

Obama and the Indonesian Murder Cult

by Mike Billington

Nov. 30—Lyndon LaRouche has demanded that no American elected official, policy-maker, or citizen be allowed to avoid or deny the overwhelming evidence that President Barack Obama is a mass murderer, an individual who kills “for pleasure.” LaRouche has also stated that Obama learned how to be a mass murderer from his step-father of fifteen years, Lolo Soetoro, an Indonesian national who took part in the mass genocide against supporters of Indonesian President Sukarno between 1965 and 1966 in Indonesia.

What is less well known is the role played by the Indonesian-based pseudo-religious cult Subud, an organization directly involved in carrying out the Indonesian massacres and an organization to which Barack Obama’s mother, Ann Dunham, had very deep ties. Although there is no publicly available paper trail proving that Ann Dunham was a member of the mystical cult Subud, it is known with certainty that she was very closely associated with many of its members, both Indonesians and western members living in Indonesia at that time.

Obama’s step-father, Lolo Soetoro, a member of the Indonesian military who was studying at the University of Hawaii at the time, was called back to Indonesia in 1966 by General Suharto, soon after Suharto’s coup against the Father of Indonesia’s Independence, President Sukarno. This was precisely at the moment that General Suharto was unleashing mass slaughter against Sukarno’s supporters. It is well documented that the coup, and the geno-

cide that followed, were orchestrated by the United States, the British, and the Australians, acting through their Ambassadors in Jakarta (see Box, next page).

Soetoro, like all members of Suharto’s military regime, would have been called upon to participate in the slaughter, which killed somewhere between 500,000 and a million Indonesian citizens for the “crime” of supporting Sukarno and/or the Indonesian Communist Party (PKI), of being of Chinese descent, or simply of not supporting the military junta. The massacres in Indonesia were barbaric,—some by gun, others by machete, others by other means.

While Obama’s step-father was engaged in the military side of this blood-lust, the Subud cult, which his mother became involved in, took part in the civilian mobs that participated in the killing. The founder of Subud, Muhammad Subuh Sumohadiwidjojo (called Bapak, meaning father, by Subud members) was by that time deeply connected to British military intelligence, which had helped to spread his cult internationally. Of even greater importance, Subud was one of the leading institutional supporters of Suharto’s coup and participated in the slaughter of the innocents.



Bapak Muhammad Subuh Sumohadiwidjojo (1901-1987), founder of the Subud cult.

Bapak

The biography of Ann Dunham Obama/Soetoro by *New York Times* journalist Janny Scott (*A Singular Woman*) reveals that Dunham, while living in Indonesia with her husband and Barack from 1967-71, was deeply affiliated with members of

U.S., British, and Australian Embassies in Jakarta Orchestrated the Mass Murders of 1965-66

It is clear from cables released in 1999 that the British, the Australians, and the U.S. Embassies in Jakarta played the controlling role in the overthrow of Sukarno in 1965 and the mass slaughter of Sukarno's supporters over 1965 and 1966.

Primary among them was U.S. Ambassador Marshall Green, newly appointed with the explicit assignment to overthrow Sukarno in collaboration with the Indonesian General Suharto. Immediately following the kidnapping and murder of several leading military figures on September 30, The Suharto group, and Amb. Green, declared the attempted military coup to be a communist plot (which it was not), and promoted the subsequent massacre.

Green wired Washington on Oct. 5:

Muslim groups and others except communists and their stooges are lined up behind army. . . . Army now has opportunity to move against PKI if it acts quickly. . . . In short, it's now or never. Much remains in doubt, but it seems almost certain that agony of ridding Indonesia of effects of Sukarno . . . has begun. . . . Spread the story of PKI's guilt, treachery and brutality—This priority effort is perhaps most needed.

Australian Ambassador Sir Mick Shann echoed this sentiment:

Now or never. . . ; if Sukarno and his greasy civilian cohorts get back into the saddle it will be a change for the worse. . . . We are dealing with such an odd, devious, contradictory mess like the Indonesian mind.

The British-American-Commonwealth leadership knew of the killing from the beginning. Under the direction of the military, much of the slaughter was carried out by enraged Muslim youth, armed and turned loose against any and all supporters of the Sukarno/PKI programs. We now know that the Subud members participated in the slaughter.

Ambassador Green's cables as early as Oct. 20

referred to hundreds of summary executions, but warned that the PKI was "capable of recovering quickly if . . . Army attacks were stopped." He praised the Army for "working hard at destroying PKI and I, for one, have increasing respect for its determination and organization in carrying out this crucial assignment." A cable from the American consul in Medan, in Northeast Sumatra, is most revealing: "Two officers of Pemuda Pantjasila [a Muslim youth group] told consulate officers that their organization intends to kill every PKI member they can catch . . . ,

much indiscriminate killing is taking place. . . . Attitude Pemuda Pantjasila leaders can only be described as bloodthirsty. . . . Something like a real reign of terror against PKI is taking place. The terror is not (repeat) not discriminating very carefully between PKI leaders and ordinary PKI members with no ideological bond to the party." He added that there was "no meaningful resistance."

