

## Now the heads have to roll in the DoJ

The confirmation of Edwin Meese as attorney general of the United States presents an excellent opportunity to wipe out drug-trafficking, terrorism, and related criminal activities. Meese's own statements make it clear that one of his top priorities will be the "war on drugs." Further, all reports indicate that the new attorney general, who has the personal backing of President Reagan, intends to immediately begin to clean out the corrupt elements in the Department of Justice and the FBI. This is indispensable, if the war on crime is to succeed.

Inside the federal law enforcement structure there is a "fifth column" for organized crime which has been running a protection racket for the mobsters for decades. These are the people who fought for months to block Meese's appointment. The key to unraveling this network is to trace the interface, inside and outside the Justice Department, of the associates of former FBI Division Five operative Walter Sheridan and the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) of B'nai B'rith.

Sheridan, presently on the staff of Sen. Ted Kennedy, was first brought into the Department of Justice in the early 1960s, when, under the sponsorship of Attorney General Robert Kennedy, he put together a special political hit unit known as the Terrible Twenty. That unit, which operates unofficially to this day, has consistently acted to use the Department of Justice for partisan political purposes and as a protective cover for the top-level controllers and financiers of organized crime.

Sheridan's own organized-crime connections run through Meyer Lansky's Resorts International, recently white-washed by the New Jersey Gaming Commission. The security arm of Resorts, Intertel (International Intelligence, Inc.), was first set up by Sheridan in the early 1960s under the name of Five Eyes, an unofficial arm of the DoJ for purposes of running "dirty tricks."

One of the prime investors into Intertel was Robert Vesco, the notorious drug-trafficker now residing in Havana. According to court records, Vesco was handpicked by current ADL President Kenneth Bialkin to take over Bernie Cornfeld's Investors Overseas Services organization, then a

key money-laundering vehicle for Lansky's mob.

This is the same Vesco whose "Colombian connection" is Carlos Lehder Rivas, one of the mafiosi currently deploying hit squads against agents of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). An attack on Vesco would not only disrupt the entire drug-trafficking apparatus, but would serve as the stepping stone to prosecution of the top international banking and political circles who serve as the board of directors for Dope, Inc. Yet, Vesco remains untouched, and any effort to get at him is consistently sabotaged from within the federal government.

Those responsible for the coverup are the same who launched the "Abscam" operation, in which U.S. congressmen, such as Sen. Harrison Williams, were framed by federal agents and prosecuted for crimes they did not commit.

The 1980 "Billygate" scandal was also hushed up by these Justice Department networks, then under the direction of Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti. The scandal involved the clandestine—and financially lucrative—agency of President Jimmy Carter's brother Billy on behalf of the government of Libya and the Sicilian drug mafia. The exposure of this Libyan connection raised the deeper question of the Carter administration's promotion of Islamic fundamentalism, the foolish policy of National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski which had led, among other things, to the toppling of the Shah of Iran and the taking of American hostages in Teheran. But both the scandal itself and its political implications were quickly covered up.

The most effective way to expose this criminal "fifth column" would be through a full investigation of the current money-laundering scandal around the Bank of Boston, which Boston U.S. Attorney William Weld is doing his best to block. The Bank of Boston has been caught laundering billions in drug money from the Angiulo organized crime family and other sources into the Crédit Suisse bank of Switzerland. But rather than prosecute the bank and launch an investigation, Weld arranged for it to plead guilty and get off with a paltry \$500,000 fine—not surprising in view of the fact that his own family has long-standing and close business connections with Crédit Suisse.

### Corrupt officials must go

The following Justice Department officials represent a national security threat, as proven both by their involvement in the coverup of the investigation of Billy Carter and Robert Vesco and their corrupt conduct of the Abscam investigations. These individuals, many personally trained by Walter Sheridan and Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox, have repeatedly held the interests of their faction above those of the United States. They will block any effort to investigate and prosecute narcotics interests.

**John Keeny**, deputy assistant attorney general, Criminal Division. Protégé of Walter Sheridan; previous posts include that of head, Smith Act unit of Internal Security Division;

deputy chief of Organized Crime and Racketeering section; Criminal Division chief of Fraud section; active in Abscam investigations.

**Mark M. Richard**, deputy assistant attorney general for General and International Litigation, Criminal Division (1973-75), chief of Major Violators unit of Fraud Section, assigned to multinational frauds involving white-collar offenders; assigned to develop new initiatives in white-collar crime prosecution (1975). Richard was central to the coverup of Billy Carter's illegal agency on behalf of the Libyan government.

**John Martin**, chief of the Internal Security Section; worked with Mark Richard to protect the Carter family, Democratic National Committee chairman John White, and others implicated in the "Billygate" scandal.

**David Margolis**, chief of the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section; ran the Abscam "sting" against Congress; worked with then Criminal Division director Phillip Heymann, protégé of Archibald Cox, to protect mafia-linked Brooklyn U.S. Attorney Thomas Puccio.

**Gerald McDowell**, Public Integrity Section chief; career centers in Organized Crime and Racketeering Section; responsible for review of FBI undercover projects in Abscam period; responsibility for prosecuting political corruption cases puts him in an ideal position to run "stings" against opponents

of Sheridan and Cox.

**Michael Shaheen**, counsel, Office of Professional Responsibility; office created for him by Edward Levi to oversee coverup of Justice Department harassment of private citizens and protection of crimes. Key role in protecting Benjamin Civiletti and other figures by denying government impropriety in Billygate investigation.

**Mark Shaheen**, Office of Public Affairs; formerly with Associated Press; and State Department public affairs.

**Richard Willard**, assistant attorney general in charge of Civil Division; reportedly the point-man in the Justice Department for Boston U.S. Attorney William Weld's financial warfare against Lyndon LaRouche.

**William Weld**, Boston U.S. attorney; protected the Bank of Boston from prosecution for drug-money laundering; family fortune tied to Crédit Suisse, the Swiss bank which was the recipient of the Bank of Boston's drug money; prosecutor of Lyndon LaRouche on behalf of the bank.

**Rudolph Giuliani**, U.S. attorney in Southern District of Manhattan; deputy attorney general in the first Reagan administration. Formerly with New York law firm of Patterson, Belknap, Webb, and Tyler, which oversaw New York's Waterfront Commission, notorious for its control by organized crime elements.

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