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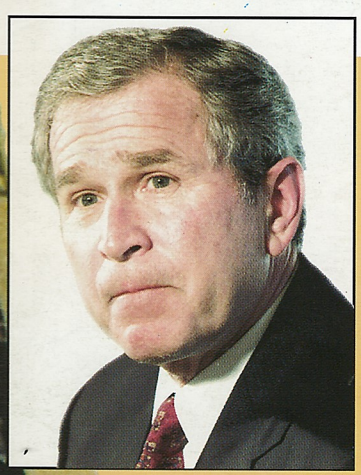

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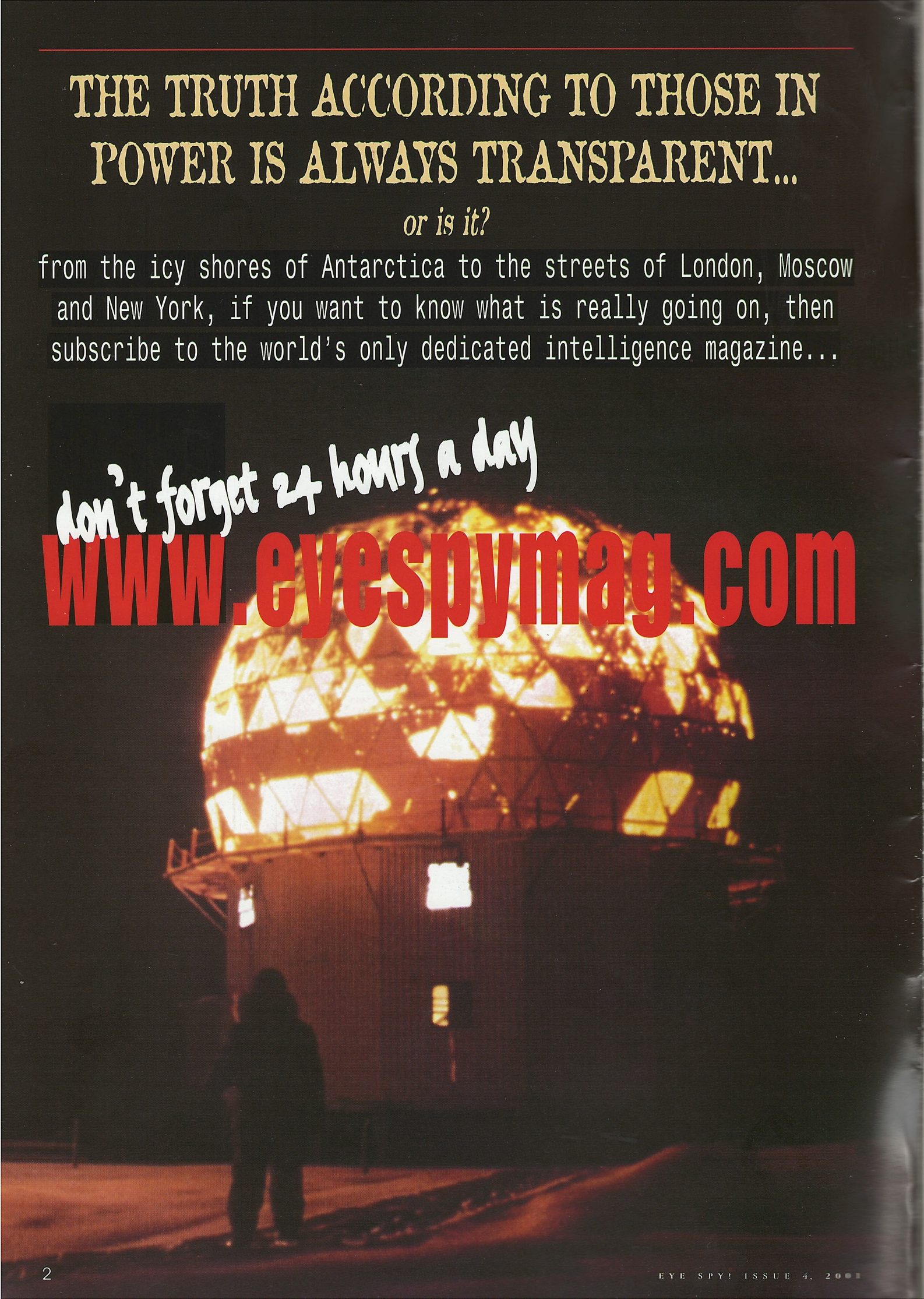

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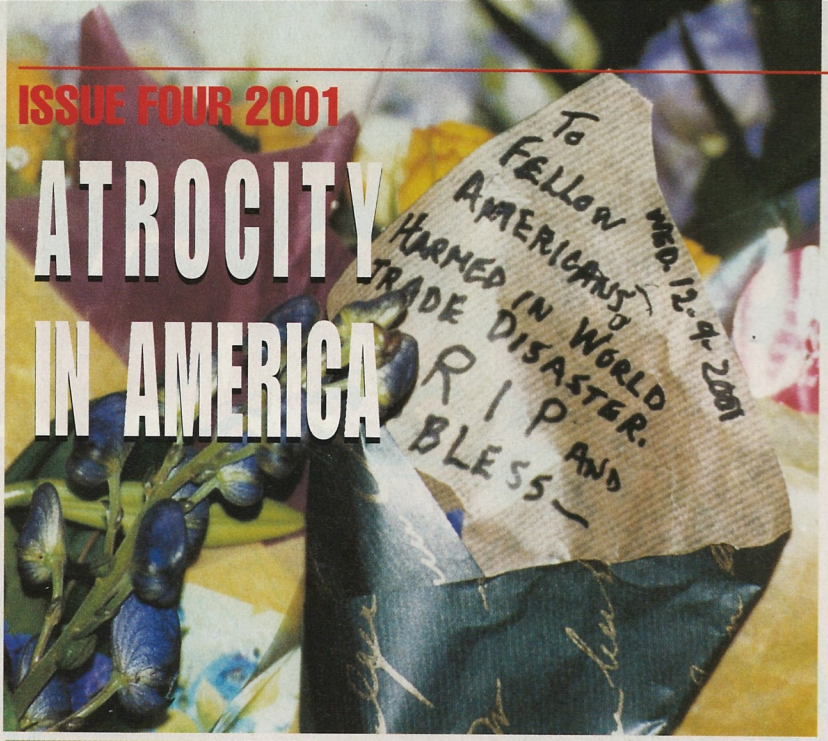

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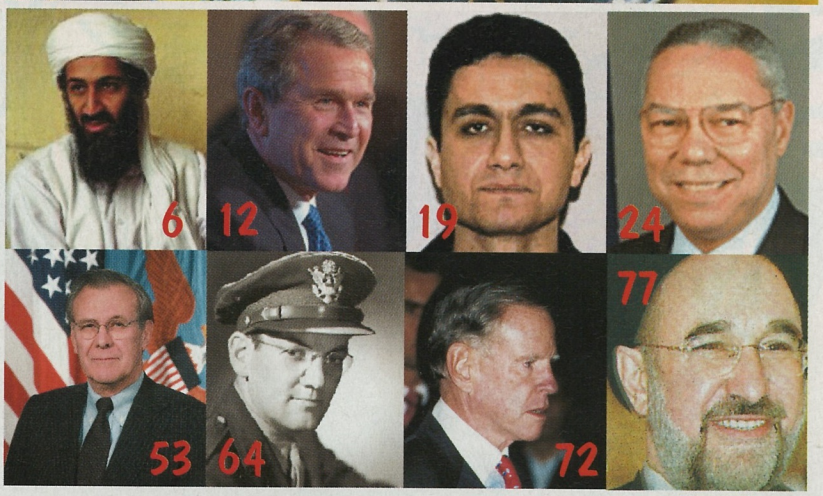

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There will be few people on this planet who will not have seen the terrible images coming out of America. An atrocity unparalleled in modern times. A lack of intelligence appears at least partly responsible; but let us not be too hasty in criticising the security services. This was a well-planned and well-financed operation. And who would have expected such a fanatical attack on innocent folk? There can be no justification whatsoever for this dreadful crime. Our thoughts and prayers are with the dead and bereaved.



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War was declared on America as four hijacked civilian airliners were used to attack symbols of American power. In a devastating few hours, two aircraft rammed into the 110-storey tower blocks of lower Manhattan which make up the World Trade Centre, and a few hundred miles away in Washington, another aircraft dived into the side of the Pentagon. Away to the west near Pittsburgh, a fourth aircraft crashed as four US brave civilians fought with hijackers as the airliner made its way to another target - almost certainly the White House.

The world watched horrendous scenes as New Yorkers, perhaps the most resilient people in America, were left helpless. In what was a carefully coordinated operation, hijackers took over the aircraft as they made their way to various destinations. Boston airport to the north of New York and Washington were chosen because of their strategic location.

Confused civil radar operators watched the aircraft deviate from their intended routes and make the short journey south down the US Eastern seaboard. At 8.45am, American Airlines Flight 11 flew into the north tower of the WTC. The Boeing 767 had left Boston's Logan airport at 7.59am. It carried 81 passengers and 11 crew members en-route from Boston to Los Angeles. Initially many in the city and the police authorities thought that a tragic accident had occurred. And as fire and rescue services hurried to the scene, moments later a second aircraft ploughed into the south tower. Only then did the American people realise they were under attack. United Airlines Flight 175 had departed Boston en route to Los Angeles at 7.58am. It struck the south tower around the 67th floor at 9.05am. The aircraft was carrying 56 passengers and nine crew.

In Washington meanwhile, American Airlines Flight 77, took off from Dulles International airport en route to Los Angeles at 8.10am. 90 minutes later it crashed into the west side of the huge Pentagon complex. Large sections of the wall immediately collapsed. An Associated Press reporter said: "I saw the trail of a large airliner... it ploughed right into the Pentagon. There was billowing black smoke." The Boeing 757 was carrying 58 passengers and had a crew of six.

The fourth hijacked aircraft was United Airlines Flight 93 from Newark to San Francisco. That aircraft was carrying as much as 200,000 pounds of highly explosive aviation fuel. There were unconfirmed reports that the airliner, which was carrying 38 passengers and seven crew, had been shot down by the USAF. Other reports suggested that the captain, not wishing to take the terrorists' instruction to fly to Camp David, Washington, brought the aircraft down himself. At around 10.10am, some two hours after take-off, the aircraft crashed in a wooded area near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, around 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh. Intelligence officials

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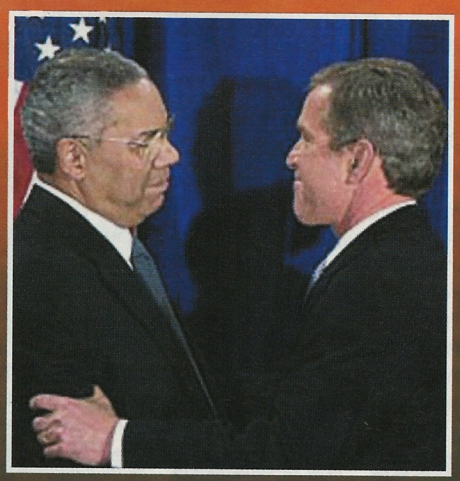


trikes... thousands dead

now believe that four male passengers, aware of the attacks on New York, decided to tackle the terrorists. Many people in Washington could have been saved by the heroic actions of these men. The CIA have since acknowledged that USAF fighter jets were en-route to shoot down this aircraft prior to its arrival in Washington D.C.

Initial intelligence suggests that none of the crews punched in their four digit transponder code that indicates a hijacking in progress. This had led to the belief that the pilots were murdered and that the terrorists took over the aircraft themselves. The terrorists were working in groups of three to five members, and it is believed most had lived and worked in the USA for some time. The CIA said the attacks were "extremely well-planned."

CNN commentator, Barbara Olson, a passenger on the aircraft that struck the Pentagon, called her husband on her mobile phone.

One second from disaster: Flight 175 plunges into the south tower



She said the hijackers were armed only with knifes and box cutters. Mrs Olson was the wife of Theodore Olson, the US Solicitor General.

By 11.00am, USAF F-15 and F-16 fighter aircraft were launched to defend the skies around the capital, as rumours of another aircraft hijacking spread. This, however, turned out to be just a rumour.

Two US Navy aircraft carriers left their base in Norfolk, Virginia to provide air defences for New York City and Washington.

Back in New York, people were desperately trying to escape from the burning towers. But such was the impact of the aircraft, fully laden with aviation fuel and travelling at 500mph, many suspected the buildings would collapse. This did not deter rescue workers from putting their own lives at risk to help the people pouring from the buildings and out of neighbouring office premises. Debris and aviation fuel that had ignited started falling from the top of the towers. Hundreds of people above the impact points were trapped and many waved white shirts and tops to try and attract help. Quite simply it was futile. As the heat and flames surged upwards, dozens of tiny black dots started dropping out of the sky. This was not debris - these were people. One poignant scene shocked America - that of a young couple holding hands as they fell to their deaths.

George Dwarika, a janitor at the WTC said: "Bodies splattered the pavement; you couldn't even get out of the building. There was blood everywhere I looked. I looked up and saw a man waving a red flag or something... then he just jumped into space." Others spoke of terribly injured people who had lost limbs and had deep wounds from falling glass and debris.

At 9.51am a trader at Cantor Fitzgerald located near the top of the WTC answered his telephone. He told his friend... "We're f****** dying up here..." There was nothing anybody could do but pray. Indeed, many thousands of New Yorkers from every faith made towards the city's many places of worship.

As live television replayed the shocking impact scenes and bodies were being brought out of the Pentagon, suddenly the first tower that had been struck started to implode. The huge explosion had weakened the steel and concrete supports and within five seconds millions of tons of concrete, steel and people merged together. Smoke, dust and fire combined to black out much of Lower Manhattan. Thousands of people who had somehow reached the ground floors of both towers were now looking upwards - they had but a few seconds to live.

There can be little doubt that hundreds of people from the surrounding buildings may also have been caught by the collapse. Hundreds of New York police, fire fighters and rescue service personnel also ended up under the rubble.



Donald Rumsfeld said response would be careful and calculated

Mayor Rudolph Giuliani warned that the death toll would be horrendous. And to compound matters, moments later the second tower collapsed.

The great structures that epitomised America's wealth, enterprise and strength and New York's most famous tourist attractions had vanished from the world's greatest skyline.

No nightmare could ever compare.

President Bush was informed of the attacks and was hurriedly flown to an air base to the south of Washington D.C. Here he met with senior officials and the directors of all America's powerful intelligence gathering services.

America was under attack... but from an enemy it could neither see nor reach, that had a face but no address





New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani remains calm and dignified

FLIGHT 77: The well-known political commentator, Barbara Olsen, was on board American Airlines Flight 77, that struck the Pentagon at around 9.40am.

Whilst the terrorists herded passengers to the rear of the aircraft, Mrs Olsen telephoned her husband, Theodore, 61, the Solicitor General, using her mobile phone. She asked her husband what instruction she should give the pilot, but it was already futile, as he too had been ordered to the back of the aircraft.

Mr Olsen immediately telephoned the Justice Department, which knew nothing about the incident. During the 30 second conversation, she said the terrorists were brandishing knives, but no other weapons were visible. Moments later the aircraft struck the Pentagon.



BRAVE CNN REPORTER ON BOARD HIJACKED AIRLINER

FBI Make Early Arrests across Eastern Seaboard of United States

As soon as the FBI learned of the departure points of the hijacked airliners, hundreds of agents searched vehicles, hotel guest lists, houses and checked telephone numbers in various cities. Video and security footage was also checked and within hours of examining the evidence, the FBI had almost certainly picked-out the terrorists.

It was evident that the terrorist operation had been meticulously planned and involved people from several countries in the Middle East and Europe. Washington now believes that up to 100 people were involved and heavily financed; around 20 were on the attack itself.

Analysts dismissed any suggestion that US aircrews would direct their aeroplanes against US civilian or military targets, thus it was evident right from the beginning that each aircraft was being flown by skilled pilots who had taken over the aircraft in such a savage manner.

Officers then checked who had bought the tickets for all the flights. Within eight hours there had been a major breakthrough. One credit card had been used to purchase at least seven of the tickets. An intelligence source told Eye Spy that this was the most critical piece of data yet acquired, and a major error by those involved. For the card belonged to someone on the ground and not one of those who had been on the aeroplanes.

From the details on the card FBI officers raided several addresses, detaining and then eventually arresting a number of suspects. Indeed, at several of the addresses suicide notes were found. Similarly, there were receipts, telephone numbers and a variety of other items not disclosed but associated with the operation.

Working with a number of other intelligence agencies, including the Secret Intelligence Services of Britain and Canada, the CIA announced that two of the hijackers had arrived in America from Nova Scotia, Canada, via a ferry crossing.

The CIA and FBI started examining all the passenger manifests from the doomed aircraft. They have since discovered at least two suspects who they believe had links with Osama bin-Laden.

Other evidence found in a rental car led agents to Florida and houses rented by two brothers from Saudi Arabia. An array of stolen identities, driving licences and passports were discovered. Even a flight-simulator computer game was recovered. The airports involved were New York and Dulles. Intelligence was being gleaned from various people. The FBI identified Mohammed Atta and Marwan Yousef Alshehhii who they wished to question - both were trained pilots. One of the men had held a Florida driver's license since 2 May 2001.

Once the FBI had identified over 50 locations of interest, other intelligence organisations expert in communications interception started to examine and trace phone calls, emails, faxes and mobile phone calls.



George Tenet
CIA Director

After information was submitted to Britain and Germany, arrests followed. Similarly, it is understood a number of people who had assisted the attack from the ground tried to leave the USA shortly after. Heavily armed officers detained several suspects.

• In total by the end of September, the FBI and other services had arrested about 175 people. Similarly, it is believed they have identified a further 50 they wish to interview.

IMAGE COURTESY: GLOUCESTERSHIRE ECHO

British Spy Facilities Launch Huge Search For Suspects

Within 60 minutes of the first attack on New York City, Britain's GCHQ (Government Communications Headquarters) who work closely with the National Security Agency, called off all leave. The huge spy facility can intercept over 250,000 communications at any given time. With a staff of 4,500, messages and intelligence acquired from all over the world by GCHQ is now being analysed to see who was behind the attacks. Already British Prime Minister Tony Blair thinks Saudi renegade Osama bin-Laden is the most likely candidate.



Main image: A model of the new GCHQ building.

As the world continued to be beamed live images, Yassir Arafat said he was shocked and saddened by what had happened. The Palestinian leader surrounded by members of his elite bodyguard looked visibly shaken. Many Palestinians, however, were seen jumping with joy in the streets. The scenes did little to stem worldwide anger. Mr Arafat quickly ordered the police to stop the celebrations and declared: "I send my condolences to the President, the Government and the people for this terrible incident. We are completely shocked... it's unbelievable," he said. Mr Arafat and the CIA Director, George Tenet, have built up a good relationship over the last few years, and it was clear the Palestinian leader was deeply upset.

In Britain, many government buildings were evacuated for fear of an attack on the UK. Security around Menwith Hill, North Yorkshire, the world's biggest US spy base, was increased to maximum and many roads were blocked off. Nearby Leeds and Bradford Airport went on full alert as intelligence analysts contemplated an airborne attack on the huge facility which is home to more than 3,000 employees. Menwith Hill does not have a no-fly zone, though it seems likely that from 11 September onwards, it will have.

Tony Blair was due to speak at a British Trade Union Congress, but he quickly returned to Downing Street where he met with all the country's senior intelligence heads. He recalled Parliament to discuss what action Britain should take. France issued a general security alert, while in Berlin, the National Security Council was convened. Israel placed its forces on the highest alert and banned all foreign flights in and out of the country.

BUSH SHELL-SHOCKED

At 9.32am, just nine minutes after the first aircraft impacted on the WTC, President Bush, who was giving a talk to the youngsters of Emma E. Booker Elementary School, had been advised that America was under attack. "I have spoken to the Vice-President, to the Governor of New York, to the Director of the FBI, and have ordered that the full resources of the federal government go to help the victims and the families and to conduct a full-scale investigation to hunt down and find these folks who committed this crime," he said. Angry and defiant, he walked out of the building and was whisked away by his colleagues to Barkdale Air Force base in Louisiana.

Anger too was growing in the American people, and was reflected in a further brief statement from President Bush: "Make no mistake, the United States will hunt down and punish those responsible for these cowardly acts. Freedom was being attacked this morning by faceless cowards. Freedom will be defended."

At any given time more than 25,000 people work in the World Trade Centre, and at its busiest, 50,000. The attack was timed to coincide with rush hour. Many of the world's leading bankers, businessmen and corporate companies are headquartered in the WTC. Many have died. It was a similar situation at the

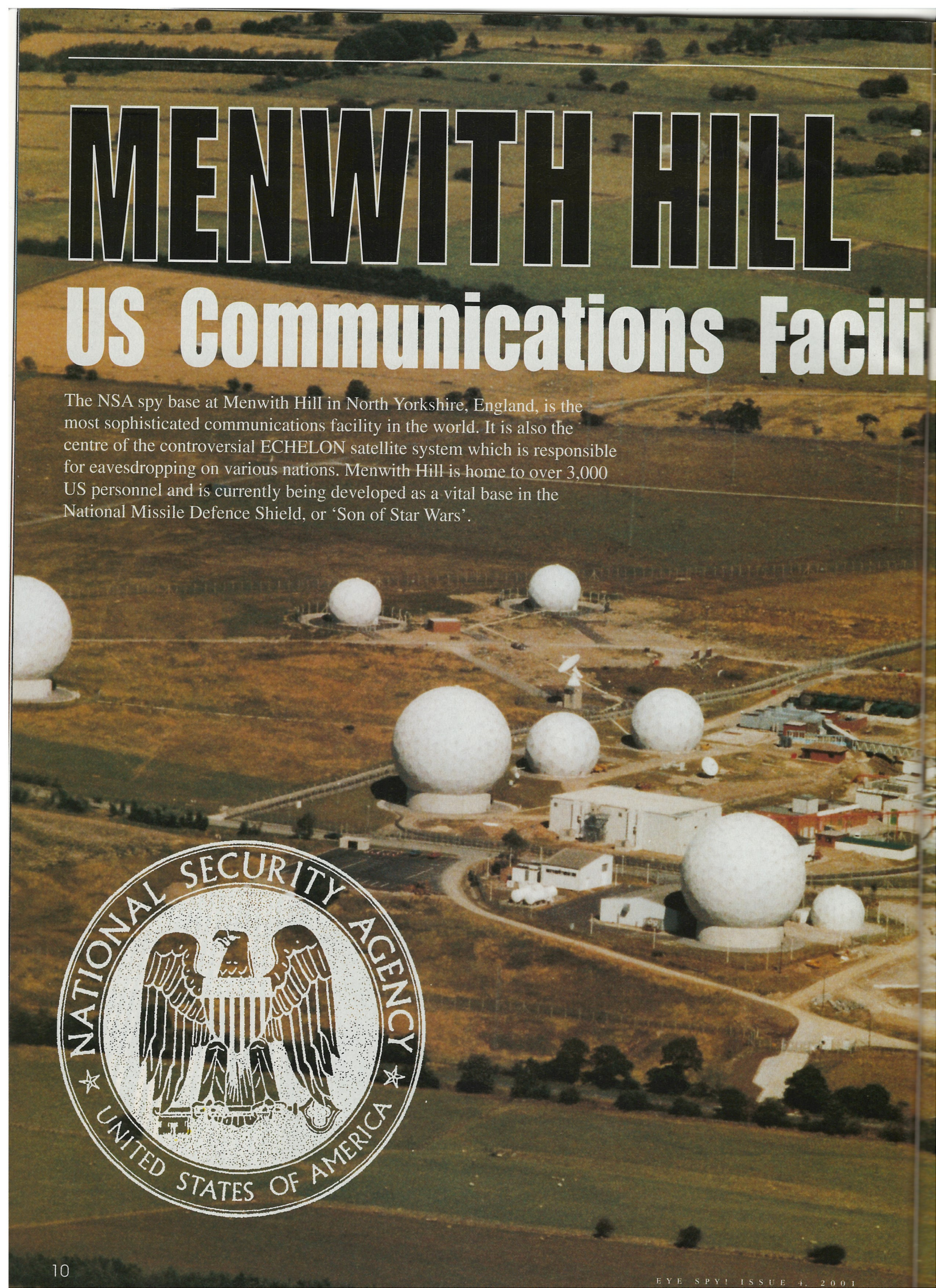


Osama bin-Laden: President Bush blames the Saudi renegade for the disaster

MENWITH HILL

US Communications Facili

The NSA spy base at Menwith Hill in North Yorkshire, England, is the most sophisticated communications facility in the world. It is also the centre of the controversial ECHELON satellite system which is responsible for eavesdropping on various nations. Menwith Hill is home to over 3,000 US personnel and is currently being developed as a vital base in the National Missile Defence Shield, or 'Son of Star Wars'.



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Pentagon as 23,500 workers, including Donald Rumsfeld sat down to start work.

But in New York, the centre of Manhattan had already became a temporary morgue as hundreds of black body bags started to build up.

As news of the tragedy finally sunk in, the FBI swooped on dozens of addresses in various cities across America - the intention being to detain suspected terrorists. At the same time, other famous buildings were being emptied of their workers, including the Empire State Building in midtown Manhattan, and the enormous Sears Tower in Chicago. Urgent appeals for blood and aid were made, and New York's 173 hospitals started taking in the injured. It would be several hours before they started counting corpses because the collapsed towers had simply blocked off many routes. Incredibly, just two hours after the attack, Lower Manhattan had been cleared of all nonessential people. Boats of every description also joined in the rescue and ferried hundreds of people fleeing the area to nearby New Jersey.

Units of the National Guard started pouring into the city which by now resembled a war zone from a futuristic novel. Tom Clancy, one of the world's great military novelists was interviewed on CNN. Too stunned too say much, he said he could never have dreamed of such a scenario. "One hijacked aircraft... yes. Four? No," he said.

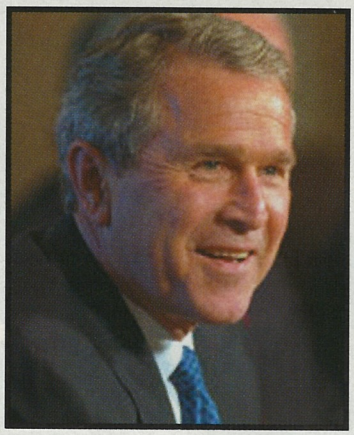
The United States Federal Aviation Administration announced all aircraft in US airspace must get down on the ground. Incredibly, 40,000 aircraft landed within two hours of the notification. The Pentagon warned that any aircraft not down on the ground could be taken out.

Hours after both tower blocks had collapsed, a supply building known as Building No. 7, itself an incredible 47 storeys tall, caught fire and collapsed.

NTELLIGENCE

Questions were being raised by the media about the lack of intelligence on the attack. Both the CIA and FBI had apparently no knowledge. Yet on the 7 September, the State Department issued a global warning to its citizens advising them to be "extra vigilant."

It later transpired that the CIA had held a meeting with senior FBI officers about two



suspected terrorists they believed had entered the United States. The FBI dismissed any possibility that the men had somehow managed to slip into America. However, within hours of the disaster, it transpired that they had been on board one of the aircraft that hit the World Trade Centre.

Privately the CIA is furious and this is perhaps another reason why the overseas branch of American intelligence will shortly be operating alongside the FBI on mainland America (see elsewhere in this issue).

Yet perhaps one of the biggest clues to an impending attack was a statement made to a journalist from Osama bin-Laden himself. He allegedly warned that something of an extreme nature was going to happen. 'America would suufer'. British intelligence knew of this warning a full three weeks prior to the strikes against America. MI6 would have alerted the CIA over this intelligence.

Afghanistan

Within hours of the attack, senior Taleban officials in Khabul arranged an unprecedented live press briefing. A spokesman said: "Osama bin-Laden is only a person, he does not have the facilities to carry out such activities. We want to tell the American people that Afghanistan feels their pain."

Afghanistan's Foreign Minister, Wakeel Ahmed Mutawakkel said: "We in Afghanistan do not allow Osama bin-Laden to use Afghan territory to launch any attack on any government around the world." He also went on to say that he had taken away all his communication devices.

In Islamabad, Afghanistan's Taleban ambassador to Pakistan condemned the "astonishing" attacks on the USA.

There was a stoney silence from Washington to the statement, but some more vociferous politicians dismissed Khabul's statement. "This looks like the signature of Osama bin-Laden," said Senator Orrin Hatch.

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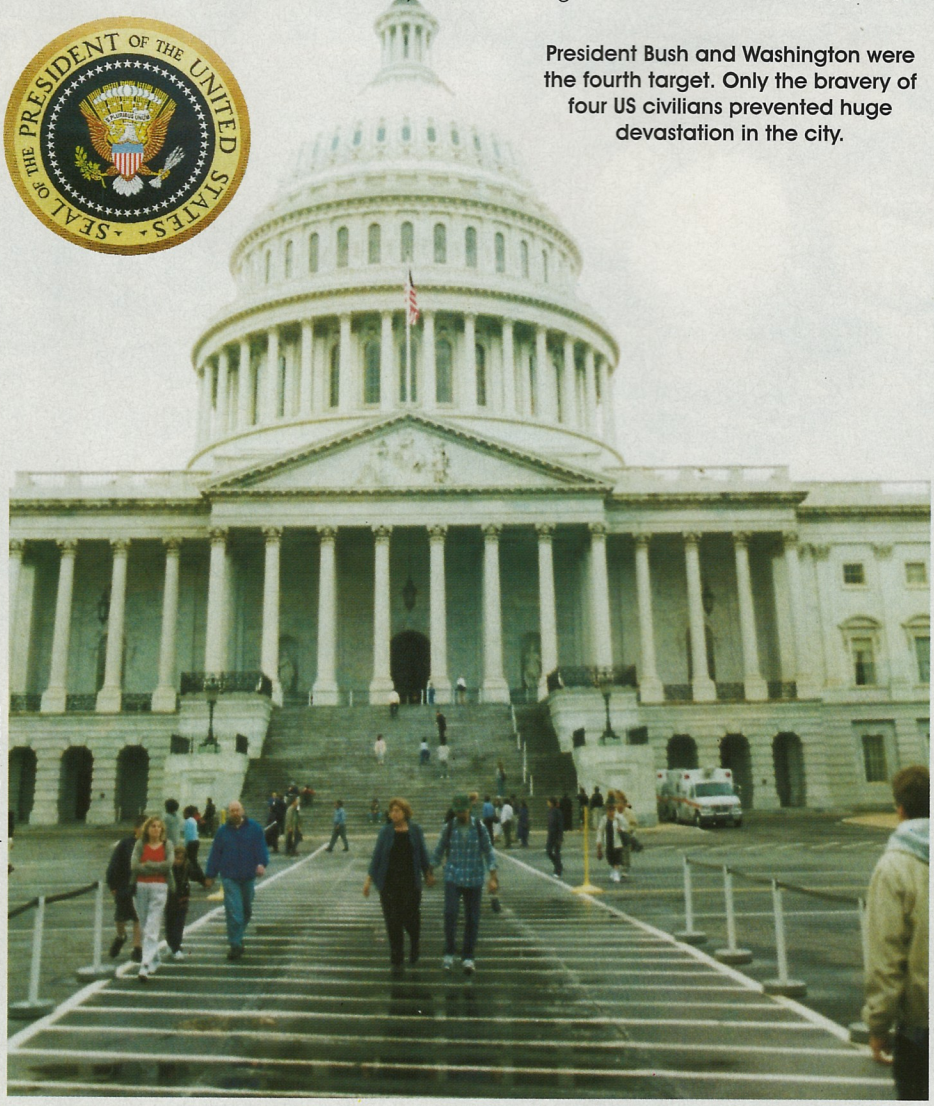
President Bush and Washington were the fourth target. Only the bravery of four US civilians prevented huge devastation in the city.



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JAILED US SPY TO WALK FREE



John Tobin, an American exchange student who was jailed for twelve months in southern Russia on an alleged drugs offence after he was accused of spying, is on the verge of being released. A parole board in Russia said that Fulbright scholar John Tobin should be set free once he has served six months of his sentence.

When Tobin was arrested on drugs charges it immediately caught the attention of the FSB. They claimed that he was a spy and had been working as an interrogator in the United States. No espionage charges were ever pressed against him. Speaking from his home in Ridgefield, Connecticut, Tobin's father, also called John, said: "Anything can happen, and of course, we are guarded at this point. It needs to be signed off by a judge and by the prosecutor's office. When that happens we can all breath a big sigh of relief."

Tobin was jailed for three years for possession of a tiny amount of marijuana. This sentence was reduced to a year making him eligible for parole once he had served half his sentence which expired on 2 August. Russia's intelligence service offered to drop all charges if Tobin agreed to act as an informant.

According to intelligence sources, Russia and America have discussed the possibility of exchanging two men suspected of espionage. However, like many deals that once took place in the halcyon days of the Cold War, Moscow appears to be once again the victor.

Christopher Lez, 53, a German-born citizen was sentenced to seven years in a tough labour camp by a military court in Belarus, in August. He may be swapped for Pavel Borodin, who was detained by the CIA in January. He was extradited to Switzerland shortly after where the Geneva prosecutor charged him with money-laundering and membership of a criminal association. He apparently benefited from commissions paid by a Swiss company for the restoration of a number of Kremlin buildings. But it is clear both Washington and *especially* Moscow want their people back home. The loss of Borodin back to Moscow, however, will be a bitter pill for the CIA to swallow.

Pavel Borodin was once an important figure in the Kremlin and holds the key to hundreds of embarrassing secrets. He was in Moscow at one of the most delicate times in Russia's history... when Boris Yeltsin handed power to Mr Putin. Borodin knows the key players in the FSB and hundreds of state secrets, including space and military.

Lez was arrested in Moscow in September 2000 at the request of the Belarussian authorities. He taught at a college in southern Germany where 350 officers from post-communist states graduate every year. The Marshall Centre for Strategic Studies in Garmisch has a reputation as a spy school, with thousands of East European officers, potentially friendly to the West.

Herr Lez was arrested last September in Belarus, at the Minsk Academy of Information Sciences. According to *Belapan,* the Belarus news agency, Lez ran a highly organised network of agents. A notebook with codes was allegedly found in his hotel room.

Lez was once a Polish Army officer. He defected to the West in 1984. West German intelligence debriefed him about the martial law regime, Warsaw Pact communications and Soviet-Polish relations. They offered him German citizenship and a full-time post at a US military college in Garmisch, southern Germany.

Belarus judge Vladimir Davidov said: "He is guilty of betraying state secrets to a foreign [intelligence] service." It was widely believed that he would be given a 15-year prison term, but according to state prosecutor, Ivan Suchover, Lez apologised to Belarus, hence a shorter sentence.

Much will now depend on the Belarus elections in September. It seems likely however that Lez has already been tipped-off that Washington and Moscow are discussing an exchange, for Lez has decided not to appeal.

"The loss of Borodin back to Moscow however, will be a bitter pill for the CIA to swallow..."

'SPY' EXCHANGE IMMINENT

USA Monitor China's Secret Ziyuan II Spy Project

Late September 2000, China launched a rocket carrying a satellite from Taiyuan in the northern Shanxi province. The satellite was described as a "civilian remote sensing system" by the official Xinhua News Agency in Beijing. According to the Chinese, the satellite would be used for territorial surveying, city planning, crop-yield assessment, disaster monitoring and space science experiments. It was quite a device.

Analysts from the National Security Agency (NSA) and National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) were not totally convinced and decided that this machine was well worth examining. It didn't take long before both agencies had something to report.

The satellite - Ziyuan II - is a "photo-reconnaissance satellite used exclusively for military purposes," said the US intelligence agencies. Ziyuan roughly translates in English to 'Resource'.

The US first became suspicious when they noticed this particular device did not send rolls of film back to Earth in canisters. China has employed some quite advanced digital-imaging equipment on the satellite that relays images back to ground stations in China. The NRO then decided to intercept the images which Ziyuan was beaming back to Earth. After careful analysis the Pentagon announced: "Contrary to officially announced civilian missions, this spacecraft is actually a high-resolution imagery satellite that is producing images of military targets in the area surrounding China."

General Michael Ryan, the USAF Chief of Staff said that America was becoming more dependent on space for reconnaissance and communications and navigation. This meant there would be an increase in space weaponry to protect US interests. "Eventually, we're going to have the capability to take things out in orbit," he said. Some analysts believe this was intended for Beijing's ears and the controllers of Ziyuan II.

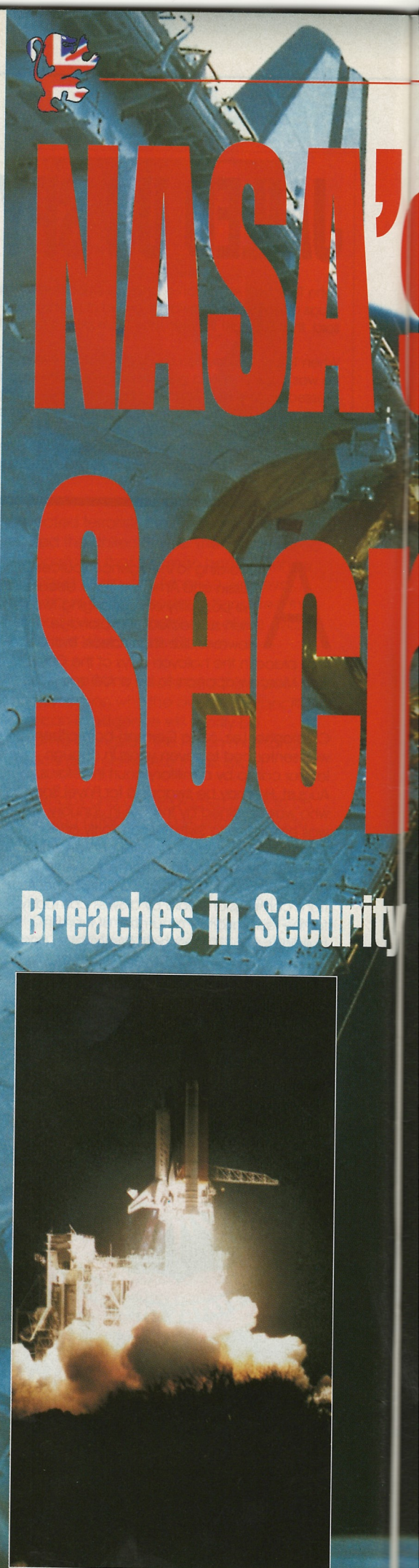
David Baker, editor of Jane's Space Directory, said the US knew all along what type of satellite the Chinese had launched because they were able to analyse the images it was beaming back to Earth. US intelligence officials have gone further. They believe China has effectively 'mapped' key American and Japanese facilities in the area. "China will be able to use this information to plan combat missions such as knowing where to fire their missiles," said one intelligence source.

