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0913/2010 -----

American-Born Cleric Added to Capture-or-Kill List

(Fox) The radical Muslim cleric tied to suspects in both the Fort Hood shooting and failed Christmas Day bombing has become a key terror target, with a top member of Congress calling him "terrorist number one" and officials confirming he's been added to a list that would allow U.S. operatives to capture or kill him.

Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif., called Anwar al-Awlaki, a U.S. citizen believed to be in Yemen, "terrorist number one" at an intelligence conference Tuesday. "He is very much in the sights of the Yemenis, with us helping them," said Harman, chairwoman of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Intelligence. A U.S. government official told Fox News that al-Awlaki, wanted for his role with Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, was added to the capture-or-kill target list back in January.

Reuters also reported Tuesday that the administration had added him to the list. "Awlaki is a proven threat," a U.S. official told the news service.

<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2010/04/06/radical-cleric-reportedly-added-capture-kill-target-list/>

0914/2010 -----

U.S. Implements New Airline Security Measures

(Fox News)) A Senior Administration Official tells Fox that Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano on Friday will announce changes to current aviation security procedures. In the wake of the attempted Christmas day airline bombing, DHS will add a new layer of measures that utilize real-time, threat-based intelligence and will apply to all flights entering the United States.

The enhanced measures will apply to all passengers traveling by air to the United States. "To more effectively mitigate evolving terrorist threats, these measures utilize multiple, random layers of security," said a Senior Administration Official. "Both seen and unseen and are tailored to intelligence about potential threats."

Additional screening will be conducted on passengers traveling into the U.S. if they match "current, intelligence-driven and threat-based characteristics."

The White House says that individuals flying from international destinations may notice enhanced security and screening measures throughout the passenger check-in and boarding process, including the use of explosives trace detection, advanced imaging technology, canine teams, or pat downs, among other security measures.

(a) <http://whitehouse.blogs.foxnews.com/2010/04/02/u-s-implements-new-airline-security-measures/>

(b) Nigeria, Others Removed from Terror Watch List:
<http://www.thisdayonline.com/nview.php?id=170037>

0915/2010 -----

Analysis: Can the CIA sabotage the Iranian nuclear weapons program?

(intelNews.org) There is no doubt that the CIA has been actively trying to sabotage Iran's nuclear weapons program since at least February of 2008, when US President George W. Bush authorized Langley to intensify its covert efforts against Tehran. It is also true that the US was able to partially sabotage Iran's nuclear program by eliminating the A.Q. Khan nuclear proliferation network, and by employing scientific front companies and cooperative suppliers, who gave the Iranians faulty hardware.

The defection to Washington of senior Iranian nuclear scientist Shahram Amiri provides recent evidence of the existence of a covert US project to "decapitate" the Iranian nuclear weapons program, by luring away leading Iranian researchers. On the other hand, it is worth wondering why the CIA chose to remove Amiri from the Iranian nuclear program, instead of asking him to remain an agent-in-place, which would have been far more beneficial for Langley. Or could it be that Amiri had already been an agent-in-place for a number of years?

http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/04/07/01-432/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+intelNewsOrg+%28intelNews.org%29



HOT SPOTS / WARS

0916/2010 -----

Drones Batter Al Qaeda and Its Allies Within Pakistan

(NY Times) A stepped-up campaign of American drone strikes over the past three months has battered Al Qaeda and its Pakistani and Afghan brethren in the tribal area of North Waziristan, according to a mid-ranking militant and supporters of the government there. The strikes have cast a pall of fear over an area that was once a free zone for Al Qaeda and the Taliban, forcing militants to abandon satellite phones and large gatherings in favor of communicating by courier and moving stealthily in small groups, they said.

The drones, operated by the C.I.A., fly overhead sometimes four at a time, emitting a beelike hum virtually 24 hours a day, observing and tracking targets, then unleashing missiles on their quarry, they said.

The strikes have sharpened tensions between the local tribesmen and the militants, who have dumped bodies with signs accusing the victims of being American spies in Miram Shah, the main town in North Waziristan, they said.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/05/world/asia/05drones.html>

0917/2010 -----

U.S. Consulate in Pakistan Attacked by Militants

(NY Times) In the most direct attack on an American facility in Pakistan in years, militants mounted a multipronged assault against the United States Consulate in this northern city on Monday, using a truck bomb, machine guns and rocket launchers, Pakistani and American officials said.

At least five attackers, all suicide bombers, failed to breach the outer perimeter of the compound, according to a Pakistani intelligence official, but they demolished part of an exterior wall with a large truck bomb that shook the city and sent huge plumes of brown dust and smoke into the sky. At least 6 Pakistanis were killed and 20 wounded. No Americans were killed or hurt.

The United States Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan's capital, confirmed the attack. The coordinated assault involved "a vehicle suicide bomb and terrorists who were attempting to enter the building using grenades and weapons fire," the embassy said.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/06/world/asia/06pstan.html>

0918/2010 -----

Schockierendes Irak-Video in den USA aufgetaucht

Im Internet ist ein bislang geheimes US-Militärvideo veröffentlicht worden, das den Angriff eines US-Hubschraubers im Jahr 2007 in Bagdad zeigt. Dabei waren mindestens zwölf Menschen getötet worden, darunter zwei Journalisten der Nachrichtenagentur Reuters.



Auf dem Schwarz-Weiß-Video, das die Internetplattform "Wikileaks" veröffentlicht hat, ist zu sehen, wie ein Apache-Hubschrauber am 12. Juli 2007 das Feuer auf eine Gruppe Menschen eröffnet, die eine Straße entlanggeht. Mehrere Menschen werden getötet oder verletzt. Dem vorangehenden Funkverkehr ist zu entnehmen, dass die Besatzung des Hubschraubers

einige der Passanten für bewaffnete Aufständische hält. Offenbar verwechseln die Piloten Kameras der beiden Reuters-Fotografen Namir Noor-Eldeen und Saeed Chmagh mit Waffen. "Ah, ja, schau dir die toten Bastarde an", sagt einer der Soldaten.

- (a) <http://www.wienerzeitung.at/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabID=3856&Alias=Wzo&cob=483617>
- (b) <http://www.collateralmurder.com/>
- (c) <http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/07/world/07wikileaks.html?ref=technology>
- (d) <http://www.welt.de/politik/ausland/article7081530/Die-vielen-dunklen-Geheimnisse-auf-WikiLeaks.html>
- (e) <http://derstandard.at/1269449051659/Aufdecker-WikiLeaks-Journalismus-der-an-Spionage-grenzt>

(Hat tip to Dieter BACHER for his hints !)

0919/2010 -----

Intelligence suggests Iran may smuggle arms to Afghanistan

(CNN) New U.S. military intelligence suggests Iran plans to smuggle new shipments of weapons into Afghanistan in the coming weeks as part of an increased effort to interfere with coalition operations, a senior U.S. Defense Department official said Friday.

The information came from an "Iranian source" whose tips on past shipments have been verified by the United States, the official said.

The official declined to be identified because of the sensitive nature of the information. He also declined to offer more details on the identity of the Iranian source. Intelligence gained by talking to people, sometimes referred to as "human intelligence," is always considered sensitive for fear of compromising sources.

<http://edition.cnn.com/2010/WORLD/meast/04/02/iran.taliban.weapons/index.html?hpt=T1>

0920/2010 -----

Afghan Intelligence Searching For Missing Japanese

(Nikkei) Afghanistan's intelligence authorities are searching for a Japanese journalist who has gone missing in Afghanistan, an official said Saturday.



"Our undercover officials have started searching for the missing Japanese national in Kunduz," a spokesman for the National Directorate of Security (NDS), the Afghan intelligence agency, told Kyodo News.

Kosuke Tsuneoka, 40, a freelance journalist, has been missing since heading to Kunduz in northern Afghanistan earlier this week. He was last heard from on Thursday. A Taliban spokesman reiterated Saturday that the Taliban have no information about Tsuneoka.

"We have made inquiries. We have received no information. The Taliban are not involved," Zabih ullah Mujahid told Kyodo News.

<http://e.nikkei.com/e/fr/tnks/Nni20100403D03JF077.htm>

0921/2010 -----

Heftige Explosion vor iranischer Botschaft in Bagdad

(RIB) Vor der iranischen Botschaft in der irakischen Hauptstadt Bagdad hat sich eine schwere Explosion ereignet. In Folge der Explosion sei die Umgebung in dichten Rauch eingehüllt worden, berichteten Reporter der Nachrichtenagentur AFP. Die Explosion ereignete sich, als sich in der Gegend gerade der Verkehr staute. Wenige Minuten später waren zwei weitere Explosionen unbekannter Ursache im westlichen Viertel Mansur zu hören. Nach dem Vorfall vor der iranischen Botschaft schossen Sicherheitskräfte in die Luft.

<http://german.irib.ir/index.php/weitere-kurzmeldungen/36525-heftige-explosion-vor-iranischer-botschaft-in-bagdad>



UNITED STATES

0922/2010 -----

No Loss of Intelligence Since We Stopped Waterboarding

(Washington Post) Michael Sulick, head of the CIA's National Clandestine Service, told a student audience last week that the spy agency has seen no fall-off in intelligence since waterboarding was banned by the Obama administration.

"I don't think we've suffered at all from an intelligence standpoint," Sulick told students and some faculty members at Fordham University, his alma mater, on March 25. "But I don't want to talk about [it from] a legal, moral or ethical standpoint."

According to the university's news service, Sulick said it was tough for any U.S. agencies dealing with terrorism to balance security and civil liberties.

"If you're a civil servant in any agency dealing with national security issues, you have to grapple with these conflicts," said Sulick, who earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Fordham in Russian studies and a Ph.D. from the City University of New York. He joined the CIA in 1980.

- (a) http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/04/cias_top_spy_no_losses_from_wa.html
- (b) <http://rawstory.com/rs/2010/0403/cias-top-spy-intelligence-suffered-all-waterboarding-ban/>

0923/2010 -----

Neary on where the Office of the DNI went wrong

(Washington Post) Five years after the formation of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, a senior insider who's been there from the start has described as "flawed" the idea that "the DNI and his new office ... could drive intelligence reform."

