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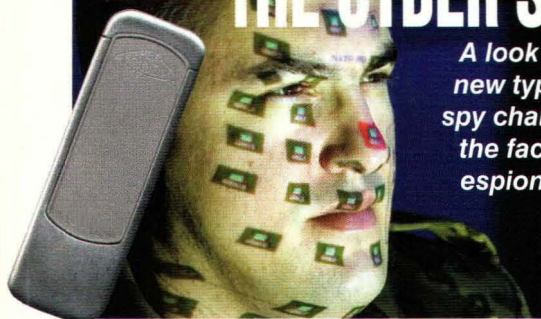
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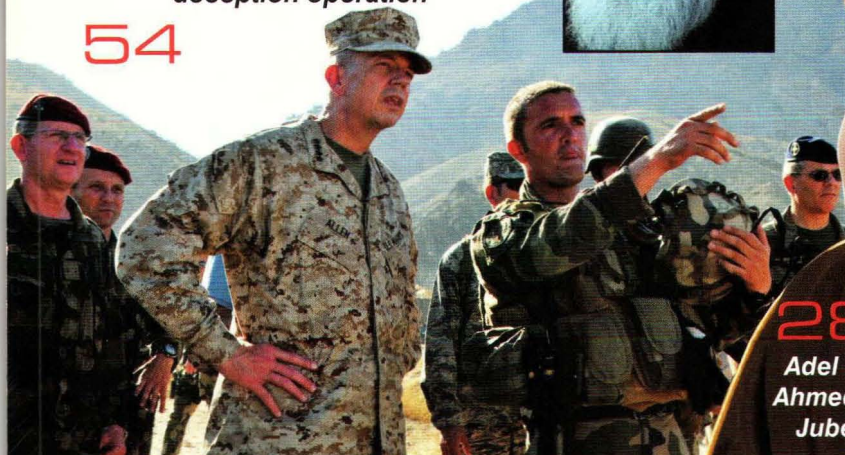
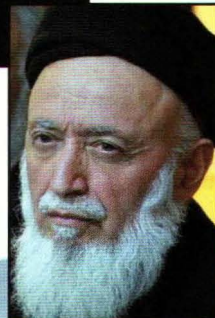
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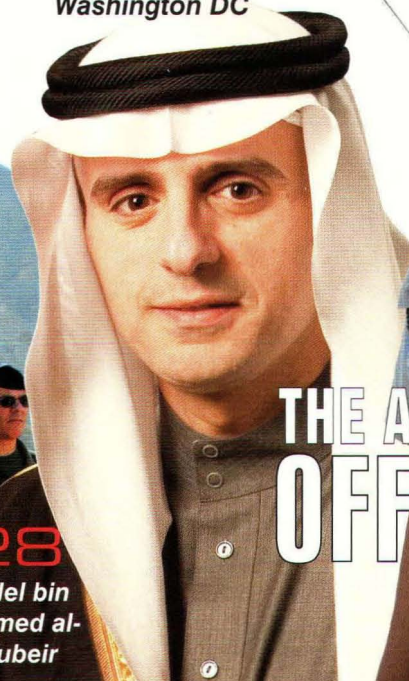
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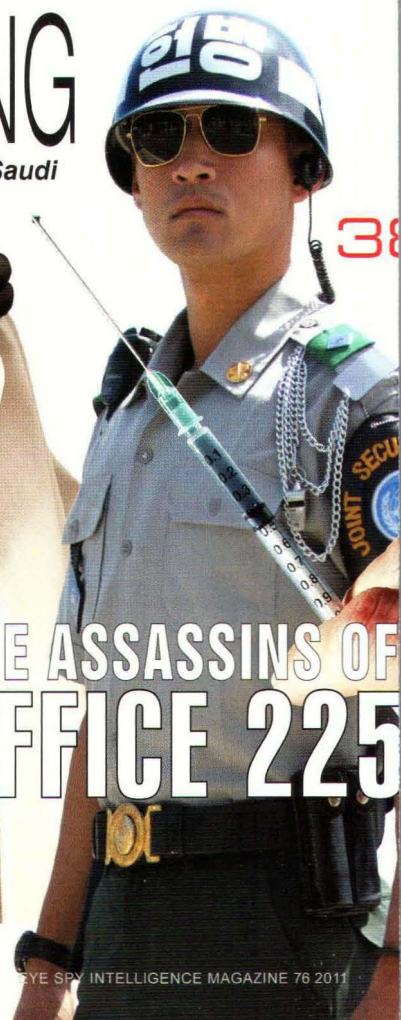


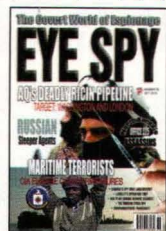
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"Mike Hancock (UK politician) was victim of an SVR honeytrap"



MI5 officer speaking at deportation hearing of Katia Zatuliveter

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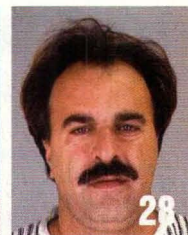
FBI SURVEILLANCE TAPES GENERATE QUESTIONS

Following a Freedom of Information Request (FOIA), the FBI has released a host of fascinating materials from its investigation of the defunct SVR spy network that operated primarily on the eastern seaboard of the United States. The covert film footage especially has attracted much attention from followers of spy tradecraft and the media alike. One can only be impressed by the SVR agents performing 'brush passes', taking photographs, using dead letter drops and exchanging materials on park benches and in cafes. However, more impressive is the FBI's seriously good photography, moving film footage and concealment of cameras.

The brush passes - which always seem to involve the spy ring's senior man - Christopher Metsos, are performed in isolated, lighted and exposed locations making switching and exchanging bags and items very easy to identify, especially when filmed from covert cameras (look at the sequence of pictures on page 61). This type of tradecraft is better conducted in busy locations. But to be fair, the SVR agents didn't have a clue they were being surveilled. More critical trainers would say they were "complacent, arrogant and over confident."

Another interesting fact gleaned from the released information, is that the covert filming of Metsos and some members of the team actually began in 2004 or earlier. The operation - code-named 'Ghost Stories' - began a decade before arrests were actually made, which makes one believe the FBI were satisfied they were in "control" of events. So what changed in 2010? There's a story circulating in the press office buildings in Washington DC that one of the spies had been activated to try and get close to Hillary Clinton and then infiltrate American high society and politics. The name of the spy is unknown, but some intelligence sources told this magazine if the story is true, then it was likely to be Anna Chapman. Who else!? Enjoy issue 76.

Mark Birdsall, Managing Editor



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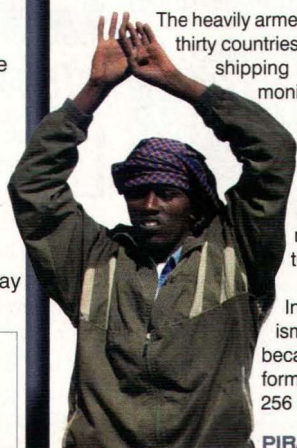
The British Government is to make available official licences allowing UK-registered cargo ships to carry armed security officers. The move has been welcomed by those vessels that traverse the dangerous seas off the coast of Somalia. Unbeknown to many commentators, this has been happening for a while, though it's still a topic many maritime companies won't discuss.

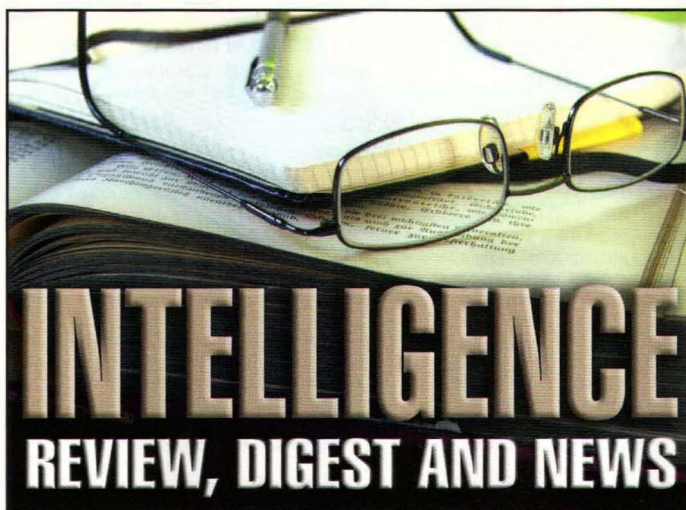
The heavily armed thugs have made this important waterway so dangerous that thirty countries now operate warships and other vessels to try and protect the shipping lines. However, with three million square miles of ocean to monitor, the pirates have the upper hand. Also, it doesn't help that many of those captured are simply told off and released.

But the situation has deteriorated because some of the gangs are now in league with al-Qaida terrorists in Yemen, Somalia and border nations. And with an average ransom pay out of £5 million a ship, these are rich pickings indeed for both the terrorist and pirate alike.

In the past, governments hesitated to draw reference to terrorism in the Horn of Africa and the pirate gangs. This is changing because the CIA are now involved - a plot of global significance is forming that has implications for everyone. A mention also of the 256 sailors who remain hostage to the gangs and al-Qaida.

PIRACY AND AL-QAIDA'S RICIN PIPELINE - FEATURE 42





BUSINESS CARDS AND INTELLIGENCE NO SECURITY BREACH?

Following the resignation of Britain's Defence Secretary Liam Fox, it has been alleged that the man at the centre of the row, Adam Werrity, attended meetings between Mr Fox and the Director of Israel's Mossad.

The diplomatic scandal arose when it was confirmed that Mr Werrity, who was best man at Mr Fox's wedding, did not have any respect-



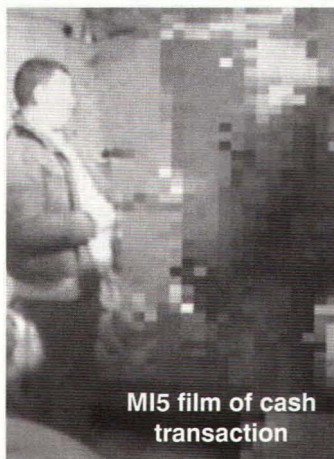
CODENAME - UNCRITICAL

MI5, IRISH INTEL AND LITHUANIAN POLICE STING OPERATION

A Real IRA operative (RIRA) was jailed by a Lithuanian court for 12 years, following an elaborate sting operation involving MI5, Irish Intelligence and the Lithuanian security service.

Michael Campbell, 39, had travelled to the Baltic Coast country three years ago making contact with a gang he hoped could sell him significant weaponry. The counter-terrorist operation was aided by a former smuggler turned MI5 agent who managed to secure significant evidence, including taped conversations in which Campbell acknowledged the targets would be British police and soldiers.

Referred to in court as 'Robert Jardine' (pseudonym) the agent obtained recordings of other conversations related to a bombing campaign in the capital.



'gang' and invited to test some of the weapons. Unfortunately for him, his contacts were undercover members of an elite Lithuanian security unit. One of whom went under the assumed name of 'Rambo' from Chechnya.

In court it transpired that MI5 and Irish Intelligence had had Campbell under surveillance since 2005. Throughout the trial, Campbell protested his innocence and claimed it was actually his contact who had suggested purchasing weaponry from Lithuania.

To help with the ruse, bogus meetings were held in Marbella, Spain where contact was cemented and plans finalised. A down payment of around 5,000 Euros was also paid. Arriving in Lithuania with a 'shopping list' that included AK-47s, a specialist sniper rifle, rocket launchers and SEMTEX, Campbell was introduced to other 'members' of the

The MI5 operation, code-named 'Critical', owes its genesis to police who were investigating a cigarette smuggling gang in mid-2005. It soon transpired secured funds were being directed elsewhere. 'Jardine' was relevant to this undercover affair and recruited by the security services to help disrupt the transport of tobacco. After more intricate ruses and covert meetings with bogus contact men, Jardine was accepted as bona-fide by the RIRA.

The 'wish list' of weaponry

- 8) AK 47 AND 4 BOYS AMMO 7.62
- 2) SNIPER RIFLES (BARRETH) 12.7 AND 200 ROUNDS
- 6) RPG 18 TROW AWAY ROCKET LAUNCHERS
- 10) RPG 7 ROCKETS (HEADS - BOOSTERS)
- 200) INSTANT DEATHAMATORS
- 3) ROLLS OF CORTEX
- 4) BOYS OF HAND GRANADE
- 10) HAND GUNS T33 7.62 25 HL
- 200) KILOS - SEMTEX
- 2) HARRIS H-96 LONG RANGE SNIPER 4 200 ROUNDS
- 4) SCORPION SIGHT 17.65 17 NL

CIA BLACK SITES

LITHUANIA REBUFFS AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Lithuanian officials have rejected calls by Amnesty International to reopen a probe into two alleged CIA prisons built post-9/11 to accommodate and then transport alleged al-Qaida prisoners to other so-called 'black sites'.

This follows new information about the movements of top AQ man Abu Zubaydah (right) who was supposedly flown to Lithuania from a Moroccan prison in 2005. Amnesty International says it now has the names of the CIA and Lithuanian personnel





Secretary of State for Defence
Liam Fox with US General
McChrystal in Kabul



tive security clearance whatsoever. Despite this, he was regularly seen at Mr Fox's side using business cards which clearly announced him as an "advisor" to the political chief of the Ministry of Defence. Indeed, an investigation has proven that he was present at dozens of meetings involving significant intelligence, military and political figures.

Though a government investigation has yet to find any evidence that Mr Werrity had access to sensitive or

classified information, by the very nature of such meetings and those in attendance, intelligence watchers feel that important topics will have been discussed. Mr Fox had appointed his friend as chief executive of a think tank called 'The Atlantic Bridge'. (now defunct).

As for the meeting with Mossad officials, it was reported the Israelis believed he was a government official.

MI6 - LAST NOTE

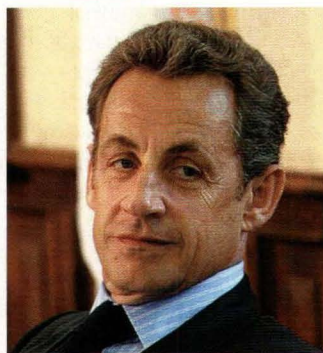
MI6 could yet find itself embroiled in the Werrity saga as news circulated that the Service supposedly warned that his presence at certain meetings risked jeopardising British diplomatic policy in Iran and the wider Middle East. Mr Werrity was allegedly warned off by MI6 in February 2011.

THE ELYSEE SPIES

French Counter-Intelligence Chief Faces Spy Charges

Bernard Squarcini, Director of the French domestic intelligence service DCRI (Central Directorate of Interior Intelligence), has been taken to task for allegedly spying on journalists from the country's popular *Le Monde* newspaper. Under French law, legal officials are allowed to comment whilst continuing to investigate before determining if there is sufficient evidence to press charges - in Squarcini's case, "violating confidential correspondence, illegally collecting data and violating the confidentiality of sources of a journalist."

The affair relates to the newspaper's investigation that President Sarkozy, a personal friend of Squarcini, asked



the DCRI to investigate one of the journalist's sources surrounding a powerful story connected to a wealthy heiress (one of the world's richest billionaires), "bags of cash, a huge international French company and political party funding." In a complex affair, cell phone logs were the supposed target.

Squarcini's solicitor said the agency did not target the journalist, but he had been "caught up in an investigation relating to a 'mole' at the Interior Ministry." He was reportedly identified and fired. Eye Spy understands the source was allegedly passing information to *Le Monde*.

Nevertheless, Sarkozy's opponents will not let the issue drop and have demanded the spy chief resign.

The DCRI was formed after a merger between the DST agency and the national police force's RG surveillance directorate in 2007.

DCRI headquarters

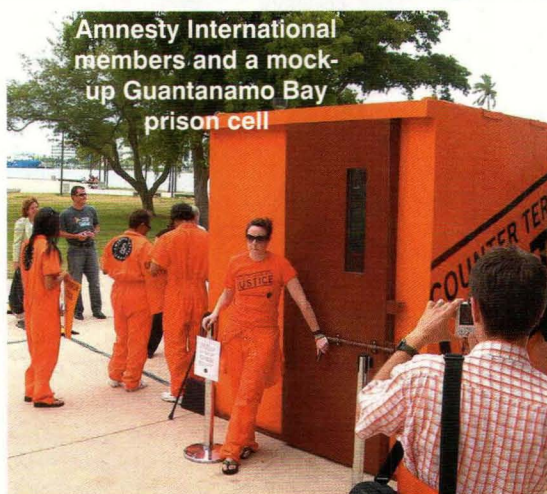


who participated in the transfer, and a number of eye-witnesses who are "willing to testify."

A senior Lithuanian official said the new information was "neither significant nor essential to the case."

In 2009 a report concluded that whilst approval was given to use the prison facilities, they remained empty.

As for Zubaydah, he remains in detention at Guantanamo Bay, this after released documents and statements reveal he was 'waterboarded' over 80 times at a black site in Thailand. Langley's tape-recorded interrogations were destroyed in 2005, the action being at the centre of a major legal row.



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EXTRADITION?

BLOW FOR PENTAGON HACKER

A legal panel has ruled that the current extradition arrangements between the UK and the USA are not biased or in favour of America. The ruling is a major blow to British hacker Gary McKinnon who accessed various Pentagon systems shortly after 9/11, throwing defence officials into a spin.

McKinnon's supporters had hoped that an "unfair ruling" would allow him to remain in the UK. A review of the system took place and resulted in the following statement: "The UK-US extradition arrangements were examined in great detail and the panel concluded that the widespread perception that they operate in an imbalanced manner is not justified."



"There is no 'practical difference' between the information required of both countries when requesting extradition."

The ruling was branded a "whitewash" by McKinnon's mother. "It's a sad day for British justice," she said.

McKinnon was arrested in 2002, but claimed he was simply searching for evidence of 'aliens'. However, that's not the way Pentagon officials see it.

The fate of McKinnon, who suffers from Asperger Syndrome, now rests on a review by Home Secretary Theresa May.

MOSSAD SPY CHASE CONTINUES

Search for the Dubai 'hit unit' far from over

Security officials in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, continue to press for international cooperation and support in relation to the 20 January 2010 assassination of Hamas agent and gun-runner, Mahmoud al-Mabhouh.

Al-Mabhouh was murdered in an intricate, but exposed operation in a Dubai hotel by alleged Mossad agents who managed to breach security using UK and other Western passports. These had been stolen and then cloned to

footage taken from airport, hotels, streets and other points showed the Mossad agents in various disguises and playing out different roles.

Many thought the case would just 'fritter' away after the 28 agents left the UAE to all corners of the world, but the authorities are still determined to hold a criminal court, and Dubai police have been busy collecting evidence. For example, of the 28-strong task force, ten agents are believed to have played an active role in the bedroom killing.

General Prosecutor Yousuf Fouladh, a powerful and internationally respected UAE figure, was quoted as saying, "I have no plans to close the case due to lack of evidence." The UAE is following international legal protocol and seeking guidance from organisations such as Interpol. However, though a number of suspects have been detained around the world, they have all been subsequently released.

Following the incident, relations between British, Irish and Australian Intelligence and the Mossad were affected by the

**Interpol
still
searching**



illegal use of passports secured from various citizens of the aforementioned countries.

Al-Mabhouh was 50 at the time of his death, and high on the Mossad's most wanted list. A founding member of the military



**Al Bustan Rotana
Hotel, Dubai**



Yousuf Fouladh

suit the operatives who used a tennis tournament as cover to enter the country. Within days film



Mahmoud al-Mabhouh

wing of Hamas - the Ezzedeen al Qassam Brigades - the operative was known in Israel by the codename - 'plasma screen', probably because he once requested such a set in a hotel that was under Mossad surveillance.

**Full report and background
- Eye Spy 67**



**CAUGHT ON CAMERA:
Mossad agents -
'Michael' and 'James'**

CABLEGATE

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**Founder -
Julian
Assange**

**WikiLeaks Money Dries
Up - Allegedly**



The whistle-blowing, controversial government document release site, WikiLeaks, which has allowed access to tens of thousands of classified documents, many detailing intelligence and military operations, is fighting for its survival. It follows a united front by many of the world's leading credit card companies and banking institutions which have withdrawn services, thus starving the site of donations.

The web site called this action, "an unlawful financial blockade," but intel watchers note that the move was also in response to a host of legal issues, not least that personal identity data and

locations exposed some individuals, including agents and peace negotiators in countries such as Afghanistan, where even villages have been identified.

WikiLeaks 'Cablegate' operation, as it is known, has been temporarily closed due to a shortfall in finance (via donations). "The blockade came into force within ten days of the launch of



HOSTILE RUSSIAN AUDIENCE

SVR Spy Anna Chapman Loses Hero Status... in St. Petersburg

At a recent lecture given by glamorous spy Anna Chapman at St. Petersburg State University, observers were taken aback by the hostility shown by some students. Giving a speech on 'leadership in the modern world' - Chapman faced calls of, "get out" and "Kremlin and porn studio... go the other way." Initially she tried to ignore the cries, but then said she was willing to hear them, a situation which would backfire in a matter



Russian version of Maxim. Cover shots like this did not endear Chapman to her audience

of seconds. "Unfortunately, everything you hear about me comes from the press," she said,

perhaps forgetting her willingness to court the media on her return to Russia after being outed by the FBI last year.

Journalists were prohibited from attending the event, but those who did listen, in a hall only a quarter full, said the event was "uncomfortable," especially when questions were asked why she had posed in her underwear for men's magazines. When Chapman failed to respond, some students simply walked out.

The Kremlin has tried to promote Chapman, a member of the Young Guard Public Council as the face of Russia's youth, but she found little favour with many of the



Anna Chapman - FBI mugshot

delegates in the country's renowned seat of excellence and learning. Some did say they enjoyed what she had to say.

However, a political stunt "gone wrong," was how one delegate described the event.

The Man Nobody Knew

Revealing movie insight into CIA spymaster

Filmmaker Carl Colby, the son of former CIA spymaster William, has produced a powerful picture that looks at the life and career of one of Langley's most controversial heads. *'The Man Nobody Knew: In Search of My Father, CIA Spymaster William Colby'*, revisits many of the hyper sensitive affairs which seemed to follow Colby at every turn during his role as D/CIA. From assassinations,

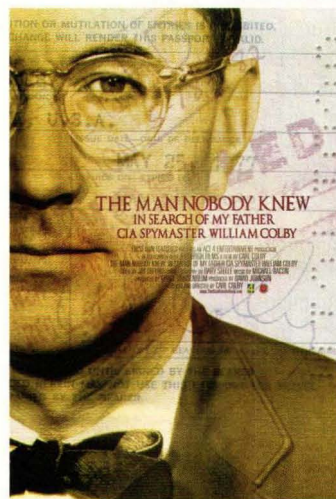
to black programmes, Carl has tried to engage with his father's mindset. "I think he took on the sins of the agency almost on his own... if he



D/CIA William Colby (right)

was destined to be jettisoned, hung out to dry," said Carl.

Colby's tenure as the lead man at Langley during an unstable, suspicious and warring world was dogged by controversy and innuendo. Indeed, some commentators say his memory still burns like a hot penny in the pockets of former politicians and those who knew him. This must-see film provides a revealing behind-the-wall overview of William Colby, the Agency and many of its more difficult global operations - often played out in the full glare of the world's media.



The film contains a mix of rare film footage, clever thoughtful commentary, accurate people portrayals, political comment and interviews with leading intelligence and media figures. Brilliant.

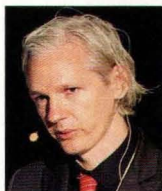
Cablegate as part of a concerted US-based, political attack that included vitriol by senior right-wing politicians, including assassination calls against WikiLeaks staff," a statement on its web site read. Julian Assange, the site's founder held a press

conference in London on 24 October announcing a decision to cease uploading files. He said the loss of donations amounted to "tens of millions of dollars."

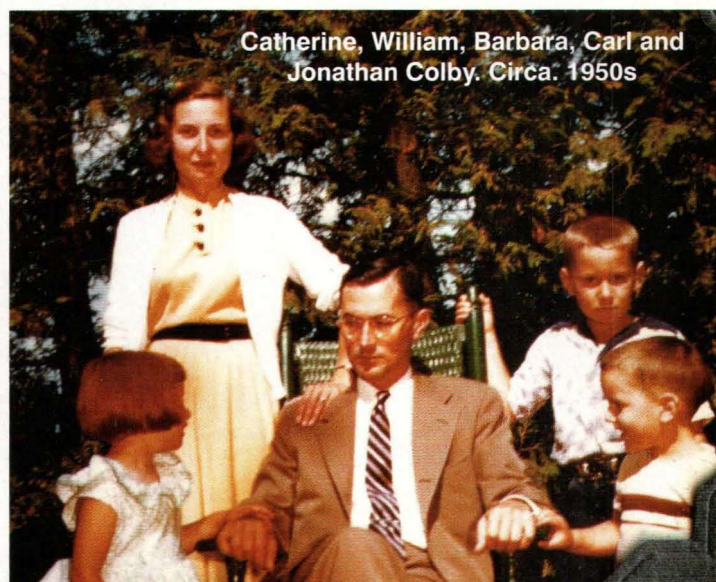
WikiLeaks is fighting the credit card companies in court.

EXTRADITION LOOMS FOR ASSANGE

ON 2 NOVEMBER, Julian Assange lost his High Court appeal against extradition to Sweden to face rape allegations. This follows accusations made by two Swedish women following his visit to Stockholm in August 2010, and around the time when the Cablegate affair was at its height.



Interestingly, Assange's solicitor said they would consider an appeal and challenge the £19,000 costs against him. Observers say this might be another indication of his financial state. Assange is fearful that once in Sweden, the US may attempt to extradite him over the WikiLeaks affair.



Catherine, William, Barbara, Carl and Jonathan Colby. Circa. 1950s

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AS GADDAFI FALLS INTEL-RELATED QUESTIONS

SPY GAMES AND The Man Who Holds a Milli

Following the demise of Colonel Gaddafi and his feared security system, various offices once used by his spy agency were overrun by National Transitional Council (NTC) fighters. Inside bombed bunkers and overground stations, hundreds of intelligence files remained intact, many of which were seized upon by those seeking information on Gaddafi's inner circle, former spies and his leading officials.

Besides a plethora of material documenting hundreds, perhaps thousands of operations, meetings, interrogation files, torture cases etc., the NTC, along with media people from across the world, started leafing through even more sensitive papers, some of them originating in London. There were pages noting contact with MI6 officers and government figures, this following the country's many post-2004 liaisons with British Intelligence - which helped Libya as a nation emerge from isolation. In return the UK and USA demanded Gaddafi dismantle his fledgling nuclear bomb

programme and throw away what stocks he had of chemical and biological weapons. Spy chief-turned foreign minister Musa Kusa headed these negotiations on behalf of Libya in London, the resultant success evidenced by Tony Blair's meeting with Gaddafi in the Libyan desert and a host of future business contracts.

Other intelligence provided to London concerned details of Libya's dealings with global terror organisations such as the IRA. Libya was the IRA's main supplier of SEMTEX. Undoubtedly the names of couriers, sailors, vessels, cargo lines transit and meeting points would all have been 'delivered' to organisations such as MI5. The list goes on...

And then there was al-Qaida and the



French Mirage fighters over Libya

north African terror transit pipelines used by those wanting to move into southern Europe and elsewhere. Libya was prepared to fight Osama bin-Laden's terrorists and cooperate fully with MI6 and the CIA. This was truly a remarkable, but controversial collaboration, and one that was never going to last.

The intelligence contact authorised by Gaddafi and overseen by Musa Kusa has been well documented by authors of this magazine.

But when protests and trouble erupted in Libya 10 months ago, that liaison was threatened. Never-



US military personnel aboard the assault ship USS Bataan off the coast of Libya as part of Operation Odyssey Dawn, the task force established to implement a UN-backed 'no-fly zone' over the country. Unable to travel and destroyed when they tried, Gaddafi's military were undoubtedly restricted in holding the advance of NTC forces

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LIBYA n Secrets

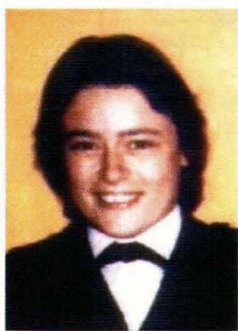


NTC supporters

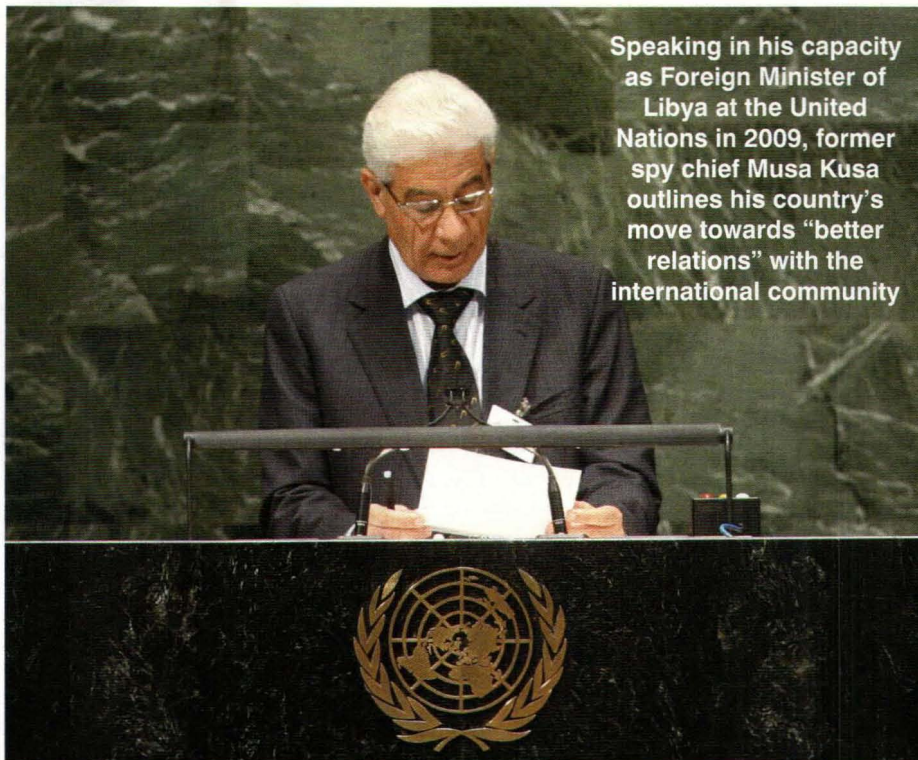
theless, while Kusa remained at Gaddafi's side, the Libyan leader retained what he believed was "respectable communication" with the West, diplomatic support and the upper hand over his opponents. At the very least a peaceful settlement was attainable.

The astute Kusa recognised the game was up once NATO officials started to discuss a no fly zone and assembled leading military figures. MI6 then planted a special military delegation in the east of the country (Operation Sunatra) and made diplomatic contact with the NTC. Meanwhile the people of Libya began their long march towards Tripoli.

As Gaddafi's forces were squeezed into ever decreasing pockets, Kusa used a deception ploy to defect to the UK in March. He told Gaddafi he was travelling to London for diplomatic talks, this after announcing a ceasefire. Once in the UK, he passed vital intelligence to MI6, and about two weeks later secretly departed. How much intelligence related to events such as the 1988 Lockerbie



bombing and the shooting dead of PC Yvonne Fletcher (left) outside the Libyan Embassy in 1984 is unclear, but Musa Kusa is a man who holds a million secrets, and many are now asking



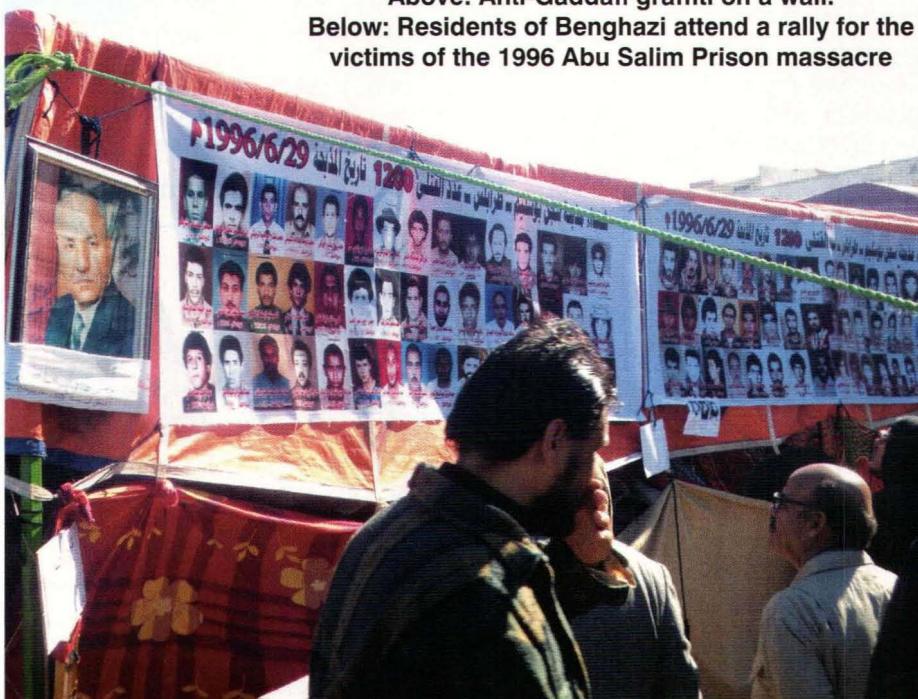
Speaking in his capacity as Foreign Minister of Libya at the United Nations in 2009, former spy chief Musa Kusa outlines his country's move towards "better relations" with the international community

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**Above: Anti-Gaddafi graffiti on a wall.
Below: Residents of Benghazi attend a rally for the victims of the 1996 Abu Salim Prison massacre**



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COURTESY: NEW SCOTLAND YARD

MUSA KUSA

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why he was simply allowed to come and go. But intelligence watchers believe Kusa did provide valuable information to NATO on Gaddafi which ultimately helped in his overthrow. And then there are Libya's dealings with many Western adversaries of which Kusa knows so much about, and probably a few spy networks and agents in place.

Libya's security reach was global, and the NTC are already under pressure to release other documentation, some of which could be quite damaging to Western interests and leading political figures. How much will surface remains conjecture, but events such as the overthrow of a four-decade dictator and a regime based on fear, is bound to throw up many surprises, some undoubtedly will be gruesome - like the 1,000 or so prisoners who were killed in the Abu Salim Prison massacre in 1996. This is an incident which is bound to be investigated further.

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DESERT ENCOUNTER
Musa Kusa paved the way for an official and friendly Libya-UK meeting

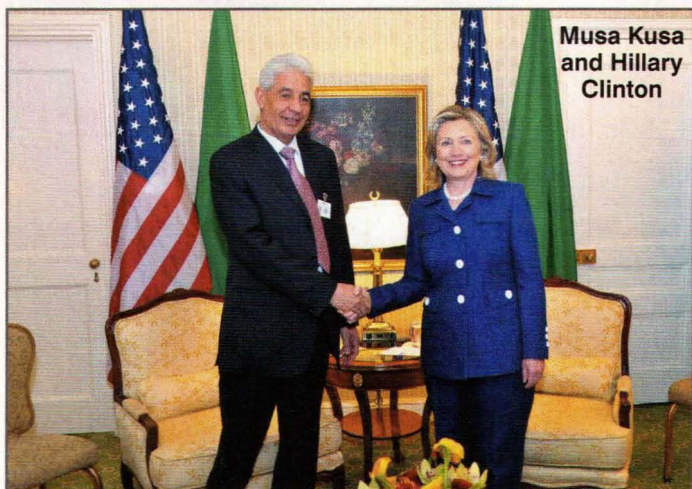
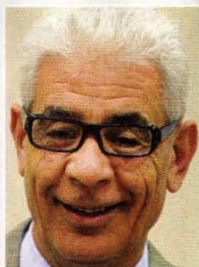
Senior MI5 and New Scotland Yard officers have already questioned Musa Kusa on relevant UK issues such as Lockerbie. Some of these interviews took place at a safehouse

just outside London in March. Eye Spy understands while the spy chief was "fully aware" of these incidents, he has denied "involvement, instruction and planning." He also draws attention to the date of his appointment as Director of the JSO (foreign intelligence agency) - 1994. In a statement received by a London representative, Musa Kusa said: "I also had no involvement of any kind or knowledge of the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie... or the murder of WPC Fletcher. I have voluntarily assisted the relevant investigatory authorities with the inquiries in relation to these matters." Kusa was serving as an intelligence officer before being appointed the agency's chief.

The once powerful head of Libyan Intelligence also rejected claims made in a recent BBC documentary as "untruths." Kusa left London for various destinations and now resides in Qatar. This has been known for a while and from here he has also provided intelligence to senior anti-Gaddafi fighters. "The BBC claimed they had tracked me down and I was on the run," Kusa said. "I have made no secret of my whereabouts in Qatar since I left the UK in April."

That he will play any future role in Libya is highly unlikely, but from his apartment he did offer his services to help rebuild a "unified Libya."

Yet many would still like to talk to the man said to have knowledge of a "million secrets" - and not all of them relevant to Libya...



