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Out of Control

Beneath the straining veneer of trustworthy government that is draining the credibility of the major media and the Bush Administration, the post-9/11 world has evolved into a suddenly fluid landscape that is increasingly apparent to informed activists, the major media and to the government. The United States is rapidly approaching an era of increasing political and social instability at home. To paraphrase Dickens, "These are the best of times. These are the worst of times." Events in the last month foretell that both the opportunity and the willingness to bring about real change are opening up rapidly, and that the inherent risks of retaliation are increasing in equal measure.

The criminally corrupt actions of the Administration are becoming more transparent and offensive by the day, especially as holes in its 9/11 propaganda campaign multiply and expand. In this sense the government has gone out of control, making it, like a wounded animal, all the more dangerous to civil liberties and the welfare of the rest of the world. On the other hand, the American people, and citizens of Canada, the UK and much of Europe, are beginning to stir in their opposition to the lies of the American government. In that sense, large segments of the population are beginning to release themselves from control by the mass media and government manipulated conditioning. In this scenario, "conflict" is inevitable.

There is good news to report.

On Jan. 27, US District Court Judge Gladys Kessler ordered Vice President Dick Cheney's office to release the secret minutes of the Vice President's Energy Task Force. In the wake of monumental outrage over Enron, the vice president's office has indicated that it would comply without further struggle. It remains to be seen how quickly the promise will be fulfilled.

Europe and much of world reacted with stinging criticism to President Bush's "Axis of Evil" speech, rightly decrying the lack of evidence and the brazenly one-sided approach of the US government.

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, while staying far away from the touchier issues of 9/11, opened the door to partisan challenges of the Administration's conduct.

He began to publicly question the Administration's conduct of the war. This box, if opened just a little more, could put the real issues of 9/11 on the table, but only if activists have the will to force a "full" investigation, regardless of the consequences. That real investigation will not be achieved by changing political parties.

Major media like the Vancouver Sun are beginning to question the glaring and obvious flaws in the US position. Citing a number of increasingly recognized sources (including *FTW*), columnist Ian Mulgrew wrote a Feb. 23 tongue-in-cheek column that, with blistering sarcasm, has called the entire credibility of the American government's story of 9/11 into doubt.

An effort by the Bush Administration to launch The Office of Strategic Influence, which "might" plant false stories in the world media (including the US), died stillborn after a refreshing but all too rare, outcry of indignation from the American media. "It's dead," said defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld in a Pentagon news conference this week.

All over the world people are awakening to the crimes cloaked in 9/11's tragedy. I have now given seven 9/11 lectures: Portland; Toronto (2x); Kerrville, Texas; Los Angeles; Sacramento and San Francisco, and the crowds are growing both in size and enthusiasm for the work done by many great investigators. At least six more lectures are in the offing. The once moribund spirit of protest that extends beyond the entrenched comfort zones of armchair activists is swelling. (Cont. on Page 3)

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Either They Think We're Children, or Daddy's an Idiot.

Suspect in Pearl Kidnap-Murder is Former Pakistani Intelligence Aide Who Wired \$100,000 to bin Laden Terrorist

by Michael Davidson, **FTW** staff writer

FTW, March 1, 2002 — **A** lot of adults complain that, when they were children, their parents shielded them from unpleasant news. Others complain that their parents were totally clueless as to what was really going on in the family.

One of those scenarios is being played out by the mainstream media as it feeds America the news.

A lot of things happened on Sept. 11 besides the horrifying attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. According to an Oct. 7 story on MSNBC, one of those "other" things was a meeting between senior level federal officials and Lt. Gen. Mahmud Ahmad, head of Pakistan's intelligence service, the ISI. By treaty, the head of Pakistani intelligence must be approved by the CIA.

A few weeks later the general resigned, supposedly because of an organizational situation. Shortly after that, on Oct. 9, the Times of India reported that Ahmad had actually resigned because it was proven that he was responsible for a \$100,000 wire transfer from Pakistan to Mohammed Atta. Atta has been named by the FBI as the leader of the 9/11 terrorists.

The paper reported that Ahmad instructed an associate, Ahmad Umar Sayeed Sheikh, to make the money transfer. The details of the transaction, and the individuals involved, have been confirmed by the FBI.

On Jan. 23, Wall Street Journal Reporter Daniel Pearl was kidnapped. After weeks of intense police work amidst worldwide outcry, Pakistani authorities arrested their prime suspect on Feb. 12. At that time, the suspect said Pearl was alive. The suspect appeared in court on February 14, saying they were involved in the kidnapping, and that Pearl was, in fact, dead.

According to the Wall Street Journal of Feb. 22, the prime suspect in Pearl's kidnapping, and now murder, is Ahmad Umar Sayeed Sheikh. This is the same man who has been confirmed as wiring money to the 9/11 terrorists on the instructions of the head of Pakistani intelligence. Sheikh is described by the Chicago Tribune, also on Feb. 22, as "a British-born Islamic militant with a history of kidnapping foreigners." It is somewhat difficult to understand why both US and Pakistani authorities let Sheikh walk around after his terrorist connection was known.

We're in a situation now where there is a direct, straight-line connection between the CIA-approved head of ISI, the 9/11 terrorists, and Daniel Pearl's grisly murder. Why this is not being shouted out by every network anchor, or seen in 2-inch headlines on every newspaper, can only be explained in one of two ways:

Either the media wants to hide the truth, or they're too stupid to see the connection. **FTW** doesn't think they're that stupid.

Spending the Night with Dick Cheney

In the week prior to putting this issue to bed I had the great good fortune to give lectures to large crowds in both Sacramento and San Francisco. Bob Gipson, who organized in San Francisco, and Judith Lam, who organized in San Francisco, did outstanding jobs, and we were blessed with wildly enthusiastic crowds as the **FTW** map of 9/11 gains public acceptance. We'll get stories up as soon as we can.

But there's one thing I need to clear up before it becomes the subject of conspiracy lore.

While in Sacramento I was put up for the night of Feb. 20 (very comfortably) at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also staying in the hotel that night was Vice President Dick Cheney. No, I did not go up to the Secret Service and ask to see the VP.

And I just didn't want any alarms to be sounded when a researcher discovered that we were in the hotel together, added two plus two, and came up with eight.

(CONTROL, Cont. from Page 1) The “Volvo Democrats” are increasingly being rendered irrelevant and obsolete in the new and dangerous world paradigm. This is what I have been hoping to encourage.

But there is also much bad news.

In a complete slap in the face for the American people, retired Admiral John Poindexter, convicted on felony charges of conspiracy, making false statements to Congress and obstruction of justice — Oliver North’s boss who supervised the destruction of more than 5,000 incriminating emails during Iran-Contra — has been chosen to head the White House’s Information Awareness Office. Not needing Congressional approval, Poindexter has now been placed in a job where he will regularly monitor all email and telephone communications in this country. Warrants are not required since the passage of the Patriot Act last fall.

In Colombia, fulfilling **FTW’s** prophecies going back to 1999, the government announced on Feb. 20 that it had abandoned its truce with the FARC rebels, who control a third of the country. The bombing began the next day and the State Department reiterated its position that the FARC were terrorists. Of course, as has been well documented, the FARC-occupied lands hold a lot of oil.

Just this week the President turned up the volume on his campaign to open the coffers of Social Security to Savings and Loan-style looting.

According to CNN on March 1, Liz Cheney, daughter of Vice President Dick Cheney, has been appointed to the rank of Deputy Secretary of State. She will specialize in Middle Eastern issues. She joins the son of Colin Powell, who now heads the Federal Communications Commission in an Executive Branch that is increasingly inbred and feudal in its makeup.

And also on March 1, without any prompting by events in the outside world, CNN lifted the covers for a brief peek at the “Continuity of Government” program and even referred to it as, “The Shadow Government.” Those who have been around for a while are familiar with the fact that, as a part of its operational plan, this program calls for the complete suspension of the Constitution in emergencies and the division (Balkanization) of the United States into nine separate regions to be governed as though they were kingdoms. What was interesting about the CNN story was that it said that the Shadow Government had been and remains in continuous operation since Sept. 11.

