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Netanyahu's paid terrorist targets Wye summit

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Just as *EIR* predicted, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu launched an "Islamic terrorist" massacre to blow up the Clinton administration-sponsored Israeli-Palestinian summit at Wye Plantation in Maryland. On Oct. 19, during the middle of the summit, "Islamic terrorist" Salem Rajab Sarsour threw two grenades into a crowded bus station in Beersheba, Israel, wounding 64 Israelis, one critically. As a result, Netanyahu defiantly announced that he was "suspending" all negotiations except those pertaining to security, and later threatened a walkout.

And also quite predictably, the terrorist group Hamas claimed credit for the attack, and warned of more to come.

Fortunately, Netanyahu's typical game of killing Jews to evade treaty commitments under the Oslo Accords was disrupted when Palestinian Authority Preventive Security chief Jibril Rajoub revealed that the so-called "Islamic terrorist," Sarsour, was a *paid informant of the Israeli intelligence agency Shin Bet*. The Palestinian delegation at the summit emphasized that the target of the terrorist attack was the Palestinian Authority, not Israel.

In the aftermath of Rajoub's charges, and the presumed release of Palestinian files to the summit documentating them, Shin Bet spokesmen publicly admitted their accuracy. In an extraordinary statement to the Israeli daily *Ha'aretz*, a spokesman for Shin Bet said that the agency had "held several meetings with Sarsour in an attempt to recruit him." But, the spokesman added demurely, the agency was "unaware of his terrorist activities." *Ha'aretz* reported that "Shin Bet officials met with Sarsour on three occasions—once in August and twice in September—and in the last meeting provided him with money to buy a cell phone so that they could keep in touch with him." It added that according to Shin Bet, "Sarsour agreed to work for the Israelis on Sept. 23."

The Israeli press also revealed that "Islamic terrorist" Sarsour was also guilty of fatally stabbing Rabbi Shlomo Ra'anan in Hebron on Aug. 20—another example of an Israeli-staged murder being blamed on Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat's alleged unwillingness to fight Palestinian terrorism. According to *Ha'aretz*, "It is still not known whether Sarsour was an Israeli agent at the time of Ra'anan's murder." On Sept. 30, Sarsour also threw two grenades at Israeli soldiers in Hebron, injuring 14.

Netanyahu's latest games show once again that President Clinton must help sane Israelis topple Netanyahu, in favor of someone committed to peace. Otherwise, Clinton's efforts to secure Mideast peace are a waste of time; it doesn't matter how many solemn treaties Netanyahu signs. In the meantime, Clinton must purge his administration of those advocating such Netanyahu policies as busting up Iraq and Sudan, playing Iran against Afghanistan and Pakistan, and the like, which are pushing the region toward war, and are also ensuring that the United States takes the blame for whatever Netanyahu does.

Sharon back in control

That Israeli-run "Islamic terrorists" would give Netanyahu the pretext to blow up the summit, was forecast by *EIR*, when Netanyahu announced on Oct. 16 that he was appointing Gen. Ariel Sharon as Foreign Minister. Throughout his career, Sharon has helped keep the Mideast in turmoil, through wars, and through fielding "Jewish" and "Islamic terrorism" (see "Sharon Appointment in Israel Makes Death of Oslo Accords Official," *EIR*, Oct. 23). Sharon's appointment was announced just a couple of hours after the U.S. Congress voted for an impeachment investigation of Clinton, as part of a general Israeli and British assault on the U.S. Presidency.

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Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, President Bill Clinton, and Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat in Washington on Oct. 15, at the start of their talks which continued at the Wye Plantation on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

Among their projects is a new Arab-Israeli war.

In order to blow apart the Oslo Accords, Sharon and Netanyahu orchestrated the defamation campaign of its Israeli architect, former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, as a necessary precondition for his November 1995 murder. Sharon and Netanyahu also provided the "Jewish terrorist" gun-man Yigal Amir, and ensured that Amir was conduited past several layers of Rabin's security screens to kill him. Following the Rabin murder, Sharon and company unleashed a Hamas/Islamic Jihad bus-bombing spree in February-March 1996 in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, which killed dozens of Israelis. In its aftermath, Netanyahu was elected Prime Minister that May on a campaign platform of opposition to the Oslo Accords (helped, it is said, by vote fraud).

Since his election, Netanyahu has consistently sabotaged the accords, as he had promised, in part through ordering "Jewish" and "Islamic" terrorist bloodbaths.

Arafat had obviously been worried that Netanyahu and Sharon would unleash a new round of terrorism to sabotage the summit, which was evident in what Arafat said there. According to Israeli and U.S. press accounts, Arafat rebuked Netanyahu's screaming about "Islamic terrorism" on Oct. 18, by emphasizing that Avishai Raviv, the leader of the "Jewish terrorist" sect that provided the gun-man to kill Rabin, operates as part of a joint Jewish/Islamic terrorist front.

This is not the first time that Arafat has made such charges. On Feb. 29, 1996, for example, after the first of the Hamas bus-bombings that were to help put Netanyahu in power, Arafat told the Italian daily *La Repubblica:* "We know that there

is a pact between Israeli and Palestinian extremists to obstruct peace. Avishai Raviv, the head of the Jewish extremist organization Eyal, said in an interview granted the day before Rabin's assassination, that he had met with representatives of the Jihad. And he said that it was not the first time. These are all things I can prove."

