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2447/09 -----

Nobel Geopolitics

U.S. President Barack Obama won the Nobel Peace Prize last week. Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dynamite, established the prize, which was to be awarded to the person who has accomplished "the most or the best work for

fraternity among nations, for the abolition or reduction of standing armies and for the promotion of peace congresses." The mechanism for awarding the peace prize is very different from the other Nobel categories. Academic bodies, such as the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, decide who wins the other prizes. Alfred Nobel's will stated, however, that a committee of five selected by the Norwegian legislature, or Storting, should award the peace prize.

http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20091012_nobel_geopolitics?utm_source=GWeeklyS&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=091012&utm_content=readmore

2448/09

A Game-Changing Attack in Pakistan

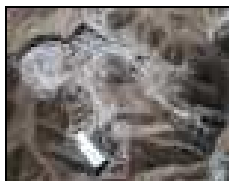
Two days ago, Taliban-affiliated forces launched an attack on the national headquarters of the Pakistani Army. The result was a firefight followed by a standoff with hostages that ended earlier today. This attack represents a game-changing moment for Pakistan, and by extension for the US-led coalition in Afghanistan. Here's why.

In the past, the Pakistani military and intelligence (ISI) establishment have allowed the Taliban considerable freedom of operation inside Pakistan, and either turned a blind eye or provided support to Taliban and Al Qaeda forces operating across the border in Afghanistan who are based inside Pakistan, primarily in South Waziristan.

- (a) http://www.huffingtonpost.com/howard-schweber/a-game-changing-attack-in_b_316828.html
- (b) http://www.nytimes.com/2009/10/12/world/asia/12pstan.html?_r=5
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- (d) <http://news.scotsman.com/world/Hostages-seized-at-army-HQ.5722733.jp>

2449/09

Diplomacy in the lead on Iran nuclear issue -- for now



Agreement to open Iran's hidden nuclear complex to inspection has reduced talk of military action and put diplomacy back on track -- at least for a while. But even as the U.S. tries to build international pressure, emerging details suggest it might already be too late for an armed strike.

Everything about Iran's newly disclosed site near the holy city of Qom complicates the task for the two most likely attackers, the U.S. and Israel. Iranian officials say that's precisely why they built the facility on an elite military base, fortified with steel and concrete, and buried under a mountain.

- (a) <http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/world/la-fg-iran-options12-2009oct12,0,3510385.story>
- (b) http://www.finalcall.com/artman/publish/World_News_3/article_6489.shtml

2450/09

Mystery over missing Iranian in Saudi deepens

The mystery over an Iranian missing in Saudi Arabia deepened on Saturday after a local newspaper said the US Central Intelligence Agency was involved in his disappearance.

Hardline paper Javan (Young), quoting the unnamed wife of the man, who she claims is a physics researcher, said her husband, Shahram Amiri, went missing exactly 130 days ago from the holy city of Medina in western Saudi Arabia. "CIA is accused number one," according to the front-page report in the newspaper, which gave a version of Amiri's disappearance while on his way to take part in a Muslim mini-pilgrimage.

The report said that Amiri left for Saudi Arabia on May 31 and upon his arrival was "questioned by Saudi agents at the airport for a longer time than other pilgrims." "Three days later when he left his hotel in Medina, he never returned," the report said, adding that Amiri was a researcher at Tehran's Malek-Ashtar University of Technology.

- (a) http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gIJ8dsMpLTGgkiQth_rW0VI4eDWQ
- (b) <http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/1119818.html>

2451/09

Egypt Hands Yemen Details on Iran Intelligence Activities

Egypt is said to have provided Yemen with information over Iran's intelligence plans targeting it and other Arab and African states in the region, Arab diplomatic sources were cited by the Akhbar Al-Youm Newspaper as saying.

Yemeni diplomatic sources were also quoted as saying that Egypt, through its Foreign Minister Abu Al-Gheit who visited Yemen last week, handed Yemen details on Iran's spy activities in the region and the U.S. vision over the Iranian project, mainly targeting the Arab. The details included information on Iranian moves within the Yemeni communities in a number of Arab and other Asian states including Egypt, Oman, Syria and Bahrain.

<http://yemenpost.net/Detail123456789.aspx?ID=3&SubID=1393>

2452/09

Al-Qaeda suspect was Cern nuclear researcher

A suspected "high level" al-Qaeda collaborator who provided data on terrorism targets in France and expressed a "desire to carry out an attack" was on Friday revealed to work at the world's largest nuclear research facility.

Security sources in Paris said the suspect, who was arrested with his brother on Thursday in Vienne near Lyons, worked on projects for the European Organisation for Nuclear Research (Cern) on the Franco-Swiss border near Geneva.

The 32-year old Frenchman of Algerian origin and his 25-year old brother were being held last night at the Central Directorate of Interior Intelligence, France's equivalent to MI5, near Paris.

- (a) <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/europe/france/6284816/Al-Qaeda-suspect-was-Cern-nuclear-researcher.html>
- (b) http://www.thaindian.com/newsportal/world/physicist-working-on-lhc-arrested-in-france_100258477.html
- (c) <http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/europe/article6871774.ece>

2453/09 -----

World's police forces urged to share intelligence

 The world's police forces must urgently boost the sharing of intelligence to fight transnational criminals including terrorists, who have become more technologically savvy than authorities, an international conference heard Monday.

In an impassioned speech, Pakistan's Interior Minister Rehman Malik told an annual meeting of Interpol that terrorism, drug trafficking and money laundering need the urgent attention of the world.

Pakistan, a front-line state in the fight against the Taliban and al-Qaida terrorists, has experienced all three types of crimes firsthand, said Malik, warning that they can quickly spread to the region and the world if not tackled jointly by the international community.

<http://www.philstar.com/Article.aspx?articleId=513512&publicationSubCategoryId=200>

2454/09 -----

Obama engaging the Iranians from a surprisingly strong position

 Conservatives are critical of President Obama, warning that he is naïve about Iranian intentions and worried that talks will simply buy time for the regime to build up a nuclear capability. There is another viewpoint, which is that Obama for all his newness on the global stage is engaging the Iranians from a surprisingly strong position. The recent revelation that the Iranians are building a secret uranium enrichment facility next to a military base housing the elite Revolutionary Guard got the attention of world leaders meeting in New York, giving Obama new leverage to ramp up pressure on the Iranian regime.

Apparently U.S. intelligence has been monitoring the site for some time, dating well back into the Bush administration. Because of the failures of intelligence that clouded the Bush years and helped launch an unnecessary war with Iraq, the Bush administration kept quiet about the facility and so did Obama until he was certain that U.S. intelligence had the goods. That moment arrived when the facility, which had been under construction for years, reached completion and was deemed too small to process uranium for peaceful use, and likely was built only to weaponize uranium for a nuclear bomb.

<http://www.poconorecord.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20091012/NEWS04/910120316/-1/NEWSMAP>

2455/09 -----

CIA avoids intelligence sharing with Pakistan

The American intelligence agencies have evaded sharing of "actionable intelligence" on Al Qaeda and Taliban terrorists with Pakistan while U.S. defence officials and diplomats continued to claim presence of "dangerous terrorists" in Quetta, Waziristan and other tribal areas.

Senior Pakistani officials engaged in operations against terrorists are complaining that "no actionable information" was shared in recent past. The lack of confidence among allies in war on terror is believed to be a primary reason for the failure to crush the terrorists and their network.

A Pakistani official speaking on condition of anonymity said that "We believe that U.S. intelligence has lots of information on TTP (Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan) terrorists but they rarely share solid information on their locations and activities." The officials also added that "US intelligence has also failed to trace the continued supply of arms and ammunitions being used by TTP militants against Pakistan since 2007.