A news story “conditioning” the American people to this new form of government on a day when there were no national emergencies is, to me, an ominous warning of where the Administration may be headed if its cache with the American people continues to weaken. Do not believe the polls.

As you read the stories this month, especially about the pandemic of unnatural deaths among microbiologists connected to disease research, the unchecked corruption in and around Enron, and the sheer nonfunctioning of government when it comes to the public interest, you may well agree with me that we are witnessing the beginnings of an orgy of evil. Orgies are not known to stop because someone participating in one suddenly developed a sense of morality. —MCR

A Career In Microbiology Can Be Harmful To Your Health (Revised - updated)

POST 9-11 DEATH TOLL MOUNTING AS CONNECTIONS TO DYNCORP, HADRON, PROMIS SOFTWARE AND DISEASE RESEARCH EMERGE

by

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[ED. NOTE: As **FTW** has begun to investigate serious discussions by legitimate scientists and academics on the possible “necessity” of reducing the world’s population by more than four billion people, no stranger set of circumstances since Sept. 11 adds credibility to this possibility than the suspicious deaths of what may be as many as 14 world-class microbiologists. Following on the heels of our two-part series on the coming world oil crisis, this story by Michael Davidson, a graduate of the Syracuse University School of Journalism, is one that takes on a unique significance. In our original story we incorrectly reported the original date of disappearance of Don Wiley and two other microbiologists. These errors have been corrected and we have updated the story to include new deaths that have occurred since we published the earlier version on Feb. 14. The newest connections to DynCorp, Hadron and PROMIS software are leads an amateur would not overlook. How else would any microbiologists threatening an ultra-secret government biological weapons program be identified than by secretly scanning their databases to see what they were working on? — MCR]

FTW – Feb. 28, 2002 — In the four-month period from Nov. 12 through Feb. 11, seven world-class microbiologists in different parts of the world were reported dead. Six died of “unnatural” causes, while the cause of the seventh’s death is questionable. Also on Nov. 12, DynCorp, a major government contractor for data processing, military operations and intelligence work, was awarded a \$322 million contract to develop, produce and store vaccines for the Department of Defense. DynCorp and Hadron, both defense contractors connected to classified research programs on communicable diseases, have also been linked to a software program known as PROMIS, which may have helped identify and target the victims.

In the six weeks prior to Nov. 12, two additional foreign microbiologists were reported dead. Some believe there were as many as five more microbiologists killed during the period, bringing the total as high as 14. These two to seven additional deaths, however, are not the focus of this story. This same period also saw the deaths of three persons involved in medical research or public health.

On Nov. 12, Benito Que, 52, was found comatose in the street near the laboratory where he worked at the University of Miami Medical School. He died on Dec. 6.

On Nov. 16, Don C. Wiley, 57, vanished, and his abandoned rental car was found on the Hernando de Soto Bridge outside Memphis, Tenn. His body was found on Dec. 20.

On Nov. 23, Vladimir Pasechnik, 64, was found dead in Wiltshire, England, not far from his home.

On Dec. 10, Robert Schwartz, 57, was found murdered in his rural home in Loudoun County, Va.

On Dec. 11, Set Van Nguyen, 44, was found dead in the airlock entrance to a walk-in refrigerator in the laboratory where he worked in Victoria State, Australia.

On Feb. 8, Vladimir Korshunov, 56, was found dead on a Moscow street.

And on Feb. 11, Ian Langford, 40, was found dead in his home in Norwich, England.

OOPS!

Prior to these deaths, on Oct. 4, a commercial jetliner traveling from Israel to Novosibirsk, Siberia was shot down over the Black Sea by an "errant" Ukrainian surface-to-air missile, killing all on board. The missile was over 100 miles off-course. Despite early news stories reporting it as a charter, the flight, Air Sibir 1812, was a regularly scheduled flight.

According to several press reports, including a Dec. 5 article by Barry Chamish and one on Jan. 13 by Jim Rarey (both available at www.rense.com), the plane is believed by many in Israel to have had as many as five passengers who were microbiologists. Both Israel and Novosibirsk are homes for cutting-edge microbiological research. Novosibirsk is known as the scientific capital of Siberia, and home to over 50 research facilities and 13 full universities for a population of only 2.5 million people.

At the time of the Black Sea crash, Israeli journalists had been sounding the alarm that two Israeli microbiologists had been recently murdered, allegedly by terrorists. On Nov. 24 a Swissair flight from Berlin to Zurich crashed on its landing approach. Of the 33 persons on board, 24 were killed, including the head of the hematology department at Israel's Ichilov Hospital, as well as directors of the Tel Aviv Public Health Department and Hebrew University School of Medicine. They were the only Israelis on the flight. The names of those killed, as reported in a subsequent Israeli news story but not matched to their job titles, were Avishai Berkman, Amiram Eldor and Yaacov Matzner.

Besides all being microbiologists, six of the seven scientists who died within weeks of each other died from "unnatural" causes. And four of the seven were doing virtually identical research — research that has global, political and financial significance.

QUE PASA?

The public relations office at the University of Miami Medical School said only that Benito Que was a cell biologist, involved in oncology research in the hematology department. This research relies heavily on DNA sequencing studies. The circumstances of his death raise more questions than they answer.

Que had left his job at a research laboratory at the University of Miami Medical School, apparently heading for his Ford Explorer parked on NW 10th Avenue. The Miami Herald, referring to the death as an "incident," reported he had no wallet on him, and quoted Miami police as saying his death may have been the result of a mugging. Police made this statement while at the same time saying there was a lack of visible trauma to Que's body. There is firm belief among Que's friends and family that the Ph.D. was attacked by four men, at least one of whom had a baseball bat. Que's death has now been officially ruled "natural," caused by cardiac arrest. Both the Dade County medical examiner and the Miami Police would not comment on the case, saying only that it is closed.

A MEMPHIS MYSTERY

Don C. Wiley of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute at Harvard University, was one of the most prominent microbiologists in the world. He had won many of the field's most prestigious awards, including the 1995 Albert Lasker Basic Medical Research Award for work that could make anti-viral vaccines a reality. He was heavily involved in research on DNA sequencing. Wiley was last seen around midnight on Nov. 15, leaving the St. Jude's Children's Research Advisory dinner held at the Peabody Hotel in Memphis, Tenn. Associates attending the dinner said he showed no signs of intoxication, and no one has admitted to drinking with him.

His rented Mitsubishi Galant was found about four hours later, abandoned on a bridge across the Mississippi River, headed towards Arkansas. Keys were in the ignition, the gas tank full, and the hazard flashers had not been turned on. Wiley's body was found on Dec. 20, snagged on a tree along the Mississippi River in Vidalia, La., 300 miles south of Memphis. Until his body was found, Wiley's death was handled as a missing person case, and police did no forensic examinations.

Early reports about Wiley's disappearance made no mention of paint marks on his car or a missing hubcap, which turned up in subsequent reports. The type of accident needed to knock off the hubcaps (actually a complete wheel cover) used on recent model Galants would have caused noticeable damage to the sheet metal on either side of the wheel, and probably the wheel itself. No damage to the car's body or wheel has been reported.

Wiley's car was found about a five-minute drive from the hotel where he was last seen. There is a four-hour period in his evening that cannot be accounted for. There is also no explanation as to why he would have been headed into Arkansas late at night. Wiley was staying at his father's home in Memphis.

The Hernando de Soto Bridge carries Interstate 40 out of Memphis, across the Mississippi River into Arkansas. The traffic on the bridge was reduced to a single lane in each direction. This would have caused westbound traffic out of Memphis to slow down and travel in one lane. Anything in the other two closed lanes would have been plainly obvious to every passing person. There are no known witnesses to Wiley stopping his car on the bridge.

On Jan. 14, almost two months after his disappearance, Shelby County Medical Examiner O.C. Smith announced that his department had ruled Wiley's death to be "accidental;" the result of massive injuries suffered in a fall from the Hernando de Soto Bridge. Smith said there were paint marks on Wiley's rental car similar to the paint used on construction signs on the bridge, and that the car's right front hubcap was missing. There has been no report as to which construction signs Wiley hit. There is also no explanation as to why this evidence did not move the Memphis police to consider possibilities other than a "missing person."

