Australian friends of the ADL go ape over exposé of their crimes

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The Citizens' Electoral Councils of Australia, the Australian arm of Lyndon LaRouche's international movement, as part of that movement's worldwide blitz to expose the espionage and dirty operations carried out by Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (ADL) and its cohorts, has released 3,000 copies of a bombshell report entitled "Is the Anti-Defamation Commission Spying on You?" The report was sent to every federal and state Member of Parliament, commanding officers of law enforcement agencies, trade unions, and newsroom editors.

The report has also been reprinted in the CEC's 10,000-circulation monthly newspaper, the *New Citizen*. It calls for a parliamentary and/or police inquiry into the activities of the Anti-Defamation Commission of B'nai B'rith (ADC), based on its relationship with the U.S.-based ADL, of which it brazenly boasts.

The ADC has gone into damage control mode, sending out a mass mailing to 800 parliamentarians.

Research Services' espionage

Just as the ADL has its spying operation in America, which is now the subject of a criminal investigation, the report charges that Isi Leibler, the kingpin of the Australian ADC, set up a similar spying operation called Research Services (RS) in 1974. Leibler, the wealthy founder of Jetset Tours, has one of the largest tour booking agencies in the world, with offices in just about every country. He also heads the Executive Council of Australian Jewry (ECAJ) and the Australian Institute of Jewish Afairs (AIJA), of which he is founder. Along with his friend Edgar Bronfman, Leibler is co-chairman of the World Jewish Congress (WJC).

The report charges that "RS liaised with the Federal Government and was headed by a former Australian Army Intelligence Officer. . . . Isi Leibler himself is a member of the Sir John Monash Unit of B'nai B'rith named after General Monash, the Australian military leader in World War I. . . . RS traded information with Commonwealth, State police and Jewish intelligence authorities abroad on Australia's Croatian, Baltic and Arab communities. . . . RS often participated in what Leibler has described as 'joint operations' with police agencies." Isi Leibler is quoted as bragging that "the ECAJ has unequalled access to every level of government

and leadership in Australia."

The report claims that Michael Marx of the New South Wales Jewish Board of Deputies boasted in 1987 how the network's "information service" has developed "from a single filing cabinet a decade ago to the major community resource that it is today." Marx claimed to "have files on over 1,000 subjects, individuals and groups," according to the report.

The U.S. connection

Stung by the CEC's charges that the ADC was "made in America" and therefore carries out the same dirty tricks as its American mother, the ADC tried to claim that their links with the ADL are "merely collegiate." But, the evidence is clear: The Australian B'nai B'rith and its offshoot, the ADC, are wholly owned subsidiaries of the American-based B'nai B'rith. The opening words of the official history of B'nai B'rith, written in 1962, point to the Confederate sympathies of this freemasonic network, and its antipathy toward the American Revolution: "The emancipation of the Jews as laid down in the U.S. Constitution... created a situation threatening the basis of previous Jewish tradition inherent in the ghetto background of the immigrant community."

The U.S.-Australian links are manifold. At the 1986 B'nai B'rith International convention held in Las Vegas, Nevada, Australian Hans Mueller was elected as a senior vice president, on a promise of linking the B'nai B'rith branch in Australia more closely to the U.S. headquarters. Another B'nai B'rith leader, Gerry Levy, recently retired after 40 years, and claimed that his greatest achievement was to bring the Australia branch closer to "the head office in Washington." The election of Mueller as a vice president was heralded as a real achievement for the Australians, as out of 921 voting delegates, 700 are American.

Throughout the 1980s there has been a steady flow of personnel between Australia and the ADL in America. Luminaries from the ADL to arrive in Australia include Kenneth Bialkin, Martin Shusterman, Gerald Kraft, Warren Eisenberg, and Edgar Bronfman. Bronfman was in Australia to award the B'nai B'rith medal to Bob Hawke, then the Australian prime minister.

Dr. Paul Gardner is quoted in the report as being a board

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member of Isi Leibler's AIJA, having served as chairman of the ADC between 1982 and 1988, part of that time as the Australian delegate to the ADL's headquarters in New York. Dr. Gardner bragged in the *Jewish Year Book*, "The Commission is in regular contact with the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in New York. The ADL in America is a powerful, influential, and widely respected human rights organization, with 400 full-time professional staff and a \$17 million annual budget. The flow of relevant information and material from America to Australia is unending." The CEC's report poses the question, "How much of this 'unending' flow of information consists of stolen documents which are now the subject of police investigations in the U.S.A.?"

