Spies, Lies & Intelligence

Fifth in the Christ Church Autumn Series on the theme of Conflict

3-8 September 2006

Christ Church
OXFORD
Spies, Lies and Intelligence

Post-war intelligence, intelligence after 9/11, the future of intelligence...

“Everything changed with the end of the Cold War. Up to then we knew what we had to do and who the potential enemy was and we could train and prepare accordingly. Now it's all guess work”.

General Sir Peter Inge
Chief of the Defence Staff 1996

From the familiar historical certainties of World War II, through the treacheries and ultimate triumphs of the Cold War, we have emerged into an age when “Terror” is the West’s new political and security watchword. The security services that protected us in the past have sharp new challenges before them, shadowy but mortal threats in a high-tech clandestine world.

The conference brings together authors, experts and intelligence practitioners of international standing and examines the evolution of intelligence, espionage and deception across more than half a century since the end of World War II.

The conference will look at the high and low points of the Cold War, as East and West confronted each other across an iron-curtained world: Burgess and McLean, Kim Philby and George Blake; Oleg Renkovsky who tipped the balance for JFK during the Cuban missile crisis; Gary Powers exchanged for Colonel Abel on the Glienicke Bridge at Potsdam. Traitors and heroes, spies and lies will all come under expert scrutiny. The development of computerised code-breaking from World War II’s Station X to today’s digital fortresses in Britain, the USA and elsewhere around the world; the evolution of “Cyberwar” and an informed look ahead to the new threats and terrors will bring this expert examination of the contemporary world of intelligence right up to date.

The lecture programme for this major international conference has been organized under three broad headings: The History of Intelligence, from 1945 to the end of the Cold War; The Present State of Intelligence, up to and beyond 9/11 and 7/7; and the Future of Intelligence: the new uncertain complexities we face in the 21st Century.

This programme will provide delegates with an overview of modern intelligence, and the problems confronting the intelligence community and the public, and suggest where past experience is a guide to future action. The role of faith, and the stance of Islam, in all its apparent enigmatic diversity are a key component.

In addition to the full lecture programme at Christ Church, University of Oxford, the conference includes tutored visits to the Museum of Defence Intelligence and to the National Codes Centre at Bletchley Park, home of the famous Enigma codebreakers.

The Programme Advisor is Robin Neillands, military historian, author and broadcaster.
The Experience

Conference participants are accommodated in the college’s comfortably modernised student study bedrooms. These are located in buildings of architectural and historical interest, beside lawned quadrangles or overlooking gardens or the Meadow. Rooms are located on ground, first, second and third floors and the buildings themselves reflect the different centuries since the college’s foundation.

Each has self-service tea and coffee-making facilities, telephone, wash hand basin and shaver point. Bathrooms, showers and toilets are plentifully available and located nearby.

The college’s accommodation includes the popular twin ‘sets’ providing a separate private lounge in addition to individual bedrooms. Ensuite rooms (with private shower and toilet) are also available, for single or twin occupancy. Please indicate your choice of room on the booking form.

Meals are prepared under the direction of the college’s head chef, Mr Roland Dépit. All meals are served in the college’s magnificent Tudor Hall. A vegetarian option (ovo-lacto-vegetarian) is available at all meals by advance arrangement, and other diets can be catered for. Please ensure this is requested on your booking form.

The Buttery Bar, adjacent to Hall, will be open before meals and after dinner for social evenings, as programmed. Participants will be able to purchase wines from the college’s well-stocked cellar. A common room is available to participants and offers telephone, fax and internet connections.

An evening concert, access to private gardens or the college’s renowned Picture Gallery, which contains an internationally important collection of old master paintings and drawings, are also part of the cultural experience.

There is time in the programme for leisure and for exploring Oxford. Guests wishing to participate in the bespoke private visit to the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms in London are welcome to book an extended stay.