Of further concern to America, is that Ziyuan II is also mapping Taiwan and noting its main defences. Indeed, within hours of its launch last year, Wu Shikh-wen, Taiwan's Defence Minister, said he was concerned that the satellite would be used for military purposes.

Pentagon officials say the satellite is carrying cameras that have three times the resolution of the previous Ziyuan system.

• Beijing also reiterated its threat to attack Taiwan if it declares the island independent from China. Chi Haotian, the Chinese Minister of Defence, announced that his country would hold a huge military exercise just off the coast of Taiwan before the year is out. It will be the biggest military operation seen in the area for 20 years.





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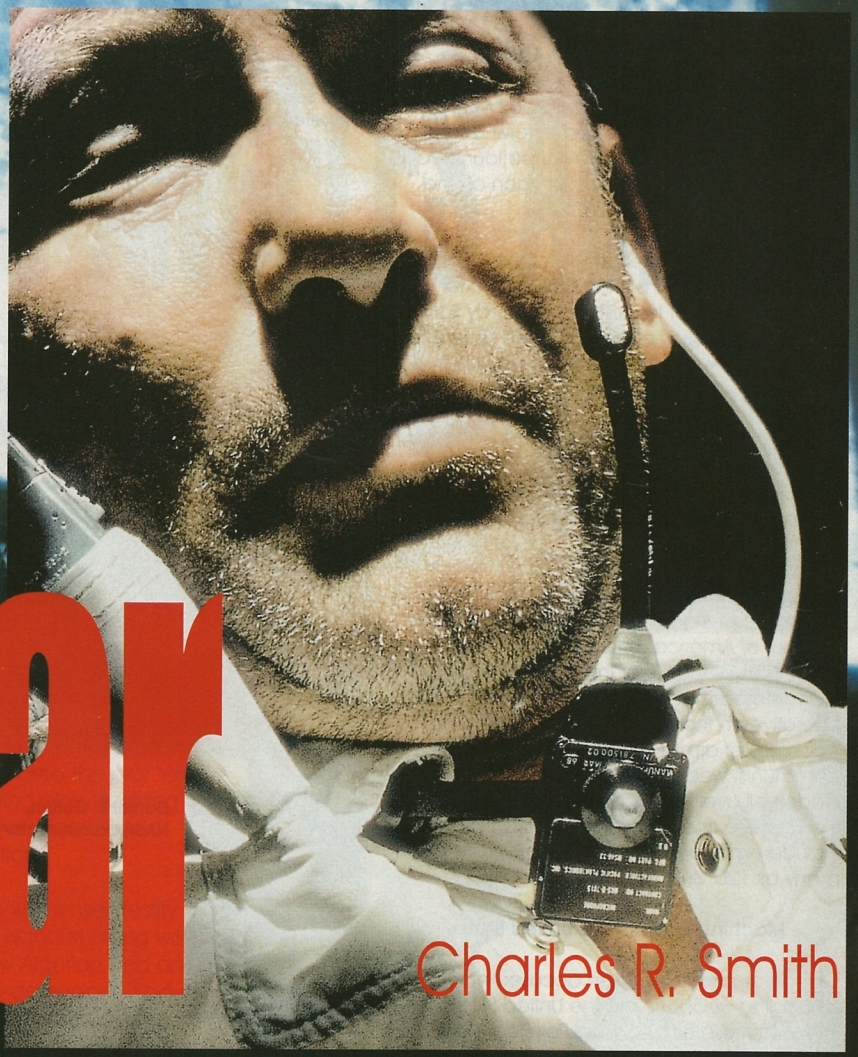

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y and New Terrorist Intelligence May Affect Future Projects

On a dark night in July, a Jamaican reportedly landed a sizable boat carrying 15 Chinese on the Atlantic shore of Kennedy Space Center. NASA officials admitted that the Jamaican and his Chinese human cargo remained undetected for hours, concealed in the brush, until the he blundered into a uniformed officer on patrol. The boat landed near the new Pad 41 Atlas-V complex, two miles south of space shuttle Discovery, which was then being readied for launch on Pad 39A. The Jamaican asked to use the NASA officer's cell phone, apparently to call for a pick-up from an onshore contact. Instead, the NASA officer called for more help from security.

The Jamaican and the Chinese were quickly rounded up by NASA security personnel and handed over to Immigration and Naturalization Service officers. However, accomplices in the boat escaped undetected.

Security officials believe the Chinese landed at the launch site by mistake, planning instead to sneak ashore along a nearby deserted beach. The concern is that the boat operations and people in the bush went unnoticed for hours, in what is supposed to be a highly secure area.

NASA officials admitted that had the Chinese been armed with even light weapons they could have attacked the space shuttle, or the USAF Titan launch pads before being detected.

The greatest concern for NASA officials is a sniper attack. The July 5 security breach proved that a trained terrorist with survival skills could easily penetrate within shooting distance of the shuttle. The terrorist could then remain concealed until just before launch and use a high-powered rifle or other portable weapon to attack the orbiter.

NASA officials expressed similar concerns last year during an investigation of a Boeing Delta rocket that blew up seconds after launch from the Florida space center. Several witnesses stated that the dramatic low-altitude explosion of the Delta rocket was preceded by the sound similar to a rifle being fired nearby.

No one was injured in the explosion, but damage was done to the Delta launch pad, and the payload, a USAF GPS navigation satellite, was destroyed. FBI and NASA officials inspected video and audiotape of the launch for evidence of a shot being fired but found no conclusive data.

Suicide Air Attack

NASA is also concerned about airborne terrorist attacks. Kennedy Space Center has no means of air defence, especially against a suicide pilot in a small civilian aeroplane.

The Cessna 150 is considered the most difficult light aircraft to stop because of its small size and low speed. For example, a 16-year-old German student once flew a Cessna 150 into the heart of the Soviet Union, landing in the Kremlin. The German student flew hundreds of miles through the teeth of the Soviet air defence system without detection.

A Cessna 150 also once barely missed the White House. The Cessna suicide pilot missed only because he clipped a tree planted by President Andrew Jackson that protected the building.

The pilot was killed but concerned Secret Service agents pointed out they had little chance of stopping the attacker even with hand held Stinger missiles. The plane, the size of a compact car, simply flew in undetected at street level.

China, Russia and Bin-Laden

The concern inside NASA is backed by threats against the U.S. by suspected terrorist Osama bin Laden because of the planned launch of the first Israeli astronaut Llan Ramaon on the orbiter Columbia in May 2002.

NASA recently abandoned use of the Ben Guerir, Morocco, trans-Atlantic abort site for the shuttle because of terrorist risks. Kennedy Space Center was already at a heightened "Threatcon Alpha" status when the July 5 Chinese landing occurred.

According to former Soviet GRU agent Colonel Stanislav Lunev, China and Russia already have Special Forces teams inside the United States with order to attack sites such as Kennedy Space Center.

During an interview, Lunev noted that PRC Special Forces agents are rotated regularly in and out of America, usually through diplomatic sites at the UN or the Chinese Embassy. Lunev stated that Russian and Chinese army operatives in the USA have also created large stockpiles of arms for use in time of war. These communist weapon caches are reportedly hidden all over America. According to Lunev, the Chinese and Russian weapon stockpiles include explosives, nerve gas, anthrax and as many as 120 "suitcase" nuclear bombs.



Future Space Shuttle flights may be hampered by terrorist threats.

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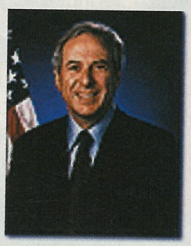


Daniel S. Goldin, NASA administrator

Machine Guns in the United States

China has previously been accused of smuggling weapons into the United States. In 1996, Chinese army-owned Poly Technologies, an arms company, plotted with China North Industries, another PLA arms company, to illegally import 2,000 Chinese machine guns into America. According to Customs agents, Poly Technology official Robert Ma conspired with Norinco representative Richard Chen to import 2,000 fully automatic AK-47s into the United States. The sale was made directly to Customs agents posing as Miami drug smugglers. Lu Yi Lun, described in court documents as Norinco's No. 2 official, was also charged.

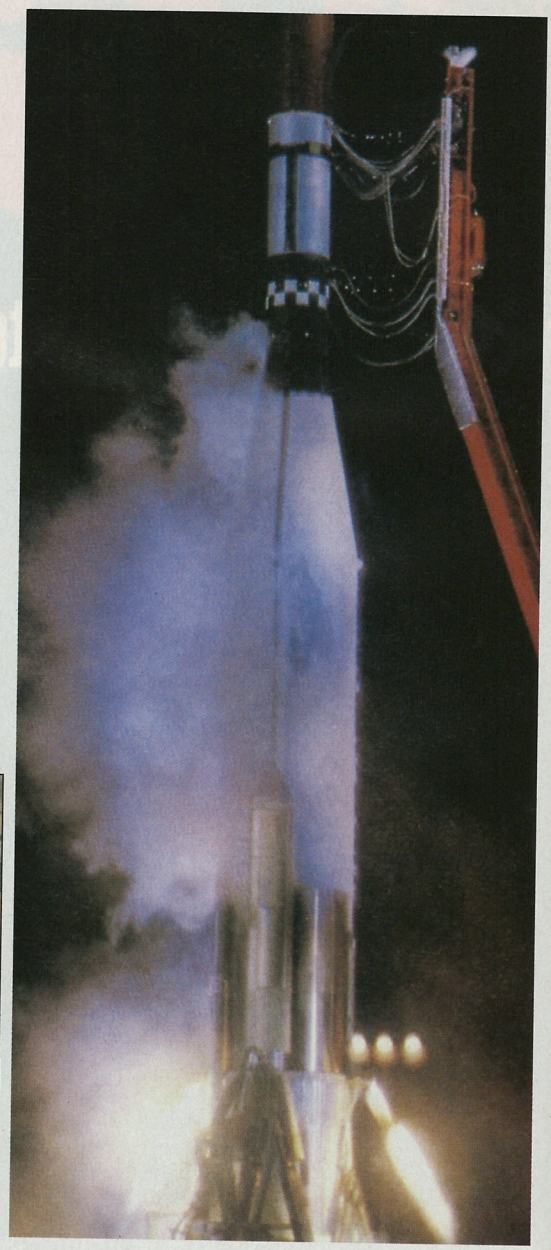
US investigators say arms broker Hammond Ku, a key figure in the case, told undercover US agents three times that China's government knew what was happening. According to the 100-page federal indictment from one of the key undercover agents, Chen and Ma had difficulty in getting the "barrels" because they required "higher-level permission."

The bust took place on board an official Chinese COSCO state-owned ship in the port of Los Angeles. The agents recovered more than 2,000 machine guns packed in a COSCO truck freight box. Ma and Chen fled the United States and have never faced charges. The COSCO ship was released after the machine guns were removed.

The Customs officials added that the Chinese agents apparently believed the automatic rifles were going to US street gangs. US investigators also said company representatives tried to sell rocket launchers, anti-aircraft missiles, machine guns and even tanks to American undercover agents.



A Cessna light aircraft has penetrated security in Russia and elsewhere.



DESTROY LOS ANGELES AIRPORT

New Year's Eve Bomb Plot Revealed



Los Angeles Airport

Federal prosecutors have revealed that Los Angeles International Airport was the target of a foiled New Year's 2000 bomb plot. This was acknowledged by Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph Bianco as he opened the trial of Mokhtar Haouari, who is accused of aiding the plot. Ahmed Ressam, who had been convicted in an earlier trial, planned to detonate a suitcase bomb outside a security checkpoint in one of Los Angeles airport's terminals probably before 1 January 2001. The target of the operation was not revealed during Ressam's trial for security purposes.

Bianco announced he would present evidence that showed Haouari, 32, gave Ressam $3,000 and a fake Canadian driver's license prior to Ressam's attempt to drive a car packed with explosives and timing devices across the border into Washington. FBI and security patrols stopped the vehicle at the border and Ressam was arrested. The arrest of Ressam worried Seattle officials, who cancelled a number of scheduled events. The FBI had apparently warned city officials that they were the target.

Bianco called the plot "an evil chilling plan involving explosives, death and destruction."

Ressam will himself testify against Haouari along with his fellow Algerian and one time co-defendant, Abdul Ghani Meskinni, 33, who in March pleaded guilty to participating in the operation but is now cooperating fully with prosecutors.

Defence Attorney Dan Ollen said that Haouari may be a "semi-retired con-man, a two-bit thief, but he is not an international terrorist." Unlike Ressam, Haouari, "never trained in Afghanistan terrorist camps and never went to Seattle to further the plot." No physical evidence against him linking him to the explosives would be presented claimed the prosecution.



Abdul Meskinni



Ahmed Ressam

COURTESY FBI

Haouari is charged with affording material support, fraud by providing fake passports, driver's licenses and citizenship cards, and trafficking in counterfeit credit cards and cheques.

The prosecution allege that Haoari, a Montreal shopkeeper who has lived in Canada since 1994, aided the well known and highly organised Islamic militant cell known by its French initials as the GIA. The GIA is opposed to the current Algerian government and has claimed responsibility for subway bombings and aeroplane highjackings in France.

Ressam, 34, who is also suspected of having links with the GIA, was found guilty of terrorism and other felony charges after a month-long federal trial in Los Angeles. In Ressam's trial, Meskini testified that Haouari had ordered him to meet Ressam in Seattle. Meskini said he made fake passports and social security cards, obtained cash with faked ATM cards and forged cheques. He implicated Haouari in the operation.

According to French and Canadian intelligence services, Ressam trained in a military camp in Afghanistan run by Osama bin-Laden.



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Senator Orrin Hatch (far left)

He had just left an intelligence briefing and was clearly still shaken. "We're going to find out who did this and we're going after the B*******."

Another intelligence officer who had just been interviewed and listened to Mr Mutawakkel on CNN said: "Lies, lies, lies." Clearly many in America have linked Afghanistan to the incident. President Bush, however, is privately unhappy that his country's intelligence network has come unstuck. Answering press criticism, a CIA source hinted that the operation was perpetrated by a secret terrorist cell inside the USA who had probably taken months to plan the operation. Similarly, the CIA said that whilst it can deploy satellites, intercept messages and offer massive protection to the nation, it had only 1,000 agents operating worldwide who acquire "human intelligence." If a determined and private terrorist cell waits long enough, they can become almost "invisible."



Jack Straw

Britain like most nations is in shock at the disaster. Two hours after the incidents, the GCHQ eavesdropping centre in Cheltenham was recalling workers and pouring over intercepted messages and intelligence data. But the Secret Intelligence Service, who work closely with the CIA, was also caught out.

Tony Blair said: "I've offered President Bush and the American people our sympathy and our solidarity. We in Britain stand shoulder to shoulder with our American friends in this hour of tragedy and we like them will not rest until this evil is driven from our world." Jack Straw, Britain's Foreign Minister, said all the UK's intelligence services were working closely with their American counterparts to find those responsible.

The NSA intercepted a broadcast from a Marxist group to two Arab television stations. The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) said it had carried out the attack. However, analysts do not believe such a complex operation was the work of the DFLP. Indeed, it rarely operates outside the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, and has made strenuous efforts of late to enter politics. Its leader, Nayef Hawatmeh, is based in Damascus and is opposed to such actions as the suicide bombings carried out by Hamas or Islamic Jihad.

And like the Taliban, the real leaders of the DFLP quickly denied responsibility. The group's West Bank leader is Qais Abu Layla, 60. Just hours after the attack he said: "It is difficult to know who is responsible, but for sure it is not us. Although US policy is against us (a reference to the recent troubles in the Middle East), we do not kill civilians." But he did say that America's continued support for Israel was not helping the situation.

Other defence and intelligence analysts have tried to filter out those who do not have the capability to launch such an attack. Khalil Shikaki, an expert on Palestinian affairs said: "I doubt very much whether any Palestinian group has the capacity to do this. It is just unimaginable. There is little sympathy for America in the Middle East." He then hinted that the attackers could well be from America itself.

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President George Bush and Secretary of State Colin Powell. To their right is Condoleeza Rice, Mr Bush's National Security Advisor



United Airlines Flight 175 is flown straight into the south tower of the World Trade Centre. The action and huge loss of life was perceived by President Bush as "an act of war'

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Sleeping Agents

no address, country or zipcode

WASHINGTON D.C. Questions are being asked at the highest levels of US intelligence about how so many people could have concealed themselves for so long right under the noses of the CIA and FBI.

'Sleeper agents' or 'underground terrorist cells' have used techniques developed hundreds of years ago. They have simply 'melted' into their surroundings and worked within the community, often befriending the very people who they would shortly kill.

The planning behind the hijackings was precise and carried out in an ultra professional, though callous manner.



Mohammed Atta

Sources in the UK believe the FBI and CIA have arrested or detained around 80 people in covert operations. Many of those probably have no knowledge of the hijackings, though they may have known the perpetrators. The speed in which the security forces reacted was astonishing. Several persons known to be connected had little or no time to get out of the USA; others were picked up at the Canadian or Mexican border. Arrests have also taken place elsewhere as the FBI and CIA used foreign agencies to help in their investigation.

Amazingly, all but one in the support network have been arrested.

However, senior officials from the FBI arrived in London to discuss other terrorist sleepers that may become active if and when Washington decides to act. MI5 have long believed (and warned) that an attack was imminent. Osama bin-Laden has a huge following and over 500 members in his organisation. Indeed, there have been rumours that Ayub Ali Khan and Mohammed Jaweed Azmath, who were arrested in Texas at around the time of the attack, were in the process of hijacking a fifth aircraft.

There is no doubt Osama bin-Laden is a tricky and skilled warrior. His army is not a dishevelled disorganised bunch, they are skilled professionals trained in many areas. A typical profile would be a doctor, accountant, an engineer. Typical is Mohammed Atta, 33. He is a former student at Hamburg Technical University. His teacher described him as a "polite diligent student." Others who knew him simply couldn't believe he could participate in such a crime.
The FBI say he started taking flying lessons in June 2000. Atta shared lodgings with another of the hijackers, Marwan al-Shehhri. The men lived well away from each other, and it is quite possible did not even know eachother until the green light was given to go ahead with the operation. The ground network of people required to support the men must have been extensive and also well financed. It is this area that Washington hopes will provide further clues to just exactly who the main player here was.



Mohammed Jaweed



Ayub Ali Khan



Marwan al-Shehhri

So how did they get away with it?

Many of the attackers had previously flown on United Airlines and other US domestic services. Sometimes they would even request 'frequent-flyer points'. Several tickets purchased for the fatal flights were business class and cost between $1,000-4000 dollars.

According to sources in Britain, the attack had its genesis five years ago, when many of the men were recruited by those opposed to Washington's Middle East policy.

The FBI is now piecing together the lifestyles of all 19 men believed to have hijacked the aircraft in the air. Eye Spy was informed: "The men were sleeper agents; they shaved their beards, wore Western clothes, visited bars and even had relationships with US women... they became part of our society."

OVERSEAS INTELLIGENCE CONNECTION

• Though not confirmed, British intelligence believe Atta met with a senior Iraqi intelligence officer sometime in Spring 2001. Other information has been acquired and passed on to the FBI.

Ali Aljirbawi, head of the international department of Bir Zeit University agreed with Mr Shikaki: "I don't think there is any Palestinian relation with the attacks today. It is not easy to do such a thing."

The CIA has already stated that it has a short list of possible perpetrators. And interestingly, some analysts in the Pentagon now believe that a nation or nations were behind the attack. Obviously many believe that the only person who could have organised such an operation is the Saudi renegade and multi-billionaire, Osama bin-Laden. He has proved time and time again that he has the ability to deploy his forces anywhere in the world. What puzzles many is that bin-Laden is easily the most monitored figure in the world, and members of his organisation the Al Quaida group (The Base), are under observance 24-hours a day. If Bin-Laden were behind the attack, surely the world's intelligence services would have had prior knowledge?

Bin-Laden issued a statement the next day. He congratulated the people responsible for the attack, but denied any involvement. CIA Director, George Tenet, admitted that his organisation had thwarted a number of other planned terrorist operations though he refused to comment on the lack of intelligence on the New York and Washington attacks.

THE HIJACKING

Few details have emerged on how the terrorists took over the planes, or indeed managed to board them in the first place. What is known in the aviation industry, however, is that on domestic internal flights in the USA there is little security at airports. The terrorists boarded each flight and waited until the aircraft were airborne before stabbing cabin crew to death on the aircraft. This terrible act was witnessed by a passenger on one of the aircraft who telephoned her husband. This in turn forced the crews to leave the cockpit.

The passengers, who included a woman and her 4-year-old child from Ireland, were all herded to the back of the aircraft. Ground controllers at JFK airport and in Boston listened helplessly as the terrorists told the pilots they would be "safe" if they "followed instructions" before taking over the aircraft and steering them at speed into the World Trade Centre and the Pentagon.

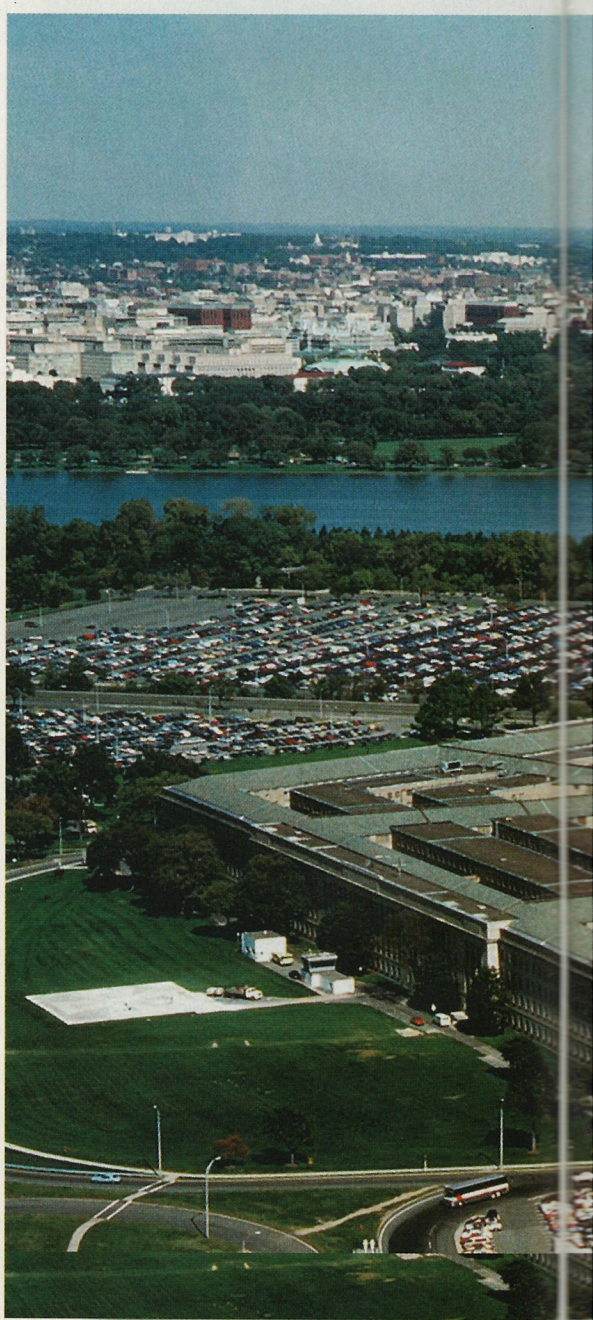
Following the attacks, the FBI started to search the homes of potential suspects. Indeed, passenger lists and other data were quickly gathered. Debbie Weirermam, public information officer of the FBI's office in Boston, refused to confirm that they identified at least five Arab men as suspects in the attack.

However, intelligence sources say that Arabic-language flight training manuals were found in a rental car used by the men and parked at the airport. Two of the suspects were brothers and one was a trained pilot. Initial intelligence suggests that as many as twenty people could be behind the attacks.

THE AFTERMATH

It will be some weeks before the exact number of deaths is known, but approximately 180 died in the Pentagon blast alone. New York City officials say that over 200 firefighters are dead and a further 85 police officers unaccounted for. Most were in or around the towers when they collapsed. In respect of the number of civilian casualties, at least 7,000 New Yorkers died. Eye witness Peter Genova, who worked in One World Trade Centre said: "I saw dozens and dozens of fireman and cops going up into the buildings... they were going to try and rescue people." Seconds later the tower collapsed and the men and thousands of fleeing persons were consumed.

When residents of the city woke on the 12 September, they found a very different



SEIZED MANUAL - A LESSON IN DEADLY TACTICS



LONDON: A 200-page terrorist manual discovered by MI5 tells would-be terrorists how to use forged documents and obtain counterfeit currency; how to rent safe house; how to purchase and transport weapons; how to communicate in cypher code, and how to avoid surveillance by the CIA and other intelligence agencies.

There are sections on how to cope with captivity; how to resist cross-examination, and how to make claims of torture as part of a defence case.

The manual entitled, 'Military Studies in the Holy War Against the Tyrants' was recovered from the London home of a prominent supporter of Osama bin-Laden. Scotland Yard sources say the book could provide valuable information in the search for those responsible for the New York and Washington attacks.

The FBI said that they were aware of the manual but could not discuss its contents because it was still a sealed document in a current court case involving one of bin-Laden's associates in New York City.

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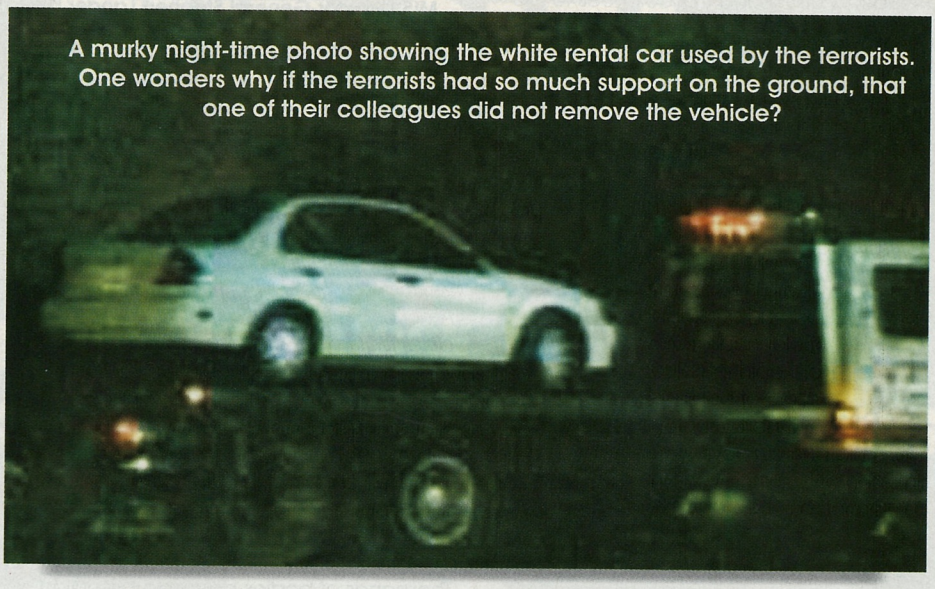
skyline. The clouds of smoke had gradually cleared but the shock felt by most of the world was all too evident. One FBI agent said: "This is like Beirut... they got us good." And it is that sort of admission that has angered many New Yorkers.

The United Nations quickly pulled its workers out of Afghanistan. This was an indication of who America believed was connected to the attacks. Similarly, in George Bush's first proper address to his people he warned those who were responsible for the atrocity that they could not hide. However, that threat was also extended to those who "harboured" them - another veiled threat against the Taliban who have given Osama bin-Laden a safe haven and have refused to hand him over to face several charges of terrorism against the USA.



A murky night-time photo showing the white rental car used by the terrorists. One wonders why if the terrorists had so much support on the ground, that one of their colleagues did not remove the vehicle?

THE PENTAGON

Home of the Department of Defence

President Putin issued condolences to the American people, and offered support. Earlier this year Eye Spy magazine learned that the secret operation, known as Gateway, involving Moscow, had opened up a corridor along its border into north Afghanistan, to allow US special forces through to capture bin-Laden. However, that might be a little difficult, for the NRO (National Reconnaissance Office) has identified over 700 potential locations where he could hide. Many of these are training camps.

The CIA's role could yet prove vital. Less than 18 hours after America was devastated, parts of Kabul came under attack by elements of Afghanistan's 'Northern Alliance' a Muslim organisation that is made up largely of former soldiers of the Mujahedeen. They occupy just 10% of Afghanistan but do control some strategic locations. Some intelligence analysts believe that the CIA may back these warriors in future months.

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As President Bush discussed the attacks with his Security Council, other world leaders offered their condolences. Encouragingly, one of those was Libya's Colonel Gaddafi who offered the American people "every assistance possible."

President Khatami of Iran expressed his "great sorrow" for the people of America, and condemned the attackers. The Indian

MI5 Director-General Stephen Lander has forged close ties with the FBI. Lander is keen to assist the hunt for all those responsible in the attack. Some 400 Britons died in Manhattan in what is also the worst terrorist attack against citizens of the UK.

People from 68 different countries died on 11 September 2001

Government said it was "together with America" in the fight against terrorism. Many other Muslim nations also condemned the terrorists. Yassar Arafat gave blood to be sent directly to New York. "It was the least I could do," he said.

Colin Powell appeared on television and used the strongest possible language when he declared, "the United States is at war."

Thousands of bodies began to be pulled from the debris. There was also the odd success in finding survivors, including a number of civilians and emergency workers. At least 50 Britons are thought to have been killed, a fact that did not pass Tony Blair, who seemed deeply upset. Both he and President Bush discussed what action should be taken in response to the attacks.



MI5 headquarters of the British Security Service in London. Several high-ranking FBI officers flew in to London just days after the attack and are now liaising to try and locate possible suspects already detained and identified in the UK and Europe



FBI Director Robert Mueller

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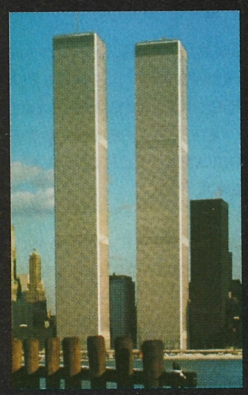


Terrorist pilots practiced attack, using US flight simulator software programmes

It is believed that the terrorist pilots used a popular flight simulator programme to hone their flying skills - particularly one element of the program that encourages pilots to fly between the towers of the World Trade Center (WTC). By choosing the 'New York City tour' from 'flight select' option, the user can pilot a Boeing 737-400 (similar to the Boeing 757 & 767). The realistic graphics alllow the user to practice, over and over again, heading into either of the WTC towers.

Though still available for sale in some specialist computer shops in London's Tottenham Court Road, the £45 program has been taken off the shelves in the Virgin Megastore in Oxford Street. One Virgin manager said: "Because the Virgin Group also operate the Virgin Atlantic airline, we feel especially sensitive about this Flight Simulation program at this time."

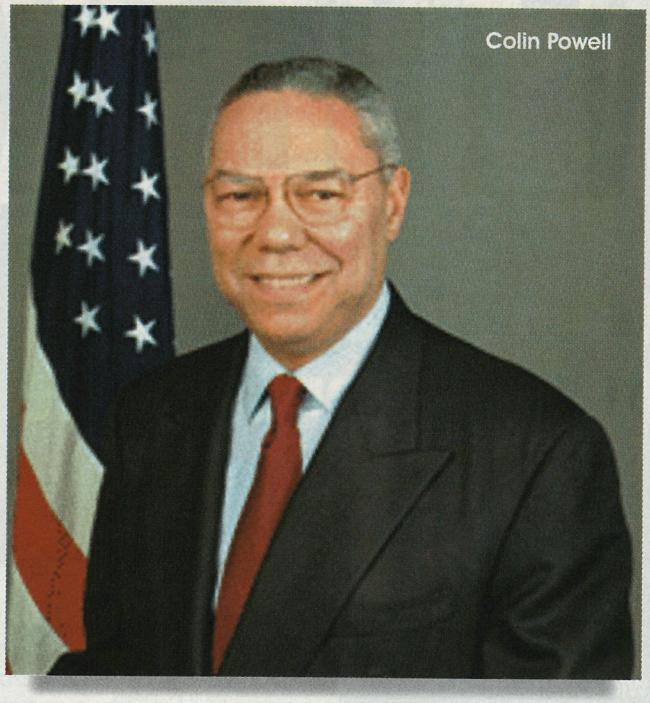






More details then emerged on the number of attackers involved with the hijackings. Each aircraft was commandeered by three to five terrorists. Each unit had a trained pilot.

As security footage was analysed at Boston airport and other details obtained, the FBI swooped in on the Westin Hotel in central Boston detaining several persons. In Florida, similar operations took place at various addresses. The son-in-law of the owner of one of the houses said a Middle Eastern family lived in the house. He said the man was enrolled in a nearby aviation safety school. According to sources, flight simulators are used there. Other people associated with the aviation school were taken into custody for questioning. The FBI was quick to point out that these people were not arrested.


Colin Powell

Though FBI Director Robert Mueller, remained tight-lipped, other intelligence sources hinted early breakthroughs had been made. "There are good indications that persons linked to Osama bin-Laden may be responsible for the attacks," one intelligence officer told CNN. The FBI source said that assessment had been based on new information gathered just hours after the aircraft hit New York and the Pentagon.

As intelligence officials from every agency in America sought to find clues, an insurance firm, Marsh & McLennan, situated in one of the World Trade Centre towers said that fewer than 500 of its 1,750 workers had been accounted for. The CIA also revealed that the huge observation rooms and the World Restaurant at the top of the towers were thankfully closed at the time. It also revealed that it had offices in Building No.7 at the complex.

THE PENTAGON

The attack on the Pentagon was equally as devastating. To fly an airliner into the side of the building takes much skill, indicating a professional pilot at the airliners helm. The Boeing 757 had been hijacked after gaining altitude from Dulles International airport bound for Los Angeles. The operation coincided with the Boston hijackings. Seconds after colliding with the building the aircraft simply disintegrated. Smoke soon filled corridors around the vast complex but it was apparent huge damage had been done.

One Eye Spy magazine correspondent who toured the Pentagon last year was told that "no flight exclusion zone existed above the Pentagon." When she enquired why, she was told: "Because we're confident nobody could ever attack the Pentagon..."

The Pentagon attack was unique, but it was not the first time terrorists have a attacked the World Trade Centre. In February 1993, a bomb exploded killing six people and injuring more than 1,000. Osama bin-Laden financed that operation.

Few in America and the West doubt President Bush's determination to bring to book all those who are responsible for the attacks. Yet many intelligence analysts and soldiers of the cold war era believe the tragedy was also a huge intelligence debacle, not only by those organisations in America, but by those in Europe and elsewhere.

The aviation and intelligence industry will never be the same again. Nor will the lives of those who survived the attacks, and those who lost loved ones in it.

A national day of mourning took place on Friday 14th September in America and Europe. Millions of people stood in silence to honour those who died.



GCHQ now involved with the hunt for those involved in the American terrorist attacks

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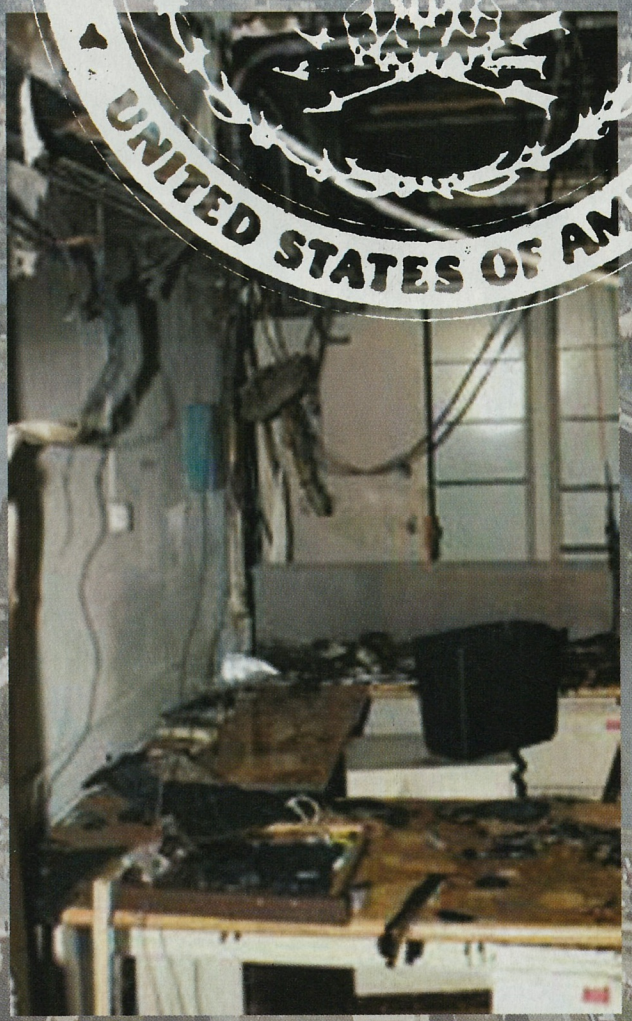
ATTACK ON AMERICA

The Pentagon Aftermath











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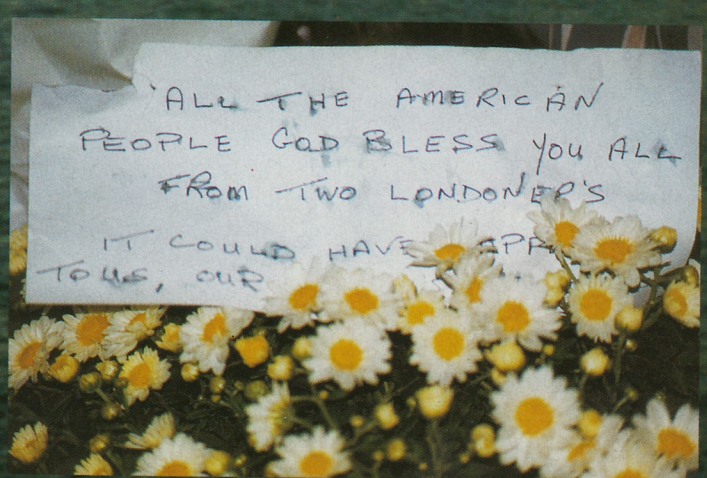





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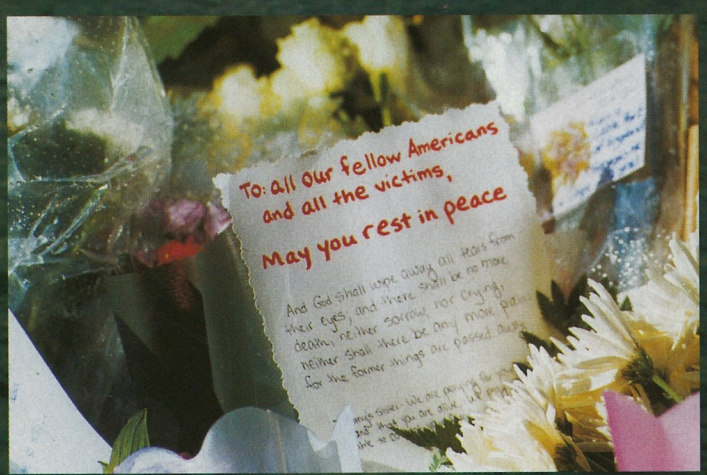




OSAMA BIN-LADEN:

Followers guilty of Embassy bombs



Rashed Daoud al Owhali

Four followers of the world's most wanted terrorist, Saudi-born Osama bin-Laden, were convicted on 29 May for conspiring to kill Americans in two almost simultaneous bombs that shattered US embassies in Africa in 1998. The jury in New York took 12 days to reach its verdict. Rashed Daoud al Owhali, 24, a Saudi, and Khalfan Khamis Mohammed, 27, from Tanzania, both face the death penalty after confessing to playing a direct role in the attack.

