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Appearing as one of the three expert questioners at July 22, 2005 "911 Report" one-year anniversary hearings, U.S. House of Representatives. The hearings are scheduled to air on **C-SPAN** from 8:00 pm to 11:30 pm on Wednesday, August 31 and from 8:00 pm to 1:00 am on Friday, September 2.

IF ANYONE IN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS READING THIS AND HAS CONNECTIONS TO FEMA, please have them get boats to Charity Hospital in New Orleans and rescue the patients, nurses, and doctors who are stranded there. Many patients have already died and new patients are arriving to a hospital without power, with unsanitary water, and patients in intensive care who will die if there is not IMMEDIATE help. The hospital staff's situation is also grave. The situation at Charity Hospital is desperate and these

WMR is making a donation to The Salvation Army's Hurricane Katrina relief drive. Please consider helping the traumatized people of the New Orleans metropolitan area/Acadiana/Mississippi & Alabama Gulf Coast with a donation. (The servers for the Salvation Army's web site are overloaded . . . if you cannot get through, try during off-peak hours).

In the tradition of Drew

Pearson's and Jack Anderson's famous "Washington Merry-Go-Round" syndicated column and I.F. Stone, this on-line publication tackles the "politically incorrect" and "politically embarrassing" stories and holds government officials accountable for their actions. This web site extends a warm open invitation to whistleblowers and leakers. Business as usual for the crooks and liars in Washington, DC is over.

- Wayne Madsen, Editor

May 27, 2005



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people must be evacuated NOW!

It is now September 2 -- this is the second appeal to get help to Charity Hospital -- what the hell is FEMA doing? As someone who handled disaster recovery planning and training for the U.S. Navy, I can professionally say that these Bush "disaster recovery" people are disasters themselves. Bodies are piling up in the flooded hospital basement and stairwells at Charity and no one is doing a damned thing. And Dennis Hastert, the crook who takes Turkish heroin money, says it makes no sense to rebuild a city that's seven feet below sea level. Hey, Hastert. Go choke on a pork chop, you disgraceful fat sack of horse manure!

Finally, Friday afternoon, relief finally arrived at Charity Hospital, over 4 days late and after many patients died because of lack of medication, sanitation, and electrical power. Shameful.

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September 2, 2005 -- Hurricane Katrina may be Bush's and the GOP's "Chernobyl." The anger of the American people over the lack of planning for Hurricane Katrina, the diversion of troops, equipment, and money (including \$250 million in New Orleans flood control money to Halliburton) to a quagmire in Iraq, and price gouging and fuel shortages engineered by oil companies are being talked about by Washington's punditocracy as Bush's Chernobyl, a reference to the 1986 meltdown at the Soviet nuclear reactor and the cover-up of news and lack of government response that hastened the fall of the Soviet Communist Party.

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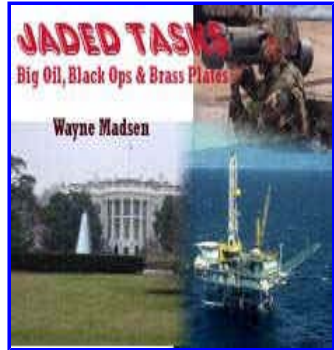
Bush continues to show that he is channeling the spirit of Emperor Nero. He told Americans who are seeing gas prices rise as fast as the New Orleans flood waters, " If you don't need gas, don't buy any." This man is mentally incapable of serving as President. Would you fly in an airplane piloted by a suicidal, mentally deranged man?

AFTER THE RAPTURE, CAN I HAVE YOUR CAR?
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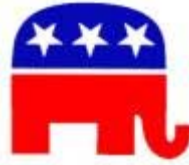


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New Orleans: Bush's "Chernobyl" -- Will the bloated elephant go the way of the hammer and sickle? We can only hope.



economy . . . it is disastrous. With so many people struggling with sky-rocketing costs-of-living and less discretionary spending funds, I wish to especially thank all of you across America and around the world who have been so generous with your donations. Recent calls from the main stream media prove that you're helping to make an impact. Thanks again!



September 2, 2005 -- Who is jamming communications in New Orleans? Ham radio operators are reporting that communications in and around New Orleans are being jammed. In addition, perplexed ham radio operators who were enlisted by the Federal government in 911 are not being used for hurricane Katrina Federal relief efforts. There is some misinformation circulating on the web that the

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jamming is the result of solar flares. Ham radio operators report that the flares are not the source of the communications jamming. If anyone at the National Security Agency is aware of the source of the jamming, from direction finding or satellite intelligence, please discretely contact me at waynemadsenc@hotmail.com (from a private or temporary email account). In this case, the Bush administration cannot hide behind national security and it is the duty of every patriotic American to report such criminal activity to the press. Even though the information on the jamming may be considered classified -- it is in the public interest to disclose it. Also, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is reporting that no aircraft over New Orleans have been fired on over New Orleans or anywhere else in the area. Are the reports of shots being fired at aircraft an attempt by the Bush administration to purposely delay the arrival of relief to the city's homeless and dying poor? The neocons have turned New Orleans into Baghdad on the Mississippi.



New Orleans: Who is jamming communications and why?

UPDATE: We can now report that the jamming of New Orleans' communications is emanating from a pirate radio station in the Caribbean. The noise is continuous and it is jamming frequencies, including emergency high frequency (HF) radios, in the New Orleans area. The radio

US STAY UP AND RUNNING:

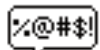


The Nauseaters of the Day (Two):

John Bolton is nauseating but the prize for the day goes to House Speaker Dennis Hastert for suggesting that New

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frequency jammers were heard last night, stopped for a while, and are active again today. The Pentagon must locate the positions of these transmitters and order the Air Force to bomb them immediately.

However, we now have a new unconfirmed report that the culprit may be the Pentagon itself. The emitter is an IF (Intermediate Frequency) jammer that is operating south southwest of New Orleans on board a U.S. Navy ship, according to an anonymous source. The jamming is cross-spectrum and interfering with superheterodyne receiver components, including the emergency radios being used in New Orleans relief efforts. The jamming frequencies are:

72.0MHZ

45.0MHZ

10.245MHZ

10.240 Mhz

11.340 Mhz

455 IF 233 MHZ

A former DoD source says the U.S. Army uses a portable jammer, known as WORLOCK, in Iraq and this jammer may be similar to the one that is jamming the emergency frequencies.