The hunt for 'Nazis'

Like its U.S. counterpart, one of the ADC's main activities is targeting eastern European political networks under the guise of hunting for Nazi war criminals. The Australian prosecutions have totally collapsed for lack of evidence, as the CEC report notes.

The Leibler family has been prominent in sponsoring Nazi war crimes trials and in advocating race-hate laws for Australia. Mark Leibler, Isi's younger brother, lobbied members of the federal Parliament to carry out an investigation and prosecution of alleged Nazi war criminals hiding in Australia.

Isi Leibler personally invited Neal Sher, the head of the U.S. Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations, to Australia to help the Special Investigation Unit, a unit established in Australia to hunt down Nazi war criminals.

As the CEC notes, after eight years and the expenditure of over \$50 million, and the investigation of 600 Australians, only one alleged Nazi was bought to trial. He was acquitted after a 40-minute deliberation by the jury. The great Nazi war criminal hunt caused immense distress among ethnic communities in Australia, and it must be seen in the context of the ongoing campaign of the B'nai B'rith in Australia to incite racial tensions.

Prof. Frank Knopfelmacher, who lost his family in the Holocaust, stated in the *News Weekly:* "The war crimes trials are a device to galvanize waning support for Israel amongst Jews as well as traditional allies." With a none-too-subtle reference to the Leibler brothers, Knopfelmacher also said, "I am entitled to question the motives of the people who are organizing this circus, I don't want to have anything to do with their racketeering. They are not only interested in phony fame and money. They are not interested in my dead family."

Targeting LaRouche

One of the main enterprises of the ADL (and its ADC offspring) is to harass Lyndon LaRouche and his movement. According to the *Australian Jewish Times*, Ron Kampeas of the New South Wales Jewish Board of Deputies "visited the ADL in New York and attended a high-level briefing on

Lyndon LaRouche, the American extremist who recently scored an upset victory within the Democratic Party."

These anti-LaRouche activities were soon transplanted to Australia. Isi Leibler's key agents are Michael Danby and David Greason, both of whom have been active against LaRouche. The CEC reports that "in a conference held in Montreal, Canada in November 1991, Michael Danby, the editor of the Australia-Israel Review since 1980, outlined plans to destroy rural protest movements in Australia, which he claims were heavily influenced by the LaRouche movement." While a student leader, he handed files to the Commonwealth police and was fêted by the U.S. State Department. A former senior intelligence officer has claimed that Danby is behind many of the race-hate provocations in Australia. Other sources cite Danby as working closely with the Israeli intelligence service, the Mossad. Danby also distributed a flow chart showing LaRouche's growing influence in Australia.

Another ADC paid agent is Melbourne "journalist" David Greason. The CEC's report states that he founded various neo-Nazi groups such as National Action and National Front, was active in the "anti-Semitic" League of Rights, is a former Scientologist, worked for the Australia-Soviet Friendship Society, is a homosexual activist, and is now prominent in the violence-prone International Socialist Organization. Soon after the CEC's conference earlier this year, the *Australian Jewish News* published a series of articles in an attempt at damage control. One was entitled "Confessions of a Former Fascist," in which Greason admitted all of the CEC's allegations.

In the past three years, dozens of articles slandering the CEC have been planted by Greason. He has built up journalist contacts while an official with the Australian Journalists Association, and wrote a 14-page slander in the Leibler-controlled magazine Without Prejudice, published by the AIJA. In that article he accused the CEC of having documents concerning Isi Leibler which he alleges had been stolen from the police Bureau of Criminal Intelligence. The CEC is calling for the data in these files to be made public.

Isi Leibler dispatched Greason to plan a riot for the CEC's International Conference in May 1993. The riot was only avoided with a massive diplomatic effort by international friends of the CEC, and the deployment of 250 state and federal police on each night of the conference. Isi Leibler is reported to have denounced it as a "neo-Nazi," "anti-Semitic," and "neo-fascist" conference. One week before the conference, posters repeating these claims and inciting to violence against the CEC appeared in the streets of Melbourne and on university campuses. The posters are reprinted in the CEC's report, with a photograph of Greason addressing the motley crew of protesters with megaphone in hand.

The release of this report has caused such a panic that Greason has been seen driving around Melbourne, hysterically demanding that news agents take the CEC's paper off the stands, or face legal action.