Raviv was not only a Hamas and Islamic Jihad collaborator, however. He was also, like Netanyahu's Hamas grenadethrower, a paid agent of Shin Bet. This, too, is public knowledge.

On Nov. 9, 1997, the head of the Shin Bet at the time of the Rabin assassination, Carmi Gillon, confirmed in an interview with Israeli TV's Channel 1, that Raviv was a paid "government agent" of the Shin Bet, and that he had worked for them for "eight years" prior to the assassination. Gillon and other top Shin Bet officials made the same admissions in sworn testimony before a special Israeli commission called to investigate the murder. They also testified that they knew that Raviv, and his patsy Yigal Amir, had frequently discussed killing Rabin, but the Shin Bet officials said that they thought the men were just bluffing. Raviv was a "troubled youth," Gillon tried to explain.

Who is in charge?

Sharon's ability to run "Islamic" and "Jewish" terrorists gangs in tandem, was considerably enhanced in September 1997, when Netanyahu ordered the murder of Hamas political department chief Khalid Mishaal, in Amman, Jordan. In the aftermath of that bungled Mossad assassination attempt—

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which was apparently meant to provide the pretext for a new Hamas killing spree—Sharon flew to Jordan and arranged that Israel would spring 60 Hamas leaders from prison, in exchange for Jordan releasing the captured Mossad assassins. Among those released was Hamas spiritual leader and founder Sheikh Ahmed Yassin, who returned in triumph to Gaza, helping to resurrect the largely Israeli-steered terrorist organization. It was Yassin who claimed credit for Shin Bet agent Sarsour's recent grenade attack.

The main Israeli official currently tasked with overseeing "Islamic terrorist" and "Jewish terrorist" attacks is Gen. Meir Dagan, who heads the Prime Minister's Office for the Warfare against Terror. That office funds, arms, and deploys the Jewish terrorist movement, in close coordination with the Shin Bet and Mossad.

Dagan, like Sharon, rose in the ranks of the Israeli military through commanding secret units which massacred Palestinians, under the guise of Israeli civilian revenge attacks. But Dagan's unit, Rimon, also used Israeli commandos disguised as Palestinian civilians, to kill Palestinians. These same commandos also kill Israeli Jews.

Like Sharon and Netanyahu, Dagan was also violently opposed to the Oslo peace accords. Dagan was a key voice against Oslo and Rabin within the Israeli Defense Force, Israel's largest daily, *Yediot Aharonot*, reported on Oct. 24, 1997. "In early 1994, in a closed meeting IDF generals held with Prime Minister Rabin, Dagan took everybody by surprise when he asserted: 'Don't take it for granted that soldiers will obey orders to withdraw from the [occupied] territories.' "As a result of such defiance, General Dagan's

Interview: Yossi Beilin

'A Palestinian state is the only solution'

Yossi Beilin is a Member of the Israeli Parliament. He is former Deputy Foreign Minister and a longtime aide to former Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres. He was interviewed by Bill Jones in Washington, D.C. on Aug. 6.

EIR: It seems like in the last couple of years or so, the peace process in the Middle East has almost ground to a halt. Could you say something about the situation today?

Beilin: Well, actually, the situation right now is frozen. I mean, the interim agreement has not been implemented. We are not negotiating about the Permanent Solution, and the end of the five years of [Palestinian] autonomy is very close. It's May 4, 1999. If by then, nothing happens—God forbid—it might be conducive to violence, this way or another.

EIR: Do you think that the United States has been reticent to apply pressure on the government in order to move the peace process forward?

Beilin: Well, the United States was reticent in applying pressure, and rightly so. I don't think that pressure is needed. What is needed, is an American involvement. What is needed, is American mediation in the process. And, although there is some kind of such mediation, I believe that the profile right now, is lower than needed.

EIR: The formula for the Oslo Accords is land for peace, and it seems like Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netany-

ahu has had the formula, "We keep the land, we keep the peace." Is there any possibility now of getting to a situation where you can have a solu-

tion on land acceptable to the Palestinians?

Beilin: I'm afraid that under Netanyahu, it won't be possible to get to a solution whereby a Palestinian state will be formed. And that is the only solution: a demilitarized Palestinian state, not in the '67 borders, while Jerusalem is united, and while most of the settlers are under Israeli sovereignty. That is the only solution which is, I believe, feasible, and should be the case. I don't believe that the Likud government is ready to pay this price.

EIR: There has been a lot of concern within Israel over the situation, which has created a somewhat unstable electoral situation, in which Netanyahu perhaps doesn't have the support that he once had. How is the Labor Party now; is it united and ready for a fight? If it would come to some kind of a showdown, would the Labor Party be prepared and able to take power, and to move things forward?

Beilin: Well, we passed the first reading for early elections last Wednesday. So we are in the process of enacting a law of early elections, which might take place at the beginning of '99. If you are ready—You are never ready for elections, and you can never know what the results may be. But we are very optimistic, because the majority of the Israeli people are supporting peace, and supporting peace means supporting us.



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