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Jim Traficant will fight for Demjanjuk - recap of his first fight for Demjanjuk Quarterback, Congressman – and Now a Convict By Jim Traficant, AFP, November 9, 2009

I have been called anti-government, anti-Republican, anti-Democrat, anti-Semitic and bigot – just a few of my labels. My politics are anti-big government, anti-IRS, anti-foreign lobbies, anti-socialism and anti-Communism. Truth is, my politics are simply pro-American – period.

Any issue, regardless of the hype or emotions, that is not in the best interest of America, I oppose. I believe in and support the Constitution and our Bill of Rights. Any manipulation of our constitutional mandate is a cardinal sin to me.

I guess I'm old fashioned – in fact I believe that all those new world order politicians are so dumb and misdirected that if they fell out of bed, they'd miss the floor.

I believe this new world order has bankrupted our great nation. We're bankrupt and the Congress is nothing more than a bunch of trustees presiding over the biggest chapter 11 proceeding in world history.

I don't know about you but I'm fed up, I've had it. I'm sick of gutless politicians who are afraid to do what's right; afraid to do what's needed – who follow misdirected policies like lemmings, who have our young men and women engaged in foreign wars of little or no interest to the U.S.A. These same young brave Americans are now being shipped back home in body bags. Distraught, grieving parents receive their bodies while they themselves are losing their jobs and pensions. America is in grave danger, and no one seems to believe it.

The major reason for the average American to be so passive and inactive is quite simple – the mainstream media of the U.S.A. distorts the truth – withholds the truth – and in many instances is controlled and influenced by foreign entities. I even question the loyalties and politics of some of their owners and publishers.

I read the mainstream print medium with much skepticism. Quite frankly, I don't trust the major newspapers. I do not believe their propaganda. It should be of no surprise to know of my support for AMERICAN FREE PRESS, even though I may disagree with the AFP on some issues. The AFP reports the truth – the unvarnished truth, regardless of the pressures that are brought to bear against them, and there are many.

America needs to be informed – needs to hear and read the whole story, the truth, the facts and the dynamics of political action that secure and protect our freedom. Having said that, I encourage you to subscribe to AFP

and read my weekly column. I plan to address the influence and power of AIPAC and its control over our very lives. The reason to abolish the Federal Reserve system; the reason to abolish our Communist progressive income tax; the absolute need to repeal the 16th Amendment to the Constitution; and my proposals to save and create jobs; to stop the hemorrhaging of our federal debt, to reverse our massive trade deficit and stop illegal immigration.

I will also address the issue of John Demjanjuk, who is not being just prosecuted – Demjanjuk and his family are being persecuted, and no one in Washington will help. I plan to help him and will testify in Germany about the crimes in the Justice Department if subpoenaed.

Opponents of mine will snicker and laugh. I predict that. I expect that. But, remember, these are the same nincompoops that have almost destroyed our great republic.

You deserve to hear an opposing view. An American's view, which happens to be my view. I plan to deliver these views and information.

I ask of you to participate in this struggle to reverse the downward spiral of our great republic. I want you to send me your ideas and suggestions. I believe that America can be saved and, contrary to the propaganda we get out of Washington, this is not brain surgery nor rocket science. In fact, it's plain old-fashioned common sense, something that is lacking in our nation's capital.

I charge you with one other task; contact your friends, relatives, co-workers and associates to subscribe to AFP so that our words, ideas and proposals become known by a growing numbers of American citizens.

Look for me next week. And please STRAP ON YOUR SEAT BELTS.

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independent. He recently completed a seven year prison sentence, having refused to seek a pardon or clemency, refusing to admit to or apologize for crimes he did not commit. This is his first column for AMERICAN FREE PRESS.

http://www.americanfreepress.net/html/quarterback_a_congressman_199.html

DEMJANJUK FIGHTS FOR LIFE

Former Rep. Jim Traficant is again going to bat for an Ohio workman accused of being a Nazi camp guard

By Jim Traficant, AFP, 23rd November 2009

John Demjanjuk is a retired auto worker from Cleveland. He was born in Ukraine, served in World War II as a Russian soldier, was captured and held as a prisoner of war. Demjanjuk's captors were soldiers of the German army. Today, as you read this column, Demjanjuk is standing trial for his very life once again. He is facing another Nazi war crimes indictment.

