leader of the Jabotinsky wing of Zionism, and established a network of yeshivas, or Jewish religious schools, which trained many of the leaders of Jabotinsky’s Irgun, and its split-off, the Stern gang. The two terrorist groups trained the leadership of what comprise the Likud bloc today.

Kook’s dangerous legacy was his cultism: He was the patron within Palestine of the project to rebuild the Temple, as part of the general effort to prepare for the coming of the Messiah. In 1921, Kook formed the Yeshiva Torat Cohanim in Jerusalem, which had one central purpose: Destroy the Islamic holy sites at Al-Haram Al-Sharif in order to rebuild “Solomon’s Temple.”

The founding document of Kook’s 1921 yeshiva reads in part: “God’s message concerning the rebuilding of the Temple and the renovation of the sacerdotal rites will certainly be fulfilled very shortly.”

Rabbi Kook’s son, Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kook, who lived into the 1970s, carried on his father’s legacy. He became a key ally of Asher Kaufman in the freemasonic plot against the Al-Haram Al-Sharif begun in 1967. He simultaneously deployed his followers to open up the Kiryat Arba settlement outside of Hebron, charging them with taking over the Cave of the Patriarchs. Rabbi Zvi Kook became the spiritual leader of the “Temple Mount” crazies today, of whom his most important protégé was Rabbi Meir Kahane, the founder of the JDL. Another top protégé was Rabbi Moshe Levinger, the founder of the associated Gush Emunim (Bloc of the Faithful), and the spiritual leader of the Kiryat Arba settlement responsible for the Hebron massacre.

The Plot to Attack Hebron

Kabbalistic plans to take over the Cave of the Patriarchs and drive the Muslims out of Hebron were first announced publicly by JDL and Gush Emunim patron Rabbi Zvi Kook in the weeks *prior* to the 1967 war. The West Bank of the Jordan River, where Hebron is located, and also East Jerusa-

lem, were then still part of Jordan. “Where is Hebron?” Kook raved and prophesied. “Do we let it be forgotten? And where is our Schechem [Nablus] and our Jericho? All of Transjordan is ours. Every single inch, every square foot belongs to the Land of Israel.”

After the 1967 war, Kook deployed his student, Rabbi Levinger, to the outskirts of Hebron, to settle it with Jews and to prepare to expel the Muslims. By 1969, some 40 families had begun the settlement, soon named Kiryat Arba.

Now the residence of some 6,000 fanatics, mostly from the JDL/Kach movement and the Gush Emunim, Kiryat Arba was the first, and remains the most important settlement on the West Bank; it has always been committed to a Jewish war with Islam. Kiryat Arba was the base of Hebron mosque assassin Goldstein.

In 1973, Kook formed the Gush Emunim together with Levinger. The central tenet of the movement was that “Eretz Israel” included all the territories seized, and consequently the Torah forbade the Jews from ever giving these territories back to Muslims.

In 1979, Kook, Levinger, and Kahane became upset that the Camp David peace treaty with Egypt would mean that the territories would be relinquished. They decided that the best way to sabotage the accords would be to bomb the Dome of the Rock and carry out assassinations.

In 1980, the group met at Kiryat Arba to plan the assassination of several West Bank Arab mayors for the same reason: to sabotage any peace with the Arabs. Three of these mayors were severely maimed in separate bombings later that year. In July 1983, Levinger’s son-in-law led a Kiryat Arba team that sprayed the Islamic College of Hebron with machine-gun fire, killing three students and wounding 30 more.

Instead of being imprisoned, Meir Kahane got a seat in the Israeli Knesset (parliament).

Financing the Terror

To get money for his operations, Rabbi Levinger set up the Hebron Fund in 1982, to provide a financial conduit for North American Zionists to carry out his “ethnic cleansing” against Muslims and Arabs in the West Bank.

The fund’s prominent contributors have included: Albert and Paul Reichmann of Canada, and Canadian real-estate operative Marc Belzberg.

The Reichmann brothers and Belzberg are front-men for the Meyer Lansky-linked Bronfman family that dominates the Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith. Paul Reichmann and Peter Bronfman also serve on the board of the Canadian-British Hollinger Corp media empire., as do Richard Perle, an adviser to George W. Bush, and Sir Henry Kissinger.

In April 1984, Levinger’s son-in-law and others attempted to blow up Arab buses in East Jerusalem, in order to trigger riots. The attempt failed, and several of the terrorists were arrested. The JDL/Kach movement established a legal defense fund in the United States. Most of the \$100,000 that

was raised, was contributed by Lansky's former bag-man Charlie Fox. Following their conviction, where the 18 defendants received moderate sentences, then-Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir praised the terrorists as "excellent people who made a mistake."

The Plot to Blow Up the 'Temple Mount'

In 1978, two disciples of Rabbi Zvi Kook established the Ateret Cohanim (Priestly Crown) Yeshiva in the Muslim quarter of occupied East Jerusalem. Two, Mattiyahu Dan and Rabbi Shlomo Aviner, were both officers of Israel's domestic intelligence service, Shin Bet, and were deployed by Sharon. Aviner is also currently the chairman of the West Bank's rabbinical council.

