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Spy chiefs turn on President Obama after seven CIA agents are slaughtered in Afghanistan

By David Gardner

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Barack Obama was accused of double standards yesterday in his treatment of the CIA. The President paid tribute to secret agents after seven of them were killed by a suicide bomber in Afghanistan.

In a statement, he said the CIA had been 'tested as never before' and that agents had 'served on the front lines in directly confronting the dangers of the 21st century'.

He lauded the victims as 'part of a long line of patriots who have made great sacrifices for their fellow citizens and for our way of life'.

Yet the previous day he had blasted 'systemic failures' in the CIA and other U.S. intelligence agencies for failing to prevent the Christmas Day syringe bomb attack.

Backlash: Agency officials are angry at the president's about face

'One day the President is pointing the finger and blaming the intelligence services, saying there is a systemic failure,' said one agency official. 'Now we are heroes. The fact is that we are doing everything humanly possible to stay on top of the security situation. The deaths of our operatives shows just how involved we are on the ground.'

But CIA bosses claim they were unfairly blamed at a time the covert government agency has been stretched further than ever before in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

They point to the murder of seven operatives at a remote mountain base in Afghanistan's Khost Province as an example of how agents are putting their lives on the line at the vanguard of America's far-flung wars.

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The agents - including the chief of the base, a mother-of-three - were collecting information about militants when the suicide bomber struck on Wednesday.

The attack was the deadliest single day for the agency since eight CIA officers were killed in the 1983 bombing of the US Embassy in Beirut.

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The base targetted by Wednesday's suicide bomber was a control centre for a covert programme overseeing strikes by remote-controlled aircraft along Afghanistan's border with Pakistan.

'Those who fell were far from home and close to the enemy, doing the hard work that must be done to protect our country from terrorism. We owe them our deepest gratitude,' CIA Director Leon Panetta said.

Some CIA officials are angry at being criticised by the White House after Abdulmutallab, 23, was allowed to slip through the security net and board a US-bound flight in Amsterdam despite evidence he was a terror threat.

The president complained that a warning from the former London engineering student's father and information about an al Qaeda bomb plot involving a Nigerian were not handled properly by the intelligence networks.

But CIA officials say the data was sent to the US National Counterterrorism Centre in Washington, which was set up after the 9/11 attacks as a clearing house where raw data should be analysed.

Agents claim that is where the dots should have been connected to help identify Abdulmutallab as a threat.

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CIA agent Ali bin Zeid carried the title of "Al-Sherif", which is only bestowed on members of the Jordanian royal family and those near to it. His father was prime minister under the late King Hussein, and one of the closest people to the royal family. His family said that he was in Afghanistan for 20 days and had been due to return home on the day he was killed. The family added that the precise circumstances in which their son died "remain unclear".

This how he used to look:

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