Think about the dynamics of this dilemma for John Demjanjuk. He's being tried in Germany, by the very country who captured him. They say he was a Nazi war criminal. I don't know about you, but on its surface it just doesn't add up.

Demjanjuk is not a war criminal and certainly was never a Nazi. I can remember my first acknowledgment of the "Demjanjuk" ordeal. It seems like yesterday. I was in my Washington, D.C. office in the old Cannon Building in the late '80s. One of my staffers came into my office in a sort of cloak-and-dagger mode stating that the "son of convicted Nazi mass murderer 'Ivan the Terrible' is in the reception room, and we told him you are not here." I then inquired of his purpose to meet with me, since I was not his congressman. I was then informed that young John Demjanjuk Jr. told them that he has "been to every office in the House and Senate, and no one would even speak with him because the matter was too sensitive."

John Demjanjuk Jr. further stated that "they did not want to involve Jim Traficant" because they said that they "knew the government hated him, but he's our last resort for any help."

My staffer said, "Do not meet with him; you'll be ostracized, destroyed, ruined. Let him go back to his own congressman and the two senators of Ohio."

My staff further advised that I was probably already targeted by the powerful Israeli lobby, since I was an opponent of foreign aid, and certainly my involvement with John Demjanjuk would guarantee that American Israeli Public Affairs Committee [AIPAC] would not quit till I was removed from Congress.

I went to the door so I could overhear the conversation between John Demjanjuk Jr. and my staff. I could feel the pain in his voice. John Demjanjuk Jr. finally stated: "My dad's not asking to meet with anyone. I'm asking, and I've never even had a parking ticket. What kind of government is this, that I can't even talk to my elected officials about my family's grave concerns?"

I then ordered my staff to bring John Demjanjuk Jr. and his brother-in-law Ed Nishnic into my office. My staff told me this decision would destroy my career in Congress. I met John Demjanjuk Jr. and Ed Nishnic and offered them a seat to discuss their problems.

John Demjanjuk Jr. is a fine young man, a son any father would be proud of. His demeanor was that of a

troubled and worried young man. He was accompanied by his brother-in-law Ed Nishnic and basically let Ed Nishnic explain their plight.

Ed Nishnic is also a remarkable man. Like John Demjanjuk Jr. he's very intelligent and was very determined to prove the innocence of his father-in-law. I stated emphatically, that "I've decided to meet with you for one reason and one reason only: No American should ever be turned away when seeking help from our government." I then said, "Your dad has been convicted of mass murder, the extermination of one million Jewish prisoners. He has been sentenced to death. I want you to know up front, that if he is really guilty I could personally pull the switch at his execution."

I then told them I would hear their concerns. (Be advised that the mainstream media wrote that "Jim Traficant supports Nazi mass murderer" as soon as word spread that I had met with the "Demjanjuk" family.)

Nishnic handed me two report summaries of OSI investigators (Office of Special Investigations, the group within the Justice Department created by Congress to apprehend and prosecute Nazi war criminals). They had interrogated one Otto Horn in Berlin, Germany. Horn was a former SS Nazi guard who had assisted "Ivan Grozny" (Ivan the Terrible), at the Treblinka, Poland concentration camps.

These two reports were originals, not copies, and were signed by agents Garand and Daugherty, and were witnessed by prosecutor Moscovitz, who handled the denaturalization trial of John Demjanjuk in Cleveland. The reports were stamped as received by the Justice Department and signed by unit chief Eli Rosenbaum. I read the documents very carefully without input from John Demjanjuk Jr. or Ed Nishnic. I could not believe my eyes. I could not believe what I was reading. The Justice Department had committed a great crime. Moscovitz, Garand and Daugherty suborned the perjury of Otto Horn in order to convict an American citizen wrongfully—an American now denaturalized, stripped of his citizenship and waiting to be executed. (The authenticity of these two documents cannot be denied.) At trial, Horn stated that "John Demjanjuk was Ivan Grozny." But in these two early reports, two years before the trial, Horn could not identify Demjanjuk from the photographs displayed before him.

I had a problem. A big problem. I knew without a doubt that John Demjanjuk was not Ivan the Terrible. John Demjanjuk was in fact another victim, soon to be known as one of the most vicious and infamous mass murderers in world history. John Demjanjuk was

awaiting execution as the infamous Ivan of Treblinka, Ivan the Terrible.

