

Libya's Man From Georgia

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Lyndon Johnson had his troubles with his rambunctious brother, Sam. Richard Nixon had a peck of difficulties with Brother Donald. Somehow, both Lyndon and Dick managed to keep these familial problems under comparative control.

But Jimmy Carter's brother, Billy, isn't just an unconforming, irresponsible enfant terrible. This unguided missile, through his links with Colonel Mu'ammarr al-Qaddhafi's Libyan government, much more than through his beer - can buffoonery, has unleashed a storm threatening to leave muddy tracks through several zones of the Carter government.

Now as a registered agent for the Libyan regime, Billy Carter has thrown chills into the hearts of millions. For him to claim that the \$220,000 already received from Tripoli is not a payment for services, just a friendly loan, raises eyebrows high enough. But when he rationalizes his relationship with the Libyan government by saying that a heap of governments support terrorists and thus to conclude that a number of wrongs make a right, danger signals shoot through the Carter sky.

Libya, Libya! How dare we forget the sorry record of this North African nation in the course of 11 years of rule by the ruthless adventurer, Qaddhafi? President Anwar Sadat of Egypt openly brands him "lunatic." His Socialist People's Libyan Jamahiriya dominates in what its dictator palms off as a popular democracy. Rule is not by a constitution but by Qaddhafi's Green Book. All political parties save the colonel's own are outlawed; all media is government - controlled; newspapers are forbidden to print editorials.

This single, most important terrorist base in the Middle East is held responsible for gunning down 11 Israeli athletes in 1972 at the Munich Olympics. When those murderers returned to Tripoli with the weapons smuggled to them in Libyan diplomatic pouches they were accorded heroes' funerals.

A staunch supporter of the Ayatolla Khomeini, a willing savior of Idi Amin when his Ugandan regime was crushed in March, 1979, Qaddhafi blames "imperialism, international Zionism, and racialism" for his acts of subversion and terror. Not the least of these was the Dec. 2, 1979 attack upon the U.S. Embassy in Tripoli by a mob of 2000 Libyans.

A constant flow of weapons from Moscow helps Qaddhafi back Yasir Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization. England finds it necessary to expel Qaddhafi's agents who have been zooming in on Libyan exiles in London for the sport of slaughter. But, says Qaddhafi, "it's the Christians and the Jews who commit genocide."

Libya's Jewish population was 35,000 thirty-five years ago. Only 40 Jews remain today.

This, then, is the nation whose cause Billy Carter espouses; it is Libya's diplomats for whom Billy threw a bash in the Atlanta Hilton in January 1979. Asked then what was in it for him, Billy, with a characteristic elegant choice of words replied: "The only thing I can say is there is a hell of a lot more Arabians than there is Jews."

At that time, a spokesman for the State Department was quoted as saying: "We were not consulted in advance, but we do welcome this

sort of visit if it results in improved Libyan understanding of the United States."

Thus did Billy Carter get his \$220,000 loan. Thus he has had dreams of enriching himself and Georgia buddies with future largesse from the oilwells of Libya sluiced through the hands of some of Qaddhafi's other agents.

About a year ago Colonel Qaddhafi wrote to President Carter dwelling upon his desire to have all Jews who had come to Israel from Europe shipped back to the land of their forebears. Qaddhafi's clients in that instance were members of Arafat's PLO. Billy Carter's client is Qaddhafi. How does the President answer the letter from Tripoli; how does he deal with his brother, the lobbyist for the friend of despots and an aspirant for the role of the ultimate destructive power of the State of Israel?

DISCOVER ARAB "HIT TEAM"

BRUSSELS (WNS) -- The attack on a group of Jewish teenagers and adults in Antwerp in which one 15-year-old was killed and 20 persons injured has led to the discovery of a "hit team" of Arab terrorists who were planning to bomb Jewish establishments in Brussels and Antwerp and attack airline passengers arriving in Brussels from Israel. The Belgian police found a briefcase in a locker at Brussels' main railway station, Gare du Nord, which is believed to contain detailed descriptions of possible targets, methods of access and possible escape routes.

The attack came outside the Jewish Community Center as a group of 40 youngsters waited to board a bus for summer camp. The attacker threw two grenades, killing David Kohane, 15, whose parents had driven him to Antwerp from Paris and were still there at the time of the attack. Most of the other parents, members of Agudat Israel, saw the attack and helped chase the

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens visited the injured in their Antwerp hospital. The King, himself hospitalized, with a mild heart

attack, personally cabled the families of the victims and the Antwerp Jewish

community to express his sympathy.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Ephraim Dovrat, a senior aide to Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz, told a group of visiting American trade union representatives here that Israel covers ten percent of its foreign currency deficit with the proceeds from the sales of Israel Bonds. "Without Israel Bonds we'd have to borrow substantial sums at high interest," he said. The Bond drive enables Israel "to cover the foreign exchange component in her industrial development budget, including major Negev projects," he said.

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