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2680/2010 -----

### 9/11 and the 9-Year War

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(Stratfor) It has now been nine years since al Qaeda attacked the United States. It has been nine years in which the primary focus of the United States has been on the Islamic world. In addition to a massive investment in homeland security, the United States has engaged in two multi-year, multi-divisional wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, inserted forces in other countries in smaller operations and conducted a global covert campaign against al Qaeda and other radical jihadist groups.

In order to understand the last nine years you must understand the first 24 hours of the war – and recall your own feelings in those 24 hours. First, the attack was a shock, its audaciousness frightening. Second, we did not know what was coming next. The attack had destroyed the right to complacent assumptions. Were there other cells standing by in the United States? Did they have capabilities even more substantial than what they showed on Sept. 11? Could they be detected and stopped? Any American not frightened on Sept. 12 was not in touch with reality. Many who are now claiming that the United States overreacted are forgetting their own sense of panic. We are all calm and collected nine years after.

At the root of all of this was a profound lack of understanding of al Qaeda, particularly its capabilities and intentions. Since we did not know what was possible, our only prudent course was to prepare for the worst. That is what the Bush administration did. Nothing symbolized this more than the fear that al Qaeda had acquired nuclear weapons and that they would use them against the United States. The evidence was minimal, but the consequences would be overwhelming. Bush crafted a strategy based on the worst-case scenario.

Bush was the victim of a decade of failure in the intelligence community to understand what al Qaeda was and wasn't. I am not merely talking about the failure to predict the 9/11 attack. Regardless of assertions afterwards, the intelligence community provided only vague warnings that lacked the kind of specificity that makes for actionable intelligence. To a certain degree, this is understandable. Al Qaeda learned from Soviet, Saudi, Pakistani and American intelligence during the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and knew how to launch attacks without tipping off the target. The greatest failure of American intelligence was not the lack of a clear warning about 9/11 but the lack, on Sept. 12, of a clear picture of al Qaeda's global structure, capabilities, weaknesses and intentions. Without such information, implementing U.S. policy was like piloting an airplane with faulty instruments in a snowstorm at night.

[http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100907\\_911\\_and\\_9\\_year\\_war?utm\\_source=GWeekly&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=100908&utm\\_content=readmore&elq=23718c70157342bc96772ca212d4b86d](http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100907_911_and_9_year_war?utm_source=GWeekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=100908&utm_content=readmore&elq=23718c70157342bc96772ca212d4b86d)

2681/2010 -----

**U.S. Calls New Iran Nuclear Report 'Troubling'**

(RFE/RL) The United States has called the latest report on Iran by the United Nations' nuclear watchdog "troubling to all who care about nonproliferation and global security."

In a new report released on September 6, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) says Iran is hampering the agency's work by barring some inspectors and pushing ahead with its nuclear program in defiance of tougher sanctions. White House spokesman Tommy Vietor said the report "again demonstrates that Iran is refusing to comply with its international nuclear obligations and continues its effort to expand its nuclear program and move closer to a nuclear weapons capability."

However, Iran's envoy to the IAEA, Ali Asghar Soltanieh, said the report had tarnished the agency's "technical reputation" and was "not balanced." Iran's Mehr news agency quoted Soltanieh as adding that the report confirmed Tehran had not diverted nuclear material toward military purposes or the creation of a nuclear weapon. He insisted that all of Iran's nuclear activities were under the IAEA's "complete supervision."

[http://www.rferl.org/content/US\\_Calls\\_New\\_Iran\\_Nuclear\\_Report\\_Troubling/2150743.html](http://www.rferl.org/content/US_Calls_New_Iran_Nuclear_Report_Troubling/2150743.html)

2682/2010 -----

**Could economic sanctions against Iran replace military action?**

(Intelligence analyst Eitan Arusy in Haaretz) Eitan Arusy served in the Intelligence Branch of the Israel Defense Forces and went on to set up the Arab desk in the IDF Spokesman's Office. Five years ago he retired from the military and, thanks to his American citizenship, was hired by the New York County District Attorney's Office as an intelligence analyst, specializing in the financing of governments and organizations in the Middle East. Two years later he was appointed director for strategic intelligence and research of business strategic consultancy RJI Capital. He continues to cooperate with the district attorney's office against the Iranian financial network. Arusy launched an investigation into how big international banks circumvent U.S. economic sanctions on Iran (and other states, including Cuba and Sudan ) and help Iranian banks move large amounts of money around the world.

<http://www.haaretz.com/print-edition/features/intelligence-analyst-eitan-arusy-could-economic-sanctions-against-iran-replace-military-action-1.312423>

2683/2010 -----

**IAEA Accuses Iran Of Hampering Nuclear Probe**

(allheadlinenews) The International Atomic Energy Agency on Monday accused Iran of hampering an investigation into its ambitious nuclear program by rejecting certain inspectors. The U.N. atomic watchdog also said that they found a number of broken seals on equipment in Natanz, which houses Iran's main uranium enrichment plant.

In response to the IAEA's demand to explain what caused the seals to be broken, Iran said that they were "accidental" and that it happened when the equipment was moved. The U.N. is due to conduct Physical Inventory

Verification next month to find out whether any equipment was secretly removed from the site. The IAEA said that Iran's repeated objection on inspectors' designation hampered their investigation process.

The watchdog's complaint came after two experienced inspectors were stripped of from their inspection right after they accused Tehran of secretly conducting nuclear experiments.

The Islamic nation said that the inspectors were barred because they filed inaccurate reporting. However, the agency said that Iran was legally right in rejecting the IAEA's designated inspectors' list, but added that this was affecting their inspection process.

<http://www.allheadlinenews.com/articles/7019814877>

2684/2010 -----

**Gauging the Threat of an Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Attack**  
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(Stratfor) Over the past decade there has been an ongoing debate over the threat posed by electromagnetic pulse (EMP) to modern civilization. This debate has been the most heated perhaps in the United States, where the commission appointed by Congress to assess the threat to the United States warned of the dangers posed by EMP in reports released in 2004 and 2008. The commission also called for a national commitment to address the EMP threat by hardening the national infrastructure.

There is little doubt that efforts by the United States to harden infrastructure against EMP – and its ability to manage critical infrastructure manually in the event of an EMP attack – have been eroded in recent decades as the Cold War ended and the threat of nuclear conflict with Russia lessened. This is also true of the U.S. military, which has spent little time contemplating such scenarios in the years since the fall of the Soviet Union. The cost of remedying the situation, especially retrofitting older systems rather than simply regulating that new systems be better hardened, is immense. And as with any issue involving massive amounts of money, the debate over guarding against EMP has become quite politicized in recent years.

We have long avoided writing on this topic for precisely that reason. However, as the debate over the EMP threat has continued, a great deal of discussion about the threat has appeared in the media. Many STRATFOR readers have asked for our take on the threat, and we thought it might be helpful to dispassionately discuss the tactical elements involved in such an attack and the various actors that could conduct one. The following is our assessment of the likelihood of an EMP attack against the United States.

[http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100908\\_gauging\\_threat\\_electromagnetic\\_pulse\\_emp\\_attack?utm\\_source=SWeekly&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=100909&utm\\_content=readmore&elq=6025aafef7994dc189bf84651fe42da1](http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100908_gauging_threat_electromagnetic_pulse_emp_attack?utm_source=SWeekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=100909&utm_content=readmore&elq=6025aafef7994dc189bf84651fe42da1)



## HOT SPOTS / WARS

2685/2010 -----

### **Taliban Facing Tough Financial Crisis In Afghanistan**

(allheadlinenews) Citing sensitive intelligence reports, a top U.S. general has disclosed the Taliban is facing a serious financial crisis after coalition forces disrupted their lucrative opium trade in southern Afghanistan.

"We have intelligence that indicates to us that he (Taliban) has got a financial crisis on his hands," according to U.S. Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Richard Mills, head of the U.S.-led NATO forces stationed at the lucrative opium-growing Marjah area of Helmand province.

Since February, NATO forces were able to drive back the Taliban from Marjah, seriously disrupting its drug-trade operations particularly its "treasury" in Marjah.

<http://www.allheadlinenews.com/articles/7019797667?Taliban%20Facing%20Tough%20Financial%20Crisis%20In%20Afghanistan>

2686/2010 -----

### **Taliban paid bounties for kills**

(The Australian) They are paying bounties of \$US1000 (\$1090) for killing a US soldier and \$US6000 for destroying a military vehicle, a treasurer for the insurgents says.

Afghan intelligence and Taliban sources said at least five front companies, set up in the past six months, provide cash for a network of district Taliban treasurers to pay battlefield expenses and bonuses for killing foreign troops and destroying their vehicles.

The Iranian companies win contracts to supply materials and logistics to Afghans involved in reconstruction. The money often comes in the form of aid from foreign donors.

The profits are transferred through poorly regulated Afghan banks - including the Kabul Bank, which is partly owned by President Hamid Karzai's brother, Mahmood - to Tehran and Dubai. Start of sidebar. Skip to end of sidebar. End of sidebar. Return to start of sidebar.

From these countries, the money returns to Afghanistan through the informal Islamic banking system known as hawala to be dispersed to the Taliban fighters. "This means the companies involved in funding the insurgency can cover their tracks easily. It makes it harder for us to trace the cashflow," a senior Afghan intelligence officer said.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/world/taliban-paid-bounties-for-kills/story-e6frg6so-1225914496325>

2687/2010 -----

**What was achieved in Iraq?**

(leadershiponline) At best it was started because of extremely bad intelligence and at worst on the back of a big fat and cynical lie. Now, seven and a half years later, as American combat troops are claimed to be returning home, the question remains: what was actually achieved by the war in Iraq, which cost more than 100 000 lives - mostly civilian - and at least some \$751 billion?

The other question that goes hand in hand with the first is: what now? Have the chances for peace and stability in the region improved and left the US and its allies in neighbouring Afghanistan and the broader region in a strategically better position than before?

With his announcement about the "withdrawal" of American troops on 31 August President Barack Obama seems to have delivered on one of his election promises - well, at least sort of. But that would seem to be one of the very few promises concerning the war in Iraq that comes close to some sort of realisation.

<http://www.leadershiponline.co.za/articles/politics/816-scorecard-of-war>

2688/2010 -----

**Afghan intelligence officer bragged about torture, documents show**

(Globe and Mail) A member of Afghanistan's notorious intelligence service boasted to Canadian military officers in the spring of last year that his organization was able to "torture" or "beat" prisoners during the course of its investigations, federal documents say.

The startling declaration, believed to be the first to come directly from a serving National Directorate of Security officer, sent officials in Ottawa reeling and left Canadian diplomats and correctional officers in Kandahar scrambling to verify the statement, according to briefing notes obtained by The Canadian Press.

It was made during a May 9, 2009, meeting in Kandahar involving Canadian ground commanders, and critics say it's further proof Ottawa should not allow transfers to Afghan authorities.

Reports that the Afghan agency sanctions torture are legion, but those charges are usually made by human rights groups, humanitarian agencies and prisoners themselves. Serving intelligence officers are almost never that candid, and the claim precipitated an immediate halt in the transfer of prisoners by Brigadier-General Jon Vance, commander of the Canadian task force.

It was one of three occasions last year when Canadians stopped handing over suspected Taliban fighters. Defence Minister Peter MacKay acknowledged the May, 2009, pause in handovers under questioning in House of Commons last fall, but never explained the circumstances surrounding it - or a later incident the following September.

The only thing federal officials acknowledged was that the halts were related to "allegations about treatment" of prisoners. The suspension in September related to Afghan intelligence officers telling Canadians they needed more evidence when taking custody of suspected Taliban fighters.

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/afghan-intelligence-officer-bragged-about-torture-documents-show/article1699987/>

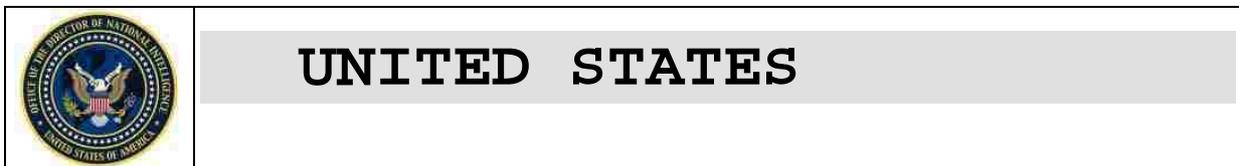
2689/2010 -----

**Militancy and the U.S. Drawdown in Afghanistan**

(StratFor) The drawdown of U.S. forces in Iraq has served to shift attention toward Afghanistan, where the United States has been increasing its troop strength in hopes of forming conditions conducive to a political settlement. This is similar to the way it used the 2007 surge in Iraq to help reach a negotiated settlement with the Sunni insurgents that eventually set the stage for withdrawal there. As we've discussed elsewhere, the Taliban at this point do not feel the pressure required for them to capitulate or negotiate and therefore continue to follow their strategy of surviving and waiting for the coalition forces to depart so that they can again make a move to assume control over Afghanistan.