If a U.S. Navy ship is, in fact, jamming New Orleans communications, the crew must immediately shut down the

Orleans should not be rebuilt (I wonder if he'd say the same thing if downtown Chicago were hit by a suitcase nuke?) Hastert was asked by an Illinois reporter if New Orleans should be rebuilt. His answer was, "That doesn't make sense to me." He added, "It looks like a lot of that place could be bulldozed."

Suggestion Hastert, when New Orleans is rebuilt, I would not go there if I were you. You may wind up as alligator bait (more like an alligator feast with Hastert) for a real pissed off Cajun who don't take too kindly to those kind of remarks about his city.

Hastert, you really deserve this:



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- [Denver Post](#)
- [Fox News](#)
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jammer and take action against the Commanding Officer..

We have just learned from a journalist in Mobile that yesterday, Sprint blocked all cell phone calls from the Gulf Coast region to points north and west. Calls were permitted between Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida but no calls could be made to Washington, New York, or Los Angeles

September 1, 2005 -- Hurricane Katrina brings out blatant racism from the loonie White Right. No sooner than the television images flashed across the national screens of desperate New Orleans residents carrying non-perishable food items, dry clothing, and medicines out of flood ravaged stores did the white "evangelical" right begin to make noise about shooting looters and that "people that dumb" not to get out of New Orleans when they could deserved what they got. Of course, every looter was likened to the one or two people seen carrying television sets from broken store windows, not those carrying cases of bottled water or canned goods.

The venomous bile about "dumb people" and looters comes from the very same people who follow the dictates of Pat Robertson, Jerry Falwell, and James Dobson (none of whom have been at the forefront of any relief efforts except to say that New Orleans was punished by God because it was going to host a gay festival this month). This editor is a strong believer in the First Amendment, but this kind of speech is incendiary, hateful, and downright un-American. And the people who engage in it should be banned from the



John Bolton, the unconfirmed and unwanted U.S. envoy to the United Nations, brought an unwelcomed 60th birthday present to the world body. Bolton, who has nothing but contempt for the UN, introduced hundreds of amendments to a draft resolution endorsed by 175 member states to reform the UN and take immediate action against global environmental damage, poverty, and human rights violations.

Bolton has turned the US Mission to the UN into a Manhattan coven for all sorts of creepy right-wing policy wonks and journalists. Bolton recently held a reception at his

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airwaves and jailed if necessary. Fox News must be taken off the air until it can be trusted to properly serve the public interest. Hopefully, a future Democratic-controlled FCC will have that as one of its first priorities.



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- [Economist \(United Kingdom\)](#)
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Case in point. A bartender in a local bar in a "trendy" and "yuppie" neighborhood in the Washington, DC area commented that the people who stayed behind in New Orleans did so just so they could loot the city after the hurricane struck. When I said that a number of the people left behind were poor, infirmed, elderly and not able to evacuate because they had no cars or immediate families in the area, the bartender said that was crap. He also did not see the difference between wanton looting and obtaining necessities for survival from damaged stores. It seems that some people commit Rush Limbaugh's and Fox News' talking points to memory and then just repeat them like human tape recorders. I also pointed out what WMR reported on Aug. 31: that a number of people who tried to evacuate were forced to turn back after being caught in traffic jams as the hurricane's effects first began to be felt in the city and suburbs. Then the bartender's final words, which sums up the mindset of these disgusting right wingers: "If cops from Philly were down in New Orleans, they'd take care of the looters. They'd shoot the boogs." Unfortunately, this is the same sort of mentality that permeates the Bush administration -- the disaster that can

Waldorf Astoria penthouse residence for a group of right-wing "journalists" and pundits. Present were the whiny-voiced dweebs from *The National Review* and loony Moonie *Washington Times*. Not to mention the tele-fascists from Fox News.

Bolton, who does not represent me to the UN, is now referred to as an anal orifice in the hundreds of languages spoken at the UN -- from Albanian to Zulu. Congratulations Bolton, you *connard!*

John Bolton . . . stand by for this:



PAST NAUSEATERS

- [Granma \(Cuba\)](#)
- [Gulf News \(Dubai\)](#)
- [Haaretz \(Israel\)](#)
- [Helsingin Sanomat \(Finland\)](#)
- [Hindustan Post \(India\)](#)
- [INTERFAX \(C.I.S.\)](#)
- [IRNA \(Iran\)](#)
- [ITAR-TASS \(Russia\)](#)
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- [Korea Herald \(South Korea\)](#)
- [Kuensel \(Bhutan\)](#)
- [Mail and Guardian \(South Africa\)](#)
- [Manila Times \(Philippines\)](#)
- [Prague Monitor \(Czech Republic\)](#)
- [Pravda \(Russia\)](#)
- [South China Morning Post \(Hong Kong\)](#)
- [Straits Times \(Singapore\)](#)

be called "Hurricane Dubya."

The following comes from Mobile and is further indication of the racist attitudes rising in the Gulf disaster: Daphne, AL local residents initiated a local "call the Mayor" campaign to get him to close a shelter in their community because there were too many local affluent people complaining about having "scummy" people present at the shelter. The mayor closed it! The name of the shelter is reported to be Robertson, according to a local source. The shelter was emptied, presumably waiting for white clean cut refugees.

Please stop this racism in the midst of a disaster.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was in New York shopping for expensive shoes at tres chic Ferragamo's on Fifth Avenue. (Is she the lost love child of Imelda Marcos?) A shopper confronted Rice shouting at her about shopping for shoes while thousands were dead and homeless on the Gulf Coast. Rice, showing the compassion of a shark on a feeding frenzy, had store security remove the woman. Of course, Rice does not have much to do. Its U.S. policy not to accept foreign aid in a natural disaster (always has been, even under Democratic administrations). Its considered beneath the dignity for a "super power" to accept foreign aid. Other nations have offered aid in the past only to be given the back of Uncle Sam's hand. If this ridiculous policy were to change (along with the Secretary of State who most world leaders think is a joke), France would be the first to offer assistance to its cousins in Acadiana and

Where in the World is Osama Bin Laden?



