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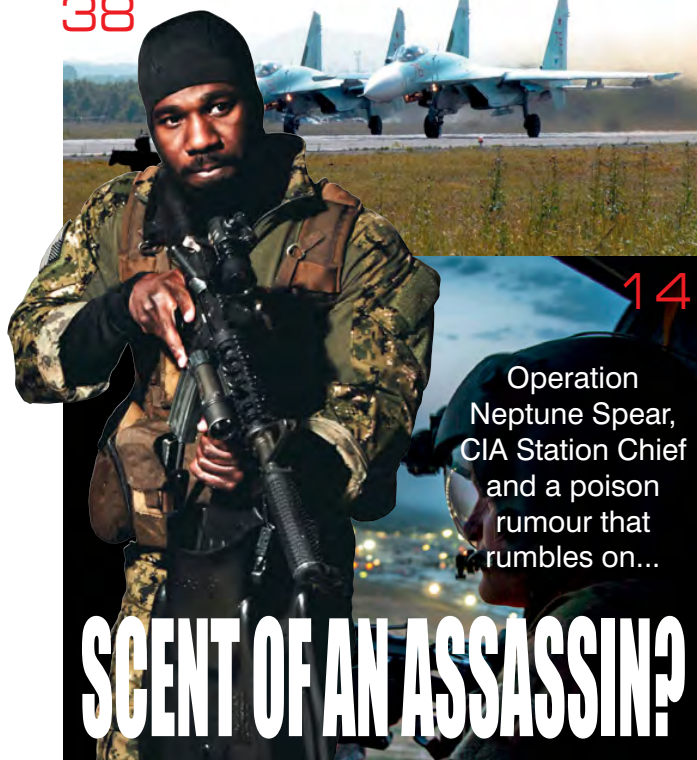


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"We have fallen into a new Cold War. On a near daily basis we are being blamed for the most terrible threat to NATO... I sometimes wonder: are we in 2016 or 1962?"



Russian Prime Minister
Dmitry Medvedev

FIRST WORD

WAITING FOR MS804 CRASH INVESTIGATION REPORT



Speculation abounds over the crash of EgyptAir MS804; from a terrorist bomb to a meteor striking its wing. Most intelligence watchers believe terrorism is the likely cause, but this will only be proven in future months. The fact that ISIS/Daesh has not claimed responsibility may or may not be relevant. For months there has been a plethora of stories concerning its bomb-making capabilities, and one in particular is worrying. For there is intelligence its bombmakers have built a device that can defeat airport counter-measures.

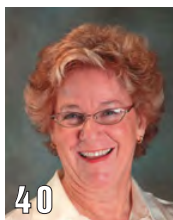
Airport security has been in the news of late, and all manner of projects have been discussed, including the controversial subject of 'positive vetting' of workers and contract staff. Whether or not this will be introduced is still being debated, but either way it is a sensitive issue.

Another story which has captured the attention of military personnel is that of former SAS trooper Albert 'Pat' Patterson, 65. The Special Forces veteran of many campaigns (some secret) was jailed for keeping a pistol he recovered from the Falklands War as a 'war trophy'. It beggars belief the number of people who have committed far worse offences that walk free from court. Surely a little common sense should have prevailed? Pat's story along with candid commentary from his former SAS colleague Rusty Firmin features in this edition. As for other troopers in the Regiment, they are far from happy about the way this war hero has been treated.

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INTELLIGENCE CHOICE

THE MOSCOW BRIDGE ENCOUNTER

When a KGB 'snatch team' leapt from a hide on a Moscow Bridge to detain CIA agent Martha Peterson in 1977, there was hardly a hint of an amazing back story to the encounter.

The events which unfolded had begun years earlier in Colombia and involved Aleksandr Dmitrievich Ogorodnik, who served as a diplomatic staffer in the Soviet embassy. Eye Spy is grateful to former Canadian intelligence officer Dan Mulvenna and Martha for providing an insight into the case. From dead letter drops, spy rocks and all manner of tradecraft, the Moscow Bridge Encounter case encapsulates everything about the world of espionage.

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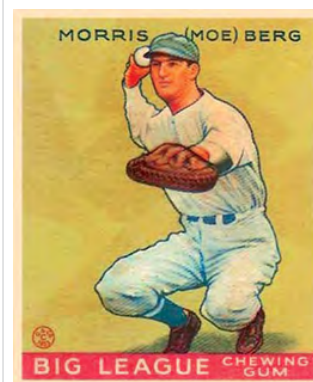
THE CATCHER WA

New film planned on OSS agent and baseball player Moe Berg

After two failed attempts to capture the life story of famous US baseball player and WWII spy Morris 'Moe' Berg, a new film production has started in earnest. His story was previously developed by Warner Bros as a vehicle for George Clooney and before that, both HBO and Miramax tried and failed. This has puzzled many in the entertainment and 'spy' industries because his story has all the ingredients for a Hollywood thriller.

Morris Berg attended Princeton University and later worked as an

attorney speaking a remarkable nine languages. However, he came to fame playing major league baseball for teams like the



SECRET LIAISONS AND A CIA TIP-OFF

CIA involvement in arrest of Nelson Mandela finally confirmed

Rumours about Nelson Mandela's intelligence threads were constant throughout much of his life. However, when he was arrested in 1962, some commentators and pressure groups believed the CIA was involved. Now evidence has surfaced in *The Sunday Times* that seems to support this.

Former US vice consul in Durban, Donald C Rickard, 88, broke his silence about the affair in an

interview with researchers for a new film entitled *'Mandela's Gun'*. He told filmmaker John Irvin that he actually notified the South African Government that the United States considered him "the world's most dangerous Communist outside of the Soviet Union." Speaking candidly, Rickard said he had no regrets because at that time, Mandela, the most wanted man in South Africa, headed the armed wing of the ANC (African National Congress). However, his main concern was revolution in

South Africa. Thereafter he learned of Mandela's travel itinerary for 5 August 1962 and gave this to police. Mandela was duly arrested, tried and sent to prison where he remained until being freed in 1990.

Rickard believed Mandela was essentially an agent of Communist Russia intent on inciting the Indian population in the Natal region to rebel and overthrow the government. "That would have paved the way for a Soviet invasion, setting up a conflict between Russia and America that could have seen the region descend into chaos," said Rickard. "We were teetering on the brink here and it had to be stopped, which meant Mandela had to be stopped. And I put a stop to it."

Mandela had always denied being a member of any Communist party, but following his death in 2013, the South African Communist Party said he was a member of its central committee at the time of his arrest. Similarly, there were persistent stories about his links to British Intelligence, with some



Soviet commemorative stamp 1988. 'Mandela - Freedom Fighter in South Africa'

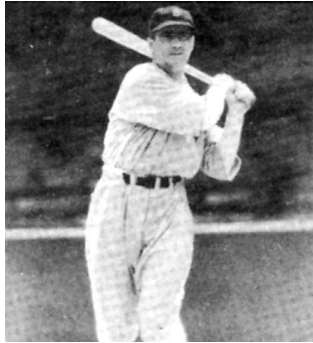
investigators claiming he was an agent for MI6.

The CIA story has caused little reaction in South Africa; Zizi Kodwa, spokesman of today's ruling Mandela African National Congress Party said: "We always knew there was collaboration between some Western countries and the apartheid regime." He also

Winnie and Nelson Mandela with Joe Slovo. Inset: Mandela and Fidel Castro



'AS A SPY



New York Robins and Chicago White Sox - during which time he worked secretly with the Office of Strategic Services (OSS - forerunner for the CIA) - on secret spy missions.

In 1934, Berg travelled with a team of Americans that took

baseball to Japan. Whilst there he covertly took motion pictures of Tokyo. These were viewed by war planners before the famous raid on Tokyo in April 1942. In August 1943, Berg joined the OSS headed by General William 'Wild Bill' Donovan.

One of his early assignments saw him parachute into Yugoslavia to secure intelligence on German



Moe Berg turned down the Medal of Freedom during his lifetime; it was re-awarded after his death, with his sister accepting it on his behalf



Werner Karl Heisenberg

completing an atomic bomb. Both lived to see another day.

The new Hollywood movie about Berg - *'The Catcher Was a Spy'*, will star actor Paul Rudd. The script is written by Robert Radat, who wrote the adaptation of *'Saving Private Ryan'*. Perhaps this third attempt to portray one of America's great heroes will be a home-run!



Paul Rudd

operations. On another mission he posed as a German businessman in Switzerland. That particular assignment was connected to a plot to assassinate Werner Karl Heisenberg, a senior scientist and pioneer of quantum mechanics suspected of working on Germany's atomic bomb project. Berg was ordered to shoot Heisenberg on first contact and then swallow a cyanide capsule to avoid capture. Thankfully officials concluded Germany was far from



Nelson Mandela casts his vote in the 1994 election which he duly won to become president

claimed the CIA was still operating in the shadows in South Africa: "The CIA is still collaborating with those who want regime change."

Rickard, who died in March this year, reportedly operated for the CIA until 1978. Mandela served as president between 1994 and 1999. He died in 2013.



TRADING PLACES NORAD's First Female Chief

USAF General Lori J Robinson has been appointed commander of the powerful North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and US Northern Command in Colorado. She is just one of two women who are four star generals in the USAF and according to Defense Secretary Ash Carter, "was the natural



Cheyenne Mountain complex

choice." Robinson therefore becomes the first woman to hold such a senior post in American military history.

NORAD, operated by both US and Canadian defence agencies has a vast number of intelligence threads and oversees surveillance of northern skies as well as maritime approaches. Its Cheyenne Mountain complex is legendary of course, but its primary control facilities are now located elsewhere. General Robinson's second role as head of Northern Command, means she will also be responsible for aiding civil authorities in emergency situations. Her previous post was commander of Pacific Air Forces - an area covering more than half the planet.

At her acceptance ceremony, Robinson said: "The world is more dangerous and North America is increasingly vulnerable to a vast array of evolving threats... threats in every domain we operate in."



General Lori J Robinson pictured with Canada's Chief of Defence Staff General J.H. Vance at the acceptance ceremony in May 2016

A US sailor keeps
watch on the USS
Donald Cook

AEGIS ASHORE

NATO AND RUSSIA IN NEW WAR OF WORDS

Tensions continue to rise between NATO and Russia, especially in the Baltic region. US Defense Secretary Ash Carter accused Moscow of “sabre rattling.” This followed Russia’s warning to Denmark that its warships could be the target of nuclear strikes if the country adopts NATO’s missile defence system. Similar threats were made against Poland and Norway.

Russia, meanwhile, has accused NATO of threatening its security. Military manoeuvres have taken place in the Baltic states and both the US and UK have moved troops and weaponry into the region. Other joint military exercises have taken place in Georgia in an operation codenamed Noble

Partner 2016. This ‘annual’ event angered Moscow for it involved a great deal of heavy weaponry, including Abrams battle tanks and US paratroopers. NATO officials said they were simply “strengthening the country’s deterrent capability.” Ash Carter responded: “We do not seek to make Russia an enemy, but we will defend our allies.” He added, “we do not seek a cold, let alone hot war with Russia.”

There were tensions further south; in this case senior NATO and US officials arrived in Poland to engage in a ceremony to mark the beginning of a new Aegis Ashore ballistic missile defence site in Redzikowa. At the same time in Romania, another event took place for the inauguration of the first



operational Aegis Ashore site in Europe.

The latest verbal exchanges follow several military encounters between NATO warships and Russian fighters, the most dramatic involving the destroyer USS Donald Cook. In this case an

SU-24 fighter passed perilously close to the vessel in the Black Sea on ten occasions in April. The incident lasted 90 minutes. Another fighter was also in the area. Whilst the Pentagon said the overflight was “provocative and unprofessional,” US Secretary of State John Kerry went further, “the



A Russian Air Force SU-24 fighter
photographed by a US sailor aboard
USS Donald Cook



US, British and Georgian
troops engage in Noble
Partner 2016

US Deputy Defense Secretary Robert Work at the Aegis Ashore ceremony in Poland



US Navy could have opened fire under rules of engagement and shot the aircraft down." Russia responded by claiming the two fighters were on a pre-planned training flight. A navy official said: "When the pilots noticed the warship they turned their aircraft away." Observers believe the warplanes were performing a simulated attack on the USS Donald Cook.

Many intelligence officials believe it is only a matter of time before a significant clash or incident takes place between NATO and Europe.

BALTIC SEA ESPIONAGE

Ex-Russian naval officer receives 13 year sentence for high treason

Russian citizen and reserve military officer, Yevgeny Mataitis, 39, who holds joint Russian-Lithuanian citizenship, has admitted he was recruited by Lithuanian Intelligence in 2009.

FSB officials said that in exchange for a monthly salary over a six year period, Mataitis supplied the State Security Department (VSD) with information concerning its Russian armed forces in the Kaliningrad region. This is home

to Russia's Baltic Fleet, and a heavily militarised exclave bordering Poland and Lithuania.

Lithuania's entry into NATO after the collapse of the Soviet Union was deemed a security threat by Moscow and relations collapsed.

Mataitis, who was arrested in June 2015, pleaded guilty and was fined 200,000 rubles (\$3,042), stripped of his military rank, and will serve his sentence in a high-security prison. His



solicitor said he will not appeal the verdict.

Just weeks earlier in March, a Moscow court sentenced another Lithuanian, Aristidas Tamosaitis, to 12 years in prison for passing military secrets to the VSD.

The Lithuanian Government has thus far refused to comment.



NO LANGLEY THREADS

"No-one works in this business for nothing"

Wayne Simmons, a political commentator and alleged CIA operative, has pleaded guilty to fraud. Outed by former CIA man Kent Clizbe, Simmons made several appear-



Kent Clizbe

ances on Fox News claiming a near 30-year liaison with Langley. However, in court he admitted that he "falsely claimed to have worked as an outside paramilitary special operations officer." He further acknowledged that he had used this information to obtain a high security clearance level, and secure work as a defence contractor where he advised military staffers overseas. "Wayne Simmons is a convicted felon with no military or intelligence experience," said US attorney Dana Boente. Other evidence was also heard relating to fraud and firearms charges.

Yet it is his insistence that he worked for the CIA that has captured the attention of intelli-



Simmons following his arrest

gence watchers. And even now, Simmons said that "somewhere around the world," there are documents which would prove his association with the CIA, especially that connected to Langley's Special Operations

Group. These include undercover operations targeting drug cartels and arms smuggling. Paul Abbate, an FBI officer based in Washington DC was having none of it: "Mr Simmons lied about his criminal history and CIA employment." He added the affair was a deception intended to make money.

The CIA won't respond to questions about the case, but it's evident Simmons is not and never was a CIA operative. An Eye Spy source who has followed the case commented on Simmons' claims about documented evidence. "If he did have connections he could have quietly provided a clue or two that would have raised questions, or at the very least inserted doubt. And no-one works in this business for nothing."

Simmons is expected to receive a lengthy sentence.

The Imam Rapito Affair



Many suspects captured by the CIA were eventually relocated to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Former CIA officer to be extradited to Italy Ripples from the CIA kidnapping of Egyptian cleric Hassan Mustafa Osama Nasr on the streets of Milan in 2003, continue to expand

Sabrina De Sousa, 58, was detained for a brief period in Portugal in October 2015, for her role in the operation and faces extradition to Italy. De Sousa, with an outstanding European arrest warrant against her, had booked a flight from the United States to India to visit family. The aircraft stopped at Lisbon airport where she was arrested.

The warrant was issued years ago after De Sousa was named along with 21 other CIA operatives convicted in absentia for the

extraordinary rendition of Nasr - also known as Abu Omar. He was taken to Egypt and allegedly tortured. Thereafter all manner of legal happenings have ensued, and reports of Italian Intelligence involvement have only conspired to thwart closure.

De Sousa, a CIA officer, worked at the US consulate in Milan. She insists that she played a minor role in renditions but was not specifically involved in the kidnapping of Nasr and should have been afforded government protection from prosecution. At the time of the operation, she was

on a ski tour. In 2009 she sued the US State Department in a effort to secure a declaration of 'diplomatic immunity'.

The Nasr case went to court and a European Court of Human Rights judge ordered Italy to pay £55,000 in compensation and a further £12,000 to his wife for its role in the kidnapping.

Observers believe the case has created a complex situation for the Italian government. Legal chiefs believe if they do not 'chase' all those suspected of kidnapping, they could be accused of hypocrisy. De Sousa, who left Langley in 2009 was sentenced to six years in prison in absentia by an Italian court. She has asked the authorities in Rome for a pardon but said, "if this ruling truly guarantees me the right to a fair trial in Italy, I am ready."

For the record, and coincidentally, Nasr was sentenced to six years in prison in absentia by an Italian court in 2013 for terrorist activities. He does not believe De Sousa or any of his abductors should be jailed. "The US



TWITTER

Sabrina De Sousa

administration sacrificed them," said Nasr. "All of those higher up in the hierarchy are enjoying their immunity. These people higher up, without doubt they should be convicted in this case. They should face trial."



Hassan Mustafa Osama Nasr



CIA surveillance photo of Nasr in Milan. It was reportedly discovered on a CD in the Italian residence of an Agency official

MAN IN THE MIDDLE

MOSCOW'S UK-CENTRIC FEUD CONTINUES

NEW
SCOTLAND
YARD



The Unsolved Death of Alexander Perepilichnyy



Sergei
Magnitsky



Andrei
Pavlov

An inquest into the strange death of Russian currency trader Alexander Perepilichnyy, 44, will begin on 12 September, but the pre-interview process has begun in the UK. The businessman was found dead near his home - an exclusive residence in Weybridge in November 2012. He had been jogging. Police initially suspected he had died of natural causes, but New Scotland Yard decided to probe further.

Mr Perepilichnyy fled to the UK in 2009 and exposed explosive details to Swiss authorities about a £140 million fraud involving

Russian officials and a covert money laundering scheme that used Swiss accounts. In addition, Perepilichnyy provided damning evidence in the trial of several men linked to the death of Russian anti-corruption lawyer Sergei Magnitsky. Perepilichnyy is the fourth person associated with the affair to die unexpectedly. Shortly before he died he took out several life insurance policies.

Scientists who performed tests on behalf of the insurance companies found traces of a compound in his stomach that could have come from the toxic plant *Gelsemium elegans*, a lethal plant found only in remote regions of China. This

has been used as an 'assassins tool' in previous cases.

The pre-inquest hearings reveal that there are two people New Scotland Yard want to question in connection with his death. The first is Andrei Pavlov, understood to be a member of the Klyuev Organised Crime Group (KOCG) in Russia who was in the UK at the time of the death. He left the country the next day. The second is Validol Lurakmaev. He was on Interpol's wanted list and detained in Turkey. A document containing names was recovered from him - this has been described as a 'hit list' and included Perepilichnyy.

Eye Spy understands Perepilichnyy discussed his concerns about corruption and his own personal safety to MI5 and New Scotland Yard officers. The coroner has already spoken of "parallels" between his death and that of MI6 agent Alexander Litvinenko. One of the firms investigating the Russian end of the money laundering fraud, Hermitage Capital Management has also drawn links to the Litvinenko affair. Henriette Hill, QC



Alexander Litvinenko

for HCM said: "In the same way that Mr Litvinenko was providing testimony to Spanish prosecutors and died before it could be concluded, Mr Perepilichnyy was providing testimony to Swiss prosecutors and died before that could be concluded." Of equal relevance, there was undoubtedly friction between the deceased and another 'player' in the Litvinenko case - Dmitri Kovtun.

Intelligence sources claim the 'hit list' holds personal details of some 100 people. Believed to have been made by underworld characters linked to the Kremlin, several high profile Russian nationals on it have been killed.



Gelsemium elegans

THE EDWARD CHIEH-LIANG LIN SPY CASE



INNOCENT LIAISONS OR ESPIONAGE US Navy Officer Charged with Espionage

Lt. Commander Edward Lin, 39, a naturalised US citizen faces charges of espionage after being accused of passing classified information to spy organisations in China and Taiwan. The charges fall into various categories: Two of direct espionage, three attempted instances of espionage, travelling out of the country without permission, lying about the purpose of a trip on return to duty, and paying for prostitutes and adultery. Lin is being investigated by both the FBI and the US Navy Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS).

US law enforcement officials have identified China as the most active foreign power involved in the illegal acquisition of American technology, by both military and corporate espionage. It is generally believed that China's intelligence agencies employ primarily academics or students who will be in their host country only a short time, rather than spending years cultivating a few high-level sources or double agents. However, as seen in several high-profile examples such as Larry Wu-Tai Chin, Katrina Leung, Gwo-Bao Min, Chi Mak and Peter Lee, this is not always the case.

GAMES OF ESPIONAGE

The United States has the world's biggest navy. Its operations are often open and outwardly dedicated to global world peace, displays of defence, and diplomacy. And its capabilities are many. One area the US Navy remains tight-lipped about is intelligence collection. Like other navies it secures SIGINT (signals intelligence) and uses top secret techniques ensuring that nothing passes by unnoticed.

For decades, the US Navy, (like other branches of America's armed forces), has been targeted by foreign intelligence agencies. Placing an asset within this most secret environment is the 'holy grail' of spy adversaries. And China is the one nation which the United States fears and suspects the most. The Chinese Secret Service has few paid agents, its ideology being that having received help from the State, its people must pay back its kindness.

WORLD WATCHERS

Born in 1977, Edward Chieh-Liang Lin was raised in Taiwan and eventually became a naturalised US citizen. He did not find



Edward Chieh-Liang Lin

attending American schools easy and culturally there were problems. However, he made the best of his lot and even shortened his name to Edward Lin because it was easier to pronounce.

In 1999, aged 22, Lin joined the United States Navy and was Commissioned on 10 May 2002. Starting his career as an enlisted sailor



EP-3E Aries II



US Navy EP-3E Aries II assigned to Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron (VQ-2) - 'World Watchers'



'World Watchers' - Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron VQ1

PIONAGE? NCIS

Lin trained to become a flight officer, eventually reaching Lt. Commander. He had previously trained as a nuclear specialist prior to attending Officer Candidate School. After

further training, Lin's first operational duty began on 30 June 2004 at Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, Washington state in the Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron VQ1, also known as 'World Watchers'.

At a later naturalisation ceremony on 3 December 2008, in Honolulu, Lt. Edward Lin was asked to address those, who like him, had studied for the process and graduated as

American citizens: "I always dreamt about coming to America, the promised land. I grew up believing that all the roads led to Disneyland." Perhaps ironic, in retrospect, he continued: "I hope that they realise that many, many doors have been opened up for them..."

From 2007 to 2009 Lin served with the US Pacific Fleet at Joint Base Pearl-Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, as a staff officer. After serving on the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, Edward Lin attended the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island, starting in December 2010 and graduating February 2012. This was followed by a two year premium assignment to the Assistant Secretary of Navy for Finance Management and Comptroller as Congressional Liaison; acting between the services chief civilian budgeting officer, based in Washington DC from February 2012 to November 2013.

Edward Lin pictured at a naturalisation ceremony in 2008



US TECHNOLOGY

Special Projects Patrol Squadron (VPU-2) has bases throughout the Pacific and Indian Oceans. Its operational decal (logo) shows a blackened wizard sporting glaring red eyes with a boxed compass in the middle of his hooded cloak, clutching at lightning bolts. It is the usual depiction of things related to SIGINT. No surprise either that VPU-2 is known



NCIS officer Edward Jones provides firearms guidance to a security team aboard USS Bonhomme Richard



EP-3E Aries II



Edward Chieh-Liang Lin

casually as the 'Wizards', for the decal states 'Anytime Anywhere'.

It was the Marine Corps Base Hawaii Kaneohe Bay that received Edward Lin as a VPU-2 department head. During the course of his service, Lin was exposed to top secret methods; the most sensitive being signals intelligence: methods of collection, process, eventual product and its routing (distribution).

Lin flew on the sophisticated EP-3E Aries Multi Intelligence reconnaissance aircraft based on the EP-3 Orion; being fluent in Mandarin any relevant Chinese communications would have been expertly coordinated by Lin, each utterance and change in tone of delivery noted. It's also understood that Lin had contact with the MQ-4C Unmanned Aircraft System or UAS Broad Area Maritime Surveillance (BAMS) programme. Sporting Multi-Function Active Sensor radar (MFAS), the UAS complements US Naval maritime and SIGINT capabilities.

Lin also worked with P-3C Orion surveillance aircraft. These are to be replaced by P-8A Poseidon aircraft which feature active multi-static and passive acoustic sensor systems, electronic support measures systems, electro-optical and infra red sensors and inverse synthetic aperture radar. All this, plus a digital magnetic anomaly detector, and a formidable array of sensors can be deployed against submarines and surface vessels.

Successful development and results of flight testing of the P-8A Poseidon that commenced in 2013, will not have escaped Edward Chieh-Liang Lin's inquisitive persona.