Musa Kusa and Hillary Clinton

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CIA End Reign

'Anwar the American'

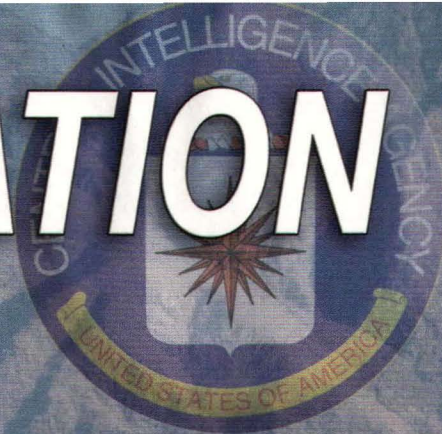
Anwar al-Awlaki, often referred to in the corridors of Langley as 'Anwar the American' finally succumbed to a missile strike launched from a CIA controlled RPV (remotely piloted vehicle). His demise concludes a multi-billion dollar two-year surveillance operation in Yemen, and brings to an end the 'career' of the terror group's most influential recruiter. Awlaki also becomes the first American-born citizen killed on a direct order issued by the President of the United States...

Awlaki was raised and educated in America, but for reasons known only to himself (despite his numerous speeches), chose to join with Osama bin-Laden. His adventure with the Internet is well documented, and the strange hold he had over his followers still baffles many analysts in Langley. However, it is almost certainly because of his willingness to broadcast in English, that led the CIA and ground-based surveillance teams to his place of operations. The computer-savvy man who fronted AQAP (Al-Qaida in the Arab Peninsula), died alongside at least two other senior terrorists, including another American - Samir Khan who controlled the



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of Al-Qaida's Propaganda King

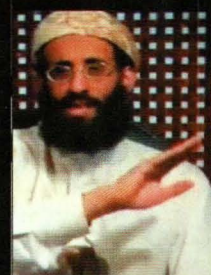
Operation Troy marks an early success for recently appointed D/CIA General [US Army - retired] David Petraeus

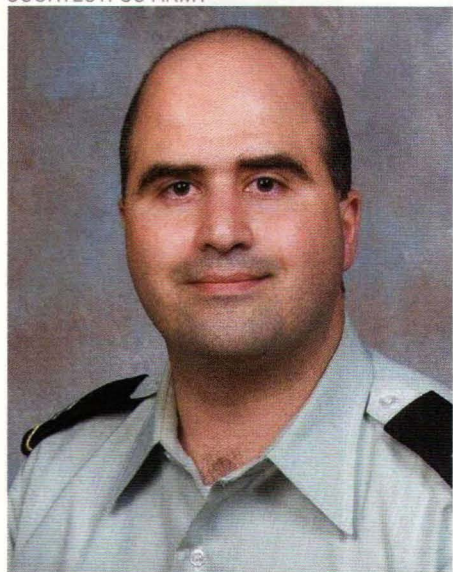


FBI and Detroit Police counter-terrorist officers secure Northwest Airlines Flight 253

terror group's on-line journal *Inspire*. And again, the intelligence gleaned from its followers via electronic threads and production may well have betrayed Awlaki. Officially, the CIA has said it was intelligence provided for by Yemen's armed forces that led the Agency's burgeoning drone wing to his location, but this doesn't explain everything. The third man thought to have died is Ibrahim Hassan al-Asiri. He was a leading light in AQAP and a highly skilled bomb-maker who trained dozens of operatives in the art of IED manufacture. However, at time of publication his death has still not been confirmed.

Of further significance, the CIA and Saudi Arabian Intelligence believe it was Al-Asiri who built the ink cartridge bomb that was secreted onto a cargo flight to the United States last year. ➤





US Army Major Nidal Malik Hasan fell under the 'spell' of Awlaki and shot dead 13 colleagues at Fort Hood

The move against Awlaki and his cohorts may have been intensified by an urgent intelligence report received in Langley, that al-Qaida was fast-tracking the production of ricin and may have already processed and distributed some of the lethal toxin to operatives.

PREDATORS ATTACK

On 30 September, and following days of ground and airborne surveillance, a vehicle was identified carrying the person of Anwar Al-Awlaki in al-Jawf province, some 100 miles from the capital Sana'a in the north of the country. At least two Predator drones primed with powerful Hellfire missiles were directed to the region by CIA officials operating within the Joint Special Operations Command. The vehicle may have been enroute to Ma'rib Governorate after Awlaki had reportedly left a funeral gathering, but was intercepted by the Predators. The strike was accurate and unforgiving - Awlaki was almost certainly killed instantly in an operation code-named 'Troy'.

Predator controllers at an unidentified station monitor a vehicle via the drone's powerful onboard camera. Many of the Predators operating in Yemen carry at least two Hellfire missiles (below)

It was not the first time the CIA thought they had got their man - at least two other drone attacks narrowly missed him, though on both occasions neither he nor the CIA issued in-depth commentary.

Besides securing all available electronic intelligence, the CIA sought out Awlaki associates; logged sightings of him in the area, and carefully built-up a picture of his movements. It is understood one man, a courier for AQAP, provided details to a Yemen intelligence officer of a proposed journey Awlaki was to undertake on 30 September. This prompted a huge despatch of resources into the region, and the CIA simply waited.

INFLUENCE AND PRESTIGE

Yet it was his constant love affair and success with the Internet that made him such a dangerous character. It was Awlaki who communicated at least 18 times with Nidal Malik Hasan, the US Army serviceman based at Fort Hood who shot dead 13 people on 5 November 2009. For reasons that are still not clear, Awlaki somehow managed to convince Major Hasan to take so many lives. However, those e-mails fell into the hands of the FBI and were soon delivered to the powerful NSA for evaluation and investigation. The threads springing from the electronic spiders web were noted and never once discarded. As hundreds of other would-be terrorists joined Awlaki's burgeoning group of followers, more

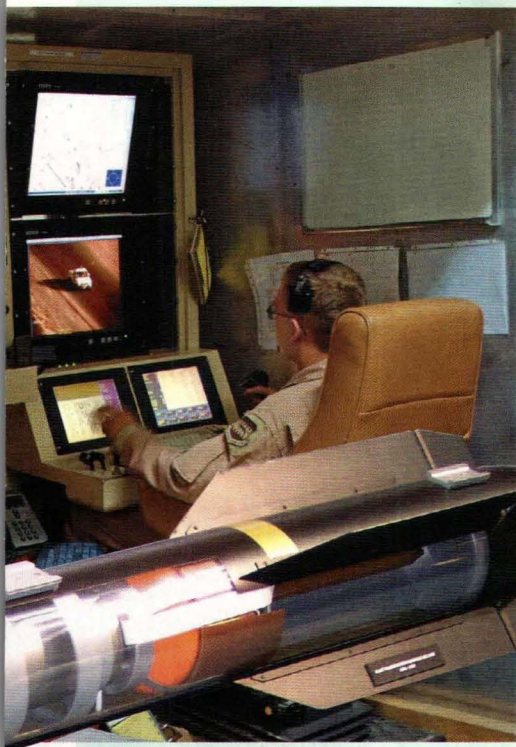


intelligence was gleaned and the CIA was provided with a loose, but much clearer picture of Awlaki's 'home turf' in Yemen. All the while, of course, Langley feared the propagandist could simply move out of the area - but he chose to remain.

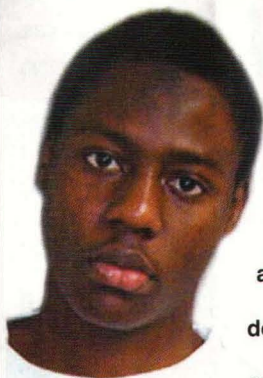
It was Awlaki who liaised with Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, the young man who flew to America on Northwest Airlines Flight 253 on 25 December 2009, wearing underwear packed with explosives. He was stopped just in time, but Awlaki's prestige was growing ever more stronger and the CIA opted to place huge resources in Yemen in the hope of silencing him.



The Predator drone along with other UAV types has become one of the most effective counter-terrorist measures ever conceived



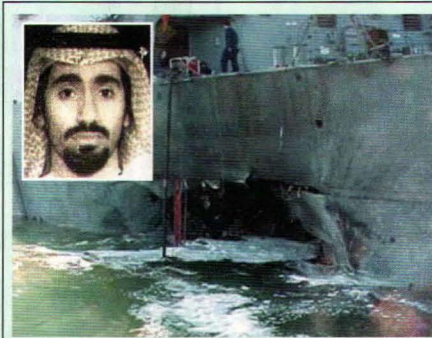
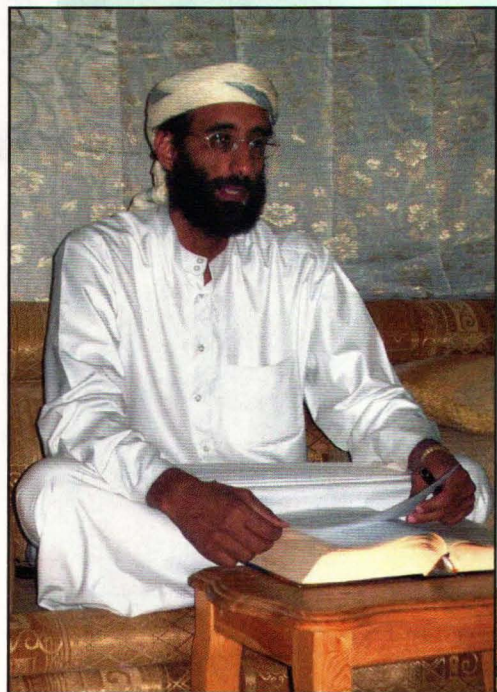
COURTESY: FBI



Bomb maker Ibrahim Hassan al-Asiri (right) and Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab who tried to detonate explosives concealed in his underwear. Al-Asiri almost certainly helped devise the bomb

Another key terrorist to fall under Awlaki's mysterious 'power' was Times Square bomber Faisal Shahzad. He attempted to cause carnage in New York in May 2010, but his car bomb also failed. Shahzad would later tell the FBI that he was "influenced" by Awlaki and had become an ardent "fan" who watched his Internet lectures and followed his blog site.

The October 2010 operation to blow up cargo aeroplanes flying to America from the Middle East was also guided by Awlaki. In this case intelligence services based in the region alerted the CIA and, after a frantic search, the bombs hidden in ink jet cartridges were discovered.



USS COLE PLOT MASTERMIND

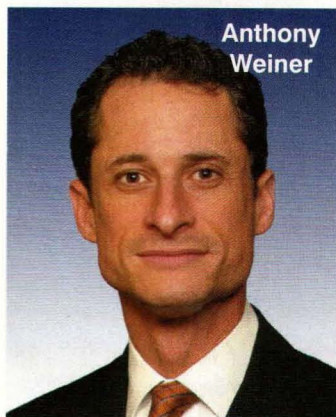
The 2000 fast boat attack on the USS Cole in the Yemeni port of Aden, was an early warning of al-Qaida intent in the region. In October 2011, the Pentagon announced that Guantanamo Bay inmate, Abd al-Nashiri is set to face a war crime trial for his alleged planning of the attack. If found guilty, he could face the death penalty.

Anwar al-Awlaki has made the Yemen and its capital Sana'a a most dangerous place and a point of contact for those wishing to join the wider al-Qaida 'movement'



YouTube's Reverse Turn

Official pressure thwarted Awlaki's reach

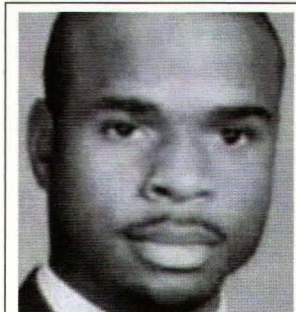


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US Congressman Anthony Weiner (New York) in response to Awlaki's increasing use of the Internet, requested that YouTube, remove a series of lectures presented by the terrorist. "We are facilitating the recruitment of homegrown terrorism," said Weiner. His words were echoed by Pauline Neville-Jones, former British Security Minister. "These web sites incite cold-blooded murder." In November 2010, under intense pressure from the USA and UK, YouTube responded by removing well over 100 of Awlaki's talks. The Internet giant said the material, "violated its guidelines."



New Jersey man Sharif Mobley left America to join with al-Qaida in Yemen after watching Awlaki's speeches on the Internet

Other less known incidents played out by would-be AQ operatives that almost certainly have threads to Awlaki include Sharif Mobley. He left his home in New Jersey to seek out AQAP in Yemen. He killed a guard on 7 March 2010 as he tried to escape in Yemen. And Roshonera Choudhry, who stabbed British politician Stephen Timms a few weeks later in May, had become "radicalised" by Awlaki's Internet speeches.

Though Awlaki's demise is truly significant, AQAP is far from finished and is still led by terror chief Nasir al-

Wahayshi. He worked closely with bin-Laden and has established a powerful network of couriers who regularly correspond with associates from other AQ franchises across the globe. It was Al-Wahayshi who organised destructive operations against US oil interests in Yemen in 2006, and has since continued to menace the region. But his ties to terrorism go back years. Al-Wahayshi may have had contacts with some of those responsible for the attack on the USS Cole in 2000, a suicide fast boat operation which left 17 US navy personnel dead. Another key military organiser is Qasim al-Rimi, who US intelligence sources say played a pivotal role in establishing the al-Qaida presence in Yemen and its neighbours.

The CIA and secret elements of US Special Forces, including an enlarged Navy SEAL presence, are two years into an intense war with AQAP. Nevertheless, there seems little doubt the outfit will continue to launch attacks against Western and Middle East targets. However, with the removal of three key personnel whose skill was to reassure and convince followers in the West that their actions were legitimate, the Agency has inflicted yet another major blow to al-Qaida in general.

ASSASSIN

FULL INQUEST AND WIDER INVESTIGATION ANNOUNCED

LITVINENKO

UK-RUSSIAN INTEL

MARINA LITVINENKO,
the widow of former
KGB and FSB officer
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has launched an
appeal to help fund
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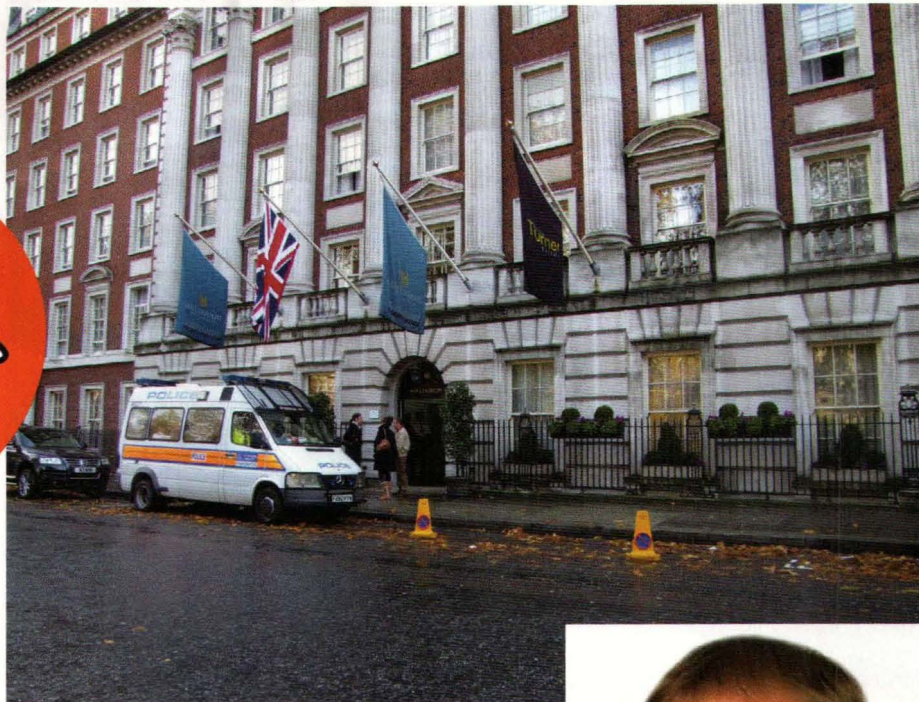


Alexsander
Litvinenko

In October, London coroner (St Pancras) Dr Andrew Reid said that there should be a full and broad inquest into the circumstances of Litvinenko's death: this will almost certainly prompt a wider investigation - resulting in additional information and evidence being presented by New Scotland Yard, MI5 and MI6. In August, new evidence was reportedly secured by detectives assigned to the case.

The ex-intelligence and security man was killed in London in late 2006, after drinking green tea in the Millennium Hotel which had been laced with Polonium-210, a deadly hard-to-acquire radioactive material. This followed several meetings and conversations with a number of intelligence contacts, including Andrei Lugovoi, himself a former KGB security man who had flown to the city to meet Litvinenko. The incident happened just four weeks after the Litvinenkos had been granted British citizenship.

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Above: Police and MI5 officers at The Millennium Hotel where Litvinenko drank green tea and within hours fell ill. After much medical analysis it transpired he was suffering from Polonium-210 poisoning.

Right: Prime suspect in the assassination is Andrei Lugovoi, a former KGB security man and now a member of the Russian Parliament



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RELATIONS HIT ROCK BOTTOM

New Scotland Yard detectives have had numerous contacts with the Russian security services, and believe Lugovoi is almost certainly responsible. However, Moscow still refuses to extradite the prime suspect, despite a visit to Russia in recent weeks by Britain's

premier - David Cameron who raised the case of Litvinenko at a meeting with Russia's Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev. Medvedev rebuffed Mr Cameron and announced Lugovoi would never be sent to London to face trial.

Marina has campaigned long and hard for such an inquest, but her legal bill could run over the £1 million mark. "I am prepared to do whatever it takes to find the truth about the unprecedented act of nuclear terrorism that killed Sasha [Alexander] Litvinenko and



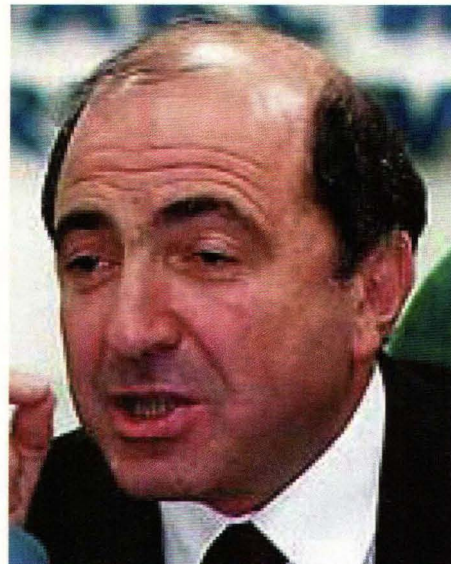
MI5 and New Scotland Yard counter-terrorist officers spent hours at the home of the Litvinerkos searching for additional evidence. In this photograph taken within days of the incident, a security screen has been erected on the couple's apartment forecourt

Piccadilly Circus - a favoured meeting point often used by Litvinenko to meet and greet associates

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INTEL INSIDE



Eye Spy learned that both Alexander Litvinenko and Andrei Lugovoi once worked together for a television station formerly owned by London-based Russian businessman Boris Berezovsky

endangered the lives of thousands of fellow Londoners," said Marina. She also believes while Lugovoi was responsible for the poisoning, someone or some "higher authority" in Moscow planned the operation.

Eye Spy sources say New Scotland Yard's investigation was thorough, and officers may present new information at the inquest.

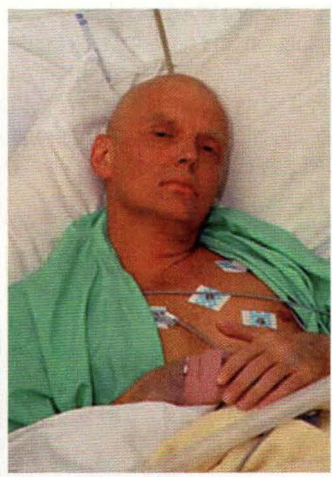
The announcement of a more in-depth investigation and inquiry has resulted in much debate, criticism and scepticism - a great deal coming from the 'central players' themselves. For example, Marina now acknowledges that

her husband had "contacts with British intelligence." This was noted by Lugovoi who said his comments about Litvinenko being a 'contact man' were dismissed five years ago. "I made a statement concerning Litvinenko's cooperation with British Intelligence which was denied by his wife and [supporter] Boris Berezovsky," said Lugovoi speaking from Moscow. "I now have but one question... why has it been acknowledged now?"

Litvinenko was supposedly briefing intel officers on the scale of organised crime in Russia, corruption and other related matters, but Lugovoi thinks this is but a lie. "MI5 and MI6 do not deal with organised crime," he said. "These two agencies are classic intelligence and counter-intelligence secret

services." That may be officially true, but there are times when intelligence and crime agencies liaise on wider issues.

Lugovoi, now a member of the Russian Parliament, says he is quite prepared to answer questions - though not from the dock of a British court house. Through his London-based legal team, he said it is possible Litvinenko could have committed suicide, and wants the inquest to examine this possibility.



FACT FILE

Ninety-seven per cent of the world's Polonium-210, a rare isotope, is manufactured legally in Russia. To retain its menacing content, the material must be used almost immediately. It can't really be stored and used years later.

A poorly, but remarkably brave Litvinenko pictured at University College Hospital where he died. Despite his fatal condition, he still managed to impart valuable information to MI5 investigators, NSY detectives, media contacts and his family and friends. This will now be heard in full along with new evidence secured by the UK's security and intelligence services

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Assassination 'hit' list, warnings and covert meetings

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Litvinenko had at least one meeting in Piccadilly Circus, London with an Italian by the name of Mario Scaramella who claimed to have "inside knowledge" on the Politkovskaya case. He also said he had on his person a list, or more accurately an e-mail list of intended assassination targets and requested Litvinenko meet with him. Along with another person the exchange supposedly took place in the Itsu restaurant - just hours after the former intel man had met with Lugovoi at the Millennium Hotel.

"We do not accept that there is an indisputable verdict of unlawful killing in this case," Jessica Simor said. Interestingly, Simor is a leading human rights barrister who works with former British Prime Minister Tony Blair's wife, Cherie Booth. Perhaps the most bizarre suggestion the inquest will examine, is that MI6 itself was behind the plot.

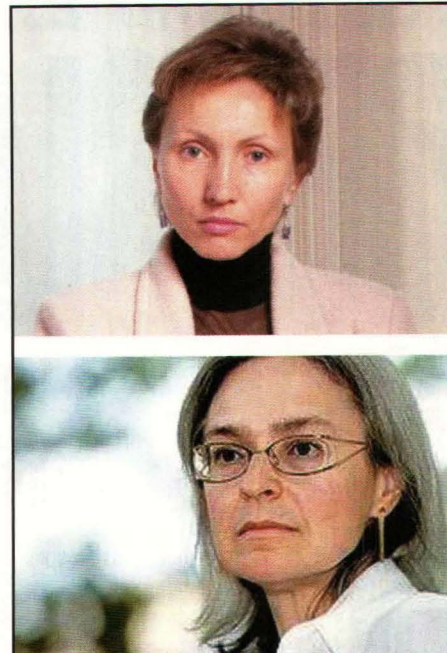
Eye Spy believes Litvinenko was warned by an MI5 officer that his life was in danger, prior to

the attack. And since then, at least one determined plot which originated in Russia to assassinate Marina's friend and Russian billionaire, Boris Berezovsky was foiled in a joint MI5-MI6 operation.

Despite the on-going turmoil caused by the Litvinenko case, Russia's intelligence services still want better cooperation with the UK's secret services, especially in the area of counter-terrorism. Few meetings between

these powerful organisations have taken place since the death of Litvinenko.

Former Director of Public Prosecutions Lord Macdonald joined the debate saying he had the "gravest suspicion" Moscow was behind the assassination. Via a Russian Embassy official in London, a statement was released saying Moscow has yet to receive the medical certificate of Litvinenko's death.



LITVINENKO JUSTICE FOUNDATION

Top: Marina Litvinenko, and below, Moscow-based journalist Anna Politkovskaya a fierce critic of the Kremlin who was murdered just weeks before her friend and associate, Alexander Litvinenko was killed

COLD WAR CLIMATE

UK AND RUSSIA NO NEARER RESOLVING INTEL COOPERATION

At a meeting on 12 September, Britain's Prime Minister David Cameron and Dmitry Medvedev discussed, amongst other things, intelligence cooperation and security. It was the premier's first official visit to Russia in such a capacity, and the on-going

investigation regarding Litvinenko's death was discussed at length.

Officials acknowledge relations between the two countries are "poor and frozen in time" since the killing of Litvinenko. Few liaisons between the UK's and Russia's respective intelligence services exist.

President Medvedev called on both countries to "reconstitute contact between law enforcement agencies and the special services," a reference to the British secret services. In a firm response, Mr Cameron rejected the call, "We haven't changed the arrangements between our security services,



All smiles as Prime Minister David Cameron and President Dmitry Medvedev meet

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which were frozen after the Litvinenko issue," he said.

Mr Cameron had earlier given a speech at Moscow State University and acknowledged relations were being hampered over the Litvinenko affair. "We still disagree with you

over the Litvinenko case," he said. "Our approach is simple and principled - when a crime is committed, that is a matter for the courts."

This stalemate is set to continue for a long time...



FBI TIP-OFF EXPOSES

RUSSIAN RADIO AGENTS

German counter-intelligence arrest 'long-time SVR agents'

Two suspected Russian spies have been arrested in Germany after a lengthy counter-espionage operation. This following a tip-off from the FBI. Officers from a specialist unit of the BKA (Federal Office of Criminal Investigation) supported by counter-terrorist officers raided a rented apartment in Marburg and an address in the city of Balingen. Here they detained a married couple.

Identified only as 'Heidrun A' and 'Andreas', the pair may have been infiltrated into German society by the KGB as early as 1988 - before the end of the Berlin Wall. Eye Spy believes their surname is Anschlag, though at time of publication this has not been confirmed.

Officials believe that for the best part of two decades they were in the pay of the SVR, Russia's foreign intelligence service, though not necessarily in an active role. Intelligence sources believe the alleged agents were activated only for "special cases."

When police searched through documentation, it soon transpired the couple were hiding behind false identities and some quite excellent forged papers that were "convincing," according to the BKA. Andreas, 45, was born in

Argentina and Heidrun, 51, in Peru, both had Austrian passports. Despite this, Andreas had a "remarkably good Russian accent."

A thorough search of their Marburg house, (rented for about a year) even included the dismantling of a tennis racket, an indication that officers were seeking unusual forms of information transfer or security.

At the time of Heidrun's arrest, police entered the house and allegedly discovered the female agent listening to encoded radio transmissions from a radio attached to a computer.

Andreas is a mechanical engineer by profession and at the time of his arrest worked for Faurecia, a supplier of spare parts for cars. It has been suggested he paid particular attention to the activities of his employing firm. He also owns an 'innovation centre' in Rheinland-Pfalz province.

The affair follows closely on the heels of another German spy event, this time involving a suspect identified only as 'Harold J'. He was jailed following a trail in a Munich court



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One alleged spy was actually caught receiving messages

for passing details of a helicopter to an SVR contact in exchange for £7,000.

The use of radios by the alleged Russian agents in Germany is similar to that of two previous KGB spies employed in the 'Portland Spy Ring'. Lona and Morris Cohen lived in the suburban area of Ruislip and were responsible for sending microdot copies of secret files removed from the Admiralty's Underwater Weapons Establishment at Portland. They were

"The agents were placed in Germany before the end of the Cold War..."



DKA President - Jorg Ziercke

A GTAZ (Joint Counter-Terrorism Centre) in Berlin. It is understood that officers from this directorate, more commonly referred to as GSG9 and who work closely with the BKA, took part in the arrests

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GSG9 Special Forces

given the 'product' by Gordon Lonsdale who received his number station message instructions on a receiver whose mixer stage was monitored by MI5 operatives to provide evidence of frequencies used. The technique used was code-named 'Rafter.'

Another rumpled radio spy, Erwin van Haarlem was sitting at his Roberts radio in the kitchen of his Friern Barnet apartment receiving messages from Czechoslovakia when Special Branch officers arrived. Van Haarlem was so surprised he stood up and his earpiece fell to the floor still sounding off the Morse signal he was copying. Good evidence for the prosecution.

And now this type of evidence is available to German police because Heidrun A was in the process of receiving her number coded message. If her message was in Russian it's likely her agent ID number is one of the following: 278, 352, 374 or 438.

Despite the suggestion of a Russian voice station, or the fast Morse Station - M12, (known to have sent a short 'Null' message on 18



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Mikhail Kutsik and Nataliya Pereverzeva - two of the SVR spies thrown out of America. Both used radio to communicate with their handler

October) - the station being received was a Polytone station as used by SVR spy Anna Chapman and associates in the United States. The proposed station was the only one known to have been transmitting a message at that time and is scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays known as the XPA b 0440/0500/0520z schedule. The received signal sounds particularly musical as the tones vary to construct the base numerical message that would probably be converted to plain language by a bespoke computer programme Heidrun A had connected to her short wave receiver.

On the day of their arrest Paul Beaumont learned the station sent a 777 group message lasting 10m26s. Police entered the house at around 0700 so this would tie-in as they are two hours ahead of the UK and that would be the 0500z sending.

However the station continued to transmit on 25 October it sent a 583 group message. Last time a station was recognised (Anna Chapman's spy ring for example) it took over a month for that station to close.

One report suggests coded messages were being sent to Russia and the answer routinely received by them up to the date of their arrest. This means their activities were underway, or at least in the pipeline at the start of *Deutsche Wiedervereinigung*, or, the German Reunification and when the KGB was rebranded into the post-Soviet era FSB and SVR.

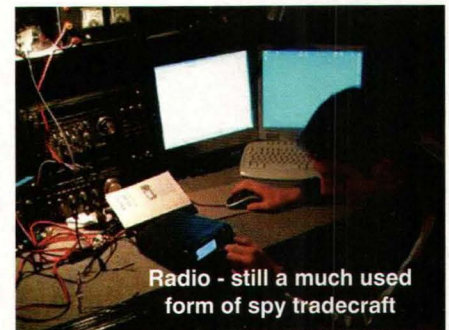
It was June 2010 when the FBI broke the US-based SVR ring. Some of its agents had been contacted by Andreas and Heidrun A, and Eye Spy sources have intimated the pair may have been exposed or at the very least, had ties to it. As for their agenda, both had occupations that allowed them to travel extensively across Europe. German Intelligence believes this enabled the couple to meet personally, when necessary with their SVR handlers.

Russia has yet to officially respond to the arrests in Marburg, other than noting the couple were perceived by neighbours as "quiet and respectful."

• A fuller technical report of the radio numbers and systems deployed is available on www.eyespyimag.com - Featured Story. And in Eye Spy 77, radio and intelligence specialist Paul Beaumont examines the continuing use of radio by agents and provides interesting data for readers to follow such transmissions.



President Reagan and Soviet General Secretary Gorbachov hold talks in Geneva in 1985. Shortly thereafter, Andreas and Heidrun A were just two of dozens of Russian spies who embarked on sleeper missions in the West



Radio - still a much used form of spy tradecraft



EYES ON THE PENTAGON

MODEL AEROPLANE PLOT CIA HAS FEARED FOR YEARS

Complex intelligence sting operation leads to arrest of a dangerous man Bureau officials say had ambitions of becoming an international al-Qaida folk hero...

In October 2009, Tarek Mehanna was arrested in Boston for allegedly plotting to launch an attack on the city similar in nature to that which occurred in Mumbai a year earlier. The FBI believe he was intent on causing mayhem in shopping centres and crowded streets. The plot supposedly failed after Mehanna and a number of colleagues were unable to secure their preferred weaponry - AK-47s.

According to FBI intelligence officials, Mehanna was a link man in a group with ties to al-Qaida associates in Somalia. Indeed, it is because of one liaison - with a Daniel Maldonado - who communicated with him from north Africa, that the Bureau decided to act. Maldonado told Mehanna he was "participating in a culinary school and making peanut butter and jelly." There is little doubt this message was considered al-Qaida speak for terror camp and probably explosives training. Mehanna's trial was due to start on 24 October 2011 but was delayed by a court ruling.*

FBI surveillance and counter-terrorist research performed by JTTF (Joint Terrorism Task Force) in the greater Boston area has continued ever since, and in late September 2011, the security services stepped in to put an end to another alleged al-Qaida operative's dream. Rezwan Ferdaus, 26, a graduate of Northeastern University in Boston, was arrested at a location where he hoped to take stock of firearms and explosives. Ferdaus believed the



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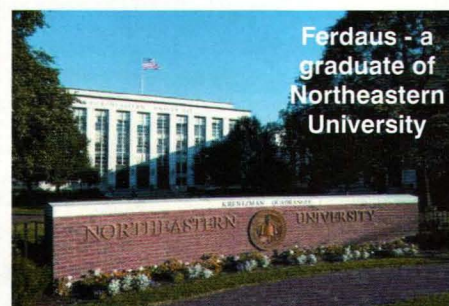
Rezwan Ferdaus

weaponry formed the final piece in a terror jigsaw he and his associates had been planning for months.

It's not known as yet if Ferdaus used his degree in physics to help formulate his most bizarre plot - attacking the Pentagon and Capitol buildings using 1/10th scale model



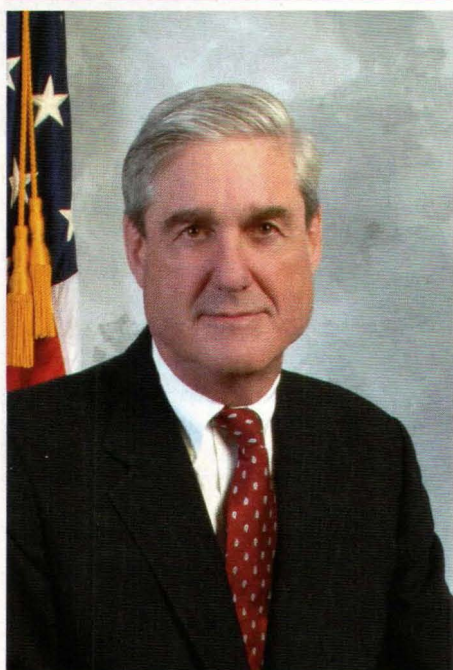
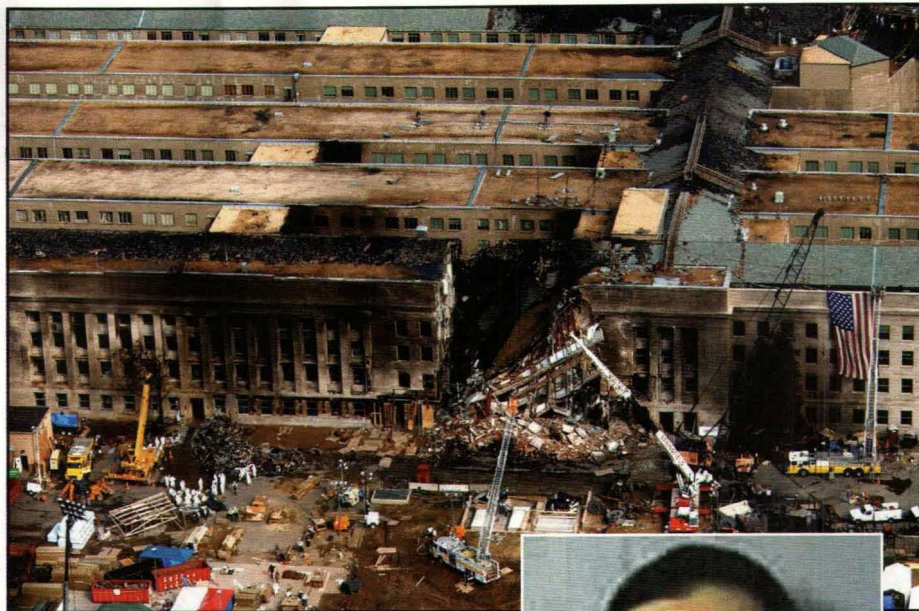
Joint Terrorism Task Force officers in training



Ferdaus - a graduate of Northeastern University

Wreckage of American Airlines Flight 77 is strewn across the lawns outside the Pentagon Building on 9/11. Bomb experts suspect a model aeroplane attack would have caused little damage to the fortress

PENTAGON



FBI Director Robert S. Mueller. Under his quiet guidance the Bureau has perfected undercover counter-terrorist sting operations - many of which have deflected and stopped serious attempts by al-Qaida and its followers to launch attacks against US targets

aeroplanes such as the F-4 Phantom and F-86 Sabre - both famous warplane types from the 1950s and 1960s. The alleged plan was to pack the eight foot long models with C-4 explosives and fly them to their targets using GPS devices.

PLANNING THE WASHINGTON STRIKES

At some point in the last three years, Ferdaus made contact with several men he believed were al-Qaida recruiters who had unfinished business. They were of course a special FBI team highly skilled in various counter-terrorist tradecraft and, as usual, utterly convincing.

No organisation in the world performs such counter-terrorist operations - where the subject is drawn out into the open - though still in his secret world; from here it's into a secure environment which is carefully controlled and monitored 24-hours-a-day. Cynics may call such sting operations unfair, "entrapment" is a word oft used, but the FBI would disagree, noting that a dangerous person intent on killing innocent people has been removed from the street.

