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AFIO NSA SYMPOSIUM & BANQUET 2000 - Sold-Out:

Standing Ovation for Speakers, Award Winners

AFIO's National Symposium "INTELLIGENCE IN THE INFORMATION AGE" was held 5 and 6 October 2000 at the BWI Marriott Hotel and the National Security Agency at Ft George G. Meade, MD. In keeping with the ground-rules with all speakers, no detailed comments were permitted on the Symposium portion of the event -- since the frankness elicited by our "Background Use Only, Not For Attribution" stipulation left many attendees impressed by the level of sensitive issues we could delve as speakers explored the state-of-the-art and future technical goals of various intelligence projects.



HUMINT Panel - Clandestine Operations, Espionage and Overt Collection
L to R: Dr. Mark Lowenthal - former Staff Director, HPSCI
Ted Price - former Deputy Director for Operations, CIA
Ted Shackley - CIA/DO-Ret [Panel Chairman]
and Lt Gen James R. Clapper, USAF (Ret) - former Director, DIA

WHAT'S NEW IN AFIO NATIONAL by Roy Jonkers

Dear AFIO members,

We are completing a successful year, and you will receive a report on where we stand and where we plan to go in the next month or two. In this message I want to thank our members for their contributions of dedicated time, talent, and funds to AFIO, furthering our worthwhile educational mission objectives. It has all been much appreciated and productive.

We have just completed a highly successful Symposium/ Convention/Banquet combination -- for the third year in a row. The core Symposium session, held at NSA on Friday October 6th, was made possible by the host, Lt.General Michael Hayden, and his superb staff, and by the Director of the National Cryptologic Museum, who hosted our museum reception. Our appreciation also goes to the eminent officials and individuals who spoke at the conference sessions; to the AFIO members who attended the events; and last but not least by the volunteers who were part of the AFIO TEAM that organized this complex event, including Symposium and Convention sessions over three days in two locations, two receptions in separate locales, a banquet with music and a distinguished guest speaker, and an awards ceremony.

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Chairman Faurer and President Poteat present a very surprised Gretchen Campbell with much deserved David Atlee Phillips Founder's Award

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AFIO's 25th Anniversary Convention



Ted Shackley receives David Atlee Phillip Founder's Award from Faurer and Poteat

The 25th Anniversary Convention, held in conjunction with the National Symposium, 7 October, had numerous membership meetings to social hours to workshops, with the President's Reception and Anniversary Banquet and award ceremonies with the **Hon. Caspar Weinberger**, former SecDef, as keynote speaker.

Thursday, 5 October, there was a jam-packed Chairman's Reception at NSA's National Cryptologic Museum, 5:30-7pm, hosted by **Lt Gen Lincoln D. Faurer**, USAF (Ret) and **Peter Earnest** (CIA-Ret), and Symposium Chairmen **RADM Don McDowell** (Ret) and **Mrs. Julia Wetzel**.



James Srodes receives AFIO's Authors of 2000 Award for Dulles Biography



Hon. Caspar Weinberger delivered forceful Banquet Keynote Address



Journalist Georgie Ann Geyer receives Stewart Alsop Media Award from President Poteat and Don Larrabee

Friday Evening, 6 October, was the

AFIO 25th Anniversary President's Reception, Banquet and Awards Ceremony at the Marriott Hotel. The President's Reception was hosted by **AFIO President Gene Poteat**. After opening ceremonies with music and three course dinner, there was a stirring keynote speech by the Honorable **Caspar Weinberger**. The evening concluded with Award ceremonies, including the Stewart Alsop Media Award to Georgie Ann Geyer, honored for her balanced reporting on intelligence-related news; a book award to Jim Srodes for his exceptional Dulles biography; and David Atlee Phillips Founder's Awards and General Richard Stilwell Chairman's Awards to AFIO members for sustained exceptional service to AFIO and its objectives.

