# Tax-exempt treachery: a profile of the Anti-Defamation League

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### 1. What is the ADL?

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith proclaims itself to be a non-profit corporation "designed to eliminate defamation of Jews and other religious and ethnic groups; to advance proper understanding among all peoples; and to preserve and translate into greater effectiveness the principles of freedom, equality and democracy" (from the Bylaws of the ADL of B'nai B'rith, as amended by the National Commission, June 1982).

Nothing could be further from the truth.

In repeated flagrant violation of Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Service Codes, the ADL operates as a taxexempt public interest organization, while in reality it engages in a wide range of activities that are inherently criminal in nature, including interference in the judicial and law enforcement process, support for domestic and international terrorist organizations, instigation of "hate crimes," espionage, support for suspected international narcotics traffickers, unregistered political activities, and covert activities on behalf of both hostile foreign governments and U.S. government agencies generally linked to the international social democracy. (It is a matter of historical record that before, during and immediately after World War II, the ADL functioned as a "covert action" arm of the British Special Operations Executive under its North American chief Sir William Stephenson, in close liaison with the FBI's Division Five.)

Through its 151-member National Commission and its paid staff maintaining regional offices in 31 cities in the United States and a number of locations in Europe, the Middle East, Ibero-America, and the Soviet Union (a Moscow office is in the process of being opened at the invitation of President Mikhail Gorbachov), the ADL operates as a covert strike force whose corrupting influence extends into the pores of the financial community, the legal establishment, the media, and the U.S. government at the federal, state, and local level.

Above all else, the ADL is a public-relations front for that branch of American organized crime founded by Meyer Lansky during the early decades of this century, under the patronage and sponsorship of leading Anglo-American financial interests. ADL officials, for this reason, were reportedly deeply dismayed when Lyndon LaRouche dubbed the ADL the "American Drug Lobby." More recently, the ADL has moved to deepen its ties to the Soviet foreign intelligence services operating in the West and in the newly liberated nations of Central Europe.

# 2. Organizational structure and key personnel

The ADL, according to its bylaws, is run by a National Commission (NC), which currently consists of 151 members. It is chaired by a national chairman, currently Burton Levinson, an attorney from Beverly Hills, California. The National Commission formally meets once a year.

According to Article VII of the bylaws, in the interval between the NC annual meetings, the ADL's National Executive Committee (NEC) acts for it. The NEC is composed of a chairman (now Ronald B. Sobel, a senior rabbi at Temple Emanu-El in New York City) and vice chairman; the elected officers of the NC, the president, executive vice president, and honorary (past) presidents of B'nai B'rith, together with their counterparts from B'nai B'rith Women; the appointed chairmen of all of the ADL standing committees; and the president of the ADL Foundation, together with 15 additional members of the NC who are elected by it.

The ADL, founded in 1913, is formally affiliated with B'nai B'rith. However, this link is principally maintained through the B'nai B'rith's representation on ADL's National Commission. Unlike its parent organization, the B'nai B'rith, the ADL is not a membership organization. One cannot join the ADL; membership is by nomination or invitation only. In this sense, the ADL bears a greater likeness to the secret lodges of Freemasonry than its B'nai B'rith parent organization, which was originally conceived in the mid-19th century as a Jewish branch of British Freemasonry.

The current president of B'nai B'rith is Seymour D. Reich, a longstanding activist and officer of the ADL prior to his election to head B'nai B'rith.

Of the current 151 active National Commission members, a smaller core group directs the overall activities of the ADL's staff through participation in standing committees of the NC. The standing committees are organized in precise

parallel to the ADL staff divisions and departments, thus permitting the maximum flow of marching orders and other inputs from the National Commission into the day-to-day activities of the League's paid employees. In this sense, Edgar Bronfman and other leading National Commissioners run the ADL.

Standing committee chairmen of the ADL, who, together with their committee members, are appointed by the national chairman, include: Howard P. Berkowitz, Planning; Donald R. Mintz, Civil Rights; Michael Nachman, Community Service; Sherwin Newar, Budget; Melvin I. Salberg, Communications; Michael E. Schultz, Administration; Joel Sprayregen and Lucille Kantor, International Affairs; David H. Strassler, Intergroup Relations; Robert G. Sugarman, Leadership; and, William Veprin, Development.

These committees correspond to the divisions of the ADL's full-time staff. The divisions include:

- Administration. Concerned with the ADL's internal affairs, it is directed by Philip Shamis, who had previously been controller for the American Jewish Committee.
- Civil Rights. This division works through departments on Fact Finding (headed by Irwin Suall), Research and Evaluation (Alan M. Schwartz), Legal Affairs (Steven M. Freeman), a Washington, D.C. office (Jess Hordes), where a Task Force on Nazi War Criminals (Elliot Welles) is based, and four regional area coordinators. Its director is Jeffrey P. Sinensky, who had previously been associate director of the division.
- Community Service. This division directs the 31 regional offices throughout the United States, whose directors work closely with regional boards appointed by the NC. Its director is Charney V. Bromberg, who was previously the deputy director of the International Relations Department of the American Jewish Committee.
- Communications. Handles public relations and the production of material. Until January 1990, its director was Lynne Ianniello.
- Development. It oversees the fundraising activities of the ADL Appeal—e.g., ADL honorary vice chairman Edgar Bronfman is also head of the Greater New York Appeal.
- Intergroup Relations. It is made up of departments on Education (Frances M. Sonnenschein); Higher Education/Campus Affairs (Jeffrey A. Ross); Interfaith Affairs (Rabbi Leon Klenicki, who is also liaison to the Vatican); Television, Radio and Film; Publications (Howard J. Langer); and an International Center for Holocaust Studies (Dennis B. Klein). Its director is Alan Bayer, who was previously executive director of the Jewish Federation of San Antonio, Texas.
- International Affairs. It comprises departments in the United States concerned with European, Latin American, and Middle Eastern Affairs, and is in charge of ADL's overseas operations, including the offices in Paris (Robert Goldman), Rome (Lisa Palmieri-Billig), and Jerusalem (Harry Wall). Its director is ADL National Director Abraham Fox-

man, who employs associate division director Kenneth Jacobson for daily operations.

• Leadership. Recruits potential future leaders, and coordinates an ADL National Leadership Conference. Its director is Marvin S. Rappaport. The National Leadership Conference recently brought 250 ADL members from around the United States to Washington, D.C. for three days of meetings with officials of the



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Bush administration, the Congress, and the Israeli embassy.

The ADL has over 300 people who hold leadership or honorary leadership positions. Among this list are a number of honorary vice chairmen who are closely linked to the ADL, but who for various reasons-including government service—cannot serve as active officers. This group includes Senators Rudy Boschwitz (R-Minn.) and Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio), former Carter administration Secretary of Commerce Phillip Klutznick, former Reagan administration arms control negotiator Max Kampelman, and former Sen. Abraham Ribicoff (D-Conn.) and Rep. Sidney Yates (D-Ill.). World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman is also an honorary vice chairman, along with two other major crime figures from the old Meyer Lansky orbit, bankers Leonard Abess and Theodore Silbert. With the exception of the members of Congress, all the above-listed honorary vice chairmen were at one time active National Commission members.

#### The active operatives

Among the active core of ADL operatives are:

- Burton S. Levinson, ADL national chairman since 1987. His work with ADL dates back to 1950, when, as a student at Los Angeles City College, he infiltrated a group affiliated with Gerald L.K. Smith. Now he is a senior partner in the Beverly Hills-based law firm of Levinson & Lieberman.
- Abraham H. Foxman, ADL national director since 1987. He has worked on the staff of the ADL since 1965. Born in Baronowicze, Poland in 1940, Foxman is one of the most mysterious figures in the ADL leadership. U.S. intelligence sources, and even some top-ranking ADL members, reportedly suspect Foxman may be a Soviet "illegal"—a long-term penetration agent operating without any links to the official Soviet diplomatic corps.
- Arnold Forster was associate director of the ADL under Ben Epstein since 1946, and is now a member of the NC and ADL general counsel. He has been "Of Counsel" with the New York law firm of Shea & Gould, a firm intimately tied to the late mob lawyer Roy Cohn.
- Kenneth J. Bialkin. This former ADL national chairman from 1982-86 is today an honorary chairman and NC

member, as well as president of the ADL Foundation.

- Theodore H. Silbert. An honorary vice chairman, he works with Edgar Bronfman in the lucrative Greater New York Appeal for the ADL. Silbert is chairman of Sterling National Bank (see below).
- Burton M. Joseph, ADL national chairman from 1976-1978, is today an honorary chairman. His family runs the Minnesota-based agricultural products firm I.S. Joseph. After World War II, Joseph teamed up politically with liberal Democrat Hubert H. Humphrey, through whom he became friends of Max M. Kampelman (now ADL honorary vice chairman) and ADL top funder Dwayne Andreas. Together they form the "Minneapolis ADL mafia."
- Edgar Bronfman, ADL honorary national chairman and head of its Greater New York Appeal (see below).
- Irwin Suall. Since 1966, he has headed the Fact-Finding Department of the ADL's Civil Rights Division.
- Meyer Eisenberg, ADL vice chairman and former head of the National Commission's Civil Rights Committee (with oversight over the Fact-Finding and Legal departments). He served from 1959-70 as an attorney with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, attaining the position of deputy general counsel of the SEC before his retirement from government. In private law practice with a string of Washington, D.C. area firms, Eisenberg remains one of the nation's experts on securities law.

# 3. The ADL and organized crime

It was no public relations gaffe when, in 1985, the ADL gave its Torch of Liberty award to gangster Morris Dalitz, a founder of the notorious Purple Gang and longtime crime partner of the late mobster Meyer Lansky. The present leadership of the ADL is dominated by figures with longstanding ties to organized crime, particularly to the international drug money-laundering apparatus.

Foremost among these contaminated ADL officials is Kenneth Bialkin, the ex-national chairman who is still an honorary national chairman and a director of the ADL Foundation. While with the New York law firm of Willkie Farr and Gallagher throughout the 1970s, Bialkin masterminded Robert Vesco's looting of Investors Overseas Service (IOS) of more than \$60 million. Vesco, the fugitive financier now living in Havana, Cuba, was an early partner of Medellín Cartel dope smuggler Carlos Lehder Rivas, helping Lehder to set up his marijuana and cocaine smuggling routes through the Bahamas. On April 17, 1989, Robert Vesco was again indicted by a federal grand jury in Jacksonville, Florida, which charged him with involvement in a Medellín Cartel cocaine-smuggling conspiracy from 1974-89.

In January 1980, a jury in the U.S. Southern District of New York ordered Willkie Farr and Gallagher to pay \$35 million to victims of the IOS looting, and found that Bialkin had been instrumental in structuring the money-laundering and theft scheme at every level. Law enforcement officials believe that IOS was one of the early conduits for billions of dollars in drug profits, and was a cash repository used by Meyer Lansky.

