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0277/2010 -----
IRAN: Intel officer alleges link between Germany and opposition

First it was "Death to America." Then "Death to Israel" and "Death to England." Next up as a rallying cry for Iran's hardliners: "Death to Germany"?

A high-ranking Iranian intelligence officer told reporters in Tehran today of a link between Iran's opposition movement and European intelligence services, especially those of Germany, the western European state that is one of Iran's main foreign trade partners. State media quoted the unnamed deputy intelligence minister as saying two German diplomats, nicknamed "Yogi" and "Ingo," had been arrested in connection with recent demonstrations in the capital.

"These agents used to exchange confidential information with German diplomats in the parties held by the [German] Embassy," state television quoted him as saying. Iranian news agencies and state television also cited the official as saying an aide to opposition leader Mir-Hossein Mousavi had admitted to "connections with intelligence services of a European country," the Iranian Labor News Agency, or ILNA, reported.

<http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/babylonbeyond/2010/01/iran-intelligence-officer-alleges-link-between-germany-and-opposition.html>

0278/2010 -----

Experts: Terrorists turn to scaled-down attacks

The attempted Christmas Day bombing of an airliner over Detroit shows a new tactic is being used by foreign terrorists targeting the United States: staying small.

That's according to two top security experts who testified Tuesday before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs. They said an attack on the scale of Sept. 11, 2001, which involved dozens of al-Qaeda-trained hijackers and planners, would be much more difficult today, which they view as a sign of progress.

"The attacks in 2009 were solo performances. That indicates progress, at least in part," said Lee Hamilton, former vice chairman of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States. "It's more difficult for al-Qaida to organize larger attacks. Their capabilities have been diminished."

<http://detnews.com/article/20100127/NATION/1270372/Experts--Terrorists-turn-to-scaled-down-attacks>

0279/2010 -----

Turkey shifting toward radical Islam, says Israeli intel official

Turkey's recent diplomatic moves are indicative of its shift away from the West and toward radical Islam, Israel's chief intelligence official said, local media reported.

In his address to the Knesset's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, Israeli military intelligence Maj. Gen. Amos Yadlin linked the change in direction with the one-time allies' deteriorating relationship.

Without specifically mentioning the recent diplomatic spat involving Turkey's ambassador to Israel and the Israeli deputy foreign minister, Yadlin said: "Beyond the specific tension, one must understand that the distance between the two countries is more significant and is related to strategic topics and shared interests."

<http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/n.php?n=israeli-military-chief-says-turkey-shifting-toward-radical-islam-2010-01-20>



HOT SPOTS / WARS

0280/2010 -----

U.S. intelligence briefing: Taliban increasingly effective

A December 22 briefing, prepared by the top U.S. intelligence official in Afghanistan and obtained by CNN, maps out the strategy and strength of the Taliban and their allies in Afghanistan, and concludes that the Taliban insurgency in Afghanistan is increasingly effective.

The briefing, which warns that the "situation is serious," was prepared by Maj. Gen. Michael Flynn last month. His assessment is that the Taliban's "organizational capabilities and operational reach are qualitatively and geographically expanding" and the group is capable of much greater frequency of attacks and varied locations of attacks.

<http://www.cnn.com/2010/WORLD/asiapcf/01/25/afghanistan.taliban/>

0281/2010 -----

C.I.A. Deaths Prompt Surge in U.S. Drone Strikes

Since the suicide bombing that took the lives of seven Americans in Afghanistan on Dec. 30, the Central Intelligence Agency has struck back against militants in Pakistan with the most intensive series of missile strikes from drone aircraft since the covert program began.

Beginning the day after the attack on a C.I.A. base in Khost, Afghanistan, the agency has carried out 11 strikes that have killed about 90 people suspected of being militants, according to Pakistani news reports, which make almost no mention of civilian casualties. The assault has included strikes on a mud fortress in North Waziristan on Jan. 6 that killed 17 people and a volley of missiles on a compound in South Waziristan last Sunday that killed at least 20.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/01/23/world/asia/23drone.html>

0282/2010 -----

US special operatives in Haiti



U.S. Army divers Daniel Weber and Josh Palmer, both assigned to the 544th Engineer Dive Team, inspect a damaged pier in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Jan. 25, 2010. U.S. Military engineers are conducting salvage and repair operations in the main seaport in Port-au-Prince. U.S. Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Chris Lussier.

Source: www.cryptome.org



UNITED STATES

0283/2010 -----

FBI's Christmas bomber treatment may have cost terrorism intelligence

Lack of full communication between the Justice Department and other key members of the intelligence community immediately following the arrest of would-be airplane bomber Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab reveals counterterrorism officials in disarray during the Christmas Day incident.

Abdulmutallab was quickly funnelled into the civilian trial system by the FBI after he was arrested and taken from Northwest Flight 253 from Amsterdam to Detroit, where his attempt to blow up the plane with an underpants bomb was foiled by passengers and crew. According to one report, even after a brief consultation between Justice Department and U.S. intelligence officials, there was never any consideration about whether he would be tried in a civilian court or held for a military tribunal.

Reportedly, he made incriminating statements and described his activities and training in Yemen by an al-Qaida offshoot to U.S. Customs officers and later to an initial team of FBI agents who did not inform him of the rights of domestic criminal defendants.

<http://detnews.com/article/20100126/OPINION01/1260319/Editorial--FBI-s-Christmas-bomber-treatment-may-have-cost-terrorism-intelligence>

0284/2010 -----

Senate Republicans Allegedly Block Key Intelligence Nominations

Obama administration officials and Senate Democrats are complaining that Senate Republicans are secretly blocking approval of two nominees to key U.S. intelligence posts.

Following public hearings, the Senate intelligence committee last month approved the nominations of Caryn Wagner to become intelligence chief at the Homeland Security Department and Philip Goldberg to head the State Department's intelligence and research bureau. The intelligence committee's vote on both nominees was unanimous, meaning that every Democrat and every Republican member of the committee supported their confirmation by the full Senate.

<http://blog.newsweek.com/blogs/thegaggle/archive/2010/01/25/senate-republicans-allegedly-block-key-intelligence-nominations.aspx>

0285/2010 -----

A veteran intel operative on the American interrogation disaster

When retired Army Col. Stuart Herrington talks about intelligence, and especially about interrogation issues, I listen. His time in Vietnam was captured well in his book *Silence was a Weapon* also published under the title *Stalking the Vietcong*. He ran a secret interrogation operation on an island off the coast of Panama after the invasion of Panama, where, he says, much was learned about Noriega's relations with Cuba and the PLO. He

ran a similar secret operation after the 1991 Gulf War. In 2004, he was asked to look into U.S. intelligence operations in Iraq and produced a scathing report that, to my knowledge, has never been released. (As I understand it, the report wasn't classified, but only two copies were made of it.) To my knowledge, he was one of the first people to blow the whistle on Abu Ghraib and on the broader abuse of prisoners that was occurring in many locations in Iraq back then.

http://ricks.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2010/01/27/a_veteran_intelligence_operative_on_the_great_american_interrogation_disaster

0286/2010 -----

Louisiana Co-Conspirator Run Academic Program Funded by US Intel

One of four men arrested on Tuesday for attempting to interfere with the telephones at the New Orleans office of Sen. Mary Landrieu previously worked for a U.S. intelligence-funded program to train would-be American spies, Declassified has learned.