ARREST IN HONOLULU

Edward Lin was apprehended at an airport in Honolulu on 11 September 2015 and interrogated for over 11 hours. At the time he was bound for a 'foreign country' believed to be China. That it took eight months for his arrest to be made public, via a heavily redacted Charge Sheet, indicates just exactly how sensitive and complex the case is. During one interview, Lin reportedly confessed his crime to NCIS investigators: this was recorded but 30 minutes of the exchange was deemed classified. The NCIS also searched his computers and discovered classified information contained in a notebook. His solicitor argued that the information was open source and available on the Internet.

Exactly how the transfer of secrets was allegedly made is unknown, yet one puzzling charge stands proud from the five espionage specifications and that is 'Specification 6 (Prostitution-Patronising)'. A US forces user on a forum remarked: *'That's weird, never seen prostitution in a charge ever'*. Some observers suggest here lies the method of



The P-8 'roll out' ceremony in 2008 attended by US Navy officials, Boeing executives and politicians



A P-8A Poseidon flying with P-3 Orion

[intelligence] transfer? However, other reports based on the NCIS interview with Lin, reference a liaison with an undercover FBI agent posing as a Taiwanese official. Indeed, intelligence sources say he was the target of a cleverly planned sting operation. In total, nine CDs (film) containing incriminating conversations were presented in court. "The beauty of this is you get to watch the entirety of the event," Navy Commander Johnathan Stephens said.

Lin's training exposed him to nuclear knowledge within US Naval power systems; US Naval finances - budgeting, procurement and equipment disposal as well. It's more likely that any 'end user', in this case believed to be the Chinese, will want target details: what the US monitors, detects and the specifications of the equipment used to carry

out these functions. Such knowledge would enable the recipient to develop effective countermeasures and build their own generation of even more sensitive sensors and detectors. And no nation duplicates stolen technology better than the Chinese.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Some legal observers believe the case against Lin may yet collapse. References to incorrect translations, misunderstood conversations and wrongly interpreted actions, plus the fact that it took the Navy a full eight months to charge Lin have all been cited. His solicitor, Larry Younger is claiming "entrapment," and said his client was "never advised of his rights."

This case may end like that of Katrina Leung's - dismissed because of prosecutorial misconduct.

- The P-8A has been purchased by the UK at a cost estimated to be more than £3 billion as a replacement for its aged and now discontinued Nimrod surveillance fleet. That Lin may well have been involved in a variety of stages in the equipping, testing and eventual roll-out of this advanced surveillance aircraft, the new fleet entering service with the RAF may well have been compromised.



Operators man electronic systems on a US Navy Boeing P-8 Poseidon

Edward Chieh-Liang Lin's family are convinced of his innocence, and Lin's solicitor has urged the US Navy not to take the case to court. In May the family issued a statement: "We maintain Lt. Commander Edward 'Eddy' Lin is innocent of espionage, innocent of failing to follow lawful orders, innocent of false official statements and innocent of violating the general Article 134 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. While we await the convening authorities decision as to whether to actually proceed to trial, it is our assessment that the case is best handled administratively (internally)."

His relatives have also opened a website called 'Bring Eddy Home'. Here they reference his work for the country and ask for donations.

SCENT OF AN ASSASSIN?

Operation Neptune Spear, CIA Station Chief and a poison rumour that continues to rumble on...



Former CIA Station Chief
Mark Kelton

Five years after the death of Osama bin-Laden, a strange story has started to circulate in Washington about the CIA Station Chief who from his Islamabad base, helped the pseudo-Special

Forces-CIA team carry out the operation in Abbottabad. Mark Kelton, 59, who graduated through the ranks to serve as Deputy Director of the National Clandestine Service for Counterintelligence, was a central, but relatively unknown figure (outside the intelligence world). He oversaw Langley's immediate and post bin-Laden dealings with Pakistan's furious Inter Services Intelligence Agency (ISI).

Even before the daring raid, the CIA-ISI relationship had been uncomfortable, with ISI officials accusing Langley of operating agents across the region. Now an incident which some believe is relevant to bin-Laden's death and Kelton's guiding hand has emerged - an assassination attempt aided or performed by dark agents on behalf of the ISI itself.

Kelton fell desperately ill after the May 2011 raid and associates said

abdominal pain often forced the station chief to "double over" in agony. The situation grew worse and despite visits to doctors and treatment in the United States, the mysterious pain would not go away. This led some to suspect he had been poisoned. Kelton has since retired and his health improved, but the rumours that the CIA man had been targeted by the ISI has lingered.

Now journalists from the *Washington Post* have probed further and asked Kelton to respond to the story. He declined to discuss



US Navy SEALs led the
raid on bin-Laden's
compound (right)





L-R: James Clapper, Director of National Intelligence, National Security Advisor Tom Donilon, CIA Director Leon Panetta, Admiral Mike Mullen, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Vice President Joe Biden listen as President Barack Obama announces the death of Osama bin-Laden in the White House 1 May 2011

the case in detail but rejected the notion the ISI assassination theory was his. "The genesis for the thought about that did not originate with me," he said. He admitted that his illness was never clarified. In a final comment Kelton said: "I'd rather let the whole episode lie. I'm very, very proud of the people I worked with who did amazing things for their country at a very difficult time."

Officials at Langley had wanted the story to disappear; but forced into making some kind of response, admitted no-one from the Agency ever confronted the ISI. CIA spokesman Dean Boyd said: "We have uncovered no evidence that Pakistan authorities poisoned a US official serving in Pakistan."



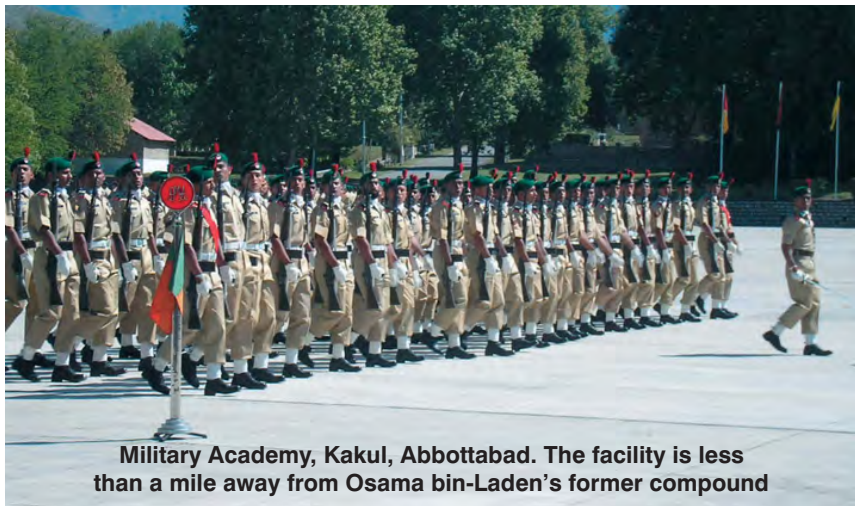
As President Barack Obama prepares his notes to announce news about the mission against Osama bin-Laden, US television networks broke in with bulletins confirming the terror leader had been killed. A photograph of bin-Laden appeared on the television screen in the background



The operation against Osama bin-Laden, who was hiding in plain sight just a short distance away from a Pakistan military base, served only to worsen US-Pakistan intelligence relations. The secret UAV air campaign led to the 'outing' of then CIA Station Chief Islamabad, Jonathan Bank. Fearing for his safety the



President Obama delivers news about the operation and the death of Osama bin-Laden



Military Academy, Kakul, Abbottabad. The facility is less than a mile away from Osama bin-Laden's former compound

intel man was effectively 'smuggled' out of the country.

Sources in Washington said Kelton, who was scheduled for a two-year tenure in Pakistan, had made arrangements for reprisals by the ISI following the bin-Laden operation. These included evacuation plans for US operators outside the embassy. Within days Pakistan media had been given the name of the CIA Station Chief - 'Mark Carlton' appeared in newspapers - it had been transcribed incorrectly. Thereafter all manner of leaks started to emerge, including the CIA operation to ensnare bin-Laden using a Pakistan doctor and a bogus inoculation programme. Langley's secret safe house across the road from the terror leader's compound was also found.

Kelton departed but his pain did not. Eventually he had a stomach operation (no details are known) and went back to work in counter-intelligence. In 2015 he retired after serving the CIA for 34-years.

Interestingly, Kelton has written about the 2006 Alexander Litvinenko assassination. He included a line from an eighty-year old

espionage novel: *'The important thing to know about an assassination is not who fired the shot, but who fired the bullet'.*

As for the ISI, officials reject any link to the alleged plot. One DC staffer said the poison story was nothing but "fiction and not worthy of comment."

HAMZA BIN-LADEN

Osama bin-Laden's son and heir apparent has resurfaced following the release of an audio message after months of silence. This has sparked renewed speculation over the leadership of al-Qaida.

Hamza bin-Laden, aged 23 or 24, was not found among the bodies examined after the CIA-US Special Forces operation targeting the terror leader in Abbottabad, Pakistan in 2011. The body of his brother, Khalid, was recovered. The whereabouts of Hamza has puzzled intelligence officials, though the mystery may about to be solved following the release of what appears to be a fairly recent audio message. This was supposedly made by al-Qaida's media wing and Hamza bin-Laden calls on all the fighting groups in Syria to unite and use the country's conflict as a spring-board to liberate Palestine.



Osama bin-Laden before the US invasion of Afghanistan

Hamza said: "The Islamic umma [nation] should focus on jihad in al-Sham [Syria] and unite the ranks of mujahideen." He also made reference to the dispute and fighting between al-Qaida and ISIS. "There is no longer any excuse for those who insist on divisions and disputes now that the whole world has mobilised against Muslims."



Hamza bin-Laden

Just 24-hours earlier, al-Qaida leader Ayman al-Zawahiri, praised the work of the group's affiliate in Syria - Jabhat al-Nusra. The CIA believe this is not a coincidence.



MQ-1 Predator, Kandahar, Afghanistan

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WAR AGAINST DAESH

ISIS



CIA ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION... Group contracting and losing its battlefield capability - but becoming increasingly dangerous - as it reverts back to terrorist roots... STOP

Speaking on the threat of possible future attacks by ISIS/Daesh in Europe, James Clapper, Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), warned that the terror group has embedded cells in several countries, including the UK and Germany. These are similar in nature to the groups which struck in Paris and Brussels, and all have threats to ISIS in Syria, Iraq and Libya. Clapper urged more European countries to join the fight against ISIS in the Middle East.

President Obama also warned of the threat to Europe and elsewhere: "These terrorists are doing everything in their power to strike our cities and kill our citizens, so we need to do everything in our power to stop them. And that includes closing [intelligence] gaps so terrorists can't pull off attacks like those in Paris and Brussels."

Few intelligence watchers disagree with the ODNI and the President's assessment, though



James Clapper ODNI

many still believe that fragmented intelligence-sharing and liaison between European countries is partly to blame. In recent months the USA and UK has intercepted communications and acquired documentation that

references several European countries. Secured intelligence from such interceptions and that collected from operatives' mobile electronic devices, list all the usual targets - from the Channel Tunnel to the London Eye. In truth, there are no specific targets and intelligence sources say an attack could happen anywhere.

Much focus too has been on a 'log book' of ISIS recruits which Sky News secured several months ago. Journalists and intelligence people have been cross-referencing entries with European public listings to identify operatives who have joined the terror group. "Patterns and areas of higher recruitment levels are evident," a source told Eye Spy. This suggests ISIS recruiters are more active in some countries than others. An estimated 4,500 people have exited Europe to join ISIS and while many have been identified others remain off the intelligence radar. Interestingly, some fighters who have returned are cooperating with security organisations and police and are providing useful intelligence. ➤



Syrian troops and coalition fighters relax after the retaking of historic Palmyra



Many more, however, remain under surveillance and arrests throughout Europe are occurring on a regular basis.

Opinion is divided as to whether or not the log book played a part in over twenty counter-terrorist operations around Europe since the Brussels outrage in March. In Spain, police

arrested four men suspected of planning attacks in the Costa Del Sol. A similar-sized cell was uncovered in Denmark, where several returning ISIS fighters carrying firearms and ammunition were arrested in Copenhagen. Four ISIS members suspected of plotting an attack in Italy have also been detained. In this case prosecutors believe Rome was the



Danish counter-terrorism officers

target. Swedish intelligence officers have acknowledged that at least eight ISIS fighters are being hunted after arriving from neighbouring countries. This led to an urgent US diplomatic signal telling its citizens to avoid crowded places and be vigilant when using mass transportation.

As for 'ripples' issuing from the Brussels attack and the arrest of terrorist Abdeslam, who is now being interrogated by French police in Paris, numerous arrests of people believed connected to the primary cell have followed, the latest coming on 24 May when several 'recruiters' were detained. Around a dozen people have also been detained in Britain, France, Belgium and Germany.



A captured ISIS terrorist is led away

OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE TARGETS DAMAGED/DESTROYED*

	Tanks	139
	HMMWV's	374
	Staging Areas	1,162
	Buildings	5,894
	Fighting Positions	7,118
	Oil Infrastructure	1,272
	Other Targets	6,820
	TOTAL	22,779

*Numbers may fluctuate based on battle damage assessments
Current as of 17 March 2016

Source: CENTCOM CCCI

CONFRONTING ISIS MILITARILY

Britain has an estimated 500 military advisors and troops in Iraq, whilst the US has a force that totals in excess of 5,000. Operation Inherent Resolve continues to secure more ground from ISIS and as part of a new ground endeavour, the UK is despatching as many as 1,000 soldiers. What is not known and remains a closely guarded secret, are the number of Special Forces units fighting ISIS directly. Besides known SAS and US elements, Eye Spy understands they have been joined by elite fighters from at least two European countries. This part of the war against the terrorist group is secret and one that remains 'off-limits' to the media. Britain's

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COVERT ACTION

Dr Chris Northcott examines one of the most controversial intelligence tradecraft elements utilised surreptitiously throughout history by governments, armed forces, intelligence services, dictators, pressure groups and the underworld... it is

COVERT ACTION

TRADECRAFT



PART ONE

DIRTY TRICKS OR TRUMP CARDS?

Regular readers of Eye Spy will be familiar with the assassination of Alexander Litvinenko; a former officer of the Russian FSB, who specialised in tackling organised crime. In November 1998, Litvinenko and several other FSB officers publicly accused their superiors of ordering the assassination of Boris Berezovsky, a Russian tycoon and oligarch and outspoken critic of Putin. Litvinenko was arrested in March 1999 on charges of exceeding the authority of his position. He was acquitted in November 1999. Litvinenko was re-arrested before charges were again dropped against him in 2000. Litvinenko and his family fled to the UK, where he was granted political asylum. He worked as a

journalist and writer and purportedly as a consultant for MI6.

Litvinenko wrote two books: *Blowing Up Russia: Terror from Within* and *Lubyanka Criminal Group*. He accused the Russian intelligence services of staging the so-called Russian apartment bombings and other acts of terrorism in order to bring Vladimir Putin to power. The bombings were a series of explosions that hit four apartment blocks in the Russian cities of Moscow, Buynaksk and Volgograd in September 1999, killing 293 people plus injuring more than 1,000, and spreading a wave of panic across Russia. Together with the Dagestan War, these bombings propelled Russia into the Second Chechen War.

Litvinenko also accused Putin of ordering the October 2006 murder of Russian investigative journalist Anna Politkovskaya. On 1 November 2006, Litvinenko suddenly became very ill and was rushed to hospital. Doctors discovered that he had been poisoned with radioactive Polonium-210, resulting in his death on 23 November. A British murder investigation concluded that Andrei Lugovoi was the prime suspect and demanded his extradition from Russia to face questioning. Lugovoi had served with the KGB's Ninth Directorate and its successor the Federal Protective Service of Russia, which provided security for high-ranking state officials and federal properties, before moving into the private security sector. Russia refused the extradition and relations between the UK and Russia cooled. ➤



Vladimir Putin - a master of deception and covert action

Litvinenko's widow, Marina, campaigned vigorously for justice through the Litvinenko Justice Foundation. In October 2011, Marina Litvinenko won the right to an inquest into her husband's death conducted by a coroner in the UK. The inquest was delayed repeatedly over issues regarding examinable evidence. The public inquiry eventually began on 27 January 2015. In January 2016, it concluded that Litvinenko's murder was an FSB operation and had 'probably' been personally approved by Putin.

Was this a badly-planned covert action, which had little chance of keeping Russian involvement secret? Or, was it a deliberate and

blatant attempt to send a very crude message? An understanding of covert action may help us to evaluate this Russian action.

WHAT IS COVERT ACTION?

Collecting foreign intelligence, or counterintelligence, are routine missions for the intelligence community, whereas covert action is not. Instead, covert action should be viewed very much as a component of 'statecraft' - alongside the more familiar tools of foreign policy, such as diplomacy, military force, economic assistance or sanctions, trade enhancements or restrictions, foreign aid, military training and assistance, financial credits or loans, government-sponsored information activities (e.g. Voice of America), and agricultural aid.

OPERATIONS OF INFLUENCE

Nonetheless, there are a few crucial differences that distinguish covert action from the other elements of foreign policy. In stark contrast to overt foreign policy tools, covert actions are carried out by intelligence services employing clandestine methods for all, or at least most stages of the operation, except the final results, which can sometimes be very noticeable. There are two main reasons for this:

- The aim of a covert action is to influence a foreign audience to do something, or to refrain

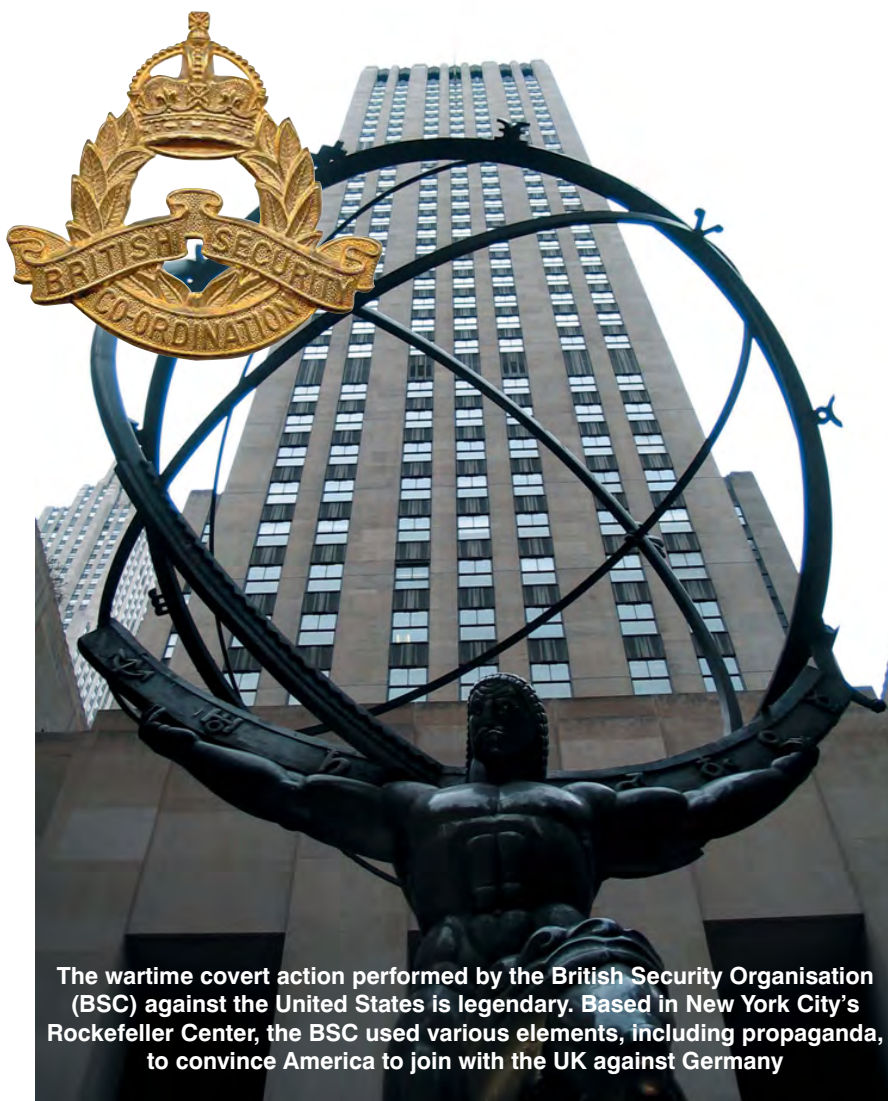
from doing something, in furtherance of policy goals.

In this sense, covert actions can also be called 'influence operations'. [During the Cold War the KGB used the term 'active measures']. The intended audience could be the leadership or government of a state, the population of a state, a section of that population, or supranational groups such as terrorist organisations. Covert action operations targeted at foreign governments could be intended to influence a government (or regime) to alter its policies on a particular issue, or towards a geographic area, in such a way that will conform to the wishes of the state carrying out the covert action. Covert operations aimed at a state's population could be intended to garner support for the state carrying out the covert action and ultimately for the targeted population to bring pressure upon their government to alter its policies. Covert operations to counter terrorist organisations might aim to undermine their operations, apprehend their members, cause defections, or attack their financial networks.

The outcome of covert actions (or influence operations) must be seen by at least some of the targeted group - as the goal is to cause a change of behaviour. And, it is clearly not possible for actions that remain absolutely invisible from the targeted group to have that effect. The recruitment and running of foreign citizens as agents is done with great secrecy.



Covert action often brings together representatives of civilian and military bodies

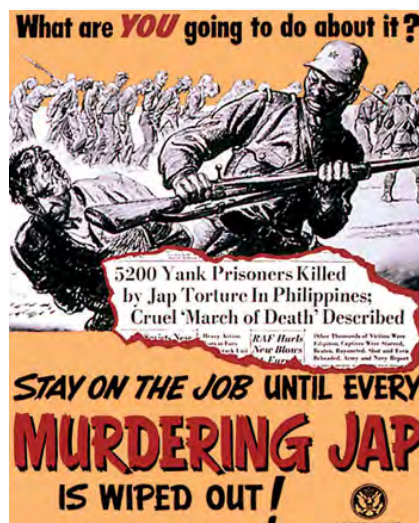


The wartime covert action performed by the British Security Organisation (BSO) against the United States is legendary. Based in New York City's Rockefeller Center, the BSO used various elements, including propaganda, to convince America to join with the UK against Germany

However, what those agents eventually produce will usually be quite visible. For example, a labour union leader in a foreign state might be covertly recruited to influence his organisation to support trade policies that favour American interests - but which his government opposes. This labour leader could eventually be tasked to orchestrate a nation-wide strike as a way of pressuring his government to alter its policies. Obviously, this strike would be visible to the government and citizens; and could also receive regional, and even international media coverage.

- The second rationale behind covert action is that in order for the actions carried out by the recruited agents is seen as legitimate by their target audience, the sponsorship of the government behind the covert operation must remain invisible.

For example, an article in a foreign newspaper that is openly penned by the US Ambassador to that country will not have much influence if the targeted population or government is anti-American on the issue in question. However, if a much respected public figure who is a citizen of that country (known as an 'agent of



Political posters are often used in covert action operations

influence') writes, or purportedly writes, the same article it may have much more influence upon the readership. This covert but not *covert characteristic* of such an operation is particularly attractive to governments in the way that it equips them with a policy option (or range of options) somewhere between



Winston Churchill approved the BSO operation in America

purely open diplomatic and or economic measures and recourse to the overt use of military force.

THE ELEMENTS

Covert action is commonly divided into four sub-disciplines or elements:

1. Propaganda.
2. Political action.
3. Paramilitary Activities.
4. Information Warfare.

The influence operations covered by these categories range across the spectrum from the almost invisible to the spectacularly public, from the benign to the highly provocative, from a subtle appeal to the intellect to the violent taking of lives, from the 'dirt cheap' to the enormously costly, and from an event lasting only a few minutes to a campaign lasting many years.

WHITE, GREY AND BLACK PROPAGANDA

Propaganda is the dissemination of information by various media for the purpose of influencing opinion. Propaganda can be relatively inexpensive, flexible and subtle. However, propaganda operations do not usually achieve the desired results straight away. Propaganda is intended to influence (either to bolster or to change) what an individual or a group believes. A single item of propaganda might persuade an audience to start considering alternative perspectives. But, it usually takes quite some time for people to digest a new concept; and even longer to adopt it in place of a previous position.

The best type of propaganda is probably to simply tell the truth. Throughout the Cold War, the USA did not need to glorify the American

ideal or the values of democracy to the Soviet people, nor did it have to tell the repressed people of the USSR how oppressive their own government was; because they already knew all of this. Many US propaganda efforts against the Soviet Union (both overt from the State Department and covert from the CIA) involved simply publicising truthful accounts of events in order to counteract the lies about internal and international actions that the Soviet government told to its own people; to keep the histories of the ethnic minorities oppressed and the Communist system alive; and to provide the people with desirable materials that had been banned by the Soviet leadership (Bibles and other religious items, and Russian literary works, such as those by Pasternak and Solzhenitsyn). Propaganda that is truthful in nature, and for which the source is clearly identified, such as a government agency's public information service, the radio service Voice of America (VOA), for example, is known as 'white propaganda'.