Indeed, with the United States having set a deadline of July 2011 to begin the drawdown of combat forces in Afghanistan – and with many of its NATO allies withdrawing sooner – the Taliban can sense that the end is near. As they wait expectantly for the departure of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) from Afghanistan, a look at the history of militancy in Afghanistan provides a bit of a preview of what could follow the U.S. withdrawal.

[http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100901\\_militancy\\_us\\_drawdown\\_afghanistan?utm\\_source=SWeekly&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=100902&utm\\_content=readmore&elq=9de04abb6b894b378a6c81f840e68c9a](http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20100901_militancy_us_drawdown_afghanistan?utm_source=SWeekly&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=100902&utm_content=readmore&elq=9de04abb6b894b378a6c81f840e68c9a)



2690/2010 -----

**What America Has Lost : It's clear we overreacted to 9/11**

(Newsweek) Nine years after 9/11, can anyone doubt that Al Qaeda is simply not that deadly a threat? Since that gruesome day in 2001, once governments everywhere began serious countermeasures, Osama bin Laden's terror network has been unable to launch a single major attack on high-value targets in the United States and Europe. While it has inspired a few much smaller attacks by local jihadis, it has been unable to execute a single one itself. Today, Al Qaeda's best hope is to find a troubled young man who has been radicalized over the Internet, and teach him to stuff his underwear with explosives. I do not minimize Al Qaeda's intentions, which are barbaric. I question its capabilities. In every recent conflict, the United States has been right about the evil intentions of its adversaries but massively exaggerated their strength. In the 1980s, we thought the Soviet Union was expanding its power and influence when it was on the verge of economic and political bankruptcy. In the 1990s, we were certain that Saddam Hussein had a nuclear arsenal. In fact, his factories could barely make soap.

The error this time is more damaging. September 11 was a shock to the American psyche and the American system. As a result, we overreacted. In a crucially important Washington Post reporting project, "Top Secret America," Dana Priest and William Arkin spent two years gathering information on how 9/11 has really changed America. Here are some of the highlights. Since September 11, 2001, the U.S. government has created or reconfigured at least 263 organizations to tackle some aspect of the war on terror. The amount of money spent on intelligence has risen by 250 percent, to \$75 billion (and that's the public number, which is a gross underestimate). That's more than the rest of the world spends put together. Thirty-three new building complexes have been built for intelligence bureaucracies alone, occupying 17 million square feet—the equivalent of 22 U.S. Capitols or three Pentagons. Five miles southeast of the White House, the largest government site in 50 years is being built—at a cost of \$3.4 billion—to house the largest bureaucracy after the Pentagon and the Department of Veterans Affairs: the Department of Homeland Security, which has a workforce of 230,000 people.

This new system produces 50,000 reports a year—136 a day!—which of course means few ever get read. Those senior officials who have read them describe most as banal; one tells me, "Many could be produced in an hour using Google." Fifty-one separate bureaucracies operating in 15 states track the flow of money to and from terrorist organizations, with little information-sharing.

<http://www.newsweek.com/2010/09/04/zakaria-why-america-overreacted-to-9-11.html>

2691/2010 -----

### **30 False Fronts Won Contracts for Blackwater**

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(NYT) Blackwater Worldwide created a web of more than 30 shell companies or subsidiaries in part to obtain millions of dollars in American government contracts after the security company came under intense criticism for reckless conduct in Iraq, according to Congressional investigators and former Blackwater officials.

While it is not clear how many of those businesses won contracts, at least three had deals with the United States military or the Central Intelligence Agency, according to former government and company officials. Since 2001, the intelligence agency has awarded up to \$600 million in classified contracts to Blackwater and its affiliates, according to a United States government official.

The Senate Armed Services Committee this week released a chart that identified 31 affiliates of Blackwater, now known as Xe Services. The network was disclosed as part of a committee's investigation into government contracting. The investigation revealed the lengths to which Blackwater went to continue winning contracts after Blackwater guards killed 17 Iraqi civilians in Baghdad in September 2007. That episode and other reports of abuses led to criminal and Congressional investigations, and cost the company its lucrative security contract with the State Department in Iraq.

- (a) [http://www.nytimes.com/2010/09/04/world/middleeast/04blackwater.html?\\_r=1](http://www.nytimes.com/2010/09/04/world/middleeast/04blackwater.html?_r=1)
- (b) <http://levin.senate.gov/newsroom/supporting/2010/SASC.contractorhearing.022410.pdf>
- (c) [http://www.upi.com/Top\\_News/US/2010/09/04/Senate-panel-investigates-Blackwater/UPI-27121283576594/](http://www.upi.com/Top_News/US/2010/09/04/Senate-panel-investigates-Blackwater/UPI-27121283576594/)

- (d) <http://www.spiegel.de/politik/ausland/0,1518,715694,00.html>
- (e) List of Front Companies:  
<http://publicintelligence.net/blackwaterxe-front-companies-chart/>
- (f) Pdf-chart:  
<http://info.publicintelligence.net/BlackwaterFronts.pdf>

2692/2010 -----

**Israeli spies wooing U.S. Muslims**

(Washington Post) The CIA took an internal poll not long ago about friendly foreign intelligence agencies. The question, mostly directed to employees of the clandestine service branch, was: Which are the best allies among friendly spy services, in terms of liaison with the CIA, and which are the worst? In other words, who acts like, well, friends? "Israel came in dead last," a recently retired CIA official told me the other day.

Not only that, he added, throwing up his hands and rising from his chair, "the Israelis are number three, with China number one and Russia number two," in terms of how aggressive they are in their operations on U.S. soil. Israel's undercover operations here, including missions to steal U.S. secrets, are hardly a secret at the FBI, CIA and other U.S. intelligence agencies. From time to time, in fact, the FBI has called Israeli officials on the carpet to complain about a particularly brazen effort to collect classified or other sensitive information, in particular U.S. technical and industrial secrets.

One of Israel's major interests, of course, is keeping track of Muslims who might be allied with Hamas, which rules the Gaza Strip, or Iran-backed Hezbollah, based in Lebanon. As tensions with Iran escalate, according to former CIA officer Philip Giraldi, "Israeli agents have become more aggressive in targeting Muslims living in the United States as well as in operating against critics."

- (a) [http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/09/israeli\\_spies\\_pitching\\_us\\_musl.html](http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/09/israeli_spies_pitching_us_musl.html)
- (b) CIA spies consider Mossad 'most unfriendly' agency:  
<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/09/07/01-556/>

2693/2010 -----

**Li Fengzhi, Chinese spy who defected to U.S., facing deportation**

(Washington Post) The U.S. government is trying to deport Li Fengzhi, a veteran Chinese intelligence agent who defected here in 2004, back to China, where he could well be executed on charges of treason, he and others said in interviews.



The reasons for the government's six-year-long opposition to Li's application for political asylum, entangled in spy wars and layers of secrecy, are not easily discerned. Li became an officer in the Chinese Ministry of State Security (MSS) upon graduation from college in 1990, according to his application for political asylum. In 2003, the spy agency sent him to the University of Denver to pursue a PhD in international politics and diplomatic philosophy, during which time he began to voice his criticism of the Chinese Communist Party.

During a trip home, Chinese security agents harshly interrogated him about his views. When he returned to Denver, he decided to apply for political

asylum, on the basis that his increasingly outspoken views would subject him to retribution if he were forced to go back.

But he did not reveal his identity as a Chinese intelligence officer at the time, he said. His application was initially denied.

[http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/09/li\\_fengzhi\\_chinese\\_spy\\_who\\_def.html](http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/09/li_fengzhi_chinese_spy_who_def.html)

2694/2010 -----

**Pentagon Seeks "Coordination" of Media Activities**

(FAS) The Department of Defense last week increased its efforts to require that Department contacts with the media be monitored and approved by DoD public affairs officials.

"I am asking the heads of the Military Services, the Joint Staff and the Combatant Commands to reinforce to all of their employees to work closely and effectively with their public affairs offices to ensure full situational awareness," wrote Douglas B. Wilson, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs in a September 2 memorandum.

The latest Pentagon move follows up on a July 2 memo from Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates, who stated that the DoD Office of Public Affairs "is the sole release authority for official DoD information to news media in Washington, and ... all media activities must be coordinated through appropriate public affairs channels. This policy is all too often ignored," he complained.

<http://www.fas.org/blog/secretcy/2010/09/coordination.html>

2695/2010 -----

**"Scandalous" News from the CIA**

(Time) Rarely discussed nowadays is the fact that America's political leadership--under the direction of president Obama--decided to, in effect, let bygones be bygones and not pursue investigations into allegations of Bush-era torture. (Eric Holder's Justice Department is investigating some of the most egregious cases, but those seem to be acts of alleged criminal brutality that even John Yoo might not defend.)

The ACLU calls the news "scandalous." A federal prosecutor is looking into the case, so the government hasn't entirely turned a blind eye to the episode. But it will be interesting to see whether and how CIA chief Leon Panetta responds to the disclosure.

<http://swampland.blogs.time.com/2010/09/08/scandalous-news-from-the-cia/>

2696/2010 -----

**Working at the CIA: Fact or Fiction**

(CIA) Despite its portrayal in the movies, working at the Central Intelligence Agency isn't glamour and danger all the time. In fact, for most officers, it's more like a normal 9-to-5 job. This story is the first in a series that will debunk certain myths and misperceptions about working at the CIA.

Meet Brad, Chris, Larry, and Eleanor – all experienced CIA officers with time spent overseas. In this article, they'll share their insights and do their best to debunk myths about being an Agency employee.

<https://www.cia.gov/news-information/featured-story-archive/2010-featured-story-archive/working-at-the-cia-fact-or-fiction.html>

2697/2010 -----

**Former FBI man implicated in CIA abuse**

(AP) A former CIA officer accused of revving an electric drill near the head of an imprisoned terror suspect has returned to U.S. intelligence as a contractor, training CIA operatives after leaving the agency, The Associated Press has learned.

The CIA officer wielded the bitless drill and an unloaded handgun - unauthorized interrogation techniques - to menace suspected USS Cole bombing plotter Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri inside a secret CIA prison in Poland in late 2002 and early 2003, according to several former intelligence officials and a review by the CIA's inspector general.

Adding details to the public portions of the review, the former officials identified the officer as Albert, 60, a former FBI agent of Egyptian descent who worked as a bureau translator in New York before joining the CIA. The former officials spoke on the condition of anonymity because many details of the incident remain classified.

Both Albert and his CIA supervisor at the time, a second official known as Mike, were reprimanded for their involvement in the incident, the former officials said. The AP is withholding the last names of the two men at the request of U.S. officials for safety reasons.

[http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5ilmVyzs8Ek-pJ1A\\_UQXeLAAKT8owD9I38T600](http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5ilmVyzs8Ek-pJ1A_UQXeLAAKT8owD9I38T600)

2698/2010 -----

**NYPD officers given new terror guidelines**

(AP) ew York City police have been given new guidelines on how to handle chance encounters with terror suspects.

That's according to the Wall Street Journal, which reviewed an August 20 police memo outlining the instructions. Officers will receive 1 of 4 "handling codes" if they encounter someone listed on the National Crime Information database during a routine traffic or other stop.

Code One indicates the person may be associated with terrorism. Code Two suggests the person is part of an active terrorism investigation. Codes 3 and 4 indicates the person has been identified through intelligence as having ties to terrorism. In each case, officers are instructed to contact the department's Criminal Intelligence Unit. But they are told not to arrest the person unless there is probable cause to believe they broke the law.

<http://www.wcax.com/Global/story.asp?S=13101503>

2699/2010 -----

**FISA Court Proposes New Court Rules**

(FAS) The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court has proposed new rules to comply with the provisions of the FISA Amendments Act of 2008. The Court reviews government applications for intelligence surveillance and physical search under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA).

The proposed FISA Court rules provide new procedures by which telecommunications companies can petition the Court to modify or dismiss a court order or a directive from the Attorney General or the DNI requiring them to assist in electronic surveillance, to provide "any tangible thing," or to adhere to a nondisclosure requirement concerning intelligence surveillance. Meanwhile, other procedures would permit the government to petition the Court to compel cooperation by a non-compliant telecommunications provider. A new section in the proposed FISA Court rules accordingly addresses the conduct of "adversarial proceedings," a term that does not appear in the current rules (last modified in 2006).

[http://www.fas.org/blog/secretcy/2010/09/fiscr\\_rules.html](http://www.fas.org/blog/secretcy/2010/09/fiscr_rules.html)

2700/2010 -----

**The secret to working in Tampa? Get clearance**

(TBO) Every day, the military relies on contractors from the private sector to do everything from translating Urdu, Farsi and Pashto to installing computer networks and gathering intelligence in the field.

Because of the nature of the jobs, applicants usually are required to have at least a secret clearance or the ability to get one. Often - as in the case of the job ads from Northrop Grumman, GTEC and Calhoun International - the applicant is required to have a higher, or top secret, level of clearance.

The need for those with such clearance is particularly acute in Tampa.

With the war in Afghanistan and follow-up operations in Iraq being run by U.S. Central Command, and with special operations forces in play globally under U.S. Special Operations Command - both with their headquarters at MacDill Air Force Base - the Tampa Bay area is one of the nation's leading markets for jobs requiring secret or top secret clearance.

