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AFIO 7th Convention Hears Helms, NSC Chief Allen and Senator Chafee

AFIO held its 7th annual convention on October 2-3, and the record number of participants—over 370 in all—attests to the calibre of the speakers and the panel discussions throughout the two-day proceedings.

The convention, held, as last year, at the Holiday Inn, Tyson's Corner, Fairfax, Virginia, was a combination of renewed camaraderie, ceremony, intelligence insights and substantive discussions concerning Soviet disinformation and the Soviet role in international terrorism.

Speeches by Helms and Allen

The highlight of the convention came at the banquet on October 3 at which The Hon. Richard Helms, former Director of Central Intelligence and former Ambassador to Iran, gave a talk filled with reminiscences of his fascinating career, including vignettes of his participation in the handling of top international crises by US presidents over the two past decades. Helms also listed his reasons for *not* writing his professional memoirs, stating that documenting the various incidents and episodes would require an excessive amount of research. The overflowing banquet audience of over 400 hung on his every word.

Another major event was an unpublicized address to AFIO members only, by the Hon. Richard V. Allen, Assistant to the President for National Security matters. Allen, a superb public speaker with a gratifying sense of humor, outlined his attitude toward his job, his relationship to the President and to the other policy makers in government, and the role of the media and its reporting of events. His remarks were strictly off the record and for that reason they are not further summarized here.

Senator Chafee Comments

Perhaps the strongest "up-beat" moment of the convention came at the October 3 lunch when Sen. John H. Chafee (Rhode Island) a senior member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, told the assembled delegates of the efforts by the Congress to pass a variety of legislation to strengthen the intelligence community, including a bill on protection of the identities of agents and sources and one which would partially exempt CIA from some requests under the Freedom of Information Act. (A round-up on the status of such legislation can be found elsewhere in this issue.) Chafee assured the delegates that the mood in the Con-

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Mr. Richard V. Allen, Presidential Assistant for National Affairs, AFIO guest speaker on October 3.

AFIO Lunch on Pearl Harbor Day

On Monday, December 7th, 40th anniversary of the Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor, AFIO will hold its winter lunch at the Ft. Meyer Officer's Club in Arlington, Virginia. An appropriate speaker is being sought and AFIO members will receive a luncheon flyer. For those who can attend, put this date on your December agenda.

KGB Disinformation; A Senior Defector Speaks

Ilya Dzhirkvelov, a former KGB officer, defected from the Soviets in 1980 while assigned to Geneva, Switzerland. He now lives in Great Britain under official British protection. His last cover assignment for the USSR was that of *Novosti* editor.

The editor of the American Bar Association's *Intelligence Report* recently met Dzhirkvelov in England and recorded a remarkable interview with him, which appears in that publication's July 1981 issue. In it, Dzhirkvelov relates his own first-hand knowledge of how the KGB manipulates news, how it uses international organizations as "fronts" and how it supports terrorism.

Because of its length, we re-print herewith only the first half of the interview. The final part will be printed in the next issue of *Periscope*. Our thanks to ABA for its permission to us to re-print this informative interview:

Q. Will you introduce yourself, please?

A. I am Ilya Grigoryevich Dzhirkvelov, 54, a Georgian. Until April 1980 a citizen of the USSR. Married, with one daughter born in 1975.

Q. For how many years did you work for the KGB, in what capacities, and when did you leave their service?

A. In the organs of the KGB (then NKVD) I worked since 1944. I was recruited in Tbilisi, Georgia, and sent to the short training course for junior officers. Immediately afterwards I was dispatched to the Crimea and joined the so-called special detachments. For a while I was taking part in the combat and intelligence operations against the Germans but then our detachment was given the task to supervise the deportation of Crimean Tartars from their homeland. In February 1945 we guarded the Yalta Conference. After the war I graduated from an advanced KGB school in Moscow. On graduation I was sent to Romania for intelligence work but in a short while got recalled to Moscow and was given a job in the First Chief Directorate (Foreign Intelligence)—first against Middle East countries and then, for a short spell, against the United States.

During 1953-54 I worked for the Second Chief Directorate (Counterintelligence) where I looked after the embassies of the Middle East countries and foreign journalists stationed in Moscow. Then I was again moved to the First Directorate, into the position of Deputy Head, Section 10. That Section conducted frontier area intelligence and I was mainly responsible for Turkey and Iran.

