

Another Kahane Dies by the Sword

by Michele Steinberg

The Dec. 31 assassination of Binyamin Zeev Kahane, son of the late Rabbi Meir Kahane, who was gunned down in New York City in 1990, is the most publicized incident in a secret war of assassinations that is raging in the Israeli Occupied Territories. Binyamin Kahane was one of the leaders of an inner core of so-called religious leaders who have organized "death squads" from the Israeli settlements in the Occupied Territories, and whose main purpose is the physical elimination of all Arabs from Israel and the Occupied Territories. This movement is a network of fanatically racist and mystical Jewish sects that calls for the extermination of all "Arab dogs."

Binyamin Kahane's settlement in Kfar Tapuah, just south of Nablus, includes a so-called yeshiva (religious school), the Yeshiva of the Jewish Idea, where recruits study the racist rantings of his father. The older Kahane had a long career as an *agent provocateur* and informant for U.S. Air Force Intelligence, and for the FBI in the 1960s before founding the Jewish Defense League, the U.S.-based terrorist group that

serves as a source of recruits and cover for the U.S. activities of the Kach Movement and Kahane Chai, the two organizations that Binyamin and other followers created after the assassination of his father. They are the source of some of the worst anti-Arab violence in the 1990s.

Ian Lustick, author of *For the Land and the Lord*, a book about Israel's Jewish right-wing terrorists, describes some of the incidents in his 1994 preface: "In May, 1990, [Ami] Popper put on his army uniform and asked men waiting at a bus stop in a Southern Israeli town for their identity cards. After confirming they were Arabs, he lined them up and opened fire, killing seven."

Lustick notes that then-Likud Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir was quick to say that Popper was just a "deranged individual," with no political connections. Lustick reports that Popper was found sane, stood trial, and was convicted. While serving his long prison term, Popper married the adopted daughter of "Rabbi" Benyamin Kahane.

It is reported in the Israeli press that Baruch Goldstein, the American Jewish doctor who emigrated to Israel to join the Kahane movement, had come from Benyamin's settlement. Lustick describes the massacre of Muslims by Baruch Goldstein on Feb. 28, 1994: "Dr. Baruch Goldstein woke up early in Kiryat Arba, an Israeli settlement on the West Bank . . . near Hebron. . . He donned his army uniform, picked up his assault rifle and several clips of ammunition, and went to the Tomb of the Patriarchs in the center of Hebron where Abraham [Ibrahim to Muslims] is believed buried." Goldstein opened fire in the area of the site reserved



Kach Party settlers on the march, after the killing of Binyamin Kahane. Kahane's death has been the occasion for violent demonstrations by his followers, feeding into the British-Freemasonic scenario for religious war.

as a mosque. “The room was packed with Muslims reciting their prayers for the holy month of Ramadan. Goldstein pointed his gun and began killing the kneeling men and boys.” Goldstein killed 29 and injured about 200 others, before being killed himself.

Lustick reports that, again, Israeli officials tried to call this a “non-political act,” but Goldstein’s widow protested, “Don’t let anyone say he was a psychopath. He planned to do this in order to stop the peace talks. He did this for the sake of Israel.”

Sharon’s Shock Troops

As a forthcoming *EIR Special Report* entitled “Who Is Sparking a Religious War in the Middle East? — And How To Stop It,” documents, the Israeli settlers movement around Kahane and a network of yeshivas, known as Merkaz Harav, is in the middle of an extensive plot to blow up the Muslim holy places on Jerusalem’s Temple Mount/Haram al-Sharif, in order to rebuild the Jewish “Third Temple.” Binyamin’s uncle, Dr. Naham Kahane, runs the “Temple Institute,” which keeps a list of all the Jewish “cohens” (rabbis) who could qualify to be priests at the rebuilt temple.

The activities of this lunatic element have already unleashed a holy war that has drowned the Arab-Israeli peace process in blood. The *EIR* report also demonstrates that the operation of escalating violence was triggered when Ariel Sharon, now the Likud candidate for Prime Minister in the February 2001 elections, ran a virtual invasion of the Temple Mount during Muslim Friday prayer services on Sept. 28, bringing in 3-4,000 troops as “protection.” Sharon and other advocates of “Eretz Israel” (Greater Israel) are the protectors of the illegal settlements, run by Binyamin Kahane and other religious fanatics as paramilitary centers.

The website of Binyamin’s organization, www.kahane.org, carries a background article praising Sharon’s exploits as founder of “Brigade 101,” a section of the Israeli military that ran the “hunter/killer” teams that wiped out Palestinians and any other so-called “enemies of Israel” after the 1967 war.

Some Israeli sources report that the Brigade 101 methods are back in full force. On Dec. 22, the *New York Times* reported that Israeli radio interviewer, Carmine Guy, had been told by Ephraim Sneh, the Israeli Deputy Defense Minister, that Israel was engaged in the systematic campaign to “pinpoint” and eliminate leaders of the Palestinian *Intifada* (uprising). Sneh said, “You can’t beat terror at symposiums at the university. The most effective and just way to deal with terror is the elimination or incarceration of the people who lead these organizations.” Since November, when an Israeli helicopter gunship fired missiles on the car of Hussein Obaiyat, a Palestinian leader, killing him and some innocent Palestinian bystanders, more than 20 such “pinpointed” assassinations have been carried out.

London Role Exposed In Italian Terrorism

by Claudio Celani

A failed bombing attempt against a newspaper in Rome has brought to the limelight the role of London in fostering international terrorism, confirming what *EIR* has often written. Now, Italian researchers and the Parliament are demanding an investigation, to find out whether a neo-fascist organization, called Forza Nuova, has enjoyed protection by Her Majesty’s intelligence services, and whether there could be a political strategy behind the escalating pattern of terrorist activities over the last year in Italy.

On Dec. 22, Andrea Insabato, a psychologically unstable, radical right-winger, was severely injured by a crude bomb which exploded at his feet, in the central office of the Rome daily *Il Manifesto*. Although Insabato (who survived his severe injuries) and his lawyers keep insisting that he was there only by chance, the police have no doubt that he was himself the perpetrator.

Insabato is an old acquaintance of the police: In the early 1980s, he spent three years in jail, in the aftermath of the famous Bologna train station bombing, in which 86 people died. Insabato was a member of a neo-fascist organization called Terza Posizione, whose leaders, Roberto Fiore and Massimo Morsello, were supposed to end up in jail as well, but instead escaped to London, where they enjoyed protection from Italian justice. All Italian requests for the extradition of Fiore and Morsello were systematically turned down by the British Foreign Office, until the statute of limitations ran out, and, after almost 20 years, the two were able to go back to Italy.

During those years in London, Fiore and Morsello ran a series of political and lucrative financial activities, including two charities, which investigators suspect to be the cover for a European-wide buildup of neo-Nazi activities. Fiore reportedly lived in a flat on the same block as Margaret Thatcher’s Transport Minister Nicholas Ridley, the man who launched the famous “Fourth Reich” campaign against German reunification in 1989. Instead of looking for Nazis in the Chancellor’s office in Bonn, Ridley had better watch his own backyard!

After some media published allegations that Fiore and Morsello had been recruited by Britain’s MI6 foreign intelligence service, and that the two charities they ran, “St. George”