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## MILITARY COUP IMMINENT IN IRAN U.S. PUSHES FOR MILITARY ACTION

Within days of the appointment of Bakhtiar as a political "settlement," it was clear to everyone that this "solution" would fail. The peoples' movement is determining all the policies that are forced on the rulers of Iran and on the U.S. They have stated the terms: the Shah must go.

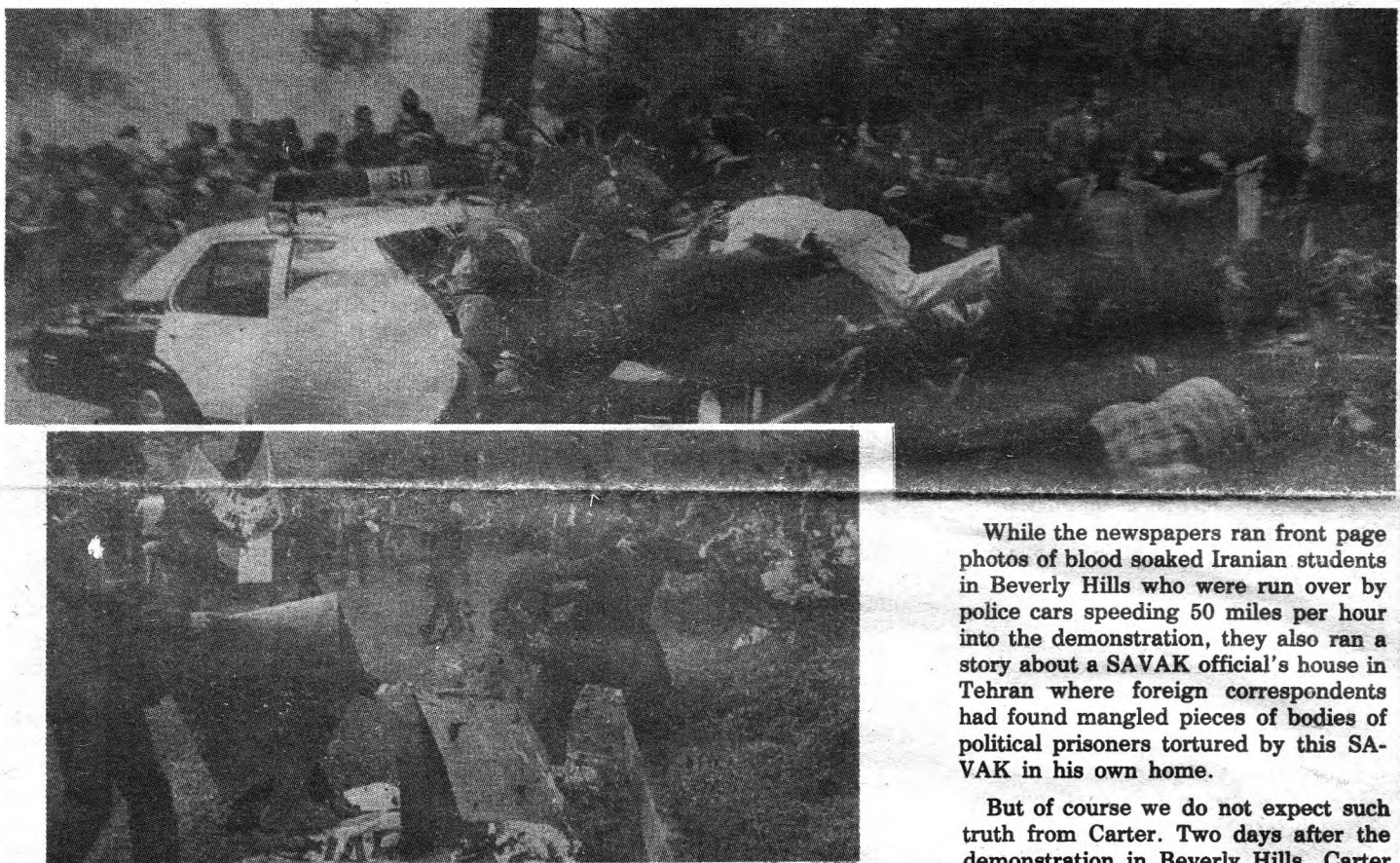
The U.S., in trying to keep the Shah and the monarchy are directly opposing the Iranian peoples' movement. No compromise is possible and none of the political "solutions" can work because they cannot be acceptable to BOTH the U.S. and to the Iranian people. These two have totally opposite and irreconcilable interests.

