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British SIS/ASIO planning a terrorist attack on Australia?

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As things presently stand, a near-term terrorist attack upon Australian soil is almost guaranteed. Why? Is it because there are so many terrorists out there, whether home-grown or returning from Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan or elsewhere, such that at least one “lone wolf” is bound to “slip through”? No! It is because the British Crown and the City of London, which control the British and Australian intelligence services, *intend* for such an attack to occur. And, right on cue, legislation now pending in the Australian parliament will grant virtual immunity to any Australian officials who orchestrate or participate in such an attack.

Think back. The ever-escalating “war on terror”, in the main, dates from the 11 September 2001 attack on the World Trade Center and Pentagon. That event was used to justify the invasion of Afghanistan in 2001 and then of Iraq in 2003, which in turn unleashed the spiral of mayhem throughout that region that has continued ever since. Yet, a virtual avalanche of revelations since 9/11 (see below) demonstrate that the events of that day were orchestrated and financed by Saudi Arabia, with the connivance of dirty U.S. and British intelligence agencies.

But consider: why was 9/11 launched in the first place? And why is that same Saudi Arabia—the single largest financier of ISIS—now scheduled to serve as the headquarters to train a supposed “moderate” Arab/Islamic opposition to ISIS? The evidence below will provide you the answers to those questions. If you don’t want yourself or your loved ones to be injured or killed in a terrorist attack or to live under a fascist police state, you had better read it, and *act upon it*.

The trans-Atlantic financial system is now plunging towards a far worse collapse than even that of 2008. Therefore, the Crown and its City of London/Wall Street accomplices are driving for fascism and war—even a thermonuclear war against Russia and China—rather than see their imperial power evaporate along with the “too big to fail” (TBTF) banks, which are now 40 per cent larger than in 2008. A new “9/11”, whether of the “lone wolf” variety within Australia, and/or on a 9/11 scale elsewhere, would be used to consolidate Australia as a fascist police state, and to steamroll any opposition to Australia’s full participation in the present Anglo-American drive for war.

The new terror laws

Right now, the first of a raft of new terrorism laws is before Parliament. Collectively, these laws will make permanent the existing fascist powers, rushed through in 2002-03 in the wake of 9/11, and add new, even more

draconian powers.

The *National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014*, presented to Parliament in July, will give ASIO cover to commit virtually any act, by granting immunity from prosecution to officers of ASIO *and its affiliates*, engaged in “special intelligence operations” (SIO). The term “ASIO affiliates” is a new, far-reaching category to be added to the *ASIO Act 1979*. It may include private contractors and even foreign intelligence agencies. The 2014 bill also carries jail terms for reporters who publicise even general information about an ASIO operation.

Future bills will empower ASIO to collect so-called metadata on any individual’s communications, as well as making it a crime, punishable by five years in prison, to travel to certain “declared areas” around the world without proof of a legitimate purpose. On top of this, those of the powers enacted in 2002-03 that were due to expire will be extended *permanently*. These include: ASIO’s power to detain in secret any person, including Australian citizens not suspected of terrorism, for questioning for a week, and jail them for refusing to answer; control orders that allow ASIO, without a trial, to regulate every aspect of a person’s life; and preventive detention orders by which ASIO can detain people in secret and without charge for 14 days, allowing them to phone only their employer and a family member, and then to say only that they will be “out of contact for the time being”. (<http://cecaust.com.au/pubs/pdfs/Section4.pdf>)

Australia’s ASIO and ASIS intelligence agencies were established as mere branch offices of the British Empire’s Secret Intelligence Services (SIS), and remain so to this day. Throughout its entire history ASIO’s agents have referred to MI5 as “head office”, while MI5 and its sister MI6 themselves report not to the British government, but solely to the British Crown. Therefore, when MI5’s Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre on 29 August raised the UK’s terrorism threat alert to its second highest level (“Severe”) just days before the NATO Wales summit with its warnings of impending war with Russia, ASIO promptly raised Australia’s alert to “High”, meaning that a terrorist attack is “likely”. Like MI5, ASIO could point to no specific threat to justify the new alert.

Nonetheless, the police began high-profile raids against suspected terrorists in Brisbane and Sydney, in the pre-arranged full glare of accompanying news media, seen in the 800-strong police operation in Sydney on 18 September. After all the hoopla, only one 22-year-old suspect was charged with anything.

