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### **Iran: Sanctions and Strategy**

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The Iranian government has rejected, at least for the moment, a proposal from the P-5+1 to ship the majority of its low-enriched uranium abroad for further enrichment. The group is now considering the next step in the roadmap that it laid out last April. The next step was a new round of sanctions, this time meant to be crippling. The only crippling sanction available is to cut off the supply of gasoline, since Iran imports 35 percent of its refined gasoline products. That would theoretically cripple the Iranian economy and compel the Iranians to comply with U.S. demands over the nuclear issue.

[http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20091123\\_sanctions\\_and\\_strategy?utm\\_source=Weekly&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=091123&utm\\_content=readmore](http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20091123_sanctions_and_strategy?utm_source=Weekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=091123&utm_content=readmore)



## HOT SPOTS / WARS

2897/09 -----

### **Die Geheimdienst-Witwen im Irak**

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Selbstmordanschläge werden im Irak immer öfter von Frauen verübt. Der Geheimdienst des Landes bildet nun zunehmend Polizistinnen aus. Zum einen können die auch Frauen auf Sprengstoff untersuchen. Zum anderen will die Regierung den Frauen - oftmals Witwen - mit der Uniform eine neue Perspektive geben.

<http://www.tagesschau.de/ausland/geheimdienstwitwen100.html>



US

2898/09

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**Justice Department vendetta against the CIA suspected**  
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When the best-selling author of political-thriller novels, Vince Flynn (Act of Treason, Consent to Kill), appeared on Fox News Channel's Glenn Beck Show last Friday, he blasted Attorney General Eric Holder.

Flynn flatly stated that he suspected Holder's reason for trying murderous terrorists in a civilian court in New York City is that it would give Holder an opportunity to continue his vendetta against agents from Central Intelligence Agency. Flynn believes Holder will use the trials to embarrass - perhaps even prosecute - the CIA agents who faithfully protected Americans from the likes of Khalid Sheikh Mohammed.

Flynn, who boasts of his numerous friendships with the men and women serving in US intelligence and law enforcement agencies, statement just might have hit the nail right on the head.

<http://www.examiner.com/x-2684-Law-Enforcement-Examiner~y2009m11d23-Justice-Department-vendetta-against-the-CIA-suspected>

2899/09

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**President Obama and the Intelligence Community**  
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President Obama has had nearly a year to make necessary changes in the intelligence community and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). While he has been successful in addressing the CIA's renditions, detentions and interrogations programs, he has failed to appoint leaders willing to address the culture of cover-up that exists at the CIA and to make the necessary strategic changes. Until President Obama is willing to address the militarization and centralization of the intelligence community, he will retain his grade of C+ in managing the community.

The president deserves high grades for ending the CIA's use of torture and abuse, closing down the CIA's secret prisons and restoring a legal framework to the renditions policy that has brought embarrassment to the CIA and the United States. His attorney general, Eric Holder, proved to be particularly tough-minded in releasing the four torture memoranda drafted by John Yoo and Jay Bybee over the loud protests of both the director of national intelligence (DNI) and the director of the CIA.

<http://www.truthout.org/1124095>

2900/09

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**Where Does Blackwater Play in the CIA-DNI Conflict?**  
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The military intelligence source says that the drone strike that reportedly killed Pakistani Taliban leader Baitullah Mehsud, his wife and his bodyguards in Waziristan in August was a CIA strike, but that many others attributed in media reports to the CIA are actually JSOC strikes. "Some of

these strikes are attributed to OGA [Other Government Agency, intelligence parlance for the CIA], but in reality it's JSOC and their parallel program of UAVs [unmanned aerial vehicles] because they also have access to UAVs. So when you see some of these hits, especially the ones with high civilian casualties, those are almost always JSOC strikes." The Pentagon has stated bluntly, "There are no US military strike operations being conducted in Pakistan."

The military intelligence source also confirmed that Blackwater continues to work for the CIA on its drone bombing program in Pakistan, as previously reported in the New York Times, but added that Blackwater is working on JSOC's drone bombings as well.

<http://emptywheel.firedoglake.com/2009/11/24/where-does-blackwater-play-in-the-cia-dni-conflict/>

2901/09

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**CIA Chief Panetta Winning Over Doubters at the Agency**  
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Whatever Leon Panetta lacked in formal intel experience he would make up for with his political smarts. That was one of the chief points made in his favour when the Obama Administration named the former California Congressman and Clinton White House chief of staff as its CIA director. So many CIA veterans were not happy over the summer, when they felt that Panetta had failed to protect the agency

from the political backlash over its Bush-era detention and interrogation practices. "There was a feeling [Panetta] had not done enough to defend the CIA from the politicians," says a former agency staffer. "People were asking, 'What's the point in having a so-called political expert as director if he can't do that?' "

Lately, however, Panetta has put those doubts to rest, winning kudos from his troops for successfully defending the agency's turf from Director of National Intelligence Dennis Blair. The mood at Langley has always been difficult to measure, since insiders are not allowed to speak to the media. But several former CIA veterans who remain in contact with serving colleagues say spirits were lifted in recent weeks when the White House ruled in the agency's favour on two disputes with the DNI. "People are more upbeat than they have been in a long time," says a retired station chief. "They're finally warming up to Panetta."

- (a) <http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,1942514,00.html>
- (b) [http://www.pittsburghlive.com/x/valleyindependent/s\\_654204.html](http://www.pittsburghlive.com/x/valleyindependent/s_654204.html)

2902/09

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**The Real Intelligence Wars: Oversight And Access**  
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For months, the CIA director, Leon Panetta, and the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), Adm. Dennis Blair (ret.), fought an intense and acrimonious turf battle over covert action oversight and access to White House officials. Last week, the two men agreed to a truce when they signed a classified memorandum brokered by the National Security Adviser, James Jones.

Through intermediaries, Panetta and Blair crossed swords over who should appoint senior intelligence representatives in foreign countries. Now, through interviews, new details are emerging about other, more sensitive conflicts between the two men and their agencies, including which agency is responsible for oversight of the CIA's controversial and classified Predator drone program.

According to the agreement, the details of which were confirmed by several officials, the CIA will retain responsibility for appointing senior intelligence representatives in foreign countries. But other parts of the agreement seem to favor Blair. The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) will now be at the table whenever the CIA covert action programs are discussed at the White House. Also, Blair now has the authority to assess whether covert action programs fit with the nation's intelligence strategy.

[http://politics.theatlantic.com/2009/11/the\\_real\\_intelligence\\_wars\\_oversight\\_and\\_access.php](http://politics.theatlantic.com/2009/11/the_real_intelligence_wars_oversight_and_access.php)

2903/09 -----

**Closing Arguments: No clear benefit to holding 9/11 trial in New York**

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Ownership of the disastrous decision to try al-Qaeda leaders in New York City federal court is the one clear thing to emerge so far from the Obama administration.

The call was not made "on the whims or the desires of Khalid Sheikh Mohammed," the mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. told the Senate last week. Mohammed "will not select the prosecution venue," Holder testified. "I will. And I have." By contrast, the positive benefits remain obscure to the point of vanishing. All that is known for certain are the heavy costs:

Giving Mohammed and his fellow terrorists the same constitutional rights as any U.S. citizen accused of a crime risks our nation's most vital intelligence secrets. Mohammed can demand that the government turn over all of its information on him and tell him how it was acquired or it risks a mistrial or acquittal. Soviet moles like Aldrich Ames and Robert Hanssen used the same tactic to bargain the government down from the death penalty. Ordinarily, such information does not harm the public because the crime has already been committed. But the release of intelligence during hostilities can be disastrous when it informs the enemy of our knowledge, capabilities, and intentions.

[http://www.philly.com/inquirer/opinion/20091122\\_Closing\\_Arguments\\_No\\_clear\\_benefit\\_to\\_holding\\_9\\_11\\_trial\\_in\\_New\\_York.html](http://www.philly.com/inquirer/opinion/20091122_Closing_Arguments_No_clear_benefit_to_holding_9_11_trial_in_New_York.html)

2904/09 -----

**Ex-U.S. official, wife plead guilty in Cuba spy case**

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A former State Department employee and his wife, accused of illegally aiding the government of Cuba for nearly 30 years, pleaded guilty Friday to federal charges.

Walter Kendall Myers, 72, pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage and two counts of wire fraud. He agreed to forfeit \$1.7 million related to the two counts of wire fraud and to serve a life prison sentence. His wife, Gwendolyn Steingraber Myers, 71, pleaded guilty to

conspiracy to gather and transmit national defense information. She agreed to serve a sentence of between 6 and 7½ years in prison.

- (a) <http://edition.cnn.com/2009/US/11/20/us.cuba.spies/>
- (b) <http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601086&sid=aI15mEG75vrs>

2905/09 -----

**New CIA TV ads try to recruit Arab-, Iranian-Americans**

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The CIA is preparing to launch two new television commercials in an attempt to increase Arab-American and Iranian-American CIA recruits. The commercials will specifically target US cities with significant Middle Eastern populations, such as Detroit and Newark.

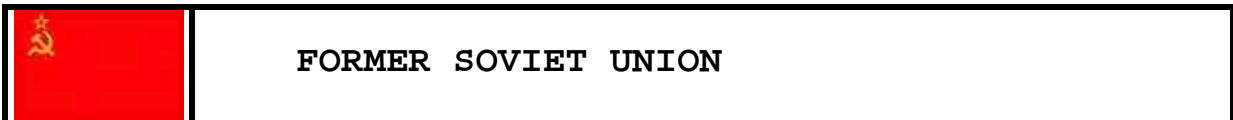
- (a) <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2009/11/11/03-107/>
- (b) <http://www.strategypage.com/htm/htintel/articles/20091121.aspx>  
(worthwhile analysis)

2906/09 -----

**Legal problems facing CIA are no laughing matter**

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They include two criminal investigations by the US Justice Department, persistent inquiries by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, as well as legal challenges from "war on terrorism" detainees.

<http://www.postandcourier.com/news/2009/nov/23/no-laughing-matter-for-cia/?print>



2907/09 -----

**Russia increases defense budget**

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After going back and forth on defense budget increases in the last year, Russia announced that they will be spending over \$50 billion in the next year. This will include nearly \$34 billion for procurement of weapons and equipment from Russian firms. This says two things. First, Russia believes the worldwide economic recession is over, at least in Russia. Second, Russia considers survival, and growth, of their defense industries a high priority goal. The reason for this is that their defense industries, which were world class at the end of the Cold War (in 1991), have since slipped because of over a decade of sharply reduced (over 80 percent) sales. Most of the sales decline came from a similar cut in Russian defense economy, and the loss of sales to East European nations (whose defense spending was controlled by Russia until the East European communist governments were overthrown in 1989). The Russian economy collapsed in 1991 because of decades of inefficient central control, and overspending on military. Russia had started an arms race with the West in the 1960s, and refused to give this up until it was too late.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htm/htlead/articles/20091124.aspx>

2908/09

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**Litvinenko: Exposing ties between Italian politicians and the KGB?**  
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The former Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) officer Alexander Litvinenko who was poisoned in November, 2006, in London, could have been murdered because he was giving evidence on ties between the Italian politicians and the KGB and the FSB, Italian parliament member Paolo Guzzanti told in an interview to Radio Liberty.