Non-participating Partners

A modest reduction on the conference tariff is offered to the partners not wishing to join the lecture programme, but who would like to stay at Christ Church. They will be able to take advantage of the diverse resources and attractions available in Oxford and the surrounding countryside. Partners will enjoy the full social and hospitality programme, and the day visit to Bletchley, as well as a guided City Tour and an escorted day in the Cotswolds.

“...In Afghanistan...
The urgent thing was communism, but the next target was America”.

Osama bin Laden 1995
Saturday 2 September
16.00 Registration for Early Arrivals
18.00

Sunday 3 September
Optional Excursion to the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms in London led by Mark Seaman
09.00 Depart Christ Church, Oxford
10.30 Arrive Churchill Museum/Cabinet War Rooms Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms
15.00 Coaches depart London for return to Oxford
14.00 Registration in the Junior Common Room with refreshments
18.00 Welcome & Conference Overview by John Harris, Steward of Christ Church and Robin Neillands, Programme Advisor
18.45 Opening Reception in Tom Quad
19.30 Dinner in Hall
20.30 Showing of feature film “The Spy who came in from the Cold” based on John le Carré’s best seller - starring Richard Burton - Introduced by Mark Seaman

Tuesday 5 September
08.00 Breakfast in Hall
08.45 Visits to Museum of Defence Intelligence, Chicksands and the National Codes Centre at Bletchley Park
10.45 Morning Coffee
11.15 Amir Taheri Islamic Terrorism: Defining a Problem
13.00 Lunch in Hall
14.15 Professor Richard Aldrich Terror or Globalisation? Secret Intelligence and the Challenges of the 21st Century
16.00 Optional Tours or Free Time in Oxford
19.00 Gala Dinner Reception
19.30 Gala Dinner
21.30 Buttery Bar open for farewell drinks

Wednesday 6 September
08.00 Breakfast in Hall
09.15 Bill Duff The Gathering, Processing and Exploitation of Intelligence
10.45 Morning Coffee
11.15 Intelligence Brains Trust - Panel discussion led by Nigel West, with Mark Seaman, Stevyn Gibson, Chapman Pincher and Major RAM Seeger
13.00 Lunch in Hall
14.15 Dr Michael Goodman Intelligence and Nuclear Proliferation
15.45 Afternoon Tea
16.15 Mark Seaman Secret Intelligence in the Cold War: 1945 - 1989
18.00 Buttery Bar open for pre-dinner drinks
19.00 Dinner in Hall - With After Dinner Speaker Nigel West - Counter Espionage
20.30 Buttery Bar open

Thursday 7 September
08.00 Breakfast in Hall
09.15 Dr David Kahn Codes, Codebreakers and the new Cryptography
10.45 Morning Coffee
11.15 Amir Taheri Islamic Terrorism: Defining a Problem
13.00 Lunch in Hall
14.15 Professor Richard Aldrich Terror or Globalisation? Secret Intelligence and the Challenges of the 21st Century
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Friday 8 September
08.00 Breakfast in Hall
Conference disperses
Value for Money
Christ Church aims to provide a diverse and comprehensive event of high quality and scholarly merit, at an inclusive price which represents good value for money.

Some comments from participants:

A huge thank you to everyone involved in the conference. It was just brilliant

Great value and most professionally presented

The lectures were of an extremely high standard given by leading experts in their fields.

My room was well appointed and comfortable, the standard of culinary excellence extraordinarily high.

Special Needs
The conference is centered on the Christ Church main site in the heart of Oxford: all facilities are conveniently located within a few minutes' walk. Some ground floor bedrooms are available, but the college cannot presently offer residential facilities for wheelchair users. We shall do our best to support other special access needs, within the constraints imposed by a historic built environment. Early advice on special needs is requested.

The main lecture theatres audio systems includes an induction loop.

Reserving a Place
Provisional reservations are welcome at any time and may be made by post, telephone, fax or email. All are subject to early completion, signature and submission of the enclosed booking form (photocopies are acceptable) together with a non-refundable deposit of £100 per person. Payment of the full fee is required by 1 June 2006: bookings will be acknowledged but final payment reminders will not be sent. For bookings after this date, full payment is requested.