"While the community has improved in response to the call for intelligence reform, it remains fundamentally unreformed," Patrick C. Neary writes in the new issue of the quarterly Studies in Intelligence. A West Point graduate with 30-plus years as an intelligence officer, primarily with the Army staff and the Defense Intelligence Agency, Neary has been principal deputy director and chief strategist for the ODNI since 2005. He soon will transfer to the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Intelligence and Analysis.

No one with Neary's background and experience has laid out so clearly the failures of the DNI experiment. Yet he points out the paradox that "we are safer today than we were before reform was attempted." His reasoning: Intelligence spending has roughly doubled in the past eight years.

In his essay, Neary goes directly to the core issue: In 2004, there was no great desire for major change in the intelligence community inside the Bush White House, the GOP-led Congress, the CIA, the Defense Department or the

rest of the intelligence community. The pressure for change came from the 9/11 Commission and the families of the victims of the 2001 attacks, Neary writes. The panel, he says, "clearly favored structural changes toward greater centralization."

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/04/05/AR2010040504580.html>

0924/2010 -----

Donovan McNabb for intelligence chief?

(Washington Post) Director of National Intelligence Dennis C. Blair briefly hushed an audience of intelligence professionals and journalists Tuesday when he announced "some breaking news: There is going to be a new DNI very soon."

Dead silence.

Then came the punch line: "Donovan McNabb." Chuckles. Washington has been reveling in the news that the Redskins have acquired Philadelphia Eagles quarterback McNabb, who has a box full of championship rings. It's not surprising that the crack by Blair, the third chief of the troubled Office of the Director of National Intelligence in just five years, produced more brittle titters than guffaws.

"It was simply a joke," one of Blair's spokesmen protested later, "an icebreaker. You shouldn't read more into it."

Maybe. But the ODNI "is still a work in progress," as Blair conceded. He lost a bruising battle with CIA chief Leon Panetta over who gets to designate the chief intelligence officer at U.S. missions abroad; has asserted only tentative leadership over 17 entities in the government that gather intelligence; and had to endure the aftermath of the Christmas Day attempt to bomb an American airliner, which President Obama said occurred because a "mix of human and systemic failures" had allowed the bomber to board the plane.

Maybe it does need a superstar.

http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/04/donovan_mcnabb_for_intelligenc.html

0925/2010 -----

Obama bricht mit Bushs Atomstrategie

(Spiegel) Barack Obama preist seine neue Nuklearstrategie: Die Pläne seien ein "bedeutender Schritt nach vorn" auf dem Weg zu einer atomwaffenfreien Welt, lässt der US-Präsident in einer schriftlichen Stellungnahme mitteilen. In der neuen Strategie begrenzen die USA den möglichen Ersteinsatz von Atomwaffen und erklären ihren Verzicht auf die Entwicklung neuer Sprengköpfe.

Die neue Strategie bedeutet einen Richtungswechsel in zweierlei Hinsicht. Nicht mehr das nukleare Wettrüsten zwischen den Supermächten steht im Vordergrund, sondern die Gefahr durch Terroristen oder Mächtegerne-Atomkräfte. Die "größte Bedrohung für die USA und die globale Sicherheit" bestehe "nicht mehr in einem nuklearen Schlagabtausch zwischen Nationen, sondern in nuklearem Terrorismus durch gewalttätige Extremisten und der Weiterverbreitung von Atomwaffen an immer mehr Staaten", erläuterte Obama.

<http://www.spiegel.de/politik/ausland/0,1518,687540,00.html>

0926/2010 -----

Calls Grow for Justice Dept. Probe of FBI Killing of Detroit Imam

(democracynow) The Justice Department is probing the killing of Detroit-area Islamic cleric Imam Luqman Ameen Abdullah, who was shot dead during an FBI raid shortly after being indicted on charges of conspiracy to commit federal crimes. The FBI said Abdullah was shot after he opened fire, but critics say he may have been targeted for assassination. We speak to Dawud Walid, executive director of the Michigan chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

http://www.democracynow.org/2010/4/2/justice_dept_probes_fbi_killing_of
(includes rush transcript)

0927/2010 -----

Ex-CIA worker gets 2 months in prison

(detnews) A Royal Oak woman who falsified background investigations she conducted for the CIA was sentenced today in federal court to two months in prison, followed by six months of home confinement.

Kerry Gerdes, 27, was also ordered to repay about \$25,000 in salary she received from the Central Intelligence Agency during the time she submitted the false reports.

Her job was to conduct interviews as part of background checks for current and potential Central Intelligence Agency employees, but a routine quality control check found that Gerdes documented interviews she never conducted, according to court records.

<http://www.detnews.com/article/20100405/METRO/4050363/1361/Ex-CIA-worker-gets-2-months-in-prison>



0928/2010 -----

Putin wagt den Kniefall vor Stalins Opfern

(Spiegel) Historische Geste über Massengräbern: Russlands Regierungschef Putin verneigt sich vor den polnischen Opfern des sowjetischen Terrorregimes - und läutet damit eine Annäherung mit Polen ein, von der auch Europa profitieren könnte.

Noch ist der Schnee nicht gänzlich getaut unter den Fichten von Katyn. Die russische Militärkapelle hat jetzt aufgehört zu spielen in dem Wäldchen, 20 Kilometer von der westrussischen Stadt Smolensk entfernt. Es wird ganz still in Katyn, der bemooste Waldboden verschluckt jeden Laut.

Russlands Regierungschef neigt sein Haupt. Wladimir Putin erweist Tausenden ermordeten polnischen Offizieren in Katyn die Ehre. Dann sinkt er zu Boden: Für einen Augenblick kniet Putin über den Gräbern der Toten, die Stalins Schergen im April und Mai 1940 hinrichteten, mit gezielten Schüssen in das

Genick. 4000 polnische Offiziere, Geistliche, Beamte und andere "konterrevolutionäre Elemente" wurden von den Sowjets allein in dem Wäldchen von Katyn ermordet, weitere in Twer, in Charkow und anderswo in der Sowjetunion, insgesamt mehr als 20.000 Polen.

Den Erschießungsbefehl von Geheimdienstchef Lawrenti Beria hatte Diktator Josef Stalin unterzeichnet, das Kommando bei den Massakern führte die sowjetische Geheimpolizei NKWD. Putin hat einst beim Geheimdienst KGB Karriere gemacht, der Nachfolgeorganisation des NKWD. Ende der neunziger Jahre leitete er den russischen Inlandsgeheimdienst FSB, hervorgegangen nach dem Zerfall der Sowjetunion aus dem KGB. Nicht nur deshalb ist Putins Kniefall eine historische Geste, die ein neues Kapitel in den russisch-polnischen Beziehungen aufschlagen könnte.

<http://www.spiegel.de/politik/ausland/0,1518,687773,00.html>

0929/2010 -----

The FSB Dropped the Ball

(The Moscow Times) It would be a mistake to assume automatically that Chechens carried out Monday's bombings. Recall that members of the "Karachayevo-Cherkessia Jamaat" staged metro bombings in 2004. In February 2004, 20-year-old Anzor Izhayev, a Karachay from Karachayevo-Cherkessia, blew himself up in a metro train car near the Avtozavodskaya metro station. And on Aug. 31, 2004, a female suicide bomber standing near the Rizhskaya metro station blew herself up, along with her escort, Nikolai Kipkeyev – also from Karachayevo-Cherkessia. Members of the same Jamaat also organized a series of terrorist attacks at bus stops in Voronezh and Krasnodar.

In any case, Moscow bombings represent a fundamental failure of the Kremlin's strategy for fighting terrorism. Contrary to popular belief, these blasts cannot be attributed to foreign forces such as al-Qaida or other international terrorist organizations. Terrorism in Moscow and the North Caucasus definitely has local roots.

<http://www.themoscowtimes.com/opinion/article/the-fsb-dropped-the-ball/402981.html>

0930/2010 -----

Americans' hearts go out to the Russian people

(Toledoblade) Americans' hearts go out to the Russian people over the deaths and injuries caused by two terrorist bombs that went off in Moscow subway stations this week.

It is a tribute to Russian grit in the face of suffering that Muscovites continue to use the city's metro system in spite of the casualties. It is hard to say what the assaults, apparently carried out by female suicide bombers, mean or what can be done by Russian authorities to prevent similar attacks in the future

The attacks in Moscow stem from a war, which rises and falls in activity and intensity, between elements in four of Russia's 21 republics and the central government. The rebels, found particularly in Chechnya, Dagestan, Ingushetia and North Ossetia, all in the Northern Caucasus, are – roughly on the basis of the Islamic fundamentalism of some of their inhabitants – resistant to Moscow's authority.

Some may seek the independence that other republics of the old Soviet Union gained in the early 1990s. The rebel groups in the republics are reportedly united in seeking an Islamic so-called Caucasus emirate, although even its existence is subject to question by intelligence sources.

<http://toledoblade.com/article/20100403/OPINION02/4030323>

0931/2010 -----

Machtübernahme: Putin erkennt "Volksregierung" in Kirgistan an

Nach der Machtübernahme der Opposition in Kirgistan hat sich Rosa Otunbajewa zur neuen Regierungschefin erklären lassen und eine Neuwahl angekündigt. Der russische Ministerpräsident Putin erkennt die für sechs Monate geplante Übergangsregierung an und verspricht Hilfe aus Moskau. Machtübernahme. Ministerpräsident Wladimir Putin betrachte Oppositionsführerin Rosa Otunbajewa als Chefin einer neuen Regierung, sagte ein Sprecher des russischen Ministerpräsidenten.

Zudem bot Putin der Ex-Sowjetrepublik seine Hilfe an. In einem Telefongespräch mit Otunbajewa sagte Putin, dass Russland weiterhin bereit sei, den Kirgisen „humanitäre Hilfe“ zu leisten.

<http://www.welt.de/politik/ausland/article7096047/Putin-erkennt-Volksregierung-in-Kirgistan-an.html>

0932/2010 -----

Kremlin accused of KGB-style 'honey traps'

(The Calgary Herald) The Kremlin has been accused of sanctioning a Soviet-style dirty tricks campaign against opposition politicians and journalists using vintage KGB entrapment techniques of money, drugs and women.

