

Analysts Blast Obama's Drive for Armageddon

Opposition to Obama's drive for a World War III confrontation with Russia and China, through provocations in the Mideast cockpit continues to spread in postings by members of the military-intelligence community. Writing in antiwar.com Dec. 7, former CIA officer Philip Giraldi reports that the Obama White House has recently issued several edicts (called "findings") to the intelligence community, authorizing stepped-up covert action against both Damascus and Tehran, which, when combined with the evidence of major intelligence operations being run in Lebanon, "amount to a secret war against Iran and its allies in the Mideast."

Obama has extended Bush-era intelligence findings, and has added new covert operations. These include, Giraldi notes, the characterizing of Iran's Revolutionary Guard as a terrorist organization; a 2007 Bush finding authorizing attacks on Iran's nuclear scientists and facilities, and coordination with the Israelis on developing computer viruses; and a 2003 finding authorizing the use of intelligence assets to disrupt Revolutionary Guard activity in border zones.



Philip Giraldi

Giraldi says that assassinations—"which are acts of war"—carried out under these findings are done by the People's Mujahedin of Iran (MEK), the Baluch Jundallah, and the Kurdish PJAK. The new Obama edict on Iran extends the existing initiatives, and intends to create new insurgencies along all of Iran's borders, including among the Azeris in northwest Iran.

In Syria, despite warnings from Russia and China, foreign intervention is well under way, involving support for the insurgency from Turkey and several European countries, and the arming of rebels with surplus

weapons from Libya flown in on NATO aircraft. Also, some 600 Libyan fighters who helped overthrow Muammar Gaddafi have been imported, along with French and British special forces on the ground. The United States is providing communications equipment and intelligence to the rebels. National Endowment for Democracy cadres are providing "democracy" training.

Giraldi warns that these destabilizations, taking place under the pretext of the "responsibility to protect" civilians, could provoke civil war and the suppression of Syria's minority populations.

Resistance against Strike on Iran

A posting by retired Defense Intelligence Agency analyst Pat Lang on his website Dec. 6, reiterates in no uncertain terms what *EIR's* military-intelligence sources have been saying: "The CJCS (Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff) and SecDef have made their positions clear.



Patrick Lang

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This is the conclusion of Lang's posting on his website, attacking Andrea Mitchell, NBC Chief Foreign Affairs Correspondent (wife of former Fed chairman Alan Greenspan), broadcasting from Tel Aviv in "her spiritual home" of Israel, "where she made every effort to force Israelis to agree that Iran is an immediate and existential threat to Israel and that Obama is a gutless p—y who doesn't really love Israel."

Lang continues: "There is a tremendous controversy in Israel over these points. The IDF (Israeli Defense Force) general staff is dragging its feet over the wisdom of such an attack without America in the lead, and former Mossad chiefs like Dagan and Halevy are doing everything they can to stop Bibi and Barak in their rush toward war. Are the naysayers doing this because they have warm feelings for Iran? Hell no! They can see that Israel lacks the capability to cripple Iran (unless they use nuclear weapons). The CJCS and SecDef have made their positions clear. No new war on behalf of Israel unless they are attacked first."