Prosecutors maintain that Owhali drove a lorry containing a massive bomb to the American embassy in Nairobi, Kenya. There he threw several stun grenades at guards. Mohammed meanwhile is said have helped work on a TNT bomb that exploded in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on 7 August.

According to the intelligence services, they claim al-Hage is a former personal secretary to bin-Laden, and that he led a "secret double life." He tried to finance the purchase of weapons while running "legitimate businesses" to help fund terrorism. Following the explosions, the FBI moved very quickly. It has transpired that the Bureau had been watching al-Hage for two years. He worked at a tyre-repair shop in Arlington, Texas. The CIA had followed him to Nairobi, the FBI had interviewed him three times and it is understood another security service, presumably the NSA or NRO had tapped his phone. The court heard how all these measures did not stop the bomb.

The CIA working closely with officers from the Kenyan security service stopped al-Hage, took papers and computers from his African base and even questioned him on his links with bin-Laden - all before the huge explosion. It wasn't until five weeks after the incident that FBI agents arrested him with information supplied from the two bin-Laden defectors. At the trial, the FBI said that obtaining intelligence using phone taps etc was slow, primarily due to messages being passed from member to member using intricate code words.

Peter Bergen, a terrorism researcher who is writing a book on Osama bin-Laden, believes the men who have been convicted are only 'foot soldiers'. "They are low to middle levels. These are not the leaders." Other people convicted were Wadih al-Hage, 40, a Lebanese-born naturalised American, and Mohammed Sadiq Odeh, 36, a Jordanian. All the men are accused of belonging to Osama bin-Laden's network, "al-Qaeda" (the Base).

Odeh is regarded by the FBI and CIA as a leading explosives' expert. He was accused of being a "technical adviser" to the bombings. The CIA presented evidence that Odeh stayed in a hotel with bin-Laden's alleged leader in the Base's Kenyan terrorist cell.

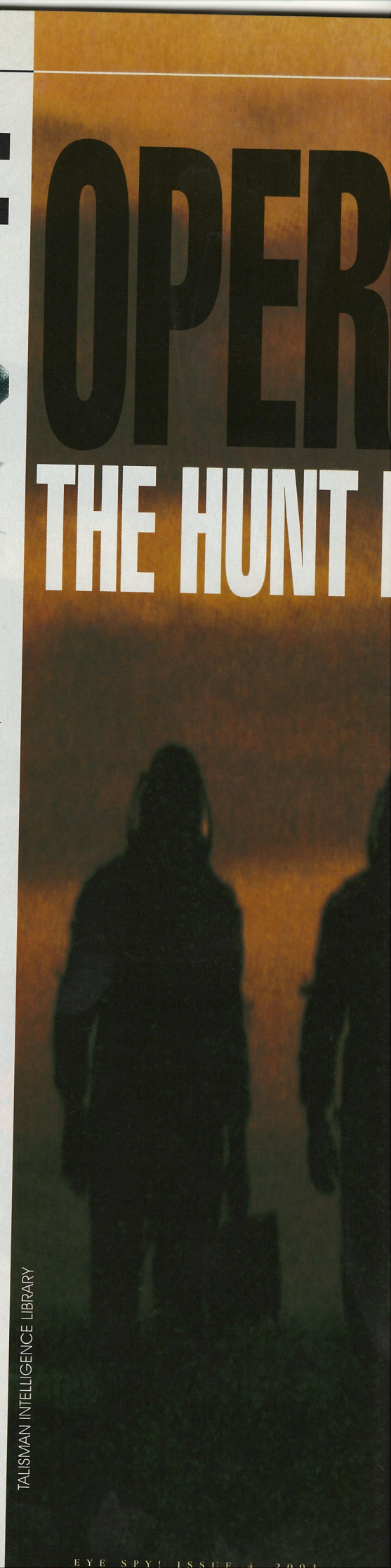
The jury heard evidence from the prosecution's two main witnesses, Jamal Ahmed Fadl, 38 and L'Houssaine Kherchtou, 37. Until the end of the trial, they used the codenames of CS-1, and CS-2. Both were members of the Base, and both defected less than two years ago. At the trial, Kherchtou and Fadl pleaded guilty to terrorist charges. Indeed, both the FBI and CIA learned a great deal about bin-Laden's international organisation. The men were granted immunity in return for their testimony under the terms of the US federal witness protection programme.

Osama bin-Laden is suspected of being involved with several bomb plots against America, though the embassy bombings are the only incidents he has been indicted on.

Eye Spy! has learned that thirteen people have been charged with the bombings and remain on the run. However, MI5 arrested three persons wanted in connection with the incidents in London. They were detained immediately and are currently awaiting extradition from the UK.

Al-Fadl is said to have tried to buy $1.5m worth of uranium because bin-Laden wanted to build a nuclear weapon.

224 people died, 12 of them Americans.



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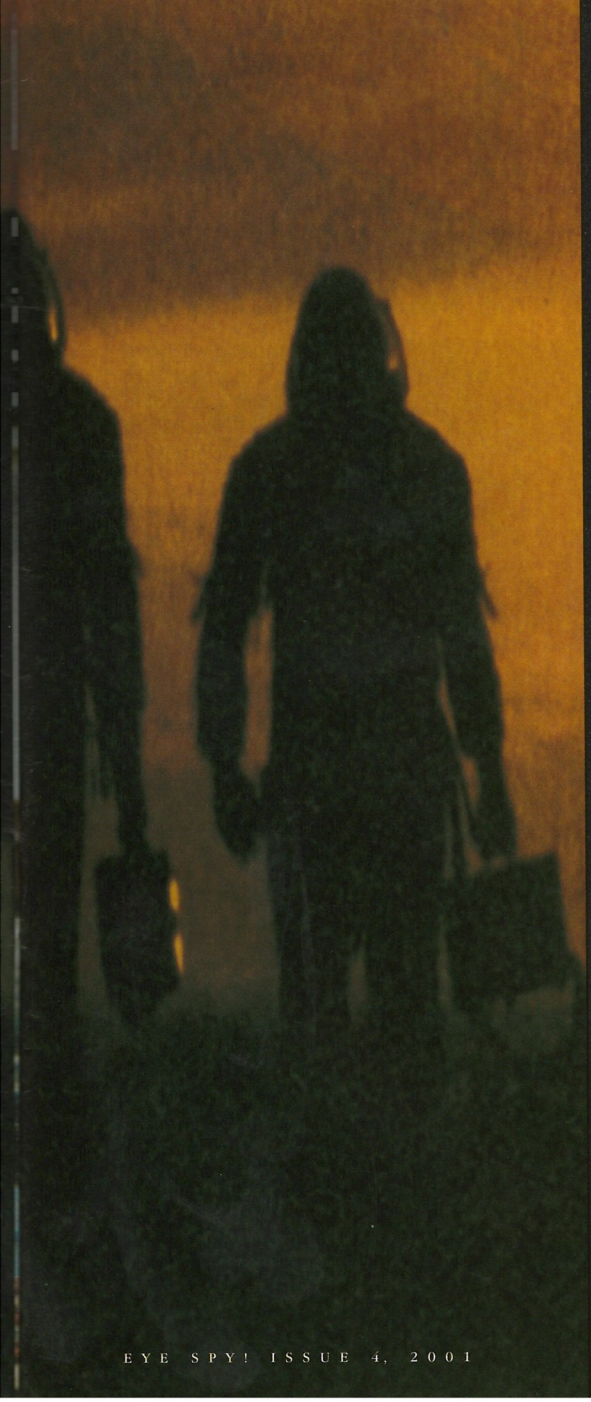
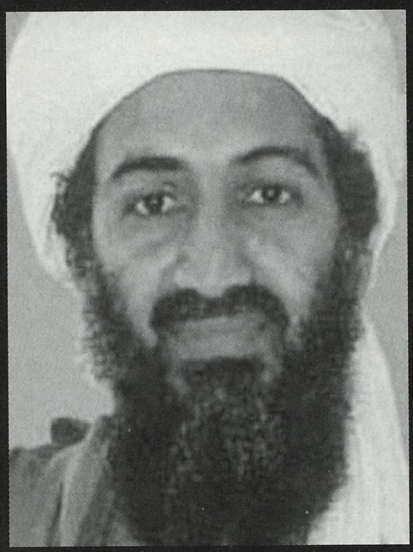




Nearly one year ago, US defence chiefs held secret meetings in Moscow to locate and terminate Osama bin-Laden, the Saudi-born multimillionaire who has waged war against America and Israel for the past few years. Still smarting from the attack on the *USS Cole,* America has been cooperating with Russian intelligence over plans to allow US special forces through a corridor in Uzbekistan to the north of Afghanistan. Several months ago Eye Spy featured this operation to capture or kill America's most wanted man.

The operation was so secret that only senior intelligence and military analysts knew the codeword, *Gateway*. It is widely believed that Russia's vast experience gained from its disastrous war in Afghanistan has enabled the CIA to give the green light in finally capturing bin-Laden. Since the attack on New York and Washington, Gateway is still high on the agenda.

The mission is extremely dangerous and politically sensitive. Bin-Laden has many supporters in neighbouring Pakistan and, according to sources, still holds counsel with leading figures from the Middle East. This however, will not deter America nor Russia who have made no secret of their desire to remove bin-Laden from Afghanistan.

On 23 November 2000, Russia's Defence Minister, Marshal Igor Sergeyev, made a statement which was immediately seized upon by intelligence writers trying to confirm that such a dangerous operation was indeed being planned. Sergeyev said that the biggest threat faced by Russia was "religious extremism, separatism and international terrorism." Analysts believe this was a signal for America to prepare. He continued: "Today they are not individual terrorists but a powerful army with centralised control, well-armed and financed." He pointed a finger at Afghanistan as the international terrorist centre of the world, which had around "1,000 training camps for their fighters."

This was an interesting statement, for Western intelligence analysts believe only around 20 such camps exist. A figure of 1,000 would make any special forces raid particularly difficult as bin-Laden moves from camp to camp.

RUSSIA GREEN LIGHTS US SPECIAL FORCES

There was a further thread to link Russia's worries with those of the West. He referred to Afghanistan's huge drugs trade. The Taliban, Afghanistan's ruling body, supplies 90 per cent of the West's heroin. In response to this Russia has agreed to redeploy 20,000 troops along the Tajik frontier, and has already helped finance the embattled opposition in north Afghanistan - the 'Northern Alliance' in their fight to with Kabul.

Many analysts believed US special forces were supposed to move into northern Afghanistan in spring, though that date will almost certainly be brought forward. Some defence experts believe that sending in special forces is dangerous, particularly because of the rugged terrain and with the onset of winter making any such attempt doubly difficult.

There seems very little point in attacking positions by air. Most of the major cities and towns in this poor country are little more than rubble. Indeed, the US has already attacked bin-Laden positions before with Tomahawk cruise missiles, though it is clear these had little impact. Bin-Laden is anything but naive, and he uses several well-hidden camps in the remote mountains of Hindu Kush. If an attack without troops does take place, the US and Russia intend to wreck the Taliban's excellent line of communications.

The CIA, working closely with the NSA and NRO has managed to trace the mobile telephone numbers of bin-Laden's closest colleagues. From its Langley headquarters, it has used several spy satellites in the UK-USA system ECHELON, to pinpoint senior personnel. Furthermore, Washington also has intelligence on bin-Laden's closest Middle East allies.

That fact was evident because within 24 hours of the attack on the *USS Cole* in Yemen, Washington announced they were holding bin-Laden responsible. Vincent Cannistraro, the



Former US President Bill Clinton



The United States Air Force and other intelligence agencies have 'mapped' huge areas of Afghanistan identifying several Taliban bases which Osama bin-Laden is using

former CIA anti-terrorist head, went further: "There is some dispute over the execution. Some people feel that a state is involved. There was evidence that Iran may have issued orders to a number of close organisations in Lebanon such as Hezbollah."

Cannistraro then revealed US intent: "The intelligence community working on the problem has come to a very firm conclusion which I believe is shared by the [former] Clinton administration, that Osama bin-Laden was involved with the attack on the USS Cole."

As for the intended 'gateway operation' reporters invited comment from General Henry Shelton, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "That is an option," he said. Added to that, Cannistraro confirmed the US is "discussing retaliation."

A strong believer in Islam, bin-Laden is anything but weak in his beliefs. He once told an American reporter, "If the instigation for jihad (Holy War) against the Jews and the Americans is considered a crime, then let history be a witness that I am a criminal." The upsurge in violence in the Middle East has seriously weakened the stance of some moderate Arab countries towards Israel. Indeed, shortly before Christmas 2000, Egypt withdrew its envoy from Tel Aviv in protest at the rising number of Palestinian deaths. The fear surrounding Gateway is that it could cause an explosion of emotion and hatred that would send ripples all the way from Kabul to Jerusa-



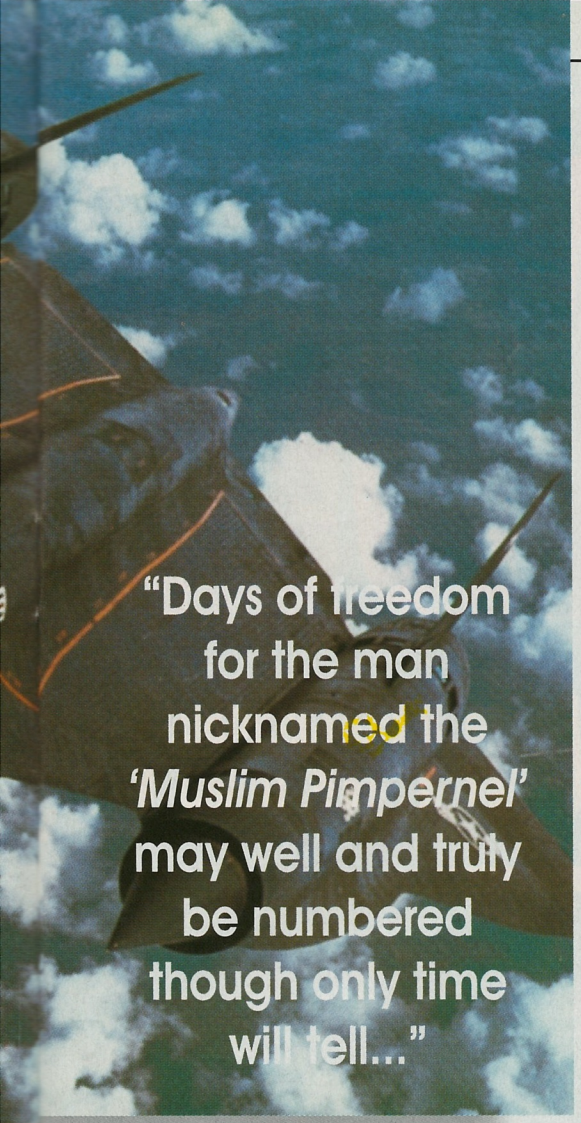
America will have learned from Moscow's defeat in the hills of Afghanistan

lem. It seems, however, America, Russia and Britain are preparing to move into the hills of northern Afghanistan.

Russia believes bin-Laden is assisting a variety of other groups who are beginning to mimic his own "al Qaeda" [The Base]. And it could well be that one of these 'ghost' organisations could have attacked New York and Washington.

On the numerous training camps, Mr Sergeyev said: "He is training fighters in Afghanistan. From there they are sent to many regions, including Kosovo, Malaysia and the Caucasus." The Taliban has already recognised an independent Chechnya, and to emphasise this, they allowed the opening of an independent Chechen Embassy in Kabul. In May 2000, Moscow accused the Taliban of training rebels, and warned Kabul that it has not ruled out powerful pre-emptive airstrikes.

When the former Soviet Union advanced on Afghanistan in 1978, there was worldwide



condemnation. Indeed, the CIA covertly assisted the fighters of the mujahedeen in their mountain hideaways. The USSR sent over 100,000 troops into the country, and the might of their airforce. But, using American weapons, bases in northern Pakistan and a belief that they were fighting a religious war, they proved too strong for the young Russian conscripts. The Kremlin eventually had to pull back its forces which had suffered 66,000 casualties. One wonders if the Pentagon is prepared to suffer losses on this scale.

However, there will not be an outcry from the West if a joint Russian-American operation goes ahead, though Moscow may not want to get that involved.

The FBI have put up a $30 million reward for the mystical figure, but *Gateway* will cost in excess of $1 billion. However, even if they do remove him there will be plenty of other followers to continue his holy war. Days after Washington accused bin-Laden of sponsoring the US attack, he said: "They may well kill me... I am not frightened. There will be another 100 Osama's to take my place."

The Pentagon does not see it this way and point to several other atrocities it blames on bin-Laden. Days of freedom for the man nicknamed the *Muslim Pimpernel* may well and truly be numbered, though only time will tell.

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THE TALIBAN FORCES

fully armed dangerous, committed and ready to die

The Taliban emerged out of the Mujahedeen shortly after the Russians pulled out in 1989. They are extremely battle-hardened and experienced fighters.

Ironically, they received huge finance from the CIA and a great deal of military hardware and manuals. It has also recently been revealed that a number of high-ranking Afghans actually received training in Scottish SAS camps.

Weaponry is fairly basic compared with that held by the USA, and most of it was inherited from the Russians. The CIA believe the Taliban have around 50 unused Stinger missiles; about 20 operational Soviet-built T-59 and 55 tanks; several artillery guns with 130-155 calibre. Its mountain troops are equipped with rocket launchers and very old and unreliable machineguns.

Pakistan intelligence have warned however, that the Taliban have sufficient weapons and ammunition to engage and army in a protracted guerrilla war. Other weapons include 12.7mm and 14.5mm anti-aircraft guns, as well as a large number of anti-tank missiles.

Its fighting forces consist of around 20,500 troops, though this has now swelled to over 50,000 since the country was put on a war-footing.

The Taliban air force consists of just three MiG aircraft, used in recent weeks to hit targets in the mountains. And indeed, intelligence sources told Eye Spy that these aircraft were the target of an Alliance mission on the outskirts of Kabul just hours after the attacks on America. Many viewers watched live footage showing explosions on television believing a US strike was in progress.

At least a third of the Taliban army is made up of foreign nationals who volunteered to fight in the jihad (holy war) against the Northern Alliance. This includes an estimated 9,000 Pakistanis.

But easily the Taliban's main advantage over any opposition is their knowledge of the vicious terrain and atrocious road network... plus their willingness to die for each other. Using 4-wheel drives and old walkie-talkies, they move over mountains that tower 23,000ft. Any ground assault could be problematic.



Soviety military vehicles found it difficult to travel in Afghanistan. Any attacking force would be faced with the same problems

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threads of intelligence will reveal hug

The investigation that now follows to piece together the worst terrorist attack on any nation will be long and arduous. However, there is a determination in the FBI and other security services that should be helpful in future investigations, as long as the police concentrate on hard evidence.

Already the FBI has begun the biggest manhunt in its history; so what is already known about the hijackers that could lead all the way back to a nation or 'controlling influence'.

According to intelligence sources, there was a plan to hijack a fifth airliner on 22 September 2001. Suddenly a United Airlines flight from San Antonio to Denver was cancelled. Apparently, five people who had booked on this aircraft were associates of some the hijackers. It was a major breakthrough and at last the FBI had something to cheer about. Eye Spy has learned that these men were on a Top Secret FBI list of people who have links or are known to those who captured the aircraft. **Alader al-Hazmi,** 34, is a medical student from San Antonio and was taken back to New York to be questioned by a counter-terrorist unit in the city.

Analysts in the UK feel the San Antonio connection is worth examining. Just hours after the hijackings, two men, **Ayub Ali Khan,** 51, and **Mohammed Jaweed Azmath,** 47, were taken from a train in Fort Worth, Texas, because of identification irregularities. When the FBI search the men they were found to be carrying thousands of dollars in cash, hair dye, and box cutters like those used by the hijackers on the aircraft. These men were questioned by the same police unit in NYC.

The German Link

The FBI believe that three of the hijackers were from one cell who were based at the Technical University in Hamburg. German intelligence believe they have evidence that the men were planning the destruction of symbolic US buildings. **Mohammed Atta,** 33, took a German degree course. At the start of his thesis he wrote: "My prayer and mu sacrifice and my death belong to Allah." Atta was at the controls of American Airlines Flight 11, when it hit the World Trade Centre.

Atta lived with **Marwan al-Shehhi,** 23, who originated from a bedouin clan in the United Arab Emerites known as the Schohors. Al-Shehhi was almost certainly at the control of United Airlines Flight 175 when it too crashed into the WTC. He won a scholarship to Germany a short while ago.

The third Hamburg cell member and hijacker was **Ziad al-Jarrah,** 27. He left his village in the Bakaa Valley, Lebanon to study flight engineering in 1993. All three men moved to Florida in the last 12 months to take up flying lessons.

The Boston Link

Hijackers **Ahmed al-Ghamdi** and **Satam al-Suqami,** 25, were identified by the FBI as having threads to the attackers. Detectives say the men are connected to a former Boston taxi driver currently on trial in Jordan over the foiled millennium bomb plot. (See page --). The bombers plotted to destroy holy sites and a tourist hotel in Jordan, killing American, Israeli and German holidaymakers in the bargain. The men had already been linked by a US Customs investigation to an operative from Bin-Laden's al-Qaeda organisation. Al-Ghamdi and **Hamza al-Ghandi** had paid cash for a room in Brighton, Massachusetts, just hours before the attack.

Stolen Identities

Saeed al-Ghandi, an innocent Saudi who previously worked at Logan airport in Boston, had his identity papers stolen by the hijackers. The FBI know that quite recently, a man using Saeed's papers was living in a flat in Delray Beach, Florida, with hijacker **Ahmed al-Mami.** Another hijacker was using the passport of Ahmed al-Nami whose identity papers were stolen six years ago in Colorado.

Threads with the USS Cole Attack

Khalid al-Midhar was filmed in Kuala Lumpar meeting a prime suspect in the bombing of the American warship the USS Cole. Al-Midhar entered the United States at Los Angeles airport with the hijacker **Salem al-Hamzi** in 2000. The men flew to New York earlier this year. Salem's brother, **Nawaq al-Hamzi,** took flying lessons while living with al-Midhar in San Diego. Al-Midhar and **Majed Moqed** both paid cash for their tickers at Baltimore International airport on 5 September, placing the men in the vicinity of Washington in the week before the aircraft they boarded crashed into the Pentagon.

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A Dry Run

Hani Hanjour, 29, flew over Washington D.C. at least three times in six weeks prior to the attacks. He tried several times to convince instructors at a local flying school he was ready to take up an aircraft himself. He then tried to hire a plane but this too was rejected. He lived on the Western seaboard of America and eventually acquired a pilot's licence in 1999.

The Ghosts

Waleed al-Shehri and **Wail al-Shehri,** both in their 20s, left home in Saudi Arabia and headed for the holy city of Medina in December 2000. They have never been seen again.

'The Internet Man'

The FBI believe **Mohald al-Sheri** is the operative who used the internet to communicate with the other hijackers. He once asked to use the internet at a public library in Delray Beach, Florida.

The Tulsa Link

Fayez Ahmed carried a pilot's licence and used the address of Spartan Aeronautics, a flying school in Tulsa.

The Ghost

Nothing is known about another suspected hijacker, Ahmed al-Haznawi. He boarded United Airlines Flight 93 which crashed 80 miles from Pittsburgh.

The Most Wanted

The FBI regard **Habib Zacarias Moussaoui,** 33, a French citizen of Moroccan extraction as a prime suspect. He was detained in the USA in August after arousing suspicion at a flight training school in Minnesota, He asked to learn how to steer Jumbo jets... but he was not interested in learning how to land them. Moussaoui lived in London for some four years. The French intelligence (DSGE - General Directorate for External Security) say he had contact with a terrorist who participated in the 1995 bombing campaign in Paris.

Intelligence sources say up to 250 people could be involved in attacks

Some of the Hi-jackers: FBI Data

The following is a list of the nineteen individuals who have been identified as hijackers aboard the four airliners that crashed on September 11, 2001, into the North and South Towers of the World Trade Centre in New York, the Pentagon, and Stony Creek Township, Pennsylvania. Information listed for each hijacker differs, but may include date of birth, address provided, or visa status. This is the extent of the information available at this time.

AMERICAN AIRLINES Flight 77 BOEING 757
8:10 a.m. departed Washington Dulles for Los Angeles 9:39 a.m. crashed into the Pentagon 1) **Khalid Al-Midhar** - Possible residence (s): Los Angeles, California and New York, New York; Visa Status: B-1 Visa, but B-2 Visa had expired. 2) **Majed Moqed** - No information available. 3) **Nawaq Alhamzi** - Possible residence (s): Fort Lee, New Jersey and Wayne, New Jersey and Los Angeles, California. 4) **Salem Alhamzi** - Possible residence (s): Fort Lee, New Jersey, and Wayne, New Jersey. 5) **Hani Hanjour** - Possible residence (s): Phoenix, Arizona and San Diego, California. Believed to be a pilot.

· **AMERICAN AIRLINES Flight 11 BOEING 767**
7:45 a.m. departed Boston for Los Angeles 8:45 a.m. crashed into North Tower of the World Trade Centre 1) **Satam Al Suqami** - Date of birth used: June 28, 1976; Last known address: United Arab Emirates. 2) **Waleed M. Alshehri** - Dates of birth used: September 13, 1974/ January 1, 1976/ March 3, 1976/ July 8, 1977/ December 20, 1978/ May 11, 1979/ November 5, 1979; Possible residence (s): Hollywood, Florida/ Orlando, Florida/ Daytona Beach, Florida; Believed to be a pilot. 3) **Wail Alshehri** - Date of birth used: July 31, 1973; Possible residence (s): Hollywood, Florida, and Newton, Massachusetts; Believed to be a pilot. 4) **Mohamed Atta** - Date of birth used: September 1, 1968; Possible residence (s): Hollywood, Florida/ Coral Springs, Florida/ Hamburg, Germany; Believed to be a pilot. 5) **Abdulaziz Alomari** - Dates of birth used: December 24, 1972 and May 28, 1979; Possible residence: Hollywood, Florida; Believed to be a pilot.

· **UNITED AIRLINES Flight 175 BOEING 767**
7:58 a.m. departed Boston for Los Angeles 9:05 a.m. crashed into South Tower of the World Trade Centre 1) **Marwan Al-Shehhi** (pictured) - Date of birth used: May 9, 1978; Possible residence: Hollywood, Florida; Visa Status: B-2 Visa; Believed to be a pilot. 2) **Fayez Ahmed** - Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida. 3) **Ahmed Alghamdi** - Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida. 4) **Hamza Alghamdi** - Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida. 5) **Mohald Alshehri** - Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida.

· **UNITED AIRLINES Flight 93 BOEING 757**
8:01 a.m. departed Newark, New Jersey, for San Francisco 10:10 a.m. crashed in Stony Creek Township, Pennsylvania 1) **Saeed Alghamdi** - Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida. 2) **Ahmed Alhaznawi** - Date of birth used: October 11, 1980; Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida. 3) **Ahmed Alnami** - Possible residence: Delray Beach, Florida. 4) **Ziad Jarrahi** - Believed to be a pilot.

BIN-LADEN'S: FIVE

The Attack on US Navy Warsh

When two suicide bombers in a tiny boat laden with explosives rammed one of America's most modern vessels, almost sinking the ship, the realisation that the USA had a new and deadly adversary should have hit home. The attack which occurred on 12 October 2000, was almost immediately linked to Osama bin-Laden.

The US Navy destroyer, USS Cole, had docked at the ancient Middle Eastern port of Aden in the Yemen. The small white glass-fibre skiff smashed a hole measuring 40ft by 20ft in the side of the ship, and was seen as one of the most audacious terrorist attacks ever carried out against America.

Following on quickly from the Aden attack, a lone terrorist hurled a bomb over the wall of the British Embassy in Yemen. The device struck a generator that quickly caught fire. On this occasion, no-one was injured, unlike the USS Cole attack, which left 17 dead and over 30 of the crew of 346 injured. Both The USA and UK have said that the attackers will be caught and brought to justice.

Most victims of the maritime incident were young naval officers, many of who were still training. The two suicide bombers had apparently struck lucky by hitting the centre of the ship that contained the mess and leisure hall. However, CIA analysts believe the bombers knew exactly where to strike the ship. Like the recent hijackings, the attackers had waited patiently until a moment of opportunity.

Washington was incensed that the vessel made the Aden stop to refuel, at a time when tensions were riding high in the area. Now of course all US and British warships avoid stopping if it is not necessary.

Bad planning unfortunately by the USS Cole made the stop even worse. The ship was en route to the Gulf to assist in the fuel embargo against Iraq. However, it desperately needed to refuel itself, and since America signed a fuel-stopover agreement with Yemen in 1997, Aden was seen as an ideal place to dock.



Disbelief: grieving relatives at a service at the USS Cole's base in Norfolk, Virginia

Yemen failed to support the coalition attack on Iraq in the 1990 Gulf War and is quite friendly towards Saddam Hussein. This has angered Saudi Arabia to such a point that in the past few years, its oil-rich neighbour has expelled thousands of Yemeni labourers from its kingdom.

Yemen's President Ali Abdullah Saleh, in power since 1978, has for the last three ➤



The giant blast is evidenced by the 40ft by 20ft hole on the USS Cole

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Osama bin-Laden blamed for five attacks...

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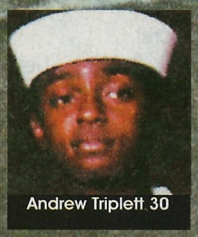
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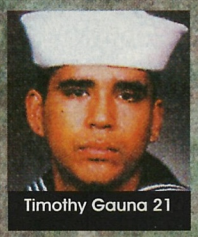
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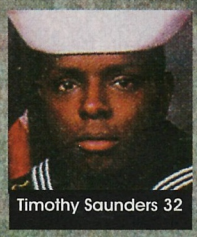
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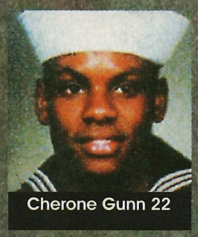
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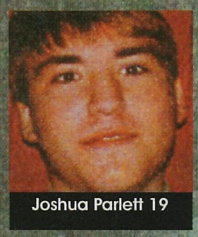
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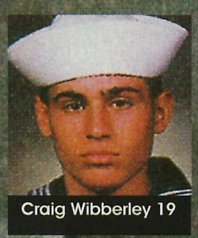
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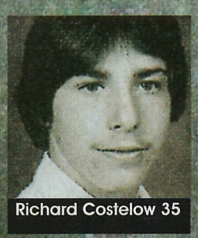
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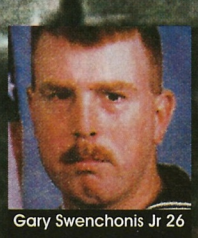
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years tried to revive Aden's position. By lifting the US fuel-bunkering embargo, Yemen has received vital funds from Washington.

Hence, when senior officers from the USS Cole contacted the port authority four days prior to the attack, notifying them of their intentions, not only did they give vital time for terrorists to action the attack, they also gave Aden valuable monies to help their unstable economy.



Former FBI Director Louis Freeh

John Warner, a former US Secretary of the Navy and Republican chairman of the Senate Armed Service Committee, said the dinghy was part of the mooring team.

But, he implied that US watchers should have been more active. "This was not some odd craft floating in the harbour," he said. "The magnitude of the blast indicates that this was not put together overnight."

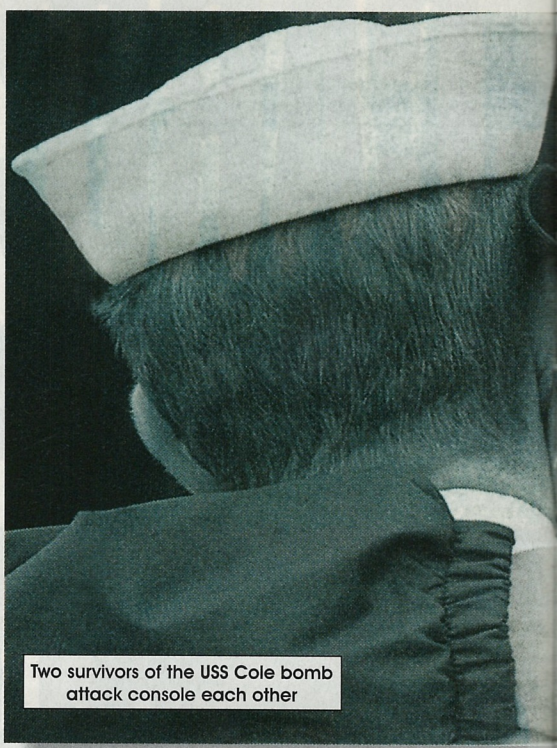
Bin-Laden has close links with the Islamic Army of Aden and Abyan, a group which has been blamed for 20 attacks in Southern Yemen over the past three years. This organisation will also come under close scrutiny when investigators start identifying the terrorist who carried out the recent attacks in America.

Furthermore, Bin-Laden is understood to have family and commercial ties with the country. CIA analysts believe it was an error to give four days' notice of intention, allowing the terrorists to carefully plan the attack. "This thing wasn't planned in a split second," one intelligence source said. He echoed John Warner's words.

As the USS Cole neared the harbour, a flotilla of small boats and dinghies went out to haul her in. Look-outs on the American ship had no reason to believe that anything was untoward. The initial US Navy statement said that at 12.15pm local time, one dinghy rounded the front of the ship and headed directly towards her. As crewmen watched, the two men on board stood up and saluted as the boat exploded with massive force. The force of the blast blew the floor of the mess hall upwards, crushing many sailors to death, as they relaxed and listened to music. Some sailors were thrown out into the sea; thus it took the authorities several hours to confirm the number of dead, injured and missing. The bombers died instantly.

This statement was to be revised in a dramatic turnaround by Washington.

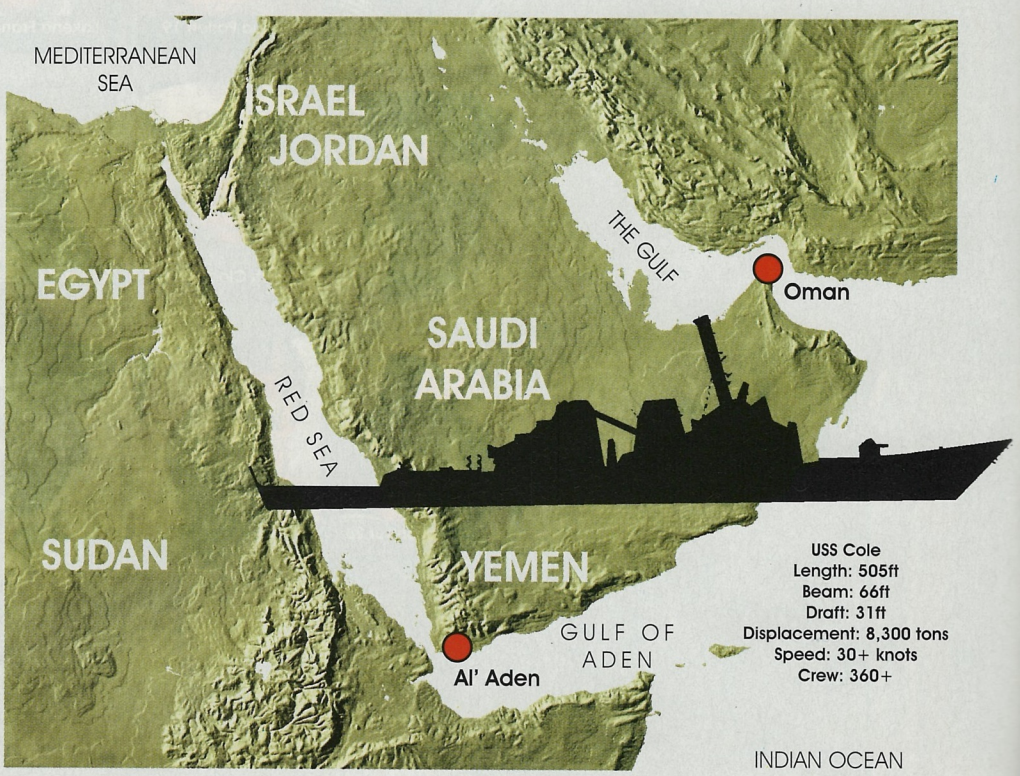
Crew members worked furiously to help the victims and stem the waters flooding into the Cole's side. The lower holds soon became flooded, power and communications were badly affected, and the vessel took on a four-degree list. The Pentagon finally released a statement saying that the ship had been saved. The £400 million, 8,600-ton Arleigh Burke class guided missile destroyer, which was commissioned in 1996 was armed with cruise missiles and torpedoes. She was lucky to survive. The attack - so simple - again amplified the dangers that face US and British ships in the area.