- (a) <http://pakobserver.net/200910/13/news/topstories09.asp>
- (b) http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/default.asp?page=2009%5C10%5C13%5Cstory_13-10-2009_pg7_16

2456/09 -----

US intelligence: Afghan Taliban not using Pakistan soil

American intelligence officials have reported that Taliban fighters can no longer use Pakistani territory to attack NATO troops in Afghanistan.

According to a U.S. radio commentary, "intelligence officials are seeing something different. First, Afghanistan's homegrown Taliban have nearly quadrupled in the last three years. And they don't seem to be using Pakistan as a safe haven as much as was previously thought".

The radio commentary said it is becoming increasingly difficult for U.S. officials to pressure the Pakistani government to stop Taliban from border crossing. "The Pakistanis have long said that the US overstated the problem of the Afghan Taliban using Pakistan as a refuge," report said.

<http://www.sananews.com.pk/english/2009/10/12/afghan-taliban-not-using-pakistan-soil-us-intelligence/>

2457/09 -----

US Administration Downplays Afghanistan Threat

Democrats long accused the Bush administration of manipulating intelligence to suit its own purposes. Now, a report out of D.C. accuses the Obama administration of doing the exact same thing.

The president has become a public spectacle as he wrings his hands over whether to send troops to Afghanistan or not. McClatchy News reports that as he does so, the White House is coloring the intelligence that you are getting. Over 15 intelligence officials confirmed that the administration is minimizing reports from the intelligence community, the military community and the State Department about the risks posed by the Taliban in Afghanistan to justify ditching McChrystal's recommendations.

<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,565320,00.html>

2458/09 -----

Intel chief's No. 2 likely to get Senate approval

National Intelligence Director Dennis Blair is one step closer to getting the final member of his senior team in place after a Senate confirmation hearing for David C. Gombert (GOM'-bert).

A former State Department official with no direct intelligence experience, Gombert was nominated in August to be Blair's principal deputy. Traditionally, the No. 2 position in national intelligence has focused on day-to-day management issues. But Gombert told the Senate Intelligence Committee on Tuesday that he will instead conduct most of the numerous intelligence briefings given to senior policy makers.

http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5hWJTjYZvlTtH-7r8mmZKHPoH_IzgD9BAEJM80

2459/09 -----

Napolitano Says Al-Qaeda-Style Terrorists Are in U.S.

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said law-enforcement authorities are tracking terrorists with al-Qaeda leanings in the U.S.

"It is fair to say there are individuals in the United States who ascribe to al-Qaeda-type beliefs," Napolitano said in an interview with Bloomberg Television today. "And so it makes information-sharing, it makes effective law enforcement and it makes the shared responsibility of law enforcement ever so important."

Information-sharing between federal, state and local law-enforcement agencies is "much improved" since the Sept. 11 attacks, she said.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601087&sid=aajLi07MVnoc>

2460/09 -----

Stamped Mail Over 13oz Must Be Spied

The Postal Service is revising the Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM[reg]) to require all mailpieces weighing more than 13 ounces bearing only postage stamps be presented to a Postal Service employee at a retail service counter in a Post Office

<http://cryptome.org/0001/ps100909.htm>

2461/09 -----

U.S. Intelligence Scraps uGov E-Mail System

Federal intelligence officials have decided to scrap a Web-based, unclassified e-mail system, citing unspecified security concerns, according to InformationWeek. The uGov, a Zimbra-based e-mail system, is used by thousands of intelligence analysts and other government employees to aid in information sharing. When it was launched, uGov was seen as an important

step in the intelligence community's drive for better information sharing after 9/11, and was mentioned in the same breath as efforts such as the CIA's Intellipedia wiki.

With its a single directory, uGov made it easier for its users to find like-minded professionals and coordinate activity.

- (a) <http://www.itbusinessedge.com/cm/community/news/gt/blog/us-intelligence-scraps-ugov-e-mail-system/?cs=36545>
- (b) <http://www.informationweek.com/news/government/enterprise-apps/showArticle.jhtml?articleID=220301697&subSection=News>

2462/09

New DOD website fosters secret science

The Pentagon's Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC) last month announced the creation of a new password-protected portal where authorized users may gain access to restricted scientific and engineering publications.

"DTIC Online Access Controlled... provides a gateway to Department of Defense unclassified, controlled science and technology (S&T) and research and engineering (R&E) information," according to a September 21, 2009 news release (a). "As defense S&T information advances, so does the unique community to which it belongs," said DTIC Administrator R. Paul Ryan.

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2009/09/dtic092109.pdf>

2463/09

CIA hurt by 'administration's war with the U.S. intel community'

A senior member of Congress said last week that Justice Department prosecutions of CIA personnel over detainee treatment is undermining morale at the agency and prompting resignations.

Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich. and ranking Republican on the House Intelligence Committee, stated in an op-ed in The Washington Times that U.S. intelligence also is short-changing warfighters in Afghanistan.

"We are concerned that the Obama administration's war with the U.S. intelligence community is denying our troops the intelligence they need and is placing them at an unjustifiable and unnecessarily greater risk," Hoekstra wrote, along with Rep. John Shadegg.

http://www.worldtribune.com/worldtribune/WTARC/2009/ss_intelligence0785_10_07.asp

2464/09

Intelligence Fiasco Footnote

When it comes to politicized intelligence in the Bush years, the critics may finally have a point. Perhaps the work of America's intelligence agencies was manipulated to suit the convenience of a small group of wilful officials, intent on getting their way against the better judgment of their colleagues.

Except the intelligence was about Iran, not Iraq, and the manipulators weren't conniving neocons but rather the Administration's internal critics on the left.

That's one way to look at last month's revelation that Iran is building a secret second site to enrich uranium, among other emerging intelligence details. The Qom site—too small for civilian purposes but ideal for producing weapons-grade uranium—is supervised by Iran's Revolutionary Guards and was only declared to the International Atomic Energy Agency after Tehran got wind that the nuclear watchdogs knew about it.

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704471504574447412969599476.html>

2465/09

Woman imprisoned for selling to Saddam was working for CIA

A Detroit-area businesswoman serving a six-year sentence in federal prison for selling goods to Iraq during the embargo against Saddam Hussein was unwittingly working for the CIA, the woman's supporters say.

According to NBC affiliate WDIV, Dawn Hanna of Rochester Hills, Michigan, was working for a CIA contractor when she arranged for telecommunications equipment to be sent to the Middle East in 2002 and 2003.

The person claiming to be that contractor, Emad Al-Yawer, says that he was working on a CIA plan to sell communications equipment to Saddam Hussein that would be bugged with espionage instruments. The plan was for the agency to locate and kill the Iraqi dictator.

- (a) <http://rawstory.com/2009/10/woman-imprisoned-working-for-cia/>
- (b) CIA Operative Testimony:
http://www.justice4dawnhanna.com/CIA_Operative_Testimony.pdf

2466/09

Obama Administration Accused Again of Concealing Bush-Era Crimes

Last week, in a federal courthouse in New York, Obama's Justice Department attorneys again argued in favour of secrecy. The case involved 23 lawyers representing detainees at Guantanamo Bay who alleged in court papers that they were targets of the Bush administration's so-called Terrorist Surveillance Program (TSP), an initiative operated by the National Security Agency (NSA) that Obama called "unlawful and unconstitutional" during his presidential campaign in 2007.