Between August 2007 and October 2008, Stanley Dai served as assistant director of a program called the Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence at Trinity Washington University, a small Catholic college in Washington D.C., according to a school official. The official, university vice president Ann Pauley, said that the program was completely funded by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. She said the purpose of the program was to expose both undergraduates and graduate students at the university to the work of the intelligence community and to prepare them for possible careers in intelligence. As a result of the program, Pauley said, the university established a master's degree program in intelligence and security studies. She added that the government grant funding the program ended in 2008.

<http://blog.newsweek.com/blogs/declassified/archive/2010/01/27/accused-louisiana-co-conspirator-helped-run-academic-program-funded-by-u-s-intelligence.aspx>

0287/2010 -----

Capabilities of U.S. intelligence agencies questioned

U.S. intelligence agencies set up after the September 11, 2001 attacks still have trouble with sharing information that could help them thwart plots like the one to blow up a U.S. airliner on Christmas Day, a senior counterterrorism official said on Wednesday.

President Barack Obama has taken ultimate responsibility for the intelligence failures that were exposed by the failed attempt to blow up a U.S. transatlantic passenger jet as it prepared to land in Detroit last month.

Congressional critics have singled out the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) and the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC), established as part of a sweeping intelligence overhaul after the September 11 attacks.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/idUSTRE60Q6SY20100127>

0288/2010 -----

Audio message from Osama bin Ladin

On Jan. 24, a voice purported to be that of Osama bin Laden claimed responsibility for the botched attempt to bring down Northwest Airlines Flight 253 on Christmas Day. The short one-minute and two-second audio statement, which was broadcast on Al Jazeera television, called the 23-year-old Nigerian suspect Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab a hero and threatened more attacks. The voice on the recording said the bombing attempt was in response to the situation in Gaza and that the United States can never dream of living in peace until Muslims have peace in the Palestinian territories. The speaker also said that attacks against the United States would continue as long as the United States continued to support Israel.

While the U.S. government has yet to confirm that the voice is that of bin Laden, Al Jazeera claims that the voice is indeed that of the al Qaeda leader. Bin Laden's health and welfare have been the topic of a lot of discussion and debate over the past several years, and many intelligence officials believe he is dead. Because of this, any time an audio recording purporting to be from bin Laden is released it receives heavy forensic scrutiny. Some technical experts believe that recent statements supposedly made by bin Laden have been cobbled together by manipulating portions of longer bin Laden messages that were previously recorded. It has been STRATFOR's position for several years that, whether bin Laden is dead or alive, the al Qaeda core has been marginalized by the efforts of the United States and its allies to the point where the group no longer poses a strategic threat.

http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100127_taking_credit_failure?utm_source=Weekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=100127&utm_content=readmore&elq=702d3ea821824bec8ed0801e116e11a

0289/2010 -----

Once bitten, US still seeks Pak-American spies

There's nothing secret or subtle about it. Uncle Sam is seeking spies, informers, linguists, and analysts from immigrant communities in the US to diversify its intelligence work force and tackle national security challenges.

Undeterred by the Headley-Gilani episode, Washington is sounding out Pakistani-Americans in the first round of recruitment, ostensibly because its intelligence agencies see Pakistan as the epicenter of international terrorism and a clear and present danger to the world community. David Headley aka Daood Gilani, a Pakistani-American suspected of involvement in the 26/11 Mumbai massacre, was reportedly an informant of the US Drug Enforcement Agency. Some analysts have suggested he was a double agent who betrayed US.

In an extraordinarily open and transparent recruitment drive, Dennis Blair, who as director of National Intelligence is the country's top intelligence czar, held a round-table discussion last week with the Pakistani-American community in Washington to seek their cooperation and offer jobs in US agencies.

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/world/us/Once-bitten-US-still-seeks-Pak-American-spies/articleshow/5493369.cms>

0290/2010 -----

CIA and Intelligence Community Mythologies

It is time for serious soul-searching regarding the role of the CIA and the intelligence community. Last month's operational and intelligence failures led to the deaths of seven CIA officers in Afghanistan and might have resulted in nearly 300 deaths on a Northwest Airlines plane headed for Detroit.

It is particularly shocking that President Barack Obama's chief of counterterrorism, John Brennan, conceded that the latter failure was caused by the fact that there was "no one intelligence entity or team or task force assigned responsibility for doing a follow-up investigation" of the considerable intelligence that was collected. It is unbelievable that the president had to order the creation of a system for tracking threat reports. The failures beg the question of what have we learned since 9/11.

<http://www.truthout.org/cia-and-intelligence-community-mythologies56319>

0291/2010 -----

US sought 'national security' clause to keep bailout details secret

US officials in charge of regulating securities exchanges sought to apply a 'national security' clause to information relating to the government's bailout of giant insurance company American International Group (AIG). Emails obtained by Reuters show that, in November of 2008, the New York Federal Reserve (NYFR), which administered the bailout, collaborated with AIG in requesting that US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) officials apply "special security procedures" to shield bailout-related information from public scrutiny. Instead of dismissing the -possibly illegal- request, SEC officials advised NYFR and AIG to publicly file heavily redacted versions of the documents in question, and request "confidential treatment" for the redacted portions, citing 'national security' clauses.

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/01/28/01-375/>

0292/2010 -----

NASA Spy's Israel Ties Deeper Than Initially Thought

NEW COURT DOCUMENTS SHOW THAT Stewart David Nozette, an American scientist arrested for attempted espionage during an FBI sting last October, had deeper ties to Israel than initially believed. Nozette, a former employee of the US National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) was arrested for attempting to share classified US government data with an undercover FBI officer posing as a handler of Israeli intelligence agency Mossad.

At the time of Nozette's arrest, the US Justice Department argued for keeping him in jail, as he "might flee to Israel if not confined". Interestingly, however, US officials said at the time that Israel had no role in Nozette's attempted espionage, and the FBI's own indictment admitted that the Bureau "does not allege that the government of Israel or anyone acting on its behalf committed any offense under US laws in this case".

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/about/latest-news-analysis/content/analysis025/>

0293/2010 -----

Military Outsources Rescue Ops

In the American military, few missions are considered more important than rescuing missing or kidnapped troops. So it's more than a little odd that U.S. forces in Iraq have decided to outsource that operation to a private company. The military's Joint Contracting Command-Iraq/Afghanistan on Sunday handed out a one year, \$11.3 million, no-bid contract to Blackbird Technologies Inc., declaring that the firm was "the only contractor that can currently provide the subject matter expertise needed" for personnel rescue operations.

It's hardly the first military contract for Virginia-based Blackbird, originally founded in 1997 as an Internet security firm. In August, Blackbird won a massive, \$450 million contract from the U.S. Navy to provide "tagging, tracking and locating" gear and training to a wide swath of military units. In addition, Blackbird is currently assisting the armed forces in "locating people held captive or hostage under duress and assessing enemy vulnerabilities." U.S. forces say they need the company to continue to "provid[e] staff and mission area expertise for PR [personnel recovery] operations, serve as a fusion nexus for intelligence operations to support PR, and operational oversight for subordinate operations." In addition, the military expects Blackbird to provide everything from "crisis action planning" to "non-attributable internet research."