Recently, Bialkin left Willkie Farr to join the country's largest law firm, Skadden Arps. In much the same way that Willkie Farr pioneered the elaborate offshore moneylaundering schemes that today constitute the bloodstream of the international drug trade, Skadden Arps pioneered the junk bond and leveraged buy-



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out schemes through which billions of dollars in dubious offshore money have been repatriated through hostile corporate takeovers and asset stripping of America's industrial sector. Two of Skadden Arps's most notorious clients are Drexel Burnham's Michael Milken and Ivan Boesky—both of whom, not coincidentally, have been ADL contributors.

Another ADL national chairman, Burton Joseph, played a pivotal role in the Robert Vesco takeover and looting of IOS, by putting Vesco into contact with his protégé, financier Meshulam Riklis of the Rapid American Corp. Riklis, according to court records, purchased a controlling block of IOS stock as a surrogate for Vesco. Riklis was later linked to Bialkin, Edgar Bronfman, Henry Kissinger, and other ADL figures in a real estate scandal involving the illegal purchase of large tracts in the Israeli Occupied Territories and Christian and Muslim sections of Jerusalem.

During Bialkin's tenure at Willkie Farr, the firm also handled *pro bono* legal work for the ADL, and represented major ADL donor and suspected crime figure Edmond Safra. Bialkin represented Safra in the Syrian banker's takeover of American Express, a transaction that ended years later in a fiasco, with American Express officials accusing Safra of money laundering.

On Jan. 3, 1989, officials of the U.S. Customs Service and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in Berne, Switzerland identified Edmond Safra as a major figure in an international drug money-laundering scheme involving the Shakarchi Trading Co. The government reports identified Safra as a lifetime friend and business associate of Mohammed Shakarchi, and identified numbered accounts at Safra's New York City Republic National Bank as pass-through accounts for drug profits from Syrian, Lebanese, Bulgarian, and Colombian trafficking organizations.

According to aides to Safra, he arranged that the ADL receive \$1 million from money he won in a lawsuit in 1989.

There is one financial institution that is more closely linked to the ADL than any other: Sterling National Bank of New York City. On Jan. 29, 1982, Italian authorities filed

civil suit against Sterling National Bank and other U.S. financial institutions on behalf of depositors in Banca Privata Italiana, charging that \$27 million had been looted. The chairman of Sterling, both at the time of the alleged theft and today, is Theodore H. Silbert, another honorary vice chairman of the ADL and the former head of the ADL Appeal, its major fundraising arm.

### Moneybags at Sterling National

Law enforcement sources have identified Sterling National as a mob front since its founding in 1929 by Meyer Lansky associate Frank Erickson. Sterling National was also implicated in a tax evasion scheme in the early 1980s through another ADL-linked bank director, Arnold Burns, a Reaganera U.S. deputy attorney general. Burns's law firm, Burns and Summit, apparently set up a string of Caribbean tax shelters which shielded millions of dollars in taxable income through nonexistent "R&D investments" in Israel.

Former Reagan official, Ambassador to Italy Maxwell Raab, is another longstanding Sterling National director. Raab was a onetime business partner of Meyer Lansky in the International Airport Hotel Corp.

Yet another mob-linked banker who sits on the ADL's National Commission and is listed in the League's most recent "Purpose and Program" as an honorary vice chairman, is Leonard Abess of the City National Bank of Miami. In 1981, Abess brought Colombian cartel money launderer Alberto Duque onto the bank's board, where he remained until he was jailed on money-laundering charges in 1986. The following year, Donald Beasley was named City National's chairman. Beasley was the former director of the Nugan Hand Bank, believed to have been a major laundering conduit for Southeast Asian heroin proceeds, as well as "black" funds derived from the illicit arms trafficking of Theodore G. Shackley and other former top CIA officials later implicated in the Iran-Contra scandal.

A listing of ADL financial contributors and award recipients over the recent decades reads like a "Who's Who" of the Meyer Lansky international crime syndicate. Longtime Lansky cronies such as Victor Posner, Hollywood attorney Sidney Korshak, and Moe Dalitz all appear as ADL patrons.

The same pattern holds true at the regional levels of the ADL. For example, Phil Baskin, a Pittsburgh attorney and Democratic Party fixer known to be the chief operator of the ADL in western Pennsylvania, was forced to resign as the senior partner in his law firm after being implicated in an effort to deliver a major airport construction contract to a top figure in the New York City Gambino family, "Nicky" Sands.

Further south, Paul Lipkin, the chairman of the Virginia Regional Board of the ADL, was for decades the personal attorney for Arthur "Bootsy" Goldstein, the biggest pornography distributor in Norfolk. Goldstein was arrested 85 times and served three jail terms for crimes including selling glue to minors and peddling sex paraphernalia.

#### The booze baron

No discussion of the ADL's ties to organized crime and the drug apparatus would be complete without reference to Edgar Bronfman, ADL honorary vice chairman and chief of its New York Appeal.

Today touted as a leading international businessman, philanthropist, and the chairman of the prestigious World Jewish Congress, Bronfman has been unable to erase the taint left by the fact that his entire family fortune—Seagram's Corp., its majority share in E.I. du Pont de Nemours Co., etc.—derived from his father's Prohibition-era bootlegging activities. Known at the time as the "Bronfman Gang," the Canadian Bronfmans were the main illegal suppliers to America's crime syndicate known as "Murder, Inc." By no later than 1920, when Edgar's father Sam Bronfman and Arnold Rothstein agent Jacob Katzenberg were dispatched to Hong Kong to arrange opium supplies, the bootlegging routes were also utilized for the smuggling and retail distribution of illegal drugs.

To this day, elements of the Bronfman family remain tied to the gutter levels of organized crime, while Edgar and his brothers and cousins have managed to wrap themselves in a somewhat ragged cloak of respectability. Edgar's nephew Mitchell Bronfman was named in a 1972 Montreal Crime Commission report as an intimate of local crime boss Willy Obront: "Their relationship extends into illegal activities in which they have mutually or jointly indulged . . . the special kinds of favors they did for each other and the resulting advantages of each in the fields of loan sharking, gambling, illegal betting, securities, tax evasion and corruption" (from The Bronfman Dynasty, by Peter C. Newman). Obront and another Mitchell Bronfman crime partner Sidney Rosen were both jailed in the mid-1970s for drug money laundering and related crimes.

When in 1978 the links of the Bronfman family to organized crime were published in the book-length study of the international illegal drug trade, *Dope, Inc.*, commissioned by Lyndon LaRouche, Bronfman, according to Quebec police sources, ordered his attorneys to prepare a multimillion-dollar libel suit. But after careful deliberation, the attorneys strongly argued against such an action. Instead, Bronfman reportedly poured large amounts of money into the ADL. Almost immediately, the ADL began a shrill publicity and dirty-tricks campaign, slandering LaRouche as an "anti-Semite" and demanding his elimination.

### 4. The ADL and the Soviet Union

In its March-April 1990 edition, the West German magazine *Semit*, self-described as "the independent Jewish magazine," published a blistering exposé of ADL honorary vice chairman Edgar Bronfman's dealings with the now-toppled regime of East German communist dictator Erich Honecker.

The article, by Jacob Dachauer and titled "A Whiskey for the Holocaust," documents how Bronfman used his post as president of the World Jewish Congress to make deals with the Honecker regime on behalf of his Seagram's liquor empire, and it is accompanied by a picture of Bronfman receiving the highest state medal of "People's Friendship in Gold" from Honecker in October 1988.

The essence of the *Semit* exposé is that Bronfman used his credentials as head of the once-respected World Jewish Congress to absolve the German Democratic Republic (G.D.R.) of any responsibility for the wartime Holocaust, in return for a series of lucrative concessions to market his whiskey in the German communist paradise.

As EIR has reported, Bronfman's courtship of the Honecker regime began in 1986, when an associate of his traveled to East Berlin to meet with Klaus Gysi, the communist regime's secretary of state for religious affairs. Klaus Gysi's son is Gregor Gysi, the "reformer" successor to Honecker as chief of the SED communist party (now called the PDS). In subsequent trips, Bronfman met with Honecker and SED Central Committee member Hermann Axen. During one visit in 1988, Bronfman pledged that he would personally arrange a state visit to Washington, D.C. by Honecker by 1990 at the latest. Subsequent events, of course, have made it impossible for him to live up to that.

Edgar's brother and business partner Charles Bronfman of Montreal became a prominent figure in Canadian-East German friendship groups, and had veto power over all G.D.R. visas issued to Canadians until the collapse of the communist regime in November 1989. These extensive G.D.R. links have led some intelligence analysts to conclude that Edgar and Charles Bronfman have especially close ties to Gen. Markus Wolf, the head of the East German Staatssicherheitsdienst (Stasi) intelligence service and a leading protégé of the late KGB and Soviet Communist Party boss Yuri Andropov.

Edgar Bronfman enjoys equally close ties to the regime in Moscow, and those links have grown even firmer since the accession to power of Mikhail Gorbachov in 1985. According to sources familiar with Bronfman's Russian links, the Canadian whiskey baron has been a longtime associate of Alexander Yakovlev, the former Soviet ambassador in Ottawa who is now one of Gorbachov's closest advisers. Yakovlev sits on both the Politburo and the newly formed Presidential Council.

In scores of speeches and commentaries written since Gorbachov's rise to power, Bronfman has called upon the United States to grant the Soviet Union Most Favored Nation status, membership in GATT, and access to the most advanced Western technologies. In a press release issued by his office on March 22, 1989, for example, Bronfman hailed Gorbachov for overturning "socialism in one country," declaring, "It is in U.S. interest to prevent even a partial reversal of perestroika."

Bronfman is a board member of the U.S.-Soviet Trade and Economic Cooperation Council (USTEC), a collection of American Fortune 500 executives and Soviet trade officials actively pushing expanded trade between the two superpowers. According to a U.S. State Department document, the Soviet delegation to



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USTEC is known by the CIA to be dominated by KGB and GRU (Soviet military intelligence) operatives. Up until recently, the Soviet co-chairman of the group was KGB Gen. Yevgeni Petrovich Pitrovanov, a longtime Stalin ally who survived the post-Stalin shifts and became the head of the Soviet Chamber of Commerce.

#### **Jewish slaves for Israel**

On Jan. 23, 1989, syndicated columnists Evans and Novak reported on a secret meeting at Edgar Bronfman's New York City apartment which also involved USTEC officials Dwayne Andreas and James Giffen, together with Morris Abrams and Simcha Dinitz. The group reportedly hatched plans to mobilize Zionist lobby support for the repeal of the Jackson-Vanik Amendment, in exchange for unrestricted Soviet Jewish emigration to Israel.