Paolo Guzzanti headed the so-called Mitrokhin's commission which in 2002-2006 was engaged in studying of the documents taken out from the USSR by the former employee of the KGB archive Vasily Mitrokhin. Three months ago Guzzanti published a book, *My Agent Sasha*, declaring that Litvinenko had been the main informer of the commission.

"The probability that Litvinenko was killed because of Mitrokhin's commission, is rather high," Guzzanti told the radio, emphasizing that Putin had really had serious interest in disruption of the commission's work. In the day of poisoning, a member of commission, Mario Scaramella, met with Litvinenko. He had arrived to tell him about threats addressed to both of them by an e-mail. Guzzanti concedes that these threats could be sent intentionally to arrange a meeting to cast suspicions on Scaramella.

<http://www.axisglobe.com/news.asp?news=16024>

2909/09

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**Counter-terrorist operation North Caucasus republic of Ingushetia**  
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The counter-terrorist operation regime has taken effect since this morning in Sunzhensk area of Russia's North Caucasus republic of Ingushetia, news agency RIA Novosti reports, referring to the press service of the Federal Security Service (FSB) of the Russian Federation Ingushetia directorate.

A FSB directorate's spokesman told the agency that they had information that members of illegal armed groups, involved in fulfilment especially grave crimes, could keep in hiding in the specified area.

<http://www.axisglobe.com/news.asp?news=16022>

2910/09

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**Spanish article on Nikolai Patrushev**  
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The Spanish daily ABC has devoted an article to Nikolai Patrushev, the current Secretary of the Russian Security Council and till last year the Director of the Federal Security Service (FSB). The paper says in the Russian ruling circles there will be no other person who would embody Vladimir Putin's impenetrable and authoritative regime perfectly than Nikolai Patrushev. Much colder and tougher than his boss, Patrushev was the architect of the order that was established in modern Russia by the top brass hats of security forces, the paper writes. Patrushev and Putin together studied at the KGB Academy in Leningrad (nowadays St.-Petersburg). In August, 2003, he climbed on top of the Elbrus (5.642 meters), the highest mountain of the Caucasian ridge.

<http://www.axisglobe.com/news.asp?news=16012>





## NEAR / MIDDLE EAST / NORTH AFRICA

2911/09 -----

### **Israel police 'arrest Mossad spy on training exercise'**

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A trainee spy for Israel's secret service agency Mossad was arrested by Tel Aviv police while taking part in a training operation, media reports say.

The young trainee was spotted by a female passer-by as he planted a fake bomb under a vehicle in the city. He was only able to persuade police he was a spy after being taken in by an officer for questioning on Monday.

The authorities have refused to comment on the story although Israeli media outlets have expressed their surprise.

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle\\_east/8377746.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/8377746.stm)

2912/09 -----

### **Israel arrests 5 top PA intelligence officers**

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Five senior Palestinian General Intelligence Service officers have been detained by Israeli forces near the West Bank village of Salfit in an overnight raid.

The detainees include Salfit region intelligence commander Mohammad Abdel Hamid. The Israeli military has also demanded the Palestinians hand over an additional officer who was not apprehended. A Palestinian security source said the Friday morning arrests were apparently made in the wake of an investigation being carried out by the General Intelligence Service against a man suspected of collaboration with Israel.

The PA assumes that the arrests are another attempt by Tel Aviv to dampen PA clout in light of the political row between Israel and the Palestinians.

<http://www.presstv.ir/detail.aspx?id=111830&sectionid=351020202>



## FAR EAST & ASIA

2913/09 -----

### **CIA, Pakistan agree on intelligence cooperation**

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In a meeting between Pakistan's Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani and CIA Chief Leon Panetta, the two sides have agreed to expand military and intelligence cooperation.

Panetta's visit to Pakistan comes amid increased pressure on Islamabad by Washington to fight terrorism. Panetta and Gilani agreed on "operational functioning between the two militaries and intelligence agencies" to

eliminate the threat of terrorism, said the premier's office in a brief statement on Friday.

<http://www.presstv.ir/detail.aspx?id=111788&sectionid=351020401>

2914/09 -----

**Blackwater's Secret War in Pakistan**

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In an explosive new article in The Nation magazine, investigative journalist and Democracy Now! correspondent Jeremy Scahill reveals the private military firm Blackwater is part of a covert program in Pakistan that includes planning the assassination and kidnapping of Taliban and Al-Qaeda suspects. Blackwater is also said to be involved in a previously undisclosed U.S. military drone campaign that has killed scores of people inside Pakistan. The article says the program has become so secretive that top Obama administration and military officials have likely been unaware of its existence. In a Democracy Now! exclusive, Scahill joins us for his first interview since the story broke.

[http://i4.democracynow.org/2009/11/24/blackwaters\\_secret\\_war\\_in\\_pakistan\\_jeremy](http://i4.democracynow.org/2009/11/24/blackwaters_secret_war_in_pakistan_jeremy)

2915/09 -----

**'Equipment, better intelligence could have altered 26/11 operation'**

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The 60-hour-long operation that neutralised the Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorists during the Mumbai attack last year could have been handled in a different way had there been a "certain type" of equipment and better intelligence, says the chief of the anti-terror force which fought them.

The terrorists, who were in "top physical fitness", knew the topography of the three locations -- Taj, Trident and Nariman House -- so well that he feels the LeT men who undertook the operation could have themselves done the recce of the targets under assumed names. J K Dutt, then the chief of National Security Guard (NSG), said the Mumbai's elite Anti Terrorist Squad, which was then headed by slain IPS officer Hemant Karkare, was a "young force" and the state police had failed to realise for long that the gunmen throwing grenades and firing at innocent people in various parts of the city were not part of any gang war as they believed and that it was a terror attack.

<http://www.indianexpress.com/news/-Equipment--better-intelligence-could-have-altered-26-11-operation-/544747/>

2916/09 -----

**Mumbai attacks: A year later, questioning a poorly handled aftermath**

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The attacks raised a lot of questions in the minds of all Indians. Are we living in callous times? Are we being run by a bunch of corrupt and inept politicians who can't even have in place a basic game plan to manage a crisis of this magnitude? Do we need to change our mechanism of intelligence gathering?

Now that the first anniversary of the attacks is here, it might be a good time to revisit the same questions to know how much has really changed since, Mumbai and India were held ransom by ten terrorists.

Sadly, not much has changed. A year down the line no individual has been held accountable or punished for such a heinous act. It was only yesterday that the Pakistan Anti-Terrorism Court formally charged seven suspects, including Lashkar-e-Taiba commander Zakiur Rehman Lakhvi, with planning and helping execute the Mumbai attacks. It is better late than never, but one only hopes that this indictment will be taken to its logical conclusion without any further delay.

<http://www.hlrecord.org/opinion/mumbai-attacks-one-year-later-questioning-a-poorly-handled-aftermath-1.945974>

2917/09

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**India: A year on, no nodal intelligence agency still**  
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Post 26/11 internal investigations noted that there was lack of coordination between the various agencies -- RAW, IB, armed forces intelligence, etc. "There was evidence that RAW had given information to the IB, which did not pass on the information to the Mumbai police," said a source.

Besides a nodal agency, police officials also believe that central intelligence information needs to be processed in a more simplified manner. "The intelligence clearing process in central agencies is so complicated that a crucial piece of information would get lost. We need it to be made simplified," Singh said.

The recent Headley case is one such example, where a simplified and coordinated effort has reaped benefits. The Federal Bureau of Intelligence was the first to make a breakthrough in the case and the information was shared with Indian agencies and hence, the progress. "The RAW, IB, SID, ATS, Mumbai crime branch and other agencies have all pooled their efforts in this case. The intelligence gathering too seems to be on track, indicating a better coordinated effort," said a senior police official.

[http://www.dnaindia.com/sport/report\\_a-year-on-no-nodal-intelligence-agency-still\\_1314814](http://www.dnaindia.com/sport/report_a-year-on-no-nodal-intelligence-agency-still_1314814)

2918/09

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**China Navy makes impressive strides**  
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An ongoing modernization effort has provided China with an increasingly sophisticated and proficient naval force, the U.S. Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) said in a new assessment.

Notably, China has "developed the world's only anti-ship ballistic missile," which ONI said was "specifically designed to defeat U.S. carrier strike groups" in the event of military conflict over Taiwan. "China's modernization efforts have principally focused on preparing for a Taiwan conflict, with a large portion directed at developing capabilities to deter, delay, and if necessary degrade potential U.S. military intervention," the ONI report said.

<http://www.fas.org/irp/agency/oni/pla-navy.pdf>

2919/09

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**Intelligence Ops Greatest Chinese Threat to U.S.**  
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With new submarines, destroyers and mine warfare ships, China's Navy is clearly benefiting from modernization financed by the nation's rapidly growing economy, a new report tells U.S. lawmakers.

But a more shadowy Chinese force probably poses a greater immediate threat to the United States - that is, China's secretive army of intelligence collectors and cyber warriors, according to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

<http://www.defensenews.com/story.php?i=4385464&c=SEA&s=TOP>

2920/09

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**Chinesischer Dissident wegen Spionage verurteilt**  
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Ein chinesisches Gericht hat den Regierungskritiker Huang Qi wegen Spionage zu drei Jahren Gefängnis verurteilt. Er hatte nach dem Erdbeben von Sichuan Schlamperei und Korruption im Bauwesen angeprangert.

[http://www.nzz.ch/nachrichten/zuerich/china\\_dissident\\_spionage\\_1.4050659.html](http://www.nzz.ch/nachrichten/zuerich/china_dissident_spionage_1.4050659.html)

2921/09

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**Google Reveals Chinese Eyes On Russia**  
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Google Earth has revealed another Chinese BMEW (Ballistic Missile Early Warning) radar near their western border. China has never announced anything about this facility, and it's possible that it's part of an anti-satellite warfare system. Last year, Google Earth images of the same area showed the facility under construction. The radar is apparently for detecting any Russian ballistic missile attacks.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/hticbm/articles/20091124.aspx>

2922/09

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**Economic spying: Unstoppable China**  
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Western corporations are increasingly alarmed at the extent and persistence of Internet based espionage coming from China. It has also been known for years that similar efforts have been directed at government networks in North America and Europe. While government Internet security officials tend to be reticent about plans to deal with this espionage, their civilian counterparts are more outspoken. But these civilian Internet security firms agree that there's only so much they can do. Governments must do something to get the Chinese to stop. That has not been very successful, as China denies everything.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htintel/articles/20091125.aspx>



## EUROPE (GEOGRAPH.)

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### **Cyprus arms affair points to wider questions**

Diplomatic observers were surprised in November 2008, when the then Russian President Vladimir Putin failed to meet his Cypriot counterpart, Dimitris Christofias, during the latter's official visit to Moscow. Considering the traditionally close bilateral ties between Russia and Cyprus, the excuse from President Putin's office, that he was too busy attending his United Russia party's national conference, appeared unconvincing.

