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0373/11 -----
China supplying virtually every nuke component required by Iran

(Geostrategy direct) The U.S. intelligence community has deemed China the leading supplier to Iran's nuclear weapons program. Officials said the intelligence community has determined that state-owned and other Chinese companies were exporting virtually every component required for Iran to maintain and advance its nuclear weapons program. They said China has also supplied components, systems and technology for Teheran's ballistic missile program, a key element in the delivery of nuclear weapons.

0374/11 -----

The Egypt Crisis in a Global Context: A Special Report

(StratFor) It is not at all clear what will happen in the Egyptian revolution. It is not a surprise that this is happening. Hosni Mubarak has been president for more than a quarter of a century, ever since the assassination of Anwar Sadat. He is old and has been ill. No one expected him to live much longer, and his apparent plan, which was that he would be replaced by his son Gamal, was not going to happen even though it was a possibility a year ago. There was no one, save his closest business associates, who wanted to see Mubarak's succession plans happen. As his father weakened, Gamal's succession became even less likely. Mubarak's failure to design a credible succession plan guaranteed instability on his death. Since everyone knew that there would be instability on his death, there were obviously those who saw little advantage to acting before he died. Who these people were and what they wanted is the issue.

http://www.stratfor.com/analysis/20110130-the-egypt-crisis-in-a-global-context-a-special-report?utm_source=SpecialReport&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=110130&utm_content=readmore&elq=c47e8d378089496d9985f24352a0a530

*More on the Egyptian crisis : **Egypt Uprising - Special***

0375/11 -----

French Areva signs contract with bin Laden group on nuclear energy

(AFP via Daily Star) "We are consulting with everybody who has technology in these areas - Koreans, British, Americans, Japanese and French," including the French group Areva, he said, which is a major player in the global nuclear industry.

Areva chief executive Anne Lauvergeon, who was in Riyadh to explore the local market, has stressed that Saudi Arabia is "an important market." During her visit, Lauvergeon signed an agreement with the Saudi Bin Laden Group on cooperation in the fields of solar and nuclear energy.

"We are very sensitive to energy developments in Saudi Arabia, where there is a willingness to move toward nuclear power," she said in Riyadh.

http://www.dailystar.com.lb/article.asp?edition_id=10&categ_id=3&article_id=124131#axzz1CuSNwHLW

0376/11 -----

Dick Marty kritisiert UNO-Tribunal: Beweise vernichtet

(Standard) Der Berichterstatter des Europarates zum mutmaßlichen Organhandel unmittelbar nach dem Kosovo-Krieg, Dick Marty, hat die Vorgangsweise des UNO-Tribunals für Kriegsverbrechen im ehemaligen Jugoslawien (ICTY), das sich vor Jahren mit diesem Problem befasst hatte, kritisiert. Das Tribunal beging nach Meinung Martys einen Fehler, als es nach Ermittlungen in der zentralalbanischen Ortschaft Rripe bei Burrel 2004 die gesammelten Beweise vernichtete.

Dies sei an keinem Gericht auf der Welt eine normale Vorgangsweise, meinte Marty in einem Gespräch mit der Belgrader Wochenzeitschrift „NIN“, das die Tageszeitung „Blic“ am heutigen Mittwoch vorabdruckte. Beweise würden nie vernichtet und schon gar nicht, wenn keine Verjährung eingetreten sei, sagte Marty. Beweise würden aufbewahrt, weil zu einem späteren Termin neue Beweise auftauchen könnten, die den alten eine andere Bedeutung geben könnten.

Das UNO-Tribunal hatte sich im Jahr 2004 mit Medienberichten über den Handel mit Organen von Hunderten Kosovo-Serben, aber auch -Albanern befasst, die nach dem Kosovo-Krieg (1998/99) entführt wurden. Ermittlungen wurde wegen Mangel an Beweisen allerdings nie eingeleitet, enthüllte die damalige Chefanklägerin Carla del Ponte vor Jahren in einem Buch. Später wurde bekannt, dass die damals gesammelten Beweise vernichtet wurden.

<http://derstandard.at/1295570881231/Organhandel-im-Kosovo-Dick-Marty-kritisiert-UNO-Tribunal-Beweise-vernichtet>



0377/11 -----

The Egyptian Unrest: A Special Report

(StratFor) Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak remains the lifeblood of the demonstrators, who still number in the tens of thousands in downtown Cairo and in other major cities, albeit on a lesser scale. After being overwhelmed in the Jan. 28 Day of Rage protests, Egypt's internal security forces – with the anti-riot paramilitaries of the Central Security Forces (CSF) at the forefront – were glaringly absent from the streets Jan. 29. They were replaced with rows of tanks and armored personnel carriers carrying regular army soldiers. Unlike their CSF counterparts, the demonstrators demanding Mubarak's exit from the political scene largely welcomed the soldiers. Despite Mubarak's refusal to step down Jan. 28, the public's positive perception of the military, seen as the only real gateway to a post-Mubarak Egypt, remained. It is unclear how long this perception will hold, especially as Egyptians are growing frustrated with the rising level of insecurity in the country and the army's limits in patrolling the streets.

http://www.stratfor.com/analysis/20110129-the-egyptian-unrest-a-special-report?utm_source=SpecialReport&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=110129&utm_content=readmore&elq=53141a9bc9f64df1b9f7afa9b16ca6cf

0378/11 -----

Mubarak Appoints Spy Chief as VP amid Growing Anger

(US News source) In an attempt to restabilize calmth in Egypt, president Hosni Mubarak has appointed a close confidant, Omar Suleiman, the country's head of intelligence as his new vice-president, while violence in the

streets of Egypt has entered its fifth day. The Egyptian government ordered curfew at 4pm (local time) but it was ignored by the residents.

76-year-old Suleiman was 'Minister without Portfolio' and head of the national intelligence agency EGID (Egyptian General Intelligence Directorate) since 1993. He is known as 'one of the world's most powerful spy chiefs' and most powerful intelligence chief of the Middle East. Suleiman was only known to top government officials until 2000, when he helped to obtain a deal between several armed Palestinian groups for power in Gaza as well as brokering deals between the Palestinians and Israel as a special presidential envoy from president Mubarak.

http://www.usnewssource.com/headlines/mubarak-appoints-spy-chief-as-vp-amid-growing-anger_159126.html

0379/11 -----

Blutige Straßenschlachten in Kairo

(Wiener Zeitung) Der Tahrir-Platz in Kairo war Symbol des friedlichen Kampfes der Ägypter für Demokratie, umso dramatischer dann die Szenen, die sich am Mittwoch Nachmittag abspielten: 4000 Anhänger des autokratischen Präsidenten Hosni Mubarak und Gegner des Regimes lieferten sich plötzlich wilde Straßenschlachten.

Steine flogen, Knüppel und Eisenstangen und andere Metallteile kamen zum Einsatz, zahllose Verletzte wurden in die Spitäler gebracht. Regierungsanhänger warfen Steinblöcke von den Hausdächern. Einige attackierten Journalisten, denen sie vorwarfen, die Unruhen in Ägypten geschürt zu haben.

<http://www.wienerzeitung.at/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabID=3856&Alias=WZO&cob=542031>

0380/11 -----

What is the CIA doing in Egypt?

(IntelNews) Every time there is a popular uprising anywhere in the Muslim world, the minds of American intelligence planners go immediately to 1979, when the Iranian Revolution tore down almost overnight one of Washington's closest allies in the Middle East.

By ignoring the immense unpopularity of the Shah's brutal regime, and by limiting its Iranian contacts among the pro-Shah elites in the country, the CIA was caught completely in the dark as the Islamic revolution unfolded. Could the same be happening now in Egypt?

Hopefully not, says The Washington Post's veteran intelligence correspondent Jeff Stein. As in the case of Iran under the Shah, the US has stood by the 33-year dictatorship of Hosni Mubarak, choosing to abide by the simplistic dogma of 'either secular repression or anti-American Islamism'. But, unlike 1970s Iran, one would hope that US intelligence agencies have been able to develop useful contacts across the fragmented but dynamic and energized Egyptian opposition community, says Stein, quoting former US Defense Intelligence Agency official Jeffrey White. It is unlikely that the CIA and other agencies have fully embraced persistent calls, such as those by Emile Nakhleh, former head of the CIA's program on political Islam, to develop trustworthy contacts inside the Egyptian

Islamic Brotherhood, as well as groups close to it, such as Hamas and Hezbollah.

If such contacts have not already been developed, it is almost certain that US intelligence agencies are frantically trying to establish them right now, so they can at least provide moderately tolerable assessments of the unfolding situation on the ground. Anything past that would probably be unfeasible at the current stage, according to Stein's analysis. As Richard K. Betts, an academic with close contacts with US intelligence agencies puts it, "the priority [right now] is collection and analysis about what's going on".

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2011/01/28/01-646/>

0381/11

Israel shocked by Obama's "betrayal" of Mubarak

(Reuters) If Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak is toppled, Israel will lose one of its very few friends in a hostile neighborhood and President Barack Obama will bear a large share of the blame, Israeli pundits said on Monday.

Political commentators expressed shock at how the United States as well as its major European allies appeared to be ready to dump a staunch strategic ally of three decades, simply to conform to the current ideology of political correctness. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has told ministers of the Jewish state to make no comment on the political cliffhanger in Cairo, to avoid inflaming an already explosive situation. But Israel's President Shimon Peres is not a minister.

"We always have had and still have great respect for President Mubarak," he said on Monday. He then switched to the past tense. "I don't say everything that he did was right, but he did one thing which all of us are thankful to him for: he kept the peace in the Middle East."

Newspaper columnists were far more blunt.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/01/31/us-egypt-israel-usa-idUSTRE70U53720110131>

0382/11

Der private Kanal der Amerikaner zu Mubarak

(Standard) Frank Wisner junior war da bereits ein erfolgreicher Diplomat. Nachdem er 1961 in Princeton sein Studium abgeschlossen hatte, nahm er seinen ersten Posten in Algier an. Seine Karriere spannt sich über vier Jahrzehnte und acht Präsidenten. Er war nicht nur am Höhepunkt des Kriegs in Vietnam, sondern auch in Indien, auf den Philippinen, in Sambia. 1986 schickte ihn Ronald Reagan als Botschafter nach Ägypten. Aus dieser Zeit stammen auch Wisners gute Beziehungen zu Hosni Mubarak und anderen ägyptischen Granden.

Als die Amerikaner nun nach einem "privaten Kanal" zum ägyptischen Präsidenten suchten, um diesem klarzumachen, dass seine Zeit abgelaufen sei, fiel US-Außenministerin Hillary Clinton Frank Wisner ein. Dieser flog am Dienstag nach Kairo und überbrachte seinem alten Freund die heikle Botschaft.

Wisner ist bereits 1997 in Pension gegangen, arbeitete aber als Berater, etwa für Enron oder den Versicherungskonzern American International Group. Auch das State Department entsandte ihn immer wieder, zuletzt 2006 für die Kosovo-Verhandlungen nach Wien.

<http://derstandard.at/1295571486910/Kopf-des-Tages-Der-private-Kanal-der-Amerikaner-zu-Mubarak>

0383/11 -----

Hintergrund: Die Akteure in Ägypten

(Sueddeutsche) Der Ausgang der nun schon tagelangen Unruhen in Ägypten ist ungewiss. Ob sich der Langzeitherrscher Husni Mubarak halten kann oder ob ihn der Volkszorn hinwegfegen wird, entscheidet sich im Kräftespiel verschiedener Akteure: Das Regime, die Opposition, die Medien, die Armee, die Polizei.

<http://newsticker.sueddeutsche.de/list/id/1103383>

0384/11 -----

Spy Agencies Failed to Predict Egypt Uprising

(IntelNews) It is becoming increasingly clear that the ongoing popular uprising in Egypt represents the most important geopolitical development in the Middle East since the 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran. In light of this, it is remarkable how unprepared foreign intelligence agencies have proven in forecasting the crisis.

Even the Israelis were caught completely unaware: on January 25, the day when massive protests first erupted across Egypt, Major General Aviv Kochavi, newly appointed head of Israel's Military Intelligence Directorate, told a Knesset committee that "there are no doubts about the stability of the regime in Egypt" and that "the Muslim Brotherhood is not organized enough to take over". Instead, Kochavi focused on political volatility in Lebanon; ironically, the latter now seems like an oasis of tranquility compared to the explosive state of Egyptian politics. If the Israelis, whose very concept of national security is inextricably linked with developments in Cairo, were so unsuspecting of the popular wave of anger against the thirty-year dictatorship of President Hosni Mubarak, one can only imagine Washington's surprise at the protests.

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2011/02/01/01-648/>

0385/11 -----

Mohammed El Baradei, Karrierediplomat als Anti-Mubarak

(Kleine Zeitung) Mohammed El Baradei (68) will Ägypten in eine neue Zeit führen. Manche sehen seine Rolle im derzeitigen Volksaufstand skeptisch, hat der ehemalige Chef der Internationalen Atomenergiebehörde doch die letzten Jahrzehnte fast nur im Ausland verbracht.

Der Hoffnungsträger für Millionen Ägypter heißt Mohammed El Baradei. Denn der 68-Jährige, der in der Nacht auf gestern aus Wien zurück in seine ägyptische Heimat kehrte, will sich an die Spitze der Protestbewegung gegen Präsident Hosni Mubarak setzen. Zimperlich darf er nicht sein. Schon bei

seinem ersten Auftritt gestern in Kairo ging die Polizei brutal gegen seine Anhänger vor.

[http://www.kleinezeitung.at/nachrichten/politik/portraet/2661559/karrieredi-
plomat-anti-mubarak.story](http://www.kleinezeitung.at/nachrichten/politik/portraet/2661559/karrieredi-
plomat-anti-mubarak.story)

0386/11 -----

The Story of the Egyptian Revolution

(American Thinker) One week ago, Egypt was a stable authoritarian regime, prospects of change were minimal and every expert in Washington would have betted on the endurance of its regime. Today, Egypt is in a state of chaos. The regime, even after using its mightiest sword is not able to control the country and the streets of Egypt are in a state of utter lawlessness. As the world stands in awe, confusion, and worry at the unfolding events, perhaps it is important to write the evolving story that is happening in Egypt before any reflections can be made on them.