The genesis of that scheme dates back to January 1985, when Edgar Bronfman, at the governing board meeting of the World Jewish Congress in Vienna, proposed that the organization oppose the Reagan administration's Strategic Defense Initiative, "on Jewish grounds." When Bronfman also announced in April of that same year that he would lead the WJC in an effort to prevent President Reagan from visiting a German cemetery at Bitburg during his state visit to the Federal Republic, Moscow reciprocated by inviting him to the Soviet Union in his official

man. The invitation, extended by Russian Federation Justice Minister Alexander Sukharev, specifically proposed to discuss Soviet Jewish emigration.

In similar gestures of support for Gorbachov, Bronfman has taken the point in forcing the resignation of the head of the West German parliament, Phillip Jenninger, for a speech delivered in November 1988 on the 50th anniversary of Nazis' "Night of the Broken Glass" anti-Jewish pogrom. In addition, at a widely publicized press conference in Budapest, Hungary on May 4, 1987, Bronfman branded Austrian President Kurt Waldheim an "essential component of the Nazi killing machine." The charges against Waldheim were based largely on Soviet-forged documents and perjured testimony, and were part of a major destabilization of Austria and the Vatican.

No wonder Bronfman became a frequent commuter between New York and Moscow.

Weeks after Bronfman's secret New York City planning session, on Feb. 11, 1989, Edgar Bronfman led the largest delegation of Jewish leaders to ever visit Moscow. On Dec. 13, 1989, Bronfman was back in Moscow again, this time heading a delegation of 100 Western Jewish leaders to attend the opening of a Jewish Cultural Center. One week later, Kenneth Jacobson, the international affairs director of the ADL, announced that an ADL delegation would also visit Moscow in early 1990 to pursue President Gorbachov's offer to open an office in the Soviet capital.

Next to Edgar Bronfman, Minneapolis grain merchant Dwayne Andreas, who participated in the Bronfman apartment meeting at which the "Jews for grain" plot was activated, is the ADL patron most responsible for the deep ties between the League and the Gorbachov regime.



Dwayne Andreas

Although Andreas is not

Jewish, he is one of the ADL's most generous donors. At a critical point in the late 1970s, when the ADL was financially on the skids, Andreas, at the request of ADL National Chairman Burton Joseph of the Minneapolis agricultural equipment firm I.S. Joseph, put up the seed money to establish the ADL Foundation.

Andreas's relations with the ADL date back to his early political training by ADL National Chairman Ben Epstein, a relationship that Andreas described during congressional testimony in 1987: "Mr. Ben Epstein, may he rest in peace, who was my friend for 20 years, to his everlasting credit, was my mentor and guidance on the matters of diplomatic positions. I worked with him for weeks on this problem of how to expand trade with the U.S.S.R."

The Sept. 26, 1986 Wall Street Journal, in a front-page piece titled "Gorbachov's Pal: Dwayne Andreas Gains a Position as the Kremlin's Apparent Favorite," identified Andreas as the successor to Occidental Petroleum's chairman Armand Hammer (now 91), as the Soviet regime's favorite "capitalist."

It was apparently Andreas, who has had more private audiences with Gorbachov than any other Westerner, who arranged the invitation for the ADL to set up shop in Moscow ostensibly in order to help combat anti-Semitism inside Russia. A former State Department intelligence officer told EIR that the real purpose of establishing the ADL office in Moscow is to improve ADL coordination with the KGB in running pro-Gorbachov propaganda inside the United States.

Another feature of the ADL's current "go east" push is the effort by Bronfman and others to move in on the "lucrative new markets" in the liberated nations of Central Europe—on behalf of organized crime. For instance, the Canadian real estate billionaires, the Reichmann brothers, represented by the ADL-linked law firm of Shea Gould and the ADL-linked investment house of Bear Stearns, are part of a new investment consortium seeking to establish a major financial hub in Budapest—with the blessings of both the Gorbachov regime and the U.S. State Department.

### ADL was on U.S. watch list

ADL links to the Bolshevik regime and its intelligence services date back decades. Even during the World War II, when the Soviet Union and the United States were allied against the Nazis, certain ADL officials were kept on U.S. Military Intelligence watch lists as suspected Soviet agents. According to one eyewitness account, Sanford Griffith, who headed the equivalent of the Fact-Finding Division during and immediately following World War II, was on such a list.

The April 5, 1955 issue of Headlines And What's Behind Them catalogues a controversial instance in which the ADL provided cover for a known Soviet intelligence asset. The Soviet agent in question, Vladimir Stepankowsky, had been deported from France and Switzerland in the mid-1930s after having been identified as the head of the Bolshevik Information Bureau, only to emigrate to the United States and immediately go to work for the ADL's Mitchell Solomon. Through Solomon's ties to U.S. Army Lt. Col. Eugene Prince, an intelligence officer in charge of immigration background checks, Stepankowsky was able to penetrate American wartime intelligence operations. In 1954, he was identified by Elizabeth Bentley as a member of a Soviet spy ring; however, he was saved from prosecution through the intervention of his ADL case officer Mitchell Solomon. By this point, the ADL had deployed the Soviet agent into the National Renaissance Party of James Madole, a neo-Nazi countergang that had been set up largely by ADL infiltrators in order to create the specter of a new "fascist menace" inside the United States. According to the Headlines account, the Madole group attracted a small core of members, principally on the basis of the ADL providing NRP founder Madole with a stable of prostitutes from the Mickey Jelke vice ring. ADL officials Ben Epstein and Arnold Forster then reportedly used Stepankowsky's information to inundate the Velde Commission (House Un-American Activities Committee) with scare stories that the NRP had swelled to 200-700 members in New York City alone.

# 5. The ADL and Project Democracy

ADL officials, and the ADL as an organization, are guilty of the same crimes for which Carl "Spitz" Channell and Richard Miller were indicted during the 1987 Iran-Contra probe: illegally using private, tax-exempt organizations to conduct covert operations. However, unlike Channell and Miller, who were low-level flunkies in the overall "secret parallel government" plot, the ADL was deeply involved in every facet of the Iran-Contra scandal and the Project Democracy scheme at the highest levels on both the government and private sector sides.

The ADL's central role in the official Project Democracy apparatus of the Reagan-Bush era was an outgrowth of the ADL's longstanding position as a major agency within the U.S. branch of the Socialist International, which has always been dominated by members of the old Bukharinite "Right Opposition" to Stalin. This link is typified by Fact-Finding Division head Irwin Suall, who was trained by the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union of former U.S. Communist Party chairman Jay Lovestone. Suall was later schooled at the premier Fabian labor school, Ruskin College at Britain's Oxford University, and then passed through the Socialist Party and the Jewish Labor Committee before graduating to his ADL post in 1967. Today, Suall sits on the board of the League for Industrial Democracy and the Social Democrats USA.

The direct links between the ADL and the Iran-Contra fiasco run through the following key players:

 Carl Gershman, a former paid staffer of the ADL's Fact-Finding Division, was the director of the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) throughout the Iran-Contra fiasco. From 1966-72, Gershman was employed by the Research Department of the ADL. According to Jerome Bakst, his supervisor at the time, Gershman used his extensive experience as a New Left activist at Yale University to provide the ADL with detailed dossiers on Students for a Democratic Society, the Black Panther Party, and the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee. According to documents procured under the Freedom of Information Act, as well as a recently published book-length account of the FBI's Cointelpro efforts against the black student movement in the 1960s, the ADL dossiers, apparently including Gershman's work, were regularly passed on to the FBI's Division Five.

Early this year, Gershman hired ADL Fact-Finding Division deputy director David Lowe as his executive assistant at the State Department U.S. Information Agency unit. NED was a major government funding conduit for Lt. Col. Oliver North, and for White House deputy Walter Raymond's "Public Diplomacy" project, a black propaganda and "active measures" effort launched to shape media coverage of the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua.

● ADL Latin American Affairs director Rabbi Morton M. Rosenthal was directly financed by the NED in 1985 to conduct an electoral "fact finding" trip through Central America. Among Rosenthal's assignments for the NED was the monitoring of the presidential elections in El Salvador. On May 23, 1983, Rosenthal issued a report charging that the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua was guilty of anti-Semitism. The Rosenthal attack on the Sandinistas was part of an effort to marshal Jewish support for the Reagan administration's

Contra effort. That month, Rosenthal addressed a closeddoor White House meeting sponsored by Faith Whittelsey at which aspects of the covert Contra support program were apparently discussed.

In a memorandum to the Latin American Affairs Committee of the ADL dated June 9, 1983, Rosenthal described the ADL's direct role in the anti-Sandinista propaganda offensive:

The ADL's Sandinista anti-Semitism "story's unusually wide international and domestic coverage, by both print and electronic media, stimulated a flood of calls and mail to Nicaragua's Embassy and Consulates and also elicited strong comments from members of Congress. A few days after the story broke, the Nicaraguan Embassy contacted us through intermediaries and inquired if we were willing to meet and discuss the issues. The Embassy then called officially to invite ADL representatives to meet the Nicaraguan Ambassador, Antonio Jarquin. The meeting was held at the Nicaraguan Embassy in Washington on Monday, June 6."

- Kenneth Bialkin, then the national chairman of the ADL, was the attorney for Saudi billionaire Adnan Khashoggi during 1984-85 when Khashoggi provided the initial funds through which the Iranian government purchased arms from the North-Secord-Hakim "Enterprise." At the time of these transactions, Bialkin was also a member of an administrative commission revamping U.S. federal codes. Another member of the commission was C. Boyden Gray, the general counsel to Vice President George Bush, who formally ran the administration's Special Situation Group/Crisis Pre-Planning Group, the White House interagency units set up under National Security Decision Directive 3 to oversee the Reagan-Bush government's Central America policy.
- The Lake Resources front company in Geneva, Switzerland, through which Gen. Richard Secord and Albert Hakim laundered the Iranian profits to the Contras, was controlled from the outset by attorney Willard Zucker. A former partner of Bialkin's at Willkie Farr, Zucker had been installed by the ADL national chairman in 1972 as the chief of the IOS legal department, making him a key inside player in the Vesco looting of the fund.
- Edmond Safra, one of the ADL's major financial "angels," was the co-owner, with Willard Zucker, of the fleet of corporate jets which were used to shuttle then-National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane and Lt. Col. Oliver North to secret meetings in Teheran.

The ADL itself was directly involved in the "active measures" department of The Enterprise, through its sponsorship of a series of propaganda broadsides attacking as "anti-Semites" leftist groups which opposed the administration's Central America policy. One such study commissioned by the ADL in 1983 resulted in a book-length attack by writer Harvey Klehr on the group called Clergy and Laity Concerned. Another study, by longtime ADL stringer Rael Jean Isaac, made similar attacks against the Institute for Policy Studies.