During several contacts with FBI undercover agents, Ferdaus explained his plot. "It's a small drone aircraft that would be programmed at a target. A model airplane that can carry a good enough payload and it will detonate on impact." In another conversation, Ferdaus gave the reasons why he wanted to hurt Americans. "They have [killed], taken from us our innocents, our men, women and children... they are all enemies." The conver-



COURTESY: FBI

Tarek Mehanna

sations were secretly recorded by officers wearing covert recorders.

OPERATIONS

FBI surveillance teams monitored Ferdaus as he travelled to Washington in May. Here he made a beeline to a park on the Potomac River - a location he supposedly chose to guide his model aircraft to their targets. During his time in the city, he also took several photographs of street scenes including a number of buildings.

That Ferdaus was deadly serious seems evident in a previous contact with supposed al-Qaida associates. Earlier in the year he had passed on a number of modified cell phones which he believed would act as



The Potomac River runs through Washington DC. In the distance, the spires of George Washington University

The Capitol Building in the heart of Washington DC. Any attack on this structure would have global significance



detonators for cell-phone triggered bombs. These would be secreted to Iraq via an underground pipeline controlled by AQ to operatives fighting US forces.

In June, Ferdaus received a telephone call in respect of the cell phones' capabilities and usefulness to the terror outfit. An undercover FBI officer posing as a terror contact explained that they had helped kill and injure troops in Iraq. Ferdaus proclaimed: "That was exactly what I wanted."

As for the Washington DC plot, undercover officers reportedly told him innocent civilians could be hurt if he proceeded with his plans. These carefully inserted words allowing an "opt out clause" were allegedly ignored.

Once Ferdaus had started to finalise his plans, which we understand also included an attack

on Washington using grenades and assault rifles, similar to that allegedly envisaged by Mehanna two years ago, the Bureau decided to arrest him.

It's not known if Ferdaus was inspired by Mehanna's alleged ambition, or the exact circumstances of how he became known to the FBI, but US Intelligence is monitoring a significant number of people based in the country who regularly seek out Internet discussions held by al-Qaida supporters. According to Eye Spy sources, Ferdaus had fallen under the Bureau's 'person of interest' radar years earlier.

Ferdaus's solicitor Catherine Bryne, told journalists that the case was "orchestrated and facilitated by the government." At the first hearing, Mehanna's mother was in attendance.

VIABILITY OF PROJECT



Rezwan Ferdaus may have been deadly serious in his plans to strike at two of the most iconic buildings in America, but Eye Spy analysts have questioned what impact, if any, flying enlarged model aeroplanes carrying a few pounds of C-4 explosives into such structures would have had.

Besides obvious difficulties associated with model aeroplane flying, inserting explosives - thus creating additional weight - may have jeopardised stability, making flight control much trickier.

Impact damage is an imponderable, however. But when one examines the aftermath of the shocking 9/11 attack (American Airlines Flight 77), in truth, the Pentagon Building stood up fairly well. Nevertheless, the resultant impact,

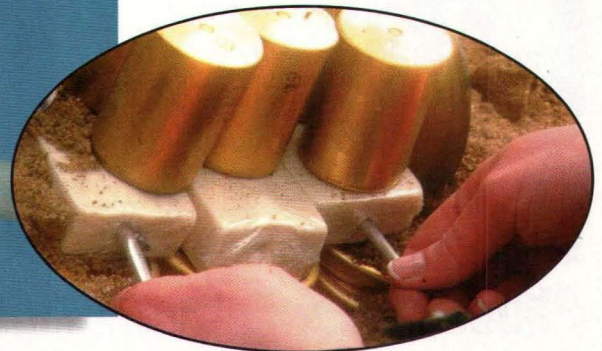
An FBI student receives firearms training from a professional teacher. Whilst the Bureau remains a national crime fighting organisation, since 9/11, it has fine-tuned existing intelligence elements and created several specialist divisions, one of which has intensified operations in the field of counter-terrorism



COURTESY: FBI



The famous USAF warplanes F-86 Sabre and F-4 Phantom (inset). Ferdaus's plan to insert around five pounds of C-4 explosives in each aircraft may have been doomed from the outset - but the intent was there...



disintegration of the Boeing 757, aviation petrol and fire spread, killed 59 passengers on the aircraft and 120 personnel inside the building.

One intelligence source told Eye Spy, Ferdaus's plan was to strike using a fairly unlikely delivery method. Another said that to have any success, the

'delivery' point would have meant the models being accurately guided through a window or crashed at a gathering of persons on the lawn or other.

The Capitol Building is a somewhat different proposition, though it too is of sturdy construction. As a symbol of government its significance is obvious.

If Ferdaus was serious and the facts are proven then his ambitious project, may well have been consigned to the symbolic category. Nevertheless, the plot has generated discussion in the intelligence community, some of whom have been tasked with examining a plethora of new and available attack routes that al-Qaida might take.



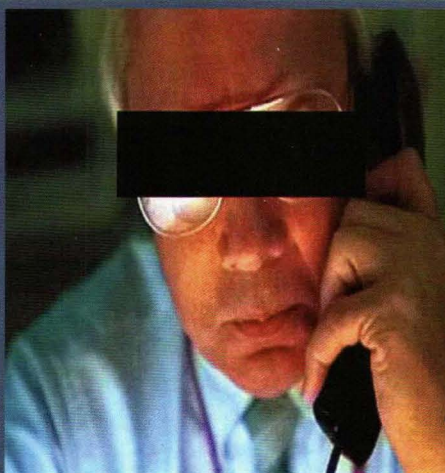
INTELLIGENCE

Eye Spy has learned that plots such as that allegedly envisaged by Ferdaus have been discussed at the highest levels in Langley, though not necessarily involving explosives. A classified report has considered the use of drones, model aircraft and other airborne devices being used to attack targets with poisons such as ricin. Our sources believe this is considered a greater danger to the public and authorities.

EYE SPY NOTES

* A Federal judge has given solicitors more time to prepare Mehanna's defence, calling the case "complex."

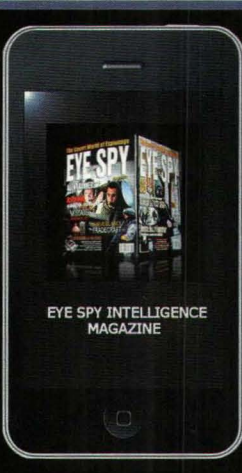
• The case of Tarek Mehanna featured in **Eye Spy 65** - 'From Boston to Iraq: The Plot to Replicate Mumbai'



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COUNTERMEASURES

THE 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES TERROR THREAT

Phone interception, language analysis, translation and communications

Many Eye Spy readers will have witnessed the scenes of joy amongst Britain's Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) delegates in Singapore, 2005, when London sealed the destination for the 2012 Games. But just hours later the media reported that an "electrical explosion" had occurred on London's Underground between Liverpool Street and Aldgate stations. There were casualties. Next an explosion at Edgware Road; this was followed by another blast on the deep-level Piccadilly Line just north of the station at Russell Square. A final explosion occurred on the surface at Tavistock where reports of a bus being destroyed near to the British Medical Association (BMA) emerged. It soon became clear something other than a series of electrical faults was to blame. The date was 7 July 2005, now shortened to 7/7 by intelligence watchers.

Two weeks later further attempts to strike the capital were made around midday on

21 July 2005. This time terrorists failed to detonate bombs at Shepherd's Bush, Warren Street and Oval stations on London Underground, and on a bus in Shoreditch. A fifth bomber dumped his device in a park without ever attempting to detonate it.

On 7/7, the Underground communication system was disrupted and failed; upgrades had never allowed different services to communicate directly and certainly not on the Underground. Happily that shortcoming has been remedied and the Airwave System introduced. Further encryption for use by specialist police units or MI5 can be greatly and easily enhanced.

Communication concerns were noted earlier this year as the 7/7 inquest concluded.

For example, Underground staff and emergency workers in the tunnels could not even talk to colleagues on the surface. Geoff Dunmore, the Tube's operational security manager said, "The root



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causes of a lot of the problems was the fact that we couldn't get communications directly from the trains to the outside world, including our own control."

LONDON'S 2012 HORIZON

Some intelligence officials believe al-Qaida is almost finished, the turning point being the death of Osama bin-Laden. From a counter-



By Paul Beaumont

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MI5 ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN

These carefully prepared adverts by the Security Service are designed in such a manner as to create just a little bit of intrigue, as well as promote UK security, allegiance and of course - job vacancies

The first asks, 'help us unlock their secrets' with a key logo prominent in the upper part of the advert. Spaced unevenly around the key five words - 'everyone uses it including terrorists' - a reference to the Internet. It is aimed specifically at those interested or trained in IT and computer security.

The second advert is subtle and imaginative - using a child's colourful building block and letters taken from various languages, including Arabic. The tag-line - 'you've been training for a lifetime to protect your country' reflects respect for family heritage, early teaching or nation of birth while creating a sense of duty to the UK. Clever stuff.

Using a headphone symbol and two popular pastimes for some people - listening to sports programmes and celebrity gossip - MI5 asks 'what are you listening to today?'. Aimed at analysts and those with an 'ear' for gossip (in this case seeking out key words, statements, comments, suggestive phrases and code-words) MI5 is keen to stress such work is legal. This advert has been created to attract personnel to the Service's counter-terrorist branch.

SECURITY SERVICE MI5

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terrorist perspective, whilst there may be some truth in this, it will not stop individuals acting alone (lone wolves), or in small groups. And hundreds of thousands of visitors to the Games are expected to arrive in the UK from foreign lands - some may have an ulterior motive.

FLEXIBLE TIMETABLE

The 7/7 bombs occurred during rush hour and within minutes images of security teams were played out live on television as they scrambled to busy stations, bus terminals and elsewhere. The 21/7 terrorists watched and learned from that confused police activity: they chose to attack at lunchtime proving anyone intent on causing terror can be very flexible in their avoidance of security measures.

Indeed, it is precisely that type of flexibility which the security services will have to foresee, match and act upon if they are to



protect those who attend the 2012 Olympic Games. Officials are already advising people who work in London not to travel to the Games' area during the weeks leading up to, and presumably during the Olympic month; those who use the affected means of travel on roads and Underground have been advised to work from home if possible, thus overloading London's transit networks.

Officials have signalled that the travel systems will be packed to capacity. It's a public advice

notice that will not have escaped those who wish to cause terror.

MI5 and New Scotland Yard are already monitoring individuals suspected of trying to radicalise potential operatives, or who are willing to carry out attacks themselves. The recent arrest of eight people in Birmingham and the charging of six with terror offences is testimony to that fact.

COMMUNICATIONS AND INTERCEPTION

The terrorist will use modern technology to communicate; the telephone being perhaps the most mundane device providing a gateway to colleagues. The cell phone is more convenient whilst the Internet too hosts a variety of methods, VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol), e-mail, Twitter to mention but a few. Other social networking sites can also be manipulated to carry messages.



The 2012 London Olympic Games Stadium

MI5 is recruiting foreign language analysts to work in its Foreign Language Unit. Posters and place adverts for Digital Team specialists to work on computer network forensics and IT exploitation have recently appeared. One advert proclaims - 'Help us unlock their secrets.' This suggests that those suspected of acting against Britain and its interests are already under surveillance with specific teams being beefed up with the necessary manpower to provide more than an adequate service at the sharp end.

Should the public be concerned about an increase in interception? Not really - MI5 and various CT units are already monitoring a select few they consider a threat. Indeed, Eye Spy believes as many as 200 people are being seriously surveilled.

The product, the 'working set' of lawfully intercepted phone calls of the target will be presented to MI5's foreign language analysts via a computer who, using a specific programme, perhaps bespoke, will be able to listen to, rewind, listen again and doubtless be able to consult an on-line dictionary. In addition to this the speech will have been processed elsewhere to have a forensic voice print made to identify the target when, not if, he or she changes their mode of delivery.

Investigative officers will also have provided written briefs on the target[s] with specific information that could be imparted (names, locations, meeting times, codes etc.).

The analyst's post will definitely be operational, doubtless working shifts throughout the Olympic Games period, the operative offering reports on their findings to intelligence officers in effective communicated English. It will be here that the analysts understanding and in-depth knowledge of their target language, its use and the culture of those speaking it is utilised properly.

Language analysts are required in Arabic: Yemeni, Algerian, Lebanese, Syrian, Libyan, Kuwaiti as a diverse range of dialects. An analyst who understands more than one of these dialects will be most welcome, I suspect. Apart from Arabic emphasis is given to Pakistani Punjabi with Pothwari - an advantage to understand Indian Punjabi as well; Pakistani Pashto with an advantage to understand Afghani Pashto, and/or Dari. Then there is Somali and Kurdish Sorani to consider also.

Not surprisingly advertisements have been appearing in the press for the recruitment of foreign language analysts and others, but with

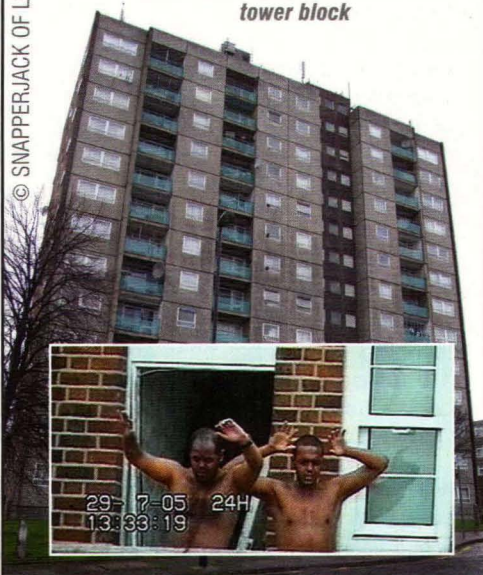
SIMPLE TECHNOLOGY DOES NOT REDUCE THREAT THE 21/7 LONDON BOMBS

The explosive devices that failed were manufactured from medium chapati flour and boiled-down hydrogen peroxide. The TATP detonators were inserted in cardboard tubes and initiated using a torch bulb connected across a simple 9v battery. Paul Beaumont demonstrated this 'glow lamp' method for a forensic science student at Glamorgan University prior to her assessment. It's based on IRA technology and still widely used. In this demonstration Paul used a clothes peg, drawing pins and a removable plastic insert to act as the switch. The explosive material was taped inside a 35mm film container and upon its initiation sent a flaming piece of wadding into the air.

"It's important to remember, that with a little modification and a mobile phone, devices such as this can easily be triggered remotely," Paul said.

Two of the 21/7 bombers are taken by surprise and arrested at their bomb factory apartment in this tower block

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TAKING SHAPE

Support buildings, athletes village and infrastructure, including transport hubs around the Olympic Stadium are critical to the success of the Games. They are equally as important in terms of security as the event and stadium itself, which is nearing completion

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Voice stress analysis

at least six months to process applicants, time is running out.

Security adverts warning members of the public to be alert are appearing. Particular interest is being paid to London's Tube network. It's clear MI5 and New Scotland Yard are hastening their preparation for 2012, and counter-terrorist measures adopted and enhanced in vital areas of communication, both as a defensive and offensive measure. Everyone hopes the Games will proceed without any security issue, but if terrorists do strike, at the very least the authorities can rely on enhanced technology and experience gleaned from two appalling days in July 2005.



Foreign language analysts and translators are in much demand in the intelligence world

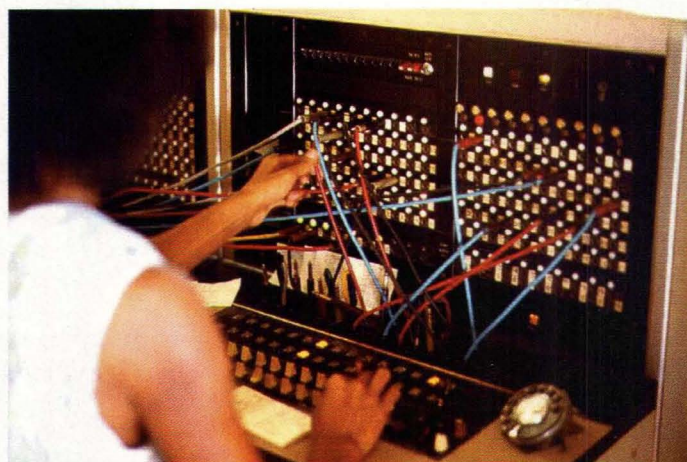
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TINKERBELL TELEPHONE INTERCEPTION

Many telephone users will recall a time when the odd 'click' or 'fizzing' on a landline induced suspicion of a wiretap on the phone; others may have heard stories about conversations being replayed back if users were too slow to replace the receiver.

Paul Beaumont recalls how an associate once lifted the receiver on his phone to hear those fizzing noises. He summoned a telephone engineer who duly arrived, took the top off the phone, prodded a few wires and replaced the cover

and left. Paul's colleague being a little suspicious, tuned his radio to *Radio Havana* for some lively music, left his flat and made a beeline to a nearby telephone booth where he called his phone. Instead of hearing the ringing tone the phone opened allowing him to hear the music being played on his radio. On closer examination he noted his phone had been put back together in such a way that the case didn't sit correctly on the gravity hooks, the switch closed by the weight of the handset to allow the bell to ring. It wasn't correctly engaging.

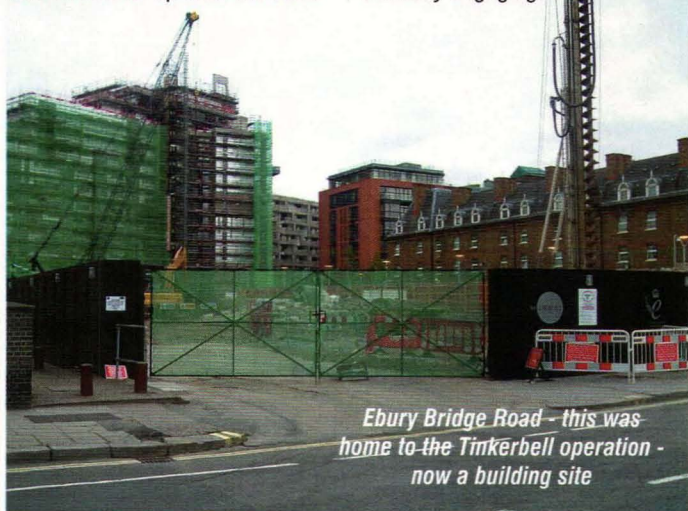


At that time telephone intercepts were carried out at a secretive location with the 'inspeak' code-name of *Tinkerbell*.

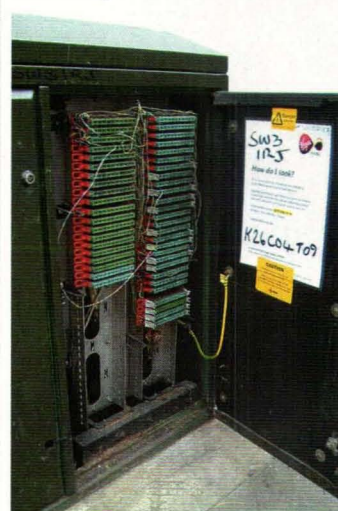
The host building to the project was on Ebury Bridge Road, London, until it moved to nearby Chantrey House on Ecclestone Street. With different technology and miniaturisation coming on line, the Ebury Bridge Road building was demolished and is undergoing redevelopment, whilst Chantrey House now hosts a series of commercial concerns and up market apartments.

Digital exchanges and huge advances in computer technology, both in processing and audio file management, have resulted in the demise of banks of reel-to-reel recorders and taps made to distribution frames by specially cleared telephone engineers. Also

gone are the resultant clicks and fizzes that once gave the game away. Now, nothing more than a few button pushes are necessary to reroute the audio to an interception suite that could feasibly be many miles away.



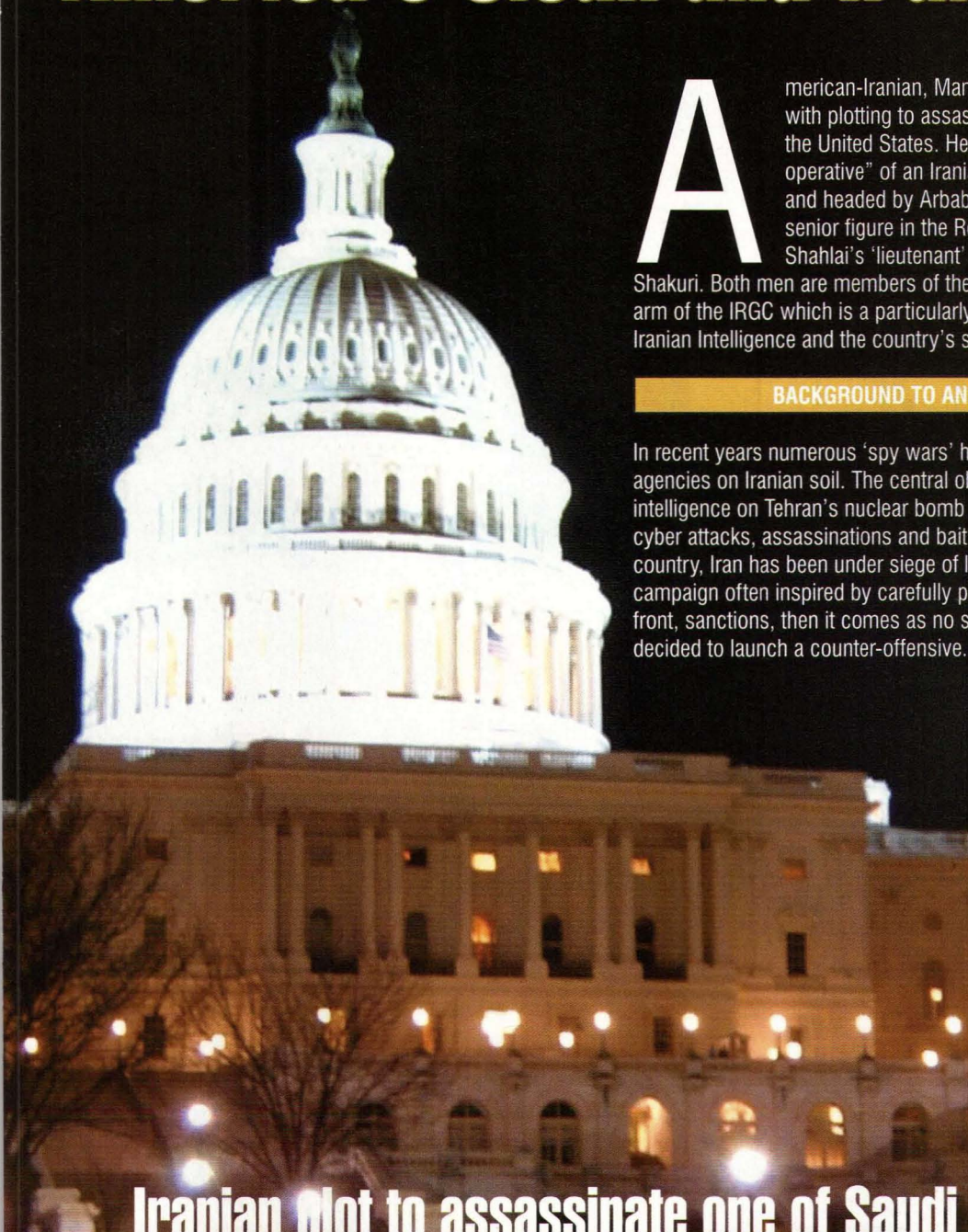
Ebury Bridge Road - this was home to the Tinkerbell operation - now a building site



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CAPITAL STING

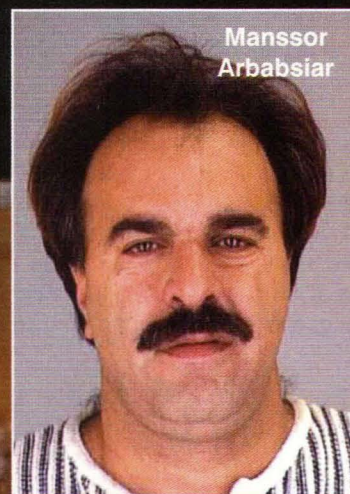
America's Cloak and Iran's Dagger



American-Iranian, Manssor Arbabsiar, 56, has been charged with plotting to assassinate the Saudi Arabian ambassador to the United States. He was reportedly the "leading active operative" of an Iranian government-sponsored group created and headed by Arbabsiar's cousin, Abdul Reza Shahlai, a senior figure in the Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC). Shahlai's 'lieutenant' in the plot has been named as Ali Gholam Shakuri. Both men are members of the Quds Force, the oft-used operational arm of the IRGC which is a particularly feared element and has direct ties to Iranian Intelligence and the country's senior leaders.

BACKGROUND TO AN INTENSE RELATIONSHIP

In recent years numerous 'spy wars' have been played out by intelligence agencies on Iranian soil. The central objective has usually been to glean intelligence on Tehran's nuclear bomb programme. Using disruption operations, cyber attacks, assassinations and bait to lure key scientists away from the country, Iran has been under siege of late; add to this an aggressive media campaign often inspired by carefully placed journalists and, on a diplomatic front, sanctions, then it comes as no surprise that the forces that be in Iran have decided to launch a counter-offensive.



Manssor
Arbabsiar

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Iranian plot to assassinate one of Saudi Arabia's most revered diplomats is foiled as US intelligence and security services counter an intricate international murder plot



King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia and former US President George Bush

a high-profile target complicated matters for those in US counter-terrorist planning

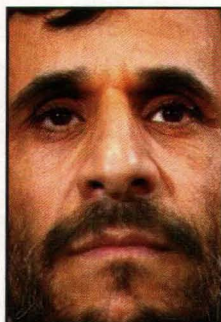
plan, described by analysts as both “incredible” and “audacious” was conceived to assassinate one of the House of Saud’s key and most respected international players in the heart of Washington DC itself.

Adel bin Ahmed al-Jubeir is no ordinary diplomat. As the senior advisor to the court of King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia, his opinion holds enormous weight, and it is through him liaisons of significance are manufactured, cooperation sought and business deals struck. Removing such a high profile figure would have had global significance and enhance the chance of a Saudi-Iran conflict.

THE QUDS PLOT

In May 2011, Manssor Arbabsiar was wired an amount of money that originated from Iran.

Saudi Arabian ambassador to the United States - Adel bin Ahmed al-Jubeir



It is inconceivable that Iran’s President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad was not aware of the Quds project

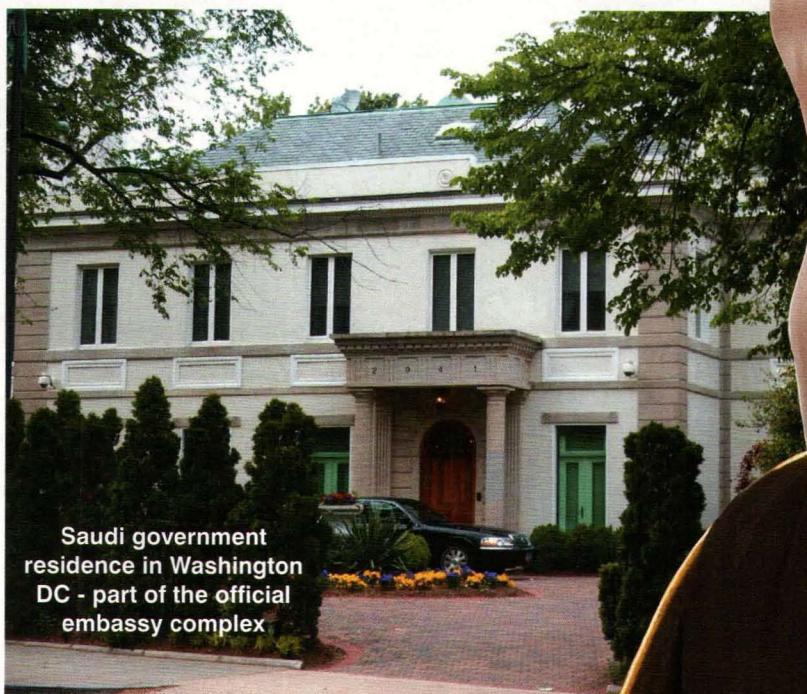
Iran is recognised as a military super power in the Middle East, but there is also another regional giant - Saudi Arabia. Intel analysts have compared the relationship between the two countries as akin to that of the US and Russia at the height of the Cold War. Distrust is evident and the Saudis are fearful of an Iran that could

shortly boast a nuclear arsenal, despite an array of international support. Iran’s political,

military and religious leadership are gripped in a constant power struggle and recent CIA and MI6 assessments describe those in Tehran’s lofty places of government as “unpredictable.”

Saudi Arabia’s relations with the West are good - though at times complicated. Nevertheless, the country remains a firm ally of America and has a calming influence on the region. And so, according to Eye Spy CIA sources, Iran has long envisaged a strike which could throw the Middle East into even more turmoil than we have seen of late and destabilise Saudi Arabia.

Step forward Iranian Intelligence, a major organisation that learned its tradecraft decades ago from the CIA. A



Saudi government residence in Washington DC - part of the official embassy complex



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The transfer signalled the beginning of a major operation to kill a high profile figure.

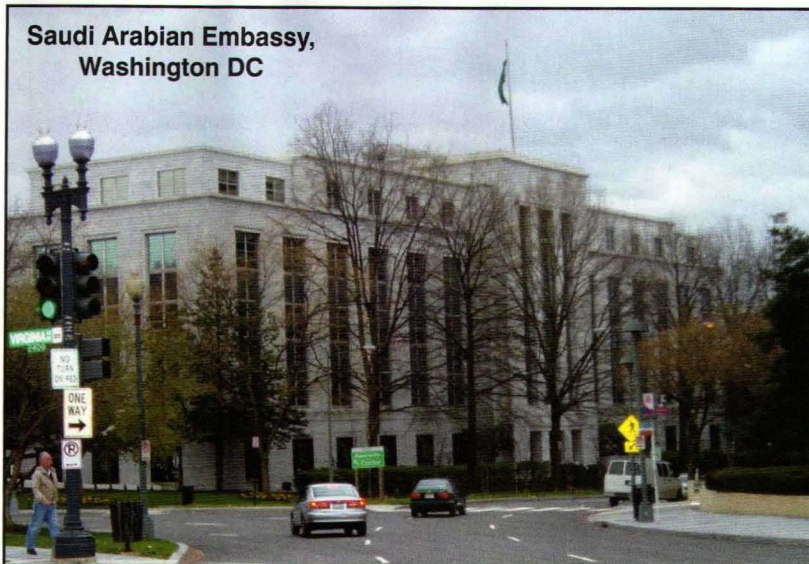
On 24 May, Arbabsiar travelled to Mexico under instruction to make contact with a key player in a drug trafficking cartel known as Zetas. At that meeting, Arbabsiar asked the man if he or his crime gang was familiar or had access to explosives. He also said there was a substantial amount of money available on the table if he would participate in or carry out an attack on the Saudi Embassy. Unbeknown to Arbabsiar, the link man was an undercover informant working for the powerful US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). It's unclear at this point if the meeting was one of chance or coincidence, but Eye Spy sources believe the FBI via NSA and CIA intelligence, were already aware of the money transfer and Arbabsiar's primary objective. Why and how Arbabsiar found the Mexican 'contact' man remains a closely guarded FBI and DEA secret.

A week or so later, and after several more telephone calls with the DEA-controlled informant, Arbabsiar flew to Reynosa (a city which has been badly affected by the country's drugs' war) in Mexico again and held more talks to discuss payments and his

target. Arbabsiar named Washington DC-based Saudi - Adel al-Jubeir.

Such a high-profile target complicated matters for those in US counter-terrorist planning. Trying to control an operation of this nature without compromise was considered complex. Deciding how long the ruse should continue was uppermost in the planners' minds, for should anything happen to the ambassador, there would be serious repercussions. And there was always the possibility that this was simply a distraction

**Saudi Arabian Embassy,
Washington DC**



MAHAN AIR - FLYING AL QUDS

US monitors terror support flights



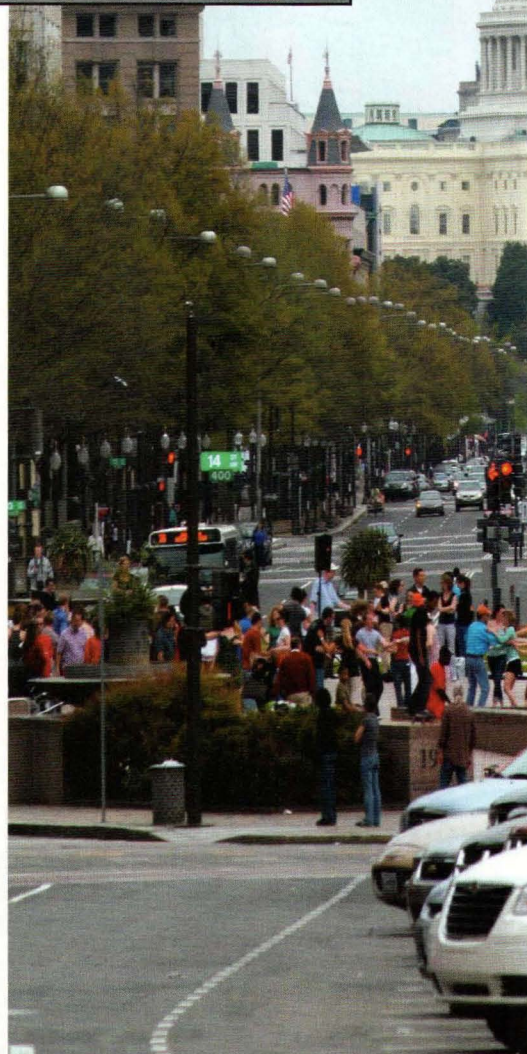
The CIA presented President Obama with a secret file listing numerous charter flights made by Quds officers and personnel on the Tehran-based airline - Mahan Air - Iran's second largest people carrier. Some of the flights allegedly carried arms and equipment to overseas countries in the Middle East and beyond. In a statement, the US Treasury Department accused Mahan Air of, "secretly ferrying operatives, weapons and funds on its flights," to help support Quds terrorist operations.

Several flights a week to Syria have been identified where Quds members receive military training. Other passengers flown by Mahan are members of the terrorist outfit - Hezbollah, according to the CIA.

Langley's findings resulted in immediate US sanctions on Mahan Air, which in effect means a freezing of its assets and stops US companies from doing business with the airline.



A Mahan Airbus lands at Birmingham International Airport, UK



Arbabsiar was arrested here at JFK following collaboration with Mexican police who deliberately refused him entry and returned him to New York

Arbabsiar's plan to assassinate Abdel al-Jubeir in the heart of Washington would have created ripples throughout the world



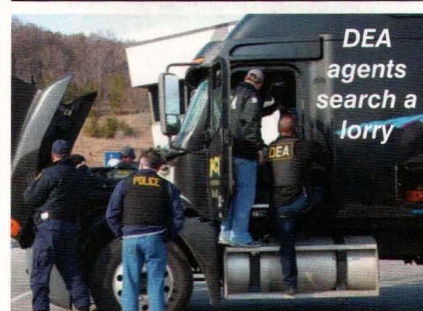
A miniature submarine used by drug-runners and seized by the DEA

Assortment of recovered weapons

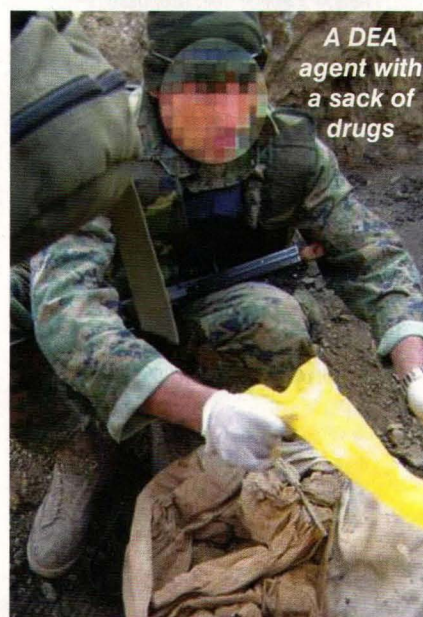


An expensive light aircraft discovered by DEA agents at a drugs factory

WHY QUDS CHOSE A DRUGS CARTEL



DEA agents search a lorry



A DEA agent with a sack of drugs

ASSETS AND KNOW HOW

One reason the Quds were quite happy to cooperate with a Mexican drugs cartel, was because of their extensive range of equipment, transport expertise, explosives and firearms access, cross border pipelines and more importantly - 'know how'. Similarly, many such organisations have skilled operatives in the field of tradecraft and assassination.



Michele Leonhart - DEA Administrator

Confronting such crime gangs on America's porous border with Mexico is the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). The DEA is a powerful security organisation often involved with intelligence-led operations. Working with other branches of the USIC, the Administration has encountered fearsome adversaries whose imagination knows no limit in terms of infiltrating the United States. These DEA photographs show a number of seized assets, including aircraft and a miniature submarine. Such impressive "field tools" will have been noticed by the Quds officers and may well have influenced their decision to hire out the assassination task to a criminal organisation which has few friends in Washington.



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Warning to Iran - Turki Al Faisal (left) pictured at the 2010 Munich Security Conference

FBI-DEA investigation was code-named: OPERATION RED COALITION

operation to deflect attention away from another parallel plan already in motion.