"Our work with our clients may have been deeply compromised by illegal surveillance carried out by the last administration," said Shayana Kadidal, senior managing attorney of the Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR) Guantanamo Global Justice Initiative, a civil rights organization. "The new administration has no legal basis for refusing to come clean about any violations of attorney-client privilege by the NSA."

http://www.alternet.org/politics/143236/obama_administration_accused_again_of_concealing_bush-era_crimes?utm_source=feedblitz&utm_medium=FeedBlitzRss&utm_campaign=alternet

2467/09

Extremisten hatten Moskau im Visier

Russische Sicherheitskräfte haben nach eigenen Angaben im September mehrere Selbstmordanschläge in Moskau verhindert. Es seien die Pläne von fünf Extremisten vereitelt worden, die für Selbstmordanschläge ausgebildet worden seien, sagte der Chef des Geheimdienstes FSB, Alexander Bortnikow, am Dienstag russischen Medien. So habe ein Mann, der in Moskau festgenommen worden sei, ein Attentat am 5. September vorgehabt - einem Feiertag, an dem Zehntausende Moskauer auf den für Autos gesperrten Straßen im Stadtzentrum spaziert seien.

Experten befürchten seit längerem, dass Attentäter aus der Kaukasusregion, wo muslimische Separatisten für Unabhängigkeit von Russland kämpfen, diesen Kampf in die Hauptstadt tragen wollen.

<http://www.oe24.at/welt/weltpolitik/Extremisten-hatten-Moskau-im-Visier-0554294.ece>

2468/09

Moscow accuses Georgia of aiding al Qaeda in Russia

Moscow accused Tbilisi on Tuesday of collaborating with al Qaeda and aiding Islamist militants in "terrorist" activities on Russian soil, a charge Georgia denied.

A series of suicide bombs and attacks on police and security forces in Chechnya, where Russia has fought two separatist wars since the mid-1990s, and nearby Ingushetia and Dagestan, have shattered a few years of relative calm in the North Caucasus. "Tapes found belonging to militants testify that they, together with al Qaeda, established contact with representatives of Georgian special services," Alexander Bortnikov, head of the FSB, successor to the KGB, told Russian media.

Georgia has helped train and move "terrorists" from Georgia to southern Russia's volatile, mainly Muslim republic of Chechnya, which it borders, he said.

- (a) http://georgiandaily.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=15200&Itemid=65
- (b) <http://de.rian.ru/postsowjetischen/20091013/123488360.html>

2469/09

Bestätigung aus Moskau: "Arctic Sea" hatte nicht nur Holz an Bord

Jetzt geht es ans Eingemachte: Hohe russische Beamte haben am Mittwoch zum ersten Mal bestätigt, dass das in der Ostsee gehijackte Schiff eine verdächtige Ladung an Bord gehabt haben könnte.

Ob bald auch die zahlreichen Spekulationen bestätigt werden, dass die angeblich entführte Arctic Sea möglicherweise Waffen oder sogar nukleares Material transportierte?

<http://oraclesyndicate.twoday.net/stories/bestaetigung-aus-moskau-arctic-sea-hatte-nicht-nur-holz-an-bord/>

2470/09

Atomare Präventivschläge nicht mehr ausgeschlossen

Russland will seinen Streitkräften nach Angaben eines ranghohen Regierungsvertreters künftig Präventivschläge mit Atomwaffen ermöglichen. Derzeit würden die Regeln zum Einsatz von Atomwaffen in der zentralen Militärdoktrin überarbeitet, sagte der Sekretär des Sicherheitsrats, Nikolai Patruschew, am Mittwoch der Zeitung "Iswestija".

<http://www.rp-online.de/public/article/politik/ausland/769994/Atomare-Praeventivschlaege-nicht-mehr-ausgeschlossen.html>

2471/09

Ukraine: Geheimdienst-Vizechef mit falschem Diplom?

Der wegen eines gefälschten Diploms unter Verdacht stehende Vizechef des ukrainischen Geheimdienstes SBU, Andrej Kislinski, hat nicht an der Universität Kiew studiert, bestätigte Bildungsminister Iwan Wakartschuk.

„Herr Kislinski war an der Schewtschenko-Universität nicht eingeschrieben und hat kein Diplomabschluss von der Geschichtsfakultät erhalten... Die Datenbank des Bildungsministeriums enthält keine Angaben zu seinem Diplom“, sagte Wakartschuk am Montag laut Angaben der ukrainischen Agentur UNIAN.

Der Parlamentsabgeordnete Gennadi Moskal hatte zuvor Kislinski vorgeworfen, ein gefälschtes Diplom zu nutzen, und die Regierung um eine entsprechende Prüfung gebeten. Kislinski, der einst auch Vizechef des Präsidialamtes gewesen war, behauptete gegenüber UNIAN, sein Diplom sei echt, wollte aber keine Einzelheiten über sein Studium mitteilen.

<http://de.rian.ru/postsowjetischen/20091012/123465956.html>

2472/09

Stalin-Enkel scheitert mit Unterlassungsklage

Es gibt eine positive Nachricht aus dem Moskauer Basmanny-Gericht, das ansonsten eher mit seiner gnadenlosen Verfolgung Michail Chodorkowskis und seines Partners Platon Lebedew auf sich aufmerksam macht: Die Richter haben die Klage des Stalin-Enkels Jewgeni Dschugaschwili gegen die "Nowaja Gaseta" zurückgewiesen, die Zeitung braucht das geforderte Schmerzensgeld von zehn Millionen Rubel (220 000 Euro) nicht zu zahlen. Die Anhänger der oppositionellen Zeitung jubelten im Gerichtssaal.

<http://www.welt.de/die-welt/politik/article4852992/Stalin-Enkel-scheitert-mit-Unterlassungsklage.html>

2473/09

Finance Ministry denies reports Mossad will be suffering budget cuts

The Finance Ministry on Wednesday denied reports that the Mossad would be undergoing budget cuts.

"Finance Minister Dr. Yuval Steinitz acknowledges the unique contributions of the Mossad towards the security of the state of Israel and especially values the wisdom, resourcefulness and courage of Mossad staff," the

ministry said in a statement. The ministry went on to stress it had no intention of cutting the Mossad's budget and the issue is not being discussed.

<http://www.jpost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=JPost/JParticle/ShowFull&cid=1255450649931>

2474/09 -----

Mother of Convicted Egyptian Spy Sues PM

The mother of an Egyptian nuclear engineer who was convicted in 2007 of spying for Israel recently filed a damage suit equalling 700,000 shekels against Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Ambassador to Egypt Shalom Cohen. The woman claims mental damage as a result of her son's being recruited by the Mossad intelligence agency.

Muhamad Said Sabr was sentenced to life in prison and fined \$17,000 - the amount he was accused of receiving from Israel for passing information from Egypt's Nuclear Energy Authority, where he worked.

<http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/Flash.aspx/172439>

2475/09 -----

China Tech Theft Effort Under Attack

In the United States, the FBI arrested three Chinese citizens (Zhen Zhou Wu, Yufeng Wei and Bo Li) for trying to illegally export American electronic components that can be used in missiles, warplanes and space vehicles. The three are also accused of money laundering. Around the same time, in another incident, a Chinese scientist (Hong Meng) working for Dupont, was accused of stealing technology for OLED flat screen displays, to use for perfecting similar technology being developed in China.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htintel/articles/20091008.aspx>

2476/09 -----

Libyer zündet vor Mailänder Kaserne Sprengsatz

Am Montag versuchte ein Libyer, in eine Kaserne in Mailand einzudringen und einem Sprengsatz zu zünden. Laut italienischen Presseberichten soll sich der 35-Jährige legal in Italien aufgehalten haben. Am Eingang der Kaserne habe man den Libyer gestoppt, woraufhin er seinen Sprengsatz zu früh detonieren ließ.

