

to abortion as set out in *Roe v. Wade* because we have an investment in protecting religious freedoms and in promulgating justice.”

Schneider's implication that all Jews favor unlimited abortion is a lie, as Rabbi Zweibel made clear. Indeed, Agudath Israel filed an *amicus curiae* brief with the Supreme Court calling for the overthrow of *Roe v. Wade*. Zweibel noted that his group's brief differed sharply from one filed by the ADL in the same case.

The ADL's "anti-abortion equals anti-Semitism" line publicly surfaced in March, when the *Jerusalem Post* ran an article by Laura Kam-Ischaroff of the ADL's Israel office, charging that "increasing anti-Semitic manifestations in the volatile debate on abortions are worrying Jewish leaders in the U.S." She reported that, at an ADL seminar in late 1989, *Lilith's* Schneider warned "the abortion issue has become a pernicious amalgam gluing together anti-Jewish and anti-women feelings." In her *Lilith* piece, Schneider claims that "Anti-Semitism suffuses the anti-choice [anti-abortion] movement."

And what are Schneider's sources for these charges? In addition to Sally Greenberg and Jill Kahn of the ADL, she credits Chip Berlet—a "researcher" on "right-wing activity" who was formerly associated with the pro-drug *High Times* magazine! Both Greenberg and Berlet have been active members of the "Get LaRouche" operation, which has put pro-life spokesman Lyndon LaRouche and a number of his associates in jail. Indeed, Schneider has bitterly complained that the pro-life movement is too open to LaRouche's ideas.

## Pure evil

What exactly is it that the ADL is defending? Abortion has a long historical association with the most evil forces in society, such as gnosticism, which, not accidentally, are the same forces which have been battling to destroy Judaism and Christianity.

The mental outlook of the hard-core pro-abortionist is best shown by quoting a member of MagickNet, one Chip Gordon, author of *The Magician's Dictionary*. "I am getting tired of a world in which the importance of children is all that anyone can talk about," Gordon said recently on MagickNet. "Adults are important too. . . . You ought to realize that there are some who find the preoccupations of people who are reproducing to be very obnoxious. . . . There's far too much importance in our society placed upon children for their own sakes."

Gordon's hostility to mankind in general is explicit. "Five going on ten billion people on this planet and the fools still believe that breeding kids is so holy that parents have the divine right to act as dictators and thought police. . . . What really annoys them is that the world isn't falling all over itself in adoration of their spoiled brats! Time for compulsory birth control!"

Is this what the ADL means by "religious freedom"?

# Campaign forums show North as drug pusher

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Oliver North, the Marine lieutenant colonel who helped bungle the United States into the biggest foreign policy tragedy since Vietnam, has thrown his hat into the political arena. On June 23, 1990, the Freedom Alliance announced in the premier issue of its newsletter, *The Free American*, that the darling of Project Democracy had agreed to chair the new organization. In his acceptance letter, North promised: "Freedom Alliance intends to put into the hands of millions of freedom-loving and pro-family Americans the facts on the crucial issues of the day."

LaRouche For Justice (LFJ), the congressional campaign committee for Lyndon LaRouche Jr., who is running for U.S. Congress in Virginia's 10th Congressional District from a federal prison in Rochester, Minnesota after being railroaded for his opposition to North's Contra operation, began a series of public forums in LaRouche's district in northern Virginia during the first week of August to air some "facts on the crucial issues of the day" which neither North nor any of the other Iran-Contra troops wish to share with the public. The flyer announcing the forum series was headlined "Ollie North: Pusher or Patriot?"

First and foremost among the facts presented at the LFJ forums was the witting involvement of North and his coterie in some of the seediest drug-running and narco-terrorist operations in recent decades.

## Ollie North, the pusher

**Fact:** North's personal notebooks, recently released to the public by the presiding judge in his federal trial, are loaded with entries showing his direct knowledge of drug links by leading figures in the illegal Contra resupply operation. For example, on March 26, 1985, North refers to Rafael Quintero as "Secord's Agent. Should be on shore when arrivals occur." A week later, on April 3, North's same notebook reads, "Rafael Quintero—(captured)—known narcotics trafficker—Enrique Camarena." On Jan. 14, 1985, North had noted, "Rob Owen John Hull-no drug connection-Believes," a reference to John Hull, a Costa Rica-based Contra supply officer whose hacienda was widely reported by Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) investigators to be a transshipment point for Medellín Cartel cocaine shipments bound for the United States.

## Miami police report buried

**Fact:** As early as Sept. 24, 1984, the Miami Police Department had provided to the FBI a detailed report on leading figures in the North resupply network who were helping to fund the Contras with cocaine profits. When the information was passed to a senior member of the North interagency task force at the White House, FBI Deputy Director Oliver Revell, the Miami Police Department report was buried.