Approximately one-half million Indonesians were murdered in cold blood over the next several months.

Green concluded in his memoirs that "the bloodbath . . . can be attributed to the fact that communism, with its atheism and talk of class warfare, was abhorrent to the way of life of rural Indonesians, especially in Java and Bali."

It is coherent with Green's fond embrace of the genocidal "solution" to the problem (as he perceived it), that he went on to become one of the world's leading promoters of population control, setting up population control units in the State Department and the National Security Council, and heading the U.S. delegation to the UN Population Commission.

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Indonesian coup leader Gen. Suharto, with one of his key international sponsors, U.S. Ambassador Marshall Green, in 1965.

Subud, some of whom were her very close personal friends. When setting up an English-language school for a Ford Foundation-funded institution, she hired a group of Subud members, and socialized with them in the evenings. She and one of her closest friends, Mohammad Mansur Medeiros, a leading Subud member, spent so much time together that a fellow teacher, quoted in Dunham's biography, said, "You would think they were in love, but they were not."

There was a major international conference of Subud in the summer of 1971 at their headquarters in Cilandak, a suburb of Jakarta. Many of Ann Dunham's Subud friends were there, and it is quite possible that she and her husband both attended that conference.

Here is where the story coincides with her husband's role in the genocide five years earlier:

An American member of Subud, who had joined the group while living in Southeast Asia for the previous two years, attended the international conference that summer in Cilandak. As he told the story to *EIR*, he was unfamiliar with Subud's history or its political associations, but had joined only because of his interest in the group's spiritual exercises (called the *latihan kejiwaan* in Indonesian).

One evening at the week-long conference, the young American was chatting with a group of older members from Chile, along with several other Americans and a few Indonesians. He asked the Chileans about the election of President Salvador Allende the previous year, 1970. The Chileans very heatedly denounced Allende as a communist who was destroying Chile. The young member had read about Allende and thought he had been doing some positive things for the country, and tried to defend his policies.

The Chilean Subud members became extremely agitated, and, joined by the other Americans and the Indonesians, angrily berated the young American. Finally one of them burst out: "You don't understand. The communists are evil. When the communists were taking over Indonesia, Bapak called on all Subud members to pick up their machetes and help cleanse the country of this evil."



John G. Bennett (1897-1974), head of British Military Intelligence for the Middle East in the 1920s, and a proselytizer for the Subud cult. He is shown with his wife Elizabeth.

Two years later, Allende was murdered in a military coup by Gen. Augusto Pinochet; the murder was followed by a mass killing of communists on the model of the Indonesian slaughter. Pinochet was eventually brought to justice. Suharto and his western sponsors never were.

Subud and Bapak's personal role in backing Suharto is not denied. Indeed, there is a [film](#) available on YouTube showing Gen. Suharto visiting Cilandak for the opening of a new Latihan hall during the 1971 international conference, where Suharto fondly greets his friend Bapak.

However, Subud's role in the genocide, as revealed here, has been carefully covered up, not only in Subud's voluminous historical records, but in all other sources as well.

Subandrio, Sukarno's Foreign Minister and close ally, accused Subud and Bapak of being assets of the CIA in their efforts to overthrow Sukarno—as in fact came to pass, and *EIR*'s source confirmed above.

British Military Intelligence

Not surprisingly, there is a very close connection between Subud and British intelligence. In fact, the head of British military intelligence for the Mideast in the 1920s, John G. Bennett, was personally responsible for the spread of Subud internationally in the 1950s. By that time Bennett had become the British intelligence

service's leading profiler of the world's various mystical sects.

It all began with the Russian mystic G.I. Gurdjieff and his student P.D. Ouspensky, whom Bennett was assigned to monitor after World War I, when they migrated from Russia to western Europe. Bennett became a leading representative in the UK for the Gurdjieff method of the mystical "Fourth Way" to a higher consciousness. For the next 30 years Bennett taught the Gurdjieff method, while dabbling in other mystical sects along the way. He created his own "Institute for the Comparative Study of History, Philosophy and the Sciences" in the UK in 1946, centered on the Gurdjieff method but bringing together other mystics from around the world—a perfect petri dish for both profiling and manipulating such movements.

In 1956, a member of the Subud movement showed up at Bennett's Institute, and Bennett joined the movement immediately. Bennett quickly arranged for Bapak to come to the UK, and within months was traveling around the world, often with Bapak, spreading the movement. He also translated some of Bapak's writings and wrote a book called *Concerning Subud*.