Two survivors of the USS Cole bomb attack console each other

Forty FBI, state and defence anti-terrorist investigators were sent to Aden to help in the investigation, but many are already critical of US Navy Intelligence. Louis Freeh, the former FBI Director, personally head the investigation from a temporary headquarters set up in Aden. The port of Aden, which until recently has been out-of-bounds for US warships, was a "tinder-box" according to one investigator, who said, "the attack was every captain's nightmare." More intelligence was needed. "It was a security lapse," he said.

Lieutenant-Commander Daren Pelkie, spokesman for the US Navy's Fifth Fleet, based in nearby Bahrain, was fuming at the remark. "An American army officer clearly saw the inflatable ramming the ship." When a journalist madly asked him if he thought the attack was deliberate, Pelkie appeared to lose his temper. Biting his lip, he said: "We don't know why a rubber craft would be carrying explosives." Five days after the attack the then President, Bill Clinton, issued a warning to those behind the attack. He described them as people who allowed



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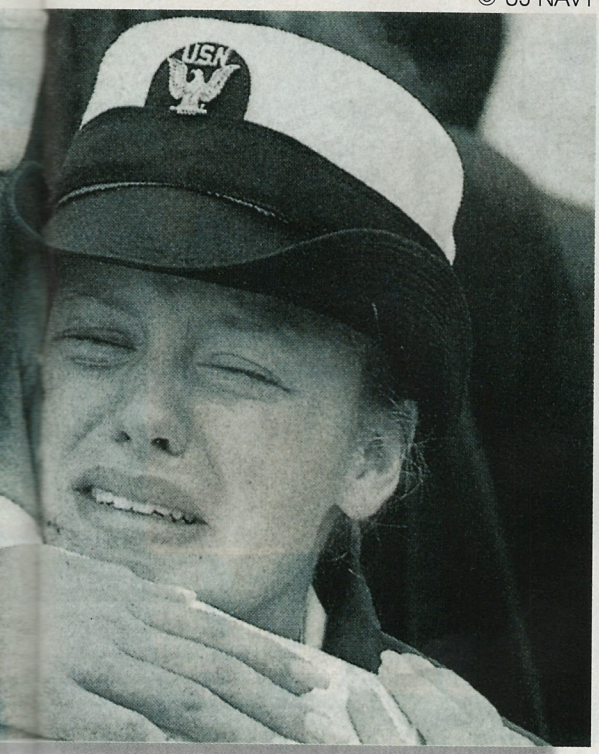



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Injured US servicemen and women are treated in a French military hospital. These images were taken from Yemini Aelevision

their religious, political, racial or ethnic views to warp their view of the world. "For them, it is their way or no way. Such people can never heal or build harmony or bring people together."

As the president spoke to relatives of the dead and injured attending a special ceremony at the USS Cole's base in Norfolk, Virginia, he looked emotional. "Today we honor our finest young people, fallen soldiers who rose to freedom's challenge. They all had their own dreams, their own stories. In the names and faces of these we lost and mourn the world sees our greatest strength."

One year ago the NSA (National Security Agency), had accurate information on bin-Laden's secure and secret headquarters. Using various technological aids, the NSA believes that it is only a matter of time before Bin-Laden is caught or killed. The CIA, however, believes this will only strengthen the determination of his fanatical followers, and create a martyr.

Israel believes he is unwell, and that it is only a matter of time before he is captured. Much intelligence at the moment, it appears, is more conjecture than fact.

Bin-Laden's war against America was moving apace. In 1996, Islamic terrorists detonated a truck bomb parked alongside an apartment in Saudi Arabia, killing 19 US Marines. In August 1998, 224 people were killed in truck bomb attacks on the US embassies in

The USS aircraft carrier, Dwight D. Eisenhower sails up the Suez Canal towards the Middle East. Several US aircraft carriers are participating in the fight against terrorism

The headquarters of the British Secret Intelligence Service (MI6 or SIS) have a large unit working closely with the CIA in the hunt for Osama bin-Laden. The office was expanded following the attack on the US warship Cole



The USS Cole hitches a ride on the giant Danish recovery vessel, the MV Blue Martin

Tanzania and Kenya. All the attacks were blamed on bin-Laden. Another worry for the security forces is that bin-Laden has so many followers in many Western countries. Prior to the Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, New Zealand detectives allegedly uncovered a plot to smuggle people into the country. It was reported that followers of bin-Laden ran the racket.

When intelligence operatives assisting the police entered one location, they described a "command centre" complete with conference table, street maps of Sydney and more worryingly, plans highlighting entry and exit routes to an experimental nuclear reactor on the outskirts of the Olympic city. The raid took place in March with the assistance of MI6 and the CIA, but it was the fact that it appeared bin-Laden was prepared to strike at a nuclear target that worried Washington the most. The reactor, which is situated 16 miles from the city, is used for scientific research and nuclear medical applications. Although only the size of a washing machine, the reactor produces substantial amounts of deadly plutonium which is stored in secure sites.

Three men, Auckland residents with ties to Afghanistan, were arrested on false passport and documentation charges. One of the men claimed he had found the map with access routes to the reactor in a second-hand copy of National Geographic magazine. The police said messages written on the map indicated that the men had knowledge of surveillance methods. A notebook also contained entries on police tactics and chains of command for the Auckland Commonwealth Games, held in 1990.

Prior to the recent violence in Israel, Mossad, the Israeli intelligence agency, claimed to have broken a major bin-Laden network in Jerusalem. They arrested 23 militants who they claimed, were linked to the terrorist.

THE SUICIDE BOMBERS

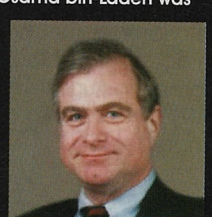
CIA Station Office (Middle East) Given Early Indication of Bin-Laden Intent

ADEN: The Central Intelligence Agency (Middle East Division) managed to locate a room in the neighbourhood where the two USS Cole bombers who were both in their 20s lived. According to the CIA, the terrorists had been in the area for a total of six weeks living in a 'safe house'. The massive bomb was prepared here as forensics discovered traces of explosives, wires, and other items. On the morning of the attack, they pushed their little boat laden with explosives and the rest is history.

The CIA rarely reveals its sources, but on this occasion it did. Agents said the terrorists had given money to a 12-year-old boy to watch their car and boat trailer for a few hours. The attack on the USS Cole was the first indication that Osama bin-Laden was prepared to order his warriors to commit suicide attacks. About one year after the Yemen operation, 19 suicide bombers died in the raids on mainland America.

US WARNING SEPTEMBER 2000:

After the attack on the USS Cole, this is what National Security Advisor Sandy Berger (right) said: "He [bin Laden] is clearly at the centre of a network of groups threatening the USA."



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MI6 AND CIA OFFICERS DISMANTLE ACTIVE BIN-LADEN UNITS

What Really Happened After the USS Cole was Attacked?



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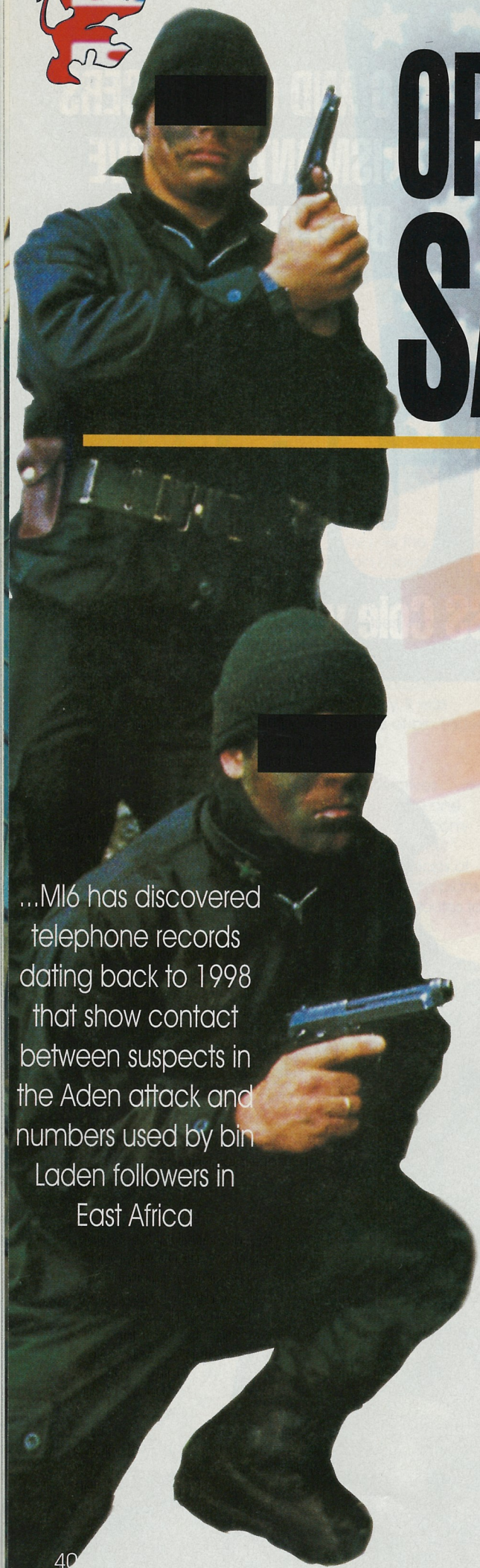

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In the aftermath of the attack on the warship *USS Cole,* Kuwait police arrested 11 Arabs on suspicion of being behind terrorist attacks in the Gulf area. As Kuwaiti security forces swooped on several addresses, they found powerful explosives weighing 293 pounds and five hand grenades. The men were believed to have links with Saudi-born, Osama bin-Laden, the CIA's most wanted terrorist. And in the Yemen and elsewhere, the CIA have made significant inroads into bin-Laden's organisation.

Washington congratulated MI6 and MI5 following the intelligence operation that has been on-going for some time. Operatives working for the SIS are believed to have infiltrated the unit which was planning a high-profile bombing campaign against US and British targets in the area. MI6 sources said one target was almost certainly the American base at Camp Doha, north of Kuwait City. One suspected terrorist escaped.

Kuwaiti police found the explosives buried in the desert, though they fear other arms' dumps remain hidden. Opponents of British and American forces in the Gulf are demanding they leave the Middle East, and remove the no-fly zone imposed over southern Iraq, following the Gulf War.

The attack would have come in two phases according to an informed source on the *Al-Watan* newspaper in Kuwait. The first target was Camp Doha, which houses several hundred American staff and has a large array of heavy weapons stored there. The second phase would have resulted in the deaths of many British and American officers. *Al-Watan* claimed the unit was funded by bin-Laden.

In November, Pakistan and Afghanistan's Taliban authorities issued statements warning Washington not to retaliate against Osama bin-Laden and his followers. 17 US sailors were killed when followers of bin-Laden made a suicide attack as the warship *USS Cole* refuelled in Aden, Yemen. Since the atrocity, Britain's SIS (MI6) have worked closely with American intelligence organisations, including the National Security Agency (NSA) to arrest bin-Laden and members of his militant Al-Qaida organisation. That cooperation was highlighted in December, following a covert operation by MI5 and MI6 to gather intelligence on an alleged London-based group that the FBI claim is connected to Al-Qaida. Police arrested a Saudi dissident, Khalid al Fawwaz, 36, who has been living in Britain since 1994. According to sources, Fawwaz was accused with others of targeting US officials and soldiers in the Middle East, Africa and those working within United Nations' peacekeeping forces.

Mr Fawwaz was held in Brixton prison, south London, while a judge heard an American extradition order. Fawwaz denied involvement in terrorism and FBI claims that the London group - Advice and Reformation Committee (of which he is connected), is the "British arm of bin-Laden's Al-Qaida."

His lawyers argue that English courts had no power to extradite him to Washington because of a "lack of evidence," and because he could only be extradited for a "crime committed on US territory," where he has never set foot.

Lord Judge Buxton, sitting in London with Mr Justice Elias, ruled that evidence of Al Fawwaz's role in establishing and subsequently operating a secure telephone line and satellite phone system in the US, had "provided a prima facie case of conspiracy" on US territory even though they might be "susceptible of an innocent explanation." Mr Fawwaz immediately appealed to the House of Lords.

And in another major development, the result of surprising Syrian and US cooperation, a further suspect of the blast on the *Cole* was arrested. Read Khali Mohammed



Hijazi, a former Boston taxi driver, who was sentenced to death in absentia by a court in Jordan last September for possessing weapons and plotting attacks on Americans and Israelis in the kingdom. He was among 18 men convicted of plotting attacks on targets in Jordan last New Year's Eve. Syrian intelligence arrested Hijazi and in a rare gesture of good faith to Washington, handed him over to the authorities in Jordan where he will shortly stand trial.

According to intelligence sources, Hijazi "personally trained and supported" those men who caused substantial damage on the 12 October 2000 attack on the *Cole,* that forced her to return to America for repairs. She will be out of operations for at least a year. The American television network, NBC who cited CIA sources, said Hijazi had "direct links" to bin-Laden. The arrested man told investigators of plans to attack US military aircraft in the Persian Gulf and elsewhere in the Middle East.

But the FBI are more cautious. They have yet to publicly link Hijazi with the *Cole* incident because he had been arrested by the Syrians in September, almost four weeks prior to the explosion. However, the CIA working in conjunction with NSA eavesdroppers believe they now have the evidence that proves the raid on a US warship, (not necessarily the *Cole*) was planned months earlier. The perpetrators were simply waiting for a convenient moment. According to Jordanian sources, Hijazi acquired bomb-making materials and weapons which he subsequently stored at his brother's farm near Amman.

Hijazi lived in California for several years and is of Palestinian origin. A US counterintelligence agent told the *New York Post:* "He's a key part of the infrastructure of Al-Qaida, a conduit who helped put people and plots together. The American passport gave him a lot of freedom of movement that others in bin-Laden's organisation do not have." The CIA have been told that Hijazi is just 21-years-old, but analysts believe he is at least 30. He lived in Massachusetts until December 1999.

Intelligence analysts are unsure if Washington will seek Hijazi's extradition from Jordan. Syria handed him over to her neighbour and sent a message to Washington that it wants to be removed from the US State Department's list of countries 'supporting terrorism'.

Working with journalists and informers in Yemen, ABC News in America also believe they have identified the brainchild behind the attacks on US embassies in Nairobi and Dares-Salaam in 1998, which left over 200 people dead and hundreds injured. ABC claim that explosives expert Abdul al-Nassir, a Yemeni-born Saudi, left Aden shortly before the explosion on the *Cole.* His description bears an uncanny resemblance to a suspect in the bombing of the American embassy in Kenya.

In Yemen meanwhile, Prime Minister Abdul-Karim al-Iryani, said the six men who were arrested almost immediately after the suicide operation against the vessel are to face charges of complicity in the *Cole* bombing. According to the Yemeni authorities, "one of them is talking his head off." Two are accused of direct involvement while the others are said to be junior civil servants who allegedly helped the perpetrators to obtain forged identify cards. And it is in Yemen that al-Nassir was again accused.

Jama al-Badawi is one of the six suspects arrested. He told interrogators that al-Nassir trained at the "Jihad Camp 1" in Afghanistan controlled by bin- Laden, and fought with other Islamic volunteers in Serbia and Bosnia in the early 1990's.

Another suspect held in the Yemen is Fhad al-Quoso, who it is believed, admitted receiving £3,500 from a colleague of bin-Laden to help finance "an attack on an American warship." The CIA has learned that in January 2000, a small boat packed with high explosives sailed towards the *USS Sullivans* also in the port of Aden. However, as the boat sailed within a few hundred feet of the warship, it sank because of the weight of the bombs.

Yemeni intelligence assisted by the FBI and MI6 has discovered telephone records dating back to 1998 that show contact between suspects in the Aden attack and numbers used by bin-Laden followers in East Africa. These numbers have been closely monitored by the NSA eavesdropping station at Menwith Hill, North Yorkshire, which has been closely tracking all bin-Laden units. While Washington insists it has "compelling evidence" to link bin-Laden to recent attacks, lawyers for the White House have advised that thus far it is still on "circumstantial," warning that there are several anti-West organisations capable of attacking such targets as the *Cole.*

In Kuwait, armed soldiers now guard buildings and other sites in Bneid al-Gar, a suburb of Kuwait City where many Westerners live.

At the time, the Pakistan Government told Washington that it will protest to the United Nations if America uses its airspace to attack bin-Laden's bases in Afghanistan.



Ring of Steel Around Kursk as Moscow Fears MI6 Operation



Kremlin officials have told the Russian Navy to quicken the operation currently underway to the raise the Kursk. This comes just weeks after the FSB expressed fears that MI6 could try and acquire intelligence on the top secret Granit long-range anti-ship 'cruise' missiles. Moscow has thrown an impressive cordon of warships around the sunken Kursk to deter British and American vessels from getting too close. For the last 12 months a number of Russian maritime exercises have had to be postponed, simply because so many ships have been sent to guard the area.



President Putin - concerns

When the Kursk sank last August, she was carrying at least 22 of the missiles, regarded by NATO as the most "modern and powerful on Russian submarines." The US Navy admits that a direct hit from a Granit missile could well sink an aircraft carrier.

For several years MI6 and the CIA have tried to obtain more information on the Granit, but thus far have failed. Indeed, only recently did Moscow release a photograph of the missile.

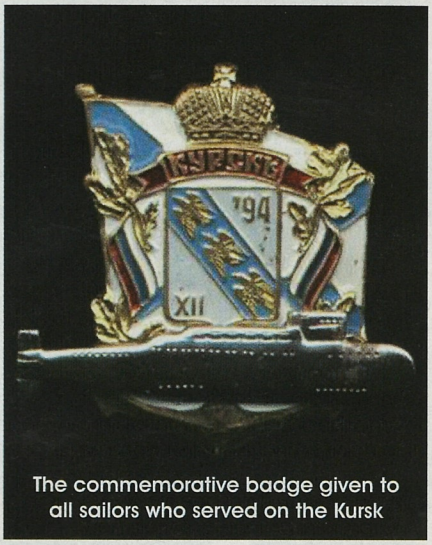
Five years ago intelligence analysts from the West started gathering information about the Granit. Naval officers travelled around the world hoping to get a glimpse of the missile at trade fairs, but the Russians refused to display supersonic weaponry.

British naval intelligence believes the Granit has a range of between 300-400 miles making it a formidable weapon. Yet the cost of each missile is a relatively cheap £600,000.

"We know a lot about how the Granit works, but not everything," said Edward Hooton, editor of Jane's Naval Weapons Systems. "There is no doubt that some people in Britain and America would love to get their hands on one. The Russians are dead against the West inspecting one. The last thing they need is for us to find out what the Granit's weaknesses are. For instance, just by inspecting the type of fuel and its fuel capacity we would be able to establish its exact range."

Surprisingly the Russians believe that the missiles can be put back in to service once they have been retrieved. "The pressure is on to get the missiles back," said a Russian navy spokesman. "Losing the Kursk was the greatest embarrassment in the history of the Russian navy. We are also talking about several million dollars lying on the seabed. If we act now, the Granits can be used again."

The bow of the Kursk containing the missiles has been severed from the rest of the ship and will be recovered when British and Norwegian divers have left the scene.



The commemorative badge given to all sailors who served on the Kursk

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Brian P. Regan, a 38-year-old retired USAF Master Sergeant, has been charged with supplying foreign nations secret US intelligence materials on a number of subjects. FBI agents swooped at Dulles International Airport as he tried to board a Lufthansa aircraft to Frankfurt, Germany en-route to Zurich, Switzerland. Regan had told colleagues at the government contractor TRW Inc. in Fairfax, Virginia, that he was taking his four children to Disney World.

The arrest of Regan, who had access to highly sensitive information, comes as yet another blow to Washington, following the conviction of Robert Hanssen, an FBI counterintelligence officer a few months ago.

Federal officials claim they have evidence that Regan was involved with spying for at least two countries. And though these countries were only referred to as C and D in a 19-page affidavit, one is believed to be Libya.

Regan retired from the USAF in August 2000. At that point he lost his high-level security clearance and access to Intelink, a Government internet resource containing important data. His last assignment, however, had been at the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), builder and operator of US spy satellites. Shortly after he went to work at the military contract firm, TRW.

It appears around October/November, the CIA and FBI had been alerted to a major breach of security. According to sources, country A (Libya), had received classified US national defence documents that included electronic images taken by satellites. Other materials passed to Libya included a CIA intelligence report and secret documents related to a foreign country's satellite capability.

United States Air Force rged with Espionage

FBI swoop on [redacted] Libyan 'Agent'



Dulles International Airport

The FBI also said that country A received messages with details on how to communicate without being detected by America; an offer to obtain additional classified information, plus instructions to send responses to an e-mail address on a free e-mail service. FBI agents investigated the e-mail account number and found that it had been set up by a 'Mr Steven Jacobs' on 3 August 2000. Further investigations revealed that the account was accessed nine times between August 2000 and January 2001 from computers at public libraries... most of them near Regan's home.

By the turn of the year an order was issued to watch Regan. Similarly, FBI agents searched his former office and computer at the NRO's headquarters in Chantilly. They discovered that his password was used to access many of the documents received by country A.

Then in June this year, an FBI team monitoring Regan at a public library noticed he failed to sign off after using a computer. This allowed them to discover which sites he had in fact visited. One website contained the address of a diplomatic office of country A in Switzerland. Another was a hotel in Zurich. Regan then sent an e-mail from an account in his own name to his wife. The e-mail includes encryption information that is similar to the technique used in encrypted documents received by country A.

On 26 June, Regan flew to Munich, Germany. FBI monitoring teams report that he behaved like someone who was being 'tailed'. He made U-turns, stopped his vehicle, and often to let traffic pass.

A few days later Regan secured a job working for the NRO, this time as a civilian. His security clearance was reinstated.

The FBI liaised with the NRO over their suspicions. A covert video camera was installed in Regan's office facing his desk. They then watch him log on to the government's Intelink to read a secret document, and make several notes before finally putting a small notebook in the front of his trousers. The next day, while Regan is in a meeting, agents search his Dodge minivan. Here they discovered encrypted messages, handwritten notes and a list of telephone numbers for diplomatic offices of an unidentified country in Switzerland and Austria. They also find a bottle of Elme's glue and a roll of tape.

Washington realised that it was now dangerous to let Regan out of the country, especially as they learned he had intended to fly to Switzerland, but informed colleagues he was going on holiday with his children. To further instill belief in his colleagues that he was journeying to Disney World, he wrote on an NRO office board 'Orlando, Florida'.

The FBI were waiting for him as he tried to pass through a security checkpoint. Special Agent Steven Carr questioned him but at first he denied knowing anything about cryptanalysis and coding. Carr then showed his photographs and documents found earlier in his bag. "This is my stuff," he said. Seconds later he was arrested. After further searches, the FBI discovered three rubber gloves, a hand-held global positioning system (GBS) device and a piece of paper in his shoe on which was written the names and addresses of several people in a European country. The GBS was allegedly used to locate 'dead letter boxes' where he would leave information for foreign intelligence officers to collect.

Washington believes they have caught Regan "relatively early in his career" and that damage to national security will be slight. However, it is known that the NRO are working on a huge top secret satellite programme called Blue Crystal that will employ thousands of personnel and be even more powerful than the NSA's Echelon spy system.

One intelligence source said: "He was trying to peddle classified information. It is not clear he ever succeeded, other than peddling some samples which probably included analytic product and not information on the NRO's next generation spy satellites."

Regan moved in to his modest red-brick town house in 1995. In his first court appearance it was mentioned that Regan has more than $53,000 consumer debt and asked US Magistrate Judge Curtis Sewell to appoint a solicitor for him. Mrs Anette Regan, his wife of 17 years refused to comment to numerous journalists who had besieged their house.

Regan enlisted in the USAF when he was 17 and won various medals during his 20 years of service. One of those awards was for his analysis of the Iraqi military during the Gulf War.

His next door neighbour said: "He seemed like anyone else. This comes as a surprise. His family are all very nice people. If this is true, he played the part very well."





Remember that late 1960s wonder spoof *Alternative 3**. Earth is doomed so the USA and Russia start recruiting scientists to help get some people off the planet... all the way to Mars? That involved clandestine meetings with military and scientific companies, politicians and the educational elite of this world. A covert plan to conceal a truly global operation involving tens of thousands of people. A bit like the Manhattan Project but a little bigger.

Science fiction undoubtedly, but evidence is growing that America's *most* secret agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, NRO - yes even more secret that the NSA - have begun an operation that involves the covert employment of more than 25,000 people, many leading scientists and academics. The Bush administration, following consultation with other security agencies, has continued to support a project believed to have been started in the early years of Bill Clinton's reign. And, according to one lucky journalist from the *Los Angeles Times,* who somehow stumbled across the project, "is the biggest intelligence-related contract for almost 50 years."

It is believed the project is based in California and concerns several major aerospace companies. Around 24 spy satellites are now under construction that will use ultra-sophisticated camera and photographic equipment that will be able to take extremely detailed surveillance photographs 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. And unlike *conventional* NSA and CIA satellites, these machines will operate in the night and during the day, regardless of any

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adverse weather conditions. According to sources, the project will be comparatively more expensive than the building of the atomic bomb. *The Los Angeles Times* said that to build the atomic bomb today would cost $20 billion. (The Manhattan Project as it was designated employed 125,000 people and started in 1942).

Now that details have been released, intelligence is starting to spill into the media. What is known already is that the project is unconnected with the American and British

The new programme has been called 'Future Imagery Architecture' (FIA), and is definitely under the auspices of the NRO, whose annual budget is over $6 billion. This far exceeds that spent by the NSA and the CIA.

When questioned by inquisitive journalists, an NRO spokesman said: "Boeing has won the contract to launch and operate the country's next generation of IRS's (imagery reconnaissance satellites)." This could well explain why Boeing seemed quite unconcerned after it dropped out of the race with the European Airbus company to build the 'Super Jumbo'.

Journalists then hounded the Federation of American Scientists for a comment. They concluded: "The space project will be the most expensive programme in the history of the intelligence community."

Analysts have concluded that the NRO have targeted a minimum of 6,000 computer experts and defence scientists. Many of these are already in employment, though future personnel will be brought in until the year 2010. After that, thousands more personnel will be required in areas of maintenance, operations and support. Loren Thompson, a defence analyst at the Lexington Institute said: "The programme is so secret that most of the people who work on it won't have a good sense of what they are doing."

Eye Spy! understands that Boeing has started employing technicians and engineers from many of America's elite aviation companies such as Lockheed Martin, Northrop and independent experts. The NSA are believed to have offered personnel support.

For years the NRO managed to keep the project secret, and still the codename is not fully known though some analysts believe they have discovered its initial project name - Blue Crystal. "I don't think most people are aware of how big this thing is," said a spokesperson for the California Technology Trade and Commerce Agency.

The satellite project started after US officials were dismayed by relatively poor reconnaissance images taken during the Gulf War. Often obscured by sand storms or atmospheric disturbances, Pentagon officials requested a complete overhaul of US satellite imaging potential. The new machines that will be up and running before 2005, will be able to return dozens of high-resolution images a second. These images will be able to follow moving vehicles whilst providing a major overview of specific or 'wide-contoured' areas.

Like technology in most areas, the new



satellites will be quite small in comparison to the huge 15-20 ton machines operated by the NSA and CIA. The target area, because of new optics, will be in range for a greater period, thus no longer will terrorist organisations be able to determine and list the exact overflight times of some reconnaissance satellites.

The NRO has declined to give details of the Blue Crystal project but has confirmed a new range of satellites would be operational by 2005. "These will undoubtedly be more capable of fulfilling the nation's imaging needs," said a spokesperson.

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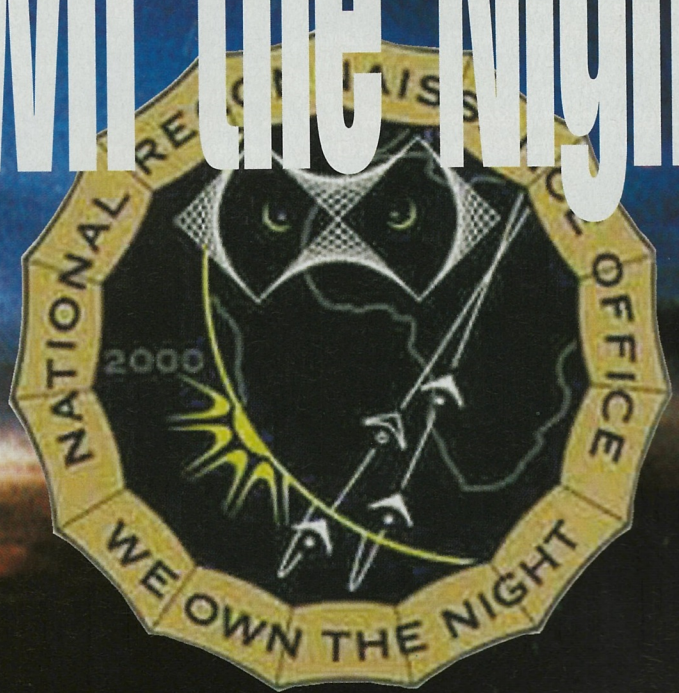


CIA Gets Tinsel Town Make

The Central Intelligence Agency in Massive Move to Create New Image for New Millennium... with the Aid of Hollywood

Since its creation shortly after the end of WWII, the Central Intelligence Agency has had to live with an image of a shadowy US Government organisation involved with a variety of seedy and sometimes bloody conflicts around the world. Of course that description is not too far off the mark if one only looks at a selected number of CIA-sponsored operations. And then of course the CIA has been challenged about the persistent rumours that its agents have systematically 'removed' international opponents and acquired covert funding from the interception of, and trade in, narcotics and firearms.

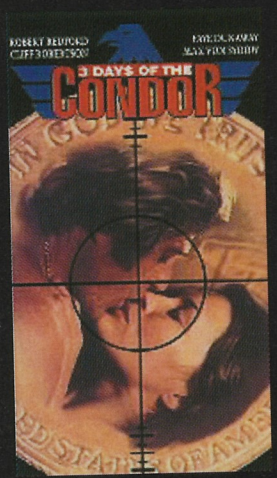
Perhaps the public's perception of the CIA has also been tainted by Hollywood, who unlike their 'cousins' at the British Secret Intelligence Service (James Bond et al), are often seen as the heroes fighting international criminals. CIA men, complete with government issued sun glasses, (the type one wears even at night), are often cast as the villains, instead of the law enforcers. The 1975 film, *Three Days of the Condor* was enough to send shudders through the CIA's heirachy, and did little to enhance its reputation. It did though augment a 'gung ho' image.

Yet amongst its many defeats, the CIA fought and won a long battle of wits and minds with the KGB that eventually helped remove the 'Iron Curtain' in Europe. This in turn destabilised the communists in Moscow - the result? - a free Europe. One doesn't have to go too far to see plenty of evidence that the CIA is as active as ever in an area of politics and mind games that they have become masters in the field. Washington's 'war games' with China may have settled down for a while, but the CIA's efforts to infuriate Beijing continues. A CIA computer company called Q-Tel is helping to keep the Chinese people aware of what is happening inside and outside of the country (see page 40). In the Middle East, they are now welcomed as true peace brokers. Yasser Arafat has struck up an unlikely friendship with the agency's head, George Tenet.

Nevertheless, the agency will find it difficult to shake off its somewhat shadowy image.

Its policy makers have worked long and hard at finding ways to brighten up the CIA's image. And not for the first time has an American government organisation turned towards Hollywood for a makeover. Movie blockbusters such as *The Deer Hunter* and *Apocalypse Now,* portrayed the Vietnam War in a manner which somehow saw the US military caught up in a conflict bordering on the insane. In *Full Metal Jacket,* Washington's forces were seen as saviours rather than invaders. These movies were viewed and supported by analysts. The Pentagon was pleased to be associated with them, and/or any film or documentary that justified the USA's presence in foreign lands.

Now we can reveal that the CIA has been working in close conjunction with film makers from Tinsel Town, and that five new movies and at least three television series have been made that will turn the CIA from Washington's bad guys to heroes in just 90 minutes. Gone are the assassinations, surveillance tricks and everything bad once associated with the agency. They have been replaced by clean-cut men and women fighting for justice and honour. And



3 Days of the Condor, a Hollywood spy thriller released shortly after the Watergate affair, did not give a good impression of the CIA



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THE AGENCY, starring (left to right) David Clennon, Gil Bellows, Gloria Reuben, Ronnie Cox, Paige Turco, Will Patton and Rocky Carroll is a fast-paced drama about a passionate team of highly skilled CIA agents based in Washington, D.C., who consistently put their lives on the line to preserve the safety of the nation. The series will be broadcast Thursdays (10:00-11:00 PM, ET/PT) beginning Sept. 20 on the CBS Television Network.

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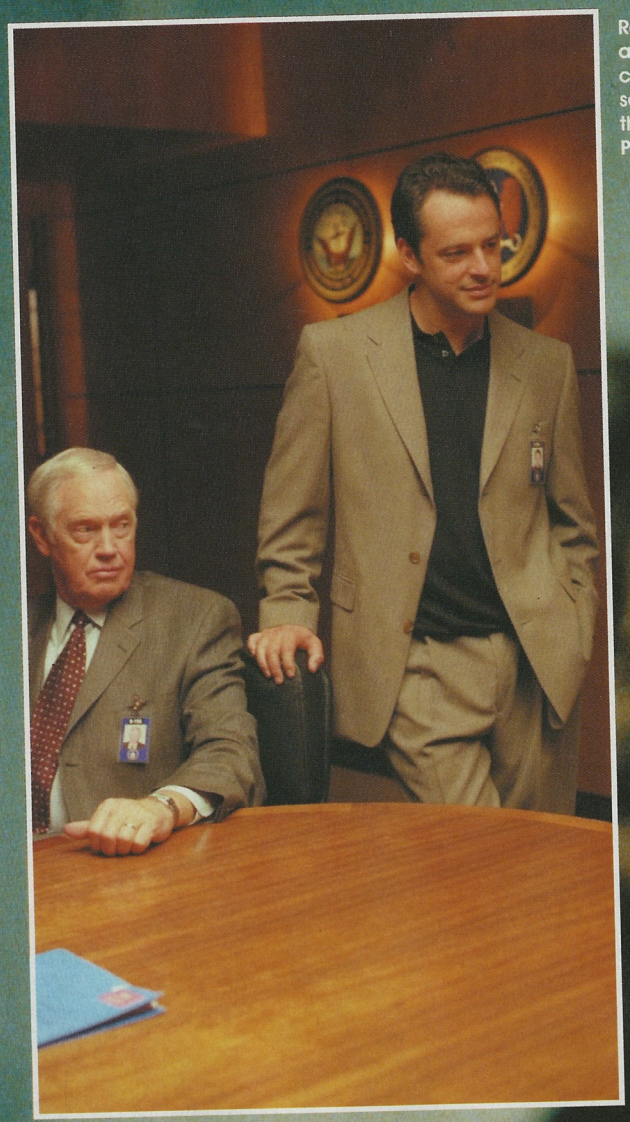

Ronnie Cox (left) and Gil Bellows star in THE AGENCY, a fast-paced drama about a passionate team of highly skilled CIA agents based in Washington, D.C., who consistently put their lives on the line to preserve the safety of the nation. The series will be broadcast Thursdays (10:00-11:00 PM, ET/PT) beginning Sept. 20 on the CBS Television Network.
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this may have something to do with the fact that a few years ago, the CIA decided to employ a full-time 'entertainment liaison officer'. He is Chase Brandon, a Latin-American, and former officer with 25 years service. He gently levered the door open for producers who have since returned a huge favour. A number of these movies effectively tell the American people, "well your CIA taxes are justified."

