Editorial

'Secrets of State'

The *EIR* is currently involved in one of the most para-
doxical pieces of litigation in the history of the United
States. We refer to the matter of *Cyrus Hashemi vs.
Campaigner Publications et al*. Hashemi, the plaintiff,
is an Iranian residing in the United States and is a top
agent of Ayatollah Khomeini. He reportedly controls
terror networks in the United States. He reportedly was
involved in financing the murder of Ali Akhbar Taba-
tabai, an Iranian opponent of Khomeini, during 1980
in Washington, D.C., under the approving eyes of then-
Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti. We published at
the time these facts. Hashemi had the audacity to sue
us. We welcomed the suit. It had been advised by Civ-
iletti or by his pro-Khomeini cronies at the Carter Jus-
tice Department.

We knew exactly where the "body is buried." We
instructed our attorney, Mr. Daniel Aharoni, to sub-
poena from the FBI, CIA, National Security Agency,
National Security Council, and Justice Department all
documents pertaining to Hashemi and his colleague,
Washington "rug merchant" Bahram Nahidian.

One would expect that these watchdogs of national
security would be eager to oblige with enough file ma-
terial to get a dangerous Khomeini agent pinned in
court. But the watchdogs punted. Yes, the NSA said,
we have the goods on Hashemi but we can't disclose,
in order to protect our methods. Fair enough. Yes, the
CIA said, we have the goods, we are deleting certain
sensitive items and are sending the "sanitized" versions.

Yes, the FBI and Justice Department answered. We
have file materials on Dr. Hashemi which pertain to
your litigation but we shall not permit their release to
you under any circumstances; we shall further, said FBI
and DOJ, clamp down on the CIA and shall not permit
it to release to you the documents which they have
agreed to release. To justify this decision, the Depart-
ment of Justice stated, we are enforcing a *"Formal
Claim of Secrets of State."*

This is where the case becomes a piece of Kafkaesque

absurdity. Consider: A Khomeini terrorist-controller
causes the murder of a friend of the United States when
U.S. citizens are held hostage in our embassy at Teheran.
An American review, *EIR,* exposes these facts; the assas-
sin-controller sues for "slander;" in the course of litiga-
tion, the publication subpoenas U.S. government docu-
ments to further prove its assertions against the Khomeini
agent. The chief law enforcement official of the U.S.
invokes the doctrine of *arcanum imperii* to protect the
enemy assassin-controller. On what grounds was the Claim
of Secrets of State made? We shall bring this alleged secret
out into the open. It is a story cooked up by some smartass
little lawyer inside the DOJ: "See, Dr. Hashemi only ap-
pears to be a Khomeini agent. He is in fact an agent for
Admiral Madani who is working for the U.S.A. and is
trying to topple Khomeini. So, you don't want us to ex-
pose dear Admiral Madani who lives inside Iran, and if
the bad Ayatollah finds out that he is an American agent,
he will cut off his head."

Traitor Civiletti

All this is a bunch of baloney. There ain't no "Secret
of State" to be covered up. The "Formal Claim of Secret
of State" is being used to cover the unsavory ass of *traitor*
Benjamin Civiletti. We stand by the title "traitor." If Civ-
iletti disagrees he should sue us in a court of law. Civiletti
is a *traitor* because he consciously and maliciously partic-
ipated in a treasonous conspiracy to overthrow the Shah
of Iran. Some of his fellow traitors in that conspiracy
include Dr. Brzezinski, General Haig, Dr. Zonis, Dr.
Ricks, Dr. Falk, and General Huyser.

So, dear Attorney General Smith: there is no "Secret
of State" to claim. There is a *Secret Against the State*. And
there also is the filthy posterior of Civiletti. Are lawyers
in the Justice Department using you to cover him up? As
for those who have been called traitors, including General
Narcissus Haig, if they are bothered by the mud on their
face, let them sue us.

Civiletti's posterior is not the State.