In 1984, ADL chapters around the country hosted a speaking tour by Isaac. Both Klehr and Isaac were funded during the same period by the Smith Richardson Foundation, a North Carolina-based tax-exempt foundation with very strong ties to the social democratic wing of the U.S. intelligence community. Reagan-era National Security Adviser Richard Allen and U.N. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick both currently sit on the board of Smith Richardson.

# 6. The ADL and domestic terrorism

Today more than ever, the ADL as an organization represents a major agent-provocateur factor within the United States, fomenting racial and ethnic tensions, all the while claiming to be great defenders of civil rights.

Freedom of Information Act records show that the ADL played a major role in the FBI's Cointelpro "Racial Matters" and "White Hate Groups" operations, targeting the civil rights movement as well as its opponents. Among the paid informants used by the ADL during the civil rights struggles of the 1960s were Ku Klux Klan members implicated in the murders of three civil rights workers in Mississippi.

A Feb. 13, 1970 article in the Los Angeles Times by investigative reporter Jack Nelson first revealed FBI and ADL joint patronage of the Roberts brothers in the June 30, 1968 murder of a Klanswoman named Cathy Ainsworth. At the time of the shootout in front of the Meridian, Mississippi home of ADL official Meyer Davidson, which resulted in the death of Ainsworth and the near death of her associate Thomas A. Tarrants III (who survived over 70 shotgun, rifle, and pistol wounds), Alton Wayne Roberts and six other Klansmen had already been convicted for federal civil rights violations in connection with their infamous murder of civil rights workers Chaney, Goodman, and Schwerner in Philadelphia, Mississippi in 1964.

Roberts's case was under appeal when, according to various newspaper accounts and local police reports, the brothers were approached by Adolph "Sam" Botnick, who is still the ADL's regional director in New Orleans, with the proposition that they would be paid \$69,000 to act as agents provocateurs in setting up a Klan bombing of ADL official Meyer Davidson's home. Botnick had been a close associate of the FBI Division Five (counterintelligence) chief in New Orleans, the late Guy Bannister, who had established the left-wing Fair Play for Cuba group that was part of the milieu of President John F. Kennedy's purported assassin Lee Harvey Oswald. Bannister had also been a controller of an agent provocateur network in the Minutemen which, according to one well-informed U.S. intelligence source, helped break James Earl Ray out of prison, so that he could be used as a similar patsy in the April 4, 1968 murder of Dr. Martin Luther King in Memphis, Tennessee, just a few weeks prior to the Meridian, Mississippi shootout staged by the Roberts brothers at the behest of the ADL and FBI.

A police file report dated June 10, 1968 by Detective Luke Scarborough, confirms the Los Angeles Times report of the Ainsworth setup, namely that there was a three-way deal between the ADL, FBI, and local police in the matter, for which the ADL had provided the money. As the apparent result of such ADL-FBI cooperation, the federal government "trod lightly" in punishing Alton Wayne Roberts for his part in the murder of Schwerner, Goodman, and Chaney when, on March 17, 1970, he was sentenced to only 10 years, and was paroled in three. The Roberts brothers were reportedly later given the status of "Federally Protected Witnesses," and remain on the FBI and ADL's informant roster to this day.

As for the ADL officials, Sam Botnick still runs the ADL's New Orleans regional office, and his then-assistant Richard Lobenthal took over ADL operations in Detroit. Lobenthal was later caught funding local members of the Communist Labor Party, a violent Maoist group infiltrated into local auto plants. Justin J. Finger, who ran the ADL's Atlanta-based Southern legal department during the heyday of civil rights activities and Klan murders, is now associate national director of the ADL.

### **Baiting the Black Panthers**

ADL dirty tricks in collusion with the FBI were later run against segments of the anti-war movement during the late 1960s and early 1970s.

FOIA documents released by the FBI (cf. 100-530-X from the Special Agent in Charge Los Angeles to FBI Director Hoover on the subject "Black Panther Party"/"Racial Matter") point to ADL-FBI collusion against the Black Panther Party as well. The document in question is an Oct. 22, 1968 ADL report on the Black Panther Party by Carl Gershman and Jerome Bakst, which concludes: "For the present at least, increasingly frequent and increasingly violent encounters can be expected between the Panthers and the police." The discovery of this inflammatory report in FBI files corroborates a passage in the recent book *Racial Matters* by Kenneth O'Reilly in a chapter titled, "The Only Good Panther," which says:

"Division Five tried to disrupt the Panthers by manipulating Rabbi Meir Kahane and the 'vigilante-type' Jewish Defense League (JDL), leaking information to college administrators and sources in the Anti-Defamation League, and working with newspaper columnists. The FBI compared Panther ideology with 'the traditional anti-Semitism of organizations like the American Nazi Party' and the even more traditional anti-Semitism of the late Adolf Hitler. In the case of the JDL, the FBI did not limit itself to 'the furnishing of factual information' because Kahane's group could not 'be motivated to act' unless 'the information . . . concerning anti-Semitism and other matters were furnished . . . [with] some embellishment.' "

### Doing the FBI's dirty work

The ADL has continued its involvement in such Cointelpro-type operations to this day. In fact, well-informed U.S. intelligence sources charge that after the scope of the FBI's criminality in Cointelpro had been exposed and condemned by the U.S. Congress, the FBI temporarily "shopped out" all such Cointelpro operations to the ADL. Two illustrative cases:

● James R. Rosenberg (a.k.a. Jimmy Mitchell, Jimmy Anderson) is a full-time paid agent of ADL Fact-Finding Division. Police reports corroborate statements to *EIR* that Rosenberg was the ADL's infiltrator into the Ku Klux Klan chapter in Trenton, New Jersey, who sought to provoke the group into bombing Trenton's chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Pay stubs from the ADL to Rosenberg at this time have been recovered.

Like many provocateurs employed by both the ADL and the more overtly violent Jewish Defense League, Rosenberg was given military training in Israel as an Israeli Defense Forces soldier "on loan" from the U.S. National Guard.

In 1981, a female JDL member, using the code-name "Ricky," told EIR: "I met Jimmy in Israel around 1978 when I was at the Kfar Saba Kibbutz near the West Bank. . . . He was always bragging about how he worked for the Anti-Defamation League to infiltrate the Ku Klux Klan. . . . Jimmy got all messed up on Valium. He even had to go for drug treatment, and that upset him because he got impotent for about six months. . . . Jimmy really wanted to be in the Israeli military, and he made it—he sent me a picture. . . . But he's a 'jobnik,' a paper pusher; they wouldn't trust him in combat."

Rosenberg returned from Israel in 1979 to continue his work for Irwin Suall, who apparently used Jimmy's new military training to have him infiltrate the paramilitary Right, which had become a major target of the ADL. On Dec. 7, 1981, Rosenberg appeared in his undercover capacity on a WCCO Television documentary in Minneapolis, titled "Armies of the Right," where he made the most violent and anti-Semitic statements of any of the members of the Christian Patriots Defense League on the show. Either by oversight or intent, the producers never identified Rosenberg as an ADL provocateur. They simply identified him as "Jimmy Anderson," an official of the Queens, New York chapter of the Christian Defense League. Rosenberg and another ADL infiltrator/provocateur in the group were later arrested on the roof of a Manhattan brownstone brandishing automatic weapons.

• Mordechai Levy (a.k.a. James Gutman, James Frank, Mark Levine, Mark Levy, Morty, etc.). On Aug. 10, 1989, Mordechai Levy was apprehended by the New York Police Department after he mounted the roof of his 6 Bleecker Street apartment building in Greenwich Village and wounded an innocent passerby in wild sniper fire. The shooting occurred

after Jewish Defense League (JDL) leader Irv Rubin tried to deliver a subpoena to Levy, who now heads the rival Jewish Defense Organization, for a civil libel case.

The arrest of the 30-yearold terrorist on charges of attempted murder, first-degree assault, and reckless endangerment brought to light a new chapter in the pattern of FBI and ADL collusion in domestic terrorism, reminiscent of Cointelpro. In a July 18, 1984 court deposition, the ADL's Irwin Suall admitted that he



Mordechai Levy

has met and has had telephone conversations with Levy "from time to time for quite a long time." Suall's admissions drastically underplayed Levy's longstanding role as one of the ADL's agents provocateurs. But in an interview with *Village Voice* reporter Robert Friedman, another ADL Fact-Finding Division official, Gail Gans, confirmed Levy's status as an ADL operator. Levy was in fact a shared asset of the ADL, the FBI, and other police agencies. Two of Levy's FBI controllers are known to be FBI Special Agents Joseph Valiquette and Paul Locke, both of the New York Field Office. Freedom of Information Act documents show that the New York Field office had an official liaison with the ADL's national headquarters since at least the 1960s.

In February 1979, Levy was caught attempting to provoke a major riot in Philadelphia. Using the pseudonym James Gutman, Levy obtained a rally permit for a neo-Nazi rally at which he planned to display banners reading: "Hitler Was Right—Gas The Commie Jews." Working out of the Philadelphia offices of the JDL,

Nazi" cover, was in the process of contacting all of the local KKK and Nazi groups to draw them into the event. Simultaneously, he was working with local left-wing and Jewish groups and black churches to organize a counter-demonstration. When some local reporters learned of Levy's scheme and informed the National Park Service, the rally permit was canceled. Local press headlines exposed the plot with headlines such as in the *Journal*, "Jew Applied for the Permit for Nazi Rally," and the *Philadelphia Bulletin*, "Nazi Rally-Rouser Really Jewish?"

At the same time, the ADL ordered Levy to conduct a harassment campaign against associates of Lyndon LaRouche, which involved scores of death threats phoned into the offices of Campaigner Publications in New York City, and countless harassing phone calls to the homes of LaRouche associates. By Levy's own admission, that effort culminated in an attempted JDL armed assault against Lyndon LaRouche's Riverdale, New York apartment and a menacing demonstration of JDLers and Yippies (Youth International Party) in front of the Campaigner offices.

### Jury tampering

The ADL's direct use of Levy in criminal activities came to light in an affidavit submitted in October 1984, during LaRouche's civil libel suit against the National Broadcasting Corp. and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in U.S. District Court in Alexandria, Virginia. Levy admitted to a California LaRouche associate that he had been ordered by the ADL to launch a telephone harassment campaign against the Alexandria jurors, which would be blamed on followers of LaRouche. The ADL, according to the affidavit, provided Levy with the names and addresses of the jurors. FBI Special Agent Richard Wade of the Alexandria Field Office was ordered by federal Judge James Cacheris to investigate the Levy jury-tampering evidence, but the investigation was quashed. On Nov. 20, 1984, Levy fired a .45 caliber slug into the Los Angeles house of a LaRouche associate who was investigating this jury-tampering incident.

