Genoud's Terrorists

The Mideast and the 'Black International'

What is the dossier that Genoud and his cronies are trying to keep from reaching the light of day? In 1984 the Schiller Institute released The Hitler Book, a startling reevaluation of the Nazi period, which blew the cover off the international conspiracy to put Hitler into power and the continuing role of the Nazi-Communists today. The book was edited by Helga Zepp-LaRouche. We reprint here a condensed version of that book's discussion of Franço

By the mid-1950s, less than ten years after the military dismemberment of the Third Reich, the apparatus for the coming "Fourth Reich" was already in place. In a July 1983 interview with Swiss Radio, SS Gen. Karl Wolff stated, "We are greatly indebted to François Genoud. His contributions following the war were of immeasurable value to us. Without him we would not have survived!"—a compliment of which Genoud is justly proud. In February 1984, he told *Stern* magazine: "Everyone has his hobby; mine is to help people like him," by which he meant the SS "Butcher of Lyons" Klaus Barbie.

Genoud has traveled a great deal over the last thirty years in pursuit of his "hobby." Immediately after the war he turned up in Tangiers, the neutral zone where the spies and intelligence services of Asia, Africa, Latin America, and Europe could hold their rendezvous. During the war Tangiers had been a center of the Nazi secret service. Besides Genoud, following the war, General Wolff, General Ramcke, Gen. Hans Rudel, SS Captain Reichenberg, SS Colonel Skorzeny and numerous others took up residence there, and repeatedly turned up as Genoud's closest collaborators. This was especially the case during 1952-56, when the entire pack could be found back together in Cairo, together with their old friends, the Grand Mufti al-Husseini and Hjalmar Schacht.

Before he went to Cairo, Genoud appeared in public once more in 1951, although very discreetly, when he helped found the Black International in Malmö, which was later named the Malmö International. Genoud, who then withdrew from active political life, was the actual godfather of this organization of unrepentant fascists.

Among those present at the founding meeting in Malmö were the previously mentioned Gaston Amaudruz, Per Engdahl from Sweden, the former German SS officers Heinz Priester and Fritz Richter, Pierre Clementi of the French Volunteer Division of the Vichy regime, Sir Oswald Mosley from Great Britain, and Count Loredan from Italy. Their stated purpose was to found the "European Social Movement" for a "New European Order." This "movement" has been the spawning ground for every neo-Nazi organization of the past thirty years, and Lausanne and Malmö have served as coordination centers.

Genoud, Ben Bella, and 'Pablo'

In Cairo, Genoud primarily collaborated with Colonel Skorzeny, who had gotten the green light from certain American circles to offer his services to the new regime of Gamal Abdul Nasser. Allen Dulles, John Foster Dulles, and Averell Harriman decided that "It is better to have the Nazis in Cairo than the Communists." The Egyptians, who had not been asked before hand, quickly found themselves in the clutches of both Nazis and Communists. . . .

The Algerian agitator Ahmed Ben Bella and his friend Mohammed Ben Khidder, along with a few other friends, were all staying in Cairo at the same time. Some reports claim that Ben Bella, who liked to boast about his participation in the 1944 Italian campaign, had already been recruited much earlier into the German Abwehr and its "Er Rashid" organization. However that may be, Genoud and Skorzeny recommended him to one of their associates, SS officer Gerhard Müller, alias Si Mustapha, former advisor to Egyptian General Neguib. Ben Bella was now one of them.

The importance of such operations for Genoud lay in the possibility of putting state power to work in the interests of the Nazi International. This explains Genoud's enduring relationship to Ben Bella, whom he regularly visited while imprisoned in France. During the Algerian war of independence, Genoud procured weapons through the Nazi International for the FLN and thus became a crucial asset of the so-called Curiel network, which worked within France for the Algerian National Liberation Front (FLN).

During this period Genoud established two new and important friendships: Michel Raptis alias "Pablo," and Jacques Verges. After the war, Raptis became secretary to a founder of the Trotskyist Fourth International, Ernest Mandel, and in this capacity became a leading figure in his own right. Before the war, Raptis had joined the Trotskyists together with an individual who is not unknown today, the current Socialist prime minister of Greece, Andreas Papandreou. After a somewhat miraculous escape from prison at the outset of the war, Raptis wound up in 1952 as Ben Bella's Minister of Planning.

Ben Bella decided in January 1983 to seek refuge at

Genoud's residence in Switzerland, at the point it became clear to him that he could never again return to France. Since Ben Bella's release from imprisonment in Algeria, Genoud has helped him build an international fundamentalist network, whose aim is to topple every North African regime.

The paths of Genoud and Raptis criss-cross again and again. In the mid-1960s, while Raptis was busy recruiting European students for military training camps of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) and other Palestinian terrorist groups in Syria, Genoud's Belgian friend François Thiriart of the "Young Europe" movement was meanwhile up to the same thing with his "European Brigades for Palestine." During this time Genoud was in direct contact with George Habash, as he told a journalist of *L'Express* in 1982, adding that since that time he had lost contact with Habash.

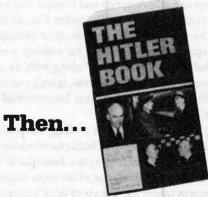
Today Raptis also plays an important role in the regroupment of the militant left. In France and West Germany his "International Revolutionary Marxist Tendency" (IRMT) is currently attempting to unite various split-offs from orthodox Communist, Trotskyist and Maoist organizations into a catchall vehicle that will join up with the activities of the Green and "alternative" movements.