Conference Fees
Prices are per person (except where stated) and include the full academic lecture programme, escorted outings as advertised, five nights' accommodation in Christ Church, all meals and refreshments as scheduled, opening and closing receptions, the Gala Dinner with wine, luggage porterage on main arrival and departure days, staff service charge. Gratuities are not expected.

The tariff does not include travel to Oxford, drinks, dinner wines on some nights, out-of-pocket expenses or travel insurance (which is recommended).

Inclusive 5 Night Programme £885
A reduction of more than 10% of the above price (£795) is offered for all bookings received before Friday 10 March 2006 for those booking the full programme

Non-participating Partners £780
Meals included

Non-residential delegates £695
Lunch and dinner included

Supplementary Charges
Bedroom with private shower and toilet (per room) £150

Early arrival - night of Saturday 2 September, or Extended stay - night of Friday 8 September per night in standard room bed and breakfast £50

ensuite supplement (per room/night) £30

Daily and part-conference rates are available on application to the Conference Administrator after March 2006.

Other Booking Terms and Conditions
Acceptance by the college of a reservation constitutes a confirmed booking, and participants are strongly recommended to take out travel insurance to cover against cancellation through illness, injury or other cause. The college and the organisers will act in good faith in the circumstances of each case, and at their discretion, anticipate adhering to the following cancellation policy:

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All monies are held by the Steward of Christ Church.

Conference Mailings
A reading list will be sent with all booking confirmations. Further information will be sent out to participants no later than 30 days prior to the conference start date. This information will include any changes to the programme, confirmed timings, directions to Christ Church and dress code advice.

Force Majeure
The College reserves the right to make alterations and substitutions to the programme and will not be liable for non-performance of any obligation under this contract arising out of circumstances beyond its control.

A limited number of places have been set aside for scholars whose academic work relates closely to the conference theme, but who may not ordinarily be funded for an event of this stature. Applications will be welcomed. Those interested are asked to make informal contact with the Programme Advisor in the first instance. In due course a written submission will be sought.
Speakers

Professor Richard Aldrich
Professor of International Relations, University of Nottingham, England, a regular commentator on war and espionage. Educated at Manchester, Aberdeen and Cambridge Universities, he has held a Fulbright Fellowship at Georgetown University in Washington DC and worked in Canberra and Ottawa as a Leverhulme Fellow. His books include The Hidden Hand: Britain, American and Cold War Secret Intelligence.

Professor Christopher Bellamy
Is Director of the Security Studies Institute, Cranfield University and heads its MSc in Global Security. Trained as a historian, Russian linguist and military analyst, he is the author/editor of seven major books including The Oxford Companion to Military History and, most recently, Absolute War: Soviet Russia in World War II - a new History.

Bill Duff
Who has a Masters Degree in Irish politics and is a Fellow of the Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies, served with Special Branch of the Royal Ulster Constabulary. He now lectures on the lessons learned during the IRA ‘Troubles’ by intelligence agencies throughout the world.

Dr Stevyn Gibson
Is a Research Fellow in the UK Defence Academy’s Resilience Centre. As well as researching the exploitation of open source intelligence and its effect upon the intelligence function, he lectures on risk and security. Steve has published on risk awareness, risk theory and intelligence. He is author of The Last Mission - a personal account of intelligence collection behind the Iron Curtain.

Dr Michael Goodman
Is a lecturer in the Department of War Studies, King’s College, University of London. He specialises in the study of intelligence and teaches British intelligence, and Scientific and Technical Intelligence. He has researched at the Truman and Eisenhower Presidential Libraries into Anglo-American intelligence on Soviet nuclear weapons programmes.

Dr David Kahn
‘A historian of Intelligence’ and widely regarded as the expert on codes and cryptology, and communications intelligence, his books include The Codebreakers, Hitler’s Spies and most recently The Reader of Gentlemen’s Mail, on the birth of American code breaking. A frequent contributor to the Journal of Strategic Studies, David Kahn has lectured on modern political and military intelligence at Yale and Cornell Universities.