Overall, military contracting is big business. Companies in Tampa were awarded contracts valued at more than \$6 billion from 2000 through 2009, according to GovernmentContractsWon.com, a website that tracks contracts using data compiled from the federal government.

<http://www2.tbo.com/content/2010/sep/07/na-the-secret-to-working-in-tampa/>

2701/2010 -----

**FBI Says Retaliation for Koran Burning 'Likely'**

(ABC news) The FBI is concerned that Islamic extremists might attack and retaliate at this Saturday's Koran burning planned by radical Florida pastor Terry Jones, ABC News has learned.

"While the FBI has no information to indicate a specific attack has been planned against the United States or U.S. assets in response to the 'International Burn a Koran Day' event, the FBI assesses with high confidence that, as with past incidents perceived as acts of desecration against Islam, extremist actors will continue to threaten or attempt to harm the leaders, organizers, or attendees the event," an FBI intelligence bulletin notes.

The FBI is concerned not only about the potential for an attack at the event -- but also about retaliation going forward. The Aug. 19, 2010 intelligence bulletin out of the Bureau's Jacksonville field office is entitled, "Extremists Likely to Retaliate Against Florida Group's Planned 'International Burn a Koran Day.'"

<http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/Blotter/fbi-retaliation-koran-burning/story?id=11587779>



2702/2010 -----

**Mysterious death could have KGB links**

(Moscow News) The death of opposition activist and journalist Oleg Bebenin has thrown a murky light on both the circumstances of his demise and those who might be behind it. Those close to the dead man claim foul play, and dark rumours are circulating about President Lukashenko's cash-strapped government.

In the lead up to Belarusian elections speculation is bubbling about rebel undercurrents in the regime and the motivation of potential perpetrators is far from straightforward - with some pointing the finger at Minsk's modern-day KGB.

"Things indicate that at the very least it was premature to make such a conclusion... the police told me very confidently on the same day that it had happened on the same day...and I saw the body, it was not even stiff," leader of Charter 97 and presidential candidate Andrei Sannikov told The Moscow News. "I do not believe in Oleg's suicide. There is a lot here that is very questionable," he told Moskovsky Komsomolets. Bebenin was a member of the group.

<http://www.mn.ru/international/20100906/188027591.html>

2703/2010 -----

**Anna Chapman to launch own website**

(Telegraph) Anna Chapman, the glamorous former Russian spy, has disclosed she is preparing to launch a self-promotional website just weeks after she controversially leaked racy pictures of herself taken at a photo-shoot.

The flame-haired divorcee's actions suggest she is set on ignoring critics who accuse her of seeking to cash in on her notoriety as a failed Russian spy in America. The 28-year-old is instead attracted by a new career as a high profile public figure in her native Russia.

"My website will be up and running soon," she told Interview in Der Spiegel. "The contact information for my PR people will be listed there. [But] I am not permitted to talk about my time in America."

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/europe/russia/7991919/Anna-Chapman-to-launch-own-website.html>



## NEAR / MIDDLE EAST / NORTH AFRICA

2704/2010 -----

### **NZ journalist discloses Israeli electron**

(Sydney Morning Herald) New Zealand journalist and activist Nicky Hager has uncovered one of world's largest "eavesdropping" intelligence bases in Israel, Israeli newspaper Haaretz reports.

Hager said the base in the Negev region, 33km west of the city of Beersheba, was central to the activities of the main Israel Defence Force's signals intelligence unit, one of the largest in the world, according to the newspaper. It said Hager -- writing in Paris-based magazine Le Monde Diplomatique -- described the base as having 30 antennas and satellite dishes of different sizes and types, capable of eavesdropping on telephone calls and accessing the e-mail of "governments, international organisations, foreign companies, political groups and individuals".

One of the base's main purposes was to listen to transmissions from ships in the Mediterranean, and it played a key role in tapping underwater communication cables, mostly in the Mediterranean, connecting Israel with Europe. Hager, 52, attracted considerable attention in 1996 when he wrote a book, Secret Power, on the role of New Zealand in international intelligence gathering, and exposed the role of New Zealand Government Communications Security Bureau and its links with a US-led Echelon global spying network.

- (a) <http://news.smh.com.au/breaking-news-world/nz-journalist-discloses-israeli-electron-20100906-14x0y.html>
- (b) <http://www.haaretz.com/print-edition/news/foreign-report-israel-has-one-of-world-s-largest-eavesdropping-intel-bases-1.312198>
- (c) [http://www.upi.com/Top\\_News/International/2010/09/05/Report-reveals-site-of-secret-Israeli-base/UPI-46621283690054/](http://www.upi.com/Top_News/International/2010/09/05/Report-reveals-site-of-secret-Israeli-base/UPI-46621283690054/)
- (d) <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/09/09/01-558/>

2705/2010 -----

### **Lebanon complains to UN about Israel 'spy ring'**

(AFP) Lebanon has filed a complaint with the United Nations over what it says is an Israeli spy ring in the country, giving a list of 141 suspected agents, a diplomat said on Friday.

"Lebanon has complained over Israel having set up an espionage network in several areas, notably those of national security, military security and the security of telecommunications, both mobile and fixed," the diplomat said.

The government wants the complaint to be placed on the agenda of the annual meeting of the UN General Assembly to be held in New York later this month. Beirut "calls on the international organisation to take note of the danger represented by this matter, which could be the prelude to a new aggression against Iran," the diplomat said. More than 100 people have been arrested on suspicion of espionage since April 2009, including telecom employees, members of the security forces and active duty troops.

Many of the suspects are accused of having helped Israel identify targets during its devastating 2006 war with militants of the Shiite movement Hezbollah. Five of those tried have been sentenced to death for spying for Israel's Mossad overseas intelligence service.

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gJFolr-C6F3jeKg5T-g8KoHCxP2Q>

2706/2010 -----  
**EGYPT: Campaign supporting intelligence chief for president aborted**  
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(LA Times) In what became known as the posters/cyber war among supporters of potential candidates for the 2011 presidential elections in Egypt, the chief of intelligence Omar Suleiman appeared as the latest figure urged to succeed Hosni Mubarak.

Thursday and early hours of Friday witnessed the plastering of posters with Suleiman's photo and the slogan "a real alternative" in a number of neighborhoods across Cairo.

Speaking on condition of anonymity, a security official told the Associated Press that city workers were ordered to remove all of the posters less than 24 hours after they had appeared.

Additionally, independent daily newspaper Al Masry Al Youm was ordered to destroy nearly 30,000 copies of its late edition that included coverage of the campaign. "The printing house of a state-owned newspaper refused to print another batch of Al Masry Al Youm until news of the campaign was pulled from the front page," a newspaper official, also speaking on condition of anonymity said.

Waves of ongoing efforts in support of former United Nations nuclear watchdog Mohamed ElBaradei, opposition activist Ayman Nour and most recently President Hosni Mubarak's son, Gamal, have sprung up around Egypt. The campaign supporting Suleiman has been endorsed by a group calling itself the Popular Campaign in Support of Omar Suleiman as president of Egypt.

While promoting the likes of ElBaradei and Nour has been tolerated, it seems that Mubarak's regime wanted to put a swift and early end to any voices calling for Suleiman as a president. It was the first time in years that an independent media outlet was forced not to cover a certain event in Egypt.

<http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/babylonbeyond/2010/09/egypt-a-new-campaign-supporting-chief-intelligence-for-presidency.html>



## FAR EAST & ASIA

2707/2010 -----

### **The Anarchic Republic of Pakistan**

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(IntelliBriefs) THERE IS perhaps no other political-military elite in the world whose aspirations for great-power regional status, whose desire to overextend and outmatch itself with meager resources, so outstrips reality as that of Pakistan. If it did not have such dire consequences for 170 million Pakistanis and nearly 2 billion people living in South Asia, this magical thinking would be amusing.

This is a country that sadly appears on every failing-state list and still wants to increase its arsenal from around 60 atomic weapons to well over 100 by buying two new nuclear reactors from China. This is a country isolated and friendless in its own region, facing unprecedented homegrown terrorism from extremists its army once trained, yet it pursues a "forward policy" in Afghanistan to ensure a pro-Pakistan government in Kabul as soon as the Americans leave.

For a state whose economy is on the skids and dependent on the IMF for massive bailouts, whose elite refuse to pay taxes, whose army drains an estimated 20 percent of the country's annual budget, Pakistan continues to insist that peace with India is impossible for decades to come. For a country that was founded as a modern democracy for Muslims and non-Muslims alike and claims to be the bastion of moderate Islam, it has the worst discriminatory laws against minorities in the Muslim world and is being ripped apart through sectarian and extremist violence by radical groups who want to establish a new Islamic emirate in South Asia.

<http://intellibriefs.blogspot.com/2010/09/anarchic-republic-of-pakistan.html>

2708/2010 -----

### **Negotiator: No intel report on hostage crisis**

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(Philstar) The chief negotiator who handled the hostage-taking incident last Aug. 23 in Manila admitted that he not talked to an intelligence team during the negotiations to save the hostages.

During today's hearing of the Incident Investigation and Review Committee (IIRC) on the hostage crisis, Superintendent Orlando Yebra of the Manila Police District said he wasn't able to talk to an intelligence operative or anyone who could have given him vital information on the hostage-taker and his hostages.

But he said someone handed him a printout containing the personal background of the hostage-taker, dismissed senior police officer Rolando Mendoza. According to Yebra, it is vital for the intelligence group to know the mental mindset of the hostage-taker.

Mendoza was the culprit behind the hijacking of a tourist bus carrying 21 Hong Kong nationals and four Filipinos. The hostage crisis ended when Mendoza was shot dead by a police sniper after an 11-hour stand-off.

The IIRC proceedings, led by Justice Secretary Leila de Lima, are expected to finish on Wednesday.

<http://www.philstar.com/Article.aspx?articleId=609627&publicationSubCategoryId=200>

2709/2010 -----

**Chinese Underwater treasure hunt**

(The announcement by the Chinese government that one of its manned submarines dived 12,330 feet to the South China Sea floor to plant the Chinese national flag has dramatically heightened international competition for the mineral-rich water body. Beijing's disclosure of the symbolic act has perturbed rival claimants from Southeast Asia for the Sea's bountiful fishing grounds and untapped oil, natural gas, tin, manganese and other precious commodities.

Vietnam, the Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei and Indonesia contest China's definition of its territorial waters as including islands in the South China Sea that are launch pads for drilling and extracting maritime treasures. China's mastery of submersible vehicle technology to indulge in nationalistic provocation on the seabed is racking nerves of the region's smaller powers.

No one is left in doubt that China is ratcheting up military capability to establish a fait accompli on securing domination over the Sea's vast energy resources and vital shipping lanes. Earlier this year, the PLA dropped a doctrinal bombshell in foreign policy by designating the South China Sea as a "core national interest" over which it has "indisputable sovereignty", on par in weight with Tibet and Taiwan.

<http://www.financialexpress.com/news/underwater-treasure-hunt/676388/0#>

2710/2010 -----

**China realized it needed to improve its own outdated army**

(Time) Like a pair of male turkeys puffing up their chests at each other, the U.S. and Chinese militaries are back at it again, engaging in tit-for-tat military exercises in the Yellow Sea. On Sept. 4, the Chinese navy finished live artillery maneuvers, using some of its newest planes, ships and battlefield weaponry in a publicly announced show of military strength. Though Chinese state media called the war games "routine," the timing of the event – just days before a scheduled U.S.-South Korea anti-submarine exercise in the same waters – suggests it's more likely an attempt to send the U.S. a simple message: This is our backyard.

After watching U.S.-led forces obliterate a Soviet-style Iraqi military in the first Gulf War, China realized it needed to improve its own outdated army. It has increased military expenditures every year for the past two decades. While Chinese officials called the relationship with the U.S. "stable" during talks in Beijing this week, given China's ambitions in the region, tensions between the two are sure to continue. Denny Roy, a senior fellow at the East-West Center in Honolulu, says China is "working towards a sphere of influence," and with their stronger military, they can now "send signals they couldn't before."

<http://www.time.com/time/world/article/0,8599,2016687,00.html?xid=rss-fullworld-yahoo>



## EUROPE (GEOGRAPH.)

2711/2010 -----

### **Dutch policeman to stand trial as alleged Morocco spy**

(expatica) A Dutch court on Wednesday sentenced an ex-policeman of Moroccan origin to 240 hours' community service for sharing police information with Rabat.

The 39-year-old detective from Rotterdam was found guilty of sharing information on the police computer system with the Moroccan embassy in exchange for an unspecified reward. He had been told by an embassy official the information was being sought with regards to "terrorism, weapons trade or actions against the King of Morocco", said a statement of the district court in The Hague.

While the information provided did not contain state secrets, "he acted in conflict with his official duties and in violation of a secrecy undertaking he had signed", it added. In September 2008, the Dutch foreign ministry protested against alleged Moroccan espionage attempts, prompting two Moroccan diplomats to be recalled from The Hague.