The allegations follow the release of a string of videos on the web purporting to show an opposition politician, a political analyst and the editor of the Russian edition of Newsweek magazine in compromising situations. Hidden cameras in police cars show them apparently offering to bribe their way out of traffic offences.

Another video appears to show Mikhail Fishman, the Russian Newsweek editor, snorting cocaine in the company of a semi-naked glamour model.

Ilya Yashin, an anti-Kremlin politician who featured in the apparent bribe video, alleges the same honey trap was set for him in the same Moscow apartment used to compromise Fishman. He said he grew suspicious when a girl offering to sleep with him offered him cocaine "to relax" minutes after she and a "girlfriend" had foisted a number of sex toys upon him.

Sensing he was being set up, Yashin said he made a hasty exit.

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/entertainment/Kremlin+accused+style+honey+traps/2737780/story.html>

0933/2010 -----

Wieder Doppel-Explosion: Zug in Dagestan entgleist

(Rian) Zum dritten Mal innerhalb einer Woche hat es eine Doppel-Explosion in Russland gegeben: Bei einem Sprengstoffanschlag in der nordkaukasischen Teilrepublik Dagestan ist ein Güterzug entgleist.

Der Anschlag wurde in der Nacht zum Sonntag am Eisenbahnabschnitt zwischen den Ortschaften Isberbasch und Intschche verübt. Wie ein Sprecher des Geheimdienstes FSB RIA Novosti sagte, detonierte zunächst eine fünf Kilogramm TNT starke Bombe am Gleis. Diese Explosion habe einen weiteren Sprengsatz einige Meter entfernt detonieren lassen. Die zweite Explosion sei rund ein Kilogramm TNT stark gewesen.

Die Lokomotive und acht Güterwagen entgleisten, es gab nach Angaben der Behörden keine Verletzten. Die Bahnstrecke musste für den Zugverkehr vorübergehend gesperrt werden.

<http://de.rian.ru/safety/20100404/125751176.html>



NEAR / MIDDLE EAST / NORTH AFRICA

0934/2010 -----

IDF Chief of Intelligence Makes a Secret Trip to China

(YWN) IDF Chief of Intelligence Major-General Amos Yadlin traveled to China on a secret mission, meeting with senior military officials to explain details of Iran's nuclear program, details based on Israeli intelligence data. The move is another step by Israel to persuade Beijing to support crippling sanctions on Iran as the clock ticks down. Israel is seeking to avoid a military move to halt the nuclear program, but Russia and China remain adamant in their refusal to approve such sanctions.

There is a ray of hope emanating from Beijing and Chief of Planning Major-General Amir Eshel is also expected to leave for China soon as relations may be budding between the IDF and China's military. Chinese news sources indicate that Yadlin was received with a full military honor guard.

It should also be noted that recently, Vice Premier Moshe Ya'alon visited China as well as part of the ongoing Israeli effort to persuade the Chinese to approve the sanctions.

<http://www.theyeshivaworld.com/article.php?p=52906>

0935/2010 -----

Leftist activists coming on tourist visas

(Strategypage) Israel is seeing more European leftist activists coming on tourist visas, and working with Palestinians and Israeli leftists, against Israel. The leftists have, so far, stuck to demonstrating, but Israeli security officials know, from past experience, that this usually leads to participation in more violent actions. Back in Europe, leftists, anti-Semites and Arab migrants have joined forces to back the establishment of the Palestinian state. Meanwhile, all internal Palestinian propaganda calls for the destruction of Israel, and Palestinian rule over Israeli territory.

The Palestinian's European allies either agree with this, or profess ignorance.

<http://www.strategypage.com/qnd/israel/articles/20100408.aspx>

0936/2010 -----

Israeli journalist under secret house arrest

(Oraclesyndicate) An Israeli journalist has been under secret house arrest since December on charges that she leaked highly sensitive, classified military documents that suggest the Israeli military breached a court order on assassinations in the occupied West Bank.

Anat Kam, 23, goes on trial in two weeks on treason and espionage charges and could face up to 14 years in jail. A court-imposed gagging order, proposed by the state and more recently by the defence, is preventing media coverage of the arrest and charges in Israel. Kam is reportedly accused of copying military documents while she was a soldier on national service and then passing them to an Israeli newspaper, Haaretz. Kam denies the charges. Her lawyers declined to respond to repeated requests for comment.

A Haaretz journalist, Uri Blau, who has written several stories critical of the Israeli military and who has been linked in internet reports to the case, has left Israel and is now in London, apparently for fear he will be targeted for his reporting. Haaretz and Channel 10, an Israeli television station, will challenge the media gagging order at a hearing on 12 April, two days before Kam's trial is due to start at the Tel Aviv district court.

- (a) <http://oraclesyndicate.twoday.net/stories/israeli-journalist-under-secret-house-arrest-for-exposing-israeli-assa/>
- (b) http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/middle_east/article7086417.ece
- (c) <http://oraclesyndicate.twoday.net/stories/israel-journalismus-illegale-staatsgeheimnisse-und-todesschwadronen/>

0937/2010 -----

"Grüner Prinz": Agent für Israels Geheimdienst

(Die Presse) Seine Führungsoffiziere nannten ihn den "Grünen Prinzen". Er ist der Sohn von Hamas-Führer Sheikh Hassan Yousef. Und er spionierte jahrelang für Israels Geheimdienst. Mosab Hassan Yousef im Gespräch mit der "Presse".

Mosab Hassan Yousef war mit 18 auf dem besten Weg, ein Terrorist zu werden. Bevor es dazu kam, nahmen ihn Israels Sicherheitskräfte fest - und drehten ihn um. Jahrelang lieferte er Informationen aus dem Herzen der Terrororganisation Hamas. Dank eines seiner Hinweise konnte sogar ein Attentat auf Israels damaligen Außenminister Shimon Peres verhindert werden. Auch seinen eigenen Vater lieferte Mosab Hassan Yousef aus - um ihn zu schützen. Denn er stand längst auf der Todesliste der Israelis. 2007 hatte er sein Doppelleben satt und emigrierte - mittlerweile zum Christentum übergetreten - in die USA.

http://diepresse.com/home/politik/aussenpolitik/556247/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/index.do

0938/2010 -----

The Widespread Infiltration of Intel Ops Into the Judicial System

(Iranian.com) Acting as court officers, Iranian Police, the Ministry of Information, and Intelligence Units of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps have always interfered to varying degrees in arrests, interrogations, and trials, and have been known to harass the families of prisoners. But after the presidential elections in June 2009, interference has reached a new level. In many arrest cases after the elections, though the case judge has ordered bail or has given the families of prisoners permission to visit, court officers have refused to carry out the orders and complaints filed by families have not been addressed.

While the Iranian Judiciary's Prisons Organization has full responsibility for Iran's prisons and the conditions in which prisoners are kept, the court officers appear to have final say in prisons. For example, ward 240 of Evin Prison is under complete control of the Ministry of Information and the Warden of Evin prison does not have influence there. The same is true for wards which are under the control of the IRGC. The domination and interference of court officers in the Iranian judicial system has brought stress on the ability to conduct fair trials.

<http://www.iranian.com/main/news/2010/04/06/widespread-infiltration-intelligence-operations-judicial-system>

0939/2010 -----

New Intelligence Ministry agents sent to Camp Ashraf

(Global Politician) Since February 8, 2010 a number of MOIS agents were dispatched to Iraq and with the help of the Committee tasked to suppress Ashraf in the Iraqi Prime Minister's Office were stationed at the entrance of Ashraf. Their goal is to psychologically torture and intimidate the residents and to further create chaos. From time to time they are replaced with new agents. Using high powered sound systems round the clock, they chant abuse and slogans such as "Death to Monafeqin (derogatory term used by mullahs against PMOI)" and "Long live the Islamic Republic". They threaten the camp residents with execution, massacre and burning.

The new group of MOIS agents are replacements for previous group which had left the area already. Previously the regime had dispatched a group of its agents from West Azerbaijan, East Azerbaijan, Kermanshah and Qazvin provinces to Ashraf. The agents were first debriefed in the MOIS headquarters in each of the provinces.

<http://globalpolitician.com/26346-mek-ncri-pmoi-iran>

0940/2010 -----

More on alleged Mossad spy arrested in Algeria

(intelNews.org) On March 29, intelNews reported on allegations by the Algerian government that an Israeli intelligence agent had been arrested in the country, after he was found to be carrying a forged Spanish passport. The next day, Algerian authorities identified the man only as "Alberto", and insisted he was a member of the Mossad, Israel's foremost external intelligence agency. News sources have now identified the man's forged identity as "Alberto Vagilo", which appears to be the name listed on his Spanish travel documentation.

According to Algerian government officials, the man, whose year of birth is listed as 1975 in his Spanish passport, entered the North African country in mid-March, via a regularly scheduled flight from Barcelona, Spain. He then operated in Algeria for ten days, before he was captured by Algerian security agents. The Spanish and Israeli governments have so far remained silent on the case, as has Washington. As intelNews reported on March 30, there are rumors in Algiers that the scandal-prone US embassy there has been involved in the case, and that it was for this reason that FBI deputy director John Pistole traveled to Algeria last week.

<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/04/02/01-427/>



FAR EAST & ASIA

0941/2010 -----

Taiwanese intelligence capabilities questioned

(Taipai Times) The manner in which the government handled the sinking of a South Korean naval vessel last week provided ample evidence of the deficiencies in intelligence gathering by the national security apparatus, analysts say.

On being informed of the incident on the night on March 26, President Ma Ying-jeou, at the time on a state visit to Palau, called emergency meetings with security officials and ordered the activation of Taiwan's national security mechanism.

The following day, Ma also held a conference call with senior officials in Taipei to obtain additional information. Liu Shih-chung, a research fellow at the Taiwan Brain Trust think tank, said the national security team apparently did a poor job of keeping the president informed on the latest developments in the Korean Peninsula.