The next move will reveal the failure of this political settlement: the next move is likely to be a military "coup" whose purpose will be to kill as many people as possible in a very brutal and sudden attack on the movement. The aim is to reduce the power of the movement while giving the U.S. time to manoeuver.

Military intervention by the U.S. is already on Carter's agenda. Time is needed by the U.S. to take concrete steps towards mobilization of military forces and to prepare the American people for such actions. General Huyser, second in command of the U.S. Armed Force in Europe has already gone to Tehran. Press and government officials are "speculating" on such a military coup in order to crush the powerful forces of the movement in the streets and to "persuade" the Iranian ruling class that it must follow U.S. dictates "or else."

U.S. military intervention must be stopped. The military coup can only be traced to U.S. plans for Iran and to the inevitable confrontation between the Iranian peoples' struggle for independence and democracy on the one hand, and the political and military domination of Iran by the United States.

American people have no stake in supporting such U.S. domination and intervention. The interests of the American people are identical to those of Iranian people and while U.S. manoeuvres and direct intervention will be killing Iranian people, they will also be directly responsible for bringing American people into a civil war in Iran. There are only two sides to this confrontation and the Iranian and American people must stand together in preventing U.S. military attack on Iran and the Iranian masses. □



## Battle of Beverly Hills

In December 1977, 12 Iranian students, members of CISNU, forced their way through the gates of the Iranian Embassy in Rome, and completely ransacked the inside of the three-story building. At their trial, the Italian defense attorney delivered an impassioned speech recalling the Italian peoples' struggle against the fascist dictator Mussolini. On the question of violence by CISNU against the Iranian Embassy, he declared that their assault and takeover of that building was "the very least violence" that should be done against such a regime. The students were acquitted of all charges.

### BEVERLY HILLS: IRANIAN STUDENTS vs. THE PAHLAVIS

On January 2, a demonstration of 2,000 Iranian students and their American supporters marched through Los Angeles and towards the wealthiest

neighborhood in the country—where two members of the Pahlavi family had been given "safe refuge" from the storms of popular revolution against their 50-year reign of terror in Iran.

The purpose of this demonstration was not only to expose the fact of continuing official U.S. government and corporate support to these brutal rulers—who have brought destruction and misery and despotic tortures to the Iranian people; it was also intended to arouse the outrage of the American people at the harboring of these vile rulers in their midst.

The confrontations that occurred around the mansion belonging to the Shah's mother and older sister should not have surprised anyone. It is official U.S. government policy that is "bringing the Iranian revolution to the U.S." by bringing these hated champions of corruption, decadence and mass murder into the U.S. It is a direct attack on the American people, not only on us. □

While the newspapers ran front page photos of blood soaked Iranian students in Beverly Hills who were run over by police cars speeding 50 miles per hour into the demonstration, they also ran a story about a SAVAK official's house in Tehran where foreign correspondents had found mangled pieces of bodies of political prisoners tortured by this SAVAK in his own home.

But of course we do not expect such truth from Carter. Two days after the demonstration in Beverly Hills, Carter let loose with a blast against all Iranian students in this country who oppose the Shah and ordered the Attorney General to threaten us with deportation immediately.

In the meantime, we intend to continue our efforts in the U.S. to reach the American people with the facts about Iran. And not only Iranians, but Americans as well will see to it that the past history of harboring murderous rulers who have been kicked out of their royal pits by popular will, the past practice of giving these criminals "safe refuge" in the U.S. will not be allowed to be repeated with the Pahlavis.

The panic and fear of Carter and Company over increasing exposure of their military plans for Iran can be seen not only in Carter's order to the State Dept. to stop talking to the press, but also in this attack on Iranian students. The arrest of several Iranian students in Los Angeles has already taken place. But this cannot silence the Iranian students, nor can it prevent the American people from realizing their common interests in fighting against U.S. intervention in Iran. □

"Iranian students either should behave in this country, and abide by the law, or else the United States Government should make arrangements to deport the offenders among them without delay."