An article published recently in Greek-Cypriot newspaper O Politis, traced the cause of the Russian President's apparent snub to a 2007 attempt by the Cypriot government to hand over parts of a Russian-made missile system to Israel. Citing "entirely confirmed reports [from] well-informed" political and diplomatic sources, the paper said the Cypriot plan was hatched in response to a request by Israeli intelligence officials, who were interested in acquiring technical insights into the Russian-made TOR-M1 surface-to-air missile defense system. The Israelis were concerned about the TOR-M1 because Iran was also said to be using a variant of the same system, which features a radar apparatus unknown to Israel, the United States or NATO. According to the newspaper, the Cypriot Central Intelligence Service communicated Israel's request to the government of then President Tassos Papadopoulos, which in turn consulted with "senior officials of the National Guard" before deciding to secretly supply Israel with the TOR-M1 radar.

[http://www.rieas.gr/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=1080](http://www.rieas.gr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1080)

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### **CIA-Geheimgefängnis in Litauen aufgefliegen**

Der US-Geheimdienst CIA soll eines seiner europäischen Geheimgefängnisse in einer ehemaligen Reitschule außerhalb der litauischen Hauptstadt Vilnius untergebracht haben. ABC News berichtet am Donnerstag unter Berufung auf einen ehemaligen US-Geheimagenten und einen litauischen Regierungsbeamten, die CIA habe dort ab 2004 Terrorverdächtige festgehalten und unter Anwendung illegaler Foltermethoden verhört.

Litauens Regierung soll demnach nach einem Besuch von US-Präsident George W. Bush ihr Einverständnis gegeben - als Entgegenkommen für die Unterstützung der USA für den NATO-Beitritt Litauens. ABC kündigte für Donnerstagabend eine ausführliche Sendung zu dem Thema an.

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### **Ex-Monaco spy chief filed another lawsuit**

Robert Eringer has today filed a lawsuit against the Principality of Monaco for breach of contract and fraud in Santa Barbara Superior Court. Eringer alleges that he provided intelligence services to Monaco and its Sovereign, Prince Albert, and thereafter was not paid. This is the second lawsuit filed by Eringer related to this claim. Eringer was forced to withdraw his

first lawsuit against Prince Albert, after the Prince invoked head-of-state immunity.

Working as the Prince's Spymaster in Monaco for five-and-a-half years, Eringer was instructed by the Principality's Sovereign to investigate government officials for corruption and to investigate prominent Monaco residents engaged in money laundering, arms dealing, and influence peddling, with a view to improving Monaco's standing within the international community.

- (a) <http://rickslaw.wordpress.com/2009/11/19/press-release-robert-eringer-files-lawsuit-against-principality-of-monaco/>
- (b) <http://cryptome.org/eringer-v-monaco.pdf>

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**Comment: Why the Italian Convictions of CIA Agents Matter**  
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An Italian court has convicted 22 CIA agents and a US Air Force officer involved in the abduction of a Muslim cleric from Milan in 2003. All but three Americans tried in the case received jail sentences ranging from five to eight years, for kidnapping Hassan Mustafa Osama Nasr in broad daylight and for illegally renditioning him to Egypt, where he says he was brutally tortured before being released without charge. As intelNews has previously reported, it is extremely unlikely that the US will agree to extradite the convicted

abductors to Italy. Washington has formally invoked the NATO Status of Forces Agreement, arguing that the offenders were operating "in the course of official duty" and fall therefore under US, not Italian, jurisdiction. But the convictions are important nonetheless, for three reasons.

First, because the 23 convicted Americans are now international fugitives, who risk arrest by Interpol, among other law enforcement agencies, upon exiting US territory. Second, because the convictions marked the conclusion of "the world's first trial involving the CIA's extraordinary renditions program since 9/11", and may serve as precedent for a wave of similar court cases around the world. Third, because the convictions put pressure on the Barack Obama Administration to reconsider its intelligence procedures, in light of the fact that the US President has authorized the CIA to continue its policy on renditions under new CIA director Leon Panetta.

From an intelligence point of view, it is noteworthy that at least two of the Americans involved in Nasr's abduction have publicly admitted that the CIA operation broke Italian law. Speaking yesterday to ABC News, Sabrina DeSousa (photo), who was listed as a "diplomat" at the US consulate in Milan at the time of the kidnapping, said the CIA operation "broke the law", but was authorized by Washington, which then proceeded to "abandon and betray" those who carried it out, leaving them "to fend for themselves". Last July, Robert Seldon Lady, who was the CIA's station chief in Milan at the time of Nasr's kidnapping, acknowledged that the abduction broke Italian law, but argued against the zeal with which Italian prosecutors went after the abductors, because "most covert activity abroad is illegal and still every country authorizes it [...]. I worked in intelligence for 25 years", said Lady, "and almost no activity I did in those 25 years was legal in the country where it happened".

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2009/11/06/01-298/>

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**Spanien: Skandal um die Entführung des Fischtrawlers Alakrana**

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Der spanische Geheimdienst hatte die ganzen 47 Tage, die der baskische Thunfischtrawler Alakrana im Indischen Ozean gekapert war, gute Kenntnisse von den Plänen der Entführer, ihrem Vorgehen an Bord und von ihren Lösegeldforderungen. Das verlautete, wenn auch noch hinter vorgehaltener Hand, aus Regierungskreisen in Madrid. Der Geheimdienst (Centro Nacional de Inteligencia , abgekürzt CNI) hatte es geschafft, einige Spione in die Kreise der Hintermänner der somalischen Piraten einzuschleusen. Diese Kenntnisse ergaben sich aus Telefongesprächen, die zwischen den Piraten und den Spionen geführt wurden, aber auch aus persönlichen Zusammenreffen im Hafen von Harardhere. Von dort konnte man die Alakrana in zwei Seemeilen Entfernung liegen sehen und beobachten.

<http://www.comprendes.de/nachrichten/nachrichten-einzelansicht/datum/2009/11/26/skandal-um-die-entfuehrung-des-fischtrawlers-alakrana-weitet-sich-aus/>

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**Bulgarian secret services operate in Macedonia**

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Macedonian Kanal 5 television reported, citing German editions of Der Spiegel and Deutsche Welle, about operations of Bulgarian secret services, Lake and Octopus, in Macedonia.

Bulgarians with secret nicknames of Slavey, Posrednik and Beglets were involved in these operations. Macedonian TV channel noted. It has been marked that Macedonian media have published the names of the agents of Bulgaria's State Agency for National Security (DANS) and their operations in Macedonia in the text of 69 pages. "Contacts of Bulgarian citizens with Macedonian and pro-Bulgarian orientation, employees of the Bulgarian Embassy in Skopje are carefully monitored. Strengthened control on the work of the Bulgarian VMRO in Macedonia has been felt. There is maximum control for receiving Bulgarian citizenship", the document says, according to Focus News Agency.

An DANS informant called The Farm was delivering information on reforms in the Macedonian security services aiming unification and placed under control of the Macedonian Prime Minister Nikola Gruevski. Bulgarian intelligence agents have reported their activities in Macedonia directly to the then Prime Minister Sergei Stanishev. The document from 2008 says that the Macedonian intelligence have historically high intelligence activity in Bulgaria, based on the assessment that Bulgaria is a serious danger in terms of the Macedonian national identity, news agency expands.

<http://www.axisglobe.com/news.asp?news=15983>



UK

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**GCHQ details leaked online**



The head of the Government's top secret listening agency GCHQ is reviewing his security after personal details were put on the internet by a spookbuster. Yet he is unable to do anything about the personal information which can be accessed through links to a social networking site.

With a few clicks of the mouse we were able to discover an address for Mr Lobban and read some correspondence he had with a Government organisation. He is said to regret contributing to a blog he and his wife had put on a holiday site about a trip to New Zealand which involved the loss of a bag and a boat trip.

<http://www.express.co.uk/posts/view/141720/Government-Spy-s-details-leaked-online>

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**US treatment of Guantanamo prisoners is not "secret intelligence"**

Details about the treatment of Binyam Mohamed, the former Guantanamo detainee, should be released because it is not "secret intelligence," the British High Court has ruled.

In the latest of their rulings, Lord Justice Thomas and Mr Justice Lloyd Jones said that Mohamed's treatment "could never properly be described in a democracy as 'a secret' or an 'intelligence secret' or 'a summary of classified intelligence'."

The judges previously redacted passages from a previous judgment after the Foreign Secretary argued that disclosing the information could jeopardise Britain's intelligence-sharing relationship with the US. The judges have now ruled that the material should be put back in because it was "essential" to their reasoning and was no threat to national security.

The judges said the material removed from their fifth judgment last month was already in the public domain but the Foreign Office is taking the issue to the Court of Appeal next month.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/6608142/US-treatment-of-Guantanamo-prisoners-is-not-secret-intelligence.html>

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**UK intelligence faces torture collusion claims**

UK intelligence officials "colluded" in the torture of terror suspects, a Human Rights Watch report says.



It said its five-year study had found "credible" evidence, corroborated by Pakistani officials, that UK officials were aware of the abuse. Interviews with the suspects, their families and lawyers suggested no evidence of direct involvement, but "UK complicity is clear", it concludes.

The Foreign Office said "there is no truth" in claims of collusion.

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk\\_news/8376732.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/8376732.stm)

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**Secret files show UK courts were misled over 9/11 suspect**  
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British prosecutors failed to disclose crucial evidence to the courts in the aftermath of the September 11 terrorist attacks in a case that resulted in an innocent pilot being jailed for five months, previously unseen documents reveal.

Lotfi Raissi, an Algerian living in the UK, was the first person in the world to be arrested after the 2001 attacks in New York and Washington DC. Accused of being the "lead" instructor of the 9/11 hijackers, Raissi, 27, was held in Belmarsh high security prison awaiting extradition to the United States. In a landmark announcement, Jack Straw, the justice secretary, is shortly expected to reveal whether the UK government will accept responsibility for the miscarriage of justice and pay Raissi compensation.

The Guardian has obtained classified documents produced by the FBI and anti-terrorist officials in the UK after the 9/11 attacks which shed new light on how the courts were misled.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2009/nov/22/lotfi-raissi-secret-files-evidence>

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**British panel begins inquiry on Iraq war**  
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An inquiry into Britain's role in the Iraq war kicked off Tuesday with top government advisers testifying that some Bush administration officials were calling for Saddam Hussein's ouster as early as 2001 – long before sanctions were exhausted and two years before the U.S.-led invasion.

Critics hope the hearings, which will call ex-Prime Minister Tony Blair and are billed as the most sweeping inquiry into the conflict, will expose alleged deception in the buildup to fighting. However, they won't establish criminal or civil liability. As the inquiry began, a small group of anti-war protesters gathered near Parliament. Three wore face masks of George Bush, Blair and Prime Minister Gordon Brown – their hands and faces covered in fake blood.

"Five years we've waited for this, and finally we're getting somewhere," said Pauline Graham, 70, who travelled from the Scottish city of Glasgow to see the hearings. Her grandson Gordon Gentle, 19, was killed in the southern Iraqi city of Basra in 2004.

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5h3md2ReGxE9CkpczxPehN4pM-z7gD9C61JMO3>

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**Brown 'ignored last Iraq inquiry and cut budget for intelligence'**  
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Gordon Brown was today accused of ignoring the findings of a previous probe into the misuse of intelligence about Saddam Hussein's regime.