Smith theorizes that Wiley pulled over to the outermost lane of the bridge (that lane being closed at the time) to inspect the damage to his car. Smith's subsequent explanation for the fall requires several other things to have occurred simultaneously:

- Wiley had to have had one of the two or three seizures he has per year due to a rare disorder known only to family and close friends, that seizure being brought on by use of alcohol earlier that evening;
- A passing truck creating a huge blast of wind and/or roadway bounce due to heavy traffic; and,
- Wiley had to be standing on the curb next to the guardrail which, because of Wiley's 6-foot-3-inch height, would have come only to his mid-thigh.

These conditions would have put Wiley's center of gravity above the rail, and the seizure would have caused him to lose his balance as the truck created the bounce and blast of wind, thus causing him to fall off the bridge.

SCIENCE IS MIGHTIER THAN THE SWORD?

Robert M. Schwartz was a founding member of the Virginia Biotechnology Association, and the Executive Director of Research and Development at Virginia's Center for Innovative Technology. He was extremely well respected in biophysics, and regarded as an authority on DNA sequencing.

Co-workers became concerned when he didn't show up at his office on Dec. 10. He was later found dead at his home. Loudoun County Sheriff's officials said Schwartz was stabbed on Dec. 8 with a sword, and had an "X" cut into the back of his neck.

Schwartz's daughter Clara, 19, and three others have been charged in the case. The four are said to have a fascination with fantasy worlds, witchcraft, and the occult. Kyle Hulbert, 18, who allegedly committed the murder, has a history of mental illness, and is reported by the Washington Post to have killed Schwartz to prevent the murder of Clara. At the request of Clara Schwartz's attorneys, on Feb. 13 Judge Pamela Grizzle ordered all new evidence introduced about her role in the case to be sealed. She also issued a temporary gag order covering the entire case on police, prosecutors and defense attorneys.

BREATHE DEEPLY, AND CARRY A BIG STICK

Set Van Nguyen was found dead on Dec. 11 at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization's animal diseases facility in Geelong, Australia. He had worked there 15 years. According to an article on www.rense.com by Ian Gurney, in Jan. 2001 the magazine Nature published information that two scientists at this facility, using genetic manipulation and DNA sequencing, had created an incredibly virulent form of mousepox, a cousin of smallpox. The researchers were extremely concerned that if similar manipulation could be done to smallpox, a terrifying weapon could be unleashed.

According to Victoria Police, Nguyen died after entering a refrigerated storage facility. "He did not know the room was full of deadly gas which had leaked from a liquid nitrogen cooling system. Unable to breathe, Mr. Nguyen collapsed and died," is the official report.

Nitrogen is not a "deadly" gas, and is a part of air. An extreme over-abundance of nitrogen in one's immediate atmosphere would cause shortness of breath, lightheadedness, and fatigue — conditions a biologist would certainly recognize. Additionally, a leak sufficient to fill the room with nitrogen would set off alerts, and would be so massive as to cause a complete loss of cooling, causing the temperature to rise, which would also set off standard alarms in these systems.

A RUSSIAN, BRITISH INTELLIGENCE AND OLD CORPSES

In 1989, Vladimir Pasechnik defected from the Former Soviet Union (FSU) to Great Britain while on a trip to Paris. He had been the top scientist in the FSU's bioweapons program, which is heavily dependent upon DNA sequencing. Pasechnik's death was reported in the New York Times as having occurred on Nov. 23.

The Times obituary indicated that the announcement of Pasechnik's death was made in the United States by Dr. Christopher Davis of Virginia, who stated that the cause of death was a stroke. Davis was the member of British intelligence who de-briefed Pasechnik at the time of his defection. Davis says he left the intelligence service in 1996, but when asked why a former member of British intelligence would be the person announcing the death of Pasechnik to the US media, he replied that it had come about during a conversation with a reporter he had had a long relationship with. The reporter Davis named is

not the author of the Times' obituary, and Davis declined to say which branch of British intelligence he served in. No reports of Pasechnik's death appeared in Britain for more than a month, until Dec. 29, when his obituary appeared in the London Telegraph, which did not include a date of death.

Pasechnik spent the 10 years after his defection working at the Centre for Applied Microbiology and Research at the UK Department of Health, Salisbury. On Feb. 20, 2000, it was announced that, along with partner Caisey Harlinton, Pasechnik had formed a company called Regma Biotechnologies Ltd. Regma describes itself as "a new drug company working to provide powerful alternatives to antibiotics." Like three other microbiologists detailed in this article, Pasechnik was heavily involved in DNA sequencing research. During the anthrax panic of this past fall, Pasechnik offered his services to the British government to help in any way possible. Despite Regma having a public relations department that has released many items to the press over the past two years, the company has not announced the death of one of its two founders.

FEBRUARY, BLOODY FEBRUARY

On Feb. 9 the news publication Pravda.ru reported that Victor Korshunov had been killed. At the time, Korshunov was head of the microbiology sub-facility at the Russian State Medical University. He was found dead in the entrance to his home with a cranial injury. Pravda reports that Korshunov had probably invented either a vaccine to protect against biological weapons, or a weapon itself.

On Feb. 12 a newspaper in Norwich, England reported the previous day's death of Ian Langford, a senior researcher at the University of East Anglia. The story went on to say that police "were not treating the death as suspicious." The next day, Britain's The Times reported that Langford was found wedged under a chair "at his blood-spattered and apparently ransacked home."

The Feb. 12 story, from the Eastern Daily Press, reports that clerks at a store near Langford's home claim he came in on a daily basis to buy "a big bottle of vodka." Two of the store's staff also claim Langford had come into the store a few days earlier wearing "just a jumper and a pair of shoes." None of the store's staff would give their name.

It is hard to understand how a man can reach the highest levels of achievement in a scientific field while drinking "a big bottle of vodka" on a daily basis, and strolling around his hometown nearly nude. A Feb. 14 follow-up story from the Eastern Daily Press says police believe Langford died after suffering "one or more falls." They say this would account for his head injuries and large amount of blood found at the death scene.

THE HOWARD HUGHES MEDICAL INSTITUTE — ANOTHER LINK?

There is another intriguing connection between three of the five American scientists that have died. Wiley, Schwartz, and Benito Que worked for medical research facilities that received grants from Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI). HHMI funds a tremendous number of research programs at schools, hospitals and research facilities, and has long been alleged to be conducting "black ops" biomedical research for intelligence organizations, including the CIA.

Long-time biowarfare investigator Patricia Dole, Ph.D. reports that there is a history of people connected to HHMI being murdered. In 1994, Jose Trias met with a friend in Houston, Texas and was planning to go public with his personal knowledge of HHMI "front door" grants being diverted to "back door" black ops bio-research. The next day, Trias and his wife were found dead in their Chevy Chase, Md. home. Chevy Chase is where HHMI is headquartered. Police described the killings as a professional hit. Tsunao Saitoh, who formerly worked at an HHMI-funded lab at Columbia University, was shot to death on May 7, 1996 while sitting in his car outside his home in La Jolla, Calif. Police also described this as a professional hit.

BEYOND THE BIZARRE

Early-October saw reports that British scientists were planning to exhume the bodies of 10 London victims of the 1918 type-A flu epidemic known as the "Spanish Flu." An October 7 report in The Independent, UK said that victims of the Spanish Flu had been victims of "the world's most deadly virus." British scientists, according to the story, hope to uncover the genetic makeup of the virus, making it easier to combat.

Professor John Oxford of London's Queen Mary's School of Medicine, the British government's flu adviser, acknowledges that the exhumations and subsequent studies will have to be done with extreme caution so the virus is not unleashed to cause another epidemic. The uncovering of a pathogen's genetic structure is the exact work Pasechnik was doing at Regma. Pasechnik died six weeks after the planned exhumations were announced. The need to exhume the bodies assumes no Type-A flu virus sample exists in any lab anywhere in the world.