[http://www.expatica.com/nl/news/dutch-news/dutch-policeman-to-stand-trial-as-alleged-morocco-spy\\_94927.html](http://www.expatica.com/nl/news/dutch-news/dutch-policeman-to-stand-trial-as-alleged-morocco-spy_94927.html)

2712/2010 -----

### **INDECT: Die verschwundenen Papiere**

Das von der EU-Kommission mit rund elf Millionen Euro geförderte Überwachungsprojekt INDECT ist dabei, auf Befehl seines polizeilich dominierten "Ethikrats" auf Tauchstation zu gehen. Zwei vordem als "öffentlich" deklarierte INDECT-Dokumente sind bereits von der Website verschwunden. Anderswo sind sie wieder aufgetaucht.

"Dieses Dokument wurde von den Mitgliedern des Ethikrats mit einem starken Fokus auf ethische Aspekte und die Menschenrechte evaluiert und angenommen", so heißt es einleitend zum "Report über die Sammlung und Analyse der Benutzeranforderungen" (Deliverable 1.1.).

Die Richtigkeit dieser Angaben lässt sich freilich nur noch schwer überprüfen, denn das als "öffentlich" deklarierte Dokument aus dem mit EU-Geldern geförderten Überwachungsprojekt INDECT ist nicht mehr verfügbar.

Beinahe gleichzeitig mit der Ankündigung des INDECT-Ethikrats, "Themen, die sich negativ auf die Polizeiarbeit, die nationale und öffentliche Sicherheit oder das Ansehen der Beteiligten auswirken könnten", nicht mehr der Öffentlichkeit zur Verfügung stellen zu wollen, sind die ersten Dokumente bereits von der Website verschwunden.

<http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1660457/>

2713/2010 -----

**Mit der Bohrmaschine: CIA folterte auch in Polen**

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(Die Presse) In Polen existierte offenbar doch ein Geheimgefängnis. Der Terrorverdächtige Al-Nashiri soll dort von CIA-Agenten mit einer Bohrmaschine und einer halbautomatischen Waffe gefoltert worden sein.

Die von der polnischen Regierung ins Reich der Märchen verbannten Gerüchte über ein CIA-Geheimgefängnis in Polen dürften sich nun doch bewahrheiten: Wie die US-Nachrichtenagentur AP berichtet, wurde in einem Gefangenenlager auf einem polnischen Militärgelände von 2002 bis Anfang 2003 ein Terrorverdächtiger von Agenten des US-Geheimdienstes CIA gefoltert.

Konkret soll die CIA den wegen des Anschlags auf das Kriegsschiff USS Cole verdächtigen Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri in dem Geheimgefängnis festgehalten haben. Im Verhör sei der Saudi von dem ägyptisch-stämmigen CIA-Agenten "Albert" und seinem Vorgesetzten "Mike" in die Mangel genommen worden, berichtet AP unter Berufung auf Geheimdienst-Kreise.

[http://diepresse.com/home/politik/aussenpolitik/593158/index.do?\\_vl\\_backlink=/home/politik/aussenpolitik/index.do](http://diepresse.com/home/politik/aussenpolitik/593158/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/politik/aussenpolitik/index.do)



*Hat tip to Oliver PLAUDER, editor of this section.*

2714/2010 -----

**UK police ask for help in case of slain intelligence agent**

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(CNN) Metropolitan police in London, England, appealed Monday for further information about last month's death of a man who worked for a British intelligence agency and whose naked body was found in a padlocked duffel bag in his bathroom.

Police also released surveillance camera images of Gareth Williams taken August 15, about a week before officials discovered his body on August 23. In addition, police said they would like help identifying "a man and a woman, both of Mediterranean appearance," between the ages of 20 and 30 and who were seen entering Williams' apartment building late one evening in June or July.

"This remains a complex unexplained death enquiry," Det. Chief Inspector Jacqueline Sebire said in a statement Monday.

- (a) [http://edition.cnn.com/2010/CRIME/09/06/uk.spy.dead/?hpt=T2#fbi\\_d=obAJYe64VK8&wom=false](http://edition.cnn.com/2010/CRIME/09/06/uk.spy.dead/?hpt=T2#fbi_d=obAJYe64VK8&wom=false)
- (b) U.S. officials: Gareth Williams death not spy-related: [http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/09/gareth\\_williams\\_death\\_not\\_spy-.html](http://blog.washingtonpost.com/spy-talk/2010/09/gareth_williams_death_not_spy-.html)
- (c) Was it poison?: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1309610/2-weeks-MI6-spy-Gareth-Williams-police-probe-radiation-theory.html?ito=feeds-newsxml>

(d) Victim was under surveillance:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1308900/Gareth-Williams-A-secret-stalker-Witnesses-wont-talk--But-whos-got-missing-laptop.html?ito=feeds-newsxml>

2715/2010 -----

**MI6 man tried to sell colleagues' names for £2m**

(Guardian) A software engineer working for MI6, who tried to sell intelligence for £2m, has been given a 12-month jail sentence for his "act of betrayal".

Daniel Houghton, 25, from Hoxton, east London, pleaded guilty at an earlier hearing to two offences under the Official Secrets Act. He offered computer files containing sensitive information about intelligence collection and MI6 staff lists to agents from the Netherlands, the Old Bailey heard. The Dutch initially thought it was a hoax, but later tipped off their UK counterparts. Houghton was arrested after arranging a meeting at a London hotel in March.

He claimed he heard voices telling him to do it, but today the judge, Mr Justice Bean, was told there were conflicting psychiatric reports. "You seem to be a strange young man. But whether you were hearing voices at the time, I don't know. If you were hearing voices they may have had a significant influence on your behaviour, but they could not be said to remove your responsibility for your actions."

Sentencing him, he said: "You were employed by the security services and attempted to sell secret material for very large sums of money."

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/sep/03/mi6-man-jailed-selling-names>

2716/2010 -----

**Le Carre: 'The Russians are here'**

(BBC) Veteran spy writer John Le Carre's day might have passed with the fall of the Berlin Wall, but as he tells Today, shadowy Russian influence is still alive and well.

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/today/hi/today/newsid\\_8977000/8977025.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/today/hi/today/newsid_8977000/8977025.stm)

2717/2010 -----

**Tommy English murder accused granted bail in High Court**

(BBC) An alleged former UVF chief accused of murdering a rival loyalist paramilitary boss 10 years ago has been released on bail.

Alexander Thomas Wood, 34, from Milewater Way, Newtownabbey, faces a total of 13 charges, including the murder of UDA chief Tommy English. The 40-year-old was shot dead in front of his wife during a bloody UVF - UDA feud which claimed seven lives. Thirteen other people have been charged in connection with his death.

The accused is also charged with being a member of the UVF, possessing guns and involvement in numerous 'punishment attacks' over a seven-year period, between October 1994 and October 2001.

All 14 defendants are to be arraigned on all charges on Friday after two brothers, 35-year-old David Ian Stewart and his older brother Robert Ian Stewart, 39, both from Newtownabbey, turned "supergrass" and identified others allegedly involved and admitted their involvement in the murder and a series of other paramilitary activities.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-11235996>

2718/2010 -----

**Soldiers witnessed teen's shooting, HET finds**

(Belfast Telegraph) An undercover surveillance team witnessed a loyalist gunman leave the scene of the murder of a Catholic teenager, an Historical Enquiry Team (HET) report has found.

Damien Walsh (17) was shot dead as he worked at a coal supply business in Twinbrook in 1993. The HET report said the soldiers were watching the Dairy Farm shopping centre for IRA activity from the hills overlooking the site. They witnessed the gunman leave the premises where Damien was shot dead. The report said Damien Walsh had not been involved in paramilitary activity and had not been the UFF's intended target.

It found that the undercover soldiers had been too far away to intervene and stop the killing. They had radioed the police with details of the killers' getaway car but got the make and model wrong. The report concluded there were no new lines of enquiry.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/soldiers-witnessed-teenrsquos-shooting-het-finds-14933047.html>

2719/2010 -----

**UDA: We've cleaned up our act and are no longer threat**

(Belfast Telegraph) Less than three years ago the UDA was neck deep in criminality. The organisation was widely involved in extortion, drug dealing, money laundering and intimidation.

Now its leaders are sitting side by side with neighbourhood police officers, government bodies and church members to discuss how best to regenerate the very areas where its members once terrorised communities. In November 2007, the UDA leadership announced an end to violence and ordered all members not to be involved in crime or criminality.

Three years on, however, allegations of continued involvement in criminality still resound. This week the organisation was accused of intimidating families from their homes in Tiger's Bay in north Belfast – something the UDA dismisses as "absolute nonsense".

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/politics/uda-wersquove-cleaned-up-our-act-and-are-no-longer-threat-14933901.html>

2720/2010 -----

**Adams talks call over ETA ceasefire**

(Belfast Telegraph) The Spanish Government should hold inclusive talks with Basque separatists ETA as soon as possible, Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams has said.

Mr Adams welcomed Sunday's ceasefire announcement by the armed group and said the authorities should act quickly. He added that the George Mitchell non-violence principles which had worked so well in Northern Ireland were also important to the Iberian conflict. "It is now vital that the Spanish Government responds positively and grasps the opportunity to advance a peace process," he said.

ETA said it took the decision several months ago "to put in motion a democratic process". The Spanish government has not responded, although it has previously refused to negotiate with the group unless it renounces violence and disarms.

- (a) <http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/adams-talks-call-over-eta-ceasefire-14934407.html>
- (b) Sinn Féin 'heavily involved' in push for Eta ceasefire:  
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/sep/06/sinn-fein-eta-ceasefire-gerry-adams>

2721/2010 -----

**Ammunition found dumped in a field**

(Belfast Telegraph) About 70 rounds of ammunition and components which could be used in a bomb have been found dumped in a field in north Donegal.

The bullets, mostly .22 calibre used in handguns and hunting rifles, were found on farmland in the Killea area near Bridgend and the border with Northern Ireland. Electrical components which could have formed part of an explosive device were also recovered but no explosive material, a garda spokesman said. A handful of other ammunition was also recovered in the planned search.

It is understood the garda-led operation was launched after a tip-off. Roads in the area were closed for several hours but no homes were evacuated.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/republic-of-ireland/ammunition-found-dumped-in-a-field-14936386.html>

2722/2010 -----

**Ulster MI5 agents increase by 33% to combat dissidents**

(Belfast Telegraph) MI5 is dealing with the growing threat of dissident republicans by increasing its number of agents in Northern Ireland by a third, according to security and military sources.

The head of MI5 revealed that his service now has to deal with "more life-threatening investigations" in Northern Ireland than the rest of the UK. The increased threat has meant that the number of agents in the province needed has been boosted, with tightly stretched resources moved from operations against Islamist terrorists. The escalation of violence in Northern Ireland comes at a particularly difficult time for the security

and intelligence services. There has been no respite in the activities of al-Qaida and its associates. Meanwhile, the agencies face economic constraints along with other government departments.

There have been 49 bombings in Northern Ireland in the first eight months of this year, compared with 22 in the whole of 2009, and many of the devices show a new level of expertise.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/ulster-mi5-agents-increase-by-33-to-combat-dissidents-14935607.html#ixzz0yrxLUWVk>

2723/2010 -----

#### **MI5 warns of growing threat from former IRA men**

(Belfast Telegraph) Former Provisional IRA bombmakers are believed to have joined dissident republicans to play a key part in the dramatic rise in the number of attacks in Northern Ireland, according to security and military sources.

The new threat comes as the head of MI5 revealed that his service now has to deal with "more life-threatening investigations" in Northern Ireland than the rest of the UK. The increased violence has meant that the number of agents in the province needed to be boosted by a third, with tightly stretched resources moved from operations against Islamist terrorists.

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<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/mi5-warns-of-growing-threat-from-former-ira-men-14935628.html#ixzz0yrsQfTZO>



## **GERMANY**

2724/2010 -----

#### **Der Spion aus der Tochterfirma**

(FTD) Das Bundesamt für Verfassungsschutz in Köln ist nicht gerade für seine Offenheit berühmt. Am Samstag jedoch lädt es zum Tag der offenen Tür anlässlich des 60. Geburtstags. Tag der offenen Tür heißt in diesem Fall, dass die Verfassungsschützer ihren Familien den Arbeitsplatz zeigen dürfen. Es wird für viele das erste und einzige Mal sein.

Herbert Kurek arbeitet seit 1981 für den Geheimdienst. Früher arbeitete er operativ, nutzte im Kalten Krieg seine Russischkenntnisse. Sein heutiger Job ist Offenheit, er leitet jetzt das Referat Wirtschaftsspionage. Seit einiger Zeit reisen er und seine Mitarbeiter durch die Republik, warnen Firmen vor Spionen aus dem Ausland und Angriffen auf die Computer. "Seit 2005 gibt es zunehmend Angriffe auf die deutsche IT", sagt Kurek. "Die größte Gefahr geht von China und Russland aus." Der Bedarf an den Veranstaltungen sei sehr, sehr groß.

Die Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft KPMG hat am Mittwoch eine Studie veröffentlicht. Danach war jede vierte deutsche Firma in den vergangenen drei Jahren Opfer von Computerkriminalität. 86 Prozent stufen sie als "große Gefahr" ein, allen voran der Maschinenbau und die Automobilindustrie.