- [Sydney Morning Herald \(Australia\)](#)
- [The Globe and Mail \(Canada\)](#)
- [The Guardian \(United Kingdom\)](#)
- [The Independent \(United Kingdom\)](#)
- [The Nation \(Barbados\)](#)
- [The Observer \(United Kingdom\)](#)
- [The Times \(London\)](#)
- [Xinhua News Agency \(China\)](#)
- [Yemen Observer](#)

southern Mississippi. Venezuela's Hugo Chavez has offered gasoline and food. Fidel Castro would offer doctors (they are top notch). Ditto aid from Russia (they've already offered helicopters but were told they could only be used to rescue Russian nationals trapped in New Orleans (3 on the upper floors of a hotel, at last count). We could count on Canada, Germany, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Iceland, Netherlands, Japan, Britain, Spain, Italy, China, Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, Jamaica, South Korea, Brazil, Mexico, Portugal, and a number of other nations.

And in a most disgusting example of chutzpah, the so-called "President" Dubya strummed a guitar at the Coronado Naval Base in San Diego while thousands drowned in New Orleans. One day, Bush's name will replace Emperor Nero's as a synonym for a lackadaisical tyrant who fiddled while his nation was in need: "Bush fiddled while New Orleans drowned." Maybe Bush could play the guitar while someone sings that refrain.



"Nero" Bush -- Fiddles in San Diego while New Orleans drowned. Will someone in Congress please introduce an impeachment resolution? This asshole raced back to DC from his eyesore of a "ranch" to sign a bill to keep a woman in a persistent vegetative state on her feeding

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tube. But he plays the guitar as thousands of healthy human beings perish.



BREAKING NEWS -- Journalists on the Gulf Coast near New Orleans in contact with WMR report that the death toll in New Orleans may exceed 10,000 people. Those who survived the flood are now reportedly currently dying in the streets from lack of water, lack of medical attention, and hunger. The guitarist above will go to the stricken area tomorrow only to tie up the roads and air corridors with his security Gestapo force thus impeding rescue efforts. I wonder if Air Force One will take any supplies from Andrews AFB to New Orleans and offer to transport any homeless people back to Washington, DC? We all know the answer to that. Chertoff would have to put the homeless through a one year security background check before they could get anywhere near the turkey-in-chief.

September 1, 2005 -- Flood protection money to Halliburton = Blood money for the Big Easy. With reports that the Bush administration diverted \$250 million in SELA (Southeast Louisiana) Urban Flood Control Program funds from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to Iraq, it is time for Congress to sit down with former Corps of Engineers Senior Executive Service Principal Assistant for Contracting Bunnatine Greenhouse. Ms. Greenhouse, who hails from Louisiana

and likely knows something about who diverted the flood abatement funds to Halliburton, was fired in retaliation for her June 27 congressional testimony in which she stated that Corps contracts for Kellogg, Brown & Root/Halliburton Iraq infrastructure projects were improperly awarded -- through a no-bid process -- as a result of political influence by Bush and Cheney political appointees in the Army's hierarchy. On August 27, Ms. Greenhouse was removed from her career civil service position just as Hurricane Katrina bore down on New Orleans. Congress should order the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to obtain copies of all Corps of Engineer documents on contracts for Halliburton and the diverting of New Orleans flood control funds to Iraq reconstruction. The possibility that Dick Cheney's firm took money that was to go to New Orleans flood control projects should be a priority for Congress -- which should cancel its Labor Day recess and get back to work before September 12. *(Late today, it announced it was reconvening immediately).*



**How much money is enough for you Scrooge Cheney?
(Apologies to Ebenezer). Care to spare a Halliburton
dime for New Orleans?**

It is no wonder that Dick Cheney is nowhere to be found during America's worst natural disaster. When the people of New Orleans discover that Cheney's firm profited at the expense of their loved ones' lives, they will want to tear

Cheney from limb to limb. And who can blame them?

September 1, 2005 -- Note to "Delaware Joe" Biden. You voted to overturn bankruptcy protection for the very people who now need it on the Gulf Coast. Your presidential dream will remain just that -- a dream. Don't go away mad Biden, just go away. And take your buddy "Joe-mentum" Lieberman with you.

September 1, 2005 -- Homeland Security Czar Michael Chertoff has finally announced something that *Heimland* Security knows best -- he's warned looters in New Orleans. Chertoff has spent millions on scaring people. But he knows nothing about saving people. So why the hell do we have a Homeland Security Department anyway if it can't save people? That is what is being asked by those here in Washington who are not on vacation.

September 1, 2005 -- The foreign ministers of Israel and Pakistan met for the first time at an Istanbul meeting arranged by Turkey. The Turkish-Israeli-Pakistani weapons of mass destruction proliferation and drug smuggling network discovered by the CIA's Counter-Proliferation Division and the FBI's Translation Unit and first reported by WMR is now officially taking shape as a de facto alliance backed by the neoconservatives in the Bush administration. The meeting between Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom and Pakistani Foreign Minister Khursheed Mehmood Kasuri is the first step toward establishing full diplomatic relations.

In the meantime, relations will be under the aegis of "diplomatic engagement." The Pakistani-Israeli meeting had the full support of the neocons in the Bush administration and Pentagon, many of whom were subject to FBI and NSA wiretaps regarding their contacts with top WMD proliferators in the Pakistani A. Q. Khan network. Israel maintained low level intelligence contacts with Pakistan's Inter Service Intelligence (ISI) during the time Mossad units were active in Taliban-controlled Afghanistan.