Berlin 1961. East German troops monitor the construction of a tank barrier under the watchful eye of US troops. Covert action played out under the guise of propaganda was crucial for both East and West in helping maintain public support. Eventually, the pressure exerted by the West in so many areas helped dismantle the 'Iron Curtain'



Willis Conover broadcast on the VOA for over 40 years

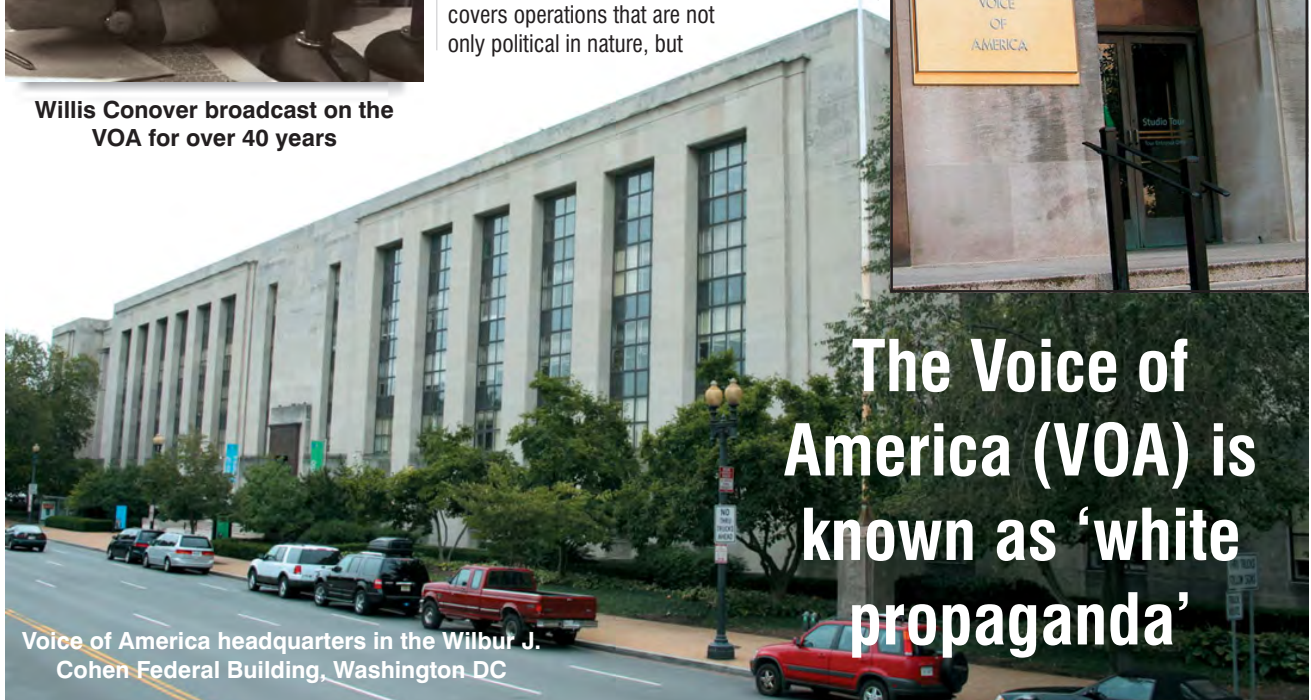
Accurate information that is disseminated but with its source disguised is called 'grey propaganda'. For example, an article published by a foreign scholar under their real name in an academic journal read by their state's policy elites that advocated a pro-US perspective but written at the secret behest of the CIA would be regarded as 'grey propaganda'.

'Black propaganda' is plain forgery, something which is defined as totally false.

POLITICAL ACTION

Political action is a wide-ranging term that covers operations that are not only political in nature, but

may or may not have an economic component. For example, funding secretly given to aid a preferred candidate or political party to win an election in a foreign country. A labour strike which brings a state's workforce to a halt is both economic and political - causing or increasing economic stress among the population, which in turn has the capacity to generate political heat on the government. A more serious political covert action would be to pump fake currency into a state's money



Voice of America headquarters in the Wilbur J. Cohen Federal Building, Washington DC

supply, thus causing severe economic harm to the state and undermining the legitimacy of that state's government. It is clear that political action is more provocative than propaganda because it is more visible and requires actual physical activity, rather than just attempting to have an impact upon attitudes and ideas.

PARAMILITARY ACTIVITIES

Paramilitary activities are arguably the most provocative of all covert operations because they may include acts that result in destruction and even death. For this very reason, paramilitary activities tend to be the most difficult covert operations to justify to the public.

Although intelligence personnel can be involved in actual combat operations, in large paramilitary operations intelligence personnel are more likely to be involved in supporting and training local forces (this can apply to insurgents or government forces) than they are to take part in the actual fighting.

Due to the visibility of paramilitary activities, it is often questioned whether it is appropriate for an espionage agency (like the CIA) to be the organisation responsible for them, or whether it would be more appropriate to give the Department of Defense (DOD) (using US military personnel) the responsibility. This perennial question was addressed by a joint CIA-DOD panel in 2004, which reaffirmed that not only was the CIA's paramilitary capability essential, but that the CIA's and DOD's special operations missions were both compatible and complementary.

However, paramilitary units are not only employed by intelligence agencies during

wartime. The training of allied foreign armed forces and other personnel of friendly governments, like VIP protection units, are obvious roles for these paramilitary personnel. Additionally, at times, capabilities usually used for paramilitary activities can be devoted to other missions, such as the covert extraction of an agent from enemy territory.

Although some of the missions conducted by these paramilitary units are classic covert actions, others are not. Nonetheless, they are all seen as covert actions - as opposed to routine secret intelligence collection measures. Thus, in the case of the USA, most of them require the President to sign a Finding and to notify Congress, just as he does for the more standard covert action programmes.

ASSASSINATION

Assassination plots usually come from the highest political level and tend to be quite personal. For example, the murder of Leon Trotsky in Mexico in 1940 was very much about Stalin settling an old score with his former rival. The Soviet euphemism for assassination was 'wet affairs'.

In response to the Libyan-supported bombing of a German discotheque which caused the deaths of US service personnel; in 1986, US President Ronald Reagan (who had himself been injured in an assassination attempt) authorised a bombing raid on the personal residence of Libyan President Gaddafi. Although Gaddafi himself emerged unscathed, his adopted daughter, Hanna, died in the bombing.



Muammar Gaddafi

Israel has been one of the most active proponents of assassination as a means of degrading the effectiveness of its enemies. The messy boundary between terrorism and insurgency has blurred the ethical distinction between assassination and targeted killing on the battlefield.

American academic Roy Godson argues that effective assassination needs: (1) technical skills to carry out the deed, and (2) a well-thought-out policy to exploit the assassination for political purposes. The initial key is access to the intended victim, which is best gained by penetrating the victim's inner-circle with agents. However, there are other ways of assassinating a leader than by penetrating his



**Main: US Navy SEAL. Inset: Delta Force members.
It's not unusual for the CIA to engage with such
Special Forces in covert action operations**



Conrad of Montferrat

entourage. Such as, using mercenaries or commandos hired or trained for this purpose. For example, Britain helped a resistance team to kill Reinhard Heydrich, the Nazi ruler of Bohemia, in 1943. For Godson, the most important element is political. How does the assassination advance policy? What are the risks and benefits of using this instrument? Assassinations may not benefit their perpetrator. The assassination of Trotsky did little to benefit Stalin on a policy level - it simply settled an old personal score. However, other assassinations have had broad historical consequences. The killing by the Shiite assassins of Conrad of Montferrat (1192), the Crusader who opposed Saladin, 'was a blow from which the Christian forces never recovered, and as a result of his murder a

FUSION OF POLITICS & INTEL

April 2016. US Secretary of State John Kerry is briefed by four senior advisors just prior to a pivotal meeting with Iran's Foreign Minister Javad Zarif. The role of the four men is interesting: L-R - Deputy Chief of Staff Tom Sullivan, Lead Coordinator for Iran Nuclear Implementation Stephen Mull, Chief of Staff Jon Finer and Principal Deputy Coordinator for Sanctions Policy Chris Backemeyer. Whilst not overtly obvious, all the players will be responsible for some type of covert action.

perfect chance to recapture Jerusalem was lost'.

In 1976, US President Gerald Ford issued Executive Order 11905: which explicitly forbade the assassination of foreign leaders. This was introduced partly because the CIA's bungled attempts to assassinate Fidel Castro had become publicly embarrassing; plus revelations about US involvement with the political forces responsible for assassinating Patrice Lumumba of the Congo and Rafael Trujillo of the Dominican Republic were also embarrassing; and partly because of the memories of the assassinations of JFK and Martin Luther King.

Opponents of assassination contend that, over and above the ethical dimension, democratic states should avoid assassination if possible for practical reasons. Firstly, the leaders of democratic states are inherently vulnerable and likely to be repaid in kind. Secondly, the person who is removed by assassination could be replaced by someone more capable. This argument helped to quash plans to assassinate Hitler during the Second World



War. Hitler's erratic leadership was ultimately judged to be of help to the Allies.

'Targeted killing' is carried out by a number of states. The Soviet Union killed Bulgarian dissident Georgi Markov in London by inserting a platinum pellet filled with ricin (a speciality poison) into his leg using a pellet gun disguised as an umbrella. The Israelis killed most of the Palestinians who had been involved in the murders of athletes at the 1972 Olympics in Munich. They also mistakenly killed a completely innocent man in Norway as part of this operation. The French killed an innocent man who was sleeping aboard the Greenpeace ship, Rainbow Warrior, which they bombed as it lay at harbour in New Zealand.



A statue of Congo leader Patrice Lumumba (inset). Various declassified CIA documents reveal he was almost certainly killed by a sponsored CIA covert action. A US investigation found that whilst Langley 'conspired to kill Lumumba' it was not directly involved in his assassination in 1961



When governments wish to conceal their actions, they often hire mercenary contract killers. Therefore, when governments' claim

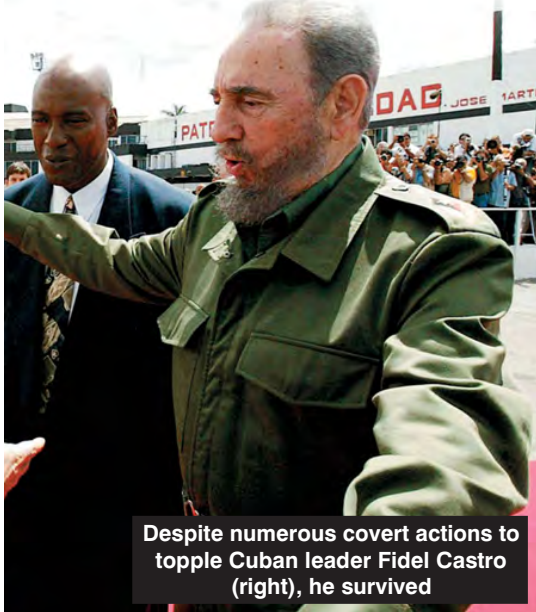




that they have 'outlawed' assassination it is only a partial truth - it is technically true, but nevertheless rather misleading.

Betrayal and deception are at the very heart of intelligence and this is an inherent problem for those who wish to devise an ethical code for the intelligence profession. Owing to the very nature of their work, intelligence professionals have to deal with issues that challenge the best moral thinking. Although rules of engagement, lists of do's and don'ts, and codes of conduct can help, they cannot deal with heart-rending dilemmas - such as how to respond if terrorists are threatening a whole city but using innocent civilians to shield themselves.

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Despite numerous covert actions to topple Cuban leader Fidel Castro (right), he survived

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Secret Listeners and KGB Infiltration

SPY GAMES THE SPIES CLASSROOM

Peter Matthews reflects on his time at one of the most famous Cold War training schools, its heroes and activities and... some of the infamous characters who passed through its doors

It was based at Gatow Airfield during the Berlin Airlift in 1947 where the secret monitoring of Soviet air operations in airfields just over the border in the Russian Zone was taking place. The operation was run from a rather decrepit hangar in a distant corner of a frantically busy airfield where a stream of Dakota aircraft were landing every two minutes day and night to bring supplies to the besieged city. About thirty national servicemen with headphones clamped to their heads listened intently to the Russian language 'chit chat' of pilots of the Soviet Air Force which our listeners understood very well.

They were but a few of several thousand national servicemen selected to take part in an intensive crash course to learn the Russian language. The operators had joined the JSSL (Joint Service School of Linguists) programme in England which had been formed at the beginning of the Cold War to satisfy the sudden and urgent need for Russian speakers by all three armed services of the UK, not to mention MI6. The course was created to turn out linguists suitable for battle field communications if the Cold War turned into a hot one, and to provide covert intelligence inputs of which the monitoring of the Red Air Force from Gatow was only a small part.

The JSSL course syllabus was organised in conjunction with Cambridge University and was a punishing six or eight month course depending on if the pupil was designated as having the capability of a translator or the greater demands of an interpreter. The course graduates at Gatow, who constantly trawled

the wireless frequencies on their ageing wireless transceivers to overhear Soviet aircrew transmissions, were translator grade. They listened carefully to ensure that Russian fighters were not preparing to intercept the stream of Air Lift aircraft bringing food and fuel to hungry Berliners. The higher grade in the JSSL course were earmarked to become interrogators of prisoners in the event of war or more immediately potential secret service agents to be put into the 'field' to spy on the intentions of the enemy. No wonder Andrei Vishinski, Stalin's Foreign Minister in a speech at the United Nations Assembly called the JSSL School of linguists "a school for spies."



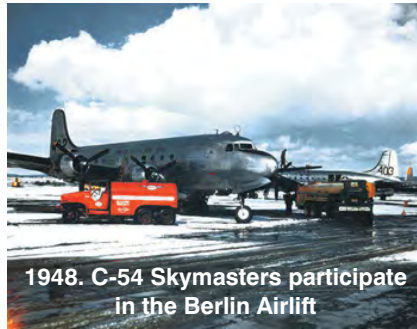


Berlin Airlift Monument inscribed with the names of 39 British and 31 American fliers who lost their lives bringing in supplies during the Soviet blockade of Berlin

If the school was engaged in a form of espionage, how could Vishinski have known about the establishment? It was most certainly a secret whose existence would hopefully not have been public knowledge. The reason was the School of Linguists not only turned out British agents, but also attracted and generated agents and double agents for the KGB. When the school first came to the notice of the Soviets they asked



A USAF Douglas C-54 drops sweets to children during the blockade



1948. C-54 Skymasters participate in the Berlin Airlift



Andrei Vishinski described the JSSL as a "school for spies"



Guy Burgess

Guy Burgess of the Cambridge Spy Ring to investigate the size and purpose of the operation. His evaluation to the Kremlin enumerated the numbers of translators and interpreters needed by the army, navy and air force and the

plans the school had made to provide the skilled men (no women) to meet those requirements. Another member of the infamous KGB spy ring, Donald Maclean, commented about the school: "The JSSL is serving the (Soviet) cause rather than the reverse by introducing so many impressionable young men to the wonders of Russian culture." And he was right.

Among the thousands of language students that passed through the school was Geoffrey Prime who later served as a KGB agent. He completed a course as an interpreter and was posted to Berlin as a wireless operator monitoring Russian voice transmissions at Gatow in the 1960s in the same way that my team had done some years before. While in Berlin, Prime volunteered his services as an agent to the Soviets by the rather odd method of wrapping a message around a stone and tossing it at the feet of a Russian sentry. The KGB soon made contact and after several



The Daily Express reports on the activities of Geoffrey Prime

meetings, Prime was invited to the organisation's Karlshorst headquarters in Berlin. Here he received training in spy tradecraft, including the use of one-time code pads plus equipment such as a Minox camera for photographing sensitive documents.

As Prime came to the end of his service in the RAF, he applied for a post with GCHQ in England and was accepted after being positively vetted and approved for security clearance. He became a translator at the London Processing Group in St Dunstan's Hill in London where he helped to translate material obtained by telephone tapping.



Left: US Secretary of State James Brynes is welcomed by a Soviet military delegation at Gatow Airport in 1945. Andrei Vishinski, Stalin's Foreign Minister is pictured centre (wearing glasses)



Minox miniature cameras - used by Cold War spies



Later he was moved to the home of GCHQ in Cheltenham where he dealt with Soviet signals intelligence material which he was able to access, copy and even take home to photograph. Prime did that for some years and then began to work on American satellite images and UHF signals from Soviet, Chinese, Vietnamese and Middle East communications for interpretation. Menacingly, he also listed colleagues who could be targeted for blackmail by the KGB at GCHQ. Thankfully, none were recruited and all were demoted and lost their security clearance after Prime was arrested. The most damaging disclosure made by Prime to his KGB handlers was details of Project SAMBO (Simultaneous Auroral Multi Balloon Observations) which could establish the position and course of Soviet submarines using SONAR tracking technology using maritime vessels and aircraft. After almost ten years of betraying the contents of thousands of secret documents to the Russians he decided to retire.

Prime was not only a double agent but also a paedophile and he attacked several young girls

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Famous playwright Alan Bennett passed through the JSSL

on separate occasions. During one assault his car was identified and the police questioned him but without making an arrest. Later that day his wife Rhona contacted the police and revealed his paedophilic as well as his espionage activities which resulted in a search of his home and a two thousand plus set of index cards with details of individual girls on them. They also found evidence of his activities as a spy in the shape of notes, photographs and equipment that he had been given at Karlshorst many years before; he was arrested and charged with ten offences, seven of espionage and three of sexual offences. In 1982, Prime was found guilty on all counts and sentenced to a total of 38 years in prison but was released from Rochester Prison in 2001 after an application to have his sentence reduced. The man, who caused so much

damage to British Intelligence and society in general, said his spying was in part due to a "misplaced idealistic view of Soviet socialism."

Prime now lives at an undisclosed address which was recorded on the Sex Offender Register so the career of the least deserving of the graduates of the JSSL came to an end but thousands of other graduates did make their contribution to winning the Cold War. Indeed the student body contributed a great number of well-known names to our culture in the theatre, industry and commerce but particularly academia. The list of eminent men who started their professional lives as members of the school, including a list of eminent professors, is too long to itemise. Some of theatre's most outstanding men, headed by the playwright Alan Bennett and captains of industry and finance, including Edward George former Governor of the Bank of England, also go to prove that the JSSL was the Cold War's outstanding academic success, despite disruption activities from the KGB.

Sources: Eric Collins and Michael Gale both veteran graduates of the JSSL .

1945. General Dwight Eisenhower and Lt. General Lucius Clay at Gatow



RAF Gatow today - now an air museum

ECHOES OF LOCKERBIE OR A SIMPLE ACCIDENT?



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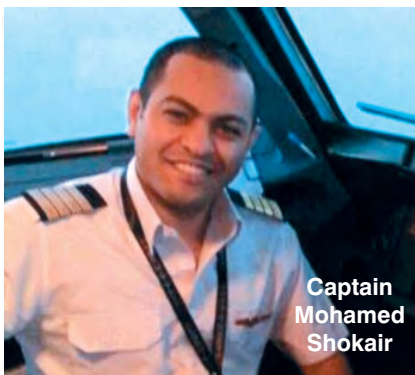
EGYPTAIR FLIGHT MS804

More aviation security concerns as investigators probe loss of Egyptian airliner enroute from Paris to Cairo



An Airbus A320-232 passenger airliner operated by EgyptAir disappeared from radar over the Mediterranean Sea on 19 May 2016. MS804 was on a scheduled flight from Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport in France to Cairo when Greek air controllers noticed its signal fade and then disappear. It had just passed into Egyptian airspace flying at 37,000ft and was around 35 minutes from Cairo. The aircraft, carrying 56 passengers and 10 crew had departed Paris at 11.10pm and was three hours 30 minutes into its journey.

The flight had been uneventful and the weather was calm; the experienced crew, Captain Mohamed Shokair and his co-pilot Mohamed Mamdouh Assem were said to be in good spirits and had reported no problems with the aircraft. News of the demise of Flight MS804 appeared in Cairo around three hours after it had disappeared. Though officials were still unsure of what actually happened, speculation soon ensued about terrorism. Interestingly, as



Captain
Mohamed
Shokair

news filtered to the wider aviation community, additional security measures were implemented at many airports.

Later in the day, Greek authorities revealed the aircraft had made an unusual manoeuvre; aviation specialists said this could indicate a loss of control or that sections of the aircraft had broken away. Greek Defence Minister Panos Kammenos told journalists: "It turned 90 degrees left... 360 degrees right, ➤



Co-pilot Assem pictured in
playful mood.



Debris from the EgyptAir airliner was soon discovered by the many international navies which helped in the operation. Investigators are confident these will help augment the investigation



dropping from 37,000ft to 15,000ft and then to 10,000ft." Within hours sea and air rescue teams from various countries, including Greece, Italy, Egypt and bordering nations began searching for the aircraft. The USAF dispatched a P-3C Orion surveillance/reconnaissance aircraft to help in the mission. The main search area was around 120 miles southeast of the Greek island of Karpathos.

Crews of ships traversing the busy sea routes in the region were questioned in the event that they may have seen the aircraft. One merchant sea captain did advise he had seen a "flame moving across the sky." This seems to coincide when contact with the aircraft was lost.

Strangely, within 12 hours authorities in Egypt and Russia had issued statements linking the

tragedy to terrorism. France's President Hollande was a little more cautious and said "no explanation was being ruled out." Ayman al-Moqadem, was selected to head Egypt's investigation. He of course was the primary figure involved in determining what happened to the Russian Metrojet airliner (Flight 9268) which was brought down by ISIS terrorists over the Sinai last October. This aircraft was an Airbus A321.

On 20 May an oil slick was identified by a Sentinel satellite operated by the European Space Agency. Wreckage, body parts and other items were recovered at a point some 180 miles north of Alexandria, Egypt. It then transpired that data transmitted by Flight MS804's Aircraft Communications Addressing and Reporting System (ACARS), revealed the smoke was issuing from two points in the



Relatives of those lost on the EgyptAir airliner wait for news of their loved ones



Stills from an ISIS propaganda film threatening France. The video was released just days before the EgyptAir crash

cabin - one believed to have been inside a toilet directly behind the cockpit the other in the avionics bay. This data was sent at 2.27am - four minutes later the aircraft lost contact with ground controllers. The crew reportedly issued no alert. However, three days after the events newswires picked-up on a report issued by French TV station M6 that Captain Shoukair had made contact with ground controllers and advised of a fire. Egyptian air officials dismissed the report.

The smoke data, nevertheless, raised the real possibility that a fire was responsible for the quick demise of the aircraft, though experts will need to find out how it started. "The question we are



David Learmount



The French Ambassador arrives at EgyptAir's service headquarters in Nassr City, Cairo



Egypt President Abdul Fattah al-Sisi (left) with President Putin. Both leaders suspect the aircraft was targeted by terrorists

left with is did this fire start with an ordinary electrical fault, a short circuit... or was the fire started deliberately with a small explosion or



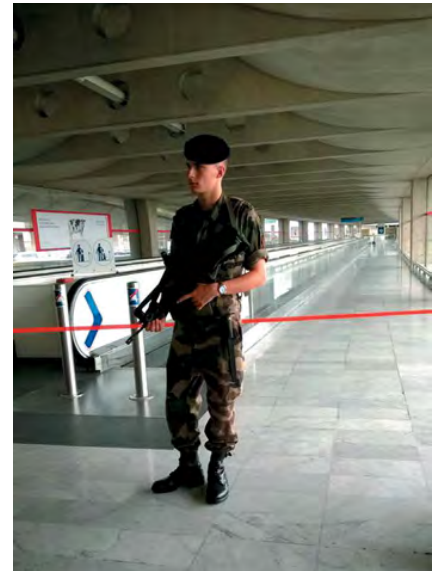
Russian Metrojet airliner Flight 9268 crashed in the Sinai Desert in October 2015 - the result of an ISIS attack

an incendiary device," said David Learmount, a vastly experienced flight consulting editor. "It could still be terrorism, but it look as if the aircraft lost control because the controls were burning up." Learmount believes understanding these events is key to the investigation.

An aviation specialist told Eye Spy that the ACARS data did not necessarily mean a fire had broken out. Similarly, the crew may have been oblivious to the smoke data stream which is sent automatically. ➤



Security at Paris Charles de Gaulle is good but with over 80,000 of its 100,000 workforce having flight-side access, there are concerns





“France would be ultimately responsible if any security lapse (terrorism) was identified for the cause of the crash...”



**Egyptian Aviation
Minister Sherif
Fathy**

Intelligence and security officials said it was far too early to identify or proportion blame to any particular group or aspect (mechanical) insisting aircraft investigators and Egyptian authorities should be allowed to gather information, research the circumstances and then be allowed to comment. Nevertheless speculation that ISIS or al-Qaida had somehow circumnavigated security at an airport (not necessarily Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport) was persistent.