Contrary to pundits, it turns out that the Egyptian regime was neither stable nor secure. The lack of its stability is not a reflection of its weakness or lack of a resolve to oppress. It is a reflection of its inherent contradiction to the natural desire of men to enjoy their basic freedoms. Egyptians might not know what democracy actually means, but that does not make the concept any less desirable. Perhaps it is precisely its vagueness and abstraction that makes the concept all the more desirable.

http://www.americanthinker.com/2011/02/the_story_of_the_egyptian_revo.html

0387/11 -----

Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood

(StratFor) The following is a report from a STRATFOR source in Hamas. Hamas, which formed in Gaza as an outgrowth of the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood (MB), has an interest in exaggerating its role and coordination with the MB in this crisis. The following information has not been confirmed. Nonetheless, there is a great deal of concern building in Israel and the United States in particular over the role of the MB in the demonstrations and whether a political opening will be made for the Islamist organization in Egypt.

The Egyptian police are no longer patrolling the Rafah border crossing into Gaza. Hamas armed men are entering into Egypt and are closely collaborating with the MB. The MB has fully engaged itself in the demonstrations, and they are unsatisfied with the dismissal of the Cabinet. They are insisting on a new Cabinet that does not include members of the ruling National Democratic Party.

Security forces in plainclothes are engaged in destroying public property in order to give the impression that many protesters represent a public menace. The MB is meanwhile forming people's committees to protect public property and also to coordinate demonstrators' activities, including supplying them with food, beverages and first aid.

[http://www.stratfor.com/analysis/20110129-red-alert-hamas-and-muslim-
brotherhood](http://www.stratfor.com/analysis/20110129-red-alert-hamas-and-muslim-
brotherhood)

0388/11 -----

Egypt riots are an intelligence chief's nightmare

(Haaretz) Western intelligence in general and Israeli intelligence in particular did not foresee the scope of change in Egypt, which may require a reorganization of the IDF.

The events of the last few days in Egypt - apparently the most important regional development since the Islamic revolution in Iran and the Egyptian-Israeli peace deal of 1979 - are also an expression of the decision-makers' nightmare, the planners and intelligence agents in Israel.

While in other countries many are watching with satisfaction at what looks to be possibly the imminent toppling of a regime that denied its citizens their basic rights, the Israeli point of view is completely different.

<http://www.haaretz.com/opinion/egypt-riots-are-an-intelligence-chief-s-nightmare-1.340027>

0389/11 -----

The One Person Who May Know What Egypt's Generals Will Do

(Time) Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak appointed his intelligence chief Omar Suleiman as Vice President not because Suleiman had any sway with the Egyptian street but rather because the new Veep knows the military better than anyone. A former general, Suleiman has spent his career helping keep Egypt's officers in line. He learned by heart the biographies of every officer, and is uncannily capable of predicting who is loyal and who isn't. That privileged catalog is key to anyone who wants to control the closed military dictatorship that Egypt has been since a 1952 coup d'état overthrew the monarchy. And that's why everyone else seems to be confused about what's going to happen next in Egypt, including the Egyptians.

Anyone who has paid attention to Egypt will tell you that the country's generals have always kept their own counsel. But even at that, they have been extremely circumspect, the generals knowing that anyone who showed the slightest independence or rebelliousness would be quietly and quickly cashiered by the regime. It's not surprising, then, that no intelligence agency in the world has been able to pull back the veil on Egypt's military dictatorship - and they're not about to now.

<http://www.time.com/time/world/article/0,8599,2045174,00.html>

(Author is former CIA-operative and legend Robert Baer !)

0390/11 -----

Risks in Egypt were on Obama's radar early on

(Reuters) When a public uprising ousted Tunisia's leader after two decades in power, U.S. policymakers and intelligence analysts immediately wondered what this might mean for Egypt, the most populous Arab nation and a staunch American ally.

Indeed, as far back as last year, senior aides to President Barack Obama got a warning from outside analysts that Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's grip on power was tenuous. The analysts advised the administration to try to get out in front of events. Yet, as the crisis in Egypt built over the

course of the past week, the Obama administration struggled to keep up with fast-moving events, a problem it must overcome as it grapples with future events in Egypt and the wider region.

"In the best of all worlds, they would have more clear, pro-active goals for the region," said Brian Katulis, senior fellow at the Center for American Progress think tank, who was one of a handful of officials who met with the administration last year and warned about potential instability in Egypt. "But at this stage, especially as events unfold pretty quickly and violence escalates, it becomes all the harder for them to move out of this tactical, reactive mode."

Complicating matters for the administration are separate concerns about the adequacy of intelligence used by policymakers to help formulate their responses to such events.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/02/03/idINIndia-54613020110203>

0391/11 -----

'Intelligence failure? Mubarak couldn't predict uprising either'

(YnetNews) Former senior IDF officials say Israeli intelligence agencies could not have foreseen extreme developments in Egypt. Lipkin-Shahak: Peace treaty important to Egypt as well. no major change along southern border expected.

Senior security officials told Ynet Sunday that the fact that Israel did not anticipate the uprising in Egypt does not constitute an intelligence failure. They urged the government in Jerusalem to follow the developments but refrain from intervening. Upheaval in Egypt Leaked documents recently published by WikiLeaks revealed that former Mossad chief Meir Dagan estimated that President Hosni Mubarak's regime was stable, and just last week incoming IDF Intelligence chief Maj. Gen. Aviv Kochavi said there regime in Cairo was in no serious danger of collapsing.

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-4021489,00.html>

0392/11 -----

CRS: Background on Egypt

(CRS via FAS) The Congressional Research Service is not equipped to provide up-to-the-minute coverage of current news events, like the continuing upheaval in Egypt. But CRS does provide deeply researched background on factual matters including U.S. economic and military aid to Egypt, as well as a detailed account of many aspects of U.S.-Egypt political relations.

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/mideast/RL33003.pdf>

0393/11 -----

Analysts Assess Role of Egyptian Intelligence Services in Crisis

(VOA) As the crisis in Egypt continues to escalate, the role of the security and intelligence forces becomes more critical. President Hosni Mubarak said he will not run for re-election, and he appointed intelligence

chief General Omar Suleiman as vice president. The protesters, however, do not have a very favorable view of the intelligence services.

Larry Goodson, professor of Middle East Studies at the U.S. Army War College, said that when pro-Mubarak demonstrators clashed with anti-government protesters, it appeared to have been orchestrated by the government.

"When I saw that amazing footage of people on horseback and camelback galloping through Tahrir Square, and the tanks just sort of there and these guys coming through - that's, like, crazy, and clearly suggested to me that the regime had deployed those people to attack what was essentially a peaceful, albeit unruly and unwanted by the regime, protest," said Goodson.

<http://www.voanews.com/english/news/middle-east/Spy-Apparatus-Critical-in-Egyptian-Crisis-115134599.html>

0394/11

Egypt Unplugged from the Internet

(Krebs) As many readers no doubt know, the Egyptian government on Thursday severed the nation's ties with the rest of the Internet, in an apparent effort to disrupt political protests calling for an end to the 30-year rule of Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak.

I've been tweeting about new developments as they arise, but I wanted to point to a few of the more dramatic graphs that different sources have drawn up to show the precipitous decline in Internet traffic and connectivity to and from Egypt as leaders there sought to isolate phone and computer networks from the rest of the world.

http://krebsonsecurity.com/2011/01/egypt-unplugged-from-the-internet/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+KrebsOnSecurity+%28Krebs+on+Security%29

0395/11

Spammers Hijack Internet Space Assigned to Egyptian President's Wife

(Krebs) Egyptian citizens calling for besieged President Hosni Mubarak to step down may have been cut off from using the Web, but spammers have been busy cutting the government off from its own Internet address space: Earlier this month, junk e-mail artists hijacked a large swath of Internet addresses assigned to Mubarak's wife.

According to Spamhaus.org, well known spammers commandeered a chunk of more than 4,000 IP addresses that were assigned years ago to Suzanne Mubarak and the Suzanne Mubarak Science Exploration Center. Spamhaus reports that those addresses have been used recently to promote a variety of dodgy Web businesses, and that the hijacked block is under the control of an organization that has ties to alleged spammer Michael Lindsay and iMedia Networks. iMedia did not respond to requests for comment.

http://krebsonsecurity.com/2011/02/spammers-hijack-internet-space-assigned-to-egyptian-presidents-wife/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+KrebsOnSecurity+%28Krebs+on+Security%29

0396/11 -----

Cyber-Angriffe auf ägyptische Regierungsseiten

(Futurezone) Vermutlich aufgrund von Attacken durch Anonymous-Aktivisten sind zwei staatliche Webseiten aktuell nicht erreichbar.

Kurz nachdem der Internetzugang in Ägypten wieder hergestellt wurde sind mindestens zwei Regierungswebseiten vom Netz gegangen. Bei den Seiten handelt es sich um moiegypt.gov.eg und mcit.gov.eg Gleichzeitig haben Anonymous-Aktivisten über ihren Twitter-Account auf die Ausfälle hingewiesen und abermals gefordert, dass Präsident Mubarak zurücktritt. Erste Attacken gegen ägyptische Regierungswebseiten wurden bereits letzte Woche durchgeführt, nach der annähernd kompletten Abschaltung des ägyptischen Internets wurden jene jedoch obsolet. Die Aktivisten haben sich daraufhin immer wieder öffentlich gegen Mubarak und seine Regierung ausgesprochen.

<http://www.futurezone.at/stories/1665622/>



0397/11 -----

Wall Street warned of terror threat: FBI

(Financial Post) Financial institutions in New York were told by the FBI that they face a potential terrorist threat from al-Qaeda, a spokesman for the bureau said.

The banks were given briefings last month on the possible threats from al-Qaeda after published reports surfaced focusing on those businesses, said Jim Margolin, a spokesman for the New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. "The threat information is that it's not imminent and not specific," Margolin said yesterday in a phone interview. The FBI and members of the Joint Terrorism Task Force, which includes the New York Police Department, regularly give briefings to the public sector about terrorist threats, he said.

"In the nearly 10 years since 9/11, we give briefings as circumstances warrant," Margolin said. "This threat was in the course of a periodic updates given to them in the evolving threat stream." In January, an editorial written by Anwar al-Awlaki was posted on the Internet magazine Inspire, published by al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, the Yemeni branch of the terrorist organization that took credit for Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

<http://www.financialpost.com/Wall+Street+warned+terror+threat/4211126/story.html>



UNITED STATES

0398/11 -----

EFF Uncovers Widespread FBI Intelligence Violations

(EFF) EFF has uncovered widespread violations stemming from FBI intelligence investigations from 2001 - 2008. In a report released today, EFF documents alarming trends in the Bureau's intelligence investigation practices, suggesting that FBI intelligence investigations have compromised the civil liberties of American citizens far more frequently, and to a greater extent, than was previously assumed.

Using documents obtained through EFF's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) litigation, the report finds:

- Evidence of delays of 2.5 years, on average, between the occurrence of a violation and its eventual reporting to the Intelligence Oversight Board
- Reports of serious misconduct by FBI agents including lying in declarations to courts, using improper evidence to obtain grand jury subpoenas, and accessing password-protected files without a warrant
- Indications that the FBI may have committed upwards of 40,000 possible intelligence violations in the 9 years since 9/11

The report : <http://www.eff.org/files/EFF%20IOB%20Report.pdf> (1,9 MB)

0399/11 -----

Times alerted State Department on CableGate, essentially collaborated

(Gawker) Here's a great illustration of the difference between what Wikileaks was trying to accomplish and the way an establishment institution like the Times works. The Times didn't just alert the State Department to the contents of the cables it hoped to use, it essentially collaborated with the government by hosting what sounds like periodic shadow censorship panels.

So here we have the Times working closely with State Department officials to get clearance, essentially, to publish certain cables. Obviously the Times made the final calls, and the paper has shown relative courage in the past by outing the Bush Administration's surveillance program (after sitting on it for a year) in the face of strenuous opposition. But in the end, the federal government prevailed on the Times not to print certain things that it did not want printed. And those are precisely the things that I most want to read. Julian Assange is an asshole—and Wikileaks' own cable dumps were bizarrely over-redacted—but in the face of Keller's smug paternalism, radical transparency starts looking better and better.

<http://gawker.com/5744133/>

0400/11 -----

DoD establishes Civil Air Intelligence Analysis Center

(US SECDEF) It is DoD policy that a DoD Civil Air Intelligence Analysis Center (CAIAC) shall be established, under the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of the Air Force, to collect, analyze, integrate, and disseminate defense intelligence and information regarding foreign

aviation assets involved in terrorism, weapons proliferation, and weapons of mass destruction (WMD) trafficking as part of the civil aviation intelligence mission.

<http://cryptome.org/dodi/DTM-10-004.pdf>

0401/11 -----

Former CIA Chief 'Demystifies' Counter-Intelligence

(UCF today) Thomas Twetten, a former chief of CIA clandestine operations, discussed national security threats and global terrorist networks during a presentation at the University of Central Florida.

Twetten spoke to more than 200 people Thursday, Jan. 27. His presentation, organized by the UCF Global Perspectives Office, was a feature of the 2010-2011 programming theme "Global Peace and Security." Twetten said he wanted to help "demystify the spy part" of counter-intelligence. He defined the three main roles of clandestine service as collecting foreign intelligence, conducting counter-intelligence and engaging in covert action.

Collecting foreign intelligence – finding someone who has protected information and convincing that person to share it – is the "bread and butter" of what the clandestine service does, although "if we succeed, we'd rather not talk about it," he said.

<http://today.ucf.edu/former-cia-chief-demystifies-counter-intelligence/>

0402/11 -----

US Key military, intelligence assets imperiled in Egypt

(Washington Times) U.S. military and intelligence agencies would lose vital air, land and sea assets if Egypt falls into the hands of radical Islamists, as Iran did in 1979, foreign policy analysts say.

The U.S. armed forces are entwined with Egypt's military more than with any other Arab country's. But if Islamists seize Cairo, as the mullahs captured Tehran, this complex relationship unravels.

"Let me count the ways," said Ken Allard, a retired Army colonel and military analyst. "They are our biggest strategic partner in the Middle East. At that point, you've lost your biggest Arab partner. Geostrategically, the mind boggles."

The U.S. Navy would not be able to use the Egyptian-run Suez Canal. The 150-year-old waterway sharply reduces sailing time for Atlantic-based carriers and other warships going from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea and Persian Gulf, and to wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Air Force likely would lose overflight rights into the Middle East, and the Army would lose a partner in building the M1A1 tank.

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2011/jan/31/key-military-intelligence-assets-imperiled-egypt/>

0403/11 -----

FBI goes after Anonymous suspects

(ZDNet) The FBI has carried out over 40 searches in an investigation into cyberattacks launched by the Anonymous group in support of whistle-blower site Wikileaks.

The swoop on Thursday was part of an international police operation that included the Metropolitan Police Central eCrime Unit (PCeU), the FBI said. It follows the arrest of five young men in the UK on suspicion of involvement in the same Operation Payback series of distributed denial-of-service attacks (DDoS). "FBI agents today executed more than 40 search warrants throughout the United States as part of an ongoing investigation into recent coordinated cyberattacks against major companies and organisations," the FBI said in a statement on Thursday. "The victims included major US companies across several industries."