The secret WMD alliance takes shape in Istanbul

Aug. 31, 2005 -- According to a Washington, DC-based news network colleague who just spoke to a reporter in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the death toll from Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans alone may top 4000. New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin said "thousands" in his city may have died. Former Mayor Marc Morial said that New Orleans may have to be abandoned like Pompeii. According to the reporter in Baton Rouge, there are hundreds and hundreds of bodies that have been seen by TV news choppers floating

in the streets of New Orleans and surrounding communities. Health officials also expect further casualties from disease from people drinking contaminated water. The situation in coastal Mississippi is also dire, with the death toll there also expected to rise precipitously. Another contact in Mobile reports that a number of people who attempted to evacuate New Orleans and other surrounding communities were forced to return home after they were caught in the leading edge of Katrina while stuck in long traffic jams and feared being caught in floods. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and its head Michael Brown, a Bush political appointee and a partisan Republican operative from Oklahoma, have been irresponsible in planning for Katrina. Department of Homeland Security chief Michael Chertoff also bears responsibility for not ensuring adequate planning for a major disaster that had been predicted for years.

The global warming predictions by leading scientists are coming about. George W. Bush says global warming concerns are "silly science" based on "fuzzy math." Some five members states of the UN, low lying atolls in the Pacific and Indian Oceans, will soon become "abandoned nations." Now, we may have our first abandoned city in the United States. Venice, the Netherlands, and the Florida Keys are next.



ATTENTION CURRENT AND VETERAN INTELLIGENCE PROFESSIONALS: DEFEND OUR NATIONAL SECURITY FROM THE BUSH REGIME

I am kicking off a letter campaign to the Congress when it returns from recess after Labor Day. It calls on Congress to immediately pass legislation requiring the Director of National Intelligence to order an immediate halt to and retroactive (to include the past three years) reversal of all personnel actions within the U.S. intelligence community that are based on blatant political vendettas. I will personally hand-deliver the letter to the relevant committees on intelligence, government affairs, and armed services. If you are a current or past member of the U.S. intelligence community (including military service and law enforcement

elements) and would like to sign on, please send you name, city and state where you vote, and agency and division (if classified, merely send the cover title), and years of service to waynemadsendc@hotmail.com. If you reside abroad, state your home of record (birth place or city and state where you cast your absentee ballot). If you are a current member of the U.S. intelligence community and wish to remain anonymous, merely provide your agency and city and state where you vote.

Dear Senators

Roberts/Rockefeller/Warner/Levin/Collins/Lieberman;

Representatives

Hoekstra/Harman/Hunter/Skelton/Davis/Waxman:

We, the undersigned members and veterans of the U.S. Intelligence Community are writing you to request that legislation be introduced that would require the Director of National Intelligence to order an immediate halt to politically-motivated adverse personnel actions that are directed against career members of the U.S. Intelligence Community. A number of experienced intelligence professionals who have strictly followed departmental and agency rules and regulations and demonstrated their commitment to the the Constitution and the national security of the United States have been victimized by an Intelligence Community-wide program of intimidation, psychological abuse, revocation of their security clearances, and wrongful termination. This witch hunt and purge must stop. We are also asking that all politically-

motivated terminations of intelligence professionals over the past three years be immediately reversed by the Director of National Intelligence and a review of the individual circumstances of the adverse actions be conducted by a special congressionally-chartered commission staffed by professional mediators from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Respectfully,

Wayne Madsen, Arlington, VA, (LT, USN, National Security Agency 1984-85).

John Lovejoy, Lebanon, OR (USAF Security Station, Trabzon, Turkey, 1960s).

Joe Warren, Eureka, CA (SGT, Army Security Agency, FS-8604, 1952-55).

Joseph F. Bohren, Tampa, FL (LT. COL, USAF [ret'd], Air Force Security Service, NSA liaison to Air Force Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, San Vito Air Station, 6931st Security Group, Iraklion Air Station, Crete).

K. Wayne Martin, Jr., Martinsville, VA (USAF, 6002nd CPUSS/ACDIA, 1979-81).

Mary Schneider, Windermere, FL (Citizenship and Immigration Services Immigration Adjudication Officer, Department of Homeland Security).

Jesse Cox, Sarasota, FL (Non-Commissioned Officer-in-charge, U.S. Army Continental Intelligence Command (CONTIC), Fort Bragg, NC and Fort Monroe, VA 1969-71).

Stephen Calkins (USAF Security Service 1971-75,
Sergeant First Class, U.S. Army [ret'd]).

Frederick J. Ide, Williamsburg, MI (US Army Security
Agency 1964-68).

August 31, 2005 -- Casting aside objections by the late Peace Corps director and Georgia Republican Senator Paul Coverdell of Georgia, the Bush administration is now using Peace Corps workers abroad as intelligence agents. According to U.S. State Department sources, 60 Peace Corps "volunteers" are due to arrive in Chile in March 2006 to teach English to Chileans. However, the State Department sources point out that Chile is a very advanced nation with agri-business and technology infrastructures that are unmatched in Latin America. Intelligence sources report that the Rumsfeld Pentagon and the new neocon junta in charge of the State Department are targeting Chile primarily because of the growing Chinese business presence in the country.

In 1996 Senate testimony, Coverdell warned that use of Peace Corps personnel as intelligence agents would endanger the lives of all volunteers. He said using the Peace Corps as intelligence assets, "would raise doubts across the entire Corps. It would put the volunteers at risk. We lost a volunteer in Bolivia because they said he was DEA."



Restrictions on intelligence use of Peace Corps personnel were established by President Kennedy upon the creation of the Corps. Coverdell said in 1996, "by letter dated April 2, 1984 the permanent ineligibility of volunteers to join the CIA is established. They are ineligible to join any other intelligence agency for ten years after the end of their service. This can be greater than ten years, if the general counsel so determines."

The neocon desire to use the Peace Corps as an intelligence agency was mooted at the 1996 Coverdell Senate hearing. It was arch-neocon Kenneth L. Adelman, who suggested that American journalists and clergy, as well as Peace Corps volunteers, had a "civic responsibility" to step out of their roles and spy for the United States. Adelman is a friend of Donald Rumsfeld and serves on his Defense Policy Board.

