The Vatican's Hidden Jerusalem Agenda



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Shabbat Shalom Brethren,

This week I have two articles from The Trumpet.com which expand on two articles I had written to you earlier this year. I can't recall which News Letter at the moment.

In the one article I showed you how the Vatican had been secretly negotiating with Israel over certain land. This article by Ron Fraser follows up on that line of thinking.

Also in the Prophecies of Abraham I have told you that one of the reasons for that Northern Army to come down and by peaceful means, take over control of Israel in the year 2013, was due to some sort of war in Egypt. Isaiah says that they will be led away naked.

Isaiah 20: 2 at the same time the Lord spoke by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, "Go, and remove the sackcloth from your body, and take your sandals off your feet." And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. 3 Then the Lord said, "Just as My servant Isaiah has walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and a wonder against Egypt and Ethiopia, 4 so shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians as prisoners and the Ethiopians as captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt. 5 Then they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation and Egypt their glory. 6 And the inhabitant of this territory will say in that day, 'Surely such is our expectation, wherever we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria; and how shall we escape?'"

But read this verse to know why this cruel one from the north comes. Note that the chapter above was chapter 20 and the next one is chapter 19 which happens before it.

Isaiah 19:1 The burden against Egypt. Behold, the Lord rides on a swift cloud, And will come into Egypt; The idols of Egypt will totter at His presence, And the heart of Egypt will melt in its midst. 2 "I will set Egyptians against Egyptians; Everyone will fight against his brother, And everyone against his neighbor, City against city, kingdom against kingdom. 3 The spirit of Egypt will fail in its midst; I will destroy their counsel, And they will consult the idols and the charmers, The mediums and the sorcerers. 4 And the Egyptians I will give Into the hand of a cruel master, And a fierce king will rule over them," Says the Lord, the Lord of hosts.

Daniel 8:23 "And in the latter time of their kingdom, When the transgressors have reached their fullness, A king shall arise, Having fierce features, Who understands sinister schemes. 24 His

power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; He shall destroy fearfully, And shall prosper and thrive; He shall destroy the mighty, and also the holy people. 25 "Through his cunning He shall cause deceit to prosper under his rule; F27 And he shall exalt himself in his heart. He shall destroy many in their prosperity. He shall even rise against the Prince of princes; But he shall be broken without human means.

This is a civil war in Egypt. Knowing this, the next article about Iran infiltrating Egypt is alarming.

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From the July 2009 Trumpet http://www.thetrumpet.com/index.php?q=6191.0.115.0 Why did the pope visit Israel, and why now? By Ron Fraser

This magazine has been watching Joseph Ratzinger for a long time. As we have watched, we have followed his course from chief confidante of the late Pope John Paul II, to his enthronement as pope, and then on throughout the past four years of his controversial papacy. As we have watched this leading religious figure, we have monitored his involvement in a clandestine project of the Vatican that was documented in Bible prophecy almost 2,000 years ago and which remained a mystery until fully exposed within the last two decades. Now, in light of Benedict XVI's visit to Israel in May, his first since being elected pope, it is crucial that the Vatican agenda for the city of Jerusalem be publicized.

Hushed About History

Back in the mid-1990s, a statement made by Pope John Paul II during an interview in his native Poland, broadcast in Italian over a Polish radio station, was noted by one of our Italian associates. She sent us a transcript of the interview, which included one particularly startling reference by the pope regarding the Vatican's ultimate goal of transferring its headquarters from Rome to Jerusalem.

What was unusual about this admission of John Paul II was that the Vatican's intentions to possess Jerusalem are seldom publicized and little commented-on. In fact, an air of secrecy—something that the Vatican has a history of creating over various of its affairs over the centuries —has surrounded this project since the failure of the Crusades, the most obvious of the overt and now very historical attempts by the Vatican to seize control of the Holy City. Those attempts have a long history with strong attachments to the German nation, right up to the past two world wars, and beyond to our present day.

As far back as the eighth century A.D., emissaries were sent to Jerusalem by Emperor Charlemagne to negotiate an agreement with the Muslim Caliph Haroun al-Raschid. The result was, Jerusalem became a protectorate of the Holy Roman Empire.

Historical records indicate that such a protectorate was limited to the oversight of the welfare of Christians, the care and protection of designated holy sites, and the properties of the Roman Catholic Church in Jerusalem. The fact that the caliph would be a financial beneficiary to this enterprise was a given. Muslim support of the Kaiser's army in World War I, and again of the Nazi regime in World War II, was the end result of a long historical nexus between the Muslims and Germany.

