

Editorial Comment

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Iran—only the beginning

“This morning leftist militants seized the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City and took 100 American hostages. They announced that they will not free the prisoners until the United States forces Mexico to stop repression of political dissidents. A State Department spokesman offered U.S. military intervention to safeguard U.S. strategic interests.”

A preposterous scenario, of course. But one that may be imminent if Henry Kissinger and his “leftist” friends continue to get away with the subversive activities which already led to the Khomeini atrocities in Iran. The enemy is progress; the perpetrators are nested in American universities and government; and the latest tactic is to introduce, around the “tribunal” for the ex-Shah, the concept of “ethnocide” into international law. Under this concept, science and industrialization, especially nuclear energy, are a “crime” because they deprive backward peoples of their ethnic identity.

Dr. Kissinger, who operates out of the Jesuit university of Georgetown in Washington, D.C., arrived a few days ago in Mexico and threatened to “defend” that country “in any eventual situation of attack,” charging that Moscow “is arming the anti-U.S. forces in many countries (including) Mexico and Central America.”

Less than 12 hours after Kissinger arrived, the Jesuit machinery that has orchestrated the taking of various embassies from El Salvador to Guatemala over recent weeks conducted the opening phase of the “Iran scenario” for Mexico. On Feb. 17 two groups of terrorist-led peasants seized the embassies of Belgium and Denmark in Mexico City. They took no hostages, but refused to leave the premises until the Mexico government frees 120 alleged “political prisoners” and accounts for 600 “disappeared” persons.

The radicals who seized the embassies, members of the Popular Democratic Front, then staged

a press conference at Mexico’s most notorious Jesuit-run clearing house, CENCOS, boasting that “we sympathize with a sector of the clergy, and they are also with us.”

It all seems to be related to the activities of PEN International, the writers and intellectuals group that held a conference in New York last week on “The Literary and Political Climate in Latin America,” where the Mexican government was denounced as “worse than Nazi Germany” for its handling of political prisoners. Leading the charge were none other than former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark and Richard Falk of Princeton University—the very same men who were the prime movers behind the Khomeini coup a year ago in Iran as *EIR* documented at the time.

The circle closes back on Kissinger. One of Falk’s cothinkers in Mexico is leftist Enrique Gonzalez Pedrero, who just published a treatise glorifying backwardness, “The Wealth of Poverty.” Pedrero is the protégé of Mexico’s former Interior Minister Moya Palencia, who in turn is one of Kissinger’s closest Mexican allies.

What this crew has in store for America’s largest and most important neighbor has nothing to do with the Catholic religion, just as Richard Falk’s brand of “Islamic fundamentalism” is in no way related to the religion of the Prophet Muhammad. Like Iranian Prime Minister Shahpour Bakhtiar, who was overthrown in order to stop Iran’s nuclear energy-based modernization program, Mexican President Lopez Portillo is unacceptable to these people because he insists that Mexican petroleum will be used for high-technology growth. But unless wretches like Falk are tossed out of their academic havens for nurturing terrorism, and Henry Kissinger and his State Department allies are marched up the gibbet for treason, the “Iranization” of Mexico will be on the near-term agenda.