The DEA and FBI decided to heighten Arbabsiar's belief that his plan could work. On 14 July, the informant telephoned Arbabsiar and said "his people" had agreed to help; provided four men for the task but the asking price was \$1.5 million. To cement the deal, Arbabsiar was also advised the crime gang had sent an operative to

Washington to surveil the ambassador and his movements in the city. One location Adel al-Jubeir frequented was a city centre restaurant - Arbabsiar was told this was a "good place," to detonate a bomb. The informant said a hundred people, including US officials and probably senators also dined at the venue, "they too could be killed." In response, Arbabsiar said it was irrelevant. "They want that guy done... if the hundred go with him f*** 'em," said Arbabsiar.

In the first week of August, Gholam Shakuri approved two wire transfers totalling \$100,000 to Arbabsiar's Mexican contact. This money was the first down-payment of several that would follow the successful elimination of Adel al-Jubeir.

In late September, Arbabsiar was instructed to fly to Mexico to finalise the last few details of the plan. In the meantime, the FBI and DEA working with Mexican intelligence officials formulated a trap. On 28 September, Arbabsiar was refused entry and sent back to the USA, his flight taking him to JFK International in New York. It was here he was duly arrested by the security services and detained in a police cell. Arbabsiar, who didn't really understand the entire plot was being orchestrated by theUSIC (intelligence community) was allowed to make a number of phone calls from his cell "at the direction of the FBI." He called Shakuri in Iran at least twice: "Just do it quickly, it's late," he said, with reference to the bomb plot in Washington. "Everything should move forward as quick as possible." Of course the phone calls were being recorded.

Iran's parliamentary speaker called the allegations "a mischievous attempt to fuel tension between Tehran and Riyadh," but the evidence points to a high-level government sanctioned strike. This viewpoint is echoed by Saudi prince Turki Al Faisal, a senior member of the Royal Family and a former ambassador to the United States and Great Britain. "The burden of proof is overwhelming... and clearly shows official Iranian responsibility for this. Somebody in Iran will have to pay the price."

INTEL INSIDE MEXICO'S LOS ZETAS - NO ORDINARY DRUGS CARTEL

The Zetas cartel is a paramilitary gang and was selected because of its members fearsome reputation, organisation and its ability to perform terrorist-like operations. The gang has "perfected" the art of assassination and many of its senior players are experienced mercenaries and ex-Special Forces who deserted or were bribed to join. Its leader is Heriberto Lazcano who bizarrely used to fight drug-running as part of an elite security force.



Heriberto Lazcano

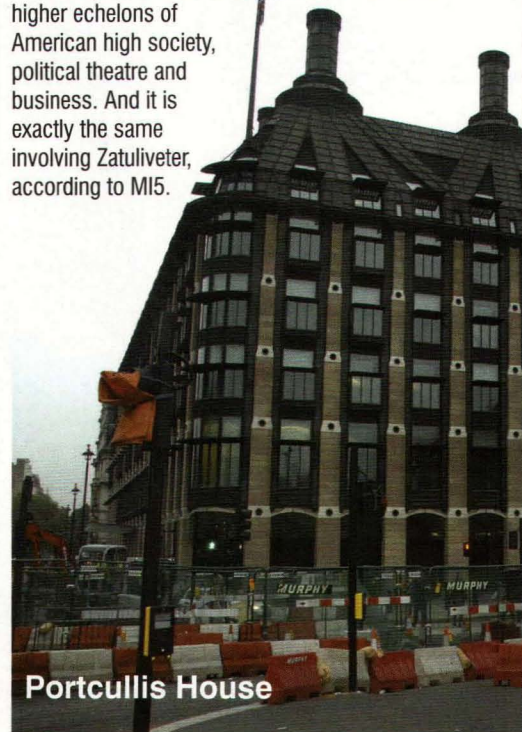
Equally important, it has conducted major attacks killing dozens and even hundreds of people in single operations, including the blowing up of buildings, government facilities, oil pipelines etc. Indeed, in 2008 alone, Zetas was blamed with stealing over half a billion pounds worth of oil by tapping into pipelines. The oil thefts and links to petrol distribution may or may not be relevant to why Arbabsiar was happy to work with Zetas in removing a key figure from the oil producing nation of Saudi Arabia.

A staggering 40,000 people have been killed in recent years at the hands of such outfits.

THE STR KATIA Alleged SVR 'super

The fate of Russian national Katia Zatuliveter, a parliamentary secretary and alleged SVR spy, will be decided at the end of November 2011. MI5 suspects the 26-year-old has connections to Russian Intelligence and has been engaged in espionage and infiltration of the British political system, a charge denied by Zatuliveter and her legal team. Indeed, on the final day of a strange inquiry to determine if she will be deported, her solicitor said the Service's investigation had at times been more akin to Peter Sellers as *Inspector Clouseau* in the *Pink Panther* pictures, rather than John Le Carre's spymaster in the form of *George Smiley*. However, that's not how the Security Service sees it.

The affair has attracted much media interest and follows on the coat tails of the dismantled US-based SVR spy ring in 2010. Amongst the Russian spies sent packing last summer, glamorous female agent Anna Chapman, who married a Briton and once resided in London. Her spying career was short lived, but both the FBI and MI5 believe that eventually she would have tried to penetrate the higher echelons of American high society, political theatre and business. And it is exactly the same involving Zatuliveter, according to MI5.



Portcullis House

ANGE CASE OF ZATULIVETER

'spy' awaits ruling on deportation



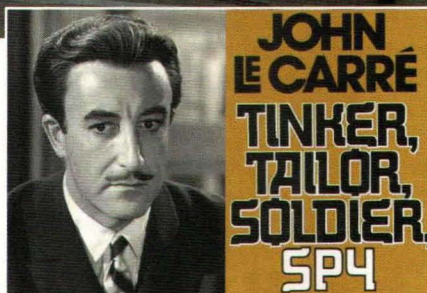
Katia Zatuliveter

CASE BACKGROUND

Katia Zatuliveter worked for British politician Mike Hancock, 65, a member of the important Commons Defence Committee and whose constituency is in Portsmouth - home to most of the Royal Navy. MI5 contest she tried to secure a variety of sensitive defence and intelligence data. In 2010, the Service's counter-espionage directorate placed the Russian under surveillance and in December she was arrested at Gatwick Airport. She successfully applied for bail and throughout 2011, has vehemently protested her innocence. The UK Government wants her deported for good, but Zatuliveter has appealed. Also in December 2010, the UK demanded a Russian Embassy employee, believed to be an SVR intelligence officer, be withdrawn immediately. Officially, the two events are not connected, though some intel watchers believe they are.

Amongst a senior panel of judges hearing Zatuliveter's appeal is former MI5 Director-General Sir Stephen Lander. His appointment was controversial. The role of Sir Stephen on the Special Immigration Appeals Commission (SIAC), concerned Zatuliveter's team from the outset (Birmingham-based solicitors 'Public

MI5 surveilled Zatuliveter across London noting her contacts



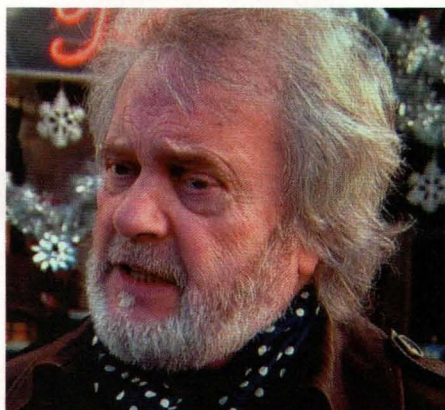
Comments about Peter Sellers and George Smiley were made in reference to what Zatuliveter's legal team regarded as an "unconvincing MI5 investigation"

Interest Lawyers'). One legal man who agreed was Geoffrey Robertson QC. He opposed the move saying it raised a conflict of interest. "A person connected with the Security Service should not sit in any form of judgement on the competence or correctness of the work of MI5," he said. "In that situation the tribunal would not be perceived as independent or impartial."

Another critic of the appointment is Zatuliveter's father, Andrey. He said, "It is completely beyond me how [in] a democratic country - the judge and the prosecution can be from one and the same side." However, Sir Stephen is there simply to advise the judges who will be privy to some evidence which is of national security value and therefore deemed "extremely sensitive," by insiders with knowledge of the case.

MI5 had had Zatuliveter under surveillance for some time prior to the arrest, as evidenced by information secured relevant to her personal life and contacts. And it is because of the latter category the Service decided to act. It is believed Zatuliveter was seen in the company of a known Russian spy at Portcullis House which sits right next to Parliament and Big Ben. Eye Spy is aware of the identity of the Russian.

Before the hearing began, Mike Hancock resigned from the defence committee. But since then, it has been learned Zatuliveter was his lover and accompanied him at various business meetings. Some of the evidence provided by MI5 through two officers known as 'ZZ' and 'AE' has been heard in secret, but not all. MI5 contend Zatuliveter was approached by the SVR identified as RIS (Russian Intelligence Service) in court and asked to work with them. A diary which MI5 contend was carefully manufactured and is bogus shows entries that discuss her affection for Hancock. Zatuliveter's team say it shows her true feelings for Hancock go back years - long before the espionage charges were brought. And whilst her solicitor Tim Owen has tried to portray the respective MI5 investigative team in a



Mike Hancock

**Colourful language
and comic
book banter risks
turning important
espionage case
into farce**

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negative and foolhardy manner, the Service is adamant that Zatuliveter is in the pay of the RIS. Mr Owen said: "There is not a single shred of evidence that Katia Zatuliveter has ever been a spy. MI5 has fought the case with unfounded speculation and supposition, hints and slurs and a pig-headed adherence to May's pre-cast view." That last astonishing statement is reference to the Home Secretary's stance (Theresa May). Jonathan Glasson, for May said: The Security Service maintains their strong assessment that the appellant is a recruited RIS agent. There are two central lies - the appellant's assertion that she was never approached by the RIS, other than meeting with [an] individual named Boris, and the assertion she is not RIS. We do say unequivocally these are lies." Zatuliveter's solicitors responded by calling the Home Office case as "amateurish."

Various interesting bits of information have surfaced which may or may not affect the judgement of the panel. For example, Zatuliveter is said to have developed a "near photographic memory," whilst studying at St. Petersburg University. Intel watchers recognise that this is a prime recruiting location for Russia's many intelligence elements. She also had an affair with an unnamed senior NATO official identified in court as 'Y', a Dutch diplomat and a senior United Nations official. Zatuliveter is allegedly a member of The Valdai Club which boasts eminent academics, senior government officials and journalists. This fact was raised without comment, but the suggestion is obvious.

Zatuliveter herself was not allowed to learn of much of the evidence secured by the Security Service, but she believes the case was brought against her following the collapse of the SVR spy ring in America. However, Eye Spy believe that a



Former MI5 D-G Stephen Lander and Portcullis House in relation to Big Ben and Parliament

full year before this, in 2009, MI5 surveillance officers were already watching her.

The case is naturally sensitive, and Zatuliveter's legal team

have at times sought to mock MI5's evidence, but surprisingly, comments and reflections of the case have been aired in a most surprising location - Russia. KGB Colonel and MI6 agent Oleg Gordievsky, 72, knows the world of Russian Intelligence better than most, and speaking on Russia's Radio Svoboda, said, "Zatuliveter is the best Russian spy for 30 years." He went further engaging with journalists adding that she was very conscientious and passed Moscow, via its London Embassy, "the most important military secrets." Zatuliveter, according to this most experienced intelligence man, "was the strongest and most useful KGB agent for the last 30 years." Indeed, he dismissed Anna Chapman as a "spoilt girl, a nobody and of no interest at all." Gordievsky thinks Zatuliveter was good, very good. That she left no real evidence trail is testimony to this, he believes.

For the best part of five years the SVR (Russia's foreign intelligence service), has increased its spying activities in London, with one estimate claiming the number of Russian intelligence people now operating in the city is over 100.

Warnings by leading UK intelligence officials concerning such endeavours have also been aired. Indeed, just last year Sir Stephen Lander voiced his concerns with specific reference to female agents and the SVR spy network in America. "The existence of a ring of Russian illegals must be taken seriously," he said. "The fact that they are non-descript or don't look serious is part of the charm of the business. That's why the Russians are so successful at

some of this stuff. They are able to put people in those positions over time to build up their cover to be useful."

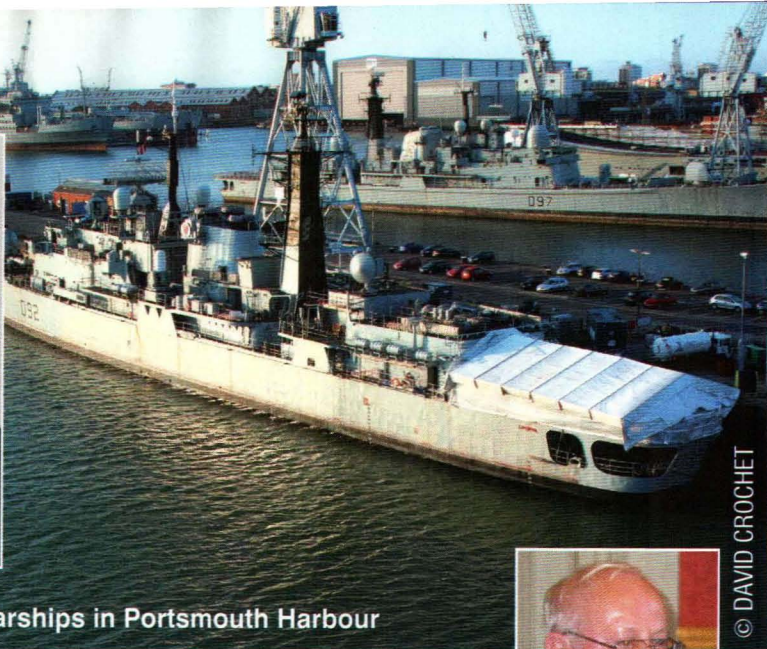
Current MI5 Director-General Jonathan Evans, has already acknowledged the Russians have rebuilt a network of UK-based spies comparable to that which was operational throughout the Cold War.

Nevertheless, the panel may yet rule in Zatuliveter's favour. However, the MI5 evidence which has not been heard in public is surprisingly strong and much of it wends its way back to Moscow.



Theresa May

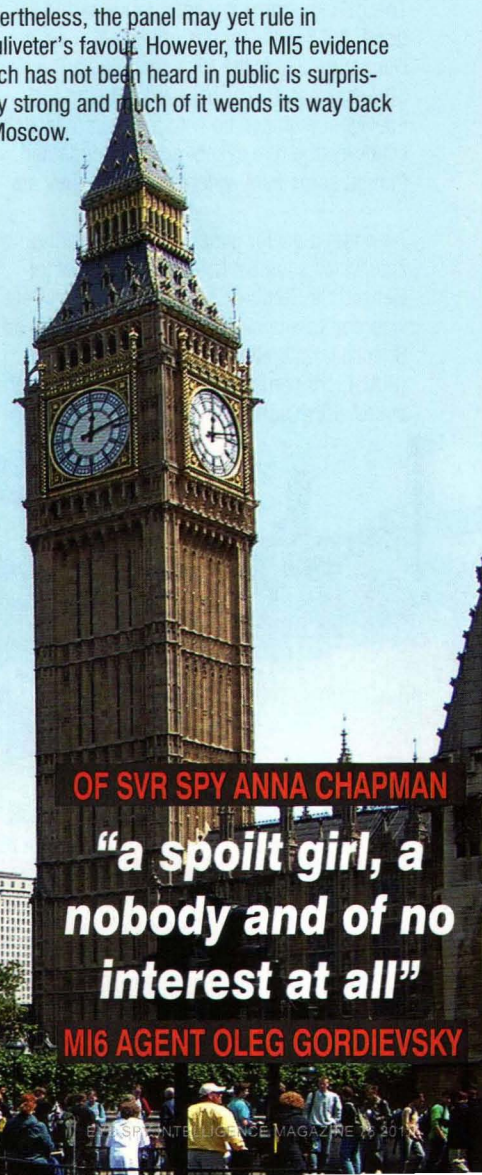
Royal Navy warships in Portsmouth Harbour



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Oleg Gordievsky



OF SVR SPY ANNA CHAPMAN

"a spoilt girl, a nobody and of no interest at all"

MI6 AGENT OLEG GORDIEVSKY

CONTEST



MI5 GREEN-LIGHTS COUNTER-TERRORIST RAIDS

Following a lengthy and intense surveillance operation in Birmingham, one which eventually led MI5 liaison officers to remote areas of Pakistan (and elsewhere), senior intelligence and security officials advised New Scotland Yard's Counter Terrorist Command (working alongside West Midlands CTU staffed by 400 officers) to issue arrest warrants for several people in the city. Though the raids were performed by unarmed officers, they are said to be connected to a terrorist operation MI5 believes "was at an advanced stage."

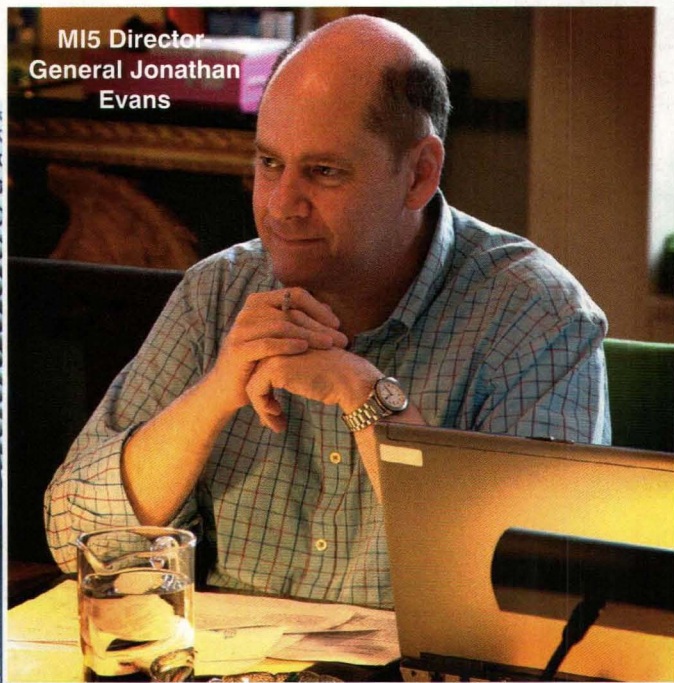
MI5 Director-General Jonathan Evans, himself one of the world's most experienced counter-terrorist officials, concluded that to continue investigating and monitoring the suspects was simply too dangerous. An early indication of the gravity of the situation.

Worldwide surveillance operation results in Birmingham terror charges

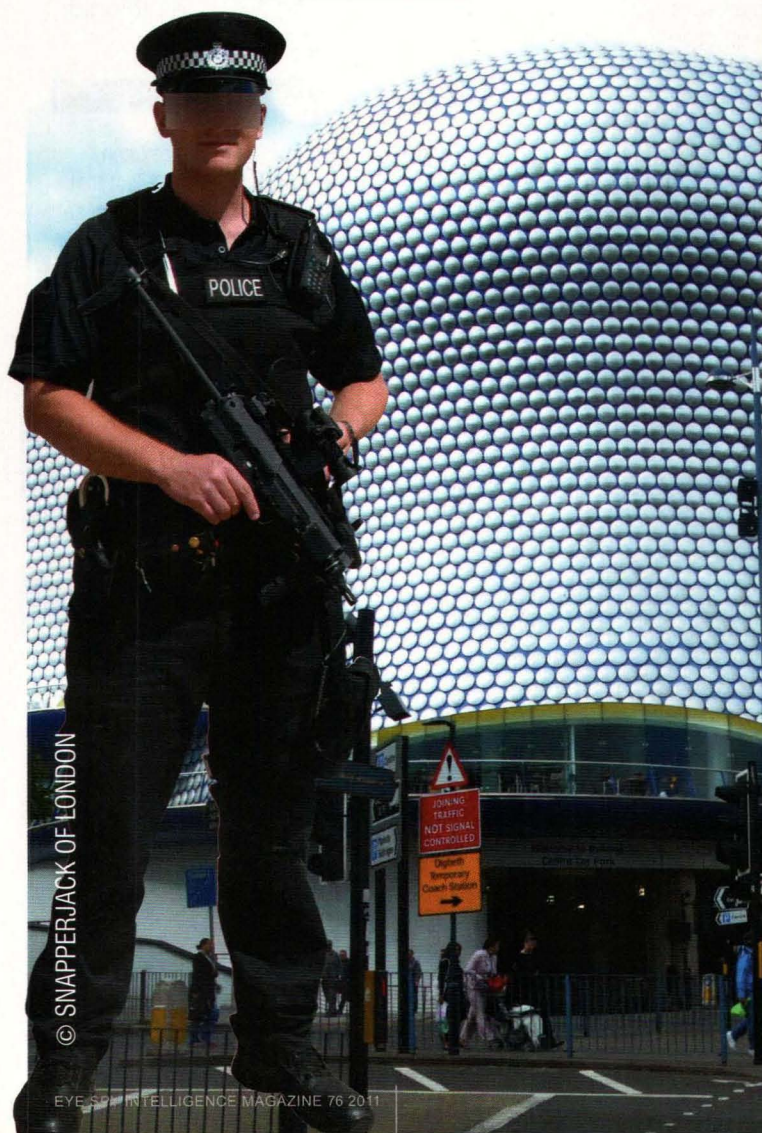
BACKGROUND AND GENESIS OF RAIDS

Since 2009, the number of armed specialist officers in England's second largest city had doubled, this as the threat of an al-Qaida Mumbai-type attack has increased on the streets of Britain. In 2010, a secret report submitted by MI5 with part-content prepared by MI6, said intelligence received from Pakistan warned that an attack could occur in Birmingham, London, Leeds or Manchester at any time. ➤

MI5 Director
General Jonathan
Evans



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Part of Birmingham's world famous Bullring shopping centre - a known al-Qaida target and listed on the security services CONTEST register

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A police forensic officer searches a vehicle



Thereafter, Eye Spy understands senior firearm police officials from various provincial forces were called to a COBR[A] (Cabinet Office Briefing Rooms [A]) meeting in London to discuss counter-measures. It is not clear if the recent arrests are part of this security endeavour as details of the alleged plot remain fragmented. However, intelligence sources said MI5 is confident a major al-Qaida plan involving mass casualties was central to events.



The Birmingham surveillance operation began last Christmas (2010) just days after a dozen other people living in Stoke, London and Cardiff were detained for alleged terrorist offences. Various addresses linked to the suspects

were actually in Birmingham itself. At the time, NSY Assistant Police Commissioner John Yates called the arrests, "absolutely necessary." Eye Spy believe London was the intended primary target in this case.

Previous major counter-terrorist raids in Birmingham have also taken place in 2007 and 2008.

Since 2008, security officials from the UK's major cities have submitted reports to the Home Office via its 'CONTEST' programme identifying

possible terrorist targets - this in a bid to help understand where attacks might occur, and to tighten security. In the greater Birmingham area alone, 26 locations were referenced, though only one made public - the iconic Bullring Shopping Centre. However, Birmingham Airport is also a known high security location.

CONTEST is the official designation given to the UK's overall **COuNter-Terrorist STRategy**. (See LINKS)

That the city has long been an al-Qaida target is evident. A counter-terrorist advisory prepared well before 9/11 warned: *'The police and Security Service disrupted an attempt to conduct an attack in Birmingham city centre.'*

SEPTEMBER BIRMINGHAM RAIDS

Over 100 specialist officers supported by dozens of trained surveillance operatives detained all but one of those wanted for questioning. Six men and a woman were arrested between 17 and 19 September. Eye Spy understands the group were allegedly in contact with a "key planner" based in Pakistan and known to that country's Inter Services Intelligence Agency (ISI).

Following the arrests, West Midlands Police said they had participated in a "major counter-terrorist operation," which Whitehall officials revealed was "intelligence led," a reference to MI5 involvement. A police spokesman also stated a large scale operation had been running

for a lengthy period of time, and was concluded to ensure "public safety."

Assistant Chief Constable Marcus Beale, said: "As a result of one of those reviews... we decided that the time was right and moved to make six arrests during the night, with a further one a few hours later. Beale's reference to "reviews" was an insight into a covert multi-task body that decided action was necessary.



COURTESY: WEST MIDLANDS POLICE

At 14 addresses throughout Birmingham, forensic specialists were seen to remove several computers and boxes of materials. A vehicle was also taken away that may have been used to gather communications intelligence. Intel sources say a VW Passat contained a listening device that allegedly recorded a number of the men discussing the plot. Another tape recording supposedly drew reference to 9/11.

TIME OF RAIDS

Similar CT (counter terrorist) raids are often conducted between 4.00-5.00am. The fact that MI5 and New Scotland Yard CTC chose such an unusual time to strike, suggests strongly MI5 were acting with increased urgency.

In the initial operation, six British nationals, all of Pakistani origin and aged between 25 and 32

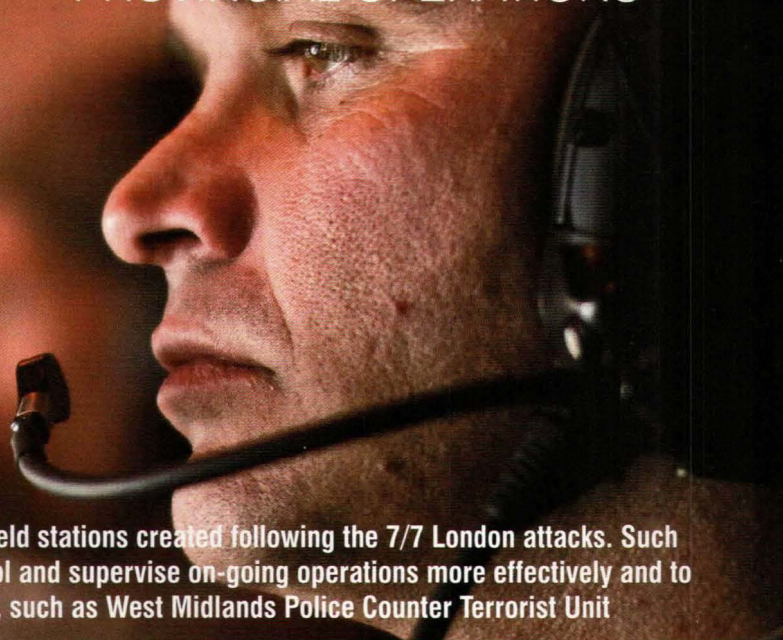
Birmingham International Airport





MI5 OUTPOSTS

PROVING EFFECTIVE IN
PROVINCIAL OPERATIONS



Birmingham hosts one of a number of MI5 field stations created following the 7/7 London attacks. Such 'outposts' allow the Security Service to control and supervise on-going operations more effectively and to liaise quickly with other local services, such as West Midlands Police Counter Terrorist Unit

were arrested on suspicion of the commission, preparation or instigation of an act of terror in the UK. A female was arrested for failing to disclose information to the police. A week or so later, an eighth person wanted for questioning gave himself up at a local police station.

Of relevance, one of the residences searched by police is believed to be registered to a man already convicted of being involved in a terrorist plot in 2008.

TERRORIST CHARGES

It has since transpired two of the men, Irfan Nasser and Irfan Khalid, had been under surveillance since the beginning of the year. They

were tracked to an overseas location in Pakistan whereby they allegedly received training in explosives (bomb making), weapons firing and, perhaps of major concern, poison manufacture. According to West Midlands counter-terrorist officials, Nasser and Khalid agreed to act as suicide bombers, and that they had already purchased ingredients necessary to build home made devices. Another man, Ashik Ali, is also said to have agreed to become a suicide bomber. However, an additional charge against him concerns his training in explosives and the building of detonators and construction of a home-made bomb. MI5 also believe he helped recruit and train people for terrorist actions. Ali's brother, Bahader, has been accused of entering into a "funding agreement for the purpose of

terrorism," and "withholding information that could prevent a terrorist attack." That charge was also pressed against another suspect, Mohammed Rizwan.

Rashid Ahmed is charged with planning an act of terrorism, and helping people travel to Pakistan and train in the manufacture of explosives and poisons. He is also linked to a money investment scheme that would be used to help commit terrorist acts.

Other aspects relevant to the investigation include money laundering, terror recruitment and training, and a bombing campaign against unspecified targets in the UK.

At West London Magistrates Court, prosecutor Deborah Walsh made the following statement: "It must have been clear from what they said [recorded conversations] that they were planning a terrorist campaign."

Eye Spy sources said that MI5 has secured at least one 'martyrdom video', which was produced for release "after an event of major significance," in this case, presumably a terrorist attack.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Government has produced a series of highly informative reports identifying its strategy to tackle terrorism. Readers can find several important security pdf files by following this link.

LINKS: CONTEST

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THE SECRET A OFFICE

Sleepers, poison needles

North Korea is situated between China and South Korea. It is one of the last bastions of Communism and led by a one man dictatorship, Kim Jong Il. Unlike most of the free world there is no independent media and limited access to radio and television. There are just four government-owned stations; the North Korean Central Broadcasting Station being one of them - owned and run by the Korean Workers' Party.

North Korean nationals are prohibited from listening to external foreign broadcasts and the government actually runs a jamming service to back that prohibition. Just to enforce the 'you will listen and watch our programmes only' rationale, all televisions and radios are home manufactured and pre-tuned.

There is just one external broadcast service from North Korea and that is, not surprisingly, 'The Voice of Korea.'

Tuning in one can hear such classics as the 'Works of the Great Leader Kim Il Sung' and much of the same with 'Works of the Great Leader Kim Jong Il.' Other output is basically music with titles such as 'Hold High the Flag...' 'Down-with-Imperialism Union' as well as 'I Sing of the Party' and 'Long live the Workers' Party of Korea'. These titles surely reflect media conditions in North Korea.

It will come as no surprise that some North Korean nationals are so disgruntled with their way of life they defect to South Korea much in



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Target - Park
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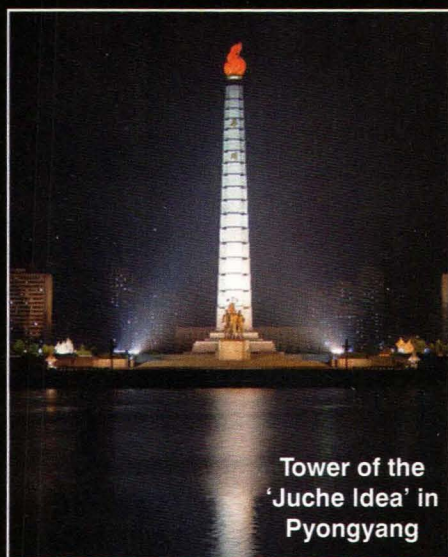
and propaganda

the same way as East Germans defected to the West, risking their lives as they do so. South Korea is a country much supported by the USA and a particular 'bugbear' of the North's government.

With international news scarce and external radio programmes jammed, one successful defector and activist - Park Sang Hak, who lives in the South's capital Seoul, has a particularly novel approach to getting propaganda and other rare items across the border.

Hak uses bin bags attached to helium balloons into which he stuffs anti-NK literature, dollar bills, miniature tunable DVDs and small AM/FM radios. When the weather conditions are suitable, Hak launches the balloons which travel over 100 miles into the capital Pyongyang. Here the balloons drop and a message deposited: "Kim Jong Il is lying to you." The radios also allow those who find them to tune to Free North Korea Radio and listen to propaganda from the south.

The activist has support from a group of defectors who call themselves the 'Fighters for



Tower of the
'Juche Idea' in
Pyongyang



President
Obama and
South Korea's
President Lee
Myung-bak at
the White House
October 2011



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Free North Korea'. They have become a thorn in the side of the ruling party in the north, which is using agents and assassins to counter their actions. Several defectors to the south, usually notable personalities, have been assassinated, especially for activities against North Korea.

North Korea's officially sanctioned state dogma is called Juche. Its ideological architect was a man called Hwang Jang-Yop (pictured below) who defected to the South in 1997. In 2010 two North Korean intelligence officers were jailed for planning his murder. Hwang Jang-Yop's crime: defection. Jang-Yop



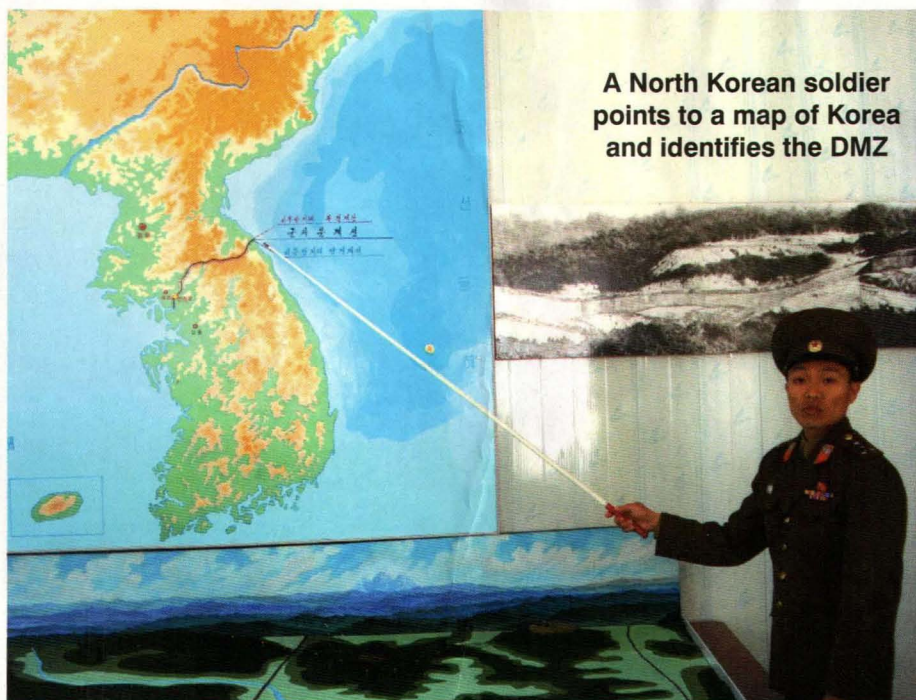
received 24-hour-a-day security out of necessity.*

Other notable instances of force include an actual nephew of Kim Jong Il's first wife, Lee Han Young. He was shot dead in 1997, after

defecting to South Korea and discussing the personal life of the NK leader.

Kim Jong Il's agents have little regard for international protocol or borders. In 1996, Choi Duk Gun, a non-North Korean was assassinated for simply helping North Korean refugees. He held a senior diplomatic position

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A North Korean soldier points to a map of Korea and identifies the DMZ

STRANGE DAYS

Choe Deok Geun was assassinated in October 1996 using a substance that was traced to North Korea. Although his body suffered wounds akin to bludgeoning, forensic specialists were concerned by two strange holes on his torso - suggestive of injection punctures.

After further examination, doctors discovered that his blood contained a chemical poison - the same poison that just weeks earlier had been discovered on a North Korean submarine which had managed to breach South Korean waters. Some media reports suggested the North had paid a Russian hitman to carry out the assassination - this was never proven.



as South Korean consul to Russia, which mattered not. Gunn died from poisoning.

ASSASSINS OF 2011

The propaganda balloon activity of Park Sang Hak drew the attention of the North's intelligence service. Officials activated a sleeper agent who had pretended to defect to Seoul, South Korea in the late 1990s simply known as 'Ahn', believed to be a former Special Forces soldier. During the summer of 2011 the agent made contact with Park Sang Hak, praised his efforts and arranged a meeting with him on 3 September at the entrance to a subway station situated in suburban Seoul. Ahn said he was bringing a "friend" from Japan - a person who supports his efforts.

Fortunately for Park Sang Hak officers from South Korea's powerful National Intelligence Service (NIS) made contact with him and

warned against keeping the meeting shortly before the event. With Park Sang Hak safely clear Ahn was arrested as he waited for the doomed defector to appear; doomed because Ahn was carrying on his person a poisoned needle and other weapons, doubtless intended for his target. The target told friends he was certain the plot was real and he would have been killed.

WANGJAESAN SPY RING AND OFFICE 225

While assassinations are not uncommon in South Korea the recent indictment of five members of the so-called 'Wangjaesan Spy Ring' in August 2011, caused some ripples throughout the political establishment in Seoul. The affair represents the biggest spy case seen in the region in over a decade. The spies were allegedly led by a man identified only as 'Kim' who owned an electronics import and export business. Kim appears to have spy

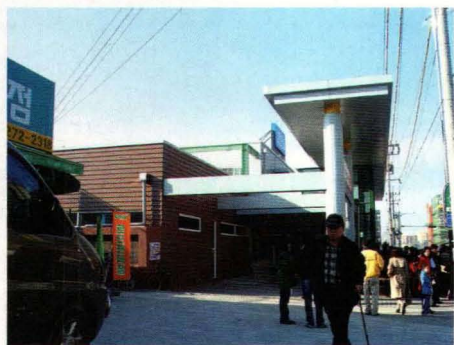
connections outside the country in Japan and China. According to intelligence sources, he met with North Korean spies about a dozen times outside the Koreas.



South Korean security checkpoint at the demilitarised zone (DMZ)



Propaganda poster featuring Kim Jong Il



Members of this network, so named after a mountain in North Korea considered sacred, include Labour Union officials, politicians, media people and others with political interests, as well as academics and IT experts. Under the conservative-style administration of South Korea's President, Lee Myung Bak, members

of this spy ring working for Pyongyang can expect 'hard labour' if found guilty.

