

SPYING:

Classified information may have gone to Israeli lobbyists who then sent it to Jerusalem.

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FBI officials have been quietly investigating for months whether Franklin gave classified information — which officials said included a draft of a presidential directive on U.S. policies toward Iran — to two Israeli lobbyists in Washington who are alleged to have passed it on to the Israeli government.

Officials said it was not yet clear whether the investigation would become an espionage case, or perhaps would result in lesser charges such as improper release of classified information or mishandling of government documents.

Pentagon officials said Friday that Franklin was not in a position to have significant influence over U.S. policy. "The Defense Department has been cooperating with the Department of Justice for an extended period of time," a Pentagon statement said. "It is the DOD's understanding that the investigation within DOD is very limited in its scope."

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's office Saturday issued a statement saying Israel was not involved in the matter and conducts no espionage in the United States. AIPAC has strongly denied any wrongdoing and said it is "cooperating fully" with the probe.

The FBI investigation was touched off months ago when a series of e-mails were brought to investigators' attention, said a U.S. official familiar with the case. It moved into high gear in recent days, said another official. "I think they are at the end of their investigation and beginning to brief people in the chain of command, partly to make sure that the acts weren't authorized," a Justice Department official said Friday.

Franklin works in the office of William Luti, deputy undersecretary of defense for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs. For years a bureaucratic backwater, the office has been in the thick of the action since 2001 because it formulates Pentagon policy on Iraq. It played a central role both as the U.S. military prepared for the spring 2003 invasion, and since then as the Pentagon has overseen the occupation.

Luti's office is part of the policy operation under Feith.

Feith has been a controversial figure in U.S.-Israeli affairs since the mid-1990s, when he was part of a study group of American conservatives, then out of government, who urged Israel's then prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, to abandon the Oslo peace accords and reject the basis for them — that Israel should give up land in exchange for peace.

More recently, Feith has been a target of criticism from Democrats who claim that two offices in his branch — the Office of Special Plans, headed by Luti, and the Counterterrorism Evaluation Group — sought to manipulate intelligence to improve the Bush administration's case for war against Iraq.

House and Senate intelligence committee investigators found no evidence for allegations that the Pentagon offices tried to bypass the CIA, or had a major impact on the prewar debate. But in the Senate panel's report on prewar intelligence, three Democratic senators specifically criticized Feith's operation.

In Kearneysville, W.Va., about 80 miles from the Pentagon, neighbors of the Franklins interviewed Saturday said they did not know the family well.

Though nobody answered the door, voices were heard in the house, which had a "God Bless Our Troops" sticker and an American flag in the window.

People who know Franklin from different phases of his life offered contrasting accounts of his political views.

A U.S. government official familiar with the investigation said Franklin was very outwardly supportive of Israel, for example. But a former co-worker at the DIA disputed that characterization, saying that he did not recall in years of working with him any strong political statements about Israel or anything else. Franklin, he said, was a solid, competent analyst specializing in Iranian political affairs, especially the views of top leaders and the course of opposition movements.

Powell cancels trip to Greece

By GEORGE GEDDA
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WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Colin Powell canceled his trip to Greece at the last minute partly because of concern his presence — expected to be met with anti-war protests — might have disrupted the closing ceremony at the Olympics, State Department officials said Saturday.

Powell's decision, announced just hours before he was to depart, came after anti-American protests in Athens on Friday that featured "Powell Go Home" placards.

The secretary was not concerned about his own security but felt Greek organizers were entitled to carry out the Sunday night ceremony without the potential for distraction that his presence might have caused, said two State Department officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Many Greeks had wondered why Powell planned to visit this weekend, knowing his presence would likely provoke protests. Until Powell announced his vis-

it, there had been none of the anti-American demonstrations that were feared in the run-up to the games.

He discussed the situation on Friday with Greek Foreign Minister Petros Moliviatis. Powell said he hopes to travel to Athens in October.

The officials said a contributing factor was the U.N. Security Council's debate this week over the performance of the Sudanese government in carrying out a council resolution last month on Darfur.

The council set Monday as the deadline for Sudan to demonstrate it is acting to improve security and humanitarian access in Darfur and to curb Arab militias in the western Sudanese region.

Some council members, notably China and Pakistan, have been reluctant to take strong steps against Sudan. It is not clear what the United States will recommend during the upcoming deliberations.

In Athens, the Greek foreign ministry said Powell decided against the trip because of "ur-



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A woman shouts slogans during a protest in central Athens on Friday to protest a weekend visit by U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell. Powell canceled his trip to Greece at the last minute partly because of concern that his presence might have disrupted the closing ceremony at the Olympics.

responsibilities."

The State Department said initially that the situations in Iraq and Sudan led to the cancellation. Later, however, officials said Sudan was the primary foreign concern this weekend for Powell.

On Wednesday, a department spokesman, Adam Erel, said officials were aware of protest plans. "We are committed to visiting our Greek friends and sharing in this very important occasion," he said.

In a letter, Powell congratulat-

ed Moliviatis "for the especially successful and secure organization of the games."

Friday's protest was directed largely against U.S. policies in Iraq. Greece, along with about 10 other members of NATO, is not a part of the U.S.-led coalition in Iraq.

Riot police used tear gas to disperse hundreds of demonstrators protesting Powell's planned visit. About 1,500 people who took part in the march were prevented from taking their protest to the U.S. Embassy.

Communist Party member Aristotelis Gontikas said Powell's decision was a victory for those opposed to U.S. policies and was not targeted at Americans.