Nach dem bisherigen Stand der Dinge hat sich der Attentäter bei der Explosion schwer verletzt. Ein Soldat soll nur leichte Verletzungen davongetragen haben. Trotz des glimpflichen Ausgangs der Aktion ist der Anschlag ein Novum. Bisher sind Islamisten mit ihren Anschlagplänen auf europäischem Boden noch nie soweit an militärische Einrichtungen herangekommen

<http://www.dcrs.de/anschlag-libyer-zuendet-vor-kaserne-sprengsatz,368132>

2477/09

Lawyers for Ex-CIA Operatives in Italy Argue for Immunity

Lawyers for two high-ranking former CIA operatives in Italy charged in the 2003 kidnapping of an Egyptian cleric argued on Wednesday that their clients should be granted diplomatic immunity.

They also said evidence against the two, who were allegedly acting as part of the agency's extraordinary renditions program, was insufficient for a conviction. Jeffrey Castelli, identified as the former head of the CIA in Rome, is the highest-level American defendant among the 26 charged in what prosecutors argue was a CIA-led extraordinary rendition of a terror suspect.

Prosecutors are seeking 13 years in jail for Castelli, citing his alleged role in orchestrating the abduction along with the former head of the Italian military intelligence, and 12 years for Robert Seldon Lady, the Milan station chief at the time. It is the first trial anywhere in the world scrutinizing extraordinary renditions, which human rights advocates say were the CIA's way of outsourcing the torture of suspected terrorists to countries where it was practiced.

<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,566261,00.html>

2478/09

French Intel Report: 10,000 agents in secret Chinese sleeper cells

China has deployed sleeper cells of agents and special operations commandos in Canada who would be activated for military and covert action missions against the United States in future conflict.

The Paris-based Intelligence Online reported October 1 that the Unit 8189 would not be viewed during the Tiananmen parade marking China's 60th anniversary because the unit is secret. "Unit 8189 (jiefangjun bayibaijiu fenggiandu) is the most secretive organization in the People's Liberation Army," the report said.

"If a conflict arises, its 'strategic commandos' are trained to carry out sabotage missions, selective assassinations and attacks abroad."

<http://richardcochrane.hypocrisy.com/2009/10/10/10000-agents-in-secret-chinese-sleeper-cells-ready-for-war-worldwide-french-intell-report-says/>

2479/09

The Netherlands: Intelligence Service Illegally Tapped Phones

The Amsterdam court has determined that the General Intelligence Service AIVD broke the law of freedom of press by tapping the phones of journalists of the Telegraaf daily. Tapping, following and observance of journalists is illegal. The court decided that both the AIVD and the Dutch state have been unable to show that security of the state or the function of the intelligence service has been endangered by publication of information. Minister of the Interior Guusje ter Horst (Labor) had personally given permission to the AIVD to listen to phone calls of Telegraaf journalists.

(a) <http://badnewsfromthenetherlands.blogspot.com/2009/10/court-intelligence-service-illegally.html>

(b) www.telegraaf.nl/binnenland/5060218/___Telegraaf_wint_afluisterzaak.html

2480/09 -----

Specimen of a D-Notice

MI5 issued a D-Notice on a Portuguese blog identifying a former undercover police officer who worked with MI5. The blogspot has redacted its text in response to this D-notice.

<http://cryptome.org/0001/henri-exton.htm>

2481/09 -----

Oz Robinson: intelligence officer and sailor died aged 83



Oswald James Horsley Robinson, always known as Oz, was born in 1926. He was the son of Sir Edward Robinson, a distinguished numismatist and head of the Coins and Medals Department of the British Museum, and of Pamela, daughter of Sir Victor Horsley, a pioneer neurosurgeon.

He was educated at Bedales, and in 1944 he volunteered for the Royal Engineers, and was commissioned in India into Queen Victoria's Own Sappers and Miners. On demobilisation, he read geography at King's College, Cambridge, where he was talent-spotted under the old MI6 recruiting process, and joined SIS in 1951.

<http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/comment/obituaries/article6873212.ece>

2482/09 -----

BND-Neubau: Erster Blick auf Berlins größtes Geheimnis



Sie ist Berlins bestgesicherte Baustelle. Die deutschen Agenten errichten derzeit an der Chausseestraße ihre neue Zentrale.

Fast zehn Hektar ist das Baufeld groß, ein zweieinhalb Meter hoher Holzzaun schützt vor allzu neugierigen Blicken und Videokameras mit Bewegungsmeldern, im Abstand von zehn Metern auf hohen Pfosten montiert, machen

Eindringlingen das Leben schwer. Berlins bestgesicherte Baustelle ist der Neubau für den Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) an der Chausseestraße in Mitte. Die deutschen Agenten bauen dort ihre Zentrale. Und ähnlich wie beim Polizeineubau am früheren Flughafen Tempelhof will der Bauherr sicherstellen, dass nicht schon während der Rohbauarbeiten Sicherheitslücken entstehen.

<http://www.tagesspiegel.de/berlin/BND-Zentrale-Mitte;art270,2922999#tagesspiegel>

2483/09 -----

Mit menschlichen Faktoren gegen Spionage

Die deutsche Wirtschaft hat viel zu bieten - auch dank zahlreicher Firmen, die ihren Sitz im Oldenburger Münsterland haben. "Zu verlieren aber auch", ergänzt die Abteilung "Wirtschaftsschutz" des Niedersächsischen Ministeriums für Inneres, Sport und Integration mit Sitz in Hannover.

Deshalb halten Beamte wie Polizeihauptkommissar Andreas Bertram kostenlose Vorträge, um Sensibilität für das Thema Wirtschaftsspionage zu wecken und Präventionswege zu zeigen. Wie am Dienstagabend bei der Mittelstandsvereinigung der CDU (MIT) in Vechta. "Der Schaden durch Wirtschaftskriminalität hat sich im vergangenen Jahr vervierfacht", sagte MIT-Vorsitzender Ralph Holzenkamp und zeigte damit, dass Unternehmer das Thema durchaus ernst nehmen. Doch wie dagegen wappnen?

http://www.ov-online.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=253319&Itemid=84

2484/09 -----

Verfassungsschutz warnt vor Irans Geheimdienst

Der Hamburger Verfassungsschutz hat vor Bedrohungen und Einschüchterungen iranischer Regimegegner durch den Geheimdienst des Irans in Deutschland gewarnt. «Wir wissen, dass der iranische Dienst bei Demonstrationen Leute mitlaufen lässt», sagte der Vize-Chef des Hamburger Landesamtes für Verfassungsschutz, Manfred Murck, im ARD-Magazin «Panorama». Er bestätigte Recherchen, wonach der iranische Geheimdienst versuche, bei Protesten gegen die Präsident Mahmud Ahmadinedschad Demonstranten zu identifizieren.

<http://www.zeit.de/newsticker/2009/10/15/iptc-hfk-20091015-27-22692396xml>

2485/09 -----

Spionageprozess: Angeklagter aus U-Haft entlassen

Knalleffekt im Spionageprozess: Der aus Kasachstan stammende Kaufmann Ildar A. (61) - er besitzt die österreichische Staatsbürgerschaft - wurde nach mehreren Monaten in U-Haft auf freien Fuß gesetzt. Er soll als kasachischer Spion an einer (letztlich misslungenen) Entführungsaktion beteiligt gewesen sein - indem er jene drei Männer unterstützt habe, die 2008 in Wien den kasachischen Ex-Geheimdienstchef Alnur Mussajew in ein Auto drängen und in die kasachische Botschaft befördern wollten. Ildar A. bestreitet das.