In March 1956 there was some unrest in my native Georgia, where a peaceful demonstration was met by a hail of bullets. Right after those events I was sent to Georgia—against my will. Until the end of 1957 I was Deputy Head, First Section, of the Georgian KGB, at which time I applied for voluntary discharge, giving personal reasons. My application was granted and I joined my family in Moscow. My last KGB rank was captain.

However, my unofficial connection with the KGB was never severed. They were in touch with me both in Moscow where I was appointed Deputy Secretary General of the Union of Journalists and later abroad, when I was TASS correspondent in Tanzania and the Sudan from 1966 to 1972.

Q. Do you have any direct knowledge of the KGB disinformation operation, and if you do, could you describe some concrete examples in which you were involved or which came to your attention?

A. The KGB disinformation service took shape in 1947 when political intelligence of the KGB merged with the military intelligence (GRU) for "the more active counteractions to the cold war." The above services merged into the Committee of Information attached to the Council of Ministers of the USSR. In charge of the new Committee was Vyacheslav M. Molotov.

At that time the Fifth Directorate was formed. Its task was to conduct disinformation "undertakings" in Western and other independent countries. Initially, the Directorate was not responsible for the organization of sabotage, unrest or similar "extra-actions" as they were known. "Extras" were the responsibility of a separate section—the one headed by the notorious Colonel (then General) Sudoplatov and later one B. Studnikov. Now, however, both functions are entrusted to one and the same department in the KGB First Directorate. I think it is known as Department 13.

During my work in Tanzania and the Sudan I several times took part in the distribution of disinformation material. One example, in Tanzania, was our "work" to discredit the American Peace Corps. The line was that it was a CIA front organization and its subversive activity had to be "exposed." We tried, often successfully, to place prepared articles into local papers—preferably signed by the Tanzanians. The "authors" were always paid well, and "their" articles worked: Tanzania, and then Uganda, started refusing Peace Corps services.

The other example was in the Sudan. When an agreement was signed on the reopening of the American Cultural Centre, we were immediately ordered to spread rumors among politicians and other local dignitaries that the new Centre was no more than a CIA branch which had the task to destabilize the Jaafar Numeiry regime. We quoted "reliable American sources." Later, I succeeded in placing an article in a local newspaper with a strong indirect hint that the U.S. "special services" wanted to change the regime in the Sudan.

Such articles invariably get reprinted by the Soviet press and broadcast by the Soviet radio quoting the "source" chapter and verse.

Similar means are used for defaming those politicians and statesmen in the developing countries whom the Soviets do not like. The easiest publications for such defamation, as well as for placing articles extolling the "achievements" in the USSR, are, naturally, Communist and other left or "independent" papers and magazines.

(The final portion of this interview will appear in the next issue of Periscope)

Distinguished Panelists Discuss Soviet Role in Disinformation, Terrorism

AFIO Convention delegates heavily attended two discussion panels on Friday, October 2. A morning session was devoted to Soviet political action and disinformation, and one in the afternoon focused on the Soviet role in international terrorism.

Panel on Soviet Disinformation

In the morning session, Donald Jameson was moderator of the panel on Soviet political action and disinformation. Panelists were the noted writer ("The Spike") and journalist, Arnaud deBorchgrave; David Binder, assistant Washington bureau chief of the N.Y. Times; and Dr. Vladimir Sakharov, former Soviet diplomat who defected in Kuwait in 1971. Sakharov has recently written a highly regarded autobiography, *High Treason* (reviewed in a recent issue of the *Periscope*).

Discussion was highlighted by several sharp exchanges between deBorchgrave and Binder on the one hand, and deBorchgrave and Harry Rositzke, AFIO member and author of a new book, *The KGB*, on the other. DeBorchgrave accused Rositzke of down-playing the effectiveness of Soviet disinformation in his book and in recent newspaper articles, and quoted the top Soviet dissident personality, Andrei Sakharov, and other experts who warn that western journalists are being manipulated by the Soviets to propagate slanted and tendentious material as well as distributing forgeries which distort or falsify western aims and personalities.

Rositzke, who was in the audience, vigorously defended his views on Soviet disinformation and stated his own personal wish that the term 'disinformation' be abolished. He said he personally trusted the U.S. press and that if the names of U.S. journalists being paid by the Soviets came to light, it is the duty of those who know this to report it to the FBI.

