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The shocking truth about Simon Wiesenthal

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A high-level security threat, by Soviet-controlled agencies, hangs over President Ronald Reagan's trip to Western Europe. The threat to Reagan's life has been set up by a massive propaganda war against him, every feature of which has been directed by networks created and controlled by Soviet Russian intelligence.

Soviet control over this apparatus is kept up through three main kinds of institutions: 1) those directly created by Russian intelligence as identified arms of the Soviet Comintern or its successor networks, such as the West German Vereinigung Verfolgten des Naziregimes (VVN—The Association of Those Persecuted by the Nazi Regime); 2) Jewish holocaust survivors' organizations, many of whose leaders were "kapos" for the Nazis during the war, and are now subject to Soviet blackmail; and 3) networks such as the Israeli "Terror Against Terror" underground, known to be massively penetrated by KGB agents. This last Soviet capability is augmented by the fact that a faction of the Israeli government is solidly allied with the KGB to undermine U.S. interests worldwide.

The West German-based VVN, which had been voicing Soviet charges of "German revanchism" long before Reagan ever planned his current trip, is a direct KGB front, molded by the late top Soviet ideologue Mikhail Suslov as a front for the reorganized West German Communist Party, which was banned after the war. The VVN operates a string of KGB front organizations internationally including the World Federation of War Veterans, the International Federation of Resistance Fighters, the European Confederation of War Veterans, and the International Confederation of Prisoners of War.

The VVN is covertly steered by Marcus Wolff, deputy director of the Stasi (East German intelligence), through Heinz Galinski, the unofficial chairman of West Berlin's Jewish community.

The VVN's self-identified freason for existence is to protest both the alleged protection of former Nazi war criminals by U.S. intelligence, and the alleged rise of German neo-Nazism. The present ludicrous campaign against President Reagan was plotted at a VVN conference held in Moscow in March 1984, among other locations. This theme was then funneled into the West through "Nazi hunter"

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The terrorist Jewish Defense League demonstrates in a New York March for Soviet Jewry (May 1982). Yet the JDL and Simon Wiesenthal's "holocaust survivors" organizations are steered directly from Moscow, as the current scandal around President Reagan's trip to the Bitburg cemetery demonstrates.

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Simon Wiesenthal; the above-mentioned Heinz Galinski; and such self-identified U.S. Nazi-hunters as Charles R. Allen, Jr., former editor of *The Nation* and a leading figure in the New York U.S.-East German Friendship Society.

The VVN's main co-thinking group in Britain is the publication *Searchlight*, founded by Communist Party leader Maurice Ludmer in 1975. The leading "anti-fascist" monthly in Britain, *Searchlight* works closely with the Committee of Soviet War Veterans, Timor Timofeyev's Moscow research institute (he used to be known as Tim Dennis of the Communist Party U.S.A.), CIA renegade Philip Agee, and top KGB official Ernst Henry.

In the United States, the VVN-Searchlight network includes The Hammer, a periodical tied to the National Anti-Klan Network of Lyn Wells. An ex-leader of the Maoist terrorist October League, Wells is a "handler" of such agents of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (ADL) inside the Ku Klux Klan as Jerry Ray, James Earl Ray's brother.

This same apparatus is closely tied to Hitler admirer Muammar Qaddafi's protégé, Rev. Jesse Jackson. Through the VVN, among other KGB institutions, Jackson has knit ties to the neo-Nazi Green Party of Germany, a party indirectly funded by Moscow, which openly praises Hitler as a "brother." The Greens are one of the principal Russian threats to Reagan on his trip.

Working closely with this apparatus is the Anti-Defamation League-funded Nazi hunter team of Serge and Beate Klarsfeld of Paris, France. The Klarsfelds have specialized in portraying the United States and West Germany as the sponsors and protectors of Nazi war criminals international-

ly. To this end, the Klarsfelds spend much of their time allegedly hunting Nazis in Central and South America. Their key collaborator in this endeavor has been Regis Debray, the late Che Guevara's sidekick and longtime Cuban intelligence operative, who later became an adviser to French Prime Minister Mitterrand. The Klarsfelds have repeatedly charged that Auschwitz torturer Dr. Mengele, now allegedly in Paraguay, is functioning under U.S. protection. They also say that the former chief of the Gestapo in Lyon, France, Klaus Barbie, worked for the CIA, even though Barbie's ties to the KGB have long since been documented.

Beate Klarsfeld first achieved notoriety for slapping then-German Chancellor Kurt Kiesinger in 1968 in public for being an alleged Nazi. Klarsfeld has condemned West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl for his characterization of West Germany as a "sovereign country." This statement is intended to protect West Germany from prosecuting its Nazis, she claims.