In 2002, the head of Russia's Federal Security Service accused Peace Corps members of engaging in espionage in various Russian ethnic republics and regions, including trying to recruit local government officials and political candidates. In 2003, Peace Corps members were withdrawn from Russia. Russia was particularly concerned about the Peace Corps' activities in the Far East regions of Primorski, Khabarovsk, and Sakhalin, three strategic areas near China and North Korea. The Russians also discovered joint Peace Corps-Israeli intelligence espionage activity in a Far East

Stalin-era anomaly known as the Jewish Autonomous Republic, a Soviet creation in Siberia on the Chinese border designed to be a Jewish homeland within the USSR. The republic still has a small Jewish population. Other Peace Corps centers of activity included Saratov, north of the volatile Caucasus region; the Penza Region on the Volga; independent-minded Tatarstan, an oil-rich and primarily Muslim republic; Mari-El, Mordovia, and Chuvashia, three Finno-Ugric republics; Tuva, a formerly-independent Buddhist Turkic republic near Mongolia and the Chinese border; Kalmykia, a Buddhist republic on the oil-rich Caspian; and Kaliningrad, a politically-sensitive Russian enclave between Lithuania and Poland that was once Germany's East Prussia. A number of neo-Nazi groups in Germany and elsewhere in Europe want Kaliningrad returned to German control.

August 31, 2005 -- What happened to the SELA (Southeast Louisiana) Urban Flood Control Program?

According to Gulf Coast investigators, who warned about financial malfeasance involving the redirection of money first appropriated by Congress in 1995 to the pockets of supporters of jailed former Governor of Louisiana Edwin Edwards, the catastrophe that has struck New Orleans could have been avoided. The SELA funds were to be used by the US Army Corps of Engineers to replace old pumps and levees. The old levees and pumps, first built in the 1930s with New Deal money, failed as a result of Katrina. New levees and pumps were to be installed to beef up New Orleans' flood control system to withstand a Category 5 hurricane.



The flood control money that was not ripped off by Edwards was diverted by George W. Bush to fund his Iraq adventure. That, in addition to the presence of Louisiana's National Guard and equipment in Iraq, left Louisiana unprepared for the cataclysmic Category 4-5 hurricane.

August 31, 2005 -- A convergence of investigations: AIPAC and ATC. As reported previously on WMR, federal investigators are poring over wiretap transcripts and other intelligence that link the Larry Franklin/Rosen/Weissman AIPAC investigation to the investigation of who in the White House leaked the name of Valerie Plame Wilson and her Brewster Jennings & Associates non-official cover company to journalists, including Robert Novak. According to intelligence insiders, a new nexus of the investigation is the intelligence relationship discovered between AIPAC and the American Turkish Council (ATC). As with the AIPAC and Mossad penetration of the Pentagon, a similar ATC and Turkish intelligence penetration of the Defense Department was discovered and it reportedly involved some of the same players involved in the AIPAC probe, including former Deputy Secretary of Defense for Policy and Plans Douglas Feith.



In addition, two former U.S. ambassadors to Turkey -- Marc Grossman (who has since joined the Cohen Group of former Defense Secretary William Cohen) and Eric Edelman, who replaced Feith at the Pentagon, were identified in FBI wiretaps as key players with the ATC. The AIPAC and ATC link involves individuals who profit from the use of Turkey as a base for nuclear materials proliferation, including fissile material from the former Soviet Central Asian states, and heroin distribution from Afghanistan and other countries to Europe and North America. The AIPAC-ATC links also involved persons and businesses tied to the A. Q. Khan nuclear proliferation network that was headquartered in Pakistan but had operational offices in Turkey. Those links, involving Israeli citizen and nuclear smuggler Asher Karni and Turkish Jewish businessman Zeki Bilmen and his New Jersey-based Giza Technologies, were first reported by WMR on August 1.

Another company that has reportedly been making entrees to the ATC-AIPAC influence peddling consortium is the Ashcroft Group, a firm set up in May 2005 by former Attorney General John Ashcroft to help countries with law enforcement and counter-terrorism. Ashcroft's partner in the Ashcroft Group is Juleanna Glover Weiss, who worked for Ashcroft, Steve Forbes, Rudolph Giuliani, and Vice President Dick Cheney. As one intelligence insider put the

AIPAC-ATC links, "these have nothing to do with religion or politics, just pure greed."

August 31, 2005 -- A Merit System Protection Board hearing was held in Baltimore on August 30 concerning charges that former NSA intelligence officer Russ Tice, whose attempts to bring attention to malfeasance in the Intelligence Community, was retaliated against by revocation of his security clearance, being labeled mentally unstable, reassignment to the NSA motor pool, and ultimate termination from the NSA. This is yet another case of the Bush administration selling our nation out to the highest bidders by gutting our intelligence community of independent-minded personnel. The judge in the case, against the obvious wishes of NSA attorneys, postponed final arguments in the case pending the imminent release of a Defense Department Inspector General report on Tice's charges that he was targeted because of his reporting of espionage activity within the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), the same agency that is at the center of the Able Danger controversy. The Tice case involves administration malfeasance that points to the penetration of U.S. intelligence by yet another foreign power, in addition to Israel and Turkey, that has powerful friends inside the White House.



August 30, 2005 -- At least 100, probably more, dead from Hurricane Katrina in Mississippi alone. Many Gulf state National Guardsmen who could have aided in mandatory coastal evacuations from the deadly category 4 hurricane are in Iraq. Now there are dead U.S. civilians, including children, on George W. Bush's bloody hands.

4793 National Guard unit personnel from Ackerman, Amory, Biloxi, Booneville, Columbus, Camp McCain, Camp Shelby, Greenville, Gulfport, Hernando, Jackson, Kosciusko, Laurel, Louisville, Lucedale, Magee, McComb, Meridian, Monticello, Oxford, Pontotoc, Poplarville, Senatobia, Starkville, Tupelo, Tylertown, and Winona are in Iraq making the country safe for Dick Cheney's Halliburton and Bush's price gouging and speculative oil industry friends while the corpses of their friends and relatives are being recovered from the flooded streets, rivers, and bayous of their home state. The same situation exists in devastated New Orleans and surrounding areas of Louisiana, where the death toll from flooding is predicted to be high. 4109 Louisiana Guardsmen, including those from hard hit Plaquemine Parish, New Iberia, the city of New Orleans, and other units who could have assisted in evacuations are now in Iraq, along with their equipment that could have helped evacuate and rescue people. Louisiana's National Guard asked the Pentagon to allow it to bring its mission-critical equipment back from Iraq for the 05 hurricane season. They were refused by the neocons who run the five-sided puzzle palace by the Potomac.