Liu, an adviser to former president Chen Shui-bian, said a satellite phone system is used to keep the president informed at all times when he travels abroad.

Apparently, the system did not work on this occasion, Liu said, referring to claims by reporters traveling with Ma who said the president was only made aware that a South Korean navy vessel had sunk when Presidential Office spokesman Lo Chih-chiang was asked to comment on the incident by the Central News Agency (CNA) on the night of March 26.

<http://www.taipeitimes.com/News/taiwan/archives/2010/04/05/2003469813>

0942/2010 -----

Thaländische Minister fliehen mit Hubschrauber vor "Rothemden"

(Standard) In Thailand haben Hunderte Oppositionelle den Kampf um Neuwahlen verschärft und am Mittwoch kurzzeitig das Parlamentsgelände gestürmt. Einige Minister flohen nach einer Kabinettssitzung im Parlamentsgebäude mit einem Hubschrauber vor den wütenden Demonstranten. In einer der konfrontativsten Szenen der knapp vierwöchigen Proteste durchbrachen die Anhänger des früheren Ministerpräsidenten Thaksin Shinawatra eine

Polizei und blieben 20 Minuten auf dem Gelände. Der in voller Kampfmontur angetretenen Polizei nahmen die Demonstranten Gewehre und Tränengas-Kanister ab und schwenkten sie triumphierend in der Luft.

Einige Minister hatten das Parlament nach dem Kabinetttreffen bereits verlassen, andere mussten ausgeflogen werden, darunter der stellvertretende Ministerpräsident Suthep Thaugsuban. "Viele von uns kletterten über eine Mauer auf ein angrenzendes Gelände, wo ein Regierungshubschrauber wartete", berichtete ein Minister.

<http://derstandard.at/1269448944985/Minister-fliehen-mit-Hubschrauber-vor-Rothemden>



0943/2010 -----

Dutch easy to spy on

(RNW) Technological developments and well-educated immigrants have made the Netherlands more vulnerable to espionage, according to the Dutch secret service AIVD.

In a vulnerability analysis to be presented to parliament, the AIVD says it is aware that the Netherlands has been subject to espionage in the past. "Scientific institutions, governments and companies are not always aware of the value of their information," the service explains on their website, "and most information can be accessed quite easily."

The organisation also points out that some recent developments have caused additional security lapses. A policy to attract well-educated foreigners to the Netherlands means foreign intelligence officers posing as immigrants can get hold of valuable information. Outsourcing system and server management to other countries have also provided foreign intelligence services with easy access to valuable data.

<http://www.rnw.nl/english/article/dutch-easy-spy>

0944/2010 -----

Moroccan-Dutch policeman to face spying trial

(expatica.com) The Rotterdam policeman who was sacked after being accused of spying for Morocco is to appear in court next week.

Moroccan-Dutch Ré Lemhaouli is facing charges of public service corruption and breach of his official secrets pledge. The news of his prosecution broke after Dutch television programme obtained a copy of the summons. The former officer had access to various classified police systems and is accused of passing the information on to the Moroccan embassy in exchange for money.

His lawyer says he was pressurised both physically and mentally while on a trip to see relatives in Morocco. They are also said to have been put under pressure.

http://www.expatica.com/nl/news/dutch-rss-news/moroccan-dutch-policeman-to-face-spying-trial_34705.html

0945/2010 -----

Frankreich: Geheimdienst-Agenten in delikater Mission

Wie Frankreichs Präsident Nicolas Sarkozy die Urheber der Gerüchte über seine Ehe verfolgt.

Nicolas Sarkozy lässt nicht mit sich spaßen. Wenn es um sein Ansehen geht, ist der Präsident rasch mit der Justiz zur Hand. Die Sonntagszeitung „Le Journal du Dimanche“ (JDD) bekommt dies jetzt zu spüren. Das Blatt hatte Anfang März auf seiner Internetseite Gerüchte über Seitensprünge Sarkozys und seiner Frau Carla Bruni publik gemacht. Darüber war das Präsidentenpaar so wütend, dass eine Klage wegen „Verbreitung falscher Nachrichten“ unvermeidlich wurde. Strafanzeige erstattete jedoch nicht der Präsident, sondern das von dem Unternehmer Arnaud Lagardère, einem engen Freund Sarkozys, herausgegebene JDD selbst gegen ihre Internetseite. Die Kriminalpolizei ermittelt.

Dieser ungewöhnliche Schritt geht laut Medienberichten auf „starken Druck“ aus dem Elysee-Palast zurück. Nach der Veröffentlichung der Gerüchte intervenierten Pierre Charon, Sarkozys Medienberater, und Thierry Herzog, sein Anwalt, beim Chefredakteur des Blattes. Dieser richtete ein Entschuldigungsschreiben an das Präsidentenpaar und ließ Blog umgehend von der Internetseite nehmen. Der Autor, der die in den Pariser Salons kursierenden Klatschgeschichten über die Sarkozys zum „Buzz“, zur Sensation im Internet, aufgebläht hatte, und der Direktor der Web-Aktivitäten des Verlags, wurden gefeuert.

Den Verdacht gegen die Ex-Justizministerin stütze Sarkozy auf eine Untersuchung des Inlandsgeheimdienstes, der im Auftrag des Elysee-Palastes der Herkunft der Gerüchte nachgegangen war, berichteten Medien.

- (a) <http://www.salzburg.com/online/nachrichten/newsletter/Geheimdienst-Agenten-in-delikater-Mission-.html?article=eGMmOI8V5CpcaXfXwxsRVIIiG9cudeiY7CVcRZLK&img=&text=&mode=>
- (b) <http://derstandard.at/1269449199959/Ob-Carla-Bruni-fremdgeht-klaert-der-Geheimdienst>

0946/2010 -----

SWIFT: EU erwartet Zugeständnisse

(futurezone.ORF.at) Kritik an Bankdatenabkommen ungebrochen

Im Streit über das Abkommen zur Weitergabe europäischer Bankdaten an die USA (SWIFT) muss Washington nach Ansicht der EU-Kommission auf das Europaparlament zugehen.

Der Unterhändler der EU-Kommission, Jonathan Faull, forderte die USA in einer Debatte im Europaparlament am Mittwoch indirekt zu Zugeständnissen auf. Mit Blick auf die Ablehnung des Abkommens durch das EU-Parlament im Februar sagte Faull: "Wir wären ziemlich dumm, wenn wir Ihnen einen Vertrag vorlegen, den Sie nicht annehmen können."

- (a) <http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1644154/>

- (b) <http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1644177/>
(c) hot doc: <http://cryptome.org/isp-spy/swift-spy.pdf>

0947/2010 -----

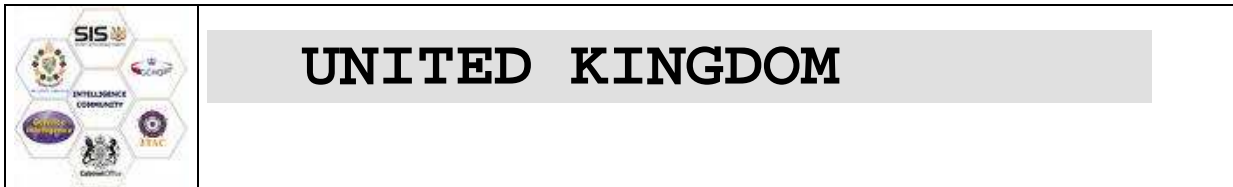
Festnahme von zwei iranischen Staatsbürgern in Italien

(RIB) Der iranischen Außenminister betonte, die Festnahme der zwei iranischen Staatsangehörigen in Italien sei ein Spiel, das die USA, CIA und dem Pentagon entworfen in anderen Teilen der Welt bereits ausgeführt haben, aber dabei verloren.

Laut Bericht der Irna hat Manutscher Mottaki, der Außenminister der Islamischen Republik Iran am gestrigen Montagnachmittag bei einem Treffen mit den Angehörigen Hamid Masumi Nedschad, IRIB-Reporter in Rom, und Ali Damirtschilu, einem anderen iranischen Inhaftierten in Italien gesagt: „Wir erwarten von den italienischen Positionsträgern, so schnell wie möglich die Voraussetzungen für die Freilassung von Masuminedschad und Damirtschilu zu schaffen und sich nicht an dem zum Scheitern verurteilten Spiel der USA zu beteiligen.“

Der iranische Außenminister beschrieb die Schritte, die seitens seines Ministeriums bei der Verfolgung der Lage der beiden inhaftierten Iraner vorgenommen wurde und sagte: „Es ist Aufgabe des iranischen Außenministeriums die Rechte der Iraner überall auf der Welt zu wahren und zu unterstützen. Außerdem befiehlt die Glaubenspflicht und die Pflicht als Mensch, dass wir im Falle, dass für einen Iraner irgendwo auf der Welt Probleme auftreten, deren Lösung im Rahmen des Gesetzes verfolgen.“

<http://german.irim.ir/index.php/politik/36644-mottaki-festnahme-von-zwei-iranischen-staatsbuergern-in-italien-zum-scheitern-verurteiltes-spiel-der-usa>



0948/2010 -----

CIA given details of British Muslim students

(independent.co.uk) Personal information concerning the private lives of almost 1,000 British Muslim university students is to be shared with US intelligence agencies in the wake of the Detroit bomb scare.

The disclosure has outraged Muslim groups and students who are not involved in extremism but have been targeted by police and now fear that their names will appear on international terrorist watch lists. So far, the homes of more than 50 of the students have been visited by police officers, but nobody has been arrested. The case has raised concerns about how the police use the data of innocent people and calls into question the heavy-handed treatment of Muslim students by UK security agencies.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/cia-given-details-of-british-muslim-students-1932727.html>

Alexander Lebedev: Der Zeitungszar, der aus der Kälte kam

(Der Standard) Warum kauft ein Oligarch und früherer KGB-Mann ein
britisches Blatt nach dem anderen?