KGB controls 'Nazi hunting'

One of the KGB's most reliable channels in the hysterical controversy kicked up around President Reagan's visit to the Bitburg military cemetery, is Simon Wiesenthal, the so-called leading Nazi-hunter in the world. Funded by Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands (who is also a major figure in the zero-growth-oriented World Wildlife Fund), the Vienna-based Wiesenthal keeps a list of some 25,000 alleged Nazis at his Documentation Center, and claims to have dedicated his life to bringing these Nazis to justice.

Among Wiesenthal's closest collaborators in the United

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States are ex-congresswoman, now Brooklyn District Attorney, Elizabeth Holtzmann. In 1979 Wiesenthal, Holtzmann, and the above-mentioned Charles R. Allen, Jr. successfully lobbied for the creation in the Office of Special Investigations of the Department of Justice (OSI), which has been charged with searching for Nazi war criminals in the United States.

As the justification for formation of the OSI, Holtzmann and Allen argued that the US government's Immigration and Naturalization Service has systematically protected former Nazi war criminals residing in the United States. Using the arguments of Stasi propagandist Julius Mader, author of the East German government published *Who's Who in the CIA*, they asserted these alleged Nazis were protected because of their usefulness to U.S. intelligence.

In 1965, Holtzmann's collaborator Tony De Vito visited the Soviet Union to gather evidence "documenting" this charge of U.S. intelligence protection of Nazis, and met with Mikhail Malyarov, the deputy procurator of the Soviet justice ministry. The "evidence" presented by Malyarov supplemented charges made by Allen in 1962 in the Communist Party's Morgen Freiheit and Jewish Currents and were used to ram through the creation of the OSI.

Reflecting its origins, the OSI is the *only* agency of the U.S. government authorized to accept Soviet justice department and KGB documents as evidence against American citizens. The OSI has several other known ties to Soviet intelligence outfits. One such tie is that of OSI adviser Charles R. Allen to the Soviet news agency TASS's "Nazi expert" Oleg Polyakovskii, formerly of the New York TASS bureau, and to the Potsdam center of the East German Stasi—notorious for its forgeries. Another reported tie is that of Wiesenthal Center attorney Martin Mendelsohn, the first director of the OSI, to Valery G. Kubanov of the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

Wiesenthal's strange history

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The particular feature of these Jewish Nazis which the Soviets find so attractive is that there is no limit to the psychotic frenzy they can be driven to by guilt and blackmail. It is this psychological characteristic of fear and guilt which offers the real explanation for the Goebbels-modeled attack on President Reagan over the last weeks by "survivor organizations."

Wiesenthal himself was born to an Austro-Hungarian intelligence officer active in Eastern Europe prior to the war. According to his own admissions, published in his *Murderers Among Us*, Wiesenthal's town of Dolina, Poland, was invaded by the Nazis on July 6, 1941. Within days of the occupation, Wiesenthal and other Jews were put on the firing line

by the SS. Wiesenthal, miraculously, was not shot—he was recognized by a friend named Bodnar in the Ukrainian SS.

Soon afterward, the Jews of the town were taken to the Janowska or Lwow concentration camp. Not Wiesenthal. He was stationed at the Ostbahn Railworks where, by his own admission, he was allowed to freely travel into town, and to carry a gun.

While based in this camp, Wiesenthal joined the partisan underground on his SS-authorized trips into town. On April 2, 1942, he and 43 other of his nominal resistance comrades, were seized and taken to the firing line. Only 43 Jews were shot: Wiesenthal was freed by order of the camp commandant.

Finally, in October 1943 Wiesenthal left the Ostbahn forever to join the underground. He was seized in June 1944, after nine months of activity, and taken to the Gestapo jail in Lwow. Was he tortured by Gestapo Jewish Affairs section chief Oskar Waltke? On the contrary, Waltke put him under extraordinary care—by Wiesenthal's own admission. From there, Wiesenthal was sent to Lwow concentration camp. Every Jew in his section was shot. Not Wiesenthal. He was put on double rations by SS commandant Friedrich Warzok. Warzok, Wiesenthal says by way of self-justification, had a strange character.

After similar incredible escapades and miraculous neardeaths, this would-be dedicated partisan leader and "anti-Nazi fighter," was transferred to the section of the Mauthausen concentration camp reserved for special prisoners. One co-inmate was the Polish oligarch, Prince Radziwill.

Immediately after the war Wiesenthal was integrated into the Israeli foreign intelligence service, the Mossad, and prepared documentation which condemned some, and protected other, Nazis from prosecution. The Documentation Center which Wiesenthal set up for this activity, has since become a prime source of the alleged history of the war.

Among the key evidence used by Wiesenthal in documenting alleged Nazi war criminals is a list of 15,000 SS officers—a list so secret that only 40 copies were prepared in the war. The source of this list? An SS officer, sympathetic to Wiesenthal, who felt guilty after the war.