<http://www.ftd.de/politik/deutschland/:kriminalitaet-der-spion-aus-der-tochterfirma/50165146.html>

2725/2010 -----

#### **Großdemonstration gegen Überwachung "Freiheit statt Angst" in Berlin**

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(ORF) Ein Bündnis deutscher Bürgerrechtsorganisationen, Berufsverbände und Gewerkschaften hat am Donnerstag unter dem Motto "Freiheit statt Angst" zu einer Großdemonstration gegen Überwachung und Internetsperren aufgerufen. Die Veranstaltung soll am Samstag, dem 11. September, auf dem Potsdamer Platz in Berlin beginnen.

Bereits im vergangenen Jahr erschienen nach Angaben der Veranstalter rund 25.000 Menschen zur Demonstration. Die Bürger protestieren unter anderem gegen die Vorratsdatenspeicherung, Ausweisdokumente mit Funkchips und die diversen Datensammlungen, die unter dem Label der Terrorbekämpfung auf US- bzw. EU-Ebene eingeführt wurden (SWIFT, PNR).

Die Veranstalter wenden sich auch gegen die geplante Einführung zentraler Internetsperrlisten und Netzsperrungen gegen mutmaßliche Urheberrechtsverletzer.

<http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1660777/>

2726/2010 -----

#### **Eichmann-Akten in Leipzig eingetroffen**

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(LVZ) Im Leipziger Bundesverwaltungsgericht sind mehr als 3000 Seiten der BND-Akten über Adolf Eichmann eingetroffen. Der Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) hat die rund 50 Jahre alten Akten über den NS-Verbrecher als Kopie nach Leipzig geschickt. Hinter verschlossenen Türen konnten sich die Journalistin Gaby Weber und ihr Anwalt Reiner Geulen, die erfolgreich gegen den BND geklagt hatten, am Mittwoch einen Überblick verschaffen. „Da war ja mehr schwarz als weiß“, sagte Weber anschließend der LVZ. Der Geheimdienst hätte nicht nur viele Passagen unkenntlich gemacht, sondern hunderte Seiten einbehalten.

Der BND lehnte eine Herausgabe der insgesamt 3400 Seiten zunächst komplett ab und stützte sich dabei auf eine Sperrerkklärung des Bundeskanzleramts. Zur Prüfung dieser Begründung sahen die Bundesrichter die Unterlagen unter dem Siegel der Verschwiegenheit ein und stellten fest, dass der Sperrvermerk aus dem Kanzleramt rechtswidrig ist. Die „ohnehin bekannten Geschehnisse“ werden laut Gericht durch die BND-Akten „nur um Facetten ergänzt“. Der Geheimdienst schickte jetzt aber nur einen Teil der Akten. „Für den Rest gibt es eine neue Sperrerkklärung“, sagte Gerichtssprecherin Sibylle von Heimburg. Weber kündigte an, auch gegen den neuen Sperrvermerk zu klagen.

<http://nachrichten.lvz-online.de/leipzig/citynews/eichmann-akten-in-leipzig-eingetroffen--einsicht-hinter-verschlossenen-tueren/r-citynews-a-47565.html>



## AUSTRIA

2727/2010 -----

### **Tschetschenen-Mord: Wusste Polizei von Mordplan, tat aber nichts?**

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(Presse) Hätte der Mord am Tschetschenen-Flüchtling Umar Israilow, der am 19. Jänner 2009 in Wien erschossen worden ist, verhindert werden können? Peter Pilz, Nationalratsabgeordneter der Grünen, glaubt ja. Er macht das Wiener Landesamt für Verfassungsschutz und Terrorismusbekämpfung (LVT) dafür verantwortlich.

Ein Vorwurf, den Pilz mit dem Protokoll der Einvernahme eines tschetschenischen Polizeispitzels begründet. Interessant daran ist, dass sich der Verfassungsschutz bei seinem Dementi auf dieselbe Einvernahme beruft. Ob die Geschichte zum Staatsskandal taugt oder „nur“ ein ganz normaler Kriminalfall ist, wird – wenn überhaupt – der Prozess zeigen.

Nach dem Mord an Israilow saß Kosum Y., dessen Bruder an der Tat beteiligt gewesen sein soll, in einem Verhörzimmer des LVT. Die Beamten schrieben in ihren Bericht: „Er (Kosum Y., Anm.) gab weiters an, dass er bereits beim Besuch des Shakya T. (drei Monate vor der Tat, Anm.) geahnt habe, dass etwas passieren werde. Er habe deshalb auch die Behörden informiert, da er dachte, dass Schritte gesetzt würden. Dies sei nicht erfolgt.“

Für Pilz ist das der Beweis dafür, dass LVT, Innen- und Justizministerium vorgewarnt waren, aber nichts unternahmen. Damit wäre Israilow „seinen Mördern ans Messer geliefert worden“. Der Mord hat eine zweite Dimension. Die Staatsschützer glauben, dass Tschetscheniens Präsident Ramsan Kadyrow Auftraggeber sein könnte, weil Israilow über dessen Folterpraktiken auspacken wollte. In der (noch nicht rechtskräftigen, weil beeinspruchten) Anklage gegen drei Tatverdächtige ist davon nichts mehr zu lesen. Peter Pilz glaubt zu wissen, warum. Er vermutet, dass „die Spitzen des Innen- und des Justizministeriums auf Anregung des österreichischen Außenministeriums“ ein strafgerichtliches Verfahren gegen Kadyrow verhindern wollen. Mitarbeiter des russischen Inlandsgeheimdienstes hätten in Österreich interveniert. Das Innenministerium sagt dazu nichts. Außer: „Kein Kommentar.“

- (a) [http://diepresse.com/home/politik/innenpolitik/592912/index.do?\\_vl\\_backlink=/home/politik/innenpolitik/index.do](http://diepresse.com/home/politik/innenpolitik/592912/index.do?_vl_backlink=/home/politik/innenpolitik/index.do)
- (b) Polizeispitzel bekommt Polizeischutz:  
<http://kurier.at/nachrichten/wien/2030305.php>
- (c) <http://wien.orf.at/stories/468052/>
- (d) <http://www.wienerzeitung.at/DesktopDefault.aspx?TabID=3941&Alias=wzo&cob=516017>
- (e) <http://www.kleinezeitung.at/nachrichten/chronik/2471417/weiter-aufregung-mordfall-israilov.story>
- (f) <http://derstandard.at/1282979086375/Peter-Pilz-Kadyrov-Kopf-einer-Moerderorganisation>
- (g) <http://kurier.at/nachrichten/wien/2030197.php>
- (h) Peter Pilz, <http://www.peterpilz.at>, Eintrag DIENSTAG, 07. SEPTEMBER 2010

2728/2010 -----

**"Wiesenthal, ein österreichischer Patriot"**

(Standard) Sein ganzes Leben sei Nazi-Jäger Simon Wiesenthal in Österreich bespitzelt worden, erklärt sein Biograf Tom Segev - das zeige einen "gewissen Defekt der österreichischen Demokratie"



"Ich hab mich manchmal gefragt, ob Österreich einen solchen Mann überhaupt verdient hat, der sich nach dem Krieg die Aufgabe gestellt hat, Österreich von seiner Vergangenheit zu befreien und von Nazis zu säubern", sinniert Tom Segev nach seinen Recherchen über Simon Wiesenthal. Segevs Wiesenthal-Biografie, die jetzt gleichzeitig in mehreren Ländern erscheint, wird besonders in Österreich Wellen schlagen, weil der 2005 mit 96 Jahren verstorbene, schwer durchschaubare "Nazijäger" ja von Wien aus agierte und in den Zeiten Bruno Kreiskys und Kurt Waldheims auch die österreichische Politik bewegte.

Dass in den Schlagzeilen über sein jüngstes Buch jetzt der Ausdruck "Mossad-Agent" dominiert, bereitet dem israelischen Historiker und Journalisten Segev Unbehagen: "Er war ja kein israelischer Spion." Israels Geheimdienst "hat die Errichtung des Dokumentationszentrums in der Salztorgasse bezahlt, Wiesenthal hat eine monatliche Bezahlung in bar bekommen - nicht so furchtbar viel, ungefähr 300 Dollar -, und er hatte einen Decknamen, 'Theokrat'." Der Mossad habe sich dabei weniger für Verbrecher aus der Nazizeit, sondern mehr für Neonazis interessiert, weil er sie als reale antisemitische Gefahr einstufte.

- (a) <http://derstandard.at/1282978963717/Biograf-im-Gespraech-Wiesenthal-ein-oesterreichischer-Patriot>
- (b) Wiesenthal war auch Mossad-Agent:  
<http://derstandard.at/1282978819259/Biografie-Wiesenthal-war-auch-Mossad-Agent>

2729/2010 -----

**Null Null Zilk**

(profil) Österreichs politisches Establishment weigerte sich zu glauben, dass einer von ihnen für die Kommunisten spioniert hatte.

Profil Sonderheft (40 Jahre) zu Nr. 36/2010, S. 80



**AMERICA (CONTINENTAL)**

2730/2010 -----

**Bomb blast wounds 12 outside Colombia spy agency**

(AFP) Twelve people were wounded when a bomb exploded outside the Colombian intelligence agency's offices in the southern city of Pasto, near the Ecuadoran border, the Red Cross said.

A "low-intensity package bomb was left outside the Administrative Department of Security (DAS) building, next to a lamppost, by a man who then ran away," Pasto Red Cross official Henry Palacios told AFP. He said 12 passersby and workers from the DAS building were wounded in the blast and taken to area hospitals.

Narino department Governor Antonio Navarro told Caracol radio that two of the wounded were in serious condition and that the damage wrought by the bomb was considerable. He said authorities suspect the bombing was the work of the leftist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), the country's oldest and strongest rebel group.

Shortly after the blast, DAS agents detained a man and a woman who were leaving the area in a taxi and are suspected of being behind the blast, DAS Director Felipe Munoz said.

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gSgCFFKtslF2zRwrMmo893o9pmSw>

2731/2010 -----

**Ex-Colombian spy seduced cop to implicate judges**

(sify) A former Colombian detective, who received orders from her superiors to infiltrate the Supreme Court in 2007, had seduced a national police captain to be able to carry out her mission, media reports said.

Alba Luz Florez revealed in her confession to authorities, which was published Saturday, that her superiors in the Administrative Department of Security (DAS) ordered her to spy on the magistrates and link them to activities of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, one of the oldest Marxist-Leninist guerrilla group active in latin America since 1964.

For her assignment, she revealed, she posed as a cosmetic salesperson, dated the police captain and became friends with two other police officers and a female janitorial employee at the high court so that she could eventually plant a small recording device under the justices' meeting table in the court's Full Chamber.

The three officers cooperated with her, Florez's attorney Edgar Torres said, adding that his client infiltrated the court without knowing what the purpose of obtaining the information was or what use was subsequently made of it.

<http://sify.com/news/ex-colombian-spy-seduced-cop-to-implicate-judges-news-international-kjglkcgcbfd.html>



2732/2010 -----

**Cyber self-defense can help U.S. security**

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CNN-discussion with Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine; Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Maryland; and Sheldon Whitehouse, D-Rhode Island, all serve on the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Key findings:

- Senators: Computer info stolen each year equals holdings of Library of Congress
- U.S. vulnerable, they write, but users can help by keeping antivirus software up-to-date
- 20 percent of malicious internet activity in the world originates from U.S. computers, they say
- Keeping computers secure vital as driving with good brakes, seat belts, senators say

<http://edition.cnn.com/2010/OPINION/09/03/senators.cyber.security/?hpt=C2#fbid=XIbrgQb45S7&wom=false>

2733/2010 -----

**Flashplayer als Spion einsetzbar**

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(virenschutz.info) Wer beim Aufruf des ausschließlich online zur Verfügung stehenden Einstellungsmanagers des Flash-Players ein unechtes Zertifikat akzeptiert, der bietet einem Angreifer die Möglichkeit die Konfiguration der Webseiten-Zugriffsschutz Einstellungen zu manipulieren. Die Webseite eines Angreifers kann somit also auf die Webcam und Mikrofon zugreifen.

<http://www.virenschutz.info/beitrag-Flashplayer-als-Spion-einsetzbar-3602.html>

2734/2010 -----

**TrueCrypt 7.0a - Freie Verschlüsselungs-Software**

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(winfuture) rueCrypt ist ein kostenloses Programm zur Verschlüsselung von Dateien, Partitionen und Wechseldatenträgern. Das Programm bindet Containerdateien in das System ein oder verschlüsselt ganze Festplattenbereiche und agiert mittels unterschiedlicher Verfahren mit 128-, 256-, 448- oder 512-Bit-Keys "on the fly".

Die angelegten "Virtual Volumes" werden nach Passworteingabe gemountet und lassen sich wie normale Partitionen oder Datenträger verwenden und über den Explorer aufrufen. Ein so genannter "Traveler Mode" sorgt dafür, dass TrueCrypt nicht unbedingt installiert werden muss, sondern sich auch auf Wechseldatenträgern wie USB-Sticks nutzen lässt.