Binder, while admitting that "we (the press) bury our corrections in back pages", said that disinformation was not worth getting excited about in peace-time. "Lies have short legs," he said. He also pointed to disinformation efforts by the U.S. in the past. His main theme was that corrections of known *disinformation* stories and campaigns launched by the Soviets are problems for governments to correct, not the free press.

AFIO Convention-Chafee Comments

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gress toward restoration of a strong and effective intelligence establishment is very good and expressed his strong personal support of efforts to strengthen it.

At the concluding business session, the AFIO Board of Directors reappointed Mr. John M. (Jack) Maury as AFIO president for another year. (Listing of the full Board including new members elected by ballot on October 3, appears elsewhere in this issue).

Sakharov, speaking from his previous experience with the Soviet diplomatic service (and involving close collaboration with the KGB and GRU) stated that the U.S. government and media "keep passing the buck back and forth" for corrections of disinformation items. He reminded his audience that the USSR considers the U.S. as "the main enemy" and that the Soviets devote their principal efforts to remove U.S. prestige and presence in all other countries by whatever means possible.

Panel on Terrorism

The afternoon panel, concerned with the Soviet role in international terrorism, had Harris Greene as moderator. Panelists were Mrs. Claire Sterling, political journalist and author of the best-seller *The Terror Network*; Mr. David Martin, senior Washington correspondent for *Newsweek* and author of a book on CIA officials, *Wilderness of Mirrors*; and Dr. Sakharov.

Mrs. Sterling bore down heavily on the role of Soviet surrogates and proxies (Cuba, Yemen, East European states) who assist western terrorists. She emphasized that she has been persistently and inaccurately accused of writing that the Soviets were in total control of western terrorists, pointing out that hers is the theory of "the loaded gun": the Soviets put at the disposal of western terrorist groups all kinds of training, documentation, money, equipment and arms, in many cases to those who are not in full sympathy with Soviet aims or doctrine. The principal aim of such Soviet aid, she said, is de-stabilize and to weaken the social and political fabric of western nations. Lest the U.S. become complacent, she said, the recent arrest of a wanted Italian terrorist, caught trying to enter the U.S. illegally from Canada, might be a warning of what may lie ahead for this country.

Martin, on the other hand, questioned what he said was a lack of conclusive evidence that terrorists were being directly controlled and assisted by Moscow although he agreed that they were being trained in some numbers elsewhere.

Sakharov dwelt on Soviet abilities to smuggle terrorists into the USSR for training. From his own background as Soviet consul in Egypt, he related that he issued great numbers of detachable visas for such terrorists so that they could enter and leave the USSR without any passport stamps or indicators.

For purposes of keeping the panel's focus on terrorists working against western societies, the Soviet role in assisting so-called "national liberation movements" against autocratic or repressive regimes was not brought into the discussion. All of the panelists were agreed that the Soviet hand in aiding and abetting terrorist movements attacking U.S. and western democratic targets had to be carefully monitored.

Chapters Report at AFIO Convention

On the morning of 3 October, the Convention turned its attention to hearing reports from the eighteen Chapters around the country. Highlights at this session were as follows:

- George Wiggins, President of the Arizona Chapter, the newest Chapter in AFIO, described how his Chapter was formed.

- Howard Furst, President of the Orange County Chapter, led off the California reports. He suggested that Life Membership be paid in installments, that advertising mats designed by AFIO be available to the Chapters and that the phone number of Chapter presidents be listed in *Periscope*.

- John Cole of the Pasadena-Glendale-Burbank Chapter urged the membership to concentrate its attention on educating the youth of this country about the need for intelligence. He also proposed that the annual conventions be held alternately between the west coast and the east coast.

- Eileen Scott, President of the San Diego Chapter reported that her Chapter now has 125 members and announced that San Diego would like to host next year's convention.

- Charles Hayden, President of the San Francisco Chapter telephoned in his report endorsing San Diego's bid for the next convention.

- Bob Dowd, newly-appointed Florida State Chairman, reported on the four Chapters in that State. There are currently a total of 250 members in the four Chapters. He suggested that more attention be given to educating U.S. labor union leaders on the need for intelligence.