The British Empire runs terrorism: the case of Londonistan

Throughout the long history of the British Empire, London has served as the headquarters of numerous terrorist or “liberation” movements, which were deployed against the Empire’s enemies abroad, or even against the Crown’s opponents within the UK itself. That practice continues today, and is a major reason why the British Labour and Liberal Democratic parties are today demanding oversight powers over MI5.

From at least the late 1970s, when the Anglo-American imperialist faction sponsored the rise of fundamentalist jihadis in Afghanistan (the Mujahedin) to fight the Soviet Union, Britain has harboured the world’s worst Muslim terrorists, including Osama bin Laden himself during the 1990s. Authors Sean O’Neill and Daniel McGrory reported in their 2006 book, *The Suicide Factory: Abu Hamza and the Finsbury Park Mosque*, that at one point terror suspects living in Britain were wanted “by over a dozen friendly governments.” Among these, “Russia claims prominent Chechens who helped organise bombings on civilian targets in Moscow are sheltering in London. The Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Israeli and Turkish authorities, together with half a dozen European allies and the US government, have all presented Whitehall with lists of suspects they want to put on trial, but all of them are still waiting. The prominent French judge Jean-Louis Bruguière was so appalled by Britain’s attitude that he talked of ‘Londonistan’ as being the city of choice as a safe haven for Islamic terrorists, and a place ‘full of hatred.’”

One particularly horrific pre-9/11 example was the so-called Islamic Group, which massacred 62 people, mostly tourists, in Luxor, Egypt in 1997, following smaller terror attacks earlier. Islamic Group was headquartered in London, where its leaders, despite convictions for murder in Egypt, were granted asylum; a furious Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak blasted the British authorities and security services for repeatedly refusing Egypt’s requests to extradite the leaders of Islamic Group. Now the world watches in horror as a masked ISIS member with a British accent ritually beheads Western captives. Are we expected to believe that the UK, with its vaunted security services and all-pervasive Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) intercepts, has no control over the hordes of terrorists within its borders, or those flooding from Britain to join ISIS?

Despite its already enormous powers, MI5’s ASIO branch office is similarly letting terrorist recruitment and promotion happen in Australia, right under its nose. Recently, Australians were sickened by horrific images of two Australian jihadis, and the seven-year-old son of one of them, Khaled Sharrouf, holding aloft the severed heads of Syrian soldiers. These images helped trigger the latest anti-terror laws, yet this same Khaled Sharrouf, described as “poor intelligence”, was well known

to ASIO: though previously arrested for terrorism offences, he was able to travel on his brother’s passport from Australia to Syria; two months later, ASIO allowed his wife and his young sons to join him.

The authorities professed to be embarrassed that Sharrouf was able to flee, but he is only one of at least 200 Australians known to have gone to Syria, along with numerous American and British nationals. Such jihadis serve a two-fold purpose: they participate in the Anglo-American drive to overthrow Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, and then, fully trained, they are allowed to return home to commit terrorist acts in order to justify police-state measures in their countries of origin.

A case study: Hizb ut-Tahrir

ASIO has allowed the notorious pro-terrorist group Hizb ut-Tahrir to operate freely in Australia, even though it is banned in almost all Arab countries including even Saudi Arabia, in Russia and all the former Soviet states, and in most European countries. Alongside Australia, our “Five Eyes” intelligence partners Britain, the U.S., and Canada have failed to ban Hizb ut-Tahrir. That organisation has long preached for a Muslim Caliphate, or single Islamic State, for which ISIS is now deployed in Iraq and Syria. Under the pressure of public outrage following the London subway terrorist bombings in July 2005, British PM Tony Blair briefly talked about banning Hizb ut-Tahrir, but that idea was later quietly dropped. Australia’s then-Attorney-General Philip Ruddock followed the British lead and ordered an ASIO investigation into Hizb ut-Tahrir, only likewise to decide against banning the organisation, even though the 2002 laws authorise such a ban.

Even when NSW Premier Morris Iemma in 2007 requested that the federal government ban Hizb ut-Tahrir, the Attorney-General stuck fast with the British policy and refused. In September 2012 the group held a noisy demonstration in Sydney, in which young children held signs, “Behead all those who insult the prophet”. It still operates freely today, indoctrinating young Muslims to go fight in Syria, and to join ISIS.