<http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2010/01/military-outsources-hostage-rescue-to-virginia-firm/>

0294/2010 -----

FBI wiretaps broke the law thousands of times from 2002 to 2006

Considering the extent of illegal domestic telephone surveillance practiced by US intelligence agencies after 9/11, the disclosure of yet another wiretap scandal can hardly surprise anyone. But the latest revelation by The Washington Post points to an alarming collusion between FBI agents, their supervisors, as well as telephone industry employees, all of whom consciously disregarded even the severely lax standards of the USA PATRIOT Act. The paper says it acquired several internal FBI memos (.pdf), through "a government employee outside the FBI, who gained access to them". These memos appear to show widespread abuse of more than 2,000 US telephone call records (but not content, it appears), which FBI agents obtained between 2002 and 2006, by presenting telephone companies with fake National Security Letters (NSLs).

- (a) <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/01/25/01-374/>
- (b) http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/investigative/documents/nsl_documents_full_011910.pdf

0295/2010 -----

Defense official's mom introduced him to Chinese spy

The mother of a high-ranking U.S. Department of Defense official introduced him to the Chinese spy he's convicted of providing classified information to, court documents said.

James Wilbur Fondren, the former deputy director of the U.S. Pacific Command Washington Liaison Office, was introduced to Chinese spy Tai Shen Kuo by his mother in 1996 while visiting her in Louisiana. In 1997, Fondren began "consulting" for Kuo, a Taiwanese businessman, eventually handing

over classified information. Prosecutors have asked U.S. District Judge Claude Hilton to send James Fondren to prison for up to eight years when he's sentenced Friday.

http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/local/crime/Defense-official_s-mom-introduced-him-to-Chinese-spy_-court-documents-say-82294667.html



0296/2010 -----

Ukraine's Election and the Russian Resurgence

Ukrainians go to the polls Feb. 7 to choose their next president. The last time they did this, in November 2004, the result was the prolonged international incident that became known as the Orange Revolution. That event saw Ukraine cleaved off from the Russian sphere of influence, triggering a chain of events that rekindled the Russian-Western Cold War. Next week's runoff election seals the Orange Revolution's reversal. Russia owns the first candidate, Viktor Yanukovich, outright and has a workable agreement with the other, Yulia Timoshenko. The next few months will therefore see the de facto folding of Ukraine back into the Russian sphere of influence; discussion in Ukraine now consists of debate over the speed and depth of that reintegration.

http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100125_ukraines_election_and_russian_resurgence?utm_source=GWeekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=100126&utm_content=readmore&elq=bd097c4df965496c9724cc2eb0a3f09e

0297/2010 -----

Lukashneka turned KGB into Okhranka

Alyaksandr Lukashenka carried out a reshuffle in the KGB (State Security Committee), having changed deputy chairmen of the committee and heads of departments in the regions.

"Firstly, all these moves, reorganizations and appointments this year are viewed by me from only one position: the election is approaching," said in an interview to "Belarusian Partisan" a retired KGB lieutenant colonel Valery Kostka. "All these events should be seen through the perspective of the elections. Those who do not suit the regime in some way are replaced, and more reliable are coming to their place. But recently I do not see indications that it is done due their professionalism. That is why these people are likely to be more devoted to the leader.

And secondly, systematic destruction of special service is taking place, which started with Matskevich's discharge. In fact, the special service, the KGB, has cross somebody's path and it is being simply liquidated. It is dangerous for the society as well, as secret services are used not for the good of the society, but for the good of a concrete group or a person. But it is preserved as performing functions of a secret service like in any state, and professionals are working in it. And now tank officers, border guards and anyone but professionals who were trained intelligence and counterintelligence, have started to be in command".

<http://www.charter97.org/en/news/2010/1/23/25658/>



FAR EAST & ASIA

0298/2010 -----

India: Terror group Lashkar-e-Taiba 'planning paraglider attacks'

Indian intelligence officials suspect that the terrorist group behind the 2008 Mumbai attacks is planning another audacious strike on the country – this time from the air, using suicide bombers flying paragliders.

U. K. Bansal, an Indian Home Ministry official, told reporters that the Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba faction was thought to have acquired a number of the gliding parachutes. "We have intelligence reports that LeT has purchased 50 paragliding kits from Europe with an intention to launch attacks on India," he said.

No other details were given, but security levels have been hiked across the country ahead of tomorrow's Republic Day celebrations, one of India's biggest holidays. If accurate, the intelligence would mark a radical new tactic. Experts said the potential threat posed by jihadist paragliders would have to be considered seriously as LeT – which murdered 166 people in Mumbai in a sophisticated commando-style raid – has already proven itself highly innovative.

<http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/asia/article7000876.ece?print=yes>

0299/2010 -----

Two ISI agents sentenced for spying

Two agents of Pakistani intelligence agency ISI were sentenced to ten and five years of rigorous imprisonment for spying in India.

Adil Anjum Nazir Ahmed and Abdul Shakur Hafiz, the convicts, were sentenced to ten and five years of rigorous imprisonment respectively by additional sessions court in Bhuj. Additional Session Judge A M Bhimani also slapped fine of Rs 38,000 and Rs 28,000 on them.

http://www.ptinews.com/news/476371_Two-ISI-agents-sentenced-for-spying



EUROPE (GEOGRAPH.)

0300/2010 -----

Trial begins of Spaniard charged with spying for Russia

The trial began in Spain on Monday of a suspected double agent charged with endangering national security by selling confidential information to Russia. Roberto Florez, a former agent of the National Intelligence Centre (CNI), faces up to 12 years in prison if found guilty of treason.

If he is only found guilty of revealing secrets, he could be handed a sentence of up to four years. Florez' lawyer Manuel Olle denied the charges against his client, pledging to seek his acquittal on entering the courthouse in Madrid. Florez worked with the CNI from 1991 to 2004.

<http://www.earthtimes.org/articles/show/305625,trial-begins-of-spaniard-charged-with-spying-for-russia--update,trial-begins-of-spaniard-charged-with-spying-for-russia--update.html>

0301/2010 -----

CIA-Gefängnisse in Litauen: Ermittlungen gegen Ex-Geheimdienstchefs

Die Generalstaatsanwaltschaft in Vilnius hat gegen drei ehemalige Spitzenbeamte des litauischen Geheimdienstes VSD Voruntersuchungen eingeleitet. Die Ermittlungen richten sich gegen die beiden früheren VSD-Chefs Mecys Laurinkus und Arvydas Pocius sowie dessen Stellvertreter Dainius Dabasinskas.

Ihnen wird vorgeworfen, die politische Führung des Landes über die Zusammenarbeit des VSD mit dem US-Geheimdienst CIA im Bezug auf die Bereitstellung von Standorten für ein oder mehrere Geheimgefängnisse nicht oder nicht ausreichend informiert zu haben. Das Vorverfahren der Staatsanwaltschaft wurde laut der baltischen Nachrichtenagentur BNS auf Basis eines parlamentarischen Beschlusses bereits vergangene Woche eingeleitet.

- (a) <http://derstandard.at/1263705990611/CIA-Gefaengnisse-in-Litauen-Ermittlungen-gegen-Ex-Geheimdienstchefs>
- (b) <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748703699204575016694147795522.html>

(Special thanks to Dieter BACHER for this info !)