- Dick Grant provided a written report on the Montana Chapter which continues, as most Chapters, to be active in promoting better public understanding of the role of American intelligence.

- Bill Buhl reported on the Central New York Chapter. Derek Lee, President of the Greater New York Chapter, reported on his visit to the Ohio Chapter and discussed the need to verify that local Chapter members are also members of AFIO.

- Lewis Lewton, President of the Ohio Chapter (Cleveland), spoke highly of Derek Lee's visit and the press coverage of the Chapter's meetings.

- Randy Welch reported on the Keystone Chapter in Pennsylvania and brought up the problem of verifying the information in membership applications, a topic of concern to a number of members, although AFIO cannot perform any investigation or name traces on applicants. (We must largely rely on the referral system in which a current member vouches for an applicant.)

- Fred Rodell, President of the Gulf Coast Chapter (Houston), reported on his Chapter developments, and Wendell (Tex) Little, President, Lone Star Chapter (San Antonio), covered many of his Chapter's educational efforts. Tex suggested that AFIO keep the Chapters abreast of legislative developments, especially on pending bills. (Note: *Periscope* has tried to do this and will continue to do so.)

Status of Legislation of Intelligence Interest

The House passed the Intelligence Identities Protection Act on September 23, 1981 by a vote of 354 to 56. The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence reported out a bill which contained language that would have impeded prosecution by requiring proof that the exposure of agents' identities had impaired the U.S. foreign intelligence activities. Congressman John Ashbrook (R., Ohio), however, introduced an amendment to reinstate the previous 'intent' language which had been in the original HR 4 when introduced. This amendment passed and the House rebuffed its own Intelligence Committee by passing a stronger bill than the Committee reported to the floor. Congressman Ashbrook paid AFIO a compliment by stating that our organization was composed of individuals 'who knew what the needs for intelligence were.'

On October 6, the Senate Judiciary Committee voted 9 to 8 to weaken S 391 with language similar to that contained in the House Committee version. However, Senator John Chafee (R., R.I.) has announced that he intends to offer an amendment to restore the original language to S 391 when the bill is considered on the Senate floor about October 21. If the Senate passes S 391 there will be a conference to work out the differences between the House and Senate versions. It looks as if there will be an identities protection law this fall.

Freedom of Information Act

Senator John Chafee's S 1273 is an amendment to the National Security Act of 1947 which authorizes the Director of Central Intelligence to designate those records within the Intelligence Community which are exempt from FOIA. This bill may take some time before it is brought up for a vote because of jurisdictional problems. The Government Operations Committee is considering an Administration proposal to do away with FOIA entirely. AFIO has already testified before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in support of S 1273.

Convention Statistics

Would you believe that 30 percent of our conventioners came from 26 states and Mexico, for a total of over 100 AFIO members and spouses who do not live in the Maryland-Virginia-Washington, D.C. area? The five states with the largest contingents at the Convention were Florida (15), California (14), New York (13), Texas (9) and New Jersey (8). Of the states represented, 30 members were present from those west of the Mississippi.

Colonel Frank Brandstetter of Acapulco, Mexico, who had been visiting China, flew to the Convention directly from China, arriving tired from jet-lag but alert. W. O'Day Constance came from Haleiwa, Hawaii. These two win our praise as those who traveled the longest distances to come to our Convention. Hats off to both!

Convention '81: Up Front and on the Sidelines



Sign-in time at our Convention tables.



AFIO Luminants: L to R, Dick Bates (AFIO Vice-President), John Warner, Dr. Louis Tordella, and AFIO Chairman of the Board, Dick Stewart.



Our unsung volunteers ready to handle the crush of arriving Delegates.



Head Table at Convention Banquet.



Our Convention Chairman, Col. Bob Roth, has a few comments.