A piece on MSNBC that aired September 6 makes the British exhumation plans seem odd. The story refers to an article that was to be published the following day in the weekly magazine Science, reporting the 1918 flu virus had recently been RNA sequenced. Researchers had traced down and obtained virus samples from archived lung tissue of WWI soldiers, and from an Inuit woman who had been buried in the Alaskan permafrost.

HELP WANTED, SPIES, AND A LINK TO PROMIS

Almost immediately at the outset of the anthrax scare, the Bush administration contracted with Bayer Pharmaceuticals for millions of doses of Cipro, an antibiotic to treat anthrax. This was done despite many in the medical community stating that there were several cheaper, better alternatives to Cipro, which has never been shown to be effective against inhaled anthrax. The Center for Disease Control's (CDC) own website states a preference for the antibiotic doxycycline over Cipro for inhalation anthrax. CDC expresses concerns that widespread Cipro use could cause other bacteria to become immune to antibiotics.

It was announced Jan. 21 that the director of the CDC, Jeffrey Koplan, is resigning effective March 31. Six days earlier

it was announced that Surgeon General David Satcher is also resigning. And there is currently no director for the National Institutes of Health — NIH is being run by an acting director. The recent resignations leave the three most significant medical positions in the federal government simultaneously vacant.

After three months of conflicting reports it is now official that the anthrax that has killed several Americans since October 5 is from US military sources connected to CIA research. The FBI has stated that only 10 people could have had access, yet at the same time they are reporting astounding security breaches at the biowarfare facility at Fort Detrick, Md. — breaches such as unauthorized nighttime experiments and lab specimens gone missing.

The militarized anthrax used by the US was developed by William C. Patrick III, who holds five classified patents on the process. He has worked at both Fort Detrick, and the Dugway Proving Grounds in Utah. Patrick is now a private biowarfare consultant to the military and CIA. Patrick developed the process by which anthrax spores could be concentrated at the level of one trillion spores per gram. No other country has been able to get concentrations above 500 billion per gram. The anthrax that was sent around the eastern US last fall was concentrated at one trillion spores per gram, according to a Jan. 31 report by Barbara Hatch Rosenberg of the Federation of American Scientists.

In recent years Patrick has worked with Kanatjan Alibekov. Now known by the Americanized “Ken Alibek”, he defected to the US in 1992. Before defecting, Alibek was the no. 2 man in the FSU’s biowarfare program. His boss was Vladimir Pasechnik.

Currently, Ken Alibek is President of Hadron Advanced Biosystems, a subsidiary of Alexandria, Va.-based Hadron, Inc. Hadron describes itself as a company specializing in the development of technical solutions for the intelligence community. As chief scientist at Hadron, Alibek gave extensive testimony to the House Armed Services Committee about biological weapons on Oct. 20, 1999, and again on May 23, 2000. Hadron announced on Dec. 20 that as of that date, the company had received \$12 million in funding for medical biodefense research from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, the US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, and the NIH. Hadron said it was working in the field of non-specific immunity.

In the 1980s Hadron was founded and headed by Dr. Earl Brian, a medical doctor and crony of Ronald Reagan and associate of former Attorney General Edwin Meese. Brian was convicted in the 1980s on fraud charges. Both Hadron and Brian have been closely associated in court documents and numerous credible reports, confirmed since Sept. 11, with the theft of enhanced PROMIS software from its owner, the Inslaw Corp. PROMIS is a highly sophisticated computer program capable of integrating a wide variety of databases. The software has reportedly been mated in recent years with artificial intelligence. PROMIS has long been known to have been modified by intelligence agencies with a “back door” that allows for surreptitious retrieval of stored data. [For more information on what PROMIS can do and its history, please use the search engine at www.copvicia.com.]

Given this unique capability, and Hadron’s prior connections to PROMIS, it is a possibility that the software, by tapping into databases used by each of the victims, could have identified any lines of research that threatened to compromise a large, and as yet unidentified, more sinister covert operation.

The DNAsequencing work by several of the microbiologists discussed earlier is aimed at developing drugs that will fight pathogens based on the pathogen’s genetic profile. The work is also aimed at eventually developing drugs that will work in cooperation with a person’s genetic makeup. Theoretically, a drug could be developed for one specific person. That being the case, it’s obvious that one could go down the ladder, and a drug could be developed to effectively treat a much broader class of people sharing a genetic marker. The entire process can also be turned around to develop a pathogen that will affect a broad class of people sharing a genetic marker. A broad class of people sharing a genetic marker could be a group such as a race, or people with brown eyes.

An Oct. 17 story in USA Today reported that the US government wanted to order 300 million doses of smallpox vaccine. Apparently, that wish has been granted. On Nov. 28 a British vaccine maker, Acambis, announced that it had received a \$428 million contract to provide 155 million doses of smallpox vaccine to the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). This was Acambis’ second contract. The company is already in the process of producing 54 million doses. The US government has 15.4 million doses stockpiled, and HHS plans to dilute them five to one. The two contracts and the dilution program will bring the total HHS stockpile to 286 million doses.

Smallpox was officially declared eradicated by the World Health Organization in 1977, after treating the last known case in Merca, Somalia.

MEHPA — MEDICAL FASCISM

A meeting of the Center for Law and the Public Health (CLPH) was convened on Oct. 5. This group is run jointly by Georgetown University Law School and Johns Hopkins Medical School, and was founded under the auspices of the Center for Disease Control (CDC). CLPH was formed one month prior to the 2000 Presidential election. The purpose of the October meeting was to draft legislation to respond to the then current bioterrorism threat.

After working only 18 days, on Nov. 23 CLPH released a 40-page document called the Model Emergency Health Powers Act (MEHPA). This was a “model” law that HHS is suggesting be enacted by the 50 states to handle future public health emergencies such as bioterrorism. A revised version was released on Dec. 21 containing more specific definitions of “public health emergency” as it pertains to bioterrorism and biologic agents, and includes language for those states that want to use the act for chemical, nuclear or natural disasters.

According to the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS), after declaring a “public health emergency”, and without consulting with public health authorities, law enforcement, the legislature or courts, a state governor using MEHPA, or anyone he/she decides to empower, can among many things:

- Require any individual to be vaccinated. Refusal constitutes a crime and will result in quarantine.
- Require any individual to undergo specific medical treatment. Refusal constitutes a crime and will result in quarantine.
- Seize any property, including real estate, food, medicine, fuel or clothing, an official thinks necessary to handle the emergency.
- Seize and destroy any property alleged to be hazardous. There will be no compensation or recourse.
- Draft you or your business into state service.
- Impose rationing, price controls, quotas and transportation controls.
- Suspend any state law, regulation or rule that is thought to interfere with handling the declared emergency.

When the federal government wanted the states to enact the 55 mph speed limit, they coerced the states using the threat of withholding federal monies. The same tactic will likely be used with MEHPA. As of this writing the law has been passed in Kentucky. According to AAPS, it has been introduced in the legislatures of Arizona, California, Delaware, Illinois, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Michigan, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania and Tennessee. It is expected to be introduced shortly in Colorado, Connecticut, Hawaii, Maine, and Wisconsin. Additionally, the executive branches of North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and Washington, D.C. are also evaluating MEHPA.

LEADS

The research the microbiologists were doing could have developed methods of treating diseases like anthrax and smallpox without conventional antibiotics or vaccines. Pharmaceutical contracts to deal with these diseases will total hundreds of millions, if not billions, of dollars. If epidemics could be treated in non-traditional ways, MEHPA might not be necessary. Considering the government's actions nullifying many civil liberties since last September, MEHPA seems to be a law looking for an excuse to be enacted. Maybe the microbiologists were in the way of some peoples' or business' agendas.

We also know that DNA sequencing research can be used to develop pathogens that target specific genetically related groups. One company, DynCorp, handles data processing for many federal agencies, including the CDC, the Department of Agriculture, several branches of the Department of Justice, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the NIH. On Nov. 12 DynCorp announced that its subsidiary, DynPort Vaccine, had been awarded a \$322 million contract to develop, produce, test, and store FDA licensed vaccines for use by the Defense Department. It would be incredibly easy for DynCorp to hide information pertaining to the exact make-up, safety, efficacy and purpose of the drugs and vaccines the US government has contracted for.