Soetoro's Killer Profile

The connection of Ann Dunham Soetoro and her husband Lolo to the slaughter of 1965-66 was indirectly revealed in Obama's autobiography *Dreams from My Father*, published in 1995. Obama reports that "something happened between her [his mother] and Lolo in the year that they had been apart"—i.e., the year that Soetoro spent in Indonesia during the genocide, before Dunham and Barack joined him in 1967. "Soetoro had been full of life in Hawaii," wrote Obama, and had told stories of his father and brother fighting and dying in the war for independence from the Dutch after World War II. He had looked forward to returning to Indonesia from the East-West Center at the University of Hawaii to build a new Indonesia.

Back in Indonesia, "He [Soetoro] didn't talk that way any more," Obama wrote. "It was as if he had pulled into some dark hidden place, out of reach. On some nights, she would hear him up after everyone else had gone to bed, wandering through the house with a bottle of imported whiskey, nursing his secrets. Other nights he would tuck a pistol under his pillow before falling off to sleep."

Obama tried to pass this off as due to Soetoro's problems with his job. Dunham's biographer Scott said

he was bothered by the corruption in the military government and the army. The obvious truth is that the nightmares and torment came from his participation in the mass killing. There are many accounts of the fact that military personnel, especially those recalled from foreign studies, such as Lolo Soetoro, had to prove their loyalty by participating directly in the mass killings.

Obama also provides an insight into his stepfather's psychology as a killer, one which is now so apparent in Obama himself. Obama reports the following in praise of his stepfather, and as a major lesson in his life:

"Have you ever seen a man killed?" I asked him.

He glanced down, surprised by my question.

"Have you?" I asked again.

"Yes," he said.

"Was it bloody?"

"Yes."

I thought for a moment. "Why was the man killed? The one you saw?"

"Because he was weak."

"That's all?"

Lolo shrugged. "That's usually enough. Men take advantage of weakness in other men. They're just like countries in that way. The strong man takes the weak man's land. He makes the weak man work in his fields. If the weak man's woman is pretty, the strong will take her. Which would you rather be?"

I didn't answer, and Lolo squinted up at the sky. "Better to be strong," he said finally, rising to his feet. "If you can't be strong, be clever and make peace with someone who is strong. But always better be strong yourself. Always."

Obama also reports that Soetoro once told him that "a man took on the powers of whatever he ate. One day soon, he promised, he would bring home a piece of tiger meat for us to share."

Subud Connections

In 1968 Ann Dunham Soetoro renewed her American passport. On the application form, under the section titled "Amend to Include (Exclude) Children," she wrote the name Barack Hussein Obama followed by the name "Soebarkah" in parentheses. That name, Soebarkah, appears nowhere else in Obama's history. Where did it come from?

This passport application came at the time when Ann Dunham was actively involved with Subud, and it is possible that it is a “Subud name” for her son Barack. The source who related to *EIR* the story of his membership in Subud in 1971, also explained that members who met Bapak were often given a Subud name. The member was asked to suggest three names that they would like to have as a Subud name, and Bapak would choose the “correct one” in keeping with the “higher consciousness.” Soebarkah sounds like a name Ann and Lolo may have chosen for their Subud son.

Another Subud connection emerged in 2011 in Hawaii. One Loretta Fuddy was appointed Director of the Hawaii Department of Health in 2011, and it was this same Loretta Fuddy who thereafter released Barack Obama’s supposed Hawaii Certificate of Live Birth—a document which was a subject of great controversy and secrecy both before and after its release by Fuddy.

Loretta Fuddy was a leading member of Subud, serving as chairwoman of Subud’s U.S.A. National Committee from 2006-8. Her Subud name was Deliana. She died in a plane crash in 2013, although all the other passengers in the crash survived.

Removal of Obama from Office

It is now clear to the world, as Lyndon LaRouche has insisted for years, that Barack Obama is a killer, taking great pride in his bombing of several nations into oblivion, nations which posed no threat to the United States,—leaving them in the hands of warring terrorist factions, and driving their population into frantic and dangerous escape from the terrorists as refugees. He delights in drawing up his weekly kill list, as if he were a feudal king, deciding who shall die this week through drone assassination, with no due process or recourse to protest the death sentence, or that of whatever family members and friends happen to be there at the time. He has publicly bragged that if there is one thing he is good at, it is “killing people.” The stench from the massacres carried out by his stepfather and the Subud friends of his mother lives on today in the mind of their son. It is a psychotic killer mentality.

It is time for Obama’s impeachment, or to apply the [25th Amendment](#) of the U.S. Constitution to remove him from office, before he carries out his current threat to launch a thermonuclear war on Russia.

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