In 1985, Levy also emerged as a suspected accomplice in several of the most significant domestic terrorist acts in years:

• On Aug. 15, 1985, Tscherim Soobzokov, a leader of the Circassian Muslim community in Paterson, New Jersey, was the target of a bombing of his home, which caused his death on Sept. 7. Just days before the explosion, Mordechai Levy had been in Paterson, publicly attacking Soobzokov in a local synagogue with the same charges by which the U.S. Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations had unsuccessfully tried to prove Soobzokov was a "Nazi war criminal." A few days after the bombing, Levy held a press conference in Paterson applauding the attack, but denying responsibility. One week prior to the bombing, Levy had phoned a death threat to Soobzokov's attorney in the OSI case, Michael Dennis, Esq., during which Levy also vowed to kill Soobzokov.

On Oct. 11, 1985, Alex Odeh, the Santa Ana, California head of the Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee, died at 11:21 a.m. after a bomb rigged to the door of his office exploded as Odeh was reporting for work. The night before he was assassinated, Odeh had been interviewed on two national television shows, on the hijacking of the Achille Lauro cruise ship which Odeh said had been the work of an anti-Arafat terrorist splinter group from the Palestine Liberation Organization. Highly reliable sources report that Odeh had been the recipient of multiple threats from Mordechai Levy, the JDL, and the JDO.

Although FBI Director William Webster, a longtime "friend" of the ADL, was obliged to publicly identify the "Jewish underground" as the most active terrorist organization in the United States during 1985, no arrests were ever made in either the Soobzokov or Odeh cases. Sources close to the late Alex Odeh were candidly told by the FBI that there would be no arrests, because of the killers' links to Israeli intelligence. The sources were also told that Levy would not be prosecuted despite evidence of his complicity before the

fact—because he was to be used by the government as a witness in upcoming federal trials of Lyndon LaRouche.

### 7. ADL and international terrorism

Top officials of the ADL are suspected accessories in a number of major international political assassinations, including the murders of Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme and Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. While no evidence is known to exist linking the ADL to the actual executions, very strong evidence does exist in all three cases implicating top ADL officials in the preparation or the coverup of those crimes.

In the case of the assassination of Indira Gandhi on Oct. 31, 1984, eyewitness accounts of a courtroom encounter with ADL officials Irwin Suall and Barbara Wall just hours after Mrs. Gandhi was murdered by a Sikh fanatic who was a member of her own security detail, report that the two were visibly elated over her assassination.

The key link between the ADL and the Sikh extremists who murdered Prime Minister Gandhi runs through Rabbi Rosenthal a senior ADL employee and head of the league's Latin American Affairs Division, who is directly linked to the man who ordered the assassination, Dr. Jagjit Singh Chauhan. It also runs through Rosenthal's longtime intimate political collaborator and sometimes business partner Jon Speller. Speller is widely believed to be a high-level intelligence agent for British intelligence and Scottish Rite Freemasonic networks associated with Lord Nicholas Bethel and Julian Amery, although he also had documented links to Israeli, Soviet, and American intelligence services.

One year before Mrs. Gandhi's assassination, Speller sponsored a U.S. visit by Jagjit Singh Chauhan, which included meetings with conservative members of the U.S. Senate. It was partly on the basis of that American tour that Soviet news agencies blamed the Reagan administration for the Gandhi assassination—even though then-Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger was in the process of deepening U.S.-Indian military cooperation, which was threatening Soviet influence in the subcontinent.

After Mrs. Gandhi's death, Rabbi Rosenthal and Speller, operating through a front company they had jointly established called Transglobal Resources, arranged a series of secret meetings in Washington, London, and Quito, Ecuador, which resulted in the Ecuadoran government offering Chauhan a large tract of land on which to establish a Khalistani homeland. As the ADL's full-time director of Latin American affairs, Rosenthal had utilized the agency's channels inside the Ecuador to help establish a safe haven for Sikh extremists, some of whom had recently blown up an Air Canada flight and had plotted the assassination of Mrs. Gandhi's son and successor Rajiv Gandhi during a state visit to Washington in December 1984.

The Sikh extremists have never tried to hide their intention of eliminating Mrs. Gandhi. Jagjit Singh Chauhan, the "president-in-exile" of the nonexistent separatist state of Khalistan, issued his widely publicized call for Mrs. Gandhi's assassination on June 9, 1984—three days after Indian Army troops had stormed the Golden Temple in Amritsar and liberated it from the hands of armed Sikh radicals linked to Chauhan. Less than one week before Mrs. Gandhi's murder, Chauhan had told a caller into his Reading, England headquarters, "Some man will come forward and take off the head of Mrs. Gandhi."

Chauhan's call led immediately to the formation of the terrorist World Sikh Organization. Representatives of the WSO were soon meeting with officials of the ADL's Interfaith Affairs Department, according to Rabbi Leon Klenicki, the department's director. The meeting had been set up at the request of Landrum Bolling, the chairman of the Eli Lilly Endowment, which heavily funds the League's interfaith unit

Surjit Singh, a top official of the WSO who has been intimately linked to Chauhan since 1947, is also a close personal friend of ADL Honorary National Chairman Kenneth Bialkin.

#### The Palme assassination coverup

If the assassination of Indira Gandhi was intended as a blow to improving U.S.-Indian relations to the benefit of the ADL's London sponsors and Soviet and Israeli friends, the assassination on Feb. 28, 1986 of Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme appears to have been similarly motivated by a common objective of certain circles in Moscow, London, and Washington: to cover up the biggest international weapons and drug trafficking scandal in history—a scandal that only began to surface with the Iran-Contra revelations in the United States and Western Europe and the more recent "Stasi-gate" in East Germany.

When Prime Minister Olof Palme ordered Swedish police to raid the offices of Karl Erik Schmits, a prominent international arms dealer, just months before his assassination, significant evidence began to turn up concerning American, British, Israeli, as well as Soviet bloc arms trafficking to Iran, Iraq, and the Nicaraguan Contras all in apparent collusion. Palme reportedly became deeply concerned when the full extent of Swedish socialist democratic involvement in the arms trafficking and profiteering was documented in records seized in the Schmits raids, and began to crack down on the flow of arms from Sweden to the Persian Gulf. At that point, the prime minister became an expendable adversary of the very intelligence services for whom he had worked throughout his political career.

While the identity of the assassin team may never be known, a profile of the responsible agencies emerges from the massive coverup which began within hours of the Palme murder, with the first news leak that the European Labor Party (ELP), which is associated with the ideas and policies of Lyndon LaRouche, was under police investigation. The false trail of accusations linking LaRouche to the Palme murder diverted investigators from pursuing legitimate leads for the first two months of the probe, thereby wrecking any prospects of solving the crime. It was the ADL, along with KGB, which played the pivotal role in that critical coverup phase.

Since 1982, the ADL had been involved with some of the most notorious KGB agents of influence in Sweden in slandering the ELP. ADL official Irwin Suall, an active member of the Socialist International, is an intimate of Swedish Social Democrat Pierre Schori and West German Social Democrat Klaus-Henning Rosen, the chief aide to former Chancellor Willy Brandt. Schori was named by confessed Norwegian KGB spy Arne Treholt as a leading KGB "agent of influence" in Scandinavian social democratic circles.

In 1982, Suall aided Swedish television producer Goran Rosenberg in preparing a series of slanders labeling the ELP as "neo-Nazi." Two years later, the daily Svenska Dagbladet published a similar slander by Willy Silberman, based on "research" by journalist Hans Lindquist, a protégé of Joachim Israel. Investigations at the time revealed that Lindquist had been directed in his efforts by the ADL's European director in Paris, Shimon Stanley Samuels. Samuels, in turn, had coordinated the anti-LaRouche campaign with Gerry Gable, the London-based editor of Searchlight magazine and a member of the Communist Party of Great Britain. Searchlight is believed to be one of the KGB's major front-publications in Western Europe. Thus, at least two years before the Palme assassination and coverup, the ADL was already involved with Soviet intelligence networks in slandering LaRouche in Europe.

Within 72 hours of Palme's murder, Danish, West German, and Soviet news outlets were naming the ELP as prime suspects of the Swedish police. This set the stage for the detention nine days later of Victor Gunnarsson, a local Stockholm weirdo who had once signed a petition endorsing the ELP's party status, possibly on behalf of socialist party-run police networks who had used him for years as an informant on groups opposed to the Palme's Socialist Labor Party (SAP).

Unconfirmed reports suggest that the ADL deployed a team of operatives to Stockholm in early March 1986 to fuel the accusations against the LaRouche associates, but that the team was summoned back to the United States when two LaRouche associates won the Illinois Democratic primary elections for lieutenant governor and secretary of state on March 18, 1986.

What is confirmed is that Jonas Hafstrom, the first secretary of the Swedish embassy in Washington, was put in contact with the ADL's International Affairs Director Abe Foxman by Israeli embassy deputy chief of mission Elyahim Rubenstein-Migdal. Foxman funneled ADL "files" on

LaRouche into the hands of Stockholm Police Chief Hans Holmér, the chief investigator of the Palme murder, through a Swedish Foreign Ministry official named Nils Rosenberg. Those files became an integral part of the Palme task force's coverup. At the same time, U.S. State Department Swedish desk officer Richard Christensen steered American reporters to ADL stringer Goran Rosenberg, the producer of the 1982 television slander, who was by then based in Washington, D.C.

On March 18, 1986—the same day as the Illinois primaries—Irwin Suall appeared on NBC Nightly News in an interview with Brian Ross, in which he said that LaRouche associates were capable of assassinating Palme. On March 19, Swedish police released Gunnarsson for lack of evidence, although the "Gunnarsson-ELP" track of the investigation was pursued for many months.

The Suall-ADL propaganda offensive intersected an identical campaign by top Soviet officials to blame the Palme murder on LaRouche and the ELP. The Soviet disinformation effort was steered by Sergei Losev, the director general of the official Soviet news agency TASS, and was coordinated in Stockholm by Soviet ambassador Boris Pankin. Pankin, a former director general of VAAP, the Soviet copyright office, has been identified as a lieutenant general in the KGB and a former director of KGB Service A, the disinformation unit, before he became ambassador in Stockholm in 1982.

On Aug. 24, 1989, the Swedish daily newspaper Expressen revealed that officials of the Swedish national police (SÄPO) counterespionage unit had bugged the home of a Soviet embassy official and suspected KGB man and had obtained taped evidence that the Kremlin knew in advance of the Palme assassination. Thus, the ADL was not only complicit in a major international assassination coverup scheme; the scheme at least in part concealed Soviet complicity before the fact in the assassination of a Western head of state.

# 8. ADL subverts justice: the OSI

One of the most significant focal points of Soviet and Israeli intelligence penetration of the U.S. government is through the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations (OSI), a unit created by congressional action in 1978 to ostensibly hunt down Nazi criminals and deport them from the United States to stand trial for their crimes back home.

