

# State Sponsored Terrorism: Who Was Behind the Charlie Hebdo Paris Attacks? Michel Chossudovsky

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Amply documented, the French Republic under the helm of president Francois Hollande is supporting as well as funding Al Qaeda affiliated terrorists.

"The forbidden truth" which the French public should address is that their government together with the US, NATO and Israel –while waging a self-proclaimed "Global War on Terrorism"– routinely provide covert support to the same terrorist entities which are the object of their "humanitarian wars" and "counter-terrorism operations".

While the French media in chorus point to the jihadist threat to "Freedom of Expression", not a single French media has had the courage of raising the broader issue of **State sponsorship of terrorism** and the insidious role of the French government and its intelligence apparatus in supporting Al Qaeda affiliated entities not only in the Middle East and Africa but also in France.

In a bitter irony, the campaign following the terrorist attack on Charlie Hebdo has not contributed to sustaining "Freedom of Expression". In fact quite the opposite. It has contributed to a new wave of media censorship.

There is a gruesome political agenda behind these attacks which must be the object of public debate. Who are the terrorists? Those who commit terrorist acts or those who control and finance the terrorists?

<u>The Attacks on Charlie Hebdo and the "Kosher Grocery Store": Israel's Mossad</u> <u>"to the Rescue"?</u> By <u>Prof Michel Chossudovsky</u>, January 09, 2015

Commissaire Helric Fredou: "The Forgotten Policeman"

Fredou was part of the official investigation. His passing -while participating in the Charlie

Hebdo investigation- has barely been acknowledged. His death in Limoges, South-West France is shrouded in mystery. He allegedly committed suicide within hours of a police debriefing and the preparation of his police report.

His body was found at 1am on Thursday morning with a bullet in his head. He allegedly



committed suicide.

Fredou's funeral was held privately in Limoges on the same day (Tuesday) as that of the other three policemen.

The official story is that he was depressed and had suffered from a burnout following a meeting with relatives of one of the victims. There are no details as to who these relatives are and where they are living, in the region of Limoges (Haute Vienne) or in Paris (400 km. from Limoges).

What the reports fail to mention is that the Kouachi brothers had spent their high-school years in the Limoges region and that Commissaire Ferou's police investigation was in all probability related to gathering information within the region on the Kouali brothers including their whereabouts.

"An autopsy was performed at the University Hospital of Limoges, <u>"confirming the suicide"</u>. The French media decided or was instructed not to cover the incident.

Commissaire Ferou committed suicide in his workplace, in his office at the police station.

Did he commit suicide? Was he incited to commit suicide?

Or was he an "honest Cop" executed on orders of France's judicial police?

Has his report been released?

These are issues for France's journalists to address. It's called investigative reporting. Or is it outright media censorship? (Michel Chossudovsky, <u>Police Commissioner Involved in Charlie Hebdo Investigation "Commits Suicide"</u>. Total <u>News Blackout</u>, Global Research, January 11, 2014)

Charlie Hebdo: Mystery Surrounding Death of French Policemen By Prof Michel Chossudovsky, January 15, 2015

#### The Role of Mossad

In addition to the Israeli SWAT team, Prime minister Netanyahu "has ordered Mossad to provide French officials for all the assistance they need in tackling the ongoing terror situation in and around Paris" (Daily Telegraph, emphasis added). What this

suggests is that Mossad agents would be operating on French soil in partnership with France's *Direction générale de la sécurité extérieure* formerly known as *Le Deuxième Bureau*.

According to Israel's prime minister Netanyahu, (January 9)

"[the attacks on Charlie Hebdo and the Paris kosher grocery store] are a microcosm of of a greater battle against jihadists ...

This is a global struggle. Bringing to justice the Paris murderers is just the beginning,...

And all of them seek to destroy our freedoms and to impose on all of us a violent, medieval tyranny. They might have different names, but all of them are driven by the same hatred and blood-thirsty fanaticism."

They bomb churches in Iraq; they slaughter tourists in Bali; they rocket civilians from Gaza; and strive to build nuclear weapons in Iran...we have to fight these enemies of our common civilization" (quoted in Times of Israel, January 9, 2015)

What the Times of Israel report fails to mention is that Netanyahu has been actively supporting Islamic State (ISIS) and Al Nusrah terrorists out of the occupied Golan heights. While coming to France's rescue, Netanyahu does not deny his government's support of the jihadists in Syria. The IDF top brass has acknowledged that "global jihad elements inside Syria" are supported by Israel:

Netanyahu toured the Golan Heights with Defense Minister Moshe Ya'alon and IDF Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Benny Gantz.

At a lookout point overlooking the Syrian border, OC Northern Command Maj.-Gen. Yair Golan briefed Netanyahu on the presence of global jihad elements inside Syria, as well as on the work being done to fortify the Israeli-Syrian border fence. (Jerusalem Post, February 19, 2014)



Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu Shakes Hand

with an Al Qaeda Terrorist. Is the wounded terrorist an Israeli intelligence asset?

"Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Defence Minister Moshe Ya'alon **next to a wounded mercenary**, Israeli military field hospital at the occupied Golan Heights' border with Syria, 18 February 2014" (ibid, emphasis added)

Ironically, the State of Israel is collaborating with the French authorities in the Charlie Hebdo counterterrorism operation, while also supporting the two main terrorist entities in Syria: the Islamic State (ISIS) and Al Nusrah.

While there is no evidence of Mossad presence prior to the Charlie Hebdo attacks, it should be noted that France and Israel have a longstanding bilateral relationship in military and intelligence affairs. The fact that the Israeli government announced its intention to dispatch Mossad officials to Paris might suggest that Israeli intelligence officials were in Paris at an earlier date, prior to the January 9 official announcement by PM Netanyahu.

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