But the Anglo-American intelligence services are capable of much worse than merely turning a benevolent blind eye to terrorist attacks. They are also capable of “false flag” assassinations or acts of terror, which are blamed upon someone else, based on planted “evidence”. One must ask why high-level British circles now warn that Russia intends to launch a “new 9/11”, probably in Eastern Europe. Really? Who would benefit?

The particulars of the UK House of Commons Defence Select Committee’s dubious warning were publicised in the CEC’s media release dated 11 September 2014, the text of which follows here.

MEDIA RELEASE | 11 Sept 2014

British Oligarchy planning new 9/11 to trigger World War III?

To prepare the agenda for the 4-5 September 2014 NATO summit in Wales, the British Parliament’s House of Commons Defence Select Committee on 29 July issued a lengthy report entitled “Towards the Next Defence and Security Review: Part Two—NATO”. Chief among its bloodcurdling recommendations for NATO preparations towards a final showdown with Russia, was its recommendation to downgrade the requirements for invoking the famous Article 5 of the NATO Charter, which specifies that an “armed attack” against any of NATO’s 28 members is an attack against them all. Without offering proof, the Committee claimed that Russia is now deploying “asymmetric”, “ambiguous”, or “deniable” acts of war, such as “information” or “cyber” war, as well as irregular

units of “little green men”, which are insufficient to trigger Article 5 as presently written.

As the chief example of threats for which NATO must be prepared, the Committee *cited the 11 September 2001 attack on the Twin Towers in New York*:

“The use of airliners hijacked for attacks in New York and the Pentagon in the USA in 2001 were considered sufficient to invoke a NATO Article 5 response, even though not immediately attributable to any nation state but to non-state actors.”

Even though no nation state could be identified as the author of 9/11, the declaration of Article 5, “*the only one since the inception of NATO*”, had justified the NATO-spearheaded invasion of Afghanistan, the report pointed out (emphasis

added). It stated that such “vicarious” or “deniable” actions must be expected more frequently in the future—on the part of Russia, “as in the situation in Ukraine”.

Taking the cue, British Prime Minister Cameron warned at a 2 September meeting of EU leaders in Brussels, on the very eve of the summit, against “appeasing [Russian President] Putin as we did Hitler”. The British, with the wholehearted support of U.S. President Obama, rammed through an agreement to upgrade a British-led NATO Rapid Reaction Force for permanent deployment in Eastern Europe, while the UK announced plans to form still another force, British-led but not formally under NATO, including Denmark, Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Norway and the Netherlands.

Why is the British Empire step-by-step, relentlessly whipping up the political and military atmosphere for a final showdown with Russia? Because the City of London/Wall Street-centred financial empire could explode any day now, and Anglo-American power along with it. Moreover, the recent emergence of a new world economic order around the BRICS alliance, led by Russia and China and committed to rapid rates of technological and industrial growth, will soon eclipse the collapsing Anglo-American trans-Atlantic system.

The original 9/11: the setting

In the wake of the near-cataclysmic GFC of 2008, many have forgotten the sequence of accelerating, severe financial crashes that set the stage for 11 September 2001. Set in motion by the end of the Bretton Woods system of physical economic growth in 1971 and the shift to a speculative, looting system, these included:

- * The “Asia crisis” beginning July 1997, which saw the devastation of many Asian nations under speculative attack by London and Wall Street;

- * The 27 October 1997 “Black Monday” Wall Street collapse, now almost forgotten, but which was much larger even than that of October 1929;

- * The August 1998 Russian GKO bond crisis, which almost triggered a global meltdown;

- * The consequent September 1998 collapse of the U.S.-based Long Term Capital Management (LTCM) hedge fund, which came within a whisker of detonating that global financial collapse;

- * The manufactured “Y2K” crisis of 2000, used to build up the dot-com bubble.

Surveying this pattern shortly after the election of London/Wall Street puppet George W. Bush (whose Wall Street banker grandfather Prescott Bush had financed Hitler’s rise to power in Germany) as U.S. President, the world’s leading economic forecaster, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., warned on 3 January 2001, eight months before 9/11:

“What you’re going to get with a frustrated Bush Administration, if it’s determined to prevent itself from being opposed—its will—you’re going to get crisis-management. Where members of the Special Warfare types, of the Secret Government, the secret police teams, and so forth, will set off provocations, which will be used to bring about dictatorial powers and emotion, in the name of crisis-management.”

