

African Institute of International Affairs and of the Red Cross Council.

Despite the "South Africanization" of Liberty Life when Gordon, Michael Rapp, and Standard Bank of South Africa recently purchased most of Guardian's controlling interest, Guardian retains an 11 percent share. There has been little change in Liberty Life, the interlocking board memberships. Gordon continues to be on the board of Guardian, with the Earl of Inchcape, Angus Ogilvy of Lonrho, and C.E.A. Hambro. Gordon recently praised his mentor at Guardian, Ernest Rigland, for his "unflinching respect for City (of London) traditions."

—David Cherry

The Zionists' blackmail of South Africa

Since its founding in 1948, Israel has been the base from which the British monarchy's international Zionist operation against South Africa has been run. Indeed, one of the secondary purposes for which Israel was created was as a means to subvert and intimidate South Africa without implicating Great Britain. When the National Party came to power in South Africa in 1948, the country's Zionists — newly hegemonic over South African Jewry — offered the party their "friendship." The basis for this offer was that, otherwise, the Zionist leadership would deal the country's economy a blow by withdrawing capital and removing the skilled and professional Jewish population to Israel. This blackmail was run with another British operation: the international "isolate South Africa" movement which began in 1946. The National Party accepted a deal it feared to refuse. The true dimensions of this relationship became concealed behind the myth that a special relationship ought to exist between these two "peoples of the Book" — Israel and Afrikanerdom — because each faced threatening neighbors and a hostile world.

Since 1948, South African Zionists have occupied important positions in the Israeli foreign ministry. Cape Town-born Abba Eban is notable. He was Israel's Minister of Foreign Affairs from 1966-1974. Another South African, Arthur Lurie, became political adviser to the foreign ministry in 1972 after being Israel's Ambassador to Canada and Britain. South African lawyer, Michael Saul Comay, was Israeli Ambassador to London from 1970-1973.

With Begin's accession to power, South African Shmuel Katz became the Prime Minister's information adviser. Katz was first dispatched to Palestine in 1936 as secretary to the South African government's honorary com-

missioner in Jerusalem. After serving on the staff of the London *Daily Express* from 1943-1945, Katz returned to Israel to become a member of the high command of Begin's Irgun terrorist organization. Pressure from Dayan forced Katz's replacement by another South African, Harry Hurwitz, the general secretary of the Zionist Revisionist Organization of South Africa and editor of the *Jewish Herald*.

Israel against South Africa

The deployment of Israel against South Africa was greatly accelerated following the assassination of South African Prime Minister Hendrik Verwoerd in 1966. In the early 1960s, Verwoerd had moved against British containment of his country by reversing his policy toward black Africa in favor of proposals for regional cooperation for development. He moved at the same time against Israel by cancelling in 1962 a privilege granted the South African Zionist Federation to send seemingly unlimited funds to Israel, superseding South Africa's currency control laws. After his assassination, the privilege was restored.

The opportunities opened by the Verwoerd assassination were assessed at the Jerusalem Millionaires' Conference which followed the Arab-Israeli War in 1967. The late 1960s saw a series of Israeli and British advances on South Africa. The leaders of the South African delegation to the Millionaires' Conference were Benjamin Wainstein, a merchant with Asian connections, and Israel Aaron Maisels, a member of the board of the Jewish Agency and sometime chairman of the South African Zionist Federation. Miasels had been a Judge of the High Court of Southern Rhodesia and later Chairman of the General Council of the Bar in South Africa.

Moshe Dayan is responsible for Israel's South African operations at least in the period since the Verwoerd assassination. Dayan works through two close associates. Shlomo Peer, who helped Dayan form the Rafi party in the early 1960s, migrated to South Africa in 1966 and acquired citizenship in less than the statutory period. Peer took a leading role in the founding of the Israel-South Africa Trade Association in 1968 and chairs the South Africa Foundation's Israel Committee, established the same year.

Another of Dayan's associates, former Israeli intelligence and military intelligence chief Meir Amit, became president of Israel's largest industrial and commercial conglomerate, Koor Industries, in 1968. Koor Industries then began to penetrate South Africa's state sector industry, negotiating the formation of joint enterprises with the South African parastatal steel company Iscor, the heavy engineering firm Dorbyl, and others.

Two Israeli banks involved in the dope-for-diamonds trade and terrorism opened South African branches in the early 1970s. Japhet Bank opened an office in 1971; Bank Leumi followed suit in 1973 after its U.S. subsidiary contributed \$2 million to a secret loan to the South African Finance Ministry in 1972.

Israel pursued its subversion of South African scientific policy when the Weizmann Institute of Science

established a South Africa committee in 1975, chaired by Professor S.S. Israelstam, a member of the South African Prime Minister's Scientific Advisory Council. The institute's board includes London banker Sir Siegmund George Warburg and Kennedy family associate Myer Feldman of Ginsburg and Feldman, legal firm.