This year's TEAM included RADM Don McDowell (Symposium Chair), Julia Wetzell (Vice Chair), Gene Poteat, Linc Faurer, Peter Earnest, Ted Shackley, Don Larrabee, Emerson Cooper, Bob Heibel, Elizabeth Bancroft, Gretchen Campbell, and undersigned. On behalf of the members, our organization, and our educational mission, well done!

AFIO works through teamwork, nationally, and regionally through the AFIO chapters -- which conduct impressive programs as reflected in this Periscope. Although participation in AFIO is its own reward, once a year we have created an opportunity to recognize sustained exceptional contributions made by selected AFIO members. This year's AFIO award winners join those selected in the past two years, in AFIO's 'Circle of Honor.' They personify the values of dedication, integrity and leadership represented by our AFIO members.

This year's AFIO Award winners, honored at the AFIO National Convention Awards Banquet for sustained exceptional contributions to AFIO's organization and mission, included:

David Atlee Phillips Founder's Award:

Gretchen Campbell, Sam Halpern, Ted Shackley, and John Waller

General Richard S. Stilwell President's Award:

Mike Absher, John Guenther, Tony Newcomb, and Fred Rustmann

National Security Education Merit Award:

K.T. Johnson

For the first time we also presented the **AFIO Author's Book Selection Award**, honoring the redoubtable AFIO bibliophile Walter Pforzheimer. The winner, selected by a committee headed by undersigned, was James Srodes, for his outstanding book *Allen Dulles: Master of Spies*.

For the second year we also presented the **Stewart Alsop Award** to an outstanding media person with a record of portraying US national security and intelligence topics in a fair and balanced manner. The Alsop Award winner, selected this year by a committee headed by Board member Don Larrabee, was the eminent columnist, Georgie Ann Geyer.

PASSAGES

RICHARD BATES, AFIO PAST VP & COMMANDANT, DIA SCHOOL, DIES AT 76: Richard Ward BATES, a retired Navy captain who spent much of his career doing intelligence work and who became a board member of several associations for intelligence officers, died Aug. 10 at Northern Virginia Community Hospital. Bates was born in Calexico, CA. A 1948 graduate of the Naval Academy, he received a master's degree in international affairs from George Washington University in 1967. Capt. Bates, who retired from active duty in 1979, had served in Korea. His last duty was as commandant of the Defense Intelligence School in Washington. Giving back to his colleagues ever more than he received, Dick served as **past vice president of AFIO**. He sat on the boards of other groups, including Naval Intelligence Professionals, National Intelligence Study Center and National Strategic Information Center. He was a meticulous intelligence bibliophile and his incisive book reviews in the NIP newsletter were eagerly read and saved. Survivors include his wife of 40 years, Constance Nine Bates.

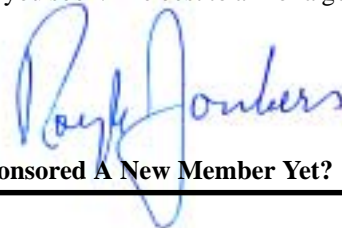
To all our congratulations!

We cannot leave this topic without also expressing our appreciation for the eminent officials and experts who volunteered their time to participate as speakers in our Symposium. They uniformly did a superb job. AFIO expresses its appreciation to the following for an exceptionally interesting Thursday session: Lt. Gen (ret) James Clapper, Mr. Ted Price, Dr. Mark Lowenthal, Mr. Ted Shackley; Mr Barry Royden (CIA), Professor Jack Dziak, Mr. John Martin, Mr. Paul Redmond, Mr. Robert Wade; and Mr. Gilman Louie (In-Q-Tel).

For the great Friday session at NSA, we thank Lt. General Mike Hayden, our host, and in order of appearance, Mr Tim Sample (HPSCI), Lt. General James King (NIMA), Dr. John Osterholz (OSD), Andy Shepard (CIA), and Allen Adler (DARPA), panelists Maureen Baginski, John Nagengast, and BG Barbara Fast (all of NSA).