Baroness Daphne Park
Now a member of the House of Lords was a senior officer of MI6 - the Secret Intelligence Service - for more than 30 years. She ran agents in Moscow during the Cold War, infiltrated Hanoi during the Vietnam War and smuggled men out of post - independence Congo. Her career began in World War II when she volunteered to train Resistance fighters and Anglo-US Jedburgh teams parachuted into France. Secret intelligence work, she states, is not as portrayed in spy novels and on film!

Chapman Pincher
A famous investigative journalist, who covered the great spy trials and investigations that revealed the work of the Atom Spies, the Cambridge Spy Ring, Burgess, Mclean and Anthony Blunt, whose treachery undermined British and US Intelligence co-operation during the Cold War.

Mark Seaman
Is a historian specialising in intelligence and special operations. He was a member of the Research and Information Department of the Imperial War Museum for 22 years until joining the Cabinet Office in 2002. He has written extensively on British intelligence in the twentieth century and has made several studies of the transition from world war to Cold War. His books include Bravest of the Brave, Garbo - The Spy who saved D-Day and The Secret Agent’s Handbook.

Major R.A.M. Seegar, M.C, Royal Marines
A distinguished combat officer, now retired, and a former commander in the Special Boat Service, the maritime equivalent of the SAS, decorated for action in Borneo. With recent experience of terrorist activity in Colombia, Afghanistan and elsewhere, Major Seegar is an expert in counter terrorist warfare.

Amir Taheri
Born in Iran and educated in Tehran, London and Paris, member of the Board of the Institute for International Political and Economic Studies and of the Executive Board of the International Press Institute. He writes and speaks widely on contemporary issues concerning the Muslim world.

Dr Stephen J. Weiss
Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Department of War Studies, King’s College, University of London. Dr Weiss served in World War II and joined the French Resistance behind German lines during the Liberation of France, when he was awarded the Legion of Honour and the Medaille de la Resistance. His books include Allies in Conflict and The Resistance and The French. He lectures on psychology of war and the experience of war.

Nigel West

Organisers

John Harris Steward of Christ Church, director of the College’s conference business, member of the Governing Body and originator of the Conflict series.

Robin Neillands Programme Advisor, is a military historian and author of over 40 books. He lectures at Oxford and appears on radio and TV in the UK, USA and Germany.

Alexandra Webb Is Christ Church’s Conference and Events Administrator. Alex is supported by Philippa Duffin and Kerry Deeley.

Contact Information

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Enquiries about the academic content of the programme, and scholarship applications should be sent to the Programme Advisor at Christ Church.

The Conference is organised by Christ Church, a founder member of the Conference Oxford Consortium and an investor in People organisation.

Christ Church is pleased to be associated with: Bletchley Park, Elderhostel, Holts Battlefields and History Tours and Eye Spy Magazine.
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## CHRIST CHURCH, OXFORD - 3-8 SEPTEMBER 2006
### BOOKING FORM

**Title**  
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**DEPOSIT/FULL BALANCE PAYMENTS**

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**CHURCHILL MUSEUM AND CABINET WAR ROOM**

Optional Excursion Sunday 3/9/06  £70.00 per person

**TOTAL PAYMENT**  

Deduct Early Booking Discount (£90.00 per person) on bookings received before 10/3/06

Deduct Deposit Paid (£100 per person to be included with booking form)

**BALANCE PAYMENT - DUE BY 1/6/06**  

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

**Diet:**  

**Other:**  

**AGE GROUP** please tick:

- 18-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60-69
- 70+

**SOURCE OF BOOKING**

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**DECLARATION**

I certify that I am authorised to make this booking on behalf of the persons named above. I have read and accepted the booking terms and conditions detailed in the conference programme. I confirm that the details on the booking form are correct. Please tick this box only if you do not wish to receive further information on future programmes at Christ Church.

**Signed**  

**Date**

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**Office Use Only**

- [ ] DEPOSIT & BOOKING RECEIVED
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