

Author enjoys bin Laden backing

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■ Backing from across the globe puts Brooklyn man on a kind of Terrorists Book-of-the-Month Club.

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WASHINGTON — Twenty-four hours after Osama bin Laden told the world that the American people should read the work of a little-known Washington historian, William Blum was still adjusting.

Blum, who at 72 is accustomed to laboring in relative left-wing obscurity, checked his emotions and pronounced himself shocked and, well, pleased.

"This is almost as good as being an Oprah book," he said between telephone calls from the world media and bites of a bagel. "I'm glad." Overnight, his 2000 work, "Rogue State: A Guide to the World's Only Superpower," had become an Osama book.

In gray slacks, plaid shirt and black slippers, Blum padded around his one-bedroom apartment on Connecticut Avenue. A portrait of the Brooklyn Dodgers in the '50s hung on his kitchen wall. Bookshelves bowed under the weight of secret histories of the CIA. The cord on his prehistoric phone let him roam across the living room. He'd already done CNN and MSNBC. A guy from the New York Post knocked on the door to take pictures. The BBC rang, then Reuters and Pacifica Radio stations on both coasts.

From Blum's end of the conversations, you could tell the reporters were expecting him to express some kind of discomfort, remorse, maybe even shame. Blum refused to acknowledge feelings he did not have.

"I was not turned off by such an endorsement," he informed a New York radio station. "I'm not repulsed, and I'm not going to pretend I am." He patiently reiterated the thesis of his foreign-policy critique — that American interventions abroad create enemies.

You could almost hear the ticking of a stopwatch. These were Blum's 15 American minutes, brought to him by a murderous zealot on the other side of the world who had named him to a kind of Terrorists Book-of-the-Month Club.

The CIA duly verified the audio-



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tape from bin Laden, and there it was: Blum had a bona fide book blurb from the evil one.

Now it was time for the soft-spoken, bespectacled radical son of Brooklyn to look thoughtful for the cameras — "I don't have a good smile" — and sound pithy for the microphones. Better known in radical circles and on the college lecture circuit than he is among most readers of American history, Blum is a former underground journalist who specializes in sharp critiques of foreign policy. Published by a small outfit in Maine, he also sells his books over the Internet and issues a free monthly e-mail newsletter called the Anti-Empire Report.

What bin Laden said was this, as translated from Arabic by the Associated Press:

"And if Bush decides to carry on

with his lies and oppression, then it would be useful for you to read the book 'Rogue State,' which states in its introduction: 'If I were president, I would stop the attacks on the United States: First, I would give an apology to all the widows and orphans and those who were tortured. Then I would announce that American interference in the nations of the world has ended once and for all.'"

Within a day of bin Laden's endorsement, "Rogue State" shot up from 205,763 to 26 on Amazon.com's index of the most-ordered books.

"I'm calling it the book review of the decade," said Sam Smith, editor of the Progressive Review in Washington and a fan of Blum's work. Smith, too, has blurbed the book ("an especially well-documented



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encyclopedia of malfeasance") as has Gore Vidal.

Chortled Smith, "Neither Vidal nor Smith came close to lifting 'Rogue State' into the double digits" on Amazon.

Since Amazon's delivery service, while comprehensive, would not seem to extend to faraway caves, how might bin Laden have gotten his hands on Blum's work?

The author noted "Rogue State" had been published in Arabic in Egypt and Lebanon.

And perhaps bin Laden owns the entire Blum canon, because the quote he cited actually is not in "Rogue State," but on the back cover of a collection of Blum essays, "Freeing the World to Death: Essays on the American Empire."

5 MAR 06. Dear Wayne: Many thanks indeed for your letter of 1 MAR 06 & the informative enclosures! In 1947, British journalist Douglas Reed wrote in "Somewhere South of Suez" that the hebes would make much of race in regard to politics, principally for use against Whites. He also predicted that the continuance of observed policies in White-ruled South Africa would guarantee the end of White rule, for lack of Whites. I was amused by your statement that symmetry is a criterion for good looks. I immediately thought of Picasso's renditions of the female form, revealing 'beauty' to be in the eye of the beholder. I don't think that the jew, Picasso, ever succeeded in finding a female with an eye in her navel, &c., so he had to make do with more symmetrical females who would put up with him. It was a real holocaust, I'm tellink zhoo!

I would not worry too much about blondes becoming extinct, since we have bleach to make as many blondes as we like. I understand that in ancient Greece, dark-haired women would lighten their hair by artificial means, because men preferred blondes in those times, too. I seem to recall that light-skin, light eyes & blond hair are all recessive, & since dark men definitely prefer blondes, they are likely to become extinct. It reminds me of an ostensible White bush pilot who told me of his 'love' for the Eskimos. I said, "If you truly love them, then you will not breed with them, for you will be destroying the breed you love so much." He departed in haste & was seen no more. As go blondes, so goes the White Race, it would appear.

So, you are interested in "strategy & tactics for racial survival." That's what I thought we'd been discussing over the years. The reason for discussing history is to determine what worked or failed in the past, why it worked or failed, & how the lessons learned may apply to the present & the future. I would not dismiss the Internet as a means of communication, just because it has not resulted in a stampede of supporters who want to save their race. The same applies to any means of communication, including face to face conversation.

The benefit which I see in reaching prisoners is that they are indeed a 'captive' audience with no major distractions, such as family members. Plus, RACE is a major issue in ZOG-gulags, so we don't have to emphasize that topic. You are right about the Internet to that degree, for gulag inmates cannot use the Internet, as I understand, so 'snail-mail' is the rule with them. I find prisoners' questions inspirational for my essays on current topics of interest, & I send copies to all my correspondents, except for other prisoners, since that is forbidden. This material goes out on the Internet, as far as I know.

But if the 1 out of 1000 you may reach on the Internet does respond, you could arrange to meet that person, to determine his bona fides. I see no problem with putting your Cosmotheist text on the Internet so it may be downloaded, unless you wish to hand-deliver it to someone across the continent, yourself. You could also engrave it on stone tablets & deliver it with a yoke of oxen, if that means would be more 'effective'. In today's society, door-to-door visitations are becoming less & less practical. Multi-culturalism & building surveillance systems preclude such visitations. The crux of the problem, as I see it, is largely beyond our control. The best promotion of an idea is of no consequence if the vast majority are not interested, & do not wish to change their ideas nor their ways. Only major events can alter their behavior & perhaps, their interests, as I saw in White-ruled Rhodesia. The behavior changed first: they ran. Perhaps liberals ceased to be so liberal in their ideas, but I'd doubt that, since liberalism is a religion & religions are not subject to proof or disproof by any amount of facts. When it's faith versus facts, the facts generally lose.

A new religion or philosophy generally has appeal to loners, who are, by definition, anti-social. Loners also tend to be losers, with major malfunctions, like being locked up. Social individuals tend to have obligations to others, who most often resent another individual &/or his ideas from distracting him from his status quo. Been there. Done that. The quote from K.L. Holm refers, which I enclose: "The Crazy Men of Destiny."

Thanks for the latest news on CANZOG's efforts to censor the Internet. It should be obvious that we live in judeo-hypocrisies, not democracies. All the best & ORION!

P.S.: I knew Wolfgang D. from 1976 onward.

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