AIRPORT SECURITY

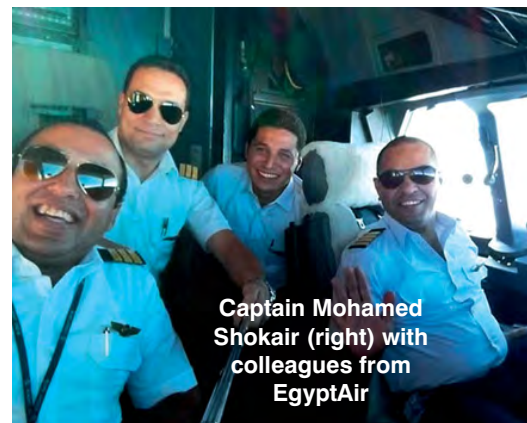
Just days after the disaster some 70 people at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport had their red badge security passes removed. These passes allow access to some of the complex's most sensitive areas including runways. It is understood 57 people were on a watchlist of potential extremists.

Airport security has been at the centre of recent counter-measure procedures, with all

manner of reports emerging of “friendly ISIS operatives” working at some airports. The difficult task of monitoring airport workers can be summed up by personnel data at Charles de Gaulle Airport. Of a total staff of 100,000 employed by 700 companies, an astonishing 85,000 have security clearance to enter flight-side areas. Eye Spy understands that at least 30 people have been surveilled and removed from their posts in recent months.

Sixty five million passengers used the airport in 2015 and some 500,000 flights were managed. Over 5,500 tonnes of cargo pass through the airport every day and more than 180 airlines now stopover in Paris.

FACEBOOK



**Captain Mohamed
Shokair (right) with
colleagues from
EgyptAir**

WARNINGS AND ALTERNATIVE THEORIES

The actual Airbus aircraft had just 24 hours earlier flown out of Carthage Airport, Tunisia, Brussels National Airport, Belgium and Asmara International, Eritrea. Coincidentally, two years ago a message was scribbled on the aircraft which read in Arabic: ‘We will bring this plane down’. Other graffiti read ‘traitor’ and ‘murderer’ a reference to Egypt’s President Fattah al-Sisi and the removal of the Muslim Brotherhood from power.

Egypt is one country which has led the wider fight against terrorism, but ISIS has an active cell in the Sinai region. This has led to President al-Sisi (a former Defence Minister) introducing a wide range of measures to counter anyone linked to the activities of the group.

Just a week or so before the disaster, ISIS had uploaded a propaganda video revealing various targets including several in France. Perhaps a coincidence, two clips showed photos of an Air France airliner. Egyptian Aviation Minister Sherif Fathy said France would be ultimately responsible if any security lapse (terrorism) was identified for the cause of the crash. He again reiterated his belief that



In a strange twist of fate, just days before the incident, EgyptAir cabin crew member Samar Eldin, 27, who died in the crash, had posted a photo showing a female cabin crew member and a downed aircraft in the sea on her Facebook account



This photograph has been examined by the intelligence world showing Captain Shokair with controversial political 'activist' Amr Khaled



Greek Defence Minister Panos Kammenos with NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg

an act of terrorism rather than pilot error or mechanical was to blame. "If it is proven that this was an act of sabotage, then we have to know and recognise that this plane originated from France not Egypt," he said.

Also noteworthy, just 24-hours before the crash, various naval vessels including Egyptian naval military forces had conducted an exercise in the region where Flight MS804 descended.

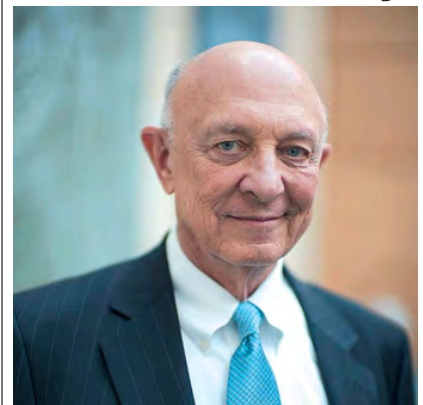
In the past twelve months, MI6 and the CIA have persisted in an international quest to secure details of a new device built by ISIS bombmakers which can, allegedly, defeat explosives' detection measures at airports. If a rogue device had been secreted on board the airliner, security sources told Eye Spy "they

were competent in knowing just exactly were to place the trigger."

EDITOR'S NOTE: No doubt in time aviation crash investigators will accurately determine what brought about the circumstances of MS804's descent into the sea, but the incident has further damaged the one industry Egypt depends on - tourism. Aviation and airport security faces numerous challenges; areas which can be exploited by terrorists are plentiful, from maintenance user identification, to bag handling and food stuffs.

The rumour mill is awash with daft theories, from UFOs to Mossad involvement, but for now the authorities should be allowed to piece together the clues without conspiracy 'evidence' seeping in to the investigation.

FOCUS ON AIRPORT STAFF **"First line of security"**



Former CIA Director James Woolsey recently joined the debate into airport and airline security suggesting that the first line of defence should be an examination of the airport workers themselves. Mr Woolsey, referencing 9/11 and the EgyptAir disasters, said that the Federal authorities must intensify screening employees - even if the controversial act of profiling is engaged.

"In New York City there was a period of time in which - in organised crime - you wanted to check first in Jewish neighbourhoods. And later it was Sicilian neighbourhoods. People who commit crimes, including terror often come from similar backgrounds. They work together... they know one another. Sometimes they are even family members."

As for his views allied to EgyptAir, Mr Woolsey said: "Whether or not this particular event was terrorism - in that part of the world people are focusing on aircraft."

At Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport much attention has been given to workers with access to sensitive areas





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EASTER EGG

CIA Deception Operations Immortalised in Oil Painting

The CIA has a fantastic collection of oil paintings depicting some of its finest operators and operations. Visitors to Langley pass through a hallway where pictorial works of art are on display such as *'ARGO - The Rescue of the Canadian Six'*. This of course concerns the dramatic deception operation enabled with the help of the Canadian Government to exfiltrate six embassy staff in Iran (see Eye Spy 102).

Its unveiling coincided with the 33rd anniversary of the storming of the

US Embassy by Iranian students backed by military forces. Over 100 personnel were arrested but several key staff remained in the building. Thus a bogus film company was created whose crew travelled to Tehran and duly delivered false documentation to the six. The ruse worked perfectly and they secured exit permits. The painting depicts the moment when two CIA officers assemble the documents on a table in preparation for the operation.

The collection has now been enlarged - *'A Contingency for Every*

US UAV Strike Kills Head of Taliban

Intelligence from informant betrayed terror leader

On 21 May in an operation controlled by the Pentagon, several unmanned aerial vehicles fired missiles at a small convoy in the southern Pakistan province of Balochistan. Intelligence gleaned from informants and confirmed by another party, led Langley officials to believe that Taliban leader Mullah Akhtar Mansoor, 49, would be travelling

in one of the vehicles.

Unlike many of the CIA UAV 'kinetic' strikes which remain covert and are rarely made public, the following day a DOD official said it was likely Mansoor had been killed in the attack. A few hours later Secretary of State John Kerry commented: "Mansoor posed a continuing imminent threat to US personnel in Afghanistan, Afghan civilians, Afghan security forces and NATO forces."

Mansoor was seen by some as the key to brokering talks between the Afghanistan government and

various terrorist groups and the Taliban. Mr Kerry rejected that notion: "Peace is what we want... but Mansoor was a threat to that effort. He was also directly opposed to peace negotiations and to the reconciliation process. It is time for Afghans to stop fighting and to start building."

The death of the terror leader was also confirmed by senior Taliban fighter Mullah Abdul Rauf.

The timing of the UAV strike is interesting, for it happened just days after a diplomatic effort by the United States, Afghanistan, Pakistan and China failed to agree on how to get the Taliban to talk. Similarly, it seems likely Pakistan gave permission to the United States to launch the strike.

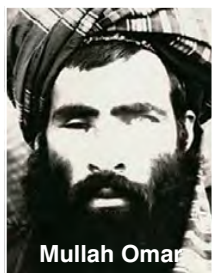
Mansoor had led the Taliban for some two years - taking over after the death of Mullah Omar.

Right: Taliban fighters defect to Afghan troops following an ISAF operation



Mullah Mansoor

Forty eight hours after the attack, a local television station quoting a Taliban source said Mansoor had survived the attack. However, this was dismissed by President



Mullah Omar

Predator UAV





Action' by James Dietz is the first still-life painting in the Agency's collection of 21 pieces of art.

It looks like a collage of unrelated objects but its creator Dietz said: "It is meant to be interesting and involving," as viewed through the lens of an intelligence officer. "The painting is meant to be attractive, but does not have much meaning unless viewers bring their own unique history to it." On closer

inspection it could relate to artifacts representing paramilitary operations spanning seven decades.

Toni Hiley, CIA museum director, explained that the painting is purposely complex. "It's what we call an Easter egg painting," Hiley says. She calls it an Easter egg because nestled within are little hints from missions that are still classified.

Obama himself whilst visiting Vietnam. Commenting on the demise of Mansoor, Mr Obama said:

"It has been confirmed that he is dead. He was an individual who, as head of the Taliban was specifically targeting US personnel and troops inside Afghanistan."

Though the main US combat mission to the troubled country ended in 2014, several thousand troops remain, along with a plethora of advanced weaponry. Some feared the UAV strike a stepping stone to more US action, but Mr Obama said he was simply "sending a message" to those who want to kill US personnel and



its allies. The Taliban responded by naming Mullah Haibatullah Akhundzada as its new leader.

- Pakistan authorities later said they did not give authority for the strike.



'ARGO - The Rescue of the Canadian Six'

CYBER GAMES

Berlin Accuses Secret Russian Intelligence Unit

The NSA and GCHQ may well have been responsible for some spying operations in Germany and Europe, according to Germany's domestic intelligence service BfV, but its Director, Hans-Georg Maassen has launched a blistering attack on Russia over recent cyber-related attacks.

Maassen said there is little doubt an element in Russia was responsible for cyber probes which targeted NATO countries and Germany's Parliament Building in 2014. He also pointed to other operations which disabled transmissions by French station TV5Monde in 2015, and another which disrupted power in the Ukraine.

Maassen and other intelligence officials point the hand of blame at 'APT28' (Advanced Persistent Threat) or the Sofacy Group as it is sometimes called under the umbrella of a programme called Operation Pawn Storm. The outfit's nerve centre is reportedly in Moscow.

The cyber operation may also have been directed at Dutch Safety Board systems which houses important data on the shooting down of Malaysia Airlines MH17 over Ukraine in 2014. Investigators here are confident the airliner was brought down by a Buk-fired surface-to-air missile.



**Dutch and Australian
aircrash
investigators
sift through the
wreckage of
Flight MH17**

COLD TO HOT

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Russian Prime Minister and Senior British General Warn of Possible Conflict

Speaking at a security conference in Munich, Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev, said the world is slipping into a “new Cold War.” This followed calls by European leaders to Vladimir Putin to end Russian airstrikes on Syrian targets. NATO monitors have gathered data that suggests some targets were occupied primarily by civilians. The leaders condemned the strikes and said a cessation would be a precursor for peace negotiations.

Prime Minister Medvedev rejected claims Russian planes had deliberately struck civilian targets and told the conference that a lack of cooperation threatened to return the European continent to the dark days when a “wall divided Europe.” Mr Medvedev said: “You could say even more sharply: we have fallen into a new Cold War. On a near daily basis, we are being blamed for the most terrible threat to NATO as a whole, to Europe, to America, to

other countries. They make scary movies where Russia starts a nuclear war. I sometimes wonder: are we in 2016 or 1962?”

NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg refuted Medvedev’s accusations: “Russia’s rhetoric, posture and exercises of its nuclear forces are aimed at intimidating its neighbours, undermining trust and stability in Europe.” His comments reflect growing tensions on Eastern European borders.

As for the fighting in North Syria, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights report that Turkey had shelled Syrian territories for the second time this year.

COLD TO HOT

Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev is not the only senior figure to discuss the possibility of a Cold War turning ‘Hot’. Now a senior British

General Sir
Richard Shirreff
pictured in
Afghanistan



Russian Prime Minister
Dmitry Medvedev



US troops train on Black Hawk helicopter

military figure has painted a bleak picture many intelligence people support.

For the best part of the last two decades relations between Russia and the West have at the very least been stable. However, events in Ukraine, Poland, Georgia in and around the Baltic and Black Sea, have served only to heighten tension. Now a former NATO Deputy Supreme Allied Commander for Europe has warned that war between NATO forces and Russia could actually happen. British General Sir Richard Shirreff, who held the post until 2014, has provided a plethora of reasons which paint an apocalyptic vision. He has accused Moscow of “throwing away the post-Cold War security agreement.” His comments follow publication of his new book *2017: The War with Russia*.

In the work he provides background and fictitious scenarios how the beginning of the end might start, but in reality, he sees recent happenings in Europe reflect a new and real trigger for conflict. He believes Russia is once again a strategic adversary and that Moscow could flex its muscles more aggressively. If an attack on any NATO country occurs, that could be the genesis for a counter-reaction. He said the “existential threat to the West is a greater danger than ISIS.”

ACCIDENTALLY ON PURPOSE?

The CIA's internal inspectors have reportedly lost or destroyed their only copy of a top secret 6,700-page report containing material on Langley's interrogation of suspected terrorists. Stories abound on the affair, and the CIA's opponents and conspiracy theorists have lost no time in claiming 'cover-up'.

Critics also point to an incident last year when a file copy was uploaded onto a Langley computer system, that too was "accidentally deleted," according to sources. And to make matters worse, the disk which it was copied from was also destroyed.

Eye Spy understands that several copies of the original document



still exist, including one in Langley's vaults. However, though a 500-page summary was released into the public domain in 2014, a recent Freedom of Information Act request to secure the far more in-depth report, was rejected by the US Court of Appeals.

One person who joined the debate was Edward Snowden. He said: "When the CIA destroys something... it's never a mistake."

DOCUMENTS LEAK APPEAL

Former US Trooper in bid to have sentence reduced

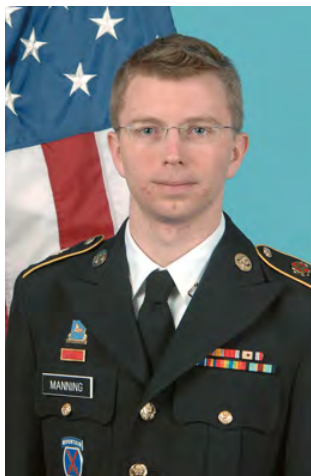
Chelsea [Bradley] Manning has appealed her 35-year sentence for leaking US military and diplomatic cables to Internet sites. Manning, 28, was a young intelligence officer serving in Iraq who had computer access to a plethora of documentation and policy cables. In total it is believed she delivered nearly 500,000

documents to various public electronic outlets.

Manning's solicitors believe the sentence was "harsh" and that her then actions were in the "public interest." They go on to say that "no whistleblower in American history has ever received such a lengthy sentence."

News of the appeal was provided by Manning. In a Twitter message she wrote: *'My fight is far from over. I am only just getting started'*. Her action is being naturally supported by the ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union). An association spokesperson said: "The Espionage Act is unconstitutionally vague, because it gives the US Government a tool to subject speakers and messages it dislikes to discriminatory prosecution."

That's not how the US military sees the situation. "If no action



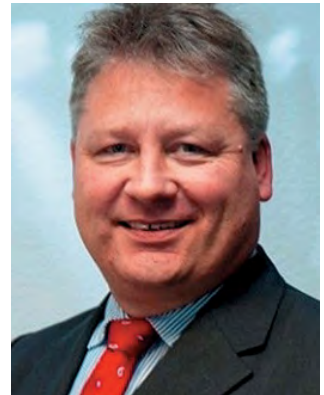
Chelsea Manning by Alicia Neal. Commissioned by the Chelsea Manning Support Network 2014

was taken against Manning in the first place, it would be giving 'cart blanche' to anyone who wants to reveal secrets," a source said.

Manning, who was born a male, changed sex shortly after being convicted in 2010.

BND

New Director of German Foreign Intelligence Service

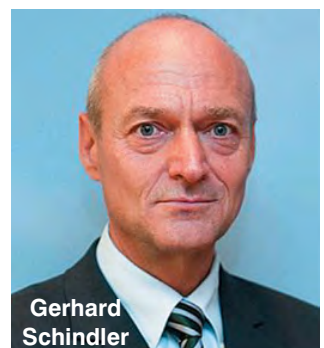


Bruno Kahl

BERLIN: The German Government has named Bruno Kahl, 53, as the new head of the BND (Bundesnachrichtendienst), replacing Gerhard Schindler who stepped down on 1 June after taking early retirement. German media reports that increasing tensions over the recent spy sagas in the country have strained relations between Schindler and Chancellor Angela Merkel. The country's leading intelligence officer had two years of service on a six year tenure to go.

Merkel's chief of staff, Peter Altmaier said Schindler would be placed in "temporary retirement." He went on to thank him for his "longtime and commendable work leading BND." He added: "The BND is facing major challenges in the coming years." This was a reference to all manner of legal changes in light of the NSA affair and the BND's own spying operations. The change also coincides with the move of many BND's offices from Bavaria to Berlin.

Kahl worked as a senior official in the Finance Ministry.



Gerhard Schindler

The stone aspect of
Krasnoluzhsky Bridge



Eye Spy looks at one of the most famous
CIA-KGB encounters and the clever tradecraft
used by their agents and officers

MOSCOW

KGB-CIA

The use of dead letter drops (DLD) or dead letter boxes (DLB) as they are sometimes referred to in the UK, continues to this day. The exchange of packages between agent and handler is an art, and many ingenious locations have been used to place items for collection. Today, 'DLD' and 'DLB' have been joined by 'DD' - or 'dead drop'. According to retired counterespionage officer of the Security Service of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and intelligence historian, Dan Mulvenna, 'DD' is "in common usage across many intelligence and security services."

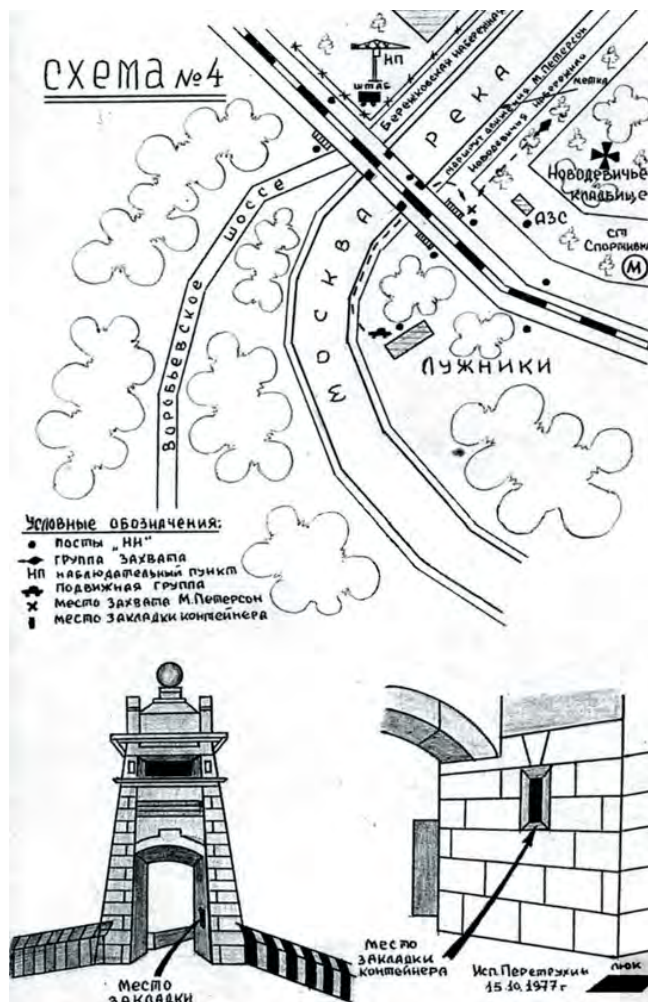
The world of espionage is full of dramatic spy cases connected to this tradecraft, but perhaps none more so than that involving CIA officer Martha Peterson. The genesis of her encounter with a KGB surveillance team on a Moscow Bridge in 1977, began years earlier in Colombia. Aleksandr Dmitrievich Ogorodnik served as a diplomatic staffer in the Soviet



Aleksandr Ogorodnik

BRIDGE

A Tradecraft



KGB sketch detailing the arrest of CIA woman Martha Peterson on 15 July 1977

Union's embassy in Bogota. He had been blackmailed by Colombian Intelligence after officers learned he had a mistress who was pregnant; Pilar Surez was critical to the initial approach and recruitment. Similarly, his own KGB wanted him to join its spy delegation. He opted for the former and began passing fairly basic information to his Colombian handlers. However, his importance grew when he explained he was being posted back to Moscow to serve in the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Colombians informed their colleagues in the CIA and soon

ENCOUNTER



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Retired Canadian intelligence officer and historian Dan Mulvenna holds a 'lump of coal' which was used to conceal CIA espionage tools for operations in Moscow



KGB surveillance photo of Aleksandr Ogorodnik in Moscow



Surveillance photo of Pilar Suarez - the girlfriend of CIA agent Ogorodnik in Bogota, Colombia



The Krasnoluzhsky Bridge arcs over Moscow River. Inset: Dan Mulvenna opens the KGB 'hide'

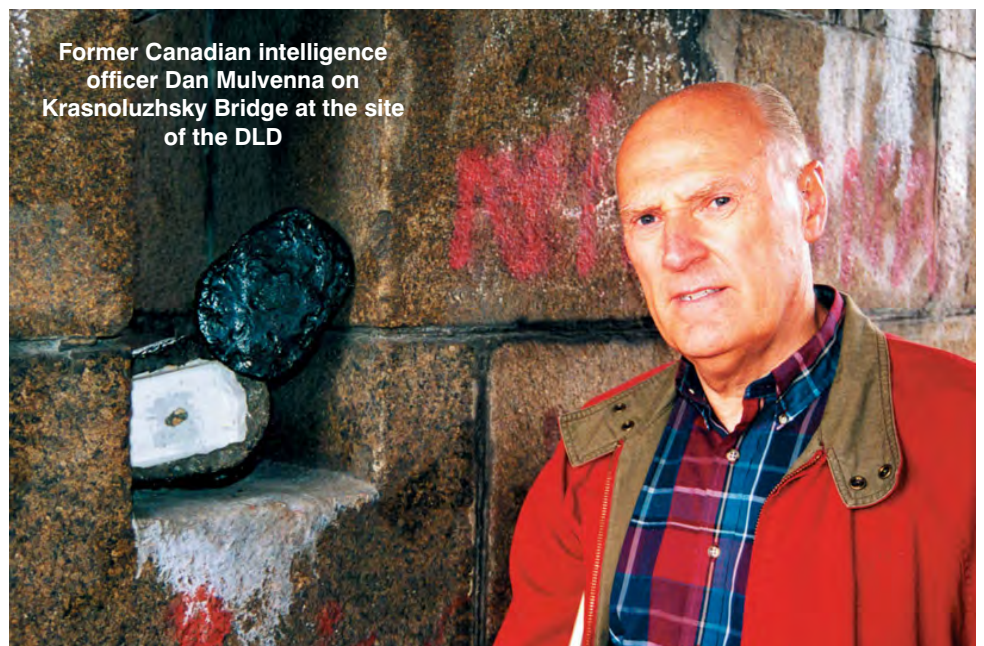
contact was re-established. Before moving back to Russia he was given extensive spy tradecraft training and the codename TRIGON. In Russia itself, his new handler was none other than CIA man Aldrich Ames. Ames of course would later betray his country as a spy for the KGB.



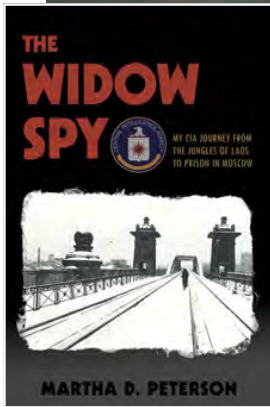
Surveillance photo of two KGB agents who looked like Ogorodnik and his partner Olga. The ruse fooled the CIA into believing Ogorodnik and the dead letter drop were still functioning

Armed with a spy camera provided by the CIA station in Moscow, Ogorodnik started to photograph secret and sensitive documents. These were picked up by Martha Peterson, Langley's first ever female case officer in Russia. She had only finished her training course in 1974, and within a year was despatched to Russia. Peterson selected an alcove within a stone tower on Moscow's Krasnoluzhsky Bridge as their dead letter drop. And for the best part of two years, the liaison and DLD worked fine. Dan Mulvenna told Eye Spy: "A concealment device, a fake piece of coal, containing money, film and cameras etc. was used."