In fact, the OSI has always functioned as a pipeline for Soviet-forged evidence and other contamination of the American judicial system, and for Soviet and Israeli propaganda directed against Eastern European emigré circles within the United States. The ADL maintains a full-time liaison officer to OSI posted in Washington, and another full-time ADL official works with Israeli authorities in Tel Aviv.

Where forged documents have not been sufficient to com-

plete the railroading of the OSI's targets, more violent means have been frequently used. The already cited case of Tscherim Soobzokov is one such example. The more recent events in Israel involving John Demjanjuk, a retired Cleveland autoworker falsely accused of being Treblinka concentration guard "Ivan the Terrible," are an even more telling case of ADL-KGB collusion.

On Nov. 29, 1988, Dov Eytan, a respected attorney and member of the Israeli establishment, plunged to his death out of the 15th floor of his office building in Tel Aviv. At the time of his death, Eytan, a former judge, was preparing Demjanjuk's appeal before the Israeli bar which would expose the Soviet KGB's hand in forged documents, witness coercion, and the suppression of exculpatory evidence by the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Special Investigation, all of which had led an Israeli court to sentence Demjanjuk to death as "Ivan the Terrible." On Dec. 1, at Dov Eytan's funeral, after a quick ruling by the Israeli government that he had committed suicide, acid was thrown in the face of Yoram Sheftel, John Demjanjuk's other lawyer, who had argued forcefully that Demjanjuk was the victim of mistaken identity perpetrated by the OSI and Soviet KGB.

In fact, virtually all of the witnesses against Demjanjuk had either earlier given contradictory testimony, or had been proven to be liars during the course of the trial. The key piece of "evidence" against Demjanjuk, a concentration camp ID card, had been flown to Israel from Moscow by Soviet agent Armand Hammer aboard his Occidental Petroleum private jet. Demjanjuk's attorneys presented conclusive evidence that the ID card was a KGB forgery.

More recently, in the United States, the ADL launched an attack against Rep. James Traficant (D-Ohio), because he charged on Aug. 2, 1989 that the OSI may have deliberately withheld information showing that a key witness against Demjanjuk, Otto Horn, perjured himself when he identified Demjanjuk as "Ivan" during 1981 denaturalization proceedings. The proof of the perjury was discovered in two internal OSI reports found in a trash can outside their office, which were then given to Demjanjuk's son-in-law. Traficant, who has asked Attorney General Richard Thornburgh to authorize an "objective review" of OSI work on the Demjanjuk case, said that no one "really knows" if Demjanjuk is Ivan. "We endanger the rights of all Americans by allowing John Demjanjuk to be hung out to dry under such unusual circumstances." Traficant added.

Not only had the OSI suppressed evidence of Otto Horn's perjury, but there is reason to believe that the entire case had been fabricated by the OSI. ADL honorary vice chairman Edgar Bronfman has also mobilized the World Jewish Congress, of which he is president and chief contributor, in tandem with the OSI on numerous other cases. The original list of 200 suspected Nazi war criminals living in the United States, which constituted the bulk of cases since probed by the OSI, was prepared by Charles Allen, a one time research-

er for the WJC who headed up an American-East German friendship group known to be a front group for the Communist Party USA.

Two years after the OSI's founding, OSI officials Allan Ryan and Neal Sher, armed with the Charles Allen "list," traveled to Moscow, where they met with General Rudenko, a Soviet military official, to review Russian files on the accused wartime Nazis. Gen. Roman Rudenko was well-known for his handling of Moscow's genocide policy toward Ukrainians in the 1930s, when 8-10 million Ukrainians died of starvation—a performance that had earned him a promotion to be one of Josef Stalin's favorite prosecutors during the purge trials. When the OSI's Sher and Ryan met with him in 1981, they arranged to introduce the sort of KGB-manufactured evidence for which the OSI would become notorious.

As the ADL's Teitel writes: "The United States-Israel cooperation in this [Demjanjuk] case was only the tip of the iceberg. Without similar cooperation between the U.S. and the Soviet Union, John Demjanjuk might never have been found." And the September 1984 edition of the ADL Bulletin carried a two-page article by Neal Sher, who had succeeded Ryan as OSI director, defending the OSI against charges from Eastern Europeans that this agreement with the Soviets had introduced KGB "forged documents" and "intimidated witness" testimony to U.S. courts.

# The Arthur Rudolph and Kurt Waldheim capers

Edgar Bronfman was a willing accomplice in the OSI's frameup of the rocket scientist Dr. Arthur Rudolph, who was illegally forced into exile from the United States in the spring of 1984 after he had been targeted as a "Nazi war criminal" in Soviet publications. The real reason why the Soviets and Bronfman targeted the celebrated designer of the Pershing I and Saturn rockets, was because he was part of the Strategic Defense Initiative project, which was then Soviet intelligence's number-one priority to disable. Kept by lack of funds and advanced age from waging a full defense against the groundless charges, and fearful that his wife and children would be driven into poverty were his U.S. government pension revoked, Rudolph reached an agreement with the OSI that he would voluntarily return to his native Germany. A subsequent investigation by West German courts found him guiltless of any involvement in the crimes the OSI accused him of.

Bronfman's next case of collaboration with the OSI was his campaign against former United Nations general secretary and current Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, whose biggest crime appears to have been that, in agreement with the Helsinki Accords, he has given Soviet Jews passing through Austria the right to settle wherever they choose—not just in Israel, as implicitly demanded by Bronfman and the ADL. Waldheim's defenders charge that Bronfman's

WJC distorted the facts and even solicited perjured testimony against the Austrian leader. Noted war crimes investigator Simon Wiesenthal has been a harsh critic of the WJC, and has defended Waldheim. Nevertheless, Bronfman's evidence led the OSI's Neal Sher to place Waldheim on a watch list of those prohibited from entering the United States.

# 9. ADL penetration of law enforcement

Despite the fact that the ADL has been repeatedly linked to organized crime, foreign espionage agencies, and domestic and international terrorist groups, the League has managed to conduct a highly successful campaign to insinuate itself into the day-to-day workings of virtually every major police department and sheriff's department in the United States. In doing so, it has drawn heavily upon its longstanding "special relationship" with the FBI—which has blossomed under recent directors William Webster and William Sessions—and upon its deep involvement with the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations.

In the spring of 1989, Justin Finger, the ADL's associate national director, led a delegation of American law enforcement officials to Israel on an all-expenses-paid tour that included meetings with the Israeli National Police, the Shin Beth, the Mossad, and special anti-terrorist units. Among the police executives along on the trip were: Charles Barry, the Massachusetts Secretary of Public Safety; Cornelius Behan, the police chief of Baltimore; Lester Forst, the Connecticut Commissioner of Public Safety; Michael Hennessey, Sheriff of San Francisco County, Robert Hightower, Police Chief of Cobb County, Georgia; Leroy Martin, Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department; Charles Plummer, Sheriff of Alameda County, California; Peter Ronstadt, Police Chief of Tucson, Arizona; Jerry Williams, Police Chief of Aurora, Colorado; and Aristides Zavaras, Police Chief of Denver, Colorado.

The trip was the third in a series of ADL-sponsored visits to Israel by major urban police since 1987, and is part of the League's escalated penetration of the American law enforcement and judicial community. Since 1988, the ADL has been publishing a *Law Enforcement Bulletin*, which is distributed free of charge to police departments, private security firms, and federal government agencies.

The *Bulletin* provides a crazy quilt of accurate and severely distorted information, principally targeted at the Palestinian movement, pro-Palestinian elements within the left, all varieties of right-wing groups, and Lyndon LaRouche.

In 1986, EIR learned from police officials in Atlanta, Georgia that Charles Wittenstein, the regional director of the ADL, had approached police officials there with an offer to finance and manage their entire informant program. Similar approaches apparently have been made elsewhere

around the country.

A review of the past decade's issues of the ADL's monthly newsletter reveals that in the 31 regional offices in the United States, staff directors devote the majority of their time to liaison with police and prosecutors, often providing information generated from the ADL's own agents provocateurs inside the radical left and right. For example:

- In February 1984, Stan Anderman, ADL regional director in St. Louis, and Michael Lieberman, ADL Midwest regional director, addressed a Missouri Law Enforcement conference at Ozark Lake. Other speakers included Jim Winter, the director of the FBI's Counter-Terror Program; Jim Elder, head of the St. Louis office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (BATF); Tom Kelly, head of the Kansas Bureau of Investigations; Howard Hoffman, head of the Missouri Highway Patrol; and Mark Middleman, a former Missouri assistant attorney general who was hired as a staff consultant to the ADL.
- On Feb. 13, 1986, two ADL officials, Michael Kozin and Midwest regional director Michael Lieberman, addressed a Chicago conference on Law Enforcement's Response to Extremism in the Farm Belt. Among the other participants in the conference were Illinois U.S. Commission on Civil Rights director Rhona Stewart; Chicago FBI office chief Joseph Lewis; Chicago BATF office chief James Seaves; Illinois State Police Director James Zagel; and Chicago U.S. Attorney James Reidy.
- In February 1987, the ADL sponsored an all-day conference on terrorism at the FBI headquarters in Indianapolis, attended by 140 police officials. The conference was ostensibly in preparation for the Pan-American Games, and the keynote speaker was Robert Kupperman of the Center for Strategic and International Studies at Georgetown University in Washington, who is a frequent participant in ADL sponsored terrorism events.
- In other, similar conferences with local police, the ADL has inserted "experts" with longstanding known ties to the Mossad. Among them: Prof. Uri Ra'anan, the recruiter of convicted spy Jonathan Pollard, and Prof. Yonah Alexander.

# 10. The ADL, Israel, and the Temple Mount plot

Since the founding of the state of Israel, the ADL has kept its own "special relationship" with the Israeli Mossad intelligence service, especially with corrupt intelligence circles linked to what author Jacques Derogy dubbed "the Israeli Mafia."

Meshulam Riklis, the protégé of ADL National Chairman Burton Joseph who was implicated in the Bialkin-Vesco looting of IOS, has been the financial "angel" of Israel's former Defense Minister Ariel Sharon for years. Riklis purchased a large ranch in the Negev Desert and gave it to Sharon, the leader of Likud's extreme militant wing, as a gift. It was at that ranch, that a series of secret meetings took place in May and November 1982 to plot out an ambitious real estate scam, aimed at consolidating permanent Israeli control over the Occupied Territories of the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem, and laying the basis for the recent years' flood of Russian Jewish immigrants.

According to eyewitness accounts, the Sharon ranch meetings brought together representatives of the Bronfmans, Britain's Lord Harlech and Lord Carrington, Henry A. Kissinger, and the ADL's Kenneth Bialkin.