Reasons to suspect DynCorp of criminal behavior are not hard to find. Investigative reporter Kelly O'Meara of Insight Magazine, in a story dated Feb. 4, disclosed a massive US military investigation of how DynCorp employees in Bosnia had engaged in a widespread sex-slave ring, trading children as young as eight and videotaping forced sexual encounters. She reviewed government documents and interviewed Army investigators looking into the activities, which had spread throughout DynCorp's contract operations to service helicopters and warehouse supplies for the US military. Videos and other evidence of the crimes are in the Army's possession. Also, in a Feb. 23 story, veteran journalist Al Giordano of www.narconews.com reported that a class-action suit had been filed in Washington, D.C. by more than 10,000 Ecuadorian farmers and a labor union against DynCorp for its rampant spraying of herbicides which have destroyed food crops, weakened the ecosystem and caused more than 1,100 documented cases of illness.

DynCorp's current Chairman, Paul Lombardi, responded to the suit by sending intimidating letters in an unsuccessful attempt to force the plaintiffs to withdraw.

DynCorp has also been directly linked to the development and use of PROMIS software by its founder, Bill Hamilton of Inslaw. DynCorp's former Chairman and current board member is Herbert "Pug" Winokur. Winokur was, until recently, Chairman of the Enron Finance Committee. He claimed ignorance as to the fraudulent financial activities of Enron's board, even though he was charged with their oversight.

Updates on the Vreeland Case – “Mike” Vreeland Attacked in Canadian Jail

US AND CANADIAN GOV'T POSITIONS CRUMBLING IN THE CASE OF A US INTELL OFFICER WITH FOREKNOWLEDGE OF 9/11 ATTACKS

by

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TORONTO, Feb. 27, 2002 — **R**ecently unsealed court documents show a man who claims to be a US intelligence officer accurately predicted the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Delmert Edward “Mike” Vreeland is currently incarcerated in a Toronto prison. His claims, however, are corroborated by evidence that has surfaced during his ongoing court battle in Canada. Court hearings in late-Feb. have only deepened the mystery and added to the list of questions, calling into question the integrity of the US government.

Vreeland has been subject to physical attacks while behind bars, indicating that the certain death he fears if he is returned to the US, might become a reality behind the jailhouse walls in Toronto.

As America wages an increasingly expensive and complex war against terrorism, Vreeland sits in a Canadian jail with a story to tell. It is a story about the murder of a Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (Foreign Affairs) worker, and about foreknowledge of the horrific terrorist attacks on Sept. 11.

Despite Vreeland's repeated attempts to inform both the American and Canadian governments, they have oddly and inexplicably refused to listen. Their argument goes something like this: Vreeland is not perceived to be trustworthy or credible. Therefore, nothing he says can be deemed trustworthy or credible. But, they have never seen fit to ask how he knew of the attacks in the first place.

Vreeland's story does indeed resemble something John Grisham might produce in the throes of a caffeine-induced frenzy. However, Vreeland's story begins to look less like the stuff of unadulterated fiction when one takes into account actions of US and Canadian authorities that seem equally bizarre.

It is becoming increasingly evident, as the case against him unfolds, that the documentation pertaining to Vreeland supplied by the US Navy and Canadian law enforcement officials, is itself so contradictory and incomplete as to, frankly, defy logic. As such, the validity of the charges against Vreeland and the position adopted by US and Canadian authorities raise more questions than they answer.

Vreeland, an American citizen who has been in jail since Dec. 6, claims he is a US Naval lieutenant who has worked for Naval intelligence since 1986.

The US is seeking to extradite Vreeland on a Michigan warrant. Crown Solicitors (Canadian government lawyers in Toronto) are representing the US government in this case, and have dismissed Vreeland's claims of affiliation with US intelligence as nonsense on the grounds that he lacks credibility.

Justice Archie Campbell of the Superior Court of Justice, who briefly presided over the case, is in agreement with the Crown's assessment and has described Vreeland as "nothing more than a petty fraudsman with a vivid imagination."

Ostensibly, Vreeland's story begins in the fall of 2000. In a sworn affidavit filed in court documents on Oct. 16, Vreeland claims that he was sent on assignment to Russia where he was in contact with Marc Bastien, a computer systems specialist working for Foreign Affairs at Canada's embassy in Moscow.

There Vreeland claims he acquired "information vital to the national security of the US and Canada." Vreeland alleges he left Russia with the documents, and arrived in Canada on Dec. 2, 2000. According to his affidavit, he expected to meet Bastien two days later in Toronto to hand over the documents to a third party.

Bastien did not show up, however, so Vreeland hung onto the documents. Vreeland asserts that he proceeded to upload the documents onto a secure website, the location of which is unknown to anyone to the present day, including his attorneys, Paul Slansky and Rocco Galati.

Vreeland claims that Bastien had given him two telephone numbers at the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) to contact in the event that anything went wrong. He was subsequently arrested in Toronto on Dec. 6, 2000, on alleged fraud charges. At the time of his arrest Vreeland claims that he attempted to contact CSIS, per Bastien's instructions, but he was unsuccessful.

Upon his arrest, Vreeland was placed in solitary confinement. The reason for this treatment was the difficulty Toronto police had in confirming his identity. FBI fingerprint records, requested by the Toronto police, were negative, indicating that Vreeland had no criminal record.

After he was removed from solitary confinement on Jan. 15, 2001, he learned that six days after his arrest, on Dec. 12, 2000, Bastien was found dead. The official explanation was that he died of natural causes. Vreeland stated in his affidavit that he believed Bastien was in fact murdered, a statement which later proved correct.

In May, the US government issued a formal request for the extradition of Vreeland on charges of credit card fraud. It was at this point that he hired Slansky, and later, Galati, to fight the extradition. Vreeland's first objection was that the credit card in question was his own. In addition, his criminal record shows that he was detained in New York at the time the alleged offence was committed in Michigan. Both Vreeland and his lawyers believe that the US government is pursuing extradition on "minor and dubious credit card charges," when in fact the government intends to prosecute him for treason, a capital offence, in relation to the documents he retrieved from Russia.

In June, Vreeland informed his counsel that he had information vital to US and Canadian national security. He did not then, nor has he since, divulged the substance of this information to his counsel.

Between June and Sept., Vreeland's counsel made repeated and exhaustive requests to US and Canadian intelligence offices that they speak to their client. Their requests were ignored, except for one meeting with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) on Aug. 8. The RCMP contacted the US Navy and was told that Vreeland had been unsatisfactorily discharged in 1986 after four months of basic training.

The position of the Navy was contradicted by an attaché at the US embassy in Ottawa, who spoke with the RCMP and confirmed that Vreeland was a lieutenant in the US Navy. The Navy refused to cooperate with the RCMP, and the attaché's statement has since been retracted. Because of this, the RCMP did not follow up on the meeting, and Vreeland was dismissed

as a “crank.”

On Oct. 5, Vreeland’s counsel wrote to the Canadian government’s intelligence and law enforcement agencies. The letter has been filed in court documents. The attorneys confirmed their “head-bashing attempts” at convincing the RCMP to deal with their client in a serious manner, reiterating, “all that was being sought was an opportunity to place him in protective custody for 4-5 days **so that you can satisfy yourselves as to the veracity of his national security information.**”[Their emphasis]

It would seem, particularly in the wake of Sept. 11, that this was not an outlandish request. Were Vreeland to be formally debriefed he would be subjected to polygraph and psychological tests. If he is simply a “nut-case” with a vivid imagination and a penchant for forging government documents, then this would surely become evident fairly quickly and he would be sent back to his jail cell.

In August, Vreeland wrote down information from the documents he acquired in Moscow. The information was fed to him in jail by telephone from a contact he had on the outside who had access to the secure website.

He wrote down a list of potential targets of violent attacks that included the Pentagon, the World Trade Center and the Parliament buildings in Ottawa. Also included in the note were names, including that of “bin Laden.” The note contained the rather ominous phrase, “let one happen, stop the rest.” An exact copy of that note, obtained from court records, is online at http://www.copvcia.com/free/ww3/01_28_02_vreeland.jpg.