From the time of the Charlemagne/Haroun pact, through the attempt by Kaiser Wilhelm to seize Jerusalem in World War I, to this day, elements within Germany have historically viewed themselves as protectors of the Roman Catholic Church.

From the time of the failure of the great Crusades, German elites have worked to find ways and means of seizing the plum job of protector of Jerusalem.

Link With Germany

Recently, courtesy of the actions of Germany's Vice Chancellor and Foreign Minister Frank Walter Steinmeier, Germany has aggressively stepped up its diplomacy in the Middle East. Vatican and German diplomatic moves in Israel are both linked to a common end: possession of the Old City of Jerusalem and most of the eastern half of the city.

The Jews are the pawns in this grand game of international diplomacy. The Palestinians are the grunts on the ground, eager to help divide Jerusalem and annihilate the State of Israel in the process.

The Vatican already has a significant presence in Jerusalem. Under Israeli law, Rome has legal jurisdiction over, and free access to, its holy sites, including both its institutions and assets in Jerusalem. The consolidation of these arrangements came in a bilateral agreement termed "The Fundamental Agreement Between the Holy See and the State of Israel," which the Israeli government signed with the Vatican on Dec. 30, 1993. The terms of this agreement, composed in secret, were subsequently legislated by the Israeli parliament, the Knesset. What remains largely unknown is the secret deal made by current Israeli President Shimon Peres and the leftist peacenik and former Meretz party member Yossi Beilin, known widely as "Peres's poodle."

On June 15, 1994, six months after signing the bilateral agreement with the Vatican, the Israeli government inked another agreement with the Vatican endorsing the Roman Catholic Church's participation in negotiations to determine the future of Jerusalem.

This was followed in February 1996 by Secretary General of the Vatican Serge Sebastian announcing that Rome recognizes Palestinian sovereignty over East Jerusalem. The Vatican had thus revealed its hand.

Four years later, the Palestinian terrorist Yasser Arafat met in audience with Pope John Paul ii at the Vatican. The two signed an accord normalizing relations between the Palestinians and the Roman Catholic Church and agreeing to work toward establishing Jerusalem as an international city based on international guarantees. Later that year, the pope visited Israel. Declaring that Jerusalem was the main obstacle to peace in the region, he publicly called for international oversight of the holy city to safeguard its sacred sites.

But there is another party that also has an interest in establishing a presence in Israel. Germany expressed its desire to do that as far back as 2002. Having an established presence in the Mediterranean, off the Persian Gulf and in Lebanese waters as well as Afghanistan, Germany is already encircling the Middle East in its seemingly benign capacity as "peacemaker."

It is clear that Germany's and the Vatican's Middle East policies are aligned. Each is patently playing both ends—Israel and the Palestinians—toward the middle.

Germany and Rome used the same tactic in the Balkan Peninsula to achieve a desired result with implicit UN agreement, with the Serbs becoming the pariah in the world's view. This time, it's the Jews who are being pilloried, especially since the Gaza incursion in January. The result will be the same: the seizure of iconic territory to be placed under the influence of Berlin and Rome with the willing acquiescence of the United Nations.

Journalist Joel Bainerman, a well-known commentator on Israeli affairs, wrote, "The end goal of the Vatican is to seize control of the Old City of Jerusalem out of the clutches of the State of Israel. To that end they have a secret agreement with Israel which obliges Israel to respect the 'extraterritorial' claim to their physical presence in the city. In short, we have accepted the Vatican's rights to have little Vatican sovereign embassies throughout our eternal capital of Jerusalem. That same Vatican has committed itself, in public and in a written agreement, to ensure that the Palestinians have sovereignty in the Old City of Jerusalem" (www.joelbainerman.com).

"Toward the Pleasant Land"

Yet, beyond the proof of the hidden agenda of the Vatican exposed by commentators, there is the "more sure word of prophecy," which we have well documented in our publications, that forecasts this very reality. In Daniel 8, we read about the coming of an individual who will be the spiritual head of a great religio-political institution centered in Europe. The entity he leads is prophesied to spread its tentacles "toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land" (verse 9).

Believe it or not, your Bible prophesies the hidden agenda of the Vatican!

The press and media remain fixated on what they believe are the faltering mistakes of a pope out of touch with reality. (Witness the imbroglio over Benedict's Regensburg speech and the latest kerfuffle regarding the lifting of the excommunication of the four Lefebvrist bishops, including the Holocaust-minimizing Richard Williamson.) Such diversions are but a smokescreen for those whom Lenin famously called "useful idiots." They keep people diverted from following the scent on the track to the ultimate Vatican story, the coming takeover of Jerusalem by Rome!