On Saturday morning President Gene Poteat -- in addition to his masterful leading of the 3-day Conference - - also led the General Membership meeting, Chairman Linc Faurer presided over the joint Board/Chapter meeting, and Bob Heibel, Emerson Cooper and Peter Earnest led topical seminars. At noon, another successful Convention came to an end.

We look forward to another good year in 2001, working together and in teams, pursuing the AFIO mission. We'll get back with you soon. The best to all for a good holiday season!



PS - **Have You Sponsored A New Member Yet?**

JAMES WARD, boxer, football player, soldier, diplomat and AFIO member, died Labor Day on the Pinellas Trail [FL] at age 83...5 miles into a 30-mile long-haul bike ride. At age 78, he was the oldest person to ever finish the Ironman Triathlon in Hawaii, and was active in the St. Pete Mad Dog Triathlon Club. Ward was a highly decorated paratrooper in WWII, served as a diplomat in Europe, Asia and the tropics. He spoke 11 languages. AFIO's Florida Suncoast Chapter honored this newsworthy fallen comrade, an inspiration to all

JIM BOGINIS, formerly DOD, CIA and IC Staff member - fellow AFIO member and valued colleague - died Saturday, 14 October 2000 of leukemia at a cancer center in Houston, TX. Donations may be sent to a scholarship fund set up in Jim's memory -- the '**J.W. Boginis Fund**' -- and mailed to Mrs Jo Boginis, 301 West Main Street, Purcellville, VA.

Chapter Reports on Meetings

APRIL: FLORIDA - CIA Chief of Soviet Operations **David MURPHY** [retired] was the Southwest Florida Chapter's speaker at a Saturday, 29 April meeting at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. President **Norman URANSKY** reported that **MURPHY** had recently returned from Moscow where he attended a ceremony for the publication of the Russian language version of his book, *BATTLEGROUND BERLIN: CIA vs. the KGB in the Cold War*. At this event Murphy discussed the future of the Russian policy under former KGB leader, and now President, **Vladimir PUTIN**.

The chapter conducted a survey of members as a means of determining those programs members enjoy most or would like to see planned in the future. The survey also provided an interesting option: would members be interested in a luncheon trip to the Bay of Pigs Historical Museum on Useppa Island some time that summer. The chapter also has launched a new member recruitment drive, with particular focus on Corporate and Associate prospects.

JUNE: SAN FRANCISCO – The presentation originally scheduled by the Jim Quesada Chapter of AFIO featuring Professor **Ken DOMBROSKI** had to be changed due to his illness. Professor **Peter UNSINGER** of San Jose State substituted admirably and presented a talk on Southeast Asia. **DOMBROSKI** was rescheduled for September [see report this issue, that month].

JULY: NEW MEXICO – The NM Chapter meeting started with a prayer for President **Jerry HUBBART** and Treasurer, **Mary Lou THOMAS**, both of whom had recent cancer surgeries. VP **Gerre JONES** was sworn in as the new President; **Dick CALLAGHAN** as VP; **Ruby Ellen SMITH** as Treasurer; **Roger FFOLKES** as Public Information Officer; and **Brendan O'DONOVAN** as Secretary. **JONES** introduced U.S. Army Reserve Colonel **Gary KLOPPENBURG**, now Mayor of the Village of Corrales, NM. **KLOPPENBURG** had a civilian career as news anchor, editor and account executive in the local television broadcast industry during the years he participated in the Reserves. In his talk to the Chapter, he presented highlights in the history of the Army Reserve and described its role of augmenting the active