Vreeland requested that his guards seal the note and register it in his personal effects, which they did. The fact that the note was written and sealed a month prior to the violent attacks of Sept. 11 has not been disputed. Another name on the note was “Dr. Haider” followed by the question, “Whats his contacts.”[sic]

A man called Abu Doha, using the alias “Dr. Haider,” was arrested in London in early-2001. The sworn affidavit of an FBI special agent dated July 2 indicates that Doha was suspected of conspiring to bomb various US targets, including airports. Doha was allegedly a leader of an Algerian terrorist cell operating from Afghanistan, associated with Osama bin Laden’s terrorist network, al Qaeda. Coincidence or not, it certainly begs the question of how a jailed man with limited access to computers could know such an obscure detail.

Meanwhile, the efforts on the part of Vreeland’s counsel to defend his credibility resulted in the retrieval of his Navy personnel record. On Sept. 7, Commander Nieuwsma, naval liaison to the US Congress in Washington, D.C. forwarded Vreeland’s attorneys 56 of 1,261 pages of Vreeland’s Navy personnel record. Commander Nieuwsma’s assistant, Tim Decent, later provided Vreeland’s extensive Navy medical records. These documents are available in court records.

So this begs the questions, how can a man, with only four months of basic navy training, manage to accumulate a 1,261-page personnel record and extensive medical records? Why are over a thousand pages are missing? Why do the pages that do exist display clear omissions and evidence of tampering? So far, plausible answers to these questions have not been addressed by the Crown, or anyone else for that matter.

On Sept. 11, the US was subjected to violent attacks of an unprecedented scale. Three days after the attacks, on Sept. 14, Vreeland instructed his guards to retrieve the sealed note and open it. They did and promptly contacted Vreeland’s attorneys, who were unaware of the note. One would reasonably assume, indeed expect, that the events of Sept. 11 would compel US and Canadian authorities to talk to Vreeland, but they continue, to this day, to ignore him, with only a few very tentative exceptions.

Parliamentary Secretary Lynn Meyers granted Galati a meeting, the first of three, in Ottawa on Sept. 20. They met again on Oct. 10 at Mr. Meyers’ office in Waterloo in the presence of Slansky and another unidentified individual. During this meeting Meyers confirmed that Bastien, Vreeland’s alleged contact in Moscow, had indeed been murdered. Vreeland was thus vindicated on this point. The coroner’s report, which suggests Bastien was poisoned, was only made public three months later, on January 21.

On Oct. 15, Galati traveled again to Ottawa to meet Meyers, this time under the impression he would also meet Solicitor General Lawrence MacAulay to voice his concerns about Vreeland’s information. The Department of the Solicitor General oversees Canadian law enforcement and intelligence communities. But, when Meyers and Galati met MacAulay, he refused to grant them even 15 minutes of his time. The next day, Vreeland’s exasperated counsel filed his sworn affidavit into public record.

In an effort to seek clarity regarding Vreeland’s identity and the charges against him, his counsel filed a disclosure motion on Oct. 22. This motion amounts to a request that the US government be compelled to produce Vreeland’s criminal record and Navy personnel record.

Instead of being a reason to disbelieve Vreeland, the criminal records alleging fraud are entirely consistent with covert intelligence operations. Vreeland was allegedly allowed a per diem of \$19,000, and his credit cards would likely have been underwritten by the US Navy or the CIA. As documented by the history of the Iran-Contra scandal, any number of intelligence operatives who had discretionary control of large sums of money, were routinely “controlled” by this method.

Among the Iran-Contra era figures who fit a similar pattern were Al Martin, Steve Carr, Scott Barnes, Scott Weekly, Jack Terrell, Lt. Col James “Bo” Gritz, and many more. It is also significant that Vreeland had apparently never served much time for the prior charges, suggesting that his claims of intelligence connections enabled him to be released from jail quickly.

Yet, on Oct. 25 Justice Campbell of the Superior Court of Justice denied the request of Vreeland's counsel to compel production of records. Campbell's decision was based on his belief that the evidentiary record, which is largely supported by conflicting documentation supplied by US and Canadian authorities, paints Vreeland as a petty fraud with a vivid imagination.

Galati's response was if Vreeland is the petty criminal they claim he is, his criminal record "should take five minutes to produce." It would also settle the argument as to Vreeland's whereabouts at the time the alleged credit card fraud took place in Michigan. At present, records show him to be in two places at once, something surely even Vreeland is not capable of.

Two attachés from the US consulate met on Oct. 24 with Vreeland's counsel at the Barristers Lounge on University Avenue in Toronto. Galati stated that the Justice Department, representing the US government, refused to host the meeting on the grounds that the department did "not want to get involved." Neither the attachés nor Vreeland's counsel wanted to meet at either of their respective offices. During this meeting, Vreeland's attorneys informed the attachés that their client claimed to have information regarding threats to President Bush's daughters, Jenna and Barbara, and Prime Minister Blair's eldest son, Euan. According to Vreeland, the threats were posed by two terrorist cells — one based in Montreal and the other in Europe.

The next day, Oct. 25, Slansky was telephoned and informed that a US Secret Service agent was on his way from Buffalo to meet with Vreeland and his lawyers. The agent and Vreeland spoke alone for 30 minutes. It is interesting that on the day Vreeland was described as a petty conman by Justice Campbell, a Secret Service agent took time out of his busy schedule to interview this conman about threats to the children of the leaders of the free world.

Several days later, on Oct. 29, the US counselor officer, David Abell and his assistant Ms. Kasey Flemming, met Vreeland in the presence of his counsel. Abell is the head of American Citizen Services at the US consulate in Toronto. The subject of this meeting was confidential, and no other meeting has taken place since.

On Jan. 10 Vreeland's counsel took a very big risk. Slansky telephoned the Pentagon in open court. Slansky first called directory assistance in Washington, D.C., and was provided with the main number for the Pentagon. The Pentagon operator confirmed Lt. D. Vreeland's rank, room and telephone number. The Canadian lawyers called into question the reliability of the telephonic demonstration. They argued that Vreeland, who, as they claim, had no particular education or training, was able to arrange from jail to manipulate the Pentagon's computer and simply insert his information by telephone and e-mail.

Galati said two days after this display in court, a clerk at the Canadian Justice Department was informed that an NCIS investigator had gone on record to say that US authorities were at a loss to explain how Vreeland had manipulated the system. Hacking into or manipulating the Pentagon's computer system is a federal offence.

The telephone call to the Pentagon revealed one of two possibilities — either Vreeland manipulated the computer system, or he is who he says he is, and it is the government who is manipulating the system. The presiding judge, Justice MacDonald, formed the opinion that it is more probable that Vreeland managed to manipulate the system. He found Vreeland to be an "imaginative and manipulative person who has little regard for the truth."

Although MacDonald acknowledged that the computerized records provided by US law enforcement officials regarding Vreeland's criminal convictions are "terse, incomplete and confusing," he rejected the request made by Vreeland's counsel that their client's asylum claim be permitted to proceed on constitutional grounds.

In other words, MacDonald's decision was based on a subjective assessment of degrees of probability, rather than proven fact. Galati, who intends to appeal the decision, said that Macdonald's "judgment suspends reality and brings judicial proceedings into the realm of *Alice in Wonderland*."

The latest round of court appearances, presided over by Justice Laforme, began on Feb. 18. Slansky argued that as the Canadian government's position attacks the credibility of his client, then it is only fair that he be given the opportunity to defend his client's credibility.

As Vreeland's counsel has been denied access to their client's certified criminal record and the missing pages from his Navy personnel record, they have opted for the next best thing — witnesses. Slansky requested that he be permitted to summon witnesses during the extradition hearing that could corroborate Vreeland's story. Among the witnesses they seek to question are individuals familiar with Pentagon computer security and personnel records, as well as Commander Nieusma, who forwarded Vreeland's inconsistent Navy personnel record. The judge's decision on this matter is still pending.

In an unsettling turn of events, Slansky alerted Justice Laforme that Vreeland was allegedly physically assaulted and threatened by a prison guard on the evening of Feb. 18, and again the following morning. Vreeland has pressed charges, and Laforme ordered that the guard in question was to have no contact with Vreeland pending an investigation into the allegations.