The spy network was set up by edict of the North Korean Workers Party and run by Office 225, a shadowy part of North Korea's intelligence service which operates spies and sleeper agents in South Korea and is currently under instruction to weaken the 2012 Presidential elections.

Whilst apparently not an operative of the Wangjaesan network, the sleeper Ahn can expect a tough sentence for his part in the planned assassination of Park Sang Hak if he too is found guilty.

* Hwang Jang-Yop died in October 2010, aged 87 and was regarded as the highest-ever

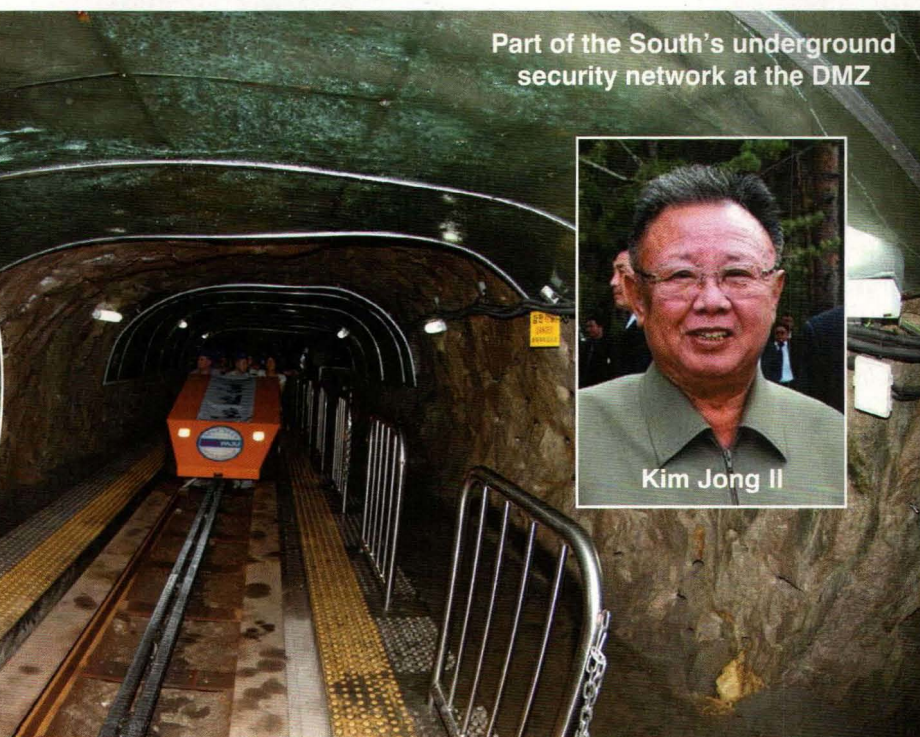
ranking defector. Since the Korean War ended in 1953, 22,000 people have defected to the south, though this is a conservative estimate.

SPIES SEEKING MONIES

With little money and international assistance, North Korea has turned to more 'innovative' ways to obtain finance. South Korea's counter-intelligence service recently uncovered an intricate North Korean-Chinese-based group that attempted to steal millions of pounds by using a cyber-hacking gang against international on-line gambling sites. The network was exposed after NIS officers identified some of the outfit's South Korean colleagues.



North Korean DMZ guards



Part of the South's underground security network at the DMZ

Kim Jong Il

AL-QAIDA'S RICIN PIPELINE



THE ROAD TO AL-QAIDA IN SOMALIA

Eye Spy examines the emergence of a disturbing alliance that changes the dimension and threat facing counter-terrorist forces operating in the Horn of Africa

British intelligence officials are monitoring an increase in young Britons travelling to North Africa whose ultimate objective is to join the emerging al-Qaida franchise known as Al-Shabaab [translates to the Youth or Boys]. This as colleagues from the CIA continue to tackle various threats in a region of the world that is decidedly unstable.



an unlikely scenario, but the evidence does - at the very least - point to cooperation.

PIRACY AND AL-QAIDA

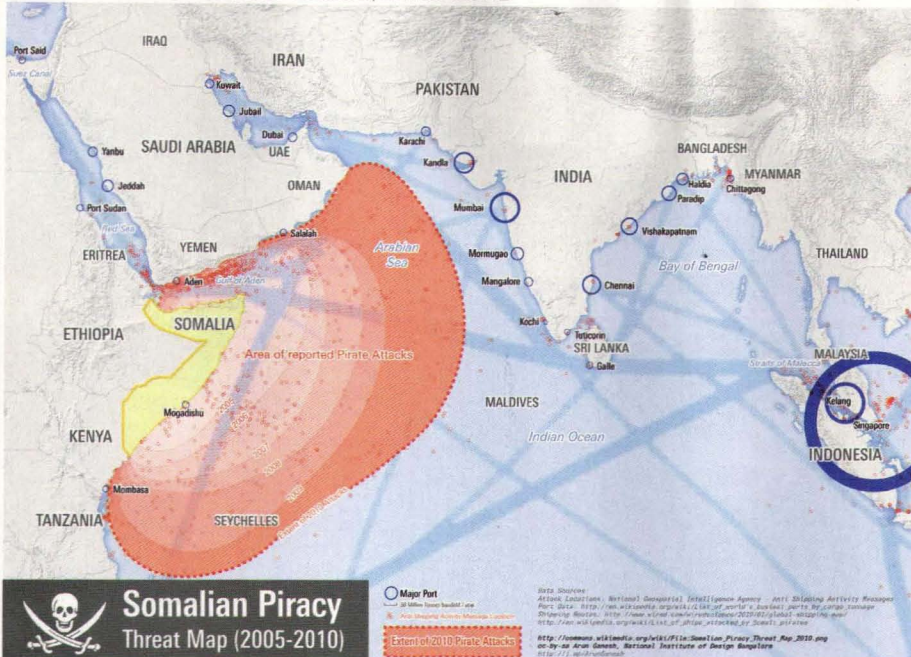
Pirate gangs, some aligned to al-Qaida are responsible for seizing dozens of ships off the coast of Somalia, but in recent times have started to operate with near impunity inside the Kenyan border. Analysts believe this is evidence of a "coming together" of pirates and al-Qaida. New Scotland Yard has still not ruled out the possibility that a British couple, attacked in September whilst holidaying in a luxury Kenyan hotel complex at the Kiwayu

Over the last three years MI6 and the CIA have built up a careful picture of events, including identifying a number of secret land and sea pipelines to Somalia established by al-Qaida from various neighbouring countries. To compound matters, a huge CIA operation uncovered disturbing evidence of ricin production by forces friendly to the group. Another serious problem for the authorities is the emerging alliance between the terror group and pirates who have made Somalia their home base. Some experts still consider this



Flag and logo used by Al-Shabaab

Safari Village (close to the border with Somalia), were victims of Al-Shabaab. In this case, David Tebbutt was shot dead and his wife Judith abducted and taken to Somalia. Another high profile incident occurred on 13 October; terrorists simply walked into the sprawling refugee camp at Dadaab, just inside



An interesting graphic created from various open source intelligence used to show the extent and operating range of Somalian-based pirates

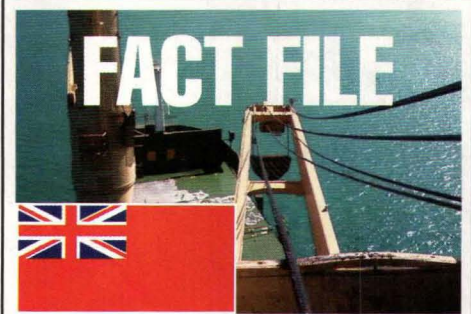
the Kenyan border and abducted two more Western aid workers after shooting their driver. Undoubtedly they will be ransomed in order to help fund al-Qaida operations both at sea and on land.

A CIA operation, supported by UAVs has been underway for some time to monitor the deteriorating situation in the Horn of Africa, home to 12 million people and a land that has seen fierce fighting between official African Unified forces and al-Qaida. The terrorist group is particularly strong in this region with thousands of operatives based in Somalia and the Yemen. In September, a CIA controlled reconnaissance drone crashed near the airport of the Al-Shabaab controlled Somali city of Kismayo. The terror group announced it had recovered various cameras from the drone. A mechanical failure was probably responsible for the UAV's demise in this case.

The CIA is nervous about large areas of al-Qaida-controlled land in Yemen, just a very short journey across the waters known as Bab el Mandeb and the Red Sea Crossing. It is here part of Langley's growing UAV surveillance operation in the region has become aware of a major castor bean growing programme. Analysts in the United States and Britain believe al-Qaida couriers are taking stocks of the deadly toxin ricin, made from the seeds of castor beans, to designated terrorist camps for further distribution. Henceforth much interest in British and American nationals visiting areas that straddle the Horn of Africa. It is part of a recognised pipeline used by terrorists to traverse the region.

CIA counter-terrorist officers have already identified a village in Yemen where the ricin toxin is being delivered - though are naturally reluctant to reveal its exact location. However, intel watchers believe it is in Shabwa Province. There is also evidence that al-Qaida is trying to create a delivery system, in this case packing the powder around a small explosive (See also Washington DC model aeroplane plot p20). MI6 and the CIA have intelligence that busy locations such as shopping centres and business and government locations could be the group's primary targets.

NATO maritime security troops



- The British Government has agreed to issue official licences enabling UK-flagged ships to carry armed security details. Maritime intelligence specialists have confirmed Somali pirates are less likely to target vessels if protected by professional security personnel.

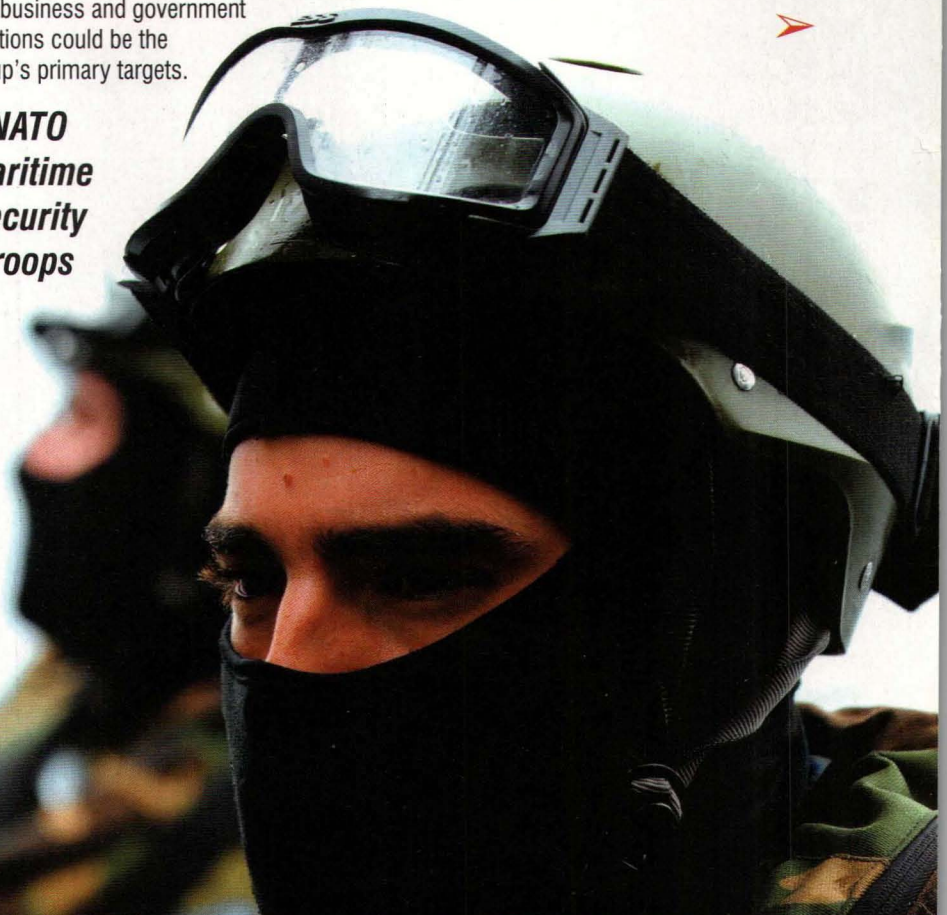
- The area of ocean off the Horn of Africa frequented by pirates totals three million square miles.

- Thirty countries now have patrol vessels operating in the seas off Somalia in a joint effort to combat piracy

- Some 246 sailors from various ships are missing - the vast majority are being held captive by pirates and groups associated with al-Qaida

- The average ransom paid for the return of a vessel and its crew is \$5 million

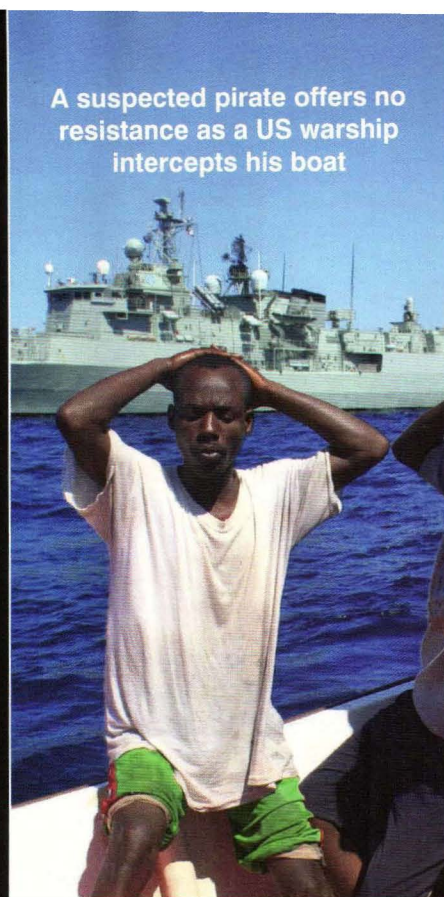
The problem for al-Qaida's bomb-makers rests with developing a system whereby the toxin retains its potency: ricin loses its lethality very quickly in dry and arid climates.





VESSEL INTELLIGENCE

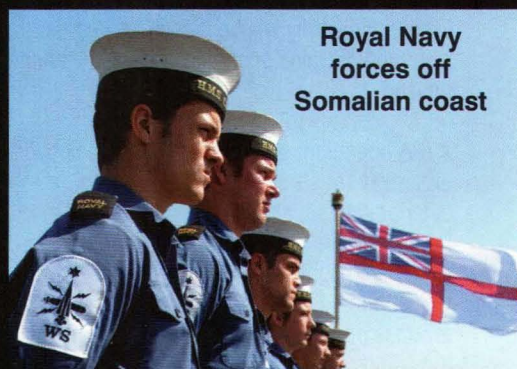
NATO intelligence photo compilation of boat types used by various pirate gangs operating in the seas off Somalia and in the Indian Ocean



A suspected pirate offers no resistance as a US warship intercepts his boat



END GAME: A dozen or so armed pirates previously intent on menace and reward are detained in yet another successful NATO interception



Royal Navy
forces off
Somalian coast

EQUIPMENT INTELLIGENCE

NATO Special [maritime] Forces examine bags on a suspected pirate fast boat in search of weapons and equipment



INTELLIGENCE QUEST NERVOUS AUTHORITIES

In September, three British nationals were arrested by counter-terrorist officers in the port of Mombasa in the southeast of Kenya. "They were seen acting suspiciously," said a police spokesman. "We trailed them for a day and though they said they were tourists, some of their actions have given us cause to believe that they are not." At least two laptops were recovered and these are being examined by forensic specialists. However, it soon transpired the three, named as Nick Cryne, Niall Young and Ben Hope, were actually working for a private security concern called Intelligere, a division of the well known XFOR Group.

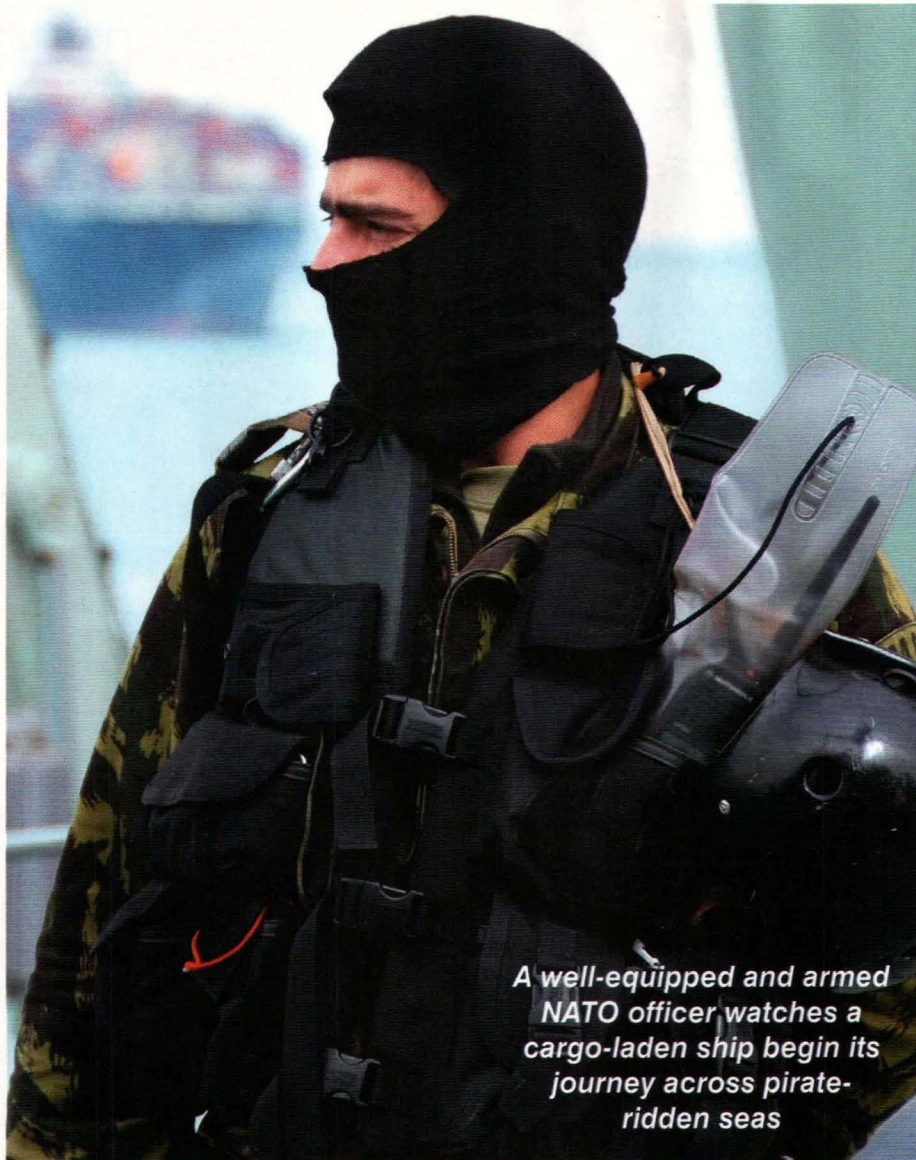
After further consultation with the Foreign Office, the men were released by Kenyan security services. Cryne is a former Royal Marine and has reportedly worked in Iraq and Afghanistan and aided counter-terrorist and counter-piracy efforts off the coast of Somalia.

intelligence officials confirmed the terror group is seeking ways to insert the toxin into perfume bottles and post them to key government officials.

A tiny fleck of ricin, a white powdery substance, is sufficient to kill a person if inhaled or reaches the blood stream. And it is this fear that has caused the CIA to place so much emphasis on happenings in the region. Those opposed to the international security and surveillance operation might think differently if such a highly toxic material started to be exported to terrorist centres around the globe, though in reality, it can be produced anywhere.

NSA and GCHQ intercepts have confirmed al-Qaida's group in Yemen, known as AQAP by the CIA (al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula), have revealed ricin is a phrase often discussed. In al-Qaida's on-line magazine - 'Inspire' - a paragraph or message to its readers read: 'Brothers with less experience in the fields of microbiology or chemistry, as long as they possess basic scientific knowledge, would be able to develop other poisons such as ricin or cyanide.' The writing was titled: 'Tips for our Brothers in the USA'.

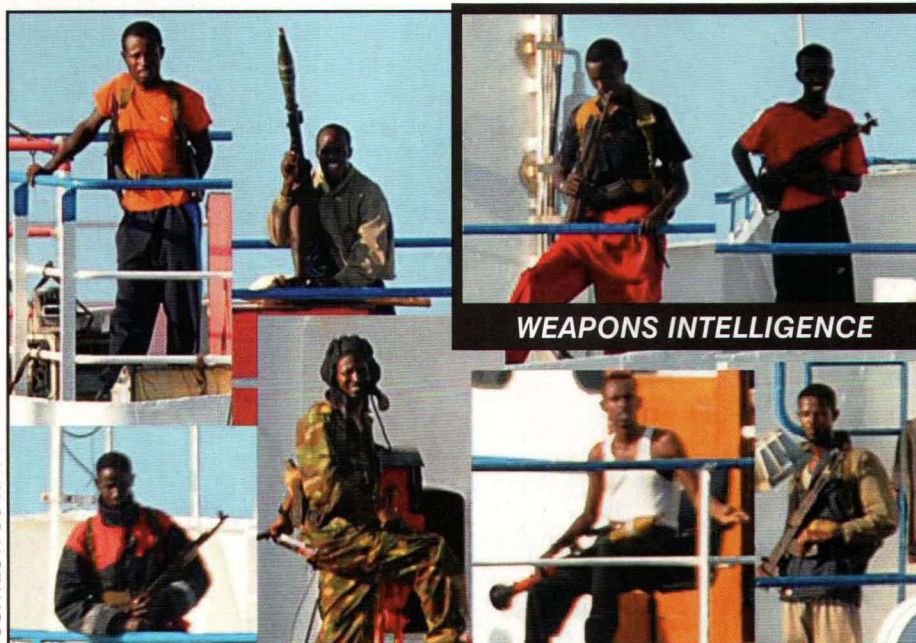
An interesting long-range photo montage of Somali pirates taken by US Navy communication specialist Jason R. Zalasky. The graphic shows various high-powered automatic weapons, including rocket propelled grenades (RPGs)



A well-equipped and armed NATO officer watches a cargo-laden ship begin its journey across pirate-ridden seas

However, with al-Qaida constantly on the look out for secure delivery and smuggling systems, the CIA has taken note of two terrorist events in recent months. Firstly the failed attempt by Nigerian Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab to explode a bomb concealed in his underwear on a US-bound airliner in

December 2009; and then the ink-jet cartridge device that was discovered on a cargo flight destined for Chicago in 2010. Of equal concern, unspecified reports from intelligence sources that attempts may have already been made by the group to transport ricin in unconventional ways. And Saudi Arabian



WEAPONS INTELLIGENCE

COURTESY: US NAVY

US AND UK NAVAL FORCES ARREST SOMALI PIRATES



The Montecristo

British and American military maritime forces successfully intercepted an Italian vessel hijacked by pirates 600 miles off the Somali coast. The 56,000-tonne cargo carrier *Montecristo* was boarded by pirates on 10 October, but quickly fell under the gaze of US Special Forces on a patrolling frigate. A surveillance operation ensued and the warship was joined by Royal Fleet Auxiliary ship *Fort Victoria*.

The *Montecristo*, an Italian-registered ship crewed by 23 foreign nationals was hijacked by pirates, some of whom are also aligned to al-Qaida. After being confronted by the NATO counter-piracy vessels and at least two attack helicopters, the 11-strong gang decided to surrender. The vessel was boarded by a heavily armed specialist UK force and Royal Marines; the pirates gave up without a fight and were duly arrested and handed over to the Italian authorities.



While recognising the danger of ricin, senior officials believe casualties may be limited if a device containing the toxin was exploded, the "fear factor" is far more dangerous according to confidential Langley reports.

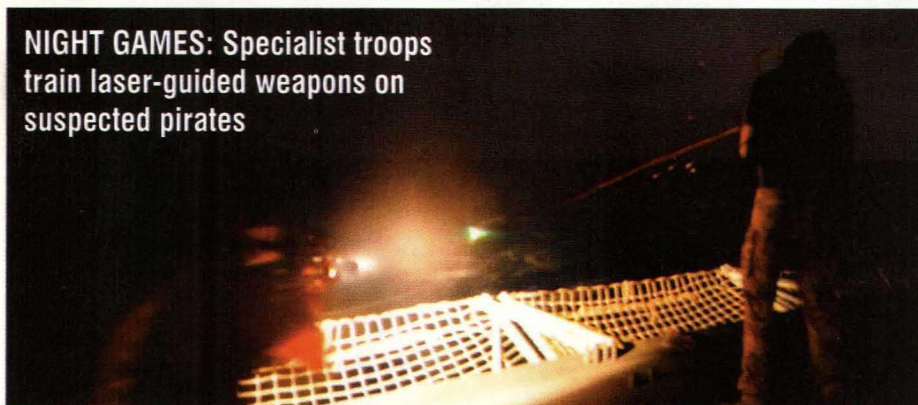
In 2009, MI6 briefed senior ministers it had secured evidence that Al-Shabaab was helping al-Qaida use its pipeline to smuggle fighters into Somalia. In the first six months of that year, it is estimated around 1,000 operatives managed to search out the terror group's training camps using Al-Shabaab guides.

As for the hijacking of merchant container vessels, NATO forces have warned pirates are now operating hundreds of miles off shore, often using 'motherships' to launch smaller faster vessels. In response to the deteriorating situation, NATO initiated Operation Ocean Shield - a massive counter-piracy effort involving various navies. As well as warships and ground based forces, NATO is using specialist maritime patrol aircraft, however, the vastness of the ocean area is a major problem in respect of providing total security.

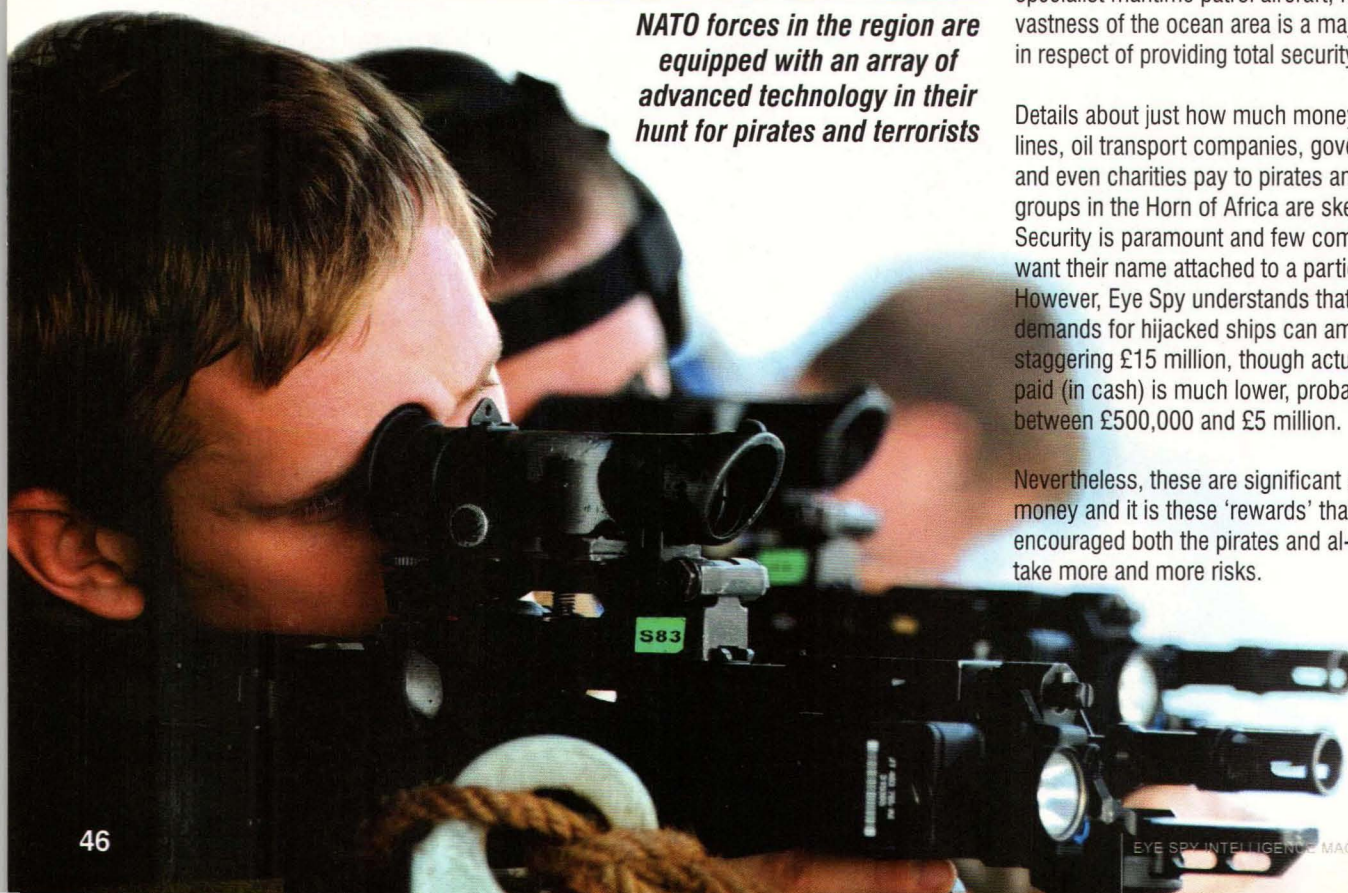
Details about just how much money shipping lines, oil transport companies, governments and even charities pay to pirates and al-Qaida groups in the Horn of Africa are sketchy. Security is paramount and few companies want their name attached to a particular sum. However, Eye Spy understands that initial demands for hijacked ships can amount to a staggering £15 million, though actual monies paid (in cash) is much lower, probably between £500,000 and £5 million.

Nevertheless, these are significant sums of money and it is these 'rewards' that have encouraged both the pirates and al-Qaida to take more and more risks.

NIGHT GAMES: Specialist troops train laser-guided weapons on suspected pirates



*NATO forces in the region are
equipped with an array of
advanced technology in their
hunt for pirates and terrorists*



Royal Navy personnel from an unspecified UK vessel in the Indian Ocean monitor shipping lanes



GAMES UP:
A pirate surrenders

'UNIFORM' INTELLIGENCE



This revealing US Navy counter-piracy photograph shows seven Somali pirates in a fast boat, but just as interesting is their dress code - all but one are wearing military-type trousers and jackets

FORGING AN ALLIANCE

In 2010, this "coming together" was recognised and announced by AQAP (al-Qaida in the Arab Peninsula), when its leader Said al-Shihri declared that his outfit was going to take control of the Bab el-Mandab Strait along with Somali associates. In response, Khalil Al-Fardan, of Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Transport and Maritime Affairs, said: "It is highly probable that a relationship exists between the pirates and Al-Shabaab, with large sums of ransom money generated through piracy going toward financing terrorist activities."

The stakes for international security have never been higher.

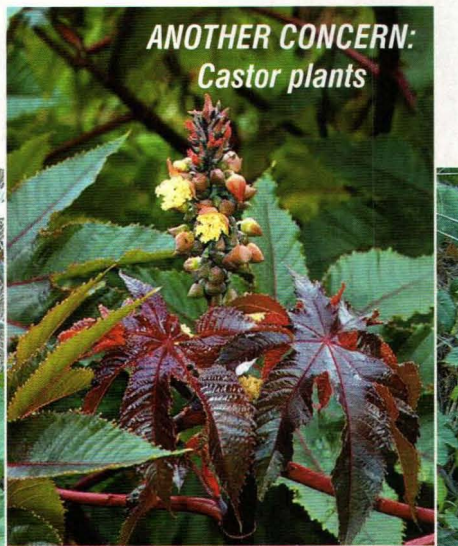


INTELLIGENCE CONCERNS

In May, a number of men of Bangladeshi origin were detained by Kenyan police - thousands of miles from their 'tourist destination'. All held British passports and were arrested at a checkpoint on a road that wends its way between northeast Kenya and Somalia. Police said the group had used "complex roads" to avoid similar checkpoints. Other Britons are known to have travelled to the area and have simply disappeared.

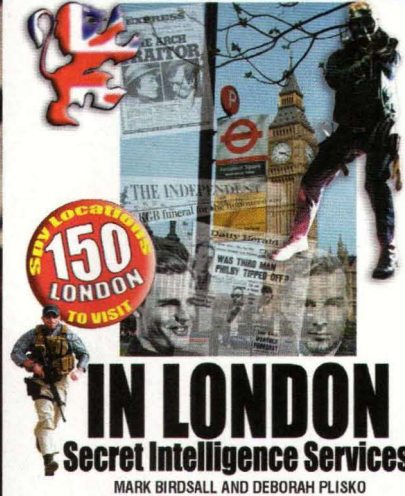
The CIA are also concerned about dozens of young American nationals who have journeyed to the region. Indeed, the FBI has launched a major investigation to monitor those citizens it suspects are trying to join various al-Qaida franchises in north Africa.

ANOTHER CONCERN: Castor plants



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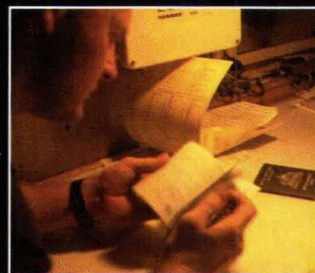
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NOTES ON SURVEILLANCE

CONFIRMING IDENTITY AND OCCUPANCY

Eye Spy provides background notes on some of the investigative avenues available to surveillance officers when faced with a difficult and aware target keen to hide his true identity and location



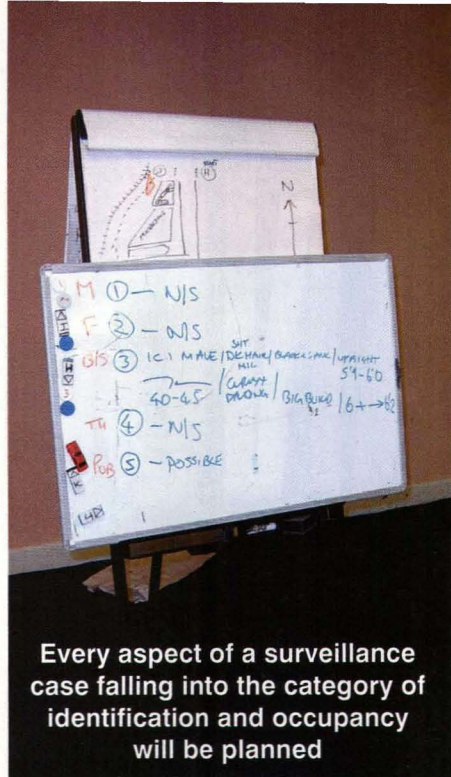
Verifying a target's identity and presence quickly in a certain location and/or accuracy of an address can be a difficult task. In an official surveillance situation, whilst speed is sometimes essential, an incorrect call, especially one made during an on-going counter-terrorist operation can be a matter of life or death. One only has to examine the case of the unfortunate Brazilian, Jean Charles de Menezes, who was shot dead after being mistaken for a dangerous al-Qaida terrorist in London in 2005. Even professionals make mistakes. De Menezes's contained flat in an apartment block that was being surveilled, and misidentification by an officer, proved critical in this case.

Before considering some of the tactics used to properly identify high-profile targets whose sole objective is to remain out of sight, it's important to understand the nature and seriousness of a particular case will always determine just how many officers and resources are deployed.

Confirmation that a target or 'person of interest' has been located and properly identified allows the intelligence process to develop, depending on the objective of the task in hand. On a commercial level, if the surveillance is simply to confirm occupancy, then the operation has achieved all its primary goals. If such a positive call forms but part of a far more complex government investigation, where counter-terrorism or counter-espionage officials are deployed, for example, then it may

be just the beginning of another intelligence-led process. And it's to the latter scenario that we examine and afford more prominence here.

Equally important in these tough days of recession is to ensure valuable time, money and resources are not wasted on a surveillance operation that by definition may involve several operatives and agencies. This is particularly true at a government level, but commercial enterprises don't want to get bogged down in a protracted investigation that achieves nothing. Spending days, perhaps weeks at an incorrect address or monitoring the wrong target is not an option. However, if the person stays put and is inclined not to venture outdoors, confirming his or her identity then becomes just a little trickier. Nevertheless, such actions will be



Every aspect of a surveillance case falling into the category of identification and occupancy will be planned

assessed by analysts: the target is acting unnaturally, and again, depending on the nature of the case, senior officials may soon have a decision to make - determining if the person is indeed 'their man'.

Prior to a full surveillance team being deployed, there are numerous avenues officials will first pursue to help discover identity and occupancy. But time is often critical, as at any stage the suspect could decide to leave and move on. If he or she is suspected of terrorist planning or an operational participant, then the stakes increase dramatically.