San Francisco Examiner,  
Jan. 4, 1979 editorial

Quickly taking their line from Carter and Attorney General Griffin Bell, the major media once again showed its determination to avoid the political question of why the U.S. has given all-out support, financial protection, armed forces and police backing for 37 years to the fascist rule of the Pahlavis in Iran and the fact that today smiling Jimmy Carter is trying to "quietly" bring these notorious Pahlavi barbarians to a "safe sanctuary" in the U.S.

Instead, as they have done regularly throughout this past year of upheaval in Iran, the "opinion makers" of the media tried to divert the entire issue away from the political question of official government support for despotic and tyrannical rulers of Iran and to turn the attention of the American people to a different issue. Unable to hide the fact that these corrupt Pahlavis have ALREADY taken up residence in Beverly Hills, Carter and Bell and Company immediately let loose with a blast at progressive Iranian students in the U.S. and tried to direct the sentiments of American people against us, instead of where those sentiments naturally would fall: against the Pahlavis and Carter himself.

While local reporters and photographers recorded the facts of police cars ramming into the demonstration at 50 miles an hour, hurling students 20 feet into the air and then running over several who had been thrown to the ground, the editorial pages rushed to attack the Iranian students and raise the banner of Carter's pious indignation at our supposedly "terroristic" activities.

Let's take a look at what Carter's blast against Iranian students really means. Let's start with the most obvious question: why, after our 15 years of political activities in this country and countless demonstrations — and frequent clashes with police — has the U.S. government never succeeded in deporting us? Why didn't Carter yell and scream about Iranian students and demand our deportation last November 1977 when he himself received public humiliation along with the Shah in front of millions of Americans and when the confrontation organized and launched by the Iranian students was far larger?

The fact is that the U.S. government has always wanted and tried to deport progressive Iranian students. Attacks against us are nothing new. Police and FBI and Immigration harassment, phony arrests, citywide dragnets are nothing new. CIA and SAVAK and FBI surveillance are nothing new. Iran House in Chicago was the target of molotov cocktails in 1978 and two ISA members barely escaped being shot in Oklahoma. Iran House in New York was burned in 1972. Iran House in Washington, D.C. was burned by police or SAVAK in 1971. For several months, the cars of ISA members in Oklahoma were repeatedly smashed by police outside Iran House and the building itself ransacked by police. ISA members have been shot, knifed, "mugged," seriously injured many times by police, SAVAKs, gangs of Ku Klux Klan members, and so on. Mass arrests of 92 in Houston, 170 in Los Angeles, 210 in Chicago, 25 in Oklahoma, 11 in Lexington, Kentucky — these are just some of the cases of the last couple of years.

Immigration authorities are well

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known for their visits to universities to check on Iranian student files. CIA agents who pose as "foreign student advisers" are "coincidentally" located at universities with large Iranian student populations. The regional and national meetings of university deans and foreign student "advisers" for two years have had the "problem" of Iranian students and how to "control" them as their top agenda item.

Despite all this, the U.S. government has never been able to deport us. Why? Because when these arrests take place, in every single instance, American people come forward in support of us. Without exception, the arrest of Iranian students provokes intense debate and political activities — and the main question we bring to people is not the defense of Iranian students, but the question of what is happening in Iran. Without exception, the American people are drawn towards learning more about the situation in Iran and not only express their support for our activities in the U.S., but are taking sides on the question of Iran themselves in complete opposition to U.S. policies in Iran.

THIS is the reason that while the harassments and threats have never stopped, the deportations and the elimination of our activities has never been possible.

Today, why is Carter suddenly making the deportation of Iranian students an official and openly acknowledged threat? Why does Carter suddenly make such a stink about one demonstration? Was it just because Iranian students were on the offensive, threw rocks and burned a police car? No. That is not grounds for deportation and everybody — including Carter — knows it.

