Investigative Leads

Terrorists in U.S. readied for action

A network of Iranian and Libyan terrorists which has been interfaced with Sikh networks is being prepared to carry out terrorist attacks in the United States.

Over the month of June, leading Iranian terrorist controller Imam Majdeddin Mahalati traveled throughout the United States and Canada as a personal representative of the Ayatollah Khomeini. Mahalati, whose role of securing Kohmeini's revolution in Shiraz and subsequent personal direction of the execution of former ranking military officials is well known, was allowed into the United States by the State Department. Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) protested this traitorous action in a report entered into the *Congressional Record* on June 27.

On the pretext of fulfilling the spiritual needs of Shi'ites during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan, Mahalati is known to have traveled to New Brunswick, New Jersey, Washington, D.C., Toronto, Ontario, Vancouver, British Columbia, and Berkeley, California. The purpose of his tour, and related Sikh and Islamic fundamentalist gatherings, was to deliver marching orders to Iranian, Sikh, Libyan, and other Sovietrun terrorist networks in the United States and Canada.

Upon arriving in the United States, Mahalati met with Hooshang Amirhanadi, the executive secretary for all pro-Khomeini Iranians in the United States. Sources indicate that in Canada, he had several meetings with top terrorist controllers in Toronto, and in Vancouver met with Imam Al Batal, reportedly at the center of a drug-smuggling network that interfaces Windsor, Canada. In Berkeley, Mahalati reportedly met with the Movement for the Liberation of the Arabian Peninsula, a Shi'ite front dedicated to the overthrow of the Saudi government.

Mahalati's tour was partly prepared by the Union of Islamic Students of the United States and Canada, which held a San Francisco Bay Area conference on May 22. Over 2,000 fundamentalists from all over North America attended.

Complementing the intent of Mahalati's trip, the Islamic Circle of North America sponsored a conference of 1,000 in Toronto on July 4-7. The psychological setting was prepared by both the successful TWA 847 hijacking and the bombing of the Toronto outbound Air India Flight 182, which left 331 dead. The latter action was carried out by Sikh organizations present at the conference.

Among the key North American participants at the con-

ference was Dr. Mohammed Ayub of the University of Toronto, who is currently playing a leading role in the coordination of Sikh and Iranian networks. Among the key associates of Ayub, are Latif Oviasi and Zafir Bangash, editors of *The Crescent*, the Iranian intelligence-sponsored newspaper of Toronto and London. Reports indicate that Imam Mahalati met with Oviasi and Bangash during his trip to Toronto.

In mid-July, there were reports of several arrests of Sikhs attempting to enter the United States with false passports, and that some Sikhs arrested were going to Houston to carry out a bombing of a U.S. airliner.

Libyan interface with U.S. neo-Nazis

The Islamic fundamentalist Al-Majalla recently ran pictures of Richard Butler of the Aryan Nation and robed members of the Klu Klux Klan with an accompanying caption, "American Friendly Fortress." A short article reported on the philosophy of these groups and noted that the Aryan Nation and KKK concurred with Islamic fundamentalists that the Israelis are occupying Palestine. Sources say that Butler's organization is receiving Libyan money and that there is an interface between Iranians and white supremacist/survivalist networks in the southeast United States.

On the "left" side of Libyan operations is EAFORD, The International Organization for the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. Founded in Tripoli in 1979, EAFORD is an international network of anthropolgists, political scientists, and leftists with significant activity in the United States and Canada.

Abdalla Sharafeddin, a Libyan national who is the international president, resides in Houston, Texas. According to intelligence sources, EAFORD is an aboveground umbrella operation which interfaces underground Libyan terrorist operations run directly by Sharafeddin in at least Houston, Dallas, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. Leading EAFORD members are active in New York, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Toronto, and Montreal.

It has been reported that the EAFORD network has been supporting the activities of Minister Louis Farrakhan of the Nation of Islam, including sponsoring his speaking engagements. Farrakhan is said to have received \$30 million on his recent trip to Libya, to be used to buy land in the southern United States for an independent black nation.

EAFORD is interfaced with the terrorist National Lawyers Guild and Bill Wapepah and Philip Deere, leading members of the American Indian Movement.

On July 16, the FBI arrested 25 members of the African Hebrew Israelite Nation in Washington, D.C., Chicago, and Baltimore. They were charged with theft and use of \$10 million in airline tickets, passport fraud, and other criminal acts. Included in the arrest were members who had safehoused Chicago-based El-Rukn gang members wanted by the law. Both the El-Rukn Moslem Nation and Ismael Ben Israel, founder of the Black Hebrew Israelite Nation sect, are intimate supporters of Louis Farrakhan.

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