duty forces during a crisis. Examples of past large scale callups have been WWI, WWII, Korea, Panama, the Berlin Airlift, the Persian Gulf, Somalia, Haiti and Bosnia. The Gulf War campaign saw more than 84,000 Reservists called to duty. Describing the concept of citizen-soldiers, **KLOPPENBURG** showed that it had its roots in the colonial period when, in 1783, **George WASHINGTON** recommended to Congress that the US Armed Forces be composed primarily of local militia (army reserve) under federal control. In the wake of the collapse of the Soviet Union, there was a drawdown of active duty forces, making reservists responsible for a greater role in major events. The Army Reserve is now responsible for nearly half of the Army's Combat Service Support such as supply, logistics and administration, while 27 percent of Combat Support missions -- including engineers, military police and signals -- are now accomplished by the Reserve. Reserve Officers are now routinely assigned full time to staffs of active duty commanders.



AUGUST: NEW MEXICO - The entire chapter welcomed back former treasurer **Mary Lou THOMAS** after a lengthy illness. Guest speaker **Dick SCHULER**, commissioned as a second lieutenant in the US Army and assigned to Hawaii in the summer of 1941, spoke as an eyewitness to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Recalling the paradise that was Hawaii in that era, he arrived to the sparsely developed and slow-paced

islands which had not yet been ruined by commercial development and tourism. Often driving around the island of Oahu in his 1936 Packard, **SCHULER** had time to get to know Army Commander Lt. Gen **Walter SHORT**, a man he recalled as being "...particularly concerned about poor landscaping and a need for more flower beds at the compound of his antiaircraft battery." The General's concerns were voiced the day before the Japanese attack and reminded some of the Chapter members about the concern for the alignment of sandbags at Tan Son Nhut air base in Saigon just before the Tet offensive.

Assigned to the intelligence battery of the 53rd Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, **SCHULER** described how strategically placed observation posts were tied in to the intelligence battery by field wire and underground cables. Radar was just starting to be adopted by the Army.

Newspapers conveyed to all the rising tensions in the latter months of 1941, and the speaker recalled how his bachelor officer's quarters Japanese maid seemed particularly edgy during the month of November, claiming that Radio Tokyo broadcasts were reporting that Americans in Hawaii were mistreating Japanese residents. The same month, to test readiness, major exercises were carried out by the Army's antiaircraft batteries.

As incredulous as it sounds, the on-scene commanders – Adm **Husband KIMMEL** and Lt. Gen **Walter SHORT** – were not in the loop for most intelligence information pertaining to Hawaii available at Army and Navy HQ in Washington. They operated on generalized advice from Washington – such as “be alert for enemy sabotage missions.” While

having an early morning breakfast on 7 December, **SCHULER** had the first indications of trouble: at 3:30am he heard depth charges going off in the restricted area of Pearl Harbor. A US Navy minesweeper had apparently sighted the periscope of an unidentified submarine. Compounding the problems the Army and Navy faced that day, only one of the two radars was working, and the working one was being used for a training exercise; seeing blips indicating a large formation of aircraft due north at 130 miles, the report of their findings was written off as a formation of B-17s scheduled to arrive from California at 8 am. The Japanese attack, however, began at 7:53 am.

SEPTEMBER: NEW ENGLAND - The David Atlee Phillips New England Chapter's July meeting in Northampton with CIA's "Master of Disguise" **Tony MENDEZ** was a *succès fou*. They even had to move to a larger room, and still ended up selling Standing Room Only until the hotel said "no more." Program Coordinator **Peggy ADLER** outdoes herself with each new series of programs; no surprise she was nominated by many fellow chapter members for AFIO's 2000 **Stilwell Award** – alas, her Board did not agree on making it a formal submission this year.

Board Member **Art HULNICK** has located publisher (and now new member) **Mason SMITH**, to reissue the chapter's popular book: *Secret New England*, last published in 1992. Five hundred copies of this 2nd edition are expected before Christmas.

MONTANA - The Dick Grant AFIO Chapter listened to member and **Ambassador Mark JOHNSON** discuss a number of foreign policy issues of considerable importance in the (then) upcoming presidential election. **JOHNSON** served 30 years in State and was posted as US Ambassador to Senegal.