<http://www.zdnet.co.uk/news/security-threats/2011/01/28/fbi-goes-after-anonymous-suspects-40091600/>

0404/11 -----

Senate report on Fort Hood critical of FBI, Army

(Washington Times) A Senate report on the Fort Hood shooting is sharply critical of the FBI, saying that top leaders must exercise more control over local field offices that failed to recognize warning signs that suggested the shooter was a threat.

The report concluded that both the Defense Department and the FBI had sufficient information to detect that Army Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan was a "ticking time bomb" who had been radicalized to violent Islamist extremism, but they failed to understand and act on it. And it said the FBI must learn to better use its intelligence analysts, who might have been able to better connect the dots.

While many of the critiques have been aired over the past year in other investigations of the November 2009 rampage that left 13 dead and more than 30 wounded at the Texas military post, the Senate report says the FBI's move to become more intelligence-driven is hampered by internal conflicts that must be addressed.

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2011/feb/3/senate-report-fort-hood-critical-fbi-army/>

0405/11 -----

Chinese Stealth Source Sentenced

(StrategyPage) Indian born American citizen, Noshir S. Gowadia, was recently sentenced to 32 years in prison, after being convicted of spying for China. Gowadia sold China details of the B-2 bombers engine exhaust system. This technology makes it more difficult for heat sensors (like heat seeking missiles) to detect the exhaust of the B-2 engines. The information Gowadia provided would enable the Chinese to tweak their heat seeking missiles to have a better chance of hitting a B-2. Gowadia also helped Chinese engineers apply this technology to the design of a stealthy cruise missile. This technology would also be essential for the new Chinese J-20 aircraft.

Gowadia ran a Hawaii based spy ring since 1999, and made six clandestine trips to China. Gowadia worked on the B-2 project from 1968 to 1986, as one of the designers. Gowadia was arrested six years ago. He could have gotten life in prison, and anything less than that might indicate he had something to trade (on Chinese intel efforts).

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htintel/articles/20110201.aspx>



0406/11 -----

Russia warns Ireland it will retaliate in spy row

(BBC) Moscow has warned Dublin it will retaliate for the "unfounded" expulsion of a diplomat over the alleged theft of six Irish citizens' identities.

Their identities were allegedly used to provide cover for members of a 10-strong Russian spying ring which was cracked in the US last year. One spy, Anna Chapman, allegedly used details stolen from a member of Dublin children's charity To Russia With Love. The Russian foreign ministry promised to respond, but did not give details.

Tit-for-tat expulsions, in which a diplomat of equal standing is expelled, are usually not announced until after the first diplomat leaves the country, and it is unclear if the Russian has left Ireland yet. The Irish Republic's foreign affairs department said on Tuesday it had, with regret, taken the decision to expel the Russian after a police investigation.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-12343688>

0407/11 -----

Anna Chapman registers name as trademark for 'Russian spy vodka'

(^Metro) Chapman registered for the trademark back in August and, according to a report from Russian daily Komsomolskaya Pravda, she could be on the verge of bringing out a brand of vodka.

As many as eight lines of merchandise were mentioned in the application, including a clothing line and watches, the report adds. 'Maybe she wants to open the "Anna Chapman" dry-cleaner or make cookies,' official Nikolai Kravtsov told Reuters.

However, it has been suggested the trademark could be contested by her ex-husband Alex.

<http://www.metro.co.uk/news/854409-anna-chapman-registers-name-as-trademark-for-russian-spy-vodka>

0408/11 -----

Russischer Spion stirbt bei Sturz aus Fenster

(Stern) Der russische Auslandsgeheimdienst SVR hat zu dem Tod eines seiner Agenten eine interne Untersuchung eingeleitet. Der Agent, Oberst Gennadi A., war am Sonntagmorgen beim Sturz aus einem Fenster seiner Wohnung im Südwesten Moskaus ums Leben gekommen, wie die Nachrichtenagentur RIA Nowosti am Montag unter Berufung auf Geheimdienstkreise berichtete. Die Webseite Lifenews.ru berichtete jedoch, die Ermittler verdächtigten den Sohn des 46-jährigen Offiziers, hinter dem Tod seines Vaters zu stecken. Die Webseite zitiert Nachbarn mit der Aussage, es habe einen lauten Streit zwischen dem offenbar betrunkenen Offizier und seiner Frau und seinem Sohn gegeben. Auch sei eine blutbefleckte Jacke in der Wohnung der Familie gefunden worden.

<http://www.stern.de/news2/aktuell/russischer-spion-stirbt-bei-sturz-aus-fenster-1649128.html>

0409/11 -----

KGB-Spitzel ziehen in Wohnungen von Regierungsgegnern ein

(Stern) Der weißrussische Geheimdienst hat am Samstag den Ex-Präsidentschaftskandidaten Wladimir Neklijajew und die Journalistin Irina Chalip aus der Haft entlassen. Frei bewegen können sich beide aber nicht: Zwei Geheimdienstagenten bewachen die Oppositionellen auf Schritt und Tritt - selbst im eigenen Heim.

<http://www.stern.de/news2/aktuell/weissrussland-kgb-spitzel-ziehen-in-wohnungen-von-regierungsgegnern-ein-1648835.html>

0410/11 -----

Chef von georgischem Geheimdienst außer Landes

(Georgien News) Der Chef des georgischen Geheimdienstes, Gela Beshuaschwili, ist in den USA. Dies wurde von der Sprecherin der Regierung Saakaschwili, Mandshgaladse, am Montag bekannt gegeben.

Beshuaschwilis Name war in den vergangenen Wochen mehrfach in Zusammenhang mit der Serie tödlicher Unglücke im Bergwerk Tkibuli aufgetaucht. Dieses gehört zu einer Gruppe von Unternehmen, die sich im Besitz von Gela Beshuaschwilis Bruder Davit befinden. Während Präsident Saakaschwili nach den ersten drei Unglücken mit 8 Toten noch darüber schimpfte, dass sich die Bergleute seiner Ansicht nach nicht an Sicherheitsanweisungen gehalten hätten, änderte Saakaschwili beim letzten Unglück mit dem Toten Nr. 9 seine Meinung und machte die Leitung des Betriebs verantwortlich. Später wurden Mitarbeiter des Bergwerks festgenommen.

In den Medien in Georgien kursierten anschließend Meldungen, Gela Beshuaschwili sei zurückgetreten.

http://www.georgien-nachrichten.de/index.php?rubrik=panorama&cmd=n_einzeln&nach_id=18274

0411/11 -----

Ukraine: Ein Boxer will Präsident werden

(Zeit) Weltmeister Witalij Klitschko möchte ins höchste Amt der Ukraine. Seine Chancen stehen schlecht, doch das kann sich noch ändern. Dafür hofft er auf Hilfe aus Berlin.

Die Kanzlerin war leider nicht da, deshalb stand der unschlagbare Zwei-Meter-Hüne in dem leeren Büro von Angela Merkel. Dennoch, auch so fühlte sich Witalij Klitschko geehrt. Es war für ihn wohl der Höhepunkt einer dreitägigen Entdeckungstour durch die Einrichtungen der Berliner Demokratie. Bundestag, Bundeskanzleramt, Auswärtiges Amt, CDU-Parteizentrale. Klitschko war gekommen, "um zu lernen". Schließlich möchte der Mann in dem gut ausgefüllten Designeranzug Präsident der Ukraine werden. Dafür haben er und ein paar Funktionäre, von denen er einige mit nach Berlin gebracht hatte, im vergangenen Jahr die Partei der "Ukrainischen demokratischen Allianz für Reformen" gegründet. Kurz UDAR - ukrainisch für Schlag.

20 Jahre habe die Ukraine nun Zeit gehabt, seit der staatlichen Unabhängigkeit eine Demokratie aufzubauen, "aber leider sind Politik und Wirtschaft noch weit von Europa entfernt", sagte Klitschko vor einem Medienpulk, wie er sich im Regierungsviertel sonst nur vor mittelprächtigen Staatsbesuchern versammelt. Hier also redet der weltgewandte Athlet von seiner Vision - einer Ukraine in der Europäischen Union.

<http://www.zeit.de/politik/ausland/2011-01/ukraine-Klitschko>

0412/11 -----

Putin cracks US spy joke

(AFP) Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin, who famously launched his career as a spy, used an old secret service joke to demonstrate the levels of bureaucracy plaguing his country.

The joke in which none of the officials want to assume responsibility for arresting a US agent, came days after a bomb blast killed 35 people in a Moscow airport that critics blamed on lapses in security and bureaucratic corruption.

"So an American spy comes to Lubyanka," Putin told a government meeting in remarks broadcast on Russian television late Thursday, referring to the headquarters of the Soviet-era KGB. Putin did not make a direct link between bureaucracy and Monday's suspected suicide bombing attack on Russia's busiest airport, but critics blame lapses in basic security on the Putin government's inefficiency and red tape.

Known for his tough talk and occasional use of secret service lingo, Putin served as a foreign intelligence agent in Germany in the Soviet era before becoming head of Russia's main successor to the KGB, the Federal Security Service (FSB) and then president between 2000 and 2008.

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5jlzq6cZ0x0AeRHXT3gJF186wkZJg?docId=CNG.d5fe5aa8117947b49ac8f3464cbf95ed.481>



0413/11 -----

Turf battle in Israel leaves power vacuum at top of military command

(World Tribune) Israel has no military chief. The government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, in an unprecedented decision, has withdrawn its appointment of Israel's next chief of staff and the government has been unable to agree on an interim replacement.

Officials cited allegations of improprieties by Maj. Gen. Yoav Galant, named to replace Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Gabi Ashkenazi. "This is an abnormal situation," Ashkenazi said. "We are going through an unfortunate period right now, but the Israel Defense Forces is strong in the face of these obstacles."

http://www.worldtribune.com/worldtribune/WTARC/2011/me_israel0098_02_03.asp

0414/11 -----

UAE Espionage points to friction between gulf countries

(Jerusalem Post) Details of case remain murky, but divisions over Iran's nuclear ambitions may have prompted arrests of suspects of spying in Oman.

Who exactly was doing the spying or what they were looking for remains a secret, but the arrest of a number of people by Oman on suspicion of spying for the United Arab Emirates (UAE) is a rare public display of tensions among the Gulf 's kingdoms.

The arrests were apparently made by Omani authorities in November, according to bloggers. But the official Oman News Agency only made the news public on Sunday. In a terse statement, it reported that authorities had uncovered a "spy network affiliated to the State Security Service of the United Arab Emirates targeting the government in Oman and the mechanism of the government and military." It said the suspects would be tried, but provided no other details. "May the Almighty protect His Majesty the Sultan and our beloved country against all harms," it added. An unnamed Omani official told Reuters that Omani nationals were among those arrested, including some civil servants.

"The fact that it has been made so public and the almost derogatory accusations is all highly unusual, particularly for this region," said Theodore Karasik, director of research and development at the Institute for Near East and Gulf Military Analysis. "I don't recall any occasion on the Arabian Peninsula that an official statement was so blatant."

<http://www.jpost.com/MiddleEast/Article.aspx?id=206172>

0415/11 -----

Israeli Arab spy gets 9 years jail

(albuquerqueexpress) An Israeli court has sentenced an Arab-Israeli man to nine years in prison on a spying offence.

The man, a well known activist, pleaded guilty to spying for the Lebanese militant group Hezbollah. Amir Makhoul was convicted on the espionage charges last October but was sentenced on the weekend. Prosecutors dropped more serious charges that carried a longer sentence after Makhoul agreed to plead guilty.

Makhoul, who belongs to a group called Ittijah, which fights discrimination against Arabs in Israel, sent information about Israeli military facilities to Hezbollah through his computer.

- (a) <http://story.albuquerqueexpress.com/index.php/ct/9/cid/c08dd24cec417021/id/738169/cs/1/ht/Israeli-Arab-spy-gets-9-years-jail/>
- (b) <http://www.haaretz.com/news/national/israeli-arab-who-spied-for-hezbollah-jailed-for-nine-years-1.340113>

0416/11

Cyprus recognizes Palestinian states within 1967 borders

(Haaretz) Palestinian news agency Wafa says Cyprus President Christofias sent letter to PA leader Abbas, stating his hope that a Palestinian state will be formed with East Jerusalem as its capital.

Cyprus has recognized a Palestinian state within the 1967 borders, the official Palestinian news agency Wafa said on Sunday, following similar recent declarations coming mostly from South American states.

On Friday, Paraguay's government too said it recognized a Palestinian state based on pre-Six-Day War borders, following similar moves by other South American countries in recent months.

<http://www.haaretz.com/news/diplomacy-defense/report-cyprus-recognizes-palestinian-states-within-1967-borders-1.340169>

0417/11

Israeli intel: Hizbullah to control Lebanon, will avoid official role

(worldtribune) Officials said the intelligence community has concluded that Iran was restraining Hizbullah and ordering it to maintain a low profile in the next government. Still, they said, Hizbullah would quietly control the government of Prime Minister-designate Najib Mikati.

"Hizbullah wants to influence the government but not be the official address," Israeli military intelligence chief Maj. Gen. Aviv Kochavi said. In a briefing to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, Kochavi said Hizbullah's role in the next Lebanese government remains unclear. The general said Hizbullah was successful in bringing down the government of Prime Minister Saad Hariri and finding a Sunni replacement.

But Iran was said to be restraining Hizbullah while seeking to transform the Shi'ite militia into a veritable military. Kochavi said Hizbullah's military role, which has eclipsed the Lebanese Army, would not allow it to play a leading role in the next government.

http://www.worldtribune.com/worldtribune/WTARC/2011/me_lebanon0074_01_28.asp

0418/11 -----

Aufstand auch in Syrien?

(Oraclesyndicate) Ägypten hat seine Angst vor dem Regime verloren. Die Muslimbrüder haben sich ebenfalls zum Kampf gegen die Diktatur entschlossen, was nicht allen Beobachtern gefallen mag. Bei Einbruch der Dunkelheit rollen Panzerfahrzeuge durch die Strassen Kairo. Nach einem Tag der Unruhe und Gewalt versucht das Militär das nächtliche Ausgehverbot durchzusetzen, das der angezählte Präsident Hosni Mubarak verhängt hat. Tausende scheren sich nicht darum; sie haben genug von Mubarak - die Ägypter sind auf der Strasse.

Über die syrische Revolution sind Absprachen und Verhandlungen im Gang. In Deutschland, in England, in Brüssel und in Basel treffen sich syrische Regimekritiker und politisch Aktive um sich dem Drang nach Änderung anzuschliessen. Am Wochenende wurden verschiedene Optionen diskutiert.