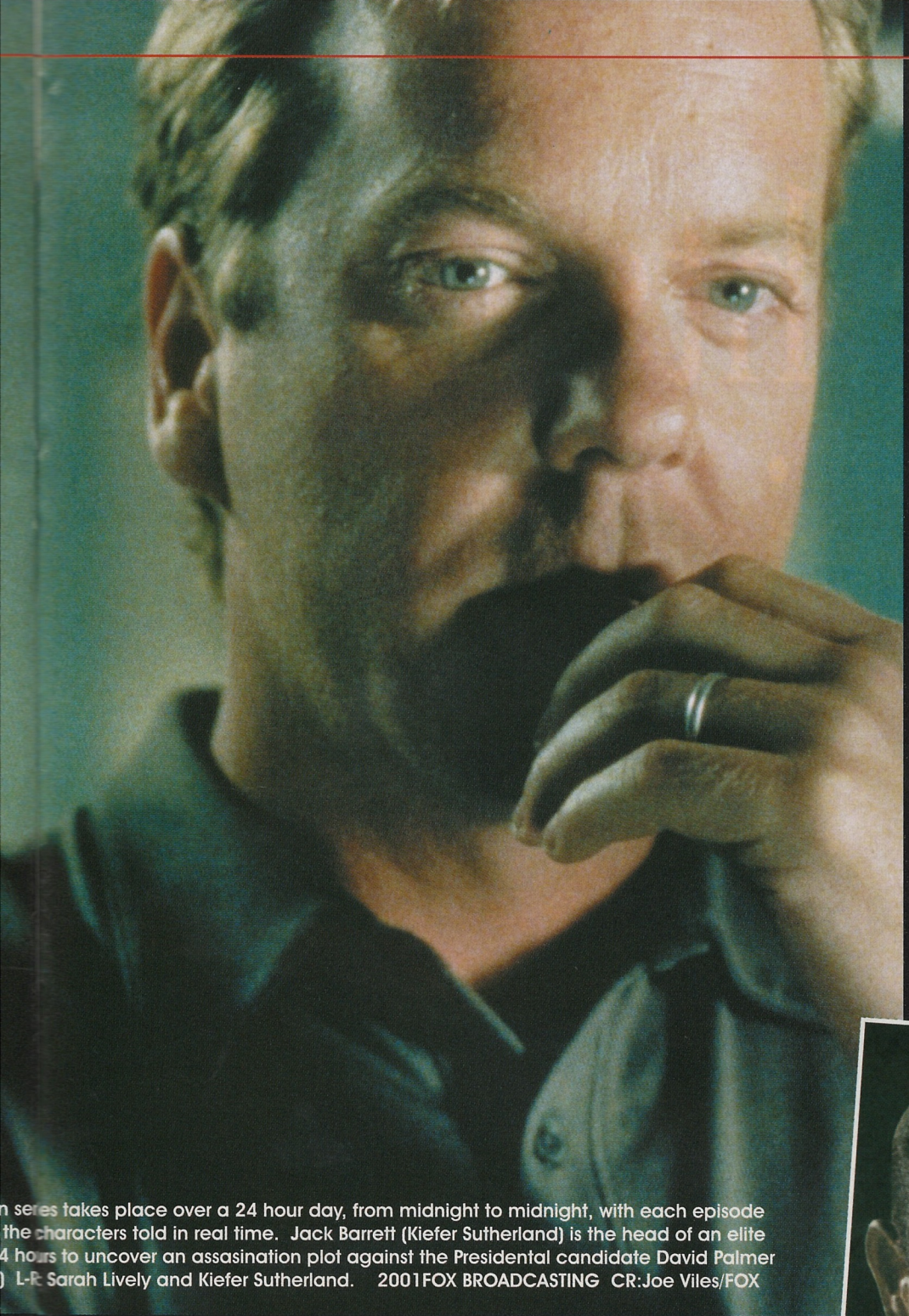
One of the series is simply called, *The Agency,* though in a way that is baffling, because the CIA's real nickname is *The Company.* One wonders if Hollywood overruled the CIA, because 'the company' does after all sound like yet another bunch of solicitors. So impressed is George Tenet and his colleagues, the premiere of the series will actually take place inside its Langley, Virginia headquarters, where some parts of the series were filmed.

Of course, Hollywood has not quite managed to replace the usualy cast of villains - which is a little boring. We have Arab terrorists, Colombian drug dealers, German and Iraqi terrorists... And in one episode, the CIA station house in London actually thwarts an attack on Harrods without informing MI5 or MI6... What's new we hear you say!? But the show would not be complete without the totally bizarre... the CIA rescue Fidel Castro in one episode... this of course after it tried to oust him all those years ago in real life!

The Agency series (which should be in the United Kingdom by 2002) is controlled by Wolfgang Petersen, famed for his work on *Air Force One, The Perfect Storm* and *Das Boot.* He told journalists in Los Angeles: "Now that the Cold War is over, people are questioning whether we need a CIA and this is a great opportunity to get the word out." When questioned about portraying the agency as holier than holy, he replied: "If we do a show that shows the CIA as 'straightforward' heroes, that would not be right."

The *Agency* is the brainchild of Michael Frost Beckner. He worked in conjunction with Chase Brandon, chopping and changing scripts to suit both parties.

Fox Television joined the makeover and have also provided the CIA with an interesting new image. *'24'* sees Kiefer



n series takes place over a 24 hour day, from midnight to midnight, with each episode the characters told in real time. Jack Barrett (Kiefer Sutherland) is the head of an elite 4 hours to uncover an assasination plot against the Presidental candidate David Palmer) L-R Sarah Lively and Kiefer Sutherland. 2001FOX BROADCASTING CR:Joe Viles/FOX

Sutherland as a somewhat shattered agent lead an elite team from Langley who have just 24-hours to expose an attempt on a presidential candidate's life. Another series, *Alias,* stars high-flying kick boxer and new recruit, Jennifer Garner.

Chase Brandon said that if the media approached the CIA five years ago they would have been shown the door. Yet he revealed how the CIA's policy makers watched with envy how other US intelligence services, and especially Britain's MI5 and MI6 managed to establish themselves as heroes. "We were a sinister outfit," he grumbled. "The FBI were slick, the US military polished. And MI5 and MI6 were so sophisticated and debonair. They had John Le Carre and Frederick Forsyth to help them."

Perhaps the final word should go to CIA observer, Saul Landau, author of *The Dangerous Doctrine: National Security and US Foreign Policy.* He told the *Guardian* newspaper: "The CIA has not done very well over the years; they have been in a number of scandals and they've murdered people. They certainly need a makeover and who better than Hollywood to do it for them."

Eye Spy is grateful for the kind assistance of The Guardian newspaper; especially the picture desk, features and Matt Butler

Court Battle Sees 007 Collaborator Lose Against MGM

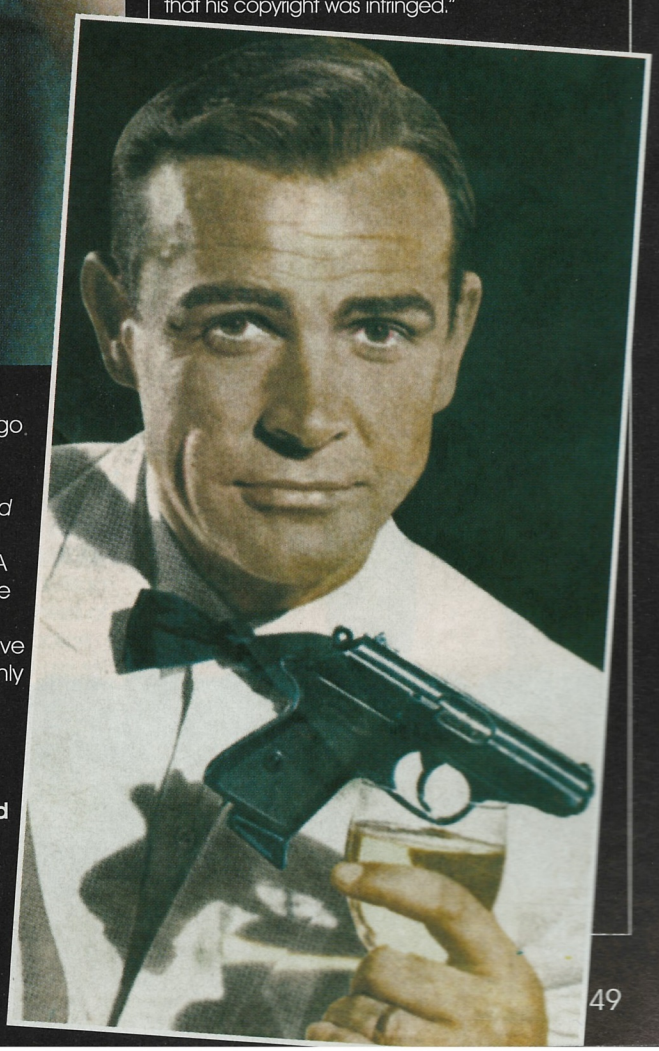
The CIA may soon be breathing down the necks of MI6's 'sophisticated' officers, but it will take another Ian Fleming to create a CIA screen legend like James Bond.

However, in recent weeks the suave fictional character has been at the centre of a remarkable court case, which even the judge described as "too fabulous even for the world of Agent 007."

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has won a 35-year legal war to take hold of the rights to the film franchise. The legal battle involved Irish writer, Kevin McClory, who "collaborated" with Ian Fleming who was responsible for the Bond character. McClory's work on the 1965 blockbuster, Thunderball, gave him the right to produce a sequel - Never Say Never Again (1983). But in 1997, he attempted to produce another Bond film with the backing of Sony Corporation. MGM issued a lawsuit.

In 1999, Sony settled with MGM for around $10m. This wasn't the end of the matter. McClory's company, Spectre Associates, claimed he had "transformed" Bond from a boozy, violent alcoholic to the "ladies'" man known and loved by millions today.

Judge Margaret McKeown said: "The case before us has it all. A hero seeking to redeem his stolen fortune, the villainous organisation that stands in his way, and international intrigue." Unfortunately, for McCory, she told him waiting 35 years to bring up the case was too long. He had "failed to prove that his copyright was infringed."



Twilights Last Gleaming

Peter Everett is an ex-member of the British Air Crash Repatriation Team. In the wake of the recent terrorist attacks in America, he outlines just a few of the problems now facing the specialist investigators trying to identify those who perished.



When disaster strikes, like that witnessed by hundreds of millions of people who watched astonishing events unfold in the USA, it often arrives in a split second. For the twenty years following World War II, man's approach to impending doom was one of lethargy. Some governments simply refused to believe that tragedy could present itself on their own doorstep; when it did, the authorities relied on the human response factor to counter such eventualities.

The Cuban missile crisis brought about a sea change. Suddenly governments realised that they were quite vulnerable to attack. The United Kingdom's response was to appoint Emergency Planning Officers (EPOs), whose brief was to prepare for war and insurrection. Later their duties evolved into providing basic services in the event of disputes involving the emergency services.



Planning was essential and had to incorporate emergency first aid facilities and temporary mortuaries. A British firm of funeral directors was already established as disaster specialists, equipped to fly anywhere at two hours notice. Their expertise was developed through aviation accidents, their very first case being the R101 airship disaster crash in 1930.

Since then, the organisation have dealt with every major air crash involving British citizens and are often commissioned to foreign countries. During the 1980s, I was privileged to work with this elite team and witnessed true professionals at work.

In recent years, the British government has developed their own major disaster corps, including paramedics, doctors, firemen and accident specialists. Other countries quickly developed their own units, on the understanding that disaster can strike anywhere and at any time. On Tuesday, 11 September 2001, at 08.45 hours (Eastern time), the greatest man-made disaster in history struck New York City and the Pentagon respectively, bringing all of these specialists together.

No-one could have envisaged such a tragic scenario; granted, only a few years previously the UK rescue teams had held a simulated plane crash into the huge Nat West Tower in London, but never in their worst nightmares did they believe that two towers would be involved and in the skyscraper capital of the world.

Hidden beneath a flyover in London's West End there exists a secure warehouse packed with body-bags and portable metal post mortem tables. The upstairs area houses leather cases full of documentation and dental equipment essential for identifying victims. This is the British headquarters of the national disaster team and it is manned 24-hours a day 365 days a year. From a satellite building over in Marylebone, London, a master control room coordinates the teams and gathers essential intelligence. Such emergency and investigation teams exist in all the great cities of the world.

Three units make up the UK disaster programme. When an airliner is involved in an accident or similar, and there is a loss of life, *these teams become highly involved. Team one is based in Marylebone and consists of* odontologists, funeral directors and police officers. From here communications are set up between London, the disaster site and the airport from which the stricken aircraft departed.

Team two is comprised of embalmers, morticians, pathologists and odontologists who immediately fly to the disaster scene. Their duty is to establish a suitable mortuary and set in place a system for receiving victims.

The third team fly to the airport from which the aircraft departed. The members are all funeral directors and retired police officers. This team completes the communication circuit that will eventually marry up all information pertaining to identification of the dead.



When disaster strikes such as Hurricane Andrew or the KAL flight 801 aircrash, men and women from a unique group are on hand to assist

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Each member of these teams is hand picked for their own expertise in dealing with such disasters. Team two have the most distressing task as it is they who will deal with the actual bodies. Today they are aided by specialist computer programmes such as 'HOLMES' which enable the investigator to cross reference important personal information.

When the body arrives in the mortuary it is allocated a disaster index number. This number will also apply to the bodies clothing and personal effects. The victim is photographed and an accurate description is entered into the computer which is now on line to the other teams.

From reception, the victim is handed over to the pathologist and odontologist for a physical examination. The pathologist will record all scars and tattoos while the odontologist makes a dental chart, this is the first stage of identification. Samples of blood, urine and hair are taken for DNA sampling and to identify any underlying disease. Once these samples are logged the pathologist conducts the post mortem that will establish the cause of death. Pathology reports are not only important to the coroner, but can also contribute to passenger safety. Many pathologists have made recommendations that have influenced designers of aircraft and trains.

The key phrase is 'care, and attention to detail'. The smallest clue can solve the puzzle. On one air crash it was important to isolate the pilot from the rest of the victims. Our first clue was a man wearing black socks, further inquiries qualified our suspicion that he was indeed the pilot. On another occasion a man's shoe provided positive identification. He was a diabetic. Often, when men use urinals, small splashes of urine contaminate the shoe lining, by taking a swab of this lining the laboratory confirmed that the owner of the shoe was a diabetic. Thus further research of records located a diabetic passenger. Here, the relatives were releived that at least they had found their dad. Unfortunately, the severe nature of what happened in New York and Washington may also rob the citizens of these two great cities to give their loved ones a proper goodbye.

Such detective work is second nature to the professional investigators, all of whom have many years experience of working with the dead. *Pearson's formulae* is also used. From this simple mathematical equation, the height and weight of the victim can be established. All the pathologist needs is a femur bone and a knowledge of the formulae. Bones can also indicate disease and age as well as lameness. The latter was demonstrated in an Irish inquest when an investigator told a man that his late auntie walked with a limp.

The man later accused the investigator of being a witch.

Witchcraft does not enter into it such investigation; identification of victims is a science evolved over many years. Tribute must be made to the unknown members of the teams who are always ready to fly off in the name of humanity within hours. Members of such teams have missed many a family holiday or Christmas festivities due to a disaster or an atrocity.

These hardened, sympathetic and extremely professional men and women would say that the poor victims and relatives have lost everything and more.

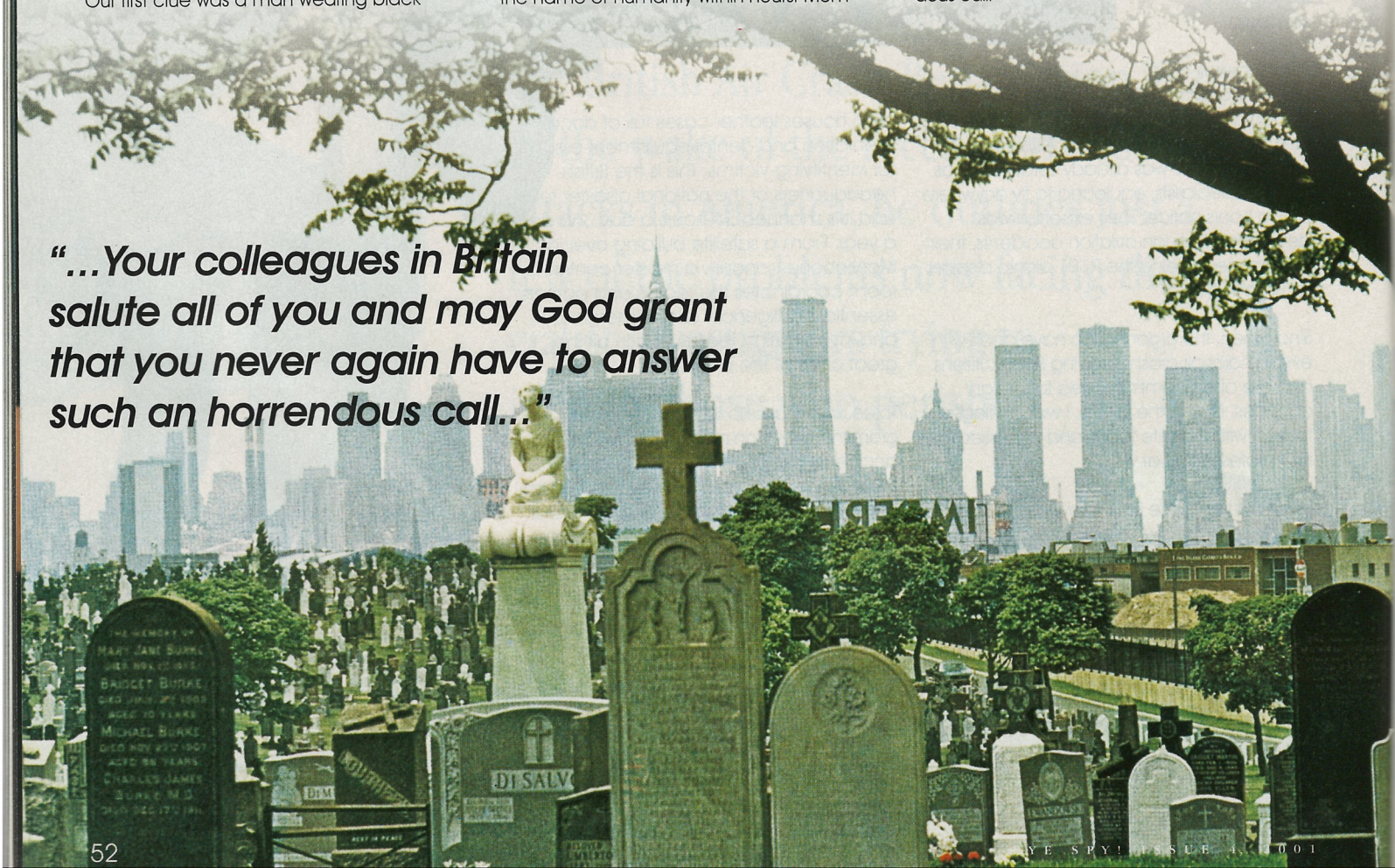
The third team hold the final key to the identification process. They visit family doctors for medical reports, dentists for dental charts and families for accurate descriptions and photographs. All this information is entered into computers and a final analysis is made. In the vast majority of cases, bodies are positively identified and returned to their loved ones for burial.

On many occasions the bereaved are advised *not* to view the body as the trauma can be too upsetting. It is always best to remember them as they were in life.

What better memory can a bereaved person have?

Each member of each individual team is compassionate and respectful of their charges. They devote their lives to the service of their fellow human beings and daily face things that no-one should have to witness.

It takes a special breed of person to carry out such duties, but in America on that terrible September day, hundreds of such people answered the call. Your colleagues in Britain salute all of you and may God grant that you never again have to answer such an horrendous call.



THE TERRORIST OPERATION



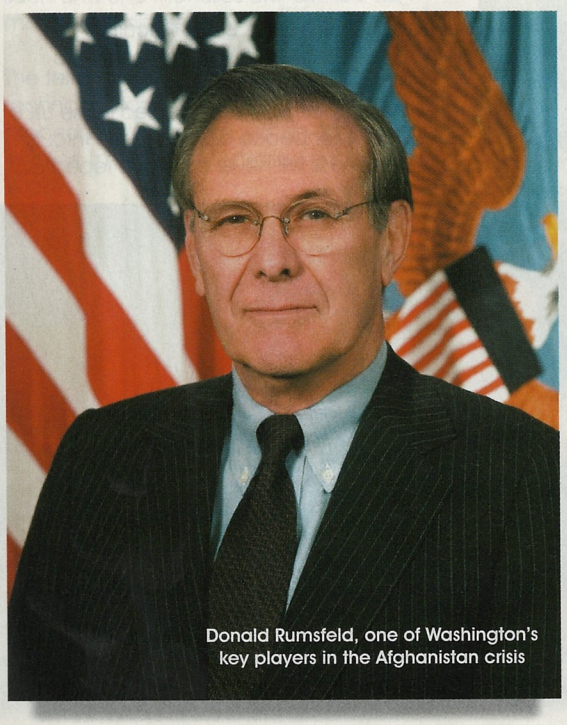
US Citizens Ask How Could it Happen?

Many people are asking how could so many terrorists operate literally unseen, and for such a long time, in a nation that has the finest intelligence services in the world?

Terrorism is ever changing. 20 years ago such acts were usually state sponsored, for example, by Libya. Indeed, when the security services in the USA finally complete their enquries, a nation or even several nations, could be behind the attacks.

The world is changing - and getting smaller; air travel has expanded to such an extent that movement from one continent to another is very easy. Terrorists have also become very sophisticated and have learned to use technology to meet their requirements.

As the intelligence services make advances, so does the terrorist.



Donald Rumsfeld, one of Washington's key players in the Afghanistan crisis

What happened in America was an intelligence failure, but like George Tenet of the CIA admitted, human intelligence is not as easy to obtain as some people believe. He is absolutely correct. And, by allowing the CIA to operate on the mainland, HUMINT (Human Intelligence) will be more readily available.

Admiral Bobby Inman, former Deputy Director of the CIA, was a great supporter of HUMINT and believes it helped Washington identify Soviet intentions. America eventually infiltrated many areas of the KGB's internal surveillance network which gave the CIA advanced warning of Soviet operations.

A determined group, that is for example, tightly coordinated can be extremely difficult to penetrate. Often such groups operate in a manner that seems to fit into any society in the world. America is a multi-cultural society and is very proud of that fact. One only has to read that people from 68 different countries died in New York to understand just how cosmopolitan and diverse the USA is.

THE SECURITY SERVICES

Many people have demanded "more openness" and a release of information from government bodies on a whole host of subjects. Organisations like the CIA and NSA have come under fire for being "too secretive". They have also been heavily criticised for trying to withhold material from those who use the Freedom of Information Act. Perhaps what happened on 11 September 2001 is just one reason why there must be restrictions on information?



Mike Hayden NSA Director - "wants answers"

The attackers of New York and Washington are said to have numbered around 100. But the FBI believe many of the people involved will not have known each other; from those involved in learning to fly, to the people who booked hotels and hired cars; to the 'foot soldiers' posting letters and going shopping. Yet there must have been a *'controlling influence'*. The security services in America and beyond are quickly homing-in on the commander of the operation.

Some intelligence analysts believe that in recent years, America and its allies have placed too much credence on advanced technology. Washington and the great cities of the world have unique defences in respect of Echelon and other interception systems. These have been developed basically to give advance intelligence on nuclear, chemical or biological attacks. The CIA has long known that an attack was imminent... it has been for several years. When it arrived, no-one could have envisaged such a devastating result.

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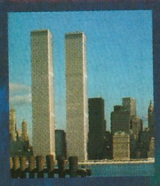


Nobody dreamt it would involve kamikaze pilots using civilian airliners as weapons.

The perpetrators of this attack were patient. They melted into American society and even used US civil and military aviation training schools to learn how to fly. Many intelligence observers say America has been "too soft" in its approach to those who would destroy its culture and society. That too is about to change. The heads of the intelligence services are sharpening their blades, and those who dare to object beware.

In 1993, the World Trade Centre was attacked by a number of terrorists. That attack failed to bring the towers down, but US civilians were killed and injured. Ramzi Yousef who built the bomb used in that attack also devised plans to crash an aircraft on the CIA's Langley headquarters. The CIA also discovered an intricate plan to blow up 12 US airliners simultaneously over the Pacific.

Every day of every week intelligence services receive information on one plot or another. 99% of these are bogus. However, each has to be evaluated and examined, only then can it be dismissed. The hijackers involved operated smoothly and silently and were not discovered, but the security services will have learned a great deal.



IMAGE COURTESY GREENPEACE

• Who could really tell the difference between a genuine peace protester, and a terrorist?

US patience is beginning to wear thin over military base protests like this just weeks ago at Menwith Hill, England. There is a real fear that terrorists could use groups such as Greenpeace to attack US and UK facilities

However, all intelligence information relating to such terror groups must, in my opinion, remain secret until those who hold high office decide otherwise. It is essential that intelligence work of this nature be carried out in secret.

Some commentators have said America has been "security complacent." Well, to a degree this is true but Washington has to balance its need for security with its belief in freedom. I would imagine that for some time, the scenes that we witnessed in the UK a few weeks ago, when dozens of Greenpeace activists broke through the flimsy security fence at Menwith Hill will never again be repeated.



Admiral Bobby Inman, former Deputy Director of the CIA was a firm supporter of HUMINT.

US intelligence may be a little too dependent on advanced technology, providing images such as this taken over a former USSR airfield



A map of the eastern seaboard of the United States of America showing the routes taken by three of the hijacked aircraft

Some organisations and foreign intelligence services have and are using pressure groups to access sites and gather information. Russia's FSB has agents who have joined countryside and wildlife groups. The intelligence services in Europe believe terrorists are entering countries under the guise of asylum seekers. All of this complicates the job of being prepared.

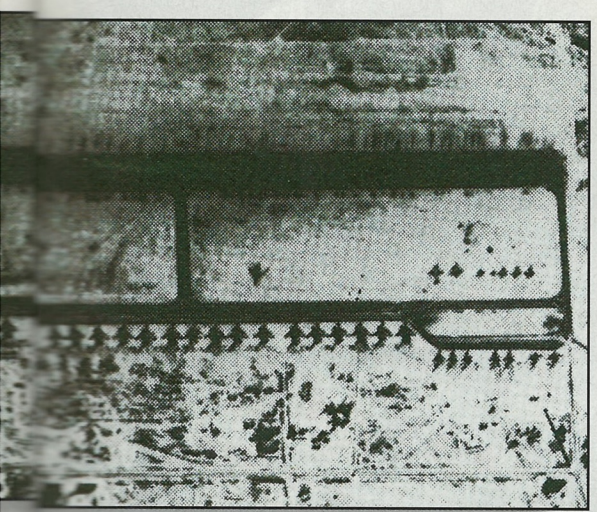
The USA is the world's last superpower and as such, it has also become the world's police force. Yes it can fight and win any war, but fighting an enemy that cannot be seen and one that uses civil airliners as missiles is a different thing altogether.

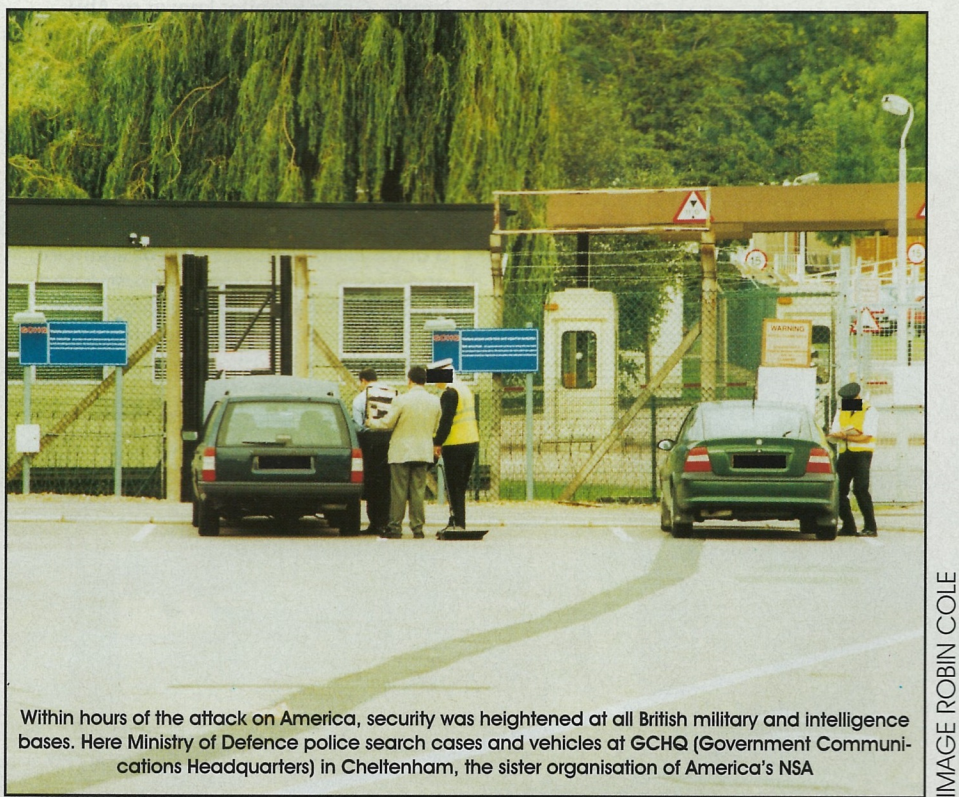
The terror groups have used today's technology and yesteryear's military procedures to declare war on America and its allies. In response, America is going to have to step back 2,000 years and return to the days when human intelligence gathered from agents and friends was king. Reconnaissance, surveillance and electronic interception technology is all very good in gathering data, but whispers on the ground and an occasional letter can be just as important.

When the dust settles over Manhattan and the Pentagon, and the innocent people who died reach their final destination, there will emerge a new intelligence network in America and other countries. Cultures and peoples should be able to live together. Those in power have a huge responsibility to everyone on this planet.

Surely this terrible act could not be repeated...?

Mark Ian Birdsall





Within hours of the attack on America, security was heightened at all British military and intelligence bases. Here Ministry of Defence police search cases and vehicles at GCHQ (Government Communications Headquarters) in Cheltenham, the sister organisation of America's NSA

IMAGE ROBIN COLE

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MI5 agents discovered a plan devised by London-based supporters of Osama bin-Laden, the world's most wanted man way back in Spring. According to sources, the gang had intended using the capital as a base to organise a prolonged bombing campaign against Western targets, though not necessarily in the UK.

Special police used in the raid, swooped on several addresses and arrested 10 men suspected of being terrorists linked to the Saudi-born millionaire. Some of the men are believed to belong to 'The Base', or Al-Qa'ida, bin-Ladens' worldwide organisation regarded as militant by most nations. Computers and other items are thought to have been confiscated by the police.

MI5 believe one of The Base's active service units had been using London and that an attack was imminent - hence the raid. Like the FBI and the CIA, MI5 and MI6 believe it was bin-Laden's supporters who were responsible for the massive blast at the US Embassies in East Africa in August 1998 that left more than 200 people dead and hundreds more injured. It is believed that one person arrested in the London raid is fighting an extradition order by Washington over the African blasts.

Al-Qa'ida sits high on the list which former Home Secretary Jack Straw outlawed in the UK. Indeed, in February 2001, police arrested several men during a series of dawn raids in London, including Omar Mahmood Abu Omar, 40, an Islamic cleric who has been convicted on at least two occasions for his role in terrorist acts in Jordan. Released on bail, it has been alleged Abu Omar has links with bin-Laden. Omar is better known as Abu Qatada who has been living in England as a political refugee for some eight years. He runs an Islamic library from rented accommodation in northwest London.

Omar rejects any connection with bin-Laden and terrorist actions in Jordan. He was, however, found guilty in absentia by a court in Amman last year of financing and coordinating a gang of suspected terrorists who were plotting to blow up tourist locations in Jordan during the millennium celebrations.

The Jordanian Government claim the gang was sponsored by Al-Qa'ida. And

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that prior to their arrest, some of its members had visited Afghanistan - the country ruled by the Taliban who are shielding bin-Laden. Qatada was also convicted in absentia over his involvement in a number of bombings in Jordan in 2000.

Qatada says he is a peaceful man: "I deny completely the Jordanian allegations. I do not head any group or follow bin-Laden."

His views, however, are radical according to MI5, and he was once involved in the now defunct newsletter called al-Ansar, which often published views and press statements issued by the Armed Islamic Group (GIA), an Algerian terrorist organisation. Qatada and three other men were released after questioning. Six other Algerian nationals aged between 18 and 38, were charged with owning computers, electronic devices, false credit cards, false identity documents and money for terrorist purposes.

The operation followed a similar series of arrests made by German Intelligence in the city of Frankfurt just before Christmas. Berlin issued a statement saying the men were believed to belong to the GIA and were plotting to explode a number of bombs in Strasbourg. MI5 was alerted after a number of London addresses and telephone numbers were discovered on the men.

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Osama bin Laden - the World's most wanted man
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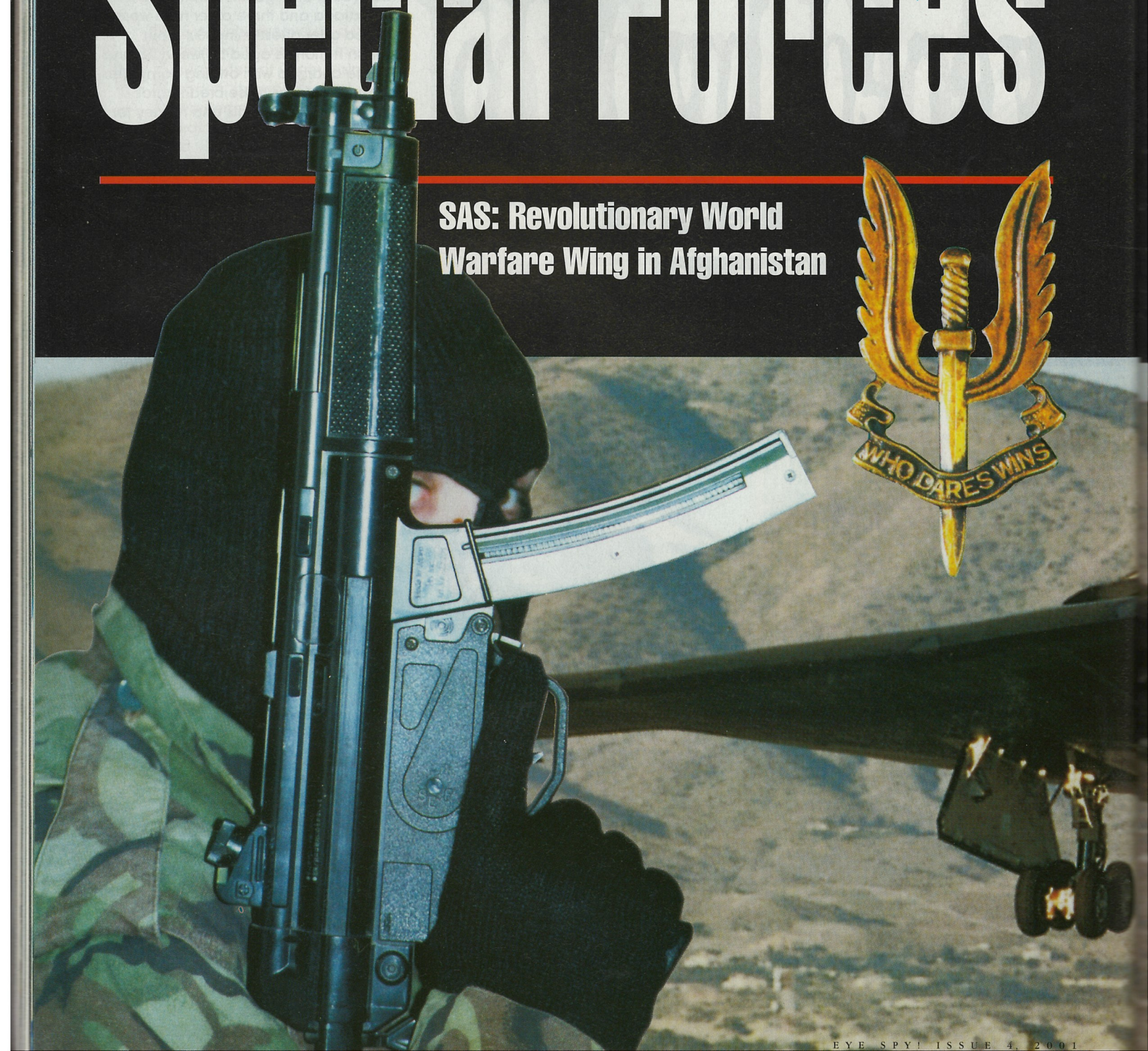
Afghanistan: SAS Special Forces

SAS: Revolutionary World Warfare Wing in Afghanistan



Join American

Less than seven days after the attack on the World Trade Centre and the Pentagon, around 100 Special Air Services (SAS) troops joined American Special Forces in a bid to demolish the terrorist training camps in Afghanistan. Around a dozen groups of elite soldiers, which also included a team from Germany's, KSK (Special 'Power' Commando), were dropped in a number of areas which border Afghanistan.

Away to the northern regions of the rugged country, the CIA who had managed to make contact with warriors from the Taliban's deadly enemy, the Northern Alliance, paved the way for passage into the mountains.

The SAS have unique experience in the area after training with Pakistani forces in the mountains of Afghanistan. According to Eye Spy sources, the special unit of the SAS, the Revolutionary World Warfare (RWW) wing has been engaged in mountain training in Pakistan for at least five years building up expertise crucial to any US ground attack. The RWW will be first to enter Afghanistan.

Military analysts say the US are 'mapping' mountain areas with the Predator unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV). Developed by General Atomics Aeronautical Systems in San Diego, some Predators are actually armed with Hellfire anti-tank missiles. The aircraft can remain airborne for up to 40 hours.

Air strikes on bin-Laden strongholds and cruise missile attacks aim to facilitate the entry for the elite troops on their 'search and destroy' mission.