120 Prozent mehr Auflage binnen Wochen: Der russische Miliardär Alexander Lebedev ist seit Herbst dabei, die britischen Blätter gehörig durchzuwirbeln. Der frühere KGB-Agent in London übernahm die Mehrheit am Evening Standard. Und begann im Oktober, das Blatt zu verschenken, für das Leser seit 182 Jahren zu zahlen hatten. Statt 255.000 Exemplaren bringt der Standard nun gut 610.000 Exemplare unters Volk.

Was will Alexander Lebedev mit den britischen Blättern? „Wladimir Putin sagt den russischen Oligarchen stets, sie sollen im Westen investieren“, zitiert der Guardian einen Menschen aus dem Umfeld von Alexander Lebedev. Der Oligarch wolle Putin zeigen, dass er Teile der westlichen Medien unter seine Kontrolle bringen kann, auch im Sinne von Russlands Bild im Westen.

Zugleich hält Lebedev mit Michail Gorbatschow Anteile an der Nowaja Gaseta, einem der letzten regimekritischen Blätter Russlands, die Zeitung der ermordeten Anna Politkowskaja. Er wollte mit Gorbatschow eine Partei gründen.

- (a) <http://derstandard.at/1269448451600/Alexander-Lebedev-Der-Zeitungszar-der-aus-der-Kaelte-kam>
- (b) Kommentar von Paul Lendvai: Der Standard, 8. April 2010, S. 13.
- (c) <http://www.spiegel.de/wirtschaft/unternehmen/0,1518,685735,00.html>

**Job erledigt, der Spion kann gehen**

(Stuttgarter Zeitung) Jahrelang ist ein Iraker in Baden-Württemberg von deutschen Behörden als Informant benutzt worden. Nun will man den Mann abschieben.

Die einzigen Kostbarkeiten, die Whalid Ghulam Ismail in seiner Sozialwohnung geblieben sind, passen auf zwei schmale Plastikregale. Die vergilbenden Familienfotos verscheuchen die Zweifel. "Das war kein Verrat gegen den Islam oder gegen mein Land. Ich habe das für meinen Bruder gemacht", sagt der Spion, der von Hartz IV lebt. Für den jüngeren Bruder Ali kämpft Ghulam seinen letzten Kampf, und vielleicht auch für das Gefühl, nach acht Jahren irgendetwas erreicht zu haben. Er hat sein Leben riskiert, Geld der Familie verbraucht, sich angelegt mit Geheimdiensten und Behörden. Nun soll der 45-Jährige aus Stuttgart-Hausen in den Irak abgeschoben werden.

http://www.stuttgarter-zeitung.de/stz/page/2441122_0_9223_-abschiebung-job-erledigt-der-spion-kann-gehen.html



AUSTRIA

0951/2010 -----

Affäre um Abfangjäger eskaliert

(Die Presse) Die Staatsanwaltschaft ermittelt gegen Verfassungsschutz und Heeresabwehramt. Beweise rund um Abfangjägerbeschaffung sollen zurückgehalten worden sein.

Vizeleutnant Harald S. hat Strafanzeige gegen die österreichischen Nachrichtendienste, BVT (Bundesamt für Verfassungsschutz und Terrorismusbekämpfung, dem Innenministerium unterstehend) und Heeresabwehramt, eingebracht. Die Vorwürfe lauten im Wesentlichen auf Amtsmissbrauch und Unterdrückung von Beweismitteln. Die Auswirkung: Behinderung der Justiz. Konkret wirft S. Beamten der Geheimdienste vor, einen Haftbefehl gegen ihn wegen des Verdachts der Spionage vorsätzlich und unter Vorspiegelung falscher Tatsachen erwirkt zu haben, um ihn zu diskreditieren.

Das Wissen des in Hörsching bei Linz stationierten Unteroffiziers, so heißt es in der Anzeige, hätte „gefährlich sein“ können. S. soll über Beziehungen hochrangiger Militärs zu Lobbyisten in der Zeit der Beschaffung des Draken-Abfangjäger-Nachfolgegeräts Bescheid gewusst haben - unter anderem zu EADS-Lobbyist Erhard P. Steininger und zum russischen Staatsbürger Vladimir Vozzhov, der in Österreich für die MIG 29 warb.

http://diepresse.com/home/politik/innenpolitik/555877/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/politik/innenpolitik/index.do

0952/2010 -----

Registrierungspflicht für Wertkartenhandys

(futurezone.ORF.at) Das österreichische Justizministerium tritt gegenüber der EU-Kommission für eine EU-weite Registrierungspflicht aller Wertkartenhandys ein. Gegen "professionell agierende Tätergruppen" nütze das zwar kaum, aber eine EU-weite Sperre von als gestohlen gemeldeten Geräten würde den Diebstahl von Handys an "Attraktivität verlieren" lassen.

<http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1643886/>

0953/2010 -----

Kärnten als Tummelplatz der Spione

(Die Presse) Der Volksgruppenkonflikt in Kärnten reicht bis ins 19. Jahrhundert zurück. Deutsche, amerikanische und jugoslawische Geheimdienste mischten bei Ortstafelsturm und Sprengstoffanschlägen bis in die 70er-Jahre kräftig mit.

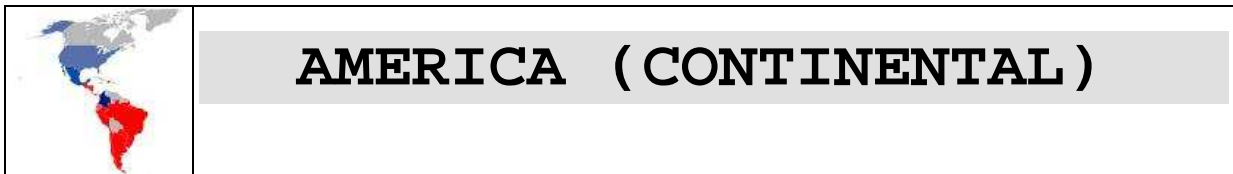
Der Kärntner Historiker Alfred Elste forscht seit Jahren in slowenischen Archiven. Das, was er dort (und anderswo) zutage förderte, birgt Sprengstoff. Und zwar für beide Seiten im Volksgruppenkonflikt. Elste zeigt auf, dass zumindest bis in die 70er-Jahre ausländische Geheimdienste eine wesentliche Rolle in der sehr emotional geführten Auseinandersetzung

spielten. Und, noch brisanter: Dass prominente Kärntner in diesen Geheimdienstfehden kräftig mitmischten.

Wie die Arbeiten von Elste nun zeigen, haben auch Geheimdienste auf dieser „Deutschkärntner“ Seite mitgespielt. In der Sicherheitsdirektion des Landes Kärnten wurde quasi ein Privatgeheimdienst eingerichtet, der ohne Wissen des Innenministeriums, aber mit Duldung der britischen Besatzungsmacht, 20 Mitarbeiter beschäftigte. Der prominenteste davon: Der spätere langjährige Klagenfurter Bürgermeister Leopold Guggenberger. Als Innenminister Oskar Helmer (SPÖ) davon Wind bekam, löste er die Gruppe auf.

Guggenberger, der diese Vorgänge der „Presse“ gegenüber bestätigte, machte mit einem von der Landes-ÖVP finanzierten privaten Nachrichtendienst weiter. Dafür brachte er laut Elste vielfältige Kontakte ein. So zum amerikanischen Geheimdienst CIC, Kontaktmann war dabei sein Schulfreund, der Publizist und frühere „Presse“-Herausgeber Fritz Molden.

- (a) http://diepresse.com/home/politik/zeitgeschichte/556355/index.do?vl_backlink=/home/politik/zeitgeschichte/index.do
- (b) <http://www.kleinezeitung.at/nachrichten/politik/2321823/ortstafelsturm-irre-demuetigung.story>
- (c) <http://www.kleinezeitung.at/nachrichten/chronik/2321153/sprengt-en-ueberlandleitung-bei-st-kanzian.story>



0954/2010 -----

Mexico drug gangs turn weapons on army

(LA Times) Drug traffickers fighting to control northern Mexico have turned their guns and grenades on the Mexican army, authorities said, in an apparent escalation of warfare that played out across multiple cities in two border states.

In coordinated attacks, gunmen in armored cars and equipped with grenade launchers fought army troops this week and attempted to trap some of them in two military bases by cutting off access and blocking highways, a new tactic by Mexico's organized criminals.

In taking such aggressive action, the traffickers have shown that they are not reluctant to challenge the army head-on and that they possess good intelligence on where the army is, how it moves and when it operates.

<http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/world/latinamerica/la-fg-mexico-gunbattles2-2010apr02,0,5886596.story>

0955/2010 -----

New adversary in U.S. drug war: Contract killers for Mexican cartels

(Washington Post) A cross-border drug gang born in the prison cells of Texas has evolved into a sophisticated paramilitary killing machine that U.S. and Mexican officials suspect is responsible for thousands of

assassinations here, including the recent ambush and slaying of three people linked to the U.S. consulate.

The heavily tattooed Barrio Azteca gang members have long operated across the border in El Paso, dealing drugs and stealing cars. But in Ciudad Juarez, the organization now specializes in contract killing for the Juarez drug cartel. According to U.S. law enforcement officers, it may have been involved in as many as half of the 2,660 killings in the city in the past year.

