Editorial

Henry Kissinger's Mideast massacre

We have warned that by putting over 200,000 American troops in Saudi Arabia, President Bush, at the instigation of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, has threatened to unleash a war in the Mideast and a third world war as well. With the Syrian invasion of Lebanon we have seen the beginning of this process. The deaths of over 700 Christians in Lebanon can be laid directly on the doorstep of Thatcher and Bush.

Without their approval, the terrorist Hafez al-Assad would never have dared to launch his blitzkrieg attack against Lebanon. The bitter irony is that the same Washington and London crowd who call Saddam Hussein a reincarnation of Adolf Hitler have nothing to say about Syria's annexation of Lebanon.

The fact that the Syrians used their Air Force to bomb and strafe Gen. Michel Aoun's headquarters, confirms that Israel, Britain, and the United States gave the go-ahead for the holocaust. Use of air power had been previously forbidden the Syrians on the grounds that Assad would be tempted to violate Israel's airspace as well. What has been arrived at is a tacit agreement among London, the Bush administration, the government of Syria, and the government of Israel, to throw the Christians out of the Mideast.

Coupled with the reign of terror being imposed upon the Christians in Lebanon, is the treatment of the Palestinians by the Israeli government—less brutal only in numbers, not in kind. There is every reason to feel that the Adolf Hitler of Israel, strongman Ariel Sharon, will prevail in his wish to impose a final solution to the Palestinian "problem"—the massacre and forced evacuation of the Palestinians now living in the Occupied Territories.

Despite the fact that every Western intelligence agency is aware that it is Assad's Syria which has been a coordinating center for international terrorism, Assad was given a green light in Lebanon in return for his support of a war against Iraq. Despite a coverup by the British and U.S. governments, it is documented that the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, which exploded over Lockerbie, Scotland in December 1988, killing 270 innocent passengers, crew members, and Lock-

erbie residents, was an act of terrorism coordinated by Assad's intelligence services.

It is well known that the Bekaa Valley in Lebanon is the center through which Hafez al-Assad coordinates a large chunk of the world's international opium and hashish traffic; that Assad is linked, as are factions in Israel, to narco-terrorism in Central America, as well to as the cocaine traffic into Europe.

This brings us to the role of the evil Henry Kissinger, close friend of Ariel Sharon and self-avowed admirer of the terrorist dictator Assad.

Henry Kissinger, the follower of Metternich and Castlereagh, and the epigone of the British Foreign Office for all of his active political life, has systematically led the United States down the path of neocolonialism and balance of power politics. U.S. occupation of the Gulf is the end game of Kissinger's Mideast strategy, which called for the systematic destruction of any groupings among the Arabs who wished to invest their oil revenues in infrastructure and development projects, in order to transform the desert into an oasis.

In the 1970s, Kissinger condemned Lebanon to death by exacerbating the civil war there. We now see what Kissinger's policies of the 1970s have come to: in the Gulf, in Lebanon, and in his support for Assad of Syria.

Kissinger must be repudiated. We must repudiate Kissinger-like thinking and policy from our government, or we're going to be in a worse mess than Kissinger left us, under his administration, in Southeast Asia. It is an outrage that the United States is unwilling to support the censure of Israel for its violence against the Palestinians, is unwilling to admit what Assad is doing in Lebanon, but is seeking any pretext on which to escalate its war against Iraq.

Assad—this butcher, international terrorist, and drug trafficker—is the man admired by Henry Kissinger, and the man to whom the present administration in Washington caters.

Let us bring this to an end. No civilized nation can tolerate the slaughter of the Christian community of Lebanon.

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