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Re: Keeping Secrets

From: Roger Evans <moviestuff@cyberjunkie.com>
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Subject: Re: Keeping Secrets

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 25 Jan 1999 11:44:08 -0500
>Fwd Date: Mon, 25 Jan 1999 11:44:08 -0500
>Subject: Re: Keeping Secrets

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 23 Jan 1999 12:14:52 EST
>>Fwd Date: Sun, 24 Jan 1999 08:51:03 -0500
>>Subject: Keeping Secrets

Previously, Jim had written:

>>I was, in 1970, working on a project called NAGS. This was the
>>acronym for Naval Advanced Guidance System. It was one of the
>>means by which a Polaris Poseiden warhead would guide itself
>>towards target(s), as these were MIRV or multiple warheads.

>>The security at the facility was very, very strict. You needed a
>>top secret clearance just to get into the work area.

<snip>

>>... including the top secret portions, which threatened corporeal
>>[sic] punishment and a cruel death to anyone on the project
>>who leaked information, even by accident.

Bob responds:

>Does Mr. Mortellaro expect us to take this statement at face value,
>or is it a joke? "Corporal punishment and a cruel death" for
>accidental leaking of information?

>Jim, can you cite one single documented instance in which
>punishments such as this have been authorized or applied in the
>United States of America? I'm obviously not talking about the
>Rosenberg spy case, or the execution of NAZI agents during World
>War II. Please be specific with as many examples as you can find,
>or cite the applicable section of U.S. law authorizing such things.

Hi Bob,

Have you taken a look at the title of this thread? It's called
"Keeping Secrets". It isn't titled "Public Acknowledgement of
Wrong Doing by the Government".

You ask for documentation about something that you know would
be secret in the first place! Then you back up your logic,
citing that such extreme actions are not the known policy of the

US Government so they couldn't possibly happen which, in your mind, accounts for the original lack of requested documentation.

Talk about circular logic...

It's like saying that murder is illegal, therefore murder must not exist. Or that an attempted rape did not happen because the victim can't provide evidence to back up her claim since she was alone.

Is it really your contention that the US Government never does anything illegal, never breaks laws, has never had anyone silenced simply because "known policy" says otherwise? Do you really believe that the government even bothers to make all of its policies known to the public? Or that they would publicly acknowledge hurting anyone one, if not forced to? Do you really believe everything the Government tells you?

If not, then why? Certainly lying is not part of "normal policy" so they must be telling the truth. Right?

Where do you think the term "clandestine operations" comes from?

Or have you never heard of IRAN-CONTRA? Or the happless soldiers used in LSD experimentation? Or Agent Orange? Or the plight of radiation victims near the A-Bomb test sites?

Jeepers, Bob. I don't know what country you live in, but it sure sounds swell. Can I move there, too? Your government is obviously more honest than mine.

Later,

Roger Evans

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