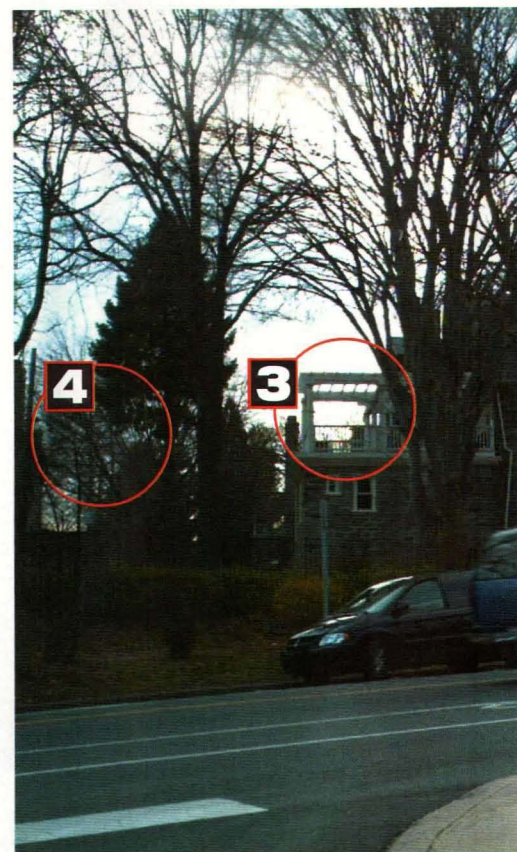
Several open source investigative channels have been discussed in earlier Eye Spy tradecraft features, however, dependent on the actual type of residency, seeking out a landlord, council office or estate agent who owns the property, or filed papers is one of the

first tasks. This should allow senior officials to determine just how long the target has lived at the address, a lease agreement, the nature of financial transactions, contact (cell phone) numbers etc. And on a government level, keys, documentation, bank statements and transactions, and hopefully identification, can also be provided. The property may come with a garage allowing further opportunities. Discreet enquiries with neighbours may also provide useful intelligence. A warrant to intercept mail and a telephone line could also be secured.

The Internet too may also provide good intelligence. However, when a target uses tradecraft to conceal his identity (for whatever purpose), then the intelligence gathered could be flawed, or inconsequential. Identity fraud is a growing industry, and for those skilled in such matters, and with a criminal, espionage or terrorist agenda, rarely do operators use their real name.

If a residence is rented via different parties, then the task (paper trail) becomes a little more difficult. And with any counter-terrorist operation, for example, asking questions with apartment landlords - who may be known to the occupant - may compromise the investigation.

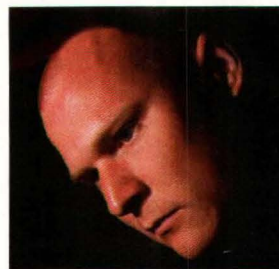
Building a picture of the location and operational environment is just as important. A failure to appreciate a neighbourhood's history is an error, as deploying surveillance cars can also lead to compromise, especially in locations supporting a suspicious or watchful population. The target may be visited by associates who relate their concerns about unusual activity. And once the target is fully aware, it will probably compound or lengthen



Surveillance officers monitor a post office in a carefully planned ruse to obtain proper identification of a target

SURVEILLANCE

WHAT ANALYSTS LOOK FOR



This professional US surveillance training photograph reveals more than just a simple residence. Officers must take into account various factors which could affect the way in which an operation or end game is played out. In this case, due attention will be given to the school notice and speed limit [1]. Officers will also have noticed the parked cars on the main road - offering a possible surveillance or delivery point [2]. The open first-floor decking, also circled, may be used by the target, thus affording an excellent photographic opportunity [3]. Cameras could easily be concealed in the trees to the side of the residence [4]. And the traffic lights provide a natural stopping place for foot officers and drivers alike [5].

Senior analysts and surveillance leaders examining such an image will however, give prominence to the school motorist advisory.

the investigative process. These are all considerations organisations such as MI5 and the FBI will take into account.

And it should never be forgotten, that the target may have chosen his residence with care. Hiding in plain sight is an art, as evidenced by some al-Qaida operatives in the UK and the ten or so exposed SVR spies who spent a decade living amongst communities on the eastern seaboard of America.

Nevertheless, the target must eat to live. Securing intelligence on lifestyle, visitors, rubbish collection and even fast-food deliveries is vital and will help surveillance officials

broaden their investigation. It may also provide useful leads, open new avenues of investigation and ultimately help to determine identity. For example, the name of the caller who ordered food. Intercepting garbage collection could provide for a name or two, but unlikely if the target is completely familiar with advanced surveillance procedures. In the case of Osama bin-Laden and his compound in Abbottabad, for example, associates burned and destroyed a vast amount of material before it was discarded.

Those who visited the site (couriers) were close to bin-Laden and used various anti and counter surveillance methods. However, at the very least it could produce fingerprint and DNA evidence. Investigations must be discreet in order not to attract attention and usually spent material of this nature is allowed to leave the premises and secured at the drop off point (rubbish tip). In high-profile counter-terrorist strikes, all these options are discussed and it

is not unusual to see undercover officers utilising tradecraft drawn from years of experience.

Indeed, one often used tradecraft solution is the use of a bogus courier. In this case a person, sometimes uniformed and carrying fake credentials, is tasked to deliver a package to the address. Equipped with concealed recording devices, once the door is opened, it should be possible to capture his/her image and determine if the person is indeed the correct target. It's an oft-used ruse in flats or tower blocks where surveillance can prove just a little more difficult. ➤



What do you see?

Journeys to any external location will be monitored; the target of this surveillance was followed to a grocery store. Officers may be forgiven for thinking the subject was simply purchasing food. However, dependent on the overall situation experienced analysts will have noticed this particular store also produces instant passport photographs - despite the misspelling

Monitoring a house or low-level apartment is easier, though can be compounded by various factors and external situations. This is true in both a built-up or remote (countryside) location.

For surveillance to verify occupancy, another security ruse which might prove beneficial is to monitor the delivery of a bogus package delivered through conventional channels and postal services. In this case the item would be simply too big to insert through a letterbox, and would require a signature. Coloured tape, perhaps warning that the contents are fragile would help officers identify the item from a distance. A signature should result in a fingerprint at the very least. If the package is not delivered, it will be returned and held at a depo



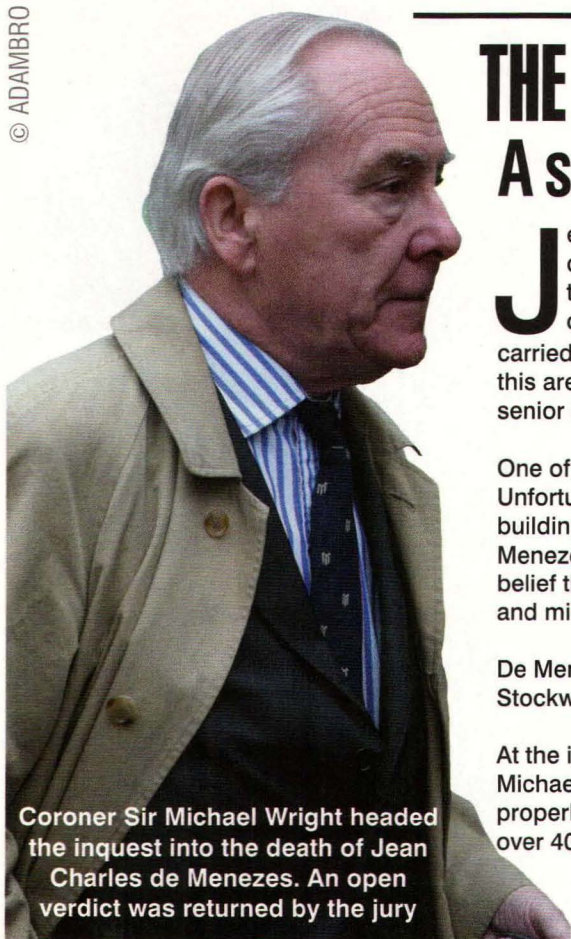
for a certain period of time, usually a week. And just as important, a 'wait card' will be posted advising that a package is being held. Similarly, the security services may try to post or deliver the item again. The target may well venture out to collect the item, thus giving the surveillance team an opportunity to secure valuable intelligence. However, if the item is collected by an associate, this gives rise to suspicion, and may be convincing evidence that the security services have the correct target under surveillance. And of course, the 'collector' will need relevant paperwork or identification from the intended recipient. This could afford further clues or indeed, evidence.

Voice analysis may also assist investigators, thus calling the occupant (if a telephone number is known) could prove valuable in the research process, or perhaps if the target manages to escape and relocates. In this case, of course, the caller would simply admit to a "wrong number."

Similarly, as in the case of bin-Laden, identifying couriers and visitors will help the surveillance team expand their investigation. Building a complete 'picture' of events is absolutely vital and allows for a collection of evidence in different locations. In a counter-terrorist operation, this may be important if



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Coroner Sir Michael Wright headed the inquest into the death of Jean Charles de Menezes. An open verdict was returned by the jury

THE IMPORTANCE OF IDENTIFICATION

A series of unforeseen events collide

Jean Charles de Menezes' death on 22 July 2005, was the result of various calamitous issues, not least mis-identification. New Scotland Yard investigators searching for the al-Qaida 21/7 London bombers discovered a gym card in a bag containing one of several unexploded bombs. The card carried details of an address in Scotia Road. Surveillance officers descended on this area of London within hours. There was fear and a genuine feeling amongst senior officials that the suicide bombers would attempt to strike again.

One of the failed bombers, Osman Hussein, was traced to this area (Tulse Hill). Unfortunately, De Menezes also lived here in one of two flat with his cousins. The building had a communal entrance and when De Menezes set off for work, he was followed in the belief that he was Hussein. Mis-communication and mis-identification was evident.

De Menezes was shot dead on a train standing on Stockwell Tube Station platform.

At the inquest into his death in 2008, coroner Sir Michael Wright said, "no surveillance officer had properly identified Osman." Seventy witnesses and over 40 police officers gave evidence.



Osman Hussein (left) and Jean Charles



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charges are brought against more than just the target.

COUNTER-TERRORISM SURVEILLANCE NOTES

In this area the stakes increase incredibly, so too the liaison between the intelligence and counter-terrorism services. Senior ministers will be informed and high-placed managers heading other emergency services, though not



FACIAL REFERENCE/FEATURES

Securing photo intelligence of the target may prove invaluable - in this instance two prominent scars on the face

Far Left: Run down flats available for immediate occupancy in an area of Leeds just a short distance away from the London 7/7 bomb-building apartment. Such a plethora of residences, different landlords and estate agents will undoubtedly be troublesome to officers trying to establish occupancy. Above: The street behind the apartments also pose problems for officers intent on a long surveillance operation as there are no 'natural' stopping points and residents will probably note unusual activity. However, the very fact that there are so many unoccupied buildings should enable the insertion of a fixed surveillance post.

necessarily of all the facts. "Be on stand-by and be prepared," is a phrase often used. If the target or targets are suspected of plotting an attack or planning to escape, from a very early stage plans will be appropriated that enables the relevant services to strike. At any given moment an order could be issued to make entry into the building using force, thus ending quickly the surveillance. Such operations are complex and affected by numerous factors, including public safety. If the intelligence services request the subject is placed on a protracted watch list to help gather more intelligence, then even more care and attention is devoted to the case.

The intention in all of the instances outlined here is simply to help determine the target's

identity and occupancy in a covert manner. It's incredibly important to understand each surveillance situation can be affected by numerous factors, many of which are discussed by the team prior to officer deployment. An easy-to-understand example of this would be if the target was suspected of carrying a firearm or is but a single 'component' in a bomb plot. In this case, the entire dimension and scope of the surveillance would alter dramatically as referred to in the CT notes.

Each case is surprisingly unique; can involve several organisations, is provided with a risk number, and may be open to legal scrutiny after the event. This despite the objective being the same - identification and occupancy.

EVIDENCE COLLECTION AND VERIFICATION

Various data collection options can assist investigators in determining occupancy and identification

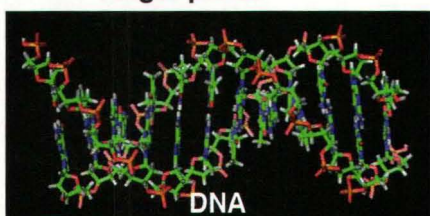


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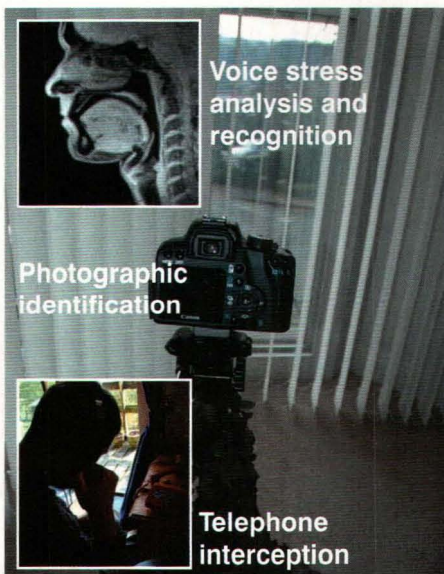


Vehicle registration

Document searches



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Telephone interception

TALIBAN HAND DELIVERS ITS 'PEACE MESSAGE'

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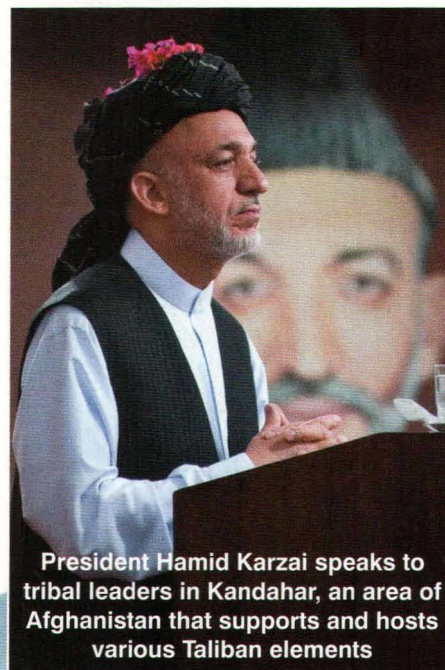
Former Afghan President Burhanuddin Rabbani, 70, a key link man in a controversial operation to broker some form of peace deal with the Taliban, was himself killed in an audacious assassination attack in Kabul on 20 September.

However, the event is shrouded in mystery as intel watchers believe 'dark players' colluded in the attack, some of them connected to al-Qaida, Pakistan's Inter-Service Intelligence Agency and the Taliban itself.

The murder of Rabbani is a bitter blow to those who believe the Taliban can be trusted, and that a negotiated peace deal is within reach. Most intelligence and defence officials remain unconvinced due to the Taliban's many threads with al-Qaida, this despite what some of the group's leadership have relayed in covert meetings with Western Intelligence contacts outside the country. NATO's most

senior commander in Afghanistan, US Marine General John Allen, is one of a growing number of senior officials who believe speaking to outfits like the Taliban is futile, primarily because like al-Qaida, it is fragmented and constantly fluid in its make-up. Hours after Rabbani's death, General Allen said: "The face of the peace initiative has been attacked. This is another indicator that, regardless of what the Taliban leadership outside the country say, they do not want peace, but rather war."

Organisations skilled in back-channel communications such as MI6, are now examining the complex circumstances and retracing all the events which led to the meeting between Rabbani and a supposed key Taliban peace negotiator. Eye Spy understands that Rabbani



President Hamid Karzai speaks to tribal leaders in Kandahar, an area of Afghanistan that supports and hosts various Taliban elements

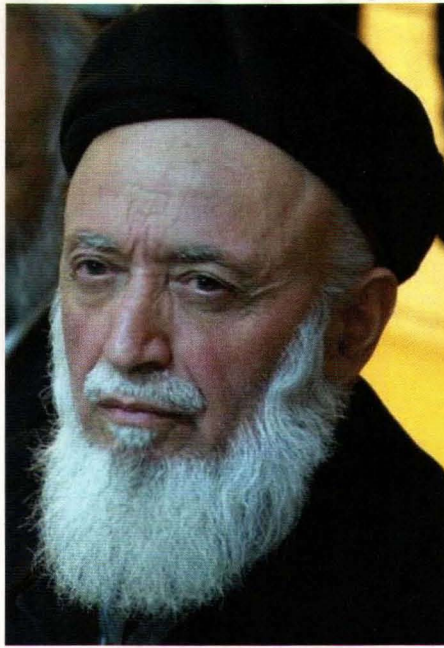
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US Marine General John Allen suspects the assassination is the Taliban response to a lasting peace

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Burhanuddin Rabbani - killed in deception operation. The intel contact man may have suspected meeting was a trap

in the mid to late 1990s. However, Wahidyar and Karzai have been speaking on friendly terms since around 2005, and with the former's approving nod, the president agreed to recall his top negotiator from the UAE.

Security has been a major problem in the country for years. And with every such secret 'contact' comes a red flag in the form of danger, as evidenced by the CIA itself, when a suicide bomber blew himself up, killing at least eight CIA officers and contact men at Forward Operation Base Chapman in Khost Province in December 2009.

Nevertheless, Rabbani himself was a skilled warrior and diplomatic player who knew the intelligence game better than most. He operated against the Taliban for the CIA-MI6 backed Northern Alliance; before this he was appointed president of the country in 1992. However, he fled in 1996 when the Taliban took control of Kabul. Rabbani was also a central figure in the Mujahideen and fought against Soviet forces in the 1980s. The Taliban and Rabbani, therefore, have known each other for the best part of two decades and they were not particularly good friends. Yet despite obvious deep suspicion, and urged on by senior Afghan officials, a near 70 strong 'peace council' and his friends to talk with the Taliban man, he quickly organised a meeting.

The Taliban negotiator was accompanied and flanked by Rahmatullah Wahidyar and Mohammad Masoon Stanekzai, another close

was in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, when he received a call from the office of Afghanistan President Hamid Karzai. The president, on the advice of his closest associates told Rabbani to return post haste to Kabul because the Taliban had agreed to meet in the city for peace talks. According to intelligence sources, the man who had gained the president's trust and vouched for the 'negotiator', was allegedly Rahmatullah Wahidyar, who served as a deputy governor minister for the Taliban after it gained control of much of Afghanistan

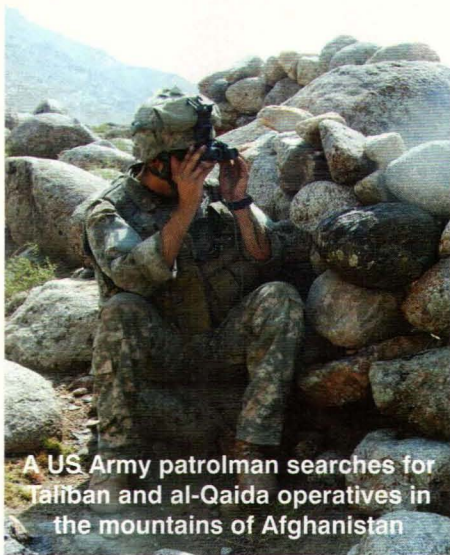


President Hamid Karzai and US Special Forces

US Admiral Mike Mullen believes the ISI played a role in the assassination



Presidents Obama and Karzai discuss events in Afghanistan at the Presidential Palace in Kabul in 2010. There is growing concern amongst senior US intel and defence chiefs that removing NATO forces will leave the country vulnerable



A US Army patrolman searches for Taliban and al-Qaida operatives in the mountains of Afghanistan

Rabbani peace associate. The group wended its way through several checkpoints surrounding Rabbani's house. There was no cause for concern and, according to local officials, the Taliban man was not searched. The end game was played out in a second. As the Taliban operative dropped his head before gesturing to hug Rabbani, he triggered a specially devised bomb which had been secreted in his turban. The resultant blast killed both men immediately.

The attack near replicated that which killed his long-time friend and fellow warrior of the Northern Alliance, Amhed Shah Massoud, the revered leader of the group. Two days before 9/11, and almost exactly ten years earlier, Massoud agreed to meet with television reporters who had requested an interview. The men were in fact suicide bombers, aligned with al-Qaida and the Taliban who had carefully set up the interview in an operation that was performed with precision. Carrying bogus passports and identification, the men

managed to persuade NA officials that the interview would be televised across the world. Inside the video camera was a bomb. Massoud was assassinated.

Eye Spy intelligence sources believe the timing and date of the operation are significant and should not be ignored. The terror outfit had unfinished business and the attack was a message to those desperately seeking peace, the Taliban's many groups and marauding units are not yet ready to lay down their weaponry and cease operations.

Back in Langley, CIA analysts have monitored the emergence of one powerful element of the Taliban that military chiefs such as General Allen are watchful of. And the same group has been referenced in a British Intelligence assessment that was essentially focused on domestic security - an indicator that the so-called 'Haqqani' network may be about to spread its wings further afield. Better trained than other Taliban and al-Qaida factions, Haqqani has been responsible for a growing number of organised military-type operations against US stations and outposts in Afghanistan. Indeed, in recent weeks several attacks have occurred in Kabul, the Afghan capital, one of which was played out for 20 hours on national television. In this case operatives entered a building under construction which overlooks the US Embassy. The embassy compound was struck several times by rocket-propelled grenades and other rockets, before Afghan national forces supported by US Army and Air Force elements defeated the terrorists, believed to number less than a dozen. Twenty five people in total were killed. Prior to this, the British Council building was

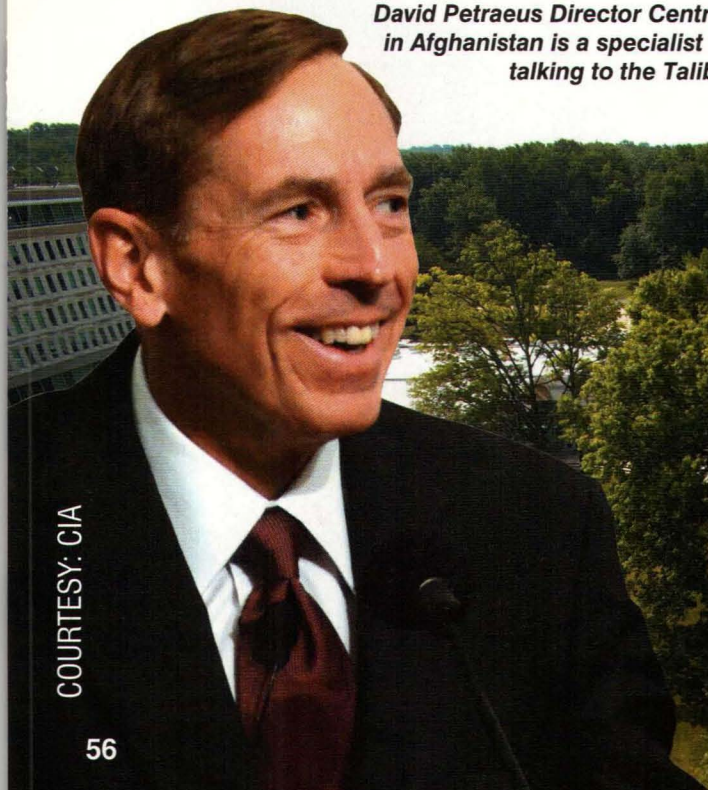


A Taliban group surrenders to Afghan Police in the north of the country

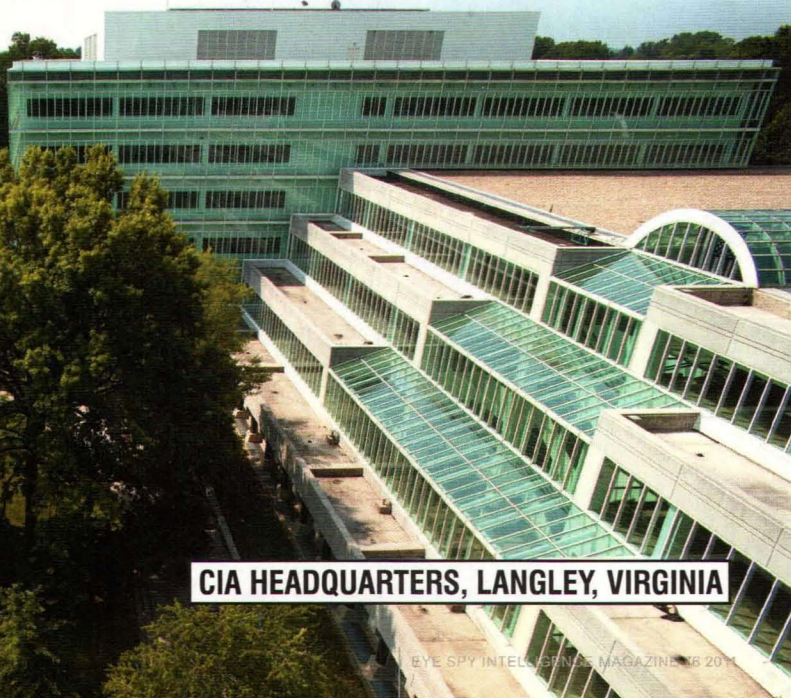
attacked leaving nine people dead. That the CIA is being targeted is also evident. On 26 September a building believed to house a CIA Station was attacked by a gunman.

- CIA sources said all the operations had been meticulously planned.

David Petraeus Director Central Intelligence Agency, and former Commander of ISAF forces in Afghanistan is a specialist on al-Qaida and the Taliban. He remains to be convinced that talking to the Taliban will lead to a peaceful settlement in the region



COURTESY: CIA



CIA HEADQUARTERS, LANGLEY, VIRGINIA



Robert Gates seen here with NATO commanders on a fact-finding mission to Afghanistan recently stepped down as US Secretary of Defense. His office receives a constant flow of intelligence regarding possible peace negotiations with the Taliban, but analysts have concluded they are "too close" to al-Qaida and have no recognised structure in place to discuss properly this highly sought option



General David Petraeus pictured in his military fatigues discusses security at the US Embassy in Kabul (2010)

CIA-ISI Tensions Grow

An intel relationship vital to combat terrorism - but suspicion abounds

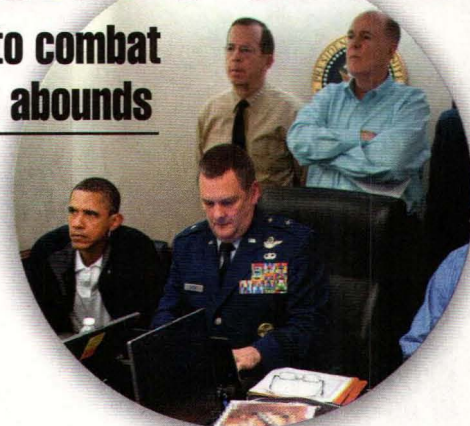
US Admiral Mike Mullen has issued a strong and surprising rebuke against Pakistan's Inter Service Intelligence Agency as relations between the CIA and ISI deteriorate.

Mullen was particularly critical over alleged links between some elements of the ISI, and the emerging Haqqani network, which Washington believes has been behind an increasing number of attacks in Afghanistan. Intelligence officials in the Pentagon and Langley believe the ISI is "providing" support for the network, which is largely centred in North Waziristan.

"In choosing to use violent extremism as an instrument of policy, the government of Pakistan, and most especially the Army and ISI, jeopardises not only the prospect of our strategic partnership, but also Pakistan's opportunity to be a respected nation with legitimate influence," Admiral Mullen said. And in relation to this, there is mounting speculation that US forces are about to embark on a major operation against the Haqqani outfit.

His remarks provoked a furious response from Islamabad. "The Pakistan nation will not allow [foreign] boots on our ground, never," said Rehman Malik, Pakistan's interior minister. Malik rebuffed suggestions the ISI is providing intelligence to terrorists.

One man who is fully conversant with the Haqqani is former Director of CIA (D/CIA), Leon Panetta. Now US Defense Secretary, Panetta identified several camps within the Pakistan



Mike Mullen stands behind President Obama watching a live feed of the joint CIA-US Navy SEAL operation in Abbottabad, which resulted in the death of Osama bin-Laden.

border that have, and are still being used to launch attacks in Afghanistan.

Eye Spy US sources believe the CIA secured evidence of liaisons between the Haqqani and some ISI officials through secret contacts made in the pursuit of opening talks with the Taliban.

Some of these contacts apparently go back to the late 1980s, when the ISI provided support to groups fighting the Russians.

Pakistan's Foreign Minister Hina Rabbani Khar, commented: "The US has not shared any evidence with Pakistan about how it knows the ISI is aiding the Haqqani network."

In previous statements, Admiral Mullen has always expressed support to Pakistan in its efforts to tackle terrorists sited in the region.

Measures are now underway in the United States to place the Haqqani network on the State Department's terrorist watch list. If this happens, and Washington officially recognises the Haqqani as an organisation that is a threat to US servicemen and the country in general, the entire political dimension surrounding talks with the Taliban will be thrown into confusion.

Eye Spy understands that CIA concerns about Haqqani ties to the ISI may be the result of intelligence gleaned from the cell phones of a number of Haqqani terrorists killed in recent months. Several telephone numbers found on various phones allegedly belong to government officials.

The CIA believe the Haqqani are probably the most dangerous element contained within the Taliban.



TALIBAN INTENT ONLY ON POWER

Dr Abdullah Abdullah, former advisor to Ahmad Shah Massoud and Afghanistan's foreign minister (2001-2005), believes the circumstances of Rabbani's assassination need investigating, and has hinted that interior forces may have helped develop the complex plot which resulted in Rabbani's death. In 2010, Abdullah created a political group called the Coalition for Change and Hope (CHH), which has quickly emerged as the largest opposition party to President Karzai.

The experienced advisor who has met with many intelligence figures, remains a fierce opponent of the Taliban and is unconvinced that its fighters want a political and peaceful resolution.

"The Taliban are not fighting in order to be accommodated," he said. "They are fighting in order to bring the state down... [talking] is a futile exercise, and it's just misleading." He continued: "I don't think we have a way forward with talks or negotiations or contacts as such. We have to be prepared to tackle and deal with them militarily."

Abdullah believes it is possible to draw Afghans away from the Taliban in other ways, using localised peace initiatives with tribal leaders.



GHOST STORIES

FBI Release SVR Surveillance Footage

Bureau officials release dozens of photographs, documents and several covert film clips showing undercover surveillance of SVR spies in America

THE SPY NETWORK PLAYERS



Anna Chapman



Cynthia Murphy



Donald Heathfield

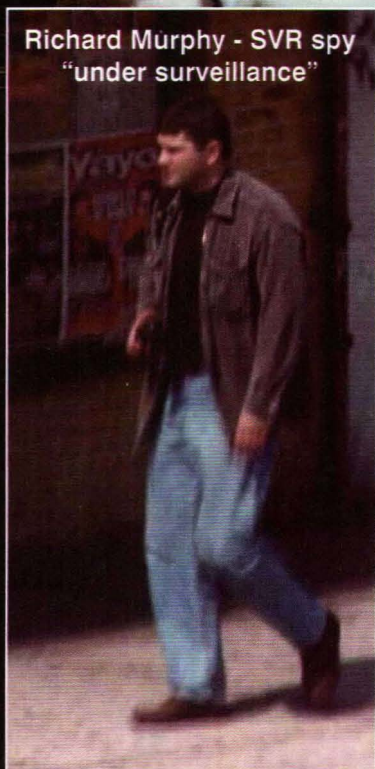


Juan Lazaro



Michael Zottoli

Richard Murphy - SVR spy
"under surveillance"



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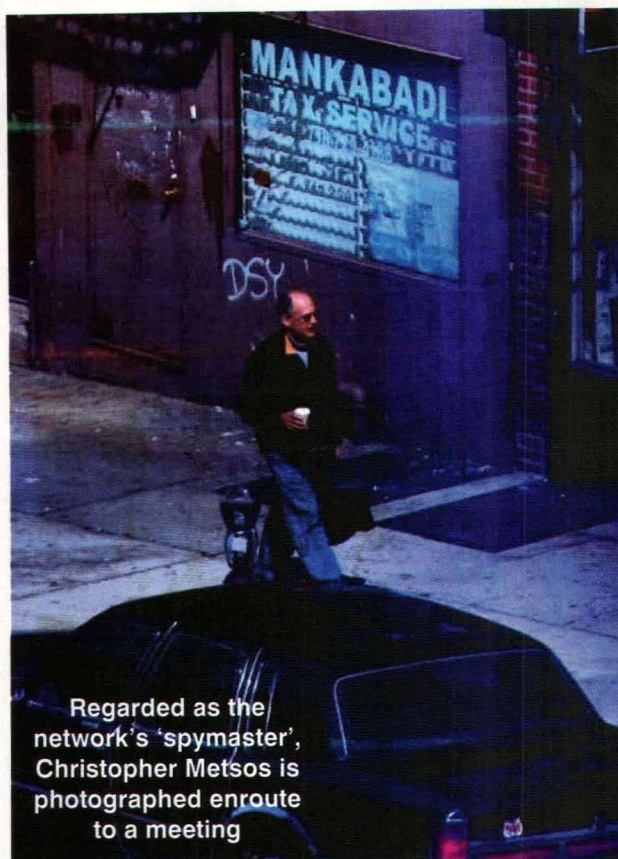
'OBJECTIVE WAS HILLARY CLINTON'

A Freedom of Information Act request has resulted in the FBI releasing dramatic film footage showing many of the exposed 2010 SVR sleeper agents, or 'illegals' in action. The material, which includes numerous redacted intelligence documents would have been released anyway, but with so much interest from journalists and the public alike, Bureau chiefs decided to hasten the process. And the reason why officials decided to strike when they did are beginning to emerge. Eye Spy sources say at least one of the spies had started a process whereby they intended to befriend a most significant politician - US Secretary of State - Hillary Clinton.



From operatives performing brush-passes to the use of dead letter drops, the evidence secured by the FBI is utterly convincing, and reason no doubt why the suspects didn't object more forcefully when ejected from the United States in the summer of 2010. And this is despite some of the spies having lived in the country for the best part of a decade.

Working under the code-name of Operation Ghost Stories, the FBI surveillance operatives were far more imaginative than their Russian counterparts, and seemingly fully aware that they had problems with communication. With this



Regarded as the network's 'spymaster', Christopher Metsos is photographed enroute to a meeting



Mikhail Semenko



Patricia Mills



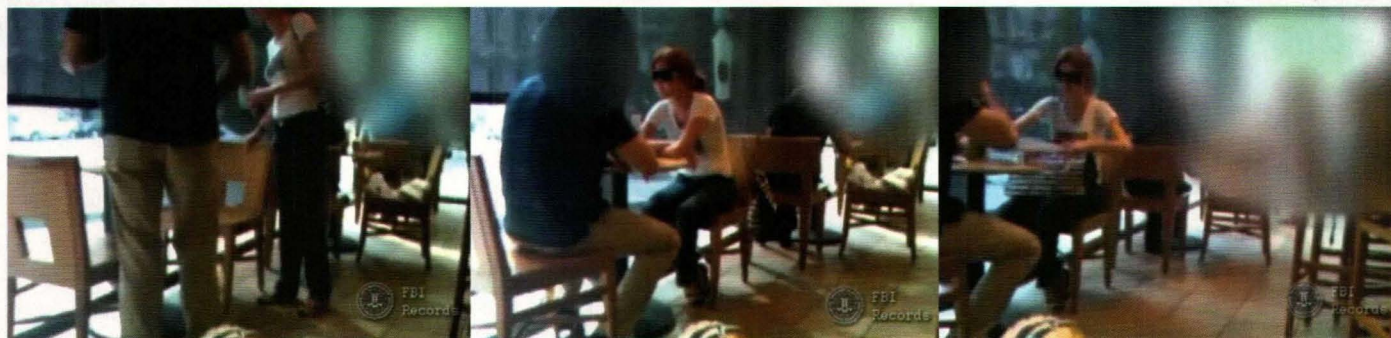
Richard Murphy



Tracey Foley



Vicky Pelaez



Greetings comrade... Anna Chapman is courted by an undercover FBI man. In the third frame she removes her SVR programmed laptop

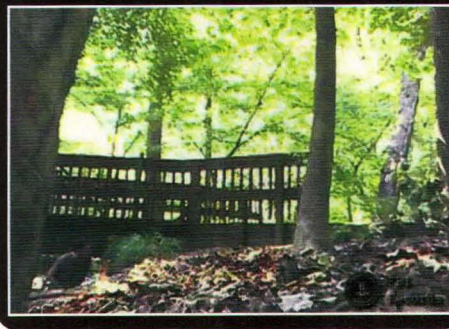


Richard Murphy (facing) and Metsos meet in Queens, New York

DEAD LETTER DROP

Mikhail Semenko casually walks across a wooden bridge in Arlington, Virginia. He then proceeds to conceal the remains of a dead letter drop used by the spy ring.

Unbeknown to Semenko, the FBI had discovered the DLD and concealed a long-play covert camera in undergrowth. This allowed the Bureau to capture the spy, who is oblivious to the surveillance



in mind, one film clip shows two of the spies exchanging a laptop in a Brooklyn cafe: this had been forwarded by the SVR as a replacement for a malfunctioning unit. An FBI agent sits behind Richard Murphy who passes the unit to Michael Zottoli.... evidence secured!

These computers were specially designed by the SVR and though equipped with some security measures, the FBI or perhaps the NSA, were able to intercept much of the 'traffic', including messages forwarded by Anna Chapman to a contact at Russia's United Nation's Mission. This was a significant breakthrough and allowed the FBI to widen its investigation and identify other players in the spy ring. However, intelligence sources told Eye Spy that the FBI had knowledge of these computers and the manner of information transfer for several years. One Washington journalist said the investigation's inception data was actually a decade ago.