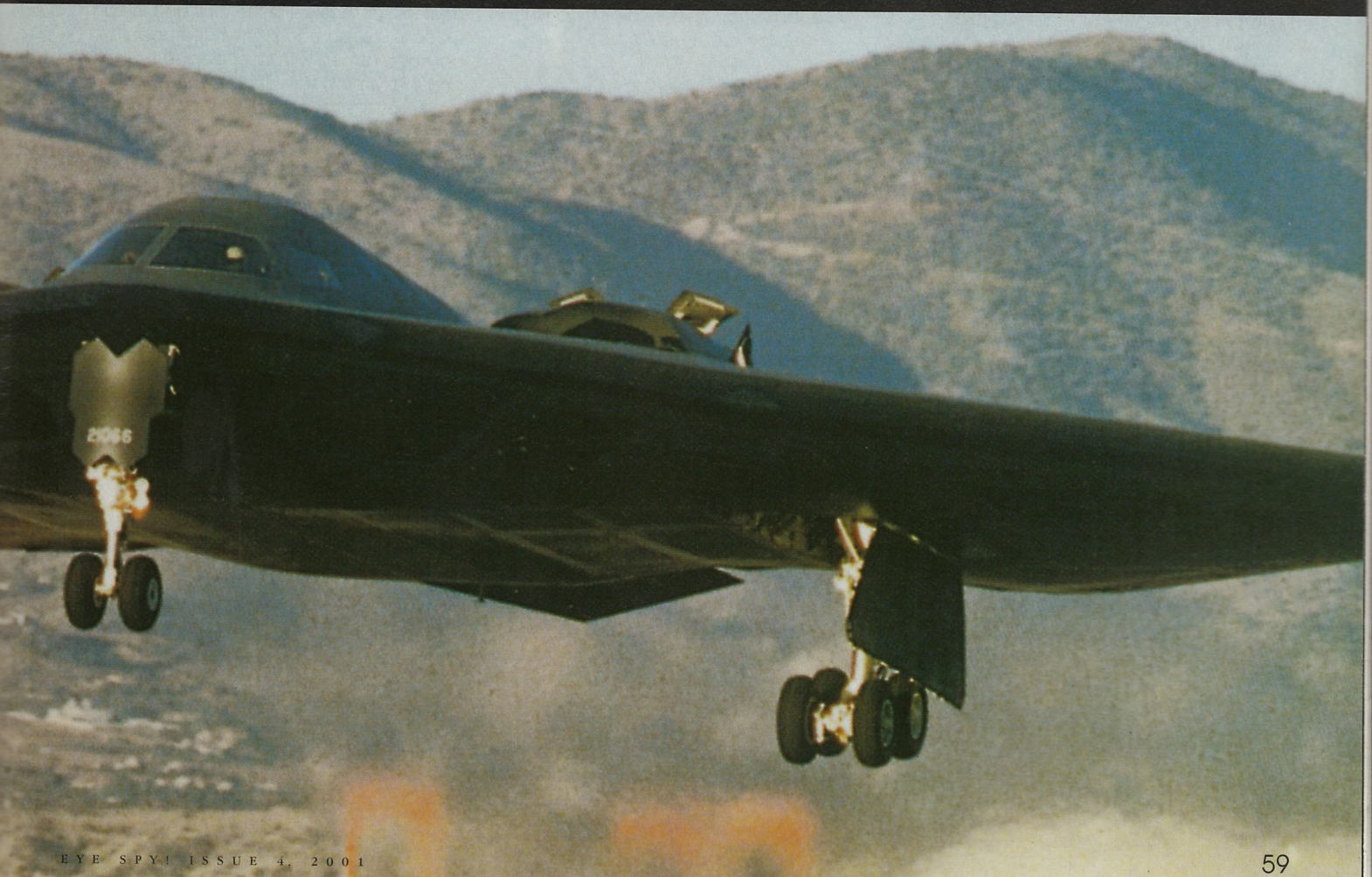
American Special Forces would be at the forefront of any military operation and this includes the US Army's feared Green Berets who were themselves modelled on the SAS. The Green Berets have worked closely with the SAS in many previous conflicts and regularly liaise. Other crack units which will search for bin-Laden are the Delta Force, and the USAF 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment.

It is believed a support unit from the British Parachute Regiment's Pathfinders will accompany the SAS. This group numbers but 40, and was involved in a fierce firefight with militia men in Sierra Leone. Over 30 rebels were killed with the loss of one SAS man.

The NSA and NRO have intensified the satellite surveillance operation identifying and preparing specific areas that harbour bin-Laden supporters.

A senior Pentagon official spoke of plans for future action saying that "pinpoint air strikes" without ground attacks - similar to those used against bin-Laden in the past - were not an option.

He continued "The strategy this time is we are going to go in hard and we are going to get it right. The political and public will is



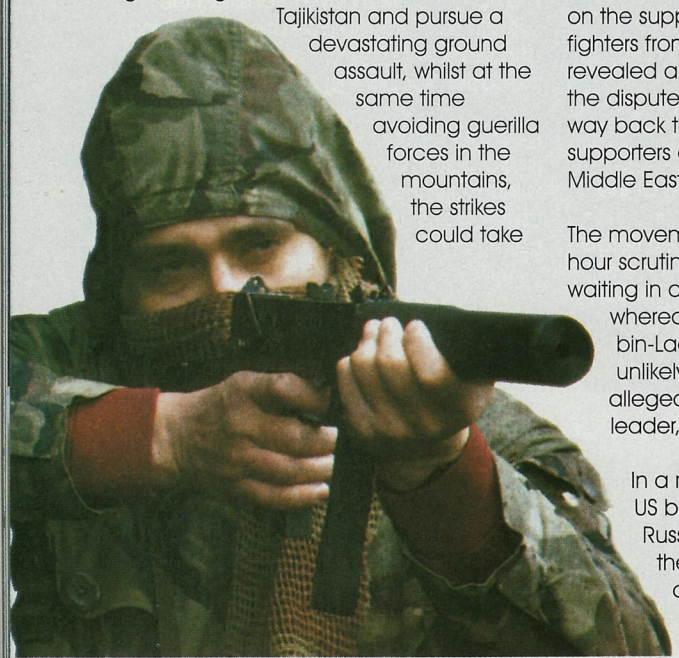
there. We know there will be casualties if we send troops in and we are prepared to accept that after what happened on September 11th... We do not see this as a repeat of the Soviet attempt to conquer the country in the 1980s or the British during the 19th century. We do not want to occupy."

Strategists have identified at least six major camps and military bases for attack. Osama bin-Laden was last seen in January at Shar-i-Nau, a suburb of Kandahar, so this too may well be a target. We understand that sites at Farmada outside Jalalabad, Darunta in Nangahar, bases near Khost and Kabul and a remote bunker hidden in the Hindu Kush mountains in the north-east of Afghanistan may also be targets. Strikes in Afghanistan are seen as only part of America's war against terrorism and it is very possible that strikes against Iraq and Saddam Hussein could be under preparation.



A USAF crew runs to man one of 12 huge B-52 bombers now operating in the Afghanistan area

If special forces can establish bases in neighbouring territories such as Pakistan and Tajikistan and pursue a devastating ground assault, whilst at the same time avoiding guerilla forces in the mountains, the strikes could take less than a few days. However, the Taliban should not be underestimated and can rely on the support of thousands of potential fighters from Pakistan. The CIA has already revealed a huge exodus of fighters leaving the disputed Kashmir area to make their way back to Afghanistan. Other Taliban supporters are expected to arrive from the Middle East.



The movements of bin-Laden are under 24-hour scrutiny and it seems the whole world is waiting in anticipation of the news of his whereabouts. Afghan clerics did ask bin-Laden to leave, but MI6 say this is unlikely to happen, because he is allegedly the father-in-law of the Taliban leader, Mohammed Omar.

In a reversal of past times where the US backed bin-Laden against the Russians, current events are bringing the US and Russia into a military alliance against this common enemy - bin-Laden. With the situation in Chechnya, US intelligence sources say that Russia may provide access to Afghanistan through Russia's ally, Tajikistan, on the northern border of Afghanistan. Eye Spy learned of this operation almost 12 months ago (see Operation Gateway). MI6 sources say there is a possibility that President Putin may have his own spies searching for bin-Laden.

If Russia joins the search, their knowledge of the torturous terrain will prove advantageous for the West.

The US already has great firepower from all over the world within striking distance. They have the use of cruise missile warships and nuclear submarines in the Gulf and Indian Ocean, B52 bombers; British tornado bombers armed with laser-guided bombs and the Nimrod surveillance aircraft.

There are over 40,000 Special Forces personnel who come under the Special Operations Command prepared for attack. The vast majority of these troops will be American.

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Underground Video Circulates around World

THE BIN-LADEN VIDEO

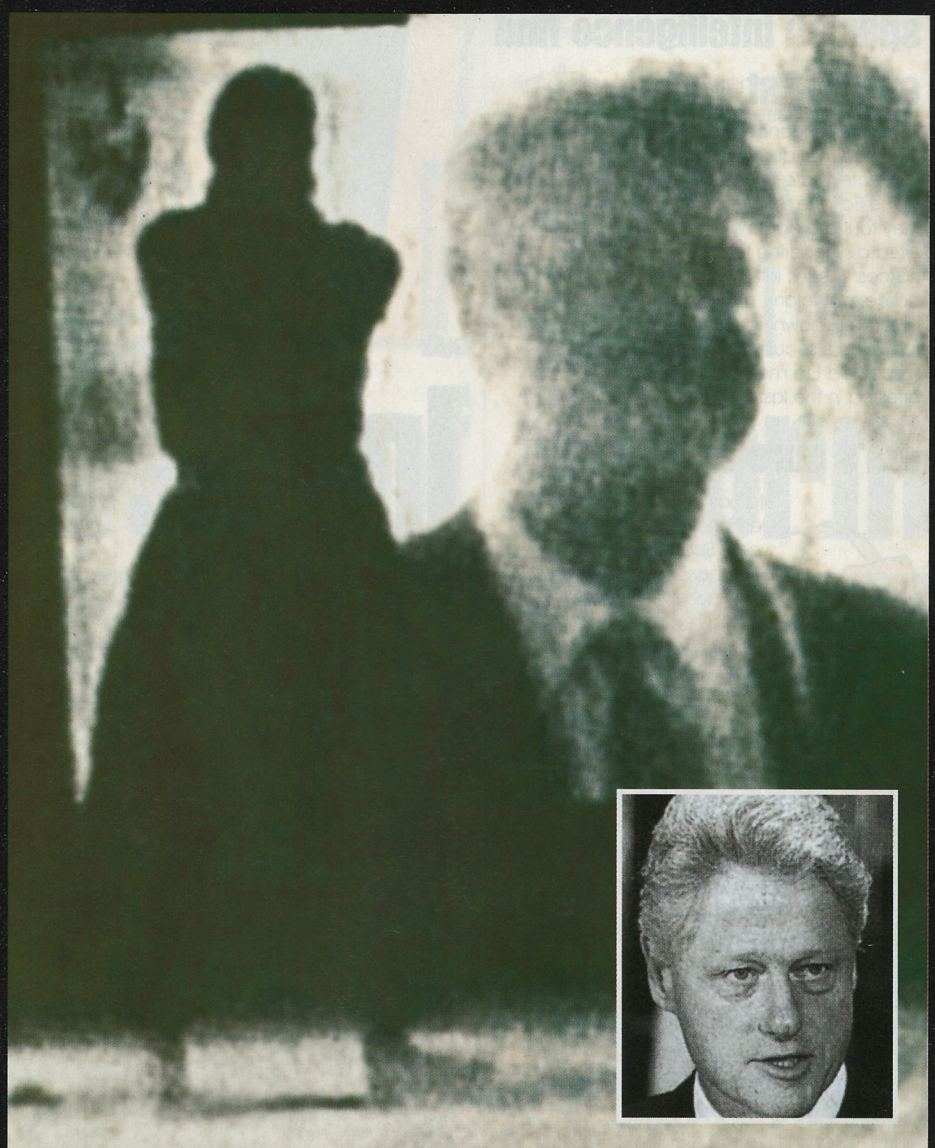
MI6 and the CIA plus a host of other intelligence agencies are examining a 100-minute video-tape which analysts believe has been produced by Osama bin-Laden's (The Base) organisation. On the tape there are several references to last year's attack on the US Navy warship, the USS Cole in which 17 people died. Bin-Laden has long denied any responsibility in that attack, but there are a number of comments within the footage that the CIA says links the Saudi renegade to the attack.

Whilst there are numerous verbal attacks against Israel, the commentary calls for 'Holy War' against Jews and Christians. This has concerned many moderate Islamic nations and has intensified the search for bin-Laden. However, intelligence sources believe that the video was produced by bin-Laden, who can be seen in white robes carrying a Yemeni dagger.

The tape begins with a bin-Laden poem that includes "...And in Aden, they charged and destroyed a destroyer... that evokes horror when she docks and when she sails." A further statement says: "To all the Mujahedin, your brothers in Palestine are waiting for you; it's time to penetrate America and Israel and hit them where it hurts most."

CIA analysts are trying to identify several bases which feature in the tape. However, the al-Farouk desert guerrilla camp in Afghanistan is shown. Al-Qaeda fighters are shown training with rifles and explosives.

The tape was made fairly recently for it contains references to Colin Powell, the US Secretary of State. Another sequence on the film shows former US president Bill Clinton being used for target practise by a robed gunman. Analysts are also trying to identify several persons on the tape who have joined The Base in recent months.



A robed gunman fires a gun at the image of former President Bill Clinton



One man who has actually interviewed Osama bin-Laden is Abdel Bari Atwan, editor of the London-based *Al-Quds al-Arahi,* newspaper. He said the video squashes certain rumours that have been circulated regarding his health. "Some people have said that he is ill and that he is being contained by the Taliban in Afghanistan," said Mr Atwan. "It is quite clear from the film that he is in good health to the point where he can fire a rifle and is free to operate as he chooses."

The videotape which has been copied throughout the globe has riled the CIA. It is also a reminder to President Bush that bin-Laden is a formidable adversary. For the man nicknamed the 'Muslim Pimpernel' is not ready to throw in the towel just yet.

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INTERNATIONAL

INTELLIGENCE SHORTS

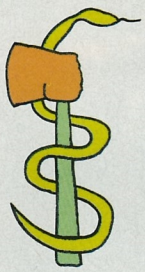
iraq accuses 'spies'

Iraq is once again embroiled in a bitter row with the United Nations. Intelligence officials in Baghdad have accused five UN officers of spying, though it did not say for which country. Four Nigerians and a Bosnian employed by the 'oil-for-food' programme were ordered to leave the country in early September.

spanish intelligence find eta hit list

Spanish intelligence officers have revealed that during a raid on a suspected safe house belonging to the Basque terrorist group Eta, they found a document that listed a staggering total of 2,148 names. The 'hit list' is comprised of police, politicians, military personnel and other well known figures. CESID (Spain's formidable security service) said that 18 suspected Eta members had been arrested in the last few weeks.

eta's euro conversion



Eta has converted its extortion demands in euros. In recent weeks Spanish police has been handed several documents sent to shopkeepers and firms demanding 30,000 and 60,000 euros (£18,000 - £36,000). It has explained to businesses that the money is a 'revolutionary tax.' According to Madrid, most firms ignore the requests.

tunisia jails spy

A court in the Sudanese capital, Khartoum, has sentenced a Tunisian man to 15 years in jail for spying. The Sudanese news agency said the man Ali Bin Mustafa Hammed set up a spy ring to report on Tunisian Islamic fundamentalists living in Sudan. It said four Sudanese men involved in the ring were sentenced to prison terms ranging from one to 10 years.

eye spy sees olaf palme information


Olaf Palme

Eye Spy has seen a case file which could throw new light on the assassination of Swedish premier, Olaf Palme on 28 February 1986. Extensive research has been carried out by a researcher living in Sweden, who suggests that the British Security Service, MI5, was involved in a huge conspiracy involving several nations. Both Downing Street and the Foreign Office have been mentioned in the investigation.

FBI

Inside Look at the

by Charles R. Smith



This summer the FBI proudly announced that an audit of its firearms revealed that more than 100 weapons were missing or stolen. One stolen FBI weapon had in fact been used for a murder. The 2001 FBI firearms audit, although incomplete, is long overdue for an agency that showed years ago it needed to be reformed.

Take, for example, the 1996 case of FBI agent Gary Harlow, former instructor at the Quantico training facility. In 1996, Harlow left his elite instructor job at Quantico and began work at the White House, on top-secret clearances for the Clinton administration.

Then one summer night, Harlow had an argument with his wife. He allegedly punched her in the face, whereupon she fled for medical care. It was while getting her broken nose fixed that Mrs Harlow informed the doctors about how well-armed her FBI agent husband was. The doctors immediately informed the local police.

When police arrived at Harlow's house they stumbled upon a huge cache of weapons. Somehow, over the years, at the FBI academy, Harlow had managed to acquire more than 100,000 rounds of ammunition, night-vision equipment, plastic explosives, hand grenades, gas masks and machine guns - all of it clearly marked *Property of the FBI.*



FALLING DOWN?

Agency in Need of Reform

On 23 June 1996, Eugene Bennett kidnapped the Reverent Edwin Clever at gunpoint. Bennett then forced Clever to call Mrs Bennett and tell her she was needed at Prince of Peace United Methodist Church for an unspecified emergency.

Mrs Bennett suspected the call from her clergyman was 'forced' and that her husband was up to no good. Thus, she decided to go to church with a gun. Upon arriving at the church, she confronted her husband and she fired one shot at him, which missed.

Eugene Bennett was arrested later at his home after a brief standoff with police.

According to Bennett, he had to lock up his "evil alter-ego Ed" in the garage before surrendering.

Further investigation by police led to the discovery of a bomb in a locker at Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC) in Woodbridge, where Marguerite Bennett worked as a police supervisor. More explosive materials were found in a locker at NVCC's Annandale campus. In addition, a pipe bomb was found outside the Prince of Peace Church right after Eugene Bennett was arrested.

At the centre of this battle was a messy divorce between the Bennetts. Bennett had

Harlow was arrested in his car shortly thereafter. The arresting officers found a further seven machine guns in his car. At his trial Harlow pleaded guilty to "theft of government property" and was declared "not a threat to society" by a federal judge, who gave him a year in jail.

The punch line? The FBI did not fire Harlow for stealing the guns and ammunition, but decided to terminate his employment after he also confessed to faking some White House clearances.

Agents or Weapons?

Clearly, the problems faced by the FBI cannot be corrected by a simple count of guns. The real problem is not the gun but the weapon that is created when you turn a human being into an FBI agent. You can audit guns, but can you defuse a person?

For example, there is the strange tale of two former FBI agents, Eugene and Marguerite Bennett. Eugene was fired from the FBI in 1993 after he pleaded guilty to fraud and obstruction, involving money stolen from the agency. He was sentenced to one year in prison. Marguerite left the FBI after she admitted lying under oath to protect her husband.

There are serious allegations circulating in Washington about the most famous FBI Director of all time... J. Edgar Hoover



previously contended in divorce papers that his wife was having a lesbian affair with best-selling crime novelist Patricia Cornwell.

According to Bennett, Cornwell and his wife would meet frequently after hours at a gay bar near the FBI Quantico training facility. At the time of the incident, Cornwell was attending the Quantico Virginia FBI facility at the special invitation of Director Louis Freeh.

The punch line? Neither Mrs Bennett nor Cornwell's agent would comment on Bennett's allegations.

Sex in the FBI

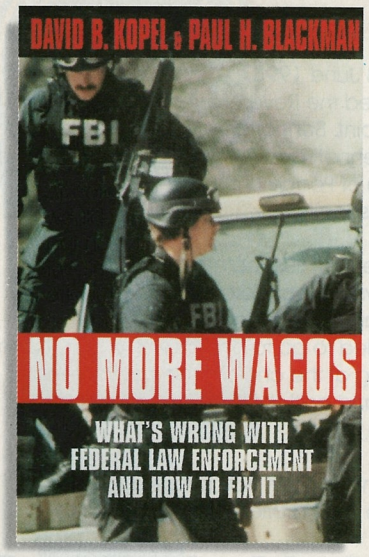
Allegations of sex and the FBI are an issue that has never been confronted. There are long-standing allegations that FBI Director, J. Edgar Hoover, often wore a dress. There are also allegations that the FBI has used prostitutes for commercial espionage.

The allegations first surfaced in *Insight* magazine when investigative journalist Tim Maier wrote that underage male and female prostitutes were being used to obtain intelligence information from foreign diplomats during the December 1993 Asia Pacific Economic Conference (APEC) in Seattle.

In 1998, this reporter filed a Freedom of Information (FOIA) request seeking all information on the use of prostitutes as agents during the 1993 APEC conference. In response, the FBI found 250 pages of materials concerning the surveillance of foreign officials at the Seattle economic conference.

According to the FBI, only 13 pages of the "SECRET" and "TOP SECRET" documentation could be released. Some of the documents not released by the FBI *originated with another Government agency.* Government censors heavily blacked out many of the *secret documents returned by the FBI.*

One such FBI SECRET document, dated November 1993, contains a partially blacked-out passage, noting that the FBI needed to gather surveillance data, "in ample time for the information to be disseminated to Secret Service and Department of State."



Several authors have been critical of the FBI and its apparent militarization in recent years. The incident at Waco in 1993 where many people died is but one book that highlights some internal difficulties

Another secret November 1993 document, marked from "DIRECTOR FBI" to "FBI SEATTLE", directs the FBI office in Washington State to pay particular attention to a certain foreign "delegation" whose identity remains blacked out as secret. According to the heavily classified document, the "referenced communication provided information from a sensitive and reliable WF source."

I am told by an inside source that, much like the McVeigh case, more documents on the FBI use of prostitutes for economic espionage were recently discovered and that I should pursue the subject with the agency. A better question is: why?

There are many reasons to reform the FBI. Watergate, Clipper chip, Carnivore, Wen Ho Lee, McVeigh White House travel office, TWA 800, the Atlanta Olympics, 900 missing files, Ruby Ridge and Waco to just name a few. *Perhaps there are other reasons to reform the FBI such as Gary Harlow or the Bennetts.*

Just what do you want a federal police to do? The real question for you the reader is what do you want the FBI to be? Do you change the system or change the people? How would you reform the FBI?



FBI Headquarters

New Search For Legendary Band Leader



Mike Rossiter, a BBC film producer is recruiting divers for an expedition that will search the English Channel for the body of legendary American bandleader, Glenn Miller. Rossiter has just received widespread acclaim for his extraordinary efforts to locate the body of Donald Campbell from the wreckage of his jet-powered Bluebird which crashed on Lake Coniston in the Lake District, England, in 1967. Mr Campbell was attempting to break the world water speed record when his vessel left the water and disintegrated.

Famed for 'Swing' classics such as In the Mood, Chattanooga Choo-Choo and Moonlight Seranade, Miller's reported death in 1944 sent shudders around the world.

Miller's last movements have been well documented, though in recent years, a German researcher by the name of Doctor Udo Ulfkotte caused controversy by alleged remarks that Miller died in the arms of a Paris prostitute.

Captain Glenn Miller, 40, had already provided much entertainment for over 250,000 Allied troops around the world. With Paris liberated and German forces moving back towards Berlin, it was relatively safe for Miller to make the short journey from southern England to Paris where several concerts at the Olympia theatre had been arranged.

On 15 December 1944, Miller boarded a single-engine Norseman aircraft and left RAF Twinwoods near London for France. The sturdy aircraft was piloted by John R.S. Morgan, an experienced flier; the other passenger was Lt. Colonel Norman F. Baessell. The journey should have taken about two hours. The Norseman never arrived and a short US Army announcement made 24-hours later confirmed the aircraft carrying Glenn Miller was presumed lost over the Channel.



THE FBI'S MOST WANTED

3 machine-guns, rifles, 265 hand guns, miscellaneous firearms, top secret documents and 184 laptop computers...

Robert Mueller, the incoming FBI chief, could not have picked a worse moment to walk into the director's office. Earlier this year one of the Bureau's most senior agents, Robert Hanssen was uncovered as a Russian spy. Then the agency failed to hand over hundreds of documents to defence lawyers acting for the 1995 Oklahoma City Bomber, Timothy McVeigh. These papers should have been delivered in 1997, but were found tucked inside a cupboard. The scandal almost destroyed the defence's case and led to a four-week postponement of McVeigh's execution. And there was the overzealous prosecution and bias towards Wen Ho Lee, a Taiwanese-American nuclear scientist at the Los Alamos laboratories. He was accused of espionage, but the case failed because of a lack of FBI evidence.



Robert Mueller

As if to welcome Mueller into the FBI, a spokesman called a press conference to announce some startling information. Not that the new director is suffering from a serious illness, but to admit it has somehow lost a total of 449 guns of all varieties, and 184 laptop computers. At least one of the stolen firearms has since been used in a murder. And perhaps more worrying, one of the computers does contain top secret intelligence information on the FBI counterintelligence operations - or America's 'spycatchers'.

The embarrassing losses were announced after the FBI had been ordered by the justice department to prepare a detailed inventory. This followed public and media concern over alleged "equipment losses." Many analysts believe that the perception of the Bureau is one of "disarray."

As senators discussed the arrival of Robert Mueller, they had to endure and grimace at the news of the hardware thefts and losses. Senator Patrick Leahy, Democratic chairman of the judiciary committee said: "There are some very serious management problems at the FBI." Orrin Hatch, the committee's senior Republican agreed: "This is simply inexcusable."

The FBI have admitted that the computers contain details of two major investigations into espionage cases - one of which is still active - the search for another Russian agent. Three other laptops "might hold intelligence files," according to a spokesperson. Most of the guns were stolen from FBI vehicles and agent's homes.



COURTESY: FBI

Timothy McVeigh

• The FBI announcement follows fast on the heels of a similar, though not as large security failure by MI5 and its lost laptop computers. The Security Service has lost at least 50 such devices over the past few years, some containing secret materials.



A Norseman aircraft similar to that which crashed in the Channel

There have been a number of attempts to locate Miller and a few sightings of a submerged aircraft that could be his aircraft. Perhaps the most well-publicised sighting occurred in 1985. Clive Ward, a British diver supposedly found a Norseman some seven miles off the French coast, though it had no registration number and no bodies were found. Further clarification of this story has not been possible.

Yet perhaps the most hurtful story surrounds Miller's liaison and ultimate death in a Paris brothel. Eye Spy! decided to take a closer look at this story and the results of our enquiries may surprise those who support the brothel explanation.

First the allegation. Doctor Udo Ulfkotte's research was published in the huge German-circulation publication *Bild*. It claims that while Ulfkotte was conducting research for his forthcoming book, *BND: The Secret Files,* he came across secret US military documents that say Glenn Miller was found dead in a Paris brothel. The *Bild* also claimed the journalist said that this information was concealed to keep the Miller legend alive and protect the morale of US forces around the world. Apparently US military and intelligence services were asked to comment but remained quiet.

When Miller departed for France the weather conditions were poor. It was a cold, damp and foggy afternoon. One of Miller's closest friends, George Simon, author of the book, *The Big Band Era* and *The Glenn Miller Story,* was surprised he had left in such adverse conditions in the first place. "Glenn had a real fear of planes. Why he took this flight in bad weather has never been determined."

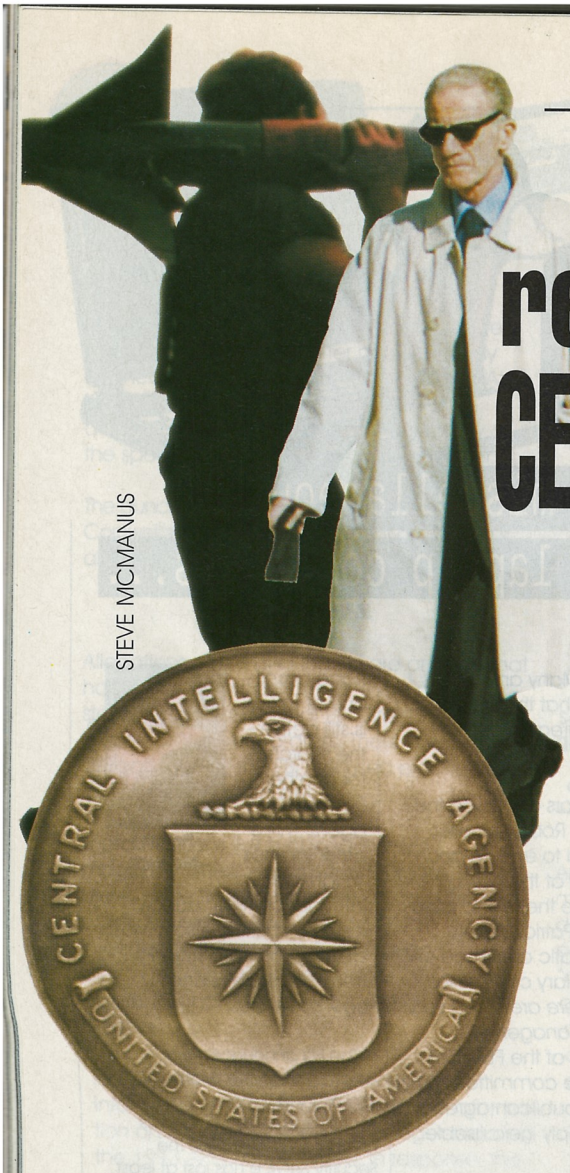
Most aviation experts believe the wings of the Norseman iced over causing the crash. But as for the US intelligence material and the brothel allegation, there is no evidence whatsoever... yet. But perhaps the one man who could destroy the story is journalist Doctor Udo Ulfkotte himself. This is what he had to say on the *Bild* story: "I deny ever seeing any secret service documents... the whole thing was never anything more than a rumour."

Meanwhile it is hoped by many of Miller's fans that Mike Rossiter and his team will indeed find the final resting place of the famed trombonist. But a word of caution was issued by Ann Miller, Glenn's sister-in-law, who lives in Kent. She said: "Nobody has ever found him and each time they try it is mentally upsetting for us."



Glenn Miller, the legendary band leader

What is true is that no researcher or magazine has ever found the US intelligence paper that describes the brothel scenario.



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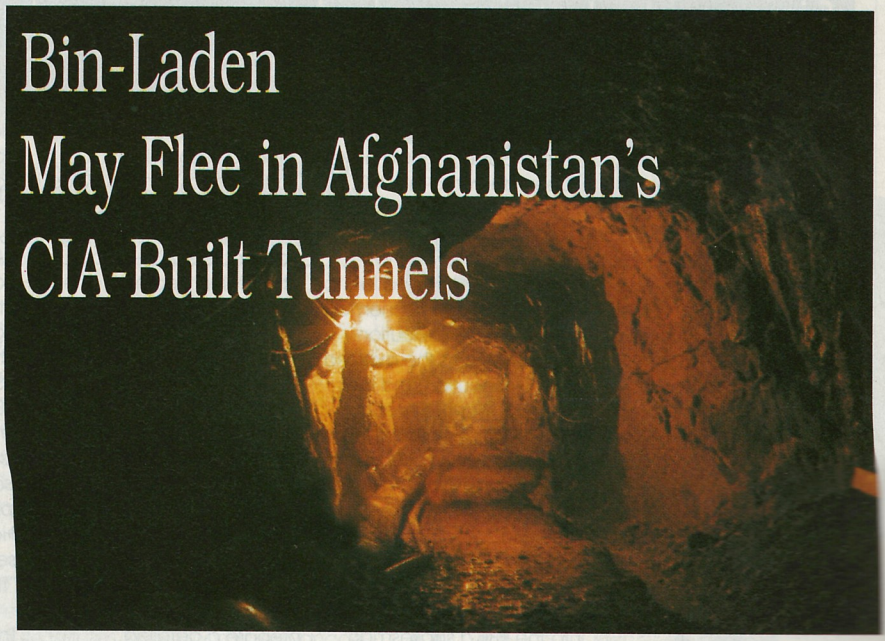
Bin-Laden May Flee in Afghanistan's CIA-Built Tunnels



Osama bin-Laden has various secret places he could escape the counter-attacks of the United States; including hiding in tunnels in Afghanistan that he built years ago with finance from the Central Intelligence Agency. During the Afghan Mujahedin's war against the Soviets, the CIA provided money for a series of tunnels to be built.

These tunnels would be used for weapon storage, or as an underground hospital and they would also provide shelter against Russian air attacks. They were built in 1986 near the town of Khost in the mountains of Paktiya province just miles from the Pakistan border.

Osama bin-Laden had been one of the first foreign Muslims to go to Afghanistan after the Soviet invasion in December 1979, he provided engineers and equipment to carry out the task. He also brought in other 'Arab Afghans' funding their training and the spread of hardline Wahabi extremism among the Pashtuns of southern Afghanistan.

Though there is very little evidence available to show that he took part in any combat, he was considered a well connected donor in the Pakistani city Peshawar which was later to become the capital of the Afghan resistance in exile.

From Peshawar, weapons were smuggled across the border, such movements aided by the governments of Pakistan and Saudi Arabia and also the CIA.

Although bin-Laden may not have known the source of the funding for his hideouts, they have become extremely useful to him since he became America's number one enemy.

After the Russians left Afghanistan, bin-Laden turned his wrath on the US. He was furious that the Saudi Arabian government, his own government, had invited the United States to base its troops on holy soil near Mecca and Medina. Attacks on the US Embassies in Kenya and Tanzania followed in August 1998 killing hundreds of Americans working there.

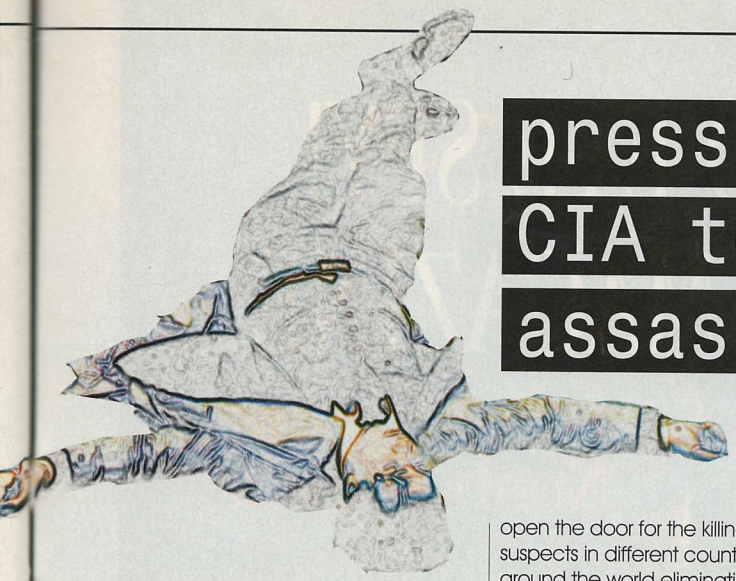
Bill Clinton then launched 70 cruise missiles at bin-Laden's training camps in Khost and Jalalabad killing 14 foreign Muslims and 20 Afghans. Obviously, bin-Laden escaped and it is likely that he was nowhere near where the missiles landed. A year earlier, there were rumours that the CIA were planning to seize him, bin-Laden's response was to simply move his headquarters 200 miles away.

Calls for George Tenent, CIA Director to Resign

WASHINGTON: Since the attack on New York and Washington, the pressure is growing on CIA Director, George Tenet, to resign. A recent poll in America found that over 50% of people thought he should go, while a slightly smaller figure blamed the FBI for failing to act on information that it had received. Tenet, who earlier this year pulled various CIA station officers out of the Middle East, has held lengthy talks with Palestinian leader, Yassar Arafat, and Israeli prime minister, Ariel Sharon. Over the last few years Mr Arafat has formed a friendly relationship with Mr Tenet who has once again tried to broker peace between the two sides. According to intelligence sources, the CIA may yet provide a vital 'buffer and liaison' zone that both Israel and the Palestinian people can use in political and military conflicts.



However, despite assurances from warriors and politicians from the various political and security organisations, fighting still continues; and as usual, dozens of innocent victims from both peoples, including children, have been killed. Tenet is, however, being urged to keep the CIA presence in the area. And Washington may yet find that Tenet is far too valuable to dispense with just yet.





pressure grows for CIA to end ban on assassinations abroad

George Bush and his advisors are considering ending an official ban on the covert assassination of foreigners by US agents. This ban has been in place for 25 years, introduced in the wake of disquiet about killings carried out by agents or their proxies abroad. The majority of people in the current climate would not oppose this action. Ending the ban would open the door for the killing of suspects in different countries around the world eliminating the need to bring them to the US for trial.

Should George Bush go through with this, it will signal a change in the ethics of American foreign policy. This could also allow the use of informants and other agents who are officially barred from employment by the US intelligence agencies.

Congressional leaders are now suggesting that the CIA should be put on a war footing. This may ease existing curbs governing the conduct of US personnel abroad. In effect, this would mean that Washington would feel justified in carrying out killings on suspects of terrorist attacks.

It would appear that there will be great public support for such a move. Polls conducted by CBS and the New York Times found that 65% of the US public favoured a policy enabling the assassination of foreign terrorists.

In the 1970's, the US was implicated in a number of foreign assassinations bringing such policies into disrepute. Revelations of bungled plans to kill Fidel Castro, authorised by President Kennedy, also led to a change in the official policy. The CIA is still officially banned from any attempt to assassinate a foreign leader. The restraints may soon be removed.

As President Bush has said, "Those who make war against the United States have chosen their own destruction." This could indicate that he is prepared to lift many of the current restrictions. Many are asking for the intelligence services to be freed of some of the restraints, yet a few voices have urged caution on the changing of assassination policies.

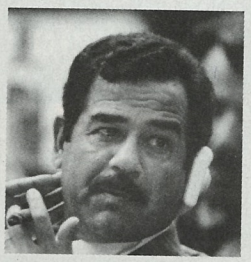


INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS:

Attack on America

SADDAM HUSSEIN

James Woolsey, Director of the CIA 1993-1995, has told journalists that Saddam Hussein should not be ruled out as a sponsor of the attack on America. He said that the CIA has circumstantial evidence that Iraq has cooperated with the Saudi renegade: "Bin Laden gets the publicity he wants, while Saddam is the sleeping partner who gets revenge and causes disruption, while still selling his oil and keeping the support of Russia and China."



SAUDI-USA LINK ALLOWED TERRORISTS TO OPERATE

The CIA believe many of the terrorists on the aircraft used the good relations between Saudi Arabia and America to obtain flying lessons and gain entry into the USA. Chuck Clapper, who runs Latana Air Charter in Florida said: "Iranians and Libyans need to get clearance from the State Department to learn to fly in the USA; Saudis do not."

CIA LIAISE WITH MI5 AND MI6

MI5 and MI6 have been involved with a number of high-level security meetings with their American counterparts. It is thought that the CIA are concerned with about 20 groups mainly based in London that have been identified and labelled "proscribed" by Downing Street. According to sources, many of the groups are still operational.

FBI AND CIA EXCHANGE WORDS AFTER ATTACKS

A major row is simmering between two of America's most prestigious intelligence agencies. The CIA passed on intelligence to the FBI that stated a suspect with alleged links to terrorism had made his way in to the United States on 7 September 2001. When the FBI checked the data they told the CIA that the suspect was not even in the country. It turned out he was on board one of the airliners that was hijacked.

FORMER KGB INTELLIGENCE GIVEN TO CIA

The FSB, the successor to the KGB, have handed the CIA thousands of intelligence files, photographs and even video footage that was acquired and produced during its bloody conflict with Afghanistan over a decade ago. This is thought to reveal several hitherto unknown locations that Osama bin-Laden is using.