Operating through an extensive network of Americanbased Christian fundamentalist groups, the ADL-Sharon group arranged for the illegal purchase of dozens of buildings and tracts of land in the contested territories, and planned for their ultimate settlement by militant Jewish activists. A network of fanatical Jewish fundamentalists based in a series of yeshivas (Jewish parochial schools) inside Jerusalem, including Ateret Cohanim, began illegal excavations on Islamic holy sites in the Old City, proclaiming that they would rebuild the Third Temple on its original site—even if it meant blowing up the Dome of the Rock on the Temple Mount, the second-most holy place of Islam. These Jewish fanatics, many of them linked to the Meir Kahane Jewish Defense League and Kach Movement and heavily funded by JDL and ADL financial backers in the United States, have carried out machine-gun and hand-grenade attacks on the Dome of the Rock on dozens of occasions in recent years. In almost every instance, Ariel Sharon defended the actions, and even led protest rallies when Israali police removed militants by force.

The most dramatic confrontation occurred during the Easter celebrations this year, when a group of 150 Ateret Cohanim fanatics illegally obtained a sub-lease on the St. John's Hospice in the Christian Quarter of Old Jerusalem and attempted to occupy the building. When the Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem led a peaceful protest against the action, Israeli police gassed him and other demonstrators.

On April 17, the caretaker Likud government of Yitzhak Shamir issued a statement admitting that the Housing Ministry, headed by Morton Rosenthal and Jon Speller collaborator David Levi, had secretly funded the Ateret Cohanim takeover of the hospice. These incidents caused Pope John Paul II to tell Easter pilgrims in Rome that the "grave incidents" in Jerusalem "are a cause also for me of suffering and profound concern."

#### **Spying for foreign intelligence services**

The ADL's involvement in the dirty underbelly of Israeli politics did not begin with the Sharon plot. According to court records and other sources, the ADL has been used for decades as a cover of convenience for Israeli Mossad operations inside the United States. More often than not, those operations were in direct conflict with U.S. national security interests.

In 1967, former B'nai B'rith official Saul I. Joftas filed a slander suit charging that he had been fired for his refusal to cooperate with secret Israeli intelligence spy operations being run through the B'nai B'rith and the ADL. Depositions taken in this suit show that in 1960, ADL honorary vice chairman Phillip Klutznick, then president of B'nai B'rith, established a B'nai B'rith cover for an Israeli intelligence operation in New York, that sought to penetrate U.S. intelligence by dangling bits of information about the U.S.S.R. The Mossad case officer for this operation was Uri Ra'anan, then the director of the Israeli consulate's information department in New York, who later helped recruit Israeli "false flag" agent Jonathan Pollard. Another member of this cell was ADL general counsel Arnold Forster, who was then the ADL's associate national director.

Another operation run by this group was uncovered during the court proceedings in a letter to Joftas dated July 7, 1961 by then-ADL national director Benjamin Epstein. The letter read in part: "As you know, the Anti-Defamation League for many years has maintained a very important, confidential investigative coverage of Arab activities and propaganda. . . . We have maintained an information-gathering operation since 1948 relating to activities from the Arab Consular Offices, Arab United Nations Delegations, Arab Information Center, Arab Refugee Office, and the Organization of Arab Students." The rest of the letter elaborated upon this espionage activity, then requested additional funds for it.

### Behind the Pollard spy case

This 1960s collusion between ADL and the Mossad in running spy operations inside the U.S. apparently continued unabated until the November 1985 arrest of Jonathan J. Pollard. A Naval Investigative Service (NIS) counterterrorism analyst, Pollard was part of a spy network set up by "Dirty Rafi" Eytan, a Mossad official and intimate of Ariel Sharon who at one time headed an elite killer squad out of the prime minister's office.

Pollard was initially profiled for Mossad recruitment by Dr. Uri Ra'anan, the former Israeli Consulate official and longtime ADL collaborator who had taken up a special teaching post at the Center for International Security Studies at the Fletcher School of Diplomacy at Tufts University in Boston. Once recruited, Pollard was "handled" by Col. Aviem Sella, an Israeli Air Force officer operating under the cover of attending graduate school at New York University. Sella's wife Ruth was employed during the entire time of the Pollard-Sella operation in the Legal Department of the ADL headquarters in New York. In protest over the sentencing of Pollard to life in prison for his espionage activities, the Israeli government promoted Sella to the rank of general. In response, an ADL delegation rushed off to Israel to prevent a full diplomatic rift that might have prompted a deeper investigation into the Pollard network leading ultimately to the ADL headquarters.

Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger had asked the court to impose the maximum sentence on Pollard once U.S. intelligence "damage assessments" had revealed that much of the top-secret information stolen by Pollard had found its way into the hands of the KGB and GRU. Weinberger reportedly concluded that the entire Eytan network had been working both for the Mossad and for the Russians. Weinberger ordered a more extensive probe to determine the identity of an "X Committee" believed to have been working with Pollard. Some U.S. intelligence specialists believe that a full probe of the "X Committee" would reveal a significant interface with the National Commission of the ADL.

While Weinberger was pressing the Pollard affair, a separate scandal began to emerge involving another top ADL associate, Deputy Attorney General Arnold Burns, a director of the ADL's Sterling National Bank. His law firm Burns and Summit was caught running a string of phony offshore tax shelters that claimed



Arnold Burns

big tax write-offs for nonexistent investments in Israeli research and development firms. One of the attorneys linked to the scam was Howard Katz, the paymaster for the Pollard spy ring.

Yet another still active ADL link to the Pollard spy ring centers around Mira Lansky Boland, the head of the ADL Fact-Finding Division office in Washington. Lansky Boland had been a classmate of Jonathan Pollard at the Fletcher School, and was part of the same tightly knit group of students under Professor Ra'anan. At approximately the same time when Ra'anan was helping to place Pollard in the sensitive position with NIS, he apparently also helped to secure Lansky her job with the ADL. Lansky Boland has played a pivotal role in the federal-state "Get LaRouche" task force, serving as a principal conduit of information between different state and federal agencies, soliciting press slanders, and even producing "witnesses" for the government's cases.

# 11. The ADL subverts the farm movement

With the heavy infusion of cash into the ADL from Minneapolis grain merchant Dwayne Andreas, the president of Archer Daniels Midland, Inc., beginning in 1978, the ADL's offices in Minneapolis, Chicago, St. Louis, Atlanta, and Omaha began to function as adjuncts to the major Midwest grain cartels, which were at that time expanding their intelligence-gathering and dirty-tricks capabilities against the mounting threat of farmer protests against foreclosures and impossible operating costs.

ADL links to the grain merchants had blossomed earlier, particularly under the chairmanship of Burton Joseph between 1976-78. Joseph was himself in the agricultural products business, running a Minneapolis firm called I.S. Joseph. Joseph and one of his ADL Vice Chairman Max Kampelman were known as the "Minneapolis Mafia" within ADL inner circles because of their close links to the Minnesota Farm Labor Party and the Hubert Humphrey-Walter Mondale political machine.

ADL had also benefited for years from the financial largesse of the Moore family of the Nabisco Corp.—another giant in the grain industry.

Rather than using physical force to disrupt the emerging farmer popular movement, the ADL resorted to its usual bag of tricks: proclaiming the farm protest movement a hotbed of anti-Semitism and right-wing militance, the ADL churned out propaganda, spread wildly distorted "intelligence" to federal, state, and local police agencies, and worked with a network of left-wing radicals to set up farm protest "countergangs" to steer the ferment into populist and impotent directions.

On Jan. 10, 1986, the ADL's Minneapolis regional director Morton Wrywick was a keynote speaker at the founding conference of the Family Farm Resource Organizing Committee (FFROC), a coalition of left-wing farm belt groups including the Socialist Workers Party, Groundswell, Prairie Fire, the Center for Rural Affairs, Catholic Rural Life, and the Center for Democratic Renewal. Joe Krastil was the nominal head of the group, which disseminated a just-released ADL report titled "The Farmer and The Extremist" as part of its "counseling service" to recently bankrupted farmers. According to interviews given at the time, Krastil had been trained by Ken Lawrence, a Mississippi-based left-wing activist tied to the London Searchlight group, a known KGB front-organization. Lawrence is also a regular writer for the CIA defector Philip Agee's journal Covert Action Information Bulletin and the National Lawyers Guild's The Public Eye, which is edited by Charles "Chip" Berlet, one of the most prominent slanderers of Lyndon LaRouche.

Another founder of the FFROC front, Lenny Zeskind, runs the Center for Democratic Renewal, formerly the Anti-Klan Committee, with Lynn Wells, a former Communist Party youth leader who later helped found the Maoist October League. Dan Levitas, a founder of Prairie Fire, another farm belt leftist insurgency group sponsored by the ADL, recently moved to Atlanta to join Zeskind and Wells at the CDR.

Through ADL officials Morton Wrywick (Minneapolis), Michael Lieberman (Chicago), Stan Anderman (St. Louis), Justin Finger and Yitzak Santus (Omaha), Marvin Stern (Seattle), Sol Rosenthal (Denver), Mark Briskman (Dallas) and Charles Wittenstein (Atlanta), the collection of left-wing farm radicals were presented as legitimate "informants" to regional law enforcement task forces, set up at ADL urging, to deal with the threat of "extremism" in the Midwest.

In interviews conducted in early 1986, Donald Burger,

the head of the U.S. Justice Department's Community Relations Service regional office in Kansas City, Missouri, and David Tell, head of the Program and Policy Division of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights in Washington, D.C., both confirmed that the federal government's efforts in the farm belt were fully integrated with the ADL and ADL-linked operatives like Levitas and Zeskind. Similarly, Mark Tirchie in the office of Minnesota Gov. Rudy Perpich, and Ann Kesten in the office of Minnesota Attorney General "Skip" Humphrey, confirmed their dependence on the ADL to provide information and direction to their efforts to "combat extremism" in the farm community.

# 12. ADL targets pro-life movement and the Vatican

In recent years, the ADL has played a major behind-thescenes role in opposing the pro-life movement, both through the filing of a series of *amicus curiae* briefs in all the major abortion cases now up before the U.S. Supreme Court, and through the deployment of its spy and agent provocateur networks to vilify the Right to Life movement as a haven for neo-Nazis, anti-Semites and right-wing terrorists.

On May 1, members of the Civil Rights Division of the ADL confirmed in interviews with *EIR* that the ADL has intensified its campaign to destroy the pro-life movement. An ADL team of lawyers and analysts are reviewing videos and news coverage of the huge pro-life march held in Washington, D.C. on April 31, in order to identify "extremists" and "anti-Semites" who participated. Another ADL source revealed that the ADL has compiled dossiers on anti-abortion activists, with particular attention to monitoring members of Operation Rescue. The dossiers reportedly are being made available to law enforcement authorities who are trying to fraudulently apply the so-called RICO, anti-racketeering statutes to the prosecution of Operation Rescue.