<http://oraclesyndicate.twoday.net/stories/11885623/>



0419/11 -----

Tibetan Buddhists in shock at claims spiritual leader a Chinese spy

(Independent) The exiled Tibetan Buddhist community is in turmoil at the questioning of one of its most important religious leaders by Indian police after large sums of Chinese currency were found at his monastery, forcing him to deny claims he is an "agent of Beijing".

Police in northern India interviewed Ugyen Thinley Dorje, the 17th Karmapa and Tibetan Buddhism's third most important figure, after approximately £480,000 of cash in two dozen denominations was found at his Gyuto monastery in Dharamsala. Police have arrested a number of the Karmapa's aides and are currently investigating what they believe may be an illegal attempted land purchase.

The Karmapa told police the money was donated by supporters. "All our dealings across the world are honest and completely transparent - anything else would be contrary to the Buddhist principles that we live by," his office said. But there are indications investigators are not satisfied with the answers given by the 25-year-old. "We are not happy with his replies and he is likely to be questioned again," said KG Kapoor, the officer heading the inquiry.

The incident has sent shockwaves through the Tibetan Buddhist community in exile. Even the Dalai Lama, its most important leader, has been drawn in. "There should be a thorough investigation into the cash dealings of the Karmapa as he is an important Lama," he said.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/asia/tibetan-buddhists-in-shock-at-claims-spiritual-leader-is-a-chinese-spy-2199022.html>

0420/11 -----

Taiwan condemns 'totalitarian' China over 'spy' detention

(Taipei Times) Taiwan's representative office in Australia on Tuesday accused the "repressive totalitarian security apparatus" in China of attempting to "smear" Taiwan by claiming that an Australian citizen arrested in Beijing five years ago was spying for Taipei.

Australian newspapers on Tuesday reported that James Sun, an Australian citizen of Chinese origin who worked for an agency recruiting foreign students to Australia, was detained by Chinese security officials in January 2006 on suspicion of spying for Taiwan. During his trial, Sun was alleged to have confessed to "seducing" Yang Delong, an acquaintance in the Chinese air force, into copying more than 1,000 classified documents and smuggling them out to be passed on to Taiwanese intelligence.

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) in Australia denied Taiwan had anything to do with Sun and rejected claims that it may have been recruiting agents from within the Chinese-Australian community.

The "allegation is a sheer fabrication concocted by the repressive totalitarian security apparatus to smear Taiwan," TECO said in a statement on Tuesday. "The operations of the TECO in Australia have always been transparent, law abiding and conducive to the righteous cause of safeguarding rule of law, freedom of expression and human rights."

- (a) <http://www.taipeitimes.com/News/front/archives/2011/02/03/2003495083>
- (b) The interrogation and conviction of an Australian businessman is a chilling story : <http://www.smh.com.au/world/plea-for-husband-swallowed-by-chinese-system-20110201-lach5.html>

0421/11 -----

Pune man arrested for being Pakistani spy

(NDTV) The Pune police have arrested a 24-year-old man on charges of spying for Pakistan.

The accused, Vishambhar Tarachand Agarwal, is an employee of a transport company in Pune. According to the police, Agarwal was caught with incriminating documents including photographs of southern command headquarters in Pune, a CD and a sketch of the army base.

Agarwal was in touch with an Army jawan who is working in Pune, and both of them are alleged to be working for the ISI.

<http://www.ndtv.com/article/cities/pune-man-arrested-for-being-pakistani-spy-83066>

0422/11 -----

Pakistan reject US demands of diplomatic immunity over murder suspect

(Telegraph) Relations between Pakistan and the United States soured on Tuesday after a court in Lahore snubbed US demands that an American government employee arrested after shooting dead two people be granted diplomatic immunity.

The man, named locally as Raymond Davis, has been held since Thursday, and claims he acted in self-defence. However, the case has provoked an outpouring of anger in Pakistan. Thousands of people took to the streets at the weekend to demand Davis be hanged, while local journalists have speculated on whether Davis is part of secret American spy network.

It is the latest blow to an awkward alliance between Pakistan - where anti-American sentiment runs high - and the US as they battle fight Taliban and al-Qaeda militants. Yesterday, a senior judge in Lahore ruled out an early deal to allow Davis to go home.

Ijaz Ahmed Chaudry, Lahore High Court Chief Justice, placed Davis on the country's exit control list and said there would be an investigation into whether he had diplomatic immunity.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/asia/pakistan/8297035/Pakistan-reject-US-demands-of-diplomatic-immunity-over-murder-suspect.html>

0423/11 -----

Pak warns spy agencies over increasing 'illegal disappearances'

(Sify) Pakistan's Supreme Court has observed that the country's law-enforcement agencies have been flagrantly violating the court orders despite repeated warnings.

"The complaints of missing citizens instead of decreasing have increased, therefore it needed to be checked," The Nation quoted a three-member bench of the apex court, as saying. The court observed that all the State functionaries, agencies and government officers were subject to the law and Constitution, and that they were supposed to act only in accordance with the law and command of the Constitution.

"Violations whereof may entail legal consequences if the mandate of the law is not adhered to strictly," it added. The Supreme Court directed its office to sit with the Attorney General office's staff and prepare a separate list of cases "showing connection of police and spy agencies" regarding the complaints of picking up of citizens by law-enforcement agencies, so that an 'appropriate legal order against the responsible officers could be ordered' in order to proceed against them under the criminal law.

<http://www.sify.com/news/pak-sc-warns-police-spy-agencies-over-increasing-illegal-disappearances-news-international-lb2qEhgfea.html>

0424/11 -----

ISI may be hunting for spying talent in transport cos

(Pune mirror) Vishwambhar Tarachand Agarwal, working as a supervisor with a transport company, was arrested by the city police's special investigation team (SIT) for allegedly spying on the Southern Command, the largest in the country, which has its headquarter in Pune. The alleged spy is 24 years old.

The city police suspect that Agarwal may have links with Pakistan's Inter Service Intelligence (ISI). They are also on the lookout for an army jawan, Brijesh Kumar Singh, who is believed to have passed on vital information about the Southern Command to him. This case is vital because the two

individuals held for allegedly helping the ISI in the last three years in the city, worked in transport companies.

Earlier, the police had arrested ex-serviceman Shailesh Jadhav (26) at Kenjal village in Satara district for allegedly working for ISI agent Sayeed Ahmed alias Mohammed Desai, who was convicted by a city court and was to be deported to Pakistan.

<http://www.punemirror.in/article/62/20110203201102030504548319f6e98ba/ISI-may-be-hunting-for-spying-talent-in-transport-cos.html>

0425/11 -----

India coy over 'Chinese spy'

(Asia Times) The Indian government has deported a woman it claims was spying for the People's Republic of China (PRC) in India's insurgency-racked northeastern state of Nagaland.

Wang Qing, 38 or 39, had reportedly met with Thuingaleng Muivah, the general secretary of one of the factions of the National Socialist Council of Nagaland-Isak-Muivah (NSCN-IM), who returned from self-imposed exile over a year ago for slow-moving peace talks in Delhi.

Qing had apparently attempted to pass herself off as a traveling representative of a Chinese timber concern, a Naga student, or a Hong Kong television journalist, depending on whom she encountered. On inspection of her laptop by Indian authorities, it was discovered she had photos of herself with Muivah, Prachanda, head of Nepal's Maoists, and members of the Kachin Independence Army, an ethnic separatist movement in Myanmar that Delhi believes has acted as a channel for Chinese arms to Naga rebel armies in decades past.

http://www.atimes.com/atimes/South_Asia/MB04Df03.html

0426/11 -----

Wie Spione für China „gemacht“ werden

(Epoch Times) eines Chinesen in Deutschland, gerichtet gegen die Falun Gong Bewegung, ruft einen anderen Fall in Erinnerung, der sich vor drei Jahren in Hongkong ereignete. Alle diese Fälle sind nach Ansicht von Kennern der Szene eher die Spitze von Eisbergen. Wer die Stasi-Aufklärung verfolgt, weiß wie solche Systeme arbeiten.

Der dreißig Jahre alte Wang Lian aus Hongkong traf an einem Februartag im Jahr 2007 in Sydney, Australien, ein. Mit einem Besuchervisum war er seiner bedrückenden Situation entkommen. Unserer Reporterin schilderte er seinen Fall. Er war Mitarbeiter der Epoch Times in Hongkong, die von dem kommunistischen Regime in Peking als Störenfried angesehen wird, steht sie doch nicht unter staatlicher Kontrolle.

Wang Lian, seit 2002 bei der The Epoch Times als Verantwortlicher technischer Betreuer angestellt, beschreibt seine „Rekrutierung“ als Teil eines riesigen Spionagenetzwerks.

<http://www.epochtimes.de/articles/2011/02/02/672156.html>

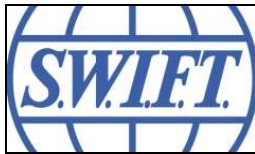


EUROPE (GEOGRAPH.)

0427/11

Swift: USA haben deutlich mehr Einsicht

(Futurezone) Das transatlantische Bankdatenabkommen Swift gewährt nach einem Bericht der "Financial Times Deutschland" US-Terrorfahndern tiefere Einblicke in die Finanzen Tausender Europäer als bekannt. Auch innereuropäische Überweisungen können von den US-Behörden eingesehen werden.



Wie die EU-Kommission laut Financial Times Deutschland einräumte, können die USA im Rahmen des Swift-Abkommen auch auf Überweisungen von einem EU-Land ins andere zugreifen, wenn sie über das System Swiftnet Fin erfolgen. Auch ein Sprecher des Finanzdienstleisters Swift bestätigte dies. Entdeckt wurde die Datenlücke vom unabhängigen österreichischen EU-Abgeordneten Martin Ehrenhauser (Liste Martin). „Die Öffentlichkeit wurde beim Swift-Abkommen hinters Licht geführt. Aussagen von verhandlungsführenden Politikern entsprechen offensichtlich nicht der Wahrheit“, sagte Ehrenhauser. Er forderte als Konsequenz einen Stopp des Datenaustausches mit den USA und neue Verhandlungen.

"Das ist ein untragbarer Zustand", betonte der SPÖ-Delegationsleiter im EU-Parlament, Jörg Leichtfried. Auch er sprach sich für ein sofortiges Aussetzen des Swift-Abkommens aus. Ernst Strasser, ÖVP-Delegationsleiter im EU-Parlament, forderte eine Klarstellung der EU-Kommission, über den Umfang, in dem innereuropäische Daten von den USA angefordert werden können: "Vorher sollten keine voreiligen Schlüsse gezogen werden."

- (a) <http://www.futurezone.at/stories/1665590/>
- (b) US-Einblick in europäische Bankdaten unterschätzt :
<http://www.ftd.de/politik/international/:swift-vertrag-us-einblick-in-europaeische-bankdaten-unterschaetzt/60005765.html>

0428/11

Chinese use honeytraps to spy on French coys, intel report claims

(Telegraph) The use of honeytraps to extort information and the placement of spying interns are among the techniques employed by Chinese spies in their industrial espionage operations, according to leaked French intelligence files.

Among the cases cited by the intelligence reports, is the predicament of a top researcher in a major French pharmaceutical company wined and dined by a Chinese girl who he ended up sleeping with. "When he was shown the recorded film of the previous night in his hotel room ... he proved highly co-operative," said an economic intelligence official. In another case, an unnamed French company realised too late that a sample of its patented liquid had left the building after the visit of a Chinese delegation. It turned out one of the visitors had dipped his tie into the liquid to take home a sample in order to copy it.

French companies should do more to protect themselves from prying eyes among the 30,000 Chinese students who conduct internships in France, warned experts. Among the most frequent techniques cited by French intelligence was the so-called "lamprey technique", which usually takes the form of an international tender for business.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/europe/france/8296423/Chinese-use-honeytraps-to-spy-on-French-companies-intelligence-report-claims.html>

0429/11 -----

Special Report: Renault's electric spy scandal

(Reuters) As Carlos Ghosn stepped onto the stage at the Paris motor show to unveil the near-street-ready version of the Zoe electric car last September, the Renault CEO knew investigators at his company were already probing an attempt to steal its secrets.

Digital displays on giant screens counted down to zero, pumping music rose to a crescendo and curved doors opened to reveal the small white vehicle, which will go on sale next year as the showpiece of the company's high-profile electric vehicle program.

Earlier this month, the French automaker, which is 15 percent owned by the state, went public with its suspicions. It sacked three senior staff with more than half a century of service between them and has filed a legal complaint against "persons unknown" over organized theft, aggravated breach of trust and passing intelligence to a foreign power. The case swiftly took on wider geopolitical implications as French prosecutors looked into what one government source called a "China link" as part of their initial probe. China has emphatically denied involvement; the three Renault executives say they have done nothing wrong.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/01/28/us-renault-spy-idUSTRE70R19120110128>

0430/11 -----

Polish Rangers

(StrategyPage) Poland is expanding its special operations troops by forming an elite infantry battalion, somewhat similar to the U.S. Army Rangers. No more details have been revealed, other than it will be two years before selection and training are complete and the unit is ready for operations (including internal security and hostage rescue).

Existing Polish special operations troops consist of the 1st Special Commando Regiment (about a thousand troops, formed around 90 six-man commando teams.) There is a much smaller naval commando unit and then there is GROM. (Grupa Reagowania Operacyjno Mobilnego, or "Operational Maneuver Reconnaissance Group"), which has been making a reputation for themselves over the last decade. First organized in 1991 as a counter-terrorist organization, the 300 men and women of GROM worked with U.S. Special Forces and British SAS initially to develop selection procedures and training programs. Poland didn't even acknowledge the unit existed until 1994. GROM members tend to be older than the average soldier, the average age being closer to 30 than 20. Applicant must speak at least two foreign languages and be in above average physical shape. The training program takes about three years and is said to cost close to a million dollars per trainee.

0431/11 -----

Kosovos Ex-Geheimdienst SHIK von Unterwelt finanziert

(Standard) Der ehemalige kosovarische Geheimdienst SHIK hat sich angeblich von der Unterwelt finanzieren lassen. Das berichtete die Tageszeitung "Koha Ditore" am Freitag in Prishtina (Pristina). Laut einem Bericht von US-Geheimdienstmitarbeitern in der internationalen Schutztruppe KFOR, auf den sich das kosovarische Blatt nun beruft, hatte SHIK "enge Kontakte" zu einer großen Anzahl krimineller Organisationen unterhalten. Man habe zudem zu Einschüchterungstaktik gegriffen, um sich von Unternehmen finanzielle Unterstützung zu sichern, berichtete die Zeitung.