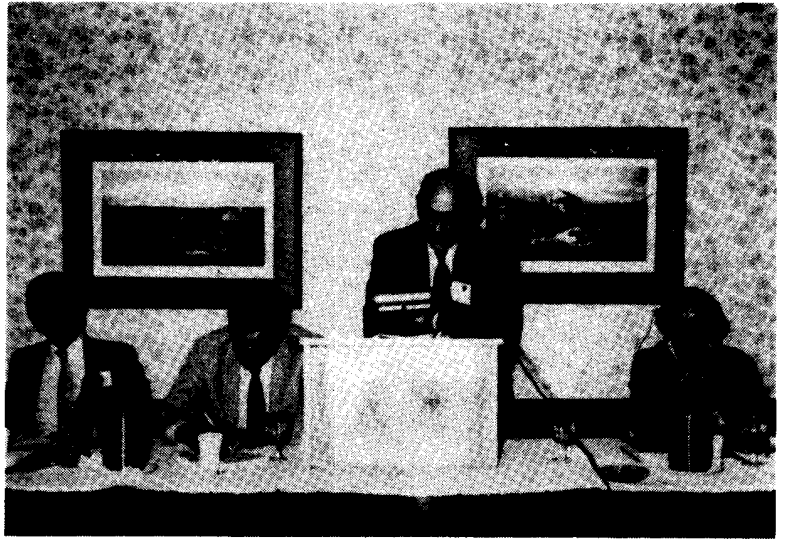


U.S. Navy Sea-Chanters open our Convention with music.

Convention '81: Speakers and Panels



Richard Helms addresses AFIO Convention Banquet.



Panel on Soviet Role in International Terrorism. L to R: David Martin, Vladimir Sakharov, Moderator Harris Greene, Claire Sterling.



Panel on Soviet Disinformation; L to R: Vladimir Sakharov; David Binder, N.Y. Times; Moderator Donald Jameson; Journalist Arnaud de Borchgrave.



Senator John Chafee (R.I.) addresses Convention Luncheon, October 3.

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AFIO contributions to such courses include writing short scholarly essays for a seminar pamphlet series, longer pieces for more ambitious pamphlets or paperback books on intelligence, or complete text books. There are opportunities for AFIO members to redo the existing subject reading lists in support of course-curricula now being used in our government intelligence schools. There are also a number of books of readings used by our government schools which could be published for use in colleges, if an AFIO member would volunteer to handle the laborious process of gaining permission from each copyright holder for our education project. Finally the opportunity exists for volunteers to speak or to act as seminar leader on intelligence topics at colleges and universities near a member's home.

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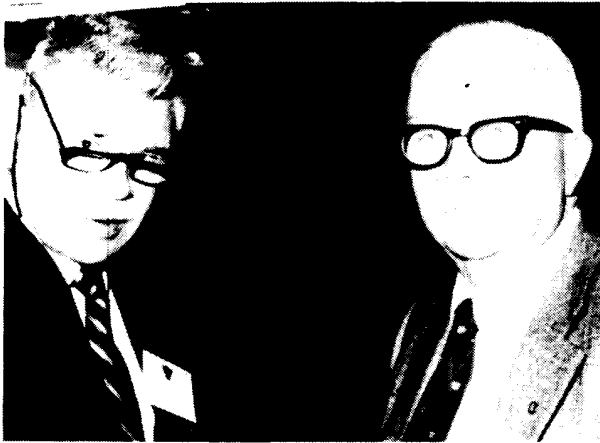
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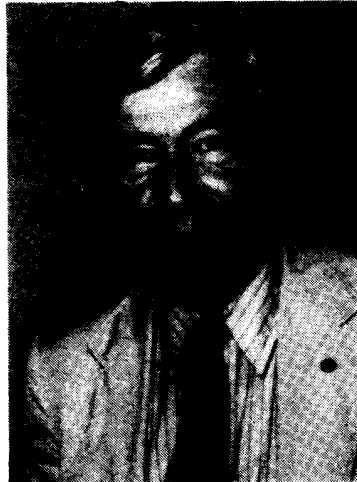
A portion of AFIO Convention throng at Panel Sessions.



The Lucky Ticket! Cash drawing livens Business Session.



Bill Nelson, Ex-DDO, in from California, flanked by Ken Millian from New York.



Convention Committee stalwart, Sam Hopler.



Hospitality Suite: L. to R., Sam Halpern, Ken Millian, George Cary.



Delegates Otto Guthe and Bob Kunkel.



Bill Hood, wearing full Convention Disguise Kit.