The morning of 9/11

At the moment reports of the attacks on the Twin Towers hit the airwaves, LaRouche was giving a live radio interview to Jack Stockwell of KTKK-AM (“K-Talk”) in Salt Lake City. LaRouche commented, “The first suspicion that’s going to be on this is Osama bin Laden.” Once the later, Pentagon attack was reported, LaRouche, a veteran of decades in intelligence and security matters, exclaimed: “You can’t go around snatching planes in a coordinated fashion, like this. You can’t do it.”

Consider the chronology of that fateful morning. Between 8:25 a.m. and 8:32 a.m. the Federal Aviation Administration’s Boston Center flight controllers reported that Flight 11 had been hijacked. The North Tower was hit at 8:46 a.m. and the South Tower hit at 9:03 a.m. The Pentagon was not hit until 9:37 a.m. This building—the headquarters of the U.S. Department of Defense—presumably the most protected building in the world, was hit more than an hour after the first reported hijacking, *yet not a single fighter jet had yet been scrambled from Andrews Air Force Base*, just 18 kilometres from the Pentagon. These were well-practiced routines. With more than 4,500 aircraft continuously sharing U.S. airspace on any given day, the Pentagon between September 2000 and June 2001 had launched fighters on 67 occasions to escort wayward aircraft.

Despite the shutdown of all air travel shortly after the attacks and for days following, some planes did manage to fly. A private jet landed in Washington D.C. later on 11 September, carrying the head of the British secret intelligence service (MI6) and the deputy chief of Britain’s domestic intelligence service (MI5). By the end of the week, another private flight was granted clearance to leave the USA, this one carrying some 140 Saudi Arabian citizens, including 24 members of the family of Osama bin Laden—the man credited with the attacks.

Thousands of highly qualified experts have pointed out the impossibility of the official line of the U.S. and British governments: “Al-Qaeda did it alone.” Though most influentials who knew better were cowed from speaking out, some did.

- * Dr Paul Craig Roberts, former Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, observed that “Washington’s explanation of the attack implied a security failure too massive to be credible.” A former presidential appointee to high office, Dr Roberts’ high-level security clearances and knowledge of FEMA national emergency policy well qualifies him to make such statements.

- * Former German Defence Minister Andreas von Bülow has also long charged that 9/11 was an inside job: “I know a lot of people, including very influential ones, who agree with me, but only in whispers, never publicly.”

- * Former British Environment Minister and long-time MP Michael Meacher, in a 6 September 2003 article in *The Guardian*, “This war on terrorism is bogus”, devastated the official account, and asked socratically, “Could U.S. air security operations have been deliberately stood down on September 11?”

Orchestrated “terrorist” events as provocations are not new in history. Elected as Chancellor of Germany in January 1933, Adolf Hitler was widely regarded as a joke who would soon pass from the scene. But his Nazi party set fire to the Reichstag on 27 February 1933, which allowed Hitler to consolidate a police state within Germany and set the course for World War II. In 1962, the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff drafted Operation Northwoods, which called for Pentagon secret warfare units to kill innocent Americans and commit acts of terrorism in U.S. cities, creating public support for a war with Cuba, a plan vetoed by President John F. Kennedy.

The still-classified 28 pages: The British/Saudi authorship of 9/11

On 9 September 2014, three U.S. Congressmen joined seven family members of those killed in the 9/11 attacks in a powerful Capitol Hill press conference, demanding that President Obama fulfil his long-standing promise to declassify the 28 pages of the Joint Congressional Inquiry into the 9/11 events that were withheld from its report, released in 2002. This issue also received powerful coverage on CNN on 8 September. Those pages document the role of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in supporting the terrorist attack. Indeed, long-time Saudi Ambassador to the United States Prince Bandar bin-Sultan,

along with his wife, aided, abetted, and personally financed some of the hijackers in the United States for a period of two years before the attacks. An intimate of the Bush family, Bandar bin-Sultan later became head of the Saudi Intelligence Agency, on top of operations promoting “Islamic fundamentalism” all over the Middle East and beyond.