Organizing a private intelligence service

Also in the late 1960s, the Rennies group — taken over by Jardine Matheson in 1975 — began its spectacular growth and diversification, and the Security Association of South Africa (SASA) was founded. Rennies, the country's largest transport group, has a classic dirty money profile. Its work is no doubt aided by the presence in Johannesburg of John F. J. Jardine, Britain's consul general there since 1973. SASA has proved to be a vehicle for putting the entire private security industry in South Africa under British control through Baron Hayter's

Chubb and Son's Lock & Safe Company of London and Rennies Consolidated Holdings.

Rennies and Chubb control the two largest private security firms in South Africa which in turn dominate SASA. SASA is seeking legislation giving it complete control over the licensing of all individuals and firms in the private security industry, and claims to have had a favorable response from the Minister of Justice and Police, Jimmy Kruger. The managing director of Rennies' security company, Fidelity Guards, is Conroy Macfarlane, who was Superintendent of Police in Kenya during the Mau Mau uprising. He knows how to make terrorists as well as how to catch them. Macfarlane is quoted in the South African weekly *To the Point* on Sept. 29, 1978, "predicting" an increase of terrorism in South Africa and emphasizing the advantage which the terrorist has over the police and security agencies.

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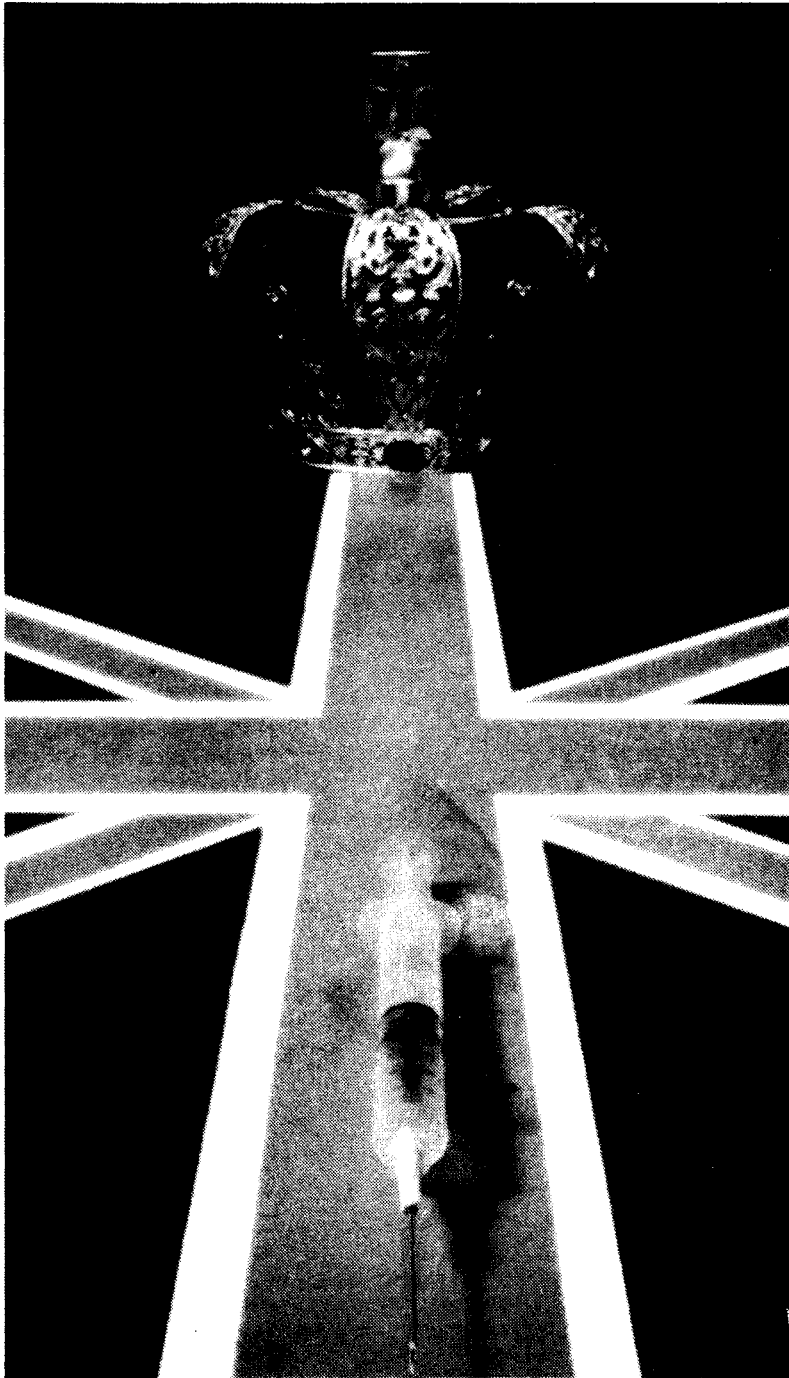
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