The reason is that providing "security, safety, peace, and comfort" for a ruling family, the Pahlavis, that has been exposed for its torture chambers, drug dealing, massive corruption, and its 37 years reign of terror is a tough act for "human rights" Carter to sell to the American people. The demonstration exposed the presence of the Pahlavis in the U.S. and showed the American people what Carter is up to.

The Carter Administration knows that the activities of progressive Iranian students has very broad support among the American people. They know that the presence of the Pahlavis in this country is going to be exposed again and again by our activities. And they know this will draw more and more attention to U.S. policies, to the reactionary nature of the U.S. role in Iran — past, present and future. They know that the absolute contradiction between the Pahlavi Court and the Iranian people will be further exposed right here and it will draw the American people into the political issue more directly — and on the same side as the Iranian people. In order for Carter to bring these Imperial Majesties to the United States, he has to try to eliminate the Iranian students and their influence.

In 1970, the Shah himself declared membership in CISNU (worldwide organization of which ISAUS is a member) punishable by 3-10 years in prison. A few years later, when agents reported that membership had more than doubled, the Shah raised the penalty to life imprisonment or execution. When membership continued to expand and activities multiplied all over Europe and the U.S., a small army of SAVAK agents was dispatched to infiltrate and spy on

and wreck such activities. Recently, specially trained "hit squads" were sent to Europe and the U.S. to assassinate student leaders. All these plots have failed.

Today, the Shah is under the gun from 35 million Iranians and even his closest hatchetmen are trembling in their boots, and Carter welcomes the Shah with open arms.

Today, the Carter Administration is tearing its hair out and wringing its hands in despair over what "went wrong" with their precious absolute ruler.

Today, the entire executive committee of the foreign policy "establishment" is frantically churning out one maneuver after another to buy themselves time to organize more drastic actions. The State Department contradicts itself every other day; the CIA is blasted for not telling Carter that the U.S. puppet and imperialism are doomed in Iran; Carter orders the carrier Constellation to move in and suddenly halts it, still on alert, midway to the Persian Gulf; the Joint Chiefs of Staff put the military into high gear; Carter lets loose with a blast against the Iranian students and flies off to Guadeloupe to meet NATO and pull together a political and military united front against the Iranian revolution.

And which of these momentous events receives the attention of the top levels of the U.S. media? The threat of U.S. military intervention in Iran? No. The actual plans for direct U.S. intervention in Iran? No. The protection and shelter to fascist dictator Shah and his family in the U.S.? No. Not the real issues, but the line that "Iranian students, ungrateful brats, have 'broken the law' and should be deported."

In other words, American people, shun these evil criminals, these dreadful law breakers, the Iranian students. Don't listen to them, don't read their literature. Pahlavis are "humans." Iranian students are "fanatics," the Pahlavis, who personally supervise SAVAK tortures are just "regular folks" while Iranian students who stand with 35 million Iranians against him are "terrorists."

Is this really what American people believe? Of course not. And meanwhile, the real issue that threatens the American people is completely ignored.

The question of military intervention in Iran is ignored. While Carter and all heads of government agencies, the national media, and corporate executives admit that Iran is the "key" to all the U.S. political and military strategies in the world and that they intend to control and keep it, Carter refuses to answer questions on Iran, refuses to explain U.S. plans and policies — instead he brings the Shah's family here and tells you to welcome them and reject the Shah's opponents.

Military intervention in Iran is on Carter's agenda. Public opinion must be prepared. Carter wants Americans to be kept in the dark about the involvement of the U.S. in another Vietnam — this is why Iranian students scare Jimmy Carter.

Precisely at the same time when the Carter Administration is facing its most severe political crisis in Iran and must formulate propaganda to justify military intervention in Iran, the American people themselves are taking up the question of Iran. Just at the time when the Defense Department would like every-

one to line up and shut up and support another war, Americans are taking sides in favor of the Iranian revolution and against all U.S. intervention in Iran.

We encourage everyone to take on this attack directly and raise the question of what Carter and Company are so afraid of. If what ISA says is not true, then people will ignore us anyway. Carter, Griffin Bell, Cyrus Vance, and all the others can call us whatever they want — the public adoration of one of history's bloodiest dictators is already on Carter's record. Accusations against Iranian students for being "terroristic" and "violence prone" can be tested against our record. We have no fear of labels and especially from the likes of Carter and his whole crew.

