Assassination bureau is after LaRouche

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Information from government sources indicates that the international neo-Nazi network associated with the 1960s Permindex assassination bureau involved in the John F. Kennedy and the Martin Luther King killings has received an offer of funds for operations against Independent Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., EIR's founder. A key operative in Permindex, which still exists under new names, was France's Jacques Soustelle, now suing LaRouche in a European court over EIR's exposure of his "anthropologist" network's involvement in South American terrorist and separatist groups. The alleged time frame for the plot against LaRouche is during the course of the trial in the federal libel case, LaRouche vs. NBC et al., scheduled to begin in Virginia at the end of October.

EIR's investigation, beginning in June 1984, led straight to long-term assets of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in New Orleans. These assets date back to the notorious Division Five of the FBI, whose New Orleans' office was headed in the early 1960s by **Guy Bannister**. Bannister was identified as one of the controllers of the Permindex network which planned the Kennedy assassination in the 1967 conspiracy indictment brought by New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison.

Among the operatives identified by *EIR* is **Jerry Ray**, the "bodyguard" of the now-jailed head of the National States Rights Party, J. B. Stoner. Ray is the brother of James Earl Ray, the confessed assassin of civil rights leader Martin Luther King. Others include **Jerry Dutton**, who heads the States Rights Voting League, a right-wing group in North Carolina, and serves (according to records of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith) as the "second in command" of the Invisible Empire of the Ku Klux Klan; **Gordon Duane Novel**, a much-convicted felon and material witness in Garrison's probe of the Kennedy assassination.

Reports reaching *EIR* allege that Jerry Ray recently traveled to California to meet with Novel, a resident of New Orleans. Novel, the former aide to **Larry Flynt**, the publisher of the pornographic *Hustler* magazine which helps to finance left-wing terrorist networks through the dope lobby's *High Times* magazine, has personally threatened LaRouche and some of his top associates in the past.

By his own admission, Novel made allegations about LaRouche to NBC for the preparation of their libelous tele-

vision broadcast of March 4, 1984, the subject of the upcoming lawsuit.

Sources report that more than \$200,000 has been made available to Jerry Ray and Jerry Dutton for assassination operations. But one of the indviduals reported to have knowledge of this operation—Adolph "Sam" Botnick, head of the New Orleans office of the Anti-Defamation League—hung up on a reporter for this news service when asked to confirm or deny the report before this article went to print.

The FBI and the Assassination Bureau

Attempts to interview Jerry Dutton proved more interesting. On Oct. 15, a man claiming to be Jerry Dutton at Dutton's home in Concord, North Carolina, referred a reporter to Jerry Ray for information on the FBI's role in the Martin Luther King assassination. The same day, however, a woman identifying herself as Mrs. Jerry Dutton at Dutton's publishing house, Image Publishers in New Orleans, claimed that her husband was in New Orleans and was at that very moment in the Metairie office of Image Publishers.

The following day, someone identifying himself as a "personal spokesman" for Jerry Dutton at Image Publishers warned a reporter from this news service to stop making inquiries about Dutton and Ray. When asked if there was any truth to the report that Dutton has knowledge of an alleged \$200,000 contract on LaRouche's life, the "spokesman" said, "you will live to regret this."

Sources say that Image is a front for Dutton's right-wing activities, including his role in the Invisible Empire of the KKK. These sources also allege that business is provided to Dutton through contracts from the City of New Orleans, whose mayor is a leading U.S. black politician, through the influence of the ADL, which allegedly uses Dutton as one of its agents in right-wing organizations.

It is certain, however, that the main agency using this network is the FBI, whose informants include Dutton's KKK leader, Wilkerson.

Over the last year, informants report a significant move of right-wing terrorists into New Orleans. In addition to Dutton and Image Publishers, Jerry Ray, the **Christian Defense League**, and **Karl Hand** of the Buffalo, New York Nazi Party are all setting up operations in New Orleans and nearby Metairie.

One of the drawing cards for this collection of intelligence agency rogues is reported to be the **Information Council of the Americas** (INCA) run by **Ed Butler**, an associate of FBI agent Guy Bannister, Division Five's funder of the Kennedy assassination networks. In the early 1960s, Butler's INCA served as one of the conduits for Cuban exile operatives during the period of the Kennedy assassination operation. Butler's cousin, **Rancier Ehrlinger**, was a business partner of Novel's in a New Orleans bar frequented by **David Ferrie**, Clay Shaw, and other principals in Garrison's indictment of Shaw for the Kennedy assassination plot.

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