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kill with BOMBS.

(the tv program was about an Iraqi former ambassador applied for residency was about to get it but because of the publicity it is likely to be rejected)- Kha

Today, this story was published on www.dompost.co.nz

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Friday , 06 MAY 2005

By Haydon Dewes

Television New Zealand has apologised to an Iraqi man after it sent him an e-mail in response to a complaint and then accused him of forging it.

A hunt is under way to find the author of the e-mail, which contained just seven menacing words: "Watch out for bombs under your car. . ."

Auckland engineer Khalid Al Sayegh wrote to Close Up at Seven on Wednesday what he saw as biased coverage of two of Saddam Hussein's officials who were to enter New Zealand undetected.

He asked Close Up to be "fair and balanced" and include crimes committed by Westerners against other races.

Thirty minutes later the unsigned Close Up e-mail arrived.

Mr Al Sayegh said he found the message disturbing and upsetting.

TVNZ initially denied yesterday that it had sent the e-mail, and even suggested Sayegh had tampered with the auto-reply generated by his e-mail to make it look menacing.

Mr Al Sayegh was furious, and accused TVNZ of trying to deflect blame and cover up the incident. An hour later, TVNZ confirmed the offensive e-mail did exist and was sent from a Close Up computer.

Publicist Zara Potts denied any cover-up attempt, saying it was a legitimate request.

She said the computer from where the e-mail was sent had been identified, but the author was not. All Close Up staff were in an editorial meeting when the e-mail was sent, but she said the possibility someone used an unmanned computer to send the message.

"It's totally unacceptable and we are very apologetic to the recipient and apologetic to the public."

unreservedly," Ms Potts said.

Close Up host Susan Wood was shocked to learn of the e-mail. "If it's come c
I don't know that I'd want (the sender) working with me any more, to tell the t

Mr Al Sayegh's e-mail had been addressed "Dear Susan", but she said it had
passed to her. All incoming e-mails go to a Close Up e-mail account, manne
research team who forward the e-mails.

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ORIGINAL E-MAILS

----- Original Message -----

From: "CloseUp" <CloseUp@tvnz.co.nz>

To: <k.alsayegh@.....

Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2005 9:33 AM

Subject: RE: Closeup, 2 and 3 May 05

Watch out for bombs under your car.....

-----Original Message-----

From: k.alsayegh@

Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2005 9:03 AM

To: CloseUp

Subject: Closeup, 2 and 3 May 05

Dear Susan,

You and your guests (2 and 3 May 05 / Iraqi visitors) were talking in a
very passionate way about human rights and war criminals, and about not
allowing official or former officials who were involved or been members
of the Iraqi former regime to visit NZ because of their record or
allegations against them!...

Then why on earth Madeleine Albright was allowed to visit NZ? Why do
you receive ambassadors from the USA?

Madeleine Albright, in an interview made by TV Program 60 Minutes on 12
may 1996, when she answered a question whether the goal of the United
States in Iraq deserved the price paid by the children of Iraq through
their suffering due to the continuation of the embargo, namely the death
of a half million children, by saying without any hesitation: "We
believe the price deserves that."

Madeleine Albright's statement described precisely the US policy ... we have never heard such a sick statement from the worse sick/criminals/dictators the world has witnessed such as Paulpot, Hitler, Mussolini ..

Bush, Rumsfeld, Blair... undisputedly committed war crimes and crimes against humanity 100 fold greater than the crimes you spoke about on your program on 3/5/2005.. they invaded, destroyed and looted a sovereign country, responsible for killing 100000 Iraqis so far (that is a UK health organization number), used banned weapons such as depleted uranium which caused the increase of cancer patients to 10 times the figure before the war and polluted the Iraqi soil for 100s of yearsetc (I will stop listing because I want to keep the message short)

We would like you to be fair and balanced when you talk with your TV1 audience, I have never ever seen you talking about crimes committed by Anglo-Saxon against other races (such as the above), but you always talks passionately about crimes committed by other races ... it raises big question marks..

**Khalid Al-Sayegh
Auckland, NZ**

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