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A Love Traps Lured Diplomats

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WATCH ON WASTE: Deep in the rugged Canadian backcountry of Labrador, the U.S. Strategic Air Command has maintained three rustic fishing lodges for vacationing military brass.

Through last August, the favored officers were served by guides who helped them choose lures and clean their fish, while cooks and other lackeys catered to their slightest whims. The tab, of course, was picked up by the taxpayers.

Originally established as survival training camps, the lodges were used for several years as vacation spas. Among the guests has been Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. George Brown.

Last year, \$35,000 in salaries was spent to coddle the visiting bigwigs. Another \$4,200 was paid out by the Strategic Air Command in maintenance costs. An Air Force spokesman pointed out, however, that the lodge guests paid for their own food.

The visiting VIPs, however, did not pay for their air transportation to the remote but spacious fishing lodges. They were shuttled from the SAC base a Goose Bay, Canada, on ancient planes called "Otters" and "Albatrosses." Incredibly, the SAC budget listed these planes as "strategic offensive aircraft."

These pontoon planes were also used to shuttle visitors and SAC personnel stationed at Goose Bay to Sand Hill, another Canadian lodge which is privately owned by a retired general.

The public is now rid of this tax burden. The Pentagon says it will not reopen the lodges next summer, but instead will turn them over to the Canadian government.

Footnote: While the Pentagon has economized on these Canadian lodges at No Name River and Minipi Lake, the brass still has taxpayer-supported fishing lodges in Alaska. Congress has now asked the General Accounting Office to look into all such military vacation spots.

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FBI Admits Monitoring Mich. Lawyer

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Forty conversations of a Detroit lawyer, who is not alleged to have violated any laws, were monitored by the FBI when he talked with targets of FBI electronic surveillances, the bureau has admitted in court papers filed in Detroit.

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In addition, the FBI has admitted making reports on 29 of the lawyer's speeches and having 145 conversations with persons outside the bureau concerning the lawyer's activities.

The admissions were made after the lawyer, Abdeen M. Jabàra, charged the FBI in a civil suit with violating his constitutional rights of free speech and assembly by investigating him without having any reason to believe he had engaged in criminal conduct. tr for add one

In a telephone interview; Jabara, a native of Michigan, attributed the FBI's surveillances to the fact that he represents a group of Arab students in the United States and a group of university graduates of Arab extraction. In addition, he said, he has publicly advocated converting Israel into an independent state for Moslems, Christians and Jews. FBI spokesman James Murphy declined to comment on the grounds the matter is in litigation.

• The FBI said in the court papers that its investigation of Jabara was lawful and that the information gathered did not relate exclusively to activities protected by the First Amendment.

Any electronic surveil-

ances, the bureau said, were authorized by various attorneys general to obtain foreign intelligence.

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Since 1972, the FBI said, 40 of Jabara's conversations had been monitored when he spoke with persons who were the targets of 13 different FBI electronic surveillances. No bugs or wiretaps were placed on Jabara's telephone lines or in his home or office, the FBF spid.

Asked if the outside conversations it had about Jabara were part of an ongoing probe of criminal activity, the FBI said no. After it made this statement, the FBI continued its surveillances of Jabara, the papers filed in U.S. District Court indicate.

Jabara said he learned of the surveillances by chance in 1972. He filed suit in the same year and was later joined in the litigation by the American Civil Liberties Union.

John H. F. Shattuck, national staff counsel of the ACLU, is scheduled to testify about the FBI statements Thursday before the House Judiciary's subcommittee on administration of justice, headed by Rep. Robert W. Kastenmeier (D-Wis.).

by Rep. Robert W. Kastenmeier (D-Wis.). In his suit, Jabara charges the FBI surveillance was part of an FBI counterintelligence program, known as Cointelpro, and that it is currently part of an intergovernmental program called Operation Boulder. The latter program is aimed at reducing the effectiveness of Arab-American political activists, the suit alleges.

• Jabara said he learned of the FBI's interest in him after he was informed anonymously that a local bank had asked one of its branches if it had any of his accounts. Jabara sued the bank, which then disclosed that its request had been prompted by an FBI inquiry. Jabara then sued the FBI.