- (a) http://diepresse.com/home/panorama/oesterreich/514076/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/panorama/oesterreich/index.do
- (b) <http://www.wienerzeitung.at/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabId=3941&alias=wzo&cob=443430>
- (c) <http://www.kurier.at/nachrichten/1945330.php>

2486/09 -----

Presse: BVT schützt Prominente

Aus einem Verfahren gegen den früheren Chef des Bundesamts für Verfassungsschutz (BVT), Gert Polli, geht hervor, dass Prominente besonderen Schutz genießen: Observiert wurde eine iranische Delegation, die in Österreich Biowaffen einkaufen wollte. Bei einem Treffen der Delegation

mit Exminister Karl Blecha (SPÖ) sollten die BVT-Ermittler so fotografieren, dass Blecha nicht auf den Fotos aufscheint.

- (a) Die Presse, 2.10.2009, S. 3.
- (b) <http://diepresse.com/text/home/politik/innenpolitik/512314/index.do>
- (c) http://www.ots.at/presseaussendung/OTS_20091010_OTS0007/channel/politik

2487/09 -----

U-Ausschuss: 40 Minuten fehlen

Von einem fragwürdigen Protokollausfall im Spionage-Untersuchungsausschuss berichtete der Grüne Peter Pilz am Freitag. In den Protokollaufzeichnungen fehle die 40-minütige Befragung von Staatsanwalt Michael Klackl zum Themenkomplex iranische Kontakte des früheren Chefs des Bundesamts für Verfassungsschutz (BVT), Gert Polli, und Ex-SPÖ-Innenminister Karl Blecha. Begründet wird der Ausfall mit einem technischen Gebrechen, was Pilz jedoch anzweifelt. So etwas habe es noch nie gegeben.

<http://www.wienerzeitung.at/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabID=3858&Alias=wzo&cob=443420>

2488/09 -----

Der ORF und der bulgarische Geheimdienst

Donnerstag der Vorwoche dauerte beträchtlich länger als ursprünglich geplant. Grund war eine heftige Debatte über das geplante Engagement der ORF-Sendetochter ORS in Bulgarien. Da für den höchst schwammig formulierten Antrag keine Mehrheit absehbar war, zog ORF-General Alexander Wrabetz diesen in letzter Minute zurück.

Dafür gibt es zwei Gründe: Wrabetz kann sich in Zeiten wie diesen keine Abstimmungsniederlage im Aufsichtsgremium leisten. Und eine Ablehnung wäre für die ORS, an der die Raiffeisen-Firma Medicur mit 25 Prozent beteiligt ist, fatal. Sie hat nämlich Expansionspläne in andere Oststaaten. Das würde kein gutes Bild machen. Zu den Hintergründen: Partner der ORS wäre eine Firma gewesen, in der eine schillernde Figur mit allerbesten Kontakten zum früheren bulgarischen Geheimdienst eine wichtige Rolle spielt. Als Nomenklatura-Sohn durfte er im Ausland studieren - in Wien.

<http://www.wienerzeitung.at/default.aspx?tabID=4152&alias=wzo&cob=440806>

2489/09 -----

Abhörprotokoll über Ex-Meinl-Gutachter möglicherweise manipuliert



Das anonym an Staatsanwaltschaft und Medien übermittelte Abhörprotokoll über den Ex-Meinl-Gutachter Thomas Havranek ist möglicherweise nicht ganz echt. Havranek soll der Justiz nach Abhören des Mitschnitts erklärt haben, dass das Material zum Teil manipuliert worden sei, berichtet der "Standard" (Freitagausgabe). Zudem könne das Aufnahmedatum (21. Juli, 10:54 Uhr) so nicht stimmen. Unterdessen vermute man auf dem Computer von Meinl-Staatsanwalt Markus Fussenegger einen Trojaner, so die Zeitung.

Die Staatsanwaltschaft Wien will laut "Standard" nun herauszufinden versuchen, wer die Aufnahme gemacht und weitergegeben hat. Die Causa werde

aber nicht bei Fussenegger (Wirtschaftsabteilung), sondern in einer allgemeinen Abteilung landen. Letztlich dürfte wohl ein Sachverständiger die Authentizität des Materials überprüfen, so die Zeitung.

- (a) <http://www.nachrichten.at/nachrichten/wirtschaft/art15,273991>
- (b) News 41/2009, S. 16-20.

2490/09

Kenya: Spies Hired in War on Crime

The police force has started to recruit intelligence collection officers from their midst to revamp the force's capacity to detect, prevent and fight crime.

The team, which is scheduled to begin operations by the end of this year, will be a strictly intelligence collection outfit answerable to police commissioner Mathew Itere and some senior officers. The agency will be known as the National Intelligence Agency (NIA) but its composition is still being decided on

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200910121404.html>

2491/09

Südafrikanische Bedrohungsszenarien

Unbegründet nennt die Regierung von Südafrika die Sorgen, dass die WM-Endrunde am 11. Juni 2010 ein geeigneter Zeitpunkt für Terrorattacken im Land sein könnte. Polizei und Geheimdienst seien bestens gerüstet.

Die renommierte Zeitung Sunday Independent hat in ihrer jüngsten Ausgabe berichtet, dass das Terrornetzwerk Al-Kaida das Treffen der Fußballwelt zu Anschlägen auf US-Ziele im Staat am Kap nützen wolle

<http://derstandard.at/fs/1254311458025/Suedafrikanische-Bedrohungsszenarien>

2492/09

Seine Frau verbietet dem FBI-Chef das Onlinebanking

Robert S. Mueller III. darf seine Bankgeschäfte nicht mehr über das Internet tätigen. Mueller ist nicht irgendwer. Er ist Direktor des mächtigen FBI, der geheimdienstähnlichen Bundespolizei der USA. Verboten hat ihm das Onlinebanking seine Frau, wie er anlässlich einer Veranstaltung zum Thema Internetkriminalität in San Francisco erzählt hat.

Grund für das Verbot der Gattin war, dass Mueller selbst beinahe auf ein Phishing-Mail hereingefallen ist. Von seiner Bank hat er scheinbar eine Nachricht erhalten, die «perfekt echt» aussah. Darin wurde er gebeten, einige Kontoinformationen zu verifizieren. Mueller begann damit, die Instruktionen durchzugehen, zögerte dann aber doch.

<http://bazonline.ch/ausland/amerika/Seine-Frau-verbietet-dem-FBI-Chef-das-Onlinebanking/story/24305089>

2493/09

AFRICOM communication system

AFRICOM (Africa Command) has developed techniques that enable the armed forces of 25 African nations to communicate with each other. Most African nations have military communications gear that is not compatible, to some degree, with their neighbours. This causes problems when forces from two or more nations want to cooperate on some task (like counter-terrorism). There are also situations where forces from two nations run into each other on their border, and you need communications between the commanders to avoid misunderstandings, particularly fatal ones. AFRICOM recently ran a two week exercise to test some of the techniques to get around equipment incompatibilities.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htiw/articles/20091010.aspx>

2494/09

The FBI cracks the 'largest phishing case ever'

US and Egyptian authorities have charged 100 people in what the director of the FBI has called "the largest international phishing case ever conducted".

The US and Egyptian fraudsters were accused of using phishing scams to steal account details from hundreds, possibly thousands, of people, and transferring about \$1.5 million into fake accounts they controlled.

The group of fraudsters were accused of targeting US financial institutions and victimising a number of account holders by fraudulently using their personal financial information after they were successfully phished.

<http://www.itpro.co.uk/616069/the-fbi-cracks-the-largest-phishing-case-ever>

2495/09

Streng vertraulich digital kommunizieren

Mit dem Projekt "De-mail" will die deutsche Regierung Sicherheitsstandards für die elektronische Kommunikation setzen. Papierbriefe könnten so weitgehend überflüssig werden.