As Sir John Chilcot today delivered his opening statement in the Iraq war inquiry, Mr Brown faced new allegations that he and Tony Blair had failed to act on the last big probe into Iraq - the Butler Inquiry into intelligence failures. Far from providing key experts with extra cash as suggested by Lord Butler, Mr Brown stands accused of cutting budgets in sensitive areas.

The Ministry of Defence implemented a 20 per cent cut in the highly-specialist Defence Intelligence Staff, selling its building in Whitehall and dispersing its experts.

<http://www.thisislondon.co.uk/standard/article-23774109-brown-ignored-last-iraq-inquiry-and-cut-budget-for-intelligence.do>

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**Iraq war inquiry: intell on Saddam 'patchy' in run-up to conflict**  
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Days before the invasion of Iraq, the British government received intelligence that Saddam Hussein might be unable to use his chemical weapons, the official inquiry into the war was told today. And despite claims at the time by Tony Blair, intelligence about what Saddam was up to in the runup to the war was "patchy".

Questioned by the panel of the Iraq inquiry, Foreign Office officials said they believed Saddam's nuclear programme had been dismantled and they had no evidence of his trying to supply chemical or biological weapons to terrorists.

Sir William Ehrman, the Foreign Office's director of international security at the time, yesterday revealed that ministers were repeatedly warned over the limits of intelligence on Iraq. "We did, I think on 10 March [2003], get a report that chemical weapons might have remained disassembled and Saddam hadn't yet ordered their assembly," he told day two of the inquiry in London. "There was a suggestion that Iraq might lack warheads capable of effective dispersal of agents."

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2009/nov/25/iraq-war-inquiry-intelligence-weapons>

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**Ex-MI6 boss attacks govt over Afghan war**  
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A former head of MI6 criticised Prime Minister Gordon Brown's government over its funding for and handling of the Afghan mission.

Richard Dearlove, chief of the Secret Intelligence Service when Britain first sent troops to Afghanistan in 2001, said the Treasury has long been "squeezing" the defence budget, leaving the military under-resourced. "Our armed forces have been under-resourced. This is a basic fact from which there really is no escape," Dearlove said in a lecture.

"The Treasury has been squeezing the defence budget for approximately eight years," said Dearlove, MI6 chief from 1999 to 2004. The comments were made in a speech to academics at Gresham College in London, an audio copy of which was obtained by ITV television news.

[http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5hM654\\_RSGvWQ\\_b-j6Q3N\\_6syUwMw](http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5hM654_RSGvWQ_b-j6Q3N_6syUwMw)

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**UK Gov't Intelligence Agency To Advertise On Xbox Live**

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MI5 and MI6-linked UK government intelligence organization GCHQ hopes to attract new recruits by reaching out to them with an Xbox Live advertising campaign.

According to a report in the UK Guardian, the organization's six-week ad campaign aims at the 18 to 34 demographic. It draws parallels between skills and experience required in gameplay -- like "quick thinking, problem solving and team work" -- and those required to work with GCHQ. Ads will run on Xbox Live's Dashboard and in-game, through streamed video banners, according to the report, and it can be inferred that UK government job ads will run in the UK only.

GCHQ describes its work as "helping government departments, such as the Ministry of Defense, to protect their information and communication systems," but concedes that many individuals who would make good candidates are unfamiliar with the details of the organization.

[http://www.gamasutra.com/view/news/26183/UK\\_Govt\\_Intelligence\\_Agency\\_To\\_Advertise\\_On\\_Xbox\\_Live.php](http://www.gamasutra.com/view/news/26183/UK_Govt_Intelligence_Agency_To_Advertise_On_Xbox_Live.php)

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**Police had no alternative but to arrest alleged al Qaeda members**

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Police and MI5 had "no realistic alternative" than to arrest and detain members of an alleged al Qaeda terror cell in raids earlier this year, the Government's independent terror reviewer said today.

Lord Carlile of Berriew QC said public safety concerns together with an email believed to contain a coded warning of a terror attack meant their actions were justified. Twelve men, mostly Pakistanis living in the UK on student visas, were held at gunpoint when officers swooped on April 9 this year.

None were charged after detectives failed to find evidence of the plot they suspected could be launched within days.

<http://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/liverpool-news/local-news/2009/11/24/police-and-mi5-had-no-alternative-but-to-arrest-alleged-al-qaeda-members-whose-leader-was-thought-to-be-a-liverpool-student-100252-25246289/>

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**MI5 doubles strength in Ulster as elite forces thwart police murder**

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MI5's commitment to countering Irish terrorism has more than doubled in the past nine months, with hundreds more officers now in Northern Ireland, The

Times has learnt. The revelation comes as republican terror groups suffered their first big setback this year as a result of an intelligence-led operation.

The thwarting on Saturday of an attempt to murder a police officer living in the strongly nationalist village of Garrison, Co Fermanagh, close to the border with the Republic, is a morale boost for the security forces. It emerged that the Special Reconnaissance Regiment, an elite Special Forces intelligence gathering unit, provided crucial information about the targeting of the young police recruit. Undercover police officers rammed a vehicle in the village on Saturday night and shots were exchanged.

<http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/uk/crime/article6928913.ece>



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**Germany Suspects China of Spying on Uighur Expatriates**

German investigators on Tuesday morning searched the residences of four suspected Chinese spies. According to information obtained by SPIEGEL ONLINE, the suspects had been spying on Munich's Uighur community on orders from the Chinese government.

Unlike China's imposing embassy in Berlin, the general consulate in Munich is no symbol of power. The representative office in the Bavarian capital is located in the upmarket district of Neuhausen in an inconspicuous corner building close to Nymphenburg Palace. If you believe the consulate's own PR, the institution deals with pleasant issues such as business and travel visas, the Olympic Games or German-Chinese trade relations. But if German investigators are to be believed, this idyll is merely a facade behind which the Chinese intelligence service is operating a network of spies.

- (a) <http://www.spiegel.de/international/germany/0,1518,663090,00.html>
- (b) <http://www.zeit.de/newsticker/2009/11/24/iptc-bdt-20091124-567-23091922xml>

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**BND vermittelt in Nahost**

Nach rund fünf Monaten deutscher Vermittlung verdichten sich die Hinweise auf einen bevorstehenden Gefangenenaustausch zwischen Israel und der radikal-islamischen Hamas-Organisation.

Zwei hochrangige Hamas-Delegationen mit Vertretern aus dem Gazastreifen und dem syrischen Exil werden am Dienstag in der ägyptischen Hauptstadt Kairo die Verhandlungen fortsetzen. Israels Präsident Schimon Peres hatte am Sonntag in Kairo bereits von «wirklichen Fortschritten» gesprochen. Nach arabischen Medienberichten könnte eine Einigung noch vor Beginn des arabischen Opferfestes am kommenden Freitag unter Dach und Fach sein.

Sowohl die im Gazastreifen herrschende Hamas als auch die israelische Regierung haben seit Wochen absolutes Stillschweigen über Details der Gespräche und einer möglichen Vereinbarung gewahrt. In Gaza wird folgendes Szenario diskutiert: Danach überstellt die Hamas zuerst den im Juni 2006 entführten israelischen Soldaten Gilad Schalit in Gewahrsam der ägyptischen Regierung. Im Gegenzug lässt Israel in einem ersten Schritt 450 palästinensische Gefangene frei.

<http://www.news.de/politik/855033688/bnd-vermittelt-in-nahost/1/>

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#### **Bespitzelung von Linken-Chef Lafontaine: Oskar und die Detektive**

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Es klingt wie eine Räuberpistole: Linken-Chef Lafontaine soll wochenlang von mehreren Sicherheitsfirmen bespitzelt worden sein. Seine Partei spricht von einem "skandalösen" Vorgang und fordert eine "unverzügliche Aufklärung". Wer könnte hinter der Schnüffelei stecken?

"Einer der bekanntesten und umstrittensten Spitzenpolitiker der Republik wurde systematisch ausgespäht", schreibt der "Focus". Demnach sollen insgesamt vier Detekteien Lafontaine Ende 2007 beschattet haben - und Sahra Wagenknecht, damals noch Europaparlamentarierin. Inzwischen sitzt die Linke im Bundestag.

Spekulationen gibt es genug. Eine davon lautet: die eigenen Leute. "Ich schließe aus, dass es aus der Linken kommt", sagt Bundesgeschäftsführer Bartsch auf Nachfrage. Eine andere Möglichkeit: Lafontaines Ehefrau Christa Müller. Sie hat sich bislang nicht zu der Bespitzelungsaffäre geäußert.

- (a) <http://www.spiegel.de/politik/deutschland/0,1518,662853,00.html>
- (b) <http://www.stern.de/politik/deutschland/berlin-vertraulich-auf-der-jagd-nach-lafontaine-1523795.html>
- (c) [http://www.focus.de/politik/deutschland/privatdetektive-lafontaine-wurde-ausspioniert\\_aid\\_456138.html](http://www.focus.de/politik/deutschland/privatdetektive-lafontaine-wurde-ausspioniert_aid_456138.html)

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#### **Wirtschafts-Spionage vom Sofa aus**

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Während die Wirtschaft unter der Krise leidet, haben Spione Hochkonjunktur. Jährlich bescheren sie den deutschen Unternehmen einen Milliarden-Schaden. Interview mit Rudolf Proschko, der beim bayerischen Verfassungsschutz für Spionageabwehr zuständig ist.

[http://www.augsburger-allgemeine.de/Home/Nachrichten/Wirtschaft/Artikel,-Wirtschafts-Spionage-vom-Sofa-aus-\\_aid,2005015\\_regid,2\\_puid,2\\_pageid,4557.html](http://www.augsburger-allgemeine.de/Home/Nachrichten/Wirtschaft/Artikel,-Wirtschafts-Spionage-vom-Sofa-aus-_aid,2005015_regid,2_puid,2_pageid,4557.html)

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#### **Die Lieblings-Arbeitgeber deutscher Akademiker**

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BMW, Google oder die Max-Planck-Gesellschaft - von diesen Arbeitgebern träumen junge Akademiker laut einer Studie. In der Krise achten die Nachwuchs-Fachkräfte demnach bei der Bewerbung um Jobs weniger auf das Image einer Firma. Viele können sich gut vorstellen, beim Geheimdienst einzusteigen.

<http://www.welt.de/finanzen/article5327659/Die-Lieblings-Arbeitgeber-deutscher-Akademiker.html>

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**Tochter von CDU-Abgeordnetem gibt Polizei-Dienstgeheimnisse weiter**  
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Bei der Polizistin, die im Zusammenhang mit der Nürburgring-Affäre Dienstgeheimnisse an Dritte weitergegeben hat, handelt es sich um die Tochter des CDU-Landtagsabgeordneten Michael Billen. «Meine Tochter hat einen Fehler gemacht, und ich habe einen Fehler gemacht», sagte Billen am Mittwoch auf ddp-Anfrage in Mainz.

Das Innenministerium hatte zuvor bekannt gegeben, man prüfe rechtliche Schritte gegen die Kommissarin einer Dienststelle in der Pfalz, die zugegeben habe, Dienstgeheimnisse rechtswidrig an Dritte weitergegeben zu haben. Gemeinsam mit Kollegen des Schichtdienstes habe die Frau ohne dienstlichen Anlass Abfragen beim Polizeilichen Informationssystem (POLIS) getätigt und Kopien der Auszüge ihrem Vater übergeben.