Infiltrating Egypt

From the July 2009 Trumpet http://www.thetrumpet.com/index.php?q=6189.0.115.0 Is Iran about to take over? By Richard Palmer

Egypt had a very public argument with Hezbollah recently. In April it arrested 49 Hezbollah agents for espionage and planning hostile operations. A government-controlled newspaper even called Hezbollah Secretary General Hassan Nasrallah a "monkey sheikh."

This spat is no trivial matter. Hezbollah is essentially an arm of Iran. And Iran poses a serious threat. Its infiltration of Egypt has become so deep that Cairo felt impelled to act. The Hezbollah cell arrested in April had smuggled weapons and arms to Hamas, planned attacks on tourists in the Sinai, and conducted surveillance on the Suez and other strategic targets. According to Egypt's Attorney General Abdel-Magid Mohammed, it had rented apartments overlooking the Suez Canal to spy on canal traffic, and held training workshops on how to spread Shiite ideology in Egypt.

Nasrallah rejected the many accusations but did admit that Hezbollah had some operatives in the area to smuggle weapons and men into Gaza.

In spite of the bust, the threat is far from neutralized. Israel's Lt. Col. Moshe Marzouk, of the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism, warned: "Other cells operate in Egypt. The one that was uncovered is neither the first nor the last, and so there is still the danger of an attack against the Israeli Embassy in Cairo" (Ynetnews, April 13).

Too Strong to Shake Off

"Egypt's territory has become no-man's-land for the smuggling of money, weapons and terror cells. In fact, because of the difficulties in transporting arms, Hezbollah and the Iranians have

built rocket production workshops in Sinai," Lieutenant Colonel Marzouk continued. "However, until now the Egyptians preferred not to act against the cells, assuming they do not pose a threat to the Egyptian regime but [are] rather meant for Gaza.

"Now it has become clear that the terror infrastructure was planning to carry out attacks against Israeli targets in the heart of Egypt, while ignoring the sovereignty of the local government, and by this it crossed a red line."

Hezbollah is not the only group Iran is using to infiltrate Egypt. Iran has long had informal ties with Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood, an extremist group that aims to create an Islamic state in Egypt.

Iran has also heavily penetrated Egypt's neighbor Sudan, out of which the Nile flows. Journalist Smadar Peri painted a dire picture of how vulnerable this makes Egypt: "In one moment, Iranian intelligence agents can block the Nile's water sources, Egypt's lifeblood, send in alQaeda-style murderers, and smuggle weapons and explosives not only to Gaza's tunnels but also to Cairo and to the Alexandria Port" (ibid., April 12).

It is now clear to Egypt's leaders that Iran's presence through Hezbollah—not to mention Egypt's own Muslim Brotherhood—is a threat not only to Israel, but to their own nation as well. Marzouk says Iran's hold on Egypt is already too strong for Egypt to shake off.

Iran's Fingerprints

Hezbollah's activities in Egypt have Iran's fingerprints all over them. Two of the Hezbollah agents arrested in April worked for an Iranian TV channel broadcasting out of Cairo. Its offices were used by Hezbollah for secret meetings.

The government knows that Iran is the real enemy. Egyptian daily Al-Ahram quoted a senior official in Cairo saying that Iran was plotting to use Hezbollah to attack various targets across Egypt.

"The terror network is just part of the second stage of the Islamic revolution, whose goal is not only to take over Iran like in Khomeini's days, but also to export the revolution to the Muslim countries of the region," Marzouk stated.

"Iran has started pouring money into the Arab countries years ago, in a bid to establish ideological-religious infrastructure that would help topple the Sunni regimes" (op. cit.). Now Egypt has had to act against Hezbollah for its national security. It shows how strong Iran's influence has grown.

Over recent years, Egypt has shifted closer to Iran. Iran wants Egypt onside—either by cajoling it into forming an alliance or by replacing the regime with one more supportive of the Islamic revolution. By infiltrating Egypt with groups like Hezbollah, Tehran could compel Cairo to align more with Iran to avoid trouble—or it could use the group to help put an Islamist government in power.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak is aging. If he died or was removed violently, it would be easy for the popular Muslim Brotherhood to take over. Should that happen, you could expect the Brotherhood to align Egypt with radical Iran.

For years, the Trumpet has warned that Egypt will ally with Iran just before the return of Christ. Daniel 11:40 prophesies that "at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind." A pushy nation south of Europe will provoke a great northern European power. This nation is Iran—a nation constantly pushing against the world's major powers. But then verse 42 lists Egypt as one of Iran's allies.

Our free booklet The King of the South explains this prophecy.

Iran's infiltration of Egypt is a step on the road toward Christ's return. The Bible shows that Egypt will soon be allied with Iran. Watch closely for this prophecy to be fulfilled.