Dem Blatt zufolge galt der gleich nach dem Kosovo-Krieg (1998-99) gebildete Geheimdienst eigentlich als die Polizei der Demokratischen Partei (PDK) des derzeitigen Premiers Hashim Thaci. Er hatte etwa 3.000 Angehörige aus den Reihen der "Befreiungsarmee des Kosovo" (UCK). Ebenso viele Angehörige zählte auch das inzwischen ebenfalls aufgelöste Kosovo-Schutzkorps, das nach der UCK-Auflösung gebildet wurde.

<http://derstandard.at/1295571106122/Ex-Geheimdienst-SHIK-von-Unterwelt-finanziert>

0432/11 -----

Slowenien: Streit um Geheimdienstakten

(Kleine Zeitung) Kontroverse um Nicht-Herausgabe öffentlicher Dossiers zu Südkärnten aus der Zeit 1978 bis 1980. "Das Thema ist sehr brisant und spielt sich auf höchster politischer Ebene ab", kommentiert der Kärntner Historiker Alfred Elste.

Die Nicht-Herausgabe durch das slowenische Staatsarchiv und dem jetzigen slowenischen Geheimdienst SOVA wird laut Austria Presse Agentur mit dem "Schutz von Slowenen im Ausland" begründet. Weiters sei zu befürchten, dass "die Dossiers ausländischen Regierungen eine Gelegenheit bieten könnten, Druck auf Slowenien auszuüben". Premier Pahor beraumte für gestern noch eilig einen Gipfel zur Archiv-Kontroverse an.

- (a) <http://www.kleinezeitung.at/nachrichten/politik/2665721/slowenien-streit-um-geheimdienstakten.story>
- (b) Slowenien schließt seine Archive :
<http://www.wienerzeitung.at/default.aspx?tabID=3861&alias=wzo&cob=542306>

0433/11 -----

EU fordert gläsernen Fluggast

(Futurezone) Wer künftig in ein Land außerhalb Europas fliegt, dessen Passagierdaten sollen fünf Jahre gespeichert werden und automatisch Terrorfahndern zur Verfügung stehen. Diesen Vorschlag hat die EU-Kommission am Mittwoch in Brüssel vorgelegt. Kritiker aus Österreich sprechen von einer "Sicherheits-Hysterie" und "Orwellschen Verhältnissen".

Die EU-Innenkommissarin Cecilia Malmström hat am Mittwoch einen Vorschlag zum Aufbau eines Europäischen Systems zur Überwachung von Passagierdaten

(EU PNR) vorgestellt. Dies sei notwendig, "um gegen schwere Kriminalität wie Drogenschmuggel und Menschenhandel sowie Terrorismus vorgehen zu können", so Malmström.

"Diese Dinge werden übertrieben", meint Jörg Leichtfried, Delegationsleiter der SPÖ-Europaabgeordneten und Mitglied im Verkehrsausschuss des Europäischen Parlaments im FUTUREZONE-Gespräch. "Die EU-Kommission sieht Grund- und Freiheitsrechte nicht als besonders hochwertig an und versucht diese immer weiter einzuschränken."

<http://www.futurezone.at/stories/1665615/>



0434/11 -----

Court: No plot to lure spy chief

(UKPA) A Mongolian spy chief was not the victim of a Machiavellian plot to lure him to the UK to be arrested at Heathrow Airport and extradited, a court has heard.

There is no evidence of the Government and judicial authorities "cooking up" a plan to have Bat Khurts visit the UK in order to secure his arrest, City of Westminster Magistrates' Court was told. The 41-year-old head of the executive office of Mongolia's national security council, was arrested in September on his arrival in the UK as the result of a European Arrest Warrant dating back to 2003.

Aaron Watkins, acting for the German authorities, who are seeking Mr Khurts' extradition, said: "There is no evidence of the judicial authority cooking up a plan with the Government. This warrant was issued some time ago and has been live, pending execution in every single jurisdiction where it sits for many years. All of that is entirely inconsistent with some Machiavellian conspiracy to procure Bat Khurts' surrender and ultimate extradition." The 41-year-old Mongolian civil servant was arrested at London's Heathrow Airport and is fighting extradition to Germany over claims he was involved in the kidnap, false imprisonment and return of a Mongolian national suspected of murdering a government official.

Lawyers for Khurts claim the Government enticed him to the UK knowing that there was a warrant for his arrest of which he was unaware.

http://www.google.com/hostednews/ukpress/article/ALeqM5jVY3V_HfS_yoHnosSK4LeG0IGSXA?docId=B28129341296654062A00

0435/11 -----

Jack Straw suggested 'facilitation' days before Iraq invasion

(Independent) Former foreign secretary Jack Straw today described how, just days before the invasion of Iraq, he advised Tony Blair that they need not necessarily send in British troops with the Americans.

Mr Straw told the Iraq Inquiry he had suggested that the UK could instead provide "facilitation" for the US offensive, and then deploy British forces to help deal with the aftermath. His appearance marked the inquiry's final public hearing, 15 months after they began. Winding up the proceedings the chairman, Sir John Chilcot, said completing their final report was a "significant task" which would take "some months".

Mr Straw confirmed that he had met Mr Blair on March 12 2003, eight days before the invasion, to discuss the situation. No official record was kept of the meeting, but Mr Straw said he had made clear to Mr Blair that he still had options other than committing to the invasion.

"I think to say I was advocating not committing British troops to military action is probably putting it too strongly," he told the inquiry.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/jack-straw-suggested-facilitation-days-before-iraq-invasion-2201747.html>

0436/11 -----

GB secretly advised Libya how to secure release of Lockerbie bomber

(Telegraph) Ministers secretly advised Muammar Gaddafi's Libyan regime how to secure the successful early release of the Lockerbie bomber, documents obtained by The Daily Telegraph have disclosed.

A Foreign Office minister sent Libyan officials detailed legal advice on how to use Abdelbaset al-Megrahi's cancer diagnosis to ensure he was released from a Scottish prison on compassionate grounds. The Duke of York is also said to have played a behind-the-scenes role in encouraging the terrorist's release. The Libyans closely followed the advice which led to the controversial release of Megrahi - who was convicted of the murder of 270 passengers on Pan Am Flight 103 - within months of the Foreign Office's secret intervention.

The disclosure seriously undermines British Government claims that it was not complicit in the release of al-Megrahi, and that the decision to free the convicted terrorist was taken by the Scottish Executive alone. It will also lead to renewed pressure from senior American politicians on David Cameron to release all internal documents detailing Britain's role in the scandal. Last summer, the Prime Minister pledged to release the relevant information - but the publication has yet to occur sparking fears that a cover-up may have been ordered.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/wikileaks/8294120/WikiLeaks-Britain-secretly-advised-Libya-how-to-secure-release-of-Lockerbie-bomber.html?sms_ss=twitter&at_xt=4d472fe517f76ce5,0

0437/11 -----

Iraq Inquiry: 'Blair Feared Cabinet Leaks'

(Sky) Tony Blair steered away from discussing plans for the US-led invasion of Iraq because he feared details might be leaked by his Cabinet colleagues

The head of the civil service, Sir Gus O'Donnell, told the Iraq Inquiry the former Prime Minister's informal "sofa government" style left insufficient records of the talks which led to the war. The distrust of colleagues meant

Mr Blair did not consider the Cabinet the "safe space" it ought to be for the frank discussion of key policies, Sir Gus said. And failing to provide them with the full legal advice coming from the Attorney General on important decisions was contrary to the ministerial code, he told the inquiry.

Sir Gus said: "If you reduce the formality you do not have such good records.

http://news.sky.com/skynews/Home/Politics/Iraq-Inquiry-Sir-Gus-ODonnell-Suggests-A-Top-National-Security-Adviser-Could-Be-Scrapped/Article/201101415917146?lpos=Politics_First_Home_Article_Teaser_Region_2&lid=ARTICLE_15917146_Iraq_Inquiry%3A_Sir_Gus_ODonnell_Suggests_A_Top_National_Security_Adviser_Could_Be_Scrapped

0438/11

MI5 'could have missed 7/7 clues'

(Belfast Telegraph) MI5 may have failed to pull together crucial "threads" which could have revealed the 7/7 ringleader's transformation from an associate of terrorists to "prime conspirator and murderer", an inquest has heard.

Mohammed Sidique Khan, 30, was monitored by surveillance officers meeting known and suspected extremists in the years before he and his three conspirators unleashed carnage on London's transport network. But despite a wealth of information including tape recordings and photographs, he was only identified in the aftermath of the worst single terrorist atrocity committed on British soil.

As the inquests turned to the question of whether the attacks that day could have been prevented, Hugo Keith QC suggested greater surveillance may have led police to recognise Khan, potentially averting the deaths of 52 innocent people.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/uk/mi5-could-have-missed-77-clues-15071631.html#ixzz1CpgoPWgC>

0439/11

Man goes on trial accused of the undercover soldier's killing

(Belfast Telegraph) A 60-year-old man has gone on trial for the murder of undercover soldier Captain Robert Laurence Nairac in May 1977.

Prosecuting QC Terence Mooney told Belfast Crown Court that after returning home from the US, Co Armagh man Kevin Crilly allegedly confessed to a BBC documentary team, under his birth name Declan Power, that he had a "minimal" involvement in the murder of the Grenadier Guardsman in a Co Louth field in the Irish Republic.

Mr Mooney also told trial judge Mr Justice McLaughlin that while this was a case "resonant with echoes of a dark past" it also "illustrates that time will not absolve the crimes of those charged with grievous offences".

Crilly, from Lower Foughill Road, Jonesborough, Co Armagh, denies the murder of Captain Nairac between May 13 and 16, 1977, and "associated charges" which will be detailed to the court later, but involving the abduction and holding of the soldier.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/robert-nairac-man-goes-on-trial-accused-of-the-undercover-soldiers-quos-killing-15069621.html#ixzz1CiKoHFUO>



NORTHERN IRELAND

(This section is edited by Oliver PLAUDER, ACIPSS's expert on the IRA)

0440/11

Ireland expels Russian envoy over faked spy passports

(BBC) Ireland is expelling a Russian diplomat over claims his country's intelligence services counterfeited Irish passports.

A police investigation found the identities of six Irish citizens were used as cover for Russian spies found to have been working in the US, said an Irish foreign ministry statement. Such activities were "completely unacceptable", the ministry said. In response, the unnamed diplomat "has been asked to leave this jurisdiction", it said, without specifying a date.

The ministry said it was "regrettable" that the action was necessary, but that the behaviour of the Russian intelligence service was not what the Irish government "would expect from a country with which we have friendly relations". Last June, a network of 10 Russian spies living as US citizens was uncovered - with several using Irish passports. They were swiftly deported as part of the biggest US-Russia spy swap since the Cold War.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-12337897>

0441/11

Man shot twice in west Belfast attack

(BBC) A 45-year-old man has been shot in the legs in west Belfast.

The attack happened in Hawthorn Street, off the Springfield Road, at about 2315 GMT on Monday night. The victim, who was shot twice, is being treated in hospital. His injuries are not believed to be life-threatening. Police have appealed for anyone who has any information about the attack to get in touch with them.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-12333231>

0442/11

Paramilitary violence on the rise in NI

(u.tv) The level of intimidation by paramilitaries in Northern Ireland is on the increase, a new Stormont report shows.

According to latest statistics, the number of families forced out of their homes is up by a third - with 774 cases recorded in 2009-10. The report commissioned by the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister recorded 122 cases of paramilitary-style shootings and attacks in 2009, compared to 56 the previous year. The number of casualties from attacks more than doubled, while the targeting of Orange Halls increased from 57 cases in 2008 to 77 in 2009.

Director at Institute for Conflict Research, Neil Jarman, says Northern Ireland is "almost certainly still bigoted". "There is still a huge amount of prejudice, not always overt, but it's there. It's underpinned by the sense of difference between two communities that you see through residential segregation and segregation in schools", he told UTV.

"All this creates a sense that the 'other lot' is different from us."

<http://www.u.tv/News/Paramilitary-violence-on-the-rise-in-NI/830641eb-5970-4d3a-8a2d-e488a977eb0a>

0443/11

Damages claim case brought by wife of IRA informer

(Belfast Telegraph) Police may seek to halt a legal action brought against them by the wife of an IRA informer because of her delay in taking the case, it has emerged.

The High Court was told lawyers are trying to contact ex-officers as part of their attempts to have Margaret Keely's damages claim against the Chief Constable dismissed. Mrs Keeley, whose husband is a one-time MI5 agent known as Kevin Fulton, brought the case over her alleged detention at the Castlereagh holding centre in 1994 following an IRA attempt to murder senior RUC detective Derek Martindale in east Belfast. She claims that after being released she was taken to a house in the New Lodge, north Belfast, and interrogated by a number of IRA men. Mrs Keeley says she later suffered a nervous breakdown as a result of her ordeal.

But it has now emerged that police lawyers may try to have the claim thrown out because it was not brought within a three-year limit from the date of the incident.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/police-may-try-to-halt-damages-claim-case-brought-by-wife-of-ira-informer-15067327.html#ixzz1CX92KGyj>

0444/11

How dissidents planned a deadly double ambush

(Belfast Telegraph) The dissident terror group Oglagh na hEireann has revealed more details on the deadly double-ambush it planned in north Belfast.

And this newspaper now has more information on the desperate scramble for information, which prompted police to contact a key link-man in a so-called 'back channel' leading to the dissident leadership.

In a week-long security operation two devices were discovered. This newspaper understands that on Tuesday they approached a man - a key link in

a hidden communications channel involving go-betweens, the dissident groups, British and Irish government officials and the police.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/how-dissidents-planned-a-deadly-double-ambush-15067289.html#ixzz1CX3boqib>

0445/11 -----

Sisters hit out at probe into murder cover-up

(IE Tribune) The McCartney sisters have expressed serious concerns about how the North's police ombudsman is handling a complaint they made about the PSNI investigation into the IRA murder of their brother Robert.

Catherine McCartney said: "We've been through the motions of a trial that was never going anywhere. If there's a similar charade from the ombudsman's office, then we won't go along with it. "If we aren't satisfied that the ombudsman is investigating every aspect of our complaint against the PSNI, we will withdraw that complaint and pull out of the process."

Father-of-two Robert McCartney (33) was beaten and stabbed to death by the Provisionals outside Magennis's bar in Belfast city centre in January 2005. Three men were later charged in connection with the killing.

<http://www.tribune.ie/news/home-news/article/2011/jan/30/sisters-hit-out-at-probe-into-murder-cover-up/>

0446/11 -----

Hamill report publication delayed

(Belfast Telegraph) police in Northern Ireland handled the sectarian murder of Catholic man Robert Hamill.