The ADL has filed a series of *amicus curiae* briefs taking a radical pro-abortion stand. Honorary ADL chairman Kenneth Bialkin filed the brief with the U.S. Supreme Court in the cases No. 88-790, No. 88-805, and Nos. 88-1125 and 88-1309. Bialkin filed his brief as the Counsel of Record for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, B'nai B'rith Women, Catholics for a Free Choice, and Women's American ORT. Listed as "Of Counsel" were such ADL bigwigs as Honorary Vice Chairman Meyer Eisenberg, ADL Associate National Director Justin J. Finger, and Civil Rights Division director Jeffrey P. Sinensky.

The ADL amicus brief argues that the anti-abortion statutes of "Illinois, Minnesota, and Ohio . . . violate the establishment clause by endorsing one religious theory of when life begins" and that they impose "an impermissible burden on a woman's free exercise of religion by restricting her fundamental religious interest in deciding whether to contin-

ue a pregnancy." The argumentation is in keeping with their dozens of *amicus curiae* briefs to remove prayer from school, in that it advocates a "value-free" school and society in which scientifically grounded moral principles have no force.

Still more to the point, Laura Kam-Issacharoff, a member of the ADL's Israel office, wrote an article for the March 6, 1990 Jerusalem Post entitled "Anti-Semitism in the Anti-Abortion Movement." Its opening paragraph reads: "Increasing anti-Semitic manifestations in the volatile debate on abortions are worrying Jewish leaders in the U.S. In several states, the FBI has begun probing the burgeoning hate mail that has been directed at 'pro-choice' Jewish political leaders and doctors." The remainder of the piece contains one exaggerated claim after another that somehow pro-life activists believe Jewish doctors are killing Christian babies out of revenge for the Holocaust.

### Going after the Pope

One day after Pope John Paul II expressed "concern" about incidents at St. John's Hospice in Jerusalem (see above), ADL national director Abraham Foxman made the following statement, as reported in the May 3 Washington Jewish Week: "I am concerned and disturbed at the way the Christian community has responded by escalating this into an international religious confrontation. . . . To hear this orgy of criticism [i.e., from the Pope] has sinister undertones. It may even border on elements of Crusadism."

Foxman's remarks are only the latest of a series of dramatic confrontations between the ADL and the Vatican. The last confrontation in the fall of 1989 followed a provocation by friends of ADL-controlled terrorist Mordechai Levy in the Coalition of Concern, who attempted to shut down a Carmelite convent located just outside the grounds of the former Auschwitz concentration camp in Poland.

Glenn Richter, a friend of Levy, issued a press release after he had accompanied Rabbi Avraham Weiss, also a friend of Levy, in what became a confrontation with workmen at the convent, describing how his group had surrounded it, demanding that it be removed, and complaining "that the 24-foot cross desecrated the memory of the Jewish martyrs of Auschwitz." Rabbi Avraham Weiss issued a press statement saying that Cardinal Franciszek Macharski of Krakow, Poland was "repugnant" for blaming the Coalition of Concern for "lack of respect for the nuns and for their human and Christian dignity" and for failure to respect "the symbols of faith and piety" through "attempts at taking [the convent] over." Rabbi Weiss called "upon Jewish leaders to freeze dialogue with the Vatican" until it removed the convent. In an article in the New York Post he claimed that Pope John Paul II and the Vatican had done nothing to protect Jews from the Nazis.

On Aug. 15, 1989, Elan Steinberg, an aide to Edgar Bronfman, denounced the Pope for anti-Semitism arising out of the Pope's attempts to "de-Judaize the Holocaust."

Steinberg said that it was "obscene" that the Pope had met with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim. Steinberg told a journalist that the chief theological problem was the Pope's "triumphalist vision," which he said was a step back from the "progressivism of Vatican II." The Pope, Steinberg warned, is mounting a "conservative international" which is regressive on issues ranging from abortion, to sexuality, to the interreligious dialogue between Catholics and Jews, to failure to support Liberation Theology in Central America, to pushing Solidarnosc in Poland on a dangerous course that might undermine Edgar Bronfman's friend, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachov.

## 13. The ADL defends Satan

Last year, when a group of Texas state legislators introduced a bill criminalizing certain Satanic ritualistic practices, the Dallas office of the ADL cried "anti-Semitism!" and attempted to mobilize the Jewish community to block its passage. The ADL effort fell on deaf ears, since most rabbis and other Jewish community leaders had been duly horrified by the recent discovery in Matamoros, Mexico of a ritualistic mass burial site on a ranch used by a notorious drug-smuggling ring. Texas Gov. William Clements summoned both houses of the state legislature into special session to unanimously pass the bill, the first of several such anti-Satanism bills to become state law around the country.

The ADL's "religious freedom" antics in Texas reflected longstanding ADL complicity in the spread of Satanism and the drug-rock-sex counterculture. The first documented instance of ADL involvement dates back to the early 1960s, when Rabbi Maurice Davis, later of Westchester County, New York, participated in Project MK-Ultra, the CIA's foray into the use of LSD-25 and other psychedelic drugs in mind control and mass social manipulation. Davis was the chaplain at the Lexington, Kentucky Addiction Research Center, a hotbed of the CIA's secret LSD testing. According to Davis's co-workers at the time, the rabbi helped track some of the LSD human guinea pigs when they were released to outpatient treatment. The full extent of Davis's involvement in the CIA project may never be known, because the CIA's chief chemist, Dr. Sidney Gottlieb, shredded millions of pages of MK-Ultra records in 1972 at the behest of outgoing CIA director Richard Helms.

It can be assumed, however, that Davis's services were appreciated, because following his transfer to Indianapolis in the mid-1960s, he became one of the first patrons of the Rev. Jim Jones and his People's Temple—what several authors have described as another Anglo-American Occult Bureau "project." Davis was joined in that effort by Episcopal priest and later Bishop Paul Moore, offspring of the same patrician Moore family that has heavily funded the ADL over the past several decades. Moore later moved to New York

City where he has presided over the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, a notorious center of New Age and outright Satanic cultism, as well as terrorism. (For years the New York City Police Department's Arson and Explosives Unit identified the cathedral as a safehouse for the FALN, a Puerto Rican terrorist group that carried out dozens of bomb attacks in the Metropolitan area during the 1970s.)

(In 1978, as the ADL launched its Big Lie campaign branding Lyndon LaRouche as an "anti-Semite," Canon West, a top aide to Bishop Moore at the Episcopal Archdiocese, confided to a visitor that they had "gotten the Jews" to take care of LaRouche, an indication that the relationship between the ADL and the blueblood WASP establishment ran much deeper than the Moore-Davis tie.)

In Indianapolis, Davis and Moore sponsored Jim Jones onto a number of community boards. Davis personally arranged the sale of his own synagogue to Jones and arranged the mortgage for what would be the first People's Temple.

When Davis moved to the New York area shortly after Jones relocated his followers to San Francisco, the rabbi, by now an active figure in ADL circles, became one of the first religious figures to warn about the dangerous proliferation of coercive cults. But far from being a Damascus Road conversion, Davis's new profile as an anti-cult crusader merely represented a continuation of his involvement in the Occult Bureau efforts. Along with other MK-Ultra veterans such as Dr. Louis Jolyon West and Robert J. Lifton, Davis launched the "deprogramming" movement in the early 1970s as the "solution" to the mushrooming problem of coercive cults which Davis himself had helped to foster. Over the next decade, hundreds of members of pseudo-religion and therapy cults like the Unification Church, the Church of Scientology, The Way International, est, and the Hare Krishnas were kidnaped and subjected to grueling round-the-clock ego stripping, physical abuse, and other forms of behavior modification—often no different than the treatment they received when they were inside the cults. In nearly every instance, the parents of the cult members paid through the teeth for the kidnaping services provided by Davis and his collaborators.

# The 'Son of Sam,' and Dennis King

In 1974, Davis founded Citizens Engaged in Reuniting Families (CERF), a deprogrammers' front which later merged into the two major anti-cult agencies, the American Family Foundation and the Cult Awareness Network. Capitalizing on the post-Jonestown reaction, the ADL established a full-time anti-cult center, housed at the Washington, D.C. headquarters of the B'nai B'rith and run by Esther Dietz and Asya Komm. The Cult Center of B'nai B'rith maintained joint offices with the Cult Awareness Network. In this way, the ADL established formal, ongoing links to the AFF/CAN, which continue through to the present.

Among Davis' employees in CERF were Dennis King and Kalev Pehme, both of whom later played prominent roles

in the post-1978 "Get LaRouche" drive, and worked for a mob-run weekly on the East Side of Manhattan, *Our Town*. In 1978, Pehme wrote for *Our Town* a glowing piece on the Foundation Faith of the Millennium, formerly the Process Church of the Final Judgment. This outright Satanic outfit had been so closely linked to the Manson Family murders on the West Coast in 1969 that they were forced to relocate their operations back East and change their name. According to *The Ultimate Evil* by Maury Terry, which is an account of the 1976-77 "Son of Sam" murders in New York, the Process Church, now based out of Westchester County, was suspected of links to those ritualistic killings as well.

Another person who turned up with the *Our Town* rag controlled by mobster Ed Kayatt, was Dennis King, a protégé of Maurice Davis and author of hate literature against Lyndon LaRouche. King published one of his nastiest slanders against LaRouche in the pages of *High Times* magazine, the voice of the dope le-



Dennis King

galization lobby and drug paraphernalia industry. King's most intimate collaborator in the LaRouche-bashing effort, which mushroomed into a full-scale government frameup strike force, was Charles "Chip" Berlet, for years the Washington, D.C. bureau chief of *High Times* and an activist in NORML, the official dope legalization lobby.

By 1979, King was a full-time asset of the ADL's Fact-Finding Division and an anti-LaRouche informant to a variety of federal and state agencies and prosecutors. Throughout that period, King was a member of the Humanist Society of New York, a secular humanist club linked to the Society for Psychical Research, SIECUS (the radical sex education movement), and other New Age kook outfits.

The ADL links to explicitly pro-Satanist circles was no low-level effort. ADL mogul Edgar Bronfman has been associated with this project since no later than April 17, 1989, when he and Britain's Prince Philip launched the Sacred Literature Trust, an effort aimed at publicizing the religious foundations of ecology and environmentalism—i.e., the revival of Mother Earth and other forms of paganism. At a United Nations press conference in New York City on that date, Bronfman aide Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg and Prince Philip's spokesman Martin Palmer announced the project. Palmer's numerous writings on various aspects of pagan and gnostic theology are published by the Lucis Trust—formerly the Lucifer Trust—an elite group which grew out of the 19thcentury Theosophy movement. As for Rabbi Hertzberg, he first gained attention at a conference in Assisi, Italy in 1986, where he advocated the revival of the gnostic Jewish Cabala. The proposal for the Sacred Literature Trust was first floated at that Assisi conference.