The international reputation of Carter and Company, with their giant blasts about "human rights" while they drool with enthusiasm over every rotten fascist dictator in the world marks this U.S. administration with an all-time record for hypocrisy and massive deception.

You can blast away all you want, Jimmy, but neither we nor the American people are fools. Go ahead and drool, Jimmy, and give your big toothy grin to the Iranian butchers. Go ahead and threaten us, Jimmy, the American people are catching on to you. Go ahead and slander us, Jimmy. You can't stop the truth. You're on the losing side, Jimmy. No matter where you put the Pahlavis, Jimmy, we will find them.

The Iranian Students Association has no policy of violence. Our demonstrations will continue to be as peaceful as they have been in the past. But we will not stand by, as we have not before, when attacked. ISA members are no different from anyone else and have the same right as the American people to defend themselves against any attack from police or their agents. And we do not hesitate to declare openly that Iranian students will not allow these Pahlavis one moment of "peace" and "comfort" no matter where they are.

Our work in this country will continue, even more than before, to concentrate on informing the American people about the true situation in Iran. We will continue to analyze the events in Iran and to explain their relationship to the American people and to various interests in Iranian society. We will focus increasingly on the policies of the United States in Iran and will expose the active

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I.S.A. (member of CISNU) is an open, democratic and anti-imperialist organization of the Iranian students abroad that aims at the exposure of the reactionary nature of the Shah's regime among the people of the world. I.S.A. raises the voice of the Iranian people who are struggling against tyranny and oppression and echoes the cry of the mutilated political prisoners who courageously withstand the torture of the Shah's executioners. Through demonstrations, conferences, cultural programs and distribution of literature, I.S.A. struggles to make the people of the world aware of the plunder of Iran at the hands of the U.S. and other corporate powers. It works to mobilize international public opinion in support of the just struggle of the Iranian people for liberation and their aspiration for a free and independent Iran. Resistance is a monthly publication of the I.S.A. in the U.S. which aims to serve the above purposes. We urge all I.S.A. supporters and Resistance readers to subscribe to this publication through the mail. The annual subscription rates are \$3 in the U.S. and \$5 abroad.



Gen. Nguyen Ngoc Loan, the Saigon chief of police who was personally responsible for the murder of thousands of Vietnamese people during the war; Shah of Iran and the rest of Pahlavi family who have been responsible for murder of hundreds of thousands of people throughout their filthy lives-- 30,000 in 1978 alone-- are the kind of people the U.S. government gives refuge to in the U.S. This is an insult to the dignity of the American people.



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40-80,000 Iranians altogether. We don't know. There are thousands of members of ISA and other vast progressive Iranian groups. Together, they and their supporters are by far the majority of all Iranians in the U.S.

• Yes, we will continue demonstrating and protesting. We will also continue our publications, conferences, news service, and cultural activities with even greater emphasis on reaching the American people.

• Yes, we believe the American people will support us because their fundamental interests are the same as those of the Iranian people; we also believe that direct military intervention by the U.S. will mobilize this support for the Iranian people faster than ever because such intervention threatens Americans as well. It will expose more clearly than anything else the corporate and banking interests that the Joint Chiefs want to protect by sending American soldiers to die in Iran; this will arouse antagonism against U.S. policies among the American people who have no interest in supporting such intervention, and will oppose it as they did when the U.S. intervened in Vietnam.

• If the Shah comes here, we will see to it that he is forced to leave.

• We do not support the Bakhtiar government because it is not a representative one, not democratically elected and thus cannot represent the Iranian people. Collaboration with the Shah, maintaining the monarchy, endorsing the continued slaughter of our people, and the continued control of our country by the U.S., silence on the killing of thousands of people throughout Iran just as he was about to take power—these are just a few of Bakhtiar's accomplishments already.

Bakhtiar has always taken the most right wing positions of the National Front and even they have expelled him for his present treachery. Bakhtiar is a cousin of the Shah's second wife, Soroya; he is a relative of a former head of SAVAK. His "credentials" have already been rejected by our people in the streets.