Secretary of State Owen Paterson said the public inquiry's report, which was expected to be released within weeks, had to be shelved following the recent decision to proceed with prosecutions against three people, including a former police officer, in connection with the case. Mr Hamill, 25, was beaten to death by a loyalist mob in the predominantly Protestant town of Portadown, Co Armagh, in 1997 as he walked home after a night out with friends.

Controversy has focused on allegations that armed police at the scene failed to intervene to prevent the attack and that the Royal Ulster Constabulary (RUC) subsequently mishandled the investigation. No-one has been convicted of the murder of the father-of-three.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/hamill-report-publication-delayed-15068753.html#ixzz1CfCHa7FZ>



GERMANY

0447/11 -----

Chinesische Bewegung ausgespäht

(Bild) Wegen des Ausspähens der chinesischen FalunGong-Bewegung für den chinesischen Nachrichtendienst muss sich ein 54 Jahre alter Deutsch-Chinese vor dem Oberlandesgericht Celle verantworten. Vor dem Staatsschutzsenat werde der Mann sich demnächst wegen mutmaßlicher Spionage verantworten müssen, bestätigte die Bundesanwaltschaft in Karlsruhe am Dienstag Medienberichte. Die ursprünglich unpolitische Bewegung sieht sich der Verfolgung durch chinesische Behörden ausgesetzt, seitdem sie auch die Staatsführung kritisiert hat. Der Angeschuldigte ist ein Gründungsmitglied der deutschen Sektion der FalunGong-Bewegung. Vier Jahre lang übermittelte er interne Informationen an den Geheimdienst.

<http://www.bild.de/BILD/regional/hannover/dpa/2011/02/01/anklage-chinesische-bewegung-ausgespaecht.html>

0448/11 -----

BKA bestätigt Einsatz eines britischen Polizeispitzels

(Zeit) Der Einsatz eines verdeckten britischen Ermittlers in der linken Szene schlägt auch in Deutschland hohe Wellen. Der Chef des BKA, Jörg Ziercke, bestätigte im Bundestags-Innenausschuss, dass der Mann unter anderem beim G8- Gipfel 2007 in Heiligendamm eingesetzt war. Das berichteten Teilnehmer der Ausschusssitzung. Grüne und Linke verlangen weitere Aufklärung von der Bundesregierung. Britische Medien hatten berichtet, dass der Polizist jahrelang verdeckt militante Protestgruppen in ganz Europa ausspionierte.

<http://www.zeit.de/news-012011/26/iptc-hfk-20110126-139-28385572xml>

0449/11 -----

Neuer Prozess gegen mutmaßlichen libyschen Spion

(Berliner Morgenpost) Die Bundesanwaltschaft wirft dem 47-Jährigen vor, von Mai 2010 bis September 2010 in Deutschland Oppositionelle seines Landes für den libyschen Geheimdienst planmäßig ausgeforscht zu haben. Dabei soll er als informeller Mitarbeiter des Geheimdienstes Informationen über die in Oppositionskreisen tätigen Exil-Libyer beschafft haben.

<http://www.morgenpost.de/printarchiv/berlin/article1528317/Neuer-Prozess-gegen-mutmasslichen-libyschen-Spion.html>

0450/11 -----

Hessen erlässt Verbot gegen Vollverschleierung

(MV) Die Frage "Burka oder Bürgeramt" beschäftigte kürzlich noch die Bundesländer. Die Antwort fiel auf letzteres - gefolgt von dem Verbot gegen Ganzkörperverschleierung bei Bediensteten von Stadt und Land.

Auf die Worte, die im Streit um die 39-jährige Deutsch-Marokkanerin und ihren Arbeitsplatz beim Frankfurter Bürgeramt fielen, folgen nun Taten. Nachdem die vierfache Mutter mehrere Jahre mit einem Kopftuch im Bürgerbüro tätig war, ging sie in Elternzeit - um anschließend, nach Absprache mit ihrem Anwalt und der Stadt, nicht an ihren Arbeitsplatz zurückzukehren. Zumindest nicht ohne Burka. Denn das war die Forderung, mit der die Frau an ihren Arbeitgeber herangetreten war: Sie wollte während der Arbeit eine Vollverschleierung tragen (der Spion berichtete).

Daraufhin fällte Hessen eine Entscheidung - und erließ jetzt als erstes aller Bundesländer ein Verbot gegen Ganzkörperverschleierung bei Bediensteten von Stadt und Land. Als Begründung nannte Landesinnenminister Boris Rhein (CDU), das berichtet das Hamburger Abendblatt, religiöse Neutralität.

<http://www.mv-spion.de/themen/news/Hessen-erlaesst-Verbot-gegen-Vollverschleierung/6095>



0451/11 -----

Kosovos «gefährlichster Mann» mit Schweizer Vergangenheit

(NZZ) Die Nato-Geheimakte über Parlamentspräsident Xhavit Haliti, der von Zürich aus an die Macht gekommen war. Die Nato, aber auch die Schweizer Behörden wussten viel über die kriminellen Machenschaften und Verbrechen der Kosovo-Führung. Das zeigt eine Geheimdienste-Akte der Nato über Xhavit Haliti.

sig. Die Aussenpolitischen Kommissionen der Räte wollen sich an ihren nächsten Sitzungen mit der Kosovo-Politik der Schweiz befassen. Die zentrale Frage, die sich auch andere Staaten stellen müssen: Hat man im Namen der Stabilität auf dem Balkan (oder der eigenen Flüchtlingspolitik) über zu viel hinweggesehen?

Nach dem Bericht von Dick Marty, spätestens seit den Enthüllungen des «Guardian» am Dienstag steht fest: Von nichts gewusst hat niemand. Schon gar nicht die Behörden in der Schweiz, von wo aus die Befreiungsarmee UCK in den neunziger Jahren gesteuert und alimentiert wurde. Wie viel schon während des Kriegs bekannt war, legt auch ein Geheimdienstbericht der Nato über Xhavit Haliti nahe. Der heutige Parlamentspräsident Kosovos war 1986 nach Zürich geflüchtet.

In der 41-seitigen Akte der Nato-Truppe Kfor (der auch die Swisscoy der Schweiz angehören) aus dem Jahr 2004 wird der 54-jährige Haliti als der starke Mann hinter Premierminister Hashim Thaci beschrieben. Er wasche Geld, handle mit Waffen, Drogen und Frauen, setzte Todesschwadronen auf den Feind und auf die eigenen Leute an. Der Bericht zählt eine lange Liste von Personen auf, die Haliti habe ermorden lassen. Auch soll er mit dem serbischen Geheimdienst kollaboriert haben, um kosovo-albanische Konkurrenten zu liquidieren. Von Organhandel ist nirgends die Rede. Im Unterschied zu Dick Marty war die Kfor-Aufklärung damals weniger an den Ereignissen während des Kriegs interessiert.

- (a) http://www.nzz.ch/nachrichten/politik/schweiz/kosovos_gefaehrlichster_mann_mit_schweizer_vergangenheit_1.9248788.html
- (b) Der „target folder“: http://static.nzz.ch/files/7/8/9/kosovo+-Haliti+Xhavit_1.9248789.pdf

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0452/11 -----

Hörschinger als Russen-Spion in München angeklagt

(Krone) Ab 14. Februar steht der Hörschinger Flieger-Vizeleutnant (53) in München vor Gericht. Anberaumt sind bis Mitte März 16 Verhandlungstage. Der Vorwurf: Spionage im militärischen Bereich.

Kurios daran ist allerdings, dass diese Verfahren in Österreich schon vor zwei Jahren eingestellt worden sind. Der Angeklagte und ein russischer Top-Agent (54) waren Mitte 2007 wegen Verdachts der Spionage verhaftet worden. Der Hörschinger Unteroffizier soll zwischen 1997 und 2002 einen deutschen Eurocopter-Ingenieur angeheuert und geheime Baupläne an die Russen verschert haben - um 10.500 Dollar.

Der russische Agent kam auf diplomatischem Weg rasch frei, die Ermittlungen gegen den Hörschinger Flieger-Vizeleutnant wurden im September 2008 eingestellt, nachdem der deutsche Verdächtige gestanden hatte, er - und nicht der Oberösterreicher - habe Baupläne des Hubschraubers weitergegeben. Dafür wurde der Ingenieur in München bereits zu elf Monaten bedingter Haft verurteilt.

- (a) http://www.krone.at/Oberoesterreich/Hoerschinger_als_Russen-Spion_in_Muenchen_angeklagt-Neuer_Fall_Redl-Story-243029
- (b) http://www.krone.at/Oberoesterreich/Fuer_Hoerschinger_Unteroffizier_gilt_hoechste_Sicherheit-Besucher_gefilzt-Story-243182

0453/11 -----

Streit um Archiv-Gesetz betrifft auch Kärnten

(ORF) Der Streit um den Zugang zu Sloweniens historischen Archiven tangiert auch die Ortstafelfrage. Es sind auch Dokumente betroffen, die mit den Anschlägen in Kärnten in den 1970er Jahren zu tun haben.

Der Streit um die Akteneinsicht begann im August des Vorjahres. Damals beantragte der Publizist Igor Omerza in Laibach den Zugang zu Akten des ehemaligen jugoslawischen Geheimdienstes UDBA. Dabei geht um den Prozess in den Jahren 1987 und 1988 gegen einen Vorkämpfer der Unabhängigkeit, den früheren Ministerpräsidenten und nunmehrigen konservativen Oppositionsführer Janez Jansa. Doch es geht nicht nur um die Endphase des kommunistischen Jugoslawien, sondern auch um Dokumente aus den 1970er Jahren.

Obwohl diese Dokumente nach dem Archivgesetz aus dem Jahre 2006 frei zugänglich sein müssen, wurde Omerza die Einsicht verweigert. "Früher hatte ich Einsicht und ich habe bereits darüber geschrieben, wie das frühere Regime funktioniert hat. Vielleicht hat man mir deshalb den Zugang zum Archiv verwehrt, aber ich weiß es nicht. Symptomatisch ist es, was das Attentat in Völkermarkt betrifft, dass man mir überwiegend den Teil der Akten aus den Jahren zwischen 1970 und 1980 verschlossen hat, der diese Affäre behandeln könnte", so Omerza.

<http://kaernten.orf.at/stories/496786/>

0454/11 -----

Jagdkommando sichert Heimkehr aus Ägypten



(Austrianwings) Am späten Abend, kurz nach 23 Uhr, landete der bislang zweite Evakuierungsflug des österreichischen Bundesheeres aus Ägypten in Wien. An Bord der C-130 Hercules mit dem Kennzeichen 8T-CA befanden sich neben der Besatzung, bestehend aus Pilot, Copilot, Flugingenieur und Lademeister, 62 EU-Bürger, darunter 59 Österreicher, 1 Deutscher sowie zwei Australier, Angehörige der australischen Botschaft in Ägypten. Weiters waren noch einige Soldaten der Eliteeinheit des Bundesheeres, des Jagdkommandos, an Bord. Austrian Wings war bei der Ankunft des Heeresfliegers am Vorfeld des Flughafens Wien vor Ort.

<http://www.austrianwings.info/aw/?p=21000>

0455/11 -----

Wiens Militärkommandant unterstützt Darabos

(ORF) Auch der Wiener Militärkommandant Karl Schmideder unterstützt die Reformpläne von Verteidigungsminister Norbert Darabos (SPÖ). Er würde aber ein europäischeres Denken fordern, auch mit Konsequenzen für die Neutralität.

"Ich respektiere die 180-Grad-Wende des Ministers zur Frage der Wehrpflicht", so Schmideder im Interview für Wien heute. Er könne sich damit identifizieren und sehe sehr viel Positives in dem von Darabos vorgeschlagenen neuen Wehrsystem. Dass damit der "rechte Rand und die Hoffnungslosen in unserer Gesellschaft" bewaffnet würden, wie es der Verfassungssprecher der SPÖ, Peter Wittmann im Öl-Mittagsjournal befürchtete, glaubt Schmideder nicht.

<http://wien.orf.at/stories/494836/>

0456/11 -----

Opposition plant Misstrauensantrag gegen Darabos

(Presse) Alle Oppositionsparteien planen für die Sondersitzung des Nationalrats am Freitag einen Misstrauensantrag gegen SP-Minister Norbert Darabos. Er wird sich auf einen verbalen Frontalangriff einstellen müssen.

Die FPÖ, die Grünen und das BZÖ rüsten für die Sondersitzung des Nationalrats am Freitag zum Thema Wehrpflicht auf. Sie planen einen Misstrauensantrag gegen SP-Verteidigungsminister Norbert Darabos. Die FPÖ

spricht von mehreren "Abwehrmaßnahmen": Der Misstrauensantrag aller Oppositionsparteien und auch von einem Antrag auf Ministeranklage.

Darabos wird sich auch auf einen verbalen Frontalangriff einstellen müssen. FPÖ-Generalsekretär Herbert Kickl lieferte am Donnerstag schon einen Vorgeschmack darauf. Er bezeichnete den Minister als "Blindgänger mit Sprengkraft" und "personifiziertes Bedrohungsszenario".

http://diepresse.com/home/politik/innenpolitik/630814/Opposition-plant-Misstrauensantrag-gegen-Darabos?direct=595146&_vl_backlink=/home/politik/index.do&selChannel=101

0457/11

BKA-Verwirrspiel um Kill-Switch-Pläne

(Futurezone) Roland Ledinger, Leiter IKT Strategie des Bundes im Bundeskanzleramt, sieht in den geplanten Maßnahmen zur Einschränkung des Netzes ein äußerstes Mittel gegen Cyberattacken. Faymann-Sprecher Leo Szemeliker dementiert Pläne einer zentralen Internet-Abschaltung.



Der geplante "Kill-Switch" sorgt weiterhin für Aufregung. Während Leon Aaron Kaplan, Mitarbeiter des privaten IT-Sicherheitsunternehmens CERT.at (gesponsort von der österreichischen Domain-Registrierungsstelle Nic.at), Pläne für den Aus-Schalter gegenüber der Standard.at dementiert, herrscht im Bundeskanzleramt Uneinigkeit darüber, ob am Projekt Aus-Schalter gearbeitet wird.

Während Roland Ledinger, Leiter IKT Strategie des Bundes im Bundeskanzleramt, meint: "Der Aspekt, geplante Einschränkungen vorzunehmen, ist hier wohl nur ein äußerstes - um nicht zu sagen das letzte - Mittel und nicht die zentrale Maßnahme gegen Cyberattacken. Wir - das GovCERT im Bundeskanzleramt - sind natürlich primär bemüht gemeinsam mit CERT Vorsorge für eine reibungslose Funktionalität im Netz zu sorgen", will Faymann-Sprecher Leo Szemeliker von einem Kill-Switch gar nichts wissen: "Es wird in Österreich keineswegs an einer zentralen Internetabschaltung oder einem einfachen Kill-Switch gearbeitet. Die Aufgabe des GovCERTs und des nationalen CERTs ist, die Internet-Infrastruktur zu schützen und die Aufrechterhaltung des Betriebes zu gewährleisten."

