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More Covert War Against Iran

But the program the *New York Times* outlined was only part of the escalating U.S. war against Iran. [Seymour Hersh reported in the New Yorker](#) back in June 2008 that President Bush had requested \$400 million per year for covert operations against Iran, which included funding for terrorist organizations against Iran in an effort to create regime “destabilization.”

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Even as far back as 2004, the [Christian Science Monitor reported](#) that the United States had begun subsidizing Marxist MEK terrorists for an eventual terror campaign against Iran. And the United States has indeed [trained and funded MEK terrorists](#) for strikes against Iran, including [bringing them over to the United States for training in Nevada](#).



That the Bush administration would choose the MEK is revealing. The left-wing magazine [Foreign Policy put it best](#): “[The] Iranian group has killed American civilians, allied itself with Saddam Hussein, and holds a spot on the State Department’s terrorist watch list. So why might it become America’s newest friend in the Middle East?” Here is a Marxist organization that was too far left for the Clinton administration, which listed MEK as a terrorist organization in 1997. But now they are worthy as allies, according to Bush administration policy.

President Bush [said after September 11, 2001 at a joint session of Congress](#): “Either you are with us, or you are with the terrorists.” In the so-called “war on terror” today, “we” and the terrorists are one.

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