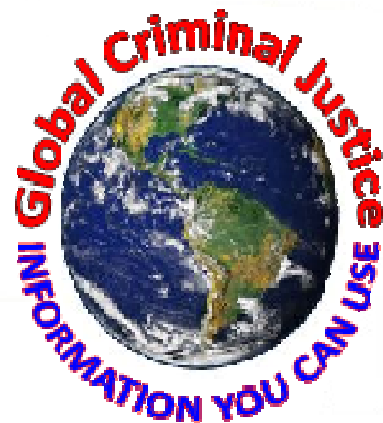


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Global News



IRAN: Smuggling weapons and heroin

The Islamic Republic of Iran is reported to be supporting Islamic rebel movements in Africa through various "front companies" to disguise its involvement. Shipments of heroin and weapons traceable back to the Al-Quds brigades in Iran have been intercepted.

Iranian drug smugglers are also operating in Afghanistan and Afghan Government forces apprehending Iranian drug smugglers routinely send them back to Iran under an agreement to have them serve their criminal sentence in Iran.

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A few months later the same smugglers show back up in Afghanistan.

It is therefore puzzling that on 29 January 2011 the Iranian government executed Sahra Bahrami, an Iranian woman with Dutch citizenship, for drug smuggling. Telling, however, is that Bahrami was part of the protest movement against the Iranian president's fraudulent re-election. The drug charges appear to have been fabricated.

The smuggling of heroin provides the Al-Quds brigades' revolutionary guard needed revenue for its foreign operations and weapons assist rebel Islamic movements in their battle against established governments in Nigeria and Gambia. Weapons shipments are also used to support separatist movements such as the Mouvement des forces démocratiques de la Casamance (MFDC) in Senegal in order to spread the influence of Iran in Africa. Iran is additionally funding the indoctrination of converts to Islam and their follow-up schooling in Iran.

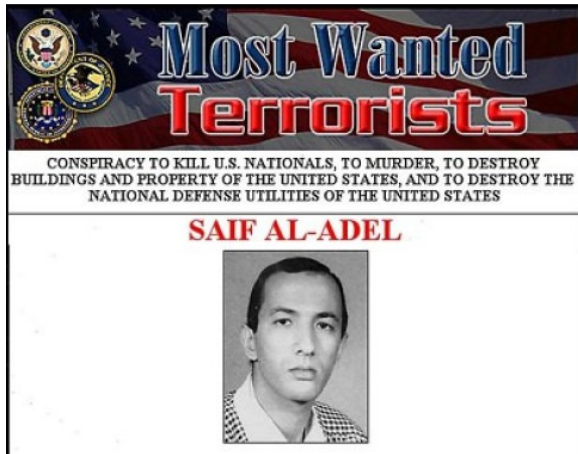
Parallels to the Communist Movement

This process is ironically similar to the techniques used by the former Soviet Union to spread communism and its

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influence world-wide. Major leaders such as Marshal Tito (Yugoslavia), Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam), Walter Ulbricht (Germany-East), and others, attended the "Komintern" school in the Soviet Union where they were schooled and indoctrinated to install communist governments in their home countries.



Iran's harmful activities also extend to the US war on terror. Saif Al-Adel, a terrorist wanted by the U.S., along with other high ranking Al Qaida members, were recently released from Iranian custody and the Iranian government is providing Al Qaida clandestine assistance to fight against Nato Soldiers.



GERMANY

A sexual assault in Dörpen, Germany led police to conduct DNA tests of the town's 2406 males between the ages of 18-40. Police selected the individuals for testing based on the victim's assessment that the

Offender was about 25 years old. None of the samples matched the DNA from the crime scene, but later in the investigation a crime lab person noticed a similar pattern between the DNA from the crime scene and the DNA samples taken from two different males of the same family. After further investigation it was concluded that the offender was a 16 year old close relative of those tested. That male relative was subsequently detained and a sample was taken from this minor. The sample matched the DNA from the crime scene.

In their initial DNA testing of males living in the town, police refrained from testing minors under 18 due to the "bureaucratic" nightmare when attempting to obtain judicial authorization to take a DNA sample from a minor.

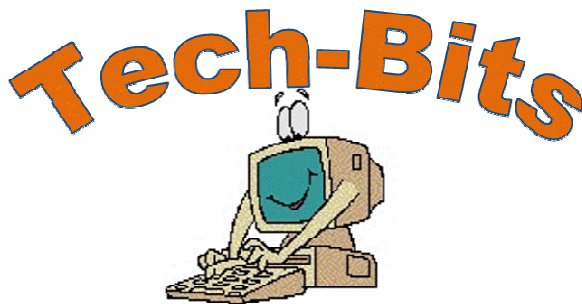
BURKHAS AND CIVIL SERVANTS

The July 2009 criminology newsletter reported the adoption of the "police hijab" by some British law enforcement agencies for their female officers when entering mosques and also the ability of Muslim female police officers to wear the hijab whenever on duty.