Terrorists—left and right

Genoud's public support for the Swiss terrorist Bruno Breguet has also recently caused quite a stir. Breguet came into the limelight in the 1960s in connection with the PFLP, when he was seized by the Israeli security forces for planting a bomb at Haifa. The bomb attack was commissioned by Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, another key figure in international terrorism. Following Breguet's arrest, Genoud was active in the background of a campaign of broad support for the "political prisoner" Breguet. Almost every notable member of the left and left-extremist delicatessen and intelligentsia participated in this campaign: Jean-Paul Sartre, Simone de Beauvoir, Michel Foucault, Felix Guattari, Dario Fo, Noam Chomsky, Günther Grass, Max Frisch, Friedrich Dürrenmatt, to name a few. It is certain that Genoud's financial power and extensive Mideast connections were responsible for the Israeli decision to reduce Breguet'a sentence from 15 to 7 years.

After his release in 1977, Breguet plunged back into the terrorist scene, settling down in Berlin during the outset of the hot phase of the house-squatters movement. Today there is still a circle of friends in Berlin belonging to this scene, including Breguet's girlfriend, who was suspected of functioning as a safe-house for Palestinian and Islamic terror commandos. In the spring of 1982 Breguet was arrested together with a German accomplice, Magdalena Kopp. They were caught with large quantities of explosives, probably destined for use in a bombing attempt on the Paris-Toulouse express train. Kopp is thought to belong to the West German

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Revolutionary Cells. Breguet, Kopp and others are components of the same network which has repeatedly surfaced around the international terrorist "Carlos."

The defense attorney for Breguet and Kopp is Genoud's confidant Jacques Verges, the French terrorist lawyers who has also taken over the legal defense of Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie. French security circles and others consider Verges to be a high-level KGB agent of influence.

Examining the network of François Genoud with all its left- and right-leaning connections and its multiplicity of political operations in Latin America and Europe, one might conclude that it overlaps with the "Bulgarian Connection," brought to light by the May 1981 assassination attempt on the Pope. This impression would not be entirely wrong. However, the "Bulgarian Connection," along with its component of East bloc intelligence operations, is only one of the many flanks in the network of the Nazi International and François Genoud.

Genoud was already involved in trading weapons for drugs during the mid-1960s when he clinched a weapons deal under the auspices of the French gangster Jean-Marie Tine for the Lebanese Casino du Liban, one of the most important Mediterranean centers where the threads of Asia's drug trade and smuggling to Europe and America intersect. The Casino du Liban is financially backed by the powerful Intra-Bank of Beirut, headed by the mafioso Jussuf Beidas. Beidas and Tine are also involved in the "French Connection" of August Ricord in Latin America.

In earlier days this connection went through Genoud's old friend Hans-Albert Kunz, a Swiss businessman whom the Italian authorities would very much like to put under cross-examination concerning his involvement in the conspiratorial P-2 Freemasonic Lodge, on the role of Licio Gelli in coutless arms deals, and on the relationship of the P-2 Lodge to the Pope's assailant Ali Agca. Like many of his associates, Kunz was present in Cairo at the same time as Genoud and Skorzeny, and remained in the Mideast for a long time. He was advisor to the Libyan King Idris, and in a June 1983 interview boasted that he had mediated the first agreement between Libya and the Soviet agent of influence Armand Hammer of Occidental Petroleum.

Genoud also has a firm of his own, WEFA, located in Basel, which is currently under investigation in France. It is rumored that Genoud is the financial advisor to dozens of Arab banks, especially in Libya. In Spain, one of his most important contacts is Alfredo Fiero, who works for the Spanish export bank Banesco. In late 1983 Fiero and Notz signed an important weapons-trade agreement to aid Ahmed Ben Bella, who maintains extensive operations in Spain, including Spain's Muslim community and the Spanish Communist Party through the "Red Caliph" Julio Anguitar, mayor of Cordova, a city which serves as one of the most significant coordination centers for the Libyan and Iranian terror and destabilization actions conducted against Tunisia and Morocco by Genoud in early 1984.

Documentation

The record: Who is François Genoud?

The Union Internationale de la Résistance et de la Déportation (International Union of the Resistance and Deportee Movements)—prepared a dossier on Genoud in January 1966, which we excerpt here. The group had its origins with the Comité d'Action Interallié de la Resistance, created in France in 1953. Today the UIRD is composed of some 500,000 former members of the wartime Resistance and escapees from Nazi concentration camps.

. . . In 1936, François Genoud was one of the main leaders of the anti-Semitic movement in Switzerland.

At the beginning of 1940, he was the co-owner of the "Oasis" bar in Lausanne. His associate, a certain Daouk from Beirut, was the nephew of a very important personality from Lebanon, one Omar Bey.

At the beginning of the war, a Swiss named René Fontalla presented him to one Guimann, who was the mayor of Tiengen and a member of the Abwehr. Guimann served as a liaison between the Abwehr in Germany and its agents in Switzerland. He recruited Genoud to the Abwehr.

Genoud has been and is probably still in contact with former General Hans Rudel, who sought refuge in Argentina after the war, along with former SS General Ramcke, who today plays an important role in the HIAG [Hilfsgemeinschaft auf Gegenseitigkeit ehemaliger Angehöriger der Waffen-SS—Mutual Aid Society for Former Members of the Waffen-SS—ed.].

In 1955, Genoud lived in Tangiers.

In 1956, he had extensive contacts with Dr. H. Schacht, Hitler's former finance minister, and with Dr. Hans Reichenberg, for the purpose of financial investments in Morocco. During these negotiations, Genoud met with Ben Barka and Skalli [Moroccan leaders—ed.]

In 1959, Genoud established contact with Benoist-Mechin [former state secretary under France's Vichy regime—ed.] and joined the sponsoring committee of the International Association of the Friends of the Arab World.

In September 1960, Genoud had close relations with one el Wakhil el Kabbani, director of the Arab Information Center in Geneva.

In Switzerland, Genoud has managed the properties and financial resources belonging to the three National Liberation