0302/2010 -----

Pressure on Blair as he makes final stand on Iraq

This week Tony Blair appears before the Chilcot inquiry. In recent weeks the panel members have begun to close in on the key questions - the legality of the war, and the strong emphasis placed on the intelligence about Iraq's weapons.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2010/jan/24/blair-chilcot-inquiry>

0303/2010 -----

US intelligence and London conference trigger new MI5 terror alert

Intelligence from America that an al-Qaeda-affiliated group is close to finalising preparations for another atrocity, along with a conference on

Yemen and Afghanistan in London this week, led MI5 to raise the terrorist threat level in Britain.

Although counter-terrorism agencies believe that an attack is "highly likely", government officials have said that it is not imminent. The decision to raise the level from substantial to severe was approved by the Government's Cobra emergency committee and announced by Alan Johnson, the Home Secretary, on Friday.

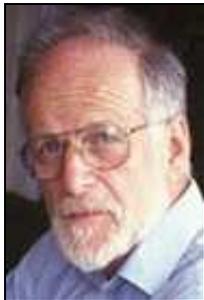
David Miliband, the Foreign Secretary, speaking after the tape said to be from bin Laden emerged, said he believed that "a significant part of the al-Qaeda senior leadership" had been killed. He added: "The danger remains very real. It remains the case that we need to be extremely vigilant.

- (a) <http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/uk/article7000874.ece>
- (b) <http://www.presstv.ir/detail.aspx?id=116970§ionid=351020601>

0304/2010 -----

Uproar as UK government classifies details of weapon expert's death

Biological weapons expert Dr. David Kelly is bound to increase, after a senior state official secretly ordered that details of his death be kept secret for 70 years. Dr. Kelly, a British Ministry of Defense scientist, who had been employed by the United Nations as a weapons inspector, caused a major stir by becoming one of the sources of a 2003 BBC report disputing the British government's claim that Iraq could deploy chemical or biological weapons at 45 minutes' notice. He was later called to appear before a Parliamentary committee investigating the government's claims about Iraq's purported 'weapons of mass destruction'.



But on July 18, 2003, four days after appearing before the committee, Dr. Kelly's was found dead at a wooded area near his home. An official government inquiry, chaired by Lord Hutton, ruled that the scientist had committed suicide, prompting waves of protests by Dr. Kelly's family, colleagues, medical experts, and members of the public.

It now appears that Lord Hutton has issued a secret order barring for 70 years the release into the public domain of all records on Dr. Kelly's death, including photographic evidence, as well as most-mortem and other medical reports. The move, which British newspaper The Daily Mail described as "draconian" and "highly unusual", surprised observers who say they cannot find any mention of it in the public record.

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/01/26/02-259/>



GERMANY

0305/2010 -----

Thirty Thousand Chinese Spies in Germany?

According to Global Times, the Google case has not closed yet. Google argued it had been attacked in China, and Bundesamt für Verfassungsschutz

(BfV, Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution, Germany) stated, "German companies have been attacked by Chinese spies just like Google." In addition, officials from Germany suspect thirty thousand of Chinese residents residing in Germany are spies, and call them "spies hiding behind the scenes."

Handelsblatt, which is the leading German commercial economy newspaper, published on January 16, the warning from the BfV, and claimed that German companies have been facing attacks from China. When an official of the BfV was interviewed he said, "Since 2005 China has sent spies to Germany, and now 60 percent of industrial spies residing in Germany are Chinese."

<http://www.koreaittimes.com/story/6804/thirty-thousand-chinese-spies-germany>



AUSTRIA

0306/2010 -----

Krimi um Kasachenspione wird fortgesetzt

Der Agententhriller um den kasachischen Ex-Botschafter Rakhat Alijew geht weiter. Obwohl ein Landsmann Alijews, Ildar A., von Spionagevorwürfen freigesprochen wurde, kämpft der Wiener Staatsanwalt Hans-Peter Kronawetter weiter: Er bringt eine Nichtigkeitsbeschwerde gegen das Urteil ein.

A. wird vorgeworfen, drei Männer bei der - gescheiterten - Entführung des kasachischen Ex-Geheimdienstchefs Alnur Mussajew unterstützt zu haben. Mussajew ist Vertrauter von Ex-Botschafter Alijew. Auch Letzterer steht im Visier: Gegen ihn (er wurde in seiner Heimat wegen Entführung und anderer Delikte in Abwesenheit zu 20 Jahren Haft verurteilt) läuft schon das zweite Auslieferungsverfahren. Ein erstes war von Wien abgelehnt worden.

http://diepresse.com/home/panorama/oesterreich/534858/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/panorama/oesterreich/index.do



AMERICA (CONTINENTAL)

0307/2010 -----

Chavez says that CIA report is a "declaration of war"

Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez said on Wednesday that the concerns expressed by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in its report about Venezuela in the World Factbook represent a "declaration of war."

The "CIA World Factbook", which features information about all the countries in the world, considers that Hugo Chavez's Administration

"purports to alleviate social ills while at the same time attacking globalisation and undermining regional stability."

"The first two things are true," Chavez said at an official event. "We are alleviating the great ills that capitalism left as a heavy burden on (the shoulders) of the Venezuelan people," he stated.

http://english.eluniversal.com/2010/01/21/en_pol_esp_chavez-says-that-cia_21A3318173.shtml

0308/2010 -----

Venezuela silent as Colombia expels two alleged spies

On Tuesday, the Colombian government announced the expulsion of two alleged Venezuelan intelligence agents, reportedly for conducting espionage operations on Colombian soil. The two, Jose Vicente Marquez and Diego Jose Palomino, were nabbed by counterintelligence agents of Colombia's Administrative Department of Security (DAS) in the northwest city of Valledupar, just a few miles from the Colombian-Venezuelan border. The two were reportedly found in possession of video footage of homes and vehicles, as well as "other types of material", which so far remains unspecified.

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/01/23/01-373/>



AUSTRALIA

0309/2010 -----

Australia recruits cybersecurity experts

The Ministry of Defense will recruit 130 cybersecurity experts within five years on top of the 51 who work at its new operations center.

The announcement was made by Defense Minister John Faulkner as he opened the doors of the new Cyber Security Operations Center within the Defense Signals Directorate building in the capital Canberra for the first time to journalists. The recruits will be IT engineers, programmers and analysts, many of whom will move from the DSD.

Also working at the center will be representatives from the Defense Intelligence Organization, Australia's military, scientists from the Defense Science and Technology Organization and the domestic spy agency the Australian Security Intelligence Organization.

http://www.upi.com/Business_News/Security-Industry/2010/01/21/Australia-recruits-cybersecurity-experts/UPI-66471264091354/



AFRICA (SUB-SAHARA)

0310/2010 -----

U.S. intelligence deeply involved in aiding Yemen on strikes

U.S. military teams and intelligence agencies are deeply involved in secret joint operations with Yemeni troops who in the past six weeks have killed scores of people, among them six of 15 top leaders of a regional al-Qaeda affiliate, according to senior administration officials.