Anna Chapman is seen again on one clip in a cafe - complete with one of the special laptops. The spy is in the company of a man she believes has threads to Russian Intelligence. A conversation unfolds and Chapman says she is ready for "the next step." Unfortunately for her, the man is an undercover FBI agent. Every move made by the SVR spies seems to have been carefully recorded by the Bureau.

There are also good clips of the mysterious Christopher Metsos, who some intel watchers believe was a senior intelligence officer, though there is much debate about who he was actually working for. Metsos, as far as Eye Spy is concerned, acted as the network's spymaster. He fled the country to Cyprus and disappeared altogether. Metsos is filmed performing brush-passes and swapping bags in a station.

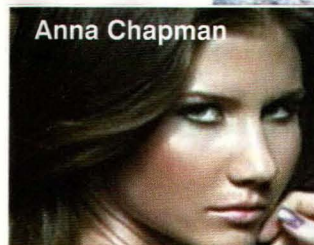
Just as impressive is the scope and quality of the FBI surveillance footage in catching the spies as

Laptop Exchange

Filmed in a cafe, Michael Zottoli and Richard Murphy exchange a new computer provided for by the SVR



Anna Chapman



An upturned bottle left by Metsos signified a pre-selected course of action. But the FBI were already watching

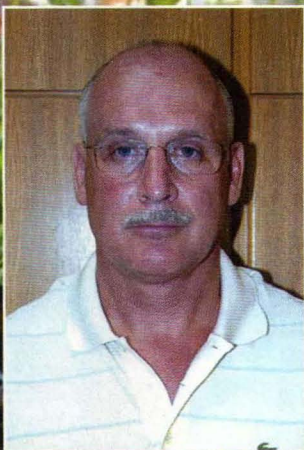


they conversed and met on city streets and in parks. Evidence indeed that the surveillance photographers were one step ahead of the spies in respect of meeting points. Several film clips are from cameras concealed in tunnels, walkways, parks and 'street furniture'.

FBI notes on the spy ring are equally, if not more fascinating. One briefing letter suggests the Russians had been sent to the US for a "long-

TRADECRAFT: BRUSH PASS NEW YORK CITY - 2004

This interesting sequence shows Metsos and an official from Russia's UN Mission in New York City performing a 'brush pass' (package/bag exchange). Equally fascinating is the date stamp which shows this film footage was taken in May 2004



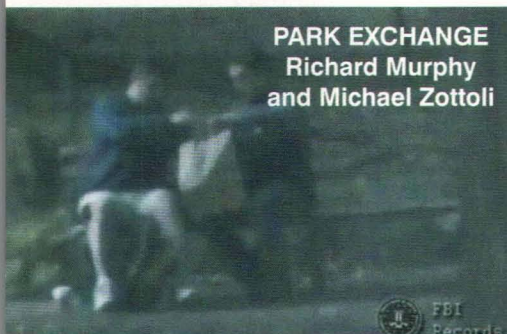
AGENT CONTACT

FBI film SVR agents Richard Murphy and Michael Zottoli conversing



PARK EXCHANGE

Richard Murphy and Michael Zottoli



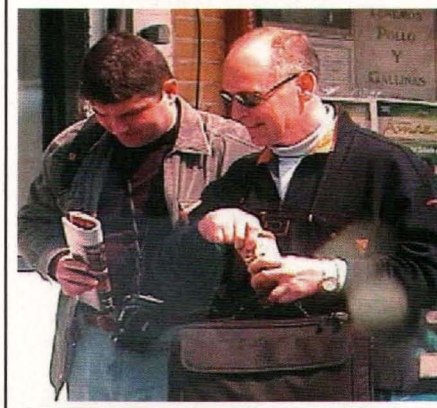
term service trip," with the intention of reporting back to 'C'. In this case C stands for Moscow Central - the headquarters of the SVR. There's also a tantalising glimpse of the type of intelligence forwarded to Russia, with summaries taken from the international gold markets, foreign policy attitudes towards Russia, and even the names of people applying to join the CIA. Whence much of this information came from is still a mystery. Impressive stuff from the FBI.



THE TRADCRAFT MAN

Metsos was very skilled in tradecraft and appeared the main liaison in the spy ring.

These images show how he buried a package (above) and speaking to SVR agent Richard Murphy (below)



ASSET OR REPLACEMENT?

THE CYBER SPY

Even having limited knowledge of the cyber world undoubtedly helps those involved with espionage, security and protecting intelligence... KEVIN COLEMAN looks at the changing role and requirements of today's 'modern spy'



Kevin Coleman

resolutions to micro UAVs with real-time imagery and weapons. As spy equipment evolved so too has the art of spying itself.

AGENT CATEGORIES

Today there is a continuum of profiles for the modern day spy, but really there are three general categories. The general modus operandi of today's spy is not unlike those of yesteryear and he or she continues to work routinely with human assets. However, some are familiar with the cyber tradecraft, and that makes them significantly different.

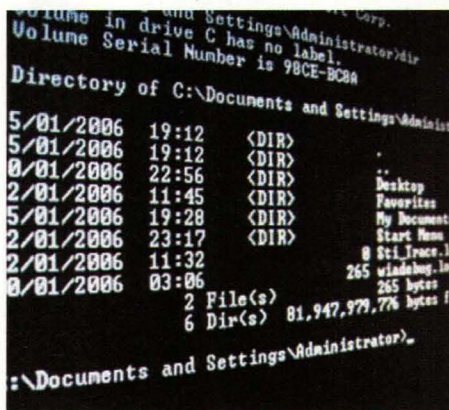
Nation states, terrorist groups, businesses and others organisations routinely send agents unfamiliar with many aspects of cyber technology across borders to covertly operate. However, the Russian spy ring discovered operating in the United States last year is a good example of spies using modern technology and cyber tradecraft. The SVR spies were living in the United States and



he science and art of spying has been well documented throughout history. Regardless of the period, the spy's mission has always been to infiltrate an

adversary and/or obtain sensitive information - secrets. Historically spies have also been used to steal new or unique technology or sabotage particular projects in various ways. Today the word 'spy' conjures up many images - the most prominent being that of the film character James Bond 007 - at least that's the general perception. In truth, little is known of the best spies, other than perhaps their code-names. Their actions go unreported and investigations into the loss of secret files often remain unsolved. But damage has been caused.

In the past two decades the art of spying has seen perhaps the most dramatic change in the history of the 'profession'. The use of computers, networks and of course the Internet has changed the operational landscape of the modern spy.



Spies once carried the sub-miniature Minox camera to take photographs of sensitive documents. Easily concealed, the slick camera had a capacity of up to 50 frames. Using one frame per page the maximum document capture without reloading was limited. Modern cell phones, digital cameras with huge capacity and thumb drives have all but completely replaced such cameras as the equipment of choice. Today's modern day spy tools include everything from encrypted cell and satellite phones equipped with colour cameras that have 10 mega pixel and above

A useful tool for Cold War agents - the Minox III. Though state-of-the-art when first manufactured, advances in technology have all but resigned such cameras to the archive draw. CIRCA. 1970s



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"Many organisations are trying to apply antiquated espionage and sabotage models of the past to current day settings. This is a recipe for disaster..."

used false identities to augment their long-term 'deep-cover' mission that focused on obtaining information on nuclear weapons. As it transpired, this group used a significant cyber technology that included the following:

ENCRYPTION TECHNOLOGY

The use of encryption/decryption is not new. Encryption is the most effective way to achieve data obscurity and security. To read an encrypted file, you must first have access to a secret key or password that enables you to decrypt it. The information hidden in the on-line picture and the data that was transferred via CD or other methods used 128 bit encryption to protect the information transfers.

COMPLEX 27 CHARACTER PASSWORDS

The spy ring used password protected, encrypted disks to transfer collected intelligence as the medium in physical exchanges that resembled dead-letter-drops (DLD). This password used for the digital stenography programme and other digital technologies was written down on a slip of paper that was discovered and used later by US agents. Using the password, the agents were able to view the information being transferred.

ON-THE-SPOT WIRELESS NETWORKING

The spies created an 'on-the-fly' private, peer-to-peer network connection that sensed the presence of a specific second laptop,

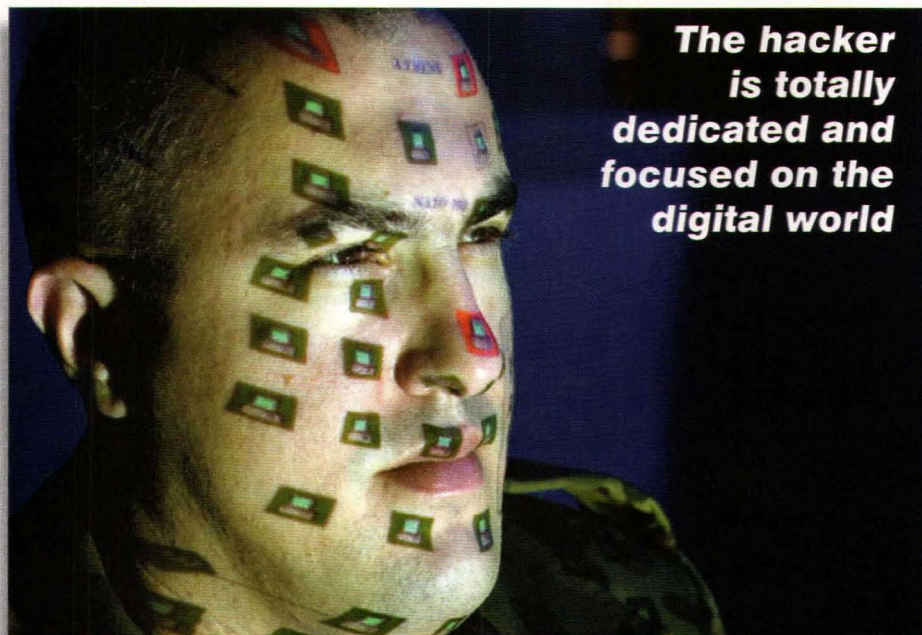
INTELLIGENCE REVOLUTION

Communication, information storage and technical data manipulation including that involving imaging and graphics is now performed on a plethora of high-end equipment. Many in the intelligence business believe this demands the attention of a new type of spy - the 'cyber spy'. It's a far cry from when agents pulled out all the stops to secure cameras such as the original 1930s Minox (with early Riga, Latvia name tag) pictured here.

connected immediately and transferred information. One spy set herself up in a coffee shop, a book store, a bench near the entrance to Central Park, a restaurant in Sunnyside as well as other unspecified locations and transferred to another Russian agent passing close by on foot or in a van with the second laptop. This took place at least ten times at various locations around Manhattan.

AMATEUR RADIO DATA BURST CAPABILITIES

The spy network leveraged old-school technology as well. They sent and received messages over short-wave (HAM radios) in ciphers. The coded bursts of data sent by the HAM radio transmitter was picked up by a radio receiver set to the proper frequency. The received messages were decoded using a key that was written down in a spiral. It appears they may have been experiencing difficulties with this communications method. Two of the suspects received e-mails from their handler saying, "Pls [please], make sure your radio equipment for RG rcptn [reception] is in order."



The hacker is totally dedicated and focused on the digital world

BRUSH PASSES

The Russian agents used this old technique in very public locations to hand off thousands of dollars of cash, physical (paper) notes, CDs and other information. Using this technique two Russia operatives literally pass one another in close formation, passing the item from hand to hand. This was performed in a number of places including very busy areas amongst crowds of people. The Russian spies converged on a staircase, one going up, the other going down and swapped bags without ever stopping or speaking to each other.

While the Russian spy ring also used cyber technology, they were not cyber spies. *In fact, they are a perfect example of the modern day spy.*

THE HACKER

At the opposite end of the continuum is the hacker. The hacker operates remotely and is focused on compromising computer systems, devices and networks of an adversary. The hacker is totally dedicated and focused on the digital world and often operates oblivious to their target's political, social and economic prowess. They deal in the 'bits and bytes' software and the '1s and 0s' of networks. This intelligence resource rarely operates in a face-to-face mode or in the real-world. The digital world of '1s and 0s' represents their domain. For under \$8,000 hackers can acquire a tool kit that contains exploit technology that takes advantage of multiple unknown vulnerabilities (zero-day attacks), automated password crackers, sophisticated software to create and manage botnets for information collection or distributed denial of services attacks (DDoS).

Positioned between these two profiles is the cyber spy. Many organisations are trying to apply antiquated espionage and sabotage models of the past to current day settings. This is a recipe for disaster. The cyber spy is

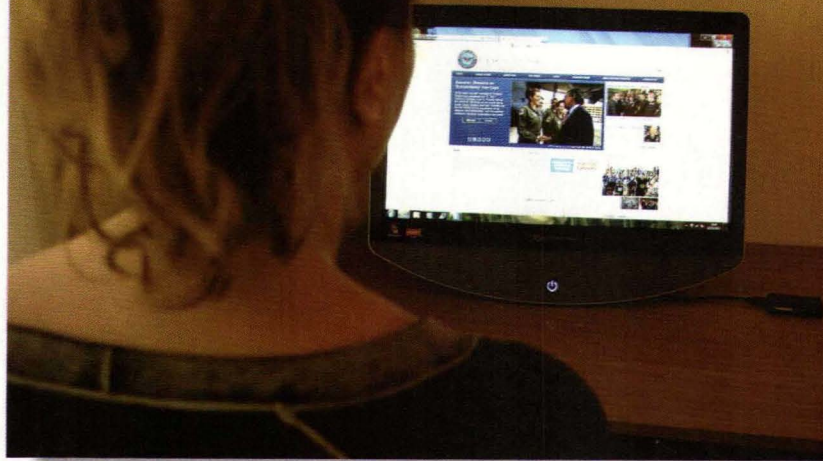


Senior NATO cyber experts meet to discuss the increasing threat of attacks via the Internet

the 'glue' that bonds the operational capabilities of the two extremes and often coordinates joint activities.

Cyber spying is all about getting the 'job' done in a modern society, whether it is stealing secrets or conducting sabotage resulting in the destruction of devices, networks and systems as well as some operations in the good old physical world. This new asset understands what it takes to accomplish these missions and works cooperatively with the

To succeed in their domain, the cyber spy has adopted new operational and threat models



hackers and those in the traditional spy role to accomplish the assigned covert activities.

Cyber spying is highly dependent on innovative, creative approaches and methods that stay up-to-date with current technologies. In one conversation a cyber spy was referred to as a "gadget guy" - requiring the latest and greatest devices and software. To succeed in their domain, the cyber spy has adopted new operational and threat models, which is often a departure from many of the trusted and true techniques in the traditional spy's tool kit. This coupled with their strategic thinking causes friction and tests their controllers.

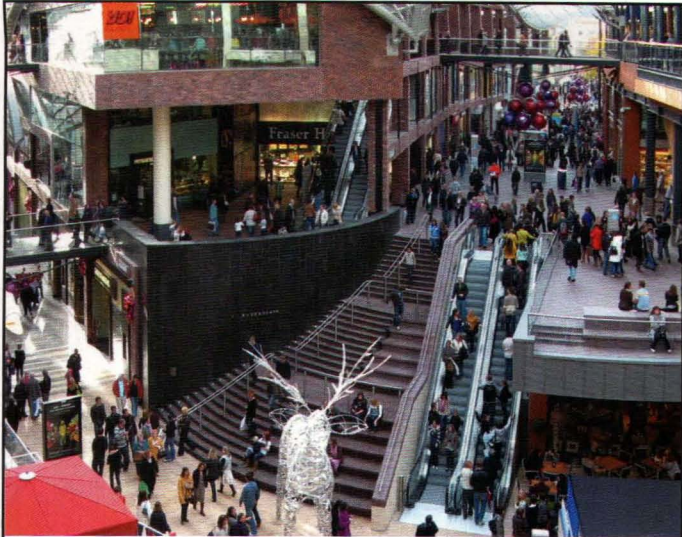
The cyber spy is in high demand these days and resources are in short supply. Most organisations have active recruitment efforts underway to fill the void and prepare their agencies for the future - Britain's GCHQ and the NSA are two good examples. How well they are able to accomplish this task could very well define their success.

Resource Continuum



The Resource Continuum for the 21st century intelligence community

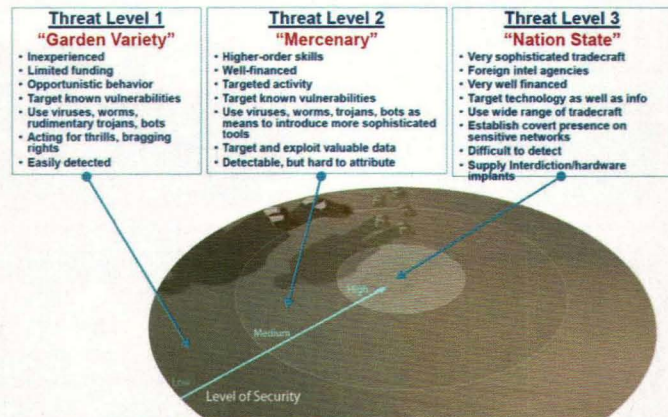




SVR agents used the old KGB-CIA ruse known as the 'brush-pass' to exchange materials (See page 60). This was frequently performed in busy locations and on stairways and escalators with both performers travelling towards each other from opposite directions. This shopping centre in Bristol, UK, is ideal for conducting a brush pass - note the busy walkways, escalator and stairs.

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Remote Cyber Threats: Three Levels



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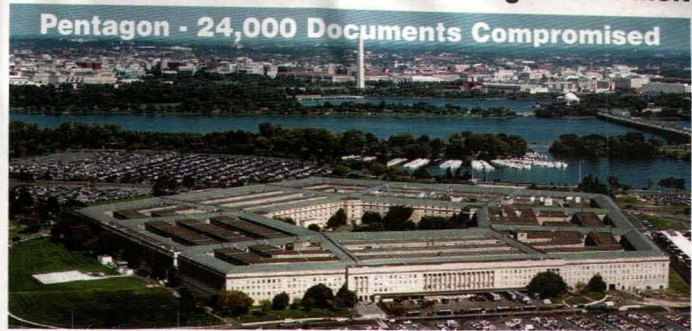
SVR TRADecraft

Residents and tourists alike stroll through Central Park, New York City. Agents from the exposed 2010 Russian SVR spy network transferred information via laptops in the park.

Above: ICOM RC-9500 Radio communications receiver. Russian spies used similar machines to exchange messages with colleagues

INTERNATIONAL CYBER DATA BREACHES

Recent cyber attacks with acknowledged data theft



The US Department of Defense was exposed to a cyber attack said to have been initiated by a "foreign intelligence service." The attack achieved the largest cyber compromise resulting in the theft (copying) of 24,000 sensitive defense contractor's files by a foreign intelligence agency.

FACT: US Deputy Defense Secretary Lynn said, "It is a significant concern that over the past decade, terabytes of data have been extracted by foreign intruders from corporate networks of defense companies."

German Federal Police - Breach

German Federal Police fell victim to hackers who were able to compromise their system and access/copy sensitive location data that is used to track suspects. The hackers then made public data that included location coordinates, license plate and telephone numbers, police user names and passwords, and a GPS application.



Sony - Multiple Cyber Attacks

Sony executives have acknowledged the company has fallen victim to multiple cyber attacks. These attacks are said to have compromised over 100 million user accounts.

Epsilon - Marketing Firm Breach

Marketing firm Epsilon reported an incident was detected where a subset of Epsilon clients' customer data were exposed by an unauthorized entry.

MI6 - Insider Breach



Daniel Houghton, a former software engineer with MI6, attempted to sell a copy of the MI6 staff in addition to other information, was caught, put on trial, convicted and sentenced.

IMF - Compromise

According to sources close to the investigation, the recent probing of International Monetary Fund (IMF) computers concluded the attack was carried out by cyber spies connected to China.

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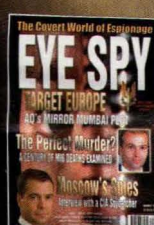
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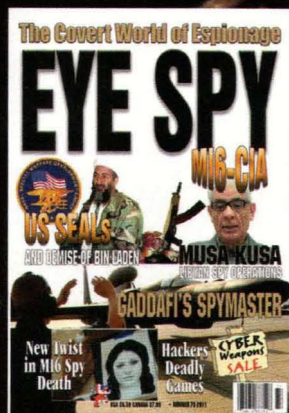


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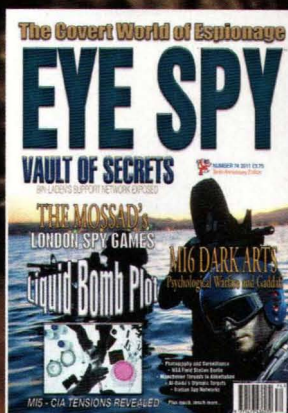


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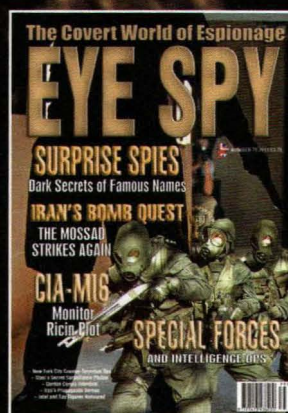
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at mind control and manipulation
in the intelligence game...

MIND CONTROL PRINCIPLES IN THE INTELLIGENCE CYCLE

INSECTS AND ANIMALS: A LESSON FROM HISTORY

MIKE FINN reveals the astonishing use of insects throughout history as a security and intelligence 'tool' and provides supporting evidence that these creatures can be guided and controlled. A look also at what lies ahead in this fascinating scientific security field...

Honey bee



You may think that mind control and manipulation is only directed towards people, but you would be mistaken. Some of the most effective mind control research has been focused on animals and insects. It is not a new concept; the principles go back thousands of years. Even during Japan's feudal era, spies and assassins used basic mind control (hypnosis) on animals and insects. For example, a guard on the ramparts of a castle would listen for frogs, crickets, or birds; if the sounds stopped, it was a sure

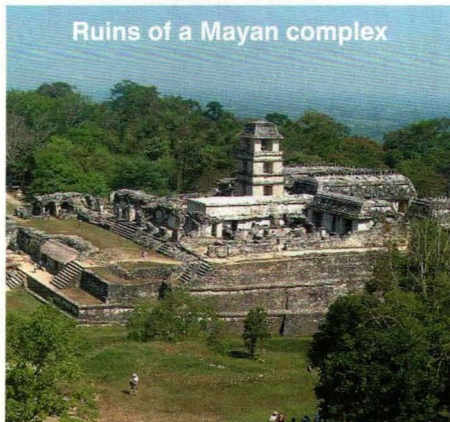
sign of intruders below. As a counter-measure, hypnotized crickets, frogs, birds, etc. were positioned in cages at points allowing surreptitious entry to the castle. Other creatures fled from the intruders, but these caged ones were woken and encouraged to make their familiar sounds.

HISTORICAL CONTROL OF INSECTS

A little background information will make modern research into this field a lot clearer. Lets go back beyond 2000 BC to the Mayan civilization, where bees often played an

effective role in warfare. Along lengths of battlements on fortifications the Mayans created dummy warriors filled with bees and wasps, once these were punctured by the enemy, the angry creatures escaped and turned on their attackers. Many other early nations used bees in warfare - hives were thrown from the ramparts of castles, and bees contained in thin earthenware bombs were

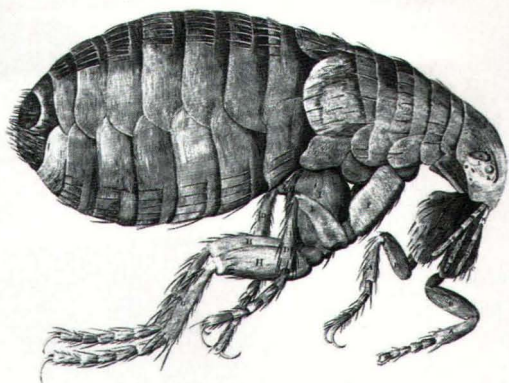
Ruins of a Mayan complex



Bees in a Maltese clay jar



Flea



Cricket



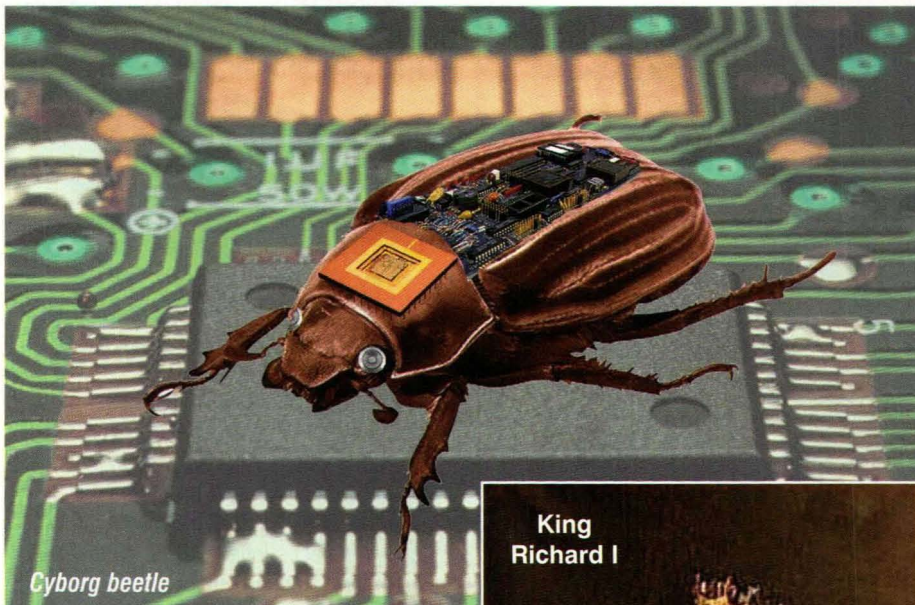
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Assassin bug



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Scorpion

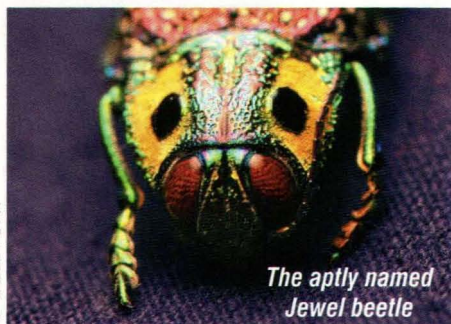


Cyborg beetle

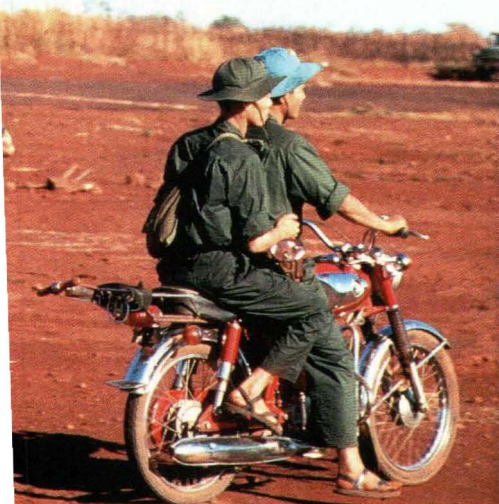
King Richard I



The aptly named Jewel beetle



Viet Cong fighters prepare to exchange a US POW



thrown and broke as they hit the enemy. King Richard the Lionheart is even purported to have used the catapult to project bee hives at the Saracens in the Holy Lands. More recently, during the Vietnam war, the Viet Cong concealed bee hives along trails known to be used by American troops. The hives were disturbed by firecrackers, to incite the bees into attacking the troops.

Bees were not the only insect to be enlisted as warriors. In 190BC Hannibal is reputed to have won a victory at sea, by projecting earthenware vessels full of snakes at the enemy ships. At the end of the 2nd century, when the Romans attacked the fortress of Hatra in present day Iraq, the inhabitants were purported by some historians to have thrown scorpion bombs, again made of thin earthenware, reputedly with great effect on the enemy. During the American civil war the Union were accused of sending a plague of harlequin [cabbage] bugs throughout the South to destroy crops. During the last war Japan's scientific Unit 731 was reported to have used fleas infected with plague and flies infected with cholera, which were dropped by low flying aircraft in China. There is an endless list of insects used in such ways and throughout history.

In recent years the term "entomological warfare" has been used to describe insects that are used as weapons of war. There are a number of objectives to this type of campaign, which can include: insect infestation to cause panic, to sting, poison, or injure the recipients, to pass on disease, to kill or maim, to destroy crops, and in other ways to affect a nation's economy. The difference between the methods of history and modern day rest in the fact that technology can now create tailor made insects to perform specific tasks.



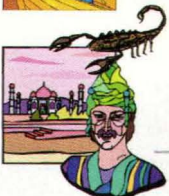
USE OF INSECTS Historical Timeline



**Mayans
Bees before
2000BC**



**Hannibal Snakes
190BC**



**Hatra Iraq
Scorpions
AD198**



**King Richard I
Bees
1190s**



**American
Civil War
Harlequin Beetles
1860s**



**Vietnam
War
Bees
1960s**

There are a number of directions present day insect research has taken: (a) pheromones are used to attract and control insects (b) EMF (electromagnetic field) waves are used to control their actions (c) microchips (MEMS) are implanted to manipulate the movements of insects. (d) micro-robotics are used to create man-made insects. However, without knowing much about insect physiology, the reasons for using them would not make much sense.

Like humans, an insect's brain is located in the head, but it is not well developed. A sort of secondary nervous system called the stomodaeal nervous system can control the insects body functions independent of the brain. Insects have a nervous system, but the ganglion can form small secondary brains so, even without a head, the insect can walk and even mate. An insect does not have veins or arteries in the same way that can be found inside humans; there is a single blood vessel like a long tube, which has a series of chambers through which the blood is pumped by muscle action, towards the head, in this way the various organs are saturated. There are hundreds or even thousands of muscles in an insect, often allowing them amazing power and strength compared to a human being.

Insects have a good memory, as well as aspects of visual perception we do not possess. The antenna of insects can both feel and perceive smell. Insects have both simple eyes and compound eyes (made up of many smaller eyes) so they can detect motion in many directions, as well as see into the ultraviolet range. Insects are excellent direction finders; bees for example can remember many locations and how to reach them, they can relate to good and bad experiences, and remember smells and their associations. It is little wonder that these creatures are ideal candidates for mind control technology and this type of research.

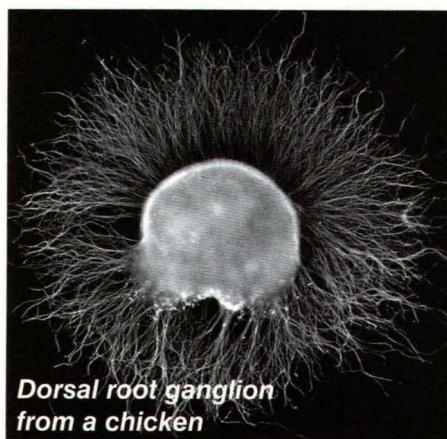


DARPA AND THE VIVI PROGRAMME

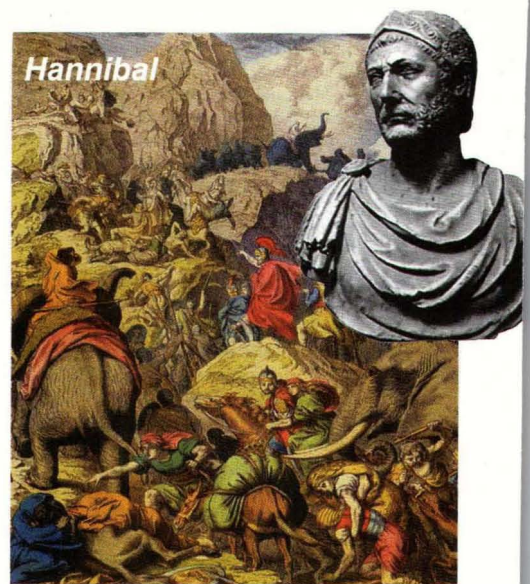
The Defence Advance Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in America has a number of projects in this field.

The Vivi-systems programme is directed towards training and modifying insects to detect subtle dangers in the environment, entering otherwise inaccessible places, or locating toxins and bio-hazards. The 'Biomimetic' project focuses on studying and reproducing the mental and physiological functions of insects, which can then be reproduced in robotic and cyborg drones. The study of 'Hybrid-bio-systems' research centres around technology that can access and relay sensory information from within the physiology of the insects. Apart from these fields there are broader areas of research. Many countries are now engaged on these studies.

I will only touch on the area of micro robotics, as it is not directly related to the articles on mind control, except to say that US Government research funds, have financed many

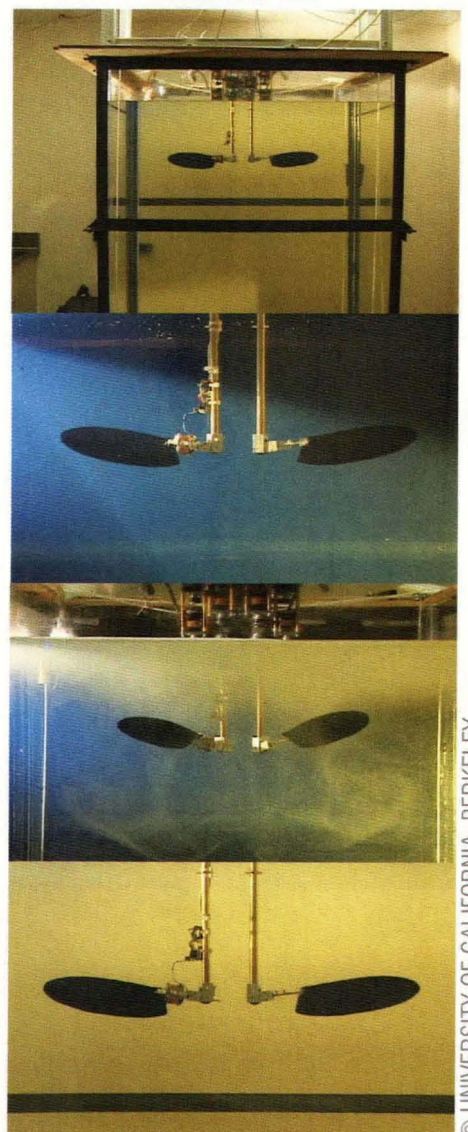


**Dorsal root ganglion
from a chicken**



facilities such as the early research at the University of California, Berkeley, where miniaturisation of the larger prototype 'Robofly' was to be scaled down. This Micromechanical Flying Insect (MFI) had a proposed width of only 0.39 to 0.98th of an inch. Many recent advances have been made with Robert Michelson (Georgia Tech Re-

'ROBOFLY'



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THE INFAMOUS UNIT 731

'Research' organisation with a deadly agenda

A feared and highly controversial WWII organ of the Japanese Imperial Army, Unit 731 was a research group operating under the umbrella of the Epidemic Prevention and Water Purification Department of the Kwantung Army, that found shocking human experimentation acceptable.

It was also highly active in biological and chemical warfare research and party to many military operations resulting in the deaths of an estimated 200,000 people. These actions were regarded as war crimes and are still discussed by forums and officials to this day because



Masaji Kitano - another head of Unit 731



A building that once supported Unit 731 biological weapons research - now a War Crimes Museum

many of Unit 731's senior officials and scientists found favourable jobs after the war. And there is fierce debate about how some US officials handled the affair after the war ended.

Shiro Ishii, the recognised head of Unit 731 proposed the flea bomb prior to the war as an effective weapon and a means of spreading bubonic plague - the weapon's casing made from ceramics. This, as well as other terrifying bombs carrying anthrax, cholera, smallpox and botulism were all built and used on Chinese territory during early fighting with the Red Army. However, most of the casualties were civilians.

Some of the buildings used by Unit 731 and other closely linked agencies still exist; however, it's not clear if the

one that housed 4,500 containers used to produce and breed fleas remains. Besides its primary research facilities in Pingfang, Japan, Unit 731 built various outposts in China, one of which was in Harbin, Heilongjiang. At the time it was regarded as the world's largest germ warfare experimentation site. It has been fully restored and functions as a War Crimes Museum open to the public. Various anti-rooms supported testing labs, a breeding room for rats, an operating theatre for appalling human experimentation and torture... and of course - an incinerator.

After the war, much controversy followed, key scientists started to turn up in various countries and many disturbing facts were concealed. Some of the resultant test documentation was allegedly



Shiro Ishii - head of the WWII secret Japanese 'scientific' Unit 731 headquartered at the complex shown below in Pingfang

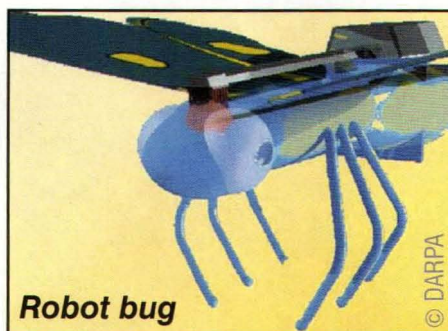


secured by Western officials operating with or on behalf of G-2, the military intelligence arm of the US Army.

Masaji Kitano was another senior officer in Unit 731. A doctor and microbiologist, he succeeded Shiro Ishii in 1942. After the war, and a short spell in a POW camp, Kitano was released in 1946. Thereafter he rejoined the medical world and worked for the Green Cross, a Japanese pharmaceutical company. In 1959, he became head of the plant in Tokyo.

search Institute), working for DARPA. The value of such cyborg insects is in surveillance, (both camera and microphone), the use of sensors, technology to relay information back, and possible weapons use. Such small almost invisible to the eye insects are capable of great manoeuvrability and are able to gain access to amazingly small and hard to reach locations. The down side is that a fully robotic bug only has a short energy life, whereas the insect cyborg can harvest energy (mentioned in the last article), and last much longer. Both robot and cyborg benefit from the MEMS technology (micro-electro-mechanical systems).