L. to R., Vince Heyman, Dick Lanser.

AFIO Convention Affirms Three Resolutions

At the Saturday, October 3 business session of the annual convention, the following three resolutions drawn up by AFIO's Executive Committee and endorsed by our Board of Directors, were overwhelmingly approved by the delegates. (Copies of the resolutions have been forwarded to the appropriate committees of the Congress):

Resolution on Protecting the Identities of Intelligence Agents

WHEREAS there is a concerted effort on the part of those who would destroy the United States intelligence services by systematically identifying all U.S. intelligence operatives in other countries, an effort most graphically displayed in such periodicals as *Covert Action Information Bulletin* and *Counter Spy*; and

WHEREAS these disclosures are believed to have resulted in the murder of one CIA station chief, the machine-gunning of the home of another person who was so identified, and other incidents; and

WHEREAS these disclosures endanger the lives of U.S. intelligence operatives and seriously impair the effectiveness of intelligence activities; and

WHEREAS hearings have been held on such legislation, H.R.4 in the House and S.391 in the Senate, and said bills are substantively identical, with the House having approved H.R.4 on September 23, 1981;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Former Intelligence Officers in convention assembled on October 3, 1981 calls upon Congress to enact either S.391 or H.R.4 into law as expeditiously as possible.

Resolution on Freedom of Information Act

WHEREAS the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) as applied to the intelligence community has seriously impaired the effectiveness of intelligence efforts; and

WHEREAS the Freedom of Information Act has created substantial monetary burdens and diversion of senior officer skills in the Intelligence Community; and

WHEREAS the inability of intelligence agencies to assure sources, whether human, governmental, or institutional, both foreign and domestic, that the agencies can fully protect identities and sensitive information from exposure under the Freedom of Information Act, causing a substantial reduction of cooperation and the loss of many sources; and

WHEREAS the basic purposes of the Freedom of Information Act can be fulfilled on behalf of historians and scholars, and also those desiring knowledge of files kept on themselves through application under the provisions of the Privacy Act and the declassification provisions of Executive Order 12065; and

WHEREAS representatives of the Intelligence Community and the Association of Former Intelligence Officers in testimony on July 21, 1981 before the Senate

Select Committee on Intelligence on S.1273, which provides some relief from the onerous requirements of FIOA, urged the Committee to provide additional relief by exempting CIA and other intelligence entities entirely from FIOA;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Former Intelligence Officers in convention assembled on October 3, 1981 press upon the Congress the urgency of acting upon S.1273 and the recommendations of the Intelligence Community and the Association of Former Intelligence Officers that all intelligence entities be exempted entirely from the Freedom of Information Act.

Resolution on Standards of Professional Conduct for Intelligence Personnel

WHEREAS despite the high standards of conduct established by the several Federal intelligence agencies and observed by the majority of intelligence personnel, there have been abuses; and

WHEREAS among the most serious abuses have occurred where former intelligence personnel exploit for personal gain their former intelligence connections by creating, encouraging or permitting to exist among unwitting individuals or organizations an impression they are still in some way associated with or acting on behalf of an intelligence or other Federal agency pursuant to a duly authorized National program or policy; and

WHEREAS such practice, from whatever motive, has the effect of directly supporting a primary objective of hostile intelligence services by casting doubt on the integrity and credibility of our intelligence organizations and personnel; and

WHEREAS such practice presents a serious obstacle to a primary objective of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers, which is to encourage public understanding of and support for our intelligence agencies by promoting the highest standards of professionalism, discipline and personal integrity among intelligence personnel, both active and retired;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Former Intelligence Officers in convention assembled on October 3, 1981, requests the officers of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers to consult with the several private professional intelligence organizations for suggestions on possible means of addressing the issue of standards of professional conduct for intelligence personnel and present their findings to the Board of Directors of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers.

On the Intelligence Bookshelf . . .

Current books of interest to intelligence buffs and watchers of the world scene.

Beyond 'Ultra'

(The following book review is re-printed from a recent issue of Studies in Intelligence, the CIA quarterly periodical.)

THE ENEMY IS LISTENING: The Story of the Y Service. By Aileen Clayton, Hutchinson, London, 1980. 381 pp.

This book helps fill an important gap in the historiography of intelligence in the second World War. The several fine books on "Ultra"—recounting the break into the highest grade German ciphers and how that break was exploited by the British—have left virtually untold the broader story of the monitoring of German signals traffic during the war. *The Enemy is Listening* tells a part of that story, and does so very well indeed.