Officials on both sides of the border have watched as the Aztecas honed their ability to locate targets, stalk them and finally strike in brazen ambushes involving multiple chase cars, coded radio communications, coordinated blocking maneuvers and disciplined firepower by masked gunmen in body armor. Afterward, the assassins vanish, back to safe houses in the Juarez barrios or across the bridge to El Paso.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/04/03/AR2010040303141.html?hpid=topnews>

0956/2010 -----

Mexico and the Failed State Revisited

(Stratfor) STRATFOR argued March 13, 2008, that Mexico was nearing the status of a failed state. A failed state is one in which the central government has lost control over significant areas of the country and the state is unable to function. In revisiting this issue, it seems to us that the Mexican government has lost control of the northern tier of Mexico to drug-smuggling organizations, which have significantly greater power in that region than government forces. Moreover, the ability of the central government to assert its will against these organizations has weakened to the point that decisions made by the state against the cartels are not being implemented or are being implemented in a way that would guarantee failure.

http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100405_mexico_and_failed_state_revisited?utm_source=GWeekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=100406&utm_content=readmore&elq=70e6ca72c066428394675f471332a76e

0957/2010 -----

Colombia, Venezuela, silent on alleged spy arrests

(intelNews.org) Caracas and Bogota are remaining silent on the arrests of eight alleged Colombian spies in northwest Venezuela. Eight people, members of a factory-owning family in Barinas, were charged with espionage last week, after Luis Carlos Cossio, 52, was allegedly caught photographing a telecommunications tower belonging to DISIP, Venezuela's premier intelligence agency. Cossio, who is a dual Venezuelan-Colombian citizen, was arrested on Tuesday, along with his relative, Santiago Giraldo, 21. Two days later, Venezuelan counterintelligence agents raided the family's factory in Barinas, arresting six more members of the same family. Colombian media report that at least two of the detainees, Cossio and Cruz Elva Giraldo, served in the same Colombian military unit in Medellin, namely the Colombian Army's 4th Brigade. These latest arrests can be seen in the context of rapidly spiraling intelligence wars in Latin America, especially between Colombia and Venezuela, two countries which recently broke off all diplomatic relations.

http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/04/05/01-428/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+intelNewsOrg+%28intelNews.org%29



AFRICA (SUB-SAHARA)

0958/2010 -----

Qaeda Group Threatens to Attack World Cup

(CBS) The North African terror group al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb has threatened to attack this summer's World Cup games in South Africa.

"How amazing could the match United States vs. Britain be when broadcasted live on air at a stadium packed with spectators when the sound of an explosion rumbles through the stands, the whole stadium is turned upside down and the number of dead bodies are in their dozens and hundreds, Allah willing," reads a statement the group published in a recent issue of the Jihadi online magazine Mushtaqun Lel Jannah (Longing to Paradise).

The statement also highlights recent actions by the terrorism group such as the December suicide bombing that killed seven CIA employees and a Jordanian agent at a base in Eastern Afghanistan last December and the Christmas Day bombing attempt that resulted in the arrest of Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, the Nigerian who has been cooperating with the FBI and providing information about his contacts in Yemen and the al Qaeda affiliate that operates there.

http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-503543_162-20001940-503543.html



THE CYBER BATTLEFIELD / CIVIL RIGHTS

0959/2010 -----

Cyber Insecurity: U.S. Struggles To Confront Threat

(NPR) Americans do not often hear that someone has found a way to overcome U.S. defenses, but military and intelligence officials have been sounding downright alarmist lately with their warnings that the country is ill-prepared to deal with a cyberattack.

Director of National Intelligence Dennis Blair opened his annual survey of security threats in February by advising Congress that "malicious cyberactivity is growing at an unprecedented rate," and that the country's efforts to defend against cyberattacks "are not strong enough."

Blair's predecessor as intelligence chief, Mike McConnell, was even more candid in a Washington Post commentary later that month.

"The United States is fighting a cyberwar today," McConnell wrote, "and we are losing."

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=125578576>

0960/2010 -----

The information age defines a headquarters for growth

(Signal online) A major U.S. intelligence agency is building its new headquarters facility around a network-centric architecture dedicated to information access and dissemination. The new construct allows the agency to accommodate the technology advances that have changed missions radically over the years.

A dedicated technology center houses hundreds of servers that provide unprecedented bandwidth to thousands of individual employees. Access across networks is seamless based on security privileges. And, both the external customer community and the internal user community will benefit from built-in redundant capabilities and a flexible architecture that permits easy incorporation of new technologies when they appear.

The home of these advances is the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's (NGA's) New Campus East (NCE), a \$1.77 billion construct that is being built on the grounds of Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Mandated by the Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC), the new headquarters represents the consolidation of several NGA buildings into one central location.

http://www.afcea.org/signal/articles/templates/Signal_Article_Template.asp?articleid=2254&zoneid=292

0961/2010 -----

Kremlin Control of Russian Internet Rising, OSC Says

(FAS) The Russian-language internet is increasingly subject to control by the Russian government and its allies in the private sector, according to a new report from the DNI Open Source Center (OSC). Except for a vocal minority of bloggers and human rights activists, the Russian public is mostly indifferent to or even supportive of government controls on the internet, the OSC report said.

"Over the last several years, pro-government oligarchs have accumulated significant stakes in the leading portals of the Russian Internet [or Runet]. Between them, they own the majority of the most popular Russian social networking sites and the majority of the most popular Russian websites," the OSC found.

<http://www.fas.org/irp/dni/osc/runet.pdf>

0962/2010 -----

SpyEye vs. Zeus Rivalry

It's common for malware writers to taunt one another with petty insults nested within their respective creations. Competing crime groups also often seek to wrest infected machines from one another. A very public turf war between those responsible for maintaining the Netsky and Bagle worms back

in 2005, for example, caused a substantial increase in the volume of threats generated by both gangs.

The latest rivalry appears to be budding between the authors of the Zeus Trojan – a crime kit used by a large number of cyber thieves – and “SpyEye,” a relatively new kit on the block that is taking every opportunity to jeer at, undercut and otherwise siphon market share from the mighty Zeus.

<http://www.krebsonsecurity.com/2010/04/spyeye-vs-zeus-rivalry/>

0963/2010 -----

Federal Judge Finds N.S.A. Wiretaps Were Illegal

(NY Times) A federal judge ruled Wednesday that the National Security Agency’s program of surveillance without warrants was illegal, rejecting the Obama administration’s effort to keep shrouded in secrecy one of the most disputed counterterrorism policies of former President George W. Bush.

In a 45-page opinion, Judge Vaughn R. Walker ruled that the government had violated a 1978 federal statute requiring court approval for domestic surveillance when it intercepted phone calls of Al Haramain, a now-defunct Islamic charity in Oregon, and of two lawyers representing it in 2004. Declaring that the plaintiffs had been “subjected to unlawful surveillance,” the judge said the government was liable to pay them damages.

- (a) <http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/01/us/01nsa.html?src=tw&tw=nytimes>
- (b) <http://www.theatlanticwire.com/opinions/view/opinion/What-the-NSA-Wiretapping-Case-Changes-3064/>

0964/2010 -----

Geheimdienst ohne Chance: Daten endgültig löschen

(ZDNet) Gelöschte Dateien sind nur scheinbar weg. Überall erhältliche Tools stellen sie einfach wieder her – im Falle sensibler Informationen mit fatalen Konsequenzen. ZDNet zeigt fünf Anwendungen, die Daten unwiederbringlich beseitigen.

Dateien, die mit Windows einfach nur gelöscht werden, lassen sich mit den passenden Tools problemlos wiederherstellen. Erst spezielle Programme sorgen dafür, dass die Daten unwiederbringlich vernichtet werden. ZDNet stellt fünf zuverlässige Datenlöscher vor.

http://www.zdnet.de/software_programme_loesungen_fuer_unternehmen_geheimdienst_ohne_chance_daten_endgueltig_loeschen_story-20000001-41530146-1.htm

0965/2010 -----

Researchers Trace Data Theft to Intruders in China

(NY Times) Turning the tables on a China-based computer espionage gang, Canadian and United States computer security researchers have monitored a spying operation for the past eight months, observing while the intruders pilfered classified and restricted documents from the highest levels of the Indian Defense Ministry.

In a report issued Monday night, the researchers, based at the Munk School of Global Affairs at the University of Toronto, provide a detailed account of how a spy operation it called the Shadow Network systematically hacked into personal computers in government offices on several continents.

The Toronto spy hunters not only learned what kinds of material had been stolen, but were able to see some of the documents, including classified assessments about security in several Indian states, and confidential embassy documents about India's relationships in West Africa, Russia and the Middle East. The intruders breached the systems of independent analysts, taking reports on several Indian missile systems. They also obtained a year's worth of the Dalai Lama's personal e-mail messages.

- (a) <http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/06/science/06cyber.html?sudsredirect=true>
- (b) the report: http://www.scribd.com/doc/29435784/SHADOWS-IN-THE-CLOUD-Investigating-Cyber-Espionage-2-0?secret_password=&autodown=pdf
(requires subscription, free)

(Hat tip to Dieter BACHER for his info !)

0966/2010 -----

The Shadow Network Attacks

(StrategyPage) North American Internet security researchers recently revealed that they had detected a China based espionage group, called the Shadow Network, that had hacked into PCs used by military and civilian personnel working for the Indian armed forces, and made off with huge quantities of data. This was done via Internet based attacks against specific military and government officials. This is often carried out in the form of official looking email, with a file attached, sent to people at a specific military or government organization.

It is usually an email they weren't expecting. This is known in the trade as "spear fishing" (or "phishing"), which is an Cyber War technique that sends official looking email to specific individuals, with an attachment which, if opened, secretly installs a program that sends files from the email recipients PC to the spear fishers' computer. In the last year, an increasing number of military, government, and contractor personnel have received these official looking emails, with a PDF document attached, and asking for prompt attention.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htiw/articles/20100408.aspx>



SPYCRAFT

0967/2010 -----

James Bond-style spy gadgets on sale on eBay

(Telegraph) Gadgets worthy of James Bond used by British spies who trained at a top secret camp in Canada are being sold off on eBay.

Items include a camera that shoots darts, a lipstick tube containing a dagger and fake monkey dung that explodes. The armory was developed on the shores of a Canadian lake at Camp X near Ontario. Ian Fleming, the creator of James Bond, was among the agents who learned their craft at the camp.

Other inventive items include a poison gas pen along with forged money, photographs, weapons, radio and uniforms. They were left behind when the spy factory closed and have been housed in a museum until now. Robert Stuart, a Canadian who died seven years ago, collected the gadgets and photos over a lifetime and was entrusted with many family heirlooms.