The Miami police investigation stated clearly: “[Francisco] Chanes is a narcotics trafficker” and “was giving financial support to anti-Castro groups and the Nicaraguan Contra guerrillas; the monies come from narcotics transactions.” The Miami police memo identified Frank Castro, another figure in the resupply operations in Miami, as a convicted marijuana smuggler who imported 425,000 pounds of pot into the United States.

**Fact:** By no later than May 1986, Oliver North had opened up a “second channel” for negotiating the arms-for-hostages deal with Ayatollah Khomeini. Congressional records identify that “second channel” as Mansur al-Kassar, a known international terrorist and narcotics smuggler. The Syrian al-Kassar had been convicted of heroin, hashish, and marijuana smuggling in several European countries. He was identified in Central Intelligence Agency files as a known KGB operator, and had been linked to several major international terrorist incidents at the time he came under the protective umbrella of North and Project Democracy.

One of al-Kassar’s deepest terror links was to Palestinian Abu Abbas, the mastermind of the *Achille Lauro* ocean liner hijacking in which a disabled Jewish-American passenger was drowned by the terrorists. Al-Kassar is still today a prominent suspect in the Pan Am 103 bombing in which 270 people died, and in the car bomb assassination of West Germany’s most powerful banker, Deutsche Bank chairman Alfred Herrhausen.

Despite an Interpol rap sheet a mile long, al-Kassar was wined and dined by North and was eventually paid several million dollars for delivering Soviet-made weapons to the Contras.

## North worked with ‘Dope, Inc.’

**Fact:** Colonel North worked intimately with the dope lobby’s Anti-Defamation League (ADL) throughout the Iran-Contra affair, ushering ADL official Rabbi Morton Rosenthal into the White House to deliver a diatribe against the Sandinistas’ alleged “anti-Semitism,” and using ADL national chairman and mob lawyer Kenneth Bialkin to arrange covert funding of missiles for Iran by Saudi billionaire Adnan Khashoggi.

Bialkin had been found guilty in a federal civil proceeding in New York in 1980 of masterminding fugitive Robert Vesco’s looting of the Investors Overseas Services of hundreds of millions of dollars. Those stolen funds helped finance Vesco and Medellín Cartel figure Carlos Lehder Ri-

vas’s opening of the Caribbean cocaine pipeline into the United States.

**Fact:** North’s and former State Department Assistant Secretary of Latin American Affairs Elliott Abrams’s Project Democracy circle arranged for the U.S. State Department to pay over \$100,000 to a Honduran company, Semco, to deliver “humanitarian aid” to the Contras knowing that the company was owned by Juan Ramón Matta Ballesteros, a major international dope smuggler. Matta Ballesteros was convicted on July 26 of conspiracy to kidnap, torture, and murder DEA agent Enrique Camarena in Guadalajara, Mexico in February 1985.

## North worked with Camarena’s murderers

**Fact:** At the Camarena murder conspiracy trial in federal court in Los Angeles, California in June, a DEA informant, Laurence Victor Harrison, testified that CIA officials attached to the Contra resupply effort had used the Mexican ranch of Rafael Caro Quintero as a training site for Central American “freedom fighters.” The same ranch was the location where Camarena and a second DEA employee were tortured to death.

According to Harrison’s debriefings by DEA agents and separate reports by retired DEA undercover agent Michael Levine, the Mexican Cartel was protected by North and Project Democracy as part of a deal in which drug cartel pilots flew arms supplies to Contra bases in Central America and were permitted to bring drugs into the United States on the return flights. These facts represent the mere tip of the iceberg of Oliver North’s role in flooding the streets of America with illicit killer drugs.

Yet, in his new role as “conservative” political rabble rouser, North proclaims that the government must crack down much harder on drug users. Calling drug interdiction and eradication “useless” at a recent public event in Maryland, North called for get-tough measures to decrease the demand for drugs inside the United States.

It is ironic that the most recent piece of “get tough” legislation, the 1990 Omnibus Crime Bill, could land North in the electric chair—as a drug “kingpin”—were he to be prosecuted for the Iran-Contra dope operations cited here.

As LaRouche campaign spokesmen pointed out at the recent northern Virginia forums, during the first Reagan administration, Lyndon LaRouche had proposed an all-out war on drugs as the most effective means of overthrowing the Sandinista regime in Managua, Nicaragua. LaRouche cautioned against “taking sides” in a no-win competition among rival drug mafias through the Contra program as proposed by North and Project Democracy.

As White House documents show, North and Project Democracy joined in with the ADL and Henry Kissinger to frame up and jail LaRouche when the four-time presidential candidate threatened to publicly blow the Contra cocaine connection.