I would be defamed and ostracized because I would be compelled to prove the innocence of John Demjanjuk on the strength of these two Justice Department documents. John Demjanjuk was innocent—convicted of mass murder, sentenced to death and awaiting execution—and no one seemed to care.

I thought, what has happened to our great country that it could produce this type of brutal crime against this American and his family?

I realized I had a difficult task ahead, but with the help of John Demjanjuk Jr. and Ed Nishnic, I believed we could prove John Demjanjuk's innocence. It was imperative to do so. I had these two powerful documents to start with.

Otto Horn's testimony at the Cleveland denaturalization trial (via videotape) was very direct. Horn had been shown a series of photographs when interrogated in Berlin.

Moscovitz spread eight photos of Caucasian males in uniform, all in their early 20's. Horn testified that he identified John Demjanjuk immediately. Moscovitz then spread eight more photos of Caucasian soldiers in uniform, but now in their 40's. Horn again testified that he identified John Demjanjuk, even as an older man, because he knew him so well. Horn's testimony stripped John Demjanjuk of his citizenship, and he was sent to Israel to stand trial as Ivan the Terrible.

Now, back to the two reports of Horn's interogation in Berlin two years earlier. Garand and Daugherty wrote in their reports immediately after their interview with Horn: "We spread eight photos of Caucasian men in uniform, all in their early 20's. Horn studied the photos at length and stated that 'one man looks familiar' [not John Demjanjuk] but FAILED to identify anyone."

The report goes on:

"We then gathered the eight photos and put them in a stack with John Demjanjuk's on top. We then spread eight more photos of older men in uniform with John Demjanjuk's photo among them. Horn studied these photos at length, and looking at the John Demjanjuk photo on top of the stack, then back to John Demjanjuk's photo in the older soldiers spread, said that 'this is the same man' but FAILED again to identify John Demjanjuk as Ivan."

Be advised that Horn lied through his teeth, and U.S. prosecutor Moscovitz allowed it. Horn later testified at the Israeli trial that he positively identified John Demjanjuk from the photo spreads. When the defense team crossed-examined Horn, they asked if he could see the first photo spread when he was examining the second set. Horn testified:

"They put the first set of photographs in an envelope and removed them from my view." Horn lied again. John Demjanjuk was convicted, and sentenced to death.

I immediately began my own investigation by utilizing a number of FOIA [Freedom of Information Act] requests on John Demjanjuk. The government response was "classified"; thus I got nothing. At this point I conferred with John Demjanjuk Jr. and Nishnic to evaluate what options were available. We came up with a plan. We decided to research any and all legal activity that involved the Treblinka camp. BINGO. We discovered that a Ukrainian-American from Chicago, by the name of Feodor Federenko, had been tried for war crimes at

Treblinka. Federenko was acquitted. He then traveled to his homeland to visit his family, but was arrested by the Soviet KGB, was tried again in Russia, was convicted and executed. [No doubt our government arranged his demise].

I immediately sent out a new FOIA request, this time on Federenko. Most agencies threw my FOIAs in the wastebasket, but the State Department sent me two telegrams:

The first was from one of our OSI agents in Europe seeking information about Treblinka. The second was the response from the State Department listing the names of four men who had made statements about Treblinka. At the bottom of this was the following; "if you need further help, be advised we have another 100 pages in the file."

I acted immediately. I phoned the State Department and reached a Mrs. Poindexter, an honest, competent government worker. I asked her to send me those 100 pages, citing the fact that Federenko was deceased and his case was not "classified." Mrs. Poindexter complied. Those 100 pages saved the life of John Demjanjuk. They contained the testimony of 17 witnesses about Treblinka.

All 17 identified "Ivan":

1. He was taller than John Demjanjuk;
2. He had dark hair, not blond like John Demjanjuk;
3. He was nine years older than John Demjanjuk;
4. He had a long scar on his neck.

There was also a photo of two SS Nazi guards who had been identified by one of the witnesses, who said: "The short guard with pistol is Tkachuk. The tall guard is the man the Jewish prisoners feared the most, 'Ivan Grozny'—IVAN MARCHENKO."

All 17 witnesses identified a man named Ivan Marchenko as "Ivan the Terrible."