Hintergrund sind Medienberichte der vergangenen Tage über polizeiliche Erkenntnisse über einen Geschäftsmann, der in die Affäre um die Finanzierung des Ausbaus der Rennstrecke verwickelt ist. Dabei waren vertrauliche Details samt Identifikationsnummer aus POLIS genannt worden.

<http://www.news-adhoc.com/tochter-von-cdu-abgeordnetem-gibt-polizei-dienstgeheimnisse-weiter-idna2009112567179/>



**SWITZERLAND**

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**Hightech-Spionage-Systeme bei der Uno in Genf entdeckt**  
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Laut einem Zeitungsbericht wird im Genfer Palais des Nations spioniert. Mit Apparaten, die bis zu 300'000 Franken kosten. Wer ist der Spion? Ein Verdacht liegt vor.

Elektriker führten laut dem Bericht in der «NZZ» im April 2006 Unterhaltsarbeiten im Palais des Nations durch. Und entdeckten verdächtige Drähte und schließlich ein «ausgeklügeltes Abhörssystem». Ein solches sei bereits 2004 im Salon français gefunden worden. Experten schätzen, dass diese Installation um die 300'000 Franken kosten.

Der Sicherheitsdienst sei aufgeschreckt, auch durch die Tatsache, dass die aufwändigen Installationen auf eine interne Komplizenschaft schließen würden. Laut dem Bericht wurde beschlossen, eine Spezialistengruppe zu schaffen und diese mit dem nötigen Ortungsmaterial auszustatten. Das Team findet 2007 erneut zwei Spionage-Systeme. Die Uno dementiert, so die «NZZ». Ein Diplomat dazu: «Dass Abhörgeräte installiert werden, ist an sich keine Überraschung. Was aber beunruhigt, ist, dass die Uno die Mitgliedstaaten nicht informiert und dieses Problem auf die leichte Schulter zu nehmen scheint.»

In den gefundenen Geräten seien Komponenten aus Frankreich, China und den USA enthalten, das sei eine klassische Methode, um die Herkunft zu

verwischen. Von der «NZZ» befragte Experten sind der Ansicht, die Täterschaft stamme aus den USA, Frankreich, Großbritannien, China, Russland oder Nordkorea.

Ein hochrangiger Nachrichtendienstler wird zitiert: «Wenn ich mein Vermögen auf ein Land setzen müsste, würde ich sagen: Israel. Das Land hat die nötige Technologie, Erfahrung mit gewagten Operationen und das politische Interesse.» Und wie handelt die Schweiz? Ein «Kenner aus der Bundesverwaltung» sagt: «Die Schweiz ist auf dem Laufenden, will sich aber heraushalten.»

- (a) <http://bazonline.ch/schweiz/standard/HightechSpionageSysteme-bei-der-Uno-in-Genf-entdeckt/story/16633065>
- (b) [http://www.nzz.ch/nachrichten/kultur/aktuell/schweigen\\_im\\_palais\\_des\\_nations\\_x\\_hoert\\_mit\\_1.4064501.html](http://www.nzz.ch/nachrichten/kultur/aktuell/schweigen_im_palais_des_nations_x_hoert_mit_1.4064501.html)
- (c) [http://www.swissinfo.ch/ger/startseite/Abhoerwanzen\\_auch\\_am\\_UNO\\_Sitz\\_in\\_Genf.html?siteSect=105&sid=4753213&cKey=1078086597000&ty=st&rs=yes](http://www.swissinfo.ch/ger/startseite/Abhoerwanzen_auch_am_UNO_Sitz_in_Genf.html?siteSect=105&sid=4753213&cKey=1078086597000&ty=st&rs=yes)



## AUSTRIA

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### Ein jähes Ende für den Spionage-U-Ausschuss

Es bleibt dabei: Der Spionage-Untersuchungsausschuss wird im Dezember seine Arbeit beenden. Die Klubobleute der fünf Parlamentsparteien haben sich bei ihrer Krisensitzung am Mittwoch nicht auf eine gemeinsame Vorgehensweise einigen können.

SPÖ-Klubobmann Josef Cap und sein ÖVP-Kollege Karlheinz Kopf verweigerten weiterhin die Ladung von Ministern. Im Anschluss kündigten sie an, den Ausschussbericht am 10. oder 11. Dezember ins Plenum zu bringen. Schon heute, Donnerstag, soll die letzte Arbeitssitzung stattfinden, am 1. Dezember dann der Abschlussbericht beschlossen werden.

Cap und Kopf hatten in der Sitzung vorgeschlagen, nach dem Ende der U-Ausschussbefragungen eine "allgemeine Aussprache" mit den jeweiligen Ministern in den Fachausschüssen des Nationalrates abzuhalten. Die Opposition lehnte das ab, weil die Minister dort nicht unter Wahrheitspflicht stehen und die Öffentlichkeit ausgeschlossen wäre. Die Opposition hatte zwar auf der Ministerladung beharrt, aber vorgeschlagen, die Zahl der noch zu ladenden Auskunftspersonen von 20 auf zehn bis zwölf zu reduzieren.

- (a) <http://www.wienerzeitung.at/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabID=3858&Alias=wzo&cob=452715>
- (b) <http://derstandard.at/1256745511556/U-Ausschuss-Opposition-befuerchtet-weiterhin-Abdrehen>
- (c) <http://www.salzburg.com/online/nachrichten/newsletter/U-Ausschuss-Aus-und-Schluss.html?article=eGMmOI8VeET6PPxHdbPamGksUzfBUdK2qJzHXEm&img=&text=&mode=>
- (d) <http://oe1.orf.at/inforadio/115863.html?filter=>

2948/09 -----

**Agenten, illegale Geldflüsse und ein ominöser "Charly"**

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Am Mittwoch war die drittletzte Sitzung vor dem plötzlichen Aus - und die zeigte, dass U-Ausschüsse durchaus aufklärend wirken können. Thema war erstmals die Kasachstan-Affäre: Hat sich eine politische Partei - gemeint ist offensichtlich die FPÖ - vom kasachischen Geheimdienst instrumentalisiert lassen und in dessen Sinne parlamentarische Anfragen gestellt?

Dies war, ohne die FPÖ beim Namen zu nennen, im Verfassungsschutzbericht behauptet worden. Peter Gridling, Leiter des Bundesamtes für Verfassungsschutz (BVT), konnte oder wollte im öffentlichen Teil der Sitzung keine Belege für eine Beeinflussung nennen. Diese hat sich seiner Darstellung nach so abgespielt: Ausländische Geheimdienste hätten österreichische Staatsbürger oft ohne deren Wissen instrumentalisiert, um Informationen an die richtige Stelle zu bringen. Ob dadurch parlamentarische Anfragen ausgelöst wurden? Gridling wollte das so nicht bestätigen: „Es entzieht sich meiner Kenntnis, wie derartige Anfragen vorbereitet werden.“

In Telefonaten eines Polizisten, die das BVT abgehört hat, werden so einige Vermutungen geäußert. Von einem Koffer mit zwei Millionen Euro, die bei einer Parteizentrale abgeliefert wurden, ist da die Rede. Von einem Anwalt, der weiß, wie man Schwarzgeld wäscht. Von einem hochrangigen Polizisten, der bei der ÖVP „wegschaut“. Von „Toni“ Gaál (ehemaliger SPÖ-Abgeordneter), der einer der Mitspieler sei - ebenso wie ein ominöser „Charly“.

[http://diepresse.com/home/politik/innenpolitik/524184/index.do?\\_vl\\_backlink=/home/politik/index.do](http://diepresse.com/home/politik/innenpolitik/524184/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/politik/index.do)

2949/09 -----

**BVT: Pensionierter ORF-Journalist war "Einflussagent"**

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"Wir gehen davon aus, dass der kasachische Geheimdienst die Abgeordneten beeinflusst hat", sagte Verfassungsschutz-Beamter Günter Lengauer auf jene FP-Abgeordneten angesprochen, die Anfragen zur Causa Alijew eingebracht hatten. Die Beeinflussung sei jedoch über den pensionierten ORF-Journalisten Berndt E. geschehen, der als "Einflussagent" fungiert habe. "Ein direkter Kontakt (der Abgeordneten zum kasachischen Geheimdienst, Anm.) ist von uns nie festgestellt worden", sagte Lengauer. Im Bericht des BVT heißt es dazu, Abgeordnete wären "ohne darüber Kenntnis zu haben im Interesse des kasachischen Geheimdienstes tätig" geworden.

Ebenfalls aufgetaucht sind im Zuge der Ermittlungen des BVT in der Causa Alijew Verdächtigungen in Richtung Parteienfinanzierung der Wiener SPÖ. Ausgesprochen hatte sie der Polizist Christian P., der wegen angeblicher Kontakte zum kasachischen Geheimdienst vom Verfassungsschutz überwacht wurde. In einem aufgezeichneten Telefonat spricht P. über die angebliche Übergabe eines Geldkoffers im Hotel Sacher an jemanden, der einem höchstrangigen Wiener SPÖ-Politiker ähnlich gesehen haben soll.

Allerdings ist der Verfassungsschutz diesem Verdacht nicht nachgegangen, weil - wie Lengauer meinte - dem abgehörten Polizisten keine besondere Glaubwürdigkeit geschenkt worden sei.



2950/09 -----

**Widerstand gegen SWIFT-Abkommen schmilzt**

Der Widerstand Deutschlands und Österreichs gegen den für den 30. November geplanten Abschluss des Abkommens über den Bankdatentransfer aus EU-Bankingsystemen zu Zwecken der Terrorismusbekämpfung an die USA schmilzt. Der deutsche Innenminister Thomas de Maiziere (CDU) wolle sich bei der für Montag geplanten Abstimmung der EU-Innenminister in Brüssel enthalten, berichtete die Berliner Tageszeitung "Welt" am Mittwoch unter Berufung auf Regierungskreise.

Auch Ernst Strasser (ÖVP), Unterhändler des EU-Parlaments in Sachen Bankdatenabkommen, signalisierte in einer Aussendung vom Mittwoch, mit einem Übergangsabkommen einverstanden zu sein, damit keine "Sicherheitslücke" entstehe, in der der Datenzugriff durch die USA überhaupt nicht reguliert werde. Kommissionspräsident Jose Manuel Durao Barroso habe vorgeschlagen, dem Parlament im Jänner einen Entwurf für das endgültige Abkommen zuzusenden. Das derzeit ausgehandelte Abkommen hat eine Laufdauer von einem Jahr. Es sieht vor, dass US-Behörden auf Bankdaten von EU-Dienstleistern zur Terrorismusbekämpfung zugreifen dürfen, und zwar nicht nur auf jene von SWIFT. Das geschieht ohne richterlichen Beschluss.

- (a) <http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1632695/>
- (b) [http://diepresse.com/home/wirtschaft/international/524204/index.dofrom=gl.home\\_wirtschaft](http://diepresse.com/home/wirtschaft/international/524204/index.dofrom=gl.home_wirtschaft)

2951/09 -----

**Data-Retention: Regierung braucht Opposition**

Um die EG-Richtlinie zur Vorratsdatenspeicherung (Data-Retention) in Österreich umsetzen zu können, muss die Regierung Verfassungsänderungen vornehmen. Da ihr die dazu notwendige Zweidrittelmehrheit im Nationalrat fehlt, müsste sie die Zustimmung der Opposition einholen.