<http://winfuture.de/news,57937.html>

2735/2010 -----

**Dubai police chief calls BlackBerry a spy tool**

(AP) Worries about spying by the U.S. and Israel spurred plans to sharply limit BlackBerry services in the United Arab Emirates, Dubai's police chief said in comments that suggest a tough line in talks with the smart phone maker.

The UAE says it will block BlackBerry e-mail, messaging and Web services Oct. 11 unless authorities can gain access to the encrypted data traffic – a demand by other countries warning of possible bans including India.

The proposed UAE action threatens BlackBerry service for an estimated 500,000 local subscribers and could tarnish the country's reputation as the Gulf's business and tourism hub with potentially millions of visitors left without key BlackBerry services.

Dubai's police chief, Lt. Gen. Dahi Khalfan Tamim, said that fears of espionage and information sharing by foe Israel – as well as UAE allies United States and Britain – helped prompt the possible limits on the popular BlackBerry.

Tamim told a conference on information technology that the proposed BlackBerry curbs are also "meant to control false rumors and defamation of public figures due to the absence of surveillance," according to a story posted Friday on the website of the UAE newspaper Al-Khaleej.

- (a) <http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5iJ1MLhAMIErDhT4heu4LKw-xgH3QD9I0EU900>
- (b) Emirates police says US, Israel, use BlackBerry to spy:  
<http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/09/08/01-557/>

2736/2010 -----

**Pentagon: Preemptive strikes as part of cyber-defense strategy**

(Washington Post) The Pentagon is contemplating an aggressive approach to defending its computer systems that includes preemptive actions such as knocking out parts of an adversary's computer network overseas – but it is still wrestling with how to pursue the strategy legally.

The department is developing a range of weapons capabilities, including tools that would allow "attack and exploitation of adversary information systems" and that can "deceive, deny, disrupt, degrade and destroy" information and information systems, according to Defense Department budget documents.

But officials are reluctant to use the tools until questions of international law and technical feasibility are resolved, and that has proved to be a major challenge for policymakers. Government lawyers and some officials question whether the Pentagon could take such action without violating international law or other countries' sovereignty.

Some officials and experts say they doubt the technology exists to use such capabilities effectively, and they question the need for such measures when, they say, traditional defensive steps such as updating firewalls, protecting computer ports and changing passwords are not always taken.

[http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/08/28/AR2010082803849\\_pf.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/08/28/AR2010082803849_pf.html)

2737/2010 -----

### **Kritische Sicherheitslücke im Acrobat Reader**

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(ORF) Die heimische IT-Sicherheitsorganisation CERT.at hat in einer Aussendung vom Donnerstag vor einer kritischen Sicherheitslücke in den Adobe-Produkten Acrobat Reader und Acrobat bis inklusive jeweils Version 9.3.4 gewarnt. Die Lücken bieten Angreifern die Möglichkeit, vom Nutzer unbeobachtet Schadcode auf dessen Rechner zu schleusen und auszuführen.

Betroffen sind die Plattformen Windows, Unix und Mac OS X. CERT.at erwartet, dass die Sicherheitslücke schon bald ausgenutzt werden wird, Kriminelle könnten Schadcode über manipulierte PDF-Dateien auf Websites anbieten oder über Spam-Mails verteilen. Es seien bereits erfolgreiche Angriffe auf Acrobat auf Windows gemeldet worden, so CERT.at, diese nutzten signierte PDFs und funktionierten auch auf Windows 7.

Da Adobe noch keinen Patch für den Fehler bereitgestellt hat, empfiehlt CERT.at in der Zwischenzeit, eine alternative Software zum Anzeigen von PDFs aus unsicheren Quellen zu verwenden (Mac OS X: Vorschau, Windows: Foxit Reader und andere).

<http://futurezone.orf.at/stories/1660847/>

*The editor's choice: Foxit Reader, which freeware, lightweight, fast, reliable: <http://www.foxitsoftware.com/pdf/reader/>*

2738/2010 -----

### **Is There A Civil War Within WikiLeaks?**

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(RFE/RL) What the heck is going on inside WikiLeaks? On the one side, the organization's founder, architect, and editor, Julian Assange, is being investigated for, well, some kind of sexual misconduct in Sweden. On the other side, an important political ally of the organization, Icelandic parliamentarian Birgitta Jonsdottir, has told "The Daily Beast" that Assange should "step aside" as the organization's public spokesperson until the criminal case is resolved.

Jonsdottir's remarks have provoked an angry online debate between partisans for and against WikiLeaks as to whether there is now a "civil war" within the organization. Stoking the fury have been a number of pseudonymous individuals -- let's call them voices, since that's about all they amount to at the moment -- claiming to be WikiLeaks "volunteers" and even "insiders." Their message is remarkably consistent and divisive: either Jonsdottir is a traitor or Assange is a totalitarian.

So, what do Jonsdottir and Assange themselves think? In communications with me over Facebook and e-mail, there is indeed a disagreement between them, one that has bearing on WikiLeaks' internal organizational and managerial future, but it is neither a coup d'état nor repression of dissent.

[http://www.rferl.org/content/The\\_Cracks\\_In\\_WikiLeaks\\_/2152428.html](http://www.rferl.org/content/The_Cracks_In_WikiLeaks_/2152428.html)

2739/2010 -----

**'Anti-terror' data found in street**

(Belfast Telegraph) Police were investigating the contents of a computer memory stick said to contain sensitive anti-terror material which was reportedly found in the street outside a police station.

The four-inch USB storage device was alleged to have contained more than 2,000 pages of confidential information, including strategies on combating terror attacks. The memory stick was found by a 36-year-old businessman on a pavement outside the station in Stalybridge, Greater Manchester, said the Daily Star on Sunday.

It reported the device was emblazoned with the initials GMP POTU, standing for Greater Manchester Police Public Order Training Unit, and the files enclosed were produced by the National Police Improvement Agency on the subject of counter-terrorism and tactical deployment.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/uk/antiterror-data-found-in-street-14934488.html>



## SPYCRAFT

2740/2010 -----

**Free Reverse Cell Phone Number Lookup Search Services**

(officialwire) Now there is a free way to check out cell phone spying software that will help anyone find the name of a cell phone owner, using a Free Reverse Cell Phone Number Lookup services, and to view the texting of a business partner or maybe try to catch cheating spouse, there is another private service available called Spy Bubble.

Anyone can listen to cell phone conversations, locate cell phone live locations with a GPS Google Map, and keep track of the location of your children or your spouse with the new services of Spy Bubble just in case there was an emergency, because they became lost, or worse stolen.

After the spy phone tracking software is installed in any cell phone, you will be able to hear all the conversations, and read all messages, even if they try to delete them!

All by using their new software installed on your laptop, or PC.

[http://www.officialwire.com/main.php?action=posted\\_news&rid=215732](http://www.officialwire.com/main.php?action=posted_news&rid=215732)

2741/2010 -----

**Spy Plane Expands Coverage of China and N. Korea**

(airirang) The US Air Force has unveiled a powerful new air drone in the Pacific which will allow the US military to monitor an area from Afghanistan to South America's western coast.

The RQ-4B Global Hawk can fly at an altitude of 16,000 kilometers on flights lasting 38 to 42 hours. With an array of high-tech radars and infrared detectors it can scan an area of 5,500 kilometers and detect an object as small as 30 centimeters. The unmanned aircraft will be based in Guam and is scheduled to replace the U-2 spy plane which is currently used in Asia.

By next year the program will have complete surveillance over the Asia Pacific region including China and North Korea. Along with its military reconnaissance missions the Global Hawk will engage in space research and monitor hurricane and volcano activity.

[http://www.arirang.co.kr/News/News\\_View.asp?nseq=106767&code=Ne2&category=2](http://www.arirang.co.kr/News/News_View.asp?nseq=106767&code=Ne2&category=2)

2742/2010 -----

#### **Thanko's spy watch camera now waterproof**



(Cnet) Japanese gizmo company Thanko is dishing out its latest spy gadget, the Waterproof Video Camera Spy Watch HD.

Although this device has the annotation HD behind its model name, the gizmo can record only 640x480-pixel videos. Maybe the firm was referring to the image resolution, which measures 1,600x1,200 pixels.

Weighing less than a quarter of a pound, this watch has a USB 1.1 port for charging the internal battery, which delivers approximately 90 minutes of video operation. There is also 4GB of onboard memory for users to store videos and pictures. The watch is rated IPX8, which means it can be immersed in water continuously at depths up to 3.3 feet. Well, this is good news for Bond wannabes who wear their watch in the shower.

[http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938\\_105-20015761-1.html](http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938_105-20015761-1.html)

2743/2010 -----

#### **SearchLight UMTS/GSM detection and location system**



(qcc) SearchLight provides an efficient, cost-effective and easy to use solution to the threat posed by GSM eavesdropping.

GSM based bugging and tracking devices are now the most commonly used bugs and are a very real threat to organisational security. These bugs are small, simple to deploy, use very little power and can be accessed remotely from anywhere in the world.

GSM based devices are also far more difficult to counter than conventional radio frequency bugs because TSCM radio receivers are unable to distinguish between bugs and mobile phones being used legitimately nearby.

For these reasons the use of GSM devices is growing dramatically and posing an increasingly wide spread threat to National Security & Commercial Organisations which deal with sensitive information.

SearchLight is the comprehensive professional response to the GSM eavesdropping threat.



## INTELL HISTORY

2744/2010 -----

### **U.S. Nuclear Stockpile Secrecy: A View from 1949**

(FAS) The question of whether or not to disclose the number of nuclear weapons in the U.S. arsenal "goes to the very heart of our democratic system of government," said Senator Brien McMahon (D-CT) in a newly rediscovered 1949 speech on secrecy in nuclear weapons policy.

"Do we possess five bombs, or fifty bombs, or five hundred bombs? Are we strong or weak in the field of atomic weapons? Only the Atomic Energy Commissioners, high-ranking military men, and a few others know the correct answer to these vital questions," Sen. McMahon said. Sen. McMahon (1903-1952) was the principal author of the Atomic Energy Act of 1946, which established the Atomic Energy Commission and placed control of nuclear weapons in civilian hands.

"Though I have been a member of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy since its inception, and though I have just been elected its chairman, I do not myself know how many bombs we possess or how rapidly we are making new ones," he said.

[http://www.fas.org/blog/secrecy/2010/09/secrecy\\_mcmahon.html](http://www.fas.org/blog/secrecy/2010/09/secrecy_mcmahon.html)

2745/2010 -----

### **New inquiry into 1994 heli crash which killed intelligence officers**

(Telegraph) Nick Clegg, the Deputy Prime Minister, said a "respected lawyer" would lead the inquiry into the 1994 accident which killed everyone on board.

Two RAF pilots were found guilty of "gross negligence" for flying fast through thick fog, but there have been on-going concerns about the airworthiness of the helicopter. During Prime Minister's Questions, Mr Clegg said: "I am pleased to be able to confirm today that we will be holding an independent review of the evidence on the Mull of Kintyre disaster and I hope the review will be welcomed by the families of those who died in this tragic accident.

"To ensure its complete independence, the review will be conducted by a respected lawyer who is independent of the Government and who has not previously expressed a view on the disaster. "The reviewer and the precise terms of reference will be announced soon." The review is expected to be conducted in private by a retired Scottish judge, Lord Philip, and to take three to four months.

The Chinook Mark 2 helicopter crashed on June 2 1994 on the way from Belfast to Inverness in the worst RAF helicopter accident in peacetime. The

aircraft was largely destroyed, killing the special forces crew and 25 senior intelligence figures from the Army, police, and MI5.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/newstopics/politics/defence/7990269/New-inquiry-into-Chinook-crash-which-killed-intelligence-officers.html>

(Hat tip to Oliver PLAUDER for thus info!)

2746/2010 -----

**British opera singer turned spy**



(Mail online) The incredible life of a British-born opera singing spy who performed for Hitler with documents hidden in her underwear can be told after a photograph of her was found.

Margery Booth led a double life inside Germany by singing for the Nazi top brass while smuggling information to British Intelligence. After being found out she endured torture by the Gestapo, but heroically remained silent and ultimately was able to escape to freedom.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1310484/Margery-Booth-British-opera-singer-turned-spy-performed-Hitler.html>

2747/2010 -----

**How the CIA bedded down in Burma**

(IntelNews) It is a story that was largely ignored when it surfaced last year: since 1994, US Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) officer Richard A. Horn had been claiming that CIA agents illegally wiretapped his conversations while he was stationed in Burma. It appears that, at the time, the US diplomatic representation in Burma and the CIA station in Rangoon were at loggerheads with the DEA. The latter, represented by special agent Horn, had a policy of publicly commending the Burmese government for its significant efforts to end the vastly lucrative illegal drug trade in the country. (a)

But the diplomatic leadership at the US embassy in Rangoon, supported by the CIA, felt that their inroads with the Burmese military junta, which has controlled the country since 1990, were being obstructed by the DEA. Horn claims that, in an effort to sabotage the DEA activities in the country, Franklin Hurdle Jr. (who was then US ambassador to Burma) and CIA officer Arthur Brown (who later headed the CIA's East Asia division) illegally eavesdropped on his telephone communications with his DEA superiors and others.