In response to the suit, the FBI said it had asked five banks if it had Jabara's acrounts. In one case, the FBI said, it had obtained details of

a \$1,000 deposit made by Jabara with funds from one of the Arab groups he represents.

, Jabara charged in his suit that the FBI communicated with his friends and associates to obtain information about him and to discourage them from associating with him by creating the impression he was engaged in criminal activity.

In making its statements, the FBI did not disclose the locations of its electronic surveillances but did list the times and dates when Jabara was overheard on them.

The FBI said its coverage of Jabara's speeches occurred because the bureau was interested in the organization that invited him or in what other speakers said.

In almost every case, the FBI statements show, the bureau summarized the views Jabara expressed at the meetings.

In a typical summary, the FBI said Jabara had given a report on the Vietnam Referendum Committee. Another summary said Jabara had espoused the cause of the Palestinians in the Mideast. A third event was described as a poetry reading by observers of Free Palestine Week.

The only Arab action advocated by Jabara, according to the summaries, was filing of a class action suit against the FBI and adoption of a resolution expressing support for Arab combatants and dismantlement of the Zionist movement.

Jabara recently contended some of the summaries were inaccurate.

COLBY WITHHOLDS DATA ON POLICE AI

Asserts Programs of Local Agencies Would Suffer From C.I.A. Disclosure -215175

By DAVID BURNHAM Special to The New York Times WASHINGTON, Feb' 4---Wil-

liam E. Colby, tWe Director of Central Intelligence, has refused to identify police depart-ments he says his agency assis-ted until two years ago because "such publication could hamper

"such publication could hamper current police programs." Mr. Colby, in a letter to Re-presentative Edward I. Koch, Democrat-Liberal of Manhat-tan, said. "Confidentaility of rer-quisite to good intelligence. If we are forced to violate the trust and confidence under which these relatios relation-ships were established, our re-putation and effectiveness as a serious intelligence agency will putation and enectiveness as a serious intelligence agency will be seriously impared." The Central Intelligence Agency is currently facing in-

vestigations of allegedly illegal involvement in domestic intel-ligence activities by committees of the House and Senate and a panel established by President Ford.

Mr. Koch first inquired about the C.I.A.'s relationships with police departments two years police departments two years ago following publication in The New York Times of reports that high ranking officials in the New York Police Depart-ment had undergone training at the agency's headquarters in ! Langley, Va.

For Dozen Departments

As a result of Mr. Koch's inquiry, the House Government Operations Committee initiated

a limited investigation that re-sulted in the C.I.A.'s admission that it had provided assistance and training to "a dozen city and county police depart-ments."

The agency, though it insisted that the contacts with the po-lice departments did not violate its charter, announced, in a letter to the House committee dat-ed Jan. 29, 1973, the termina-tion of all such activities.

tion of all such activities. About this time, the identities i of several additional police de-partments that had been i trained or otherwise assisted by i the C.I.A, became known. Be-sides New York, they included the departments in Washing-¹⁰ ton, Boston, Fairfax County, i Va., and Montgomery County, i Md. Md

It was a letter from Mr. Ko-chon Jan. 9 of this year about the identity of the remaining seven departments the agency had assisted that prompted Mr. Colby to refuse to name them:

Doubts It Is Classified

After making his request, Mr. Koch said, "With the recent press reports concerning the extensive activities of the C.LA., I would think that the information I am requesting could not possibly be consi-dered classified."

dered classified." According to the C.I.A. and the New York Police Depart-ment, 14 New York policemen, including former First Deputy Police Commissioner William H. I. Smith, received training in the commuterized handling of the computerized handling of intelligence information during September, 1972.

The training for the other departments reportedly included the detection of wiretaps and other secret recording devices, the techniques of secret surveil-lance and methods for finding xplosive charges.

xplosive charges. The C.I.A. said it did not be-lieve the training activities, violated either the letter or spirit of the 1947 law establish-ing the agency, which said it "shall have no police, subpoena, law enforcement or internal se-curity functions" in the United States. States. 100