Vreeland has a history serving as an informant against organized crime interests in Michigan. This history may offer a possible explanation for the recent assaults. In future stories **FTW** will explore Vreeland's relationship with organized crime and the long history of the relationship between organized crime and the CIA.

Whatever the precise nature of Vreeland's identity and criminal history is, it should be largely irrelevant if he has information that could help the government with its investigation of the Sept. 11 attacks. The FBI does not subject informants or individuals who call with "tips" to stringent evaluation. In many cases they do not even require an informant's name.

So why is the personal credibility of a man who has been right about the murder of a Foreign Affairs worker, and who

had foreknowledge of the Sept. 11 attacks an issue? Mike Vreeland's story raises the question of why the US and Canada insist on ignoring such an obvious investigative lead. If no stone is to be left unturned, why is Vreeland's Rock of Gibraltar being left alone?

And You Thought The Government Was Really Doing Something About Enron!

ENRON DAMAGE CONTROL BY DYNCORP – HARM ASSISTED AT HARVARD

by

Catherine Austin Fitts – Former Assistant Secretary of Housing

[ED. NOTE: *On Feb. 1, the New York Times reported that HarvardWatch, an association of Harvard University students and Alumni had called for an investigation of one of their own in the Enron case. They did so with good and obvious reason.*

One man, Herbert S. "Pug" Winokur, who is a director of the Harvard Corporation and Harvard Management Company, seems to be at the center of everything. He was Chairman of Enron's finance committee. His investment firm, Capricorn Holdings, is a lead investor in DynCorp which manages, under contract, much of the financial data and other electronic records for the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Department of Defense (DoD), the Department of Justice (including the FBI), the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and other US government agencies. The SEC, the Justice Department, and the FBI are the agencies charged with investigating Enron. Both DoD and HUD had contracts with Enron. What's more, Highfields Capital, an investment firm that manages large portions of the Harvard endowment's \$19 billion portfolio, "profited by acquiring options last year betting that Enron's stock would fall," said the Times. As we have noted in at least six FTW stories since Sept. 11, the purchase of these "put" options is a surefire indicator of insider trading.

The obvious implication, noted by HarvardWatch, is that someone, knowing that Enron was going to crash, tipped off Highfields, which then made \$50-120 million in quick profits.

Wondering who DynCorp's auditor is? — It's Arthur Andersen, the document-shredding company. Still worse yet, while most activists are trumpeting the dog and pony show being given by Congress, the SEC, and the General Accounting Office (GAO), full of blustery rhetoric and convenient outrage, what the government and Congress are really doing is giving the bad guys all the time they need to destroy evidence, transfer assets, and hide the money.

One final point: Just two federal agencies — whose information systems are managed, in part, by DynCorp and who have sensitive audit contracts with Arthur Andersen, the Pentagon, and HUD — have "lost" more than \$3 trillion of your money since the fall of 1997. This, while anti-war activists are rightly concerned about a "mere" \$48 billion proposed increase in the Pentagon's next budget. Forty-eight billion is only 1.6% of the \$3 trillion that is missing! That money, once stolen from the government, had to be laundered someplace. Could it have moved through Enron Online, the largest money laundry in the history of man? Could it have moved through any of the 300-plus subsidiaries that Enron operated in the Cayman Islands? Is that why the Cayman Islands expressed willingness to cooperate with any request for cooperation from the US authorities at the same time that it stated that no one from the US, either from Congress or a regulatory agency, had bothered to even ask?

We may never know. Thanks to a Congress asleep at the wheel, all the records have been destroyed or transferred — along with the key employees whose brains contain the essential knowledge — to the Union Bank of Switzerland (UBS), which successfully purchased the remnants of Enron at a bankruptcy sale. If there's one thing we know for certain, it's that Swiss bakers never kiss and tell.

Former Assistant Secretary of Housing and Wall Street Banker Catherine Austin Fitts has moved into the street for a showdown. She's not fooled for a second and she's calling the real culprits out in the street for a fight. — MCR]

FTW – Feb. 11, 2002 — *"The earth is not dying. It is being killed, and the people killing it have names and addresses."*
— Utah Phillips

In congressional testimony on Feb. 7, Herbert S. "Pug" Winokur, Chairman of the Enron Finance Committee, gave an opening statement that he had been "misled" by Enron management, Enron's auditor, Arthur Andersen, and Enron's counsel, Vinson & Elkins. Every trucker and teacher in my West Tennessee home of Hickory Valley knows that Mr. Winokur's whining is yah-yah.

We are paying \$150,000 a year to our Congressman and two Senators to help Winokur and his pals steal from us. Congress is stalling for time. While Winokur and his pals dish out "yah-yah," their colleagues shred documents, transfer assets, and stolen cash gets tucked away.

As the Assistant Secretary of Housing in the first Bush Administration, I cleaned up the Iran-Contra financial fraud known as the S&L crisis and the HUD scandal. That was another very expensive stink engineered between Houston and Wall Street banks, just like Enron. Later as the head of my own private investment bank, I helped clean up the major thefts perpetrated by the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, or BCCI. With many years experience dealing with high-stakes-stealing, rest assured you can trust your intuition — Congress and the Department of Justice have taken the art of cover up and providing "air cover" for white collar criminals to new heights of mendacity. Did your congressional representatives and attorney general

press for seizures of records and cash for the last few months while the Enron money was getting away? No siree!

While Winokur was spinning his yah-yah, the Wall Street law firms of Sullivan & Cromwell and Covington & Burling were quietly closing the transfer of the Enron Online trading operation to UBS, one of the largest Swiss banks. And as Winokur's whining distracted us on C-SPAN, Wall Street got safely away with the family jewels and dirty laundry.

Not a word did we hear on Feb. 7 about getting back cash or holding up any transfers to the secrecy of a Swiss bank until we are sure we have the investigatory control necessary to protect our interests. Everyone here in Tennessee knows the statement, "Possession is 99% of the law." The real deal is that the Swiss now have possession. That this happened without a whimper from Congress begs the question: Why?

Us folks here in West Tennessee are busy. As I drive all over the country, folks say the same thing wherever I go — "We are pressed for time." Somebody has to do the real work while our leaders are preoccupied with stealing our money and keeping us in the dark. We have more important things to do than to spend hours listening to yah-yah constructed by a team of fancy lawyers whose core competency is lying for money. To buy groceries and health care insurance, we need cash. That takes a lot of time if you do it with *honest* work. To help my fellow citizens hold Winokur and our representatives accountable, I drafted a list of follow up questions for Mr. Winokur. I have sent them to him at his last posted e-mail address. As I finished the questions, an e-mail came in from Michael Bartell, Chief Information Officer of the SEC. He was responding to an inquiry I made regarding DynCorp's management of the SEC's sensitive information systems. Winokur's firm, Capricorn Investments, is the lead investor in DynCorp, and he is on the DynCorp board. Winokur's involvement in DynCorp, as well as his leadership of the largest private endowment investor in the country, the Harvard Endowment, is integral to his role in the Enron affair and his ability to ensure that no Congressman dare cross him and his pals.

Below are copies of the SEC's letter to me, my response to the SEC, and my questions for Winokur.

My prayer is that these materials will be useful to you in exercising your responsibility as a citizen, or as a shareholder or constituent in any of the organizations and companies in which Winokur has power and influence to manage resources on your behalf. The students at Harvard already have.

Now it's your turn. Do your duty.

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CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE SEC RE: DYNACORP AND THEIR AUDITOR, ARTHUR ANDERSEN

Ms. Catherine Austin Fitts

Via email: catherine@solari.com

Dear Ms. Fitts,

Thank you for your electronic mail message on January 14, 2001 to our Office of the Inspector General. The message was forwarded to me for response. I appreciate your bringing the DynCorp Inc. article in Insight magazine to our attention.

We have had discussions with senior DynCorp officials and understand that the alleged activities noted in the Insight article were thoroughly investigated by both DynCorp and the Department of the Army, and appropriate action has been taken. In addition, the DynCorp organization that provides the SEC with IT infrastructure support is a completely separate organization (Information & Enterprise Technology subsidiary) from the organization referenced in the article, and none of the personnel assigned to the SEC have had any involvement with the referenced contract.