Many types of insect can be equipped with implants using MEMS, the circuits of which



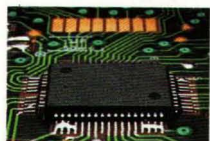
Robot bug

were described in the previous article as often being the size of a small dot, yet can contain very sophisticated components. Such electro-mechanical circuits are able to act as neural stimulators for muscle as well as sensory manipulation. Power can be harvested from

the heat generated by the insect. It is often more practical to interface technology into the insect at larvae or pupa stage as the metamorphosis to adult allows a more effective healing process and minimal chance of biological rejection with the inserted components. Such projects are referred to as HI-MEMS ('HI' standing for hybrid insects).

These hybrid insects have both their mind and physiology under constant control, being able to both send and transmit information. In one proposed scenario combining this technology with GPS location, they will be able to pinpoint within five metres, a target in a 100 metre radius. Each type of insect has different potential, for example; The assassin bug from

A cyborg insect is part live and part electro-mechanical



MEMS chips are inserted in insect larvae, insects and robot insects

A robot is completely man-made



The insect robots use MEMS and insect physiology is created

Insects are studied to reproduce mental and physiological functions



Pentatomid bug nymphs show aggression on a plant after releasing pheromones. Below: A honey bee releases pheromone from its Nasonov gland to entice other bees into an empty hive



the family of 'reduviidae' sucks blood from other insects, but some of this species sucks blood from mammals. In the latter case the assassin bug can detect a mammal from quite some distance away, and could easily be adapted and used to pinpoint humans in dense undergrowth or even hiding in an empty warehouse. By contrast, the Jewel Beetle comes from the family of 'Buprestidae' indigenous to Australia. Its infra-red sensors can detect a fire or heat from over 40 or 50 miles away, perfect for locating any heat emission targets.

Apart from the above research, electromagnetic fields can be used to attract insects; specific frequencies can either attract or repel these creatures, much like the plug-in mice and rat repellent ultrasonic devices sold on the domestic market. Were massive numbers of insects dropped at a specific location, they

might well gravitate towards such signals, causing panic and devastation on the way.

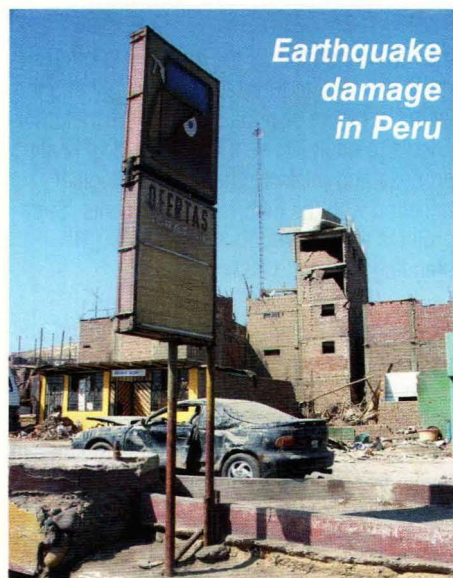
Humans, animals, and insects release airborne chemicals in a number of ways. These are often not perceived by our more overt senses. However, they do affect us at a subliminal level, for example; the scent of fear is more than idle speculation. These types of aroma are what animals use to, among other things, attract mates, and mark their territory. These pheromones, as they are called, can be introduced to stimulate innate responses from aggression to sexual attraction, in fact a moth can sense a mate via pheromones from over six miles away. The use of pheromones is another way to control the mind and actions of insects.

Mind control and manipulation of insects is a part of a larger picture related to this series of

articles. It is a science in its infancy, which is not only a part of the intelligence cycle, but one which could benefit society in many ways, for example, locating people in earthquake areas, or lost in some wilderness. In fact some airports are using insects whose antenna respond to various explosive substances at this present time.

In the next article we will look at 'memetics', which relate to the actual way mind control technology can be used to create thoughts that are contagious and spread like virus.

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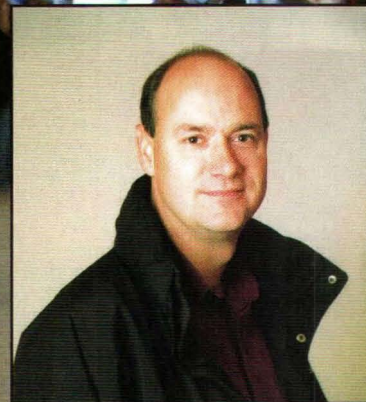


Earthquake damage in Peru



Harlequin bugs

FOCUSING & EXPOSURE 5



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PHOTOGRAPHY SURVEILLANCE

International surveillance authority PETER JENKINS provides essential tips for obtaining good quality photographs with a digital SLR camera whilst maintaining focus and correct exposure

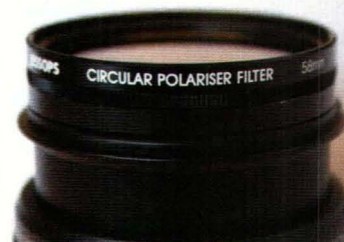
FOCUSING YOUR DIGITAL CAMERA

The focusing systems on modern cameras are quite sophisticated, therefore there is no reason why any of your images should turn out fuzzy due to poor focusing. Auto-focus lenses have the facility to be operated manually and this is often used in surveillance. These services also have a continuous (or 'servo') auto-focusing system, which will 'track' an approaching car to keep it in focus. Addition-

ally, most lenses also have a manual focus switch, which disengages the focus motor and lets you focus in the traditional way by turning the lens focusing ring.

Manual focus is often used when shooting through windows, trees and foliage, window blinds or wire fences. This prevents the camera focusing on the fence wire and thus giving you a blurred target in the distance.

Various techniques can be used when manual focusing is required:



A polarising filter used to photograph through reflecting glass - note the results in the images below

Predictive Focusing: If you know that your subject is going to pass a certain point, such as walking through a gate, focus on that point before the target arrives and wait for your subject to appear.





Follow Focusing: If your subject is moving then you will have to continually adjust the focus with your free hand as the subject moves. This technique can be tricky and requires practice. Maximum depth of field should be used if possible.

VARIOUS EXPOSURE MODES

We have discussed in earlier issues of Eye Spy, the main camera exposure modes; Automatic, Programme, Aperture Priority and Shutter Priority. There are also a number of other exposure or 'scene' modes available on a D-SLR camera. You will note on the selector dial a few images such as a face, mountain, flower, sportsman and the moon. These modes help you quickly select the best priority settings for different circumstances.



Portrait: This mode automatically makes aperture priority with a large aperture (fast stop). This is used to take portrait photographs so that the background is always blurred (minimum depth of field) and makes the subject stand out.

Landscape: This mode gives the opposite effect and selects aperture priority but the aperture set is as small as possible (slow stop) so that a maximum depth of field is always obtained.

Close-up: Close-up mode is similar to portrait mode where depth of field is important. The camera will take a maximum and minimum focus reading of the subject and calculate the ideal aperture to be used to obtain most out of the picture in focus

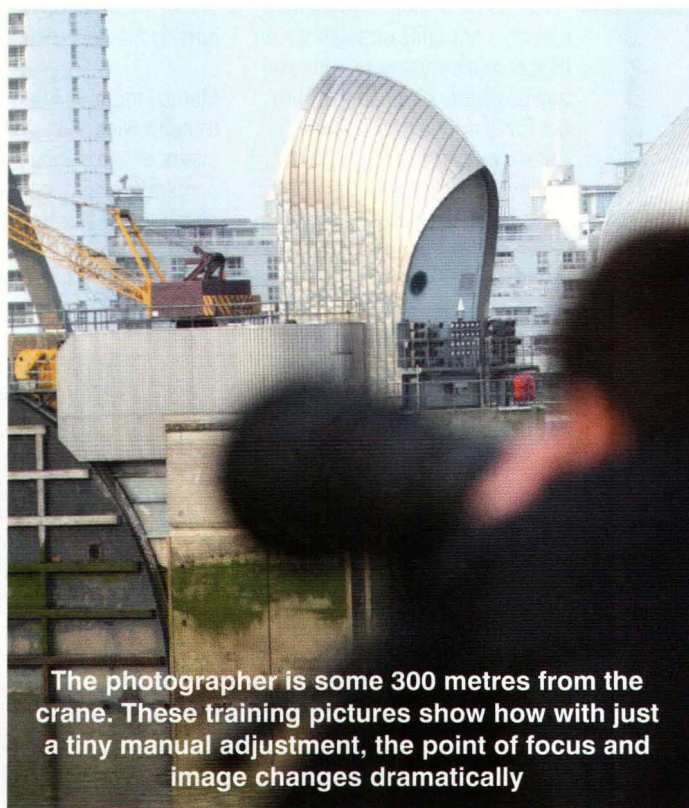
Sport: This is a 'quick fix' for surveillance photography as the camera will automatically

set the fastest shutter speed possible for a correct exposure. The camera will also shoot on continuous rather than one shot at a time and the focusing system will be set to 'servo' for continuous shooting.

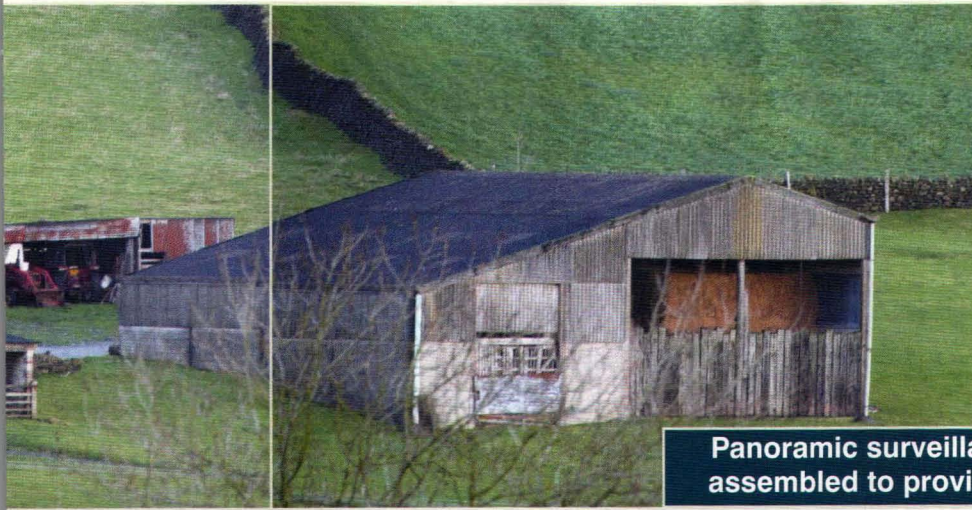
I consider the sport mode as 'surveillance' mode because it provides all the settings that I would normally use for surveillance.

Night: This mode sets a high ISO rating and selects the best aperture to shutter settings. The flash is also likely to come on automatically.

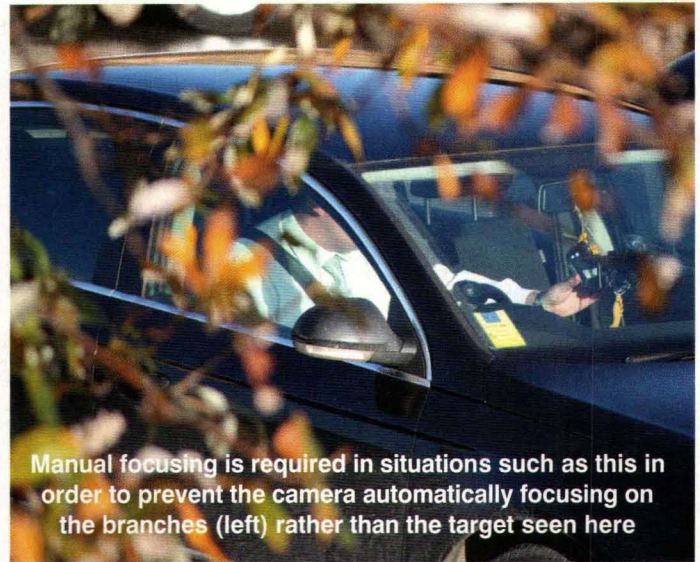
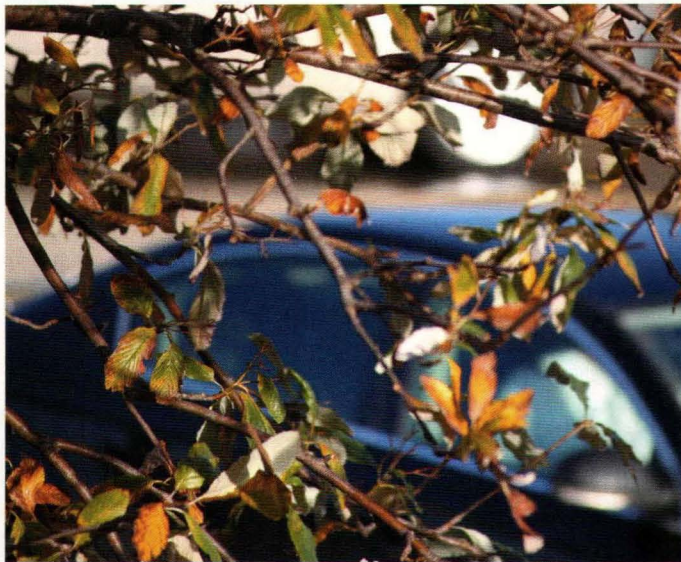
Panoramic Photographs: Quite often you may be required to take a panoramic photograph (if the subject covers a wide area or you need to record detail over a large area) using a telephoto lens. This is done by taking a series of photographs and then panning the camera slightly to one side after each shot is taken.



The photographer is some 300 metres from the crane. These training pictures show how with just a tiny manual adjustment, the point of focus and image changes dramatically



Panoramic surveillance photographs collated and assembled to provide a wide view of the buildings



Manual focusing is required in situations such as this in order to prevent the camera automatically focusing on the branches (left) rather than the target seen here

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The resulting photographs are then joined together to form an overall picture.

It is important to hold the camera so that it pans horizontally. A tripod is useful in this instance. Take the series of pictures from left to right, each one just overlapping the last. This overlap assists in lining them up and joining them together which can be done in Photoshop by manually joining the images together or using the 'stitch' facility where the computer intelligently joins them up.

CAMERA CLOCK

Most digital cameras have a time and date facility that is stored and shows when the picture was taken within the image. Ensure that the clock is synchronised correctly to your watch and any other cameras. A photograph with an incorrect time on it could be disadvantageous if it is to be used in legal proceedings. This function also assists when matching up photographs with your surveillance logs, making reading and collation of reports much simpler and accurate.

LENS FILTERS

Special effect filters have no real purpose in surveillance photography. However, it is recommended to fit a skylight filter to each of your lenses. This will give a slightly better colour rendition to your photographs but more importantly it will protect the front of your lens from scratches. It is far cheaper to replace a scratched or cracked filter than it is to replace a lens.

A circular 'polarising' filter can give you two different effects. You can turn it to see straight through glass where there is an abundance of reflections. For instance; if you are photographing someone sitting in a car but cannot see through the window due to reflections. Alternatively, you can use the reflections in a shop window to your advantage; point the camera at the window, adjust the filter and you can now photograph what is behind you or oblique to you in the reflection. Be aware that the filter is slightly dark so you will lose 1 or 2 stops, which may have to be compensated for by over exposing.



This photograph was taken by "panning" from left to right in order to "overtake" the ambulance. The camera was set to Servo focus which continually tracks and refocuses on the moving target. For shots like this, it is also best to set the drive mode into rapid fire (multiple shooting)

• In *Eye Spy 77*, Peter provides a plethora of useful tips for night photography and the type of equipment and accessories necessary

SECRET HISTORY.....

GONE IN 60 MINUTES

US Dismantles Last B53 Nuclear Bomb

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merica's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) announced that the last MK/B53 thermonuclear bomb has been dismantled.

The huge Cold War era bomb was the design model for the powerful W-53 warhead used in the Titan II missile (see feature opposite) itself decommissioned in 1987.

"The dismantlement of the B53 bomb - the oldest weapon in America's arsenal and one of the largest in US history - is a major accomplishment that has made the world safer and for which everyone involved should be proud," said Deputy Secretary of Energy Daniel Poneman. "Safely and securely dismantling surplus weapons is a critical step along the road to

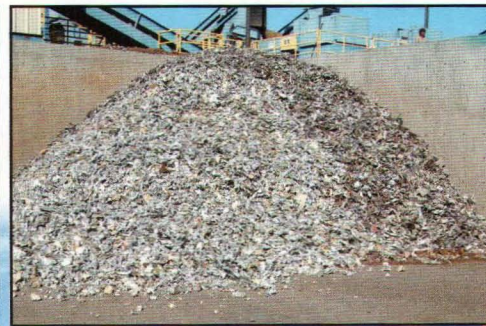
achieving President Obama's vision of a world without nuclear weapons."

NNSA's Los Alamos National Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratories designed the B53 bomb and after being introduced into the stockpile in 1962, the B53 served a key role in the United States' nuclear deterrent until its retirement in 1997. The B53 bomb is one of the longest lived and highest yield nuclear weapons ever fielded. Its sheer size and weight - about the size of a minivan and approximately 10,000 pounds - provided many challenges for the project team responsible for developing the dismantlement programme.

As a key part of its national security mission, NNSA is actively responsible for safely disman-



ting weapons that are no longer needed, and securely disposing of the excess material and components. The dismantlement process includes four steps: retiring a weapon from active or inactive service; returning and staging it at NNSA's Pantex Plant; taking it apart by physically separating the high explosives from the special nuclear material; and processing the material and components, which includes evaluation, reuse, demilitarization, sanitization, recycling and ultimate disposal.



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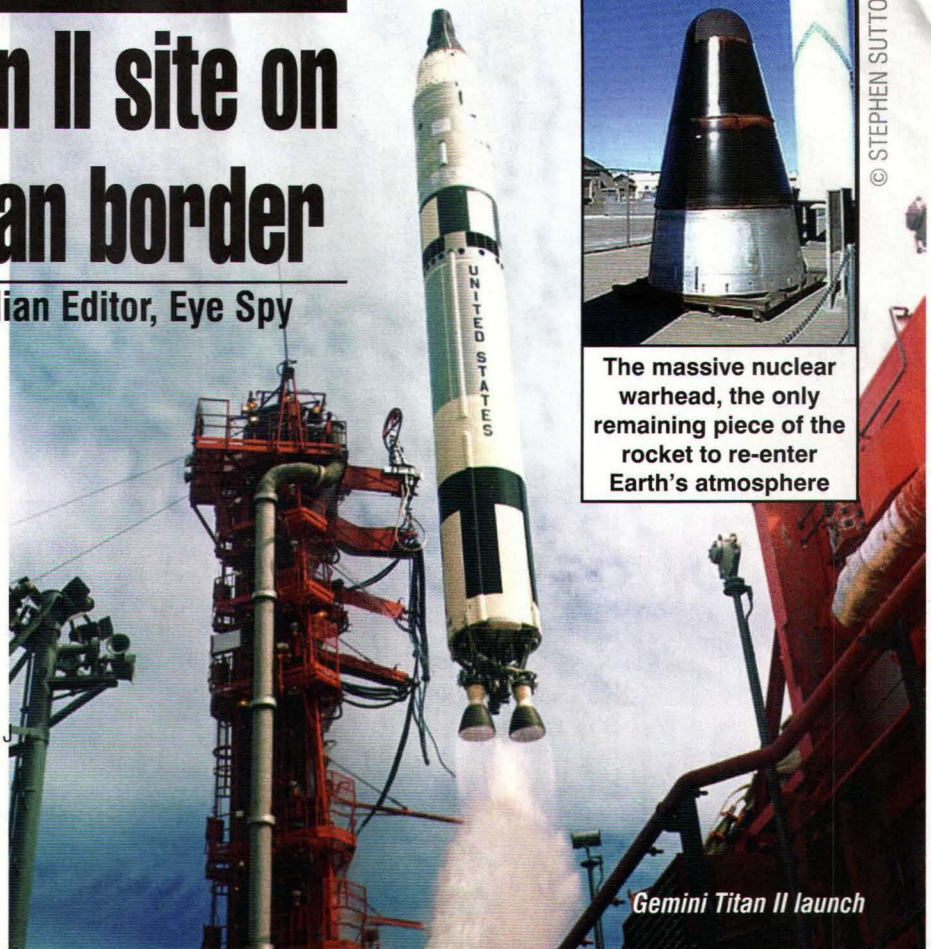
Cold War Titan II site on the US-Mexican border

Lynn Philip Hodgson Canadian Editor, Eye Spy

Just a couple of hundred feet off the main highway that leads from Tucson, Arizona to Nogales, Mexico, stands an ominous looking barbed wire fence. It looks like any other sectioned off area that might contain a public works department or a hydro electric sub-station; certainly nothing to worry about in this small town of a couple of hundred people in the 1960s. But this wasn't just any old abandoned sub-station - just fifty miles south of Tucson in the small town of Sahuarita and almost bang on the US Mexican border. For buried one-hundred feet below the surface was one of the most powerful American rockets of the 1960s Cold War era. I recently had the opportunity to journey down into the bowels of the Earth to see this mighty rocket first hand.

The only remaining Titan II silo, one of fourteen clustered around a small geographical area, is covered by a plastic dome; the reason we're told is so that when Russian spy satellites go over the spot, Moscow can see that the silo is not active.

As we enter the dark dingy staircase, we are warned of the dangers that still exist after all of these years. On a cold desert night when the temperature can drop dramatically, rattlesnakes like to find a nice warm hiding place. Travelling down the narrow staircase on your journey that will end one-hundred feet below the Arizona desert is not for anyone who suffers from claustrophobia as there is only one way out and that's straight back up that staircase. As you descend deeper and deeper, you're mindful of where you place your hands; a snake bite a



The massive nuclear warhead, the only remaining piece of the rocket to re-enter Earth's atmosphere

Gemini Titan II launch

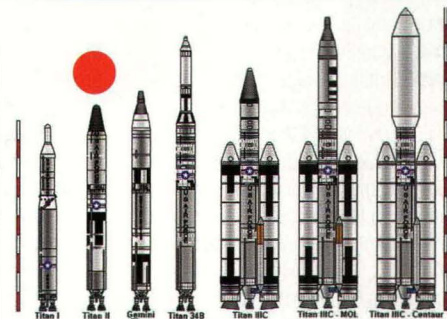
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THE TITAN II SOLO

hundred feet below the Arizona desert is not good situation to say the least. Soon you arrive at a place that looks familiar to anyone who has seen the old James Bond movies where the villain stands at the controls of the most powerful weapon in the world, only this isn't fantasy; this is the real thing.

Our tour guide describes the launch sequence of events that would originate back in Washington DC where the President of the United States would send a coded message to the control room. Not a word would be spoken; a series of



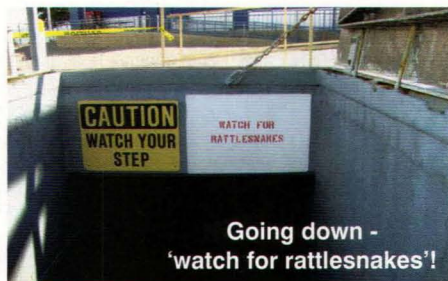
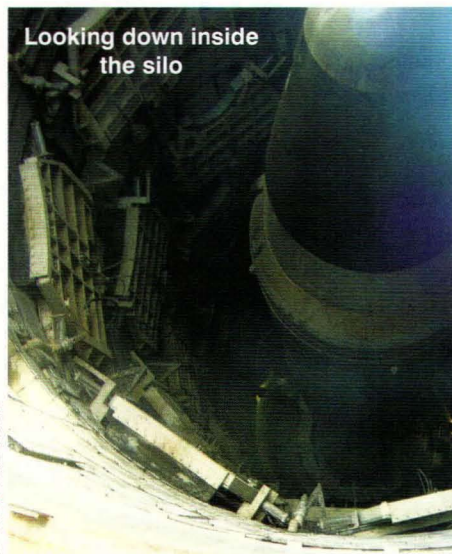
Titan missiles and launch vehicles

letters and numbers would initiate the launch of one of the world's most powerful weapons. Our guide explains that the launch room is protected by several feet of concrete and massive coil springs that were designed to take the shock. Even then, the controllers in the launch room would feel the same effects as an astronaut going into space.

After following the evolution of rockets for so many years, the fact that completely surprised me was that this rocket actually went into Earth's orbit, travelled over the USA and Canada and re-entered the atmosphere over Russia and then fell on its target.

Only the President of the United States, (and the Russians of course) know what massive destruction devices lie below the ground and who knows, they might be just around the corner from you!

Looking down inside the silo

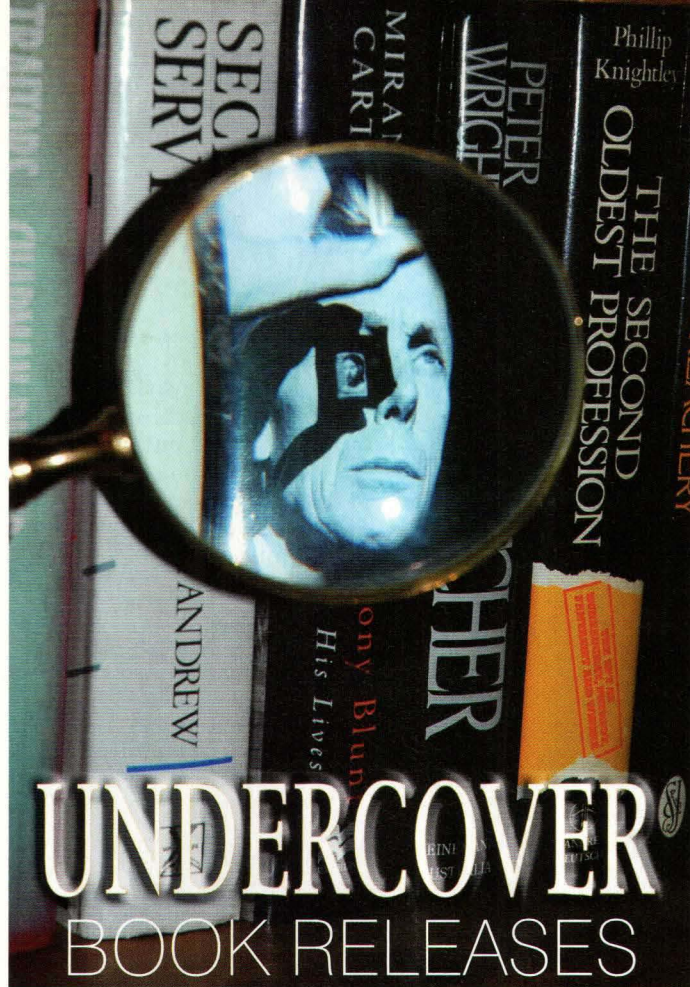


Going down - 'watch for rattlesnakes'!



Launch room

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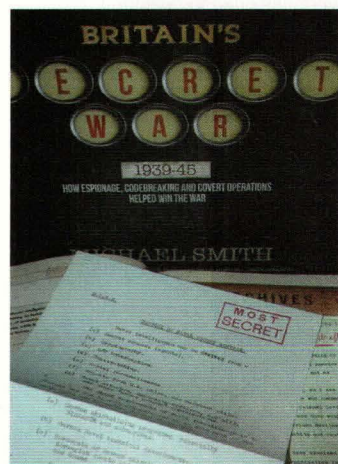
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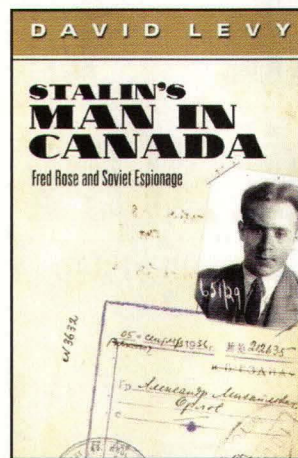
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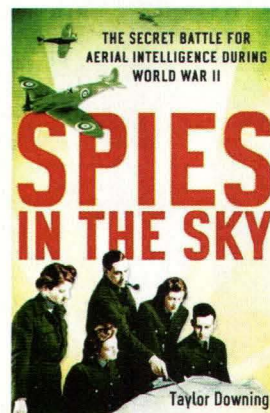
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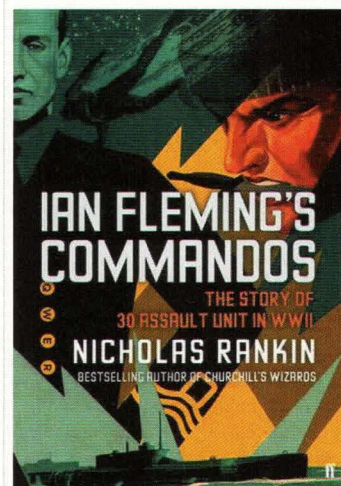
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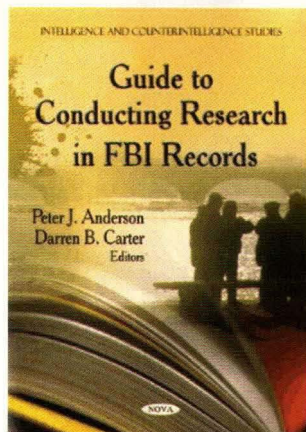
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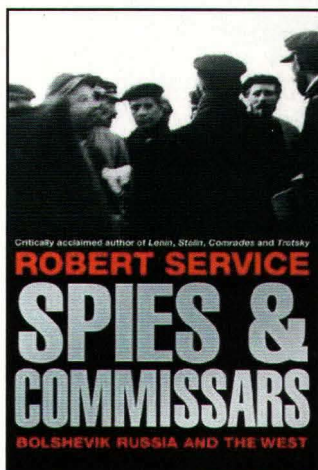
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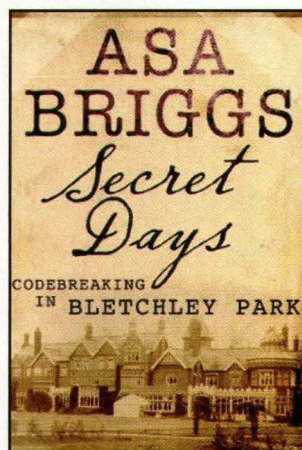
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Alan Turing

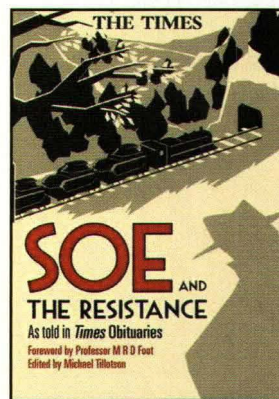
what the Germans knew about Bletchley and how they reacted to revelatory memoirs about the Enigma machine, which were not published until the 1970s. Briggs himself did not tell his wife about his wartime career until the 1970s and his parents died without ever knowing about their son's contribution to the wartime effort. The book was launched at Bletchley in May 2011, in the presence of other Hut 6 veterans and part of the proceeds will be donated to the fund to restore Hut 6 to its former glory. Hardback 256pp

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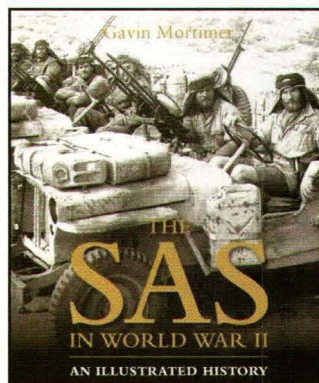


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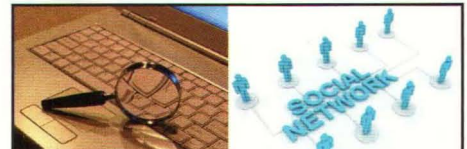
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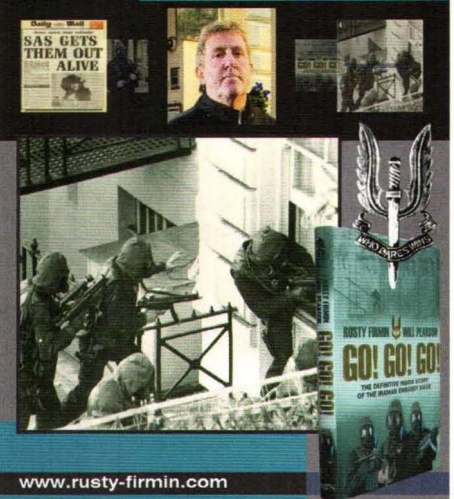
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Colonel Gaddafi's Inglorious End

The reign of Colonel Muammar Gaddafi has finally ended after he was caught in his home town of Sirte and shot dead. Ironically he was carrying his fabled golden gun - but in the end this symbolic weapon fell into the hands of a youngster - part of a new generation of Libyans who will carry much responsibility in the days ahead - this as the country searches for a new and brighter political future.

NATO was fully aware Gaddafi had chosen to make his last stand in Sirte - a city of around 75,000 people. However, on the morning of 20 October, Gaddafi loyalists

assembled a convoy of around 100 vehicles in an attempt to break out and head south. NATO reconnaissance aircraft were watching and as the vehicles started to move southwestwards, they were attacked by several



SAADI GADDAFI

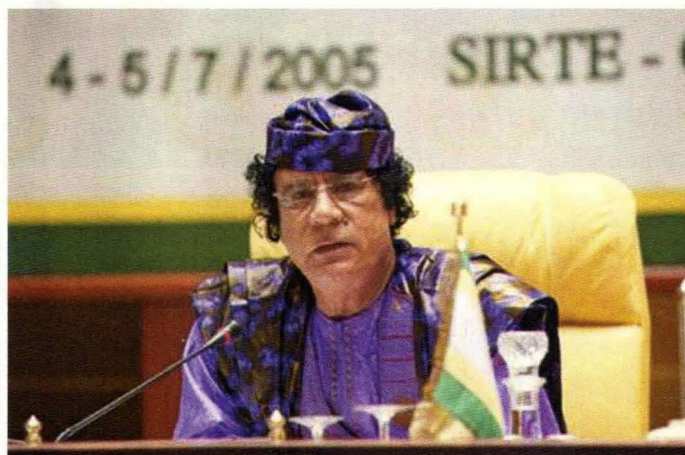
Colonel Gaddafi's son, Saadi, was allegedly smuggled out of Libya to neighbouring Niger by an international team of hired ex-Special Forces soldiers. The claim was made by an Australian member of the team.

The NTC want Saadi extradited back to Libya to face criminal charges.



French Air Force Mirage fighters. An hour or so later NTC fighters descended on the scene and a wounded Gaddafi sought shelter with his personal bodyguard detail in a drain feature.

After a fierce fight Gaddafi was captured, and his last moments played out on television stations across the world. NTC officials initially said he died in crossfire, but these diplomatic words did not match the evidence caught on camera, and in the end they acknowledged he had been shot at close range. For Gaddafi, it was the end of four-decades of rule,

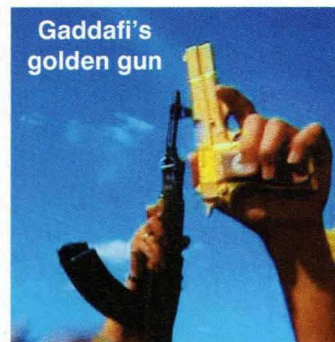


Colonel Gaddafi in his home town of Sirte - 2005

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The once untouchable showman is dead.

Gaddafi's golden gun



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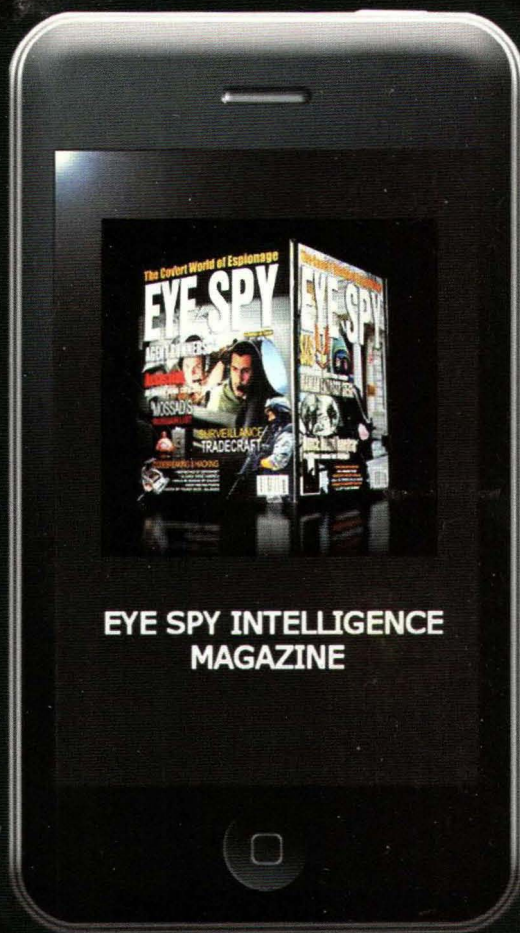
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