<http://www.zeit.de/politik/2009-10/streng-vertraulich>

2496/09

Intellipedia Gurus Win 2009 Homeland Security Medal

It's hard to imagine by their titles, but Intellipedia Doyen Don Burke and Intellipedia and Enterprise 2.0 Evangelist Sean Dennehy are two relatively unassuming CIA officers. Even as they stood in tuxedos accepting a Service to America Medal for their unrelenting dedication to promoting and expanding information-sharing in the Intelligence Community (IC), they could not take sole credit for Intellipedia's success.

"While there are two of us standing here accepting this honor, we are actually the embodiment of thousands of intelligence and national security professionals - all public servants who have built, enabled, and contributed to Intellipedia, often swimming upstream against the culture of

the status quo," said Burke to hundreds of senior leaders from across the federal government who packed the Andrew Mellon Auditorium in Washington, D.C., for the awards ceremony. "Contributing to Intellipedia did, and it often still does, take a bold act of courage, and we are indebted to every single person who had the courage to make edits. This award is for them."

<https://www.cia.gov/news-information/featured-story-archive/intellipedia-homeland-security-medal.html>

2497/09 -----

FBI Warns of Fradulent, Malicious Emails

The Federal Bureau of Investigation isn't trying to share government secrets with you.

The FBI is issuing a warning to North Texans about fraudulent emails claiming to be from the FBI and Department of Homeland Security. One email claims to contain an intelligence bulletin, specifically "Intelligence Bulletin No. 267," though other versions may be in circulation.

<http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local-beat/FBI-Warns-of-Fradulent-Malicious-Emails-63680917.html>

2498/09 -----

Historischer Kalender 15.10.: Die Dreyfus-Affäre

1894 - Der französische Hauptmann Alfred Dreyfus wird unter dem Verdacht des Landesverrats und der Spionage für Deutschland verhaftet, was eine Welle des Antisemitismus in Gang setzt. (In einem rechtswidrigen Verfahren schuldig gesprochen, wird Dreyfus erst 1906 rehabilitiert).

<http://derstandard.at/fs/1254310917585/Historischer-Kalender>

2499/09 -----

Gorbatschow war an Stasi-Übernahme durch KGB interessiert

Scurriles vom Untergang der DDR: Nach SPIEGEL-Informationen wollte Michail Gorbatschow im Jahr 1990, dass der KGB die Auslandsspionage der Stasi und das gesamte IM-Netz übernimmt. Die sowjetische Bestandsgarantie für die DDR hat der damalige Kreml-Chef schon vor dem Untergang des Landes widerrufen.

- (a) <http://www.spiegel.de/politik/deutschland/0,1518,654408,00.html>
- (b) <http://bazonline.ch/ausland/europa/Gorbatschow-haette-fast-die-Stasi-uebernommen/story/29497294>

2500/09 -----

Mussolini worked for MI5 agents



Benito Mussolini may be among history's most notorious fascist dictators, but evidence suggests he worked for British secret services during World War I. Historian Dr Peter Martland says MI5 records show it paid "Il Duce" £100 per week, about £5,000 today, to spread pro-war propaganda via his newspaper. The Cambridge University academic made the discovery while studying the papers of

former agent Sir Samuel Hoare MP. However, Dr Martland believes Mussolini probably spent the cash on womanising.

- (a) http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/8306475.stm
- (b) <http://blogs.usatoday.com/ondeadline/2009/10/italian-dictator-benito-mussolini-adolf-hitler-ally-in-world-war-ii-was-on-the-payroll-of-british-intelligence-during-the-f.html>

2501/09 -----

Herta Müller on the legacy of the Ceausescu regime

The winner of the Nobel prize for literature 2009 recalls her treatment by the Romanian Securitate.

- (a) <http://www.guardian.co.uk/books/2009/oct/10/herta-muller-nobel-laureate-memoir>
- (b) http://www.dw-world.de/popups/popup_printcontent/0,,4180302,00.html
- (c) <http://www.welt.de/die-welt/kultur/article4853204/Kultur.html>

2502/09 -----

East German Jokes Collected by West German Spies

Did East Germans originate from apes? Impossible. Apes could never have survived on just two bananas a year. Such jokes were whispered in communist East Germany -- and West German spies recorded them diligently to gain insights into the public mood, according to recently released intelligence files.

"What would happen if the desert became communist? Nothing for a while, and then there would be a sand shortage." Jokes like that made the rounds among East Germans during the communist era, and West Germany's intelligence service would collect them, as a way to assess the public mood behind the Iron Curtain but also to amuse its masters in Bonn, the West German capital.

The jokes were gleaned from secretly opened letters and phone conversations that agents from West Germany's Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) would monitor in their quest for East German state secrets during the Cold War.

<http://www.spiegel.de/international/zeitgeist/0,1518,655123,00.html>

2503/09 -----

Physical Security. Advance Planning Briefing for Industry

A ppt-file on the mission to "Identify, prioritize, and execute research and development projects that satisfy interagency requirements for physical security support to protect personnel, equipment, and facilities against terrorist attacks

<http://cryptome.org/fouo/cttso-brief.zip>

2504/09

Joint Publication 3-24 on "Counterinsurgency Operations" (via FAS)

Counterinsurgency refers to "comprehensive civilian and military efforts taken to simultaneously defeat and contain insurgency and address its core grievances," a new publication from the Joint Chiefs of Staff explains. See Joint Publication 3-24 on "Counterinsurgency Operations" (a), 249 pages, October 5, 2009. (JP 3-24 is not to be confused with the celebrated December 2006 Army Field Manual 3-24 on "Counterinsurgency" [b].)

- (a) http://www.fas.org/irp/doddir/dod/jp3_24.pdf
- (b) <http://www.fas.org/irp/doddir/army/fm3-24.pdf>

2505/09

Peter Bergen's Ultimate AfPak Reading List

Peter Bergen has put together a guide to the most critical readings on Afghanistan and Pakistan. He writes that this is an amalgamation of syllabi from classes he has taught at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard and the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. The list includes books and articles that he says he found particularly insightful on the topic from the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan to al Qaeda's media strategy.

Bergen is a senior fellow at the New America Foundation in Washington D.C. where he co-directs the Counterterrorism Strategy Initiative; a research fellow at New York University's Center on Law and Security and CNN's national security analyst. He is also the editor of Foreign Policy's AfPak Channel.

<http://diplopundit.blogspot.com/> (Word 2007 docx format !)

2506/09

ELECTRONIC INTELLIGENCE (ELINT) AT NSA

This publication is a product of the National Security Agency history program. It presents a historical perspective for informational and educational purposes, is the result of independent research, and does not necessarily reflect a position of NSA/CSS or any other US government entity.

<http://cryptome.org/nsa-elint.zip>

2507/09

BIS annual report (English, via FAS)

The Czech Republic's Security Information Service (BIS) has published its 2008 annual report (pdf). This report mentions Austria specifically in connection with Russian Organized Crime (p. 14).

<http://www.fas.org/irp/world/czech/bis2008.pdf>

2508/09

Video: 8 Signs of Terrorism

Recognizing 8 telltale signs of terrorism, a video by the Center for Empowered Living and Learning (The CELL) which is a non-profit institution dedicated to addressing the most important global issue of our time - terrorism. Its exhibits and programs provide a comprehensive look at the security and related social challenges that face civilized societies today. The CELL exists to educate citizens on the realities of today's global terrorism threats, and seeks to empower both individuals and organizations with the knowledge and the tools to proactively effect change. The CELL is located within the Denver Civic Center Cultural Complex, across from the Denver Art Museum. The CELL is founded by Larry A. Mizel and is affiliated with the Mizel Museum.