- (a) <http://www.futurezone.at/stories/1665588/>
- (b) <http://www.futurezone.at/stories/1665581/>



AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

0458/11

NZ government embarrassed after employing British-born fantasist

(Mail online) Stephen Wilce's action-packed career appeared to rival the great heroes of thriller stories.

The British-born military scientist had worked as a spy, served with the Duke of York as a helicopter pilot, competed in the Winter Olympics, captained a Royal Navy swimming team and was a special forces soldier who

ended up on an IRA death list. He also boasted that he had designed the Polaris missile guidance system, that he was a member of the Welsh national rugby union team and, last but not least, that he was a guitarist on the British folk music circuit.

The only trouble was that Wilce's yarns were just that - total fiction.

It has all proved very embarrassing for the New Zealand government, who employed the British expat as a senior intelligence officer. Yesterday, a special commission in New Zealand vowed that the country's military should never be taken in by a fake again.

- (a) <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1351473/New-Zealand-government-embarrassed-employing-British-born-fantastist-senior-intelligence-officer.html?ito=feeds-newsxml>
- (b) <http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/breaking-news/new-zealand-spy-agency-skipped-basic-procedures-when-hiring-british-fantastist/story-e6frf7jx-1225996381090>

	AFRICA (SUB-SAHARA)
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0459/11

Somali pirates extend their criminal reach

(Examiner) Pirates off the coast of Somalia are using bigger vessels to extend their criminal reach in a move that could prompt U.S. Navy forces in the region to intensify techniques for pursuing the lawbreakers, according to an American Forces Press Service report from Cheryl Pellerin.

According to Ms. Pellerin's report -- obtained by the National Association of Chiefs of Police's Terrorism Committee -- Navy Vice Admiral Mark I. Fox, commander of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command and the U.S. 5th Fleet, told a group of defense reporters here that pirates have begun commandeer large merchant ships and use them as "mother ships" to put smaller boats into operation far from the coast and beyond the reach of the international forces arrayed against them.

"This is the first time we've seen persistent and increased use of mother ships -- up to eight 'pirate action groups' as we refer to them, disbursed throughout the region," Fox said, calling this development a "game changer."

<http://www.examiner.com/public-safety-in-national/somali-pirates-extend-their-criminal-reach-intelligence-report>



0460/11 -----

TU Wien bestätigt: iPhone-Apps spionieren Nutzer aus

(Macwelt) Ein Forscher an der TU Wien hat laut IT-Magazin Futurezone herausgefunden, dass 55 Prozent von insgesamt 1407 untersuchten iPhone-Apps die jeweilige Gerätenummer an App-Entwickler oder Werbefirmen übermitteln. Dies entspricht Ergebnissen anderer Studien.

Nicht nur werde die Gerätenummer übertragen, sondern diese würden auch mit anderen Daten, etwa der Datenbank bei Facebook, verknüpft. "Wenn man diese Daten miteinander kombiniert, können Werbeunternehmen Persönlichkeitsprofile erstellen, weil sie über einen mächtigen Pool an Daten verfügen", so Studienautor Manuel Egele im Gespräch mit Futurezone. Auch GPS-Daten oder ganze Adressbücher wie der US-Lokalisierungsdienst Gowalla würden einige Apps übermitteln. Gerade bei GPS-Daten bedürfe es zwar der vorherigen Zustimmung durch den Nutzer - aber dieser sei sich "oft nicht bewusst, dass er dadurch Werbefirmen einen permanenten Zugriff auf seinen Aufenthaltsort ermöglicht", so Egele weiter.

Was die Firmen mit den Daten wirklich machen, wisse keiner.

http://www.macwelt.de/artikel/_News/375567/tu_wien_bestaetigt_iphone_apps_spionieren_nutzer_aus/1

0461/11 -----

Get Internet Access When Your Government Shuts It Down

(PC-World) Does your government have an Internet kill-switch? Read our guide to Guerrilla Networking and be prepared for when the lines get cut.

These days, no popular movement goes without an Internet presence of some kind, whether it's organizing on Facebook or spreading the word through Twitter. And as we've seen in Egypt, that means that your Internet connection can be the first to go. Whether you're trying to check in with your family, contact your friends, or simply spread the word, here are a few ways to build some basic network connectivity when you can't rely on your cellular or landline Internet connections.

- (a) http://www.pcworld.com/article/218155/get_internet_access_when_your_government_shuts_it_down.html
- (b) Communicate if Your Government Shuts Off Your Internet (Wiki): http://howto.wired.com/wiki/Communicate_if_Your_Government_Shuts_Off_Your_Internet

0462/11 -----

Swedish ISP Will Automatically Encrypt All Traffic To Protect Privacy

(techdirt) When Sweden first put in place its IPRED law, which required ISPs to hand over identifying info on people accused of file sharing, one of the first ISPs to respond was Bahnhof, who immediately put in place a new policy to delete all log files.

Now that Sweden is pushing forward with a data retention law that would require ISPs to keep log files, Bahnhof has taken things up a notch by encrypting all traffic on their network via a VPN. That means that even if it keeps logfiles, the information will be effectively useless. Honestly, I'm surprised that more ISPs haven't done something similar and pitched themselves as focused on protecting privacy. It's difficult to see how Swedish politicians can really respond to this. They can't exactly order ISPs not to encrypt traffic. Just think of the mess that would cause. So, as the US starts looking (again) at data retention laws, they might want to consider what's happening in Sweden.

<http://www.techdirt.com/articles/20110128/01163512870/swedish-isp-will-automatically-encrypt-all-traffic-to-protect-privacy-under-new-data-retention-laws.shtml>

0463/11 -----

Google: Hand-in-Hand mit dem Geheimdienst?

(Chip) Eine US-Verbrauchergruppe verlangt vom Kongress Aufklärung über Googles Verstrickung mit dem NSA-Geheimdienst. In einem offenen Brief an den Abgeordneten Darrell Issa fordert der "Consumer Watchdog", dass ein parlamentarischer Untersuchungsausschuss klären soll, ob und in welchem Umfang Google seine Daten mit der NSA austauscht. Außerdem soll geprüft werden, ob Google verdeckte Teile seines Netzwerkes für die Kommunikation der Agenten untereinander bereitstellt.

Der Abgeordnete Issa ist im Parlament der Vorsitzende des Ausschuss zur Regierungskontrolle und für eine Regierungsreform. Er und auch andere Abgeordnete haben schon häufiger Bedenken über die Verflechtungen von Google und den Regierungsstellen geäußert. So schrieb Issa jüngst einen Brief an Google, in dem er Aufklärung über Googles Verhältnis zum Weißen Haus verlangte. Hintergrund dafür ist, dass der stellvertretende technische Leiter (CTO) der US-Regierung, Andrew McLaughlin, zuvor ein langjähriger Google-Mitarbeiter war.

http://business.chip.de/news/Google-Hand-in-Hand-mit-dem-Geheimdienst_46978190.html

0464/11 -----

Anonymous startet „Operation Italy“

Gulli) Gestern rief das Kollektiv Anonymous zu Cyberattacken gegen italienische Regierungsseiten auf. Insbesondere hat man es auf die Website www.governo.it abgesehen. Nach Aussage der Aktivisten sei die politische wie wirtschaftliche Situation in Italien unhaltbar geworden. Durch die kürzlich durchgeführten Verhaftungen und Durchsuchungen lässt sich das Kollektiv bislang nicht aufhalten.

<http://www.gulli.com/news/anonymous-startet-operation-italy-2011-01-31>

0465/11 -----

Stuxnet Autopsy Fascinates And Frightens

(StrategyPage) Stuxnet, a computer worm (a computer program that constantly tries to copy itself to other computers) was designed as a weapons grade cyber weapon, and all the attention it is getting now is helping to make

similar weapons even more effective. Hundreds of capable programmers have been taking Stuxnet apart, and openly discussing the results. While Stuxnet was probably created as a highly classified government project (Israel and the U.S., in a joint effort, are the most likely suspects), no one has taken credit for it. Thus Stuxnet belongs to no one, and everyone. The public discussion on the Internet has provided a bonanza of useful criticism of how Stuxnet was put together, often describing in detail how flaws could be fixed or features improved. But even when such details were not provided, the programmers picking apart Stuxnet usually mentioned what tools or techniques were needed to make the code more effective.

On the down side, this public autopsy of Stuxnet makes the inner workings of the worm software, and all the improvements, available to anyone. Then again, security professionals now have a much clearer idea of how this kind of weapon works, and this can make future attempts to use a Stuxnet-type weapon more difficult.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htiw/articles/20110129.aspx>



0466/11 -----

CIA Kent Occasional Papers Provide Insight into Analysis

(CIA) Browse through the Kent Occasional Papers and discover the history of analysis. Learn how Sherman Kent came to be considered the "Father of Intelligence" by writing his book Strategic Intelligence. Visitors will come away with a whole new understanding of the intelligence process, and perhaps an interest in a career as an analyst at the CIA.

<https://www.cia.gov/news-information/featured-story-archive/2011-featured-story-archive/cia-kent-occasional-papers.html>

0467/11 -----

Falling In Thin Air

(StrategyPage) The U.S. Air Force is, after more than half a century, introducing a new parachute for use by its special operations rescue personnel.

The GAAPS (Guardian Angel Advance Parachute System) is primarily designed to meet the needs of pararescue troops, who are dropped to assist in the rescue of downed aircrew, often in enemy territory. GAAPS has dozens of improvements over the existing parachute, but the big one is that it allows users to land safely at higher altitudes. The existing parachute assumes the user will be landing at or near sea-level. But in Afghanistan, pararescue operators are landing at 3,000-5,000 meters (or more) up. The air is thinner at those altitudes (nearly 15,000 feet), and that means parachutes come down faster, and this causes more injuries. GAAPS will also be able to handle heavier loads and, well, bigger and heavier troops, as well as allowing users to more safely maneuver the chute to a specific landing spot. Once testing is complete, the air force will offer GAAPS to

the other services, as well as replacing all the older parachutes used on their aircraft. The ejection seats use a special parachute designed for each model of seat.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htsf/articles/20110131.aspx>



INTEL HISTORY

0468/11 -----

History Museum announces Legacy Awards

(Greatfalls Tribune) Two longstanding Great Falls businesses, a ranch founded by an automobile magnate and a retired naval intelligence officer with a passion for history will garner Legacy Awards this month from The History Museum in Great Falls.

<http://www.greatfallstribune.com/article/20110203/DC5/102030330>

0469/11 -----

Controversial Air Force officer dies as national hero

(Jakarta Post) Former Air Force intelligence officer once linked to the 1965 coup attempt, LtCol Heru Atmodjo, died on Saturday. He was buried at Kalibata Heroes Cemetery in South Jakarta.

His relatives said Heru had suffered from kidney problem. The New Order regime jailed Heru, former assistant to Air Force intelligence director, on charges with masterminding the Sept. 30, 1965 coup attempt involving the communists.

In 2004 Heru launched a book aimed to rewrite the New Order version of the putsch.

<http://www.thejakartapost.com/news/2011/01/30/controversial-air-force-officer-dies-national-hero.html>



HOT DOCS ONLINE

0470/11 -----

Openmesh

A list of open source ad-hoc network and routing protocols / platforms, Providing local information during an "internet kill switch".

<http://openmesh.wordpress.com>

ACIPSS-newsletter commentary: *The Open Mesh web site content is kind of heavy going but highly useful if you have the technical skills.*

0471/11

Egyptian Revolution Protest Manual (How to Protest Intelligently)



(via public intel) This document is an Arabic manual for Egyptian protesters circulated via email and in hard copy prior to the protests on Friday January 28, 2010. (a) For background on the document and English translations of selected portions, see The Atlantic's article Egyptian Activists' Action Plan: Translated. (b)

- (a) <http://info.publicintelligence.net/EgyptianRevolutionManual.pdf>
(2,5MB !!)
- (b) <http://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2011/01/egyptian-activists-action-plan-translated/70388/>

0472/11

Egypt as a Failing State: Implications for US National Security

(USAFA) This paper is recommended both for its conceptual applicability in today's international security environment and for its specific policy analysis of the United States relationship with the Middle East and Egypt. In general terms, Ruth Beitler and Cindy Jebb present a pointed review of democratization theory and practice that is most timely given recent and ongoing United States experiences in the Balkans and in Iraq. They extend that analysis to address the dangers and realities of state failures—partial or complete—as these fuel the cycle of development of violent non-state actors. And most significantly, they apply that combined analysis to the critical realities of today's Middle East, and specifically to the linchpin state of Egypt.

<http://www.usafa.edu/df/inss/OCP/ocp51.pdf> (8,5 MB!!)

0473/11

Protective Intelligence and Threat Assessment Investigations

(U.S. Secret Service) The U.S. Secret Service is committed to providing a safe environment for each public official it is entrusted to protect. To accomplish this mission, it has developed comprehensive protective programs. The U.S. Secret Service believes that threat assessment and protective intelligence are important aspects of these protection efforts. The purpose of U.S. Secret Service threat assessment and protective intelligence activities is to identify, assess, and manage persons who might pose a threat to those we protect, while the goal of these activities is to prevent assassination attempts.

http://www.secretservice.gov/ntac/PI_Guide.pdf

0474/11

Upgrading the EU's Role as Global Actor

(CEPS) The report investigates two prerequisites for achieving this goal: first, enhancement of the status of the EU in numerous multilateral organisations, international agreements and fora (the UN, IMF, etc.) and second, a restructuring of European diplomacy, involving a reallocation of functions and resources between the new European diplomatic corps (the European External Action Service) and the diplomatic representations of the 27 EU member states worldwide.

<http://www.ceps.eu/ceps/download/4134>

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Cold War Times, February 2011 - Vol 11, Issue 1 - English

(coldwar.org) The Cold War Times® was established in order to chronicle the history of the Cold War and notify our subscribers of Cold War anniversaries, events and activities that relate to the Cold War. If you are a Cold War Veteran, historian, or student who would like to contribute an article for a future issue, please send your submission to the Cold War Times® Editor. Photographs and related materials are also welcome.

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http://www.coldwar.org/text_files/ColdwartimesFeb2011.pdf

0476/11

A North Korean Diplomatic Directory

(DNI Open Source Center) The DNI Open Source Center has produced an updated directory of North Korean diplomatic missions (pdf) in Europe and Central Asia.

