New U.S. Covert Agency to "Stimulate" Terrorists

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he Honorable Donald H. Rumsfeld, U.S. Secretary of Defense warns that there will be more terrorist attacks against the American people and civilization at large. We know, as does Rumsfeld, that this is an incontrovertible fact, a matter of scientific certainty. How can we, and Rumsfeld, be so sure that there *will* be more terrorist attacks against the American people and civilization at large? Because these attacks will be instigated at the order of Donald Rumsfeld, U.S. Secretary of Defense.

This astonish-

ing admission was buried deep in a story which was itself submerged by mounds of gray newsprint and glossy underwear ads in the *Los Angeles Times* (October 27, 2002). There – in an article by military analyst William Arkin, detailing the vast expansion of the secret armies being massed by the former

Nixon bureaucrat now lording it over the Pentagon – came the revelation of Rumsfeld's plan to create "a super-Intelligence Support Activity" that will "bring together CIA and military covert action, information warfare, intelligence, and cover and deception."

According to a classified document prepared for Rumsfeld by his Defense Science Board, a new organization – "Proactive, Preemptive Operations Group (P2OG)" – will carry out secret missions designed to "stimulate reactions" among terrorist groups, provoking them into committing violent acts which would then expose them to "counterattack" by U.S. forces.

Let's say this plainly, clearly and soberly, so that no one can mistake the intention of Rumsfeld's plan – the U.S. government is planning to use "cover and deception" and secret military operations to provoke murderous terrorist attacks on innocent people. Rumsfeld, Dick Cheney, George Bush and the other members of the unelected regime in Washington plan to deliberately foment the murder of innocent people – your family, your friends, your lovers, you – in order to further their geopolitical ambitions.

P2OG is not designed solely to flush out terrorists and bring them to justice – a laudable goal in itself, although Rumsfeld's way of combating terrorism by causing it is pure moral lunacy. (Or should we use the Regime's own preferred terminology and just call it "evil"?) No, it seems the Pee-Twos have bigger fish to fry. Once they have sparked terrorists into action – by killing their family members? luring them is capable of creation ex nihilo, yes?

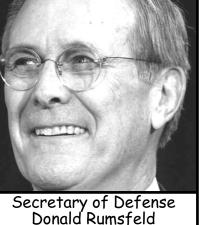
The Rumsfeld-Bush plan to employ murder and terrorism for political, financial and ideological gain does have historical roots: Operations Northwoods. America's top military brass presented the plan to President Kennedy in 1963, calling for a phony terrorist campaign – complete with bombings, hijackings, plane crashes and dead Americans – to provide "justification" for an invasion of Cuba, the Mafia/Corporate fiefdom recently been lost to Castro. [See pages 16-19.]

Kennedy rejected the plan, and was killed a few months later. Now, Rumsfeld has resurrected Northwoods

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with loot? fueling them with drugs? plying them with *jihad* propaganda? messing with their mamas? or with agents provocateurs who infiltrate groups then plan and direct the attacks themselves? – they can then take measures against the "states/sub-state actors accountable" for "harboring" the Rumsfeld-roused gangs. What kind of measures exactly? The classified Pentagon program puts it this way: "Their sovereignty will be at risk."

The P2s will come in handy whenever the Regime hankers to add a little oil-laden real estate or a new military base to the Empire's burgeoning portfolio. Just find a nest of violent malcontents, stir 'em with a stick, and presto: instant "justification" for whatever intervention/conquest/rapine you might desire. And what if the territory you fancy doesn't actually harbor any convenient marauders to use for fun and profit? Well, surely a God-like "super-Intelligence Support Activity"



on a far grander scale, with resources at his disposal undreamed of by those brass of yore, with no counterbalancing global rival to restrain him - and an ignorant, corrupt president all too eager to embrace any means whatsoever that will augment the wealth and power of his own narrow, undemocratic, elitist clique. There is a trans-

gression here, a stepping-over - deliberately, with open eyes, with forethought, planning and conscious will - of lines that should never be crossed. Acting in deadly symbiosis with ragemaddened killers, God-crazed ranters and those supreme "sub-state actors," the mafias, Bush and his cohorts are plunging the world into an abyss, an endless night of black ops, retribution, blowback, deceit, of murder and terror-wholesale, retail, state-sponsored, privatized; of fear and degradation, servility, chaos and the perversion of all that's best in us, of all that we've won from the bestiality of our primal nature, all that we've raised above the mindless ravening urges and impulses still boiling in the mud of our monkey brains.

It's not a fight for freedom; it's a retreat into darkness.

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