However, the KGB learned of Ogorodnik's role as a CIA spy, and the point of contact. On 15 July 1977, Peterson visited the bridge again. Nearby the KGB had built a 'hide' (in this case under a trapdoor) and its officers lay in wait. Other members were positioned near steps at track level to cut off her escape. When Peterson had deposited her piece of coal, the KGB pounced and a scuffle ensued. Mr Mulvenna said: "To their great surprise, as they wrapped their arms around the target, they learned it was a female CIA officer from the Black Station - one they never suspected of being a spy." A scanner to intercept radio transmissions was found on her person. She



Former Canadian intelligence officer Dan Mulvenna on Krasnoluzhsky Bridge at the site of the DLD



Martha Peterson today



Retired CIA officer Martha Peterson believes the Moscow bridge DLD and her agent were probably betrayed by CIA translator - Czech-born Karl Koecher (above)

was driven to KGB headquarters and interrogated. US diplomats engaged with the Russians and Peterson was released after claiming diplomatic immunity. She was ordered out of the country - 'persona non grata'.

Ogorodnik was not so lucky and he was soon arrested. Though perhaps fortuitously, just months earlier he had requested a suicide 'L-pill' from his CIA contacts in the event of his arrest. Reluctantly this was delivered in a modified writing pen. Before his KGB interrogators had a chance to interview him, Ogorodnik slipped the pill out of the pen and swallowed it. He died moments later.

A full year after the bridge encounter, the Russians declared the CIA spy operation was thwarted because of the prowess of "meticulous Soviet intelligence officers." Peterson did not agree. She believes they were probably betrayed by CIA translator - Czechoslovakian-born Karl Koecher. Unfortunately for Langley, despite the fact Koecher had defected to the West along with his wife, he was in fact a double agent and continued to pass information to the StB (State Security Service). He was eventually arrested in New York City in November 1984 on espionage charges. He served less than two years in prison before being exchanged for Soviet dissident and alleged Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) spy Anatoly Shcharansky.



Anatoly Shcharansky pictured with President Reagan in 1986

There remains but one puzzling element of the Ogorodnik-Peterson case to relate. Some in the intelligence world believe the Russian had taken his life at least 30 days before Peterson had made her last drop on Krasnoluzhsky Bridge. And this appears true, according to Dan Mulvenna and Martha Peterson.

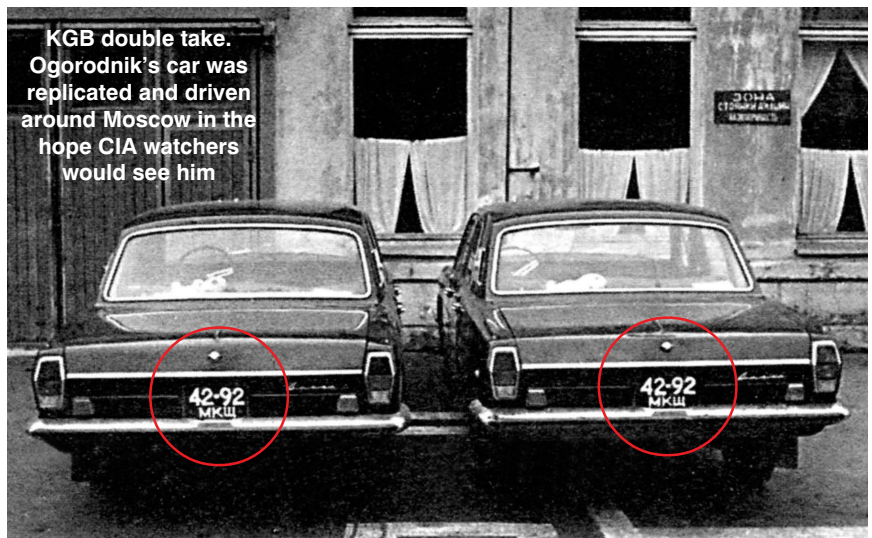
Dan met and discussed the case with the head of the KGB surveillance team which trapped Peterson. He explained that after Ogorodnik

had killed himself, the KGB set up a 'proof of life' operation which would fool the CIA into believing everything was fine and running smoothly - and that Peterson would continue to operate the DLD on the bridge. Thus two doppelgangers were found of Ogorodnik and his partner Olga. An identical car to his own was also created and issued with false number plates. The two cars would be driven around Moscow to areas where the KGB knew CIA officers might spot 'Ogorodnik'. "This operation reassured the CIA that he was still alive but simply out of contact for the moment," said Dan. He also said the ruse could explain why Peterson had spotted Ogorodnik *after* his death. This she mentions in her splendid book *The Widow Spy: My Journey from the Jungles of Laos to Prison in Moscow*. Interestingly, the book's cover features a lone female figure walking on the Krasnoluzhsky Bridge.

• Editor's note: Eye Spy would like to thank Dan and Martha for their cooperation and use of photographs.



CIA agent killed himself after swallowing an L-pill



Post Card

Secrets of Camp-X Did You Know?

With Eye Spy Canadian Editor
LYNN PHILIP HODGSON

Camp-X was the secret WWII agent and spy training facility in Canada operated by MI6's British Security Co-ordination



Camp-X instructors William Fairbairn and Hans Tofte

Donovan duly travelled north taking with him a group of his COI agents. Here they underwent training and some went on to secure important posts in the intelligence community. Indeed, three of those officers, William Colby, William Casey and Allen Dulles became Directors of the CIA.

An interesting side note to the story of Camp-X is that it was built on an old farm called 'Glenrath'. When the Commandant arrived in December of 1941 along with a number of brilliant instructors, they automatically attached the name 'The Farm' to their new Camp. And when the first group of American COI agents arrived for training in April of 1941, they quickly adopted the codename for their own secret training facility. This they took back to Virginia and immediately called their own training centres, the Congressional Golf Course and Camp David - 'The Farm'.

Today, the 'Farm' is synonymous with the CIA's training facility. Thus remember when hearing or reading reference to the facility, or watching a movie when someone says they're going to the 'Farm' for weekend training, they're inadvertently drawing reference to the old Sinclair Farm in Whitby, Ontario, Canada, used so many years ago by some of the world's most legendary spy figures.

And now you know the rest of the story.....

THE FARM **DID YOU KNOW THAT:** The CIA term 'Farm' was born in Canada?

At the beginning of World War II, the Americans had a very small intelligence section called the Co-Ordinator of Information (COI).

William J. Donovan (Wild Bill), the first head of the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) was a good friend of William Stephenson, codename Intrepid. Stephenson was head of the British Security Coordination - a covert organisation headquartered in New York.

Its initial task was to help draw the United States into the war with Germany.

Stephenson convinced Donovan, who headed the COI, that he should bring some of his best men to Canada to see the training school for secret agents and saboteurs which Stephenson had set up. This was STS 103 (Special Training School - 103) better known of course as Camp-X.



CIA Directors William Colby, William Casey and Allen Dulles



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Saving

By Dr Helen Fry

Trent Park

TRENT PARK'S SECRET WAR

“We have the best generals and are losing the war...” - General Bassenge to General Neuffer at Trent Park

A campaign has been mounted to save the mansion house as a museum to mark the national significance of this site in the clandestine war against Nazi Germany. In April, Iain Standen, CEO of Bletchley Park,

spoke out in support of the campaign on BBC Radio 4.

At the beginning of WWII, Trent Park was requisitioned by the War Office and its rooms

Trent Park, a 19th century stately house in 50 acres of grounds at Cockfosters (North London), once home to Sir Philip Sassoon and scene of socialite parties in the 1920s and 30s, is set to become a new development by Berkeley Homes. Its sumptuous ground floor rooms with their Rex Whistler murals were once graced by Charlie Chaplin, Lawrence of Arabia, George Bernard Shaw, Winston Churchill, and Edward VIII and Mrs Simpson. But, it was its secret wartime history that sets it apart.





Eric Mark, now aged 90, is one of Trent Park's original 'secret listeners'

'wired for sound' - with bugging devices placed in the light fittings, fireplaces, billiards table and even the trees in the grounds. Here from January 1940, MI6 officer Colonel Thomas Kendrick headed up a unit as part of MI9 (later MI19) that bugged the conversations of German prisoners of war. Results were swift. Already in spring 1940 his team of 'secret listeners', ensconced in the basement with their specialist listening and recording equipment, overheard references to X-Gerat, a new kind of navigational beam system on German aircraft for bombing targets, and a wealth of information on the U-boat campaign, development of new technology and weapons for the German navy, its aircraft and tanks, and some of the earliest references to atrocities, including the mass killing of Jews.

From May 1942 the site, which was never referred to as a prisoner-of-war camp but 'Cockfosters Camp' or 'Camp 11', was



1944. Senior German officers pictured at Trent Park

British Intelligence created conditions that enabled them to totally relax and become unguarded in their conversations

reserved for high-ranking German officers and generals. Coming fresh from the battlefields and after interrogation elsewhere, they arrived to be told it was 'their home' for the duration of the war. It played right into their sense of self-importance and inflated egos. Duped into believing they were being held there as befitted their military status, the Germans quickly became off guard. British Intelligence created conditions that enabled them to totally relax and become unguarded in their conversations - in essence, the place was run like a 'gentleman's club'. The generals devoted time to learning languages, the arts, music and other subjects. A room was set aside for creative activities: painting and drawing, or

playing cards, table-tennis and billiards. Little did they suspect that everywhere was bugged. They had been warned back in Germany that if they were ever captured, the British would be listening into their conversations. The caution went unheeded.



Councillor Jason Charalambous, Dr Helen Frey and Bletchley Park CEO Iain Standen pictured in the grounds of Bletchley Park museum



Senior German officers 'relax' as they take a walk at Trent Park

Conversations were not confined to the English weather. At Trent Park the German generals first learned of the fall of Stalingrad in January 1943, the failed assassination attempt on Hitler in July 1944, and Hitler's suicide in the bunker at the end of April 1945. All their reactions were recorded and reveal how quickly they aligned themselves into two political divisions: pro-Nazis and anti-Nazi. While they wrangled over politics and loyalty to the Third Reich, they began to inadvertently reveal some of Hitler's closely protected military secrets; the most precious of which related to the deadly 'secret weapon' programme: the V1 (doodlebug), V2 and later

V3, as well as the development of the atomic bomb. The discovery of the 'secret weapon' development site at Peenemünde on the North German coast in a conversation between two generals in March 1943, led to Churchill ordering new RAF reconnaissance missions over the site and Operation Crossbow a few months later in August 1943. It is believed that the discovery of the V1 and V2 from the mouth of the German officers, alongside the cracking of the Enigma at Bletchley, changed



the course of the war and shortened it by between two to four years.

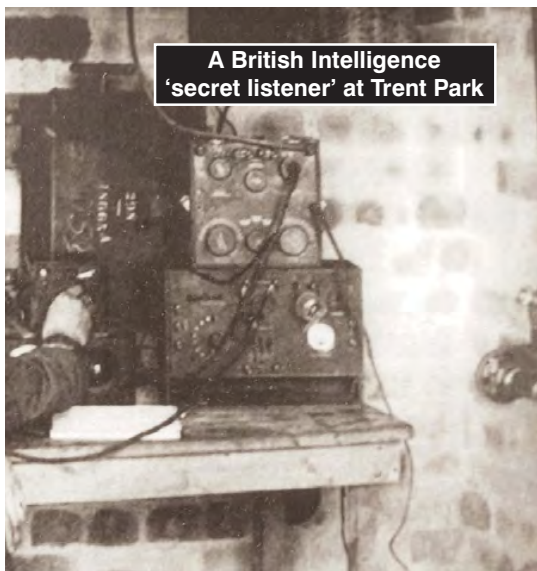
By May 1945, British Intelligence was holding 59 German generals at Trent Park - a significant number of Hitler's top military people. As Germany faced total defeat, the generals began to worry about whether they would stand trial for war crimes. In one of the posh drawing rooms at Trent Park, film footage of the liberation of the concentration camps was shown and was compulsory attendance for all generals. Some disbelieved



A cellar at Trent Park where the listening operation was performed



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**A British Intelligence
'secret listener' at Trent Park**

what they saw, others knew full well. General Felbert was recorded as saying: "We are disgraced for all time."

Much more work is needed by historians to gain a fuller appreciation of the intelligence importance of Trent Park for the outcome of the war, but Lt. Colonel St. Clare Grondona (Kendrick's deputy) later succinctly summarised its importance when he wrote: *'Had it not been for the information obtained at the centre, it could have been London and not Hiroshima which was devastated by the*



**Trent Park mansion house - an
historic and important WWII
intelligence collection site**



**German officer Wilhelm Ritter von
Thoma was recorded by Trent Park's
secret listeners discussing
Peenemunde**

first atomic bomb'. The files have now been declassified into the National Archives. Having signed the Official Secrets Acts, many secret listeners and intelligence officers, some of whom were from American intelligence (OSS),

went to their graves never speaking about their work. Their stories were so very nearly lost.

Of the clandestine operation, Winston Churchill commented: "The records of conversations between enemy prisoners of war afford an excellent insight into the German character and the results of the Nazi regime."

Like the code-breaking centre at Bletchley Park, the fact that its existence remained unknown for over six decades, and is still largely unknown today, was a testament to its success. The campaign to save Trent Park and the legacy of the secret listeners can be supported through a petition on Change.org and also by following on Facebook and Twitter

LINKS: www.change.org/o/savetrentpark

Historian Dr Helen Fry is author of the important book: *The M Room: Secret Listeners who Bugged the Nazis*.



EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr Fry's effort is certainly worthy of support.

SUPPORT FOR CAMPAIGN TRENT PARK

Chief Executive Officer at Britain's famous Bletchley Park codebreaking museum, Iain Standen, recently lent his personal support to the campaign to save Trent Park

I met Helen and Jason at Bletchley Park in order to share with them the journey Bletchley Park had gone on in its transformation from a set of largely derelict buildings to the successful heritage attraction it is today. It was clear that there are parallels between the process that Bletchley Park has gone through and that which they are on at Trent Park. They updated me on their campaign to Save Trent Park, and they have made an impressive start. There is a petition organised, a Facebook page and an active Twitter presence @SaveTrentPark. There is also an ongoing dialogue with the developer to try to shape the plans to meet everyone's needs.

But I wanted to understand what could be saved and how it could be made accessible and engaging to the public. The campaign's online petition states as its first aim: *'...the establishment of a museum across the entire ground floor and relevant rooms of the basement of the mansion house highlighting the crucial role it played in WWII...'*

Whilst the developer has indicated that they are prepared to accommodate some form of museum in the main Grade II listed building the current conflict is over how much of the building should be made available to the general public. The ➤



Iain Standen

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campaigners argue that the cellars where the 'secret listeners' operated should be preserved and interpreted for visitors. This seems a relatively easy and non-contentious step, and it is not difficult to envisage how some imaginative and engaging audio-visual interpretation and set dressing could turn this area into an atmospheric experience.



The more controversial element of the campaign is over control of the whole of the ground floor of the mansion house, as I suspect that will also be prime real estate for the developer. As Helen and Jason very clearly articulated, the ground floor of the Trent Park mansion building also has great historic significance. In one room Thomas Kendrick had his office, in others the German inmates lived and interacted, and in doing so revealed their secrets. There are also other elements in the ground floor rooms that would merit saving such as some rare Rex Whistler murals. In short much more of the main building is of historic value than the developers currently appear to be willing to make available for use as a museum.



The passion of the campaigners is clear and the story they wish to tell is one that is well worth telling. Like other Second World War sites such as the Churchill War Rooms in Whitehall, Bletchley Park or the Western Approaches Museum in Liverpool, what Trent Park has is that sense of place. That sense that you can stand somewhere and feel the history, and that you can walk in the footsteps of the people who made it. Thus whilst developers need to get a return on their investment, and as a nation we need more housing, it would be nice to think that an accommodation could be brokered at Trent Park. This might then allow important parts of the site to be preserved and interpreted so that generations to come can marvel at the innovation and ingenuity that this nation showed in gathering intelligence during some of its darkest days.



• This extract is from Mr Standen's blog and does not necessarily represent the views of the Bletchley Park Trust



In recent years Bletchley Park has undergone massive transformation, whilst retaining its historic charm. The WWII codebreaking centre complex was staffed by thousands of workers



'BREXIT'

INTEL CHIEFS ADD TO DEBATE

EUROPEAN SECURITY

New 'Brexit' dispute over statements from former UK security chiefs

Three former UK intelligence security chiefs, MI5 Director-Generals Jonathan Evans and Eliza Manningham-Buller and Sir John Sawers, ex-MI6 Chief, have all voiced security concerns about Britain leaving the European Union. Their views were hailed by premier David

Cameron's office regarding the debate on whether Britain should remain in the EU or opt to leave.

In one published article, the two men said leaving would hamper Britain's ability to protect itself from terrorists. They added the UK benefited from sharing information with other EU countries and an 'out' vote could trigger instability on the continent. Ms. Buller warned that 'Brexit' supporters who claim the country would be safer outside the union are wrong. "The argument is non-sensical and spurious," she said. "I believe strongly we would be significantly less safe outside the EU because of all the networks, the relationships, the policy exchanges... things like joint research on explosive detections on arms and so on. We are not going to be able to influence that if we are out."

Asked about comments made by former MI6 Chief Sir Richard



Eliza Manningham-Buller



John Sawers

Dearlove who recently said it wouldn't make a difference, Ms. Buller said: "Richard is talking from 11 years ago. I don't think that is necessarily still the case." Sir Richard had argued that Europe gets more intelligence from the UK than it gives back.

As for Jonathan Evans' comments, former member of Westminster's intelligence and security committee, Tory MP Julian Lewis, said he had been given a different story by him less than a month earlier. "I was quite impressed by the fact that although he told me he was in favour of remaining in the EU, it would make no difference to our security," said Mr Lewis. "I am very surprised and rather disappointed to see this article has appeared. I find it rather difficult to believe he has changed his mind in such a short period of time."

Jonathan Evans denied his views had changed since his meeting with Dr Lewis. "As John Sawers made clear... the initiative for the

article that was published came from a conversation between the two of us in February, not from any political quarter. The article reflects views I have held and expressed for some time. John Sawers and I remain politically neutral."



Ron Noble

'Out' campaigners have rejected the comments made in favour of remaining in the EU, and point to a comment made by former Interpol Director Ron Noble who stepped down in 2014. He has issued dire warnings about the open border policy in Europe.



Jonathan Evans

TALKING TO THE WORLD

Listening Agency Launches Twitter Account

Far from remaining in the shadows, many of the world's leading intelligence agencies are increasingly using public Internet platforms to engage with the public - primarily to reflect transparency and showcase their importance. The latest 'connected' organisation is GCHQ (Government Communications Headquarters) already its website and activities provide an excellent insight into the work of Britain's 'listening' agency, but in May officials decided to edge closer to its users by opening a Twitter account. One can only image how this would have been viewed by the early management of this incredibly important organisation. There exists case examples of journalists being taken to court for identifying the activities of GCHQ. Indeed, just like MI6, the agency was far from happy to be referenced at all. Nevertheless, less than 30 minutes after a simple message of 'hello world' was 'tweeted' on 16 May, GCHQ had more than 2,000 followers. Twenty four later nearly 30,000 were engaged.

It's a decade since the messaging service was launched, and GCHQ have followed in the paths of its sister agency NSA and the more provocative CIA. In the case of Langley, its hierarchy decided to add a little humour with its first tweet - 'We can neither confirm or deny that this is our first tweet'. GCHQ



GCHQ Director Robert Hannigan continues his policy of engaging with the public and creating a more transparent agency

Director of Communications Andrew Pike explained the move: "In joining social media, GCHQ can use its own voice to talk directly about the important work we do in keeping Britain safe."

GCHQ released a statement on the move: 'We know that some will say we're joining the Twitter party slightly late, but we're the first intelligence agency in the UK to do this and it's a big step for the organisation as we

become more open about the work we do to keep Britain safe.

'We want GCHQ to be more accessible and to help the public understand more about our work. We also want to reach out to the technical community and add our voice to social media conversations about technology, maths, cybersecurity and other topics where we have a view'.



GCHQ Bude Station in Cornwall



As for its first tweet, the agency said 'hello world' has relevance, in that it is a "gentle introduction" to coded languages programmers learn to write.

The move was greeted with mixed reaction, with one former politician, Deputy Prime Minister John Prescott responding: 'After years of following us, we can now follow them!'. BBC security correspondent Gordon Corera tweeted: 'In a reversal, lots of people on Twitter are now wondering why they are NOT being followed by @GCHQ - although it is following James Bond'.



Robert Hannigan welcomes HRH Princess Anne to GCHQ Bude Station in Cornwall. Bude is but one of a number of operational GCHQ outposts providing security and services. Princess Anne visited the signals site in April

SNOWDEN, FSB AND SURVEILLANCE

German Intelligence Suspect Hidden Hand of FSB

The heads of Germany's foreign and domestic intelligence agencies believe former NSA contractor Edward Snowden may well have been acting in unison with Russia Intelligence over the leaking of thousands of classified files.

BND head Gerhard Schindler said: "It's quite remarkable that he [Snowden] published his files specifically about NSA's cooperation with the BND or the British secret service GCHQ. It's noteworthy that there were no publications about

countries like China or Russia, which are the main targets of NSA intelligence activities."

Hans-Georg Maassen, head of Germany's domestic intelligence agency (BfV Bundesamt für Verfassungsschutz), echoed his colleagues words: "Leaking the secret service files is an attempt to drive a wedge between Western Europe and the USA - the biggest since the Second World War. The massive leaks could have been thoroughly worked out and orchestrated from the outside." Maassen said the Kremlin had used

the affair to discredit Germany, using "disinformation, infiltration, seeking influence, propaganda and degradation."

Whilst reporting on Moscow's alleged involvement in the distribution of Snowden's material, German media has been critical of Berlin's own surveillance programme. It has emerged BND officers have created a list of over 2,000 people, including politicians, who are under electronic surveillance. In this case e-mails and telephone calls (numbers) are being collected. On a wider front, journalists from *Der Spiegel* claim Britain's Ministry of Defence telephones and America's State Department's hotline are under surveillance. Other 'watcher' targets include the USAF, NASA and the Treasury Department.

Numerous claims about a secret liaison with the NSA and GCHQ have also emerged following the establishment of a parliamentary committee of inquiry to examine spy activities in Germany.

As for Snowden, he recently spoke via a video link from Moscow about passive civil disobedience in



Hans-Georg Maassen

bringing about change. "Martin Luther King brought forth this brand of civil disobedience to create change that could not be ignored," he said. "If all the weight is borne by a single individual, you can't build a mass movement because the first one to step forward is put in jail."

Eye Spy sources maintain Snowden is seeking a way back to America. Similarly, a back channel allowing third party communication may already be operating. Henceforth German Intelligence could have inadvertently hampered Snowden's ambitions.



BfV headquarters, Berlin

THE REGIMENT

SAS Warrior Imprisoned for Keeping a Falklands War 'Trophy'



Albert 'Pat' Patterson -
'somewhere' operational



Albert 'Pat' Patterson

London drug dealer. He should be freed immediately. The country should be grateful for what he did."

Eye Spy notes many people arrested for the same offence have had their sentences suspended and not been jailed including drug dealers and a former town mayor and councillor. Numerous SAS colleagues who worked with Pat have described the sentence as appalling and a travesty.

A petition to suspend his sentence has been initiated by the *Sun* newspaper and defence editor David Willetts.

**BY EYE SPY ASSOCIATE
EDITOR AND FORMER SAS
SOLDIER RUSTY FIRMIN**

Political Correctness Gone Mad?

Albert 'Pat' Patterson, 65, received a 15-month jail sentence for possessing a handgun he captured from an Argentinian officer during the Falklands War in 1982. He pleaded guilty to owning a Glock 9mm pistol.

Patterson served his country in the Parachute Regiment and 15 years with the SAS. After leaving the Regiment in 1994, he worked as a close protection operative across the globe,

with the last two years as a security contractor in Afghanistan protecting ground teams supplying water and electricity.

As a result of living outside the country and working in Iraq and Afghanistan, he missed an SAS weapons amnesty where he could have safely returned the weapon.

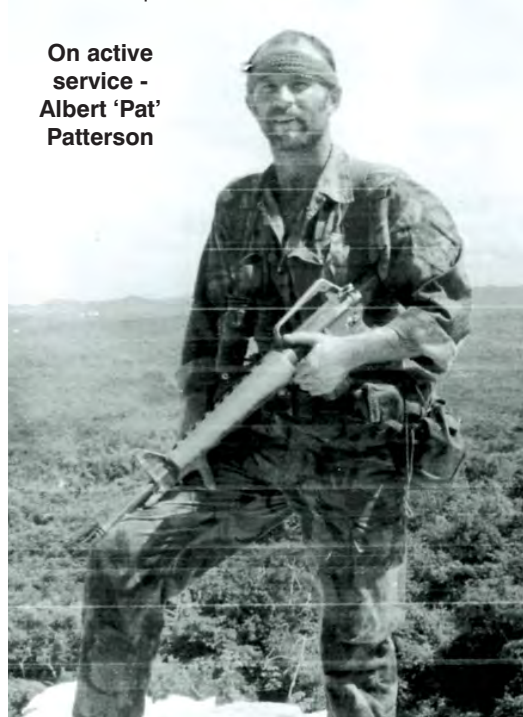
The gun was discovered in his former home in November 2014 by police investigating a burglary and Pat was arrested. Although the firearm was not loaded and kept in the cellar, sentencing Judge Christopher Plunkett hailed his service to the SAS - but said he had no other choice but to jail him.