I asked Congress for a hearing. Congress refused, the case was "too sensitive." The federal courts would not accept my evidence. I took my evidence to the floor of Congress. I said John Demjanjuk was not "Ivan the Terrible." A man named Ivan Marchenko was the real "Ivan."

That night, the U.S. Justice Department issued a statement that "there were two Ivans."

The next day I released the photo of Marchenko. The Justice Department was silent.

I then forwarded all my evidence to John Demjanjuk's defense team in Israel, who then submitted it in to the Israeli Supreme Court.

I flew to Israel with John Demjanjuk Jr. and Ed Nishnic, at my own expense. I did a live interview with Bryant Gumbel on the Today show. I stated that if Israel executed John Demjanjuk that Israel will lose \$20 billion a year from U.S. taxpayers. Gumbel said that "Israel only gets \$3 billion a year." I countered, "That's just the foreign aid bill, Bryant. Israel gets military aid, loans, loans converted to grants, and trade compacts and other money. I say that Israel gets \$20,000 for every man, woman and child from America every year." The interview was over.

I was phoned the following night and was told that John Demjanjuk would be released and delivered to me at the Tel Aviv Airport. We took him home.

I called a press conference for New York. While the press gathered, I ducked out with John Demjanjuk on a small plane. When approaching Cleveland, I directed the pilot to seek a landing pattern at the airport, then

directed the flight to a small airstrip near Independence, Ohio, thus eluding the press.

John Demjanjuk went to a safehouse, He was home. I flew to Washington. The next day the Sixth Circuit Court in Cincinnati, Ohio issued the following statement; "A TRAGIC BUT HONEST MISTAKE BY OUR GOVERNMENT."

That was no mistake. Moscovitz, Garand and Daugherty should have been sent to prison. I said then, "Since when did sensitivity waive our Bill of Rights?" When we allow the rights of one American to be violated, we endanger the rights of all Americans.

Germany should send John Demjanjuk home. How, in God's name, can Germany accept any evidence from the U.S. Justice Department who suborned perjury in the first trial, withheld evidence, obstructed justice, and violated John Demjanjuk's civil rights?

SHAME ON GERMANY AND SHAME ON THE U.S.A. What has happened to our great country?

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http://www.americanfreepress.net/html/demjanjuk_fights_201.html

Seventeen Dutch relatives of Jews murdered in the concentration camp Sobibor are to act as co-plaintiffs in the trial of alleged Nazi war criminal John Demjanjuk.

The trial of the 90-year-old former SS guard begins on 30 November in the south German city of Munich. It may be the last ever nazi war crimes trial. Mr Demjanjuk is charged with acting as an accessory to the murder of the 27,900 people who died in Sobibor, now in Poland, during the time he is alleged to have been a guard there.

A total of 170,000 Jews were murdered in the camp, 34,000 of them from the Netherlands. The Dutch Jews were transported in 19 trains from the transit camp Westerbork in the east of the Netherlands. Only 19 of them survived.

Under German law immediate family members of homicide victims can be co-plaintiffs alongside the state. The Sobibor Foundation says that morally

speaking, the Dutch co-plaintiffs are also appearing on behalf of all those exterminated during the period in which Demjanjuk was in Sobibor.



<http://www.rnw.nl/english/article/dutch-victims-relatives-act-demjanjuk-trial>

Niederländische Nebenkläger beim Demjanjuk-Prozeß in München



Vierzehn der Nebenkläger aus den Niederlanden

Die Nebenkläger im Prozeß gegen John (Iwan) Demjanjuk sind Menschen, deren Verwandte im ersten Grad (Eltern, Geschwister, Ehegatten) in Sobibor zwischen dem 1. März und dem 26. Oktober 1943 ermordet sind, das heißt in der Periode, in der

Demjanjuk als Wachmann, der in Trawniki ausgebildet worden war, im Vernichtungslager arbeitete. Ein Teil der Nebenkläger wurde von der deutschen Justiz darum gebeten, andere haben sich spontan gemeldet.

Im juristischen Sinne kann nur einer Nebenkläger werden, der Verwandter ersten Grades eines Opfers ist. Moralisch betrachtet sprechen die niederländischen Nebenkläger auch im Namen aller, die in der Periode in der Demjanjuk in Sobibor war, ermordet wurden. Im Falle der Kindertransporte aus Vught etwa, bei denen auch vollständige Familien deportiert worden sind, von denen kein Einziger überlebt hat.