Mississippi and Louisiana voted for Bush twice. Now they have the dead bodies in their own neighborhoods to show for it. Hundreds, maybe thousands, of dead American

civilians from your incompetence Mr. Bush. Do you care? You're incompetent and a disgrace to the United States of America, Mr. Bush. Resign and spare America more of its precious lives.

August 30, 2005 -- There are indications that Rovegate Special Prosecutor Patrick J. Fitzgerald will be wrapping up his two-year probe of the CIA/Valerie Plame Wilson leak sometime between the end of the Labor Day Congressional recess and the end of September. Informed rumor has it that there will be indictments of at least two senior-level Bush administration officials.

August 30, 2005 -- Latest in HAVA expenditures in Ohio. A further e-mail was received from Nitin Julka, representative for his father, Anand "Bill" Julka of Smart Solutions, concerning some \$77,000 in Helping America Vote Act (HAVA) business awarded by Ohio Secretary of State J. Kenneth Blackwell to Smart Solutions. At issue is whether \$77,000 constitutes "substantial" funds, as we first reported.

The e-mail dated August 29, 2005 from Nitin Julka is as follows:

My father has reviewed the documents with his managers at Smart Solutions, Inc. You have made an honest mistake by naming my father as the recipient of "substantial" funds for services rendered according to HAVA legislation. We

have also made a mistake by not acknowledging orders made by Blackwell's office in our name. Unbeknown to us, my father's company was indirectly involved in the delivery of computers related to this legislation.

Your document clearly shows \$77,000 of line items with Smart Solutions as the vendor. What the document does not show though is that this money was for Hewlett-Packard (HP) computers shipped to the Secretary in 2003 and 2004.

More importantly, approximately \$75,000 (97%) of the money went to HP. The only reason Smart Solutions was listed as the vendor was because HP chose Smart Solutions to handle the delivery. Blackwell was not involved in HP's decision to choose Smart Solutions.

Ignoring the fact that HP received the bulk of the money, \$77,000 / \$6.9 million (1%) hardly constitutes "substantial payments" as your web entry describes. Please communicate these truths about this situation to your readers.

We have no issue with your style of investigative journalism. You do your readers a great service with your attention to detail. Unfortunately, as far

as Smart Solutions is concerned, your characterization of Blackwell awarding business to his friends is simply untrue.

The following is the editor's response:

Other disbursements show Blackwell paid \$10,869.75 to his friend Prof Robert A. Destro out of HAVA funds. Most of Blackwell's payments are questionable and do not appear to reflect any sort of competitive bidding process as required by Federal and Ohio law. \$77,000 may not be substantial to Republicans but it is way above what most people in this country earn annually in salary -- and that \$77,000 and the rest of the HAVA funds are taxpayers' money, not a GOP slush fund to be used by crooks like Blackwell to throw elections by preventing people from voting and lining the pockets of his supporters. Median income for Ohio households is around \$45,000. Median income for African-Americans in Ohio (the voters who Blackwell disenfranchised in the 2004 election) is around \$33,000. \$77,000 would be a nice chunk of money for most people in Ohio. You may communicate this directly to Blackwell and inform him that U.S. House Democrats, including Rep. John Conyers of the House Judiciary Committee, are now in possession of the HAVA documents incriminating Blackwell and his office in the highly dubious activities involving HAVA funds.



J. Kenneth Blackwell, Ohio's Secretary of Sleaze

August 29, 2005 -- Attention Bush Team operators and supporters: Threats and intimidation do not work here. WMR will continue to bring news and informed opinion from Washington, DC and beyond, regardless of veiled threats and intimidation tactics from the Republican and neo-con camps. After an unfortunate temporary disruption based on a credible threat, we're back in force.

August 29, 2005 -- WMR received an email, dated Aug. 27, 2005, from Nitin Julka, the son and representative of Anand "Bill" Julka, the President of Cleveland firm Smart Solutions. The email states: "My father's firm did not recieve [sic] one dime of federal funds related to helping Ohioans vote. In addition, my father's firm has not recieved [sic] one dime from any funds appropriated by Mr. Kenneth Blackwell in the last two years." "It is true that my father, Mr. Julka, is a supporter of Blackwell's politics and is a substantial donor to his campaign. But this has not resulted in any misuse of public funds or corruption of any kind. I am saddened by your utter disrespect for my father and what he

represents." The email continues: "I encourage you and the web sites that picked up your story to please immediately print a prominent correction addressing this concern. I think it was wrong and unfair for you to smear my father's name without double-checking the sources. Thank you for your time."

Our August 15 story reported: "Of the \$6,870,659.47 spent by Blackwell, there were substantial payments to firms like Smart Solutions, a Cleveland IT firm headed by Anand "Bill" Julka, a contributor to Republican candidates in Ohio. Gov. Taft named Julka to the Management Improvement Commission for the Ohio Lottery."

We promised our readers that we would attempt to recreate the spirit and intent of the "Washington Merry-go-Round" and other past hard hitting political investigative columns by not succumbing to intimidation resulting from our investigations. We are posting copies of the disbursement spreadsheets from Ohio Secretary of State J. Kenneth Blackwell's office that were submitted to the General Services Administration in compliance with HAVA requirements. Our sources are the disbursement documents from Blackwell's office. They speak for themselves.

Ohio Secretary of State Documents: [One](#) [Two](#) [Three](#) [Four](#) [Five](#) [Six](#) [Seven](#) [Eight](#) [Nine](#) [Ten](#) [Eleven](#) [Twelve](#)

A further email from Nitin Julka, dated Aug. 29, 2005, stated the following: "Would you please send us the GSA documents before publishing them? My father is convinced that you erred in naming his company as a recent recipient of any Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funds. We believe

that there are two possibilities for this misunderstanding.

1) The company named in your reports could be another company named Smart Solutions.

2) The only other explanation is that your documents are regarding small payments made for services more than 2 years ago.