The operations, approved by President Obama and begun six weeks ago, involve several dozen troops from the U.S. military's clandestine Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), whose main mission is tracking and killing suspected terrorists. The American advisers do not take part in raids in Yemen, but help plan missions, develop tactics and provide weapons and munitions. Highly sensitive intelligence is being shared with the Yemeni forces, including electronic and video surveillance, as well as three-dimensional terrain maps and detailed analysis of the al-Qaeda network.

- (a) <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/01/26/AR2010012604239.html>
- (b) <http://www.reuters.com/article/idUSTRE60Q5KA20100127>



THE CYBER BATTLEFIELD / CIVIL RIGHTS

0311/2010 -----

Cyber Crime Called Out as 'Clear and Present Danger'

Survey numbers do not lie, nor do they always tell the whole story, which is precisely the focal point of a new report about the prevalence and seriousness of the threat of cyber crime, issued today by Deloitte's new Center for Security & Privacy Solutions (the Center).

In "Cyber Crime: A Clear and Present Danger," Deloitte offers a markedly different interpretation of the results of the 2010 Cyber Security Watch Survey, also released today, which was conducted by CSO Magazine and in partnership with the U.S. Secret Service and the Carnegie Mellon Software Engineering Institute (CERT), and sponsored by Deloitte. More than 500 IT security and law enforcement professionals from the private and public sector provided responses.

Among the key findings, the survey reports a decrease in cyber crime victims (60 percent vs. 66 percent in 2007). Deloitte, however, believes the majority of cyber crime attacks may be going undetected, as organizations focus their security efforts on preventing hackers, resulting in a false sense of security, perhaps even complacency, driven by non-agile security tools and processes. As a result, organizations may face significant risk exposure, including exposure to financial losses,

regulatory violations, data breach liabilities, damage to brand, and loss of client and public confidence.

<http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/cyber-crime-called-out-as-clear-and-present-danger-by-deloitte-new-center-for-security--privacy-solutions-82601377.html>

0312/2010 -----

Chinese spies@work

THE official Google blog did not pull any punches. 'In mid-December, we detected a highly sophisticated and targeted attack on our corporate infrastructure originating from China that resulted in the theft of intellectual property from Google.'

The blog said Google had evidence that a goal of the attackers was to compromise the Gmail accounts of Chinese human rights activists and of activists in the United States and Europe with a specific interest in China.

It also noted that at least 20 other large companies - from the internet, finance, technology, media and chemical sectors - were targeted at the same time as Google.

<http://www.theage.com.au/world/spieswork-20100121-mo6u.html>

0313/2010 -----

Analysis: The meaning of China's cyber-attack on Google

Google's recent decision to close down its venture business in China, after its operations there repeatedly came under cyber-attack, has received plenty of media attention. But most non-experts find it difficult to understand why these cyber-attacks were important enough to cause Google to abandon what is admittedly one of the world's most lucrative online user markets. An excellent analysis in The New York Times explains the significance and meaning of the cyber-attacks.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/01/20/technology/20code.html>

0314/2010 -----

Hillary Rodham Clinton's Remarks on Internet Freedom

The Chinese have accused the US government of hypocrisy in criticizing Beijing for its alleged role in organized hacking attacks, which recently drove Google to abandon its operations in China. Speaking last Thursday, US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton argued that "[c]ountries or individuals that engage in cyberattacks should face consequences and international condemnation". But a subsequent editorial in government-owned The People's Daily essentially said that China is not the only country that engages in cyberwarfare; the US does it too. Is this true? Most likely, yes.

- (a) analysis: <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/01/27/01-376/>
- (b) <http://www.state.gov/secretary/rm/2010/01/135519.htm>

0315/2010 -----

Hacker zapfen US-Ölfirmen an - Spur nach China

Hacker haben einem Zeitungsbericht zufolge amerikanische Ölfirmen massiv attackiert, um an hochsensible Daten zu kommen.

Wie der «Christian Science Monitor» am Montag berichtete, hätten sich die Datendiebe bei mindestens drei Firmen Informationen über Funde des begehrten Rohstoffs gestohlen. Mindestens eine Spur der besonders intelligenten Angriffe führe nach China, sagten Eingeweihte dem Blatt. Es wäre ein weiterer in einer Reihe von Spionagevorwürfen der USA an Peking.

Betroffen seien die Ölriesen ExxonMobil, Marathon Oil und ConocoPhillips. Alle drei Firmen hätten seit 2008 zwar von den Computerattacken gewusst, seien sich bis zu den jüngsten Warnungen der US-Bundespolizei FBI jedoch nicht über das Ausmaß der Spionage bewusst gewesen. Unter den gestohlenen Daten seien Passwörter für E-Mails, Internetbriefe und andere Informationen.

<http://www.zeit.de/newsticker/2010/1/26/iptc-bdt-20100125-814-23661454xml>



SPYCRAFT

0316/2010 -----

CIA Contractor Now Flying Spy Drone Over Haiti

A controversial CIA contractor has found new work in Haiti, flying drones on disaster recovery duty.

When last we heard from Evergreen International Aviation, the Oregon-based firm was offering to post sentries at local voting centers during the 2008 election, "detaining troublemakers" and making sure voters "do not get out of control." Now, company vice president Sam White tells Aviation Week that the firm is flying at least one ScanEagle surveillance drone over Haiti. "The company has a fleet of 747s and a fleet of large and small choppers, and has begun ferrying in supplies to Port au Prince," the magazine's Paul McLeary notes. "White wouldn't say who the company is moving cargo for, saying only that 'we're working with different agencies, and we have one plane coming in tomorrow full of humanitarian supplies.'"

<http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2010/01/cia-contractor-now-flying-spy-drone-over-haiti/>



INTELL HISTORY

0317/2010 -----

Canada's Ambassador to Tehran Was a CIA Spy, Globe Reports

Canada's ambassador to Tehran from 1977 to 1980, Ken Taylor, who helped hide U.S. embassy personnel during the Iranian revolution, was a spy for the Central Intelligence Agency, the Globe and Mail reported.

Taylor won widespread U.S. gratitude and became the "de facto CIA station chief" in Tehran after Iranian students seized the U.S. embassy in 1979, taking 63 people hostage, the Globe said, citing an interview with the former ambassador.

Taylor's intelligence-gathering activities, which included helping plan an armed incursion into Iran, were kept secret by agreement between the Canadian and U.S. governments, the newspaper said.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601082&sid=aJ2Dt3SZNXhg>

0318/2010 -----

1979 Teheran embassy crisis: Canada's ambassador was 'CIA asset'

Canadian ambassador's huge risks in 1979 crisis deemed necessity: American lives were felt to be in such danger after the 1979 seizure of the U.S. embassy in Iran that Ottawa judged it inconceivable not to offer every assistance possible, including authorizing Canadian diplomats in Tehran to collect military intelligence for Washington.

One of Canada's foremost experts on international relations said the ambassador, Ken Taylor, took considerable risks in running an espionage operation that was helping the United States to plan a commando raid on Iran - risks that included allowing a U.S. Central Intelligence Agency operative to work from the Canadian embassy.

"But the physical threat to those people was so real," said Janice Stein, director of University of Toronto's Munk Centre for International Studies.