Because the author's experience was entirely with the Royal Air Force, references to the similar activities on the part of the army and navy are largely incidental. Thus, the subtitle would be more accurately rendered as "The Story of the RAF-Y Service." Though in large measure a personal narrative, in this reviewer's opinion this book is fair-minded, accurate and illuminating in detail, and laced with a self-effacing humor. It conveys a sense of excitement at critical breaks into the enemy's tactical communications.

Mrs. Clayton's credentials for writing this account are impeccable. Owing to her proficiency in German, she was selected in 1940 for Y assignment at almost the makeshift beginning of its expansion. Serving in Y throughout the war—in England during the Battle of Britain, on Malta when that island and incoming convoys were under persistent attack, in the North African and Italian campaigns—Mrs. Clayton was the first woman to be commissioned by the RAF as an intelligence officer and the first to be decorated. She ended her Y Service career in a grade equivalent to major.

The tardy recognition by the U.S. Army Air Corps of the value of tactical communications intelligence, and the need for RAF-Y to provide the guidance and training to make the American Signal Intelligence Service effective, is tactfully recorded—along with praise for its later contributions.

The Y Service was responsible for a number of vital functions. One was the interception of the raw material for "Ultra" by outposts along the British coast and by field units co-located with operational military units; and the immediate transmission of those intercepts to the analytic center at Bletchley Park, England.

A second was the interception of voice and morse transmissions in lower grade exploitable cipher of immediate—and often critical—tactical value. These intercepts provided early warning of enemy air or surface attack or hostile air reconnaissance flights (well in advance of radar plots); weather data; order of battle information; movements of Luftwaffe units, and airfields in or out of use. The Y field units were in continuous communication with forward operations centers so that tactical intelligence was swiftly disseminated to those who could act upon it. Likewise, the units were in 24 hour two-way communication with analytic installations in interior Britain, exchanging information and obtaining help in reading enciphered German tactical traffic. Complementary to "Ultra" intelligence, which reached commanders via a separate communications system, Y Service intelligence was much more prolific at the field level. During the campaign in the Western desert of North Africa, the author tells us, RAF-Y produced 30 to 50 messages per day of operational value. (The volume was at least that great in Western Europe after "Overlord.")

Another function was to fix the location of enemy ground transmitters by taking line-bearings from two or more widely separated positions (called d/f-ing). Another, probing with specially equipped aircraft, in conjunction with other sources such as air reconnaissance, was to establish the locations, range and efficiency of enemy radars. Prior to the invasion of Sicily, Mrs. Clayton writes, intelligence staffs were "fully conversant with all the activities of the enemy's early warning system, its extent and efficiency, and the strength and location of any opposition likely to be encountered by raiding aircraft." By the time of the landings at Salerno, Italy, RAF-Y had emplaced across the Mediterranean theater 113 receivers monitoring Luftwaffe morse channels and a further 30 on voice intercepts, plus two units aboard combat ships.

NBC Televises KGB Expose

Our AFIO President, Jack Maury, and a number of other prominent US intelligence experts, including former DCI William E. Colby, will be appearing in an NBC TV documentary special on the KGB which is scheduled to be shown nationwide on November 27, at 10 p.m. EST (one hour earlier in the midwest).

To be sure, Y was an immensely complex set of activities requiring a large, tightly structured organization and rapid, dependable, secure two-way communications both internal and with operational commanders. Key personnel needed special qualifications: high proficiency in German, German military lingo, abbreviations, cryptography, and communications idiosyncracies. They had to adjust to frequently uncomfortable physical conditions. Airborne monitors in particular, who flew with British and U.S. bomber formations and provided mission commanders with early warning, and often the altitude and direction of attack, were required in addition to have exceptional hearing and single-minded vigilance. They had to be prepared to live with a plausible cover story if captured.

In his foreword, Air Chief Marshal Rosier calls Y Service people "a tenacious and gifted band of men and women without whom the direction of events in the Second World War, and the ending, might have been very different." Amen.

[*Editor's Note:* We regret to note that Mrs. Clayton died recently.]

Edward C. Hitchcock

AFIO Education Report

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As a result of Bates' presentation, a dozen members immediately volunteered to support the project. Another half-dozen indicated a real interest in participating, providing a suitable project and the time to do it can be identified. Additional volunteers are expected to write to AFIO headquarters after they have had a chance to consider the impact such work will have on their schedules and other commitments.