Über 170.000 Juden sind in Sobibor ermordet worden. Aus den Niederlanden wurden 34.313 Juden nach Sobibor deportiert, von denen ungefähr 33.000 dort in den Gaskammern umgebracht wurden. Ihre Namen sind bekannt, weil die sogenannten Transportlisten, auf denen sie erwähnt wurden, erhalten sind.

Es konnte eine Gruppe von 23 niederländischen Nebenklägern gebildet werden, weil es die Namen der

Transportlisten gibt. Es wird auf jeden Fall ein Nebenkläger aus Deutschland kommen, aus Polen werden mindestens zwei da sein.

Im Moment ist noch nicht bekannt, ob auch jemand wird sprechen können für die mehr als 130.000 Juden aus Polen, der ehemaligen Sowjetunion, Frankreich, Österreich, der Tschechei, der Slowakei und dem ehemaligen Jugoslawien, die in Sobibor namenlos ermordet wurden.

Die niederländischen Nebenkläger sprechen für ihre ermordeten Verwandten, sie sind aber auch die symbolischen Vertreter all derjenigen, die in Sobibor vergast wurden.

<http://stichtingsobibor.nl/index.php/inhoud/home/>

Nazi hunter vows to bring last Hitler criminals to justice

By Dana Bartholomew, Staff Writer, Daily News

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Dr. Efraim Zuroff, chief investigator of Nazi war criminals for the Simon Wiesenthal Center, talks to the media about his efforts to bring Nazi war criminals to justice during a press conference at the Museum of Tolerance (sic!) in Los Angeles on Thursday, November 19, 2009. (Hans Gutknecht/LA Daily News)

They're now old, feeble, beloved by their children and grandkids - and accused of abetting the murder of millions. Six decades after the Holocaust, the world's leading Nazi hunter vowed Thursday to either bring the last of Hitler's war criminals to justice or pursue them to their graves. "Contrary to public perception that it's too late, that's certainly not the case," said Efraim Zuroff, chief Nazi hunter for the renowned Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles. "We have three to five years until we won't be able to do this anymore."

Zuroff, director of the center's Israeli office, was at the center's Museum of Tolerance to release its annual report on the prosecution of some of the world's most evil men and women. He was also in town to promote his book, "Operation Last Chance: One Man's Quest to Bring Nazi Criminals to Justice." The good news: Four of the center's 10 most wanted Nazi war criminals may soon stand trial. They include Ivan Demjanjuk, a former American accused of helping slaughter Jews in several Waffen SS death camps, whose trial in Germany begins Nov. 30.

Also about to face justice is Sandor Kepiro, a Hungarian accused of helping to kill 1,200 civilians. And Charles

Zentai, alleged to have helped kill Jews in Hungary, whose extradition from Australia was approved last week. And Heinrich Boere, an alleged hit man for the SS in Holland, now awaiting trial in Germany.

The Simon Wiesenthal report listed 706 ongoing investigations of Nazi war criminals in two dozen countries, including 85 new cases between April 2008 through March 2009. During that period, six Nazis were convicted in Italy. The bad news: Many nations still refuse to prosecute aging Nazis.

At the top of the most-wanted list is Alois Brunner, a key SS operative responsible for the deportation of 128,500 Jews to concentration camps. He may be in Syria. He may be dead. "It's not that hard to actually find these people. It's not even that hard to find the evidence for these people," said Zuroff, who considers himself part detective, part historian and part political lobbyist. "What is incredibly hard is to get countries that are reluctant to bring Nazi war criminals to justice, to do the right thing and to bring them to trial."

Among the countries that got failing grades for not going after Nazis: Australia, Austria, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden, Syria and the Ukraine. Canada, which has never deported a single Nazi, scored

a D. The United States got top marks for helping bring 37 of the 82 war criminal convictions worldwide, while stripping 75 Nazis of their citizenship and deporting 56. Rabbi Marvin Hier, founder and dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center, said others may defend Nazi fugitives as old, feeble and forgetful and not worth prosecution. But they have been able to live fruitful lives, he said, while their victims did not. "As long as a Nazi war criminal is still alive, they should know that there's someone looking for them," Hier said. "When you hunt a Nazi war criminal, all Nazi war criminals in the world feel vulnerable." Holocaust survivors and their children agreed.