"I believe that the reaction of the Greek people still counts. It is not by chance that Greeks measure in polls as the most anti-American," Gontikas told the AP.

Associated Press writers Elena Becatoros and Miron Varouhakis in Athens contributed to this report.

STORRS:

The lack of after-school programs was a concern.

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break into houses," Storrs said standing in a classroom at New Concept Preparatory School, where he works as a co-administrator.

Public schools in the area include Emerson Elementary, Madison Middle and Central High. Emerson and Central in the past have scored average or below in state test scores, and Madison this year again landed on the state's recently released School Improvement List.

Storrs worried because his almost 13-year-old niece, who also lived in the area, was due to attend Madison. She transferred to another middle school, but Storrs didn't stop worrying.

He realized all three schools lacked after-school programs every student could attend, and he couldn't shake the idea that he should help.

Storrs had seen young lives change a decade ago during an after-school program he designed and ran while a youth worker in Ithaca, N.Y.

He witnessed the same effect while running a similar program at a community center nearby.

Storrs sees the same possibility at the three Tulsa schools in his area, and to help him pursue this goal, he gathered up a local group, which includes staff members of New Concepts Preparatory School — a private school in the same facility as the Deborah Brown Community School. Storrs has sent an eight-page proposal to apply for an almost \$1.5 million federal grant and will hear whether the proposal

After-school care programs listed

Tulsa Public Schools before- and after-school care programs are available for kindergarten through fifth-grade students at the following elementary schools: Academy Central, Bryant, Columbus, Disney, Grimes, Grissom, Kendall-Whittier, Kerr, Key, Lanier, MacArthur, Patrick Henry, Phillips, Roosevelt, Salk, Skelly, Wright, and Zarrow International.

For more information, contact a school or the Before and After Care office at 746-6447.

Tulsa Public Schools offers after-school services

through the federally funded 21st Century Community Learning Center program at Cherokee, Marshall, McClure, Greeley, and Hawthorne elementary schools and Nimitz middle school.

Tulsa Community College offers after-school services through the same federal program at Anderson, Alcott, Penn and Houston elementary schools, and Gilcrease and Monroe middle schools.

For more information about the Learning Center programs, contact the schools.

has been accepted next month.

The 21st Century Community Learning Center Program grant is a key component of President Bush's No Child Left Behind Act and gives federal dollars for after-school programs.

If that doesn't pan out, Storrs has a list of alternative funding options to try and tap. "We will go on," he said.

The main idea of the program, called Intelligent Young Minds, is to add to what already exists in the schools, such as making the fee-based, after-school program at Emerson Elementary available to parents who can't afford it.

Of the school's 430 students, 86 percent are in families poor enough to qualify for free or reduced lunches, said Principal Jane Barnes.

Sixty students were in the program last year. Barnes said she wants to double that number and feels confident that Storrs will get the grant next month.

"We're hopeful, but on

hold," she said. "I'm really positive about it, and we're just going on like we're going to get it."

Madison Principal R.P. Ashanti-Alexander said he thinks Intelligent Young Minds is a good idea, but his school will follow district recommendations.

Storrs graduated from Booker T. Washington 25 years ago as Tony Storrs, but he changed his name about 20 years ago to Toshiav, a Hebrew word, when he converted to Judaism.

He first moved to Ithaca to attend Cornell University. He graduated with a degree in social work and returned to Tulsa to work with indigent families.

"I got the opportunity to volunteer at a (local) juvenile facility," Storrs said, "and I found out I have a knack for working with teenagers, especially teenage boys."

He went back to Ithaca to work with teens full time and has done so as a county em-

ployee and program director of a community center until his return to Tulsa earlier this year.

Storrs said the after-school programs he ran in New York can work here because they provide youngsters with some of the things all children need to become successful, including acceptance from others, access to an adult mentor and academic enrichment.

The program is built with grants in mind.

"I researched what gangs were about and modeled that, only doing positive things instead of negative," Storrs said. "At the time, that was a radical idea ... and it turned out to be great."

The ideal program, he said, works in tandem with school and would offer reading classes and tutors.

Perhaps the most important and unusual element of the program is that each student must be sponsored by an adult — preferably a family member — who will participate in a majority of activities.

"What we know from scientific research is that the single greatest factor that determines whether a child is successful is whether they have a dependable, caring adult or not," Storrs said.

"Putting together these programs, you can keep kids as busy as you want, but unless they connect with one adult individual to see them through it, you're wasting your time."

Storrs has been that person for some of the 15 children he has foster-parented or adopted, as well as his biological son and daughter. He said the great-

est thing he ever did for those kids was "just show up."

When one foster son was acting out at school, Storrs simply showed up for first period, followed the boy to classes and didn't stop until he straightened up.

"I never had to go back to that school again," he said.

Lost teenagers find their way to Storrs, he said, because "I don't come to them with an agenda."

"I am very honest with them about who I am, and I am interested to hear what they think," he added.

He remembers a history teacher he had back in school who could relate to the kids because he still had a piece of teenager in him.

The history teacher is joined in Storrs' mind by a handful of adults who affected his upbringing. There was his stepfather, who drove Storrs on a paper route at 3:30 a.m. to 92 houses around Tulsa and, in those wee hours of morning, got to know his stepson.

There were his aunts, uncles and grandparents. And then his mother, a woman he will lose one day.

She is "quite inspirational," Storrs said.

"She made sure that I took advantage of every opportunity that came down the pike.

"She created for me, single-handedly, the opportunities that I see us providing for children in the after-school program."

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