The trend to accommodate Muslim civil servants has resulted in a political battle in Germany where a female Muslim municipal employee told the city that she would henceforth be wearing a Burkha when performing her duties. The Burkha is a complete head and body covering, and the wearer's face is hidden behind a mesh type cover or screen that permits the wearer to see but prevents others to see the wearer's eyes.

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The Muslim woman in Frankfurt, Germany has not yet reported for work and the controversy was addressed by the German Justice Minister Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger who felt that the wearing of a Burkha by Muslim women while performing their duties in a government position should not be prohibited.



ATF ANNOUNCES NEW VERSION OF APP FOR APPLE IPHONE AND IPOD DEVICES

Are you a fan of ATF? Now you can download an app for iPhones and iPod devices to read about the history of ATF and be emailed the latest news from ATF. The app can also be used to locate ATF field offices. Read the press release

<http://www.atf.gov/press/releases/2011/01/012811-atf-atf-announces-new-version-of-app-for-apple-iphone-and-ipod-devices.html>

or download the app directly at:
<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/atf/id408467237?mt=8>



SKYPE now offers group video calls for up to ten persons as long as one of the callers has a premium account.

The ability to have up to ten persons participate in a video call is affected by the type of hardware and internet connection. For optimal performance the group should consist of no more than five persons with a Broadband Internet connection capable of a downstream speed of 4Mbit and an upstream speed of at least 512 Kbit, along with a 1 GHz computer processor. Download the required skype Version 5.0 at:

<http://www.skype.com/go/download> or find out more at www.skype.com.

INTERNET BANKING SECURITY

The March 2010 newsletter article "Cyber Crime: CREATIVE RESPONSES BY THE GERMAN BANKING INDUSTRY" described the use of Paper based Transaction Numbers that are sent to account holders and then used during any internet based banking transaction. Once used, the transaction number (TAN) is voided and

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cannot be reused. This was thought to prevent anyone from hacking into accounts using passwords alone.

This system has since been found to be equally vulnerable to hackers who intercept and redirect the internet based transaction to a different bank account than the one indicated by the customer. Trojans that are resident in computers can also trigger a false confirmation of such intended transactions. The best defense, other than not making any internet based transactions, is to ensure that virus and anti-trojan software is continually updated and that the user not open suspicious emails.

There is also another on line banking process that is used in Germany and in the United States. The account holder requests a transaction via the Internet, and the bank sends a transaction number to the account holder's cell phone. The account holder then uses this "one time" number to make a transaction over the internet. Separating the transaction into two different paths, one via the internet and the other via cell phone, appears to be safer but is not totally fool proof.

CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT B.S. CRIMINOLOGY DEGREE PROGRAM

The criminology department in conjunction with the Division of Continuing and Global Education offers an off-campus B.S. in Criminology program to applicants who have completed their A.A. degree or about 60 units at a junior college and who qualify for admission to the university as transfer students. Applicants to the B.S. degree

program must also be current government employees or have recently been laid off due to organizational budget reductions. New classes in the B.S. degree program begin in February 2011 and students can enter the program any time new classes begin. While one of the three courses for Feb-Mar already began, prospective students can still join the current classes if they sign up before Friday, 11 February. Interested persons should immediately email Dr. Schweizer: haralds@csufresno.edu

More information at:

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowndegreeoverview.htm>

Current/Upcoming Classes are scheduled as follows:

Monday evenings:

CRIM 01-Success in Crim.

CRIM102-C.J. Organ. & Administration*

Febr. 7, 14, 21, 28 Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28

*Also meets Saturdays Feb. 5 & Mar 5

Wednesday evenings:

CRIM 100-Crim Theory

Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23

Also meets Saturdays Feb. 19 & Mar 19 Depending on the instructor, some classes may use on-line instruction for a part of the course.

It is still possible to join classes in progress for a minor late fee, and instructors will assist latecomers with updates on what they missed.

Information on the DOWNTOWN GRADUATE PROGRAM is accessible at:

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowngraduateprogram2011.htm>

Photos of Egyptian Police



The following photos were taken during an Administration of Justice trip sponsored by the Division of Continuing and Global Education and the Department of Criminology in summer of 2010



These photos were taken by members of the travel group.