The stated purpose of the yeshiva was to train rabbinical students in animal sacrifice, that would be reinitiated at the new Temple of Solomon to be rebuilt following the destruction of the Al-Aqsa mosque and Dome of the Rock. It has carried out deadly acts of terror.

In 1980, Kahane and his associate Andy Green, another Brooklyn-born associate of Goldstein at Kiryat Arba, were arrested for plotting to blow up the Dome of the Rock. Now known as Baruch Ben-Yosef, Green today leads the JDL's "Temple Mount Yeshiva," directly opposite the Muslim holy site.

In 1982, Dan et al. began to tunnel secretly under the Al-Haram Al-Sharif, as part of their preparations for destroying the Islamic holy site. Also in 1982, a JDL member named Alan Goodman walked onto the Al-Haram Al-Sharif and began firing on Muslims during worship, killing one. Kahane paid for his legal fees.

In 1984, Chief Rabbi of Israel Avraham Chana Shapira, another Kook protégé, endorsed a fundraising letter for Ateret Cohanim. That same year, the so-called "Lifta gang," a JDL/Gush Emunim cell, was rounded up after its members tried to place 30 pounds of dynamite at the site.

Also in 1984, American gambling entrepreneur Irving Moskowitz, a board member of the Ateret Cohanim, financial patron of Sharon, and longtime Kahane crony, founded the "American Friends of Ateret Cohanim" to fund the terrorist underground.

Major contributors have included Mark Belzberg of the Bronfman circles; Abraham Dwek, leader of Brooklyn's Syrian Jewish banking elite; and Cyril Stein, the recently retired chairman of Ladbroke's, the private betting house of Buckingham Palace; Stein's family has been the cream of Britain's aristocracy since the 1700s. He is also a patron of Sharon, and is the main sponsor of efforts to open up casino gambling complexes in Israel. Stein leads the fight against the peace accords within England, labelling them a "desecration of the name."

Prominent backers have also included then-Israeli President Chaim Herzog (today a member of the board of Hollinger Corp.), then-Likud Chairman Benjamin Netanyahu; and Americans former New York Mayor Ed Koch, and Malcolm

Hohlein, leading member of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, and who met with Sharon during the latter's most recent U.S. trip, where the Temple Mount provocation was planned.

In 1995, Yigal Amir, another zombie created by these networks, shot and killed Prime Minister Rabin. The murder set the conditions for Sharon and Netanyahu to return to power and cancel the 1993 Oslo peace agreement between the Israelis and the Palestinians. In 2000, with the Barak government tottering, the war-mongers hope the Sharon assault on Temple Mount can again bring them to power.

The Temple Mount Faithful

Yet another of the terror apparatus is the Temple Mount Faithful, founded by Gershon Solomon, a disciple of Jabotinsky and an Irgun veteran who ran the youth department of Menachem Begin's Herut party, until he quit in a dispute over the Camp David peace treaty with Egypt.

Solomon helped form the Tehiya party in 1979, at the suggestion of Rabbi Zvi Kook, together with Yuval Neeman, former head of Israeli military intelligence, and Geula Cohen, who had first brought Kahane to Israel.

Among the group's controllers is Stanley Goldfoot, an Irgun veteran from South Africa who oversees much of the terrorist apparatus in the Occupied Territories. Goldfoot had organized an archaeological expedition underneath Al-Haram Al-Sharif. Goldfoot's "expeditions" have been financed out of the United States by a group of Christian evangelicals, centered in the American Jerusalem Temple Foundation (AJTF), who advocate the rebuilding of the Temple in order to hasten the Second Coming of Christ.

U.S.-based Christian doomsday groups funding the terrorists have included Oklahoma oil man and convict Terry Reisenhoover, and Douglas Kreiger of Tav Ministries. Before his incarceration for fraud in 1987, Reisenhoover, the founder of the AJTF, poured at least \$8 million into Goldfoot and Goldfoot's operations. Goldfoot's work has also been promoted by Christian Coalition's Pat Robertson.

On Oct. 8, 1990, the Temple Mount Faithful attempted to lay the foundation-stone for "Solomon's Temple" at the site of the Al-Aqsa mosque. Muslims at the site began throwing rocks at the group, and at Jews as they prayed at the nearby Western Wall of what is believed to be the original Temple. The subsequent riots left 20 Muslims dead. The riots were used to psychologically prepare the population for the coming Anglo-American war against Iraq, and provoked Prime Minister Shamir to close the doors to the mosque (for the first time since the Crusades). On Oct. 17, 1990, Gershon Solomon gave an interview to Hollinger's London *Daily Telegraph* on his sect's program. The Al-Aqsa mosque "must be dismantled and moved to Mecca," Solomon raved. Al-Aqsa is a product of "Arab imperialism." Once the mosque and the nearby Dome of the Rock are removed from the "Temple Mount" — the Jewish fundamentalist name for the Al-Haram Al-Sharif — "the Third Temple must be rebuilt" in their place. "God