Was Israeli Mossad spy Pollard really a KGB agent?

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High level sources in Israeli and American intelligence services have provided *EIR* with evidence that Jay Jonathan Pollard, the civilian consultant to U.S. Naval Intelligence arrested on Tuesday, Nov. 26 on charges that he passed U.S. secrets to the Israelis, was in fact a Soviet agent.

Pollard's reported KGB connections ran through a special unit of Israeli intelligence created during the Begin government by then Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and controlled through "Dirty" Rafi Eytan, Prime Minister Begin's special cabinet advisor on terrorism, and a long-term cohort of Sharon.

Through this special unit, according to Israeli intelligence sources, Sharon passed military secrets on to the Soviet KGB and GRU as part of the early phases of the Sharon faction's deal on rapprochement with Moscow.

Pollard was one of a number of Mossad spies recruited by Sharon-Eytan, whose principal responsibility was the gathering of intelligence of primary use to Moscow. Pollard was, thus, a classic case of what intelligence professionals call a "false flag" agent.

The special unit of Israeli intelligence to which Pollard reported, is additionally the principal suspect in a series of terrorist atrocities committed on American soil earlier this year. Among the terrorist attacks were the pipe-bomb murders of T. Soobzokov, a Russian Circassian emigré linked to U.S. intelligence operations in the Middle East and Eastern Europe; and of Alex Odeh, the West Coast chairman of the Arab-American Anti-Defamation Committee.

Eytan's Terror Against Terror group has been widely exposed as the special assassination squad frequently deployed under the cover of the Jewish Defense League to eliminate purported "enemies" of Israel.

Soobzokov was targeted by the KGB in a 1975 operation laundered through the *New York Times* and the current District Attorney of Brooklyn, Elizabeth Holtzman.

As the Pollard case unraveled at the end of November, new evidence surfaced of the Washington Post's role as an asset of that faction of Israeli intelligence which is accomplice to Soviet espionage efforts. At the same time that this Pravda West was blacking out the identification of Rafi Eytan as the Israeli control agent over Pollard and his wife—information the Washington Post received as part of its initial

exclusive story—the paper was devoting front-page coverage to a damagingly detailed profile of the U.S. Army's special counterterror units, based out of Fort Bragg, N.C. Thisa profile can only benefit the Soviet Union and its terrorist surrogates, which are presently engaged in a post-Geneva summit international activation.

'A cross between Greg Rose and Son of Sam'

The 31-year-old Pollard, whom one observer has characterized as "a cross between FBI-ADL snitch Gregory Rose and David Berkowitz, the 'Son of Sam' killer," was a 1976 graduate of Stanford University who did post-graduate work at the Fletcher School of Diplomacy at Tufts University, before entering government service.

Beginning in 1979, Pollard was a counterterror consultant to the Naval Investigative Service in Suitland, Md. Stanford classmates have confirmed that Pollard boasted that he was an agent of Israeli intelligence from the age of 16, at which time he trained with the Israeli Defense Force.

At the time of his college graduation, he was reportedly already a commissioned captain in the IDF, having graduated from the Israeli staff college.

Pollard's deep Israeli ties, according to one former ranking Israeli intelligence official, corroborated by Israeli journalists based in Washington, D.C., stem from his father, Morris Pollard's, postwar service with the Haganah and his personal friendship with former Israeli President Efraim Katziar.

Morris Pollard, the director of the Lobund Labs at Notre Dame University, was described by one Israeli correspondent as a close friend of former Congressman John Brademas (D-Ind.), presently the President of New York University and a close associate of corrupt federal Judge James C. Cacheris of the Eastern District of Virginia.

Despite these deep family ties to Israel, Pollard was, according to the *Washington Times* and other printed sources, well paid for his spy activities, receiving both cash payments and cocaine from the Israeli embassy in Washington, D.C.