Colonel Richard Kemp, former commander of British forces in Afghanistan, condemned the sentence and called for Patterson's immediate release from prison.

He said: "This is another example of our troops being persecuted by a government and courts obsessed with political correctness. An SAS hero who risked his life to defend our country shouldn't be treated like a south

This is another example of our troops being persecuted by a government and courts obsessed with political correctness. I have

**On active
service -
Albert 'Pat'
Patterson**



Rusty
Firmin
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Rusty Firmin who served with Pat believes the sentence is unduly harsh - like his colleagues in the SAS

known Pat Patterson personally since the mid-70s and served with him in the SAS for approximately 15 years. Pat was an exemplary

soldier and I am so proud to have worked with him in various fields over the years.

Like Pat, I too was involved in the Falkland Islands War; the SAS sustained a heavy loss of lives during that conflict. Pat, like many others, took a 'war trophy' back to the UK. He kept it under lock and key in the cellar of his house and it was always unloaded. The trophy was to remind him of his fallen comrades lost during the battles which ensued on the islands.

Pat fought for freedom for himself, others and his country for approximately 22 years. A month before his conviction, a 28-year-old male who possessed a weapon and ammunition illegally, received a two-year ban, suspended for 18 months - where is the political correctness?

Why couldn't the courts look at his case and use common sense, or at the very least give

him a suspended sentence? Pat had an exemplary service record both in and out of the forces. He is not a common criminal or drug dealer - he is a brilliant man and worked hard all his life - a lot of the time in the most inhospitable areas of the world. Pat Patterson should be freed immediately; worst case be given a suspended sentence. Give Pat back his freedom; something he fought so hard for others to have over the years.

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RUSSIAN AGENT CONTACT

Alleged Portuguese Double Agent Arrested in Rome

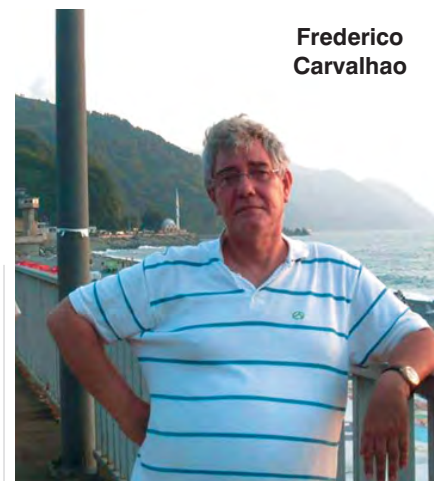
Federico Carvalho, 57, a divisional chief in Portugal's Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) and an unnamed and suspected Russian intelligence officer, have been detained by Italian police in Rome. Authorities say the Russian has no legal immunity - coded speak for a NOC operative (no official cover).

Mr Carvalho, a counter-intelligence and terrorism specialist has reportedly been under investigation since 2014 following disciplinary action and was expected to be expelled by order of Rui Pereira, the Minister of Internal Administration.

Suspicions were raised when the officer began visiting Eastern Europe and allegedly maintain-

ing intimate relationships with women in Russia. His activity on social media and unorthodox behaviour was noted and led to a change in his SIS position. The investigation, which included mail monitoring and phone tapping came to a head when Mr Carvalho flew to Rome for a meeting with his alleged Russian contact. Portuguese intelligence officers accompanied by Italian police recorded him passing documents to the Russian. Eye Spy sources believe the Russian is an officer or agent of the SVR. Portuguese media claim he was posing as a businessman.

"As a result of excellent coordination between the public prosecutor, the judicial police and the SIS, and the level of international coopera-



Frederico Carvalho

FACEBOOK

tion with the Italian authorities, two people were arrested in Rome for alleged espionage crimes, corruption and violation of state secrecy," said Portuguese police.

Carvalho is accused of passing NATO secrets and charging £7,700 (\$11,000) for every document he passed on. If the sum is correct, intelligence watchers believe the material must have been important. Carvalho faces indictment for espionage, corruption and violation of state secrets. He is awaiting extradition proceedings to Portugal.

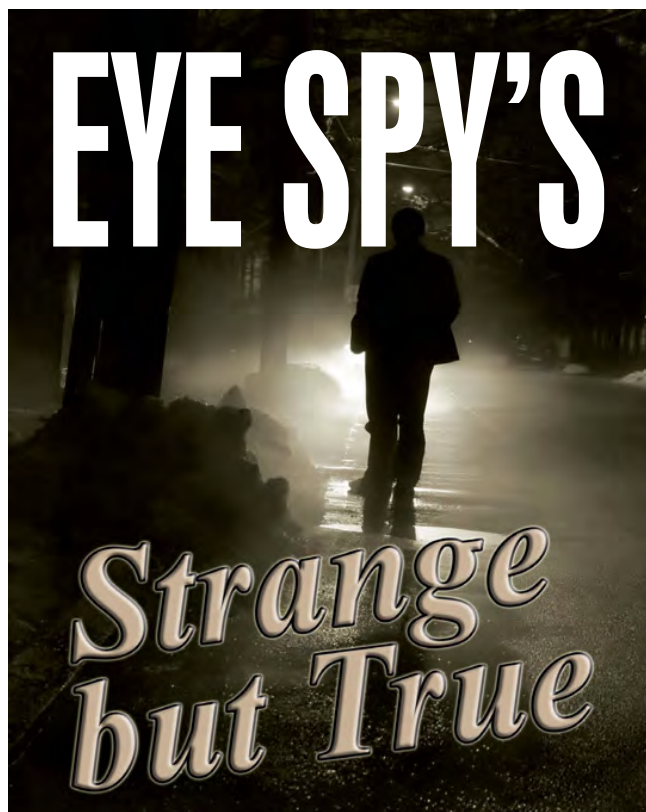


SIS celebrated its 30th anniversary last year

For the record, Moscow denies one of its citizens was involved in the affair.



NATO headquarters. Inset: Rui Pereira, Portugal's Minister of Internal Administration



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THE WRONG MAN

Today's MI6 trainees learn tradecraft at Fort Monckton in Hampshire (and other locations dotted around the country). Here surveillance and all manner of skills are taught. Things were a little different in 1956; the Service used several secret spy training schools based in London and various training exercises took place on the city's busy streets. The public are oblivious to such happenings, but for one unfortunate civil servant (clerk) in January of that year, he found himself playing the central character in an operation which could have been scripted by the comic Marx brothers themselves.

The exercise began in a briefing room on Old Brompton Road. MI6 students were told to surveil

another trainee carrying a briefcase (and whose description was provided), who was playing an enemy agent and held important information. He would exit a government building on the Thames Embankment directly behind none other than Gwilym Lloyd George - Britain's Home Secretary, who was oblivious to the plotline. The operatives task was simple: stop him at a given time and say, "the Chief wants to see you." Thereafter he would be taken back to a safe house and interrogated by a third set of students. What could possibly go wrong?

The watching MI6 team soon spotted the Home Secretary depart the building and immediately behind him was a man

carrying a briefcase. The trainees found a convenient point of contact and within seconds he had been abducted and driven away. At Brompton Road the 'terrified' man had his trousers removed, his papers examined and tested for invisible ink. All was proceeding well, until a telephone call from a senior officer; the trainees had picked up the wrong man.

A senior officer then told the frightened clerk, as a servant of the country, he must not tell anyone about the incident. But once released, he went straight to Chelsea police station and explained to the desk sergeant he had been "kidnapped by lunatics."

Soon police officers descended on the MI6 safe house (set within



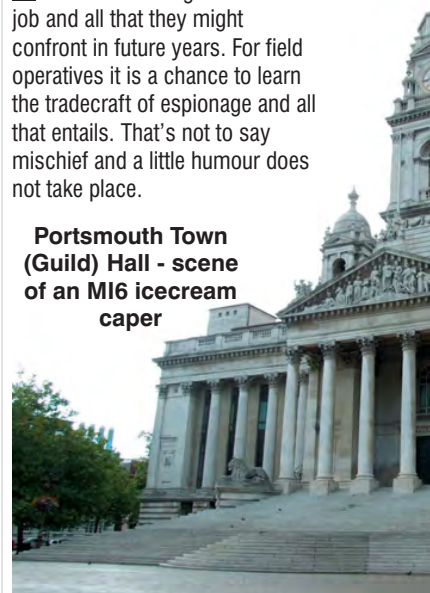
A young Gwilym Lloyd George

several other residential flats). They knocked on the door and a man appeared. He was a resident and oblivious to the incident so they tried another door. This too was the wrong flat. Eventually an MI6 officer spoke to police and explained the error. But this wasn't the end of the affair. The clerk telephoned the press and fearing MI6 would suffer major embarrassment, a senior Admiral asked that the story be suppressed.

IONEC

IONEC is an MI6 acronym for Intelligence Officer's New Entry Course - essentially new recruits are taught about their job and all that they might confront in future years. For field operatives it is a chance to learn the tradecraft of espionage and all that entails. That's not to say mischief and a little humour does not take place.

Portsmouth Town (Guild) Hall - scene of an MI6 icecream caper



MI6 has long departed satellite training schools such as this one on Borough High Street, London

**Games on IONIC -
Winchester Cathedral**



On one exercise in the 1990s, an IONIC team left the sanctuary of Fort Monckton and travelled to nearby Portsmouth. Two of the team were tasked with performing a 'brush pass' on 'dead ground'. This is a covert exchange of an 'item' at a point invisible to any watchers. The item in this case was intended to be a letter or film canister and the location chosen was a staircase within Portsmouth Town Hall (Guild Hall). All was proceeding to plan, and the man carrying the package was spotted by his colleague making his way down the stairs. As the two passed, the secret 'package' was delivered. However, the recipient was in for a shock, for his mischievous friend had given him an icecream cone complete with a chocolate flake! Both officers had some explaining to do to their trainers, but this was far from the end of the matter, and the red-faced icecream carrying spy wanted revenge.

A few days later the IONIC team moved onto Winchester where they would train in the art of using a 'dead letter drop' (DLD). The 'wounded' trainee decided he would extract his revenge on the 'icecream man'. He chose the

city's magnificent cathedral to hide a secret package - and found a gap behind a statue of St Jude in the building itself. The exact location of the DLD was imparted to his colleague who duly found the statue and sat on a nearby pew. Thereafter he reached behind the statue and fumbled for the item. Instead of grasping an envelope or film canister, there was a loud snap - he had placed his hand in a mousetrap!

One can only imagine the reaction of the training officers, but this team of IONIC operatives were far from finished. Against the advice of the trainers, another officer opted to use a toilet cistern as a DLD in a public toilet in Portsmouth. As his colleague entered to recover the package he was forced to clamber onto the seat and reach inside - his head clearly visible to a gentleman sat next door in an adjoining cubicle. Incensed by the antics of the MI6 man, who he thought was a 'peeping tom', the man duly called the police. Not in a position to explain his role, he admitted 'cottageing' and was given a caution.

No doubt MI6 now advises the local constabulary when IONIC people are active in the area.



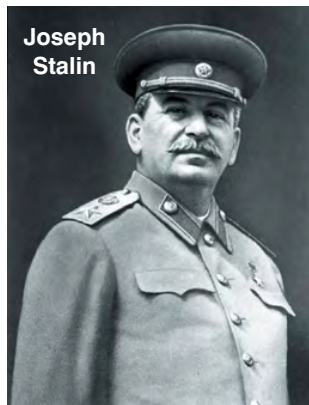
**MI6 training school
Fort Monckton,
Hampshire**



ASSASSINATE JOHN WAYNE

John Wayne may have been an iconic actor adored by his fans for playing in so many great Hollywood movies, but this didn't impress Soviet leader Joseph Stalin. Material secured from filmmakers and associates alike, including Orson Welles, suggests Stalin issued an order to the KGB to assassinate the screen idol. Intelligence historians believe if the order was true, it was primarily because Wayne was vehemently anti-Communist.

Historian Michael Munn referenced other happenings which seem relevant to the conspiracy.



**Joseph
Stalin**



John Wayne - KGB target

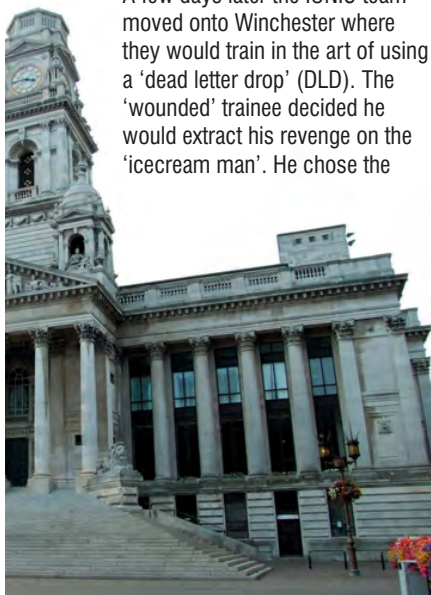
Wayne once mentioned how stuntman Yakima Canutt, had "saved his life." Munn later asked Canutt about the comment and incident which is said to have happened in the early 1950s.

Munn said: "Canutt told me that the FBI had discovered there were agents sent to Hollywood to kill John Wayne. He said the FBI had come to tell John about the plot. John told the FBI to let the men show up and he would deal with them."

The Stalin order was allegedly rescinded by his successor Nikita Khrushchev. ➤



**John Wayne in
'The Longest Day'**



HIDING IN PLAIN SIGHT

If ever an author needed a safehouse to escape the media, and millions of people who sought retribution, then look no further than Salman Rushdie. Born in Bombay, Rushdie moved to Britain and became a prolific writer. However, he caused much controversy amongst Muslims when he published his fourth novel, *Satanic Verses*. Indeed, so incensed were many Muslim nations, that in February 1989, Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini issued a fatwa which called for his assassination.



Salman Rushdie

Rushdie was immediately given protection by New Scotland Yard. With so many journalists from Britain and elsewhere seeking an interview with the author, and the potential of would-be assassins roaming London's streets, MI5 was called in to assist. The Security Service pondered the best location to hide Rushdie - who was now effectively living the life of the world's 'most wanted'. Despite all their searching, Rushdie remained out of sight until time eased the anger and politics and common sense came to the fore.

As to the actual safe house used initially by MI5 at the height of the furore, in 2001 Eye Spy editor Mark Birdsall was invited to London by a former MI5 agent to view the location. 'Smith' explained: "The Service, aware that journalists were using all sorts of tradecraft to locate Rushdie, decided to use some of its own. They hid Rushdie in the one place that no-one would ever look - in a flat just yards behind the recognised 'home' of the British newspaper industry - Fleet Street."

Rushdie, who was knighted by the Queen in 2007, has lived in America since 2000 and once again enjoys his time as a writer and historian.



Safehouse.
Inside this building MI5
hid Salman Rushdie

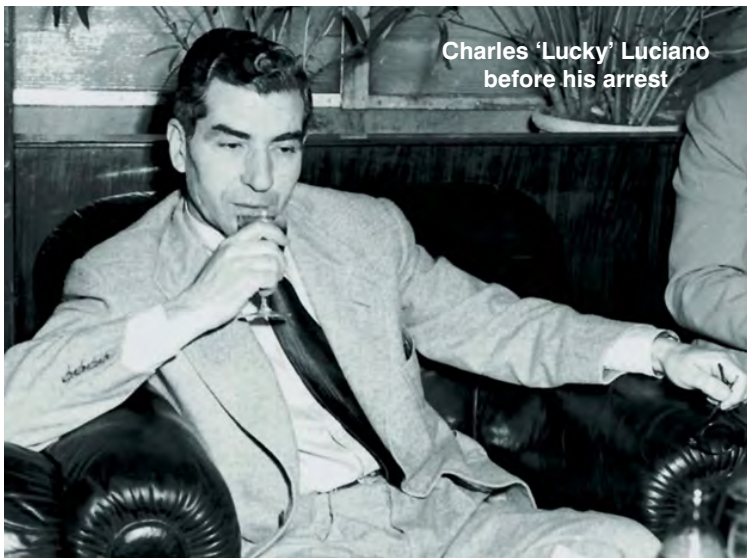
THE MAFIA AND US INTEL

Charles 'Lucky' Luciano, head of the Genovese crime family, embodied Hollywood's gangster image. But in 1936, his luck ran out and Luciano was convicted on 62 counts of 'compulsory prostitution' and sentenced to 30-50 years in prison. But a mysterious incident connected to the world of espionage in 1942, meant his help would be required by the FBI and US military. In New

York, construction workers were converting the French ocean liner Normandie into a troop carrier when it caught fire and sank. The ship, which remains the most powerful steam liner ever built, had been seized by the United States and renamed the USS Lafayette.

Investigators feared German spies had sabotaged the ship, but dockworkers, many of whom were controlled by the Mafia, refused to cooperate. The FBI approached Luciano to mediate and use his Mafia connections to get the workers talking. The crime lord duly obliged and soon the Bureau started to amass valuable information. In return for his assistance, Luciano was given various privileges in prison, including unsupervised visits from his family, friends and associates alike. Thereafter the Normandie





Charles 'Lucky' Luciano
before his arrest



Normandie (USS Lafayette) over-
turned in New York Harbour

investigation gathered pace ultimately resulting in the arrest of several German spies.

Luciano's strange relationship with the government continued, and his crime contacts in Italy provided useful intelligence to the Allies as they prepared for the invasion of Italy.

More rewards followed and for his cooperation, Luciano was freed in 1946 and deported to Italy. A caveat in the deal meant he could

never return to America. Interestingly, some historians believe the Normandie was sunk by his own associates - this as part of a clever plan to force the government to release him!

BROADWAY

In intelligence jargon it's not unusual to hear the word 'CIA' exchanged for 'Langley', the 'Company' or in more recent times, the 'Bubble'. In liaison

offices or secret government departments connected to MI6, the Service has its own alternative name - the 'Firm'. The use of synonyms is not a recent development, for a secret memo was once sent to MI6 officers and officials over 70 years ago, warning of the danger of compromise.

MI6 was based in London's Broadway Buildings from the mid-1920s to around 1965. A year before WWII ended, MI6 officers

around the world, and operatives from the Special Operations Executive (SOE), discussed an organisation known simply as 'Broadway'. Concerned officials thought this a major security lapse as listening Germans would soon put 'two and two together'.

When the war ended, 'Broadway' was still being used by some staffers, and it got too much for the Director of Production who said: "I am somewhat alarmed by the extent to which the term 'Broadway' was used in telephone conversations from the Field Office." In a stiff British manner he said the practice was "thoroughly insecure."

Thereafter MI6 employees, when mentioning the Service, were told only to say 'C' - this of course is the title used by the Chief of MI6.

ORDER BOOK

Whilst the vast majority of work performed by MI6 personnel is related to intelligence collection and analysis, the Service often finds itself in need of assistance to launch special operations, some that could be described as 'quasi-military'. Thus it draws upon specialists from the armed forces and other secret units. Whilst this is rare, MI6 is protected by its own charter known as the 'Order Book'. One example of this is the coming together of Special Air Service (SAS) and Special Boat Service (SBS) personnel

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Former headquarters of
MI6 - Broadway Buildings



known as the 'Increment'. Another is a special surveillance unit codenamed UKN.

This of course has stimulated debate about a British intelligence officer's 'licence to kill'. Whilst nothing has ever been released officially, former MI6 Chief Sir Richard Dearlove once said the Service has the "power to use lethal force," but only in times of "emergency or crisis which caused danger to the UK or its citizens." Similarly, in nearly four decades of service, Sir Richard had not come across one case.



CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

The famous children's story *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* written by MI6/NID officer Ian Fleming, was based on his interest in the aero-engine - an automobile powered by an engine designed for aircraft popular in the inter-war period. At this time military-surplus aircraft engines were readily available and used to power numerous high-performance racing cars. The aero car was built by Count Louis Zborowski in the early 1920s at Higham Park. Fleming was familiar with Higham Park through a liaison with its later owner, Walter Wigham, chairman of Robert Fleming & Co.

In 1963, after writing nine James Bond books, Fleming's health began to fail and he suffered a

series of heart attacks. While convalescing, one of Fleming's friends gave him a copy of Beatrix Potter's *The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin*. It was suggested he write up the bedtime story as a novel



Ian Fleming

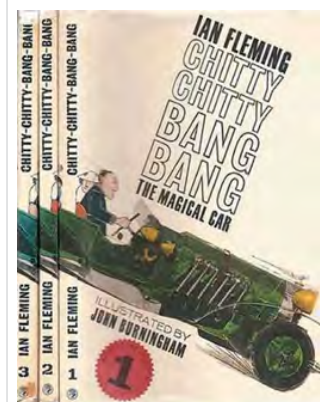


which Fleming used to tell his young son Caspar each evening.

Fleming used various incidents and encounters of his life in the book - just as he had done when writing the 007 series. In his new work, he named one of the children Jemima, after the daughter of his previous employer, Hugo Pitman. The advice to the children in the book by Caractacus, the eccentric inventor played by Dick van Dyke in the film, also echoed that of Fleming: "Never say 'no' to adventures. Always say 'yes', otherwise you'll lead a very dull life."

Sadly, Fleming passed away before *Chitty-Chitty-Bang-Bang*

was published. After another heart attack on 11 August 1964, he died the next day. This was actually the day of Caspar's twelfth birthday. The book was published eight weeks later.



UNPLEASANT INTEL

During the Cold War, Western touring military missions were allowed into East Germany originally intended as liaison teams. They soon became 'legal' spy teams with the British mission (formed in 1946) given the designation Brixmis. In East Germany, the teams were banned from areas when military exercises were under way, but as soon as they were over, the areas



were scoured by the British, American and French teams. They discovered that Soviet troops in the field were not issued with toilet paper and were forced to use any kind of paper they could find including letters from family, military documents and charts. Not being soluble to flush, the paper was deposited in waste bins. As early as the 1950s, the collection of 'waste', though a



BRIXMIS intelligence officers in Berlin

somewhat unpleasant task, provided Western Intelligence with everything from morale levels in the field, to codes and ciphers.

Brixmis regarded all rubbish bins as valuable targets and their combing exercises produced notebooks and schedules of equipment and supplies complete with serial numbers. The untidy habits of the Soviets proved to be

one of the most valuable sources of material and the plundering of rubbish was given the dignified codename Operation Tamarisk. The operation was considered one of their most successful activities and lasted until the end of Brixmis activities in 1989.

* For more information on Brixmis see Eye Spy 34 and 39 - 'The May Day Buccaneers'.

KEY-LOGGING KGB

Project GUNMAN, was the NSA name of a secret operation which involved the replacement of US Embassy equipment in Moscow after the discovery of Russian typewriter bugs. Described as possibly the world's first keylogger, the KGB device was secreted in IBM Selectric typewriters in the US Embassy Moscow in the 1970s. The tiny circuits were installed into a metal bar that ran the length of the typewriter and could only be seen using X-ray equipment. The bug recorded the precise location of the little ball the typewriters used to imprint a character on paper



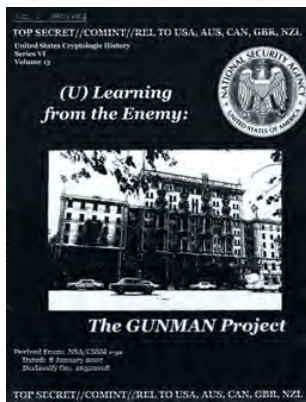
and had the ability to record every key pressed. The data was transmitted back to Soviet listeners in real time.

The devices were extremely sophisticated for their time and used a combination of electrical



The KGB micro bug which operated in 16 US typewriters for eight years

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currents and batteries. The implant was controlled remotely and the data transmitted to a listening station nearby. To avoid detection by inspection teams, the KGB cleverly tuned the bugs to the same frequency as the local television station.



The CIA eventually learned of the operation from a 'friendly' intelligence service whose officials admitted they were the target of a similar embassy eavesdropping operation. CIA engineers found devices operating in a staggering 16 typewriters within the US Embassy in Moscow and its consulate building in Leningrad. Counter-intelligence officers believe the devices were operational from 1976 to 1984.

BOMB THE MOON

Project A119, or *A Study of Lunar Research Flights*, was a top-secret plan to detonate a nuclear bomb on the Moon developed in 1958 by the United States Air Force.

During the Cold War, the Soviet Union took the lead in the space race and after details emerged that Moscow was planning to detonate a hydrogen bomb on the Moon in a show of force; the US responded with Project A119.

The main objective of the programme was to cause a nuclear explosion that would be visible from Earth. It was hoped that the display would boost the morale of the American people

and act as a deterrent to the Soviets.