Sol Teichman, his brother Samuel and their father were the only family members to survive the Nazi scourge. After surviving Auschwitz and a death march to Dachau where 6,000 fell, they were among the first Jewish refugees admitted to the U.S. "We should go after

them... they should not be forgiven," said Sol Teichman, 82, of Encino, a native of Czechoslovakia. "I lost 100 members of my immediate family... It's something I cannot forget, nor can I forgive." "I want to see justice done," added the daughter of an 89-year-old Holocaust survivor in Camarillo, who asked that her name not be used. "I'd love to see 'em hang from a tree and let me at 'em."

http://www.dailynews.com/news/ci_13829525

[AI comment: Notice that judicial notice is taken of the allegation that homicidal gas chambers existed at Sobibor, something that Revisionists Jurgen Graf and Carlo Mattogno investigated in detail and found to the contrary. But such vital details is not Zuroff's concern because his values do not embrace truth and justice but only hatred and vengeance. We see here the Talmudic mindset-worldview in action – a horrifying spectacle.]

Cheer the SS and Boo the DoD

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12/3/2009 -- **Excellent news indeed! After a failure of security allowed a couple of publicity hounds to crash a recent Obama White House party, the Secret Service has already begun preliminary investigations and punitive actions. Congress has begun hearings to get to the bottom of it:**

Secret Service benches 3 over gatecrashing

http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20091203/ap_on_go_pr_wh/us_uninvited_guests

It's too bad -- and damned suspicious -- that after a much greater failure of security on 9/11, the U.S. military failed to do any of this. To this military professional, the lack of investigation, punishment and congressional inquiry can only mean one thing: an official conspiracy.

A few months before 9/11, ABC News aired a story suggesting that the U.S. mainstream media knew what was coming:

U.S. Military Wanted to Provoke War with Cuba

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/story?id=92662&page=1>

The ABC story, about "Operation Northwoods" in 1962, points out chilling details that parallel 9/11. Zealous to attack the new Castro regime, the U.S. government proposed "... hijacking planes, blowing up a U.S. ship, and even orchestrating violent terrorism in U.S. cities ... as a way to trick the American public and the international community into supporting a war."

Maybe the conspiracy theorists have it right this time about the government being in the wrong. Lord knows, neocon zealots close to the Bush White House wanted an excuse to attack their Muslim enemies in the Middle East. On 9/11, a number that meant EMERGENCY to the American people, they got their hearts' desire.

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Captain May has served in the U.S. Army, Army Reserve and National Guard during four different decades. His military specialties include Intelligence, Public Affairs and WMD defense. A disabled veteran, he has been on a mission of conscience to expose the 9/11 cover-up since 2004. He is the commander of Ghost Troop Cyber Militia, which was recently attacked by CNN:

Some suspect conspiracy in Holocaust Museum case

June 16, 2009 -- Updated 2334 GMT (0734 HKT)

By Mike M. Ahlers CNN

- **STORY HIGHLIGHTS**
- **Members of "Ghost Troop" say museum shooting may be a "false flag" operation**
- **They say suspect James von Brunn may have been set up**
- **Group previously known for 9/11 attack conspiracy theories**
- **U.S. Attorney's Office says there is no coverup**



The "Ghost Troop" leader says shooting suspect James von Brunn corresponded with him for several years.

WASHINGTON (CNN) -- To most, the evidence against alleged Holocaust Museum shooter James von Brunn may seem overwhelming.

Surveillance camera video.

Eyewitness accounts.

Von Brunn's red Hyundai parked outside.

Ballistics.

But to some people in Von Brunn's e-mail chain and Web circles, there's a darker truth.

They say the June 10 shooting at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum may be a "false flag" operation. The incident could have been staged by one group, perhaps what they describe as the Jewish-controlled U.S. government, to make it appear to be the actions of another group -- in this case, von Brunn and others who believe Jews exercise too much control in the United States.

In other words, von Brunn could have been set up, they contend.

Where others see meaningless coincidence, members of "Ghost Troop," an online group of writers and investigators bent on disproving official versions of the September 11, 2001, attacks and other major events,

have a penchant for seeing what they argue is meaningful evidence. Where others see the smoke of understandable and inevitable inconsistency, they see fire.