It is also possible that the transactions were not filed with the government until recently. In this case, the transactions would have happened before my father made substantial donations to Blackwell campaign.

Nevertheless, we reiterate that my father's company was not the recipient of federal contracts related to elections or HAVA within the last two years."

Bush oil scandals spread throughout Central Asia. The Bush family does not care for the recent disclosures of documents and other inside information on WMR that point to their close business connections to the Saudis, Bin Ladens (Osama included), and various front companies, and brass plate "folding tent" shell corporations around the world. Now they can add "Kazakhgate" to the growing list of scandals and criminal activity involving themselves and their closest business associates.

More details concerning illegal Bush enterprises are coming out in the trial of former lobbyist for the oil industry and the Kazakhstan government, Jim Giffen, a New York investment banker. Giffen was indicted for bribing Kazakhstan

government leaders with some \$84 million in return for lucrative oil drilling rights for Amoco, Mobil, Phillips Petroleum, and Texaco in the years immediately following the fall of the USSR and the independence of Kazakhstan under the rule of Nursultan Nazarbayev, a former Soviet Communist Party leader. Giffen also represented the interests of Chevron in the former USSR. Kazakhstan's Tengiz oil fields rank among the world's largest reserves.

Giffen is accused of violating the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, which prohibits American businessmen from bribing foreign officials. However, Giffen's attorneys are contending that their client's actions and those of his bank, Mercator, were carried out with the knowledge and encouragement of the CIA under then-director Robert Gates. Gates' nomination as director by President George H. W. Bush in 1991 survived a bitter battle that saw 31 Senators voting against Gates' confirmation (an additional five did not vote). It was then-Senate Intelligence Committee staff director George Tenet who shepherded Gates' nomination through the Senate, ensuring him the support of former President Bush after George W. Bush's 2000 selection as President. Tenet was the highest-ranking holdover from Clinton to Bush. The elder Bush was said to have pressed his son to keep Tenet on board at the CIA for Tenet's help in ensuring Gates' confirmation at a time when independent counsel Lawrence Walsh was bearing down on George H. W. Bush for his role in the Iran-contra scandal and the BCCI and Savings & Loan collapses. Gates was Deputy Director of the CIA under Bill Casey during the height of the Iran-contra scandal and was fully involved with the principal players, including Oliver North and Richard Secord.

Following the pattern of Bush family oil and other

enterprises around the world, U.S. oil companies, through accounts allegedly set up by Giffen and his associates, paid bribes into accounts of Nazarbayev, his Oil Minister Nurlan Balgambayev, and other Kazakh officials. Balgambayev's accounts were under the names Orchard Holdings of Newton, Massachusetts; Giffen's under Condor Capital Management and Denlay Associates of the British Virgin Islands; Samal Balgambayeva's (Balgambayev's daughter) under the name Brisa, Inc.; a joint Giffen-Balgambayev account under the name NTC International; Mobil's under the name Alqi Holdings Ltd. of the British Virgin Islands; Nazarbayev's under the name Orel Capital, owned by Semreck Foundation of Liechtenstein, a Nazarbayev trust. Other secret accounts were established in Bank Indosuez (now Credit Agricole Indosuez) and Credit Suisse accounts in Switzerland and Bahamas. Hovelon Trading SA of the British Virgin Islands was a controlling operation for Denlay Associates. Other companies involved in the bribery scandal include Vaeko Europe Ltd. and Nichem Energy Ltd., both owned by an American citizen named Friedhelm Eronat, Berkut Holdings Ltd. and Balicar. Giffen reportedly coordinated his Kazakh oil activities with Gates, National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft, and Secretary of State James Baker.



Kazakhgate: Another scandal in the Bush family's resume of criminal chicanery

The following is what Giffen's attorney William Schwartz told U.S. Judge William Pauley of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York about his client's role with the CIA under Robert Gates:

"Mr. Giffen was not just a businessman coming back and reporting to the CIA, he was in some respects their emissary . . . it is no secret, that Mr. Giffen not only had a very close relationship with senior officials of the Kazak government, he had a very close relationship with senior officials in various American intelligence agencies, most particularly the CIA and National Security Council. And as we show in our papers, your Honor, it was well known to those agencies, and it has been publicly acknowledged in an article by Seymour Hersh and a book by former CIA agent [Robert Baer], that Mr. Giffen provided very important information to the government of the United States, and that essentially the government of the United States was very interested in exploiting, with his approval, Mr. Giffen's closeness to the leaders of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

"Indeed, one of the incidents we have shown in our papers, your Honor, and has been publicly reported, was that Mr. Giffen was asked to intervene at one point by the United States when it was learned that the government was perhaps selling MIGs and other armaments to Korea and Iran, and he did and the problem was taken care of. It was very important to the intelligence apparatus of this country that Mr. Giffen be in a very close position with the leadership of Kazakhstan.

"Your Honor, I think there may well be evidence at trial to show that Mr. Giffen routinely reported to the CIA upon his return from his numerous trips, his very frequent trips to Kazakhstan, that he had very close relationships with the government of the United States, that some of the best intelligence that we received throughout the government of Kazakhstan came from Mr. Giffen.

"When the government of the United States needed something to be done in Kazakhstan, Mr. Giffen was asked to do it. Mr. Giffen was in a position that was of great importance to the American government, and the American government we believe, your Honor, wanted him to be there and indicated to him that it wanted him to be there."

U.S. intelligence insiders report that the Kazakh operations of the George H. W. Bush administration were coordinated from Enron in Houston, which hired some 300 ex-KGB agents after the fall of the Soviet Union to help coordinate U.S. moves to control the energy supplies of newly-independent republics like Kazakhstan. In addition, Enron employed a number of associates of Robert Gates who retired from or left the CIA to work on the oil and gas deals

in the former Soviet Union and other countries. Giffen was a top liaison to Kazakhstan, having become a Kazakh passport-carrying government adviser to Nazarbayev.

