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Re: Our Conversation of August Last on Oswald LeWinter

Jerenny Gunn, rins message (a copy or a news article uateu 5 iviay 1550) reacheu me yester-uay. Daviu iviantik and I are a bit puzzled. When I met with you last Aug-ust and advised you that David had had an encounter with Oswald LeWinter--or DeWinter, about which I was unsure--who had told David that the CIA hadindeed reprocessed the Zapruder film under the auspices of the NSA at FortMeade, you told me that you would check it out. Later you advised me thatthe CIA had told you that there was no such person or that he was a phony.In light of this new development, we are wondering whether you were beingmisled by the CIA at that time (deliberately or otherwise) or if these newdevelopments are intended to discredit him for having "talked shop" when itwould have been prudent to keep his mouth shut. If the CIA was lying aboutLeWinter then, could they not be lying about him now? And if they were ly-ing to you as the Executive Director of the ARRB, what recourse may exist?We look forward to hearing from you.JimJames H. FetzerMcKnight ProfessorUniversity of MinnesotaDuluth, MN 55812jfetzer@d.umn.edu------- Forwarded message ---------(London) Independent(c) 1998 Newspaper Publ. PLC. All rts. reserv.09623128 Al Fayed and the CIA conman Independent (IN) - Sunday, May 3, 1998By: Peter Koenig Edition: 3 Section: Features Page: 21 Word Count: 1,601MEMO: In a plot that would make Le Carre blink, the Harrods boss hasseemingly foiled a scam and caught a fugitiveTEXT: WHATEVER you think of Mohamed AI Fayed - the deception about hispast, the scabrous language, the weakness for conspiracy theories - theman has an undeniable talent for getting in on the action. Last weekhe popped up again - this time as a friend and ally of the US CentralIntelligence Agency. The bare bones of the story are straightforward: Mr Fayed was approached by a man claiming to have proof confirming theHarrods owner's darkest suspicion: that the car crash in which Diana, Princess of Wales and Dodi Fayed died was murder. The man wanted to sell the proof for pounds 10m. This was a sting. The documents are 99.9 per cent certain to be forgeries. Oswald LeWinter, the67-year- old American made the offer, turned out to be a renegade agent theCIA has long wanted to bring down. Mr LeWinter is, by many accounts, the most formidable confidence man in the world today, and last week, at a meeting in Vienna with Mr Fayed'ssecurity officer, John McNamara, he was arrested on fraud charges andcarted off screaming to jail. THE CIA immediately descended on Vienna in force. First, to make sure MrLeWinter was properly bagged, then to debrief a man who has helpedjournalists who believe the CIA is implicated in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am103 over Lockerbie. The other reasons the CIA was in Vienna were to makesure that the man led to it by Mr Fayed did not slip through its grasp as aresult of Austria's known laxness in high-profile espionage cases, as wellas Mr LeWinter's possible connections with East Europe's organised crime. "LeWinter is an example of a brilliant

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