Die Grünen sind nach wie vor gegen die Umsetzung der Vorratsdatenspeicherung und treten dafür ein, dass Österreich ein Verfahren vor dem Europäischen Gerichtshof (EuGH) riskiert.

<http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1632539/>

2952/09 -----

**Data-Retention: Geheimdienste wollen mehr**

Während in Österreich noch über den Gesetzestext zur Einführung der Vorratsdatenspeicherung diskutiert wird, arbeiten Polizei und Geheimdienste im Telekom-Standardisierungsinstitut ETSI bereits eine neue Serie von "optionalen" Datenfeldern in den Überwachungsstandard ein: Einzelabrechnungen, Bankverbindung, Volumen von Up- und Downloads. Sie wollen alle Details über die Bewegungen der Bürger in den Netzen erfassen.

Die technische Spezifikation umfasst bereits 89 Seiten - und laufend kommen neue Datenfelder hinzu, die in der aktuell gültigen EG-Richtlinie 2006/24/EG überhaupt nicht genannt werden. Alleine im Abschnitt B 2.2.4.1, den "Subscribed Telephony Services", kam ein Dutzend solcher "optionaler

Parameter" dazu: Anbindung, Art und Zeitdauer des Kundenvertrags, geografischer Ort von beim Kunden installierten Geräten, eine Liste der IMEI- und MAC-Adressen aller vom Provider gestellten Endgeräte. Und falls es sich denn um ein Service handelt, das mit einer SIM-Card betrieben wird, hätten die Überwacher gerne auch die PUK-Codes des betreffenden Endgeräts dazu.

Nach und nach wird dann in ein- und denselben Überwachungsstandard, der sich auf eine EU-Richtlinie beruft, all das hineingeschrieben, was in den EU-Gremien nicht konsensfähig war.

<http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1632211/>



## NEW ZEALAND & AUSTRALIA

2953/09 -----

### **New Zealand: Spy bosses intervene in Selebi case**

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Spy bosses have halted the state's plans to lead its crucial closing evidence against ex-police chief Jackie Selebi - at least until next week.

Former intelligence chief Barry Gilder only has to answer three questions about a top secret report that Selebi allegedly showed his then friend Glenn Agliotti, but his bosses insist that his answers could compromise South Africa's national security. And if they chose to challenge a court ruling ordering Gilder - who was co-ordinator for intelligence from 2005 to 2007- to take the stand, they could delay Selebi's trial for at least three months.

The stand-off over Gilder's evidence could also provoke tensions between Selebi's prosecutors and the intelligence authorities who they have suggested were involved in obtaining damaging DVD recordings of Agliotti.

[http://www.iol.co.za/index.php?set\\_id=1&click\\_id=15&art\\_id=vn20091125042446418C267000](http://www.iol.co.za/index.php?set_id=1&click_id=15&art_id=vn20091125042446418C267000)

2954/09 -----

### **Aussie computer networks "most certainly" spied on**

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The Australian federal government's computer network has "almost certainly" been targeted by cyber-spies from other countries, according to attorney general Robert McClelland. "In some incidents nation states [are responsible]", he told reporters.

<http://news.smh.com.au/breaking-news-national/cyberspies-targeting-australia-ag-20091123-iwf0.html>



## AFRICA (SUB-SAHARA)

2955/09 -----

### **South Africa busts Shin Bet operation, expels Israeli agent**

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The South African government has expelled an Israeli intelligence agent posing as an airline worker, after the discovery of a major Israeli undercover operation at the Oliver R. Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg. The operation was uncovered by Carte Blanche, South African television's most respected investigative news program, based on testimony by Jonathan Garb, a former guard at El Al, Israel's national airline, who became a whistleblower after being fired from his job. Garb told Carte Blanche that El Al offices in South Africa and around the world have acted as fronts for Shin Bet, Israel's General Security Service, for a long time. He also told the program that Shin Bet officers in Johannesburg used their El Al employee cover status to infiltrate the airport and gather information on black and Muslim South African travelers to Israel.

- (a) <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2009/11/24/03-114/>
- (b) <http://www.thenational.ae/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20091123/FOREIGN/711229870/1140>



## THE CYBER BATTLEFIELD / CIVIL RIGHTS

2956/09 -----

### **Microsoft denies it built 'backdoor' in Windows 7**

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Microsoft today denied that it has built a backdoor into Windows 7, a concern that surfaced yesterday after a senior National Security Agency (NSA) official testified before Congress that the agency had worked on the operating system. (a)

"Microsoft has not and will not put 'backdoors' into Windows," a company spokeswoman said, reacting to a Computer world story Wednesday. (b) On Monday, Richard Schaeffer, the NSA's information assurance director, told the Senate's Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security that the agency had partnered with the developer during the creation of Windows 7 "to enhance Microsoft's operating system security guide."

- (a) [http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9141182/Microsoft\\_denies\\_it\\_built\\_backdoor\\_in\\_Windows\\_7](http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9141182/Microsoft_denies_it_built_backdoor_in_Windows_7)
- (b) NSA helped with Windows 7 development:  
[http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9141105/NSA\\_helped\\_with\\_Windows\\_7\\_development](http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9141105/NSA_helped_with_Windows_7_development)
- (c) <http://www.nickles.de/c/n/hat-sich-us-geheimdienst-in-windows-7-eingenistet-8053.htm>

2957/09 -----

**The pocket spy: Will your smartphone rat you out?**

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THERE are certain things you do not want to share with strangers. In my case it was a stream of highly personal text messages from my husband, sent during the early days of our relationship. Etched on my phone's SIM card - but invisible on my current handset and thus forgotten - here they now are, displayed in all their brazen glory on a stranger's computer screen.

I've just walked into a windowless room on an industrial estate in Tamworth, UK, where three cellphone analysts in blue shirts sit at their terminals, scrutinising the contents of my phone and smirking. "If it's any consolation, we would have found them even if you had deleted them," says one.

Worse, it seems embarrassing text messages aren't the only thing I have to worry about: "Is this a photo of your office?" another asks (the answer is yes). "And did you enjoy your pizza on Monday night? And why did you divert from your normal route to work to visit this address in Camberwell, London, on Saturday?"

I'm at DiskLabs, a company that handles cellphone forensic analysis for UK police forces, but also for private companies and individuals snooping on suspect employees or wayward spouses. Armed with four cellphones, which I have begged, borrowed and bought off friends and strangers, I'm curious to know just how much personal information can be gleaned from our used handsets and SIM cards.

<http://www.newscientist.com/article/mg20427301.100-the-pocket-spy-will-your-smartphone-rat-you-out.html?full=true>

2958/09 -----

**US-Geheimdienst NSA arbeitet auch mit Apple, Sun und Red Hat zusammen**

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Der US-Geheimdienst National Security Agency (NSA) hilft auch Apple, Sun und Red Hat ihre Betriebssysteme sicherer zu machen. Dies berichtet heise.de am Donnerstag. Bisher war nur bekannt, dass die NSA mit Microsoft zusammenarbeitet - so auch bei der Erstellung von Windows 7. Laut eigenen Angaben beteiligt sich der Geheimdienst nicht direkt bei der Entwicklung der Systeme, sondern liefert lediglich Sicherheitsrichtlinien und Checklisten. Derartige Informationen finden sich auch auf der NSA-Homepage.

<http://derstandard.at/1256745175754/US-Geheimdienst-NSA-arbeitet-auch-mit-Apple-Sun-und-Red-Hat-zusammen>

2959/09 -----

**Cisco pumps out iPhone security**

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Cisco has pushed out a new iPhone app that helps IT managers respond to newly-detected security threats by the seat (pocket) of their pants.

The Cisco SIO To Go iPhone application beams in data from the company's Security Intelligence Operations (SIO) to show a customisable menagerie of security information that could potentially help defend a business network.

At hand are real-time alerts and threat mitigation solutions which come from sources that include more than 700,000 Cisco security devices, the company's historical threat database, 3,300 IPS signatures, and over 600 third-party threat-intelligence sources, Cisco said.

[http://www.theregister.co.uk/2009/11/23/cisco\\_iphone\\_security\\_app/](http://www.theregister.co.uk/2009/11/23/cisco_iphone_security_app/)



2960/09 -----

**The Office of Strategic Services: Secret Intelligence Branch**

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With the bombing of Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, the United States entered World War II. In June 1942, President Franklin Roosevelt created the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) - the forerunner of today's CIA - to collect and analyse strategic information and to conduct espionage and special operations. For the first time in U.S. history, the nation had in the OSS a single intelligence service engaged in all basic secret activities: espionage, covert action, propaganda, and counterintelligence.

The following article is the first in a series that will explore the different branches of the Office of Strategic Services. This article focuses on the Secret Intelligence Branch.

<https://www.cia.gov/news-information/featured-story-archive/oss-secret-intelligence-branch.html>

2961/09 -----

**Ex-Hotelchefin Felgner unter Stasi-Verdacht**

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Als Generalmanagerin des Hamburger Fünf-Sterne-Hotels Grand Elysée sorgte sie für den diskreten Rahmen der Koalitionsverhandlungen von CDU und GAL. Und auch in ihrer Position zuvor als Direktorin des Berliner Schloßhotels hatte sich die frühere DDR-Krankenschwester einen exzellenten Ruf erworben, beherbergte viele Prominente, bei der WM 2006 sogar die deutsche Nationalmannschaft.

Eine traumhafte Ost-West-Karriere - offenbar mit dunkler Vergangenheit. So deckte die "Berliner Morgenpost" jetzt auf, dass Uta Felgner (58) in den frühen 80er-Jahren im Osten Stasi-Mitarbeiterin gewesen sein soll. Spezialität: Kontakte zu einflussreichen Männern, vorzugsweise aus dem Westen. Ein Geheimdienstjob, bei dem es vor allem auf "frauenspezifische Methoden" angekommen sei.

<http://www.abendblatt.de/hamburg/article1279685/Ex-Hotelchefin-Felgner-unter-Stasi-Verdacht.html>

2962/09 -----

**World War II spy photos made public for first time**



Astonishing spy photos of bombing, ruined cities and Nazi prison camps from World War Two can now be seen by the public for the first time. The stark images taken on secret surveillance flights have been declassified 60 years after they were taken and are going on display.

Heroic pilots flew over war zones to capture the snaps before killed photo interpreters gleaned vital intelligence from them.

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/top-stories/2009/11/22/world-war-ii-spy-photos-made-public-for-first-time-115875-21842431/>

2963/09 -----

**Hitler was no idiot, says secret report**



Hitler is among thousands of documents on 1920s Germany that are about to emerge from obscurity as part of a major overhaul of the French National Archives.

The yellowed, hand-written note from 1924 features a photograph of Hitler in a suit and tie, sporting his trademark side-parting and moustache. It is part of a treasure trove that had been gathering dust in a Paris mansion for decades. "He is not an idiot but rather a very cunning demagogue," says the note on Hitler by an anonymous agent.

The agent presents Hitler as "the German Mussolini" and notes that he runs paramilitary groups "of the fascist type", but does not raise any particular alarm about the man who would go on to lead Nazi Germany and launch World War II. Part of a huge archive from the period when French troops occupied part of Germany after World War I, the Hitler report was stored separately from the rest of the papers in a metal cabinet where France keeps its most important documents.

