About Mano Bakh

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Born into a loving Muslim family, Mano Bakh grew up not knowing of the violent history of his religion and dreaming of a career that would make his parents proud. At 18, he was selected as one of only six young Iranian men to attend the Italian Naval Academy in Livorno, Italy. It was there, while researching his religion for a class project, that he realized that the loving spirituality of his mother's faith was very different from Islam's violent and bloody past.

In his new memoir, *From Terror to Freedom: A Warning About America's Affair with Islam*, (ISBN: 9781929170357, \$19.95. Publisher's Design Group/May 2011), Mr. Bakh chronicles his life from a young, idealistic boy through his rise in the Iranian Navy, up to his arrival in the U.S. after narrowly escaping certain execution by the Ayatollah Khomeini during the 1979 Iranian Revolution. *From Terror to Freedom* is a firsthand account of Persian culture and its subsequent destruction by Muslim fundamentalism. He warns against the dangers Islam poses to American freedoms and offers solutions to the Western world's problem with Iran and the Middle East's control of oil.

After graduating from the Italian Naval Academy, Mr. Bakh was sent to the United States Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, where he received a master's degree in mechanical engineering and nearly completed his doctorate work when he was called home to help develop the largest naval training facility in Iran, which was later converted into Ayatollah Khomeini's largest prison. He was promoted to an Admiral position in the Iranian Navy, in charge of the training and education around the world.

Mr. Bakh witnessed mosques turned into houses of war as Ayatollah Khomeini came to power. Surrounded by uncertainty and fear, he did not hesitate to wait to discover his fate. He quickly made plans to flee the country with his family after learning he was in the Black Book, most likely destined for execution, due to his associations with United States Navy.

Bakh and his family miraculously made it safely through Europe to the United States, where they have lived under an assumed name since. In 2008, he became a Founding Board Director of Former Muslims United (FMU). He also founded and is Director of Concerned American Citizens (CAC) (<u>www.ConcernedAmericanCitizens.org</u>), a community and educational non-profit organization dedicated to separating Islamic law (Shariah) from spiritual Islam. Both organizations work to unite moderate Muslims and urge them to speak out against Shariah and radical Islam. For more information about *From Terror to Freedom* or to read more about the author, please visit <u>www.fromterrortofreedom.com</u>.

Experience gives this Persian gentleman the credibility to critique the problematic religious and political situation in today's Middle East and how it affects the United States.

To schedule an interview with Mano Bakh, or to receive a review copy of *From Terror to Freedom*, please contact Don Otis at Veritas Communications, <u>don@veritasincorporated.com</u>, 719.275.7775 Media kit available on line at: www.publishersdesign.com/books/terrortofreedom.