Although a preliminary Israeli government report into the Pollard case, excerpted in the Nov. 28 edition of the *New York Times*, claims that Pollard first sought out the Israeli intelligence services in 1984, U.S. and Israeli sources have

told EIR that Pollard was working for the special Eytan group by no later than early 1982, when Defense Minister Sharon was conspiring with then-Secretary of State Alexander Haig to spark the disastrous Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Pollard provided Eytan with detailed information on U.S. satellite intercepts of Arab military deployments and topsecret U.S. evaluations of Israeli activities in the Middle East, as well as Soviet presence in the eastern Mediterranean.

This information enabled the Sharon-Eytan group to neutralize U.S. investigations into the Israeli rightists' dealings with Damascus and Moscow. U.S. intelligence sources have privately reported to EIR that Pollard, on Mossad instruction, was providing U.S. secrets to the People's Republic of China, as well as Pakistani factions linked to Israeli Minister of Science and Technology Yuval Ne'eman.

The technical nature of the information being passed by Pollard to the Israelis was betrayed by the fact that the two Israeli diplomatic officials responsible for "handling" the Naval consultant were Ilan Ravid, deputy scientific attaché at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C., and Yossi Yagor, scientific consul at the Israeli Consulate in New York City. Both men reportedly fled to Israel as soon as the Pollards were arrested, in order to avoid interrogation by U.S. intelligence and law-enforcement officials.

The ADL-NBC-Heritage connection

An even more revealing profile of Pollard's "false flag" efforts on behalf of Moscow was partially made available to EIR through a retired U.S. intelligence agent familiar with the Pollard investigation. According to this source, Pollard was a leading source and transmitter of Soviet-authored slanders against EIR founder Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. into the Reagan administration and U.S. intelligence.

Among the identified targets of Pollard's disinformation regarding LaRouche was White House Science Adviser George Keyworth. Pollard was responsible for monitoring all of LaRouche's writings on the Strategic Defense Initiative for the special Mossad unit, the source reported.

During 1983 and 1984, according to the source, Pollard was a conduit of disinformation on LaRouche—then a candidate for the Democratic Party presidential nomination into Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-NY) and NBC producer Pat Lynch, who produced a slanderous news magazine feature on the independent Democrat for the defunct First Camera show in March 1984.

That broadcast, which was the subject of a federal civil action before Judge Cacheris that is on appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals in Richmond, drew heavily on two other anti-LaRouche nests that have been closely linked to Pollard's disinformation efforts: the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the Heritage Foundation.

According to a former U.S. congressman and a member of the Washington, D.C.

of Capitol Hill during the summer of 1985, posing as a conservative activist in the MIA cause. Pollard's conservative "credentials" came from a series of high-visibility appearances at forums sponsored by Heritage, and through his reported association with Gen. Daniel Graham's High Frontier group.

U.S. intelligence officials are privately saying that the Pollard case is the tip of a much larger Israeli-Soviet spy network that has been operating against the United States for

Some members of the Israeli-Soviet network have penetrated high up into the civilian bureaucracy of the Pentagon, according to these sources.

Among the leading suspects in this Soviet ring is a former top adviser to former Secretary of State Alexander Haig, who now retains a counterterrorist consulting contract with the Pentagon: Michael Ledeen.

Ledeen's wife Barbara was linked by this magazine last

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year to a fanatical Jewish underground movement devoted to provoking a bloody fundamentalist war in the Middle East by blowing up the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, a holy shrine of Islam, on the pretext of rebuilding on the site the Third Temple.

That movement has been shown to include active duty members of the Israeli security services linked to the Eytan-Sharon secret unit.

The Washington sources have further underscored that the Pollard scandal reaches deep into the national leadership of both the ADL and the American Jewish Committee, both of whom have, according to these reports, served as conduits for the Moscow-Tel Aviv spy axis.

The ADL, according to government documents, retains a consulting contract with the U.S. Department of Justice providing information on the activities of right-wing groups in the United States.

Before the dust settles on the Pollard affair, it may turn out that the Justice Department was shelling out U.S. taxpayers' money to purchase Soviet-manufactured disinformation.