In July of 2009, a US court ruled that CIA attorneys committed fraud in alleging that US national security would be threatened if details of Richard Horn's lawsuit were openly discussed, and determined that the CIA had kept the case secret for years simply in order to avoid embarrassment. Soon afterwards, a worried CIA was forced to settle the lawsuit out of court. The CIA, the DEA, and -it seems- the American media, are trying to quickly put behind them the grim details of that bloody turf war in post-Cold-War Burma. But in a brave piece written for the Eurasia Review, Joseph Allchin revisits the DEA-CIA clash, and explains the crucial function of the CIA in the turbulent internal politics of Burma. (b)

Most definitely essential reading.

- (a) <http://intelligencenews.wordpress.com/2010/09/02/01-553/>
- (b) <http://www.eurasiareview.com/201008287503/how-the-cia-bedded-down-in-burma.html>

2748/2010 -----

**Presidential Reflections on U.S. Intelligence: Dwight D. Eisenhower**

(CIA) From President Truman on, each president has written a note of thanks to the men and women of the CIA. These notes are displayed with the president's official photograph in the Presidential Gallery of the New Headquarters Building. This story is the fourth in a series about the relationship each president has had with the CIA. This article will focus on President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

<https://www.cia.gov/news-information/featured-story-archive/2010-featured-story-archive/dwight-d-eisenhower.html>

2749/2010 -----

**Geheimdienst enthüllt Wallraff-Treffen mit Stasi**

(Meedia) Seit fast 40 Jahren verfolgen Günter Wallraff die Vorwürfe, er habe mit der Stasi zusammengearbeitet. Jetzt soll es neue Erkenntnisse über ein Treffen des Enthüllungsjournalisten mit einem Stasi-Mitarbeiter geben, das 1971 in Kopenhagen stattgefunden hat. Das berichtete das ZDF "heute Journal".

Demzufolge haben Historiker der Süddänischen Universität aus der Geheimdienstakte erfahren, dass Wallraff sich an jenem Tag mit dem IM alleine getroffen habe. Bis jetzt hatte Wallraff ein Gespräch in dieser Form bestritten. Seinen Angaben zufolge habe das Treffen mit dem Journalisten aus Rostock, der bei der Stasi als Instrukteur "Friedhelm" bekannt war, zusammen mit zwei weiteren Personen stattgefunden.

Der dänische Geheimdienst hatte Wallraff 1971 auf seiner Kopenhagen-Reise observiert und das Treffen mit dem Journalisten minutiös dokumentiert. Das Gespräch habe laut Geheimdienstakte unter vier Augen stattgefunden.

Wallraffs Anwalt Helmuth Jipp äußerte sich gegenüber dem ZDF: "Diese Bewertung ist falsch. Günter Wallraff hatte nichts zu verbergen." Ihm sei nicht bekannt gewesen, dass der Rostocker für die Staatssicherheit der DDR tätig war. Weiter sagt der Jurist: "Angaben des dänischen Geheimdienstes, wenn sie dann korrekt zitiert wurden, sind nicht anders zu bewerten, wie solche der Staatssicherheit, der CIA, des BND oder des Verfassungsschutzes. Sie sind alle geleitet von einer bestimmten Interessenlage und nicht von der Beschaffung und Bewahrung der Wahrheit."

- (a) [http://meedia.de/nc/details-topstory/article/geheimdienst-enthllt-wallraff-treffen-mit-stasi\\_100030119.html?tx\\_ttnews%5bbackPid%5d=23&cHash=8563207292](http://meedia.de/nc/details-topstory/article/geheimdienst-enthllt-wallraff-treffen-mit-stasi_100030119.html?tx_ttnews%5bbackPid%5d=23&cHash=8563207292)
- (b) Video-Beitrag:  
<http://www.zdf.de/ZDFmediathek/beitrag/video/1130842/Neue-Fragen-Wallraff-und-die-Stasi#/beitrag/video/1130842/Neue-Fragen-Wallraff-und-die-Stasi>

- (c) Fall Wallraff: Falsche Aussage vor Gericht?:  
<http://www.heute.de/ZDFheute/inhalt/19/0,3672,8108019,00.html>
- (d) <http://nachrichten.lvz-online.de/nachrichten/topthema/schatten-der-vergangenheit--daenischer-geheimdienst-sammelt-brisante-details-ueber-wallraff-und-die-stasi/r-topthema-a-48120.html>

2750/2010 -----

**Tony Blair was seconds away from shooting down airliner over London**

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(Telegraph) Tony Blair came within seconds of ordering the RAF to shoot down a passenger jet over London in the aftermath of 9/11, his memoirs disclose.

The airliner had breached emergency restrictions imposed on British airspace immediately after the attacks on the World Trade Centre and was heading for London.

Mr Blair disclosed in his autobiography, A Journey, that he had put the senior RAF commander on alert to await his order and a fighter jet was airborne in readiness to shoot down the airliner.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/newsttopics/politics/tony-blair/7976731/Tony-Blair-was-seconds-away-from-shooting-down-airliner-over-London.html>



2751/2010 -----

**New Way Forward Report (Rethinking US Strategy in Afghanistan)**

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(afghanistanstudygroup.org) At almost nine years, the U.S. war in Afghanistan is the longest in our history, surpassing even the Vietnam War, and it will shortly surpass the Soviet Union's own extended military campaign there. With the surge, it will cost the U.S. taxpayers nearly \$100 billion per year, a sum roughly seven times larger than Afghanistan's annual gross national product (GNP) of \$14 billion and greater than the total annual cost of the new U.S. health insurance program.<sup>1</sup> Thousands of American and allied personnel have been killed or gravely wounded.

The U.S. interests at stake in Afghanistan do not warrant this level of sacrifice. President Obama justified expanding our commitment by saying the goal was eradicating Al Qaeda. Yet Al Qaeda is no longer a significant presence in Afghanistan, and there are only some 400 hard-core Al Qaeda members remaining in the entire Af/Pak theater, most of them hiding in Pakistan's northwest provinces.

America's armed forces have fought bravely and well, and their dedication is unquestioned. But we should not ask them to make sacrifices unnecessary to our core national interests, particularly when doing so threatens long-term needs and priorities both at home and abroad.

Instead of toppling terrorists, America's Afghan war has become an ambitious and fruitless effort at "nation-building." We are mired in a civil war in Afghanistan and are struggling to establish an effective

central government in a country that has long been fragmented and decentralized.

[http://www.afghanistanstudygroup.org/?page\\_id=27](http://www.afghanistanstudygroup.org/?page_id=27)

2752/2010 -----

**A Study of Eastern-Bloc Intelligence Services**

(Federal Office of Criminal Investigations via Sripd) This is a copy of Practices and Methods of East- Bloc (Secret) Intelligence Services produced by the Federal Office of Criminal Investigations. Other than the redaction of some form of cover sheet and the author's name, the document is fully disclosed. It presents information on which East-Bloc intelligence services were active in Germany and the methods and techniques they used to ply their trade, making this document useful for the nascent spy or student of the Cold War.

<http://www.scribd.com/doc/36782905/Practices-and-Methods-of-East-Bloc-Secret-Intelligence-Services> (requires subscription, free)

2753/2010 -----

**Internet Sites Allow Detailed Surveillance and Pre-Attack Planning**

(DHS Warning) Detailed video obtained through live Web-based camera feeds combined with street-level and direct overhead imagery views from Internet imagery sites allow terrorists to conduct remote surveillance of multiple potential targets without exposing themselves to detection.

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



2754/2010 -----

**Tony Blair's fierce defense of his political life**

(Review by the Washington Post) Toward the end of this well-written and perhaps unintentionally self-revealing memoir, Tony Blair, who was Britain's prime minister during an eventful decade from 1997 to 2007, insists he is "trying valiantly not to fall into self-justifying mode -- a bane of political memoirs." But he has done just that.

He vigorously defends his close, unpopular partnership with President George W. Bush in the prosecution of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. He laments resistance by the British people, his own Labour Party and the hostile news media to major changes in Britain's economic, education, health-care, law enforcement and social policies. And he blames his longtime rival and politically doomed successor as prime minister, Gordon Brown, for undermining him and the centrist "New Labour" transformation of their party and government that was Blair's career-long quest.

Blair does not tell readers much about himself directly. He writes nothing about his parents, childhood or schooling, and little more about his wife,

Cherie, a lawyer, or their children, beyond passing references to life in Downing Street. A questionable real estate deal involving Cherie serves primarily as grist for Blair's bitter feud with the editor of the conservative Daily Mail newspaper. And he mentions little about the Christian faith that has played a large role in his life.

- (a) [http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/09/02/AR2010090201402.html?hpid=opinionsbox\\_1](http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/09/02/AR2010090201402.html?hpid=opinionsbox_1)
- (b) Tony Blair , A Journey: My Political Life, Knopf; 1st Edition edition (September 2, 2010), ISBN-10: 0307269833, ISBN-13: 978-0307269836



2755/2010 -----  
**Location Intelligence GeoCloud DC 22 Sep 10**

What: Location Intelligence for Geospatial Cloud Computing Executive Symposium

When: September 22, 2010

Where: The Newseum's Knight Conference Center, Washington DC

<http://www.locationintelligence.net/index.php>

2756/2010 -----  
**MALCON - Malware Conference**



Malcon is the worlds first platform bringing together Malware and Information Security Researchers from across the globe to share key research insights into building the next generation malwares. Spread across the world, malcoders now have a common platform to demonstrate expertise, get a new insight and be a part of the global MALCODER community. This conference features keynotes, technical presentations, workshops as well as the EMERGING CHALLENGES of creating undetectable stealthy malware.

Abstract submission deadline	October 15th 2010
Notification of abstract acceptance	October 20st 2010
Final copy of full paper due	November 10th 2010
Workshop and Trainings on Malwares	December 2nd 2010
Malcon Conference, Mumbai	December 3rd 2010
Malcon Presentation, Pune (Clubhack 2010)	December 5th 2010

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2757/2010 -----

**„Nachrichtendienste auf dem Prüfstand: gefordert - gerüstet ...?“**

Das Institut für Friedenssicherung und Konfliktmanagement (IFK) an der Landesverteidigungsakademie beehrt sich, zur Podiumsdiskussion „Nachrichtendienste auf dem Prüfstand: gefordert - gerüstet - gefährlich?“ am 22. September 2010 um 18:00 Uhr in die Sala Terrena der Landesverteidigungsakademie (1070 Wien, Stiftgasse 2a) herzlich einzuladen.

Es diskutieren:

- Peter GRIDLING  
Leiter des Bundesamts für Verfassungsschutz und Terrorismusbekämpfung
- Alfred SCHÄTZ  
ehemaliger Leiter des Heeres-Nachrichtenamts
- Fred SCHREIER  
Genfer Zentrum für die demokratische Kontrolle der Streitkräfte
- Anton DENG  
Institut für Friedenssicherung und Konfliktmanagement
- Gudrun HARRER  
Tageszeitung „Der Standard“

Moderation:

- Walter FEICHTINGER  
Leiter des Instituts für Friedenssicherung und Konfliktmanagement

Wir dürfen um Anmeldung bis 20. September 2010 an Hr. Christian HUBER unter [huber.christian.m@bmlvs.gv.at](mailto:huber.christian.m@bmlvs.gv.at) oder unter der Fax-Nummer 05020110 17262 ersuchen.

*(Hat tip to Prof. Siegfried Beer fort his info!)*

2758/2010 -----

**Naked Intelligence 2010, Washington, DC -- October 12-13, 2010**

SS World and Naked Intelligence have partnered to create the world's most unique Intelligence Support Systems and Intelligence Gathering conference. This event combines hands-on access to intelligence support systems solution providers with valuable insight and know-how presented by experienced practitioners of intelligence.

The ISS World Americas and Naked Intelligence conferences will share an exposition hall that will showcase both tools and services for the Intelligence and Law Enforcement Communities. Registrants will be able to attend both conferences with a single registration and choose among several tracks focused on both Intelligence Support Systems and Open Source Intelligence methods and techniques.

The Naked Intelligence agenda is below. Please click here to see the ISS World Program tracks.

We hope you can join us in Washington this fall.

