

Report from Italy by Paolo Serri

Ledeen persona non grata

Admiral Martini's SISMI has come up with a good start in the fight against Soviet penetration.

In an astonishingly courageous move, Italian secret services (SISMI) chief Adm. Fulvio Martini, has told the Parliamentary Control Committee on Intelligence that U.S. citizen Michael Ledeen, a former adviser on terrorism to Alexander Haig now at Washington's Center for Strategic and International Studies, should be declared "persona non grata" in Italy.

According to the weekly *l'Espresso* of July 30, and not denied by any official Italian or American agency, Martini went to see U.S. Ambassador Maxwell Raab as soon he became head of SISMI three months ago: "There is a person I would not like to see in Italy anymore. Better, I made him understand that he risks being officially considered 'persona non grata'. . . He is considered a political scientist, but in reality," added the Admiral, "he is a troublemaker [*mestatore*]."

"I informed the American ambassador to Rome, Maxwell Raab, of this: The citizen of yours whom I would not like to see in Italy anymore is Michael Ledeen. And since this talk of mine," added the Admiral with just a light smile, "it seems to me that Mr. Ledeen has not set foot in our country."

Michael Ledeen has been exposed by *EIR* as a key figure in the Anglo-American intelligence group represented by Henry Kissinger. He has been, from a research and operational standpoint, an important instrument for the realization of a fascist world order. In 1972, he published a book with the title, *Universal Fascism*, in which he

shamelessly advocated a fascist world order without nation-states. For Ledeen and his political controllers, Mussolini, prior to the pact with Hitler, and in particular, the Fascist youth of the late 1920s and early 1930s, represent a legitimate model for today.

From this standpoint, it is not surprising that Ledeen and his wife, Barbara, are at the center of the racist cultism surrounding the Temple Mount Foundation, with the objective of destroying the third most holy shrine of Islam, the Al Aqsa Mosque on Jerusalem's Temple Mount, allegedly to replace it with the Third Temple of Solomon. The project would be the spark for a fundamentalist religious war worldwide.

Barbara Ledeen has long been the editor of *Biblical Archeological Review*, the "official organ" of this racist-cult conspiracy, encompassing both "Christian fundamentalists" and Israeli cultists who envisage a return to the practice of animal and child sacrifice as "Jewish" religious practice!

Reported to be close to the Israeli Mossad, provided such covers as "trainer of the Israeli national bridge team," Ledeen is indeed pursuing a policy which immediately threatens the existence of the Israeli state itself.

Ledeen's tradition and mentors have a common ideological denominator: Nazi-Communism. The tradition is that of the fascist "poet" Ezra Pound and his friend, the dubious master-spook James Jesus Angleton; he is connected to Irving Brown and

Jay Lovestone, and the insane, Soviet-inspired *Mittleuropa* geopolitics of Henry Kissinger.

Groomed by this Anglo-American faction of U.S. intelligence and the Western oligarchy, Ledeen surfaced in Italy as the unofficial, but most powerful liaison between American and Italian intelligence services. From this position he played a key role in the destabilization plan against the Italian Republic plotted and carried out by the *Propaganda 2* (P-2) Freemasonic lodge of Nazi-communist agent, Licio Gelli.

With the 1978 advent of the P-2 "brother" General Santovito's rise to the leadership of the SISMI, Ledeen enjoyed unchecked power to implement his masters' feudal schemes, enlarging his personal fortune as well. In fact, he "sold" a report on terrorism to Santovito's SISMI at a fantastic price; it proved to be a total fraud, a collection of worthless data and known publications. It could not have been otherwise, since Ledeen's celebrated "expertise" on left- and East-controlled terrorism is merely a cover story for his involvement in the deployment of terrorism, through his association with the P-2 network's Licio Gelli, a person who had already been recruited to the Soviet NKVD in 1943, while serving as a torturer for Mussolini's secret police.

Admiral Martini's attack on Ledeen can be viewed in light of last year's attempt by two Rome judges, Imposimato and Priore, to subpoena Henry Kissinger for testimony on his threat against Christian Democratic Premier Aldo Moro, subsequently killed by the Red Brigades in 1978.

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