Bakhtiar's line, according to his own statements, is that the antagonism between the Shah and the people can and should be resolved, and he "hopes" and "prays" that the Shah can stay in Iran and even resume power. Bakhtiar stands in total opposition to the people's movement and serves the interests of the regime and the U.S. by giving both of them time to try to recover and maneuver to maintain power.

Bakhtiar is the Shah's solution, not the people's. His government represents a retreat for the regime but a counter-revolutionary plan against the people's movement. Bakhtiar comes to power not despite the Shah or against him, but because of him and with the full blessings of the Imperial Court and its U.S. backers. What Bakhtiar has "offered" to the people is even less than what Sharif-Emami offered—and Iranian people would have nothing to do with the like of Sharif-Emami either.

• We, along with our brothers and sisters in Iran, will continue our struggle for an independent and democratic Iran, free of all foreign domination and imperialist intervention and rid of all interference and control by U.S. advisers and agents, as well as Iranian reactionaries and corrupt rulers. Here in the U.S., we will continue, as before, to demonstrate peacefully and we will always, as before, defend ourselves against any attack from police or their agents and provocateurs. We invite the American people to join us. □

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role of U.S. advisers, particularly military, against Iran's revolution.

We will continue to welcome, encourage and support the active participation of Americans in our struggles and encourage all Americans to actively oppose U.S. involvement of any kind in Iran. We know that the active opposition of the American people to military intervention in Iran is far more frightening to Carter and Company than anything else.

Whatever new attacks, threats, har-

rassments and propaganda campaigns are launched against us, we will not be silenced or intimidated. As with all the plots and schemes and attacks launched by the U.S. against our people in Iran, every single one of them eventually flies back like a boomerang and smacks Carter and Company right in the face. This one will be no different. As for the threat of deportation itself Carter knows very well he has no grounds to deport us and even if he did we don't care. We are all eager to return to Iran. Hundreds go back every week. But while here, we will continue to tell the American people the truth about Iran and U.S. intervention. □

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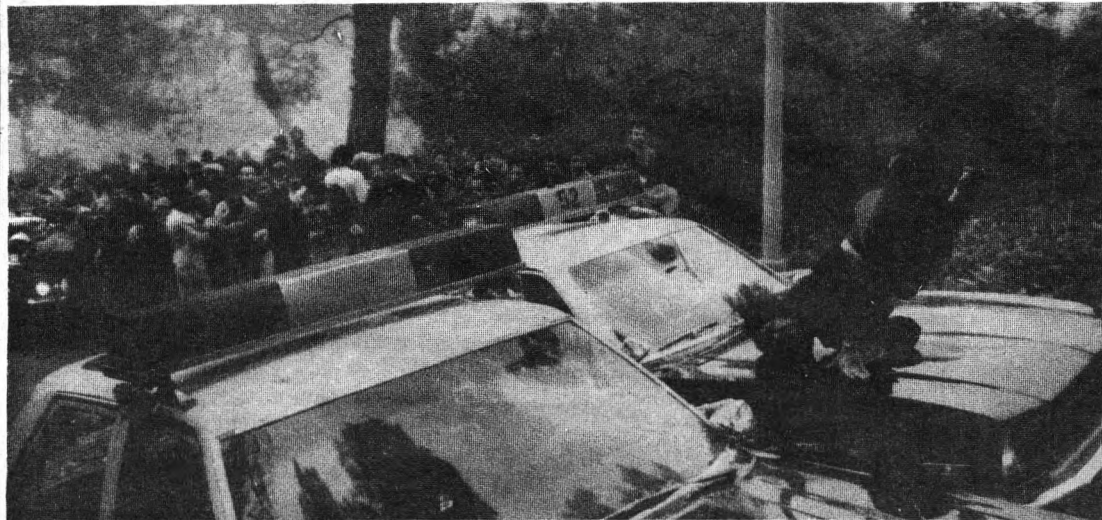
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# Deport Iranian Students or Deport the Pahlavis?



With the speed of 50-60 miles an hour, at least 3 police cars run into the crowd of demonstrators, injuring scores of them. The students declare to the world that they will not let the Pahlavi family have a moment of peace no matter where they go.

Within hours of Carter's public blast against the progressive Iranian students, the press suddenly flocked around us with the most intense curiosity ever shown in 15 years.

