## **Editorial**

## Stop being played for a sucker!

Attorney General Janet Reno has become a convenient target for a lot of people who recognize that something is badly wrong with the U.S. Department of Justice. It's about time that these folks recognize that every time they rant and rave about "that woman," they are actually following a British gameplan to destabilize the U.S. government.

This is the significance of the article which appeared in Lord William Rees-Mogg's newsletter *Strategic Investment* on March 22 of this year. Rees-Mogg is a high-level British intelligence operative. The article, which alleged that the U.S. President and Attorney General were planning to stage an incident which would be the occasion for a crackdown on militias preparatory to declaration of martial law, was well-calculated to create impotent hysteria among right-wing circles.

British intelligence was working off an accurate profile of the vulnerabilities of militia members and supporters who are easily played upon because of their macho self-image. Yes, there is a nest of vipers in the Justice Department, but it is led by Deputy Assistant Attorney General Mark Richard.

Richard, who came to the Justice Department in 1967, has held his current position since 1978. He has had particular responsibility for overseeing three sections within the Criminal Division, in which position he has been responsible for several *criminal* actions, not the least being that which happened in Waco, Texas. Not only does he work hand-in-glove with the Anti-Defamation League and its offshoot, the Cult Awareness Network, but he has proven himself to be a pawn or worse of foreign intelligence agencies.

The truth is that not only had Reno just been sworn into office when the Waco situation exploded, but she was fed disinformation circulated by the self-styled experts of the Cult Awareness Network. It was Richard, the adviser to the Attorney General during this transition period, who had key responsibility during the Waco crisis. Reno is known to have originally disagreed with FBI plans to gas the compound. One element of the pressure brought to bear on her was the lie that the Branch Davidians were known to be child abusers.

Richard's abuse of police power did not begin with Waco; he was also responsible for such abominations as the attack on Randy Weaver and his family in Idaho, and the treasonous frameup of John Demjanjuk on war crimes charges. In the Demjanjuk case, Richard worked with both the Mossad and the KGB to frame up a U.S. citizen. This was related to a broader effort, sponsored by the KGB, to destroy the American space program by targeting German-born rocket scientists, also U.S. citizens.

On April 28, 1994, Richard appeared before the House of Representatives Subcommittee on International Security. "My responsibilities at the Department of Justice include overseeing the Office of Special Investigations," he testified, bragging that he had stripped 48 "Nazis" of their U.S. citizenship. In fact, as the case of Demjanjuk demonstrated, Richard has knowingly acted in violation of the U.S. Constitution. And this was not the only instance of such criminal misconduct.

Demjanjuk was illegally stripped of his U.S. citizenship and sent to Israel allegedly because he was "Ivan the Terrible," a concentration camp guard. In Israel, his conviction was overturned by the Supreme Court, on the basis of new evidence. It later turned out that the Department of Justice had deliberately withheld evidence from Demjanjuk's attorneys which would have cleared him well before his deportation from the United States. This was not just an error on the part of Richard and his underlings.

Richard personally suppressed an investigation of then-Senate staffer Steven Bryen in 1978, after Bryen was caught red-handed giving classified information to the Mossad station-chief in Washington. He has also been involved in nasty operations conducted by the Justice Department over the past two decades, to suppress evidence in national security cases in order to protect the Bush intelligence networks; naturally enough, he shows up in key positions in the frameup of Lyndon LaRouche and his associates.

Something is definitely rotten in the Justice Department, but it's about time that patriotic Americans got smart rather than angry, and went after the real culprits—Mark Richard and the interests he represents.

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