- (a) <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/spying-in-iran-spurred-by-threat-to-us-lives/article1442567/>
- (b) <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/01/26/01-371/>

0319/2010 -----

Korea: The Spy Within

Lee, a former North Korean senior cadre with the state's propaganda outlet, the Korean Central News Agency, defected to the South in 1967. Five months later, the South Korean spy agency recruited him as its own agent.

When Lee attempted to flee to a third country, the South's spy agency nabbed him, charging him a double spy and executed him. Lee's niece was also imprisoned for over 20 years on charges of helping the North Korean spy. Last month, a South Korean court ordered the government to pay 6.8 billion won in damages to her for false charges.

http://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2010/01/113_59548.html

0320/2010 -----

Unmanned aerial systems (UASs) in Joint Air Warfare

Unmanned aerial systems (UASs) like the Predator drone, which are increasingly in demand for U.S. military missions in Afghanistan and elsewhere, involve challenges to mission control, according to a new Pentagon publication on joint air operations (pdf).

"Recent operations have demonstrated that UASs can be critical to the success of dynamic targeting missions and prosecution of targets of opportunity (unplanned, unanticipated) or TSTs [time sensitive targets]."

However, "UAS communication links are generally more critical than for manned systems, relying on a nearly continuous stream of communications for both flight control and payload for mission success. Therefore, communications security, and specifically bandwidth protection (from both friendly interference and adversary action), is imperative."

<http://www.fas.org/irp/doddir/dod/jp3-30.pdf>

0321/2010 -----

The Future of American Power in a Multipolar World

The global commons - sea, airspace, space and cyberspace - form the backbone of the international economy and political order in ways that few appreciate or realize.

The Contested Commons capstone report, authored by CNAS Fellow Abraham M. Denmark and Dr. James Mulvenon, provides an overview of the future of American power in a multipolar world. The authors advocate that the United States renew its commitment to the global commons by pursuing three mutually supporting objectives: build global regimes that preserve the openness of the commons; engage pivotal actors that have the will and ability to protect and sustain them; and develop the hard-power tools and capabilities necessary for the United States to defend the global commons.

http://www.cnas.org/files/documents/publications/CNAS%20Contested%20Commons%20Capstone_0.pdf

0322/2010 -----

Warning from Harvard study on WMD terror

A new research paper by a retired Central Intelligence Agency officer assesses years of work by Al Qaeda terrorists to acquire weapons of mass destruction, and to devise the deadliest ways to put them to use. (a)

The study, published today, is by Rolf Mowatt-Larssen, a senior fellow at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at the Kennedy School of Government. Mowatt-Larssen retired last year after a career including service as Director of Intelligence and Counterintelligence at the U.S. Department of Energy, and before that 23 years as a CIA intelligence officer in various domestic and international posts.

He provides a detailed chronology of relentless efforts by Al Qaeda from 1988 to 2003 to get and use chemical and biological weapons including ricin and anthrax, and, most worrying, nuclear weapons. Most of the details he cites have been reported before, but Mowatt-Larssen assembles the evidence in a fashion that leaves little doubt that Al Qaeda operatives would not hesitate to launch attacks that could kill tens or even hundreds of thousands of Americans if they could pull off such an attack. (b)

- (a) study: <http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/files/al-qaeda-wmd-threat.pdf>
- (b) commentary: http://www.boston.com/news/world/worldly_boston/2010/01/warning_from_harvard_study_on.html

0323/2010 -----

Periodical Review of new jihadist literature - Jan 2010 N°2

This report summarizes the most prominent events posted on the Jihadi online forums in the first half of January 2010. Among the central topics appearing in this issue are:

- The suicide bombing of Abu Dajana Al-Khorasani (Hummam Khalil Al-Balawi) at the CIA base in Afghanistan
- A third issue of the Jihadi magazine "Al-Mushtaqun Ila Al-Jannah" (Those yearning for Heaven)
- The leader of the Taliban movement in Pakistan, HakimAllah Mahsud, survived an aerial assault
- AQAP's military leader, Qasem Al-Rimi, was killed in an aerial attack
- Yemen has reinforced security alongside its coast, around Aden Bay, the Arab Sea and the Red Sea
- Jihad activists declaring the North Africa region, Algeria, Mauritania, Mali and Morocco as the "Islamic Emirate of the Sahara"
- "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement threatens to send fighters to Yemen via the sea to help in the battle against "the enemies of Allah"

http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf

0324/2010 -----

Pakistan, Radicalization of the Jihadist Movement, Challenge to China

Political Islam has always been a reality in Pakistan since its birth in 1947. It is likely that political Islam exhibits a greater influence on the country's overall Muslim population than the myriad of extremist groups combined. The clearest manifestation of political Islam is within the creation of the Jama'at al-Islami (JI), Pakistan's first and largest political party founded by the late Maulana Mawdudi (1903-79), a Sunni Pakistani theologian, political philosopher, and influential 20th century Islamic revivalist whose work on Islamic resurgence and doctrine defines the group's activities and membership

<http://ict.org.il/Articles/tabid/66/Articlsid/802/currentpage/1/Default.aspx>

0325/2010 -----

Project Grey Goose Report on Critical Infrastructure

This Project Grey Goose investigation was launched on October 16, 2009 to answer the question of whether there has been any successful hacker attacks against the power grid, both domestically and internationally.

Today, January 21, 2010, we are able to answer that question. Our Key Findings are particularly relevant now as Smart Grid research and development ramps up and implementation of Smart Grid technology occurs across the globe.

<http://www.scribd.com/doc/25550091/Proj-Grey-Goose-report-on-Critical-Infrastructure-Attacks-Actors-and-Emerging-Threats>

0326/2010 -----

The Lessons and Implications of the Christmas Day Attack

Statement for the Record by Dennis C. Blair (Director of National Intelligence) and Michael E. Leiter (Director of the National Counterterrorism Center), 20 January 2010, before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: "Intelligence Reform: The Lessons and Implications of the Christmas Day Attack"

<http://cryptome.org/peep012010.pdf>

0327/2010 -----

U.S. Government Translation of Islamic Terrorist Explosive Manual

This technical document covers a number of important subjects related to chemistry and explosives. It is translated as is without verification of the content, the scientific formulas, illustration, and figures. There are a few errors in the original document and the translation reflects the integrity of the original document in spite of the errors. It does not reflect the opinion of the translator.

<http://info.publicintelligence.net/IslamicTerroristExplosivesManual.pdf>



0328/2010 -----

Journal for Intelligence Propaganda and Security Studies Vol 3 No 2



Die aktuelle Ausgabe des Journal for Intelligence Propaganda and Security Studies (JIPSS Vol 3 No 2 / 2009) wurde letzte Woche an die Redaktion geliefert.