NEW MEXICO – The Albuquerque-based chapter held their luncheon at the East Officers' Club, Kirtland AFB, the packed meeting included former **US Congressman Bill REDMOND**, a candidate for the US Senate. Other guests included **Perry COLLIER**, FBI SA; **William HANSEN**, DEA ASAC; guest speaker Lt Col. **Rick FRANCONA**, USAF (ret), author of *Ally to Adversary: An Eyewitness Account of Iraq's Fall From Grace* [Naval Institute Press], an account of his experiences in Iraq pre- and post- Desert Storm; and his wife, Maj. **Emily FRANCONA**, USAF (ret); and **FRANCONA**'s one-time aide, **Will BULLARD**, USA (ret); Col. **Alice MOYA**. USAF (ret), and her husband **Richard Ray SANCHEZ**, candidate for NM State Senate.

In his talk, **FRANCONA** provided a colorful account of events in the Middle East during the Iran-Iraq War, and later during the allied campaigns to dislodge Iraq from the desert sheikdom of Kuwait. Fluent in Arabic and with unique Air Force assignments – as US Military liaison to Baghdad and later as personal interpreter for **General Norman SCHWARZKOPF** – **FRANCONA** provided a unique perspective of the region. Long simmering tensions over borders forged by the British decades before for operational expediency – now were bitter issues between Iran and Iraq, and later between Iraq and Kuwait. Kuwait, once a province of Iraq, was carved away by the British to protect UK sea lanes to India, making Iraq feel cheated over losing the now huge Kuwaiti oil reserves. Worried over losing other important oil fields in their northern

mountainous regions, occupied by Kurds (who enjoyed considerable Iranian support and are the third largest ethnic group in the Middle East), Iraq cast a wary eye on them, and acted.

Smoothing ruffled feathers among the coalition partners in Desert Shield and Desert Storm, **FRANCONA** also had to allay fears among Saudi allies concerning the influx of all the foreign troops, especially the presence of female soldiers who shocked the Saudis observing these women driving Army trucks. The matter was settled by declaring these drivers "gender neutral."

FRANCONA did some off-the-cuff Saudi consumer research and revealed that the most loved automobile in Saudi Arabia turned out to be the Chevrolet Caprice: ample size, lots of power, and a superb air conditioner.

SAN FRANCISCO - The Jim Quesada Chapter finally had the pleasure of hearing Professor **Ken DOMBROSKI** speak on "Coalition Intelligence During Operation Desert Storm." **DOMBROSKI** was one of the few US military officers assigned to C3IC [Coalition Coordination, Communications, and Integration Center] during the Desert Storm conflict. It was an ad hoc organization created to coordinate the sharing of operations and intelligence between the US Central Command and the allied forces, particularly the Saudi Arabian joint staff. The speaker retired from the Army in 1994 after a career in military intelligence and now teaches courses on that topic at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey.

OCTOBER: MONTANA - **Jerry POWER**, **Gary WANBERG**, and **Todd BRANDOFF**, chapter Co-Presidents and Secretary/Treasurer, respectively, report that the Dick Grant Chapter in Missoula will host **Bruce BARRETT**, a specialist in Middle East issues, in particular, US-Israeli relations as they mesh with intelligence and military considerations and the inter-relationships affecting the two countries.

FLORIDA - Suncoast Chapter VP **Peter JASIN** wrote that the chapter is conducting a new member drive to recruit from a pool of some 55 retired counterintelligence personnel in the local area. Each was informed of AFIO's work, supplied information about the local chapter, and an invitation was extended that they visit a meeting and/or join and begin receiving invitations and AFIO National publications. Several of the new recruits who immediately joined are expected to be introduced to the chapter over the next several meetings.