Other collaborators

But Wiesenthal is hardly unique. Among his colleagues is John Ranz, chairman of the "Generation After," set up by Wiesenthal in 1979. Ranz, who covertly works with the Libyan embassy in New York, was, by his own admission in his *In Nazi Claws: Bendzin 1939-45*, a member of the Jewish Police of Bendzin during the war. Like the *Judenrats* ("Jewish Councils" in the Nazi-occupied ghettos), the Jewish Police were appointed by the SS and had the function, as Ranz admits, of selecting Jews to be sent to the camps. Among Ranz's closest associates during the war was Mr. Schenker, director of the Auschwitz *Judenrat* and a man with "good connections with the Gestapo," according to Ranz. Naturally, Ranz was a "survivor."

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Another key KGB-controlled Nazi institution running the psychological warfare campaign against President Reagan is the "World Gathering of Jewish Survivors of the Holocaust." The Gathering was formed in 1981 in Jerusalem in explicit response to the election of President Reagan, who, its leaders stated, might undermine the gains of their network under Carter.

The leading figures in the Gathering include Eli Wiesel, former chairman of the Carter administration-created U.S. Holocaust Council; Benjamin and Vladka Meed of the Jewish Labor Committee; and Josef and Dr. Haddasah Rosensaft of the Bergen Belsen Association.

It was the Gathering, which conveniently held a 4,000 person conference in Philadelphia the weekend of April 20,

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which has led the public, "survivor" outcry to Reagan's trip—even calling for survivor demonstrations at Bitburg.

The Rosensafts typify the organization.

During World War II, Dr. Hadassah Rosensaft, by her own admission, was "permitted" to work in the infirmary at Auschwitz. A surgeon, Rosensaft worked in a camp section where she had frequent contact with the notorious Dr. Mengele, the torturer of Auschwitz. By her own admission under oath, Rosensaft witnessed some of his crimes.

During the Gathering conference, the Senate Select Committee on the Judiciary held hearings on Mengele, to whip up the psychotic 4,000-person crowd. Among the stars of this performance was Rosensaft, who condemned the Nazi doctor's cruelty. But neither Subcommittee chairman Arlen Specter—who has since called for a trade embargo of Germany because of the Bitburg visit—nor his ADL-linked associates Senators Metzenbaum and Lautenberg, saw fit to ask how the good Dr. Rosensaft became a "survivor."

Dr. Rosensaft's husband is Josef Rosensaft, chairman of

the Bergen Belsen Survivors Association, the camp Reagan is scheduled to visit.

Immediately following the British liberation of Bergen Belsen, and its re-creation as a refugee facility, Rosensaft was appointed by the British as its camp representative. This choice was "controversial" for the camp inmates, even according to Yehuda Bauer, a Mossad cover-up historian of the period. Bauer is forced to admit the camp population condemned Rosensaft as having "ruled the camp with an iron hand . . . accused of being a dictator . . . he was ambitious."

Among the peculiar features of British-administrated Bergen Belsen in the immediate postwar period is that it served as an underground railway route for those fleeing Europe following the war. Some of those refugees were Jews driven to Israel. Others, however, were fugitives, Nazi war criminals headed for South America and Syria.

The Terror Against Terror apparatus

The third major grouping now deployed by the KGB against Reagan, and assigned to possible violence, is the Israeli "Terror Against Terror." This psychotic network has repeatedly attempted to blow up the Al Aqsa mosque on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, in nominal preparation for building the third Temple (Solomon's temple). It is otherwise self-described as dedicated to fighting anti-Semitism and neo-Nazism internationally.

TNT is usually underestimated by U.S. intelligence because it appears to be nothing more than a combination of Rabbi Meir Kahane's terrorist Jewish Defense League and Kach Party, with the Greater Israel expansionist Gush Emunim of Rabbi Levinger.

In fact, the TNT is controlled by the Israeli "Prime Minister's Office of the Warfare Against Terror," directed by former Mossad counterterror European station chief Rafi Eytan. On-the-ground control of the TNT crazies is provided by Mattiyahu Dan, an operative of Israel's Shin Beth intelligence service, whose yeshiva in Jerusalem is TNT's base of operations.

This Mossad faction controlling the TNT is led by such former Aleppo Syrian families as the Dweks, Kattans, Safras, and Kassins, who have a strategic deal with Moscow against the United States (see *EIR*, April 16, 1985, pp. 46-49).

To facilitate this deal, the Mossad has allowed the KGB to heavily infiltrate the TNT network. Among such infiltrators is Avigdur Eskin, son of a high-ranking Soviet military officer. In the early 1970s, the then Moscow-based Eskin became converted to Kahane's self-described war against anti-Semites, translating his "Never Again!" into Russian. Through the aid of such figures as the Mossad-linked Joe Churba, Eskin emigrated to Israel where he leads those TNT Jews supposedly committed to preventing another Holocaust, and "therefore," to stopping Ronald Reagan from visiting Bitburg.

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