Again, I appreciate your concern and bringing the article to our attention.

Sincerely,

Michael Bartell

CIO

Securities and Exchange Commission

February 8, 2002

Mr. Bartell:

Thank you very much for your response.

DynCorp's lead investor is Herbert S. Winokur's company, Capricorn Holdings. Mr. Winokur is the former Chairman of DynCorp and currently sits on their board as does his partner, Dudley Mecum. He is currently the chair of DynCorp's compensation committee. That is the person who leads the process to determine how much all the senior management gets paid — both salary and stock options. DynCorp's most recent proxy lists their auditor as Arthur Andersen.

Mr. Winokur is also the chair of the Finance Committee of Enron. This is the person on the board who is most responsible for the board in ensuring that the company's finances are managed on a sound and prudent basis commensurate with optimizing shareholder's value. Mr. Winokur testified before Congress today on behalf of a special committee of the Enron board. He indicated that he and his fellow board members had been misled by Enron's management, Enron's auditor, Arthur Andersen, and their outside general counsel, Vinson & Elkins.

Under these circumstances, I would like your official position on the internal control issues related to:

1. DynCorp's management of SEC and Department of Justice computer systems used by the enforcement teams currently investigating criminal and civil allegations regarding fraud and obstruction of justice by Enron, Enron's board (including Mr. Winokur) and Arthur Andersen, including their admission of document shredding.
2. Use by the SEC of any information systems contractors that have Arthur Andersen as an auditor or critical joint venture partner or subcontractor and the internal control implications to the SEC of doing so.
3. Accessibility through your website of the SEC contract budget so that investors can understand the potential for conflicts of interest created by government outsourcing critical information systems (and access to internal knowledge) to companies whose investors benefit from changes in SEC policies.

I would also like to know what contracts Arthur Andersen has with the SEC and whether or not — given their admission of document destruction and Mr. Winokur's testimony regarding their lying to board members — you plan to continue to use such a company? My understanding is that most government contracts permit an immediate cancellation for convenience.

Thank you very much for your response and attention to this matter. I believe it goes to the heart of the SEC mission of ensuring the transparency of financial information that is an essential prerequisite for free markets. For the SEC to do that it must have the ability to protect its own privacy and the integrity of its information and information systems and its own financial reporting and management.

Good housekeeping starts at home.

Very Truly Yours,

Catherine Austin Fitts — Solari
Former Assistant Secretary of Housing, First Bush Administration.

REPORT TO SOLARI ACTION NETWORK

February 8, 2002

Questions for:

Mr. Herbert S. "Pug" Winokur
Chairman, Finance Committee, Enron in response to his Congressional testimony today:

Mr. Winokur:

Today in testimony you said that the Enron bankruptcy was a result of Enron management, their auditor Arthur Andersen and outside general counsel Vinson Elkins misleading you and the other directors and not doing their job properly.

Can you explain:

1. Why your company DynCorp uses Arthur Andersen as it auditor? I am assuming that you as a lead investor and member of the DynCorp board would not jeopardize your investment and shareholder's investment by retaining an auditor who had misled you and a board in a manner that would lead to such a collapse?
2. Why as a member of Harvard Corporation's board would you have less foresight than your largest money manager Highfields Capital as well as your fellow board members who had the foresight to make substantial profits from selling or shorting Enron stock while you and your board members were in this state of "unaware" you so well described? How is it that

Highfields had access to this information and you did not?

3. As a member of Harvard Corporation's board and a GP of Capricorn Holding's partnerships, are you taking the appropriate action to have Vinson & Elkins and Arthur Andersen removed from any relationship or work for any of the investments of these entities? Under the laws governing your responsibilities, what is the liability to you and your fellow fiduciaries of permitting these firms to continue if — as you say — they are responsible for causing the biggest bankruptcy in history and doing so by helping management mislead their own board?

4. Is the timing of the Powers report of the Enron board special committee and your testimony — after Arthur Andersen and Enron documents have been shredded and Enron Online (with all the large mysterious trading with Citigroup, JP Morgan-Chase, UBS, Deutschebank and the other large banks active with Enron in the offshore derivative and gold markets) already transferred — more than coincidental?

5. Given the performance of Enron's auditor Arthur Andersen, do you believe that the federal government should continue to outsource large amounts of its most sensitive information systems, procurement and accounting and payments systems and/or advisory work (related to same) to Arthur Andersen? What about other auditors who have participated in significant restatements of earnings and who have significant relationships with companies that can benefit from access to sensitive government information or trading on inside information?

6. Do you believe that it is a conflict of interest for your company, DynCorp, to manage many of the information systems for the people working on criminal and civil investigations (Department of Justice, SEC and FBI) of you and your colleague's role in Enron fraud and shredding of documents/obstruction of justice as well as fraud and obstruction of justice by Enron's auditor Arthur Andersen and attorneys Vinson & Elkins?

7. Would you care to comment on why the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and Department of Defense (DOD) and some of the other federal agencies for which your company DynCorp manages highly sensitive information systems are reported to be missing so much money; over \$3 trillion since fall of 1997? Do you have any idea where that money is or if it was laundered out of the country into offshore accounts? As a highly experienced financial fiduciary with intimate knowledge of the federal information systems as the former Chairman and current board member of DynCorp, perhaps you could illuminate for us some of the ways that this much money could be fraudulently moved out of the bank accounts held by the NY Fed and its members as depository and trustee for the US Treasury and federal agencies and moved off shore through thousands of off shore subsidiaries and special purpose entities?

8. In light of the fact that the federal government is paying millions to have private contractors manage their accounting and information systems, yet those systems never seem to work, would you care to comment as to whether outsourcing our government's financial systems to private contractors whose investors profit from the same or other companies selling goods and services to these same agencies makes sense?

9. As chairman of the Enron finance committee and a member of the executive committee are you responsible to ensure that the board hires and retains management, auditors and attorneys who do not mislead the board or others? If that is not your responsibility, whose responsibility is it?

10. Under the standards of sound fiduciary management, you, as board member and chair of the Enron Finance Committee, are responsible to ensure that the company's finances are properly managed. If you are someone who is so easily misled by management, attorneys and auditors do you consider yourself competent to serve on any boards of directors of organizations with large financial and resource responsibilities? Based on the results to shareholders, creditors and taxpayers, do you draw any connection between the performance of Enron or government agencies such as DoD and HUD losing billions of other people's money and your performance as board member or contractor?

10. Do you believe that Enron should continue to serve as a government contractor when its management, auditors and lawyers are people who you believe would mislead their own board?

E-MAIL TO MR. WINOKUR

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From: catherine@solari.com

On: February 8, 2002 8:08pm EST

Dear Pug:

I have posted the following questions to the Solari Action Network as a suggested follow up to your Congressional testimony.

I would welcome the opportunity to circulate your reply.

Best,

Catherine Austin Fitts
Solari

Attached: Report to Solari Action Network of February 8 Questions for Winokur)

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To read Harvard Watch's excellent report, "Trading Truth at Harvard: A Report on Harvard's Enron Entanglements, " covering (i) Enron and Mr. Winokur's use of Harvard's Kennedy and Business Schools to influence government policy on outsourcing of defense functions to private contractors and energy deregulation, (ii) Highfields Capital's profits on Enron short selling and (iii) various relations between Harvard and Enron, see:

<http://www.harvardwatch.org>

To support their excellent recommendations, call or write

Lawrence Summers
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NOTES:

— Mr. Summers is also named in the GATA lawsuit alleging illegal manipulation of gold prices in his capacity as Secretary of the Treasury during the Clinton Administration.

— From 1992 through 2000, the Harvard Endowment rose from approximately \$4 billion to \$19 billion.

SUGGESTED READING:

DynCorp Disgrace, by Kelly O'Meara — Cover Story, Insight Magazine, February 14, 2002

Employees of the corporation have been buying and selling women and young girls for sex while working under contract for the United States. <http://insightmag.com/main.cfm/include/detail/storyid/163052.html>

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