CIA INTELLIGENCE LEADS TO BERLIN ARRESTS

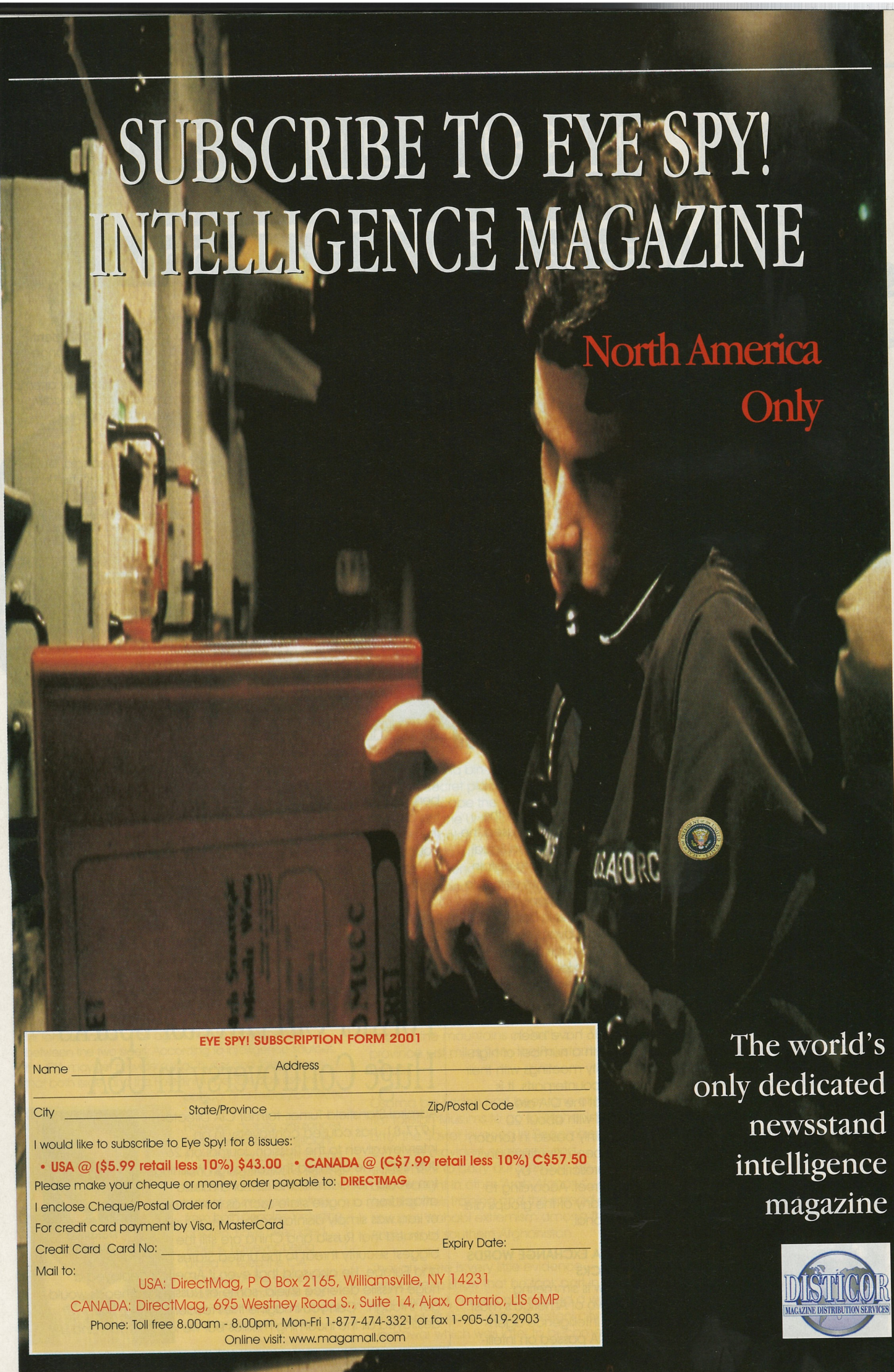
A number of arrests have been made by police in Berlin, acting on CIA information and documents found at addresses and vehicles left at Boston and Newark airports led to at least three people being detained.

Former CIA Director sparks Huge Controversy in USA



Stansfield Turner, CIA

Admiral Stansfield Turner, former CIA Director 1977-81, has caused controversy in an interview given to the Russian Journal on 26 July 2001. He claimed that although Washington would not admit it, the talk of a missile attack from a rogue state such as North Korea or Iraq was simply disinformation. He actually claimed that Russia and China are still the biggest security threat to the United States and Europe. He also said that even if America deployed a huge missile defence shield, some of Russia's warheads would get through. "Can you imagine the President saying, we destroyed all the incoming missiles but we lost New York and LA?



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To Russia with Love

The Unlikely Spy: Former US Army Reserve Colonel Charged with Spying

On 14 June, George Trofimoff, 74, a retired Army Reserve Colonel, from Florida,was charged with 32 counts of spying for the former Soviet Union for at least 25 years. He was arrested by FBI officers at his home in Melbourne, a small Florida town. This latest revelation is another bitter blow to US security services still under fire following the Robert Hannsen affair...

Washington analysts believe that Trofimoff's activities allowed Moscow to penetrate and neutralize perceived threats to its own security.

Trofimoff was allegedly recruited by the KGB through a Russian orthodox clergyman, Archbishop Iriney of Vienna (born Igor Vladimirovich Susemihl), who was also a boyhood friend. Trofimoff is the highest ranking US military officer ever accused of espionage. Interestingly, the suspect is a naturalised US citizen of Russian and German descent.

The Attorney's Office in Tampa, Florida, says that Trofimoff sold numerous military secrets to the KGB before retiring in 1995. Many of the covert deals took place while he served at a US Army base in Nuremberg, Germany. The CIA say he illegally removed classified documents from the Nuremberg JIC (Joint Interrogation Centre), photographed them with a special camera, and later handed the images to Igor Susemihl or another KGB officer. The FBI say at least eight meetings took place and have identified three KGB agents who met with Trofimoff over an unspecified time.

The Nuremberg centre is a NATO facility staffed by military personnel from various countries, including Britain, Germany and America. Mr Trofimoff's security clearance allowed him access to view virtually any intelligence document in the centre. US attorney, Donna Bucella declined to estimate the damage wrought by the accused, but says the information given to the Soviets "definitely harmed US national security." At the time, Trofimoff was serving as the civilian head of the US Army Element in Nuremberg, a job he held from 1969 to 1994.

It is believed that several files include 'US Intelligence Objectives'. These listed current information acquired by America; intelligence priorities for strategic planning which identified the current intelligence needs of the US military, and Soviet and Warsaw Pact 'order of battle' documents which detailed Washington's knowledge of Soviet military organisations.

The FBI say Trofimoff received around $250,000 over the course of his liaison with the Soviets, and was awarded the Order of the Red Banner, the Soviet medal presented for "bravery and self-sacrifice in the defence of the socialist homeland."

Donna Bucella has not revealed the exact circumstances that led to Trofimoff's arrest, but did say he "sought payment for espionage activities." The jury was shown some six hours of secret FBI videotape of conversations between Trofimoff and an undercover FBI agent recorded in a hotel in Melbourne. Trofimoff spoke freely of his 25 years of spying for the Russians.

On 30 June, Assistant US Attorney, Walter Furr asked a federal magistrate to keep Trofimoff in jail while a date for his trial was set. He also revealed how the FBI set a trap for the suspect which led to his arrest. When he was finally detained, the prosecutor said "he spoke freely about his spying for the Soviets, that began in Germany in 1969."

BRITISH INTELLIGENCE OFFICER APPEARS IN US COURT

An MI6 officer has been giving evidence to a court in America regarding the painstaking MI6 research which ultimately identified the US spy. Though only limited information has been provided by the US courts, the downfall of Trofimoff began with the defection to Britain of former KGB archivist , Vasili Mitrokhin. At least one MI6 officer helped Mitrokhin translate thousands of hand-written notes he had smuggled out of the KGB since 1972. Mitrokhin handled hundreds of files relating to KGB officers and agents, including all payments made by Moscow. He started copying the files and taking them home on tightly-folded pieces of paper.

As his confidence and nerve grew and his KGB colleagues accepted him freely, he began removing documents and placing them in his pockets or even inside his newspaper. These he stored in jars and secret locations in his country-side cottage. In 1992 he defected to Great Britain and was immediately assisted in the translation of his 'treasure' by MI6. A couple of years ago, and with the help of the British Government, the Russian published the highly controversial *The Sword and the Shield: The Mitrokhin Archive and the Secret History of the KGB.*

The officer who helped Mitrokhin was in the Tampa court testifying against Trofimoff. He was simply referred to as "John Doe" in court.

THE SIS IDENTIFY TROFIMOFF

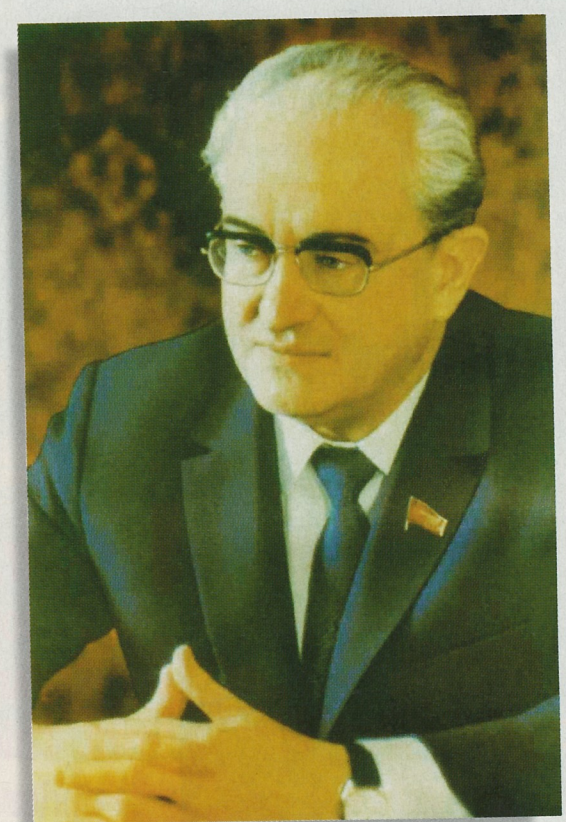
Through careful analysis of Mitrokhin's notes, MI6 picked out a Russian agent with codenames or aliases such as Markiz, Konsul and Antey. The intelligence files provided by this agent often reached the highest levels of Soviet government. On some of the papers, the agent's handler had indicated the spy was attached to the 66th Group of US Army Intelligence, and "recruited by a friendly clergyman." If MI6 could identify the clergyman they would have their man.

One of the KGB papers noted: "Markiz is dissatisfied with service situation." Another

COURTESY: 'FAMOUS SOVIET LEADERS'



Leonid Brezhnev



Yuri Andropov

referred to a meeting between the agent and his handler. Trofimoff is advised: "It will be very profitable for you if you cooperate with Soviet Intelligence.

MI6 noted that although Trofimoff and the Soviets kept changing his codename, the type of intelligence being supplied was easily recognisable as coming from one man. They even identified one of his handlers as Ikar. And it was this that led MI6 to the clergyman. MI6 trailed 'Ikar' - a clergyman from his home in Vienna - to various towns in Russia and East Germany. Ikar and Trofimoff were "managed" by a KGB officer who posed as a diplomat from the Soviet Embassy in Vienna.

A search of US military records also pointed towards a retired US Army Reserve colonel. Trofimoff, was a member of the Army's 66th Military Intelligence Brigade, and served as the civilian head of Army operation in Nuremberg. With the help of the FBI, London and Washington were satisfied that all eyes now pointed to a 74-year-old man.

Trofimoff was never mentioned by name in any KGB file. However, a former KGB officer and head of counterintelligence, Oleg Kalugin, gave evidence at Trofimoff's trial. He has written a book about an agent whose description and work closely matches that of the accused. He said he personally met with the American in the mid-1970s and regarded him as an "excellent source." Kalugin said; "I wanted better intelligence... I cautioned him that he should not go overboard in his zeal to obtain the documents and compromise his security clearance. I had no reason to doubt his honesty and integrity as a Soviet agent." He then went on to say that some of Trofimoff's intelligence ended up in the hands of former Soviet premier, Leonid Brezhnev. Another man to read US information was former KGB chairman, Yuri Andropov.

It has since transpired that Igor Susemihl was 'defrocked' for bigamy and for running an abortion clinic whilst in the Austrian diocese.

NOTE: *The Russian Orthodox Church outside Russia told Eye Spy! that this 'clergyman' and KGB operative was not then a member of their church, but of the state-sponsored 'Moscow Patriarchate' in the Moscow Patriarchate.*

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BREAKING NEWS - WASHINGTON:

A Defence Department intelligence analyst was arrested on Friday 21 September, on charges of conspiring to deliver U.S. national defence information to Cuba, the FBI and Justice Department said. FBI agents arrested Ana Belen Montes, 44, an employee of the Defence Intelligence Agency, Friday morning without incident at the agency's headquarters at Bolling Air Force Base in Washington, D.C., She has been employed by the Defence Intelligence Agency as an analyst since 1985, they said. The FBI said it also has obtained search warrants for her residence in Washington, D.C., for her car, her office and her safe-deposit box at a local bank. More in Eye Spy 5.

Vasili Mitrokhin

BRITISH EMBASSY, LATVIA 1994



Vasili Mitrokhin seen shooting in the forests

RUSSIAN NEWS ONE

When Vasili Mitrokhin walked into the British Embassy in Latvia and asked to defect, MI6 and London knew that the quiet 'KGB librarian' had a wealth of knowledge that was invaluable to the West. Amazingly, two years earlier, he had entered the US Embassy in Riga, Latvia, but was turned away by the Central Intelligence Agency! This decision annoyed Paul Redmond, who was at the time head of CIA counterintelligence. He argued with Washington that Mitrokhin was a "huge catch" but nobody listened. "It was breathtakingly stupid," said Redmond.

MI6 were not slow to act. They covertly smuggled six enormous trunks of KGB intelligence material carefully acquired by the KGB officer over 20 years. MI6 were astounded when they started to translate the information: the Soviets had listened to thousands of phone calls made by the likes of Henry Kissenger. They had tapped into telephone lines and fax machines. The KGB had infiltrated huge US companies like General Electric and IBM. Of immense embarrassment to the CIA, and the US military, was the proof that over half of all Soviet weapons were based on designs and technology stolen from American designs.



COURTESY: FBI

Exposed: Russian agent Robert Lipka

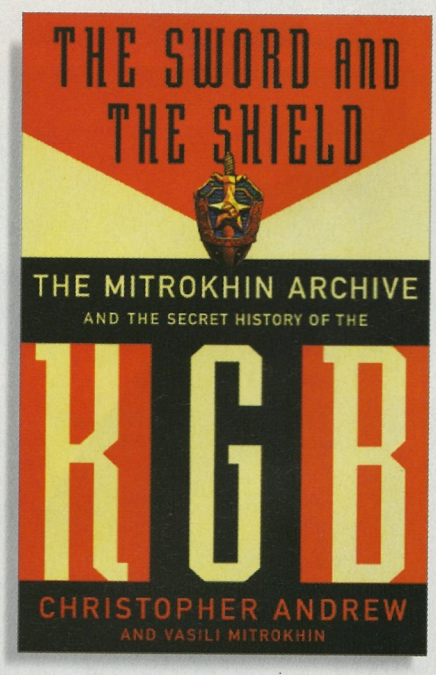
There were detailed plans for sabotaging major dams in the USA. Cities like New York were analysed for causing widespread turmoil. Another interesting file shows that the Soviets were really upset by the high-profile defection of Rudolf Nureyev in 1961. The KGB devised a plan to break the ballet dancer's legs and thus end his career.

Mitrokhin's files also helped convict Robert Lipka, who, the Justice Department said, spied for the Soviets in the late 1960s, when he worked as a clerk at the US National Security Agency. The FBI were on to Lipkin but until Mitrokhin's files were translated, they couldn't pin anything on him. Now the former NSA man is serving an 18-year sentence.

David Major, a former FBI counterintelligence agent said: "Mitrokhin is probably one of the most, if not the most, important defector that I've seen in the 20th Century."

The former KGB man is now 80-years-old, living somewhere in the UK and is still translating the materials he smuggled out of Moscow. MI5, MI6 and the FBI are planning further operations like that which saw Trofimoff arrested on data found in the KGB files.

The Mitrokhin Archive. Available from Eye Spy! Call: 01756 770199 for details.







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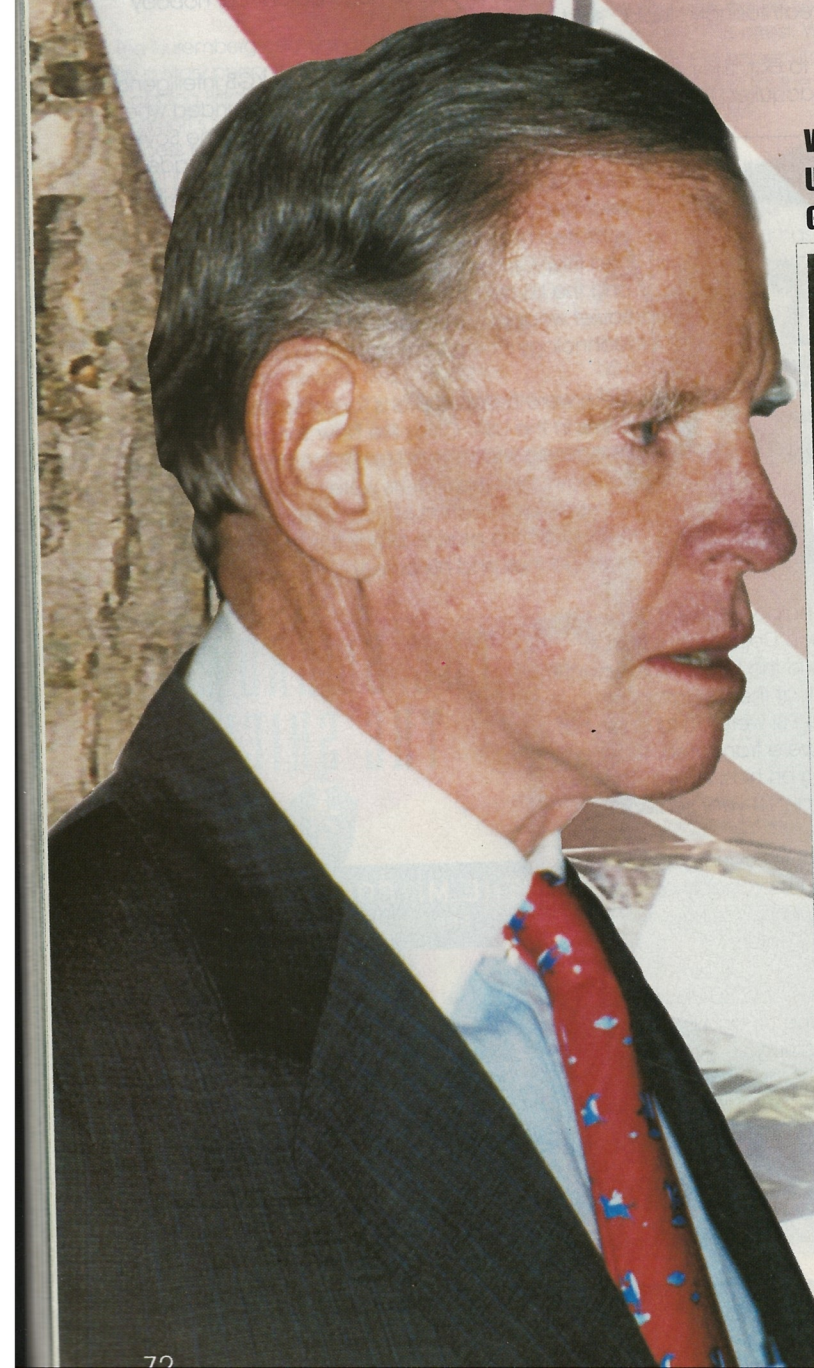



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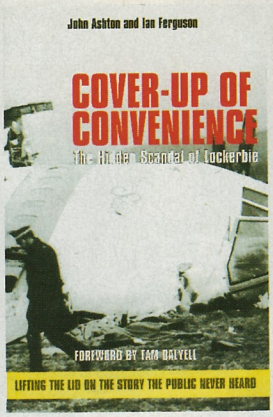

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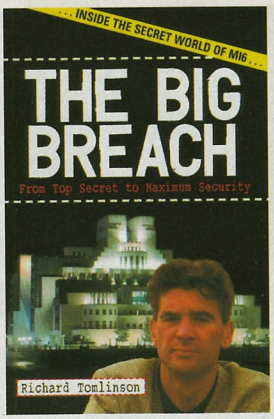

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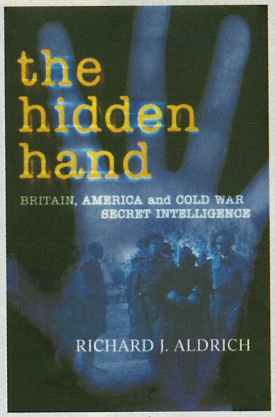

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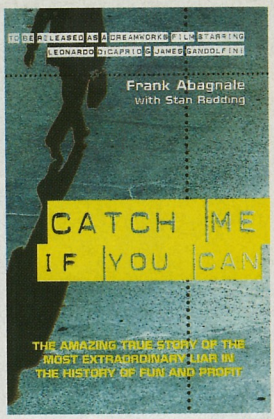

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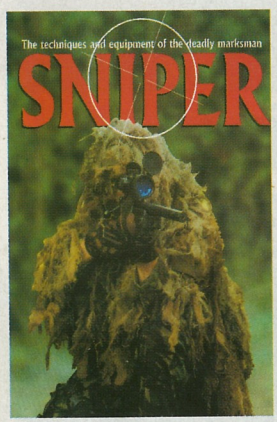

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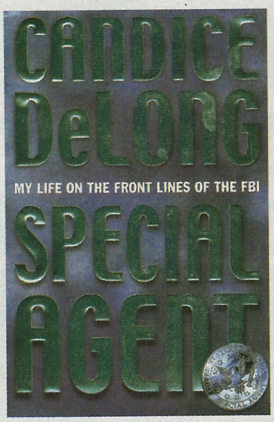

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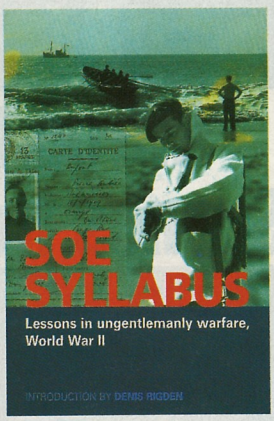

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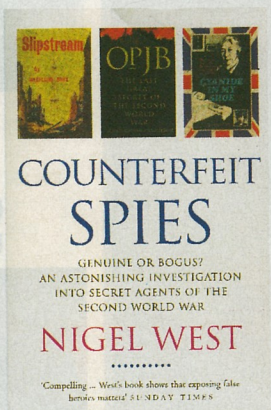

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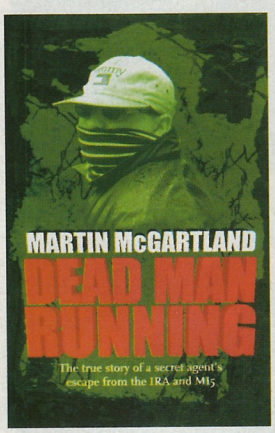

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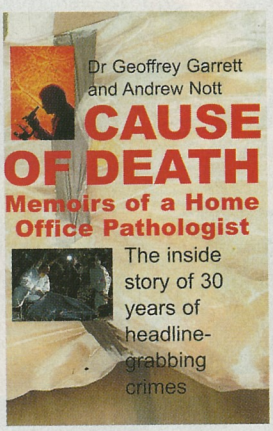

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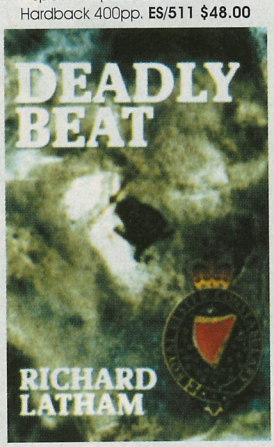

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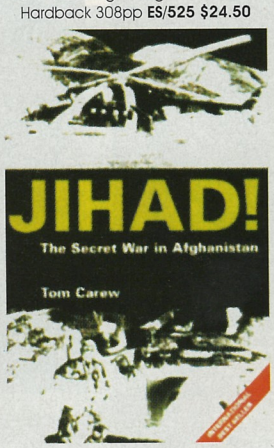

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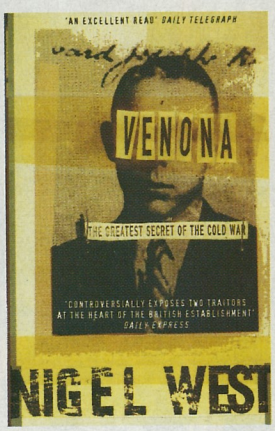

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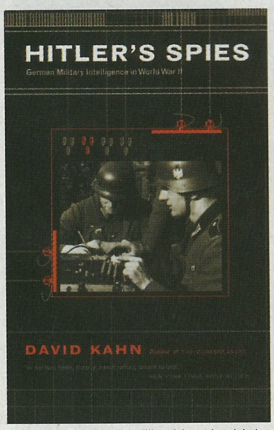

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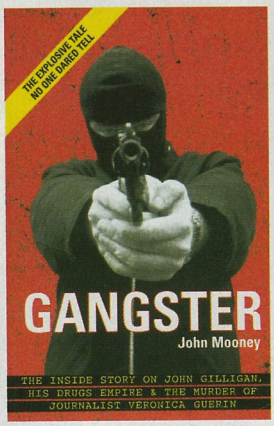

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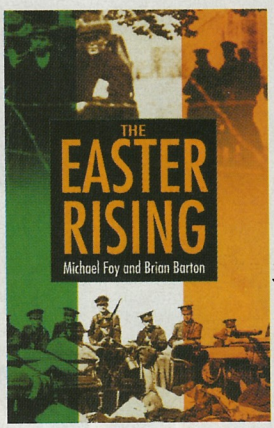

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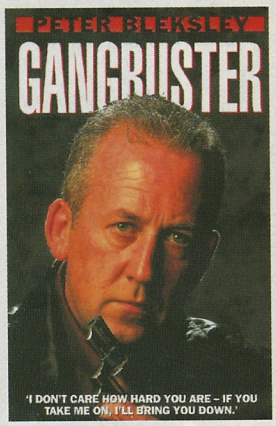

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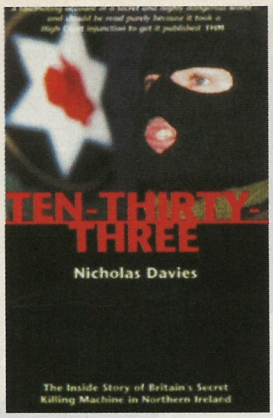

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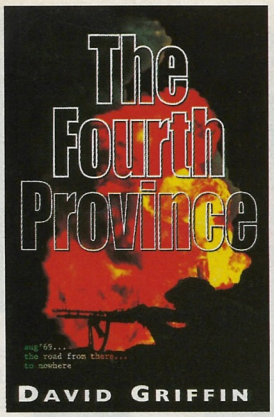

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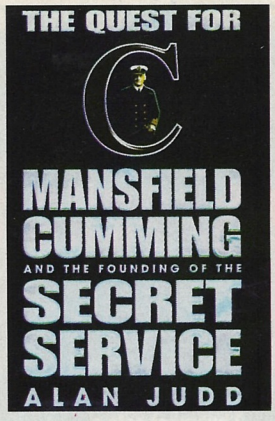

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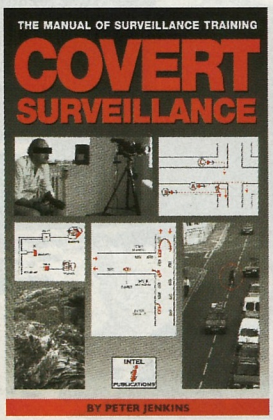

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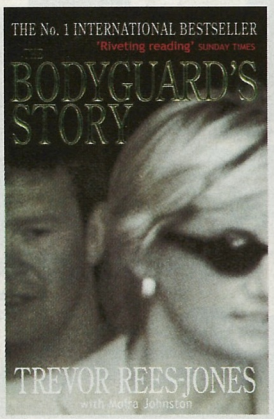

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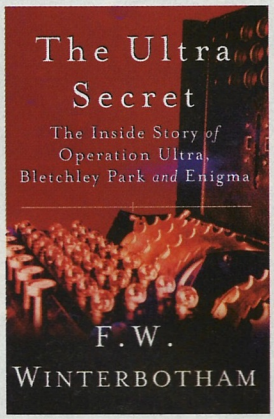

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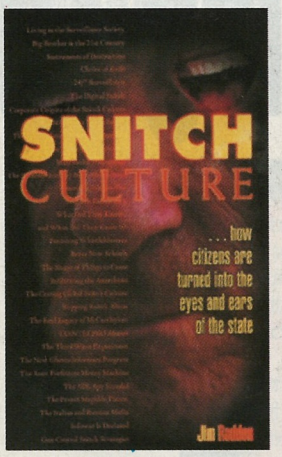

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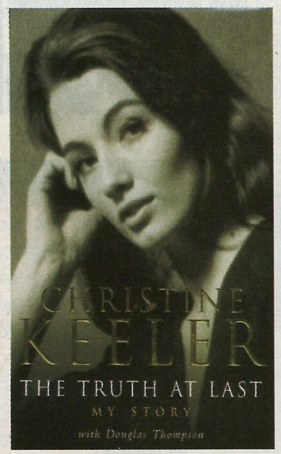

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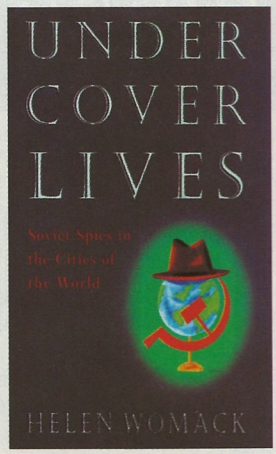

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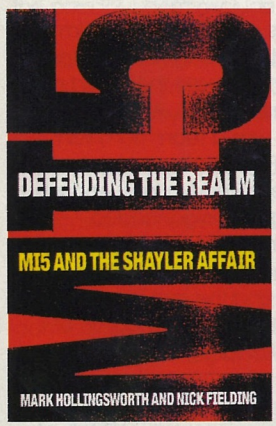

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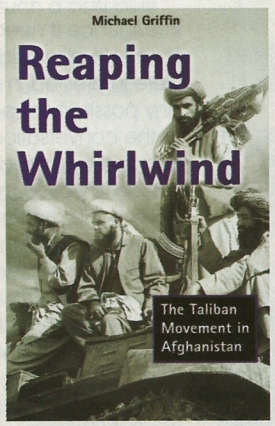

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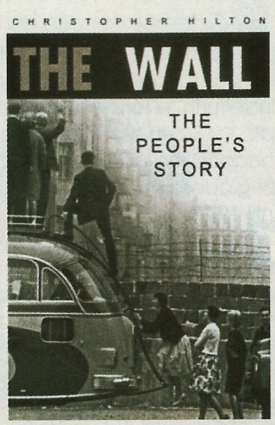

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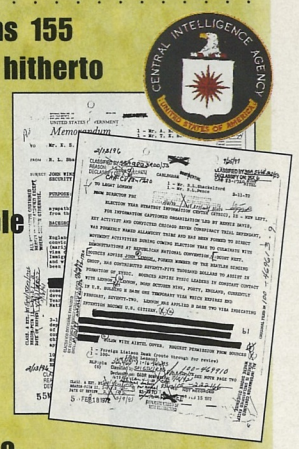

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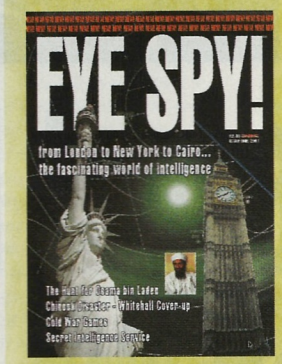





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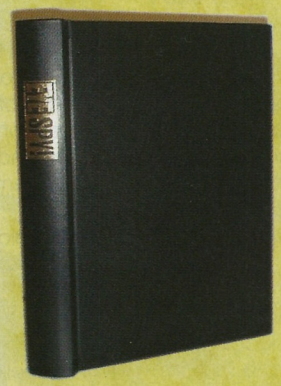

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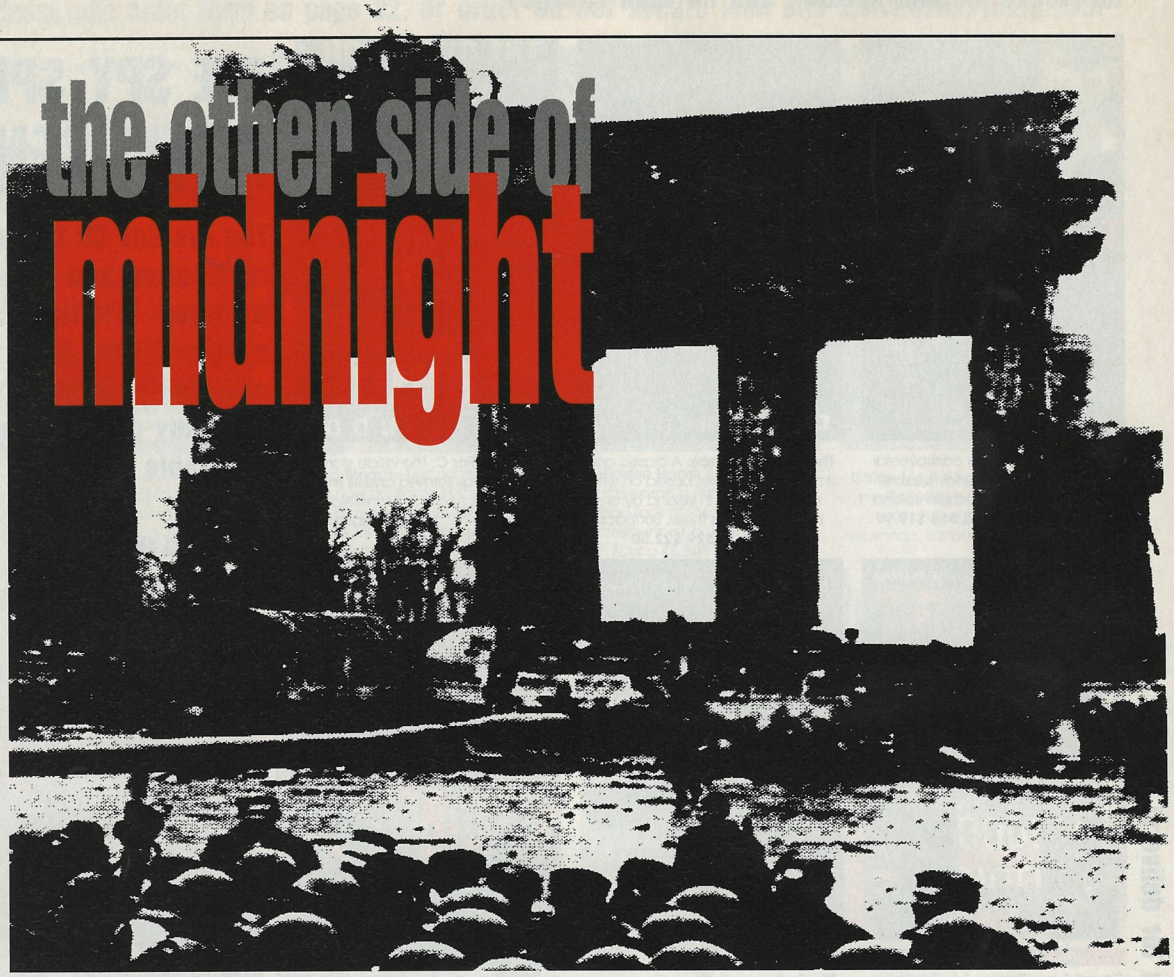

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The Secret Berlin Meeting That Alerted the Taliban

According to informed sources, a threat of war against the Taliban was issued way back in July unless they gave up Osama bin-Laden. This may have inadvertently caused the terrorist cell in America to move their plans forward by several months. It may also have perversely saved many more lives.

A secret meeting was held in Berlin between a number of diplomats and various official and unofficial bodies. The conference was called 'Brainstorming on Afghanistan' and took place over four days. Senior American, Russian, Iranian and Pakistani figures were present.

Niaz Naik, a former foreign minister of Pakistan who attended the meeting told a British journalist: "The Americans indicated to us that in case the Taliban does not behave and in case Pakistan also doesn't help us to influence the Taliban, then the United States would be left with no option but to take an overt action against Afghanistan.

"I told the Pakistan Government, who informed the Taliban via our foreign office and the Taliban ambassador here."

At the meeting were three Americans, believed to be, Tom Simons, a former US ambassador to Pakistan, Kark Inderfurth, a former assistant secretary of state for South Asian affairs, and Lee Coldren, who headed the office of Pakistan, Afghan and Bangladesh affairs in the State Department until 1997.

Mr Naik said the US delegation raised the matter of an attack on Afghanistan at a session convened by Francesco Vendrell, a Spanish diplomat, who serves as the UN Secretary General's special representative on Afghanistan.
Mr Naik believes an attack today will be far more successful than that carried out under Bill Clinton's presidency in 1998. "The US has all the intelligence it needs and will not miss him this time." He also said that though the Russians were interested in the debate they ruled out any possibility of participation. Also listening to the conversation was a team from Iran headed by Saeed Rajai Khorassani, a former Iranian envoy to the United Nations. Analysts believe the meeting was organised to "influence" governments, for also invited were representatives of both the Taliban leadership in Kabul and the anti-Taliban Northern Alliance. Dr Abdullah Abdullah of the Northern Alliance's foreign minister attended.