- (a) <http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2009/11/21/2749467.htm>
- (b) [http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gWNhasp7hAam0oQuqU6\\_9IauXiqw](http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gWNhasp7hAam0oQuqU6_9IauXiqw)

2964/09 -----

**In 1989, secret services tried to save Communism in Czechoslovakia**

Eight days after the Berlin Wall fell in 1989, students sparked the revolution in Prague, The Independent recalls. They were allowed to hold a rally marking the 50th anniversary of the death of a young student who had been killed by the Nazis after the Germans had occupied Czechoslovakia. After the main procession around 3,000 students went to central Prague where they were immediately confronted by riot police and all but one of the exits to the square were blocked, the paper expands. Without any warning, the police charged into them; around 500 students were injured and 120 arrested. One young man was left lying, appearing lifeless, and taken away by ambulance. One of rumours circulating around Prague was that the

prone body was a mathematics student, Martin Smid. The dissident activist Peter Uhl passed on the news to Radio Free Europe, the BBC and Reuters. Soon it was reported as fact.

- (a) <http://www.axisglobe.com/news.asp?news=16004>
- (b) <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/the-accidental-uprising-how-corpse-killed-communism-1825400.html>

2965/09 -----

**Former Olympics chief Juan Antonio Samaranch linked to KGB**

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The authors of *The KGB Plays Chess* even go as far as alleging Mr Samaranch may owe his election to the top Olympic job to the spy network, due to its influence on former Soviet bloc IOC representatives.

Politically, Mr Samaranch, 89 and still the IOC's Honorary President, is best known for his far-Right past. He was a staunch supporter of Spain's late fascist dictator General Franco and his former secretary for sport.

But the book's authors - Yuri Felshtinsky, a Russian-American historian, Vladimir Popov, a former KGB lieutenant colonel, and two chess masters, Viktor Korchnoi and Boris Gulko - claim Mr Samaranch came under the influence of Soviet agents in the late 1970s. His introduction, according to them, arose from a penchant for Russian antiques.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/europe/russia/6638561/Former-Olympics-chief-Juan-Antonio-Samaranch-linked-to-KGB-book-claims.html>

2966/09 -----

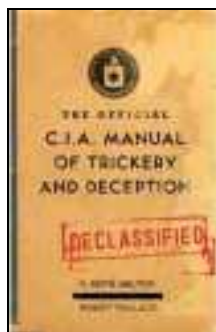
**West Germany's intelligence's best agent worked in KGB for 17 years**

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The former head of the West German secret services (1985-1990), Hans-Georg Wieck, was a guest of prestigious political magazine *Politique International*. He told at his presentation that the German secret services had its agents in all countries of the Socialist camp, including in the USSR. Their best agent has worked in the KGB for 17 years, but he was exposed and executed.

<http://www.axisglobe.com/news.asp?news=16007>

2967/09 -----

**CIA's Lost Magic Manual Resurfaces**



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At the height of the Cold War, the Central Intelligence Agency paid \$3,000 to renowned magician John Mulholland to write a manual on misdirection, concealment, and stagecraft. All known copies of the document - and a related paper, on conveying hidden signals - were believed to be destroyed in 1973. But recently, the manuals resurfaced, and have now been published as "The Official CIA Manual of Trickery and Deception." Topics include working a clandestine partner, slipping a pill into the drink of the unsuspecting, and "surreptitious removal of objects by women."

- (a) <http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2009/11/cias-lost-magic-manual-resurfaces/>
- (b) [http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/ideas/articles/2009/11/01/when\\_the\\_cia\\_tried\\_its\\_hand\\_at\\_magic/](http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/ideas/articles/2009/11/01/when_the_cia_tried_its_hand_at_magic/)



2968/09 -----

**US Naval Intell views Iran's Naval Forces (via FAS)**

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A new report from the U.S. Office of Naval Intelligence describes Iran's naval order of battle, as well as the Iranian Navy's history, strategic options, and favoured tactics.

"Today, Iran's naval forces protect Iranian waters and natural resources, especially Iran's petroleum-related assets and industries. Iranian maritime security operations guard against the smuggling of illegal goods (especially drugs) and immigrants, and protect against the poaching and stealing of fish in territorial waters."

The unclassified U.S. intelligence assessment was published on the Office of Naval Intelligence website, but last week it was abruptly withdrawn, along with another ONI report on China's navy. A copy of the report was obtained by Secrecy News. See "Iran's Naval Forces: From Guerilla (sic) Warfare to a Modern Naval Strategy," Fall 2009.

<http://www.fas.org/irp/agency/oni/iran-navy.pdf>

2969/09 -----

**Soviet and Warsaw Pact Military Journals**

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The CIA has declassified a huge amount of Soviet and Warsaw Pact Military Journals: From "Tank crossing under water in winter" to "Planning Nuclear-Missile Weapons utilization in a Front Offensive Operation".

[http://www.foia.cia.gov/Soviet\\_and\\_Warsaw\\_Pact\\_Military\\_Journals.asp](http://www.foia.cia.gov/Soviet_and_Warsaw_Pact_Military_Journals.asp)

2970/09 -----

**Counterintelligence (CI) Analysis and Production**

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The Defense CI Components shall produce analytic products to address the threat posed by espionage, international terrorism, subversion, sabotage, assassination, and covert activities. This includes other activities that have a foreign intelligence entity (FIE) nexus.

<http://cryptome.org/dodi/dodi-5240-18.pdf>



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**Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and its Primary Contractors**  
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The Defense Intelligence Agency has an estimated budget of \$1 billion and employs more than 11,000 military and civilian personnel, 35 percent of whom are contractors. It is the primary intelligence agency for the Pentagon and the Joint Chiefs of Staff, integrates all information available from intelligence units of the unified combatant commands, and ensures delivery of intelligence from spy satellites and surveillance planes to warfighters on the ground in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other battlegrounds. Despite DIA's recent award to a private consortium of a contract worth more than \$1 billion, the agency's officials insist: "We are not outsourcing intelligence analysis," says Donald Black, DIA chief of public affairs. "A full-time government employee maintains authority, direction, and control over the process and a senior analyst/leader reviews all analytical products." Several former high-ranking DIA officials have left government to work for contractors.

[http://www.crocodyl.org/spies\\_for\\_hire/defense\\_intelligence\\_agency\\_dia\\_and\\_its\\_primary\\_contractors](http://www.crocodyl.org/spies_for_hire/defense_intelligence_agency_dia_and_its_primary_contractors)



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**JIPSS rezensiert von H-Soz-u-Kult**  
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Angesichts der stiefmütterlichen Behandlung der Geschichte der Nachrichtendienste in Deutschland ist es überaus begrüßenswert, dass das „Austrian Center for Intelligence, Propaganda und Security Studies“ seit 2007 eine gleichnamige Fachzeitschrift publiziert, die zweimal im Jahr erscheint. Herausgegeben wird das JIPSS von Siegfried Beer, dem führenden österreichischen Intelligence-Experten, der an der Universität Graz lehrt und - dies verrät ein Blick auf das Advisory Board - international bestens vernetzt ist.

Das Organ versteht sich als ein Diskussionsforum für den weiten Bereich der Intelligence Studies. Da die Nachrichtendienste in ihrer modernen Form erst im 20. Jahrhundert entstanden sind, konzentrieren sich die Herausgeber vor allem auf Beiträge zur Zeitgeschichte, vor allem in erster Linie natürlich zur Geheimdienstgeschichte des Kalten Krieges - einem Feld, das vor allem von der britischen und amerikanischen Forschung besonders intensiv bearbeitet wird. Die 150 bis 200 Seiten starken Bände enthalten zu zwei Dritteln Essays und Aufsätze, das letzte Drittel umfasst Rezensionen, Interviews und eine nützliche Chronik über aktuelle Ereignisse der Nachrichtendienste.

Das JIPSS ist neben dem englischen Marktführer „Intelligence and National Security“ und dem in Deutschland erscheinenden „Journal of Intelligence History“ nunmehr die dritte westeuropäische Zeitschrift, die sich des Themas der Nachrichtendienste annimmt. Es dürfte vor allem für jüngere Forscher ein willkommenes Organ zur Publizierung ihrer Forschungsergebnisse sein und belegt ein beachtliches Interesse an der Nachrichtendienstgeschichte in Österreich. Aus deutscher Sicht ist zweifellos bemerkenswert, dass das JIPSS vom österreichischen Ministerium

für Wissenschaft und Forschung gefördert wird, was einmal mehr das international gestiegene Interesse an der Thematik unterstreicht.

<http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/rezensionen/id=12966&count=8357&recno=14&type=rezbuecher&sort=datum&order=down>



## CONFERENCES / LECTURES

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10. ACIPSS-Arbeitstagung am 4. Dezember 2009

# 10. ACIPSS-ARBEITSTAGUNG

## „GEHEIMDIENSTE IM (KALTEN) KRIEG“

Freitag, 4. Dezember 2009 10.00 – 17.00 Uhr

Kreisky-Forum Armbrustergasse 15, 1190 Wien

### PROGRAMM

10.00 – 12.30 Uhr

Moderation: Oliver Rathkolb/Gerhard Jagschitz

**Peter Pirker (Wien)**

Skepsis – Anpassung – Kooperation. Bruno Kreisky und andere Sozialdemokraten im Visier britischer Geheimdienste

**Forschen in Geheimdienstarchiven:**

Wien, Prag, Budapest, London, Moskau und Washington

**Erfahrungsberichte und Podiumsdiskussion**

anschließend Mittagspause

14.00 – 17.00 Uhr

Moderation: Siegfried Beer/Martin Moll

**Florian Traussnig (Graz)**

Der amerikanische Frontier-Mythos als propagandistische Waffe im Kalten Krieg. Der Fall Otto Schulmeister

**Robert Lackner (Graz/Wien)**

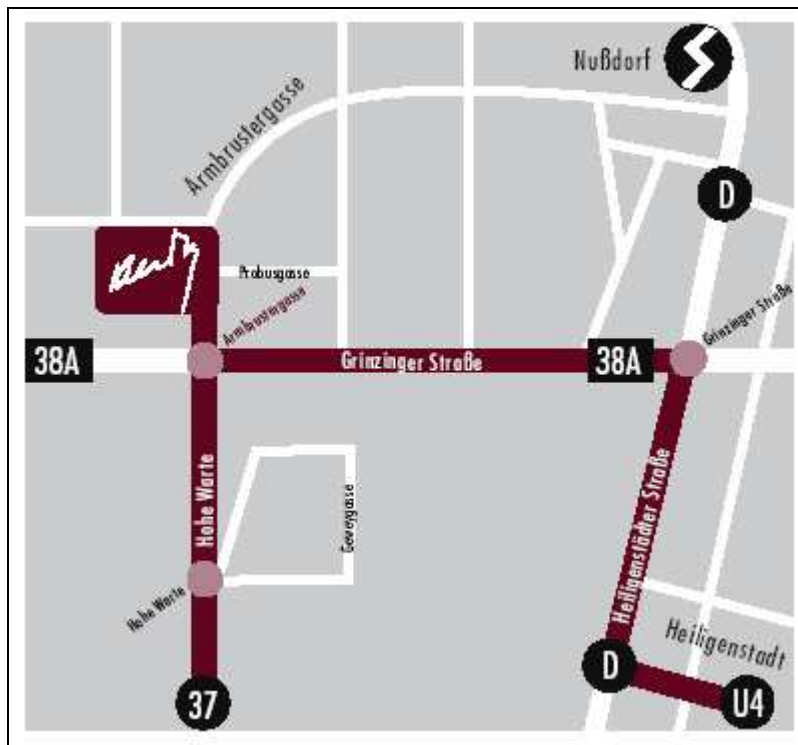
Zionistischer Terrorismus und Imperiale Antwort: Britische Geheimdienste in Palästina 1944-1948

**Martin Haidinger (Wien)**

Wilhelm Höttl – Intelligencer zwischen Spionage und Inszenierung

Die Bildung von Fahrgemeinschaften wird angeregt. Das Bruno Kreisky Forum ist auch mit öffentlichen Verkehrsmitteln zu erreichen:

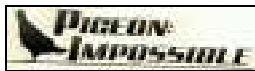
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- Straßenbahn D, anschließend 38A bis Haltestelle Armbrustergasse oder
- Straßenbahn 37 bis Endstelle Hohe Warte.