Aus dem Inhalt:

- Menschen- und Bürgerrechtsverletzungen durch Geheimdienste, by Wolfgang Krieger
- NATO gets Better Intelligence, by Friedrich W. Korkisch
- Der amerikanische Frontier-Mythos als Propaganda: Der Fall Otto Schulmeister, by Florian Traussnig
- Dangers From Biological Weapons in Austria, by Hans Ditrich

Abo- und Einzelheftbestellungen: <http://www.acipss.org/journal.htm>

ACIPSS-Newsletter-Kommentar: *Man kann von Wikipedia halten, was man will, es ist de facto zu einem der am häufigsten frequentierten Internet-Informationsportale geworden. Umso erfreulicher ist es, dass beim Eintrag „Nachrichtendienst“ (Weitergeleitet von Geheimdienst) unser JIPSS an außerordentlich prominenter Stelle (erster Eintrag „Weblinks“) in Form der Rezension durch Sönke Neitzel aufgenommen wurde.*

<http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geheimdienst>

0329/2010

Studies in Intelligence Volume 53, Number 4 (December 2009)

From the contents:

- Soviet Bloc Intelligence and Its AIDS Disinformation Campaign by Thomas Boghardt
- Military Intelligence at the Front, 1914-18 by Terrence J. Finnegan, Col., USAFR (Ret.)
- Developing STORM, a Methodology for Evaluating Transit Routes of Transnational Terrorists and Criminals by Mark T. Clark and Brian Janiske

<https://www.cia.gov/library/center-for-the-study-of-intelligence/csi-publications/csi-studies/studies/vol53no4/pdf/U-%20Studies53No4-Book-Web-17Dec09.pdf>



CONFERENCES / LECTURES

0330/2010

Aviso: Buchpräsentation «Schattenarmeen» von Wilhelm DIETL, 25.2.



Von Staatsterroristen und ihren Handlangern: Der Bestseller-Autor Wilhelm Dietl über die islamischen Geheimdienste.

Sie sind die gefährlichsten Untergrund-Organisationen der Welt und befinden sich permanent im Kriegszustand. Die Geheimdienste im Nahen und Mittleren Osten kennen keine Skrupel und keine Gesetze. Zunehmend operieren sie auch in Europa und werden zu einem ernststen Sicherheitsrisiko. Sie bedienen sich wechselnder Terrorbanden, um politische Ziele mit brutaler Gewalt durchzusetzen. Wenn sie Allianzen mit dem Westen eingehen, foltern und töten sie im Auftrag von Demokratien.

Bestseller-Autor Wilhelm Dietl als Erster beschreibt die verborgenen Strukturen und spektakulärsten Operationen der islamischen Geheimdienste. Nach vielen Reisen und Gesprächen mit Insidern, Ermittlern und konkurrierenden Diensten zeigt er ihre Verstrickung in organisierte Kriminalität bis zur verbotenen Atomtechnologie und beleuchtet die Grauzone der unheilvollen Zusammenarbeit mit den Partnern im Westen.

Buchpräsentation "Schattenarmeen":

Termin: 25. Februar 2010, 19:30hrs

Ort: Universitätsbuchhandlung Kuppitsch, Schottengasse 4, 1010 Wien

Moderator: Martin HAIDINGER

- (a) Wilhelm Dietl, Schattenarmeen. Die Geheimdienste der islamischen Welt, ca. 304 Seiten, Format 140x220 Hardcover, EUR 21,90, ISBN: 9783701731671, erscheint am 17. Februar 2010
- (b) http://www.residenzverlag.at/?m=30&o=2&id_program=29&id_title=1315
- (c) <http://www.wilhelm-dietl.de/page.php?lang=de&cont=sub&show=6&sub=55&submenu=Schattenarmeen%202010&menue=Meine%20B%FCcher>

0331/2010 -----

Conference: Conspiracy Theories in the Middle East and the US

What Conference

When 13.01.2011 18:00 to 15.01.2011 18:00

Where FRIAS Albertstr. 19 / Haus zur Lieben Hand, Löwenstr. 16

Contact Name Dr. Michael Butter

Contact Email conspiracy.theories@frias.uni-freiburg.de

<http://www.frias.uni-freiburg.de/history/veranstaltungen/konfCons>

0332/2010 -----

Tagung: Rechtsextremismus, Rassismus und Antisemitismus in Comics

Termin/Ort: 29.-31. März 2010 in der Evangelische Akademie Bad Boll

Veranstalter: Archiv der Jugendkulturen e.V. und Ralf Palandt (ComFor & VisKomm/DGPuK)

Die NPD und andere Rechtsextreme nutzen bei ihrem „Kampf um die Köpfe“ Comics, andererseits sollen die populären Bildergeschichten in der politischen Jugendbildung und im Schulunterricht der rechtsextremen Meinungsbildung aufklärerisch entgegenwirken. Zum ersten Mal greift eine Tagung das Thema in seiner Gesamtheit auf. Über 20 namhafte ExpertInnen

decken mit ihren Vorträgen und Workshops die Bereiche Geschichte, Theorie, Forschung und Praxis ab. Im interdisziplinären Rahmen werden Inhalte, Funktionen, Mechanismen und Wirkungen der „Comics von Rechts“, der „Comics gegen Rechts“ und von Geschichtscomics mit NS-Thematik vorgestellt und diskutiert. Parallel ist die Wanderausstellung „Holocaust im Comic“ zu sehen. Weitere Informationen, das Programm und die Anmelde-möglichkeit sind im Internet unter www.jugendkulturen.de bei den Terminen/Veranstaltungen zu finden. Da die Anzahl der TeilnehmerInnenplätze begrenzt ist empfiehlt sich eine rasche Anmeldung.

(Special thanks to Stefan AUER for this info !)



0333/2010 -----

Late Israel spy Eli Cohen to be immortalized in U.S. movie

The American producer L+E Pictures intends to make a motion picture about Israeli spy Eli Cohen, who operated in Damascus in the 1960s until he was executed in 1965.

The production company has purchased the filming rights to Shmuel Segev's book "Alone in Damascus" about Cohen's life, MovieWeb reported yesterday, citing Variety Magazine. The script will be written by director and scriptwriter Lior Geller, creator of the short film "Roads."

<http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/1144097.html>

0334/2010 -----

Media alerts

am Fr, 29.01. um 09:00 ARD Eins Festival
Operation Wunderland - Ein Volk wird umerzogen
Dokumentation, Folge 1
Dauer: 45 min (a)

Beschreibung: 'Operation Wunderland' enthüllt zum ersten Mal wie die USA sich nach dem Krieg Westdeutschland nach ihren Wünschen gestalteten. Alle entscheidenden Fäden hinter den Kulissen zogen in der Zeit nach 1945 die Amerikaner. Das Maß dieser Einflussnahme reichte weit über Entnazifizierung, Umerziehung und Marshall-Plan hinaus. Amerikanischen Propagandaexperten gelang es, die öffentliche Meinung in Deutschland so geschickt zu beeinflussen, dass im demokratischen Prozess immer das herauskam, was Washington vorgab.

am Fr, 29.01. um 20:15 arte

Die Wannseekonferenz

Zum Holocaust-Gedenktag am 27.1.