Since his death his daughter Deirdre took over the camp and pieces have started to appear on eBay to the consternation of those with links to Camp X who said many items had merely been loaned for display.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/culture/film/jamesbond/7546763/James-Bond-style-spy-gadgets-on-sale-on-eBay.html>

0968/2010 -----

Combat Blimps In Afghanistan

(Strategypage) The U.S. is shipping dozens of aerostats (tethered blimps) to Afghanistan. In the last few years, the U.S. Army has combined communications and electronic eavesdropping gear and software, with day/night camera towers, and aerostats, to produce BETSS-C (Base Expeditionary Targeting and Surveillance Sensors-Combined). The observation towers have been used since 2003, in Iraq and Afghanistan. The army has purchased 300 more towers for Afghanistan, so every U.S. base, even if temporary, has one. In addition, they are equipping hundreds of existing towers with the BETSS-C gear and the software to run it. Most of these Iraq bases are now being closed down, and much of the BETSS-C equipment is being sent to Afghanistan.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htintel/articles/20100408.aspx>

0969/2010 -----

NEOS Lives In The Data Matrix

(Strategypage) The U.S. Department of Defense, based on experience in Iraq, is developing an automated intelligence analysis and data distribution (to troops who need it) system. NEOS (Next Generation Exploitation Optimization System) uses off the shelf hardware and software, to create a system that will use past experience to collect and analyze all the electronic data being collected by sensors over and around the battlefield, and then determine which data is useful for which troops on the ground or in the air. NEOS then alerts those troops and sends the data. Actually, it sends an interpretation of the data. The electronic sensors, usually onboard aircraft or UAVs, senses radio and cell phone signals, as well as the electronic noise broadcast by generators, vehicles and other equipment. Troops tuned in to NEOS get a text report of what is squawking (electronically) in their vicinity, with advice on what it might mean.

<http://www.strategypage.com/htmw/htintel/articles/20100407.aspx>



INTELL HISTORY

0970/2010 -----

President Ford Approved Warrantless Domestic Surveillance

(Wired) While the country was embroiled in a national debate over excessive government surveillance in 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized the Federal Bureau of Investigation to conduct warrantless domestic surveillance, according to a classified memo recently obtained by the Center for Investigative Reporting.

The memo, signed Dec. 19, 1974, was issued just one month before the Senate established an 11-member panel, known as the Church Committee, to investigate government surveillance programs. The Church Committee would ultimately uncover other unconstitutional spying activities, such as that conducted by the National Security Agency under the rubric of Operation Shamrock. Two days after the memo was signed, investigative reporter Seymour Hersh, writing in The New York Times, disclosed a covert government spying program that focused on monitoring political activists in the U.S.

Ford became president after Richard Nixon's resignation in the wake of the Watergate spying scandal, and he later supported passage of the pro-privacy Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, which placed restrictions on wiretapping and required law enforcement to obtain permission from a special court to conduct domestic intelligence surveillance.

But according to the recently released top-secret memo, just two years earlier, Ford had secretly authorized Attorney General William B. Saxbe "to approve, without prior judicial warrants, specific electronic surveillance within the United States which may be requested by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation."

- (a) http://www.wired.com/threatlevel/2010/04/ford/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+wired%2Findex+%28Wired%3A+Index+3+%28Top+Stories+2%29%29
- (b) <http://www.politicsdaily.com/2010/04/03/president-ford-okd-secret-eavesdropping-documents-reveal/>
- (c) The memo:
<http://centerforinvestigativereporting.org/files/fordmemo.pdf>

0971/2010 -----

Intelligence Throughout History: Paul Revere's Midnight Ride

(CIA) The first Patriot intelligence network on record was a secret group in Boston known as the "Mechanics." Their activities in the 10 years before the outbreak of the Revolution in April 1775 included some of the earliest uses in America of warning, surveillance, and intelligence collection. One of the Mechanics was Boston silversmith Paul Revere.

<https://www.cia.gov/news-information/featured-story-archive/2010-featured-story-archive/intelligence-history-paul-revere.html>

0972/2010 -----

Mystery of the Soviet spy radio found in a Welsh field

(Wales online) THEIR trade was treachery but Cold War spies became box office gold in thrillers like The Ipcress File.

But not even Len Deighton, the novelist who dreamed up the plot, would have placed Aberystwyth at the heart of Soviet era espionage. Now, after the ultra-secret Government Communications Headquarters opened its doors for the first time, it has been revealed that a Soviet encrypted radio transmitter was found near the coastal town in 1960.

And a further web of intrigue and political scandal has emerged. The sophisticated transmitter is contained in an in-house museum at GCHQ in Cheltenham.

<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/uk-news/2010/04/02/mystery-of-the-soviet-spy-radio-found-in-a-welsh-field-91466-26160416/>

0973/2010 -----

A Trojan Seal

(ASIS) The Cold War is over but many of its stories have yet to be fully told. One such story is that of Ambassador George Kennan and Joe Bezjian. Ambassador Kennan is a Cold War legend who helped define the U.S. Cold War strategy of containment. A lifelong Foreign Service Officer and diplomat, he authored the famous "X" cable that modified the U.S.'s original economic containment ideas to a broad-based strategic philosophy. He was a man well worth listening to and the KGB did its best to listen to his every word.

Joe Bezjian, on the other hand, was a real shadow Cold Warrior. Not like the protagonist of novels and movies but rather a real security engineering officer protecting the U.S from its Soviet foe through the use of science and technology. He was one of a handful of original engineers hired in the late 40's to help the State Department fight technical espionage. He always worked in the shadows, as such a career choice dictates. Although his impact is not as broadly felt as Ambassador Kennan's, he helped change Cold War history as well.

<http://www.securitymanagement.com/print/6971>

0974/2010 -----

Nazi-Spion, Liebhaber, Teufelskerl

(Spiegel) Der Wüstenforscher László Almásy schleuste im Zweiten Weltkrieg Nazi-Agenten durch die Sahara, Hollywood setzte ihm mit "Der englische Patient" ein Filmdenkmal. Nun kommen die intimen Geheimnisse des Abenteurers ans Licht.

http://einestages.spiegel.de/static/topicalbumbackground/6741/ritter_der_sehnsucht.html

0975/2010 -----

History of the North Korean Army (1952)

(FAS) The origins and development of North Korea's military forces, from the vantage point of 1952, are described in a declassified U.S. Army intelligence report.



"Although the North Korean Army was not officially activated until 8 February 1948, the backbone of the armed forces was forged in 1946 under the mask of Central Peace Preservation Units and Youth Training Organizations. Using battle-hardened Korean veterans of the Chinese Communist Forces as a core, the puppet government built a modern military force whose only glaring weakness was in a lack of air power. The striking comparison in organization, logistics and tactics of the North Korean Army with those of the Soviet ground forces is attributable to the influence of the Soviet occupation army and the multitude of advisors which were left behind upon the Red Army's withdrawal."

<http://www.fas.org/irp/world/dprk/army-hist.pdf> (18 MB !!!)

0976/2010 -----

Tracking Narco-Terrorist Networks: The Money Trail

In October 2008, Colombian authorities arrested thirty-six Lebanese expatriates on money laundering and drug charges. This was more than a standard criminal syndicate, however -- the group was transferring a portion of its profits back to Hizballah. Michael Jacobson and Matthew Levitt discuss how such cases point to a new target for U.S. counterterrorism efforts: traditional criminal activities. In particular, Washington should leverage its strategy of international cooperation and diplomatic engagement to gain broader support against the growing terrorism-crime nexus.

<http://washingtoninstitute.org/opedsPDFs/4bbcba42e5c8a.pdf>

0977/2010 -----

Subversion and Espionage Directed Against the Army (SAEDA)

REGULATORY GUIDANCE, directed by Army Regulation 381-12, titled Subversion and Espionage Directed Against the Army (SAEDA)".

Directs "all members of the Army, Military and Civilian, be knowledgeable of their reporting responsibilities under this regulation... This has been mandated by the President of the United States in National Security Decision Directive 197"

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

0978/2010 -----

GODADDY.com, Civil Subpoena Policy

Go Daddy's Privacy Policy prohibits the release of customer or account information without express permission from the customer, except when required by law, to conform to the edicts of the law, or to comply with legal process properly served on Go Daddy or one of its affiliates. If you seek the identity or account information of a Go Daddy customer in connection with a civil legal matter, you must fax, mail, or serve GoDaddy.com, Inc. with a valid subpoena.

<http://cryptome.org/isp-spy/godaddy-spy.pdf>



0979/2010 -----

CASIS Weller Essay Prizes

The Canadian Association for Security and Intelligence Studies (CASIS) announces the 8th annual competition for the Geoff Weller Memorial Prize. The prize is awarded annually by CASIS in memory of Professor Geoff Weller, past president of CASIS and the first president of the University of Northern British Columbia, for the best undergraduate and graduate paper on a subject dealing with intelligence, security, or law enforcement.

Eligibility Criteria: The competition is open to undergraduate or graduate students enrolled at a Canadian university, or any Canadian student enrolled at a university outside of Canada. Essays must address some dimension of intelligence, security, or law enforcement issues in any time period and in any country. Submissions can be from any Humanities or Social Sciences discipline, inter-disciplinary programmes, or law school. Only papers submitted during the 2009-2010 academic year are eligible.

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The deadline for submissions is Friday, July 9th 2010.

<http://www.h-net.org/announce/show.cgi?ID=174870>

(Hat tip to Martin MOLL for this info !)

0980/2010 -----

Call for Papers : Counterterrorism: From the Cold War to the WOT

Title: Counterterrorism: From the Cold War to the War on Terror,
Volumes I and II
Date: 2010-08-15

Description: We are looking for contributors (subject experts, professors, graduate students) for the 2-volume, illustrated, Counterterrorism: >From the Cold War to the War on Terror, Volumes I and II to be published by ABC-CLIO in 2011. Comprehensive in scope and written by top scholars in the field

Contact: cobra141@prodigy.net

Announcement ID: 174531

<http://www.h-net.org/announce/show.cgi?ID=174531>

(Special thanks to Martin MOLL for this info!)



CONFERENCES / LECTURES

0981/2010 -----

Tagung "Intelligence and Society" der IIHA (Call for Papers)

Im Rahmen der Tagung "Intelligence and Society" der International Intelligence History Association findet am 23. April 2010 das extra an Nachwuchswissenschaftler und Studenten gerichtete Seminar "Die internationalen Geheimdienste - 1945 bis zur Gegenwart" in Tutzing statt. Dieses Seminar wird von Herrn Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Krieger der Universität Marburg, Herrn Sebastian Gorenflo und Sinan Müller-Karpe veranstaltet.