But the story goes deeper still. As LaRouche’s *Executive Intelligence Review* magazine has documented in the explosive series of dossiers listed below, the real story of 9/11 begins in London in 1985, when Bandar-bin Sultan, an intimate of Prince Charles, met British PM Margaret Thatcher and set up what became infamous as the “Al-Yamamah Affair”, a 20-year deal between the giant British Aerospace firm BAE and the Saudi monarchy for massive British arms shipments to Saudi Arabia in return for oil, a deal worth anywhere from \$100 to \$160 billion. This massive deal provided a multi-billion dollar “slush fund”, which Bandar used to build up Al-Qaeda and other Islamic terrorist groups. Al-Yamamah was investigated for years by U.S. and British authorities, but its patrons in the British Crown, the City of London and the British Secret Intelligence Services ultimately managed to cover up most of the evidence of a worldwide criminal and terrorist combine. Bandar personally received \$2 billion out of the deal, which went through Saudi accounts at the Riggs Bank in Washington and were likely used to finance some of the chief actors in 9/11, those documented to have received an estimated \$75,000 in “charitable donations” from his wife.

The consequences

British Prime Minister Tony Blair pyramided the lies of 9/11 into still a bigger lie: that Iraqi president Saddam Hussein had “weapons of mass destruction” that could hit Western capitals “within 45 minutes”. This argument became the pretext for the Anglo-American-led invasion of Iraq in 2003. Iraq and Afghanistan have been virtually destroyed by the “war on terror”. According to a 2006 survey published in *The Lancet*, 601,027 violent deaths out of 654,965 excess deaths related to the Iraq War (i.e. those above the normal expected rate) occurred between March 2003 and June 2006 alone. At least 174,000 civilians have died violent deaths as a result of the “war on terror” in Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan as of April 2014. Illicit opium production in Afghanistan increased 40-fold after 9/11 (especially in the zones occupied by the British Army), poisoning literally millions of human beings on the Eurasian continent and beyond.

Meanwhile, the “war on terror” has been used to justify ever stronger police states throughout the trans-Atlantic sector and including Australia, as typified by the omnipotent surveillance of virtually all communications of any type by the “Five Eyes” intelligence arrangement, centred at the U.S. National Security Agency and Britain’s Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) in Cheltenham. Already in 2002, the Howard government used 9/11 to push through a set of draconian “anti-terror” laws, which have been amplified since. The Abbott government’s proposed *National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014*, now before

parliament, will grant immunity from prosecution to ASIO and its affiliates for any crimes committed in the course of a special intelligence operation. Cameron has just announced that the UK faces “the greatest terror threat in history” (*The Telegraph*, 29 August) and has raised Britain’s threat level to “severe”—the second highest level, meaning that a terrorist attack is considered “highly likely”. This new threat level was declared by MI5’s Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre, which reports to no one in the UK government structure, but solely to the Crown. Almost daily the Anglo-American and Australian press reports on dozens or hundreds of American, British or Australian jihadis who will soon be streaming home to launch mayhem in the lands of their birth.

The pathway out: Glass-Steagall and a BRICS-centred New World Economic Order

As with the financial crises leading into the original 9/11, the British Crown and the City of London-Wall Street nexus are hysterical at the prospect that the next, even deeper global financial crash will crush their imperial power forever. Rather than wait for that to happen, they have launched wars all over, international terrorism, and now a likely thermonuclear showdown with Russia, in order to maintain their imperial system. We must break their power through the implementation of a Glass-Steagall-style breakup of their “Too Big To Fail” banks, and establish new institutions to direct credit into an industrial and agricultural renaissance, as the BRICS nations are now doing. It’s either that, or you’ll wake up one day before long to some British-rigged “new 9/11” in Eastern Europe, to be blamed on Russia, as forecast so recently by Her Majesty’s House Defence Select Committee.

DOCUMENTATION

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WHAT YOU CAN DO

The only way to defeat the British Crown-led financial oligarchy’s fascist “war on terror” and planned showdown with Russia and China, is to *bankrupt them*, and then join the BRICS-led drive for a just new world economic order. (http://cecaust.com.au/releases/2014_08_21_BRICS_Update.html) Call your MP and demand that he or she introduce Glass-Steagall legislation into the Australian Parliament to split legitimate commercial banking from speculative “investment banking”, which latter has generated the present \$2 quadrillion derivatives bubble now about to explode. Glass-Steagall legislation has been introduced into both the U.S. House and Senate with significant support. Even in the British House of Lords it fell only nine votes short of passage in November 2013! It can be done, *if you will fight for it*. (<http://cecaust.com.au/Glass-Steagall>) Otherwise, you can kiss your future—and that of your children or grandchildren—goodbye.