Ghost Troop members are trying to build the case that von Brunn, an ardent believer in conspiracy theories, was himself the victim of a conspiracy.

Ghost Troop's center of focus until now has been the 2001 terrorist attacks. The museum shooting has opened yet another window into the thinking of a group that believes many highly public and publicized events are rarely what they appear to be.

"It's possible that he [von Brunn] might have been enticed to the Holocaust Museum," said Ghost Troop member William Fox. Fox said that Israeli intelligence agents could have shot security officer Stephen Johns, then shot von Brunn, then planted the rifle.

"Today's shootings at the DC Holocaust Museum bear some of the classic earmarks of a false flag operation,"

wrote conspiracy theorist Eric May on the Web site amfirstbooks.com.

"Mind you, I'm not asserting that this is a false flag operation, but neither am I discounting the possibility. I exhort Internet researchers to look into this carefully and publish results," May wrote.

An Embassy of Israel official in Washington, informed of the Ghost Troop speculation, declined comment, saying it deserved none.

May is founder of Ghost Troop, which he describes as an informal group of more than 300 ex-military and civilian volunteers who "thwart false flag attacks and other criminal activity by the administration."

May wrote that the 9/11 attacks were "in all likelihood an 'inside job,' a collaborative effort between high-level U.S. government insiders and the Israeli Mossad."

He wrote he also thinks the same about the Madrid, Spain, train bombing in 2004 and the London, England, bombings in 2005.

"These false flag attacks are used to justify further U.S. and Israeli military interventionism and other geopolitical goals," May wrote.

Ghost Troop bloggers also have speculated about the timing of the appearance of "666" in the Illinois State Lottery, saying the number could be a signal to others for nefarious purposes.

In an interview Friday, May said that von Brunn corresponded with him from 2006 to 2009, and distributed May's writings to others. But von Brunn was not a Ghost Troop member, May said.

"I came to regard him as one of my readers and critics," May said. "I believe he was an eccentric and brilliant man. I thought he was bigoted. We shared many views, but his view [on race] is not one of them." May said he was initially surprised by von Brunn's alleged involvement in the museum shooting, saying that von Brunn "never threatened direct action, although he sometimes commented or made allusions to how there needs to be an uprising."

Now, May said, his "theory, but not conviction [is] that this was a staged event, a contrived shooting."

The reasons he feels that way: The government has not released videotape, a former high-ranking government official was at the shooting scene, a North American Aerospace Defense Command exercise was planned for the day of the incident and there were discrepancies between the number of shots some witnesses recalled

hearing and the number of bullet casings found at the shooting scene.

(Unless witnesses are being sought, governments rarely release videotapes before a trial. Former Defense Secretary William Cohen was near the entrance to the museum, where he was to see a performance of his wife's play later that day. Witness descriptions of shootings frequently differ from evidence. NORAD exercises are held every few months in Washington.)

Finally, May said, the Holocaust Museum shooting "didn't seem like the kind of operation he would have done if he had decided to go on what in effect was a homicide/suicide mission."

Fox, like May, said he is not certain the Holocaust Museum attack is a "false flag" operation. But, he added, "This is so incredibly convenient for [Homeland Security Secretary] Janet Napolitano and the Jewish lobby to have this happen right now." He said Napolitano's job was in danger because she implied that returning veterans were susceptible to influence from terrorists.

"It's not all black and white. I believe along with the captain [May] that most of the official story is true." But "malevolent forces are trying to spin this to the max. They love to take incidents like this to amplify them to the max," he said.

Fox said he was suspicious that the museum shooting could be a false flag operation because a person with von Brunn's military experience should have been able to stage a more forceful assault on the building. He is also suspicious because the government has not released surveillance video of the incident.

"Where are the videos? Have you seen any video evidence yet? That's interesting, don't you think?" he said.

U.S. Attorney's Office spokesman John Roth said prosecutors "have very strict guidelines with regards to what we can and cannot produce in a pretrial setting." The guidelines are designed to prevent prejudicing potential jurors, he said.

"It's for the protection of the defendant more than anything else," Roth said.

"In the normal course, these things are introduced at trial and made publicly available," he said.

Asked if he was participating in a coverup, Roth said, "No."

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