President Vladimir Putin: 'warnings'

The Pakistani government took the US talk of a probable attack on Afghanistan so

WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK TARGETTED AS EARLY AS 1991

Illitch Ramirez Sanchez, the Venezuelan-born terrorist better known to many as Carlos the Jackal, said that the extremist pro-Palestinian casus had "approved the principle of airborne raids against the same 'enemy targets' in Washington and New York as early as 1991. Carlos, who is currently serving a life sentence in a Paris jail, told the French newspaper, France Soir, he was convinced Osama bin-Laden would not stop until US forces ended their 'defiling' presence in Saudi Arabia, the birthplace of Islam. Carlos is held responsible for around 80 killings in the 1970s and 1980s.



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seriously, they informed Kabul. Mr Coldren told journalists: "There was some discussion of the fact that the United States was so disgusted with the Taliban that they might be considering some military action."

There is controversy about the alleged debate. Mr Coldren said: "it was not on the official agenda... but mentioned just in passing." Nikolai Kozyrev, Moscow's former special envoy to Kabul, was at the meeting. He said: "Maybe they had some discussions in the corridor. I don't exclude such a possibility."

Mr Naik said that sometimes the threat of action is more powerful than action itself, and this was why it was raised.

The British Foreign Office said the Berlin meeting was a "bringing together of Afghan factions and interested states."

• In an interview, Russia's president Vladimir Putin, said that he had warned the Clinton administration about the dangers posed by bin-Laden: "Washington's reaction at the time really amazed me. They shrugged their shoulders and said in a matter-of-fact way - 'We can't do anything because the Taliban does not want to turn him over'."

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USA ATTACKS

Dear Sir

I have found that, in the wake of the New York and Washington atrocities, that the coverage of Osama bin-Laden and his followers by your magazine has been very helpful in explaining the history and motives behind these attacks.

Whilst much of what the press at large has printed has been somewhat short on hard facts, the first three issues of Eye Spy! have contained several highly informative pieces.

Being able to refer to these articles, it is clear bin-Laden and his group have suffered a number of setbacks and that many of his operations have been foiled. Tragically though the American attacks were not.

It is at time like this that the value of a specialist magazine like Eye Spy! becomes apparent, and you will soon gather a large readership.

I should also like to express my sympathy and condolences to the relatives of those who lost loved ones in the attacks of whatever nationality, race or religion.

From: Charlie Clark, Herts, England

Dear Sir

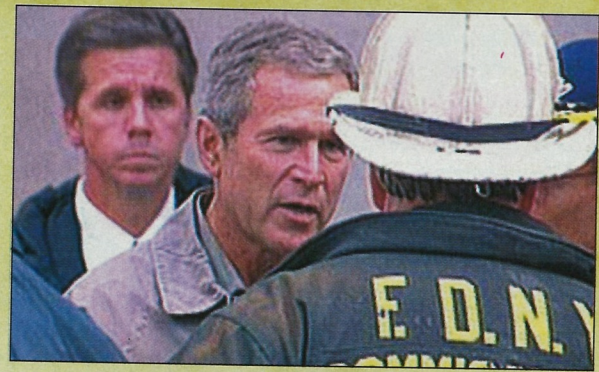
Many thanks for your excellent coverage of Osama bin-Laden. I, like the vast majority of Muslims in the world believe that the attacks on America were barbaric. So many innocent people killed. After trying to arrest those responsible, we should then try to discover the root cause of why these terrorists felt so angry towards America.

Mohammed Hussein,
Birmingham, England

Editor: I agree. There can be no justification whatsoever for what took place in America. The views of Osama bin-Laden are not shared by the 1.5 billion Muslim people in this world. Indeed, even nations that have opposed America in the past, such as Iran, have condemned the attacks. So incidentally, has Libya's Colonel Gaddafi. I wish however that journalists remove the word Islamic when referring to the terrorists. These men were terrorists. As President Bush announced, Islam is a peaceful religion. Yet Osama bin-Laden's hatred towards America is immense. On page 78-79 we feature the many views of bin-Laden published over the last few years in the world's media - these provide a deep-insight into that hatred.



President Khatami of Iran condemned the attacks by the terrorists



President Bush in New York talks to a New York City firefighter. Some 300 emergency workers perished in the collapse of the WTC

Dear Sir

I have recently read issue two that I discovered by chance in a newsstand in Paros, Greece. Like many professional and personal contacts in the U.S. Federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies, I found your publication very informative.

On a personal note I would like to thank you for your support and words of encouragement. As you can imagine the loss of life in the World Trade Centre incident is staggering. To date, I have lost at least six close friends from the Police and Fire departments in this incident. At times like these, it's comforting to know that there are like minded people of all countries willing to lend a hand or at least a sympathetic word of support.

Knowledge is power, and in the right hands your publication can make a difference.

George Smit, USA

WATERGATE

Dear Sir

A professor friend of mine from George Washington University, Richard Thornton, has just updated his book, *The Nixon-Kissinger Years*, for release, which I also worked on. The new version includes a greater explanation as to the real reason behind the Watergate break-in's, part of which was touched on in Eye Spy! two. The much larger story involves the Koreans, the CIA, two eavesdropping operations plus many more details too numerous for this letter.

We find your magazine extremely interesting and informative and are both going to subscribe.

Alan Capps, USA

INSIGHT: OSAMA BIN-LADEN

The controversial world of the World's Most Wanted Man

Interviews with Osama bin-Laden are rare, but those that do exist reveal an astonishing hatred of "US imperialism" and his belief that American interests have corrupted his homeland - Saudi Arabia. "US soldiers are weak and easily beaten," he says. Those who have ever met him describe a quiet, polite person. A passionate martyr who constantly invokes Allah; he is prepared to die for his cause. At his son Muhammad's wedding several months ago, he read a poem glorifying the loss of American life (USS Cole) and is confident of ultimate victory, advising American mothers that they will see their children arrive home in bodybags. It is a war, bin-Laden says, that will not be over until he has "destroyed the United States."

The following are bona-fide extracts from various credible media outlets - courtesy of the Times newspaper, England.

UNITED STATES ATTACKS

"I have taken an oath of allegiance (to Taliban spiritual leader Mullah Muhammad Omar) which does not allow me to do such things from Afghanistan."

Statement faxed by an aide to Pakistan-based ***Afghan Islamic Press,*** 16 September.

"The terrorist act is the action of some American group. I have nothing to do with it." Pakistan's ***Urdu-language Khabrain*** daily newspaper, 12 September.

WHY I HATE THE UNITED STATES

"If the Israelis are killing the small children in Palestine and the American's are killing the innocent people in Iraq, and if the majority of the American public support their dissolute President, this means the American people are fighting us and we have the right to target them. Muslim scholars have issued a fatwa (religious edict) against any American who pays taxes to his Government.

"He is our target, because he is helping the American war machine against the Muslim nation." ***Newsweek,*** January 1999.

"We declared jihad against the US Government because the US Government is unjust, criminal and tyrannical. It has committed acts that are extremely unjust, hideous and criminal, whether directly or through its support of the Israeli occupation of the Prophet's Night Travel Land (Palestine). And we believe the US is directly responsible for those who were killed in Palestine, Lebanon and Iraq." **CNN,** March 1997.

"Britain and America are acting on behalf of Israel and the Jews, paving the way for the Jews to divide the Muslim world once again, enslave it and loot the rest of its wealth. ***Time magazine,*** 1999.

"Hostility towards America is a religious duty. We hope to be rewarded for it by God. To call us enemy No 1 or 2 does not hurt us." ***Time magazine,*** January 1999.

"Now infidels walk everywhere on the land where Muhammad was born and where the Koran was revealed to him. The situation is serious. The rulers have become powerless. Muslims should carry out their obligations, since the rulers of the region have accepted the invasion of their countries. These countries belong to Islam and not the rulers." ***Time magazine,*** 1999.

"Our job is to instigate and, by the grace of God, we did that, and certain people responded to this instigation." ***Time magazine,*** 1999.

"We believe the biggest thieves in the world are Americans and the biggest terrorists on earth are Americans. The only way for us to defend these assaults is by using similar means. We do not differentiate between those dressed in military uniforms and civilians. They are all targets." ***ABC News,*** June 1998.

FIGHT TO WIN

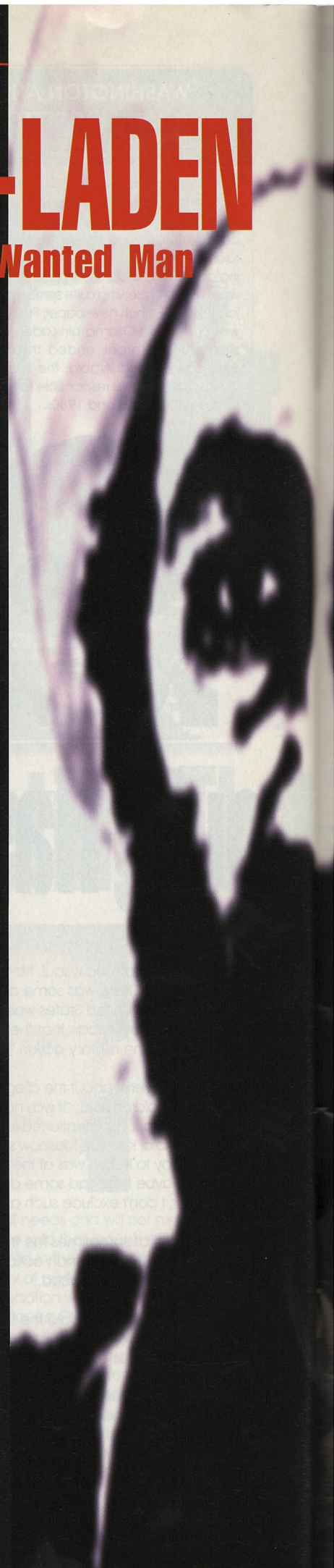
"Any thief or criminal or robber who enters another country in order to steal should expect to be exposed to murder at any time. For the American forces to expect anything from me personally reflects a very narrow perception. Thousands of millions of Muslims are angry. The Americans should expect reactions from the Muslim world that are proportionate to the injustice they inflict." ***Time magazine,*** 1999.

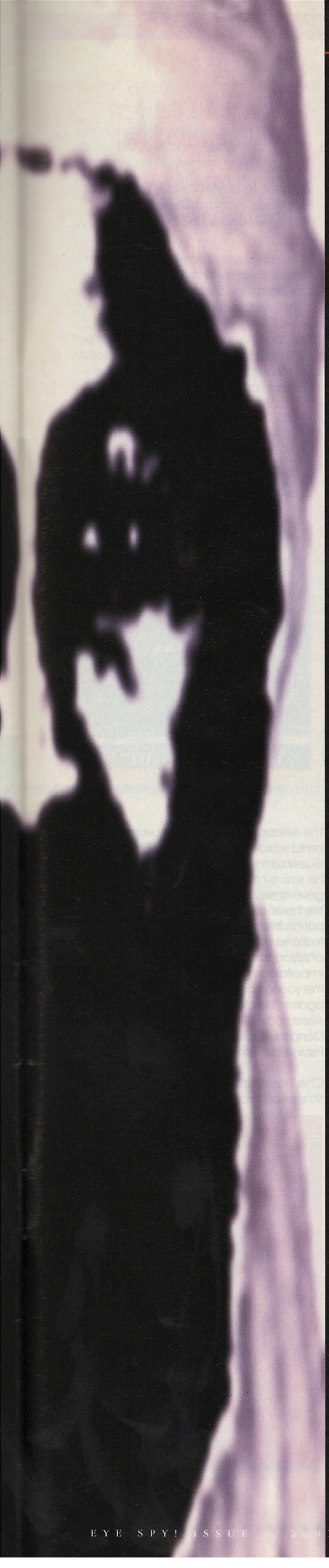
"I am confident that Muslims will be able to end the legend of the so-called superpower that is America." ibid

"Whether they try or not, we have seen in the last decade the decline of the American Government and the weakness of the American soldier. Our battle with the Americans is larger than our battle with the Russians. We predict a black day for America." ***ABC News,*** June 1998.

"I believe that sooner or later the Americans will leave Saudi Arabia and that the war declared by America against the Saudi people means war against all Muslims everywhere. Resistance against America will spread in many, many places in Muslim countries.

"Our trusted leaders, the ulema, have given us a fatwa that we must drive out Americans. The solution to this crisis is the





withdrawal of American troops .. their military presence is an insult to the Saudi people." ***Independent,*** July 1996.

ON EXILE

"...the Saudi regime imposed on the people a life that does not appeal to the free believer. They wanted the people to eat and drink and celebrate the praise of God, but if the people wanted to encourage what is right and forbid what is wrong, they can't. Rather, the regime dismisses them from their jobs and in the event they continue to do so, they are detained in prisons.

"I have rejected to live this submissive life, by God's favour, Praise and Gratitude be to Him, that is not befitting of man let alone a believer. So, I waited for the chance until, God, Praise and Glory be to Him, has made it possible for me to leave the country of the Two Holy Places. I hope God, Praise and Glory be to Him, would confer upon me His favour to return one day when God's law rules in that country." ***CNN,*** March 1997.

CHEMICAL WEAPONS

"Defence of Muslims is a religious duty. If I have indeed acquired these weapons then I thank God for enabling me to do so. And if I seek to acquire these weapons, I am carrying out a duty. It would be a sin for Muslims not to try to possess the weapons that would prevent the infidels from inflicting harm on Muslims." ***Time magazine,*** January 1999.

DYING FOR BELIEFS

"I was never afraid of death ... as Muslims, we believe that when we die, we go to heaven. Before a battle, God sends us ... tranquillity." ***Independent,*** 1993.

"If liberating my land is called terrorism, this is a great honour for me." - Independent, 1997.
"My favourite hobby is horse-back riding and I ride more than 45 miles a day" ***Asharq al-Awsat*** (London).

MEN AND MARTYRS

"Those who risked their lives to earn the pleasure of God are real men. They managed to rid the Islamic nation of disgrace. We hold them in the highest esteem." - On those who bombed the US embassies in Kenya and Tanzania in 1998, ***Time magazine,*** 1999.

"We look at these young men as great heroes and martyrs who followed the steps of the prophet, peace be upon him. We called and they answered." - ***ABC News,*** 1998.

ALLAH AND ASSASSINATION

"There were several attempts to arrest me or to assassinate me. This has been going on for more than seven years. With Allah's grace, none of these attempts succeeded. This is a proof in itself to Muslims and to the world that the US is incapable and weaker than the picture it wants to draw in people's mind. A believer must rest assured that life is only in the hands of Allah, and sustenance is also in the hands of Allah, the Almighty. As for fearing for one's life, it is difficult to explain to you how we think of ourselves, unless you have full belief. ***CNN,*** March 1997.

ON BRITAIN

"I am astonished at the British Government. They sent a letter to me ... saying that I would not be welcome in the UK. But I do not ask to go to Britain. So why did they send me this letter? ... The letter gave the Saudi press the opportunity of claiming that I had asked for political asylum in Britain - which is not true." ***Independent,*** 1996.

NEED FOR WAR

"This war will not only be between the people of the two sacred mosques and the Americans, but it will be between the Islamic world and the Americans and their allies because this war is a new crusade led by America against the Islamic nations." - Dispatches, 1997.

"You should go by my track record. I always kill Americans because they kill us. When we attack Americans, we don't harm other people." ***Sunday Times,*** August 1998.

ON THE ENEMY

"What happened in Riyadh and Khobar is clear evidence of the huge anger of Saudi people against America. The Saudis now know their real enemy is America." - Independent, 1996.

"Every American man is an enemy to us" ***Independent.***

MY HOME

"The safest place in the world for me is Afghanistan ... There are several places where we have friends and close brothers - we can find refuge and safety in them" - Independent, 1996.

WHERE IS HE?

Observer, October 1999: bin-Laden writes a letter promising Mullah Muhammad Omar, Taliban supreme leader, that he will leave Afghanistan as long as his hideout location is kept secret.

'EVIDENCE' AGAINST US

"If the Americans have charges against me, I have charges against them. I am ready to go to the Taliban Islamic court, but not as an accused person. I have evidence against the Americans; they have absolutely no evidence against me. As for a neutral court, we do not believe there is any neutrality. They want everyone to be their slave, or he will be considered their enemy." ***Newsweek,*** January 1999.

FUTURE PLANS

"You'll see them and hear about them in the media, God willing." ***CNN,*** March 1997.

CERTAIN OF VICTORY

"If Russia can be destroyed the United States can also be beheaded. They are like little mice.

"We predict a black day for America and the end of the United States as states. (The US) will retreat from our land and collect the bodies of its sons back to America, Allah willing." ***Daily Express,*** September 1999.

RUMOURS OF ILL-HEALTH

"The Americans are committing another lie. I'm healthier now than any time before." ***Newsweek,*** January 1999.

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Title: Who Killed Kit Marlowe?

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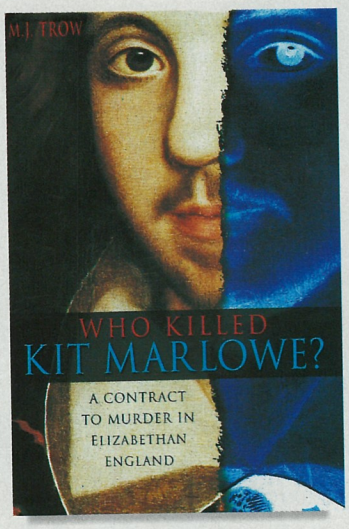

In his new book M.J. Trow (who wrote the best selling book Let Him Have it Chris - the Murder of Derek Bentley) explores the life of the playwright whose wayward lifestyle led to his death at the age of 29, reputedly stabbed through the eye in a tavern brawl in 1593. Born the son of a Canterbury shoemaker, Christopher Marlowe won a scholarship to study theology at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. He was soon the leading literary light of his generation after his masterpieces Tamburlaine; The Jew of Malta; and Doctor Faustus.

But Marlowe, an atheist and a homosexual, led a double life, Trow reveals. He was mixed up in political intrigue, spying (he was probably employed by Walsingham as part of his Elizabethan 'secret service'), witchcraft, alchemy and the School of Night, whose members included many of the foremost men of the day such as Sir Walter Raleigh, and who met to debate philosophical issues including the existence of the soul - a subject perilously close to heresy, and a capital offence in Elizabethan England. So was homosexuality. Marlowe was gay and dangerously open about his sexuality. He was also becoming increasingly critical of the four most important men in the land (Lord Burleigh, his son Robert Cecil, Lord Howard of Effingham who had led the English fleet against the Armada, and Henry Carey), and made thinly disguised attacks on them in his plays. Marlowe was awaiting trial for atheism when he was killed.

M.J. Trow discovered that Marlowe's killer was pardoned within a record 28 days, and found that the report of the inquest failed to make sense. Why? These are central issues to the subject matter of the book. I won't give away the author's conclusions on this matter, but the book is truly fascinating and paints a dark picture of death, espionage, spying, secrecy, hidden plots and more at the height of the Elizabethan era. Co-written with his son Taliesin, M.J. Trow's book takes the reader back 400 years and into the heart of a society that is now long gone; but in many ways it shows that in the world of espionage and political intrigue very little has changed at all!

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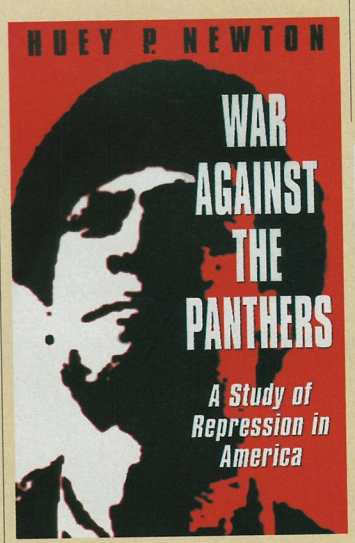

As co-founder of the Black Panther Party, Huey P. Newton, one of America's most dynamic revolutionaries, helped maintain programmes that provided aid and ensured equal rights to black communities across the nation. As a revolutionary hero and theorist, he inspired resistance leaders worldwide. These remarkable accomplishments are even more noteworthy in the face of the numerous accusations made by government and media that conspired against him.

The publication of War Against the Panthers: A Study of Repression in America, Newton's doctoral dissertation for the University of California, Santa Cruz, inarguably sets the record straight. It is the product of Newton's counter-investigation. Newton's charismatic voice, preserved in this uncut and unaltered work, narrates a clearly documented yet anecdotal account of the war the U.S. Government waged against the Black Panther Party.

War Against the Panthers provides an insightful analysis of historical events that could only be undertaken by a key participant. Part history, part biography, part theory, the book includes chapters on: Government efforts to create dissension among the Panthers; the ideology of revolution; the Panther's famous police patrols; and the FBI's COINTELPRO operation and its declaration of war against the Panthers.

Crisply and powerfully written, War Against the Panthers is not only a well-documented account of repression, but also an inspirational insider's report from the revolutionary front.

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Titles: The African Dream and Back on the Road

Author: Ernesto "Che" Guevara.
Publisher: Harvill Press.
ISBN: 1-86046-764-4 and 1-86046-848-9.

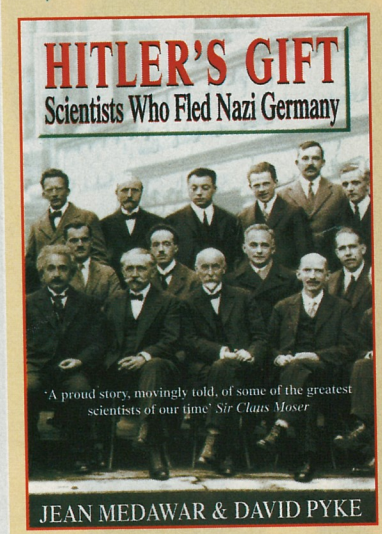
I have included these two titles under the banner of a single review because Harvill, to their credit, have re-issued them and they deserve to be read together rather than as separate entities.

Title: Hitler's Gift: Scientists Who Fled Nazi Germany

Authors: Jean Medawar & David Pyke.
Publisher: Richard Cohen Books.
ISBN: 1-86066-172-6.

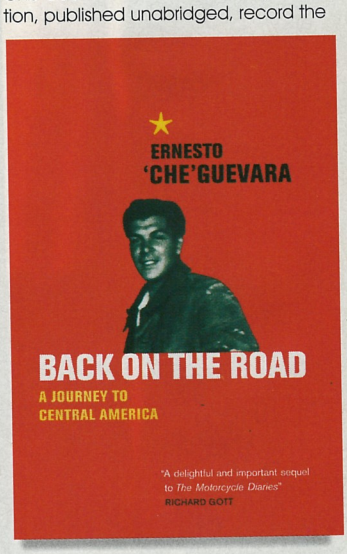
"If the dismissal of Jewish scientists means the annihilation of contemporary German science, then we shall do without science for a few years."

With those words Hitler closed the door on Germany's fifty-year record of world supremacy in science. The exodus of German and Austrian scientists, mostly



The African Dream reveals how in 1964, amid world-wide conjecture, Che Guevara mysteriously left Cuba, where he was a minister in Fidel Castro's government, and surfaced incognito in the heart of Africa. He had decided to put his theories of guerilla warfare to the test and to help the oppressed peoples of Africa throw off the yoke of colonial imperialism. The first task was to assist the young Laurent Kabila in his struggle against the dictator Mobutu, who had siezed power in the newly independent Congo following the assassination of Patrice Lumumba.

Che Guevera's diaries of the expedition, published unabridged, record the



Jewish, that followed caused critical damage to Germany's scientific output and brought invaluable gains to the West. The Third Reich's losses included the leading physicists who became the driving force behind the atomic bomb.

Britain played the major role in rescuing the scientists and, within weeks of the dismissals, leading British academics had set up an agency to support the exiles and help them to find jobs. Of 1,500 refugees, 20 went on to win Nobel prizes. Among them were the co-discoverer of penicillin, the physician who revolutionised the treatment of paraplegics, and Max Perutz, who discovered the atomic structure of the haemoglobin molecule, with all its implications for how oxygen is taken around the body.

The gripping individual stories of emigration, rescue and escape include that of Einstein, arguably the world's most famous and influential scientist; Fritz Haber, the German-Jewish patriot who galvanised Germany's war effort in 1914-18, only to be forced out by Hitler; and Leo Szilard, the restless genius who disproved the scientific establishment's belief that atomic chain reactions were "moonshine". The dilemmas of those who stayed are equally dramatic: Max Planck, German scientist and father-figure, who could not believe the new regime would last; Werner Heisenberg, brilliant inventor of the Uncertainty Principle and whose wartime record remains controversial to this day; and Max von Laue, revered for his heroic opposition to the Third Reich.

Jean Medawar and David Pyke describe the wartime internment and deportation of many refugee scientists, classed as enemy aliens although implacably opposed to the Nazis. The invention of the bomb is told in the context of the refugees' crucial contribution. Also covered is the curious post-war Farm Hall episode, when scientists who had stayed in Germany were interned in England, and their conversations bugged by British intelligence to find out how much they knew about the atomic bomb.

The authors drew much of their material from interviews with more than 20 surviving refugee scholars to create a moving account of the scientific diaspora which resulted from Hitler's policy. As one refugee scientist wrote: "Far from destroying the spirit of German scholarship, the Nazis had spread it all over the world. Only Germany was to be the loser."

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bitter failure of a political and ideological dream. They also afford the reader a very personal insight into the thoughts and emotions of the celebrated revolutionary theorist, a man whose heroic adventures fired the imagination of a whole generation but led ultimately to his death in the jungles of Bolivia and to the creation of one of the twentieth century's most potent legends.

Back on the Road, meanwhile, chronicles a crucial period in Guevara's young life: his transformation from a raw idealist to the revolutionary known to history. In 1953, when the 25-year-old Che set off on a voyage from Buenos Aires to Mexico, it was to explore his cultural heritage, to understand what it meant to be Latin American. More than any other Cuban revolutionary, he regarded himself as a "continental"; and so as he explored South America, he was careful to see everything: the mountains and deserts of Bolivia; the Inca remains at Macchu Picchi and the forests of Guatemala. He met his first wife in Honduras, witnessed the CIA overthrow of Arbenz's socialist government in Guatemala and was later introduced to Cuba's Fidel Castro.

Through his writings, Guevara was shown to be a curious combination of social pioneer and inexhaustible sightseer, political theorist and amateur archaeologist. If you want to learn what drove Che Guevara and the fascinating story of both his personal and political history, these titles make for indispensable reading.

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Title: The Hidden Hand

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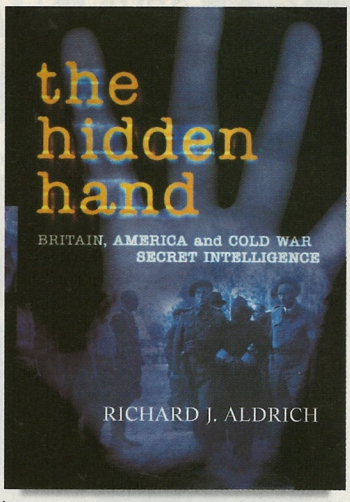

At more than 700 pages in length and superbly packaged, this book is arguably one of the finest titles ever written on the subject of Cold War Intelligence. Richard J. Aldrich has written extensively on matters pertaining to the world of intelligence and is the author of Intelligence and the War Against Japan: Britain, America and the Politics of Secret Service. A co-editor of the journal Intelligence and National Security, Aldrich is Director of the Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies and Professor of Politics at the University of Nottingham.

The Hidden Hand reveals through documents that the fear of a 'Nuclear Pearl Harbour' dominated the minds of both the intelligence services and the military in the USA and the UK; and the burgeoning arsenals of biological and chemical weapons and ballistic rockets on both sides created an atmosphere of deep, deep menace.

The very real need for ever-better warning systems allowed the Western Intelligence community to grow to unprecedented size and power; and London, Washington, Peking and Moscow all sought new ways to play out their struggle. For these too they turned to the secret services, who developed further the clandestine operations that evolved in the Second World War, such as underground armies, radio warfare, economic destabilisation and cultural subversion.

Behind the scenes, however (as The Hidden Hand starkly reveals) , all was not well within the Western alliance: by 1952, the CIA was accusing the British SIS of "fouling up their operations" in the Eastern Bloc; and in London many believed that the USA was determined to provoke a Third World War with the Soviet Union. Disturbingly, documents made available to the author show that British intelligence chiefs even believed that the USA had set a date for a nuclear conflict in which Britain would almost certainly have been obliterated had it come to pass. The key aim for Britain, however, was not to contain the Soviet Union but rather to prevent a hot war provoked by the US Air Force and the CIA.

Highlights of this first-class book include: (a) joint CIA-SIS efforts in 1950 to trick Stalin into purging the Communist parties of the east; (b) warnings from US Air Force intelligence officers to Washington in 1948 that Britain was trying to provoke an atomic war with the Soviets using dangerous RAF spyflights over the Soviet Union; (c) the extraordinary efforts of British and American secret service personnel to secure a vast haul of Nazi officers and intelligence data on the Soviet Union; (d) the hidden battle within Whitehall over the British machinery for controlling special operations and the SIS; (e) Britain's secret submarine operations in the Arctic on behalf of GCHQ; (f) 'Hit-squads'; (g) the efforts of the French to listen in on JFK and much, much more.

I do not hesitate in saying that if you have even the remotest interest in the world of intelligence, you should obtain a copy of this fantastic book at the earliest opportunity.

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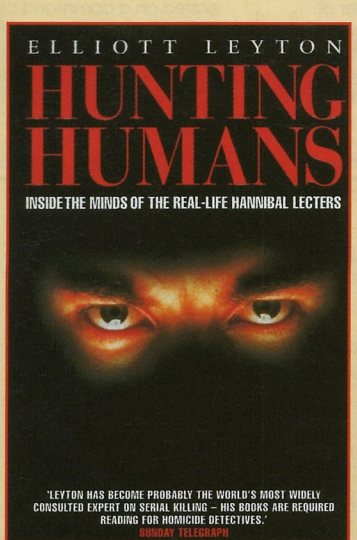

Hunting Humans is an intriguing and controversial book. It digs deep into the minds of six multiple murderers - what could be termed real-life Hannibal Lecters - and examines their psyche and motivations. Indeed, the *Sunday Telegraph* has described the book as "required reading for every homicide detective."

A noted anthropologist, Elliot Leyton has performed a detailed study to find out what makes these people tick, what drives them to commit these bloody crimes of rape, torture and murder. Are they clinically insane killers? Or are they individuals blighted by worldly ambition, success and failure, not so different from the ordinary man in the street?

Well, Leyton shows that in reality serial killers are not aristocratic types like the fictional Hannibal Lecter and do not have powerful personalities irresistible to women: in reality, the majority are defective and limited persons whose only mean of relating to the opposite sex is to exploit, humiliate and kill them. All of them seem to has a real or imagined grudge against society but none have any genuine excuse for what he does. Also, the overriding majority are not powerful, masculine types but often possess both physical and mental inadequacies.

In summary Leyton says that unlike their fictional counterparts, serial killers "are dull, unimaginative, socially defective, self-absorbed and self-pitying human beings." A fascinating insight into the scum of society!

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Bin-Laden: Clinton Tried to Secure his Arrest



WASHINGTON: Former President Bill Clinton revealed he had authorised an operation to arrest, and if necessary, kill accused terrorist mastermind Osama bin-Laden and had even contacted a group in Afghanistan to carry out the plan. But that group was not successful, he said. Speaking to reporters after he appeared in a news conference with New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Clinton said his administration did everything it could do to stop bin-Laden, who was accused of masterminding the bombings of two American embassies in Africa while Clinton was president.

"We also trained commandos for a possible ground action, but we did not have the necessary intelligence to do it," he said.
Now, Clinton said, the United States has "support from people who would not have supported us then. And they give us more tactical options than were available then." He declared that President Bush has a hard job in deciding what to do about bin-Laden.

Appointments

Star Wars Man Gets Top Job



President George Bush has appointed General Richard B. Myers, 59, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D.C. General Myers was formerly vice chairman, but he is a great supporter of America's controversial missile defence shield, which probably helped his cause. He is regarded as a tough military man who can often be seen riding his Harley-Davidson, when he's not playing his cherished saxophone. And in a no-nonsense statement he issued a chilling warning to Russia and China: "We will withdraw from the ABM treaty on our timetable, at a time convenient to America." Work has already started on a command centre in Alaska for America's defence shield and General Myers will insist that the base is completed on schedule. Background: The general entered the Air Force in 1965 through the ROTC program at Kansas State University. He entered pilot training in June 1965 at Vance Air Force Base. A command pilot, he has more than 4,000 flying hours in the T-33, C-21, F-4, F-16 and F-15, including 600 combat hours in the F-4. Before assuming his current position, the general commanded the North American Aerospace Defense Command, US Space Command, Air Force Space Command, and served as the Department of Defense manager for space transportation system contingency support at Peterson Air Force Base.

CIA loses Third Predator (UAV) Aircraft this Year

The US lost another unmanned spy plane apparently shot down by the Taliban as it was gathering intelligence for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

Afghanistan's ruling Taliban militia claims its forces shot down an unmanned spy plane in Samangan and a helicopter in areas where opposition fighters had launched an attack. The Taliban said the plane contained computerized equipment and the wreckage will be brought to Kandahar.

US Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld acknowledged that the Pentagon has lost contact with an unmanned drone, but said, "That happens from time to time. There's no reason to think it was shot down, as the press is reporting," he said.

The Taliban ambassador to Pakistan said Taliban forces used captured Soviet anti-aircraft guns to bring down the plane. Two USAF unmanned aerial vehicles have been lost over Iraq this year, while on surveillance missions. Iraq claims to have shot down the UAVs in late August and most recently on September 11.

The most common type of UAV or "drone" is the Predator aircraft, which flies at lower altitudes, making it more vulnerable to anti-aircraft attack. The aircraft is 27ft long and has a wing span of 50ft. Each device costs around $3.2 million and normally operates at 10,000 to 15,000 feet and is capable of flying a maximum of 24 to 30 hours.



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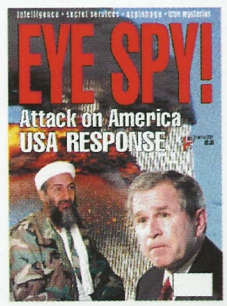

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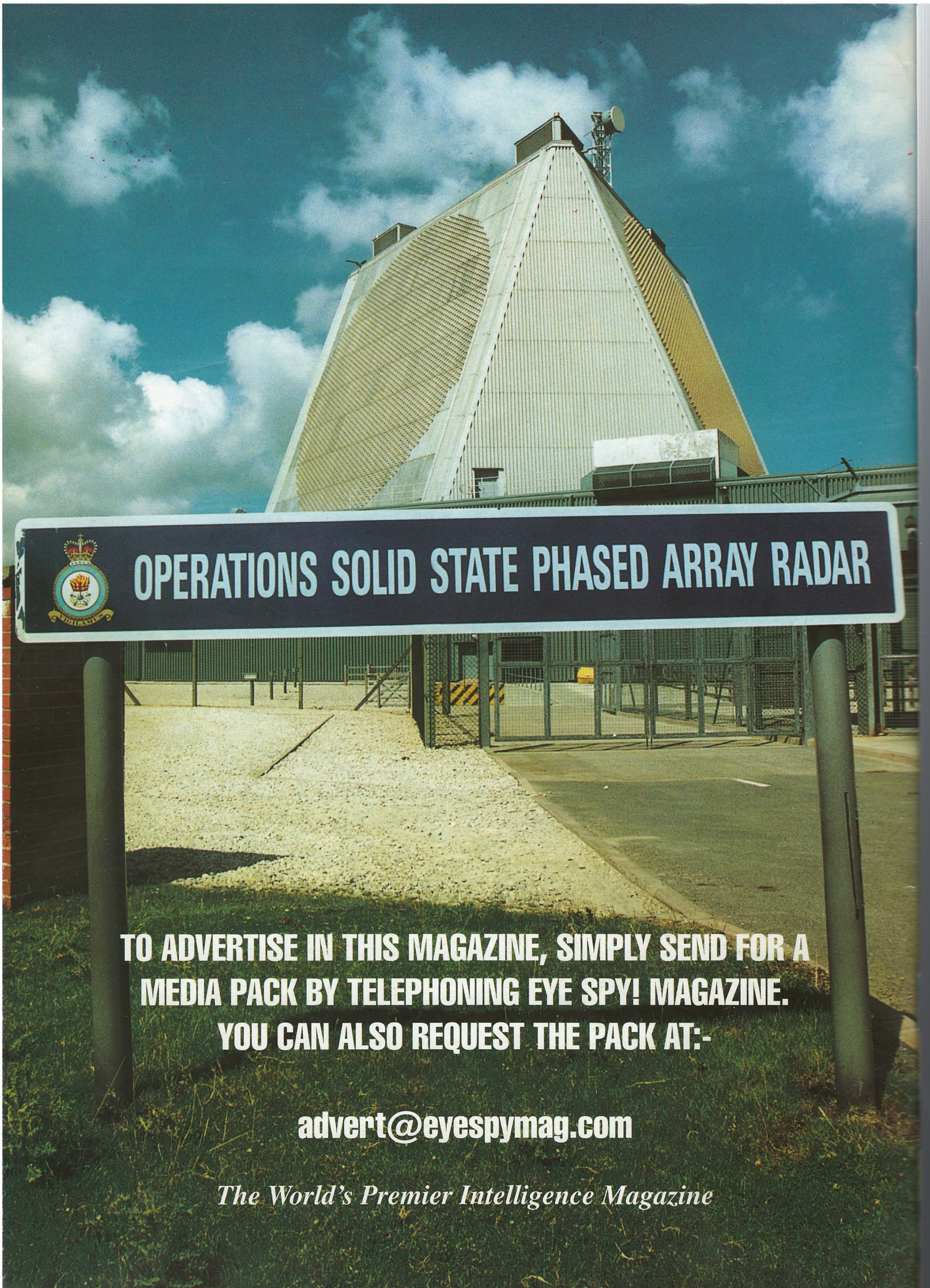

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