- (a) [www.acipss.org](http://www.acipss.org)
- (b) [http://www.kreisky-forum.org/web\\_deutsch/anfahrt.htm](http://www.kreisky-forum.org/web_deutsch/anfahrt.htm)

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**Spy Pigeon! (YouTube)**  
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Great short video about what would happen if pigeons got access to Top Secret information...

It is the tale of Walter, a rookie secret agent faced with a problem seldom covered in basic training: what to do when a curious pigeon gets trapped inside your multi-million dollar, government-issued nuclear briefcase. The film took nearly 5 years to complete and is the first attempt at animation by writer/director Lucas Martell: "When the project started, it was mostly an excuse to learn 3D animation, but by the end of the project I had spent so much time reworking and polishing the story that I just wanted people to laugh."

- (a) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jEjUAnPc2VA>
- (b) <http://www.pigeonimpossible.com/>



## MEDIA ALERTS

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### Media - alerts

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am Fr, 27.11. um 00:15 arte

Paris - Berlin, die Debatte - Thema: Wie viel Krieg verträgt der Frieden?  
Diskussion

Dauer: 65 min (a)

Beschreibung: Wie viel Krieg verträgt der Frieden? Angesichts des fortwährenden NATO-Einsatzes in Afghanistan stellen sich immer mehr Menschen in Deutschland und Europa diese Frage. Ist unsere Freiheit tatsächlich in Gefahr und ist die Strategie der NATO in Afghanistan sinnvoll? "Paris-Berlin, die Debatte" sucht Antworten auf diese aktuellen Fragen, die Gesellschaft und Politik spalten.

am Fr, 27.11. um 20:15 3sat

Hitlers Kampf um Autarkie - Der Führer trank keinen Muckefuck

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (b)

Beschreibung: Das "Dritte Reich" rüstete auf, mobilisierte die gesamte Bevölkerung, wurde in wenigen Jahren zur stärksten Macht Europas. Doch es gab eine Schwachstelle: Deutschland war abhängig von Rohstoffen aus dem Ausland. Für die geplanten Kriege war dies ein Damoklesschwert. Deshalb befahl Adolf Hitler schon sehr früh die Suche nach Alternativen für die knappen Rohstoffe. "Heimstoffe", gewonnen aus dem heimischen Boden, sollten dieses kriegswichtige Problem lösen. Die Erfahrungen aus dem Ersten Weltkrieg veranlassten Hitler, die NS-Wirtschaftspolitik auf Autarkie, "Blockadesicherheit" im Bereich der Roh- und Wertstoffversorgung, auszurichten. Für die Rüstungsproduktion waren Metalle von entscheidender Bedeutung, für einen späteren Krieg die Treibstoffversorgung. Aber auch an das Wohlergehen des Volks wurde gedacht: Da die Kolonien verloren waren, sollten Ersatzstoffe den exotischen Kaffee- oder Kakaogenuss liefern. Der berühmt-berüchtigte "Muckefuck" blieb vielen Deutschen noch lange nach Kriegsende in Erinnerung.

am Sa, 28.11. um 21:15 BR alpha

Die Schattenmacht - Organisierte Kriminalität als Bedrohung von Gesellschaft und Rechtsstaat

Reportage, Folge 2

Dauer: 30 min (c)

Beschreibung: Die Mafia wendet Gewalt an, tötet. Sie kontrolliert Politiker, Unternehmer, Richter. Auf der ganzen Welt ist sie verbreitet und nur schwer zu fassen. Sie bietet Jobs und Geld, während die Ermittler und Polizisten oft unterbezahlt sind.

am So, 29.11. um 22:15 Kabel eins

Abenteuer Leben - Thema: U.a.: In streng geheimer Mission - Der echte James Bond

Wissensmagazin

Dauer: 120 min (d)

Beschreibung: Was ist wirklich dran am Mythos "James Bond"? Wie viel Wahrheit steckt in dem Hollywood-Spion? Martin M. muss es wissen. Der Deutsche ist ehemaliger US-Marine mit besten Kontakten zu den

Geheimdiensten. Er weiß: Die Arbeit von echten Geheimagenten ist manchmal noch spektakulärer als im Film.

am So, 29.11. um 22:15 arte

Der Schatz des Hauses Atkin - Auf der Suche nach der eigenen Vergangenheit  
Dokumentation

Dauer: 55 min (e)

Beschreibung: Der Engländer Mark Atkin reist auf der Suche nach seiner jüdischen Vergangenheit und dem Familienschatz, von dem ihm sein Vater erzählt hatte, ins polnische Lodz. Jahrzehntlang hat dieser Schatz, den der Großvater Jack Atkin vor seiner Flucht vor den Deutschen im Garten vergraben hatte, seine Familie fasziniert. Mark Atkins Reise wird gleichzeitig eine Reise in die Vergangenheit seiner Familie und die Geschichte der europäischen Juden.

am So, 29.11. um 22:45 RTL

Frauen in Angst - Antonia Rados trifft die Opfer des Taliban-Terrors  
Reportage

Dauer: 55 min (f)

Beschreibung: Das einzige Verbrechen dieser Frauen: Sie widersetzen sich der strengen Ordnung der Taliban, indem sie arbeiten oder beim Aufbau des neuen Afghanistan helfen. Deshalb 'bestrafen' sie die radikalen Gotteskämpfer. So wurde Safia Amajan in der südafghanischen Stadt Kandahar hinterrücks getötet. Die Taliban bekannten sich aus dem Untergrund genauso zu dem Mord wie zur dem an bekannten Polizistinnen oder Lokalpolitikerinnen. Die weibliche Abgeordnete Zarghuna Kakar lebt seit einem Taliban-Attentat im Untergrund. RTL-Reporterin Antonia Rados dokumentiert in einer beeindruckenden Reportage die heimliche Rückkehr der Taliban.

am Mo, 30.11. um 17:40 arte

Mit Schirm, Charme und Melone: Stadt ohne Rückkehr  
Krimi-Serie

Dauer: 50 min (g)

Beschreibung: "Mit Schirm, Charme und Melone" löst das Agentenduo John Steed und Emma Peel die skurrilsten Fälle. Spionage, Science-Fiction, Krimi oder Komödie? ARTE zeigt die britische Kultserie "Mit Schirm, Charme und Melone" - im englischen Original "The Avengers" (Die Rächer) - aus den 60er Jahren mit Patrick Macnee und Diana Rigg in den Hauptrollen täglich von Montag bis Freitag um 17.40 Uhr.

am Mo, 30.11. um 21:00 Das Erste

Der Fall Ivan Demjanjuk: NS-Verbrechen vor Gericht  
Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (h)

Beschreibung: Am Montag, den 30. November 2009 beginnt vor dem Münchner Schwurgericht der vielleicht letzte große NS-Prozess in der Bundesrepublik. Angeklagt ist der in der Ukraine geborene Ivan Demjanjuk. Er ist mittlerweile 89 Jahre alt. Die Staatsanwaltschaft wirft ihm vor, als Wachmann in dem von der SS geführten Vernichtungslager Sobibor Beihilfe zum Mord an 27 900 Menschen geleistet zu haben. Die Angehörigen der Opfer erhoffen sich von dem Prozess Gerechtigkeit und Klarheit über das, was dort in den Jahren 1942/43 geschah. Der Film folgt den Spuren des Ivan Demjanjuk von seiner ukrainischen Heimat über das Kriegsgefangenenlager in Chelm bis zum Lager Trawniki, in dem er mutmaßlich zum SS-Helfer ausgebildet wurde.

am Mi, 02.12. um 21:00 arte

Stalins deutsche Elite - Techniker und Ingenieure aus Deutschland im goldenen Käfig

Dokumentation

Dauer: 50 min (i)

Beschreibung: Der Film erzählt die unglaubliche Geschichte des wohl größten Know-how-Transfers beziehungsweise -Kidnappings aller Zeiten. Schauplatz ist das von den Sowjets besetzte Ostdeutschland, Ausgangspunkt ist ein Stalin-Dekret vom 13. Mai 1946. Fünf Monate später, am 22. Oktober des Jahres 1946, soll der Befehl des Generalissimus schließlich vollstreckt werden. Ein Schicksalstag für Tausende ahnungslose deutsche Techniker und Ingenieure und deren Angehörige, die gezwungen werden, in der Sowjetunion zu arbeiten.

am Mi, 02.12. um 23:45 mdr

Vorstellung - Aus Archiven der Sowjetunion

Dokumentarfilm

Dauer: 80 min (j)

Beschreibung: Inspiriert von der Arbeit mit Archivmaterial legt Sergei Loznitsa einen neuen abendfüllenden Dokumentarfilm vor. "Vorstellung" arbeitet ausschließlich mit Sujets der Kinomagazine "Unser Land" und "Zeit vorwärts" aus den 1960er-Jahren, welches in den Archiven des St. Petersburger Dokumentarfilmstudios lagert. Entstanden ist ein Sammelbild vom Leben des sowjetischen Volkes, wie es in den Magazinen propagiert wurde. Verschiedene Aspekte der sowjetischen Gesellschaft werden thematisiert, wobei das Idealistische/Vorbildhafte und das Absurde des vorgefundenen Materials ineinander fließen.

- (a) <http://tv.intern.de/index.php?site=Detail&id=216-0-23277361&tvid=21ed50484bf60fcbd6d526305519adf3>
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- (c) <http://www.br-online.de/br-alpha/alpha-campus/alpha-campus-katholische-akademie-in-bayern-die-schattenmacht-ID1258968872408.xml>
- (d) [http://www.kabeleins.at/film\\_dvd/tv\\_programm/index.php?t=1259220138](http://www.kabeleins.at/film_dvd/tv_programm/index.php?t=1259220138)
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- (i) <http://tv.intern.de/index.php?site=Detail&id=216-0-23320301&tvid=21ed50484bf60fcbd6d526305519adf3>
- (j) <http://tv.intern.de/index.php?site=Detail&id=216-0-23370742&tvid=21ed50484bf60fcbd6d526305519adf3>

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