Project A119 remained secret for nearly half a century until the original NASA project leader Leonard Reiffel, revealed details in 2000. Interestingly, the famous astronomer Carl Sagan was part of the team responsible for evaluating the scientific value of the project. He was critical and voiced concerns.

Thankfully sense prevailed and both projects were closed in their genesis. Officials in Moscow and Washington deemed that it was simply too dangerous and an accident was always a possibility on launch. Similarly, both nations thought a negative public reaction was highly likely.



Carl Sagan was asked to evaluate the aftermath of detonating a nuclear bomb on the Moon



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EURO 2016

Security fears following Baghdad attack and bogus bomb scare in Manchester

On 13 May three ISIS terrorists armed with AK-47s entered the Al Furat cafe - headquarters of a Real Madrid supporters club north of the Iraqi capital Baghdad killing at least 16 people - many of them fans. Spain's La Liga President Javier Tebas said he was shocked by the attack - "terrorism attacking football." The club had been scheduled to visit Iraq but this was cancelled due to security concerns. ISIS said the attack had targeted militia men. All the terrorists were killed by Iraq security forces.



Javier Tebas

Police and bomb squad officers were called to examine the item which was described as "convincing." It later transpired the pipe bomb,

complete with a cell phone 'detonator' had in fact been placed in the toilet during a security exercise a few days earlier. The security firm had failed to recover the device, which had been signed off as 'collected' along with around a dozen others. Some 75,000 fans were due to watch the game.

The incidents, along with credible intelligence relating to ISIS have served only to raise security fears for the EURO 2016 championship tournament in June.

This massive sporting event involving 24 countries started on 10 June and is being hosted by stadiums throughout France. The final will be held at the Stade de France, targeted in the November 2015 Paris attacks. Some 2.5 million football supporters are expected to attend the games.

After the Paris atrocity, French Government officials issued a state of emergency in the country. This was scheduled to end on 26 May, but is now being extended until August.

Over 2,000 security officers will provide protection for spectators and players alike at the matches, but this figure is dwarfed by the number who will be deployed overtly and covertly in cities throughout the country. Ten thousand unarmed civilian security guards



A mock-bomb similar to that which caused a major security alert in Manchester

have also been hired. Also a point of discussion are numerous public areas where giant screens are being erected to show the games. Some park and city locations called 'fan zones' can hold 100,000 fans. Rob Wainwright of EUROPOL warned that the event will make for an "attractive ISIS target." British Intelligence recognise that whilst 24 nations will be represented, England football fans could be the terror group's prime target, thus additional security measures have been made.

Several ISIS terrorists detained following the Brussels attack have already provided



Security training at Stade de France has been ongoing for several years - though events in Paris and Brussels have intensified preparations



Security chiefs fear "inevitable disruption" at the event



Supporters exit Old Trafford, Manchester

intelligence that reveals the group discussed EURO 2016. Indeed, media sources in Belgium state Mohamed Abrini, who was involved in both the Brussels and Paris attacks has informed of a "plan of attack." That intelligence is being supported by communications intercepted by GCHQ.

Various simulated terror attack exercises in stadiums and cities have already taken place in France, including a number involving chemical weapons.



Rob Wainwright of EUROPOL has said the event poses an "attractive target for ISIS"

'Fan zone' in Euro 2012

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CAMPUS SPIES

Technology Loss and Infiltration

Fearful that America is being infiltrated with potential spies from around the world, quiet moves are afoot which would effectively stop foreign students from participating in some projects deemed vital to national security. The proposals stem from more FBI warnings centred primarily on China.

Bureau officials, like their colleagues in the Pentagon, have cited several US centric projects being developed in China. A Chinese official said all "scientific and technological developments have been achieved through the hard work and struggle of the Chinese people."

The main authority behind the proposed action is the US

Department of State. Officials here have been warned by senior intelligence and military figures that access to government jobs and especially those in the contract sector, could be prone to foreign intelligence interference - coded speak for infiltration and espionage. The areas cited in confidential DOS papers cover



THE MOSSAD 'RESCUE MISSION'

Click to Engage with Cyber Spies

Israel's spy agency has launched a campaign to recruit new cyber spies by publishing a secretly coded advertisement. The advert contains HEX code that when decrypted, reveals an IP address leading would-be recruits to the Mossad web portal. The success-

ful codebreakers are welcomed with the words: 'Are you ready for a challenge?'

Upon entering the user sees: 'Good morning Agent C! We require your skills for an urgent search & rescue mission. One of your colleagues has been taken

hostage by an unidentified group, and is being held in a previously unknown holding facility. Our SIGINT squad has been successful in geo-locating the facility and found indications of an electronic lock mechanism in the main entrance. The rescue team needs your help in opening this



Mossad Director Yossi Cohen

mechanism so they can enter and search the premises'.

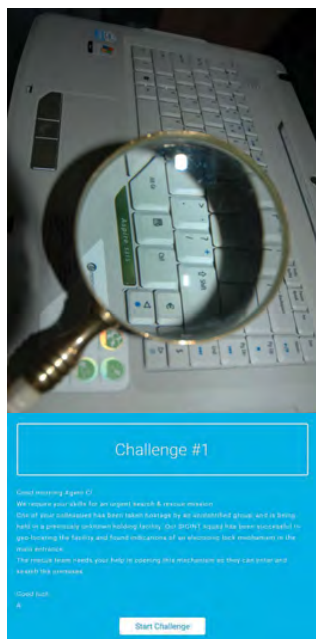
They are then asked to follow a series of steps in the challenge. Doctor Tal Pearl, a cyber expert, said that the recruitment method chosen by Mossad is often used by cyber and hi-tech companies. "There are a few benefits to this," Pearl said. "First of all it is a very strong filter that leaves in the end only the experts who succeeded in solving all the challenges. This way you don't just get flooded with CVs but only get those from the people who really fit you."

"In addition," Pearl said, "when you publish a challenge like this you show potential recruits that you are serious and you only draw the best candidates. This way you brand yourself as a serious,



nuclear, satellite and munitions research.

Some university programmes are provided with finance from major defence contractors, who have thus far failed to comment on the proposals. Several universities are opposed to the move which they say would also restrict US nationals. In a letter drafted by a number of senior education figures, they claim it would be nothing short of disastrous.



sophisticated organisation worth working for. In this sense this ad by Mossad is very appropriate."

Israeli Intelligence of course operates one of the most secretive and powerful cyber elements in the world - Unit 8200. Indeed, Mossad Director Yossi Cohen's son is said to be a member of the Intelligence Corps run organisation.

RED BADGE DILEMMA

Airport Security Still a Talking Point

Following the crash of MS804 that took off from Charles de Gaulle airport, the sensitive issue of security and employee screening has once again come under scrutiny.

France remains under a state of emergency since the terrorist attacks in Paris November 2015, which killed 130 people and injured 352 others. Shortly after the attacks, 4,000 Charles de Gaulle Airport employee lockers were searched in an attempt to identify suspects who might have had links to the terrorists. As a result, seventy people working in secure zones had their clearances withdrawn - mainly for 'cases of radicalisation', and some suspected of links to prescribed groups (banned). A number were placed under house arrest.

Security officials reported that the seventy staffers had been issued with 'red badge' clearance as baggage handlers, aircraft cleaners and suppliers; all had already gone through and passed police checks. "To be issued with a red badge, operators must be cleared by police, and if you work for a company that carries out security searches of in-flight luggage, there are three police checks," said Augustin de Romanet de Beaune, the chief executive of ADP (Aéroports de

Paris) the company that runs Paris's main two airports.

The withdrawal of security passes in November wasn't a first for Charles de Gaulle Airport. Following the Charlie Hebdo attack, dozens of workers had their red badges withdrawn, but continued to work despite being put on an intelligence watch list for potential links to extremist groups.

Aeronautics expert Gerard Feldzer, said of the MS804 crash: "A bomb placed on board at Roissy (Charles de Gaulle) or in Cairo is always possible because it's difficult to make your airport 100 per cent watertight, even in an airport with such tight surveillance as Roissy."



Augustin de Romanet de Beaune



FIVE EYES CONSORTIUM

Internal NSA Newsletter Leak Fails to Raise Eyebrows

The relentless drip, drip leaks of NSA files by intel contractor Edward Snowden continues. This time the focus is on NSA Newsletters from 2003. In addition to practical jokes and travel experiences of Agency staffers, the internal document, (published three times a week), contains information such as notifications on the capture of wanted terrorists, upcoming conferences and Agency news.

In this first of 166 documents (scheduled for release), it was 'revealed' that New Zealand's Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) has a close relationship with its 'Five Eyes' partners. No big secret here.

Few people would be shocked or surprised that the Five Eyes members have a high level of engagement - including liaison personnel, which was one of the 'bombshells' in this release. The fact that the GCSB attended the international SIGINT conference - 'Creating Opportunities for Collaboration', which was held at NSA headquarters, would not



COURTESY: GCSB

New GCSB
Director
Andrew
Hampton

raise the eyebrows of even the most ardent Snowden supporter.

Andrew Hampton, who has just been appointed the head of the GCSB, said: "The world unfortunately is a less safe place as a result of the disclosures... primarily because it has hastened the move of terrorist organisations to move to full end-to-end encryption. They were going that way but somewhat ironically, we now have terrorist organisations that are as cyber-security savvy as government organisations, and that is a real concern."

Mr Hampton, who began his role as Director in April for a five-year term, worked as the chief 'talent

officer at the State Services Commission for the past two years. He made his career in the public service: working at the ministries of Justice and Education as a deputy secretary, Crown Law as deputy chief executive, and Office of Treaty Settlements as director.



Speaking of his appointment, Mr Hampton said: "The public definitely needs to know where its dollars are spent, they need to be reassured that an organisation that has the intrusive powers that we do is always acting within the law and within the public interest, so it's something I'm very comfortable with."

Mr Hampton said one of the key benefits from the Five Eyes alliance was partner countries providing information on cyber threats and malware.



GCSB site at Waihopai

NERVOUS WARSAW

Poland Detains Suspected Russian Spy

As tensions rise between NATO forces in Europe's eastern border countries and Russian troops, Polish officials have revealed they detained the head of a pseudo-political party on suspicion of espionage. Mateusz Piskorski of the Zmiana (Change) Party was arrested for allegedly passing information to the Russians and probably Chinese. It's not known what this material consists of. Piskorski's colleagues said the move was "politically motivated."

In 2014, Piskorski, described as a 'political activist' by his opponents, made a controversial trip to the Crimea and openly supported Moscow's annexation of the country from the Ukraine. Intelligence sources said some Polish ministers feared he would "stoke similar flames" in Poland. Poland's government fiercely opposed Russia's interference in Crimea and eastern Ukraine.

He was detained by security officers from Poland's Interior



Mateusz Piskorski

Ministry. The same unit raided Zmiana's headquarters in Warsaw and removed various computer hard drives and documents.

In late April a solicitor holding dual Polish-Russian nationality was also charged with espionage. Identified only as 'Stanislaw Sz', he is reportedly the son of a Russian footballer who moved to Poland in the early 1990s. A government prosecutor said, "Sz participated in the activities of foreign intelligence against the Republic of Poland."

The suspect was first detained in October 2014 but released. He had allegedly liaised with a Russian colonel. The incident caused a furore between the two countries and Moscow expelled four Polish diplomats.

HOLLAND

A SPY'S PLAYGROUND

Edwin Ruis reveals the remarkable spy games played in neutral WWI Holland allowing its own spy service to secure intelligence from both the Allies and Germans...

The First World War saw not only the advent of the tank, military aircraft and safety razor, to name a few, but also the rise of the modern intelligence service. Most agents were inexperienced in the field of espionage and many had to learn their tradecraft in the streets of Rotterdam.

During the war, Rotterdam was the world's biggest spy centre. The large Dutch port city in the Rhine-Meuse delta had become a 'spynest' due to the Netherlands' neutrality, its strategic location in the heart of Western Europe and international sea and railway connections. Both the German and the British secret services opened stations in the city to spy in each other's territory.

As its neighbouring countries were submerged in deadly trench warfare, the Netherlands remained an ostensible oasis of peace and tranquillity. It was historically a unique position to be in, as Holland was geographically close to the fields of battle unlike the neutral Scandinavian countries and Spain. The Western Front was not very far away and on the southern border you could hear the artillery thunder on a good, or rather bad, day.

When the Western Front turned into a solid iron curtain that could not be penetrated by scouts, information on enemy activities behind the lines had to be gathered by spies. The best place to operate from was Rotterdam. It was a large city in which one could disappear in the crowd, stay anonymous and rent safe houses.

THE URANIUM STEAMSHIP COMPANY

On the side of the British secret services, Rotterdam belonged to Richard Bolton Tinsley (1875-1944). There, the former sailor from Liverpool worked

as a branch manager for the Canadian-owned Uranium Steamship Company that specialised in low-budget transatlantic crossings for poor Eastern European emigrants. When war broke out and the emigration business came to a halt, Tinsley dedicated the resources of the Uranium firm to his other employer, the Foreign Section of the Secret Service Bureau or MI1(c), better known today as SIS or MI6, under command of Mansfield Cumming, the original 'C'. The Uranium office at de Boompjes 76, a busy riverside quay, would become an international spy station. ➤

Secret History



The formidable gothic Witte Huis in Rotterdam survived two world wars. In World War One it was occupied by the German Imperial Consulate General - which planned and coordinated espionage operations in Britain.



Sir Mansfield Cumming

Tinsley, who was known in London as 'T', at first recruited amongst Uranium personnel and business contacts such as the Jewish Colonisation Association. Its representative in Rotterdam, Abraham Isaac Kastelianski, was one of T's early operators. As was Dmitri Ivanovich de Peterson, a 28-year-old Russian, who had been responsible for the Uranium's Latvia - Rotterdam line. De Peterson - who before joining the Uranium, had acquired a questionable reputation as a small-time businessman - began recruiting spies with more enthusiasm than skills in spycraft.

De Peterson recruited Dutchmen for spy operations in Germany; as neutral Dutch citizens could travel freely to any country, they

were in high demand as spies by all warring factions. But from the start of the war, German police investigators were active in Holland to detect foreign spies as early as possible and shadow them on their journey to Germany. Once there, many of these men were arrested and sentenced to imprisonment. They were often unemployed, in need of money and ill prepared. Later in the war, T would be more careful in recruiting spies and establishing credible cover identities.

Kastelianski was more successful than De Peterson. In a Rotterdam hotel he engaged Tomá Masaryk, a prominent member of the Reichsrat, the Austro-Hungarian parliament, who after the war would become the first president of Czechoslovakia. Through Masaryk, MI1(c) came into contact with the so-called Czech Mafia, an underground organisation whose main objective was the overthrow of the Imperial House of Habsburg. They would provide the British with intelligence throughout the war. But the most valuable spy networks of Tinsley were those of the Belgian resistance.

TRAINSPOTTING

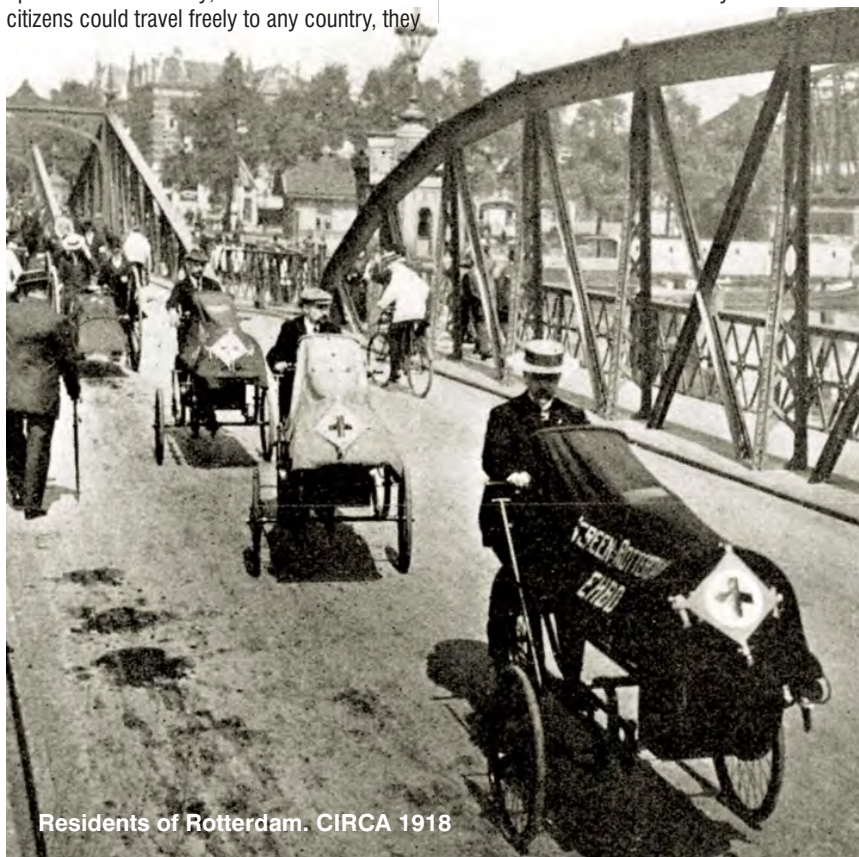
Shortly after the German invasion of Belgium hundreds of thousands of Belgians fled to their northern neighbour and many of them found shelter in Rotterdam or the towns directly to the south.

Among them Tinsley and his men recruited agents who were sent back to Belgium to connect with or set up spy networks which had to find out what the Germans were doing behind the Western Front. Together with the two competing secret services of the British Army, led by Majors Cameron and Wallinger, MI1(c) would pretty much cover the whole of occupied Belgium and northern France. To thwart resistance couriers and smugglers the Germans would build a deadly electric fence along the entire Belgian-Dutch border.

The main objective of the Belgian spy networks was to observe troop movements by train. The German Army had to fight a war on the Eastern Front as well, and before a large offensive on the Western or the Eastern Front, there would be a massive troop displacement. A timely warning by Belgian trainspotters could give the Allies an advantage. The most successful of these resistance networks was called 'La Dame Blanche', which operated around the strategic railway hub of Liège in the east of Belgium, close to the German border. Later Cumming would credit La Dame Blanche for being responsible for 70 per cent of all military intelligence gathered for the Allies during the war worldwide. Add to this the results of the many other spy groups run by T's team and you will realise the importance of the Rotterdam station.

THE KNST ANTWERP

Just as the British had done, the Germans too identified Rotterdam as the best place to establish and run espionage operations. From here they would send spies into Great Britain and smuggle war



Residents of Rotterdam. CIRCA 1918



Kurt Broekhoff, described as Britain's 'head agent' in Amsterdam



Tomáš Masaryk (centre left)



Belgian refugees in Holland



US trooper in an observation balloon

materials from all over the world to Germany. The most important German intelligence service was the General Staff's department IIIb. It concentrated its efforts mostly on France and Russia. Britain was the playfield of a second service, the 'Intelligence-Department in the Admiralty' or 'N'. In Rotterdam the German secret agents were coordinated by the Imperial Consulate General under leadership of Carl Richard Gneist from his office in the Witte Huis, a notable office building only a few minutes walk from Tinsley's office on de Boompjes.

The two German intelligence services worked together in so-called Kriegsnachrichtenstellen (KNSt) or 'war intelligence bureau's' that were

located in garrison towns or occupied cities. The KNSt Antwerp and KNSt Wesel would become very active in Britain. Wesel's head agent in Rotterdam was sea captain Ernst Paul Vollrath. Together with his assistant Dr Wilhelm 'Willy' Brandt he would set up networks that gathered maritime and naval intelligence. Brandt would be responsible for sending spies to Britain of which the most famous was Lizzie Wertheim. The main objective of the Vollrath-Brandt group though would be the gathering of intelligence through open sources.

The second and more notorious German spy ring belonged to the KNSt Antwerp. It was headed by a young army sergeant - ➤

END GAME FOR AGENT BACON

Dozens of spies operated out of Holland for various countries. George Vaux Bacon was one such spy who plied his trade for Germany. His controller 'Schultz' was based in Rotterdam and he travelled to both America and Britain, often carrying secret instructions using invisible ink. His luck ran out when a surveillance team headed by legendary MI6 officer



Claude Dansey

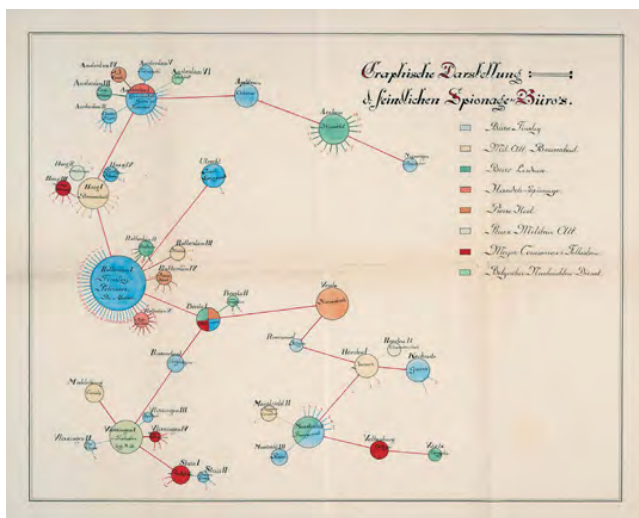
Claude Dansey, became suspicious of his comings and goings to Holland and arrested him. They discovered invisible ink in his sock. He was sentenced to death in 1917 but this was commuted to life.



George Vaux Bacon



German troops parade in Brussels



Hilmar Dierks. Just as De Peterson, he was a dilettante who would recruit many Dutchmen and other neutral citizens in need of cash to make spy journeys along British ports. Their main objective there was to spot warships of the Royal Navy. On the streets and in the cafés of Rotterdam, Dierks and his colleague, sea captain Carl Hockenholtz, would tempt sailors and the unemployed with money. Poorly trained and often unreliable, they produced few results, as most paid for spies. The habit of these crooks to 'rat' each other out to the British for a reward would lead to the downfall of the Dierks-Hockenholtz group.

The best-known of Dierks' spies are Haicke Janssen and Willem Roos. Both men posed as cigar salesmen when they travelled through Britain in May 1915. But by then their employer Dierks & Co. was known to MI5 to be a German front. They were arrested by Scotland Yard Special Branch. On 30 July 1915 they were both shot in the Tower of London. In fact, most of the eleven German spies that were executed in the Tower were connected to Hilmar Dierks. This includes Georg Breeckow, Fernando Buschmann,

Augusto Roggen and others. Dierks's activities did not go down well with the Dutch authorities and he was one of the few foreign agents who was arrested and tried. To compensate for Dierks' arrest the expendable *Daily Mail* journalist and MI5 agent James Dunn was arrested and tried too.

GOING DUTCH

So how did the Dutch authorities deal with all this? To them it was clear from the start that their country would be overrun by foreign secret agents. But the position of the Netherlands was a precarious one during the war. Both Germany and the Allies would try to press and threaten the country into doing their will. Arresting their agents would bring more diplomatic trouble. So it was decided to tolerate the presence of foreign secret services on Dutch soil as long as they would abide to certain rules.

They had to stick to the law, so no violence against each other's agents or assets was allowed. And they were not supposed to spy against the Netherlands itself. As long as they



spied on each other, they would be left in peace. But in between the Rotterdam police, who had to control the foreign agents, and the Dutch military intelligence service GSIII it was decided to add an extra rule: tell us all you know about your enemy!

Foreign head agents were coerced into this scheme by police intimidation and harassment. The Rotterdam River Police commander

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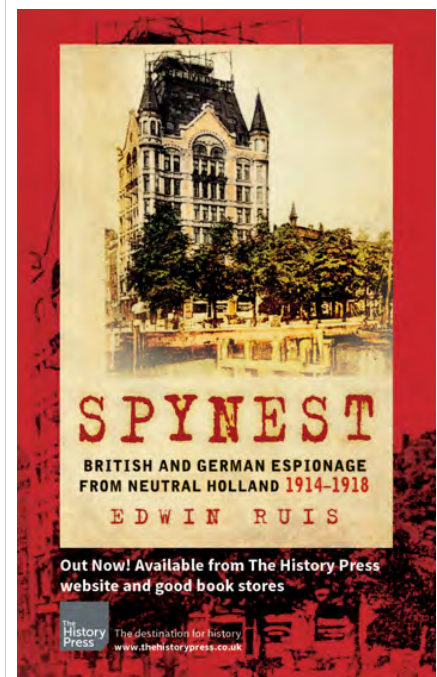
Inspector François van 't Sant was the main executor of these tactics. Although the Germans did cooperate grudgingly, the relationship between van 't Sant and the British would develop in to a close cooperation, that went further then acceptable for a neutral nation. British intelligence reports often

went straight to GSIII. In return the British were not only free to operate, but were often assisted by the Rotterdam police.

Cooperation with the Germans was less fruitful, due partly to the fact that the Germans felt that the Dutch were playing a cheap trick on them. During the First World War Germany became the bigger threat to Dutch national security and sovereignty. As the General Staff lacked sufficient funds to set up its own spy networks in Germany, they were quite happy to use the British reports.