<http://www.intelligence-research.org/>

oder

<http://www.nachrichtendienst-forschung.org/>

(Special thanks to Sinan Müller-Karpe for this info!)

0982/2010 -----

Ausstellung "NORDBERG. Der Weg in den Weltraum"

Unter Leitung des ACIPSS-newsletter-Beziehers Walter Iber und unter Mitarbeiter der ACIPSS Mitglieder Dieter Bacher und mir (Autor und Referent am Symposium) eröffnet am 16. April Die Ausstellung "NORDBERG. Der Weg in den Weltraum" in Fehring. Am 17. April 2010 findet ein Symposium zum Thema statt. Die Eroberung des Weltraums, auch ein Thema der Propaganda (Sputnik, Gagarin, Wettlauf zum Mond) und der Intelligence (Vom Wettersatelliten ist es nicht weit zum Spionagesatelliten).

Der Text des Folders zur Ausstellung:



In den 60er und 70er Jahren des vergangenen Jahrhunderts „eroberte“ ein Steirer den Weltraum. Der Physiker Dr. Wilhelm (Willi) Nordberg, 1930 in Fehring geboren, wanderte in der Nachkriegszeit in die USA aus und machte dort Karriere bei der NASA. Nordberg war führend an der Entwicklung des ersten Wettersatelliten (TIROS 1) beteiligt, der am 1. April 1960 aus dem Weltraum erstmals - und für die damalige Zeit sensationelle - Aufnahmen von der Erde lieferte. Die weiteren Forschungsarbeiten des Fehringers, darunter die Satellitenprogramme „Nimbus“ und „LANDSAT“, brachte revolutionäre Fortschritte in der

globalen Erdbeobachtung. 1976 starb Willi Nordberg im Alter von 46 Jahren an Krebs. Er gilt heute als Pionier eines globalen Umweltüberwachungssystems.

In der Ausstellung rückt die Stadtgemeinde Fehring das Leben und Wirken ihres prominenten Bürgers, dessen Geburtstag sich 2010 zum 80. Mal jährt, in den Vordergrund. Als roter Faden leitet Nordberg durch die Geschichte der Weltraumforschung und der Raumfahrt: von den anfänglichen Experimenten der so genannten Raketenpioniere über den sowjetischen Weltraumsatelliten „Sputnik“ und die Mondlandung durch Apollo 11 bis hin zum ersten Österreicher im All. Weiters wird gezeigt, in welcher erstaunlichen Bandbreite uns der Weltraum im Alltag begegnet und begleitet: in Film, Fernsehen, Radio, Literatur, Kunst, in Form von privaten Sammlerleidenschaften usw.

Der Wettersatellit TIROS begleitet die Besucher durch die Schau, erklärt die einzelnen Bereiche und liefert teils verblüffende Antworten auf scheinbar einfache Fragen:

- Wie funktioniert eine Rakete, wofür wird sie verwendet?
- Was ist eigentlich ein Satellit, und welche Zwecke erfüllt er?
- Wie hängen Weltraumforschung und Meteorologie zusammen?

Das Projekt wird von der Steiermärkischen Landesregierung (Landeshauptmann-Stellvertreter Hermann Schützenhöfer und Landesrätin Mag. Kristina Edlinger-Ploder) unterstützt. Kurator der Ausstellung ist Univ.-Prof. Dr. Stefan Karner (Boltzmann-Institut für Kriegsfolgen-Forschung und Institut für Wirtschafts-, Sozial- und Unternehmensgeschichte der Universität Graz). Die inhaltliche Koordination liegt bei Mag. Dr. Walter M. Iber (Boltzmann-Institut für Kriegsfolgen-Forschung).

(Special thanks to [Harald KNOLL](#) for this info !)



0983/2010 -----

Media alerts

am Fr, 09.04. um 17:45 3sat

ZDF-History: Hello Fräulein - Verbotene Liebe zwischen Siegern und Besiegten

Geschichtsmagazin

Dauer: 45 min (a)

Beschreibung: Den alliierten Soldaten war nach Kriegsende 1945 der Kontakt zu Deutschen eigentlich streng verboten. Doch kein Gesetz konnte verhindern, dass sich Beziehungen zwischen den Siegern und deutschen "Fräuleins" entwickelten. Viele Frauen wurden von ihren Landsleuten dafür als "Verräterinnen" und "Huren" beschimpft. Während Amerikaner und Briten das "Kontaktverbot" Ende 1945 lockerten, wurden sowjetische Soldaten, die eine deutsche Frau liebten, postwendend in die Sowjetunion zurückversetzt.

am Fr, 09.04. um 21:30 3sat

Kolumbien: Sehnsucht nach Sicherheit

Reportage

Dauer: 30 min (b)

Beschreibung: Kokain und Krieg - so kennen viele Kolumbien. Das zweitgrößte Land Südamerikas kämpft seit Jahren gegen sein Image von Gewalt und Drogenhandel. In den vergangenen Jahren ist es Regierung und Militär gelungen, die Rebellen zurückzudrängen und Drahtzieher der Drogenkartelle dingfest zu machen. - Der Film berichtet, wie nun ein Plus an Sicherheit ausländische Investoren ins Land locken soll.

am Sa, 10.04. um 21:00 PHOENIX

Bespitzelt Springer! - Wie die Stasi einen Medienkonzern ausspähte
Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (c)

Beschreibung: Der Axel Springer Verlag - für die DDR war er der Staatsfeind Nr. 1. Systematisch versuchten Mielkes Mannen, in das Zeitungsimperium des Axel Caesar Springer einzudringen. Und sie hatten Erfolg. So gelang es der DDR-Auslandsaufklärung dank eines "Romeos", eines gut aussehenden Handlungsreisenden im Dienste der Stasi, eine Chefsekretärin in Springers Büro als willige Informantin zu nutzen. Ein Agenten-Thriller aus dem Kalten Krieg.

am Sa, 10.04. um 23:15 zdf_neo

Spy Bound - Agenten im Schatten
Agententhruiller

Dauer: 105 min (d)

Beschreibung: Eine Gruppe von Agenten des französischen Geheimdienstes erhält den Auftrag, die Yacht eines Waffenhändlers im Mittelmeer zu versenken. Im Verlauf der raffiniert eingefädelten, aber rechtlich fragwürdigen und höchst riskanten Aktion geraten die Attentäter nicht nur in Lebensgefahr, sondern auch in einen Loyalitätskonflikt mit ihrem Vorgesetzten. Der hochkarätig besetzte, glänzend konstruierte Thriller zeichnet ein ebenso packendes wie realistisches Bild der internationalen Agentenszene. Großes europäisches Starkino mit politischem und psychologischem Tiefgang, an attraktiven Schauplätzen aufwändig inszeniert.

am Mo, 12.04. um 08:45 mdr

Nordhausen - Die letzten Zeugen
Dokumentation

Dauer: 30 min (e)

Beschreibung: Hamburg, Köln, Dresden. Noch in den letzten Kriegsmonaten Anfang 1945 wurden diese Großstädte von alliierten Bombern zerstört. Doch auch kleinere, nicht so bekannte Städte waren Ziel massiver Bombardierungen. Nordhausen war eine davon. Die Stadt, über tausend Jahre alt, geprägt durch ein mittelalterliches Stadtbild. Tabak- und Branntwein-Produktion hatten Nordhausen in den 1920er Jahren großen Reichtum gebracht. Doch für die Alliierten, so dachten die Nordhäuser, war ihre kleine Stadt völlig unbedeutend. Vor den Stadtgrenzen hatten die Nationalsozialisten das Konzentrationslager "Mittelbau-Dora" errichtet. Die Häftlinge mussten unter unmenschlichen Bedingungen ein unterirdisches Stollensystem ausbauen, in dem ab Ende 1943 die von der Propaganda als "Vergeltungswaffen" ausgerufenen Raketen V1 und V2 produziert wurden. Als alliierte Aufklärungsflugzeuge 1944 Teile der Raketenproduktion entdeckten, wurde auch der Raum Nordhausen zum "target", zum Ziel für großflächige Luftangriffe.

am 13.04. um 20:17 arte

Krieg um den Reis - Themenabend: Hungerkrisen - vermeidbare Katastrophen?
Dokumentarfilm

Dauer: 78 min (f)

Beschreibung: Reis zählt zu den Grundnahrungsmitteln auf der Welt. Fast die Hälfte der Weltbevölkerung ernährt sich von dieser Getreideart. Aber wer kontrolliert den Handel mit Reis und wer bestimmt den Preis? Der investigative Dokumentarfilm von Jean Crépu beleuchtet den gesamten Wirtschaftskreislauf von den Reisproduzenten über die Exporteure, Großhändler, Konsumenten und Importeure bis hin zu staatlichen Regierungen, die durch das Schwanken des Reispreises zu Fall gebracht werden können. Er macht die Komplexität des Systems und die Folgen für die globale Nahrungssicherheit deutlich.

am Mi, 14.04. um 20:15 arte

Das letzte Aufgebot - Hitlers Todespiloten

Dokumentation

Dauer: 50 min (g)

Beschreibung: Nicht nur japanische, auch deutsche Flugzeugpiloten stürzten sich während des Zweiten Weltkrieges als lebende Bomben auf den Feind. Von der Propaganda zu Helden erhoben, sollten sie die Kampfmoral feindlicher Truppen brechen und als letztes Aufgebot die sichere Niederlage abwenden.

am Do, 15.04. um 22:45 rbb

Frohsinn, Fernsehen und Faschismus - Die braune Mattscheibe

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (h)

Beschreibung: 1935, vor 75 Jahren, ging das Fernsehen in Deutschland auf Sendung - anfangs nur dreimal die Woche für ein paar Stunden. Der "Deutsche Fernseh Rundfunk" sendete neun Jahre lang. Ab Frühjahr 1943 war das Fernsehprogramm nur noch Soldaten zugänglich. Das Fernsehen als Massenmedium gab es in Deutschland erst nach dem Krieg.

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