Secretary/Treasurer **Nat ALDERMAN** reported that the speaker for the October meeting – wearing two hats (intelligence operations and intelligence education) – was **Mary C. PAYROW-OLIA**, Chief, Command Support of the Directorate of Intelligence, USCENTCOM...and Adjunct Professor, International Studies, USF, instructor for “Intelligence and Policy.” The meeting, in the Eagles Nest Room at MacDill AFB Officers’ Club, was well-attended, and members enjoyed **PAYROW-OLIA**’s discussion of her intelligence experiences with emphasis on how those experiences enhanced teaching intelligence at the college level. She also provided her impressions of potential intelligence professionals – the composition and complexion of the classes. Members were urged to consider ways that they could assist the ongoing USF program through 20 or 30 minutes class presentations to her students. The course explores facets of intelligence and its relationship to US foreign and defense policies, using author **Mark M. LOWENTHAL**’s textbook *Intelligence: From Secrets to Policy* presenting students with both the strengths and weaknesses of intelligence in its support to US policymakers.

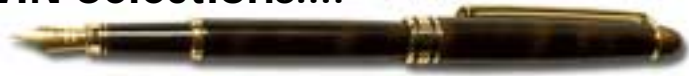
In memory of past chapter member **James R. WARD** [see *PASSAGES* on page 3 in this issue], **Nat ALDERMAN** of the Suncoast Chapter forwarded a donation to AFIO National. Thank you, Suncoast.

NEW MEXICO - **Tom BUSTAMANTE**, Chief Deputy US Marshal, discussed various intelligence and counterintelligence activities of the US Marshal’s Office.

NEW ENGLAND – The October meeting of the David Atlee Phillips Chapter was held at The Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport, ME. **Mason Philip SMITH** addressed the chapter on German Spies dropped off, by submarine, along the Atlantic coast during WWII, with emphasis on the last landing, in Maine, in 1944. The speaker is currently completing a book on the subject.

NOVEMBER: SAN FRANCISCO - Co-sponsored with the Commonwealth Club of California, the Jim Quesada Chapter of AFIO will host **Col Stuart HERRINGTON**, USA (Ret), author of *Traitors Among Us*, the story of intrigue that “...brought us near to capitulation in the Cold War.” **HERRINGTON**, a retired career intelligencer officer served in Europe, Vietnam and the Persian Gulf, and was responsible for management and oversight of US Army CI activities from 1988-1994. Since the fall of the Soviet Empire he has traveled extensively in Eastern Europe and has served as a member of the US-Russian Commission researching historical intelligence activities and interviewing citizens.

WIN Selections....



Weekly Intelligence Notes [WINs], sent to members via e-mail, have become one of the more popular aspects of membership in AFIO; unfortunately, these weekly summaries and insider assessments require that we hear of your e-mail address. If you have one and haven't told us...why not?

WINs contain a selection of items based on a careful culling of mountains of clippings, e-mails, telephone calls, whispered luncheon gossip, and online & offline news sources which pass through our office each week. The items are often quite perishable so if you want to be in-the-know, make whatever arrangements you must to start receiving them. WINs include sections on Current Intelligence, Context & Precedence, Cyber Intelligence and Mini Book Reviews. Some examples of the latter follows...

CURRENT INTELLIGENCE

USS COLE INVESTIGATION -- The inquiry into the attack on the destroyer USS Cole has led investigators to a mountainous region on the eastern border with Saudi Arabia, as well as to links with Somalia. Yemeni officials searched a house near the harbor where the bomb was assembled, and found a document that originated in Hadhramaut, a region about 500 miles northeast of Aden along the border with Saudi Arabia. They also received a report about a boat registered to a woman in Somalia.



FBI Director Louis J. Freeh, in Yemen for a one-day visit to consult with investigators and with Yemen's President Ali Abdullah Saleh, stressed the importance of the leads developed by the Yemenis, saying the Yemenis displayed "very, very good police work."