[http://www.telestrategies.com/ni\\_10/index.htm](http://www.telestrategies.com/ni_10/index.htm)



## MEDIA ALERTS

2759/2010 -----

### Media alerts

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am Fr, 10.09. um 00:00 ORF 2  
The Path to 9/11 - Wege des Terrors  
Politdrama, Folge 2  
Dauer: 105 min (a)

Beschreibung: Vor der jemenitischen Küste wird ein US-Kriegsschiff angegriffen. FBI-Anti-Terror-Experte O'Neill reist ins Krisengebiet, um den Kopf der Drahtzieher Osama Bin Laden zu verhaften. Doch der Zugriffsbefehl lässt auf sich warten. Da Präsidentschaftswahlen anstehen, ist die US-Politik wie gelähmt. O'Neill resigniert immer mehr und zieht schließlich die Konsequenzen. Frustriert verlässt er das FBI und wechselt ins 'World Trade Center', wo er als Sicherheitschef bis zu den Anschlägen seinen Dienst versieht.

am Sa, 11.09. um 16:25 arte  
Drei Schüsse auf JFK  
Dokumentarfilm  
Dauer: 80 min (b)

Beschreibung: John F. Kennedys Ermordung am 22. November 1963 stellt eine Zäsur in der Geschichte der Vereinigten Staaten dar. Die Anziehungskraft des Ereignisses ist ungebrochen. Immer wieder wurde der Ablauf dieser letzten sechs Sekunden im Leben des Präsidenten John F. Kennedy in Dallas rekonstruiert und über die wahre Identität der Verantwortlichen spekuliert.

am So, 12.09. um 00:35 SF 1  
The Path to 9/11 - Wege des Terrors  
Politdrama, Folge 1  
Dauer: 150 min (c)

Beschreibung: Der TV-Zweiteiler "The Path to 9/11 - Wege des Terrors" rollt, basierend auf dem Bericht der 9/11-Kommission des US-Senats, die Ereignisse auf, die dem fatalen Angriff der Al-Kaida-Terroristen auf die USA vorausgingen. Die Schauplätze sind - neben New York und Washington - insbesondere der Sudan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Kenia, Tansania und der Jemen. Im Zentrum des Geschehens steht der von Harvey Keitel gespielte FBI-Antiterrorspezialist John P. O'Neill, der schon sehr früh vor Osama bin Laden und seinen Terrorzellen warnte. 2001 quittierte der von den internen Querelen zwischen FBI und CIA zermürbte O'Neill den Dienst, um nur Tage später schicksalhaft im World Trade Center ums Leben zu kommen.

am So, 12.09. um 20:15 arte  
Themenabend: Casablanca - Die wahre Geschichte  
Einführung  
Dauer: 2 min (d)

Beschreibung: Der legendäre Filmklassiker "Casablanca" und ein Dokumentarfilm über die wahre Geschichte der Aktivitäten der Geheimdienste in Nordafrika während des Zweiten Weltkriegs, erst vor kurzem von einer englisch-polnischen Historikerkommission ans Licht gebracht. Der ARTE-Themenabend bietet eine höchst spannende und lehrreiche Verknüpfung von Fiktion und Realität.

am So, 12.09. um 20:17 arte

Casablanca

Themenabend: Casablanca - Die wahre Geschichte

Melodram

Dauer: 98 min (e)

Beschreibung: Während des Zweiten Weltkriegs ist die marokkanische Stadt Casablanca Zufluchtsort für politische Flüchtlinge aus ganz Europa, die nach Amerika ausreisen wollen. Sie treffen sich im Café Américain, dessen Besitzer Rick Blaine aus enttäuschter Liebe zum melancholischen Zyniker geworden ist. Doch eines Tages taucht plötzlich seine unvergessene Geliebte in seiner Bar auf ...

am So, 12.09. um 21:55 arte

Die Schatten von Casablanca - Die Agentur Afrika des polnischen Geheimdienstes

Themenabend: Casablanca - Die wahre Geschichte. Deutsche Erstausstrahlung Dokumentarfilm

Dauer: 85 min (f)

Beschreibung: Als Nordafrika während des Zweiten Weltkriegs in Bezug auf geheimdienstliche Aktivitäten noch ein unbeschriebenes Blatt war, gelang es einem polnischen Agenten, dort ein Netz mit 2.500 Agenten und Informanten aufzubauen. Die "Agentur Afrika" war maßgeblich mitverantwortlich für die erfolgreiche Invasion der Alliierten in Nordafrika am 8. November 1942. "Die Schatten von Casablanca" erzählt die Geschichte von Mieczyslaw Slowikowski, Codename "Rygor", die erstaunliche Parallelen zum Spielfilmklassiker "Casablanca" aufweist.

am So, 12.09. um 23:35 ZDF

ZDF-History: Töten auf Tschechisch - Die andere Seite der Vertreibung

Doku-Reihe

Dauer: 45 min (g)

Beschreibung: 10. Mai 1945. Zwei Tage nach Kriegsende treiben tschechische Milizen deutsche Bewohner Prags mit brutaler Gewalt aus der Stadt. Es ist der Beginn der Vertreibung fast aller Deutschen aus der Tschechoslowakei. Im Prager Stadtteil Boislavka filmt der Bauingenieur Jiri Chmelniek mit seiner 8-Millimeter-Kamera, wie sich der Hass der jahrelang unter Hitlers Terror leidenden Tschechen entlädt. Am Ortsausgang werden deutsche Zivilisten offenbar wahllos erschossen. Der erschreckende Filmfund bildet den Ausgangspunkt der Dokumentation "Töten auf Tschechisch", die nach ihrer Ausstrahlung im tschechischen Fernsehen zur besten Sendezeit eine emotional aufgeladene Debatte ausgelöst hat. ZDF-History zeigt die Dokumentation von David Vondraek jetzt erstmals im deutschen Fernsehen.

am Mo, 13.09. um 03:25 ZDF

Die Jagd nach Osama bin Laden - Mythos und Wahrheit

XXL: Die lange Nacht der Verschwörungstheorien

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (h)

Beschreibung: Er ist der meistgesuchte Mann der Welt. Auf seinen Kopf ist eine Belohnung von 27 Millionen Dollar ausgesetzt. An seine Fersen haben sich die besten Eliteeinheiten der Welt geheftet. Es wurden Armeen mobilisiert, Informanten bestochen und Gefangene gefoltert. Über zehn Jahre dauert die Jagd nun schon und noch immer ist Osama bin Laden nicht gefasst.

am Mo, 13.09. um 04:10 ZDF

ZDF-History: Der 11. September - Das Geheimnis des dritten Turmes

XXL: Die lange Nacht der Verschwörungstheorien

Doku-Reihe

Dauer: 50 min (i)

Beschreibung: Er gilt als eines der letzten großen Geheimnisse des 11. September: der Einsturz von Gebäude 7 des World Trade Center. Von außen scheinbar kaum beschädigt, fällt das Hochhaus knapp sieben Stunden nach den beiden Zwillingsstürmen in sich zusammen, ohne dass es von einem Flugzeug getroffen wurde. Der Wolkenkratzer kollabiert in wenigen Sekunden, symmetrisch, "sauber" - als wäre er von Abbruch-Profis gezielt gesprengt worden.

am Di, 14.09. um 07.30 SWR

Quo vadis BRD? - Sicherheit oder Freiheit?

Reihe, Folge 1

Dauer: 30 min (j)

Beschreibung: Biometrische Ausweise, Datenvorratssammlung, Rasterfahndung, neue Überwachungsmethoden: Dies sind nur einige der staatlichen Maßnahmen, die den Bürger in Deutschland vor Gewalt oder Terrorismus schützen sollen. Aber greift der Staat damit nicht zu sehr in die Freiheitsrechte der Bürger, wie sie im Grundgesetz niedergelegt sind, ein? Am Beispiel des Berliner Soziologen Andrej Holm, der seit 2007 fälschlicherweise in die Mühlen massiver Ermittlungsmethoden gerät, wird die Frage erörtert, ob der Staat oder die Bürgerrechte vorrangig zu schützen sind. Zu Wort kommen Justizministerin Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger, der ehemalige Chef des Bundeskriminalamtes Hans-Ludwig Zachert, der Kölner Rechtsprofessor Otto Depenheuer und der Ex-Bundesrichter und Parlamentarier Wolfgang Neskovic.

am Mi, 15.09. um 02:15 phoenix

Der schönste Irrtum der Geschichte - Wie die Berliner Mauer wirklich fiel

Thema. Zum 20. Jahrestag der Deutschen Einheit am 03.10.2010

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (k)

Beschreibung: "Sofort" und "unverzüglich" waren die Zauberworte: ZK-Sprecher Günter Schabowski verkündete am 9. November 1989 kurz vor 19 Uhr die Öffnung der DDR-Grenzen nach Westen. Keine zwei Stunden später durften die ersten DDR-Bürger an der "Waltersdorfer Chaussee" tatsächlich einfach so "rüber", um 23.30 Uhr wurden zuerst an der "Bornholmer Straße" alle Kontrollen völlig eingestellt. Die Nacht vom 9. auf den 10. November 1989 ist die Nacht des "Mauerfalls": Gegen Mitternacht waren fast alle Grenzübergänge in Berlin geöffnet.

am Mi, 15.09. um 03:00 phoenix

Geheimnisvolle Orte: Die Stasi-Zentrale

Thema. Zum 20. Jahrestag der Deutschen Einheit am 03.10.2010

Doku-Reihe

Dauer: 45 min (l)

Beschreibung: Nichts war in der DDR so geheim wie die Zentrale des Ministeriums für Staatssicherheit in Berlin-Lichtenberg. Auf fast zwei Quadratkilometern residierte hier bis 1990 die gefürchtete Geheimpolizei der DDR, die Stasi. Knapp 10.000 MfS-Mitarbeiter hatten hier ihren Arbeitsplatz.

am Mi, 15.09. um 15:00 WDR

Planet Wissen mit dem Thema: Verschwörungstheorien - Vom Glauben an die Macht des Bösen

Magazin

Dauer: 60 min (m)

Beschreibung: Die Liste der Verschwörungstheorien, die im Internet kursieren oder sich zwischen zwei Buchdeckel befinden, ist lang. Verschwörungstheorien sind abstrus, sie vermischen Fakten mit erfundenen

Behauptungen und was allen gemeinsam ist, sie bauen auf stereotypen Feindbildern auf. Dabei richtet sich ein übersteigertes, irrationales Misstrauen gegen eine bestimmte Gruppe, sei es ein Geheimdienst, eine ethnische Volksgruppe oder sogar Außerirdische, denen man die übelsten Machenschaften unterstellt. Zusammen mit dem Arzt und Buchautor Thomas Grüter fragt Planet Wissen wie Verschwörungstheorien entstehen, wer sie in die Welt setzt und wie man sie entlarven kann. Da Verschwörungstheorien nach allgemeinen Regeln funktionieren, zeigt Planet Wissen wie einfach es im Grunde ist, eine eigene Theorie zu entwickeln. Wenn sie dann noch spannend geschrieben ist und den Nerv der Zeit trifft, wird so manche Verschwörungstheorie zum Bestseller mit zweistelliger Auflage.

am Mi, 15.09. um 20:15 arte

Ronald Reagan - Karriere eines Unterschätzten

Porträt des Politikers

Dauer: 50 min (n)

Beschreibung: Der Politiker Reagan galt in der internationalen öffentlichen Meinung als Hardliner, er wurde unterschätzt und galt als inkompetent. Als Schauspieler trat er in B-Movies auf, er bediente in erfolgreichen Western ein Cowboyklischee, das ihm auch als Politiker anhaftete. Das Portrait von Antoine Vitkine zeigt einen fleißigen, beharrlichen, schlauen, kampfbesessenen und risikofreudigen Menschen, eine Führungspersönlichkeit, die selbst gegen den Rat der eigenen Administration folgenschwere Entscheidungen traf, einen vielschichtigen Menschen, der Idealist und Pragmatiker, Demokrat und Populist zugleich war, und der die US-amerikanische Geschichte und die internationale Politik nachhaltig prägte.

am Do, 16.09. um 23:05 mdr

Das Ministerium für Staatssicherheit - Alltag einer Behörde

Dokumentarfilm

Dauer: 90 min (o)

Beschreibung: Unser Dokumentarfilm "Alltag einer Behörde" wird sich in diesem Spannungsfeld zwischen alltäglicher Perfidität und Grausamkeit der Stasi-Methoden und einer von Selbstzweifeln geprägten Mitarbeiterschaft bewegen. Zum ersten Mal äußern sich viele unserer Zeitzeugen, Generäle und andere operativ tätige Mitarbeiter des MfS für diesen Film vor der Kamera. Detailliert erzählen sie von ihren Arbeitstechniken. Es entsteht eine beeindruckende und bedrückende Innensicht des MfS aus Sicht der Täter. Es entsteht ein Bild, das die Stasi in all ihrer Macht und Perfidität, aber auch in ihrer Biederkeit und Banalität, und schließlich in ihrer Ohnmacht zeigt. Nichts war in der DDR so geheim wie die Arbeitsweise des Ministeriums für Staatssicherheit (MfS). Die Bedrohung, die vom MfS ausging, war unkalkulierbar. Neun ehemalige Mitarbeiter erzählen vom Innenleben des Apparates und von den Techniken der Geheimdienstarbeit. Christian Klemke porträtiert das Menschenbild und die Rechtfertigungsstrategien ehemaliger Stasi-Mitarbeiter.

am Fr, 17.09. um 03:00 phoenix

Reise in die Hölle - Straflager Workuta

Dokumentation

Dauer: 45 min (p)

Beschreibung: Workuta war Teil des Archipel Gulag. Dorthin wurden Hunderttausende von Stalins Gegnern deportiert: Rita Knobel-Ulrich hat sich mit drei deutschen ehemaligen Häftlingen auf den gleichen Weg gemacht, den sie damals im Viehwaggon zurücklegen mussten, von Berlin über Moskau nach Workuta.

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