<http://www.thecell.org/wp/8-signs-of-terrorism-video/>

2509/09

Judiciary Committee hearing on Bush White House Press Secretary

Former Bush White House Press Secretary Scott McClellan wrote a book last year in which he faulted the Bush Administration for a lack of candor in connection with the war in Iraq, mishandling of classified information in the Scooter Libby case, and other defects. A contentious House Judiciary Committee hearing on the matter was held on June 20, 2008, the record of which has just been published, with an August 2009 response from Mr. McClellan.

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2008_hr/mcclellan.pdf

2510/09

The Mexican Zetas and Other Private Armies



A "New" Dynamic in the Western Hemisphere Security Environment: The Mexican Zetas and Other Private Armies, authored by Dr. Max G. Manwaring, is intended to help political, military, policy, opinion, and academic leaders think strategically about explanations, consequences, and responses that might apply to the volatile and dangerous new dynamic that has inserted itself into the already crowded Mexican and hemispheric security arena, that is, the privatized Zeta military organization. In Mexico, this new dynamic involves the migration of traditional hard-power national security and sovereignty threats from traditional state and

nonstate adversaries to hard and soft power threats from professional private nonstate military organizations. This dynamic also involves a more powerful and ambiguous mix of terrorism, crime, and conventional war tactics, operations, and strategies than experienced in the past. Moreover, this violence and its perpetrators tend to create and consolidate semi-autonomous enclaves (criminal free-states) that develop in to quasi-states- and what the Mexican government calls "Zones of Impunity." All together, these dynamics not only challenge Mexican security, stability, and sovereignty, but, if left improperly understood and improperly countered, also challenge the security and stability of the United States and Mexico's other neighbours.

<http://www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil/pubs/download.cfm?q=940>

2511/09 -----

Business Intelligence Online Resources

Marcus P. Zillman has just updated his annotated white paper titled Business Intelligence Online Resources and it is now a 69 page (1.71MB) freely available .pdf document available

<http://whitepapers.virtualprivatelibrary.net/Business%20Intelligence%20Resources.pdf>

2512/09 -----

MI6 - A Century in the Shadows (podcast)

An unprecedented look inside MI6 - Britain's Secret Intelligence Service, which marks its centenary this year.

BBC security correspondent Gordon Corera talks to senior intelligence officers, agents and diplomats as well as their former arch enemies about the shadowy world of espionage. Programme One - Gadgets & Green Ink explores the early years of MI6 - set up by Sir Mansfield Cumming, an eccentric and formidable figure known as 'C' who signed his name in green ink. The highs and lows of the two world wars and details of some of the gadgets any self respecting agent could not do without.

First broadcast on the BBC World Service on 12 October 2009. Originally broadcast on BBC Radio 4.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/documentaries/2009/10/091009_mi6_century_in_shadows_one.shtml

2513/09 -----

In History Lies All the Secrets of Statecraft

(Addendum to Christopher Andrew, The Defence of the Realm: The Authorized History of MI5): Mr. Andrew is no stranger to the secret world of Britain's intelligence community. As the author of "The Mitrokhin Archive," an account of the KGB's Cold War penetration of MI5's rival organization, the Secret Intelligence Service (SIS), Mr. Andrew is used to reconciling the sensitivities of top-secret intelligence with the exigencies of providing a credible narrative.

For this particular exercise, Mr. Andrew, who is currently a professor of modern and contemporary history at Cambridge, agreed to observe three fundamental rules that would ensure against any potentially compromising disclosures concerning MI5's modus operandi. He refrained from revealing potential target groups, the techniques used to track them or the agents employed to provide the human intelligence.

http://online.wsj.com/article/SB125503691255374333.html?mod=WSJ_hpp_MIDDLELENexttoWhatsNewsForth

2514/09

Aviso: 10. ACIPSS-Arbeitstagung in Wien

Die nächste (Jubiläums-) Arbeitstagung von ACIPSS wird am 4. Dezember 2009 in Wien im Bruno-Kreisky-Forum in Zusammenarbeit mit Prof. Oliver Rathkolb von der Zeitgeschichte Wien stattfinden.

Alle ACIPSS-Mitglieder und Interessierte werden rechtzeitig eine Einladung mit Programm erhalten, wir ersuchen Sie aber schon jetzt, sich diesen Termin vorzumerken und eventuell frühzeitig Fahrgemeinschaften zu vereinbaren.

2515/09

Aviso: Nächstes ACIPSS jour fixe

Der Termin für das nächste jour fixe steht auch schon fest: 15. Dezember 2009. Ort und Programm werden rechtzeitig bekannt gegeben.

2516/09

ACIPSS - In eigener Sache

Ab sofort wird Alexander Beer für www.acipss.org als Webmaster verantwortlich zeichnen. Anbringen und Vorschläge können nunmehr an ihn gerichtet werden: webmaster@acipss.org

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Media - alerts

am Sa, 17.10. um 07:30 PHOENIX

Quo Vadis: Opfer der Macht

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (a)

Beschreibung: Jeanne d'Arc, Galileo und Dreyfus sind Opfer der Macht. Ihre politischen Prozesse sind Augenblicke der Geschichte, in denen aufgestaute Widersprüche offenbar werden. Im Spektakel der Verurteilung legt die morsche Ordnung ungewollt ihre Schwächen bloß.

am Sa, 17.10. um 11:00 PHOENIX

Mein Ausland: Schmutziger Krieg - Geheimoperationen in der Türkei

Reportage-Reihe

Dauer: 45 min (b)

Beschreibung: Sie waren für die schmutzigsten Operationen gegen die kurdische PKK im Südosten der Türkei zuständig: die Mitarbeiter des türkischen Geheimdienstes JITEM. Folter und Erschießungen sollen auf das Konto dieser Gruppe namens "Nachrichtendienst und Terrorabwehr der Gendarmerie" gehen. Bis heute leugnet der türkische Generalstab die Existenz von JITEM, obwohl immer mehr Beweise auftauchen.

am Sa, 17.10. um 18:02 ARD Eins Extra

Unbequem und unbestechlich - Chinas Kämpfer für die Wahrheit

Dokumentation

Dauer: 43 min (c)

Beschreibung: Investigativer Journalismus in der Volksrepublik China, das klingt wie Feuer und Wasser. Doch es gibt auch dort brillante Rechercheure, die über Korruption, Umweltzerstörung, Menschenrechtsverletzungen und Ausbeutung berichten. Natürlich tun sie dies nicht in den staatlich streng zensurierten Zeitungen und Fernsehprogrammen, sondern im Internet. Hier testen Blog-Journalisten, mutig und gewieft, jeden Tag die Grenzen der politischen Freiheit. Dabei riskieren sie oft genug ihre eigene. Ein ARD-Team begleitet chinesische Reporter auf ihrer gefährlichen Recherche nach der Wirklichkeit im roten Reich der Mitte. Und porträtiert im Kontrast dazu auch die Arbeit von Journalisten in den offiziellen Staatsmedien. Der Film beleuchtet nicht nur die gigantischen Probleme und Missstände der aufstrebenden Weltmacht. Er wirft auch ein Licht auf das politische System Chinas.

am So, 18.10. um 02:15 ZDF dokukanal

Leni Riefenstahl - Die Regisseurin

Porträt

Dauer: 45 min (d)

Beschreibung: Sie prägte das Bild des "Dritten Reiches" wie keine andere. Es war die Macht ihrer Bilder, die mithilfe, eine ganze Generation zu verführen: Leni Riefenstahl. Der Film zeigt die Schlüsselmomente ihres langen Lebens.

am So, 18.10. um 11:00 SF 1

Revolutionär im Staatsdienst - Nathalie Wappler im Gespräch mit Joachim Gauck

Sternstunde Philosophie

Dauer: 60 min (e)