Dick Bates, at least initially, will assume management of the project. In the next two months, a mailing list of those who will work on it will be compiled and an educational project newsletter will be sent to each member on that mailing list. Specific projects will be identified to fit the capabilities and amount of free time of the volunteers. In the meantime, work on our first short seminar pamphlet goes on, with a publication date scheduled in December. Once that pamphlet is published and distributed to teachers we know are interested, we will aggressively seek foundation grants to continue the pamphlet series for three years and an estimated production of six pamphlets. Our first newsletter in the education project will include a draft letter of solicitation to foundations, for members' comments.

Finally, as the result of interest on the part of one of our members, Bates had already been approached by a publishing house which specializes in books of readings and the prices look inviting. To all our AFIO members, we urge that you volunteer if you are willing to work on this, one of AFIO's priority projects. Write to Capt. Dick Bates, USN (Ret.) at National Headquarters.

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From the President's Desk: Convention Kudos

Our 1981 Convention was a success beyond all expectations. Total attendance figures—close to 360 registered members and 140 guests—approached 500. The stature of speakers and panel participants, and the substance of their contributions, was in every way outstanding. Surely no one could have been better qualified to comment on intelligence matters from the perspective of the White House and the NSC than Dick Allen, and he spoke, and answered questions, with admirable clarity and candor.

From the perspective of the Hill, Senator John Chafee's contribution was, I think, something quite special. I particularly appreciated it on the basis of having spent some years on the Hill myself, trying to create a better understanding there of the special problems of our profession. We do indeed have many friends and advocates on the Hill. I know of none, however, who has devoted more time and effort to our cause, or who understands the intelligence issues more clearly, than Senator Chafee. It should be remembered that those who labor on our behalf on the Hill receive little in return in the way of votes, public recognition or popular acclaim. So we should all be doubly grateful for their unsung support.

We were remarkably fortunate regarding our panelists. On two topics of front-page current interest we had the two most prominent spokesmen in the country: Arnaud de Borchgrave on "disinformation" and Claire Sterling on international terrorism. Vladimir Sakharov was uniquely qualified to address these issues from the perspective of a former senior Soviet diplomat with close KGB connections. David Binder of the *New York Times* and David Martin of *Newsweek* contributed useful comment and healthy skepticism from the media.

As our banquet speaker, Dick Helms entertained and enlightened us as no one else could with reminiscences of earlier days, including vivid vignettes of personalities and events bearing on the crises and convulsions of the national security establishment in by-gone years.

Space does not permit adequate accolades for all those who made the Convention such a success, and especially Bob Roth and his Convention Committee, and the many volunteer assistants. As we look back with pride and pleasure on our most successful Convention to date, let's remember that it came about *only* because of the tireless and freely donated efforts, over endless tedious and frustrating hours, of those Committee members and volunteer assistants, whose names appear elsewhere in this issue.

And now, looking ahead, there's work to be done. The "identities" and Freedom of Information bills on the Hill; follow-up action pursuant to our Convention Resolutions; our emerging education program; and continuing work with the media, including participation in a major documentary by a national network, consulting on a cover story by a national magazine, individual talk-show appearances; and the ongoing quest for funds so that we can make our efforts in these fields fully effective. In one or another of these efforts, every Chapter, and indeed virtually every member, may find a role to play. See what *you* can do.

Jack Maury



Jack Maury, re-elected AFIO president at Convention '81.

AFIO Chapter Activities

(A sampling of recent Chapter activity is reported below. If you desire to have *Periscope* coverage of Chapter events, please write to us promptly and with full details.)

Florida: On October 7, the Suncoast Chapter of AFIO had as guest speaker at its autumn meeting Rear Admiral Darl Christoph Jr, USN, chief of staff for the U.S. Readiness Command and the Joint Deployment Agency.

Arizona: On July 25, Brig-Gen James A. Teal, commanding officer of the US Army Intelligence Center and School, Ft Huachuca, spoke to the Arizona AFIO chapter, describing methods and technical systems in field collection and coordination of intelligence.

California: The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter on July 8 heard Dr. Vladimir Sakharov speak of his experiences as a member of the Soviet elite before his 1971 defection. [Dr. Sakharov who is now President of IRIS (Independent Research & Information Systems) of Los Angeles, later also appeared on two panels at the AFIO national convention on October 2.]

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