All in all everybody benefited from the Dutch approach to the spy problem. Britain, and to a lesser degree France and the US could use the Netherlands as a forward base for espionage on the Germans. The Germans used the country as a stepping stone into Great Britain and for infiltrating the Belgian resistance. The Dutch themselves gained a lot of intelligence from both sides for free, possibly making GSIII the best informed intelligence service of the First World War. And for spy history aficionados it left a hitherto undisclosed small treasure trove of spy stories from a period about which little is known.

Edwin Ruys is author of the superb *Spynest: British and German Espionage from Neutral Holland 1914-1918*.



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THE POWER OF MISDIRECTION

MIKE FINN

The Deceptive Factor



Security specialist MIKE FINN provides more background on misdirection showing how stagecraft and illusion can combine to provide those in the intelligence world with a powerful and convincing tool

At first sight conjuring and intelligence work appear incongruous bed fellows. However, like the warrior and the artist, both share many common denominators. To take this a step further we will look at the skills of Antonio Mendez (right) who was mentioned in the last article. In one recounted incident the objective was to allow the subject to escape from a moving car that was being tailed. It is well known that the most likely window of opportunity to alight from a car unnoticed was when it turned a corner. In this case two things



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Do you see an elderly or young person?

happened, firstly the car slowed down, secondly, turning the corner created a momentary blind spot (known in the intelligence world as dead ground) for any pursuing vehicle. In the well of the front passenger seat was a flexible, life-like dummy that simulated the passenger. At the appropriate time the door opened, the subject left and at the same time the dummy took his place. The car continued on its way. The use of dummies was actually a CIA trait.

OPERATION FORTITUDE

In a previous article in this series I mentioned three aspects of illusion used in conjuring, they were distraction, confusion, and misdirection. It's the latter we will look at more closely now. The intention of misdirection is to mislead or point in the wrong direction. One classic example of misdirection was Operation Bodyguard in the Second World War. The objective was that during the Normandy landing German presence had to be kept to a minimum. To implement the task Allied forces brought misdirection under the umbrella of Operation Fortitude. The misdirection took two paths, the first was to mislead the Germans into believing that there would be a substantial troop assault in Norway.



Decoy barges and dummy aeroplanes were used to create the illusion of a bogus army in the run-up to D-Day and the invasion of Europe



Brigadier Dudley Clarke



Various sleeve insignia of non-existent military units used in Operation Fortitude



A dummy paratrooper of the type used in the Normandy landings

The second misdirection used the same strategy but pinpointed Pas De Calais, the setup was instituted by the unit concerned with deception and strategy, called 'A' force, headed by Brigadier Dudley Clarke. Of course the Normandy landing was written off as a diversionary attack, to allay suspicion. In this case the focus of attention had been changed and the misdirection followed through, all of which secured the success of the plan.

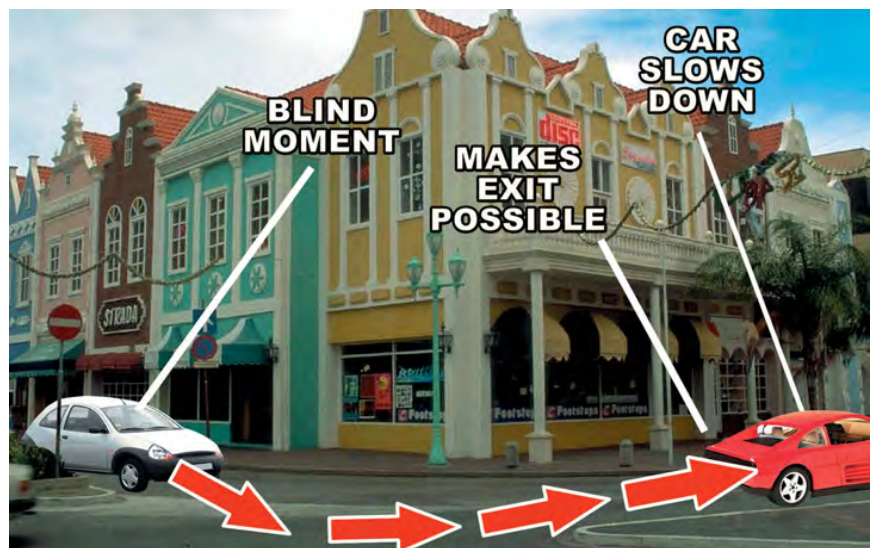
Misdirection itself is not just a question of saying "hey look over there." It will work unless the target believes in the substance of the misdirection; it has to be plausible and believable. In the above example the Maskelyne type strategy of dummy vehicles, planes, artillery and so forth made a convincing display of troop collection and movement. Leaked radio interception gave convincing accounts of related activities; false information provided by British agents to Berlin was perhaps the final believable proof. The same applies to the incident involving Antonio Mendez, the car journey has to have plausibility, the timing of the manoeuvre precise, but above all the dummy needed both movement

and exactitude of appearance to convince those who were following.

THE FRENCH DROP

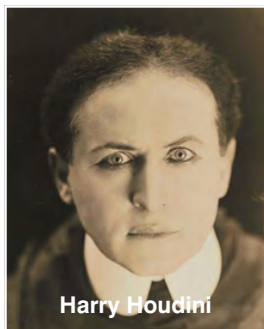
Misdirection is synonymous with conjuring, for example 'The French Drop' is where a coin

is held between the left index finger and thumb, while the right hand uses its index finger and thumb to take the coin. In fact it only appears that way because the coin falls into the palm of the left hand. The misdirection is in the watcher seeing a recognisable movement performed quickly, so quickly ➤



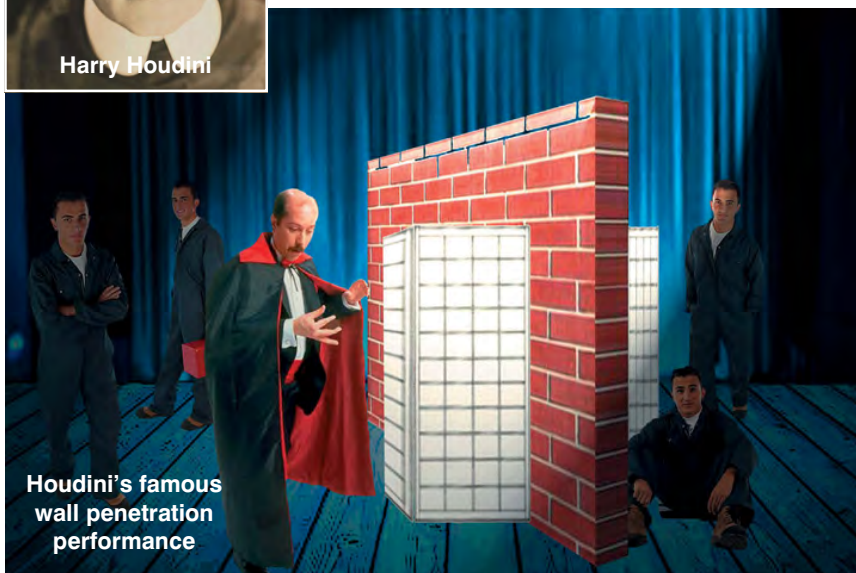


in fact that the 'saccade' type movement of the eye can not perceive it. Thus the movement of the watcher remains with the original association in the mind, which is the belief that the coin has changed hands.



Harry Houdini

Harry Houdini was a master of this concept, in one stage illusion he was seen to penetrate a brick wall built



Houdini's famous wall penetration performance



The 'French Drop' illusion

The power of the misdirection allows the same object to be seen exclusively in different ways

on stage. He remained behind a screen at one side, only to re-appear behind the screen at the other side. There were no trap doors or secret compartments; it was far simpler than that. As the wall was built Houdini used the screen to change into the same clothing as the builders, whilst technology made it look like he was still behind the screen. He simply walked around during the building and remained behind the other screen until the appropriate moment.

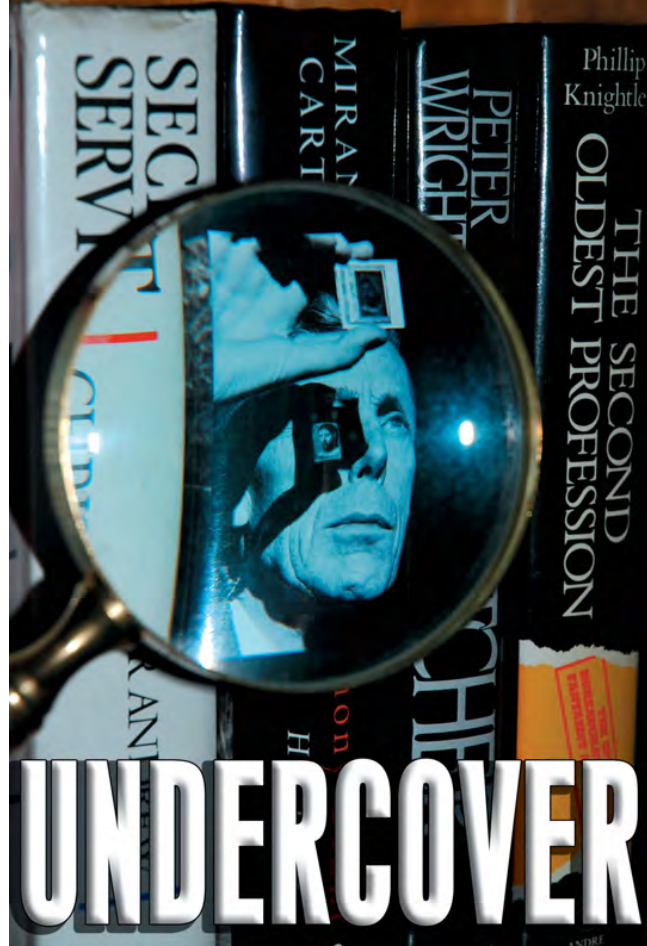
In a recent experiment in misdirection a similar guise was used. Two men were carrying a large board, and then stopped to ask a passer-by for directions. Both men spoke to the person who was stopped. However, during the conversation one man was swapped discreetly for a different person wearing the same clothing. Everyone believed that the two men were the same throughout the encounter. This relies on the conjurer's principle that moving something out of sight momentarily allows exchange, provided the replacement is similar. In this way the exchange goes unnoticed.

There are two main areas of misdirection; the first is physical, for example the dummy in the car. This is where a physical object is perceived as something it is not. The second is cognitive misconception; this is where the target misunderstands or misinterprets what has occurred. A classic example of this is the 'French Drop' described above, the misdirection is not physical, in the sense that it is the wrongly perceived and misinterpreted observation that is responsible for the misdirection.

How we perceive plays an important role in misdirection; I won't bore you with the science type background. We can however look at the renowned old/young woman image that dates back to a postcard found in the late 1800s (see page 74). Visual perception is not what we see, but how it is interpreted in the visual cortex. The old/young woman concept relies on ambiguity; it is this factor that can be exploited. If I made a gesture around the old lady figure with my finger and said "let's discuss the picture of this old lady," the brain is most likely to interpret the old lady information to the exclusion of the young girl. If the approach was reversed and I said "let's talk about this picture of a young girl," the girl image would most likely become apparent to the exclusion of the old woman. The power of the misdirection allows the same object to be seen exclusively in different ways. When I took part in competitions such as the National Police Judo Championships, misdirection was a key player in my winning strategy. The principles can be applied to any field, but conjuring is perhaps the most prolific teacher of the principles.

Perhaps this article will help the reader see how two such apparently diametrically opposite professions - intelligence tradecraft and stagecraft can have a common denominator such as this.

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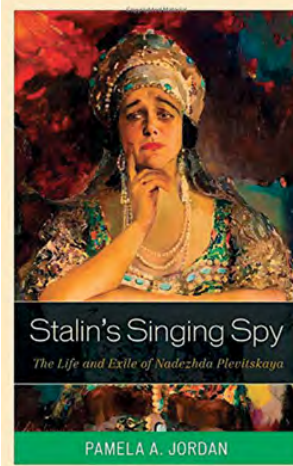
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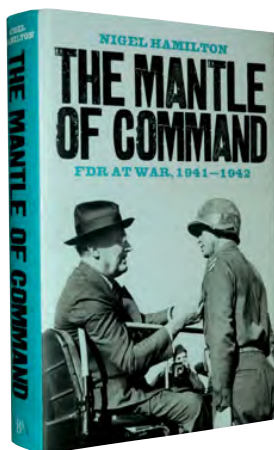
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in the jungles of the Far East to fight the Japanese. Subsequently he worked for the CIA in Washington.

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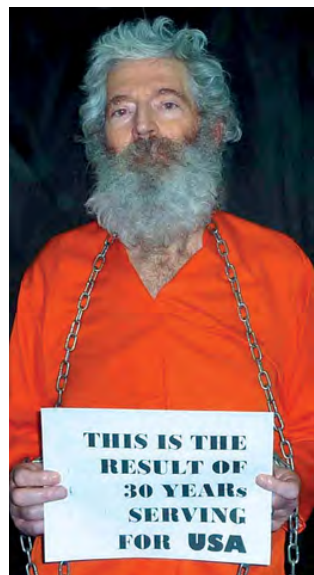
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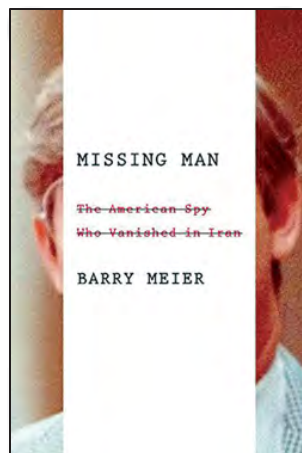
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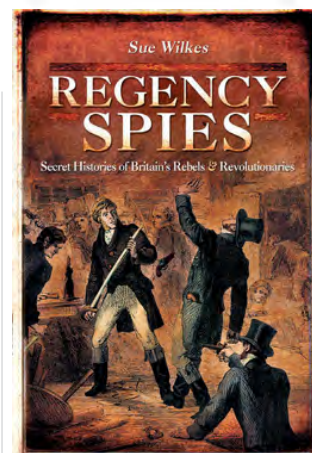
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The Cohens home in Ruislip, England - where the couple were known as Kroger

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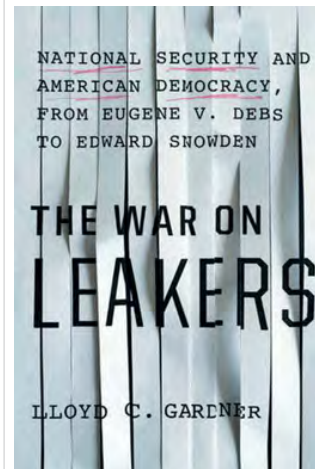
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ISIS

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Defence Secretary Michael Fallon speaking on recent successes over ISIS said: "Make no mistake, Iraqi forces have Daesh on the back foot and are retaking territory, hitting its finances and striking its leadership."

Mr Fallon's comments coincided with a new US intelligence (CIA-Pentagon) report that showed ISIS has now lost 45% of territory it once held in Iraq, and 20% in Syria. Unfortunately as the terrorist group loses ground, it is despatching more and more suicide bombers into government controlled areas, including Baghdad. Here small cells have struck 'soft targets' and heavily populated areas such as market places. Security specialists fear ISIS is planning identical attacks in Europe and other Middle East countries.

The rash of suicide attacks has not gone unnoticed by military commanders who believe the terror group is fast losing its ability to perform battlefield operations. US Army Colonel Steve Warren said: "ISIS wants to throw punches that land. To do this they appear to have chosen to revert to some of their terrorist roots."

FRANCE

Another senior intelligence man who joined the debate on the threat of ISIS in Europe was the



Defence Secretary Michael Fallon

head of France's DGSJ (domestic intelligence service). Patrick Calvar believes ISIS is "clearly targeting France" and warned of a terrorist campaign in busy locations. Some intelligence watchers believe this was a cautionary note to the forthcoming UEFA 2016 football tournament being hosted in the country. Speaking to a parliamentary committee on national defence in May, Mr Calvar said: "We know that Daesh is planning new attacks using fighters in the area, taking routes which facilitate access to our territory. We risk being

END GAME FOR THE 'EXECUTIONER'

Another senior ISIS terrorist has been killed in an airstrike. Abu Waheeb, A.k.a. Shakir Waheeb, was the group's 'military emir' for Anbar province and a former member of al-Qaida in Iraq. In 2014, when ISIS occupied the region, he was the most prolific executioner prior to the infamous Briton 'Jihadi John'. Waheeb became the face of terror not only for his barbaric methods, but because he was the only terrorist to openly show his face.

Featuring in horrific execution videos posted on-line, he became a propaganda tool, appearing on the front page of on-line jihadist magazines. He attracted followers and female admirers from other countries.

On 6 May he was tracked travelling in a vehicle near the town of Rutbah in western Iraq and eliminated. A Pentagon spokesman simply said he was "killed in a Coalition airstrike." Previous statements about his demise have been incorrect, but CIA sources are confident this time Waheeb is dead.

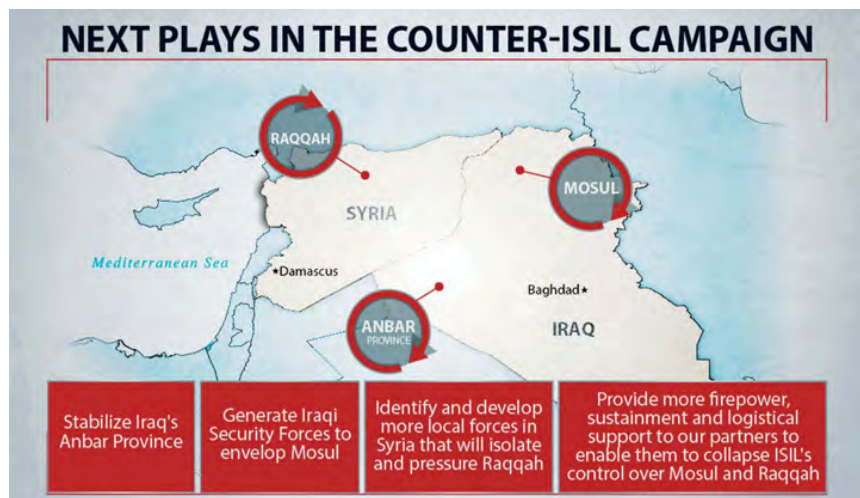


confronted with a new form [type] of attack... a terrorist campaign characterised by leaving explosive devices in places where big crowds gather, multiplying this type of action to create a climate of panic."

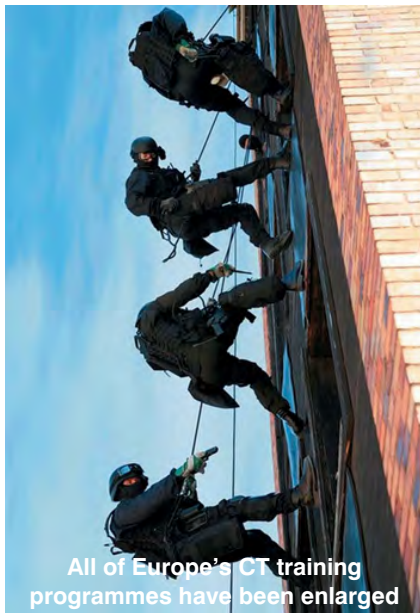
Mr Calvar suggested of all the nations in Europe, France is the "most threatened." He also warned of strikes by al-Qaida as it seeks to "restore its image."

LIBYA

Many ISIS terrorists are now making a bee-line for Libya in north Africa. Speaking on the situation, US Secretary of State John Kerry said the group was a "threat to the country and imperative it was stopped." There are several factions in Libya, but 26 nations,



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All of Europe's CT training programmes have been enlarged



DCSI chief Patrick Calvar

including the UK, USA and its Middle East allies back the Government of National Accord (GNA). US and British troops are already in Libya liaising with counter-ISIS forces. America has also deployed a major

DEATH OF AN AMERICAN WARRIOR

US Navy SEAL Falls in Daring Special Forces Rescue Mission

Special Warfare fighter, US Navy SEAL Charles Keating, succumbed to his wounds after the car he was travelling in was attacked by ISIS terrorists near Irbil in northern Iraq, 3 May 2016. Keating, 31, was part of a quick reaction force tasked with aiding another American unit providing guidance to Peshmerga fighters. That force was under attack by an estimated 125 terrorists. A US Black Hawk helicopter took the injured Keating to a local medical centre, but doctors could not save him. Footage taken of his vehicle shows it was struck by over 100 bullets. Allied forces responded with over 30



airstrikes using warplanes and armed UAVs. Twenty ISIS vehicles used in the attack were destroyed along with various weapons. US officials did not reveal how many terrorists died in the counter-operation.

Keating had previously operated in Afghanistan and was deployed twice to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The SEAL was due to marry his finance Brook Clark later this year.



Charles Keating with his fiancée Brook Clark. The couple were due to get married this year

- There are an estimated 75 US Navy SEALs operating in Iraq and border areas with Syria. Whilst all are engaged in an advisory capacity, they have authority to fight.

Entrance to the Channel Tunnel, France





“...the forces of terrorism are lying in wait in Libya”

Special Forces command which is coordinating strikes against ISIS targets. Similarly, much training ensues indicating preparation for a major offensive against ISIS.

With the situation becoming increasingly unstable, there are moves to provide arms and equipment to fighters backing the GNA. Mr Kerry said: “The GNA is

the only entity that can unify the country. It is the only way to ensure that vital institutions fall under representative and acknowledged authority. It is the only way to generate the cohesion necessary to defeat Daesh.”

Five years ago during the turbulent uprising of forces against Colonel Gaddafi, the UN imposed an arms



US Secretary of State John Kerry, flanked by Libyan Prime Minister Fayeze al-Sarraj and Italian Foreign Minister Paolo Gentiloni discuss events in Libya

embargo. Now it seems likely that parts of this will be lifted allowing significant weaponry to be delivered to Libyan Prime Minister-designate Fayeze al-Sarraj's government. Mr Sarraj, who met with several world leaders in Vienna warned “the forces of terrorism are lying in wait in Libya.”

In early May over a dozen defence chiefs and senior NATO officials

met to discuss the ISIS situation. The objective remains - to degrade ISIS in all theatres. Since launched, Operation Inherent Resolve has cost \$7 billion - \$11 million a day.

- The UK Government estimate 25,000 ISIS terrorists have been killed in the last two years. In April 2016, the terror group lost 600 fighters.

Return of the Troubles?

LAST WORD

BELFAST: Northern Ireland is on the highest alert level with 52 bomb attacks in the last twelve months directed at police officers. MI5 issued a warning of ‘substantial’ in Britain for an attack from dissident republican groups, with intelligence sources telling Eye Spy that one group has reportedly acquired semtex - up to a quarter of a tonne of Czech-made and Libyan-supplied.

The Provisional IRA (PIRA) used semtex in the past, as an accelerator to set off the chemical-fertiliser mix like that used in the devastating bombings of London and Manchester in the 1990s. New IRA sources say that Britain - particularly England - remains a key target in the new armed campaigns.



MI5 Director Andrew Parker

On the recent 100th anniversary of the Easter Rising, the New IRA issued a warning that there would be more attacks on prison officers, police and security forces not only in Northern Ireland, but they would strike in the very heart of Britain. A statement read: ‘The volunteer soldiers of the IRA are ready and determined to take the war to the age old enemy of our nation’.

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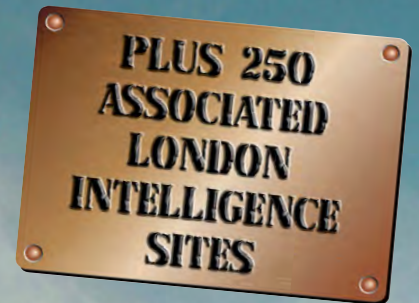
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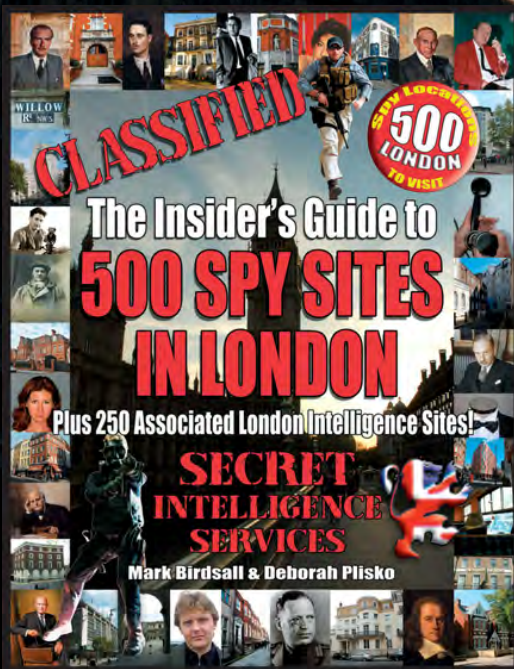


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