"What will you do?"

"Do you think they're going to deport all of you?"

"Are you really paid by the Iranian government, like the Iranian Embassy says?"

"Why are there so many Iranian students here?"

"What are you all doing here?"

"What do you think will happen if they try to deport you?"

"What do you intend to do if the Shah comes here?"

"Are you going to continue demonstrating? Is there one tomorrow?"

"What are your plans for the future?"

"Do you really believe the American people support you?"

"What do you think will happen in Iran after the Shah leaves?"

"What is your opinion of Mr. Bakhtiar and the new government?"

"Why do you think the U.S. would intervene militarily in your country?"

"What is your opinion of the Soviet Union?"

"How many students belong to ISA?"

"How many Iranians live in the United States?"

(You see, Jimmy? Are you sure that you really want to keep on attacking us?)

We are more than glad to answer these questions and we realize that such questions are on the minds of many Americans, and will continue to be. We cannot take up each question in this issue but we will cover them over the next few months in our publications. The question of the Soviet Union, for example, will require a separate pamphlet to detail our reasons for absolute opposition to that reactionary government. As for the question of U.S. military inter-

vention, every issue of *Resistance* for the past year and a half discusses some aspect of this and we will continue to make this a major political issue directly affecting the American and Iranian people. Now that Carter has taken the first steps in this direction — putting the Navy on alert and sending a high level military team to Iran the first week in January — he has challenged us all with the threat of war. Even if Carter deported every single one of us, he cannot hide another Vietnam from the American people.

Questions relating to the role of ISA and our activities in this country are really asking the question: what does the Iranian revolution have to do with the American people? This is the subject of our publications and activities overall. But first, to clear up some of the other issues:

- The Iranian Embassy, the source of this absurd notion that we are paid by the Iranian government or receive scholarships from the regime, should know better than anyone that if any Iranian student DOES come here with a scholarship and becomes even sympathetic to the anti-Shah movement abroad, that scholarship is immediately cancelled.

- The entire education budget of the Shah's regime has averaged each year approximately the same amount of two F-16 fighter jets from the United States. That low priority budget for education is one of the main reasons why 300,000 high school graduates can not attend universities in Iran and must go abroad to continue their education.

- The regime has had a policy of encouraging students to leave the country for many years. First of all, Iranian university and high school students are historically one of the most militant anti-Shah sections of our people and have never been silent at any time in the history of the democratic and revolu-

tionary struggles. By pushing these students out of the country, the Shah has always hoped to cut the throat of the student movement inside Iran and thus eliminate one of the main centers of revolutionary activity in the country.

- The other side of this policy of actively encouraging students to leave Iran is the long-term program of training a large strata of westernized, pro-U.S. technocrats: engineers, computer programmers, nuclear technicians, and people with the skills and pro-U.S. government outlook needed to support and implement American programs in Iran. Students are sent to the United States to study at the universities which maintain special contracts with the Iranian regime for such training programs: MIT, The University of Chicago, UCLA and UC-Berkeley are examples. More than 149 American universities operate reciprocal programs or contracts with Iranian universities and receive huge sums of money from the regime. In return, members of the Pahlavi family and the regime were frequently trotted out to the U.S. to receive "honorary degrees" for

their "humanitarian works." Nonetheless, the Iranian student movement outside Iran has continued to organize against the regime. The reasons why our people reject these "Americanization" programs are now known to the whole world. It is not anti-American people, it is hatred of training and indoctrination of our people to run Iran in the interests of U.S. banks and corporations and military rather than for our own people.

- The vast majority of Iranian students in the U.S. are here entirely on their own and their family's support. Many families save enough money with great difficulty and send one son or daughter to study outside Iran because there is no room for them to study in Iran. Most students earn their own money during the summer by working here or in Iran to pay for the next semester.

- Neither we, nor the office of Immigration, nor the State Department, nor the Iranian Embassy has an exact count of the number of Iranians or Iranian students in the U.S. Estimates range from 20,000 to 40,000 students and

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## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

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- 1) Stop harrassment of the Iranian students.
- 2) Deport Pahlavi criminals from the U.S.

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