Dokumentarspiel

Dauer: 90 min (b)

Beschreibung: 20. Januar 1942: In einer streng geheimen Konferenz in der Berliner Villa "Am Großen Wannsee" besprechen 15 hochrangige Vertreter der SS, des Reichssicherheitshauptamtes, der NSDAP und verschiedener

Ministerien die Kooperation bei der geplanten Deportation und Ermordung der europäischen Juden.

am Sa, 30.01. um 12:00 arte

Die Fabrik der Spione -Die technische Aufrüstung der amerikanischen Geheimdienste

Dokumentation

Dauer: 60 min (c)

Beschreibung: Als Reaktion auf die Terroranschläge vom 11. September 2001 kam es zu massiver Ausweitung von Überwachung und Informationssammlung durch die verschiedenen amerikanischen Geheimdienste. Die Dokumentation, die sich vor allem auf das Buch "The Shadow Factory" des Journalisten James Bamford stützt, beschreibt die technischen Feinheiten, mit denen CIA, FBI und NSA Freund und Feind beobachten und kontrollieren.

am So, 31.01. um 21:02 ARD Eins Extra

Deutsche in Amerika - Ein Volk verschwindet

Doku-Reihe, Folge 4

Dauer: 43 min (d)

Beschreibung: Die Deutsch-Amerikaner bilden zu Beginn des 20. Jahrhunderts eine der wichtigsten ethnischen Gruppen in Wirtschaft, Finanzen, Bildung, Forschung und Landwirtschaft. Mit Sorge wendet sich ihr Blick jetzt auf die alte Heimat. Der Zweite Weltkrieg bedroht auch sie, denn Anti-Deutsche Propaganda heizt die Kriegsstimmung an und sorgt in Amerika für Intoleranz und Hass. Es sind die gleichen Muster, die schon während des Ersten Weltkriegs Deutsch-Amerikaner unter Druck setzten: Alles Deutsche wird aus der amerikanischen Sprache verbannt. Deutsche Namen werden amerikanisiert, deutsche Kultur verschwindet aus dem öffentlichen Leben. Während beider Welkkriege versuchen die Deutsch-Amerikaner ihre Identität zu verbergen. Viele werden als Spione verdächtigt - so auch Max Ebel, der sich in Amerika freiwillig zum Kriegsdienst meldete, aber wegen seiner Mutter dort nicht in Europa eingesetzt werden möchte.

am So, 31.01. um 21:45 ARD Eins Extra

Nazis wider Willen - Deutsche in amerikanischen Lagern

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (e)

Beschreibung: Ein Film über ein dunkles Kapitel des Zweiten Weltkriegs, das bis heute von der amerikanischen Politik beharrlich totgeschwiegen wird: das Schicksal deutschstämmiger US-Familien in amerikanischen Lagern. Nach dem Angriff auf Pearl Harbor und dem Kriegseintritt der USA wurden fleißige deutsche Immigranten über Nacht plötzlich zu potenziellen Nazis und zur "Gefahr für die nationale Sicherheit". Bei Tausenden klopfte eines Tages das FBI an die Tür. Sie wurden verhaftet, verloren Hab und Gut und finden sich hinter Stacheldraht in einem Internierungslager wieder.

am So, 31.01. um 20:00 SF 2

Johnny English

Agentenparodie

Dauer: 95 min (f)

Beschreibung: Pascal Sauvage heisst der arrogante Franzose, der die britischen Kronjuwelen stehlen und sich auf den Thron des Vereinigten Königreichs schwingen will. Um dies zu verhindern, schickt Ihre Majestät den Agenten Johnny English los. Doch dieser hat nicht nur keine Furcht und keine Angst - er hat auch keine Ahnung.

am So, 31.01. um 23:40 ZDF

ZDF-History mit dem Thema: Mielkes Menschenjäger - Kidnapper im Auftrag der Stasi

Geschichtsmagazin

Dauer: 45 min (g)

Beschreibung: Mehr als 400 Menschen lässt die Stasi in die DDR entführen: Regime-Kritiker, Journalisten, geflüchtete Angehörige der "bewaffneten Organe". Und geflohene ehemalige Funktionäre wie Robert Bialek. Er wird 1956 betäubt und nach Ost-Berlin verfrachtet. Seitdem ist er verschwunden. Neu aufgetauchte Dokumente legen den Schluss nahe, dass Robert Bialek noch in der Nacht seiner Entführung starb. Bis zum Ende der DDR im Herbst 1989 operieren Kidnapper der Stasi im westlichen Ausland. Das Ausmaß der Aktionen kommt erst nach dem Fall der Mauer ans Tageslicht.

am Mo, 01.02. um 20:15 Kabel Eins

James Bond 007 - Man lebt nur zweimal

Agententhriller

Dauer: 140 min (h)

Beschreibung: ist der fünfte James-Bond-Film aus der von Eon Productions Ltd. produzierten Reihe. Der Film basiert auf dem gleichnamigen Roman von Ian Fleming, weicht jedoch als erster Bond-Film der Reihe erheblich von der Vorlage ab.

am Mo, 01.02. um 22:35 Kabel Eins

James Bond 007 - Im Geheimdienst Ihrer Majestät

Agententhriller

Dauer: 164 min (i)

Beschreibung: Im Geheimdienst Ihrer Majestät war ursprünglich als der vierte Film der Reihe geplant. Doch da sich Eon Productions Ltd. mit dem Rechteinhaber des Romans Feuerball Kevin McClory einigen konnte, wurde Im Geheimdienst Ihrer Majestät verschoben. Nach Feuerball befürchteten die Produzenten, dass die Ähnlichkeit zwischen dem vierten Film der Serie und Im Geheimdienst Ihrer Majestät zu groß wäre und wiederholt wurde der Film verschoben. Stattdessen drehte Eon Productions Ltd. Man lebt nur zweimal. Nach diesem Film wurde aber mit den konkreten Planungen für diesen Film begonnen.

am Mi, 03.02. um 17:05 N24

History - Die Geschichte der Deutschen: Auge um Auge, Zahn um Zahn - Israels Rache für München 1972

Doku-Reihe

Dauer: 55 min (j)

Beschreibung: N24 zeigt den Chef-Logistiker einer dieser zwei Geheimdienst-Einheiten in Tel Aviv und ein Gespräch mit ihm über den Rachefeldzug, Sprengsätze, Kollateralschäden, Logistik und das Gefühl, einen Menschen im Auftrag einer Regierung zu töten.

am Do, 04.02. um 23:00 SWR

Sperrbezirk- Menschen im Stasigefängnis Hohenschönhausen

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (k)

Beschreibung: Kaum ein Ort in der DDR war so geheim wie das Gefängnis des Ministeriums für Staatssicherheit (MfS) in Berlin Hohenschönhausen. Auf keinem Stadtplan war es verzeichnet. Die Untersuchungshäftlinge, die dort einsaßen, wussten nicht, wo sie sich befanden; oft wussten sie nicht einmal, in welcher Stadt sie waren. Die Geschichte dieses Ortes spiegelt den Kalten Krieg ebenso wider wie die deutsche Teilung.

am Do, 04.02. um 23:45 rbb

Aus Liebe zum Volk - Erinnerungen eines Stasi-Offiziers

Dokumentarfilm

Dauer: 90 min (1)

Beschreibung: Zwanzig Jahre lang arbeitete Herr B. als Funktionär im Dienste der Öffentlichkeit. Aus Liebe. Aus bedingungsloser und vollkommener Liebe zu seinem Volk. Einer blinden, zerstörerischen Liebe. Der Dokumentarfilm "Aus Liebe zum Volk" basiert auf dem ungewöhnlichen Zeugenbericht eines ehemaligen Stasi-Majors und einem eindrucksvollen Korpus von Archivbildern, die in Ostdeutschland entstanden. Diese Bilder, hauptsächlich Überwachungs- und Propagandafilme der Stasi, sind das wichtigste gestalterische Element des Films.

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