At a news conference, Mr. Freeh praised the Yemenis for identifying two safe houses a few miles across the bay from where the USS Cole was attacked, as well as the car, the trailer and the documents linking two men who lived at one of the houses to Hadhramaut, a distant region on the border with Saudi Arabia. Although the document, a driver's license, was made out to a false name, Yemen officials have begun intensive inquiries in the region.

Yemeni police also found a 12-year-old boy who said he had been approached by a bearded Arab man with glasses who spoke to him as he played beside the bay last Thursday morning, about the time the USS Cole entered the harbor. The boy said that the stranger gave him a few coins to watch a car and boat trailer. Then the man unloaded the boat, launched it and disappeared. Yemeni officials said the car was registered to a woman from Somalia, across the Gulf of Aden from Yemen.

Director Freeh said it was still too early to speculate about who might have ordered or carried out the attack, or on possible motives. Freeh also

expressed shock and dismay with the condition of the USS Cole, describing the scene as absolutely catastrophic. He said photographs did not adequately convey the destruction. A report attributed to "American technicians" stated that the damage from the explosion was such that it reached within seven feet of the ship's arsenal, where cruise missiles were stored. (NYTimes Oct20, 2000, by John Burns, Aden) (<http://ebird.dtic.mil/Oct2000/e20001020inquiry.htm>) (Jonkers)

PRESIDENT VETOES INTELLIGENCE LEAKS PROVISION IN BILL — The FY 2001 Intelligence Authorization Bill contained an 'anti-leak' provision would have made it a felony (punishable by a fine and up to three years in prison) for an active or retired government official or employee to willfully disclose classified information to unauthorized persons. The measure would have made it easier to initiate an investigation of purported leaks, and would have relieved prosecutors of the need to prove in court that unauthorized disclosures had damaged national security.

The measure was supported by the CIA and the Department of Justice, and obviously also the Congressional intelligence committees. It addressed an urgent Washington problem often deplored by key officials, including the DCI. It was opposed by an unusual last-minute coalition of some White House, Congressional, media and civil liberty special interests. In his veto message, the President noted that he did not dispute "the gravity of the problem, but the best way to respond to it." He called on Congress to hold public hearings and to present a more narrowly drawn provision.

CIA spokesman Bill Harlow said "Our intent all along has solely been to plug a gap in existing law which jeopardizes the security of the United States and compromises our ability to protect the American people." DCI George Tenet has frequently complained about the number and scope of leaks of classified data in Washington, and the damage this practice is doing to national security. One might say that since the notorious disclosure of the Pentagon Papers a few decades ago (so applauded by the media), the practice has become an institution in Washington. As noted in an earlier WIN, either the entire classification system needs to be reexamined, or the enforcement system needs to be made whole — and the vetoed provision was a step in the right direction. Let us hope for a follow-on. Incidentally, authorization for new and continuing intelligence activities funding were not held up by the veto. The President signed a backup intelligence authorization provision that was passed as part of the FY2001 Defense Appropriations Bill. (WPost Nov5,2000, p.A5 // W. Pincus) (Jonkers)

CONTEXT AND PRECEDENCE

RECENT DCI INTERVIEW — The DCI, George Tenet, prefers to remain in the background and seldom gives interviews. Admirably, he is a "straight-talker" who eschews delphic pronouncements (as AFIO members know from the two Symposia at which he spoke to us). The following are extracts and summarizations of a recent interview:

- ◆ Proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and terrorism have become CIA's top priority targets.
- ◆ Regarding possible actions against Saddam Hussein, "I don't talk about Iraq. Period."
- ◆ While denying that the Intelligence Community (IC) engages in "economic espionage," he said, "We do play defense" if business secrets of US companies are targeted by foreign countries, but "we pass the information to the Department of Commerce and State

Department"