Because the Kazakh oil and gas fields were in poor condition and needed refurbishment, Halliburton was later brought in by Enron and the U.S. oil company consortium developing the Tengiz fields to help in the effort. Halliburton's President and CEO at the time was Dick Cheney. The billions of dollars needed to refurbish the Kazakh production facilities were requested by George H. W. Bush from the Saudis, whose former Oil Minister Sheik Zaki Yamani was an ardent backer of the plan, which, from the Giffen trial, now appears to have included bribes paid to Kazakh government leaders with the support and acquiescence of Bush, Sr., Baker, and Gates.

As with other growing scandals involving Bush-controlled secret accounts, oil and pipeline deals, and connections with foreign governments and groups like "Al Qaeda," the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, and various Islamo-fascist groups in Europe, George W. Bush is trying to cover his own tracks as well as those of his father and his Vice President, Dick Cheney. U.S. and foreign intelligence sources report that the Bush family's secret deals around the world are beginning to become a huge sinking ship with a number of "rats" jumping off and spilling the beans to law enforcement officials and intelligence agents.

State-by-state GOP Scandal Scorecard: Indiana joins Ohio and Kentucky as states where Republican Governors are under investigation. [State-by-state](#)

August 25, 2005 -- The Veterans of Foreign Wars trumps the American Legion when it comes to American values.

The recent VFW convention in Salt Lake City featured 73-year old combat veteran Bill Moyer of Kentucky wearing a paper flap over his right ear during George W. Bush's ranting war speech. Printed on the ear flap was "Bulls**t Protector." At the same time, 2000 demonstrators, led by Salt Lake City Mayor Rocky Anderson, gathered downtown to protest Bush and the war. Anderson was invited to speak to the VFW convention where his comments on the war were warmly received by the gathered veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, and other military conflicts.

Such acceptance of growing anti-war opinion is not the case with the American Legion, the same organization that was exposed by Marine Corps General Smedley Butler for trying to overthrow President Franklin Roosevelt in a military coup during the 1930s. Speaking at the American Legion convention in Hawaii on August 24, National Commander of the Legion Thomas Cadmus commented on the various anti-war protests around the country: "Public protests against the war here at home while our young men and women are in harm's way on the other side of the globe only provide aid and comfort to our enemies." Cadmus has shown himself to be nothing more than a right-wing political shill for the Bush administration. The American Legion magazine has been turned into a vile propaganda rag for various neocon think tanks in Washington, including the horrid Heritage Foundation and Hudson Institute. What's

more, Cadmus does not speak for all American Legionnaires,. Many Legionnaires, like their VFW colleagues, are participating in the anti-war protests and, no Mr. Cadmus, they are not doing so to "provide aid and comfort to our enemies." They support our troops by wanting them taken out of a war zone created by an insane administration. It is you, Mr. Cadmus, who is providing aid and comfort to our enemies by adopting the un-American tenets of the neocon movement.

By turning the tax-exempt American Legion into a political mouthpiece for the White House, Cadmus should be investigated by the IRS for violating the rules for non-profit organizations. If Cadmus wants to continue with his blatant political activities, let American Legion posts across the nation start paying taxes for their properties and the cheap booze they continuously ply to their alcoholic fixtures. --
Wayne Madsen, Past Adjutant, American Legion Post 85, Arlington, VA.

A few months after the invasion of Iraq, I had an interesting e-mail exchange with the editor of *The American Legion* magazine:

29 June 2003

To the Editor, The American Legion:

Your July issue contains a number of articles that can best be described as mere propaganda generated from the neo-conservative ideologues peppered throughout the Bush administration. These individuals, many of whom conveniently dodged the Vietnam draft, have hijacked

American foreign and defense policy for their own narrow political purposes. "The Other Axis of Evil" by Paul Crespo gives weight to a white paper from the extreme right-wing Hudson Institute, while "Beyond Baghdad" is written by an official of the Hudson Institute. "A Farewell to Armistice" about North Korea follows the same neo-conservative line. Please do not allow your publication to become an echo chamber for the "neo-cons." As a veteran, I can speak for myself and many other veterans who object to the chickenhawk neo-con agenda, one that dismisses the opinions of flag rank officers and places our young military men and women in perpetual danger in a badly thought-out Iraq occupation and possible further military adventures as suggested by the above three articles.

Wayne Madsen, Arlington, VA

*** Dear Mr. Madsen,

Thank you for your message to The American Legion Magazine. Before accusing people of being "chickenhawks" or "dodging the Vietnam draft," you may wish to do a little more research. Paul Crespo is a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, Alan Dowd was seven years old when Saigon fell, and Mike O'Callaghan, a former Democratic governor of Nevada, is a Silver Star recipient who lost his leg in Korea.

Your point that many ideologues [sic] in the Bush administration evaded military service in Vietnam is accurate, but the same can be said of the previous administration. Draft evasion, unfortunately, is a bipartisan practice.

Sincerely,

John Raughter Editor USMC (1983-1990)

*** I did not accuse them of being draft dodgers or being chickenhawks, I was accusing them of serving the interests of those who are: Richard Perle, Paul Wolfowitz, Douglas Feith, Abram Shulsky, Dick Cheney, Harold Rhode, David Wurmser, Dov Zakheim, Scooter Libby, John Bolton, and the list goes on and on and ultimately also includes Messrs. Rumsfeld (weekend warrior between Korea and Vietnam) and G W Bush (AWOL weekend warrior). The draft dodgers in the previous administration did not place the country on an endless path to more unprovoked pre-emptive warfare and our previous Vice President did serve in Vietnam unlike either of the two top office holders in this administration. Many veterans were and continue to be patriotic Democrats who are opposed to this administration's unwise policies.

Wayne Madsen

I noticed that you left Bill Clinton off your list of "Chickenhawks." Were we ever attacked by Bosnia? Haiti? Or what about the air strikes he called on Afgahnistan [sic], Sudan or Iraq?

I agree that many Democrats are patriotic Americans. Partisanship should have nothing to do with foreign policy.

*** "Partisanship should have nothing to do with foreign policy." In other words, just do what your dictators tell you

to do and be about your business. On that particular note, my exchange with the editor ceased.

August 25, 2005 -- More evidence surfaces linking George H. W. Bush to "Al Qaeda" and Bin Laden global money flows. Click here for [Intelligence Whispers](#).



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