Beschreibung: Joachim Gauck war dabei, als aufgebrachte Bürger vor 20 Jahren die Zentrale der Staatssicherheit in Berlin stürmten. Als Pfarrer und Sprecher des Neuen Forums rief er zur Besonnenheit auf, setzte sich ein für einen demokratischen Aufarbeitungsprozess mit der DDR Vergangenheit. Aus dem engagierten Pfarrer wurde der erste Bundesbeauftragte der Stasi-Unterlagenbehörde, kurz Gauck-Behörde. Über Jahre hinweg wollten tausende ihre «Stasi Akten» einsehen, viele Stasi-Mitarbeitende konnten so enttarnt werden, und bis heute hat der Umgang mit diesen Akten internationalen Vorbildcharakter. Bis heute setzt sich Joachim Gauck streitbar und zugleich versöhnlich für die Aufarbeitung der Geschichte von Unrechtsstaaten ein. Mit Nathalie Wappler spricht Joachim Gauck über Widerstand und Wende, und warum Versöhnung nicht Vergessen bedeuten darf.

am So, 18.10. um 23:30 ZDF

ZDF-History: 20 Jahre Mauerfall mit dem Thema: Einmal Freiheit und zurück - Die Geschichte der DDR-Rückkehrer

Geschichtsmagazin

Dauer: 45 min (f)

Beschreibung: Was bringt Menschen dazu, die Freiheit aufzugeben und in die DDR zurückzukehren - hinter Mauer und Stacheldraht? Alwin Ziel, DDR-Flüchtling und nach der Wende Innenminister in Brandenburg, hat genau das getan. 1988 war er von einem Verwandtenbesuch im Westen nicht zurückgereist und hatte versucht, seine Familie nachzuholen. Doch die DDR-Behörden verschleppten seine Frau ins Gefängnis und drohten, die beiden Söhne in ein Kinderheim zu geben. Er war einer von wenigen hundert DDR-Flüchtlingen und Übersiedlern, die pro Jahr in die DDR zurückgingen. Die DDR-Behörden versprachen den rückkehrwilligen so genannten "Republikflüchtlingen" Straffreiheit.

am So, 18.10. um 23:50 Das Erste
Schlimmer als Krieg - Völkermord verstehen und verhindern
Dokumentarfilm

Dauer: 75 min (g)

Beschreibung: "Wir haben in den anderen keine Menschen gesehen", erzählt der ehemalige SS-Mann Otto-Ernst Duscheleit in Berlin dem amerikanischen Politologen Daniel Jonah Goldhagen und zitiert anschließend Anne Frank: "Die Menschen, die andere als minderwertig ansehen, schließen sich durch diese Haltung aus der menschlichen Gemeinschaft aus." Immer wieder steht die Weltöffentlichkeit fassungslos vor brutalen Mordkampagnen, die in verschiedenen Erdteilen verübt werden. Die Opferzahl der vergangenen 100 Jahre liegt bei mehr als 100 Millionen Menschen.

am Mo, 19.10. um 19:15 PHOENIX
Die Bombe - Rückkehr der atomaren Bedrohung
Wiederholung der Reportage-Reihe, Folge 1

Dauer: 45 min (h)

Beschreibung: Mit einer der größten Bedrohungen der Menschheit im 21. Jahrhundert, der Rückkehr der atomaren Bedrohung, beschäftigt sich die dreiteilige Dokumentation von Claus Kleber und Angela Andersen. Das beunruhigende Ergebnis der Recherchen für diese Filmreihe: Die Welt ist heute gefährdeter als in der letzten Phase des Kalten Krieges, vor Glasnost, Perestroika und den Abrüstungsverträgen.

am Di, 20.10. um 21:45 PHOENIX
Tapas, Terror, Todeangst - Leben im Schatten der ETA
Reportage

Dauer: 30 min (i)

am Mi, 21.10. um 02:00 PHOENIX
Die Mafia - Im Fadenkreuz des FBI
Wiederholung der Doku-Reihe, Folge 1

Dauer: 45 min (j)

Beschreibung: In dieser Dokumentationsreihe geben rechtskräftig verurteilte Mafiosi und verdeckte Ermittler erstmals einen authentischen Einblick in die geheime Welt des organisierten Verbrechens. Die erste Folge beschäftigt sich mit der "Blüte" der Mafia in den 50er Jahren. Ende der 1950er Jahre war die Mafia in Italien und den USA in viele Lebensbereiche eingedrungen. Doch die Politiker und Behörden bestritten offiziell, dass sie überhaupt existierte. Eine zufällige Entdeckung der Polizei im Staat New York änderte diese Einschätzung von Grund auf.

am Mi, 21.10. um 02:45 PHOENIX
Die Mafia - Die Pizza-Connection
Doku-Reihe, Folge 2

Dauer: 45 min (k)

Beschreibung: Carmine Galante war 1979 der mächtigste Pate in den USA. Der Handel mit Heroin hatte ihn reich und mächtig gemacht, doch nicht mächtig genug, um gegen die "Kommission", das informelle Führungsorgan der amerikanischen Cosa Nostra, bestehen zu können. Eine Pizzeria-Kette in der Hand unauffälliger Italoamerikaner sorgte für die Verteilung von Galantes Stoff. Doch mit seiner rücksichtslosen Art hat sich der Pate noch mächtigere Feinde geschaffen: die "Kommission". In deren Auftrag wurde Galante am hellen Tag in Brooklyn erschossen. Dem FBI gelang es in dieser Zeit erstmals, einen verdeckten Ermittler in die Mafia einzuschleusen.

am MI, 21.10. um 23:10 Kabel Eins
K1 - Discovery: Im Einsatz mit dem FBI
Doku-Reihe

Dauer: 55 min (l)

Beschreibung: Das "Federal Bureau of Investigation", kurz FBI, ist die größte Ermittlungsbehörde der Vereinigten Staaten. 1908 mit 34 Agenten gegründet, arbeiten heute rund 30.000 hauptamtliche Mitarbeiter in den 56 Außenstellen und 400 Büros über die gesamte USA verteilt. Welches Training müssen angehende FBI-Agenten in Quantico durchlaufen? Und womit werden die Spezialisten bei ihren oft lebensgefährlichen Einsätzen konfrontiert?

am Do, 22.10. um 20:05 SF 1

Schweizer im Stasi-Knast - Dieter Moor auf Spurensuche an der Berliner Mauer

Dokumentation

Dauer: 55 min (m)

Beschreibung: Eine Liebe im Kalten Krieg, im Schatten der Berliner Mauer. Der junge Schweizer Koch Peter Gross will seine Ostberliner Freundin Christa in den Westen schmuggeln. Dieter Moor erzählt die Geschichte ihres Fluchtversuchs, ihres Verrats durch Stasi-Spitzel und ihrer Liebe, trotz Gefängnis. Ein bewegender Blick hinter die Fassaden, in den biedereren Wahnsinn des Überwachungsstaats DDR.

am Fr, 23.10. um 13:30 PHOENIX

Verschwörung unterm Kirchendach - Plauen, Weimar, Wolfen im Herbst '89

Dokumentation

Dauer: 30 min (n)

Beschreibung: Die Kirche war den Genossen schon immer verdächtig - eine Institution, die in fast jedem Ort präsent war und sich trotzdem der Befehlsgewalt der Machthaber entzog. Und so kamen gerade in der Provinz die Initiatoren der friedlichen Revolution 1989 aus der Kirche. Autor Peter Grimm hat damals Beteiligte in Plauen, Weimar und Wolfen besucht. Welche Rolle spielte die Kirche für die Opposition?

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