"The directory includes photos, when available, of overseas diplomatic personnel as well as such standard information as facility addresses, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. Personnel changes and new ambassadorial appointments also have been noted when relevant."

<http://www.fas.org/irp/dni/osc/dprk-diplo.pdf> (1,2 MB)



LITERATURE

0477/11

Wien als Drehscheibe internationaler Geheim- und Nachrichtendienste

Diplomarbeit von Wolfgang LACKNER, eingereicht bei Prof. BEER im November 2010.

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Intern. Journal of Intelligence & CounterIntelligence: Volume 24, 1



This new issue contains the following articles:

- Nuclear Intelligence and North-South Politics, Pages 1 - 21, Author: Tanya Ogilvie-White
- The Professional Ethics of Intelligence Analysis, Pages 22 - 43, Author: Uri Bar-Joseph
- The Impact of CIA's Organizational Culture on Its Estimates Under William Casey, Pages 44 - 64, Author: Or Arthur Honig
- The Office That Never Was: The Failed Creation of the National Applications Office, Pages 65 - 118, Author: Jeffrey T. Richelson
- Was Olof Palme Killed by an Intelligence Agency?, Pages 119 - 147, Author: Ralf Lillbacka
- John Franklin Carter: Journalist, FDR's Secret Investigator, Soviet Agent?, Pages 148 - 172,
- Identity Wars: Then and Now, Pages 173 - 188, Author: Timothy C. Brown

http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/760578271-95331044/title~content=g930741418~db=all?jumptype=alert&alerttype=new_issue_alert,email

(Hat tip to Martin MOLL for this info !)

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Journal for Intelligence, Propaganda and Security Studies



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- Editorial: Siegfried Beer, Is Austrian Intelligence Finally Coming out of the Closet?
- Kerstin von Lingen, Abhörung und Anwerbung: Die „SUNRISE-Gruppe“ im Fokus von CIC und CSDIC
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Vorankündigung: Internationale Konferenz "Der Wiener Gipfel 1961"

zwischen US-Präsident John F. Kennedy und dem UdSSR-Ministerpräsidenten Nikita S. Chrusčev im Blickpunkt des Interesses der ganzen Welt. Der „Vienna Summit“ sollte die erste und letzte persönliche Zusammenkunft von Kennedy und Chrusčev als Staatsmänner der beiden Supermächte bleiben.

Österreich bewährte sich in seiner Rolle als Gastgeber und entwickelte sich folgedessen in den 1960er und 1970er Jahren - auch aufgrund seiner günstigen geopolitischen Lage und aktiven Neutralität - zum regelmäßigen Veranstaltungsort internationaler Treffen auf höchstem politischem Niveau. Wien wurde zur internationalen Konferenzstadt.

Seit Ende 2008 widmet sich das Ludwig Boltzmann-Institut für Kriegsfolgenforschung (BIK), Graz - Wien - Klagenfurt, in Kooperation mit dem Staatsarchiv für Zeitgeschichte der Russischen Föderation (RGANI), der Russischen Akademie der Wissenschaften (RAN), dem Center Austria in New Orleans und u. a. dem deutschen Institut für Zeitgeschichte (IfZ) im Rahmen eines internationalen Forschungsprojektes den Inhalten und weitreichenden Konsequenzen des Gipfeltreffens Kennedys und Chrusčevs in Wien. Die Projektleitung liegt bei Stefan Karner; die Projektkoordination bei Barbara Stelzl-Marx. Für 2011 ist die Durchführung einer internationalen Konferenz in Wien und die Publikation von Beitrags- und Dokumentenbänden auf Deutsch, Englisch und Russisch geplant.

Diplomatische Akademie Wien, **19. bis 21. Mai 2011**

<http://www.bik.ac.at/de/forschung/13-der-wiener-gipfel-1961-kennedy-chrusev.html>

(Hat tip to Dieter Bacher for this info !)

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Cyberkrieg als Thema bei Sicherheitskonferenz

Die Münchner Konferenz widmet sich erstmals den IT-Bedrohungen

Erstmals widmet sich die Münchner Sicherheitskonferenz dem Sonderthema Cyber-Krieg. Die internationale Bedrohung für Frieden und Sicherheit aus dem Internet sei längst mehr als nur Science-Fiction-Szenarien, sagte Konferenzleiter Wolfgang Ischinger am Mittwoch zum Programm für die Tagung vom **4. bis 6. Februar**. Das hätten nicht zuletzt die Erfahrungen mit dem Computervirus Stuxnet gezeigt, der im Herbst vor allem viele iranische Rechner in Industrieanlagen infiziert hatte, auch im Atomkraftwerk Buschehr.

<http://www.futurezone.at/stories/1665501/>

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CFP: German Military Intelligence from Bismarck to the Present

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17th Annual Conference of the International Intelligence History Association, (IIHA/AGN) - Marburg 06/11

International Intelligence History Association; Militärgeschichtliches Forschungsamt Potsdam, Marburg
17.06.2011-19.06.2011,
Philipps-Universität Marburg
Deadline: **31.03.2011**

The International Intelligence History Association will be conducting its 17th annual conference in Marburg, Germany, on 17-19 June 2011. The conference is organized jointly with the Bundeswehr's Military History Research Institute (Militaergeschichtliches Forschungsamt, MGFA).

The theme of our conference will be the history of German military intelligence in a wider international, institutional and political context. The international context is particularly needed to explain how intelligence was used before and during the two World Wars but also during and since the Cold War. The institutional relationships not only concern the armed forces but also those other institutions which were involved in the making of German foreign and military policy. Studies on counter-intelligence relate to domestic intelligence and to law enforcement. In West Germany and, since 1990, in united Germany military intelligence is largely fused with foreign intelligence. Obviously the political framework changed dramatically several times over, which is why ideology and the complex semi-state networks of Nazi power holders played a special role between 1933 and 1945. In communist East Germany military intelligence competed with various more ideologically oriented "armed forces" and security services. This said, however, there is a specific "craft" of military intelligence marked by certain traditions as well as by the need to adapt to rapid changes in technology. For all those reasons the history of German military intelligence reaches very far beyond its institutions and the sometimes narrow concerns of specialists.

The state of historical research is characterized by large gaps both with regard to sources and to important studies. The military staff records for World War I were destroyed for the most part. For other periods sources are patchy. For the period after 1945 archival access is still heavily restricted (except for East Germany) but rapidly improving. But the difficulties with German source materials are an insufficient explanation

for the gaps in historical research. Most German scholars of military and diplomatic history have been reluctant to take intelligence into account while non-Germans have often led the way to a more comprehensive perspective. The wider historical community has yet to appreciate the benefits of intelligence history in many fields, especially in writing the history of war and conflict. This conference aims at filling some of those gaps.

For our conference we are seeking paper proposals on all related topics, though special consideration will be given to archival-based studies, to international approaches and to studies on hitherto neglected subjects. Please e-mail your paper proposal (with a brief bio) to Professor Wolfgang Krieger (kriegerw@staff.uni-marburg.de) and to Oberst i.G. Dr. Winfried Heinemann (WinfriedHeinemann@Bundeswehr.org)

The deadline for submissions is 31 March 2011.

Partial travel subsidies may be available for speakers, especially those coming from abroad. Paper proposals are welcomed from established researchers, former practitioners and young scholars. Conference language are German and English. For details on the conference preparations please consult our website frequently (<http://www.intelligence-history.org>). We hope to see you at the 2011 Annual Conference.

IIHA/AGN Executive Board: <http://www.intelligence-history.org>

MGFA: <http://www.mgfa.de>

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(Hat tip to Martin MOLL for this info!)

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Media alerts

am So, 06.02. um 00:00 Das Erste

Flags of Our Fathers

Kriegsdrama

Dauer: 125 min (a)

Beschreibung: Mit "Flags of Our Fathers - Die Flaggen unserer Väter" wagt es der vierfache Oscar-Preisträger Clint Eastwood, die längst zur "Wahrheit" gewordene Legende um eines der berühmtesten Fotos der US-Geschichte zu hinterfragen. Das Kriegsdrama verbindet respektvoll Privates und Politisches, trennt unaufgeregt Mythos und Wahrheit. Auch in der Kritik findet es souverän das richtige Maß und mahnt in unaufdringlicher Weise, Heldeninszenierung und Propaganda zu hinterfragen.

am So, 06.02. um 20:15 Pro7

Der Mann, der niemals lebte

Agentendrama

Dauer: 145 min (b)

Beschreibung: CIA-Agent Roger Ferris entdeckt eine heiße Spur zu einem führenden Topterroristen, der von Jordanien aus arbeitet. Um das Terrornetz infiltrieren zu können, muss Ferris die Unterstützung des raffinierten CIA-Veteranen Ed Hoffman gewinnen und den nicht unbedingt vertrauenswürdigen Chef des jordanischen Geheimdienstes auf seine Seite bringen. Das gelingt ihm, aber Ferris hat bald Anlass zu glauben, dass sie ein falsches Spiel mit ihm spielen.

am So, 06.02. um 22:30 phoenix

Tacheles - Talk am Roten Tisch/Die Talkshow der Evangelischen Kirche - Die Diskussion mit dem Thema: Furcht vor Anschlägen - Mit dem Islam gegen den Terror?

Dauer: 60 min (c)

Beschreibung: Tödliche Angriffe auf Nahverkehrszüge in London und Madrid schreckten die europäische Öffentlichkeit auf. Neue Terrorszenarien bis zu einem möglichen Anschlag auf den Reichstag in Berlin zeigen: Es gibt kein ruhiges Hinterland. Die Angst vor dem Terror ist international verbreitet. Die Täter der jüngsten Anschläge verstehen sich als islamische Gotteskrieger. Dagegen geißeln friedliebende Muslime den Terror als einen tragischen Missbrauch ihres Glaubens. Inwieweit sind Religionen Brandsätze des Hasses? Wie lässt sich dem Terror begegnen?

am Mo, 07.02. um 23:15 WDR

WDR-dok: Amerikas geheimer Krieg in Laos

Reportage

Dauer: 75 min (d)

Beschreibung: Auf seiner filmischen Spurensuche erzählt Marc Eberle mit zum Teil nie zuvor gezeigtem Archivmaterial die unglaubliche Geschichte dieses Krieges, der in vielem zum Vorläufer für die heutige amerikanische Kriegsführung wurde. Er hat ehemalige CIA-Offiziere, den General der Hmong, Vang Pao, frühere Piloten, Journalisten und laotische Zeitzeugen vor die Kamera geholt, die von der grausamen Surrealität dieses geheimen Krieges berichten.

am Di, 08.02. um 12:30 3sat

Tel Aviv - Leben zwischen Himmel und Hölle

Dokumentation

Dauer: 30 min (e)

Beschreibung: "Was so traurig an dem Leben hier ist, ist, dass wir eine Insel mitten in der Hölle sind. Denn draußen ist es höllisch. Und ich weiß nicht, wie lange wir das überleben können", sagt der Schriftsteller Yoram Kaniuk, der 1930 in Tel Aviv geboren wurde. Seit ihrer Gründung vor 100 Jahren war Tel Aviv das kulturelle und politische Zentrum des Landes, ein Synonym für eine moderne Stadt. - Ein Porträt.

am Di, 08.02. um 20:15 arte

Rebellen im Namen der Erde - Militante Umweltschützer

Themenabend: Jung, aktiv und kampfbereit

Dokumentation

Dauer: 55 min (f)

Beschreibung: Überall auf der Welt formieren sich alternative Bewegungen. Getragen werden sie von jungen Menschen, die als Globalisierungsgegner, Freeters oder Eco Warriors Akteure des Widerstands oder Opfer eines Systems sind, an dessen Rande sie leben. Sie haben diese Gesellschaftsordnung weder mit aufgebaut, noch gewählt und lehnen sie ab. Einige Umweltschützer

greifen zu radikalen Methoden, um ihre Ziele durchzusetzen: Sie sprengen Biotechniklabore in die Luft, legen Walfangflotten lahm, ketten sich an Bahngleise oder besetzen Bäume. Das macht sie in den Augen des FBI zu Terroristen. Es sieht die Ökokrieger sogar als zweitgrößte Bedrohung nach Al-Quaida. Auf diese Weise machen die FBI-Beamten Stimmung gegen jede Form von Aktivismus und zivilem Ungehorsam.

am Mi, 09.02. um 20:15 arte

Der Meisterspion - Klaus Fuchs und die Atombombe

Szenische Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (g)

Beschreibung: Der Physiker Klaus Fuchs beginnt sein Studium in Deutschland, flüchtet 1933 nach Großbritannien und studiert dort Kernphysik. Während des Zweiten Weltkrieges nimmt er in den USA am wohl geheimsten Projekt der amerikanischen Rüstungsindustrie teil, der Entwicklung und dem Bau der Atombombe. Als überzeugter Kommunist fürchtet er, die USA könnten die gefährliche Waffe gegen die Sowjetunion einsetzen, und verrät die Pläne an die Sowjets.

am Mi, 09.02. um 21:00 arte

Der gefährlichste Mann der Welt - Abdul Qadeer Khan

Szenische Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (h)

Beschreibung: Der aus Pakistan stammende Ingenieur Abdul Qadeer Khan ist ein brillanter Wissenschaftler, aber auch ein Atomspion. Er verkaufte sein Wissen, wie Atombomben gebaut werden, an Nordkorea, Libyen und den Iran. Der Dokumentarfilm zeichnet das Portrait eines der gefährlichsten Männer der Welt und zeigt - unter anderem in nachgestellten Spielszenen - warum es dem Westen nicht gelang, den Drahtzieher des größten Atomschmuggelrings der Welt zu stoppen.

am Do, 10.02. um 22:00 3sat

... und der Himmel steht still

Berlinale

Melodram

Dauer: 110 min (i)

Beschreibung: Der britische Techniker Leonard wird 1955 wegen einer Geheimdienst-Operation nach Berlin versetzt. Mit der Berlinerin Maria lernt er die Liebe seines Lebens kennen. Lange kann Leonard die Balance zwischen gefährlicher Mission und sinnlicher Liebe nicht halten.

am Fr, 11.02. um 00:20 Das Erste

Verraten!

Spionagefilm

Dauer: 105 mi (j)

Beschreibung: 1943: Mit Hilfe des Untergrundkämpfers Cachenez kann der holländische Spionagechef Pieter Deventer den deutschen Besatzern entkommen und nach England fliehen. Um Cachenez' Kampf gegen die Deutschen mit den Londoner Kriegsplänen zu koordinieren, schickt er ihm die Agentin Carla van Oven als Vermittlerin. Doch bald fühlt sich Deventer von beiden verraten.

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