- ◆ Responding to the charge of being overly secretive, he said the CIA now has more officers working on declassifying documents than it does on counterterrorism.
- ◆ Regarding political influence on the Intelligence community, "I'm registered in one party but for the purposes of doing my job, no one should ever know because you have to serve everyone."
- ◆ He said his chief struggle is to open the agency to the mushrooming commercial information sources and keep pace with technological changes, such as commercial satellite imagery, now as good or better than that provided to the policymakers to make sure that the US government is 10, 20 years ahead of what will be commercially available," he said. "I have to make sure that the (eavesdropping) capability can keep pace with the massive technological change that could deny us the ability to do our job." (AFIO members learned about these from the Director of NSA and other distinguished speakers at the recent AFIO Symposium, including specifically for CIA by Gilman Louie, CEO of IN-Q-TEL)
- ◆ He wanders the CIA building alone, eats frequently in the cafeteria, plays basketball on an in-house team and shuns the limousine to which he is entitled.
- ◆ "I think the DCI should keep a very low profile. The only reason the media would want me to appear is to figure out how to drive wedges between the intelligence community and policymakers, and I'm not going to let that happen."
- ◆ Although CIA attrition rates are low compared with the private sector - 4% a year vs. 15% - retention is a major concern, especially considering that by the year 2005, up to 40% of the workforce will have been at the CIA for five years or less.

(USA Today 11 Oct '00, p 15) (Harvey)

The existence of the Bletchley Park 10,000-member spy unit, known as Station X, was never disclosed during the war, prompting Churchill to call the members "the geese that laid the golden eggs and never cackled."

Intelligence Education in UK

CAMBRIDGE: The University of Cambridge UK has a two-week summer course - July 15 - 28, 2001 - titled: ANGLO-AMERICAN ESPIONAGE AND THE COLD WAR. Course lecturers will include prominent scholar/authors Christopher Andrew and several senior KGB defectors. Emphasis on recent revelations from Soviet and STASI archives, as well as VENONA decrypts. Courses may be taken for graduate credit or just for fun. Located at Downing College in the heart of Cambridge, there will be plenty of evening/weekend activities. Accommodations suitable for singles or couples--all rooms with baths.

OXFORD: Oxford University (Lady Margaret Hall) is planning a two-week intelligence symposium July 29 - August 10, 2001. Subjects will include: comparisons of Cold War intelligence activities with those of post-Cold War period, present economic espionage, current status of Russian Federation and those nations freed in the breakup of the Soviet Empire, and new information gathered from declassified Western sources and the archives of KGB and STASI. Speakers will include British and American experts as well as former senior KGB officers. AFIO is seeking indications of interest. Attendance limited to 50. Costs not firm, but anticipated at \$3500, includes room and meals on campus, plus your own airfare.

For information and application for either course, contact AFIO President Gene Poteat by phone at 703-790-8327, or via e-mail at G2Poteat@aol.com.

Researchers Seeking Assistance

OSS INTERVIEWS OF POWs: "I am researching OSS interviews of POWs held in Japanese camps and especially those who escaped from the prison ship 'Arisan Maru' in 1944-45. I believe the interviews were held in Maryland sometime after the return of several survivors in late '44 or early 1945. My wife's father, Lt. Neil F. Hoyt, did not survive when the prison ship sank." Replies to Dr. Ralph E. Weber, History Dept. Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881; or by email at: weber09@earthlink.net

EARL BRENNAN RESEARCH: Earl Brennan (1899-1984) is the subject of a scholarly work now being written by Michael Paulding. Brennan, recruited into OSS by his friends David Bruce and Allen Dulles, served as Chief/SI, Italy and Albania during WWII. He is said to have been instrumental in resolving the Trieste crisis as an unofficial diplomat. Brennan also represented Parti National Haitien during the late 1950s and early 1960s. Paulding is requesting interviews with those who knew Brennan or can suggest avenues of research. The writer can be reached at (618) 432-5014 or by mail: Michael Paulding, 8761 Seven Hills Rd, Vernon, IL 62892.

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